

DSSO Newsletter

Hello Everyone! Happy New Year! We at DSSO hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a New Year. We could not believe that January flew past fast! We will have new activities over the next few months.

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Game Night Added

We are adding a Game Night on April 16th. Dennis Ross is the chairperson. There will be bunco and polish poker as well as

socialization. We will provide further details as we get close.

Moving Sale

Joeann King is having a moving sale on February 11 and 12 from 7

a.m. to 4 p.m. The address is 618 Driftwood Place, Medford, Oregon 97501. Everything must go.

Community info

DSSO has some important information about Video Remote Interpreting, interpreting problems and Oregon Shakespeare Festival (OSF).

Oregon Shakespeare Festival (OSF) is **quickly selling out** of all the tickets in the SI (Sign Interpreted) section for the interpreted performance of *To Kill a Mockingbird* on Sunday afternoon, May 29th. Howie Seago has a very significant role in the production, and his fans from across the country are coming to see him. The performance itself is already sold out, so there is absolutely no chance of adding tickets to the SI section. If you want a ticket for that performance or for the other two performances that weekend, *Measure for Measure* on Friday evening, May 27th, and *August: Osage County* on Saturday, May 28th, please contact Jim Amberg at jima@osfashland.org and he will reserve the seats for you.

About Interpreting

Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) is not a replacement for live interpreters

in hospitals, law offices and other important places; VRI is used when there are no live interpreters. Also VRI helps protect patient/client privacy as some people do not feel comfortable with using local interpreters.

The Rogue Valley has a problem with live interpreters. There are not enough live interpreters in the Valley at all. So, VRI will help reduce the interpreter shortage.

Currently, Rogue Valley Medical Center (RVMC) has a VRI pilot (test) program in three areas: emergency room, registration and obstetrics (pregnancies). There are plans to expand VRI to other areas and to patient rooms.

There seems to be an interpreter problem at Providence - right now, there is no interpreting available. The problem is being investigated in house by Susan Hall. Please be aware that Ms. Hall is trying to help provide full communication access to deaf/hard of hearing patients and clients at Providence.

To see what National Association of Deaf (NAD) has to say about VRI, go here:

<http://www.nad.org/issues/technology/vri/position-statement-hospitals>. According to this link, NAD is in favor of VRI, not as replacement but as a solution when there are no live interpreters available.

Congratulations to our officers

Congratulations to Bobby Coleman, new DSSO President. Dean Darling is still Vice President. Missy VanDomen is still Treasurer.

Many thanks to all who stood for elections last December.

Jacque Wattle remains Secretary until her term expires this year.

Dennis Ross is now a Trustee. Sheila Schatz is the new fundraising coordinator - she will help with DSSO fundraising.

For DSSO members - please renew your membership as soon as possible. There is a membership form enclosed.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5 SOBAD - Lebanon
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 W Prayer Walk/ Lincoln's B-Day
13	14 Valentines Day	15	16	17	18	19 Cupid Family Valentines Day
20	21 Presidents' Day	22 Washington's B- Day	23	24	25	26 Pizza Night/ Love Feast Potluck
27	28 Newsletter sent out today					

Everybody is welcome. These ongoing activities are open to all members of the deaf/hard-of-hearing/hearing impaired community including interpreters, students, teachers, family and friends.

For further info, please contact Janice VanDomelen, Event Coordinator, at jicvand@charter.net.

Events and Upcoming Events • OSF = Oregon Shakespeare Festival • DCC = Deaf Coffee Chat

February

February 5th - Southern Oregon Bowling Association for the Deaf - flyer/map

February 12th - Deaf Women's Prayer Walk - Rogue Valley Mall Starbucks; 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

February 19th - The Cupid Family Valentines Day Party; 5 to 9 p.m. Lions Center - **DCC canceled**

February 26th - Pizza Night - Abby's Pizza on Riverside (Highway 99 at Barnett Road); 5 p.m. to close

February 26th - Love Feast potluck dinner; 2:30 p.m. potluck starts at 3 p.m. at Rogue Valley Deaf Christian Fellowship
922 West Harbeck Road, Grants Pass OR. Bring main dish, side dish, dessert and friends.

March

March 5th - Southern Oregon Bowling Association for the Deaf

March 12th - DSSO Meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center

March 19th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

March 26th - Pizza Night - Abby's Pizza on Riverside (Highway 99 at Barnett Road); 5 p.m. to close

April

April 2nd - Southern Oregon Bowling Association for the Deaf

April 9th - Pear Blossom Parade

April 16th - Game Night with bunco and Polish poker - **DCC canceled**

April 23rd - Pizza Night - Abby's Pizza on Riverside (Highway 99 at Barnett Road); 5 p.m. to close

May

May 7th - Southern Oregon Bowling Association for the Deaf - awards dinner

May 14th - DSSO Meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center - last meeting for the summer

May 21st - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

May 21st - Horseshoes Tournament

May 27th - *Measure for Measure*, OSF: 8 p.m.

May 28th - *August: Osage County*, OSF: 8 p.m.

May 28th - Pizza Night - Abby's Pizza on Riverside (Highway 99 at Barnett Road); 5 p.m. to close

May 29th - *To Kill a Mockingbird*, OSF: 1:30 p.m.

June

June 11th - Bill Smith Memorial Trout Derby at Diamond Lake

June 18th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

June 25th - Pizza Night - Abby's Pizza on Riverside (Highway 99 at Barnett Road); 5 p.m. to close - LAST DAY

July

Children's Fair in planning stage

July 14th - *The Pirates of Penzance*, OSF: 8:30 p.m.

July 15th - *Love's Labor's Lost*, OSF: 8:30 p.m.

July 16th - *Henry IV, Part Two*, OSF: 8:30 p.m.

July 16th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

August

August 6th - Rafting on the Rogue River and BBQ potluck

August 20th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

September

September 10th - DSSO Meeting; 4 p.m. Lions Center

September 17th - DCC - Rogue Valley Mall from 5 p.m. to close

Penny Drive - Fundraising Competition

Starts NOW until May 7th

Use any one gallon plastic containers like milk, ice cream or juice, for example. Fill up the containers with pennies. You can use as many containers as you want - you will compete with others. Whomever has the most pennies wins the prize. We have not decided on the prize yet, but it will be good.

If you want to join this contest, please contact Sheila Schatz. She will put your name on the list and keep track of how you are doing in collecting pennies. Sheila will VP (video phone) with you to keep track and see how many containers you have. She will email everyone updates with information and estimates so that you can keep up with each other.

Bring in all of your containers to Sheila Schatz by May 7th for final counting and we will announce winner at May 14th DSSO meeting.

Any questions please contact Sheila Schatz at cinderellashine@gmail.com. There will be new DSSO email address just for fundraising.

The Cupid Family Valentines Day Party

This year, DSSO has a family Valentines Day party - your children are welcome. February 19 (Saturday) from 5 to 9 p.m. at Lions Center. Check the enclosed flyer. Please come and have fun! We will have games, fun and socialization with games for adults and children.

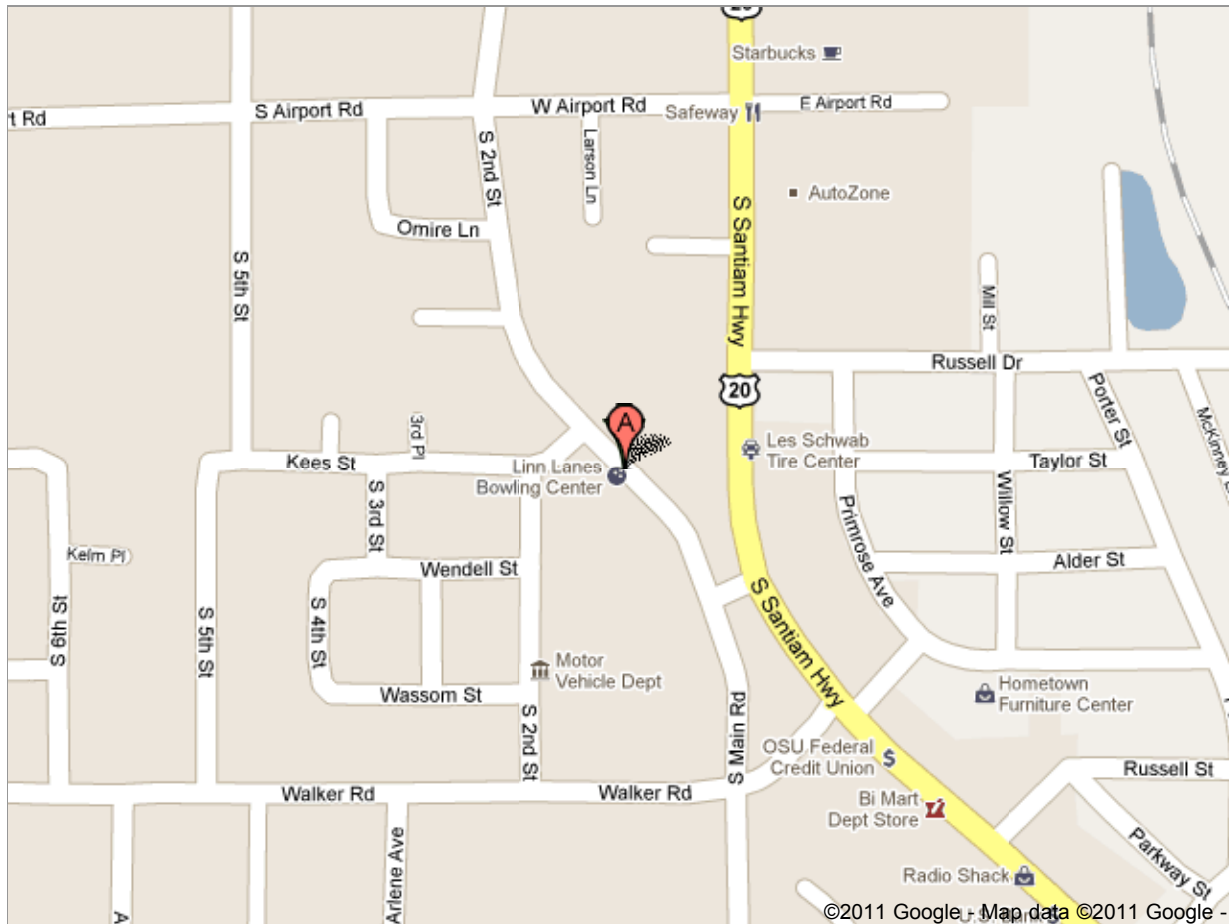
You will bring cooked/baked appetizer for the potluck. You can bring small dessert as long as you bring cooked/baked appetizer. DSSO will provide cake and fruit punch and will sell water & soda pop.



Linn Lanes, near 2250 S Main Rd, Lebanon, Linn, Oregon 97355

Notes SOBAD, Feb. 5 at 1 p.m.
Exit 228 on I5; East on Hwy 34
to Hwy 20 South

- A. **Linn Lanes Bowling Center**
2250 South Main Road, Lebanon, OR -
(541) 451-3900 - 0.1 ft N
4 reviews

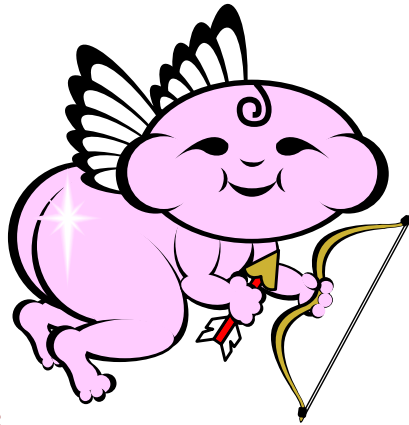


The Cupid Family Valentines Day Party

February 19

**Starts at 5 p.m.
Ends at 9 p.m.**

**Southern Oregon
Lions Sight and
Hearing Center at 228
Holly Street**



Families Welcome!

**Special \$10 Raffle!
Single Prize:
Romantic Get Away at
Callahan's Mountain
Lodge**

**Pictures and details on
back of this flyer**

**Please wear red, pink,
purple and white**

Admissions:

Members:

Family \$12
Couple (no kids) \$9
Single \$6
Senior Citizen \$5
(over 55 years)

Non members:

Family \$15
Couple (no kids) \$13
Single \$8
Senior Citizen \$7
(over 55 years)



Event Chairpersons

Jacque Wattle
Sheila Schatz
Janice VanDomelen

Contact them through DSSO or DSSO event
coordinator, please

Water and soda also available for 50¢ each

Appetizer Potluck

Baked/cooked appetizers
Small desserts

••If you want to bring small dessert,
you will have to bring baked/cooked
appetizer••

DSSO will provide cake & fruit punch

50/50 Fundraising Raffle

Games and fun for all
Games for kids
Games for adults



Callahan's Mountain Lodge

7100 Old Highway 99 South

Ashland OR

97520

800-286-0507 or 541-482-1299



Some rooms have Jacuzzi baths right in the room. Others do not.

For more info, check the website.

All photos are from <http://www.callahanslodge.com/>



DSSO Membership New/Renewal Form

All membership fees are due every January 20th

Membership:

Under 55 - \$10.00/year Senior/Over 55 - \$7.00/year

A = Please fill out the form on the back. Please write your name and address – we confirm your identity with our last year’s records. When you pay for your membership, please confirm your membership. If we do not have your address, your membership will not be processed.

B = You can pay between January 1st and January 18th. We are giving you two (2) days to renew by mail so that your completed form can arrive in our mailbox on January 20th. It is a flat rate per year. If you pay now before January 20th then you are good until next January 20th.

C = We accept cash and money orders. **Money orders must be made out to Deaf Services of Southern Oregon.**

D = Other Information

Have your address complete with zip code so that we can confirm your membership status. Your name and address will be used for the DSSO Newsletter mailings as well. Same for your e-mail address. Please mail the completed form and payment to Treasurer’s address. You can make copies of this form for your family and friends.

Thank you,

Missy VanDomelen, DSSO Treasurer

% Deaf Services of Southern Oregon

PO Box 4535

Medford, OR 97501

DATE: _____

YEAR: 2011 - 2012

NAME: _____

NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS IF
DIFFERENT: _____

PLEASE INCLUDE ZIP CODE!!!

VP PHONE NUMBER OR ANY PHONE NUMBER (please label which phone VP, TTY, text, voice, etc)

(OPTIONAL): _____

EMAIL ADDRESS (CAN BE USED FOR DSSO NEWSLETTER EMAIL, TOO):

UNDER 55 (\$10.00 PER PERSON): _____ **DUE JANUARY 20TH**

OVER 55 (\$7.00 PER PERSON): _____ **DUE JANUARY 20TH**

NO CHECKS ACCEPTED

CASH: _____

MONEY ORDER: _____

TOTAL: _____

DO NOT WRITE BELOW- DSSO OFFICERS ONLY

Treasurer/Secretary - Receive Date:

B = 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

C = \$10.00 _____ \$7.00 _____ CASH MONEY ORDER

Notes/Comments:

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Pastor Ken Bell is the deaf pastor with services in Medford and Grants Pass.

Rogue Valley Deaf Christian Fellowship
 Pastor Ken Bell
 922 West Harbeck Road
 Grants Pass OR

Every Saturday Deaf Service 3 p.m.
 Every Tuesday Bible study 6 p.m.

Medford:
 Rogue Valley Fellowship church
 Pastor Ken Bell
 2399 South Pacific Highway
 Medford, Or.

New Bible study schedule - starts February 6th
 Every Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
 Be sure to show up at 9:45 a.m.
 They will provide children in daycare and/or class start at 10 a.m.
 Every Sunday Deaf Service 10:30 a.m.

This is from Rick Sutherland at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

You are warmly invited to the following Bible education programs held at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 489 Cheney Loop, Central Point, Oregon:

Saturdays
2:00 PM Bible Based Discourse in ASL
2:35 PM Bible Discussions, new topic each week

Upcoming discussions: check with us

Free Bible DVD's now available Matthew through Hebrews (ASL)

No collections

For questions or free home Bible Studies contact;
 Rick Sutherland 541-227-4402 or
medfordslc@gmail.com