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NAD RELOCATES 2006 BIENNIAL CONFERENCE TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Silver Spring, MD - The National Association of the Deaf (NAD) is pleased to announce that its 48th Biennial National Conference will be held at Desert Springs - a J.W. Marriott Resort, in Palm Desert, California, June 29-July 3, 2006, which is in close proximity to the Palm Springs International Airport. Mother Nature, in the form of Hurricane Katrina, forced the NAD to find a new location for the conference originally scheduled for New Orleans, Louisiana.

"We grieve with the rest of the nation on the destruction caused to several states by the hurricane. Because of the uncertainty about the New Orleans city infrastructure, the NAD Board of Directors felt that it was in the best interest of all involved to move the 48th Biennial National Conference in 2006 to Region IV and return to New Orleans in 2008," said NAD President Andrew J. Lange.

The Desert Springs Resort sits on over 450 acres of lush grounds and lakes and is one of the largest resort complexes in the southwestern United States. Located 11 miles from Palm Springs International Airport, 78 miles from Ontario Airport and 130 miles from Los Angeles International Airport, the resort is a self-contained, thriving oasis with gorgeous meeting space all on the same floor, two championship golf courses on the property, tennis and swimming facilities, and one of the finest resort spas in the United States. Five restaurants, Starbucks and several small food outlets will sure that attendees will not go hungry.



NAD Board Members

This is the perfect place to have a conference," said NAD Chief Executive Officer Nancy J. Bloch, "the meeting space is wonderful and everything is under one roof.

This conference is about change, a unique and different kind of conference site, a change in dates, and most importantly -- we will all be changed in the most positive way after the 2006 NAD Conference experience!"

The Conference officially begins on Thursday, June 29 with forums and workshops starting in the afternoon and Opening Ceremonies and a Welcome Reception that evening. Pre-conference sessions for the NAD Board and official delegates take place on June 28. The NAD College Bowl Competition is on Saturday, July 1. The NAD 125th Anniversary Celebration Banquet is scheduled for Sunday evening, July 2, and the NAD Miss Deaf America Pageant finals will be held on Monday evening, July 3, the last night of the conference week. Exhibits, workshops and forums will all take place in two huge ballrooms that easily accommodate all NAD Conference plans, with major evening events taking place right next door to exhibits and workshops.

"The California Association of the Deaf is thrilled to welcome the NAD Biennial National Conference to our beautiful state," said Richard Ray, President. "We look forward to working with the NAD to make this a most memorable event."

Please refer to the NAD web site for the most recent Board Meeting Minutes

<http://www.nad.org>

NAD Region II States:

Illinois: <http://www.iadeaf.org>

Iowa: <http://www.iowadeaf.org>

Kentucky: <http://www.kydeaf.org>

South Dakota: <http://www.sdad.org>

Wisconsin: <http://www.wi-deaf.org>

Indiana: <http://www.indianaassociationdeaf.org>

Missouri: <http://www.moadshowme.org>

Ohio: <http://www.oad-deaf.org>

Nebraska

North Dakota

Kansas: <http://www.kskad.org>

Minnesota: <http://www.mnassocdeaf.org>

Michigan: <http://www.mideaf.org>

Please send us your state's web link!

NORTH DAKOTA Association of the Deaf's 34th Biennial Conference

The North Dakota Association of the Deaf's 34th Biennial conference was held on June 24-25, 2005 at the North Dakota School for the Deaf in Devils Lake, North Dakota. The weekend was filled with many exciting workshops and speakers including the Luncheon Guest Speaker Mark Apodaca, NAD Vice President. The NDAD was thrilled to have 83 of its 97 members in attendance! The newly elected are NDAD Officers for the 2005-2007 term: Julius Saylor-President, Duane Knutson-Vice President, Gerald Geist-Secretary, Bernard Rolewitz-Treasurer, Ricky Odden-Member-at-Large. Congratulations to the new officers!



NEBRASKA Association of the Deaf's 43rd Biennial Conference

The Nebraska Association of the Deaf held its 43rd Biennial conference in Omaha, Nebraska on July 8-10, 2005 having 46 plus attendees. The NEAD was thrilled to have guest speaker Jack Cooper, NAD Board Member to present his workshop, *Within Leadership*, and Rebecca Rosenthal of Topeka, Kansas, and Chairman of the Structure Committee talked to the members about the *Fulton Revised III*. The NEAD would like to extend a big Congratulations to Nebraska's new Miss Deaf Nebraska, Miss Amanda Ivans of Omaha. Another highlight of the conference was the awarding the Lifetime Service Award. This award is granted to someone who has contributed and served within the NEAD and the Deaf Community for over 50 years. This award was granted to George and Eleanor Propp. Congratulations! See you all at the 2007 State Association Conference in Columbus, Nebraska! Newly elected NEAD Officers are as follows: Richard McCowin-President/Delegate, Michael Rentschler-1st Vice President, Julie Welsch- 2nd Vice President, Jerry Siders-Recording Secretary, Susan Trumble-Corresponding Secretary, James DeVaney-Treasurer, Harry Lee-Head Trustee, Karry Schultz-Second Trustee, Janet Killam-Third Trustee, Lindsay Darnell-Delegate-at-Large, Candice Arteaga-State Pageant Director. Congratulations to all re-elected and newly elected officers!

INDIANA Association of the Deaf's 44th Biennial Conference

The Indiana Association of the Deaf held its 44th biennial conference on October 13-15, 2005 in Richmond Indiana with more than 180 participants in attendance. This was the first ever joint conference with the Indiana Association of the Deaf and the Indiana Chapter of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf which proved to be very successful. Among many exciting speakers and presenters were Norma Lewis, a long time member of RID from Kentucky and Libby Pollard from Pennsylvania who was the keynote speaker at the banquet. Congratulations to all individuals who won awards as well as warm congratulations to Indiana's newly crowned Miss Deaf Indiana, Brynne Kirklín. 2005-2007 Officers follows: Beatrice Pfaff-President, Bob Canty-Vice President, Tabitha Byrum-Secretary, Susan Hocker-Treasurer. Board Members: Donald Tinsley, Deka Oliver, Wanda Kirby, Norman Wilson, James Games, Vera Masters, Greg Grant, Joanna Witulski, Delegates: Jennifer Kutcka and James Games. Congratulations to all re-elected and newly elected officers!



Libby Pollard gives the Keynote Address at the Banquet



Congratulations Miss Deaf Indiana, Brynne Kirklín

KANSAS Association of the Deaf's 38th Biennial Conference

The Kansas Association of the Deaf held its 38th Biennial conference in Olathe, Kansas on July 21-23, 2005. This weekend was packed full of exciting speakers, awards and news! The KAD was thrilled to have as guest speakers Mark Apodaca, NAD Vice President, Rebecca Rosenthal, F-3 Structure Chairperson and Jack Cooper, NAD Board Member. The KAD was also proud to report that their 500 plus membership across Kansas is one of the largest state associations of the deaf in the Midwest! Approximately 125 members were in attendance at the conference. Numerous awards were given throughout the conference including the Most Distinguished Award given to Representative Arlen Siegfried for his outstanding contributions to the Kansas School for the Deaf and deaf people across Kansas. It was the first time ever that the Kansas Association of the Deaf gave an award to a legislator. Another highlight of the conference was reports from youth sponsors about our deaf youths obtaining top honors at camps this summer. KAD provided funds for a number of deaf students to attend the Youth Leadership Camp, the Close-Up Program in Washington, D.C and other similar camps across the country. At the YLC, one KSD graduate, Mike Harperm obtained the honor of being Mr. YLC for his outstanding leadership displayed among the deaf high school students. Several KSD students received awards and honors in the month-long camp. Congratulations to all of our deaf youths! Below are the KAD newly elected officers: Leonard Hall-President, Kevin Milner-1st Vice President, Shane Dundas-2nd Vice President, Ann Cooper-Secretary, Mike Muszynski-Treasurer, Glenda Haefner-Board Member for Membership, Rosetta Duren-Board Member for Newsletter, Tammy Waddell-State Pageant Director, Jack Cooper-President Emeritus, Mary Hughes-Delegate-at-Large, Mike Flickinger-2007 KAD Chairperson. Congratulations to all re-elected and newly elected officers! The MAIN HIGHLIGHT of the conference was the announcement of the 2007 KAD Biennial conference which is tentatively scheduled to take place in a salt mine 600 feet underground in Hutchinson, Kansas in June 2007. After a weekend of 100 degree weather, members are looking forward to a cooler place for their conference! See you in 2007!



2005-2007 KAD Board Members



Participants enjoy the KAD BBQ Picnic on the KSD Campus



*Good Old Days Prom
L-R NAD Vice President Mark Apodaca, KAD
President Leonard Hall, KAD Second Vice President
Shane Dundas*



KAD Board Members taking Oath of Office

*Jack Cooper introduces NAD
Vice President Mark Apadoca*

MISSOURI Association of the Deaf's 39th Biennial Conference

The Missouri Association of the Deaf held its 39th biennial conference on July 29-31, 2005 in Jefferson City, Missouri. Attendees enjoyed a variety of topics of interest such as, "Introduction to Weapons of Mass Destruction," presented by the Executive Director of the Missouri Deputy Sheriff's Association, "Relay Services," presented by Matthew Gwynn from Sprint, "Communicating with your Legislator," presented by Kim Davis, and "Leadership from Within," presented by Jack Cooper, NAD Board Member and Kim Davis, Workshop/Training Specialist. During the banquet, President Lawrence Yates presented the Award Plaques to two Missouri State Representatives, Mrs. Danie Moore and Mr. Sam Page for their advocacy and helping enact HB 530 which relates to ASL as a Foreign Language in public schools and colleges/universities. Congratulations to the newly elected officers: Lawrence Yates-President, Cathee Wolford-1st Vice President, Michael Boyd-2nd Vice President, Meredith Hill-Secretary, Sharlene Haney-Treasurer. President Lawrence Yates applauds the committees for their effortless team work in accomplishing a successful conference!

OHIO Association of the Deaf's 24th Biennial Conference

"2005—Time to Recharge," Ohio Association of the Deaf's 24th biennial conference was held on August 12-14, 2005 in Dublin, Ohio with approximately 90 members in attendance. There were a variety of workshops for members to take advantage of during the weekend. Workshops included topics and presenters such as "Go To The Hill" by Stevie Platt, "Deaf and Hard of Hearing Understanding the Law Enforcement Culture" by Officer Randy Melton, "Contribution of Black Deaf Performing Arts" by Fred Beam, "A-B-C's of Parliamentary Procedures" by Elizabeth "Libby" Pollard, "Travel and Relay Service" by Danny Barrett, "Financial/Credit Scams" by Robert Cooper, "Sign Dance Movement" by Fred Beam, and "Empowered People/Motivation" by Margo Cienki.

We were thrilled to have NAD President Andy Lange discuss the NAD F3 and he entertained the group during the banquet with "The Andy Lange Show." The OAD wants to extend a special Thank You to the Ohio Rehabilitation Service Commission, The Relay Ohio and Sprint, Communication Service for the Deaf of South Dakota and Hallenross and Associates, LLC for their sponsorship. Newly elected OAD Officers follows: Linda Mahmood-President, Verne Taylor, Jr-Vice President, Robert Cooper-Secretary, Phyllis Levi-Treasurer. Congratulations to all re-elected and newly elected officers!



2005-2007 Ohio Association of the Deaf Officers (missing Verne Taylor, Jr.)



Participants Dance the Night Away!



Andy Lange, NAD President



FredBeam Teaches Dance Steps to Participants!



Miss Deaf Ohio 2005, Teresa Gasaway, with Louis Ricciardi

Michigan Association of the Deaf's 50th Biennial Conference

The Michigan Association of the Deaf held its 50th biennial conference on September 28—October 1, 2005 in Pontiac, Michigan with over 200 in attendance. The weekend was filled with many wonderful speakers and presentations. One of the most notable and inspiring speaker the Michigan Association of the Deaf was honored to have in attendance was Phyllis Freulich. Phyllis gave a very inspiring presentation and performance for the participants. A favorite activity attendees participated in was the game show Fear Factor. Congratulations goes out to all Fear Factor winners, especially the Michigan School for the Deaf who won the first ever Fear Factor Traveling Trophy! Another event that is always exciting is the Miss Deaf Michigan pageant where we want to extend a congratulations to the newly crowned Miss Deaf Michigan, Rosie Switras. 2005-2007 MDA Officers follows: Diana McKittrick-President, Susie PArness-1st Vice President, Tammy Scholl-2nd Vice President, Jeff Hockenberger-Secretary, Jon Harucki-Treasurer, Tony Kovacs-Delegate. Congratulations to all re-elected and newly elected officers. See you in Kalamazoo in 2007!



Congratulations 2005-2007 Officers



Phyllis Freulich



Congratulations Rosie Switras



Chairperson Jeffrey Hockenberger gives Welcome at the Opening Ceremony



Michigan School for the Deaf WINNER of the Fear Factor Traveling Trophy

NEWSFLASH

45 Delegates from 13 states to attend the Region II Conference in Omaha, Nebraska on November 11-13, 2005!

REMINDER

All Region II State Association Presidents should bring your 2005 State Association Conference Highlights for handouts (50 copies).

Dates to Remember

NAD Region II Conference
November 11-13, 2005
Embassy Suite Hotel
Omaha, Nebraska
Chair: Richard McCowin,
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48th Biennial NAD Conference
June 29-July 3, 2006
Palm Desert, California

Future Meeting Dates for 2006
January 18-20— Palm Desert, CA
April 27-29— Cincinnati, OH

SEE EVERYONE AT THE REGION II CONFERENCE IN OMAHA!

17th Biennial NAD Region II National Conference Agenda

(All Schedules and Times Are Tentative and Can be Changed)

Friday Evening, November 11, 2005

1:00 pm—3:30 pm Tour of Nebraska School for the Deaf Museum-45th and Bedford, Omaha
3:30 pm—6:00 pm CSDVRS Open House and Reception-93rd and Dodge, Omaha
5:00 pm On Your Own
6:00 pm—9:00 pm Registration *Host*
7:00 pm **First Session:** Open Conference at Big Blue Room
*Welcome/Reception *Host Lange, Region II Boardies*
*Greetings from NAD Headquarters (Brief Highlighting 125th Anniversary Efforts) *Lange*
*Nuts and Bolts on the upcoming 2006 Biennial NAD Conference—Palm Springs CA *Lange, Boardies*
8:00 pm State Association/Affiliate Highlights (Encourage Each to bring Handouts) *SA Representatives*
9:00 pm Ice Breaker Activity *Everyone*

Saturday Morning, November 12, 2005

7:00 am Buffet Breakfast at Embassy Suite Hotel
8:00 am Second Session—Meeting at Big Blue Room
8:00 am NAD Priorities and Advocacy Presentation/Update *Boardies/Lange*
9:00 am Fulton III Presentation/Update *Rosenthal/Lange*
10:15 am Break
10:30 am Fulton III Presentation/Update *Rosenthal/Lange*
12:00 pm—1:00 pm Luncheon—TBA—*Host*

Saturday Afternoon, November 12, 2005

1:00 pm Third Session: Meeting at Big Blue Room
1:00 pm New NAD How to Write Motions and Official Motion Form *Boardies*
1:15 pm Motion Writing Activity by Small Groups *Boardies, F3, Lange*
3:00 pm Break
3:15 pm Motion Writing Activity by Small Groups *Boardies, F3, Lange*
4:15 pm Plenary Review of Motions Writing Activity
1. Clarification on writing Motions/Indicating Financial Impact
2. Specific on How to Actually Submit Motions for Biennial NAD Conference via the NAD Website Prior to the Deadline
5:00 pm On Your Own
7:00 pm Reception and Entertainment *Host*

Sunday, November 13, 2005

7:00 am Buffet Breakfast at Embassy Suite Hotel
8:00 am Fourth Session: Meeting at Big Blue Room
8:00 am ByLaws Amendment Process *Boardies*
8:30 am State Association and Affiliate Organization Feedback on Conference Program, Sharing Concerns, Suggestions, for Future Regional Conferences, and Ways to Improve Communication *Boardies*
9:30 am Break
9:45 am Bid Presentation and Vote for Upcoming 2007 Region II NAD Conference
10:15 am Handout/Collection of Conference Evaluations *Boardies*
11:00 am Wrap-up and Adjournment
12:00 pm Adjourn at NOON



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Local Attractions:

Henry Doorly Zoo
Joslyn Art Museum
Omaha Childrens Museum
Orpheum Theatre
Riverboat Gambling Casinos
Rosenblatt Stadium
Shoreline Golf Course

Notice

2007 Region II Biennial Conference Bids will be open for the location of the 2007 conference. Don't forget to place your bid in Omaha!