President’s Updates

Hi All. March 15th is just around the corner to renew interpreter licenses or permits. You can either send a check or pay online. Of course the online payment is quick and easy. Hopefully that can make life a little more simple for all of us as we are busy with appointments and life in general.

The Alabama Association of the Deaf will be having their biennial conference this summer from June 7th – 9th and COSDA on June 10th at a beautiful hotel in Florence Alabama. ALRID and COSDA is partnering with AAD for this conference. Please make preparations now to register and attend the conference. The ALRID general business meeting will be held at the conference on June 7th (Sunday afternoon). AAD will have workshops on Monday and Tuesday and entertainment at night. COSDA will be having their awards luncheon and workshop on June 10th. Interpreters attending the conference will be able to receive CEUs.

Don’t miss out on this opportunity of learning, having a great time, and fun entertainment.

We have another chilly week in Alabama so I guess the groundhog predicted right. Stay warm and get ready for this fabulous summer of events.

The Louise Wohlford Memorial Scholarship

The purpose of the Louise Wohlford Memorial Scholarship Fund is to provide payment of registration fees for conferences or workshops providing RID CEUs. Interpreters may request a scholarship for the “Early Bird” registration rate. A total maximum of $2,000 may be awarded per calendar year from this fund. Multiple scholarship applications from an individual will be accepted, however primary consideration will be given to applicants who have yet to receive funds. An individual may not exceed $400 in scholarships awards in any one calendar year.

For more information on how to apply, please go to www.alrid.org and click on Scholarships and click on Louise Wohlford Memorial Scholarship.
Region 6 ROCKS! By Lisa Gould

Let the Good Times Roll! Even during Mardi Gras Season, we had the good fortune to have Chris McGaha travel all the way to Mobile to present his AWESOME workshops to us! We had a total of 45 Interpreters and Interpreter Training Program Students attend his two workshop. We had 14 people from Mississippi, 2 from Florida, and 4 from Troy! The rest were Alabamians! His workshops were very entertaining and engaging with the use of interactive videos/multimedia/pictures, etc. There were numerous activities for the interpreters to be involved in and incorporate the skills he was teaching.

Our lunch were provided by Convo Videorelay! Delicious Subway sandwiches, chips, desserts, and drinks were plentiful! We also were fortunate to have Tabitha Venable with Oragami Owl come and present her beautiful jewelry during our lunch break. She also graciously donated a $50 gift card for Oragami Owl! We had AIDB Mobile Regional Center’s use of the auditorium as well as donating door prizes of cookbooks and coffee mugs. Convo also donated T-shirts and display devices for Iphones. A huge thank you again goes out to Chris for coming to the Gulf coast to present his workshops! I think everyone had a fabulous time! It was a lot of fun seeing each other and networking in between our workshops! We hope our Region 6 will continue to grow and more interpreters will become members of ALRID! We hope to plan another workshop soon!

Region Representatives

Region 1: Kim Smith
Region 2: Chaeney Miller
Region 3: Diana Wagoner
Region 4: Vickie Brown
Region 5: Jodie Jernigan
Region 6: Lisa Gould
Region 7: Judy Robertson

Region 6 pictures

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY
"Sign language is useful to the deaf but vital to the Italians" - Paul Carvel quotes
Troy University ITP– 2015 AIM Registration!

2015 Alabama Interpreter Metamorphosis Registration will be included in this newsletter. The dates are March 20-22nd at Troy University in Troy, Alabama!

All are welcome to attend!

Continue– Region 6 pictures
More Region 6 pictures
1. Individual Registration

Please select one of the following options for individual registration:

- $30: ITP STUDENT RATE (please list student ID number below)
- $40: General Public/Interpreters needing CEU’s (please list RID number below if applicable)
- Free: Deaf

(Please print legibly)

Name:
Student ID Number (if applicable):
E-mail Address (Troy e-mail if applicable):
Home Address:
Phone Number (Voice): Video Phone:
RID Number (if applicable):
2. Attendance

The Alabama Interpreting Metamorphosis Conference will be offered in two formats. Please specify how you will be attending:

**On Campus** at Troy University, Hawkins Hall, Troy, AL

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**Online** streaming via Collaborate (*high-speed internet and Ethernet cord required*)

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Please list any accommodations needed:

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First Name: _________________________   Last Name:_____________________________
Address:___________________________________________________
City & State:______________________________ Zip:______________
Phone#:________________________(VP, Voice, or Text)
E-Mail:____________________________________________________
Registration DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2015 (must be postmarked by May 25,2015)

Lodging Costs NOT INCLUDED.
To make lodging reservations: Go to the al-deaf.org website and the link will be on the conference page.
Alternative link: http://tinyurl.com/lepyxf or contact hotel at 800-593-6450 and refer to group code: ADAADAA
Deadline for Room reservation for the hotel’s best rate ($83/night): BEFORE May 7, 2015.

Registration Combo includes the following:
Membership Fee
All Workshops/Presenters
All Entertainment Events
Luncheon/Awards Ceremony

Registration Options: 
Mark if attending  
Cost

ALRID Meeting (Open to Public)  
AAD Conference Combo: $75.00/person  
Will you be attending the AAD Luncheon/Awards on Tuesday, the 9th? (please mark for head count)

Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf (COSDA)  
COSDA Registration Fee: $50.00/person

Total: $_______

Method of Payment (Please put a check mark on the appropriate line)

Check (make check payable to Alabama Association of the Deaf)
Pay Pal (AAD Website, www.al-deaf.org)

Please mail your completed registration and payment arrangements to:
Philip Magourik
108 Meleah Drive
Talladega, AL 35160-3346
E-mail: pcmagourik@gmail.com
VP#: (256) 474-0102

AAD is partnering with the Alabama Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (ALRID) and the Council of Organizations Serving Deaf Alabamians (COSDA) for this conference, so we can all show Deaf Alabamians what we do for you!
2015 Conference Partners:
Alabama Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (ALRID)
Council of Organizations Serving Deaf Alabamians (COSDA)

BOOTH REGISTRATION FORM

Exhibit/Booth Cost (Full Conference, 4 days) - $200.00 (one booth)
POWER HOOK-UP FEE: $35.00 (one-time for all four days)
WIFI ACCESS: FREE

One-Day Exhibit/Booth Agreements
We regret to inform you that we will be unable to offer one-day exhibit booth agreements due to hotel guidelines/limitations on setting up and breaking down exhibits.

Start/End Time for Exhibits/Booths
In accordance with hotel guidelines and availability, AAD will be opening conference rooms for exhibit booth installation on Sunday, June 7 with an exhibit/booth breakdown time of up to 2 hours after the conclusion of the conference on Wednesday, June 10.

Questions or Reservations for Exhibit/Booth space:
If you have any questions or want to arrange reservations for exhibit space, please contact Ben Hollingsworth, exhibition/booths chairperson at benhworth@gmail.com or 256-274-4926 (VP).

Name of Individual Registrant for Booth ____________________________________________
Name of Agency/Company Represented: ____________________________________________
Address of Individual OR Agency/Company: _______________________________________
Phone number: _________________________ (VP/Voice/Text/Fax) (circle one)
E-Mail: ___________________________________________________________________

Booth Registration Options (check your preference)
One booth, 4 days ($200.00) $__________ Method of Payment (Please put a check mark on the appropriate line)
Electric hookup ($35.00 one time fee) $__________ Check (make check payable to Alabama Association of the Deaf)
Each additional booth: _____(x $200) $__________ Pay Pal (Contact Ben Hollingsworth to find out how to do this.)
Total: $__________

Please mail registration and payment to:
Ben Hollingsworth
ADRS
621 Cherry Street NE
PO Box 1686
Decatur, Alabama 35602-1686

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00PM on FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2015 TO GUARANTEE BOOTH SPACE AVAILABILITY.
Hi everyone!

Please do not forget to send me articles, stories, workshops, or any new information that you want ALRID to know about. You can send them to me at beth.overland@rehab.alabama.gov.

Thank you!

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**WE are on the website!**

[www.alrid.org](http://www.alrid.org)

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**SAVE the date!!!**

Alabama Interpreting Metamorphosis (AIM)

March 20-22, 2015

At

Troy University

If interested in mentorship opportunities, please contact ahayes83313@troy.edu

For general AIM information, contact ssunday@troy.edu

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**THAT DEAF GUY**

**BY MATT & KAY DAIGLE**

Hey Cedric, is your friend okay? Yeah, he’s fine. He’s just suffering from D.C.S.

“Deaf Culture Shock”!