

ACE-DHH NEWSLETTER

Spring, 2001

Paul Crutchfield, Editor

Welcome to the first entirely electronic edition of the ACE-DHH Newsletter! As you probably recall, the organization decided to go electronic-only for the Spring and Winter editions; the Fall edition will also be electronic, but it will be sent out via regular mail, as well. There are more particulars about this in Susan Lenihan's message.

Because this process is still in its early stages, I'd like to ask that if you have any suggestions to improve the newsletter, especially the e- versions, that you e-mail me directly. My e-dress is crutch@flagler.edu.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to this edition of the newsletter. It is a genuine pleasure to be working with such a group of colleagues who are so readily willing to support the organization.

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Susan Lenihan

This is such an exciting time to be president of the Association of College Educators-Deaf/Hard of Hearing and I am grateful for the opportunity to work with so many talented colleagues. First, I'd like to thank Kathy Christensen, Tom Humphries and Larry Fleischer for the wonderful work they did in hosting our 2001 conference in San Diego. Next, I'd like to thank the members who presented on topics of such importance and interest to our organization. Many members have posted summaries of their presentations at the deafed.net website so check it out for more information. Our roundtable discussions on trends in deaf education including technology, early intervention, literacy and deaf professionals in deaf education generated many ideas.

One idea from those roundtable discussions was a resolution that was passed at our business meeting calling for a commitment from the organization to develop strategies to recruit more individuals who are deaf into the profession. I've asked Judy Coryell, Brenda Simmons and Eddie Laird to lead a taskforce on this topic. If you would like to participate on this taskforce or if you have ideas you'd like to share, please contact Judy, Brenda or Eddie. They will be reporting back to the organization at our meeting next year in Charleston.

Speaking of our meeting next year in Charleston—mark your calendars for February 22nd-25th, 2002. Ed and Susan Shroyer are making arrangements for our conference in this lovely city and Pamela Luft, our president elect and program chair is planning an exciting and informative program.

Finally, if you haven't visited our new website at please do so. The website is a tremendous source of information. There's a calendar of events, documents of interest, links to other important sites in deaf education and job announcements. You and your students will benefit from regularly visiting the site. If you haven't yet participated in the ACE-DHH grant, this website will also give you information on how to get involved. Harold Johnson, Karen Dilka and the regional directors are to be commended on the outstanding work they've done for the benefit of our organization and the students, teachers and faculty in deaf education.

This newsletter will be in electronic version only. We are sending it out to all the members of the organization who have provided us with email addresses. If you want to have a paper version of this newsletter, print one out. Also, if you know you have colleagues who would appreciate having a copy of the newsletter, but do not use email, pass along a paper copy to them. We will print and mail out our newsletter in the fall and each newsletter will be posted on the ACE-DHH website. We'll re-evaluate electronic newsletters at our meeting next year.

Thanks again for all your support and commitment to deaf education.

If you have any questions or comments, you can reach me at or

(314) 889-1461.

Susan Lenihan, President

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Debbie Haydon

Money Market Account Balance: \$20,271.79

*This reflects additional membership dues AND conference registrations that were billed by purchase order.

Certificate of Deposit Balance: \$3,953.37

The conference account under Tom Humphries has not been closed and combined with the regular accounts. I am hopeful that the books on our wonderful 2001 conference in San Diego can be closed by June and that the transfer of accounts to Tony Martin will occur soon after. An application for hotel credit has been sent to the Mills House Hotel in Charleston, SC for our 2002 conference.

Dr. Debbie Haydon

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CONFERENCE THEME

Pamela Luft

I'm looking forward to planning what I hope will be a great conference. The theme will be "The Challenges of Curriculum and Constituency." My committee and I are in the process of contacting a dynamic presenter on curriculum design who also can address the complex balancing act we face. Some ideas for follow-up discussions could include how to better negotiate between high-stakes state testing, public school curriculum demands, hearing parents, Deaf Community, and individual child needs. I also would like to have a panel of deaf individuals from different training backgrounds (residential, public, oral schools) to discuss their perspectives on what aspects of curriculum contributed to their success--direct feedback from the "receivers" of these programs. If you have any comments or ideas you'd like to see represented, please let me know and we'll see what we can fit in!

Pamela Luft, Ph.D.

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ACE-DHH 2002 CONFERENCE SITE INFORMATION

Ed & Susan Shroyer

YOU ARE GONG TO LOVE CHARLESTON IN FEBRUARY 2002!

We have reserved rooms at the historic Mill House Hotel right in the historic area of Charleston. The Hotel was General Lee's headquarters during the "War of Northern Aggression." It is one of the stops on the Charleston historical tours route to see the building and some of the hotel's

antiques worth over a quarter of a million dollars (please, no souvenirs). Some great restaurants are within walking distance of the hotel. We are not planning any specific outings as a group, but there are plantation homes in the area, boat rides to Fort Sumter, and the river, horse and carriage, walking, and bus tours through the city, great golf courses nearby, and fantastic antique stores everywhere.

If the weather is great, which we have been promised, we will have our reception outside and possibly the banquet also. The buffet banquet will be by the pool and feature low country foods. Of course we will move it inside if the weather does not cooperate. The next issue of the

newsletter will have more detailed information about arrivals by plane and car, check in number at the hotel - after some dickering we got rooms down to \$144 a night which is a great rate for that time of year -Feb 20-24, 2002 - and some other bits and pieces of information to help

you plan. Mark the dates on your calendar.

Susan and Ed Shroyer

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Ann Powers

Alan Marvelli was the recipient of the Sr. Mary Delaney Life Membership Award presented at the ACE-DHH Conference in San Diego. Alan is the third person to receive this award with Roberta Truax being the first recipient in 1998, and Bill Brelje being the second recipient in 2000. Congratulations to the outstanding individuals who have received this award to date. Begin thinking about individuals whom you would like to nominate for this award to be presented at the 2002 Conference in Charleston. The call for nominations will appear in the Fall Newsletter.

Several individuals have mentioned ideas about additional awards that we may want to consider for deserving members. If you have ideas that you would like the Awards Committee to propose for consideration by the Executive Committee and the members of ACE-DHH, please share your ideas with one of the three members of the Awards Committee. The members of the committee are: Ann Powers, Chair; Ed Marlatt and Sue Foster. An award for Innovations in Technology was approved at the same time as the Sr. Mary Delaney Award, but the award has not been presented to any one as yet.