



Computer Lab Opens Doors to Community

On April 7, 2006 DHHSC Fresno celebrated the grand opening of their new computer lab. The computer lab was generously funded by a \$14,600 grant from AT&T, presented by their representative David Spengeman. The grant provided DHHSC with six new computer towers and teaching software as well as the start of a new Computer Literacy Program. Among the attendees at the open house were Fresno City Councilmember Brian Calhoun and Center for Independent Living Director Robert Hand.

The fully functional computer lab and computer classes will be satisfying a

major need in the deaf community. Computer skills are a necessity in this day and age, whether for school, work, or entertainment. It is no secret that for a novice user, computers can be confusing, even when enrolled in a regular computer class. Add to that the fact that all information is being filtered through an interpreter and it can be overwhelming. What is unique about the Computer Literacy Classes however is that all instructions are provided in a small classroom setting and in American Sign Language by instructor Jason Jackson, who is himself Deaf.

Several different classes are offered through the Computer

Denise Lanier, AT&T representative David Spengemen, Jason Jackson and Rosemary Diaz at the Computer Lab Grand Opening.

Literacy Program at DHHSC including the following: resume and typing skills, Internet skills, how to use Microsoft Office, making flyers and using clip art.

Individual help is also available in the computer lab throughout the day. For more information and for a current class schedule contact the front desk at DHHSC-Fresno.

Deaf Festival

Staff Interpreter Ann Wilson-Irwin helps A.J. Bronson with children's activities.

The 14th annual Valley Deaf Festival was held this year on Saturday May 13 at the Fresno Fairgrounds. The event, sponsored by Sorenson, Sprint, and IP Relay, was a success with over 360 in attendance. Special guests included Emcee Don Lee Hanaumi and Miss Deaf California Amanda Sortwell.

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Deaf Awareness Sept. 25- 29

September 25-29, 2006 is Deaf Awareness Week. For more information and a full schedule of events see page 6.

Right: "Live with DHHSC & RosaLee" 2005.

Christina McDonald and Martha Coletti "worked" at the boutique, showing signs for items in their shop to ASL students.

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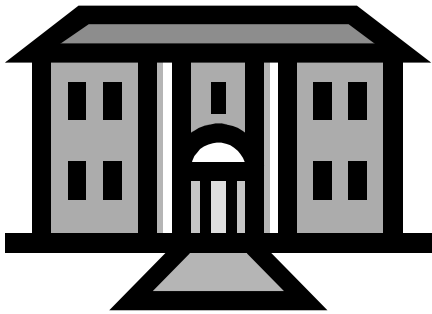
Martha's Vineyard

Every March DHHSC plays host to Martha's Vineyard, where staff and volunteers reenact what it was like on the island in the 1800's, when there was a high deaf population. The event is unique because sign language is the only communication used - no voices are allowed. Many ASL students attend to improve their signing and learn more about deaf history. Be sure to join in the fun next year!

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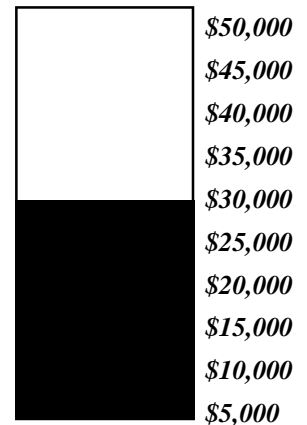
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Rosemary's Garden... By: Rosemary W. Diaz, Executive Director

I am thankful that I continue to love my job at DHHSC! This past summer has been busy with activities and numerous advocacy projects. We are working closely to re-establish employment services in Central California. We are also working creatively to come up with more educational options for deaf and hard of hearing individuals who want to continue going to school after the age of 18 but are not ready for community college or university. Additionally, we are working with county child welfare departments to prepare staff for providing direct services to deaf and hard of hearing families. We are working with local law enforcement and emergency technicians to build bridges and see improved services. Want to know more???? Stop by and I will be glad to share more about the many successes of DHHSC!

We have recently had some amazing and unique opportunities. Paul Barnett and Annette Carter worked with the local Housing Authority to develop a Public Service Announcement about the relationship between landlords and tenants. This announcement will be aired in sign language as well as in caption. Watch your TV and come by and get Paul's autograph! We also have taken advantage of a phenomenal opportunity to work with several local and popular radio stations to heighten awareness about our Deaf Culture and Language as well as DHHSC's services to the general public. It is the hope of our agency's staff and Board of Directors that we will see some new relationships, supporters, allies in the general community as a result of using the mass media to educate and inform our neighbors about who we are and what we do. If you heard our announcement on the radio, give us a call or send an email and let us know what you think! Announcements will be aired on *95.7 The Fox*, *104.1 The Valley's Alternative*, and *Smooth Jazz 105.5*, from now until June 2007! In addition, we are working on a plan with local newspapers to get a series of articles so that our Deaf and Hard of Hearing as well as general public readers will also benefit from the same information being aired on the radio stations. Again we hope to use mass media to our advantage in sharing with people the mission and vision of our DHHSC.

This coming fiscal year we say some good-byes and some hellos. We sadly say goodbye to our Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program (ADPP). *See page 6 for more info*su()-130.746(m2.5882(o)-0.98†;O (b)-0



Hello Deaf Bee readers!!

You will notice a lot of changes in this edition of The Deaf Bee. The Deaf Bee Newsletter will now be issued three times a year instead of two. That means more up-to-date news for you! If you want to be involved in The Deaf Bee

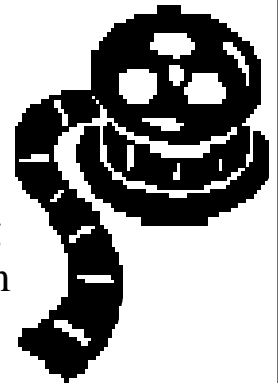
Newsletter please contact DHHSC – Fresno. Any ideas that you may have and Deaf & Hard of Hearing Community News will be considered for printing in The Deaf Bee. All you need to do is submit your article to the Fresno Office prior to printing. Business advertisements are also welcomed - please see page 19 for more information on how to put an ad in the Newsletter. The Deaf Bee Newsletters are also posted on our website at www.dhhsc.org. If you prefer to read the newsletter online contact us and we will remove your name from the mailing list. We hope you will enjoy the new issue as well as future editions!! Stay in touch—sign up for your FREE copy of the Deaf Bee!

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Empowering our Clients to Their Own Success

By Jesse Lewis
Deputy Director

DHSC recognizes the importance of empowering our clients, as it says in our mission statement: "To advocate, seek equality, and promote self-determination through empowerment for those who seek our assistance; and to enhance the awareness and understanding of Deaf Culture and the unique communication needs of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals."

All of the staff know that our aim is to empower you, our clients, to succeed. The question is do you know this? Sometimes in our efforts to provide the services that we have to offer, we might not always make it clear that

we want you to be independent of us. We do not aim for you to always need to see us for the same issues over and over again. We have a vision for what you can do.

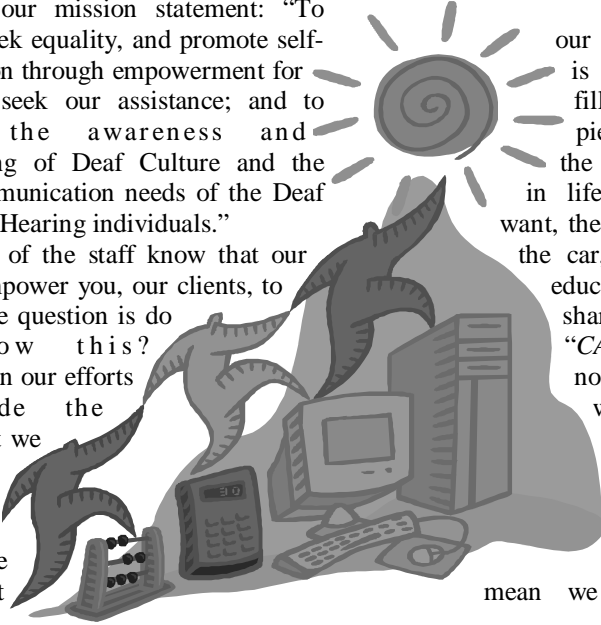
We want to share our vision. The vision is one in which you fill in the missing pieces. You decide the specifics you want in life, the career you want, the family, the house, the car, the hobbies, the education. We merely share a vision of "CAN-DO." This does not mean our ideas of what we think you would be amazing at should be what you envision for yourself as well. Nor does it

mean we will push you

towards taking the options we want you to take because we feel those are the best choices that you could make.

We believe in your ability. We already feel this inside but not all of you are aware that we have this belief in the best you can reach for. Former first lady Rosalynn Carter once said, "You have to have confidence in your ability, and then be tough enough to follow through." We believe that you have the capability to follow through and to accomplish the goals you set.

Even if you do not get there in the end, and do return again with the problems we have helped with before—you will see that our support goes beyond just wanting you to come into the office to validate our job. We hope to inspire in you the thought, "Wow. DHSC really believes in me. Maybe I CAN do this." That is the vision we want to share with you. Yes we do believe in you and yes, you can succeed. We believe in you!



New Neckloop for Cell Phones Now Available from CTAP

By Wayne Johnson
Technology/Resource Specialist

If you have a hearing aid with a T-Coil and have a cell phone, the California Telephone Access Program (CTAP) has an amplified neckloop that you may want to try.

The neckloop plugs into the 2.5mm audio jack on your cell phone, but also comes with an adaptor so it can be used with cordless or standard home phones, DVD players, and anything that has a 3.5mm headphone or audio jack. Once you plug it into your phone or other device, simply set your hearing aid to the T-Coil position and turn on the neckloop's amplifier. You may be surprised at the

improvement in clarity and understanding it provides.

If you have an amplified phone from CTAP you can have this as well, since the neckloop is classified as an accessory. Are you using or considering the use of a Voice Carry Over (VCO) phone because you have not been able to get the clarity you need with an amplified phone? Try this amplified neckloop with an amplified phone to see if it gives you the ability to have clear conversations on an amplified phone before switching to a VCO phone which requires the use of a relay operator.

For more information contact CTAP directly at 1-800-806-1191 (v) or 1-800-806-4474 (tty).

Staff Changes in South Valley Office

By Jesse Lewis
Deputy Director

In June, our South Valley Outreach office bid farewell to Kathy Carlsen as Coordinator of Client Services. Kathy is returning to her first love, teaching American Sign Language. We wish her all our best and know she will enjoy being able to teach more ASL classes. Kathy was awarded with a plaque thanking her for 5 years of excellent services at DHSC on behalf of our community. The plaque was presented at our June 10th picnic and she was very happy to receive this recognition. Her efforts working with

DHSC in reopening the South Valley Outreach office will always be remembered!

Victoria Graves, who has been our Office Manager and Community Interpreter, became the new Coordinator of Client Services. She has been doing an awesome job since the transition, so we are pleased that clients get to benefit from her experience in the community.

After a brief decline in clients that often happens when staff changes, we saw a large increase in new clients. The office is growing busier than ever, so we hope to fill the two vacant positions that are advertised: Independent Living Specialist and Community Interpreter.



Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program Closing

By Jane Lessard & Cheryl Renberg
ADPP Coordinator/Specialist

You may be wondering what has been going on in our department. It is sad to announce that the Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program (ADPP) will close this coming September 30, 2006 after 13 years. Fresno County decided not to renew the contract for the Alcohol and Drug Prevention Program.

We have had many wonderful years of service providing substance abuse prevention to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community. Over the years ADPP has had many successes including:

- advocating for local treatment facilities to provide sign language interpreters

- educating the Drug Court about Deaf clients' need for an interpreter
- helping the local AA meetings to provide sign language interpreters
- encouraging the Volunteer Bureau of Fresno County to send Deaf consumers to do community services hours at DHHSC
- promoting the use of an interpreter for Office of Probation assessments
- encouraging other organizations to host special events such as Water Fun, Open Captioned Movies, The Big Fresno Fair, Disney On Ice, Circus, and Basketball games, to name a few.

We want to express our appreciation to Fresno County, Center for Independent Living - Fresno, and DHHSC for their continued support during some



challenging years.

Even after the program closes in September, DHHSC will continue to share prevention and treatment resources as needed. We are giving away a "Fun Kit" to the community as a way to express thanks for your support. Please stop by to request a copy.

As for future events, we will be kicking off Deaf Awareness Week on Monday, September 25th with a Deaf Trivia Game Night and Ice Cream Social. Then on Friday, September 29th we will celebrate the last day of the program at John's Incredible Pizza. Everyone is welcome, just remember to please bring your money to buy food and play games.

Thanks again for 13 fun-filled, alcohol & drug free years!

Deaf Awareness Week Schedule

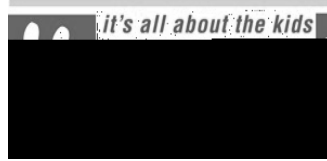
<p>Saturday 9/23</p>	<p>Michael Davis, Deaf Latino performer presents "Janitor" Refreshments provided 6:00pm—9:00pm <i>See enclosed flier for more information</i></p>
<p>Monday 9/25</p>	<p>Deaf Trivia Game Night & Ice Cream Social at DHHSC 5340 N. Fresno Street, Fresno, 6:00pm– 8:30pm FREE</p> 
<p>Tuesday 9/26</p>	<p>Open-Captioned Movie Regal Cinema Theater - Shields & Blackstone Ave - Fresno Show time - TBA</p> 
<p>Thursday 9/28</p>	<p>Be a part of the Studio Audience of "Live with DHHSC & RosaLee" at Hope Community Center, 364 E. Barstow Ave, Fresno, 6:00pm—9:00pm <i>See enclosed flier for more information</i></p>
<p>Friday 9/29</p>	<p>Meet at John's Incredible Pizza, 7095 N. Cedar, Fresno, for a night of food, fun, and games! 6:00pm—9:00pm <i>Farewell to ADPP!!!</i></p>

Reading Tutors Needed

By Joelene Spires
DFRT Program Coordinator

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Service Center, Inc. is thrilled that we can continue our 2nd year of the Deaf Families Reading Together (DFRT) project from FIRST 5 Fresno County. DFRT teaches literacy through storytelling in American Sign Language to children ages 0 to 5 who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as to hearing children of deaf parents. All services are free and are provided in the home or natural environment.

Currently we are recruiting deaf and hard of hearing individuals who are interested in becoming tutors to work with children ages 0 to 5 and their families and/or



caregivers. All tutors will receive the training modeled after the nationally recognized Shared Reading Project (SRP) which was developed by the Laurent Clerc National Education Center in collaboration with Gallaudet University. After training we will screen tutors in order to make the best possible match with a family.

If you would like more information, please contact Joelene Spires at the DHHSC- Fresno or email her at joelenes@dhhsc.org

SHHH changes to HLAA

By Susan Coulter
HLAA Fresno Chapter President

communicate our message and fulfill our mission."

In November 2005 the Board of Trustees of the organization Self Help for Hard of Hearing (SHHH) voted to update their name. This past March it completed the transition and now is going by the name Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA).

SHHH/HLAA has been serving Americans with hearing loss for more than 25 years and currently has over 13 state offices and 250 local chapters. The purpose of the organization is to open the world of communication to people with hearing loss through information, education, advocacy and support.

What is SHHH's reasoning for the change? According to SHHH Executive Director, Terry D. Portis, "SHHH needs to position itself to meet the needs of a new generation of people with hearing loss while continuing to serve the constituents who rely on us today. I believe that by updating our name and image we will be better able to

Fresno's chapter of HLAA meets the third Thursday of each month, 7pm - 9pm at DHHSC Headquarters (except for July and August). For more information about chapters in your area or to start a new local chapter, check out the HLAA website: www.hearinglossca.org.

Both Parent and Tutor Witness Benefit of Reading Program

By Arturo Lopez, Deaf Families Reading Together Tutor

By Aaron Stafford, Parent in Deaf Families Reading Together Program

My experience working as a tutor for the Shared Reading Project (SRP) has been a positive one. As a tutor I go into the home and teach parents how to read books in American Sign Language (ASL) to their deaf children. I have had such interesting and motivating experiences tutoring the children and teaching ASL to the families. It did not matter the families' ethnicity, social status, or income level, all parents were willing to learn what I had to teach them and welcomed me with open arms. I felt very comfortable in each of the families' homes and I loved getting to know the parents, the deaf child, and even some extended family. The families I have worked with have improved so much in communication with their children. The deaf children love having their parent read to them in their own language and after this experience they feel more comfortable communicating their wants and needs.

SRP has allowed par open communication with u. children and I love watching par who at first were not comfortable using sign language on comfortable read

deaf children benefit SRP because it begins a lifetime of open communication with their child.

For the past year my family has been involved in the Shared Reading Project (SRP). The goal of this project is to help deaf and hard of hearing children become better readers and to raise their academic achievement. It is well known that reading to children will better prepare them for school and increase their knowledge base. Being a hearing parent trying to learn ASL, I did not really know how to sign a book to my son, Jarron. I tried on my own but I had lots of questions. Fortunately, help arrived, in the form of a tutor.

We met our tutor, Arturo, at DHHSC and immediately hit it off. I was very nervous when we met but he signed slowly for me and finger spelled when I did not know a sign. His patience and friendly smile made me relax.

Within the first six weeks of SRP I witnessed a notable difference in Jarron's attention span. Before we started his attention span was about as long as mine. Now we are able to read through a book multiple times.

He picks up books on his own and reads them or asks to be read to. At night we sometimes even turn off the lights and read together under the

become a better father, introduced me to deaf culture, and helped me with signing. I doubt I could ever express just how much SRP has done for us.

Central Coast Outreach Expands Children's Services

*By Jesse Lewis
Deputy Director*

We are happy to announce that our Central Coast Outreach office in Salinas has been able to expand the services we have available specifically for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children and their families. This was made possible by a grant that came to us through the Marin Community Foundation, backed by local support. We are very grateful for their generosity in making this possible.

These services will be provided by our new Case Manager for Children's Services, Patricia Killough. It is our hope to be

able to work more closely with families to provide the services needed to strengthen their communication and interactions with each other, so that the children have the best chances for success.

These services include, but are not limited to:

- Assisting families with Deaf and Hard of Hearing children in the areas of educational and community access
 - Case management; referral and advocacy
 - Promoting positive interactions

amongst families with deaf and hard of hearing children

- Engaging in home visits, occasionally on weekends/evenings, to assess family needs and provide services
- Providing information and referral to the deaf community and the hearing public about issues effecting Deaf and Hard of Hearing children
- Educating both deaf and hearing families about their rights and the resources available to meet their needs

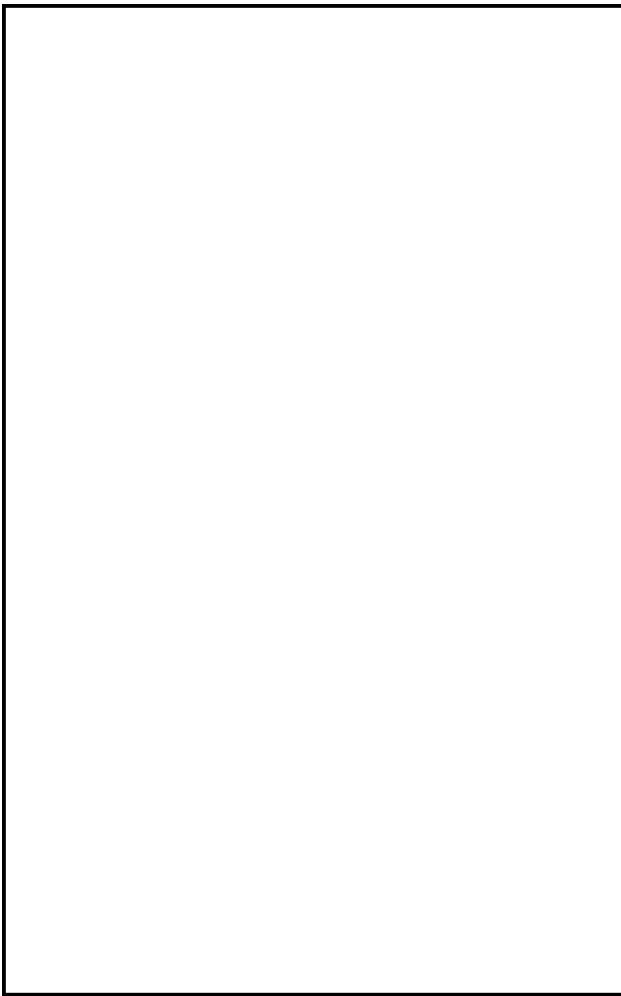
If you have Deaf or Hard of Hearing children and live in the Central Coast area, please contact our Salinas office and ask for Patty. We also encourage any teachers of Deaf or Hard of Hearing students to help us get the word out to parents in this area about these services.



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Fresno Civil War Reenactment has ASL Interpreter

Did you know that for the past two years the Fresno Historical Society has had a Sign Language interpreter for the Civil War reenactment? You are invited to come to Kearney Park for the Civil War Reenactment October 21 and 22. This year's theme is "War on the Water" and will be displaying an exact scale replica of the famous Confederate submarine, the H.L. Hunley, the first submarine to sink a ship in wartime.

For the past two years I have been interpreting for

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we are always happy to provide their staff with training on how to better serve Deaf and Hard of Hearing clients on the phone and in person. We can arrange to have a presentation for their staff by the Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program (DDTP) who oversees the California Relay Service (CRS) as well.

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Paperwork: It's Everywhere

Job applications, letters from SSI, SDI, DMV, the courts, and others all have important information for you. But if you are a Native Signer whose primary language is American Sign Language (ASL) the grammar and syntax of English can make understanding these documents difficult. If you are a Native Signer, or know someone who is, and you or they need help at any time with a letter, form, or other written document, DHHSC is here to help.

translate it into ASL for you. Don't lose out on a job, lose important benefits or get into trouble with the courts because you did not understand a letter, form or job application. Also, remember whenever you have an appointment and you need an ASL Interpreter to provide you with effective communication, request an Interpreter as soon as the appointment is scheduled. The sooner those you will be meeting with know you need an Interpreter, the better the chance of their being able to hire an Interpreter without having to reschedule your appointment. Effective communication is your right, don't be afraid to ask for it.

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Fresno Events

September 2006



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Special Presentation: Michael Davis "Janitor" Saturday, September 23, 2006 - 6 PM to 9 PM					1 Closed for Staff Development Meeting	2
3	4 Closed for Labor Day	5	6 Alcohol & Drug Prevention Program Workshop, 10-11am	7	8 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	9
10	11 Deaf Families Reading Together Parent Orientation 5:30-8pm	12 Deaf Blind Social Group, 1-4pm	13 Alcohol & Drug Prevention Program Workshop, 10-11am	14	15 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	16
17	18	19 Board Meeting—7pm	20	21 Hearing Loss Assoc. of America Meeting, 7-9pm	22 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	23 Michael Davis presents "Janitor" 6-9pm <i>See enclosed flier</i>
24	25 Deaf Trivia/Game Night & Ice Cream Social 6-8:30 pm <i>Deaf Awareness Week</i>	26 Open Captioned Movie at Regal Cinemas, time TBA	27	28 Live with DHHSC & Rosa Lee, Hope Community Center 6-9pm	29 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm John's Pizza, 6-9pm	30



Fresno Events

October 2006



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Brown Bag Lunch 12pm -1:30pm	5	6 Closed for Staff Development Meeting	7 "Giving Our Best" Awards Banquet, DHHSC 6pm Board Meeting TBA
8	9 Closed for Columbus Day	10 Deaf Blind Social Group, 1-4pm	11	12	13 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	14
15	16	17	18	19 Hearing Loss Assoc. of America Meeting 7-9pm	20 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	21 Civil War at Kearney Park <i>See page 12</i>
22 Civil War at Kearney Park <i>See Page 12</i>	23	24	25	26 Macy's Community Shopping Day <i>(See enclosed flier)</i>	27 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm Halloween Social	28
29	30	31	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>Halloween Social Friday - October 27, 2006 6 PM to 9 PM</p> </div>			



Fresno Events

November 2006



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Brown Bag Lunch 12pm -1:30pm	2	3 Closed for Staff Development Meeting	4 4th Annual Deaf Women's Conference 9am- 4pm "Purse-onality PLUS"
5	6	7	8	9	10 Closed for Veteran's Day	11
12	13	14 Deaf Blind Social Group, 1-4pm	15	16	17 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	18
19	20	21 Board Meeting—7pm	22	23 Closed for Thanksgiving	24 Closed for Thanksgiving	25
26	27	28	29	30		



Fresno Events

December 2006



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Closed for Staff Development Meeting	2
3	4	5	6 Brown Bag Lunch 12pm - 1:30pm	7	8 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	9
10	11	12 Deaf Blind Social Group, 1-4pm	13	14	15 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	16 Holiday Social 6pm - 9pm
17	18	19 Board Meeting- 7pm	20	21 Hearing Loss Assoc. of America Meeting 7-9pm	22 Foreign Born 10-11am ILS 11am-12pm	23
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31	<p>Happy Holidays!! See you in 2007!!</p>					

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