

Welcome to Deaf Services Commission of Iowa



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DEAF CAPITOL DAY

Deaf Services Commission of Iowa will be at the Deaf Capitol Day annual event hosted by members of the Deaf community on April 7th, 2008 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. located at the Capitol Building, Capitol Rotunda, 1st floor. Please come visit our booth and see a Videophone Demonstration. The flyer is available on our Calendar of Events website. There will be speakers, Director of Human Rights, Walter Reed, Secretary of State, Michael Mauro, and Governor Chet Culver and tours of the Capitol with interpreters provided.



### DO YOU WANT TO WORK?

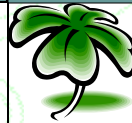
DSCI has been working with Iowa Workforce Development and other agencies to help Deaf and Hard of Hearing get jobs. There are many programs and services out there to help. Most people only know Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services. That is good, but there are other services too.

Do you have a job but no insurance? There is program to help. Do you want a job but don't know where to look? There is a program to help.

Do you get SSI or SSDI? Do you want to work? Are you afraid you will lose SSI or SSDI if you work? Find out about programs to help you work and earn some money or more than you get now with SSI or SSDI alone. On May 1 and 2, 2008 you can meet with experts to help you learn about programs for you. Just contact DSCI to make appointments. You can contact DSCI by call 281-3164 tty/voice or 1-888-221-3724 tty/voice or email [dhr.dsci@iowa.gov](mailto:dhr.dsci@iowa.gov).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MARCH



**3/5: 1 pm** Presentation by Bill Hayes, Director of Engineering and Technology IPTV - DTV Broadcasting. February 19, 2009 analog television will be gone and digital will be it's replacement. How will this affect you? Will you need a new television? Will you need a box of some sort? There will have hand-outs, etc. Calvary Lutheran Church for the Deaf, 3909 E. 42nd Street, Des Moines

**3/7: 6 - 10pm** ASL Social Event hosted by Deaf Awareness and Des Moines Area Community College at inPlay in Des Moines at 615 - 3rd Street, Des Moines.

**3/8:** EFR DEAF TAX DAY, One-on-One/Confidential appointment with IRS person, ASL Interpreters provided, No cost. Space is limited, first come-first served. Contact [ariemer@efr.org](mailto:ariemer@efr.org) or call at 515-471-2372 TTY

**3/29: 9 am - 5 pm** Iowa Association of the Deaf (IAD) Board Meeting at Story City Community Hall, Story City, (downtown see the theater neon sign)



## SUBMITTING RECENT EVENTS OR INFORMATION TO E-NEWS

The deadline for submission to the April issue is March 31st.

Send e-mail submissions to the editor [dhr.dsci@iowa.gov](mailto:dhr.dsci@iowa.gov)

Photos accompanying submissions are encouraged. For instructions on how to submit photos, contact the editor at the address above.

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**The DeafNation Expo is coming to Omaha, Nebraska on April 19, 2008.**

We just had over 5,000 people at the Austin DeafNation Expo last Saturday, March 1st.

Exhibitors and stage speakers are still welcome, e-mail [expo@deafnation.com](mailto:expo@deafnation.com) asap, before the spaces get sold out.

Our Event Sponsors are Sprint Relay, Sorenson Communications, and Event Sponsor; NCDHH with many thanks to them.

**Location:**

Omaha Civic Auditorium  
1804 Capitol Ave  
Omaha, NE 68102

**Cost: FREE ADMISSION**

Avoid the long line at the door, sign up online for your FREE Admission Ticket at [www.deafnation.com](http://www.deafnation.com). The event includes:

- Exhibitions (FREE)
- Entertainment (FREE)
- Seminars & Workshops (FREE)
- Children's Activities (FREE)

What's new at the Expo in 2008?

- DeafNation Media Experience
- New John Maucere Show
- New Matt "Magic" Morgan
- Ricky Smith Mime
- New Presentations
- DeafNation Tech workshop
- More surprises from Event Sponsors and Exhibitors

Please feel free to visit [www.deafnation.com](http://www.deafnation.com) for more detail



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