



Welcome to Deaf Services Commission of Iowa

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ANNOUNCEMENT

ADVOCACY CHANGE DAY APRIL 1, 2009

Please join the Iowa Governor's Developmental Disabilities Council ~ This is your day to advocate for yourself and others with disabilities at the State Capitol Building. This is a free event featuring advocacy training, opportunities to interact directly with legislators and rallying together. Come on and check the Deaf Services Commission of Iowa (DSCI) website at www.state.ia.us/government/dhr/ds for detailed information on where to pre-register to attend by **March 20, 2009**- Don't miss this opportunity to learn advocacy training and how to meet and greet your legislators- Think about how you really want to see the State of Iowa improve in providing for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community on such things as hearing aid dispensers, Children's Bill of Rights, Mental Health or other issues.

Please continue to check the website for future details on **Advocating Change 2009** at www.idaction.org — if you would like to receive a free subscription to the Council's policy publication infoNET, please call at 1-866-432-2846 or you can email at info@idaction.org

ASL interpreters will be provided for the advocacy training and rally.

Submitted by
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UPCOMING WORKSHOP

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WHEN: APRIL 11, 2009

NOTICE: LOCATION and TIME CHANGED

WHERE: 100 Phillips Hall (PH)
The University of Iowa
16 North Clinton Street
Iowa City

TIME: 8:30 am—5:30 pm

CRAD is thrilled and proud to announce that we will host

"In Search of Deafhood"

Workshop presented in ASL by two excellent presenters who will be coming to Iowa City from California:

Ella Mae Lentz and Genie "GG" Gertz

- Free Admission
- Refreshments & Drinks *might be* provided
- Lunch ON YOUR OWN!

Seating is Limited, RSVP required—MUST!

Email RSVP to Tim Sheets at

timsheets@mac.com

After email RSVP, you will get more information about registration, location, etc.

Visit the DSCI website: <http://www.state.ia.us/government/dhr/ds/index.html>

Questions or Comments?

Email us at dhr.dsci@iowa.gov or call 515-281-3164 V/TTY or Toll-Free: 1-888-221-3724 V/TTY



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



3/6: 6 pm American Sign Language Social hosted by Deaf Awareness and DMACC located at [ALL-Play](#) at 615 - 3rd Street, Des Moines, games, eat and drink. First Friday of every month.

3/7: 9:15 am—4:45 pm Iowa Association of the Deaf (IAD) Board of Directors Meeting located at Cedar Falls Public Library, 524 Main Street, Cedar Falls.

3/36: 6:30 p.m. HLA-CI, (Hearing Loss Association of Central Iowa) meets at Scottish Rite Park, 2909 Woodland Ave., Des Moines. Presentation by members of HLA-CI; "Rear-view Captioning Technology" as available at a local movie theater in Johnston. We will explore available captioned movies, and how to find the theater, date, and time.



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Our President has a Name Sign, check it out!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=67V8qWQd_EM

INFORMATION

The Disability Law Lowdown

<http://asl.disabilitylawlowdown.com/>

ASL Video Podcast

Learn your rights under the ADA and the Fair Housing Act when buying or renting a place to live.

The DisabilityLawLowdown ASL Videos are also available from YouTube.Com at: <http://youtube.com/DisabilityLawLowdown>

SUBMITTING RECENT EVENTS OR INFORMATION

The deadline for submission to the April issue is March 30th. Send e-mail submissions to the editor 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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