



Welcome to Deaf Services Commission of Iowa

"Equal Communication, Education, and Access"

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

On February 17, 2009, federal law requires that all full-power television broadcast stations stop broadcasting in analog format and broadcast only in digital format. For more information, go to these websites:

### ASL VIDEOS OF WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT DTV - DIGITAL TELEVISION TRANSITION

**PART 1:**

[http://www.dtv.gov/video/DTV\\_ASL-Part1.html](http://www.dtv.gov/video/DTV_ASL-Part1.html)

**PART 2:**

[http://www.dtv.gov/video/DTV\\_ASL-Part2.html](http://www.dtv.gov/video/DTV_ASL-Part2.html)

**PART 3:**

[http://www.dtv.gov/video/DTV\\_ASL-Part3.html](http://www.dtv.gov/video/DTV_ASL-Part3.html)



## INFORMATION

### Do You Have Questions about Health Issues?

There's a website available in American Sign Language (ASL) that has information about various health topics. It's mission is "to provide clear and concise health information in ASL to promote the overall wellness of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community."

Check it out: <http://www.deafmd.org/>

## INFORMATION

### FREE ONE HOUR WORKSHOPS

Iowa School for the Deaf and Iowa Lions Foundation bring 3 sessions via Iowa Communication Network (ICN) this spring to Iowa's families living with a child's hearing loss. Brochure available at [www.iowashcoolforthe deaf.org](http://www.iowashcoolforthe deaf.org), click the community resources button, then the support group option. For more information about the ICN, topics or to register, email [ageroth@iowaschoolforthe deaf.org](mailto:ageroth@iowaschoolforthe deaf.org) or call ISD Outreach services at 712.366.3213

**Feb. 19th: 7-8:30 p.m. (Reg. Deadline: 2/12)**  
Best Practices in Iowa's Deaf Education

**March 26th: 7-8 p.m. (Reg. Deadline: 3/19)**  
What's New in Speech Therapy

**April 16th: 7-8 p.m. Reg. Deadline: 4/9)**  
What Your Itinerant Teacher Wants You to Know

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

Questions or Comments?

Email us at [dhr.dsci@iowa.gov](mailto: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



**2/1: 4 pm** 3rd Annual Superbowl Gathering located at CIBO Fusion Restaurant, 685 Marion Blvd., Marion hosted together by CRAD and [www.URrelay.com](http://www.URrelay.com)

**2/5: 6:00 pm Family Fun at ALL PLAY** located at 615—3rd Street downtown Des Moines. Please join Iowa Hands & Voices and the Deaf Club for an evening of family fun. Iowa Hands & Voices will provide mini-bowling to every child. Please come and socialize with other parents and have your child meet other kids with hearing loss. Feel free to check out ALL Play's website [www.inplaydesmoines.com](http://www.inplaydesmoines.com) for directions and menu options.

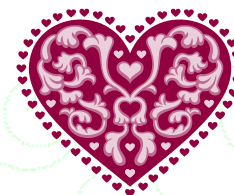
**2/6: 6 pm** American Sign Language Social hosted by Deaf Awareness and DMACC located at [ALL-Play](http://www.all-play.com) at 615 - 3rd Street, Des Moines, games, eat and drink. First Friday of every month.

**2/14: 10 am - 1 pm Deaf Services Commission of Iowa Commission Meeting** located at Altoona Public Library, 700 - 8th Street SW, Altoona

**2/21: Open at 12:00 pm Bowling 1 - 4:30 pm: CRAD 19th Annual 9 Pin Tourney** located at May City Bowling Center, 1648 Trent St. SW, Cedar Rapids.

**2/21: 5 - 11 pm: CRAD Social, Games, Cingo, Bank Night, Pizza** located at Hiawatha Community Center, 101 Emmons Ave, Hiawatha.

**2/26: 6:30 pm: HLA-CI (The Hearing Loss Association of Central Iowa)** meets at 2909 Woodland Ave., Des Moines in the 12th floor Community Room. A documentary film, "Audism Unveiled", will be shown with Kathryn Baumann-Reese as facilitator, and discussion leader. For more information about the event you may email [luv2stamp4@juno.com](mailto:luv2stamp4@juno.com), or call 515-279-5248. Please note that the local HLA-CI is a chapter of the National Organization, HLAA (Hearing Loss Association of America). Visit the national website at [www.hearingloss.org](http://www.hearingloss.org)



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DSCI Junior Commission Leadership Program is set for June 14—19, 2009 located at Dolliver State Park near Fort Dodge.

The registration form is available on our website at:

<http://www.state.ia.us/government/dhr/ds/Webpages/NEW.JCP.htm>



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