



NATIONAL
STUDENT LIFE
for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Opening Ceremony

Friday, November 1, 2013

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Bo Acton
Conference Chair

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Dwight Benedict
Master of Ceremony

Inspirational Statements from Leaders in Deaf Education

Dr. Frank Turk
“Father” of Student Life

“Any and all student development programs can only be as strong as the depth of a predominantly student-run, student-managed effort with adult support from behind, not up front.

Adults are for and with them, 24/7. It is either you are with them or you are not at all, 24/7! You Believe in them; you Encourage them; you Share with them; and you Trust them (BEST).

They need your intergenerational support, 24/7!”

Claire Bugen, *Superintendent*
Texas School for the Deaf
Board of Trustee of Gallaudet University

"In our school classrooms we strengthen basic skills and critical thinking--but only in the residential and student development programs can we give sustained attention to children's social and emotional learning. Research tells us that promoting social and emotional learning is "the missing piece" in creating knowledgeable, caring adults.

If each of us gave thought to what makes a successful adult we would no doubt focus on social and emotional competence and the ability to form relationships, solve everyday problems and adapt to the complex demands in our lives. Student Life gives our kids a different way of being smart."

Dr. Roz Rosen, Director
National Center on Deafness – CSUN

"I am glad that there will be a conference addressing student development as a vital component of the curriculum."

It's the "unwritten 24/7 curriculum" that supports the development of a well-rounded, educated, empathic and empowered citizen with knowledge, skills and 'street smarts' to navigate through life.

Consequently, student life personnel are key members of the educational team. The advantages of co-curricular programs should be made more well-known to the public."

Chris Wagner, President
National Association for the Deaf

“The National Association of the Deaf (NAD) is pleased to see an opportunity created for professionals to collaborate within their colleagues concentrating on student development in the K-12 and post secondary environment for deaf and hard of hearing students.”

The work you do for students outside of the classroom is critical to the child’s social and emotional development. On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of NAD, I salute you and wish the best to those who made the conference a reality.”

Dr. Ron Stern, Superintendent
New Mexico School for the Deaf

“Quality after school programs are critical for student development and they make schools for the deaf all the more non-replicable, viable and critical. And we all must do even more to maximize that potential!”

Erika Domatti Shadburne,
Assistant Dean/Professor
Austin Community College

“The Student Life Staff at any residential school holds the key to higher learning. Classroom teachers have limited time with students while Student Life staff have extended time to teach life skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, persistence and compassion. These skills will serve students well in all areas of their life.”

Lisa Jacobs
Director of National &
Regional Outreach



Pam Snedigar, Director

West
Ohlone College
Fremont, Calif.



Sheri Cook, Director

Midwest
John A. Logan College
Carterville, Ill.



Kathleen Vesey, Director

Northeast
Northern Essex Community College
Haverhill, Mass.



Judy Coryell, Director

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Hawaii, Guam, American Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia,
Commonwealth of Northern Marianas, Republic of Palau and
Republic of Marshall Islands

Southwest
Austin Community College
Austin, Texas

Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands

Southeast
Gallaudet University
Washington, D.C.



Karen Sheffer, Director



Arlene Gunderson, Director

How Many from Each Region?

8



16



4



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19



12



Aren't you all curious how many?!

How Many?

- Flew Here
- Rode Train (Amtrak)
- Drove Here
- Walked Here
- Women
- Men
- Deaf
- Hearing
- Schools for the Deaf

How Many?

- Worked in Student Life:
 - 30+ years
 - 25+ years
 - 20+ years
 - 15+ years
 - 10+ years
 - 5+ years
 - Less than 5 years

Arlene Gunderson
Director of the Gallaudet
University Regional Center –
Southwest

How Did We Get Here?



REGIONAL CENTER
SOUTHWEST

- Founded January 12, 2011 at Austin Community College in Austin, Texas
- The center's first request was a call from staff at New Mexico School for the Deaf in need of support for ***professional development opportunities for the Dorm Administrators & Staff.***
- History Timeline: 1998 - 2006

Dr. Allen E. Sussman

Enhancing Student Life for Deaf Students Into the 21st Century

Dr. Frank Turk & Steve Doleac

Dr. Kathy Jankowski

Dwight Benedict

June 17-19, 1998

Gallaudet University

Kellogg Conference Center

Doris Millios & George Boyd

Dr. William P. McCrone

Carl Pramuk & Susan Hanrahan

PROGRAM

Dale Ford

Dr. Jeff Lewis

Dr. Debra K. Fetzer

Dr. Teresa Lanning

Dennis Berrigan

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Laura Lynn Helms

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Dr. Catherine Andersen
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Mike Weinstock

Rich Pelletier

THE SECOND NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS
WORKING WITH DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING STUDENTS

STUDENT LIFE
IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM
Featuring
**The First National Institute for
Athletic Directors and Coaches**

June 20 - 23, 2000
Gallaudet University ♦ Washington, D.C.

PROGRAM

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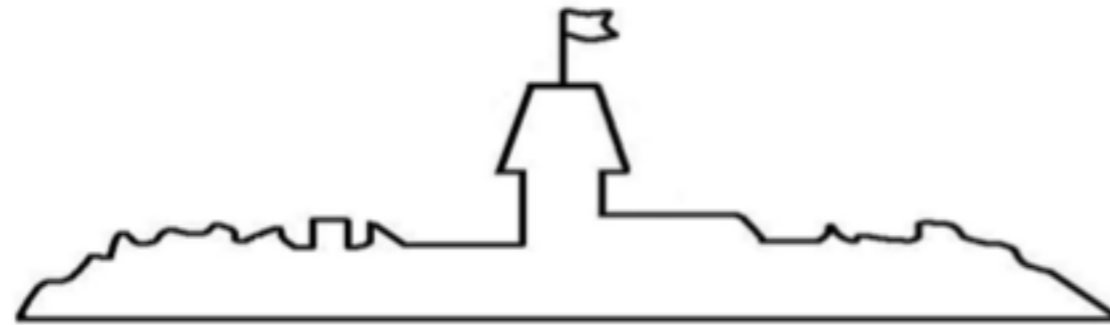
Dr. Laurene Simms

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STUDENT LIFE INSTITUTE

2006

Gallaudet University, Washington DC

June 26-29, 2006

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Office of Campus Life

Gallaudet University

Cary Barbin

Dr. Kathy Jankowski
Carl Pramuk

Kenneth Davis

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Debra Rodgers Fetzer

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Travis Imel

Stretching Student's Mind
Through
Student Development
Programs and Services



- * STUDENT
- * CHAIRMAN
- * STAFF TO
- * PRESENTATION
- * MUST LET
- * THE CHAIR

24/7

Disaster/Emergency Preparation

(Hard Lessons Learned)

Student Life Institute

Gallaudet University

June 28, 2006

Kenneth David, Interim Director

Louisiana School for the Deaf







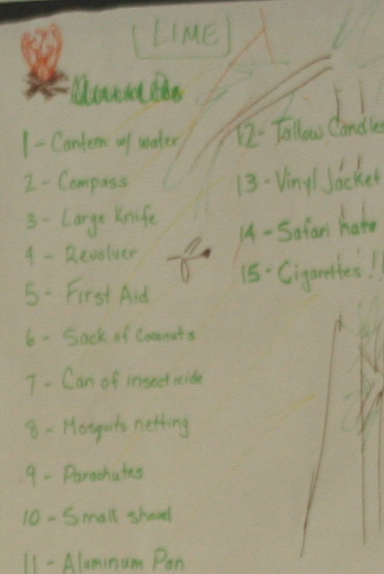
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After School Program Overview

- After School Program (ASP) provides
 - recreation activities
 - social interaction
 - learning experience
- Seniors
- Freshman/Sophomore/Junior students
- MSSD students divide into appropriate groups
- Structured activities

• STUDENT LIFE BOARD (MAY 17)
• OCCASION
• STUDY TRENDS
• RECREATION (MAY 17)
• SENIORS (MAY 17)
• STUDY TRENDS (MAY 17)
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- PIRATES**
1. Canteen w/ water
 2. Sack of coconuts
 3. Compass
 4. Large Knife
 5. Tallow candles
 6. Aluminum Pan
 7. Parachutes
 8. Revolver
 9. Mosquito netting
 10. First Aid Kit
 11. Vinyl Jackets
 12. Small shovel
 13. Can of insecticide
 14. Safari Hats
 15. Cigarettes

- LIME**
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- 1 - Canteen w/ water
 - 2 - Compass
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 - 13 - Vinyl Jacket
 - 14 - Safari hats
 - 15 - Cigarettes!!

- CAMOUFLAGE**
1. First Aid
 2. Water
 3. Knife
 4. Compass
 5. parachute
 6. Jacket
 7. Pan
 8. candle
 9. net
 10. Shovel
 11. Can of insecticide
 12. Coconuts/coconuts
 13. revolver
 14. mosquito netting





- Diversity
- CEASD conferences info @CORPS
- School Profiles
- Make SLI more available to other staff
- Behavior Intervention Plan
- Liability Issues
- Concurrent Sled/Break out sessions
- Discussion Teams during lunch
- Train our own leaders within depts

Perception Drawbacks

- Prevents seeing everything that's there
- Makes our interpretations questionable
- Promotes stereotypes
- Projection
- Self-fulfilling perceptual defenses



Student Life Organizational Development Training

- *Austin, Texas - October 4 - 5, 2011*
 - *Exploring establishment and development of a national organization or association for Student Life professionals serving schools for the deaf' with an eye towards planning a Student Life Institute Conference that will take place in 2012 or **2013***
1. To determine what type of organizational entity is appropriate and identify the individuals who should be involved;
 2. To have at least the beginnings of an action plan for establishing the organizational entity; and
 3. To create an action plan for a Student Life Institute Conference, including target population, initial focus and content, and tentative “time and place” possibilities.

Student Life Organizational Training Participants

- Bo Acton, DC
- Peter Bailey, MA
- Vonnie Basham, NM
- Amy Benner, TX
- Ethan Bernstein, CA
- Jeffrey Bravin, CT
- Roddy Cabbage, NM
- Steve Farmer, TN
- Scott Kramer, CA
- John Jordan, AR
- Billy Lange, KY
- Wilmonda McDevitt, TX
- Wilton McMillan, KY
- Alan Morton, TX
- Deb Skjeveland, IN
- Ricky Suiter, MI
- Dan Veit, TX
- Farley Warshaw, CA

Organizational Possibilities

- Professional Association
- Non-Profit Organization
- Network(s) (Loose or Firm)
- Conference based or oriented
- Affiliate







SLI Conference- Draft

- *Related Topics
 - *Athletics
 - *Residential
 - *Health Center
 - *Transition
 - *After-School
 - *Behavioral Support
 - *Curriculum (LCCE) & ISP
 - *Credentials for Residential Staff
 - *Colloboration (State-Wide)
 - *Student Services (Tutoring, etc.)
 - *Safety/Transportation
 - *Counseling
 - *Networking
 - *Union
 - *Diversity
 - *Handbooks/Manuals/Forms

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Organizational Possibilities

- ? • Professional Association
- ? • Non-Profit Organization
- ? • Network(s)
(Loose or Firm)
- ? • Conference Based
or Organization Based
- ? • Affiliate with an
Organization



Dr. Innes' Recommended Identified Strategies

- ✓ • Student Life must be more than a "value added" service
- ✓ • Core and indispensable component
- ✓ • Central to the school's mission



"That's our new mission statement."

Dr. Jay Innes' Recommended Identified Strategies

- ✓ • Enables "Child First" services to extend beyond classroom
- ✓ • Shapes and extends school's brand
- ✓ • Impact on numbers and data

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a blue pen, pointing to a table of numbers. The table contains various numerical values, including integers, decimals, and large numbers, arranged in rows and columns. The numbers are printed in a small, black, sans-serif font. The pen is positioned over the table, and the hand is visible in the foreground.

Implementation of NSLDHH Logo & Website



The image shows a screenshot of the NSLDHH website. At the top, there is a dark banner with a group of diverse people on the left and the text "NSLDHH" in a large, outlined font. To the right of the banner is a search bar with the text "Find us at" above it and "Search" in an orange button. Below the banner is a large white area containing the main logo. The logo features a blue arc above the text "NATIONAL STUDENT LIFE" in red and blue. Below this, it says "for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing" in blue. A red stick figure is integrated into the word "LIFE", and three yellow stars are positioned to the right. At the bottom left, there is a dark navigation menu with the following items: Home (highlighted in orange), News, Resources, November 2013 Conference, Get Involved, and Discussion Board. Below the navigation menu, there is a section titled "A MESSAGE FROM NSLDHH" with decorative vertical borders on either side.

Find us at

Search Search

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Discussion Board

A MESSAGE FROM NSLDHH

Conference is YOUR Opportunity to...

- **Share** the celebrations and challenges about our school's student life division.
- **Discuss** the organization goals.
- **Learn** and exchange ideas, best practices and develop resources.
- **Network** with professionals who work in the same field.

“If you are working on something exciting that you really care about, you don’t have to be pushed. The vision pulls you.”

Steve Jobs



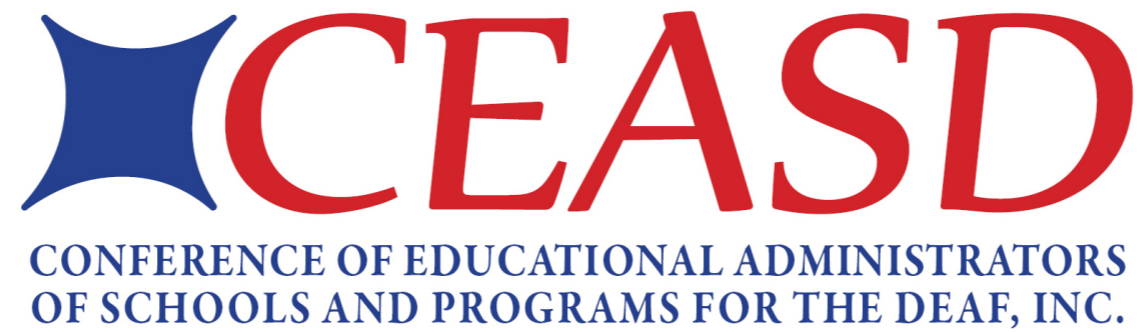
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CONFERENCE!**

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Conference Chair

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Keynote Speakers

Deb Skjeveland
Organization Chair

Russell O. West
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