Welcome to 2015!
This year promises to be an exciting one full of learning and fellowship. The program committee has been hard at work planning a fantastic March workshop, as well as assisting the hard working Biennial Planning Committee to develop and host a fantastic conference this summer. We’re sure that you’ll find both opportunities great ones to both spend time with your colleagues and to develop and enhance your skills. Please see the reports in this issue for further details.

For myself, I look forward to another year and to the completing the work that the ARID Board has started. During our Biennial Conference, two awards will be given out that honor the memory and dedication of two beloved interpreters: Shirley Herald and Barbara Northup. I encourage you to review the nomination criteria for both of these memorial awards and nominate someone. We have such deserving members among us and these women would be proud of the work that we, as interpreters and community members, are doing.

I look forward this year to wrapping up the work started by the Board. The Policy and Procedure Manual (PPM) is under final review and the new website will be rolled out shortly. These were the mandates from the membership and we are glad to be able to meet them. I look forward to the New Year to come.

“I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes. Because if you are making mistakes, the you are making new things, trying new things, learning, living, pushing yourself, changing yourself, changing your world. You're doing things you've never done before, and more importantly, you're doing something.” - Neil Gaiman

From the President … Cheryl Thomas

April 11, 2015
GM Meeting @ 9-11 am
Workshop @ 8-11 am
Lunch 11-12 pm
Workshop @ 12-3 pm
AR School for the Deaf

DO IT NOW!
New interpreters!
Apply for Licensure

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Hello fellow ARIDians! As winter comes to a close we begin to anticipate April showers and May flowers. The Biennial Planning Committee also invites you to start planning your Interpreter’s Getaway with us, during our 2015 Biennial “Passport to Anywhere; Your Skills Can Take You There.” The conference will be held in Little Rock at Embassy Suites Hotel June 19 - June 20, 2015, with the Pre-Conference on June 18, 2015.

As your tour guides, we have planned an adventure meant to strengthen your interpreting skills and allow you some “time by the pool” to enjoy your self with colleagues and friends. Our excursions include forays in to mental health interpreting, ASL linguistics, legal settings and educational interpreting.

For the Pre-Conference, we will learn from Mr. Ray James at the Clinton Presidential Library. The morning workshop session will go on a “3-hour tour” with a guide to discuss the exhibits and history of the Museum. Upon returning from lunch, the afternoon session will focus on specific strategies to interpret the Clinton Presidential Library tour and how they could apply to other educational interpreting settings.

Please check our new website, the ARID listserv and in this edition for the Conference Schedule to find the most up-to-date port of calls, activity lists and other crucial trip information. We are now offering ONE-DAY EXCURSIONS. These forms will need to be printed and mailed to ARID. Find them under the online Registration Guide.

Be a Star Traveler! - This ship has not yet sailed! Join the BPC and help us plan our best conference yet! Look in the ARIDian News & Views on page 10 or contact a BPC member for sponsorship and donation forms. Every dollar goes toward your dream interpreting getaway!

As the Biennial Planning Committee finalizes our plans we will be sharing them with our members through these avenues. Thank you for your patience (with my puns) as we embark with our “Passport to Anywhere; Your Skills Can Take You There”!

Please find the ARID Biennial Conference Sponsorship Letter below. As ARID members, you can be our grassroots tour guides and help us gain much needed sponsorship. Every business card sized ad is one step closer to a first class ticket to improving your skills!

Meagan Shepherd and Ashley Beaty Co-Chair the Biennial Planning Committee (BPC)
Secretary Report …. Katelyn Wilson

2014 Board Motions

BD14.01 Move to approve the minutes from the September 2013 Board Meeting (Haas, Litchfield) Approved.
BD14.02 Move to accept the January 2014 Board Meeting minutes as presented (Bagley, Thomas).
BD14.03 Move to approve the minutes from the February Board Meeting (Anderson, Haas) PASSED.
BD14.04 Move to accept the 2014-2015 General Operating Budget as presented (Anderson, Wilson) PASSED.
BD14.05 Move to have the 2015 Biennial Conference at Embassy Suites in West Little Rock (Anderson, Litchfield) PASSED.
BD14.06 Move to approve minutes from June 13, 2014 meeting (Haas, Litchfield) PASSED.
BD14.07 Move to approve treasurer report (Haas, Litchfield) PASSED.
BD14.08 Move that the current nomination deadline of May 31st, under the procedures section of the Barbara Northup Excellence in Community Involvement Award to read, “Prior to April of the Biennial year” (Thomas, Litchfield) PASSED.

2014 General Membership Meeting Motions

GM 14.01 Move to approve the minutes from the January meeting (Deen, Lane-Ross) PASSED.
GM 14.02 Move to approve the minutes from the September 2013 meeting (Smith, Litchfield) PASSED.
GM 14.03 Move that we expand the duties of the Member-at-Large to become members of the Sunshine Committee and the duties of the MAL is to reach out to the memberships of their district on a monthly basis, reporting to the chair (James, Taff-Watson) PASSED.
GM 14.04 Move to amend the budget to add the line item for the Biennial seed money (Stauffer, Binko) PASSED.
GM 14.05 Move to accept the 14-15 operating budget as amended (Stauffer, Malley) PASSED.
GM 14.06 Motion to approve nomination of Tironica for Region I MAL (Stauffer, Malley) PASSED.
GM 14.07 Move that ARID reinstitute one-year free membership to those earning a first time QAST level starting July 1, 2014 (Taff-Watson, Stauffer) PASSED.
GM 14.08 Move that ARID allocated up to $100 to the RID Silent Auction (Taff-Watson, Litchfield) PASSED.
GM 14.09 Move to terminate the current ARID Website contract and enter into a new contract with HnH Marketing (Taff-Watson, Deen) PASSED.
GM 14.10 Move to increase the 2014-2015 fiscal year website budget line (Taff-Watson, Deen) PASSED.
GM 14.11 Move to designate $75 per month to pay for website support beginning 2014-2015 fiscal year (Taff-Watson, Deen) PASSED.

CALL for Nominations for Awards

* Shirley Herald Life-Time Achievement Award
Note: Nominations for this award were accepted until February 1, 2015.

* Barbara Northup Excellence in Community Involvement Award
Note: Nominations for this award will be accepted until April 1, 2015.

You may find the forms for each award on pages 25-28 in this March 2015 edition of the ARIDian News & Views. If you have any questions, please contact Katelyn Wilson at wilsonkatelynb@gmail.com. Please use the subject line, "ARID Award Nominations" when referencing this topic. Your nominations can be mailed to the ARID address:

Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc.
PO Box 46511
Little Rock, AR 72214-6511

The Board looks forward to receiving your nominations. Warm Regards, Katelyn Wilson | ARID Secretary
## Treasurer Report .... Alvin-Bailon Zafe Haas

### Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual - July 2014 through June 2015

See the bottom line

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Respectfully submitted by
Alvin-Bailon Zafe Haas, NIC, ED: K-12
ARID Treasurer

ARIDian News & Views - Volume 30; Issue 3
# Treasurer Report .... Alvin-Bailon Zafe Haas

## Balance Sheet - as of April 15, 2015

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Respectfully submitted by
Alvin-Bailon Zafe Haas, NIC, ED: K-12
ARID Treasurer
Congratulations to the following 4 QAST interpreters
(with permission to publish - Transliterating listed 1st, Interpreting listed 2nd)

Danelle Diaz 4/2
Melissa Higginbotham 5/5
Taylor Hardcastle 4/2
Jamie Lane-Ross 4/2

A mother’s love never dies.
With deepest sympathy to Ray James and the Family
Jo Ann James, 79, passed away in Round Rock, Texas.
She was born December 24, 1935 to Joseph and Raphael Nichols.
Jo Ann married the love of her life on May 12, 1950, Warner James.

Did you know that the largest committee of ARID is the Sunshine Committee? Anyone who is a member of ARID is also a member of the Sunshine Committee. Your Sunshine Committee Chair is your GOPHER! The Chair is at your beck and call! Contact me with Sunshine News and I will “go for” a card to send on the membership’s behalf. You can text me, email or call me!

The Open Door - The Committee is seeking a more efficient process of communication in order to increase awareness of those in the membership with needs or achievements who are due congratulations. We want membership ideas for an effective and appropriate way to institute an “open door” regarding acknowledgement and condolences requests (e.g., email, a Wiki page, Facebook, etc.). If you have any ideas or suggestions, please contact Carolyn Jolley Carolyn.S.Jolley@gmail.com or 501.346.3007.

The application form is available for download on the ARID website:
http://arkansasrid.org/

Apply for Licensure Now!!
Renewals were due Dec. 31, 2014

While there is not a way to submit payment online, there is a process for submitting the form and accompanying documentation online. If you choose this option, you will receive an email with instructions for mailing in your payment. Online payment will be available next cycle.


Let Melanie Thornton <Melanie.thornton@gmail.com> know if there are any difficulties in downloading the documents or using the online application form.
Reminders

Fiscal Year 2014-2015 began July 1
Need to renew your ARID dues?
The New Fiscal Year begins July 1, 2015

Recruit a new ARID member
Easy options to pay your dues

1) print the Membership Form found in this newsletter and mail the form with your check to ARID or
2) go to www.arkansasrid.org to the Membership Form tab:
   a) print and mail the form with your check to ARID or
   b) submit it online and pay through PayPal

😊 Online is very fast, and prints out your membership card

It's never too late!
Join ARID
Renew Your ARID Dues

There’s never been a better time!
Join ARID and let’s celebrate an exciting year ahead of us!
Payments can be made online at www.arkansasrid.org
It’s easy and quick through PayPal
## 2015 ARID Biennial Conference

### YOUR ITINERARY IS HERE!

**CHECKOUT THE FULL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE BELOW.**

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We appreciate your contribution! You have the option of sponsoring the 2015 ARID Biennial Conference at four levels or of purchasing an ad at full-page to business card size.

Gifts made to ARID are tax-deductible (Tax ID# 611605822).

Please check your desired level of sponsorship below:

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We understand and appreciate that individuals and businesses have different marketing needs. We invite you to give to ARID through an ad-only package if sponsorship does not meet your needs. Ads for the 2015 ARID Biennial Program Book are available at the following prices:

- Full-page ad (8.5” x 11”) $200
- 3/4-page ad (8.5” x 8.25”) $150
- 1/2-page ad (8.5” x 5.5”) $100
- 1/4-page ad (4.25” x 5.5”) $75
- Business Card ad (4.25” x 2.75”) $50

(standard business card size is 3.5” x 2”, so there is space for a short message)

All ad materials should be submitted to Myra Taff-Watson at mgtaffwaton@ualr.edu in either .jpeg or .pdf format. Both the Program Book and the ARIDian Newsletter are distributed electronically.

Sponsorships and ad purchases may be paid by check payable to “Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf” and can be mailed to: Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf  
P.O. Box 46511  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72214-6511
CMP Committee Report … Clint Brockway

Since the last report, two PINRAs and three workshops have been processed.

As discussed in my previous report, here is the proposal for the purchase of three scan guns for CEU tracking (FYI - Apr. 11, 2015 GMM no quorum, unanimous straw vote).

Justification

The CMP has been undergoing data collection changes for the past few years in attempts to streamline the process from the moment that participants sign in at a workshop to the final posting of CEUs to transcripts. The first of these changes was the replacement of our traditional pen and paper sign in sheet to an electronic format using an Excel spreadsheet. This was quickly followed by another shift to the use of a CSV (comma separated value) file when RID launched the new cobalt database that currently houses and processes CEU information.

As the CMP Chair, I made the decision to mirror this electronic format for the collection of QAST CEUs. The primary objective in adopting this process is to reduce the amount of data entry that the administrative side of the CMP is responsible for. The more data entry performed by either the CMP sponsor, the staff at ARS, or the Professional Development Specialists at RID HQ, the more opportunity there is for error: numbers are transposed, names misspelled, etc. By switching to this format, the responsibility for correct and accurate data entry shifted to the members applying to receive CEUs.

This process has certainly achieved its primary objective in that the process that I undergo has been made much more efficient than in previous years when the pen and paper sign in process was still in place. However, the accuracy of the data entry still remains a point of frustration for all parties involved as members sometimes produce the same errors as sponsor and specialist did under previous systems (numbers are transposed, spelling errors occur, etc).

By adopting the data collection method outlined in this report, I believe that the accuracy of the data collected will greatly improve, as the data will be autopopulated from the membership database (instead of manually entered, whether by members or personnel). I believe that both member and personnel satisfaction with their workshop experience will improve.

Proposal:

Purchase three Motorola DS9208-SR4NNU21Z omnidirectional hands-free presentation imagers.

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST: $43.61 for pilot testing, $130.83 for complete implementation

Cost Analysis - Price Per Imager

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Committee Reports

Con't - CMP Committee Report

Also, since the last report, I have started meeting with Niki Charles who is a potential candidate for taking over the CMP Chair position when I step down in June 2015. We have met twice to process Biennial Conference CMP materials and to go over general CMP information.

I encourage others who are interested to join us for these meetings to learn more about what the CMP is, how it is run, and find what role you could play in that process. If we could get a few people to work together on the committee, that would be fantastic.

Clint Brockway | cjbrockway@ualr.edu

Membership Development Committee … Ashley Beaty

We have 87 members: 54 voting members, 23 supporting members and 10 student members so far in fiscal year 2014-2015. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, we have 7 members: 3 voting, 3 supporting and 1 student member! Go ahead and sign up!

Thank you for allowing me to be of service to you these last few years. The time has come for me to pass the torch as Membership Chair. This position has been so much fun, learning everyone's names and really getting a feeling of who is really in the ARID community.

I hope to have someone working with me and preparing to takeover before the end of this year, 2015. If you or someone you know is willing to step into a small leadership role that does not require very much extra time, please contact me at abeaty87@gmail.com. I hope to hear from some of you soon!

Just as a reminder regarding ARID Bylaws - to be a voting member of RID you must also be a member of an affiliate chapter, in Arkansas it is ARID. Please remember that if you enjoy voting privileges for either organization, you must join both to make sure that you are able to vote and have your voice heard. If you have questions regarding your membership with ARID, please email the membership chair directly at membership@arkansasrid.org.

Don’t forget to renew your membership for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. It’s easy! You can do so at http://arkansasrid.org/online-membership-form.htm, or www.arkansasrid.org and click on the “Membership” under the menu, choose membership application to fill it out and pay online. You can also mail in your membership renewal form to ARID:

Arkansas RID ATTN: Treasurer P.O. Box 46511 Little Rock, AR 72214-6511

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions about membership, please contact the committee at membership@arkansasrid.org. Remember to continue to remind your fellow students, friends and colleagues to join ARID. The more members we have, the more capable we are to have more events and workshops in the future, while at the same time, you are supporting your local interpreting organization.

Don’t forget!
Go to www.arkansasrid.org
Select "Membership" from the menu.
Select "Membership Application"
Fill out the application and you're all set!
Program Committee Report ... Debbie Pearce

Spring workshop! The Arkansas Association of the Deaf, along with the Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf will host "The Deaf World and the Interpreting World: Working in Partnership." The workshop will take place Saturday, April 11, 2015, at Arkansas School for the Deaf Tornado Shelter. Molly Wilson from New York, a CODA and professional interpreter, will be the presenter.

This will be a most unique experience! The workshop is FREE (sort of). If you choose to receive CEUs, you will be charged $10 per workshop hour. Mark your calendars now to attend and see the announcement in this issue and on the ARID listserv.

Fundraising Committee Report ... Ann Marie Fowler

Awesome News!! The Fundraising Committee has been hard at work raising money for the 2015 Biennial Conference. We've had sponsorship commitments from several organizations to include the following:

- Wal-Mart Foundation Community Grant Program
- Kroger Community Rewards Program
- Communication Plus’ Interpreter Services, Inc.
- Sprint Relay
- Sign Language Interpreting Network
- Reliable Drywall
- GoFundMe campaign
- Genghis Grill

To date, these commitments total nearly $6,000! Way to go team!

✦ Don't forget, we have one more fundraising event to be held on April 15, 2015 at U.S. Pizza on Fair Park Blvd., behind UALR. ARID will receive a 10% of proceeds from sales from 5 pm-10 pm on this date.
✦ The Silent Dinner collaboration with UALR's Sign Language Club will start at 7 pm. Please come out to support not only ARID, but also our up and coming interpreters! Use your Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.

Ann Marie Fowler, BA, NIC | ARID Fundraising Chair | 501.612.6652

Sunshine Committee … Carolyn Jolley

Spring greetings fellow ARIDians! Sunshine Committee activity has been dormant over the past several months. Remember that in a member driven organization the "sun" shines through each of the members.

ARID has a streamlined process for applauding professional achievements (certification, academic, etc.) recognizing service and contributions to the field, and acknowledging significant life events (get well, condolences, sympathy, congratulations).

Upon notification to the Sunshine Committee Chair sends a card, not an e-card, in the mail within 24 hours (business days). Subsequently, the Sunshine Committee column in the ARIDian News & Views gives an account of cards sent.

To send a ray of sunshine into a colleague's life call/text or email to:

Carolyn Jolley, CI, CT | ARID Sunshine Committee Chair | 501.346.3007 | carolyn.s.jolley@gmail.com
Nominations Committee ... Meagan Shepherd

Please welcome Chrystal Honorable as the new Member-at-Large for District 2. She is responsible for maintaining contact with the individuals who live in District 2. Any questions, concerns, and/or information that an ARID member would like to convey to the ARID Board members will be sent to the Member-at-Large.

District 2 consists of the following counties: Randolph, Clay, Sharp, Lawrence, Greene, Independence, Jackson, Craighead, Mississippi, Poinsett, Cross, Crittenden, Woodruff, White, Faulkner, Lee, St. Francis, Monroe, Prairie, Lonoke, Arkansas and Phillips.

Meagan Shepherd, NIC | Nominations Chair | meaganrshepherd@gmail.com

Scholarship Committee Report ... Myra Taff-Watson

To date, four interpreters received funding with a fifth applicant currently in the Committee approval process. Please spread the word. The Scholarship Application Form is included in this issue on pages 32-34.

Myra Taff-Watson, CSC | Editorial Committee Chair | 501.951.5170 | mgtaffwatson@ualr.edu

Editorial Committee Report ... Myra Taff-Watson


Other Editorial: The Editorial Committee will continue to review/edit other printed materials from ARID members or information that serves the ARID membership, such as the new website, flyers, workshop announcements or any other distributions in 2015.

Submission period deadline - 2015 June Spring edition
Between May 15 - May 30, 2015

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QAST Committee ... Cheryl Sugg - No report

Technology Committee Report ... Eddie Schmeckenbecher - No report

PPM Committee Report ... Karin Binko - No report

Student Relations Committee Report ... Jennifer Glover - No report

SSP Committee Report ... Coy Detherage - No report
ARID has a user-friendly map of the state of Arkansas that divides the state into three respective Districts. Each ARID Member-at-Large is assigned to one District, with each District consisting of various counties. This map allows ARID members to locate his/her county of residence and to have contact information for the Member-at-Large responsible for that District. Any questions, concerns, and/or information that an ARID member would like to convey to the ARID Board Members can be addressed by contacting the Member-at-Large Representative responsible for his/her district. The Districts listed are as follows:

**District 1**  
Tironica Hamilton, MAL Rep  
memberatlargel@arkansasrid.org  
**Counties:** Benton, Washington, Crawford, Sebastian, Scott, Polk, Montgomery, Yell, Perry, Logan, Franklin, Johnson, Pope, Conway, Van Buren, Cleburne, Madison, Newton, Searcy, Stone, Izard, Fulton, Baxter, Marion, Boone, Carroll.

**District 2**  
Chrystal Honorable, MAL Rep  
memberatlargel2@arkansasrid.org  
**Counties:** Randolph, Clay, Sharp, Lawrence, Greene, Independence, Jackson, Craighead, Mississippi, Poinsett, Cross, Crittenden, Woodruff, White, Faulkner, Lee, St. Francis, Monroe, Prairie, Lonoke, Arkansas, Phillips.

**District 3**  
Glenn Anderson, MAL Rep  
memberatlargel3@arkansasrid.org  
**Counties:** Pulaski, Saline, Garland, Hot Spring, Grant, Jefferson, Sevier, Howard, Pike, Clark, Dallas, Cleveland, Lincoln, Desha, Little River, Hempstead, Nevada, Ouachita, Calhoun, Bradley, Drew, Chicot, Ashley, Union, Columbia, Lafayette, Miller.
At last the snow is gone and the daffodils, Bradford Pear trees, and tornados are with us! Spring in Arkansas!

Our semester got off to a great start, although we had some disruptions from the snow and ice! We numbered **309 seats filled in all our classes on the 11th day of class** official count. Of this number 176 (57%) are in ASL 1-4! We officially have **31 BA majors in their third or fourth year**, and 59 AS students in their first or second year. Of the AS students, almost all intend to continue with their BA in Interpretation: ASL/English!

With only five weeks of the semester left, interpreting students are gearing up for a tour of the new QAST testing facilities and all are scheduled to take the QAST in April. Additionally, ASL 4 students will be taking the SCPI during the same time. These are part of our **benchmark exams** that help to program and students to see if students are hitting program marks (**SCPI Intermediate or above; 3rd year students QAST 1/1; 4th year students QAST 2/3 or 3/2**). The EIPA is also available for students completing coursework and heading into Internship.

**Birthday Celebration!**

On March 9, 2015, the UALR IEP held a **surprise birthday party for Jami Hollingsworth** who was joining a new decade on March 10, 2015! The party was attended by more than 50 family members, friends, students, colleagues, interpreters, Deaf Community, Deaf-blind Community members! The event was held at the ASD Tornado shelter! The hard part was keeping it a secret! **Happy Birthday Jami!**

Decorating the Tornado Shelter for surprise birthday party for Jami Hollingsworth - Leah Carney (left) & Traci Grizzle (right)

**Tulsa Cohort #3**

The **five Tulsa BA students** will soon finish their first year in the program. Dr. Stauffer traveled to Tulsa Community College (TCC) over UALR’s spring break to teach in person to the five Tulsa students. Students were practicing oral transliterating when the class was disrupted by a tornado warning.

The class managed an informal introduction and discussion on Cued Speech while in a TCC official tornado shelter room!

*Left to Right: Carma Jones, Maria Lehmann, Dr. Stauffer, Simuka Dittmer, Rhiley Smith, Nate Daniels*
Sign Language Klub (SLK)

SLK participated in the Student Organization Fair on January 9, 2015. This is an opportunity for SLK to let the campus community know about SLK and to recruit new members.

Left to Right: Chelsea Richard, Traci Grizzle, Jonathan Smith, Nick Winchell

On March 12, 2015 ARID and SLK had a collaborative fundraiser at Genghis Grill on Chenal Parkway. The proceeds went to ARID! Ann Marie Lott, ARID Fundraising Chair, said, “ARID is tremendously grateful to SLK for allowing us to use your Silent Dinners as fundraisers for the Biennial! It's so good to meet our up-and-comers in the profession! Let's keep it up! April 15, 2015 at US Pizza on Fair Park! Can't wait to meet some more students!”

Pictures courtesy of ARID posted on SLK webpage
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**Continued … UALR-IEP**

SLK held a **Silent Dinner at Buffalo Wild Wings** on March 10, 2015. A great crowd attended and all participants had fun!

Traci Grizzle & Justin Lea

SLK Silent Dinner Group

**Sorenson and UALR Partner Up for Synergy Program**

Because of Sorenson’s passion for the “next generation” of interpreters, the interpreting center in Little Rock is partnering with UALR to establish learning opportunities for students in real-life VRS settings. According to **Jonathan Walterhouse**, “With the need for qualified sign language interpreters being so great, it is our belief that by working together, we can create a more holistic approach for students preparing to enter the field. Through this partnership, institutions of higher education and Sorenson VRS® can pool resources to prepare interpreters to work efficiently and synergistically across community, educational and VRS settings.”

One of the benefits of a three level training experience is that students in the Interpreting program can observe 10-20 hours in the Sorenson VRS Interpreting Center. This is a tremendous opportunity for the fourth year interpreting students to gain first hand experience observing Sorenson VRS interpreters at work! **Thanks to Jonathan and Sorenson for bringing this program to UALR!**
SLK News … Jennifer Glover

Sign Language Club (SLK)

SLK kicked off the Spring 2015 semester by participating in the UALR Student Organization Fair on January 14, 2015! SLK held their first meeting on February 2, 2015 in Dickenson Hall room 501 at UALR. This semester SLK and ARID are joining together for a fundraising opportunity. During the second week in March and April we will host a Silent Dinner at two separate restaurants that will be donating a percentage of their sales collected that night to ARID for the Biennial Conference in June. Come out and support SLK and ARID and get to know some of your future potential colleagues! If you cannot make it to the first outing you can also support SLK by going to our monthly events on the third week of each month and other Silent Dinners held during the fourth week of the month. You can find the exact dates for the events and Silent Dinners on our Facebook page (UALR SLK) or you can like us at (UALR Sign Language Klub (SLK). We hope to see you there!

Also, we have some of our members helping to make the ARID Biennial Conference a success by being Student Representatives. We are actively encouraging student involvement within ARID. Thank you for making ARID more accessible to the students by establishing a $15 student membership fee. Our organization is working hard to foster the next generation of individuals that can work together in a professional organization and become the leaders of tomorrow.

Educational Interpreter News … Tammy Smith

Some of the Educational Interpreters in our state are participating in a training program offered by Task 12. Task 12 is in charge of the EIPA, the Educational Interpreters Performance Assessment. We are studying and learning, alongside a group in Oklahoma and other interpreters from other states as well. We began back in January 2015 and will finish this summer 2015 when we take the performance part of the EIPA.

This has been a true learning experience, to which I am sure the others will attest. We have learned how to interpret better in the classroom and the importance of fingerspelling for the Deaf students with whom we work. Thus far, this program has been so beneficial! I am thankful to be getting this opportunity to learn and to improve my skills and to do more to benefit the school I work for and the Deaf student. I hope that in the future more Educational Interpreters will be able to participate in this program.
A Review of the Book - “You’re the Best! Reflections on the Life of Houston Nutt”

On January 30, 2015, Emogene Nutt, widow of Houston Nutt, Sr., the former ASD basketball coach, held a book signing at the Lifeway Christian Center in West Little Rock. The title of her new book is You’re the Best! Reflections on the Life of Houston Nutt. The book can be purchased via Amazon (www.amazon.com). The cost for a paperback copy is $16 and for hardcover $32.

For those who know Emogene, it is obvious from reading the book that she is a terrific writer. She writes in an engaging and easy to read style. In her author’s prologue, she mentioned what prompted her to write the book. An excerpt of what she wrote is included below.

“During those 49 years (of marriage to Houston), while at work and in retirement, acquaintances and friends were constantly telling Houston he should write a book. However, while coaching, there was never time. In retirement, our sons were coaching and there were games far and near. Then 13 grandchildren came along, each one playing some kind of game. Our time was totally consumed. “

Soon after Houston passed away, Janis Scott, who, I believe, God so graciously placed in our neighborhood, brought me a leaf notebook complete with lined paper and suggested topics … It could no longer be postponed. It was the right time to start writing this book.

I went to the basement and dragged out an old plastic bag that contained a musty, smelly scrapbook bulging open with pages, plus many loose pages. Those were articles on every game since 1956 - Deaf school games, Little Rock Silents games, benefit games, Pee Wee games, Milan, Italy games, and much, much more.”

Among the dominant themes Emogene has written about in the book are those that evolved around family life, the Arkansas School for the Deaf, and sports. One learns that Houston was born into a multi-generation Deaf family. Houston’s parents, siblings, and relatives were deaf and communicated via American Sign Language (ASL). Three of Houston’s uncles and an aunt attended the Arkansas School for the Deaf (ASD). Houston’s older brothers, Fred and Clyde also attended ASD.

What I found remarkable from reading the book was that when Houston graduated from Oklahoma A & M (now Oklahoma State University), he had an opportunity to work as a graduate assistant on the Oklahoma State University basketball team with legendary coach, Hank Iba or to play basketball for the Phillips 66 Oilers. The Phillips 66 Oilers were a prominent amateur basketball team comprised were mostly employees of the Phillips 66 Petroleum Company located in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Between the 1920s and 1950s, numerous corporations in the U.S. sponsored basketball teams that competed for national AAU championships. Instead, Houston turned down both opportunities and chose to move to Little Rock and work at ASD. He and Emogene remained at ASD for 31 years until retirement in 1987.

I think readers will find final chapter titled, “Carrying on a Legacy,” an enjoyable one to read. The chapter focuses on the athletic careers, coaching accomplishments, and families of each of the four Nutt sons (Houston, Jr., Dickey, Danny, and Dennis). One also learns that the Nutt family lived within a short walking distance to the Arkansas School for the Deaf and the four boys practically grew up on the ASD campus. It is rare for any family to have sons that were star players in two-sports (football and basketball) for the same high school (Little Rock Central) from the 1970s to early 1980s.

By the time one finishes reading the book, it is also obvious that Emogene is a wonderful storyteller. Many of the stories throughout the book are humorous and entertaining. For me, there were two especially memorable stories. One was the story about Houston’s love for fixing up old cars and giving a ride to Bill Clinton who would later become the U.S. President. The second was the story about Danny Nutt and the successful neurosurgery performed on him at UAMS.

In conclusion, this is a delightful book to read for students enrolled in ASL and Deaf Culture courses, teachers and other professionals who work with deaf people, athletes and sports fans, and just about anyone in general who enjoys reading heart-warming stories about families.
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ARKANSAS DEAF-BLIND COMMUNITY
FEBRUARY 2015 SOCIAL

WHAT: Lunch at Bravo! Cucina Italiana (Italian Restaurant)
17815 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock, AR (501) 821-2485
WHEN: Saturday, February 21, 2015
TIME: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

UPCOMING 2015 SOCIALS / EVENTS:

March 21: Lunch at Big Orange & DB Workshop at ASD
April 18: Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser – ASD Breeding Cafeteria
May 16: Greek Food Festival
June 20: No Social
July 18: TBD
August 15: General Meeting & Potluck Fundraiser (?)
September 19: TBD – Meet UALR DB Class Students (?)
October 22-25: LCDC DB Camp in Louisiana
November 21: TBD – Thanksgiving Potluck (?)
December 19: TBD – Christmas Party (?)

The Arkansas Deaf-Blind Community Invites you to . . .

Spaghetti Fundraiser

Saturday
April 18th

Lunch
12:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Menu:
Spaghetti
(beef, chicken
or marinara sauce)
Salad
Garlic Bread
Iced Tea
Dessert

Arkansas School for the Deaf
Breeding Cafeteria
2400 West Markham Street
Little Rock, AR

For ticket reservation or more information, call:
Art Babin (501) 446-8003 VP
adbabin@shgglobal.net
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Jami (501) 969 - 3069 voice
jhollingso@ualr.edu

Proceeds support
ADBC Retreat

Ticket Prices:
$10.00 Adult
$6.00 Child (5 – 12)
Free for ages 4 and under

Lucky Star Drawing
Cash Prizes
The Arkansas Association of the Deaf and the Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf are pleased to host

**The Deaf World and the Interpreting World: Working in Partnership**

with presenter, Molly Wilson

**Saturday, April 11, 2015**
**8:00 am to 3:00 pm**
**Arkansas School for the Deaf**

Deaf World forum (Deaf and Hard of Hearing people) 8:00 to 11:00 (Tornado Shelter) and Deaf and Interpreting forums (both Deaf/HH and Interpreters) 12:00 to 3:00 pm (Parnell Hall)

Molly Wilson is a CODA and professional interpreter from New York.

The workshop is FREE. Lunch will be provided. (If you choose to receive ceu's, you will be charged $10 per workshop hour.)

ARID is an approved sponsor for Continuing Education Activities under the CMP and ACET. The program is offered for a total of .6 CEUs in Professional Studies with a Content Knowledge Level of Advanced. Target audience is certified and pre-certified interpreters. QAST level interpreters may earn 6 hours CEU training.

Presented in ASL only.

For more information, contact Debbie Pearce at debbie4pearce@yahoo.com or Holly Ketchum at hdketchum@gmail.com.
This project is supported in part by a grant from the Arkansas Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities.
SCHEDULE 2015 ARKANSAS DeaFestival

Friday, June 12, 2015
Exhibition Venders Only
10 am to 5 pm  Set up at Nutt Athletic Center

Saturday, June 13, 2015: Nutt Complex Center (Tentative Schedule)

8 am- Vendors entrance only
9 am- Doors open to public
10:30-11 am- Arkansas DeaFestival Opening Ceremony
11:15-11:45 am- SCOMM presentation-exhibition stage
1-2 pm- JJ Mime performance-exhibition stage
2:15- 2:45 pm- Arkansas Relay Service presentation-exhibition stage
3-4 pm- Warren Snipe performance-exhibition stage
4-4:45 pm- Matt Hamill Q and A-exhibition stage
4:30 pm- Vendor breakdown
4:30-6 pm- Catered dinner or food truck at ASD Tornado Shelter
6:30-7:30 pm- Anderson Twins performance-ASB Auditorium
8-10 pm- Austin Andrews performance-ASB Auditorium
10-midnight- Clean Up
Shirley Herald Lifetime Achievement Award

History of the Shirley Herald Lifetime Achievement Award

This award was initiated by the ARID Board of Directors and established by the membership during the 2006 25th Gala Anniversary Celebration of ARID. The first recipient, Shirley Herald, was honored for her lifetime of interpreting and her many years of service as Arkansas’ Court Interpreter. Shirley has served on both the RID and the ARID Board of Directors as well as numerous local, state, and national committees. She was instrumental in test development for both RID, and the Mid-America Quality Assurance Screening Test. Shirley is well known for her legal workshops and mentoring of interpreting students. The ARID Membership, with great love and devotion, named this award for Shirley on June 24, 2006.

Contributions to Society

This award of the Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (ARID) honors an interpreter whose talent, efforts, and body of work has, in a fundamental way, advanced the field of interpreting; whose accomplishments have been acknowledged by professional peers and the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community; and whose work has and will continue to have a lasting influence on interpreters, the profession, and society. The Shirley T. Herald Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes outstanding interpreters whose pioneering spirit, excellent work, and unswerving dedication to the field of interpretation throughout their career has improved society and inspired others.

Selection Process

Nominations will be accepted by the ARID Board and held up to the fourth month prior to the biennial conference. At that point the president will select a committee to review the nomination(s). The ad-hoc committee will consist of six individuals meeting the following criteria:

- Three interpreters who are ARID voting members
- One ARID member who is Deaf or Hard of Hearing
- Two consumers of interpreting services from the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community

The ad-hoc committee will review the nomination(s) and submit their recommendation to support or not to support a recipient at that time. The ARID Board will review the ad-hoc committee’s recommendation and ratify the recommendation and if a recipient has been chosen, they will be honored during the biennial conference.
Shirley Herald Lifetime Achievement Award Application Form

Name: _______________________________ Phone: __________________

Home Address: __________________________________________________________

City: _______________________________ State: _______ Zip: __________________

Email: _______________________________ Gender (circle one) Male Female

How long have you been a member of ARID? _______________________________________________

Candidates for this award are role models in the field of interpreting. The recipient is an interpreter:
• Who resides in Arkansas.
• Whose life-long career has had a significant impact on society.
• Whose efforts have changed, shaped, or influenced the field of interpreting and/or the lives of interpreters.
• Who has a minimum of 25 years interpreting experience.
• Who is a member of ARID in good standing at the time they are nominated.

The Shirley T. Herald Lifetime Achievement Award may be awarded posthumously, in which case current membership is moot. Please include the following in your application packet (in order):

Nomination form – complete, sign, and date the form. Available for download on the ARID website
Letter – Please explain why you are nominating this individual
Description of candidate's qualifications – Please explain why the Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf should recognize your candidate. Include a description of the interpreter’s accomplishments and their impact upon and/or benefit to society (not to exceed 750 words.
Biographical summary – Please highlight your candidate’s most significant distinctions, within the following areas, on one single-sided 8.5 x 11 page (bullet format is preferred): experience, education, awards and distinctions, workshops and conferences, and service to the deaf community as well as other interpreters.
Candidate's curriculum vitae or resume – Please submit no more than five single-sided 8.5 x 11” pages.
Letters of recommendation – Please submit two additional letters of recommendation. Recommenders should describe their affiliation with the candidate and provide their name, title, organization, department, address, telephone, email and fax number. Each letter of recommendation should be no more than two single-sided 8.5 x11” pages.
Other pertinent materials (within guidelines) – You have the option of providing materials supporting the candidate's achievements, such as professional articles, press clippings, or conference materials exhibiting the presenter’s title/bio information. Additional materials should be single-sided 8.5 x 11" pages; please do not include more than 10 pages total.

Send one original (unbound, single-sided) and six bound copies of the complete nomination packet to the Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf – Attention: Nominations Chair.

Nominations must be complete and conform to the above criteria. No supplemental information will be accepted unless requested by ARID. Nominations will be accepted up to the fourth month prior to a biennial conference and any nominations received after the deadline will not be considered.
The Barbara Northup Excellence in Community Involvement Award

The Barbara Northup Excellence in Community Involvement Award is given during a Biennial Conference year to honor the member of the Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (ARID) that demonstrates outstanding community involvement in the Deaf and/or Deaf/Blind Communities of Arkansas. The Award is a memorial to Barbara Northup, a commended and dedicated member of ARID and forever cherished member of the Deaf Communities of Arkansas.

The winner will receive an award to be presented at the Biennial Conference General Membership Meeting. ARID will pay for all awards and engraving costs to be deducted from the ARID Sunshine Committee fund.

Nominations Review Committee

The nominations review committee will consist of the current ARID Board of Directors in a biennial year.

Nominee Requirements

1. A nominee must be nominated by another member of ARID.
2. No Nominations Review Committee Member can submit a nomination.
3. The nominee must be an active member of ARID including voting, supporting, and student statuses in a biennial year.
4. Nominees must have completed two years of membership in ARID including the biennial year in which the nominee is nominated.

Procedure

Nominations must be made in writing on an official form (attached) and submitted Prior to April 1st of the Biennial year. Any late submissions cannot be accepted. Nominations must be submitted to the ARID Board of Directors.

Nomination Narratives

Written nominations should contain narratives that address specifics about the nominee. They should include examples of how the nominee has contributed to the Deaf Communities of Arkansas and traits of the nominee.
The Barbara Northup Excellence in Community Involvement Award
Nomination Form

______________________________  ____________________________
Nominee (please print)  Nominated by

Write a narrative of why you think this person should receive the Barbara Northup Excellence in Community Involvement Award.

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2015 Legal Interpreting Seminar
Little Rock, Arkansas • July 16 – July 18, 2015

Sponsored by the Supreme Courts of Arkansas and Louisiana and the Administrative Office of the Courts’ Court Interpreter Programs of Mississippi and Tennessee

Dates: Thursday, July 16 – Saturday, July 18, 2015
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (daily)

Registration: 8:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. (daily)

Locations: Thursday, July 16 – Friday, July 17, 2015
UALR William H. Bowen School of Law
1201 McAlmont Street
Little Rock, AR 72202
Room TBA

Saturday, July 18, 2015
Pulaski County Courthouse
401 W. Markham, Suite 220
Little Rock, AR 72201
Judge Barry Sims Courtroom

Registration Fees: Three-Day Attendance, July 16th through July 18th

Early Registration (must be postmarked by June 15, 2015) $250.00
Regular Registration $350.00
Registrations will not be accepted after July 06, 2015

Cancellations: Registrations cancelled by June 30, 2015 will be refunded, less a $30 processing fee; no refunds will be issued after this date. All requests for refunds must be made in writing.

Continuing Education Units (CEUs):
(Must attend all 3 days of seminar to receive CEUs)

- RID CEUs - TBA
- BEI CEUs - TBA
- CEUs for spoken languages will be determined as they are approved by individual states.

Maximum Number of Registrants: 75

For further information, visit our website at: https://courts.arkansas.gov/event/legal-interpreting-seminar

Questions? Contact Jessica Bowen at (501) 682-9400 or aoc.interpreters@arkansas.gov
Legal Interpreting Seminar
Presenters & Sessions

Sponsored by the Supreme Courts of Arkansas and Louisiana and the Administrative Office of the Courts’ Court Interpreter Programs of Mississippi and Tennessee

Our team at the Arkansas Supreme Court Administrative Office of the Courts’ Court Interpreter Services in conjunction with the Supreme Court of Louisiana and the Administrative Office of the Courts’ Court Interpreter Programs of Mississippi and Tennessee are pleased to present the “2015 Legal Interpreting Seminar.” This 3-day event is language-neutral with language-specific sessions, culminating in a mock trial in a courtroom setting with members of the judiciary. Come join us and share your experiences, learn new skills and network with your peers from across the country.

We look forward to seeing you in Arkansas!

Presenters:
Augustin de la Mora: FCSI, CFCl, CMI
Sharon Neumann Solow: CSC, SC:L
Mara Simmons: NCSI, Director of Arkansas Court Interpreter Services
Anne Yancey: NCSI, FCSI; Staff Interpreter - Arkansas Court Interpreter Services
Cheryl Thomas: NAD V, CI, CT, NIC-M, EIPA 5.0, Staff Interpreter - Arkansas Court Interpreter Services
Circuit Court Judges
Forensic Specialist (Crime Scene Reconstruction)

Joint Sessions (Spoken and Sign Language):
Ethics
Understanding the Types of Questions Attorneys Ask
   - Direct and Cross Examination, Open-ended, Close-ended, etc...
Courtroom Protocol
Accident Reconstruction - Expert Testimony
Mock Trials: Arraignments, Pre-Trial Motions and Civil Lawsuit involving LEP individuals

*All interpreters will have experience interpreting in the courtroom regardless of the language spoken.

Separate Sessions:
Spoken Language
   • Advanced Techniques of the Three Modes of Interpreting during a Trial

Sign Language
   • Consecutive Interpreting in the Courtroom
   • Working with Deaf Interpreters

For further information, visit our website at: https://courts.arkansas.gov/event/legal-interpreting-seminar

Questions? Contact Jessica Bowen at (501) 682-9400 or aoc.interpreters@arkansas.gov
Legal Interpreting Seminar
Registration Form

Sponsored by the Supreme Courts of Arkansas and Louisiana and the Administrative Office of the Courts’ Court Interpreter Programs of Mississippi and Tennessee

Please complete all fields:

First Name: ___________________________________ Last Name: ___________________________________

Mailing Address: ________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: _______ Zip Code: __________________________

Telephone: ______________________ E-Mail (required): ________________________________

Language(s) you interpret: _______________________________________________________

Certified: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Certifications Held: ______________________________________________________________

Form of payment and type of registration:

☐ Check ☐ Money Order

☐ Early Registration: $250 ☐ Regular Registration: $350

(must be postmarked no later than 6/15/15) (must be postmarked no later than 7/06/15)

* Checks must be made payable to the AOC Court Interpreter Fund.

Mail completed registration form and payment to:

Attn: Court Interpreter Services
Administrative Office of the Courts
625 Marshall Street, Justice Bldg.
Little Rock, AR 72201

For further information, visit our website at: https://courts.arkansas.gov/event/legal-interpreting-seminar

Questions? Contact Jessica Bowen at (501) 682-9400 or aoc.interpreters@arkansas.gov
Robert H. Steed Memorial Scholarship Fund

History: Purpose of Scholarship Funds for National and State Certification Testing:
In 1991, ARID established the Scholarship Fund to assist individual ARID members defray the costs of RID certification testing. In 2010, the Scholarship Committee updated the scholarship criteria and procedures to reflect current tests, terminology and the ability to submit materials electronically. The ARID membership approved the updates at the 12/4/10 GM Meeting and it was printed starting with the ARIDian News & Views, 26(2) December 2010 Winter Holiday issue. In 2011, the Scholarship Committee named the scholarship and revised the eligibility criteria to expand the availability of funds to ARID members for any national and state certification tests. The ARID membership approved the revisions at the 12/3/11 GM Meeting and all information was printed in the ARIDian News & Views, 27(2) December 2011 Winter Holiday issue.

Purpose of Scholarship Funds for National and State Level Testing:
Scholarship funds are available to all ARID members in good standing for any national or state certification, or performance tests/assessments/screenings that include, but are not limited to: 1) the RID Performance Tests [NIC, OTC, SC:L, CDI], 2) the EIPA Performance Assessment and 3) the Arkansas QAST Screening Tests [Levels 1-3 and Levels 4-5], hereafter referred to as “tests.”

Reimbursement Process:
It is the candidate’s responsibility to pay for any Application and/or Written Test fees for certification and/or state level interpreter tests. Reimbursement for performance tests is up to $150.00.

Eligibility Criteria:
Regardless of which test or assessment a candidate wishes to take, all candidates must first satisfy the following and be:
1. A current resident of the state of Arkansas.
2. A member in good standing of ARID for a minimum of two years.
3. A member in good standing of RID, Inc.

The RID NIC Performance Test:
- Pass the RID Written Exam.
- Possess a minimum of a QAST Level 2 or another RID or national certificate.

The EIPA:
- Pass the EIPA Written Test.
- Possess a minimum of a QAST Level 2

The Arkansas QAST:
- Pass the Arkansas QAST Written Exam.

Application Materials:
I. Application Form
1. Complete the form indicating your contact information, current membership status, credentials, degrees and the category for which you are requesting funds.
2. Submit a scanned copy of the current ARID membership card and a copy of last year’s membership card. (If you don’t have a copy of last year’s membership card, check the box on the Application requesting verification with the ARID Membership Committee Chair).

II. Application for National RID Testing:
- Submit a scanned copy of your current Arkansas QAST card (verifying QAST Level 2/2 minimum).
- Submit a scanned copy of your current RID membership status (verifying RID membership status).

III. Application for EIPA Testing:
- Verification of passing the EIPA documentation that verifies you passed the EIPA Written Test.

IV. Application for Arkansas QAST:
- Verification of passing the Arkansas QAST Written Exam.

Electronic Application Process / Procedures for Reimbursement of Performance Test Fees:
ARID will only accept electronic submissions as part of its efforts to “go green” and all submissions must be complete and submitted as a Word.doc (scanned items can be in pdf or jpg formats).
1. Twenty (20) days before the test date, please submit Application Materials via email to the Scholarship Committee at scholarship@arkansasrid.org.
2. Ten (10) days before the test date, the candidate will receive the Verification of Testing Form.
3. Present the Verification of Testing Form at the testing site to the RID Local Test Administrator (LTA) or the QAST Coordinator for his or her signature.
4. Upon completion of the Performance Test, the applicant has seven (7) business days to submit the signed Verification of Testing Form via email to the Scholarship Committee at scholarship@arkansasrid.org.
5. Upon receipt of signed Verification of Testing Form, the Scholarship Committee will inform the Treasurer to draft a check to the candidate.
6. Within ten (10) working days, the candidate receives a reimbursement check for certification and/or state level interpreter testing.
Robert H. Steed Memorial Scholarship Fund
Application Form

Name ______________________________________________________

Address __________________________________________________

Cell __________________________ Telephone ___________________ Email ___________________________

Optional
Education / Training (list all degrees, if any; status if a current IEP student; otherwise why interested in testing)

________________________________________________________________________________________

Current Credentials (check all that apply; include certification and/or level)

None ☐

RID ☐ ______

QAST ☐ Level ______

Other ☐ ______ (name and level)

Check the Test Category Scholarship Funds for which you are applying:

RID ☑ NIC ☐ OTC ☐ SC:L ☐ CDI ☐

EIPA ☐

QAST ☐ Level 1-3 ☐ Level 4-5

Other ☐ __________ (name and level)

Check all that apply (please include scanned copies as attachments)

ARID Membership Card Current ☑ Last year ☐ Verify with Membership Chair ☐

RID Membership Card Current ☑ Not Applicable ☐

QAST Card Current ☑ Not Applicable ☐

Other ________ (name and level) Current ☑ Not Applicable ☐
# Verification of Testing Form

Name: ____________________________________________

Address:  
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

Cell: ________________  Telephone: ________________  Email: _______________________________

**Signature of the Test Administrator**

The Test Administrator verifies that the above candidate took the following performance test:

________________________________________________________________________________________

Signature: __________________________________ Date: _________________________________

Name (please print): ________________________________

Name/Location of Testing Site: ________________________________

Please check the Candidate’s Test Category:

- RID □
- NIC □
- OTC □
- SC:L □
- CDI □
- EIPA □
- QAST □ Level 1-3  □ Level 4-5
- Other □ ______________ (name and level)
Advertisements

Place your advertisement here!
Email a camera-ready Word.doc or pdf to the Editor at mgtaffwatson@ualr.edu

ARID Rates for 2015

$50 1/4 page
$75 1/2 page
$100 full page
Member Update Form

Personal Information:

Title ___________________________ First Name ___________________________ Middle Initial ___________________________ Last Name ___________________________

Street ___________________________ City ___________________________ ST ______ Zip ______

Home Phone ___________________________ Cell Phone ___________________________ Fax ___________________________

Primary Email ___________________________ Alternate Email ___________________________

Videophone ___________________________

Employment Information:

Employer Name ___________________________ Position Title ___________________________

Street ___________________________ City ___________________________ ST ______ Zip ______

Work Phone ___________________________ Ext. ___________________________ Fax ___________________________

Educational Information:

Degree ___________________________ Credentials (e.g., Teaching License) ___________________________

Please check the preferred method(s) of contact:

□ Home Phone  □ Work Phone  □ Cell Phone  □ Fax (work)  □ Video Phone
□ Email ___________________________

Credentials:

□ RID Certification, Member Number: ___________________________

□ QA Level: ___________________________
Arkansas Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf  
P.O. Box 46511 * Little Rock, AR 72214-6511  
Annual Membership Application for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year  
July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Membership Types & Annual Dues Information:

**Voting - Annual dues $35.00**
Voting membership carries the privilege of voting for officers and issues of concern at ARID business meetings. Voting members must be RID members in good standing in any category.
Veriﬁcation of RID membership is required. *(Enclose a copy of your RID member card.)*

**Supporting - Annual dues $25.00**
Supporting membership carries all the privileges and beneﬁts of voting membership except for voting rights. Supporting members are encouraged to join RID, but are not required to do so in this category.

Please complete the table below and send this page with your membership payment.

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Interpreting credentials/certifications (RID CSC, NAD, NIC, QAST etc.)

Ethics Statement: By joining ARID I agree to adhere to the RID Code of Professional Conduct

**Membership Services Preferences**
ARID Member Services are now *electronic*. Members will receive newsletters, quarterly business meeting minutes, and renewal notices via email and/or will receive an email prompt to log on to the ARID website.

Please check all that apply if you prefer these services in *print format only*:
- [ ] Business Meeting Minutes
- [ ] Quarterly Newsletter
- [ ] Annual Dues Renewal Notice

**Payment Method:** ☑ Check or ☑ Money Order

**Payment Information**
- Voting ($35) OR Supporting ($25) _________
- Tax Deductible Donation ____________________
- Total Enclosed _________

**Check/Money Order Payable to ARID**

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ARID is a non-profit organization whose goals are to:

- provide an organizational structure for interpreters/transliterator;
- promote quality interpreting services;
- recognize the unique language and culture of Deaf people;
- promote certification;
- provide professionals development opportunities;
- uphold the standards of the profession;
- provide information sharing;
- serve in an advocacy role for the rights of persons who are deaf and for the rights of interpreters/transliterator;
- develop liaisons with other disciplines and organizations that interact and interface with the interpreting field.