

Treasurer Report – January 2008

November/December:

Beginning Balance: \$38,745.31

Ending Balance: \$38,822.61

Total Deposits: \$192.80

Total Checks: \$330.00

Deposits

CMP/CEU's - \$40.00

Membership Dues - \$192.80

Checks

CEU Refund (Support the Gap) - \$5.00

Lou Fant Scholarship - \$225.00

UPS Mail Forwarding- \$100.00

December

Beginning Balance: \$38,822.61

Ending Balance: \$38,473.87

Total Deposits: \$15.55

Total Checks: \$14.29

Deposits

Membership Dues - \$15.55

Checks

Postage - \$14.29

Member at Large - January, 2008 Report

Just a few things.... Some new to me though may not be new for you...

From www.gladinc.org **Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness** - I found in the community events section:

CalDeaf.com

www.caldeaf.com

This site provides events going on in Northern and Southern California. There is also the CalReport that provides news, jobs and more... Many things are going on. Here is one such advertised event:

Northridge: CSUN Stars Gala for Herb Larson's 75th! February 2nd, 6 PM– 11 PM
Famous stars will toast, roast and honor Herb Larson — and wine, dine and regale you with stories and shows designed to entertain you. This event is for everyone and will help to raise much needed funds for the Larson Scholarship fund at CSUN. Also there will be an art auction of new works by well-known artists.

RSVP by January 22 at \$75.00 per person. The event will take place at CSUN. If you can't make it, your donations and quotes are welcome! RSVP to ncod@csun.edu; or make checks payable to CSUN NCOD and send to Dr. Roz Rosen at CSUN NCOD 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge CA 91330-8267. Check the CSUN NCOD website for more information at www.csun.edu/ncod

Another site I found on www.gladinc.org ...

Deaf California News
www.deafcalifornia.info

The **Deaf California News** is a mailing list consisting of event announcements, news stories, press releases and job opportunities for and about the D/deaf, hard of hearing, late deafened, and Interpreter Communities of California. The list is open to all, including family members, CODAs, colleagues, friends and new signers. Messages are moderated to weed out spam and irrelevant posts. There is absolutely no cost to subscribe to this list.

Other news:

www.cad1906.org **California Association of the Deaf - Winter fest in the Desert**, January 26, 2008. Hosted by the **CAD/Palm Springs Chapter** 6PM - 11 PM Dinner, Entertainment, Mingle with old/new friends... \$40.00 per person, at the Spa Resort Casino in Palm Springs. They are also having a **business meeting** from 8:30AM – 4PM. Go to the CAD website for more info.

OHSOEZ.com

www.ohsoez.com **Spring Sign Language and Interpreter Celebration & Workshops** May 9, 10, 2008 at the Long Beach Convention Center. Go to website for more info.

www.codie.org **Center on Deafness Inland Empire** is selling tickets for the **12th World Deaf Magicians Festival Gala Show** in Riverside on April 11, 2008, 7:30 PM. For more info go to www.2008wdmf.com The festival is April 6-13, 2008. Also, check the World Recreation Association of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing website at www.wrad.org (warning: the CODIE website is not updated)

The Southern California Association of the Deaf Blind website <http://scadb.org/> is still under construction... The only thing I found was a deaf – blind coffee club on Thursday mornings on www.gladinc.org in the calendar of events section.

www.nad.org **National Association of the Deaf**...The **49th Biennial NAD Conference** will be held at the New Orleans Marriott in New Orleans, Louisiana, July 7-11, 2008.

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NLTC '08 NAD Leadership Training Conference will be held April 3-5, 2008 in Austin Texas at Texas School for the Deaf. Details to follow at www.nad.org/NLTC

www.deafwest.org **Deaf West Theatre** ...A new Hallmark movie will be out in the spring. New Children's show and school workshops start in February. Check the website for info.

www.nbda.org **National Black Deaf Advocates** The site is has lots of events. Check out the website.

One day I found USA-L News in my mailbox, clueless how it got there, but thought this was interesting if you want to read "DEAF news"... You can subscribe to:

<http://www.deaftimes.com/>. Through this, I found the **fifth Supporting Deaf People online conference**, held on February 6-9, 2008. The conference is aimed at deaf people and those working with deaf people. The themes this year are Deaf Education and Educational Interpreting. <http://www.online-conference.net/sdp2008/introduction.htm> <=for more info.

www.cal-ed.org California Educators of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - The Cal-Ed and CAID conference will be held March 7-9, 2008 in San Ramon California. For more information, go to their website. They are a professional organization for educators of Deaf and hard-of-hearing students. (Maybe educational interpreters would be interested in this.)

www.wrad.org World Recreation Association of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - **Halloween Mexican Riviera Cruise 2008** – October 26 – November 2, 2008 – Check website for more info.

CMP Report January 12, 2008

We have processed the following activities for CEUs:

- Academic Course work (3)
- Allan Hancock College (0)
- AzRID (1)
- Bakersfield College (0)
- CCSD (0)
- City of LA (0)
- CODIE (0)
- D Rumsey (0)
- Independent Studies Plan (ISP) (7)
- Mt SAC (0)
- NVRID (0)
- PINRA (0)
- SCRID (0)

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During the month of December, I had 5 people whose cycle ended on December 31, 2007. I worked with them to process their ISPs.

During this crunch time, I found the participants believed they were members of SCRID. First I would check Acteva to see if they paid online for their membership. If it was not there, I sent an email to the Membership Committee requesting information. When we get closer to December 31st, I know that I will be in need to have quick turn-around on knowing if the person is a member or not.

For those participants who knew they were not members, they had to apply for membership via online. I require participants' membership to be in place one-month before the event/activity/end of CEU cycle. I can get a copy of that membership transaction via Acteva. Keep in mind that they are not considered truly a member of SCRID until the Membership Committee approves it. But for processing of CEU purposes, they are for me.

I am asking: I need support from the Membership Committee during the month of December, especially from the 15th on. I am getting folks whose cycle will be ending December 31st of that year. With support from Membership I can quickly find out if the individual is a member or not, especially if they did not pay via Acteva. I encourage the individual, if not a member, to pay online. I will not process their CEUs if his/her membership is not paid via online.

In addition, I do hear the fear that they have of losing their certifications. Is it possible that we can when out representing SCRID remind folks of keeping up on their CEUs? I will be sending out once-a-month via SCRIDTalk a reminder to our membership if their cycle ends December 31st, get those CEUs in.

In addition, we discussed raising the cost of paying for CEUs at the last minute for the end-of-the-cycle processing. These last minute requests impact my holiday. I feel that your lateness does not constitute an emergency on my part. I do know that Signs of Development, LLC does charge an extra cost of \$25.00 to process the CEUs overnight.

Currently the costs are \$25/request for Affiliate Chapter members and \$50/request for non-Affiliate Chapter members.

I do know that when I sent out an email on increasing the cost by \$25, many of you stated that for the non-member that increase did not seem fair. We need to discuss this and decide on an increased dollar amount for only the month of December and for those who need to have their CEUs expedited.

As per Peggy's suggestion, I sent out an email to the RID CMP listserv to ask the other sponsors if they charge for last minute processing.

Here is what I have received:

All our fees recently increased. We had not seriously considered the amount of time it took us to process ISPs or even PINRAs. In the increased fee schedule, **we did not include a fee for last-minute items.**

However, after the experience of this last cycle end date, **I'm thinking it would be a good thing to start.** Like you, we got a number of last minute folks seeking ways to earn 2 and 3 CEUs. These added to typical deadlines faced going into the end of term, holiday break and end of year work. I think adding a fee for last minute CEU needs might help us justify the added stress going into the holidays. We will be giving this idea serious consideration.

FYI - we had a LOT of people needing last-minute CEUs and some were because RID is so far behind posting credits to transcripts, they wanted to be safe and not sorry. Others had issues with their transcripts and also wanted to be safe. And still others just got up to the last minute and realized they

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were just shy (although were some were a lot shy) so a bulk of what we did in latter November and December was to provide workshops and last-minute processing.

PARID offers free CEU processing to it's members. All others pay \$10 per item processed. We only process Activities, PINRAs, and Academic Coursework. There is no "last minute" processing fees. I've never had someone that needed to hurry up the process.

PARID was recently approved to process Independent Studies, but that is only for our statewide mentorship program which is not up and running yet. Those fees are incorporated into the Mentorship Program. A different individual will be handling the paperwork for I.Ss.

The Potomac Chapter provides CEU processing as a free member benefit. Non-members pay \$25 per activity regardless of whether it's a PINRA, IS, or Academic Coursework. After so many folks waited until the last minute to get CEUs for this past cycle and wanted to get them by doing independent studies, our policy may have to be revised.

I don't charge for last minute but I haven't had too many of those but it might be a good idea. I do charge more for Independent Studies since they take up more of my time. In essence I have to "grade" their work also working out a good plan takes more time.

Last year, we ran into issues trying to renew because our state was in the middle of a budget crisis and froze spending towards membership renewals. Now, by charging a minimal fee of \$5.00/activity, our office will be able to use these collected funds specifically to pay for our sponsorship. I should also clarify that we have charged in the past and continue to charge a higher fee for Independent Study work as it requires a considerable amount of staff time. Should we have numerous individuals approaching us at the end of their cycles, we may consider an additional charge too.

In NH we don't charge for ceu's.

MERID processes CEUs free to MERID members. If someone approaches me who is not a MERID member, when I charge them \$10.00 (we do not do IS).

FRID does not charge to process CEUs if you are a member and they do not do ISPs.

PDC Report 12 January 2008

Michael Morefield and Kathleen Lanker

The PDC has a couple of upcoming workshops that we are preparing for:

- **Topic:** Show Me the Weapons: Looking at Weapons and Drug Paraphernalia (new title)
Presenters: Paul Bunnell and Chris Williams
Date: March 1, 2008
Location: El Monte

Michael has finalized the budget and flyer. This will be an expensive workshop, so a request for funding was submitted to GURC in late November. Michael sent a follow-up inquiry for funding and just received confirmation that we have been given \$400. This workshop has already been advertised on the SCRID web page, ohsoez.com, SCRIDTalk, Terps-L, and some legal list serves that Kathleen has access to.

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- **Topic:** Preparing for the NIC
Presenter: Dawn Townsend
Date: April 26, 2008
Location: Santa Maria
Michael has drawn up a budget and flyer for this workshop.
- **Topic:** how feelings, opinions, and other personal baggage affect your interpretation
Presenter: Ben Wilson
Date: TBA
Location: CSDR

Other issues:

Back in November a workshop that had been scheduled for the Riverside area had to be cancelled due to low registration numbers. At the time, it was proposed that the workshop might have been too expensive, thereby preventing people from registering. Kathleen and Michael have been working to pull together some graphs and explanations to show how SCRID comes up with the cost of our workshops and where the money goes. We have chosen to use the figures from *ASL Role Shifting: He Said, She Said, and What Am I Doing Here?!: Exploring The Art of Discretion*. *ASL Role Shifting* was a successful workshop presented at Pierce College. *The Art of Discretion* is the workshop that was scheduled for Riverside, but got cancelled. This information will be sent to Diana Holmes, who was to be our site host in Riverside. She is eager to work with us, and would like the interpreters in her area to attend more of SCRID's workshops. Hopefully with the information we are sending her, she will be able to convince the people in her area that we are providing events at the lowest cost possible. We are also asking Diana to poll the people in her area and give us a list of possible workshop topics they would be interested in seeing presented.

Trilingual Interpreter Committee Report January 2008

Hello Everybody:

Thank you so much for coming to our meeting and for taking your personal time to do this.

This is what we discussed today in our meeting. If I forgot something please add it and send it in an email to all of us.

Arlen and Elvia:

will get together all the information to give that Kathleen Lanker to approve the workshop and CEU's.

Gilberto:

Will set up the Trilingual directory list and send that to Peggy Huber.

Digital Picture will be collected from of each member of the committee to set up in our webpage with SCRID.

All the member must send a picture from chest up with your name and title. Committee member, secretary, etc This should be sent by the end of January.

Raffle

Speaker for the next workshop

Kathy Rock:

Will be in charge of the snacks for the workshop.

February Meeting place.

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Andrew

Minutes, correct the letter for the agencies and send that to the committee for final approval. Then send that to Gilberto to post it in the webpage.

Flyer send to gilberto.

Constanza

Send the minutes of Nov.16, 2007

Send to Gilberto the attachment of the directory, Peggy's email, correct the BIO, Call Ruth Narvaez.

Find Trilingual Interpreters for our workshop on March 29

NEXT MEETING February 29 at 9:00 am for CAM meeting presentation at DMC. and after that we will had the trilingual committee to talk about the last details of the workshop at 11 am.

Rehearsal for the workshop March 28.

Did I forgot something? Thanks

Constanza

SCRID Trilingual Committee Report

Constanza Wiens

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Our third meeting was on November 16, 2007. During this meeting these things were established

1. SCRID Trilingual Directory will start at the end of January. At the moment, we have 8 people who signed up. Our hope is that by the end of March more people will get involve as we announce it during our workshop presentation.

2. Webpage

We will continue using what it has been settled at SCRID by Peggy Huber and Gilberto Partida will be responsible to pass information to Peggy to add to the webpage.

3. ITP's Visitation

A letter was written to send out to the different ITP's to encourage students to be part of SCRID Trilingual Committee and visitation will be done not only by Paola Morales to the different ITP's but by other members as well. Also, Peggy Huber asked Paola to talk to Marjorie Foster to inform her of what we are doing.

4. Workshop: What does it means to be a Trilingual Sign Language Interpreter?

The workshop will be on March 29, 2008. It will include

Summary of Texas Trilingual Interpreting Training.

Spanish Test

What is expected from a Trilingual Interpreter?

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Spanish Idioms,
Scenarios to practice what we have learned during the workshop.

Trilingual Committee
Constanza Wiens

Letter from Andrew Leyva, President:

Dear SCRID Board,

Recently I have had the opportunity to sit with Peggy Huber, Ex-Officio and Julie Casaccia, Vice President and discuss the concerns regarding that lack of communication with the board and activity as President of SCRID on my part. In seeking a resolution for this concerning issue, it was decided that I would be allowed to continue to serve as president on a probationary status contingent on the following: Being able to proactively initiate my responsibilities, communicate on a regular basis, re-engage the leadership skills that are required.

In starting the communication process with all of you, I wanted to let you know that my lack of communication and Dormant leadership were due to distractions brought on by personal and family issues. Over the winter break, I had to examine the commitments and promises I have made and the steps I need to take to honor those.

I have also had to understand that there are some thing that I can change and others that I cannot. I have taken steps to redirect my attention and hope to regain the trust that I once had.

I am also aware that there ware conversations regarding my resignation and thank those who are willing to provide me the opportunity to continue as your president. For those of you who have reservations, please know that I am have been made aware of how my decisions have affected your positions and responsibilities. I welcome you each to contact me via email or by phone to discuss this with me. I promise to reply and listen so that we can become a unit once again.

In the meantime, Peggy will be leading the meetings with Julie's support and I will be reestablishing my responsibilities. The agreement between Peggy, Julie and I is that we all three will be taking on the leadership role for SCRID until they each feel comfortable letting me take on the sole role as president.

With the start of 2008 I want to deliver the rejuvenation of hope that is needed for SCRID to prosper.

Andrew S. Leyva

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Tari Kelly Resignation Letter from Mentorship Committee

My dearest friends and fellow board members, I come to you after much prayer and thought over this difficult decision. I believe this decision is best in the interest of my priorities to my new grandchild, my commitment to my wonderful husb. Of 28 years, my childrens needs, my interpreting work, and to all of you....Iam officially resigning from my position as mentorship chair. It has not been an easy decision, but I do believe it is the right decision. The mentorship position is one which requires an individual who can commit a great deal of time investment in order for this new program to succeed well. SDRID is doing quite well with their new mentorship program getting off the ground. I suggest (as they have) more than 1 individual take on this wonderful but huge labor. Please know I wil continue to bew a volunteer (behind the scene) part of SCRID and continue to give time to the Lou Fant Fundraisers. I have grown to love each one of you in the brief time we have had getting to know one another. With much respect to ea of you, tari kelley
Tari Kelley Interpreter (CI/CT)