

# The Communicator

South-East Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services Inc.

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## DISABILITY AWARENESS WEEK June 1-June 7,2008

"Disability Supports Create Self-Sufficiency" is the theme for this year's Disability Awareness Week (DAW).

In New Brunswick, 2008 will mark the 21st consecutive annual Disability Awareness Week.

The Premier's Council on the Status of Disabled Persons will organize various events provincially. The Legislative Breakfast will be on June 3, 2008 at the Fredericton Inn in Fredericton, NB. After the Breakfast, a Disability Supports Workshop will take place. Laurie Vincent and a Board member will be attending on behalf of SEDHHS.

If you have any issues or concerns that you would like to have brought to the attention of

the Provincial Government please contact the agency, so we can speak on your behalf.

Here in Moncton, CCRW and The Moncton Accessibility Committee is having a Walk & Roll event on June 6, 2008. Also, June 6, 2008 is DAW T-shirt Day.

For more information on these events and others you can contact the agency in late April or May. Information will also be available on the Premier's Council website:

[www.gnb.ca/0048](http://www.gnb.ca/0048).

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Disability Awareness Week 2007



## Times & Transcript: Interesting Story from March 11, 2008.

### Service Dog Permitted

**GARDEN CITY, N.Y.-** New York state's commissioner of human rights has ruled that a Deaf teenager should be permitted to take his service dog to school.

Fifteen-year-old John Cave had wanted to take his Labrador retriever, Simba, to classes, but school officials refused to allow it.

They said they were concerned about the health of other students and staff.

## Executive Director's Message

The first two months of 2008 have been busy ones for the agency.

We continue to offer Sign Language classes to the public, Baby Sign to infants up to one year old, Toddler Sign to children ages 1 to 2 years old, and the Community Workshops to the Deaf and hard of hearing community.

I would like to send out a great big "THANK YOU" to all of you for making the community workshops a huge success.

We are very pleased with how many of you have been attending the workshops.

The guest speakers for April, May, and June have already been scheduled.

During July and August there will be no workshops. However, we need you to continue to tell us your ideas and suggestions for future workshops beginning in September.

These workshops are for your community. We want and need

your input to be sure we are offering topics you are interested in.

Now I know it is hard to believe, with all the snow that we still have, but SPRING is just around the corner.

With spring comes our **fundraising events** for SEDHHS.

There is still time to enter any recipes you would like to share in our cookbook. We hope to have the cookbooks ready for sale by late April.

Our Roast Beef Dinner will be late in May. We will keep you updated as we finalize the preparations.

Our 4th Annual Golf Tournament, our biggest fundraiser, will be in July. Check this newsletter for further details.

We hope to see you over the coming months and that you are able to come out and support SEDHHS during these fundraisers.

Happy Easter & Happy Spring!

Laurie V.

SKSK

## South-East Deaf & Hard of Hearing Cookbook 2008



We are almost ready to print and bind our cook books.

The cook books will be \$10.00 each. They will be available for sale at the agency, our Roast Beef dinner, and the Golf Tournament.

They will make wonderful stocking stuffers, Christmas & Mother's Day gifts.

Place your order early!!

Thank you to everyone who has already given us recipes for the cook book. If you have not given us a recipe there is still time to do so.

Bonnie still needs more of these types of recipes:

Appetizers, soups, homemade breads & sweetbreads, muffins, and salads.

Send in your recipes soon!

## Roast Beef Dinner—Bethel Presbyterian Church— May 30, 2008



Our annual Roast Beef Dinner will be held again this year on May 30, 2008 at the Bethel Presbyterian Church, 600 Coverdale Road in Riverview, NB.

The dinner includes the roast beef dinner with potatoes, a vegetable, and gravy. There is an assortment of pies for dessert and tea, coffee, water are

served with the meal.

The Bethel Men's Group volunteer their time every year to prepare this delicious meal, arrange the table settings, and be our servers for the evening.

SEDHHS is very grateful to the church, the Men's Group, and Cathy Barter for their continued support of the Deaf and hard of

hearing community.

The tickets for the dinner will go on sale in May. The cost is \$20.00 for adults, \$10.00 for children under 12. A charitable receipt is available upon request. Seating begins at 6:00pm and the meal is served at 6:30pm.

We hope to see you there.

## SEDHHS 4th Annual Golf Tournament

Everyone at SEDHHS is getting ready for our 4th Annual Golf Tournament. I know summer seems like a long time away, but to have a successful tournament we have to start planning now.

The tournament will be held at Country Meadows Golf & Country Club located at 149 Cata-mount Road.

We are hoping to have Scotia-bank partner with us again this year. With their help, of \$5,000.00, SEDHHS raised a

total of \$10, 385.00 last year. The money raised goes into our programs, projects and work-shops.

The golf tournament is our larg-est fundraiser. We hope you can show your support by enter-ing a team, or playing as a sin-gle (you will be matched with three other players to make a team), or support a player by donating \$50.00, or be a corpo-rate sponsor by donating \$200.00. If you are not a golfer you could show your support by donating prizes or volunteer

## Thursday, July 24, 2008

some of your time to help with the tournament.

The cost per person is \$50.00 (tax receipt provided for \$25.00). The cost for a team of 4 is \$200.00 (tax receipt pro-vided for \$100.00).

SEDHHS will accept donations / prizes anytime from now until the tournament.

SEDHHS will have schedule of tee times and accept registra-tions in June 2008.

Hope to see you on the "links."



## Community Workshops Update

In January, our guest speaker was Chandra Smith a dietician from Moncton. She talked to us about living healthy through our foods. We had 33 Deaf attend the workshop. :)

Since it was so crowded here at the agency, Tobie and I made arrangements to have all future workshops at Camden Park Terrace.

The February workshop was

held at Camden Park Terrace. Although a few of you had a hard time finding the new place, the workshop was a huge suc-cess. We had 34 Deaf attend.

Our guest speaker was Peter Ford from Ford's Apothecary on St. George Blvd.

He spoke to us about natural medicines, herbs, vitamins , and much more. Mr. Ford en-joyed meeting all of you and he

has asked to be a guest speaker with us again in the future.

This month, (on the 29th from 1 to 3pm), at Camden Park Ter-race, our guest speaker is Angie Gregan a registered nurse. She will talk to us about the symp-toms of high blood pressure, heart attack, stroke, etc.

It should be a very interesting topic. Hope to see you there.



## SEDHHS Programs Update

**The Deaf Adult Literacy Pro-gram** has started. Classes are held at NBCC on Mountain Road. There are still seats available, if you are interested, contact the agency.

We are now accepting registra-tion for **Sign Language Levels I, II, and III**. Classes begin the week of March 31,2008.

Our **Baby Sign** classes began this month. There is still room available, in our second class, on Friday mornings for any moms /babies who are inter-ested.

**Mapleton Teaching Kitchen** offered a two day session to our Deaf moms of young children last month to teach budgeting skills, they cooked meals and

made dessert to take home with them. There will be an-other two day session in April. Contact the agency to have your name put on the list to attend. Space is limited because of our small kitchen.

We continue to offer our **Parent-ing Skills Program** to Deaf par-ents, hearing parents of Deaf children, and caregivers.





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*We are a non-profit, charitable agency. We serve and advocate on behalf of the Deaf, deafened, and hard of hearing community in South Eastern New Brunswick.*

***Our Mission:** is to provide services, programs and advocacy to individuals who are Deaf, deafened or hard of hearing and their families.*

***Our Goal:** is to empower our clients to live independently and productively with full access to all opportunities.*

**Community News & Memorials**

**Geraldine (Gerry)  
A. M. Caissie**

Geraldine (Gerry) Caissie, 52 of Moncton, with her loving husband and family by her side, passed away peacefully at the Moncton Hospital on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008 following a courageous battle with cancer.

Born in Moncton, she was the daughter of Alma (Gagnon) Blanchard of Moncton and the late Nicholas Blanchard (2006). Gerry was employed at the Comfort Inn with over 18 years' service and attended St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church. She enjoyed spending time at the family cottage on the Shediac River, but first and foremost was the quality time spent with her loving family and friends.

Besides her loving husband of 31 years, John and her mother Alma, Gerry will be sadly missed by two sisters, Georgette Gaudet (Armand) and Doris Anderson (Tom), both of Moncton; one brother, Francis Blanchard (Brenda), Moncton; three brothers-in-law, Armand, Pierre and Danny Caissie; sister-in-law, Pierrette White; several nieces and nephews.

Visitation at Ferguson Knowles Funeral Home, 1657 Mountain Road, Moncton, (858-1995), Thursday, 7 to 9 pm. Funeral Mass at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 11 am. Rev. Yvon Arsenault officiating. Reception following the Mass. Interment, Our Lady of Calvary Cemetery, Dieppe.

In Gerry's memory, donations to the Alzheimer's Society of New Brunswick, Canadian Cancer Society, Friends of the Moncton Hospital, (Oncology) or Southeast Deaf & Hard of Hearing Association would be appreciated.

The family would like to thank the Oncology Staff at The Moncton Hospital for the dedication and compassion shown to Gerry's husband and family while she was in their care. Online condolences at:  
[www.fergusonknowlesfh.com](http://www.fergusonknowlesfh.com)

**CARD OF THANKS**



CASSIE - The husband and family of the late Geraldine Caissie, who passed away on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008 would like to thank family, friends, neighbours who offered support and expressions of sympathy. Also to those who sent flowers, cards, made donations, mass offerings and food for the family.

We would also like to thank Ferguson Knowles Funeral Home for their services, Father Yvon Arsenault for the mass and interpreter Ginney Black, Louise, Paul and organist Mike Day. Also the Pallbearers, members of the St. Michael's Catholic Woman's League for the luncheon, staff at the Moncton Hospital Oncology (6600) for the dedication and compassion shown to Gerry & Husband and her family while she was in their care. A special thanks to Dr. Peter Stoddard.  
John Caissie and her Family

Mary F. Campbell  
1921 - 2007

Mary F. Campbell, of Riverview passed away at The Kenneth E. Spencer Memorial Home on Monday, December 3, 2007 at the age of 86 years.

Born in Glace Bay, NS on August 18, 1921, she was the daughter of the late Albert & Josephine (Townsend) Almon. She was formerly employed with the Federal Government. She attended St. Augustine's Roman Catholic Parish.

She is survived by her sisters Annie MacNeil of Glace Bay, NS; brother Joe Almon of Glace Bay, NS and by nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents she was

predeceased by her husband Herbie Campbell; sister Cleo Leger and her brother Patrick Almon.

Services will be announced by Dingwell Funeral Home, Souris PE in the spring.

In Mary's memory, donations made to The K. E. Spencer Memorial Home generator fund would be appreciated.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Riverview Funeral Home, (506) 857-9544.

Online condolences via:  
[www.tuttlefuneralhome.ca](http://www.tuttlefuneralhome.ca)

