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Eight-week faculty orientation ends

It was week number seven of the New Faculty Orientation to sign language, and the College's nine new faculty members were mastering the difference between signs like "duty" and "doctor." Will Madsen, Jan Gemmill and other sign language instructors drilled the class on vocabulary and the parameters of sign language which differentiate between the words "because" and "forget" or "wrestle" and "America."

Each new faculty member concentrated on learning not only the hand-shape but also the palm orientation, hand position and movement of a vocabulary sign.

The intensive eight-week sign language course began with a week's retreat to the hills of Maryland in mid-June. During that time, the faculty members engaged in exercises designed to help each become "visually oriented," Madsen explained.

The following seven weeks of structured, all-day sign language class attempted to develop a sign language vocabulary including concepts needed when the new faculty members enter the classroom this fall.

Sign language is one of the reasons John Bonvillian joined the Department of Psychology for this year. While on sabbatical from the University of Virginia (UVA), he will continue his research and writing on language development and conceptual development in children. After this year, he plans to return to the Psychology Department at UVA as an associate professor in the area of child development.

For T. Hoy Booker, a new member of the Mathematics Department, the weeks of class were "indispensable" for his transition to Gallaudet from the faculty of American University. "We have had several deaf students at American but they had never been in my classes," he said.

As a member of the Department of Educational Foundations and Research, Tim Reagan will teach a class on social and multicultural diversity in the classroom. "Teachers of deaf children need to be aware of the other linguistic minorities who may be in their classrooms," Reagan stated. He will discuss in his classes the situation of deaf children of Hispanic, Asian and immigrant backgrounds in the mainstream or residential school classroom. He comes to Gallaudet from the University of Illinois.

Other members of the orientation class include Donna Ryan, previously a graduate assistant at Georgetown University and now a member of the History Department, who will be teaching American and World History;

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A group of incoming preparatory and freshmen students get ready for an exercise in the Discovery Program, lead by Jean Berube of the Physical Education Department. Students in the three-week New Signers Program took part in the Discovery Program.

New Signers Program offers more than just sign instruction

His decision was to get a haircut, to wear his hair in a style shorter than he had ever worn before. Because of the hearing aid, he had always worn his hair over his ears.

But now, he said, he was proud of what he was and was no longer embarrassed by the hearing aid; no longer did he feel he must hide it from view.

Enrolled in the New Signers Program for students unfamiliar with sign language, he is proof that the program offers more than just instruction in manual communication.

The three-week program is offered each summer to preparatory and freshman students who have little or no signing skills. Intensive instruction allows them to learn enough basic signs before fall semester classes begin so that they can communicate with other members of the Gallaudet community. In addition, the program works to build

a positive self-image and develop an ability to work with others in problem solving.

"The program is a developmental process, not just a sign language class," explained Susan Raley-Lyon, assistant dean of Auxiliary Programs in the Office of Student Affairs. "It helps give them training so they can mesh with others at Gallaudet."

"They learn more about the deaf culture and learn to identify with it. They begin to feel like a part of something, and they've never felt that before," added Rosalyn Gannon, coordinator of the New Signers Program.

Fifty-three students—13 preparatory students and 40 freshmen—took part in this summer's class, which concluded Aug. 11.

They spent the bulk of their time—seven hours a day, Monday through Friday—in sign language class, placed

in one of five classes according to ability level.

Information about Gallaudet's history and tradition, deaf awareness and deaf culture were among the topics which supplemented instruction in sign language.

Students also participated in other activities during the three weeks they lived and studied at Gallaudet.

One such offering was the Discovery Program coordinated by the Physical Education Department for the New Signers Program. The program's goals are twofold, according to Jean Berube of the Physical Education Department. It seeks to develop both self-confidence through individual challenges and cooperation and respect for others through group problem-solving exercises.

Students in the New Signers Pro-

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Will Madsen works with new faculty members during the eight-week New Faculty Orientation to sign language. Nine new faculty members will join the collegiate faculty when fall semester classes begin this month.

KDES receives full accreditation

KDES has been named the first elementary school for the deaf to receive full accreditation from the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools (MSA), joining MSSD and the College as a member in good standing of the Association.

This distinction marks the final step in a two-year process of MSA scrutiny and self-study. The accreditation process began during the 1982-83 school year when representatives of the Association visited the program and published an in-depth report of their findings.

Last year KDES responded to the report with an extensive self-study, from which the school developed its action plan for the future.

KDES identified as its four main goals the development and implemen-

tation of: a plan to help faculty and staff assess learning differences and individualize instruction; a comprehensive parent education/involvement program; a curriculum and evaluation master plan; and expansion of the Kendall Computer Managed Education System.

MSA will monitor the school's progress. The process will begin again in 1994 with a new self-study and new goals.

The MSA Assembly of Elementary Schools was established in 1978 as an outgrowth of the much older Association.

Last fall KDES was granted full accreditation from the Conference of Educational Administrators Serving the Deaf.

Among Ourselves

Marin Pearson Allen, chair of the Department of Visual Media, has been named to the Board of Directors of the Council on International Non-Theatrical Events (CINE). CINE-selected films and television programs are seen at film festivals in more than 30 countries and at more than 90 international festivals. Organized in 1957, CINE has been the instrument of discovery of thousands of outstanding American films and has introduced specially selected films and television programs abroad.

Jan Richardson, director of the Instructional Development and Evaluation Center, delivered the keynote address at the annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges of Pharmacy. Her address focused on the use of computers in health sciences education in the future.

Several Gallaudet employees made presentations at the Deaf Counseling Advocacy and Referral Agency's Conference for Deaf Women Jan. 27-29. Roz Rosen, dean of Continuing Education, Sandi LaRue, developmental counselor at the School of Preparatory Studies, and Marjoriebell Holcomb, director of the Gallaudet College Western Extension Center at Ohlone College in Fremont, CA, made presentations. The conference was co-sponsored by the California School for the Deaf and the Gallaudet College Western Extension Center.

Yerker Andersson, a Sociology pro-

fessor, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Michigan Chapter of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association April 29.

Frank Turk, assistant dean of Student Life, spoke before the Alabama Chapter of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association. He is a 1952 graduate of Gallaudet.

Bernard Bragg gave a presentation May 5 at the first annual banquet sponsored by the Puget Sound Chapter of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association.

David Martin, an assistant professor in the Department of Education, had an article published in the April edition of *The Volta Review*, the journal of the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf. His article was entitled, "Hearing Impaired Teachers Work with Normal-Hearing Children."

Merv Garretson, special assistant to the president, gave the keynote address at the Illinois Parents of the Hearing Impaired State Day on April 14. His speech highlighted a day-long conference that included workshops and exhibits from across the nation.

Holly Goodling Bell has been included in the 1983-84 edition of "Who's Who of American Nurses." She is a nurse practitioner and nursing supervisor at the Student Health Service.

Program teaches more than signing

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gram can also use the services of the Counseling and Placement Center for personal or career counseling and Student Special Services. Student Special Services provides support services to students with one or more physical disabilities in addition to deafness.

The program also offers an orientation to Gallaudet for parents, giving them information about the campus and the variety of services available here. "We give them enough information so they feel comfortable that they made the correct choice in sending

their children to Gallaudet," Raley-Lyon said.

While the students have now completed the New Signers Program, they have remained on campus for the new student orientation which begins this week. They will be joined by their classmates—325 in the preparatory class and 450 in the freshman class.

Faculty orientation

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Clementina Adams, who will be teaching Spanish in the Department of Romance Languages; Frances Bridges-Cline, who will work as a research specialist with the Center for Studies in Education and Human Development at KDES; Scott Brown, who works with the Center for Assessment and Demographic Studies; Clarence Inniss, who joins the Department of Mathematics at the Northwest Campus; and Philip Saif, who will be working in the area of Academic Affairs.

Deafpride benefit set

Deafpride, Inc. is sponsoring a benefit, "Moonlight Cruise Extravaganza" down the Potomac River Sept. 7. Boarding begins at 7:45 p.m. and the boat will leave Pier 4 at 8 p.m., returning at 11 p.m.

Tickets purchased before Aug. 15 are \$25 and are \$30 thereafter. Donations are tax-deductible. For more information, call 635-2050 (voice and TDD).



Summer students at KDES display varying emotions as they arrive for school in the morning.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE: Boxer—7-mo.-male pedigree. Beautiful fawn color. Well trained, knows several sign language idioms. *Must see to appreciate, best offer 350-6369 voice.*

ROOMS WANTED: Female student w/a deaf son (teen-ager), looking for 2 bedrooms in Maryland, non-smoker. Call Bonnie at x5572.

FOR SALE: One bedroom condo. Private balcony, large rooms. Separate dining area. Overlooking Glover Park. Five minutes from Georgetown and American University. Call Renata at 965-2019.

NEED ROOMMATE: Non-smoker. Townhouse with private bath located near Greenway Shopping Center and bus stop. Call Anne at office 245-3427 or at home 345-2203 (TDD) after 6 p.m.

FOR SALE: 1975 Plymouth Grand Fury. A/C, Power Steering, automatic, clean, \$650 or best offer. Sony: AM/FM Stereo, phono, cassette with 2 B.E.C. speakers. Make offer. Between 8:30-4:30, call Angela at x5142. Also automotive repairs and certified welding of all types. Window guards, fences, porches, stairs, railings.

ROOMMATE WANTED: Need 1 person to share townhouse one block from Gallaudet. Call 397-5044 (TDD) after 4 p.m.

WANTED: Need baby crib. Call 341-2775 TDD.

FOR SALE: 71 Honda Sedan two cylinder 40+ mpg. Needs minor repairs. Call Mac 543-8167 TDD/voice.

FOR SALE: Electric lawnmower. Only one-year old. Sacrifice for \$75. Call Toni at x5638.

FOR SALE OR TEMPORARY RENT: One bedroom condo apt. in Bladensburg, MD; wall-to-wall carpeting, CAC, disposal, dishwasher, frost-free refrigerator, pool; for sale at \$25,000 or for rent at \$350 per month; call x5105 TDD, x5277 voice or 772-7015 TDD evenings.

WANTED: Sailboat with keel. Any condition. Call Toni at x5638.

FOR SALE OR RENT: Mirabella Condo in Ocean City 122nd St., oceanside bayview, 1 br. efficiency furn., sleeps 4 plus, exc. investment. Sale by owner, \$40,500. Call Maria at 7-5825 V/TDD or 596-0787.

FOR SALE: 10 speed Schwinn bike, 21" frame; \$100 or best offer; call MAP at x5105 TDD or x5277 voice, or evenings at 772-7015 TDD.

ROOMMATE NEEDED: Renovated 3 bdrm. 2 1/2 bath townhouse. Walking distance to Gallaudet. For more info. call 544-3209 TDD.

Jobs Available

Some of the advertised staff positions may already be filled. For updated information, call the JOB RECORDING in the Personnel Office, x5514 or x5520 TDD.

SECRETARIAL POSITIONS: Contact Personnel for listing.

APPLICATIONS PROGRAMMERS: Computer Services

CAMPUS POLICE OFFICER: Safety and Security

SURVEY ARCHIVIST: Library (Grant Position)

DISPATCHER: Safety and Security Manager, ACADEMIC APPLICATIONS:

Computer Services

MANAGER, NETWORKS AND COMMUNICATIONS: Computer Services

STAFF PSYCHOLOGIST: Counseling and Placement Center

SUPERVISING PSYCHOLOGIST: Counseling and Placement Center

RESEARCH SCIENTIST—TESTS & MEASUREMENT: Center for Assessment & Demographic Studies

CIRCULATION MANAGER—World Around You & Perspectives: Outreach

EPOC INTAKE COORDINATOR: Experiential Programs Office Campus

AUDIO SYSTEMS ENGINEER: Communications

RESIDENT ASSISTANTS: MSSD

RESEARCH SCIENTIST: Reading Research Institute

TRAINING SPECIALIST: National Academy

CURRICULUM DEVELOPER: National Academy

PROGRAM PLANNING ASSISTANT: National Academy

TEACHER ASSISTANT: Day Care Center

RESEARCH ASSISTANT: Sign Language Studies

TECHNICAL ASSISTANT: Theatre Arts

CURRICULUM DEVELOPER: National Academy

SYSTEMS ELECTRONIC TECHNICIAN: MSSD Learning Resources Center

FINISHER III: Physical Plant Department

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