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Kendall students sign to Santa and check out his beard as TV, Film, and Photography staff (far right) film the Toys for Tots kickoff at Kendall School on Dec. 6.



One of Santa's live reindeer waits patiently in front of the crowd at KDES.

Santa visits KDES at Toys for Tots kickoff

Students from Kendall Demonstration Elementary School, the Child Development Center, and area schools donned antlers, red noses, and "Silent Sleigh" buttons to welcome a signing Santa Claus in a reindeer-driven sleigh on Dec. 6.

The festivities, held in front of KDES, opened the annual U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys For Tots national campaign, sponsored by Midas International Corporation.

Gallaudet's Department of TV, Film, and Photography filmed the event to be sent to a satellite so news stations throughout the country could use it in their broadcasts.

During the event, Ron Moore, president and chief executive officer of Midas International Corporation, presented a \$5,000 check to KDES Assistant Principal Albert Couthen. Midas is also sponsoring closed captioning of several children's television programs in 1989, Moore said.

Moore donated the first toy—a large panda bear from Midas. Linda Bove of "Sesame Street" donated a stuffed Big Bird, and KDES students gave several learn-to-sign books.

"With the assistance of corporate support, we hope to collect nearly four million toys for needy children this holiday season," said U.S. Marine Sgt. Linker of the Anacostia Naval Station.

Winners of a KDES essay contest, in which students chose Christmas gifts for President-elect George Bush, explained their choices.

Danielle Kearney would give Bush a sign language book because she believes he should learn to communicate with deaf people. Margie English's gift would be a foot warmer to use when delivering speeches on cold days and 10 yards of string to tie around his fingers so he won't forget what he has to do.

Eric Kaika said he would give Bush "a white flag that has a peace sign on it to use in Central America and the Middle East, and some power, like Captain Power, to watch kids so they won't get into danger." And Roberta Mather would give Bush "the strength

to convince Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to decrease nuclear missiles."

Couthen delivered D.C. Mayor Marion Barry's proclamation making Dec. 6, 1988, a "Toys For Tots Day" in Washington, D.C. and asking city residents "to observe this day with expressions of appreciation to the Toys For Tots program."

Monica Robinson, a secretary at KDES, sang four Christmas songs with musical accompaniment from the prize-winning Monumental Brass Quintet and signing by KDES students.

Gallaudet staff joined in the holiday spirit by helping Moore hand out Muppet Babies toys, chocolate snowmen, and balloons to children in the audience.

Play wins ACTF regional awards

The Theatre Arts Department production of "Telling Stories," written and directed by Dr. William Moses, has been selected by American College Theatre Festival (ACTF) judges to perform at the regional festival in Binghamton, N.Y., from Jan. 11-15, 1988.

"Telling Stories" is one of five productions chosen from the region, which includes New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

Critiquing the production, one of the ACTF judges wrote that " 'Telling Stories' was one of the most personal theatrical expressions of real-life, psycho-social concerns and tensions that I have seen in the theater."

The production also received awards in the following categories: direction by William Moses, set and lighting design by Jeffrey Grandel, costume design by Mary Kay McGregor, music composition by Chris Patton, and stage

management by Caryn Spall and Frank Dattolo. Cheryl Lundquist was selected to compete in the Irene Ryan Acting Competition at the festival.

At the conclusion of 12 regional festivals across the United States, five productions will be chosen to perform at the national festival at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. in April.

The awards for "Telling Stories" add to the recognition the play received when it was performed at the Tenth International Pantomima Festival of the Deaf in Brno, Czechoslovakia, from Nov. 14-19. Competing with productions from Czechoslovakia, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, China, Russia, Spain, and Bulgaria, "Telling Stories" received the juror's award for best thematic production, and the organizing committee's award for most creative production, for enhancing understanding of deafness, and for expanding the boundaries of traditional pantomime.

'Hawk' segment filmed on campus

An imposing man in black and his extended entourage caused quite a stir on the Gallaudet campus Dec. 7 and 8 as he chased a murderer and blew up a car.

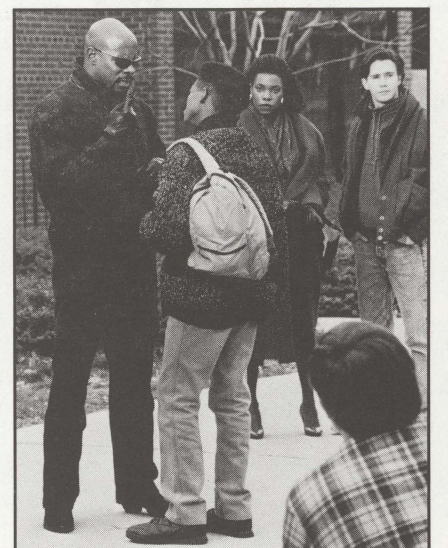
Actor Avery Brooks, who gained fame in TV's "Spenser for Hire," and a Warner Brothers film crew, were here to film an episode of the new TV show, "Hawk," starring Brooks as a hardboiled detective covering the D.C. crime scene.

The episode, "Hear No Evil," to be aired early next year, features deaf actor William Byrd, a former MSSD and Gallaudet student, and actor Josh Hamilton. They play Gallaudet students who witness a murder in Georgetown and then are pursued by the murderer to the Gallaudet campus. Hawk comes to the rescue and chases the villain to his getaway car, where he opens fire and the car explodes with the murderer inside.

The filming required hundreds of people and dozens of equipment trailers. TV, Film, and Photography, and the Public Relations Office also worked with the producers for several months.

Peter Goodman, facilities and equipment coordinator in Gallaudet's Department of Business Services, praised Warner Brothers for letting the Gallaudet community get involved in the excitement. "I think the TV studio was very open to all students seeing the filming as much as possible," he said.

The action for "Hear No Evil" took place in front of Ely Center, on the east side of KDES, and in several locations in the Merrill Learning Center. The Gallaudet Dance Company was used in one scene, Gallaudet students Cathy Lushman and Alice Gregory had the roles of girlfriends, and approximately 20 students were hired as extras.



Avery Brooks (left) talks with William Byrd as actress Lorraine Toussaint and Josh Hamilton look on during the filming of a scene from "Hawk."

OTG not published for next two issues

On the Green will not be published on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 because of the winter break. The next issue will be published Jan. 9. The staff of OTG wishes everyone a happy holiday season.

French delegation visits Gallaudet

Plans to establish the first program for deaf university students in France moved a step further toward realization with a recent information-gathering visit to Gallaudet by a delegation of four French officials and teachers.

The group was headed by Marcel Piton, who is in charge of education of deaf people throughout France. Piton, an inspector of finances and Undersecretary for Handicapped Affairs in the Ministry of Welfare and Employment, also has a 7-year-old deaf son.

After their visit to Gallaudet Nov. 28-Dec. 2, the group also went to the National Technical Institute for the Deaf and California State University, Northridge.

"They were very, very positive about everything they saw here, as well as at NTID and CSUN," said Harry Markowicz, an assistant professor of English at Gallaudet, who was the contact person for the delegation. Markowicz worked in France from 1976-81 with a research institute to help promote sign language in France and surrounding countries.

The purpose of the visit was to explore higher education for deaf students. The delegates were interested in learning about areas including funding, admissions requirements, recruitment, curriculum, use of sign language and interpreters, support services, and opportunities available for students after they graduate.

A campus-wide planning team met with Kathleen Stock of the Visitors Center before she planned visits to the areas the group requested to see. Mark Weinberg and Dr. Constantine Mitchell, assistant professors with the Foreign Languages Department, and visiting Fulbright scholar Dr. Antoine Roumanos, volunteered their services as French/English interpreters.

The delegates plan to write a report to obtain funding for the program, which they hope to set up at the University of Grenoble in two years. "They know they can't change the French university system to adapt to deaf students," said Markowicz, "so they want to provide support services to make it possible for deaf people to go to universities."

Education for deaf people in France, still primarily oral, is limited. Many go to residential schools through the

eight grade and then take vocational training in special schools, although some deaf students attend private day schools or are mainstreamed. Students must pass a national test at the end of their secondary education to be admitted to colleges and universities. Only an estimated 20 to 30 deaf students graduate from high school each year.

The delegates hope that a new university-level program can help raise the status of education for deaf students and create role models for a group that now has few possibilities, Markowicz said.

Members of the delegation expressed the desire to get Gallaudet involved with their project. According to Markowicz, areas of interaction could include faculty/student exchanges between Gallaudet and the new program, developing deaf awareness programs for potential employers and parents, collaborating on sign language research, and working on remedial or preparatory programs.

In addition to Piton, other members of the delegation were Dr. Serge Barth, professor of computer science at the University of Chambéry and head of the research laboratory at the National Institute for the Deaf in Chambéry; Dr. Marcel Nougaret, professor of computer science at the University of Grenoble; and Michelle Groscolas, teacher at the National Institute for the Deaf in Paris.

Among Ourselves

Maryland Governor William Donald Schaefer recently appointed Dr. Marita Danek, a professor in the Department of Counseling, to his Rehabilitation Organization and Management Panel. The panel will review the effectiveness of Maryland programs that provide services to people with disabilities and recommend changes to enhance the programs.

Dr. Judy Harkins, director of the Technology Assessment Program, has been asked to serve on the advisory boards of three Rehabilitation Engineering Centers (REC): the REC on Technology Transfer at the Electronic Industries Foundation, the REC on Augmentative Communication at the University of Delaware, and the REC on Service Delivery at the South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department.



Linda and King Jordan greet visitors in the entrance hall of the President's Residence at a holiday open house held Dec. 12.

TDD-athon nets record pledges

This year's fall TDD-athon for the Alumni Annual Fund was the most successful effort since its inception in 1984, netting \$56,324 in pledges.

According to Malcolm Grossinger, assistant director of development for alumni giving, the pledge dollars represent a 50 percent increase over last fall, which was the former all-time high for the TDD-athon.

The TDD-athons, which solicit funds from alumni across the nation, are held semi-annually and are the largest component of the Alumni Annual Fund.

Grossinger said that volunteers reached 1,273 alumni during the TDD-athon, held Oct. 24-Nov. 3. Of the alumni contacted, 65 percent made pledges, with the average being \$68.

A large part of the credit for the success of the event, said Grossinger, goes to the volunteers who turned out in record numbers to make calls from the 20 TDDs set up in the conference room of "Ole Jim."

"I knew from the beginning that the TDD-athon would be a big success because of the number of volunteers," Grossinger said. "Without a lot of volunteers, you can't succeed."

As soon as they got off work from their daytime jobs, Gallaudet alumni, faculty, and staff began calling alumni for contributions, most of which go to build up the University's 100-plus endowment funds. Then, at around 10 p.m., they were relieved at the phones by students who took the late shift to call alumni living in the Pacific time zone, three hours behind Washington, D.C.

Grossinger feels that the surge in support by volunteers and alumni shows that interest and dedication to the University is at an all-time high. The first Alumni Annual Fund in 1984 resulted in only a 3 percent participation rate by alumni, compared with 22 percent this fall.

Alumni who were not reached in the fall TDD-athon, or who did not respond to mail solicitations, will be the target of another TDD-athon this spring, Grossinger said.

Classified Ads

CLASSIFIED ADS are printed free as a service to Gallaudet faculty and staff. They must be submitted in writing only to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-19B. Ads may be run for a maximum of two weeks, if requested and if space permits. The deadline for submitting advertisements is Friday, 10 days before the desired publication. Ads received by Friday, Jan. 6, will appear in the Jan. 16 issue.

WANTED: Violin and clarinet teachers who can sign. Call Diane Merchant, x5641.

FREE: Half-breed husky and Hungarian dog, 9-10 mos. old, had shots. Call Miriam, 794-4754 (TDD) after 6 p.m.

WANTED: Nonsmoking female to share 2-BR apt. in Silver Spring, Md., priv. room & bath, AC, pool, sauna, 24-hr. sec., \$355/mo. inc. util. Call Joan, x5488.

WANTED: Nonsmoking roommate to share fully-furnished, 2-BR condo on Capitol Hill, mod. kitchen, microwave, W/D, AC, fireplace, priv. patio, rooftop deck, cable TV, VCR, near bus and Metro, available Jan. 1, rent neg. Call 547-5081 (TDD).

WANTED: Nonsmoking female (deaf or hearing prof.) for priv. BR (share bath, AC, W/D, DW), prefer Total Communication, near Union Station, \$177/mo. plus 1/5 util. Call Dora, 546-0634 (TDD) eves.

WANTED: Nonsmoking, mature male student or prof. for large BR on W.Va. Ave. NE (share bath, DW, W/D), free local phone, \$175/mo. inc. util., deposit required. Write Tom, Campus Mail Box 969.

WANTED: Nonsmoking male or female to share 3-BR house in Alexandria, Va., must sign. Call Serry Fahmy, 941-8269 (TDD).

Job Openings

Some of the advertised positions may already be filled. The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).
HEAD SOCCER COACH: Athletics
ASSISTANT SOCCER COACH: Athletics
ASSISTANT BASEBALL COACH: Athletics
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Gerri Frank of the Alumni Relations and Advancement Office displays her wares at the holiday crafts fair held in Ely Center on Dec. 7.