

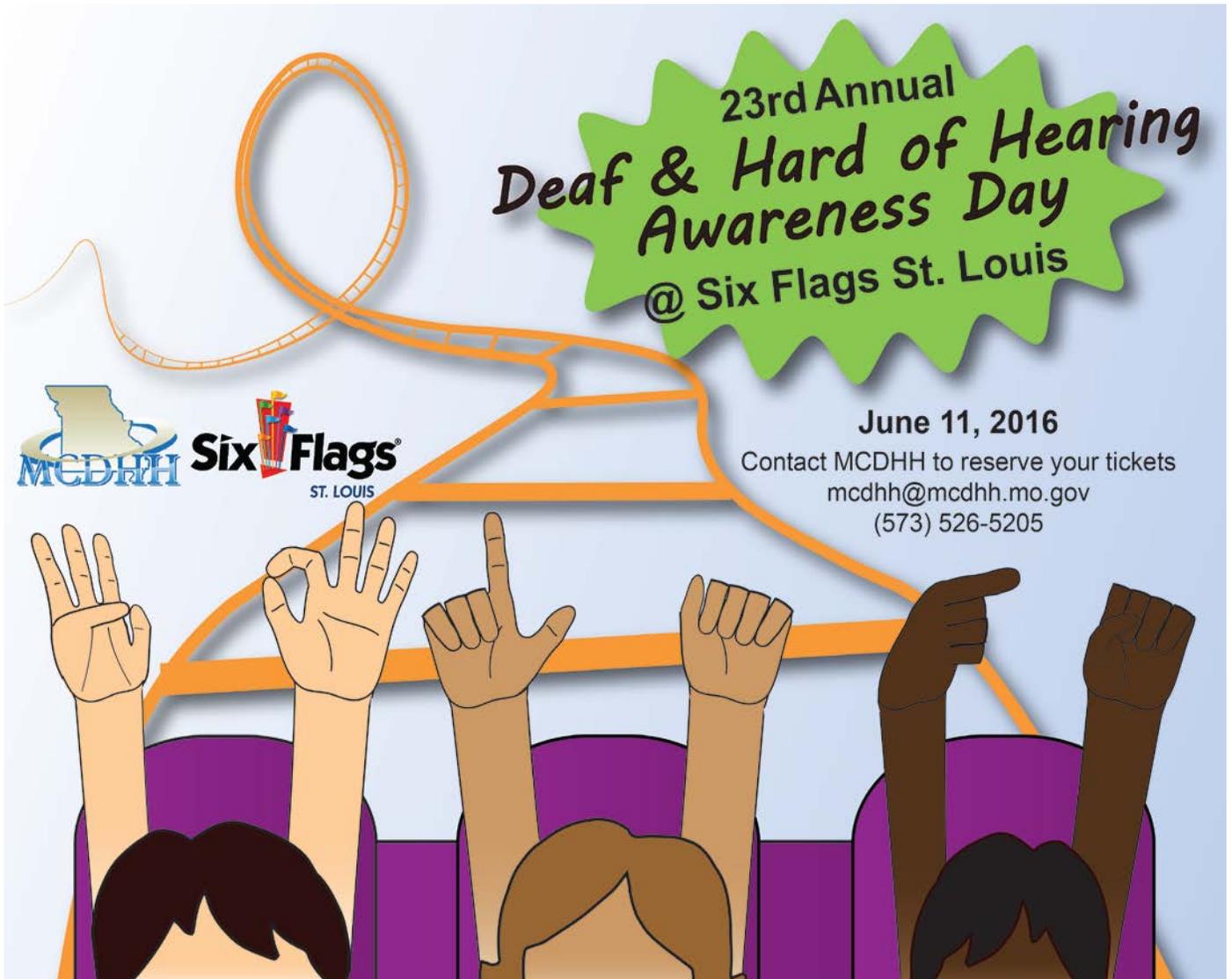
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December 4, 2015

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MCDHH

Join us for the
23rd Annual Deaf & Hard of Hearing Awareness Day
At Six Flags St. Louis!
June 11, 2016



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Interpreters: Have you heard about our new requirement for Ethics CEUs?

Here's what was published in the Missouri Register on September 1, 2015:

“(3) An interpreter shall be required to earn two (2.0) CEUs annually for certification maintenance in the MICS, with three-tenths (0.3) specifically focused on Ethics. An interpreter may earn up to one (1.0) MICS CEU per year through mentoring, whether as a mentor or as a mentee. Contact hours earned in another state will be accepted by the BCI provided that the hours acquired can be documented. The twelve- (12-) month period for annually earning CEUs will end ninety (90) days prior to the licensing deadline. This section will become effective for the CEU cycle beginning November 3, 2015 and ending November 2, 2016.”

This becomes effective for next year's CEU cycle (11/3/15-11/2/16).

Remember, your 2.0 (20 hours) CEUs for this year are due soon. You must have a postmark on or before December 2, 2015 to avoid penalties.

If you missed the December 2 renewal deadline, you will need to send in your paperwork, the \$15 renewal fee, and an additional \$60 reinstatement fee.

Why wait? Send your documentation and fees in today! [Click here to access the forms on our website.](#)



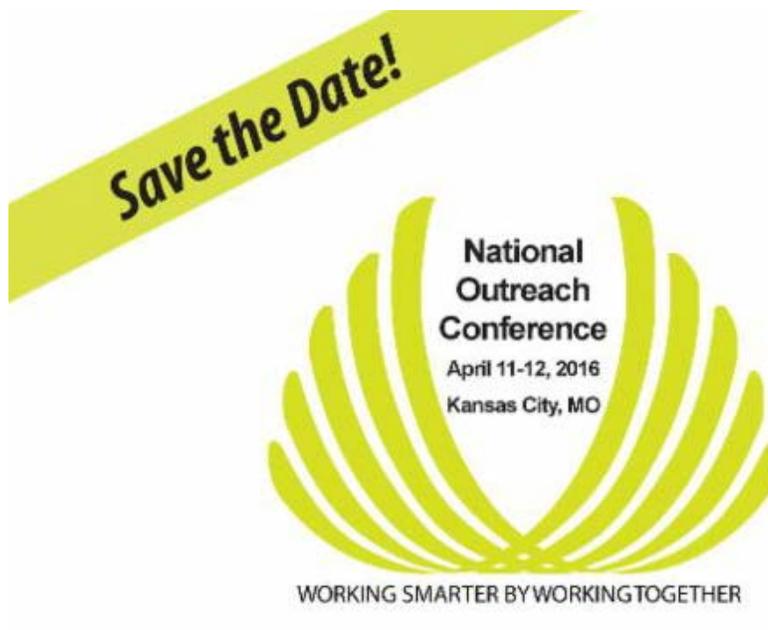
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NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

The **Missouri Department of Transportation** released a holiday PSA video about drinking and driving with a sign language interpreter. [Click here](#) to see the video.



Kansas School for the Deaf will be hosting the sixth National Outreach Conference in Kansas City, MO AFTER the CEASD Conference. Targeting front-line outreach providers and administrators who work specifically with professionals, teachers, and deaf/hard-of-hearing students, participants will experience one and a half days of information-sharing, workshops and networking. Identified possible topics may include encouraging family involvement, collaborating with school districts and agencies, supporting early intervention and utilizing practical forms/documentation.

For more information, visit www.nationaloutreachconferenc.org
The conference will be held at Kansas City Marriott Downtown.
More details coming soon.

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Gallaudet University will be offering a variety of Youth Programs next summer. Please pass along these opportunities to colleagues, teachers, and professionals who work with young high school students. See youthprograms.gallaudet.edu for more information.



Applications are being accepted NOW for the 14th Annual **Missouri Youth Leadership Forum** which will be held July 12 – 16, 2016 at the University of Missouri Campus in Columbia. Students accepted into the program attend at NO COST to their family.

The Governor's Council on Disability is currently accepting applications. To learn more and to complete the application visit <http://disability.mo.gov/gcd/ylf.htm>



Deaf Festival will be on June 4, 2016! It will be located in Downtown Saint Louis at Union Station! [Please click on the link for more details.](#)



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Lee's Summit R-7 School District is currently looking for an interpreter. [Click here](#) to see the full job posting with more details.



The Whole Person will be hosting a **Deaf Peer Support Group** in Kansas City on Tuesday, December 8. [Click here](#) to view the flyer with more details.



Students: Are you interested in earning a \$2,500 college scholarship?

The **2016 Optimist Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing** (CCDHH) contest topic is "How My Best Brings Out The Best In Others." The contest deadline will be in March 2016. [Please click the link for more details.](#)



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It's back!

Sight And Sound Impaired of St. Louis 2nd Annual Italian Dinner & Trivia

February 6th, 2016

RSVP by January 30th for an affordable night out with friends to support a great cause! [and that's blind friendly / deaf friendly / has interpreters on site]

5 – 9 pm, Doors Open at 4 pm

Tickets: \$15 [Early RSVP by Jan 9th]

Tickets: \$20 [Jan 10th - Jan 30th]

*NO RSVP or Money Accepted after Jan 30th as seats are limited

Price includes:

Mostaccioli, Meatballs, One Glass of wine, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert, & Soda

Join us for dinner, fun, prizes, and trivia!

Concordia Lutheran Church – Kirkwood
505 South Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122
Across from the Magic House

All proceeds benefit Sight And Sound Impaired of St. Louis

Contact Mary Hale for more information: meh331@sbcglobal.net



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MSD is offering free **Community ASL classes**. They are held in the Stark Elementary School building on the MSD campus in Fulton.

The classes are taught by **experienced deaf instructors** and there are beginning, intermediate, and advanced groups to **fit any ability level**. Classes are open to any Missouri resident, but families of deaf or hard of hearing students receive first priority. Professionals serving deaf clients receive second priority. Others are welcome to attend as space permits.

There are three ways to **register**: 1) online at <http://msd.dese.mo.gov/resource-center/asl/>; 2) by email at rcd@msd.dese.mo.gov; or, 3) by phone at (573) 592-2543. Directions and optional textbook information will be provided with your registration confirmation. Please include the following information: name, email address, phone number, whether you are registering as a family member, teacher, professional, or other. A confirmation letter will be sent by email.

Winter 2015 Dates:

Saturdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

January 9, 16, 23, 30; and February 6, 13, 20

Spring 2016 Dates:

Saturdays, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

March 19, 26; and April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Summer 2016 Dates:

Saturdays TBA (These lessons will be more intensive.)



Missouri School for the Deaf (MSD) is currently advertising to fill a 12 month Interpreter position. If you or know of anyone that may be interested, stop by the HR office for an application or [click here to apply online](#).