



Mission

To serve the Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled, Hard of Hearing and Late Deafened Community

Purpose

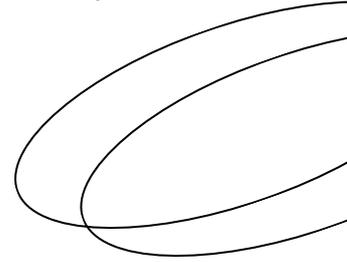
To meet individuals' needs for education, guidance, support, and socialization

Vision

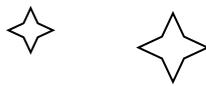
To promote effective open communication within our communities



Monthly Newsletter



TO OUR JACKSONVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER FOR THE DEAF...



A Message from President Elzbieta Kaminski!



Greetings from Elzbieta Kaminski!

I currently hold multiple roles, including that of JCCD President, Tiger Den Secretary, 185th Registration Committee Member, and Member of the Clubs of Girlfriends. During the JCCD meeting, I observed that approximately 25 individuals held positions in the Tiger Den, the 185th committee, the ISDAA board, and the Girlfriends clubs, such as Tripoley and Poker. However, I was disheartened to see that out of the 500 Deaf residents in Jacksonville, only 25 attendees participated in the meeting. This low participation rate is concerning, particularly given that we are all standing committee members, which is a challenging task force. Moreover, I have noted that the long-serving JCCD members are eager to transition to a new life phase.

Would you like to try using Google Meet for our next meeting? I hope you are enjoying the start of spring. Please remember to take care of yourself.

Warm regards,
Elzbieta Kaminski
JCCD President"



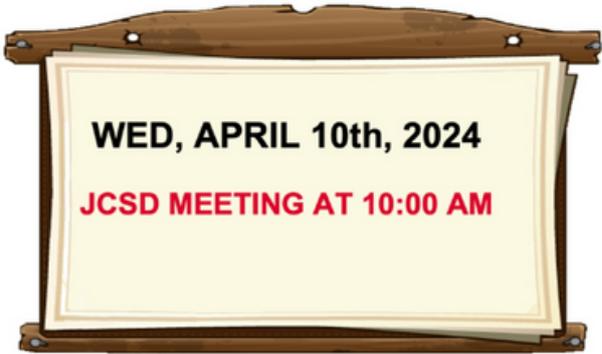
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Birthdays & Anniversaries

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The Greatest Influencer

An Interview with Mickey Jones



Tell us a bit about yourself.

Before moving to Jacksonville, I was a teacher at the NMSD and worked at NTID as an assistant coordinator of interpreting services. I began working at MacMurray College in 1976 after I finished my doctorate at the University of Illinois. I ran the Deaf Education program for 12 years. I changed jobs in 1988 and was director of the Evaluation Center at ISD.

How did you become involved with JCCD?

The two main social experiences in the Deaf community in 1979 were the Frat and the supper club. The National Fraternal Society of the Deaf was an insurance company founded by Deaf people. It sponsored community and social activities for Deaf people. NFSD rented a room in the Knights of Columbus building downtown on State Street for monthly meetings and social experiences. The members of the Supper Club were ISD staff. They had monthly potluck dinners at someone's home.

Can you tell us about the work with people and what committee or program you worked with?

Bob Anderson was very active in both groups, and he was the person who always talked about the Deaf community having its own building to support all community events. He wanted to raise money for a building. Bob and I had frequent meetings to make plans. I wrote the early grants, and Bob would identify and contact potential donors. We did not find anyone with the money to invest in a building until Dr. David Eades became interested in the project while building the Eades Center. Bob mentioned the benefit of having a Deaf activity center next to the Eades Center. Dr. Eades liked the idea of having the clients be able to participate in social activities and events with people in the larger Deaf community. Bob told him the clients would always be welcome.

I served on the early Board when it was first set up. However, I have always believed that Deaf people need to be in charge of their own destiny and future. Though I was often asked to be an officer, I declined nominations and supported Deaf nominees.

How did JCCD resonate with the time when it was organized in 1985, does it still resonate with you today - after almost 40 years of operation? Or when the founding group, the group envisioned what they wanted to see how the organization was set up. If they are still alive today, did it come out what they wanted to see?

JCCD is a great organization. It is a safe, warm, and fuzzy home for all Deaf people. Everyone is welcome and valued. It became a reality in fulfilling the early dreams of its founders.



The Tax Day Reminder: Stay Prepared for April 15th

Just a friendly reminder:

The Tax Day is fast approaching. As you prepare for the filing deadline on April 15th, make sure all your documents are in order and any necessary forms are completed accurately. Whether you're filing independently or seeking assistance from a tax professional, now is the time to ensure everything is in place to meet the deadline. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please get in touch with your tax professional. Let's tackle Tax Day together and ensure a smooth filing process for everyone.



Snapshot Spotlight: Capturing Moments



Jerry Glenn has proven to be an exceptional addition to the Jacksonville Community for the Center's Spring Yardwork team. He volunteered as a landscaper and took great pride in his work from day one. With his exceptional skills and green thumb, Jerry is the perfect candidate to beautify the outside of JCCD with colorful and eye-catching landscaping. There's no doubt that Jerry Glenn is the man for the job!



March Madness was a success at the Jacksonville Community Center for the Deaf on March 16th, 2024, with plenty of laughter.



The Photo was taken on March 20, 2024, at Jacksonville Community Center for the Deaf. We have some fantastic news to share with you! Bingo is back and better than ever after the COVID-19 epidemic. We are so grateful to the fabulous LEO Club from Illinois School for the Deaf, who have volunteered to participate and help out whenever needed. We would love for you to join us on April 18th at 6:00 PM for a night of fun and games. We promise it will be a blast, and we can't wait to see you there!

Leadership Wisdom: Inspiring Quote of the Month:

"Knowledge is power" is a well-known saying, which means that having knowledge can give you an advantage over others. Additionally, sharing knowledge with others can also be powerful, as it can help them gain new insights and improve their understanding of a particular subject.



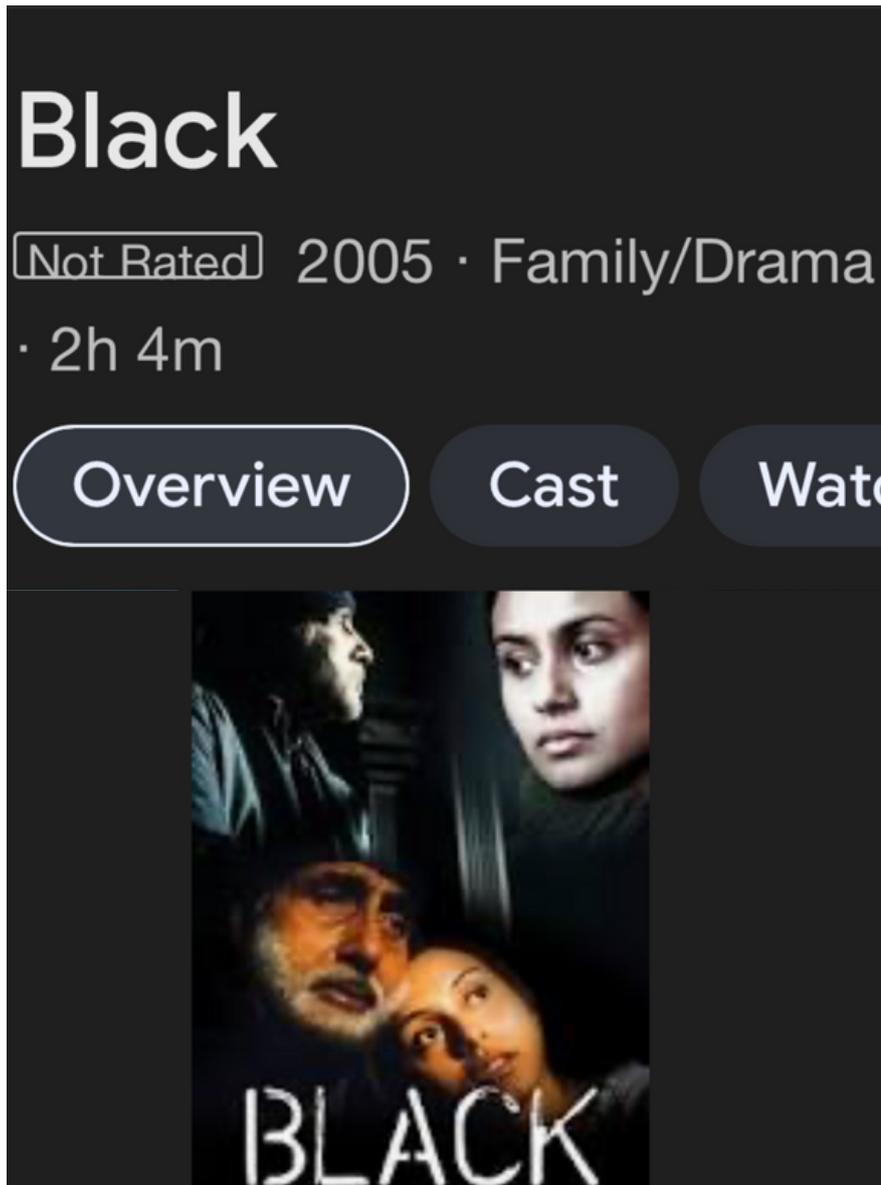
Bouquets Tips



Dear Heloise: I would like to add a couple of details to your good advice about maintaining bouquets. My daddy described flower stems as tubes of straws that draw water to the buds and petals. But when scissors are used, they pinch the straws, keeping water from getting through the stem. Air gets sucked up and ends up blocking the water flow. Instead, I learned to use a sharp knife and cut on an angle underwater! Cutting underwater assures that the first "breath" the flower takes in is water, which makes them last much longer.



President's Pick: Must-Watch Movie Recommendation



Discover the powerful story of 'Black Movie' now available on Netflix!



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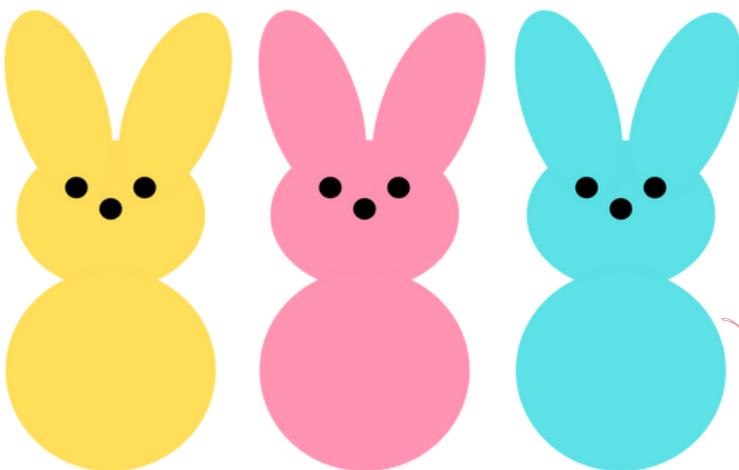


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Board Meeting

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185th Meeting

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Poker



Laughing Circles: A Playful Blend of A Game and Comics

THAT DEAF GUY



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Difficulty: ★★★

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To play sudoku, use logic to fill the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the numbers 1-9 only once. Puzzle difficulty increases from Monday to Sunday



April Flower Crossword Puzzle

Find the correct answers to the clues and fill them into the crossword puzzle.



DOWN

- 3. Favorite food of rabbits
- 4. A plant with colorful petals and a stem
- 6. Recently made or come into being
- 9. Pork Product

ACROSS

- 1. A woven holder for carrying items
- 2. An animal with long ears and a short, fluffy tail
- 5. Outfit that is usually worn by women
- 7. A baby chicken
- 8. A feeling of expectation and desire for a certain thing to happen





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