

CODA FACT SHEET

(HEARING) OFFSPRING OF DEAF PARENTS

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MISSION OF CODA INTERNATIONAL - MEMBERSHIP & NEWSLETTER

"CODA [Children of Deaf Adults, Inc.] is an organization that focuses on hearing children of deaf adults. Membership is primarily but not exclusively composed of hearing children of deaf parents. CODA addresses our bicultural identity through conferences, support groups and resource development." CODA Inc. is an international organization. Membership is \$25.00 a year (U.S. Funds) for hearing adults who have a deaf parent(s) (voting) and \$20.00 a year for non-codas who want to be supporting members (non-voting). Either membership includes a one-year subscription to the quarterly newsletter *CODA Connection*. Apply on-line at http://coda-international.org/application_html or send to CODA, c/o Emily Dorman, P.O. Box 620398, Littleton, CO 80162-0398

CODA CHAPTERS IN THE UNITED STATES & INTERNATIONAL CONTACTS

State/ regional CODA contacts are listed on the CODA website. Illinois CODA: <http://www.illinois coda.com/> ; Australia: <http://www.codaaustralia.com/> & Carmel Batson, carmcoda@bigpond.com ; Austria: isabella_rausch@yahoo.de ; Denmark: Born af Dove (Children of Deaf), c/o Danish Deaf Association, Fensmarkgade 1, Postbox 704, DK-2200 Copenhagen N, Denmark; Finland: Raili Ojala, Raili.Ojala-signell@kl-deaf.fi ; England: Linda Linnett, lil@safeteazone.demon.co.uk ; Germany: Manuela Moeller, manu.moeller@gmx.de ; Ireland: catherine_white04@hotmail.com ; Holland: Gerdinand Wagenaar, gerdinandwagenaar@talkinghands.nl ; Japan: Maki Miyamoto: maqui@mvg.biglobe.ne.jp ; Sweden: Olga Svensson-Richter, OlgaSvenrichter@hotmail.com

CODA & Coda Information in CYBERSPACE - <http://coda-international.org/>

To join the Mother Father Deaf listserv (for adult codas only) send an email to Mother_Father_Deaf_subscribe@yahoo.com or contact Art Smith at Smith.Arthur.L@comcast.net For information on "Notable Codas" Wikipedia internet encyclopedia http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Child_of_Deaf_Adult

***CODA: Must Introduce* (DVD format)**

Produced by CODA International & Sherry Hicks from interviews at the 2003 international CODA conference in Buffalo, New York. This exciting educational 12-minute introduction to and about CODA is not to be missed. Available for a suggested contribution of \$10.00 plus \$3.00 S/H for each DVD ordered. Make check out to CODA International and indicate for "CODA Must Introduce DVD." Send to Emily Dorman, P.O. Box 620398, Littleton, CO 80162-0398

ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CODA CONFERENCES

Since 1986, conferences have been held in Australia, California, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Nevada, New York, North Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Washington state and Wisconsin. The following countries have been represented: Argentina; Australia; Belgium; Brazil; Canada; England; Finland; Germany; Holland; Ireland; Israel; Japan; The Netherlands; Sweden and the United States. Additional gatherings of codas have occurred in Austria, Canada, England, Finland, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Spain, Sweden and elsewhere. Next conference: July 9-12, 2009 Colorado Springs, Colorado. Details at the CODA website forthcoming.

RESOURCES FOR DEAF PARENTS WITH HEARING CHILDREN

A two-page fact sheet with internet contacts and resources for Deaf parents with hearing children. Included are recommended books for koda children and parents to read, articles about KODA (kids of deaf adult parent groups), articles and books about parenting in a bilingual and bicultural home, parent education programs and camp opportunities for koda children. Check <http://www.mdkoda.org/>, <http://www.kodawest.org> and <http://www.kodainfo.com/index.htm>

THE MILLIE BROTHER SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 1990 and named to honor the American founder of CODA International. Two college scholarships of \$3,000.00 each are awarded annually. Over \$78,000.00 has been awarded since 1990. Contact Dr. Jennie Pyers, CODA Scholarship Committee, Wellesley College, 106 Central St., SCI480, Wellesley, MA 02842 Email: coda.scholarship@gmail.com Winning essays and applications are available on-line. <http://www.coda-international.org/scholar.html>

HEARING, MOTHER FATHER DEAF: HEARING PEOPLE IN DEAF FAMILIES (Gallaudet Univ. Press - 2009)

Edited by Michele Bishop and coda Sherry Hicks. There are 17 contributors from nine countries and six authors are hearing children of deaf parents. Vol. 14 in the Sociolinguistics in Deaf Communities series edited by Dr. Ceil Lucas. Order: Gallaudet University Press, 800 Florida Avenue N.E., Washington, DC 20002-3695 <http://gupress.gallaudet.edu/bookpage/HMFDbookpage.html> for table of contents, list of contributors and excerpts

MOTHER FATHER DEAF: LIVING BETWEEN SOUND AND SILENCE (Harvard Univ. Press - 1994)

Coda Paul Preston's book is "Based on interviews with 150 adult hearing children of deaf parents throughout the United States [and] is rich in anecdote and analysis, remarkable for its insights into a family life normally closed to outsiders."

MOTHER FATHER DEAF DAY CELEBRATION

Established by CODA in 1996. On the last Sunday in April we honor our Deaf parents and recognize the gifts of culture and language we received from them. Contact person is Tomi Teske at tteske2724@aol.com

THE MEMORIAL FUND

The Eli Savanick and Ronald Coffey Funds are combined into The Memorial Fund. Eli Savanick was a coda and director of the International Center on Deafness at Gallaudet University for many years. An early and ardent supporter of CODA, Eli is beloved for his dedication, humanity and many years of service. CODA founder Millie Brother says "Eli was a man who tread lightly upon all parts of the earth, yet left indelible marks." Ron Coffey lived with AIDS for more than nine years and died at the age of 33 on June 27, 1994. Ron was an extremely competent and highly-respected American Sign Language interpreter.

VIDEO RESOURCE ABOUT CODAS

Tomorrow, Dad will Still be Deaf and other Stories. "The wise and witty Bonnie Kraft will captivate you with true stories of her life as a coda, the hearing child of deaf adults." With an interview by Dr. Ben Bahan, Department of Deaf Studies, Gallaudet University. (90 minutes - DVD - 1997/2008) From DawnSignPress, 6130 Nancy Ridge Drive, San Diego, CA 92121 <http://dawnsign.com> *Passport Without a Country* (1992) is a documentary about 7 Australian "hearing children of deaf parents who are born into a unique culture, and often learn sign language before they learn to speak." Proceeds support The Memorial Fund. (\$50.00 U.S.) Order from A. Marcus, 2805 Fountain Grove Terrace, Olney, MD 20832

GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY LIBRARY "PATHFINDERS" FOR FURTHER RESEARCH

[http://library.gallaudet.edu/Library/Deaf_Research_Help/Research_Guides_\(Pathfinders\)/Deaf_Parents_of_Hearing_Children.html](http://library.gallaudet.edu/Library/Deaf_Research_Help/Research_Guides_(Pathfinders)/Deaf_Parents_of_Hearing_Children.html) and [http://library.gallaudet.edu/Library/Deaf_Research_Help/Research_Guides_\(Pathfinders\)/Hearing_Children_of_Deaf_Parents.html](http://library.gallaudet.edu/Library/Deaf_Research_Help/Research_Guides_(Pathfinders)/Hearing_Children_of_Deaf_Parents.html)

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