



PARID NEWS

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Many Hands

Allison Carr,
CI and CT

We all know the saying “many hands make light work.” In fact many of us may find it rather trite; however, I tend to think that an idea doesn’t become a ‘saying’ without reason. I have attended several PARID conferences starting with my time at college and continuing throughout my career. I never gave much thought to what goes in to the conference, but without a doubt appreciated all that I experienced. In my recent time as a PARID Board member, I got a better understanding of just how much work goes in to planning for and running a conference. This work is often done by a few people. This results in a lot of responsibility being placed on the shoulders of people who also have work and



various other obligations in their life that they juggle to provide a service for us all.

Last year, when there was a call for volunteers to help, I decided that I would chip in. So how did I want to help? What did I think I could manage? I decided to help with the registration process. I like organizing things. I thought that I could handle processing the registration paperwork. This ended up being the perfect job for me. I was unable to attend the conference this year, but I was still able to contribute. This was possible by having another member who was able to volunteer to help with registration on site.

As I was processing paperwork, I was able to be in contact with the conference chairperson who was able to answer any questions I had. I never felt like I was over my head or burdened.

It felt good to know that my small task helped to relieve the workload of the conference planners.

Call to Action. Imagine if we all sought out a way to help no matter how big or small. With many hands we can all share the work and contribute to another fantastic conference in 2013.

We had a great conference!

The 2012 PARID Conference held in Allentown, PA was a great success.

Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who helped to make it a success.

The 2013 PARID Conference will be held in the Spring in District 4.

If you are interested in volunteering please email Nichole at conference@parid.org

Nichole Wade,
PARID Conference Chair

Make a Difference: Volunteer!

Stephanie Ellison, CI and CT

Ever wanted to make a difference in an organization but don’t have a lot of time to commit? How does one solve this dilemma? By volunteering for a committee when the organization is having their annual conference of course!

I am extremely busy, as I’m sure most of you are as well. I

had been an active member of PARID and my local district, but over time, I had let other priorities lead me in a different direction. After the last PARID conference I decided that I wanted to be involved again but knew it would have to be something that was not too time consuming. Volunteering to

be involved with the next conference, specifically with the Silent Auction committee, seemed like the perfect fit since I could work on committee things a little bit each day over the course of several months. I knew this would also be a short-term commitment which made it seem even more doable!

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Letter from the Editor



Adrienne Whitaker Brooks
RID; BA English;
AA Communications

Be a Verb: Change Is a Comin', Change Is Here

Tupac (2PAC) Shakur sang “Come on come on / I see no changes / .../ Things’ll never be the same,” while David Bowie chorused, “Ch-ch-ch-changes / Turn and face the strange.” Both artists called to their listeners during times of social change, asking them to think of how time and change, or lack thereof, affect the individual as well as the community. The singer’s lyrics express the universal inclination of society’s longing for and need of change, even while being unable to keep up with it, or, it being unable to keep the pace with us, its makers. The bottom line is that these lyrics are about the impermanence of the world we live in, and the necessity for us to step up to the challenges of change by taking an active role in the processes that affect us.

In fact, the word change itself has a history of evolution in terms of its meanings and applications. While its etymological, Old French beginnings in the 13th Century found it functioning in much the same way as it does today - as a verb, literally meaning to alter something, it has functioned differently and expressed alternative meanings along the way. Its Latin roots, expand upon that generalized meaning, offering that it has a sense of bartering or exchanging. Its Celtic origin, on the other hand, suggests that the word’s meaning is tied to evolutionary processes – the bending and crooking of some thing to directionally turn it around. When the word functions as a noun, however, one can refer back to another of its O.Fr. origins as a financial reference point;

more specifically, one that suggests a sense of a balance being returned when something is paid for.

Bittersweet but true is the undeniable and inescapable fact that nothing is lasting, durable, or sure. For instance, some of us, having paid our dues, are expecting more return on our investment than what we are realizing; yet we do little more than grieve about the wrongs and the need for righting them. However, to my knowledge, there is no established date, age, or event that precludes us from having to advocate and lobby for our rights, or remain actively involved in the processes that define our present and shape our future. Simply voting for officials to represent us is not enough. And let me be clear, choosing not to vote is an active, officially determining decision to accept come what may. I would posit that perhaps our inactive actions may in fact, be part of the reason a balancing is eluding us. As professionals standing at the crossroads of change - be it demonstrable at a technological, accreditation, legislative, or political level - we would do best to recognize our potential kinship to the word change and Be a Verb! Start by adopting a positive attitude about change, and exhibit your willingness to be actively involved in the evolutionary events affecting you. Only then can we ensure that solutions are being created that match our expectations and deliver benefits.

Running throughout the pages of this issue are articles and ads that represent these actively occurring changes

within the professional field of interpreting for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Whether at the local, the state, or the national level, a new season is upon us. Whether we are experiencing unwelcome, bartered, or exchanged alterations, or self-realized bending and crooking out of necessity or desire, our investments will continue to be returned – because that is the nature of change – rebalancing is always occurring; and don’t forget, PARID is here by your side, for you, about you, and by you – PA’s premier sign language interpreting professionals. The implied theme throughout this newsletter calls you to decide, to act, to join.

Lastly, consider this historical fact, and its relevance to this theme. As early as 1835, Alexis de Tocqueville, a young Frenchman traveling abroad, concluded that one of the prevailing characteristics of the United States’ culture is its passion for creating and joining associations and organizations that connect professionals to their peers. I would offer that the benefits of this continuous practice are numerous; beyond the fact that it looks good on a resume, and speaks to your commitment to community, it offers information about or opportunities for ongoing accreditation and licensing, networking with one’s peers, and sometimes the building of lifelong friendships. So, come on. Change your present by joining your peers in their endeavors to create a more sustainable, albeit changeable and better future for interpreters everywhere.

BE A VERB!

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It is the goal of PARID to promote the profession of interpreting and transliterating American Language and English.

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PARID NEWS INFORMATION

PARID News is published quarterly by the Pennsylvania Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf.

Articles and notices should be sent to the newsletter editor via email (newseditor@parid.org) or postal service. Paste your original article directly into the email if possible.

Matters of concern and interest to the membership will be published in the PARID Newsletter. PARID reserves the right to edit, excerpt, or refuse to publish any submission. Unsigned articles will not be published. Author's name can be withheld if requested.



ANNUAL MEETING Q&A



PARID Member Questions Answered Cindi Brown, CI and CT Immediate Past President

Thank you to all of the PARID members who attended the annual business meeting! The meeting minutes will be posted on the website in July. This year we conducted the business a little bit differently than in the past. Members wrote comments and questions on index cards and submitted them. The PARID board then answered the questions as they came in. This article provides responses to those same questions for those of you who were unable to attend the meeting.

Can we get an update on Act 57 enforcement, compliance, and successes – Is it working?

The Sign Language Interpreter and Transliterator State Registration Act has been successful. It has provided a clear definition of “qualified interpreter” and recourse for deaf and hard of hearing individuals when an unqualified interpreter is provided. ODHH is responsible for the enforcement of Act 57. This question has been forwarded to Sharon Behun, ODHH Director. See the next newsletter for more information regarding enforcement.

If there is no District Representative, can a PARID member still use district funds to set up a workshop? What is the process?

Yes, a PARID member can use the district’s funds for a workshop if there is no representative in his/her district. Contact any PARID board member and request a copy of the “Funds Approval Form”. Complete and submit the form and a detailed budget to the board at president@parid.org. The board will consider the request at the next quarterly meeting.

I thought RID stopped the levels of NIC (i.e. master and advanced), but during the meeting it was announced that several members earned those certifications. Please explain.

Yes, RID did stop awarding the NIC-Master and NIC-Advanced during 2011. Interpreters can only earn the NIC at this point. The NIC Master and Advanced certifications that were announced during the annual meeting were earned prior to the date RID stopped awarding them. PARID only has one business/membership meeting a year so all of the certification announcements during the meeting are from the entire previous year (May – April).

What is the SWAP program and is it open to students?

The SWAP program is a library of workshops on CD and on-line that PARID has purchased from Signs of Development for members to use. When members use these CDs, PARID gets credit from Signs of Development toward the purchase of more CDs. A list of the workshop CDs in PARID’s library is available on-line at www.parid.org. PARID does not earn money from this program. A deposit is charged to a member to borrow a CD. Once the CD is returned or the on-line version is completed, the money is forwarded to Signs of Development for CEU processing. If a member would like to borrow a CD without earning CEUs, the deposit is returned to the member after the CD is returned. The on-line option for the SWAP program is new this year. The SWAP program is open to all PARID members, including student, supporting, and organizational members. For more information contact Sandy Robinson at srobinson86@comcast.net.

More questions will be answered in future newsletters. Members are encouraged to submit their questions to president@parid.org.

Sign Language Interpreter & Transliterators State Registration Act



Date: June 7, 2012

From: Office for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing

Re: Sign Language Interpreter & Transliterators State Registration Act
Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) & Video Relay Service (VRS) interpreters

The Sign Language Interpreter & Transliterators State Registration Act (Act) is a consumer protection law ensuring quality interpreting/transliterating services between individuals who use sign language for communication and individuals who do not use sign language. The Act applies to all individuals who provide sign language interpreting or transliterating services within this Commonwealth and requires these individuals to register with the Office of Deaf and Hard of Hearing (ODHH). In order to register, individuals must meet specific requirements and pay the required registration fee.

Recently questions have been raised regarding the applicability of the Act to Video Remote Interpreting (VRI) and Video Relay Service (VRS) interpreters. The following information is provided to clarify the applicability of the Act to these types of service providers:

Video Remote Interpreting (VRI)

Interpreters who are providing VRI services to individuals within the commonwealth are required to comply with the provisions of the Act; regardless of whether the service is provided "on demand" or scheduled. Further, the following applies to individuals who provide VRI services:

- Interpreters who reside outside the commonwealth and are nationally certified can provide service on-site or remotely up to 14 times per calendar year. The interpreter is required to complete the exemption form and submit it to ODHH.
- Interpreters who reside outside the commonwealth and provide on-site or remote interpreting services to an individual within the commonwealth more than 14 times per calendar year are required to register with the Office for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing.
- Interpreters who reside in the commonwealth & provide VRI to individuals outside of the commonwealth boundaries must adhere to the Act.

Video Relay Service (VRS)

- Interpreters who are working for a VRS provider and who are not working within the boundaries of the commonwealth are not subject to the provisions of the Act.
- However, interpreters working at a VRS provider's call center stationed within the commonwealth are to adhere to the Act.

Please direct any questions you may have to Sharon Behun at 717-783-4912 v/tty or 717-831-0398 videophone or at sbehun@pa.gov

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The Philosophy of PARID is that excellence in the delivery of interpretation/ transliteration services among people who are deaf or hard of hearing and people who are hearing will ensure effective communication. As an affiliate chapter of the professional association for interpreters and transliterators, PARID serves as an essential arena for its members in their pursuit of excellence.



TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS!

President's Report

Brian Hale, CI and CT

This most recent quarter PARID has been very busy at various expos around the Commonwealth. March of this year PARID participated in the Hearing Loss Expo hosted in Mars, PA (near Pittsburgh); and we congratulate ODHH for its resounding success. Last month PARID manned an informational table at the Bloomsburg University Interpreting Club's first biennial agency fair. Immediate Past President, Cindi Brown, and I also gave a very informative two-hour presentation regarding RID, PARID, and interpreting laws in Pennsylvania during the student conference.

Although I was unable to attend the PARID Conference personally, I have heard nothing but positive feedback. I am glad that everyone in attendance enjoyed themselves both at our featured workshops and our entertainment for the weekend. The reason I was not in attendance at this year's conference was the recent birth of my second son Shane. We are very blessed to have two beautiful boys.

PARID has now joined the social media networking site Facebook! This is a wonderful way for us to communicate across the commonwealth. Also, District 5 and District 7 have pages as well, and we thank Timothy Snider and Kelly Deibert for their efforts. Click "Like" if you happen to come across any of our Facebook pages.

We are looking forward to our upcoming fundraiser in the Pocono Mountains whitewater rafting on the Lehigh River on June 30th. We encourage anyone and everyone to attend. Along with whitewater rafting there are opportunities to play paintball war games or mountain biking as well. .

PARID is in charge of the Support Staff for the RID Region I Conference in Atlantic City, NJ this July 26 – 29, 2012. Cindi Brown and I will coordinate all support staff duties prior to the conference; and I will attend the conference to coordinate on-site and represent PARID. I hope to see you all this summer for the Region 1 Conference in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

CHECK IT OUT!

Vice President's Report

Beth Setley, CI and CT



Hi All You PARID Heads!

I am thrilled to be the Vice President of PARID. With everyone's help, we can really make this an organization to be proud of, and encourage each other to grow and be the most professional, successful interpreters we can be.

A couple of items that I want to bring to everyone's attention include:

The "NEW" PARID Membership Form will include a PAYPAL option.

PARID will be hosting a Mentorship Program by Stephanie Winslow. Look for details in future newsletters and check the PARID website for updates.

Check out The Adventure Fundraiser on June 30, 2012. Whitewater Rafting, Biking, and Paintball. Lunch is going to be provided and this is going to be a great day! Contact Sharon Behun sharonbehun@comcast.net for questions and details!

Our Region 1 2012 Conference RID is on July 26-29, 2012 in Atlantic City, NJ. Any questions, conference@rid.org.

We want to encourage you all to join a committee. Get involved! This is your organization!





TREASURER'S REPORT

Mark Hardway

PARID
 Quarter 3 2011-2012 Fiscal Year
 Treasurer's Report
 March, 2012

Following is the summary of the PARID Treasury as of March 31, 2012:

Account	\$ 32,123.29	Checking Account
Totals	\$ 28,675.93	Savings Account
	\$ 2,679.95	Certificate of Deposit #1
	\$ 2,651.25	Certificate of Deposit #2
	<u>\$ 66,130.42</u>	Total Assets
Less:	\$ 5,217.51	CDI Funds
	\$ 7,450.83	Mentorship Funds
	\$ 6,578.71	Conference Funds
	\$ 521.10	District 1 Funds
	\$ 1,593.83	District 2 Funds
	\$ 680.00	District 3 Funds
	\$ 100.00	District 4 Funds
	\$ 12,286.59	District 5 Funds
	\$ 5,649.72	District 6 Funds
	\$ 1,790.00	District 7 Funds
	\$ 10,883.08	District 8 Funds
	<u>\$ 13,379.05</u>	Actual PARID General Fund Balance

Income from the second quarter was from membership dues, workshops, conference registrations and interest. Expenses included SWAP processing, workshops, interpreting, and misc. printing, postage, and supplies.

It is the Mission of PARID to provide state and local forums and an organizational structure for the continued growth and development of the profession of interpretation and transliteration of American Sign Language and English.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Annie Hardway, NIC Master, NAD IV



MEMBERSHIPS DEMOGRAPHICS AS OF MAY 1, 2012.
 PARID has 341 members.

PARID is an affiliate chapter of the Registry of the Interpreters for the Deaf.

<u>Membership Category</u>		<u>Primary Job Title</u>		<u>Primary Job Setting</u>	
Associate	60	Independent Contractor	144	Business	10
Certified	216	Interpreter Coordinator	7	Community Freelance	123
Organizational	10	Interpreting Student	43	Government	5
Student	46	Parent of Deaf Child	3	K12 Education	72
Supporting	9	Referral Agency	10	Legal	5
		Staff Interpreter	86	Medical	12
		Teacher of the Deaf	9	Post Secondary Education	23
		Other	24	Video	13
		Blank	15	Other	65
				Blank	13

We're on the Web!
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MOTION CARRIED: *ONCE MORE WITH FEELING* Brian Smith, NIC, Ed:K-12 Recording Secretary

I look forward to serving as the PARID Recording Secretary once again. It is a pleasure to work with such a wonderful group of dedicated individuals all working together to improve and maintain the great network of interpreters we have across the state.

For those of you who do not know me, I would like to give a little bit of background about myself.

I am a 1994 ITP graduate of Mount Aloysius College. I have been an interpreter for the last 19 years in the Philadelphia and Reading areas. I live in Pottstown which is a suburb of Philadelphia. I have had the opportunity to work as an Educational Interpreter with the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit for 17 years. I have had the pleasure of working at all K-12 levels. Currently I am working at the Perkiomen Valley School District in the

position of Sign Language Interpreter. One of my areas of interest is in the area of Medical Interpreting. This summer I am looking forward to attending the Saint Catherine's Medical Interpreting Symposium in Minneapolis, MN. Please feel free to introduce yourself to me when you are at an event and see my face. I always like to have faces to place with the names as I often only just see names on a page.

Interpreters who reside in PA and PARID members who earned certification as printed in VIEWS from May 2011 to April 2012

First Certification

Alicia Bollow, NIC
John Blasco, NIC
Jennifer G. Breisch, NIC
Jennifer Lee Buck, OTC
Brandi Chittum, NIC
Darlene Dubrow, NIC
Lauren Lewis, NIC
Jennifer McGowan, NIC
Kara Moyer, NIC
Deidra Norris, NIC
Emily Phipps, NIC
Roslyn J. Still, NIC
Ashley Janelle Warfel, Ed:K-12

Additional Certification

Jessica Bentley-Sassaman, SC:L
Jennifer Lynne Casto, NIC
Stephanie L. Robinson, NIC Master
Christina Rutledge, NIC
Timothy Wayne Snider, NIC Master

GEARING UP! District 2 Rich Wilson



District 2 is gearing up for a membership increase for the coming year. We want to encourage all of our constituents and to sign up and become a member of PARID. We have over 300 individual folks on our email address listing. We would sure like to see them on our membership list.

Our next meeting will be on June 21st at Panera on the Boulevard of the Allies in Oakland. The Panera is located across from the "Old Islay Store". If you are as old as me you know where this is. My parents use to take us there for a sky-scraper ice cream cone. The meeting will start at 7:00 and we will be discussing future workshops,

and PARID District 2's relationship with the ITP Program in the Pittsburgh area.

We want to wish everyone a great summer. Let's use our summer for fun, family, and time in the sun. It seems summer goes very fast, and us Educational Interpreters are quickly back in school.

CHANGE OF DATE

PARID MENTORSHIP PROGRAM
Applications being accepted for mentors and protégés
Application Deadline: July 1, 2012

Kickoff training Sept 14-16, 2012

Linglestown Giant Food Store Community Room

Send questions to mentorship@parid.org.



KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED: Greetings from District 5 Timothy Snider, NIC Master

Greetings from District 5; where we are creating "OUR PARID".

It really has been a great start to the year in District 5. We got our Facebook page up and running. This is a great place for us to come together and create the community of District 5. Of course, not everyone is on Facebook, so we do reach out to our membership through other means as well to ensure that everyone is included.

It is my desire to focus on building "OUR PARID" where every member can stand strong and recognize that each and every one of us make up this great organization. It is very easy to

get involved in activities that cast shadows on other people in the profession that has been done for years. It really takes a special person to stand up and say that I AM going to build up my fellow practice professionals and stand up in solidarity for each other. With that feedback from some members of District 5 as well as the feedback that many members feel they work in isolation, we have decided to randomly feature one of our members each month with a picture and a biography so that we can get to know each other.

I can't tell you all how proud I was of our membership during the PARID conference. District 5 was out

there, involved and looking fabulous in our teal colored beads. If you couldn't make it this year, plan on attending next year. We are creating OUR PARID... And we are creating it to be the best District in the region.

Lastly, keep your eyes peeled for our get together in Harrisburg in July... Information will be posted on the FB page and through email. We would love to see you there. We want to discuss workshop opportunities and make plans for the coming year.

Thanks for the honor to serve such a great group of people as ya'all in District 5

We want to encourage all of our constituents and to sign up and become a member of PARID.

GET CONNECTED: Hello from District 7 Kelly Deibert, NIC, Ed:K-12



Hello!! District 7 is happy to have recently hosted our annual PARID Conference which was located in Allentown on May 18th and May 19th. It was a great weekend with fantastic presenters, wonderful workshops, and great opportunities to learn and grow as professional interpreters.

The District will also be the home of the "Adventure Fundraiser" for PARID on June 30, 2012 at Whitewater Rafting Adventures in Nesquehoning, Pa. I hope to

see everyone there ready to raft, play paintball or go biking!!

We are on FACEBOOK!! Please look for our group page on Facebook "PARID District 7". This is a great way for us to stay connected and it provides us with a forum to voice concerns and questions. We would love to highlight our district 7 interpreters and have an "Interpreter of the Month!" So many of us work in isolation and this would be a great way to get to know each

other. If there is a stand out interpreter you would like to recognize, please contact me at district7rep@parid.org.

A workshop offering CEUs is in the planning with Berks Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services and should occur within the next few months.

Please let me know what learning opportunities you would like to see in our district. Feel free to contact me at anytime with questions or concerns.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

June 25 – 29, 2012

NU Intensive Diagnostic
for Sign Language
Boston, MA
www.aslneu.edu/summerimmersion/

July 3 – 7, 2012

NAD Conference
Louisville, KY
www.nad.org/louisville

July 11 – 21, 2012

RID Region III
Conference
Lisle, IL
www.rid.org/conferences/calendar/index.cfm

July 15 – 20, 2012

Religious ASL Week
Rockford, IL
www.rockforddiocese.org/deafapostolate/raslweek

July 26 – 29, 2012

RID Region I
Conference
Atlantic City, NJ
www.rid.org/conferences/calendar/index.cfm

July 27 – 29, 2012

CDI Training Workshop
Washington, DC
www.gallaudet.edu/guriec

August 2 – 5, 2012

RID Region II Conference
Fort Lauderdale, FL
www.rid.org/conferences/calendar/index.cfm

August 2 – 5, 2012

RID Region IV Conference
Denver, CO
www.rid.org/conference/calendar/index.cfm

August 6 – 12, 2012

ASL to Spoken English
Washington, DC
www.gallaudet.edu/guriec

August 10 – 16, 2012

Coda Interpreters
Washington, DC
www.gallaudet.edu/guriec

August 11 – 17, 2012

CDI/DI Deafblind focus
Washington, DC
www.gallaudet.edu/guriec

August 16 – 19, 2012

PSAD Conference
State College, PA
www.psadweb.org

September 7 - 9, 2012

Rekindle, Reconnect
and Rejuvenate: A
Reframing Retreat
Camp Mark 7 Old
Forge, NY
<https://sites.google.com/site/reframingretreat/>

September 13 – 16, 2012

PSAD Camp
www.psadweb.org

October 7 – 12, 2012

CMP at Sea Cruise
Florida to Bahamas
www.cmpatsea.com

October 18 – 21, 2012

FRID Conference
Jacksonville, FL
www.fridcentral.com

**Trilingual Testing
Available in Austin,
Texas**

www.dars.state.tx.us/dhs/bei.shtml



Make a Difference

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Beginning in January, I started contacting all the independent consultants for different home-based businesses that I knew to see if they would be willing to make a donation to the silent auction. I was thrilled at the immediate responses that I received, which only encouraged me to step further out of my comfort zone and contact other businesses. I tried to make some type of business contacts several times a week (some weeks I actually didn't do much due to life circumstances). Over the course of four months I obtained many commitments for donations, and in April I started physically collecting or receiving the items. In May, the month of our PARID conference, I even went to several local businesses in person to ask them for a donation (I was nervous that we wouldn't have enough items to bid on!). Again, the

responses were very positive! I need to say thank you to Lori Fisher who was also working on collecting donations for the Silent Auction. She got some great items! Between the two of us, we collected over 42 items! Lori also helped to set up the auction at the conference, and checked in to make sure things were running smoothly.

My biggest thank you goes to my friend and colleague, Maureen Hill. On the first day of the conference, when I had to go set up everything for the auction, Maureen got up at 5am to help me! Now that's a true friend! I literally could not have gotten everything set up and ready on time without her help!

I was able to attend the conference workshops during the weekend because after the Silent Auction room was set up, there were conference support staff that took over



and did the rest. They even collected the money from auction winners and gave them their items. Thanks to the generosity of PARID members and supporters, the 2012 PARID Silent Auction raised over \$750.00!!!

So next time you wonder how you can lend a helping hand, and still be able to fit it into your busy schedule, consider volunteering for one of PARID's many committees. There are six standing committees and various conference committees you can join. You won't regret volunteering!

"WORK AN HOUR" FUNDRAISER

Are you tired of going to fundraising events and selling fundraising items?

THEN THIS IS THE FUNDRAISER FOR YOU!

Stay at home and don't sell anything, or, instead, donate one hour of your pay to PARID.

Send check or money order to:

PARID Treasurer
1738 East Third Street
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Williamsport, PA 17701

Please forward to friends, and family... THANKS!

What a great way to kick off your summer!

Spend a day in the Poconos rafting the Lehigh River, biking in the Gorge, or shooting your enemies with paintballs and, live to tell about it!

- When:** June 30, 2012
- Where:** Whitewater Rafting Adventures (WRA)
Nesquehoning, PA
www.adventurerafting.com
- What:** WRA is hosting a fundraising event for PA Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (PARID)
- Who is invited:** Everyone and anyone!
- Questions:** Contact Sharon Behun, sharonbehun@comcast.net
- Deadline to register:** Forms and fee must be received by June 18th!
The registration fee includes dinner!

See you on June 30th! Thanks for supporting PARID



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