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Executive Director's Report

August 8, 2008

- May** 19 Visited with the staff of JCIL-DHHS then toured Memphis Oral School
20 Visited with Deaf Connect of the Mid-South
28 Presented, "You Said What? Huh?" at Mega Conference
- June** 9-11 VR Counselors for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Training
-Featured Speaker: Wendy Lozynsky re. Mental Health Issues
12 TSPN Mid-Cumberland Regional Meeting
13 Disability Determination Services TTY and Relay Training
16 Met with Sallie Hussey, new CEO of LDHH
28 Attended Sorenson's workshop: "How to Manage Conflict, Confrontational Situations and "Difficult" Appointments/Calls"
- July** 12 Organized TSPN Mid-Cumberland's public awareness event at Sounds Baseball game. Spoke with some deaf regarding suicide prevention.
18 Met with planning committee for the National Alliance of the Mentally Ill Tennessee Convention in Memphis regarding making their meeting accessible for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and the Deaf-Blind
18-19 Attended the Tennessee Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf Annual Conference in Memphis.