

## *Access - Connect - Equality May 2019*

### *Inside the Georgia Center...*

*Please enjoy our complimentary newsletter for the latest news and events from GCDHH.*

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#### *Meet our Executive Assistant, LaQuanda Jackson*

While embarking on her journey to be a Deaf Advocate with pursuing her ASL Associates degree in 2013, LaQuanda found out that her youngest niece would eventually become completely deaf. This situation reassured her that she was on the path that was meant for her. With this reason to continue her conquest to become a voice for her niece as well as the Deaf community. LaQuanda went on to earn her Interpreting(May) and Psychology(December) degrees in 2017.

The journey of being an advocate for a community is important and at times difficult, but luckily, LaQuanda did not travel this road alone. Just like an expedition, trusted companions are needed. That is precisely what LaQuanda has found with the support of her two awesome children. She enjoys traveling, shopping, cooking, shopping, eating and shopping!



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### *What's new...*

TEDP is excited to announce the addition of a new equipment we'll be distributing. The TruTone EMOTE electrolarynx is the latest and newest model where users are given a wider

vocal range to include emotions in speech. It's simple and easy to use with a sleek look. With long-lasting batteries or USB charger, users can go on for up to 35 days before charging. User can adjust the device from monotone, to whisper, to extra loud voice.



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## Upcoming Events

**Six Flags-Deaf and Hard of Hearing Day at Six Flags over Georgia  
Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

Promo code: ATLDEAFDAY

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**GAD Conference-** Check [gadeaf.org](http://gadeaf.org) for more info!

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**STEM HANDS- June 9<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>** at Georgia State University  
All campers **must** contact their VR counselor to sign up!

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**Camp Julienna- July 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>** for youth who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (ages 6-13).  
The applications for campers and staff are now available.

**Camper Application:**

<https://campjulienna.org/camper/application/>

**Volunteer Application:**

<https://campjulienna.org/volunteers/>

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**GCDHH 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary- September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm - 4 pm**

Address: 101 E. Court Square, Decatur, GA, 30030

Ticket information coming soon!

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## GCDHH Interpreting Service

**Don't be overwhelmed by the process  
of hiring an interpreter! Let GCDHH  
help!**

Qualified (Sign Language, Signed English, or Oral) interpreter means an interpreter who is able to interpret **effectively, accurately, and impartially**, both **receptively** and **expressively**, using any necessary specialized vocabulary.

**Affordable, convenient,  
professional!**

For more information or to request  
services contact LaQuanda Jackson



**404.207.9362**  
or  
**requests@gcdhh.org**

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## Recent Workshop



iPad users getting training from Teltex's representative, Shannon Smith on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mrs. Smith flew in from Kansas City, Missouri to our Decatur office where a group of DHH consumers that received iPads through the program get training on basic uses. Training included lessons such as how to hook up to a hot spot, take a selfie, erase photos, upgrade equipment, monitor data and more. Consumers raved about the training and want to be invited back for another training in the near future. We thank you Shannon Smith and Teltex for the visit!

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## Community Involvement



Training the ICC trainers on iPads - Thanks Apple!



Deafopia



2019 Georgia Renaissance Festival



Say hello to our temp staff Lara Whitfield!



Lunch and Learn in Albany, Ga!



GVRA Provider Fair

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