

**May 2008**  
**ISRC Digital Update**  
**Illinois Service Resource Center**  
**A Technical Assistance Center of the Illinois State Board of Education**  
**Serving Children with Hearing Loss and Emotional/Behavioral Disorders**

ISRCReview Spring Newsletter and Pin-up:  
<http://www.isrc.us/PDF/spring2008.pdf>  
<http://www.isrc.us/PDF/pinupSpring2008.pdf>

1. Upcoming events:
  - ~Robert Schleifer, Deaf Actor/Acting Coach
  - ~Cinco De Mayo Fiesta
  - ~Fantasy Baseball Camp
  - ~Deaf Blind Workshop
2. Student Involvement in the IEP process
3. Marlee Matlin Interview
4. Raising deaf kids
5. Curriculum: The Teacher's Corner
6. In our library: Cochlear Implant Video

~Robert Schleifer, Deaf Actor/Acting Coach Saturday, May 10, 2008 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
St. Francis Deaf Borgia Center 8033 West Addison Street Chicago, Illinois 60634

This is part of a year-long presentation series focusing on the inspiration, success, achievement and leadership of Deaf and Hard of Hearing people. He will share his experiences as an actor and he appeared nationwide in many prominent theater productions.

This is a FREE presentation! Voicing will be interpreted for hearing families. Captioning will be provided for hard-of-hearing attendees. Snacks will be provided! For questions or more information email Michelle Cunningham at [cdhhcc@yahoo.com](mailto:cdhhcc@yahoo.com) or check out the website at [www.embracedeafculture.org](http://www.embracedeafculture.org)

~Illinois Deaf Latino Association will host:

CINCO DE MAYO Fiesta

Saturday May 3rd at 4:30pm to 9pm

St. Francis Borgia Deaf Church

8025 W. Addison Ave.

Chicago, IL 60634

For more information contact: Maria Hernandez 773 832 1555 (vp) [mabelmih@hotmail.com](mailto:mabelmih@hotmail.com)

~Fantasy Baseball Camp Evenings June 16- June 20, 2008. Registration begins April 21st. Sertoma Speech & Hearing Center 10409 S. Roberts Rd. Palos Hills, IL 60465

Dear Parents & Educators, If you are looking for a fun-filled way for your child to spend a week, why not consider sending them to "Fantasy Baseball Camp" this summer? Our camp is very affordable and tailored for children with speech and hearing impairments. For further information, please call Karen Young at 708.599.9500.

~Deaf Blind Workshop

When: June 26, 2008 (Thursday) through June 29, 2008 (Sunday)

Where: Illinois School for the Visually Impaired (ISVI)

658 East State Street, Jacksonville, IL 62650

The Deaf-Blind workshop is designed to provide interpreters and ITP students with learning opportunities through lecture (Thursday) and hands-on experiences (Friday through Sunday). Interpreters and ITP students will learn a variety of skills necessary when working with a

person who has both vision and hearing loss. Participants will be given the opportunity to work with several Deaf-Blind people who have diversified communication modes. Interpreters and ITP students will learn Deaf-Blind interpreting skills while supporting Deaf-Blind persons to access workshops and fun activities. Interpreters and ITP students will learn: sighted guide techniques, how to work with a Deaf-Blind person who uses a guide dog, interpreting techniques for Deaf-Blind campers who have a vision loss (restricted field, tracking, etc.), and tactile interpreting strategies.

Space is limited for this workshop experience!

Registration will not be accepted at the door.

Cost: \$25.00 for Deaf-Blind Persons. \$85.00 for volunteers.

Includes: 4 day hands-on learning experience 8 meals, lodging for 3 nights, crafts, and leisure activities.

click on the link below for more information, forms, etc. [www.deaf-center.org/ildbw.htm](http://www.deaf-center.org/ildbw.htm)

2. "Student Involvement in the IEP" features two evidence based strategies to involve students in the IEP process [http://www.nsttac.org/pdf/dcdt\\_fact\\_sheet.pdf](http://www.nsttac.org/pdf/dcdt_fact_sheet.pdf)

3. Karen Putz of Illinois Hands and Voices had an opportunity to interview Marlee Matlin about her experience on Dancing with the Stars:

<http://www.disaboom.com/Living/television/marlee-matlin-kicks-up-her-heels-on-dancing-with-the-stars.aspx>

4. Raising Deaf Kids "A world of information about with hearing loss." On this site you will find information about hearing and hearing loss, signs of a hearing loss, newborn hearing screening, communication, school choices, and stories of deaf adults and children who grew up with a hearing loss. <http://www.raisingdeafkids.org/>

5. Curriculum: The Teacher's Corner is a website that contains lesson plans, thematic units, seasonal items, bulletin boards, resources, printable worksheets, the teacher's lounge, the book nook, as well as links to other great sites for resources. Check it out! [www.theteacherscorner.net](http://www.theteacherscorner.net)

6. In our library: Cochlear Implants: Covering the basics (video) covers the technology, options, and pros and cons that many parents struggle with. Phil also gives important information about the Deaf community, Deaf culture, and Sign Language.

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