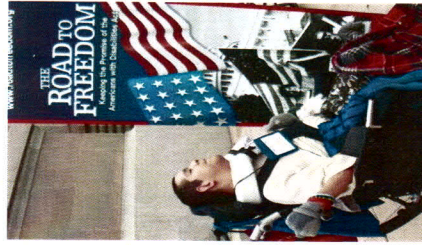


What is the Idaho Self

Advocate Leadership Network?

The Idaho Self Advocate Leadership Network started as a project of the Idaho Council on Developmental Disabilities as an effort to train self-advocates in Idaho on Self-Determination, Leadership and being active members in their community. There are members of SALN state-



wide, working towards promoting self advocacy and building local chapters in their communities. SALN is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization run by people with disabilities for Idahoans with disabilities. The goal of SALN is to help people with disabilities be more active members and leaders in their own lives and community.

Larry Fries SALN member from Pocatello.

What is a Chapter Meeting Like?

An Idaho Self-Advocate Leadership Network Local Chapter promotes self-advocacy, creates friendships (natural supports) and encourages true community involvement by engaging in services projects and ways to give back to the community.

Activities are different for each chapter but all focus on being informed about local, state and national issues. Some examples include:

- Raising money for needs in the community
- Informing community members about accessible voting.
- Attending National Self-Advocate Conferences and meeting other self-advocates
- Starting a local coffee group for people to meet and talk.



Region 2 training team: John Russell, Thomas McKnight and Jen Magelky-Seiler

As members of SALN we believe that every person with a disability is able to be a self-advocate and be self-determined. Other people can give you advice, but it's your life.

You choose to do things in your community and get the right supports.

You take responsibility for your decisions.

Self-determination gives you freedom, control, support and responsibility.

Self-Advocates are people who speak up for themselves.

Advocates are people who speak up for others or help others speak up for themselves.

Self-Determination means that people have choice, control, and responsibility over their lives.



Dave Dekker SALN member from Jerome.

SALN provides presentations to community groups, schools and other organizations please contact us for a complete list of presentations.

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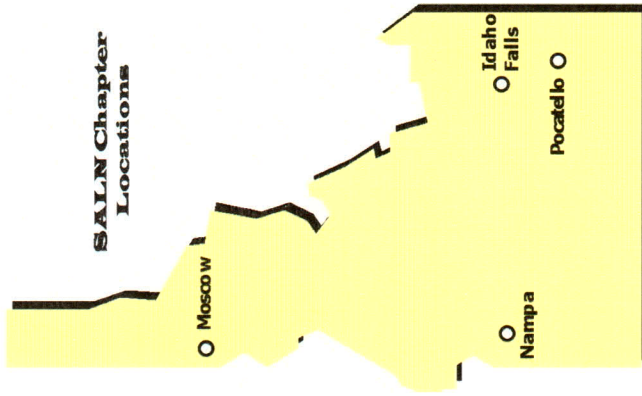
For other people with disabilities to join us to become a strong statewide network of self-advocates.



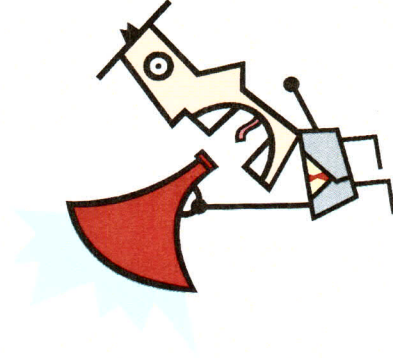
Self-Advocates Sue Rhodenbaugh from Boise & Tracy Martin from Pocatello.



Self-Advocates Erick Yeary from Ammon & Mike Smith from Moscow.



The Idaho Self-Advocate Leadership Network



To join a chapter or help us start one in your area contact us below.

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