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15 March 2011 HLA-Wake Meeting 7 p.m. Duke Raleigh Hospital
Tom Ditt, Emergency Preparedness Director at the Division of Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DSDHH) will discuss Emergency Preparedness for People with Hearing Loss. You'll get another email with details before the meeting. This will be the only formal meeting this spring, so don’t miss it. See other events below under Upcoming in Wake.

Where to Meet?
For several years now, we’ve met at Duke Raleigh Hospital, but our March 2011 meeting will be the last one at that location.

We need to find a new meeting place for our program meetings. We’d prefer to have one convenient to everyone in Wake County, where we can meet in the evenings several times a year. It needs to have room for 30-40 people and be acoustically suitable for our special needs. It also needs to be free, or at least very cheap, since we have no dues.

If you know of a suitable meeting room that we might be able to use, please contact us (see HLA-Wake Contacts in lower right).

Join Us for Breakfast?
Our breakfast gatherings are important social events where we share our ideas and hearing devices that are working for us. We also share our lives and support each other in many ways. After all, we are not defined by our hearing loss but by every aspect of who we are. Let’s get to know one another and enjoy each other’s company.

The next one is scheduled for Sat, Feb 19th at Perkins Restaurant in Apex on Rte 64 at 9:30 A.M. Please RSVP to Janet.

Upcoming in Wake
2011
⇒ Feb 19 Breakfast at Perkins in Apex on Rte 64 at 9:30 a.m.
⇒ Mar 15 Tom Ditt: Emergency Preparedness for HoH.
⇒ May 5 Senior Expo
⇒ Jun National Convention
⇒ Jul Summer Social
⇒ Sep (place/schedule tbd)
⇒ Nov (place/schedule tbd)
⇒ Dec Holiday Party tbd

NC Walk4Hearing?
The NC Walk4Hearing previously scheduled for April has been delayed. HLANC will determine whether it can be scheduled at a later time.

Volunteer with DSDHH?
If you’re interested in volunteering with Services for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing at their Raleigh office, please contact Kay Satterwhite at 919 / 874-2234 or email her at: Kay.Satterwhite@dhhs.nc.gov.

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Who Should Be Involved
People with hearing loss, their family, friends and hearing health care professionals are encouraged to participate Hearing Loss Association of Wake County. Make the most of your hearing.

Meeting Accessibility
We have a Loop system for people with telecoils. When State budgets permit, we sometimes also have a Computer Assisted Note taker.

National Convention 2011
Put Jun 2011 on your calendar. HLAA’s national convention will be held next June at the Hyatt Regency in Crystal City. See details at:
http://www.hearingloss.org/convention/

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