Next HLA-Wake Meeting: We’ll have a great program meeting on Thursday, 27 September starting at 7 pm at the Cary Senior Center in Bond Park. Agenda:

Julie Bishop will share her personal story of regaining her hearing with a cochlear implant after auditory neuropathy made hearing aids ineffective for her. And we’ll have two Short Tech Updates:

- Tim Boyd will explain and demonstrate captioning options on a Smart Phone.
- Steve Barber will cover changes in new TV’s audio outputs that change how we need to patch to get good audio.

Other Upcoming Events:

- October 13 – Walk4Hearing in Winston Salem
- Nov 8 – Program Meeting, 7 pm Cary Senior Center
- Dec 2 – Holiday Social, 1 pm, Travinia Italian Kitchen and Wine Bar

Please Join or Donate Now!

Only 3 Weeks left to join or donate to a walker in our Walk4Hearing.

It’s easy to join a Walk4Hearing team or to donate on-line. Just click on one of the links below to bring up that team’s page.

- Beethoven’s Brigade
- Hear Come the Heels
- Marcia’s Marauders
- Team Boyd
- Wake Chapter Team
- Sertoma Walk4Hearing Team

Once on the team’s page, you can choose any walker and make a secure tax deductible donation by credit card.

You can also just donate cash or a check to the team leader if you prefer. Or send a check to our Wake Chapter Treasurer:

Susan Goldner
2221 Trellis Green
Cary, NC 27518

Don’t miss this opportunity to help HLAA at the National, State and Local Chapter level. It’s a cause worth supporting.

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.

Don’t Miss Attachments!

Page 2: More news about HLAA advocacy, the 2013 convention and the HLAA Premier Club

Page 3: 2012 NC Walk4Hearing flyer

Rained Out Silent Movie

Sorry, but our recent outdoor silent movie event to see “The Artist” at the NC Museum of Art was rained out.

We’ll plan other events in the future. Two options are:

1. Meeting at one of the movie theaters that offers captioned glasses for all showings.
2. A guided tour of the NC Museum of Art with Assistive Listening Devices

Both of these future options would have to be limited since these facilities only have a about 10 devices available.

Let us know if these sound like good events for our chapter or if you have other suggested events.

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Check out the HLA-NC web Site: www.nchearingloss.org

2012 NC-Walk4Hearing

It’s Almost Here! The 2012 North Carolina Walk4Hearing will be held on October 13, 2012.

The Walk will be in Clemmons, NC, near Winston Salem this year in a beautiful park called Tanglewood. Should be a great day.

The race car driver Kris Martin (who has a hearing loss & will have his racing suit on) will be at the walk and the Mayor of Winston Salem will cut the ribbon to start the walk. For the children there will be face painting, inflatable’s, henna tattoos, juggling, Kasey the Koala from Cochlear Americas & Med El mascot.

Krispy Kreme will be furnishing donuts, coffee will be available, snacks such as bananas & apples will be available, a water station will be there, and Med El will be furnishing lunch after the walk for all walk participants.

Hearing Loss Association of America is the largest non-profit for people with hearing loss in the world. The Wake Chapter meets in Raleigh, NC. Meetings are free and open to the public. Come and learn how you can make the most of your hearing (or how you can help
**Exerpts from HLAA’s e-News**

**DOJ Finds Section 508 Compliance Dismal** as only 30 percent of federal agencies ensure access to their own videos. Section 508 requires federal agencies to ensure that their electronic and information technology is accessible to people with disabilities, unless certain exceptions apply. [Read more]

**HLAA Invited to National Governor’s Association Briefing on Employment:** The National Governor’s Association (NGA) invited HLAA to join with other advocates for people with disabilities for a briefing on employment and people with disabilities. The NGA initiative, A Better Bottom Line: Employing People with Disabilities will focus barriers to employment for people with disabilities. The initiative will address the roles that both state government and business can play in supporting employment for people with disabilities.

HLAA is pleased to be able to bring the perspective of people with hearing loss to the National Governor’s Association.

**HLAA Sponsors National Forum on Disability Issues – In Person and Captioned Stream Online:** The National Forum on Disability Issues is an historic nonpartisan event and is free to the public. Register early! There is only space for 500 individuals to attend the forum in person and many of the spots will be held for sponsors like Hearing Loss Association of America. [Read more]

**Another hearing loop success story:** Hearing loops have been installed at Johns Hopkins facility to improve sound quality for people with hearing aids and cochlear implants. Johns Hopkins is believed to be the first and only medical center in Maryland to install the loops. [Read more]

**Equal Rights Center Uncovers Discrimination Against TRS Users**
The Equal Rights Center recently published the report titled, Disconnected: Housing Discrimination Against the Deaf & Hard of Hearing. [Read more]

**Thank You, CEC Theaters!**
Movie theaters are rapidly going digital. With digital movie equipment, bringing captions to the patron’s seat is much more doable. We have reported on Regal, Cinemark and AMC rolling out their digital captioning devices. We recently learned that CEC Theaters are doing the same in the Midwest. [Read more]

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**Want to get your own HLAA e-News?**
Want to know why supporting HLAA National advocacy is important? The sample advocacy news items at the left are from a recent monthly e-News that you can sign-up to receive for free. There’s more in the actual e-News, but this sample will give you an idea … and you can’t beat the price.

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**Convenient Way to Support HLAA**

**HLAA’s Premier Club** provides our supporters with an opportunity to make a monthly pledge. Your pledge of $20 or more will be deducted automatically from your credit card each month.

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**Hearing Loss Related Listserves/Yahoo Groups**
HLAA has a message board you can join and occasional WEBINARS you can participate in. Click here to Register.

There are also some Yahoo groups that discuss hearing loss:
- Beyond Hearing
- Better Hearing News
- Loops & Telecoils
- Captioning

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**Planning for 2012 HLAA National Convention**
Mark your calendar for June 27-30 for Convention 2013 at the Oregon Convention Center and DoubleTree by Hilton Portland. Check out the Convention page for news:

- We are pleased to welcome keynote speaker, Howard Weinstein, inventor of Solar Ear, solar-powered hearing aids;
- The Research Symposium, Latest Developments in Hearing Rehabilitation Research, will be presented by research audiologists at the VA National Center for Rehabilitative Auditory Research (NCRAR);
- Interested in presenting a workshop? See the Call for Papers page on our website for the form and instructions. Deadline for submission is November 30, 2012;
- You may now make your reservation at the host hotel, DoubleTree by Hilton Portland;
- Convention scholarship information will be posted in November, and EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION will be open soon
Hearing Loss Association of North Carolina
is hosting a state-wide 2012 NC Walk4Hearing

Date: 13 Oct, 2012
Time: 8 am, Registration
      9 am, Walk Begins
Where: Tanglewood Park, Shelter 4
      4201 Manor House Circle
      Clemmons, NC (Near Winston Salem)

Registration:
On-Line, Now: hlaa.convio.net/site/TR?fr_id=1998&pg=entry
Day of Walk: 8 am at Tanglewood Park on day of Walk.
Learn More: www.nchearingloss.org/walk2012.htm