



HLAA Chicago North Shore Chapter Newsletter May 2024



Our mission is to open the world of communication to people with hearing loss by providing information, education, support and advocacy.

Join us for our regular meetings at the North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Rd, Northfield, IL on the 2nd Monday of the month in the Weber Lounge.
www.hearinglosschicagonorthshore.com

WELCOME

Hello to all past ICIC (Illinois Cochlear Implant Chapter of HLAA) members! I was the newsletter editor of ICIC for a number of years and I, along with my husband, Andy, have joined the Chicago North Shore Chapter of HLAA.

You are receiving this newsletter to encourage you to come to the next meeting which is May 13 at which Dr Zhan of NMH and Meghan McKenna of Cochlear will talk about the latest cochlear implant technology and updates. I have been to several meetings there and they have been quite informative.

Do look up their website:
HearingLossChicagoNorthShore.com

Hope to see you all there!

Carol Ban

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Become a Chapter Sponsor

Please consider becoming a Sponsor or renewing your support as a 2024 Sponsor for a year beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. This opportunity is one way our Chapter is able to continue hosting monthly interesting and informative programs, weekly activities, technology overviews, and sharing experiences for mutual benefit.

A Sponsorship enrollment form is included at the end of this newsletter. Please enroll as a sponsor today!

Upcoming Meetings

Learn What's New in Cochlear Implant Technology

Monday, May 13, 2024

10 a.m. – 11:55

North Shore Senior Center
Weber Room

Dr. Kevin Y. Zhan, otolaryngologist surgeon, (ear, nose, and throat doctor) with Northwestern Medicine, and Megan McKenna, Engagement Manager at Cochlear America, will discuss cochlear implant technology, answer your questions, and discuss current updates.

There will be live captioning in the NSSC Weber Room, which is equipped with a hearing loop.

This free program is presented by the Chicago North Shore Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA).

For further information, please call:
Camila Olaya at 847.242.6297

The Treats Are On Us

Monday, June 10

10 a.m. – 11:55



Everyone is invited for free ice cream as we get reacquainted and meet new friends in the Weber Lounge.

Annual Chapter Officer Elections

Monday, July 8

10 a.m. – 11:55

There also be a recap of the HLAA National Convention by Chapter attendees.

Save The Date



Chicago Walk4Hearing

Date: 9/26/2022

Location: Lincoln Park, N Cannon Drive



Join us in Phoenix, June 26 – 29

Memorial Day may be the official start of the summer barbeque season, but there are plenty of other dates in May to commemorate.

- May is National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders – National Speech-Language-Hearing Month
- Mother's Day
- Armed Forces Day
- Cinco de Mayo
- National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day.
- National Maritimers Day
- No Socks Day
- World Tuna Day
- International Harry Potter Day
- National Brothers and Sisters Day
- National Life Insurance Day
- National Play Your Ukulele Day
- National Truffle Day

Slightly Used T-Shirts Needed

If you have any old HLAA Walk4Hearing or HLAA Convention t-shirts gathering moths in your closet; I am collecting them for some quilters. Bring them to any Chapter monthly meeting and I would be happy to collect them from you. Thanks.

Mike Wehman

It will all take place at the **Sheraton Grand Resort at Wild Horse Pass** in Phoenix for HLAA's first-ever resort-style convention in the beautiful southwest.

This year's workshops will cover a variety of topics, including:

- Hearing Aids and Cochlear Implants Can Improve Your Quality of Life
- Why is it So Hard to Treat Sensorineural Hearing Loss?
- Cybersecurity and Hearing Loss
- HLAA's Advocacy ABCs
- Growing Up with Hearing Loss and Raising Kids with Hearing Loss

Resort Highlights:

- Onsite club activities for kids
- Watersports on the sprawling Gila River, including paddleboards, kayaks and river boats
- Upon registering, you'll lock in a special hotel rate of \$165 per night plus tax. Parking is free at the hotel.
- Complimentary shuttle to nearby outlet mall and casino
- Two championship golf courses, a spa, and a Forbes Five-Star therapeutic oasis

Editors' note: We frequently publish website links to further information related to newsletter articles. If you have a problem with a link, please let us know and we will attempt to provide a printed copy of the reference.

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The Chicago North Shore Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) is inviting you to become a Sponsor of our 2024 Sponsorship Program for a term beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. Businesses, organizations, and people who want to support our Chapter can have the name of their business, organization, and/or their name(s) listed in a special column in our Chapter's newsletter. View the Chapter's newsletter at www.HearingLossChicagoNorthShore.com. To become a Sponsor select from the following levels of participation:

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Our Sponsorship Program helps pay for live captioning and maintenance of the hearing loop for our in-person meetings. Your support helps our members continue to advocate for people with hearing loss and be a resource to help others with questions about their hearing needs. To become a Sponsor, please fill out the form below and return it with your check payable to the HLAA Chicago North Shore Chapter; **mail it to HLAA Chicago North Shore Chapter, P. O. Box #406, Glenview, IL 60025**. *The HLAA Chapter is a tax-exempt, charitable organization eligible to receive tax deductible contributions under the IRS Code 501(c)(3).*

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