



**Hearing Loss
Association
of America**
Greater Richmond Chapter



January 2016

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Dear HLAA-GR Friends and Supporters:

The next meeting of the Hearing Loss Association of America, Greater Richmond Chapter, will be held on **Saturday, January 9**, at Beulah United Methodist Church, 6930 Hopkins Road, North Chesterfield 23234. The meeting will be held on the 2nd Floor of the Fellowship Building, located behind the church. The meeting will begin at 10:30 am and adjourn at approximately 12:30 pm. A variety of assistive listening devices will be available for your use. Light refreshments will be served. The meeting is free and open to the public. Please feel free to bring a friend or loved one with you to the meeting.

Our speaker will be Larry Herbert, HLAA-GR member, who will address the issues of assistive listening systems, including loop, FM, and infrared systems. Come learn what you do and do not need in order to take advantage of these systems.

Following Larry's presentation, we will hold our annual business meeting and election of officers. We urge you to attend...we rely on your input for meaningful programs and/or activities. We are all in this together and we want to be able to provide you with successful strategies to enable you to better manage your, or your loved one's, hearing loss.

***Mark your calendars and plan to join us on
January 9th!***

For more information, contact:
Linda Wallace at

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**HLAA-GREATER RICHMOND CHAPTER
MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES**

January 9, 2016: Regular meeting at Beulah.
Program: "An Introduction to Hearing Loops and Other Assistive Listening Systems" and election of officers for 2016
Time: 10:30 am until 12:30 pm
Location: Beulah United Methodist Church, 6930 Hopkins Road, North Chesterfield 23234

February 13: Regular meeting at Beulah
Program: "I Have a Phone & Hearing Loss...Now What?"

March 12: Regular meeting at Beulah
Program: TBA

April: VDDHH Focus Group & Technology Blitz
Date & Time to be set by VDDHH

May 14: Regular meeting at Beulah
Program: TBA

June—August: No regularly schedule meetings

**CONVENTION 2016
HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION
OF AMERICA**

JUNE 23-26, 2016

**WASHINGTON HILTON
WASHINGTON, DC**

**THE DEADLINE FOR EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION FOR
THE HLAA 2016 CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON, DC
IS JANUARY 31.**

VISIT WWW.HEARINGLOSS.ORG FOR DETAILS.

HLAA-GR CHAPTER CAN USE YOUR SUPPORT!

Many of our organization's supporters use inkjet and/or laser printers. The Hearing Loss Association of America, Greater Richmond Chapter, is appealing to those people and asking you to SAVE and TURN IN your spent inkjet cartridges and laser printer cartridges to HLAA-GR Chapter. Our organization receives \$2.00 toward chapter expenses for every spent inkjet/toner cartridge turned in. We may turn in up to 20 cartridges each month. This goes a long way towards helping with our newsletter printing expenses, as well as providing supplies for the general functioning of our chapter.

Visit **www.hearingimpaired.net** for an excellent selection of "hearing impaired" products, including: lapel pins, bracelets, door plaques, stickers and decals, embroidered patches, signs, iron-on transfers, and tote bags.

NEED BROCHURES?

HLAA-GR Chapter will provide our chapter brochures to any audiologists/hearing health care professionals who request them. Please contact Linda Wallace at **239-9546** or **GRHearingLoss@verizon.net** about the quantity of brochures you would like to receive. This is a **FREE** service of HLAA-GR Chapter.

HLAA-GR Chapter members may pick up brochures at our meetings for display in area schools, libraries, and churches. Brochures were designed and produced courtesy of VA Relay.

Thank you, VA Relay, for your support!

HLAA MISSION STATEMENT

HLAA opens the world of communication to people with hearing loss by providing information, support, and advocacy. Our purpose is to advocate for people of all ages who have hearing loss, their family and friends, to enable them to meet their individual potential and to reduce their social isolation.

HLAA National Information

Hearing Loss Association of America membership benefits include:

- *Hearing Loss*, a bimonthly magazine
- Discounts on publications
- Latest information on hearing aids and assistive technology
- A national support network
- HLAA advocacy

HLAA is a 501(c)3 tax exempt non-profit organization. All donations and contributions to HLAA are tax deductible.

You can also subscribe to free HLAA e-News. Visit **HearingLoss.org** and follow the links to subscribe to HLAA e-News.

The Hearing Loss Association of America is the nation's foremost membership and advocacy organization for people with hearing loss. Hearing Loss Association of America opens the world of communication to people with hearing loss through information, education, support and advocacy. The national support network includes the Washington CD area office, 13 state organizations, and 200 local chapters. Our clear, straightforward message has changed the lives of thousands of people. Hearing loss is a daily challenge you can overcome. You do not have to hide your hearing loss. You do not have to face hearing loss alone.

**Contact the national organization at:
www.hearingloss.org**

or

**Contact your local Greater Richmond
chapter at:
GRHearingLoss@verizon.net
804-239-9546**

DISCLAIMER:

Mention of goods, services, or individuals does not mean HLAA-GR endorsement, nor does exclusion suggest disapproval.

HLAA-GR wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to Thom for his generous support of our group and its activities!

Thom Casey
Advanced Hearing Specialists

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Website: www.AHShearing.com

Proud sponsor of HLAA-GR
“Quality In-Home Hearing Health Care”

HLAA-GR wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to Lori for her generous support of our group and its activities!

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Hear Virginia
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Proud sponsor of HLAA-GR
“Audiology & Hearing Aid Services”

*Keep your HLAA-GR newsletters and/or meeting notices for information about upcoming meeting dates and locations. The Richmond Times-Dispatch does not guarantee that notices for regularly scheduled meetings will always appear in their “Health Notes” section on Also check notices on our website, **HLAAGreaterRichmond.com** and on **Facebook** (search Hearing Loss Association of Greater Richmond.)*

DON'T FORGET...SAVE YOUR PENNIES AND DEPOSIT THEM IN THE PENNY BOX



DISPLAYED AT ALL MEETINGS.
Thanks to all of you who have given so generously!

**HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
GREATER RICHMOND CHAPTER
DUES & NEWSLETTER INFORMATION**

HLAA-GR dues are **\$12 per individual** or **family per year, payable in September**, and include a subscription to the Chapter newsletter. **Dues will be prorated for new members joining after September.** Fill out the form below (please print) and mail it with your check made out to “**HLAA-GR**” to:

**Hearing Loss Association of America
Greater Richmond Chapter
1911 Oakway Drive
Richmond, VA 23238**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Check one of the choices below:

- Please send my newsletter by email.
- Please send my newsletter by US mail.

Please note: Any contributions to HLAA-GR are tax-deductible. Donors may deduct contributions to HLAA-GR as they would contributions to any other 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT HEARING AIDS OR COCHLEAR IMPLANTS?

Check our Facebook page or website, as well as the Resources page at the end of this newsletter. Even simpler (and much more fun), join us at our meetings!

The social time at our meetings may be the most valuable resource you will have regarding your hearing loss. Visit us and talk to people who have “been there and done that!”

“You are not alone!”

HEARING LOSS
AND
DIZZINESS AND BALANCE PROBLEMS

It is estimated that at least half the population of the United States will be affected by dizziness and balance problems during their lifetime. Dizziness affects people in all age groups, but is most prevalent in the elderly.

Audiologists are the professionals dedicated to helping people with hearing and balance problems and are trained to understand **vestibular function**. The vestibular system includes a network of interconnected pathways between the inner ear, the eyes, the brain, and spinal nerves.

Audiologists provide hearing and balance services at hospitals, clinics, and in private practice locations. It is estimated that 85% of all dizziness and balance problems can be diagnosed and successfully treated. Help is available. If you have questions or would like more information, speak with your audiologist.

~ American Academy of Audiology,
www.audiology.org

**MYTH: WEARING A HEARING AID IS A
SIGN OF OLD AGE**

FACT: In reality, your hearing loss is probably more noticeable if you're not wearing a hearing aid. Frequently saying "What?," turning up the TV, or avoiding phone conversations and social gatherings is more apparent than having small devices in your ears. Left unresolved, your hearing loss could seriously affect the quality of relationships and friendships.

**MYTH: A HEARING LOSS JUST MEANS
THAT SOUNDS NEED TO BE LOUDER**

FACT: Not really. In most cases, you can hear people talking, but have difficulty **understanding** what they are saying. Perhaps you can understand just fine in quiet environments, but have trouble in noisy surroundings or in groups. Hearing aids are designed to amplify the specific frequencies you need for better understanding.

~ www.starkey.com

**HEARING LOSS 101:
YOUR HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT**

List a variety of things we can do to compensate for hearing loss and capitalize on our residual hearing under the following 3 categories:

- Technology/Assistive Listening Devices
- Communication Behavior/Strategies
- Emotional Reaction

Write down your answers (or questions) and bring them with you to our HLAA-GR chapter meeting on **January 9, 2016**. You have plenty of time to consider and complete this assignment. You will be reminded of this assignment in future newsletters and/or meeting announcements! We want to hear from you!

**DUES PAYMENT REMINDER — OUR
CHAPTER DUES ARE PAYABLE
EVERY SEPTEMBER**

Please see the form on Page 3 of this
newsletter for details.

WHAT DO I SAY?

When asked about our local HLAA Greater Richmond Chapter and what it does, what do you say? We have a 15 second "elevator speech" all ready for you! Ask about it at our meetings!

VETERANS PROGRAM FROM VDDHH

If your hearing loss or speech loss prevents you from using a standard telephone, honorably discharged veterans may be eligible qualified for no-cost telecommunication equipment, such as TTYs or captioned phones.

For more information, please contact the
VA Department for the Deaf and
Hard of Hearing at:

804-662-9502 (Voice/TTY)
1-800-552-7917 (Voice/TTY)

EWWW...EARWAX!

Wax blockage is a common cause of hearing loss. The outer part of the ear canal has glands that produce earwax to help trap dust and dirt to keep them from reaching the eardrum. The ear canal may become blocked by wax when attempts to clean the outer part of the ear canal push the wax deeper into the canal and block it. This can happen when poking things into the ear such as cotton swabs, bobby pins, or twisted paper napkin corners. These objects only push the wax in deeper. Also, the skin of the ear canal and eardrum is very thin and fragile and is easily injured.

Earwax is healthy in normal amounts, serving a protective function. Most of the time, ear canals are self-cleaning with old earwax moving to the opening of the ear. If you want to clean your ears, wash the external ear with a cloth placed over a finger. Do not insert anything smaller than that into the ear canal. You do not want to puncture your eardrum...that can result in an infection!

If home remedies (mineral or baby oil, glycerin, or commercial drops) do not seem to be working to unblock the ear canal of built up wax, your doctor may prescribe special eardrops or he/she may wash or vacuum out the wax. Occasionally, an otolaryngologist (ear-nose-throat specialist) may need to remove the accumulated wax.

~ www.entnet.org

CAN I "TOUGHEN UP" MY EARS?

No! If you think you have grown used to a loud noise, it has probably already damaged your ears. And there is no treatment, no medicine, no surgery, not even a hearing aid that truly corrects your hearing back to normal once it is damaged by noise.

People differ in their sensitivity to noise. As a general rule, noise may damage your hearing if you have to shout over background noise to make yourself heard, the noise hurts your ears, makes your ears ring, or you are slightly deaf for several hours after exposure to the noise.

Protect your ears when you know you will be exposed to prolonged, loud noise!

~ ~ www.entnet.org

VIRGINIA RELAY WELCOMES A NEW RELAY SERVICE PROVIDER

On August 1, 2015, the Commonwealth of Virginia welcomed a new provider of Virginia Relay's Traditional Relay Services: **Hamilton Relay** of Aurora, Nebraska. Hamilton Relay is currently the contracted service provider of Virginia's Captioned Telephone (CapTel) services. With Hamilton Relay as its new partner, Virginia Relay will have the opportunity to provide an array of new Relay technology, calling features, and community outreach programs.

To learn more about Hamilton Relay, please visit www.HamiltonRelay.com

~ *The Commonwealth CALLER, Spring 2015*

HAAA HIRES DIRECTOR OF CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT

Bethesda, MD (January 4, 2016): The Hearing Loss Association of America (HAAA) is pleased to announce the recent hire of **Valerie Stafford -Mallis**, who joins HAAA as the director of chapter development. In this role Valerie will be responsible for providing the leaders of HAAA Chapters with the direction they need to effectively deliver the HAAA mission to their members and respective communities.

In her new role, Valerie will serve as the primary link between HAAA's resources at the national office and chapter leader needs. Her primary focus will be to help leaders sustain healthy chapters while growing HAAA memberships. She will help those who want to start new chapters and provide leadership training, online resources, and programs geared to chapter members and the local community's needs.

Valerie Stafford-Mallis can be reached at:
vstafford-mallis@hearingloss.org

Prolonged exposure to loud noise can cause ringing in your ears (tinnitus), anxiety, irritability, an increase in pulse rate and blood pressure, an increase in the production of stomach acid, and can reduce efficiency in performing difficult tasks...protect your ears in loud noise situations!

~ www.entnet.org

VA GETS REMOTE CONFERENCE CAPTIONING

Virginia Relay has been working to roll out Remote Conference Captioning (RCC). RCC provides real-time captioning on conference calls for individuals who have difficulty hearing what's being said on conference calls. This service is now available in the state of Virginia.

For more information or to sign up for RCC, you can click on the following link:

www.hamiltonrelay.com/rcc/index.html?state=VA and chose Virginia in the dropdown menu.

To use the service, you must have a call-in number, as well as a computer/tablet/Smartphone with an Internet connection in order to view the captions. The service is guaranteed if scheduled 24 hours in advance.

RCC is a service provided through Virginia Relay and available only for conference calls. RCC is not a substitution for CART.

~ Lauren Cramer, Hamilton Relay Account Manager

HAMILTON RELAY OFFERS \$500 SCHOLARSHIPS:

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 1, 2016

Creating opportunities for higher education is a priority for Hamilton Relay. The goal of the Hamilton Relay Scholarship is to support students who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind or have difficulty speaking in their post-secondary education. The Hamilton Relay Scholarship is extended to a qualifying high school student living within one of the states where Hamilton Relay is the contracted telecommunications relay and/or captioned telephone service provider.

This includes Virginia. In each of these states, a \$500 scholarship will be awarded to one eligible applicant. All applicants must meet eligibility requirements and submit required application materials prior to the March 1, 2016 deadline. Download the Hamilton Relay Scholarship Guidelines and Application and apply today! For more information, contact Hamilton Relay at: **info@HamiltonRelay.com**

~ www.HamiltonRelay.com

CONSUMERAFFAIRS HEARING AID GUIDE FOR 2016

Included in the *ConsumerAffairs Hearing Aid Guide for 2016* is a series of illustrations depicting the disparity between how people treat people with hearing loss and how they treat people with vision loss.

To view the *ConsumerAffairs Hearing Aid Guide for 2016*, visit: **www.consumeraffairs.com/health/hearing/index.html#hearing-loss**.

~ www.ConsumerAffairs.com

FCC PASSES NEW HEARING AID COMPATIBILITY RULES

The new Hearing Aid Compatibility (HAC) rules are meant to drive innovation for wireless voice technologies by requiring all future voice communications technologies to be HAC compliant, making developers consider this early in the design processes. Additionally, the HAC rules now cover traditional wireless service (i.e., cellular) and IP-based communications services like Wi-Fi Calling and Voice-over-LTE. Further, all wireless handsets are now required to be accessible by people using hearing aids and cochlear implants. This is meant to give people who use hearing assistance technologies the same range of device choices observed by consumers without hearing loss.

~ HLAA

COULD YOUR MEDICATION CAUSE HEARING LOSS?

According to an article in the Oct. 27, 2015, edition of *US News and World Report*, certain over-the-counter (OTC) pain relievers, prescription antibiotics and other drugs may damage hearing. Hearing loss is routinely not included in the list of a drug's side effects. There are more than 200 ototoxic medications on the market today. Sometimes the hearing loss can be temporary and reversible, such as when taking excess aspirin. Other drugs can permanent hearing loss by damaging hair cells in the cochlea.

Read the full article at
www.health.USNews.com.

**PARENT-CHILD ADVOCATE (PCA)
PROGRAM EVENT**

**JANUARY 16, 2016
10 AM UNTIL 2 PM**

**HOPE CHURCH
12445 PATTERSON AVENUE
RICHMOND 23238**

The PCA Program is for parents and their children with hearing loss, along with professionals, advocates, and friends of those children. The event is free to all participants; however, **pre-registration is required**. Come learn sign language and meet new friends! There will be free lunch, winter fun, and door prizes!

For more information, contact Emmett Jones, Ph.D. at Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community Counseling Services at **804-282-1943 (Voice)** or **804-282-1944 (TTY)** or email pcaprogram@gmail.com.

YOUR 2016 HLAA-GR CHALLENGE:

**MAKE IT A PERSONAL GOAL TO BRING AT
LEAST ONE NEW PERSON WITH YOU TO
AT LEAST ONE CHAPTER MEETING OR
CHAPTER EVENT!**

2015 HLAA-GR Officers

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VIRGINIA HEARING JOURNEY MEETINGS

**WHEN: THE FIRST SATURDAY OF THE
MONTH**

TIME: 10 AM UNTIL 12 NOON

**WHERE: SHADY GROVE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
8209 SHADY GROVE ROAD
MECHANICSVILLE 23111**

Virginia Hearing Journey is a family networking group that supports families with children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. They offer parents information from experts, focused sibling sessions, and fun activities for Deaf/HOH children. All hearing modalities are welcome and child care is provided.

For more information, visit
www.VAHearingJourney.org or
email VAHearingJourney@gmail.com

CONSIDERING A COCHLEAR IMPLANT?

The Hearing Loss Association of America has prepared a booklet about cochlear implants and if they may be right for you. **“Exploring a Cochlear Implant”** is a comprehensive educational guide designed to help you reach the right decision for your hearing loss needs.

*This booklet is available at all
HLAA-GR meetings.*

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At Our Last Chapter Meeting...

Our last chapter meeting was held on **November 14, 2015** at Beulah United Methodist Church, North Chesterfield, and was a wonderful event. After a BRIEF business session (5 minutes!), we launched into a purely social session that lasted until almost 2 PM! A potluck luncheon was served that included a delicious array of foods ranging from appetizers, fruit and cheese, ham biscuits, turkey biscuits, cole slaw, potato salad, chips and dips...to desserts, of course! We talked (and ate), showed photos, shared hearing loss experiences, discussed pets...a delightful time! **Kevin Mowen** won a year's membership to HLAA National, as well as a year's membership in our chapter. **Brenda Egglestion** won a Virginia Relay jacket and a tote bag with freebies. **Tom Minnicks** also won a tote bag with freebies inside. **The general concensus...WE NEED TO DO THIS AGAIN!**

NEED \$\$\$ FOR ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY?

Contact the Assistive Technology Loan Authority at **1-866-835-5976** or at **www.atlfa.org**.

The mission of ATLFA is to promote alternative funding resources for Virginians with disabilities to get assistive technology that can enhance your independence and improve your quality of life!

PURCHASING A HEARING AID

The Hearing Loss Association of America has produced a fact sheet on "**Purchasing a Hearing Aid: A Consumer Checklist.**" The fact sheet contains a comprehensive list of questions to ask during the purchase process and covers the areas of testing, dispensing, and disclosure. Copies of the fact sheet are available at all HLAA-GR chapter meetings

HLAA-GR is always looking for articles of interest to our members to publish in our newsletter. If you find an article you would like to have included, please contact Linda Wallace at GRHearingLoss@verizon.net

DO I REALLY NEED 2 HEARING AIDS?

Yes...if your audiologist determines both ears need amplification.

Research has shown that when both ears are candidates for hearing aids and only one ear is fitted, the unaided ear may lose speech recognition ability more rapidly than the fitted ear.

~ www.audiology.org

WHAT YOUR HLAA-GR CHAPTER IS WORKING ON IN 2016!

Getting a representative from the Chesterfield Police Department to speak at a Chapter meeting on police procedures, scams, and identify theft for the HOH

Hospital Kits for folks with hearing loss

Applying for grant funding for equipment needed for community outreach, as well as to facilitate communication at our meetings

Getting a representative from the Chesterfield Fire Department to discuss fire safety and prevention for the HOH at a chapter meeting

Getting a pharmacist/doctor to speak at a chapter meeting about ototoxic drugs...using brand names we recognize rather than their chemical names!

Why Join the HLAA Greater Richmond Chapter?

By joining a group of people with the same problem, we find that **we are not alone** in what we are facing. Through sharing concerns, gaining information and making friends, we find better ways to look at and deal with hearing loss. Meeting topics include demonstrating assistive devices, improving communication skills, and educating people of all ages in dealing with hearing loss. You will find support, friendship, and understanding at our meetings. We encourage you to come and see for yourself how important it is for hard of hearing people to meet and to provide encouragement for each another.

RESOURCES

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**HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION
OF AMERICA
MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

Membership benefits include a subscription to *Hearing Loss Magazine*, discounts on publications, up-to-date information on hearing aids and other assistive technology, coping strategies, and much more.

To become a member of HLAA, fill out the adjacent form and mail it, along with your check for the appropriate amount, made out to "HLAA," to:

**Hearing Loss Association of America
7910 Woodmont Avenue
Suite 1200
Bethesda, MD 20814**

Application for Membership

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip: _____

- \$35 (individual) \$20 (student)
 \$45 (couple/family)

(Important: Write "Membership Dues" on the bottom of your check.)



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