

Choo-Choo Signal

15 teams commit at Walk4Hearing Kickoff

Member birthdays

- March: 13-Helen Kitchings

Calendar of meetings & events

- March 18: HLAA mtg, 2pm: CI Experience: The implant miracle, Cochlear Americas
- March 29: CTC captioned play "The Mousetrap," 7pm
- April 15: HLAA mtg, 2 pm: Tinnitus: that !#&)%! noise in your ears
- April 26: CTC captioned play "A World Premiere Play," 7pm
- May 12: 4th annual Walk4Hearing, 10am
- June 21-24: HLAA Convention, Providence Rhode Island
- July 26: CTC captioned play "Anything Goes," 7pm

In our thoughts & prayers

- Ron Reynolds, Dorothy Casteel, Laqueta Soule



A festive atmosphere and tasty menu planned by Kickoff coordinator Bea Lyons made guests feel welcome. Kids enjoyed goodie bags full of games and surprises, while the adults were treated to a foot cake...or two...as a special surprise (below, left). Specialty cake designed and made by Elizabeth Bryner. One foot cake was auctioned off for \$50!

ChattState media services employee Terry Hunt (below, right), keeps us right on schedule with her technology assistance, and enjoys the morning with us as well. And at bottom, left, guest speakers Ruth Fox from Chattanooga and Jennifer Thorpe from Nashville, shared stories about their hearing loss, HLAA and past Walk experiences. It was a morning to remember...



Teams and Walkers wanted!

Are you a registered non-profit organization, school, church, hospital, or hearing health care related group?

Earn 40% of what you raise!

For info, contact Nelda Twitchell at nrtwitchell@bellsouth.net

Walk4Hearing: May 12



2012 Goal: \$30,000 • Current status: \$7,590 or 25%



Bea Lyons honored by DAR

The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Certificate of Award for Women in American History was presented to Beatrice Rutledge Lyons, Nancy Ward Chapter, February 8, 2012, and signed by the chapter regent Pamela McConnell.

Bea is quite proud of the award since she is a third generation member of the Nancy Ward

Chapter here in Chattanooga, TN. Said Bea, "It's quite an honor and one I never expected to receive. I believe it's for all the community service that I've been involved with over forty plus years. I began volunteering when I was a sophomore in high school and have continued to do so even today in retirement."

Congratulations, Bea!



**Realtime Captioned on
March 29 at 7:00pm**

www.theatrecentre.com or 267-8534



This Agatha Christie mystery has all the elements of a classic thriller: A group of strangers are stranded in a boarding house during a snowstorm. One of them a murderer. The suspects include the newlyweds who run the house; a spinster with a curious background; an architect who seems better equipped to be a chef; a retired Army major; a strange man who claims his car has overturned in a snowdrift; and a jurist who makes life miserable for everyone. Into their midst, arriving on skis, comes a policeman who, in order to discern the murderer's pattern, probes the background of everyone present and rattles a lot of skeletons. Another famous Agatha Christie switch finish! A superb intrigue from the foremost mystery writer of her time.



Marion County kids camp to become reality

By Betty Proctor, editor

Because of the monetary and walk support we received from Marion County the past two years, members voted to direct \$2,000 from 2010 Walk4Hearing funds to make the lives of

children better in Marion County.

Following several meetings over the past few months, the kids camp will become a reality in June this year.

Spearheaded by Susie Collins & Jana Massengale, the camp will focus on speech therapy, but in a fun way. Tentative plans call for three half days of music, storytelling, crafts, art, a signing teddy bear, a clown and possible volunteer student speech pathology students. Plans call for a "theme-a-day."

Committee members have written a letter to parents explaining the camp in hopes to build excitement...and it is all FREE!

Can YOU help us name the camp? Email Susie at sherrisusieq@yahoo.com or Jana at thestitchnpatch@gmail.com.

Free Sign Language classes at Abba's House

Abba's House in Hixson, Tn will be hosting the class. First class began March 13th and will run through last Tuesday in May from 6:30-8pm.



Lisa Fielder teaches the class.

For information see HAPPY HANDS - FREE SIGN LANGUAGE on Facebook.

For the past several years of teaching FREE basic sign language classes, many in the community have had a need to learn the language and many more an interest to learn.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CLASS: Paper and pen is a must! Bringing a friend or someone you can practice your lessons with during the week is suggested.

You will learn the ABC's, numbers 1-20, classifiers, directional sign, deaf culture, and more...oh yeah, and many many signs.

There are several groups on Facebook that encourage you to use this language and you are strongly encouraged to get involved. The following groups are on Facebook: Happy Hands at the Mall, Deaf Chat - Ft. Oglethorpe, and Deaf Chat - Chattanooga, each meet at different times and places. Many people bring announcements of other events and share these at the group meetings. Often in the Facebook groups you will see postings of other deaf events in the Chattanooga area, such as interpreted plays, again, strongly encouraged to go!



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**HLAA Chattanooga Chapter Treasury Report
February 07, 2012 – March 08, 2012**

Beginning Balance (Feb. 7, 2012)	\$4,869.32
Deposits & Credits	90.00
Withdrawals.....	0.00
Checks:	
#571 Signal Centers, Technology Expo Fee.....	25.00
Ending Balance (March 08, 2012)	\$4,934.32
Beatrice R. Lyons, Treasurer	

Local support as of 03/14/2012

Lewis Addison (10/2012)	\$10
Larry & Jane Akers (past due)	
Nels & Mary Ann Angelin (9/2012)	\$15
Lillian Barnett (2/2013) - 2 years	\$20
Warren Barnett (11/2012) - 2 years	\$20
Marge & Bill Bennett (2/2013)	\$15
Jeff Bonnell (4/2012)	\$10
Mrs. Walter Brissenden (12/2012)	\$10 + gift
Joyce Casey	lifetime
Dorothy Casteel & Cindy Groves (9/2012)	\$15
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Susie Collins (2/2013)	\$10
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Cynthia Eby (1/2013)	\$10
Mary Elam (4/2013) - 2 years	\$20
Marilyn Fisher (1/2013)	\$10
Gary & Ruth Fox (11/2013) - 2 years	\$15
Provash Ghosh (1/2014) - 2 years	\$20
Winnie Hargis (3/2012)	\$10
Kris Headrick (10/2012)	\$10
Linda Hershey	lifetime
David, Debbie & Alexis Ingram (past due)	
Taber Jenkins (past due)	
Katy Jones (8/2012) - 2 years	\$20
Judy Kincer (past due)	
Helen & Charles Kitchings (8/2012)	\$15
Bill Lawson (11/2012)	\$10
Jeanette Legg (past due)	
Bea Lyons (11/2012) - 2 years	\$20
Nita Martin (8/2012) - 2 years	\$20

Jana Massengale (7/2012)	\$10
Dorris & Sam McBride (12/2012)	\$15
Tom & Diane McCombs (1/2013)	\$15
Elaine Moniz (2/2014) 2 years	\$20
Beverly Morris (4/2012)	\$10
Lana & Bud Newton (past due)	
Marge Pasch (12/2012)	\$10
Gail Pedigo (4/2012)	\$10
Donna Pomeroy (1/2013)	\$10
Betty Proctor (NOW DUE)	
Robby Reep (NOW DUE)	
Ron Reynolds (1/2013)	\$10
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Jim & Joan Sewell (8/2012)	\$15
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 Individual fees are \$10 while family fees run \$15. You may pay your fee at the regular meeting or mail it to our PO box shown on mailing panel of this newsletter. The chapter survives because of your generosity! Not a supporting member? See box at right and pay your fees to become one!
 (Date next to name indicates when membership is next due - thanks for supporting the chapter!)

HLAA Membership

HLAA is committed to creating awareness of hearing loss issues.

Local Support Benefits:

Newsletter, membership directory, special mailings, educational info, support, National HLAA information

Memberships are good for one calendar year.

To become a member, sign up below:

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Next meeting: March 18

Join us on Sunday, March 18 at 2pm in the community room of the Ronald McDonald House.
Topic: Bilateral Hearing & Cochlear Implants

Scott Rinehart is from Tampa, FL and works for Cochlear Americas as an Awareness Network Manager. Part of his job is to create awareness about what a cochlear implant and a Baha are and who can benefit from them. Scott also manages a network of people in the Southeast who are passionate about what their cochlear implant or Baha experience has done for them and share this with others. He is a bilateral cochlear implant recipient.

Refreshments: Linda Hershey & Marilyn Fisher

Meetings fully accessible by looping; captioning provided by Linda Hershey.

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