



HLA-LA CHAPTER NEWS & NOTES

August 2009

CELEBRATIONS!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2: Jim Hogan, Ray McKeever
- 12: HLA-LA is 5 years old!
- 22: Diane Gross
- 29: Elizabeth Wieland (who will visit from Hawaii in October and join us for the Halloween meeting and party!)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

AUGUST 22, SEPTEMBER 26:

See details to right

OCTOBER 24: Movie-time! Got a favorite Halloween flick? Post your suggestions on the Yahoo list.

NOVEMBER 21: Annual "rap session" - surviving the holidays (Note: Nov. meeting takes place on 3rd Saturday of the month.)

JULY MEETING RECAP

Gary Dorf of Widex Hearing Aids discussed the latest technologies in hearing aids, including Widex's "Mind" hearing aid and the Med-El cochlear implant

WE MEET THE 4th SATURDAY OF THE MONTH (except May, Nov. & Dec.)
AT THE HEAR CENTER

301 E. Del Mar Bl, Pasadena

9:30 am to noon

(9:30-10am: social time,

Meetings start promptly at 10am)

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www.hla-la.org

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Saturday, August 22 Meeting: "Hearing Dogs and How They Can Change Your Life" 9:30AM-12PM, HEAR CENTER
The Sam Simon Foundation trains shelter dogs to become Certified Hearing Dogs, free to CA residents with at least severe to profound hearing loss. Don't miss their presentation, and find out if a hearing dog is right for you. samsimonfoundation.com

Saturday, September 26 Meeting: Guest Speaker: Jennifer Stuessy, HOH Specialist
from GLAD (Greater LA Agency on Deafness), 9:30AM-12PM, HEAR CENTER
Jennifer, who's had lifelong hearing loss, will discuss her work with GLAD's Hard of Hearing and Late Deafened Dept., as well as coping methods for hearing loss.

Steering Committee Elections
Nominations and voting for 5 steering committee spots (Lisa, Nanci, Liz, Alicia and Mike up for re-election) will occur at the September 26 meeting. Results will be announced before we leave. In addition, HLA-CA Board of Trustees applications are being accepted thru early September. Info/applications available at Aug 22 meeting.

GLAD Kick-off Celebration, Saturday, August 22, 12-4pm
The Greater LA Agency on Deafness invites everyone to their 40th anniversary celebration, and "Taste of Eagle Rock" event. 2222 LaVerna Ave, L.A. Adults: \$10 for anniversary event only/\$25 includes Taste of Eagle Rock; Children under 12, \$5/\$10; Children under 5, Free. Details at gladinc.org or call 323-748-8000 (voice/TTY)

Poker anyone? Game Night is Saturday, August 22, 4pm
Our 1st annual game night will feature food, BBQ, a pool, and of course... games! Feel free to bring a favorite game and potluck dish. More info and directions: <http://hla-la.org/images/GameNightPoster.jpg>. RSVP on Yahoo list. At the home of Sandy Mintz, 28465 Rock Canyon Dr, Santa Clarita. (Note: Those seeing "Spamalot" that day are welcome to come late to the party.)

Hollywood Bowl Outing, Saturday, September 26
Tickets have already been purchased for this "Sound of Music" Sing-A-Long, but if you'd like to go and don't mind sitting separate from the group, tickets are still available at hollywoodbowl.com/tickets/performance_detail.cfm?id=3975

Congratulations to Mary Rappazzo!
Clarity, a manufacturer of assistive listening devices, has recruited HLA-LA member Mary to create poster art and paint a California theme on products for an upcoming tradeshow. Thanks go to Diane Gross for the referral! (See Mary's artwork at mar1eye.com and Clarity's product line at clarityproducts.com)

Halloween Open House on Saturday, October 24
Mike and Alicia will host an afternoon party after the chapter meeting. Details to come.

Ahmanson's Open-Captioned Shows (for remaining 2009 season)
Aug 22: "Spamalot" • **Oct 17:** "August: Osage County" • **Dec 19:** "Mary Poppins"
All shows on Saturdays, 2pm. Tickets may be sold out. More info at: centertheatregroup.org/projectdate; 213-628-2772, TTY: 213-680-4017

2009 WALK4HEARING, Sunday, November 8...
in the beautiful Long Beach Marina. It will be a fun (and healthy!) way to get involved and meet people, while raising valuable funds. Get more info and sign up to be a walker for HLA-LA's "Los Angeles Stars" on our team page at walk4hearing.org.