



CHAPTER NEWS & NOTES March 2010

CHAPTER MEETINGS

HEAR Center, 9:30 am to 12 pm
301 E Del Mar Bl, Pasadena

Saturday, March 27 HLAA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE KICKOFF EVENT!

RAP SESSION TO FOLLOW

We'd love for everyone to join HLAA, our national organization, but mostly we just want you to enjoy our kickoff festivities, as well as participate in our rap session afterwards! There will be prizes, raffles, and ample food as always. If you're already an HLAA member, please bring your membership ID number. Also, bring ideas for topics to rap about!

Note: This meeting will end at 12pm.

April 24: DISCUSSION WITH CSUN PROFESSOR JOYCE LINDEN

With 46 years in deaf education, Joyce grew up with deaf parents, is an expert on communication issues, and is known for her successful fingerspelling workshops.

May 22: MEMORIAL DAY FUN

We'll have either a picnic or a meeting... cast your vote: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HLA-LA/surveys?id=2281780>

FEBRUARY MEETING RECAP

All About Cochlear Implants: Dawna Mills from House Ear Clinic's implant program gave an information-packed presentation.

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

301 E. Del Mar Bl, Pasadena 91101
9:30 am to noon (9:30-10am is social time;
Meetings start promptly at 10am)

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On Joining HLAA (Hearing Loss Assn of America, our national organization)

In the spirit of this month's membership drive kickoff, I'm including an editor's note on why I joined HLAA, the #1 organization in the country serving those of us with hearing loss. For just \$35 a year (less than a dime a day!), I know I'm contributing to a group that works constantly to provide information, education, support and advocacy for people with hearing loss. They impact legislation on issues that can directly benefit me every day: communication access (including information access in times of emergency), captioning, public policy, research and public awareness, to name a few. Membership also includes subscriptions to two publications I genuinely enjoy, the bi-monthly *Hearing Loss* magazine and the quarterly state newsletter, *The Californian*. There's always an article that informs, inspires, comforts or uplifts me in some way! Finally, without the national organization, our local chapters wouldn't exist, and the support I've received from our L.A. chapter has been priceless. To find out more about HLAA, visit www.hearingloss.org.

- Lisa Yuan, Newsletter Editor

Chapter Meeting Format

We've had positive feedback on the 3-hour format tested at February's meeting, and will most likely try it again in April, when we have another guest speaker. Since there's no guest speaker for the March meeting, we'll stick with our usual ending time of 12pm.

"See What I'm Saying" - Screening in L.A. through April 1

The first open captioned commercial film in American history, this documentary follows the journeys of four deaf entertainers. Playing through April 1 at Laemmle Sunset 5 in L.A., 8000 Sunset Blvd., 310 478-3836. Details at: www.seewhatimsayingmovie.com/

HLAA Night: Come see the show with other HLAA members **Friday, March 26, 7:30pm.** A captioned Q&A with cast member TL Forsberg and director Hilari Scarl will follow, and Rhianon Gutierrez will discuss HLAA. Group tickets are \$8, but we need at least 10 people!

Annual HLA-LA Garage Sale, Saturday, April 17

at Katherine and Danny's in Glendale, 1200 Alameda Ave. Start your spring cleaning by putting aside items for next month's garage sale. Not only is this a successful fundraiser that always exceeds our expectations, it's truly a fun-filled day, especially with Danny manning the grill! We'll post info on the Yahoo list soon on how to drop off items or help out at the sale.

Sign Language & Interpreting Conference, Apr 30 - May 1

Anaheim Convention Center. www.ohsoez.com/sign_celebration/sign_celeb_home.htm

California Walk4Hearing 2010, May 22 in San Francisco

Plan a perfect weekend getaway by joining the Walk4Hearing San Francisco, taking place in beautiful Crissy Field. Check in at 9 am in East Parking Lot, Walk starts at 10 am. If you can't make the trip, consider making a donation. Visit walk4hearing.org or on Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/Walk4Hearing-San-Francisco/363310954715?created&v=wall

HLAA Convention 2010: June 17-20 in Milwaukee

Still deciding whether to go? Take a look at the schedule of 40-plus workshops planned: www.hearingloss.org/convention/2010Convention/docs/Workshop_Schedule.pdf
Registration discounts for first-time attendees, Midwest airlines travelers, and volunteers working 8 hours or more. More info at www.hearingloss.org/convention/index.asp

Ahmanson Theatre Open-Captioned Shows

Apr 3: Dreamgirls • May 15: Alfred Hitchcock's The 39 Steps • July 3: South Pacific; All shows at 2pm. www.centertheatretroupe.org/projectdate; 213.628.2772, TTY 213.680.4017

Tip of the Month - For Bilateral Cochlear Implant Users

(Posted by HLA-LA members) To prevent mixing up your processors: Order them in different colors, OR mark the inside of the each processor with a dot of white paint or liquid paper.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/3: Sue Ratliff; 4/4: Grace Tiessen; 4/10: Pam Hogan; 4/11: Katie Lovato; 4/14: Rick Pealer
AND HAPPY 5TH ANNIVERSARY TO KATHERINE AND DANNY ON THE 30TH!