



Have you Heard?

HLAA-SBC.org

Next Chapter Meeting

Saturday, February 8
Hearing Aids 101
10am - 12pm
Wood Glen Hall Library
3010 Foothill Road
Santa Barbara, Ca 93105

Come join us for in-depth discussion of today's hearing aids features and the various brands available with Donna Gilmartin, Audiologist and Chapter Advisor. . We will also talk about Affordable Health Care and it's impact on hearing aid coverage and the changing landscape of hearing aid purchases and cost.

Our meeting is captioned and our meeting room is Hearing Looped. Light refreshments available.

Directions to Wood Glen Hall

- From the 101, take the Mission Street exit and drive east toward the mountains.
- Travel four blocks, and turn left onto State Street.
- Drive about ¾ of a mile to the first light at Alamar Avenue.
- Turn right and drive about ½ mile to Foothill Road. Go through the traffic light , Wood Glen is the first building on the

Future Meetings

March 8– Let's Loop Santa Barbara (LLSB).

April 12– Emergency Preparedness for the Hard of Hearing.

May 10: Lip Reading Training (tentative)-

June 14: CapTel - Captioned telephones

July & August: No meetings

Upcoming Events

First Congressional Church– HLAA-SBC will be the speaking to the FCC's senior group meeting about hearing loss.

Date: Friday, February 7, 2014

Time: 10:30am-11:00am

Location: 2101 State Street, Santa Barbara

Cost: Free

Misc Info

CTAP

California Telephone Access Program (CTAP) Field Office

Where: Independent Living Resource Center at 423 West Victoria
When: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of every month

Time: 9-12 and 1-3.
 (805) 963-0595. No appointment needed. Visit CTAP website for an application
[http://ddtp.cpuc.ca.gov/uploadedFiles/New_Navigation_Structure/Applications/EnglishCertForm\(1\).pdf](http://ddtp.cpuc.ca.gov/uploadedFiles/New_Navigation_Structure/Applications/EnglishCertForm(1).pdf) or pick one up at our monthly chapter meeting.

Fundraising Programs

iGive.com– Hearing Loss Association of Santa Barbara.

Ink Cartridge Recycle Program:
 Bring your used ink cartridges to our monthly meetings .

Tax Deductible Donation

We are a non profit 501(3)(C) organization and all donations to our chapter are tax deductible. You can mail donations to:

HLAA, Santa Barbara Chapter
 c/o Mary Kohler
 PO Box 91
 Carpinteria, CA 93014

Or make PayPal donation via our website. <http://hlaa-sbc.org/donate/>

How to follow us:

Facebook: [Hearing Loss Association of America, Santa Barbara Chapter](#) .

Website: www.HLAA-SBC.org

Join HLAA

<http://www.hearingloss.org/content/join>.

HLAA-SBC is affiliated with the Hearing Loss Association of America, an international organization dedicated to opening the world of communication to people with hearing loss by providing information , education, support and advocacy. We are a non-profit and non-sectarian.

HLAA National and State News

February Webinar: .

Date: February 19, 2014

Time: 5pm - 6pm PST

Topic: How to Start a Hearing Loop Initiative in Your Community

Speaker: Juliëtte Sterkens

Juliëtte will provide practical suggestions about how to forge the support in your area, and will share her advocacy materials (PowerPoint slides, handouts and PDF files of articles written for and by audiologists on looping) via

Dropbox with each attendee, to help you be an educated hearing loop consumer and get your community in the loop!

<http://www.hearingloss.org/content/webinar-schedule>

HLAA Position Opening

National State and Chapter Coordinator. This role is HLAA's national office liaison for our 150+ chapters nationwide. The successful candidate will possess in-depth knowledge of issues related to hearing loss and must be strongly

committed to improving the life circumstances of those with hearing loss.

To learn more about this position or to apply, please go to:

<http://hearingloss.org/content/hlaa-position-opening>

Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting.

Matching Donation Opportunity

Dear Members,

As we begin the new year, our chapter leaders have been looking ahead on what we would like to accomplish in 2014, as well as how we will reach these goals financially. The last couple of years, we were very fortunate to have been able to operate on money raised through the Walk4Hearing, Caption Call refunds, and generous donations from many of our members.

These funds are now running low and we must look at fundraising opportunities to help raise the money needed to meet our mission, *to open the world of communication to people with a hearing loss by providing information, education, support and advocacy.*

In an effort to raise \$1,000, an anonymous member and supporter of our chapter has made a \$500 matching pledge. For every dollar donated to our chapter between now and March 31, this member will match that donation dollar for dollar. This is a wonderful opportunity, for all us, to double our donation and to partner with the HLAA, Santa Barbara Chapter in reaching its goals for 2014. No donation is too small.

I hope you will consider making a special donation to our chapter between now and March 31- knowing that the impact of your gift will double during this time.

Your generosity will support the following:

- ♥ captioning at our monthly meetings
- ♥ advertising and marketing efforts to reach the HOH in our community (including the printing and distribution of our chapter brochure)
- ♥ outreach costs, e.g. supplies needed when giving presentations and for the Senior Expo
- ♥ the monthly newsletter
- ♥ our website

Our chapter is a volunteer-only organization, so rest assured that 100% of your gift (and the matching gift) goes directly into our program and services.

We are a non-profit 501(3)(C) organization. All gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by the law.

Please see page one of this newsletter on how to make a tax deductible donation. Donations are also accepted at our chapter meetings at the sign-in table.

Thank you,

Cherie Alvarez, President