

Recent Events--June picnic

Just as we did last year, we traded our spring luncheon restaurant location for a cookout on Grey's Beach in Yarmouthport. Again, the weather was perfect. Marie McKay's son Bob and his friend Sal volunteered to cook and even brought his huge grill. We had a good crowd and everyone enjoyed themselves. Thank You to everyone who planned the event, to Bob and Sal for cooking, and those who brought extra food!

2012 CHAPTER DUES- form p. 3

Annual chapter dues are still only \$10. If you pay this fall, your dues will include the rest of 2011 and all of 2012. Or consider a LIFETIME membership at only \$100.

Looking for help!

Help identify meeting places with loops such as town halls, school auditoriums, libraries, and places of worship. We will publish lists by town to make life easier for us and our hard of hearing friends. To help, call Betty at 508-432-3948, email info@hearinglosscapecod.org or drop us a note.

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A man was telling his neighbor in Sandwich, "I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me \$4,000, but it is state of the art. It's perfect."

"Really!" answered the neighbor. "What kind is it?"

"Twelve thirty."

Upcoming Meetings: Everyone is welcome; you do not have to be a chapter member.

September 24th Meeting -- 10 am, coffee at 9:30.

"The Future is Now!

Advancements in Hearing Aid Technology"

Our speaker is **Perry Ebel, Ph.D., BC-HIS; vice president of Beltone New England.**

Dr. Ebel will discuss the history of hearing technology and then focus on recent advancements that have changed "hearing aids" in to "hearing systems." This would include the evolution of "digital" hearing aid technology-from the simple digital processing of 20 years ago to the advanced computer processing of today. Bluetooth and wireless technology for the phone and TV will be explained as well as advances in speech in noise, battery consumption, ease of use and cosmetic issues.

October 22 Meeting, 10 AM, coffee at 9:30 am

"Tinnitus: A Problem of Ear and Brain"

Our speaker is **Jennifer Melcher , Ph. D.**

Dr. Melcher is Associate Professor at Harvard Medical School and Mass. Eye and Ear Infirmary. She is a neuroscientist, not a medical doctor and has been studying hearing and the brain for over 20 years. Her research currently focusses on the clinical problem of tinnitus, the perception of sound in the absence of any source. She and her research group use a variety of approaches to understand both ear and brain function in people with tinnitus. She has recently returned from speaking at a national convention and is looking forward to sharing new research information with us. Live CART transcription for this meeting is provided by a grant from the Kelley Foundation. We thank them for their support.

Our Meeting Room

We meet at Dennis Public Library, 5 Hall Street, just off Route 28 in Dennisport where the meeting room is equipped with an induction loop that works with your hearing aid telecoil to bring sound directly to your ear. Headphones also available. Our meetings are captioned by CART Reporter Stefanie Farrell, who is just about 100% accurate. Her computer assisted real time translation is a pleasure to read!

web: www.dennispubliclibrary.org

In the News

A New York judge recently turned down a request by New York City government to take down all of its 15,000 alarm boxes. Reason is that it would prevent the deaf from using the box in emergencies.

--from deafdigest.com.

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MassRelay is a free service that allows communication between individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind or have difficulty speaking, and standard telephone users. The website is www.mass.gov/massrelay

Get out to the Movies

Foreign Film Series at Cape Cod Community College Tuesdays, at 3:30 pm. Call 508-362-2131, X4453 for info and mailing list www.capecod.edu/web/events/foreign-film-series

[Cape Cinema-www.capecinema.com](http://CapeCinema-www.capecinema.com)

Your Public Library: Brewster and Dennisport monthly movies shown in rooms with loops. OR, borrow captioned movies FREE at any local library. www.clamsnet.org

Here's a good one--MINE, the story of Katrina's rescued dogs

captionfish.com -- captioned, subtitled and/or described films by zip code. Regal Theater in Hyannis and Harwich has limited open caption.

Showtimes by email:

ncam.wgbh.org/receive-email-announcements

www.mopix.org

Assistive Equipment for hearing and sight loss

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Websites of Interest:

The Cape Cod Disability Access Directory,
<http://www.capecoddisability.org/>

News from Margaret P. in Arizona

I always said I wanted to live where there were 4 seasons. But since moving to AZ, I don't miss them at all. Before deciding to move here I looked at retirement places on the Cape, in Hingham, in Bucks Co. PA, and Philadelphia and this is the best. The hardest part was transferring everything from MA to AZ: new insurance, new licenses, physicians, lawyers etc. especially when I can't deal with them on the telephone (have to get birth certificate and marriage license etc.). I do have a Captel phone but I am not using it. When the phone rings, I don't know if it is a local call or Captel. If I answer the regular phone and it is Captel, I don't hear anything. If I answer Captel and it's my regular phone, I don't hear anything. The only other person here I know who uses one (sometimes) has it hooked up to his computer ...more aggravation.

So, if any of you are coming my way, I have a Hide a Bed in my living room. My son slept on it for a week, so it can't be too bad.

I hope you are all well and looking forward to a wonderful Autumn.

Love, Margaret

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Books on Hearing Loss by Arlene Romoff, President of the Hearing Loss Association of New Jersey (aromoff at aol.com)

Listening Closely: A Journey to Bilateral Hearing 2011

Hear Again — Back to Life with a Cochlear Implant 2000

Arlene began to lose her hearing as a teenager. When hearing aids no longer helped her, she had a cochlear implant.

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We are an official chapter of the National organization, The Hearing Loss Association of America. www.hearingloss.org

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Are you a new member of our chapter or someone flying under the radar for a while? Tell us about yourself and we will feature you in an upcoming issue.



Have you joined the group yet? Pay 2012 dues now!

Send 2012 dues (still \$10 annually each person or LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP \$100); send business cards for ads (\$75 includes chapter dues) and check made out to Hearing Loss Association, Cape Cod Chapter to:

Marita Cable, 7 Spruce Street, South Yarmouth, MA 02664

consider a tax deductible donation to help help fund CART or other projects.

IF your town does not have CART at Town Meeting, contact the Clerk or Disability Access Committee to request it! Many towns now DO provide CART.



Next month CAPE EARS will feature information on tinnitus and hyperacusis.. Tinnitus is ringing in the ears, while hyperacusis causes all sounds to be too loud. If you have one or both of these conditions, we would like to hear from you. Please email the newsletter at info@hearinglosscapecod.org so we can write an article for the next issue.. Your humble editor has a constant teakettle whistling, another board member has a rumbling truck in her head at times. What sounds are in your head and how do you deal with them? Lots of info at the Hyperacusis Network.

www.hyperacusis.net

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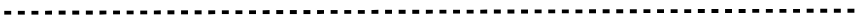
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Comments: Special Interests or committees you want to join

Amount Enclosed: _____ number of members: _____



Thank You

Thank you to all the hard working volunteers who make our organization so successful. We are ALL volunteers, with NO paid staff. If you have a suggestion, please let us know. Suggestions are always welcome.

Thank you to the Kelley Foundation which provided the funds for live CART for our October meeting. If you know anyone with tinnitus, please bring them to the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thanks also to our advertisers and supporters who help to spread the word about our educational and outreach goals.

Remember you are not alone. There are millions of people out there with hearing problems and lots more who don't ADMIT they have a problem.

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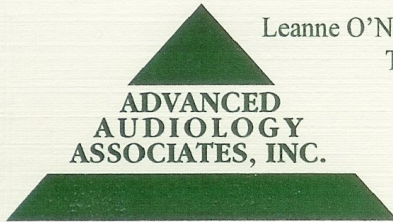


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