



Hearing Loss Association of Snohomish County

Hearing loss information,
education, support
and advocacy

The Official Hearing Loss Association of Snohomish County Newsletter

A 501c3 Non-profit

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In Memory of Chauncey Christofferson

Our long time member and friend Chauncey Christofferson passed away February 27, 2010 at the age of 98. He faithfully served our chapter in many different ways, always with his wonderful smile. We will miss this great man, but we know he is now smiling with his beloved Jesus.

Have you paid your annual **dues** to HLA and your Hearing Loss Association of Snohomish County? If not then consider this a gentle reminder that we are an entirely volunteer nonprofit organization dependent on these funds and donations to remain viable. If you have forgotten the anniversary date of your renewal please see Treasurer Marion Davis or Registrar Cibyl Kumagai. There is a renewal /membership form on the last page of every newsletter with information, instructions and our chapter address.

Another very important thing to remember is the *Annual Chapter Potluck Party* and video on *June 17th*!

As you think of the wonderful food you'll bring; please check out our updated website <http://www.snocohearingloss.org>

You Are Invited to a chapter Backyard BBQ at the home of Cibyl Kumagai on **July 17, 2010**. Friends and families are welcome. The adjacent Willis Tucker Park has many attractions for kids. If the weather is warm the water feature will be going strong. Please bring a Potluck item to share for lunch. Your RSVP to the chapter email hla_snoco@hotmail.com or 425-379-2833 will be *greatly appreciated*. **Please bring folding chairs if you have them.**

Department of Vocational Rehabilitation is preparing its 2011 State Plan annual update and invites your comments. An update of the State Plan must be submitted to the federal Rehabilitation Services Administration by June 30, 2010, to assure that all VR program requirements are being met. It also identifies DSHS / DVR's accomplishments over the past year and priorities for the coming year. Your feedback and suggestions are welcomed. You can attend a Public Forum in the DVR conference room on May 17th from 9-11am at: DVR Lynnwood, 20311 52nd Ave W #200, Lynnwood, WA For more information visit: <http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dvr/About/DraftStatePlan.aspx> Or contact Phyllis Hansen, 360-725-3666, hansep@dshs.wa.gov.

This up coming General Meeting:
May 15, 2010 11:00 am — 1:00 pm
at

Providence Regional Medical Center Everett
916 Pacific Avenue, Everett, WA



in the Monte Cristo Room ABC
Across from the Cafeteria

Please feel free to bring something to share for our light refreshments table.

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Proudly Presents

Jacqui Metzger, MSW

"Magic solutions for dealing with hearing loss? Maybe..."

I plan to have a conversation with members (and friends) of the Hearing Loss Association of Snohomish County and talk about our common experience - living with hearing loss. We will laugh, roll our eyes, clap, cheer and maybe even dab a tear or two as we talk together. But talking about these experiences will only be part of the conversation - the other critical piece will be discussing "what to do"???

I've had hearing loss all my life. I have lots of experience with communication "gone south", missing what was being talked about, and feeling bad about it. It was when I met Sam Trychin in 1987 that I realized for the first time that I could DO something to impact my situation. I've taken what he taught me and have worked with many hard-of-hearing people to develop more effective communication skills and coping strategies. We'll be doing some creative thinking, problem solving and other magic. Hope you'll join us.

There will be "real time captioning" so all can follow the discussion.



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Hearing Loss Association of Snohomish County meets monthly on the third Saturday from September through June. We need your support to keep our chapter functioning. With your Annual Chapter Support Fee, we can continue to supply information, education, support and advocacy to people who are hard of hearing, their families and friends.

Chapter Support Fee

\$13 per person or \$15 per family (please check one)
 New Membership or Renewal (please check one)

HLAA Membership

\$35 HLAA individual \$60 Professional membership
 This includes the "Hearing Loss Magazine" plus other benefits.

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