

Top 10 Reasons to Join the WESTCHESTER CHAPTER

The Hearing Loss Association of America Westchester Chapter opens the world of communication for the 20% of county population people with hearing loss in our community through education, advocacy and support.

We offer:

1. Information

Our chapter meetings are a resource for how to live successfully with hearing loss.

2. Education

The expert and experienced speakers at our regular chapter meetings will teach you how to best manage your hearing loss and improve your listening skills to live a more active lifestyle.

3. Support

Through the experience of other members, you will learn how to get the best treatment, as well as the latest techniques that can improve your listening beyond what a hearing aid alone can offer.

4. Mentoring

Hearing loss affects everyone including your family, friends and co-workers, and we invite you to bring your partners to a meeting or to arrange a private counseling session to help improve communications.

5. Latest Technologies

You will learn about the latest developments in hearing aids, implants, assistive devices, communication access, smart phone apps and much more that can enhance your hearing.

6. Access to the Community

Learn about the movie theatres in our community, which offer new captioning systems and other venues such as Greenburgh Public Library which offer a hearing loop. Also learn how to advocate for more.

7. Social Connections

At our chapter, you will meet many others like yourself, whether you have hearing loss or are supporting someone with a loss. You need not face hearing loss alone.

8. Access to Other Resources

We are your gateway to many resources, such as how to manage the cost of hearing aids, the state's relay phone program which offers free amplified and captioned phones and so much more.

9. Self-Help

At Westchester Chapter, we learn to advocate for ourselves at home, work and in the community, by mastering the simple tools that can help guide all the people we encounter to deliver our communication needs.

10. Staying Tuned

New technological advances in hearing devices, treatment procedures, support tools, preventive and curative developments are occurring at a more rapid rate than ever before. HLAA and Westchester Chapter remain your best source to keep pace, so you continue to get the most out of your hearing.



Meetings Supported by Loop and CART

At our chapter meetings you should not miss a word as we offer two communication access systems. The hearing loop system sends the voice of the speaker from the microphone into one's hearing aid. CART (see left photo) or Communication Access Real-time Translations types every spoken word onto a screen.



To learn more about our chapter:

Come to a Meeting: Every 1st Saturday of the month at 1:00, except summer months **Location:** New York School for the Deaf, 555 Knollwood Road, White Plains or Greenburgh Public Library, 300 Main Street, Elmsford **Contact:** Debbie Dolgin Wolfe <u>deborahdwolfe@gmail.com</u> 845-368-0968