



**Hearing Loss Association of America**  
Los Angeles Chapter

# CHAPTER NEWS AND NOTES

## November / December 2015

### CHAPTER MEETINGS

HEAR Center, 301 E. Del Mar Blvd., Pasadena  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm (Doors open at 9:30 for social time; meetings start at 10:00 sharp.)  
Meetings are captioned, looped and free of charge.

#### Saturday, November 21:

(Note: this is the 3rd Saturday of the month due to Thanksgiving)

#### THANKSGIVING RAP SESSION AND POTLUCK: SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS WITH HEARING LOSS

Our annual HLA-LA tradition continues, as we'll share tips and gripes about coping with the holidays with hearing loss. Come ready to rap and to EAT! Feel free to bring food to share for our potluck lunch after the meeting.

PLUS, we'll meet the new Hard-of-Hearing Specialist at GLAD (Greater L.A. Agency on Deafness): Kate Thompson!

#### December: NO MEETING!

Instead, we'll have an evening holiday party on December 12. See details to right.

#### January 23, 2016: TBA

**WE MEET THE 4th SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH** (except May & December. November's meeting is often on the 3rd Saturday.)

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### HLAA-LA Holiday Party, Saturday, December 12

Nancy Gray is graciously hosting this year's event, at **4326 Countrymeadow St., Moorpark 93021**. Arrive anytime after 4 pm; guests arriving at 4 pm can help with set-up. Dinner will be served around 5:30 pm. The chapter will provide the main entree, along with Mitzi Shpak's famous roast turkey. Non-alcoholic beverages will be available as well. Please bring appetizers/side dishes, desserts and/or drinks to share. After dinner, we'll have our fun-filled "White Elephant" gift exchange, so bring a gift (old or new) to participate. Please RSVP to the Yahoo group, with the number of guests and dish you will bring.

Directions: Take the 118 towards Simi Valley, continue on the 23 South, take exit 19 for Tierra Rejada Rd. Continue on Tierra Rejada to 4326 Countrymeadow St.

### HLAA Founder's Day - November 29

HLAA Founder's Day is a time to remember Founder Rocky Stone and the beginning of this wonderful organization. To read more about Rocky Stone and the history of HLA, go to: [www.hearingloss.org/about-us/founder](http://www.hearingloss.org/about-us/founder). To make a donation to HLA in honor of this occasion, go to: [www.hearingloss.org/content/make-donation-online](http://www.hearingloss.org/content/make-donation-online)

### 2016 HLA National Convention - Start Planning Now!

Washington DC will be host to the HLA Convention 2016 and the 2013 Congress of the International Federation of Hard of Hearing People (IFHOH), June 23-26, 2016. With attendees from all over the world, the convention will feature 50+ workshops, a research symposium moderated by renowned Johns Hopkins researcher Frank Lin, and several social events. Take advantage of early-bird registration discounts now through January 31, 2016: <http://hearingloss.org/content/registration>. Both HLA and IFHOH are offering scholarships this year - check out eligibility and application details at: <http://hearingloss.org/content/convention-scholarships>. We will continue to post convention updates in the months to come, so stay tuned!

### Open-Captioned Live Performances

**Ahmanson Theatre:** Call Audience Services at 213.628.2772 or buy tickets at: [www.centertheatregroup.org/tickets/project-date-performances](http://www.centertheatregroup.org/tickets/project-date-performances)

**Griot Theatre:** [www.griottheatre.org](http://www.griottheatre.org)

**Grammy Museum:** Email [pgarces@grammymuseum.org](mailto:pgarces@grammymuseum.org)

**Hollywood Bowl:** 323.850.2125 (Ask for Dept. 12, Section K3).

See schedule at [www.hollywoodbowl.com/tickets/calendar-fullseason](http://www.hollywoodbowl.com/tickets/calendar-fullseason)

**LA Master Chorale at Walt Disney Music Hall:**

Request captions 8 weeks before date of show by phone: 213 972-7282 or email: [tickets@lamc.org](mailto:tickets@lamc.org). Website: [www.lamc.org/box-office/accessibility](http://www.lamc.org/box-office/accessibility)

**Pantages Theater:** <http://hollywoodpantages.com/accessibility>

**Segerstrom Center:** [www.scfta.org/access](http://www.scfta.org/access); [RMatuska@SCFTA.org](mailto:RMatuska@SCFTA.org)

### December/January Celebrations

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Mary Smith (12/19), David Epstein (12/22), Tom Farrell (12/23), Danny Tubbs (12/27), Willy Stern (1/2), Ruth Pealer (1/12), Gail Homan (1/18), Linda Lawson (1/21), Sandy Goodwick (1/22), Kenny Hobson (1/24), Stephanie Stansell (1/25), & Chloe Parent (1/26)!

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

Dan and Mary Smith (12/26) & Jim and Pam Hogan (1/7)!

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