

## HLAA-Rochester Chapter

The Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) was established in 1979 with the mission to make hearing loss an issue of national concern. HLAA Chapters are supportive organizations where people with all degrees of hearing loss come together to share and learn—and where it's okay not to hear well. Rochester Chapter members meet regularly in a supportive environment to discuss common concerns surrounding the challenges of living with hearing loss, while collectively developing programs to enhance our quality of life. HLAA opens the world of communication to people with hearing loss through support, education and advocacy.

*I received the HLAA newsletter for three years before I finally drove in to attend a meeting. I instantly met a “family” of people with hearing loss issues like myself. I wish I had started attending the monthly meetings sooner!* — GAIL CLAY



*I have been a member of HLAA since 1985. The monthly program speakers are always outstanding. But it's the friends I have made—and my respect for them in terms of their coping skills and desire to hear the best they can—that have made a difference in my life.* —BRIAN FOX

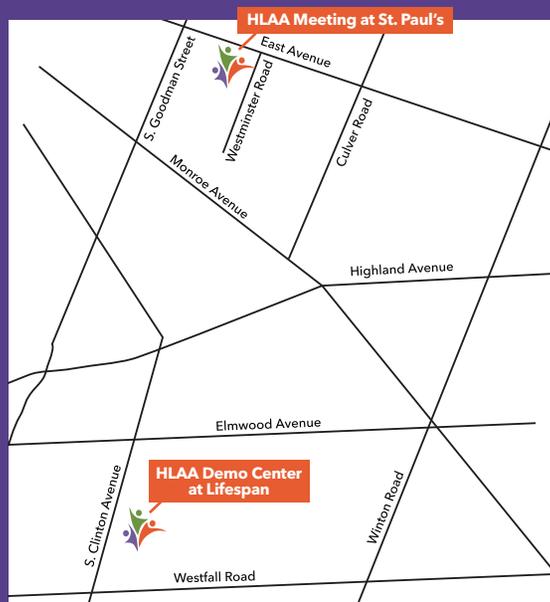
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## Come to an HLAA meeting!

Chapter meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month (September through June) at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 25 Westminster Road at East Avenue in Rochester, New York. Details at [HearingLossRochester.org](http://HearingLossRochester.org)

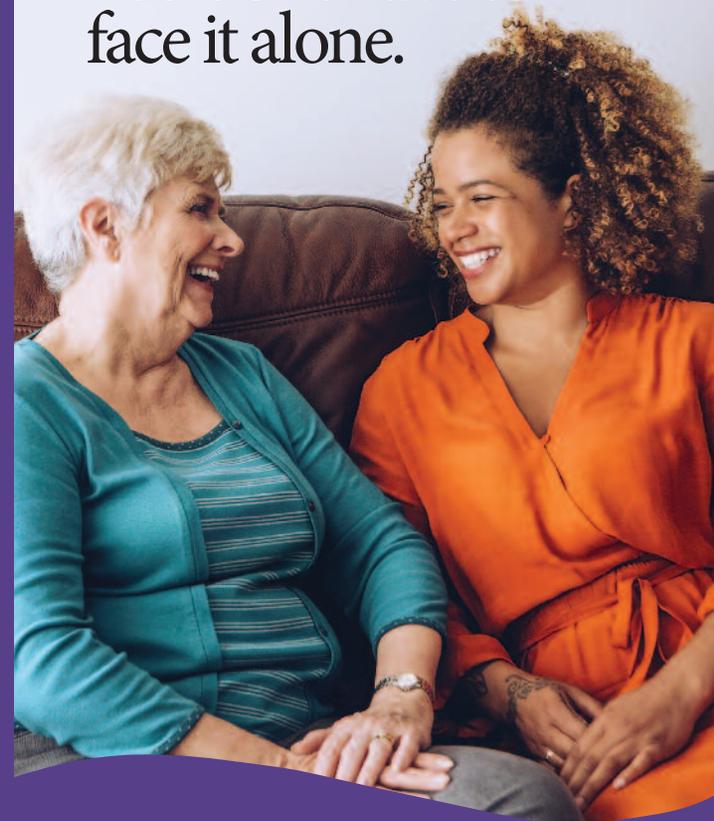
## Visit our Demo Center.

Open the 3rd Thursday of each month (September through June), the Demo Center is located at Lifespan, 1900 S. Clinton Avenue (Tops plaza) in Rochester, New York. Details at [HearingLossRochester.org](http://HearingLossRochester.org)



# Hearing Loss

You don't have to face it alone.



*HLAA helped me learn to cope with my hearing loss. I didn't expect to gain friends in the process, but I did!*



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-  Are you having trouble hearing on the phone?
-  Does your family complain about the volume of your TV?
-  Are you bluffing about being able to hear well at social events?
-  Are you afraid to reveal your hearing loss?



## Become a Member!

HLAA-Rochester Chapter is supported by donations and annual membership dues. By joining you support the work that benefits thousands of people with hearing loss in the Greater Rochester area, which includes you or someone you know.

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION HLAA ROCHESTER CHAPTER

Membership period runs from July 1 to June 30

### A few facts about hearing loss:

- One in six people in the U.S. has some degree of hearing loss.
- Seventy-five percent of people who could benefit from hearing aids are not wearing them.
- Sixteen percent of school-age children have a hearing loss.
- Sixty percent of people with hearing loss are between 21 and 65.

### Rochester's resource for people with hearing loss

The Rochester Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America is a valuable resource for people with hearing loss.

#### OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS PROVIDE:

- Opportunities to talk with others and learn coping strategies.
- Opportunities to explore the newest assistive options such as hearing aids, phones, cochlear implants, captioning & more.
- Education and advocacy about the laws that protect you against discrimination.
- HOPE (Hearing Other People's Experiences): A retired audiologist moderates perspectives on hearing loss and answers your questions.

### Our meetings are hearing accessible

(induction loop, captioning, interpreter provided by NTID for evening programs).

### Other HLAA Benefits:

- HLAA's monthly newsletter includes upcoming events, information and news about our daytime and evening educational programs.
- Our Demo Center for Assistive Listening Devices is open once a month (September to June) to show you the latest technology to improve your quality of life.
- Cochlear implant group meets on an ongoing basis for information and support.
- Hearing Accessibility and Looping: We promote the installation of communication systems (hearing loops, FM, infrared and open captioning) that make public places friendlier to those of us with hearing loss.
- Professional Advisory Committee (PAC): Our chapter relies on community professionals to provide counsel and guidance when needed.
- Featured Speaker Program: Hear from experts in the field about recent technological advances and the psychological implications of hearing loss for people and their families.

#### CHECK MEMBERSHIP TYPE:

- Individual One-Year Membership \$10
- Couple/Family One-Year Memberships \$20

Please also consider an additional charitable donation to HLAA.

(Acknowledgement is sent for donations only.)

- Friend \$25
- Supporting \$50
- Premium \$100
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Please make check payable to: HLAA-Rochester.

#### MAIL TO:

HLAA-Rochester, P.O. Box: 1002, Fairport, NY 14450

**NOTE:** Please let us know if you have a different mailing address for part of the year.

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