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February 2020 E-newsletter

Thanks for Celebrating 24 With Us! On to 25!

In February we celebrate love AND Child's Voice's birthday. In 1996, a group of parents wanted a listening and spoken language program for their children with hearing loss, so they started Child's Voice at a church in Elmhurst.

In the years since then, we have moved to Wood Dale and opened an audiology clinic. We also started an Early Intervention center in Chicago's Roscoe Village.

We have seen students return to their neighborhood schools, get involved in extracurricular activities, go to college, and get jobs. Some of our alumni start careers in deaf education or audiology, and one has even returned to Child's Voice as a teacher!

You are giving a child with hearing loss the chance to hear and to learn language. Because of you, a child will experience success in education and a lifetime of engagement with their community.

[See all the love and good wishes from February.](#)



Visionary Voices: Words from Dr. Michele

On February 14, we celebrated Child's Voice's birthday. We had cupcakes and sang songs and then I quizzed the students on various facts about Child's Voice.

[Read more here.](#)

Register Now for Our Golf Outing

Tee off and raise your voice for children with hearing loss! [Register now](#) for our annual golf outing on Tuesday, June 9 at [Arrowhead Golf Club](#) in Wheaton. Join us for 18 holes, lunch and dinner, on-course contests, a helicopter ball drop, alumni speakers, and more!

Illinois Hands & Voices

Mom's Night Inn

April 25-26, 2020
Sheraton Hotel Lisle/Naperville

WHAT IS MOM'S NIGHT INN?

- An overnight retreat for moms or female caregivers who are raising children of ALL ages who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing.
- A place to meet and share experiences with other moms who are on a similar journey.
- Play games and laugh!
- Eat a hot dinner – SITTING DOWN!
- Get pampered with a manicure and chair massage.
- Listen to Key-Note speaker, the amazing Tina Childress.
- Eat CHOCOLATE/SUGAR!
- Eat a complimentary breakfast while SITTING DOWN!
- Sunday - Learn first-hand from a panel of people who have experienced a similar journey.



REGISTER TODAY!

Registration Rates

Members:

- \$ 95 shared room
- \$ 145 private room

NonMembers:

- \$ 115 shared room
- \$ 165 private room

Scholarships are available to first time attendees, contact us at: illhandsandvoices@gmail.com For an application.

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SOME
"ME TIME"

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Staff News

Director of Audiology Dr. Dawn Violetto, audiologist Dr. Paige Stabrawa and Director of Development Kate Bousum will all be presenting at the American Speech, Language, and Hearing Association's Early Hearing Detection and Intervention conference in early March.



Lead Teacher Anna Tess recently presented at the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) conference (pictured). Her topic was providing structured teaching for students with hearing loss and additional disabilities.



Meet Joss and Register for the Walk for Hearing

The Hearing Loss Association of America has **teamed up** with American Girl to introduce Joss, the 2020 Girl of the Year! Joss, who was born deaf in her left ear and wears a hearing aid in her right, is a competitive athlete who continues to achieve new heights. Joss shows children the importance of pushing past stereotypes, trying new things, and being a good team player. You can register now and join Child's Voice at the [Chicago Walk4Hearing](#).

Children ages 5-12 who register for the Walk4Hearing can enter the [Walk with Joss Kids Contest](#). Tell American Girl and HLAA why you want to walk with Joss! Winners will get a Joss doll complete with accessories.



Parents, remember that you are always welcome to attend our Parent Association meetings that occur a half hour before Pizza Lunch! We'd love everyone's help. This is a great way to get involved with Child's Voice and to fulfill your parent commitment!



MED-EL Parent Education Series

March 12, 6:30 p.m.

Parents of children learning to listen are invited to this workshop series. Each night will cover a different topic that will enhance your understanding.

Are You Following Us?

Be sure you're following our social media sites to see the latest news, photos and fun updates from Child's Voice, including updates on our programs and wonderful photos of our students!



Help Change the Life of a Child With Hearing Loss



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