



January 2023 Newsletter

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12484, Oakland, CA 94604-2484. See the back page to sign up and support National HLAA.

We hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season!

On January 14 our speaker will be: David M. Grey is principal at Grey & Grey, a law firm that provides representation to students with disabilities. Dave has extensive experience representing Deaf and hard of hearing students (DHOH), mostly in cases that involve challenging the child’s school district’s failure to provide adequate special education support or accommodations. Dave will talk about issues that arise for educating DHOH students, how they can be supported and accommodated at school, and the difficulties sometimes faced in having their needs at school met. **Social time: 9:30 a.m. Meeting begins: 10 a.m.**



Register for this free event [HERE](#). Or use this link if you are getting a hard copy of the newsletter: <https://www.hearinglosseb.org/monthly-meetings-1>. After you register, you’ll be sent the link to join the meeting. Consider staying after the meeting for AfterWords – a chance to ask more in-depth questions, as well as discuss anything you want with fellow members!

HLAA-EB posts our newsletters to the California State Association webpage and a link on our website. VOLUNTEER! Contact us to let us know you are available! Check out our website at: <http://www.hearinglosseb.org/> Contact us at: info@hearinglosseb.org



2023
CONVENTION
New Orleans, LA
June 29 - July 1, 2023

HLAA2023 Convention will be in New Orleans, Louisiana!!! Meet other members from around the country and hear the latest info! Any interest in attending? More information at hearingloss.org. Our chapter is accepting applications for a chance to subsidize your trip!

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR HEARING LOSS IN SCHOOLS

January 14, 2023 On Zoom

9:30 am

Meet & Greet

10-11:30

Program

11:45 (apx.)

AfterWords (open discussion)

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Principal
Grey & Grey Law Firm

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Register at our website for this free January
Zoom Program:

www.hearinglosseb.org

Hearing Loop Locations Now Available on Google Maps!

By HLAA Communications
Hearing Loss Association of America



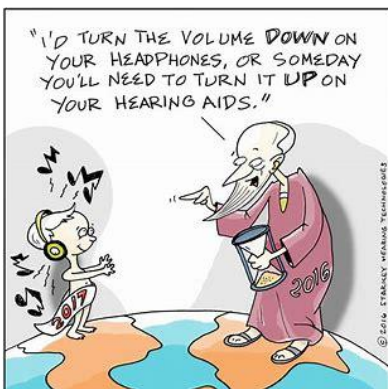
By Cheri Perazzoli, Get in the Hearing Loop Program, volunteer committee chair

Thanks to a joint effort by HLAA's Get in the Hearing Loop (GITHL) program and Google, you can now use the Google Maps app to find out before you go if a hearing loop is available at a business or venue. At the request of the HLAA GITHL committee, Google has recently added Assistive Hearing Loop as an accessibility attribute in Google Maps. Having easy access to hearing loop locations will help millions of people with hearing loss find communication access when they venture out. GITHL is helping Google Maps add loop locations to its database, and venues can also update their profiles with this information.

How to Access the Google Maps Hearing Loop Accessibility Feature

- On a smartphone, open a Google Maps listing, under the photos, scroll to the right to find the "About" tab. Then click on "About" and scroll down to reveal the Accessibility Attribute; it will be listed under details.
- On a computer, open a Google Maps listing and click on the right arrow next to the location description.

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COSTS: Regular Membership/year (will receive *Hearing Life* magazine in print and digital format):

Individual - \$45; Couple/Family - \$55; Professional - \$80; Nonprofit - \$80;

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