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Welcome to E-Echoes

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E-Echoes is our online newsletter sent to keep in touch with patients, families and professionals. E-Echoes will feature updates and important information in the following sections: [The Ear Institute @ The New York Eye & Ear Infirmary](#), [New Developments in Treatment & Technology](#), [CE Courses for Professionals](#) and [Workshops for Patients and Their Families](#). Please forward to family, friends & colleagues who wish to stay informed.

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The Children's Hearing Institute Sponsored Events Join the Fun!!

Join CHI's Walk Team

The Children's Hearing Institute is proud to sponsor a Walk Team in support of the Hearing Loss Association of America's WALK4HEARING. Adults and children of all ages are invited to join patients, friends and families as we walk together to end the stigma of hearing loss and help provide support and resources for hearing loss prevention and awareness programs.



The Walk4Hearing will be held on **Sunday, September 30th** at **Riverside Park in NYC** (West 83rd St & Riverside Drive). **Registration begins at 9:00am/Walk Starts at 10:00am.**

If you are interested in joining or would like to donate in support of our Walk Team, please visit [The Children's Hearing Institute's Team Page](#) or contact Myrna Farrell at 646-438-7819, Email: mfarrell@nyee.edu.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME!!

CHI To Sponsor Deaf & Hard of Hearing Awareness Day at Citifield

The Children's Hearing Institute is proud to announce their partnership with the New York Mets in sponsoring the **Deaf and Hard of Hearing Awareness Day** at Citifield. On **Saturday, September**



22, 2012, CHI will provide over 800 tickets for deaf and hard of hearing children to attend the game against the Miami Marlins. If you are interested in obtaining tickets for your deaf or hard of hearing program/school and be part of this special day, please contact The Children's Hearing Institute: Tel: 646-438-7819/Email: mwillis@nyee.edu

The Children's Hearing Institute's Educational Outreach Program For Professionals

This program has been established to increase the learning opportunities for professionals who work with children with hearing loss. CHI is an Accredited Provider by ASHA, AAA, & The AG BELL Academy for Listening and Spoken Language Specialists (LSLS).

UPCOMING CE COURSES- FALL/WINTER 2012

Mark Your Calendars!

Late Fall 2012

TBD

[Cochlear Implants 101 - A Hands On Workshop \(CE Course\)](#)

A basic cochlear implant course for SLPs, Audiologists, TODs & Administrators. Topics include Candidacy, HAs to CIs, CI Device Options, Programming, Accessories, Post-CI Auditory Therapy, and Post-CI Educational Considerations. Ear Institute - New York Eye & Ear Infirmary - [View Course Flyer](#)
If you are interested in attending please contact Myrna at Mfarrell@nyee.edu

NEW! - Limited Seating

10/05/12 [Optimizing Auditory Skill Development Through Partnership: \(3 Day Course\)](#)

11/02/12 [Parents, Teachers & Peers - Intensive - Hands on Therapy Techniques](#)

12/07/12 A course to facilitate a level of understanding and competency in designing and implementing functional listening activities across the age-levels.

Ear Institute, New York Eye & Ear Infirmary - NYC (380 Second Avenue - 9th Fl)

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NEW! - Registration includes SIM Manual/15 Week Lesson Plan & DVD of Movements

Beth Israel Medical Center - 2nd Floor Conference Center

10/27/12 [SOUNDS IN MOTION and its Applications](#)

Learn about Sounds in Motion applications as it is applied to children with hearing and learning disabilities as well as in the regular education classroom.

SIM is a unique phonemic awareness and early literacy tool that utilizes body movements to develop the perception and production of speech sounds.

[VIEW FULL BROCHURE](#) [Click Here to Register Now](#)

NEW - COUNSELING WORKSHOP - ATTENTION Parents & Professionals

10/30/12 [The Care Project with Johnnie Sexton](#)

The CARE Project focuses on the emotional counseling needs of parents/families with children who are deaf and hard of hearing (as well as other challenges).

Beth Israel Medical Center - 2nd Floor Conference Center

**Discount for Parents of Children with Hearing loss. [View Brochure](#)

(To Pre-register - call 646-438-7819)

NEW - CASLLS: BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!!

11/05/12 [CASLLS: Cottage Acquisition Scales for Listening, Language & Speech](#)

A set of criterion-referenced instruments designed to help teachers and therapists assess, monitor, and select objectives for planning instruction to promote the language acquisition of children with hearing loss.

Beth Israel Medical Center - 2nd Floor Conference Center

To pre-register, please contact Myrna at mfarrell@nyee.edu or 646-438-7819

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Fall 2012 - Limited Seating**TBD [Audiology 101 - A Hands on Workshop\(CE Course\)](#)**

A basic audiology course with topics to include: Understanding hearing loss, types of hearing tests, hearing aids, FM systems, cochlear implants, and family centered care for the hearing impaired child.

The Ear Institute - NYC 9:00am-3:00pm (To register contact 646-438-7819)

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To register online or view full brochures please visit our website at www.childrenshearing.org
For more information contact Myrna Farrell at 646-438-7819 mfarrell@nyee.edu



Keep It Hear!

Teen creates Hearing Loss Awareness Campaign

So why, you ask, is protecting your hearing so important to Mikaella? The answer is simple. She has personally experienced noise induced hearing loss (NIHL). NIHL is hearing loss caused by brief exposure to extremely loud sounds or consistent exposure to moderately loud sounds. This means that exposure to a one-time intense sound such as an explosion or exposure to loud music being played at a concert over a period of time can cause NIHL.

A few years ago, Mikaella attended a concert (a Jonas Brothers concert, for those of you wondering.) The music seemed loud but nothing out of the ordinary for a concert. She thoroughly enjoyed every second of the concert, unaware of the risk that she could have been causing damage to her ears. As she exited the arena and the sound of shrieking girls and loud music began to die down, Mikaella noticed a strange ringing in her ears. The voices of people around her sounded muffled, distorted and unclear. The next morning, she had a hearing test and was told, to her bewilderment, that she had a noise induced hearing loss. Mikaella was told that there was a possibility that her hearing would never be restored. Luckily, after about 10 long and scary days, she regained her hearing.



Mikaella Bernstein
Founder, Keep It Hear

After this incident, Mikaella decided to start "**Keep It Hear.**" A hearing loss awareness campaign to educate teenagers about the dangers of noise induced hearing loss before they experience it and they, themselves, are faced with the scary possibility of never regaining their hearing. Her mission has become increasingly more important as technology is improving and loud noises are becoming crisper, cleaner and more common in our everyday lives. Mikaella's goal, as founder of "Keep It Hear" is to bring awareness of noise induced hearing loss to teenagers and to educate them about the proper safety precautions as well as the realization that you can listen to your iPod and enjoy concerts without posing a risk to your hearing. For more information on the potential dangers of listening to music at increased volume levels, please visit Mikaella's webpage at www.keepithear.com or her Facebook page at www.facebook.com/keepithear. She can also be contacted via email at keepithear@gmail.com

Mikaella Bernstein is a recent graduate of SAR High School in Riverdale, NY. She will be studying abroad at the Lindenbaum Seminary in Jerusalem next year, before returning to attend Columbia College in the fall of 2013. She currently resides in New Rochelle, NY with her parents and two siblings.

Young Professionals gather at Rare View to benefit The Children's Hearing Institute

In early June, over 200 dedicated Young Professionals of The Children's Hearing Institute mingled amongst friendly faces, both old and new, to show their support of children with hearing loss. The



evening was another spectacular success, and was filled with young, enthusiastic New Yorkers who serve as ambassadors of The Children's Hearing Institute, building awareness of CHI's mission among friends, coworkers, and professional and social acquaintances.

Under the leadership of this year's event co-chairs: Jason Boxer, Jordan Mandel and Lisa Weinberg, the dedicated Executive Committee was instrumental in securing Corporate/Individual Sponsors and Raffle Donations. On behalf of the Co-chairs and the committee, CHI is

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extremely grateful to acknowledge all who contributed to the success of the event: Rare Bar & Grill, Skinny Girl Cocktails, Riazul Premium Tequila, Empire Merchants, Weinberg Properties, Newbrook Capital, The Chasella Group, Dr. & Mrs. Simon Parisier, Dr. & Mrs. Ronald Hoffman, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Iscol, Mr. & Mrs. Mark Freidman, Merrill Lynch, Paul Jarrod Frank, MD, Criteo, The Vortex Group, LLC, The Spector Group, Phonak, RFR Holdings, W Hotel, Legacy Builders, Loews Corporation, Fisher Development Associates, Christine Valmy Salon, Empire Search Partners, The New York Mets/Wilpon Family, The Shubert Organization, The Glazier Group, Monkey Bar, Porter House New York.



A very special thank you to Douglas Boxer and Rare View for hosting our event to benefit The Children's Hearing Institute. The spectacular views of the NYC skyline and the professional service staff at Rare View continues to make this a first class event.

The Children's Hearing Institute is continually seeking new members from the professional community throughout the Greater New York area to serve on the Young Professional Committee. If you are interested in joining please contact Melissa Willis at 646-438-7858 or via email at mwillis@nyee.edu.

Attention Parents: Family Workshops

The Children's Hearing Institute's Educational Outreach Program

is proud to sponsor FREE workshops for children with hearing loss and their families.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

AG BELL - New York Chapter - FAMILY PICNIC

Sunday, September 23, 2012 - 11:00am-3:00pm (Rain or Shine)

Ridge Road Park - Pavilion 1
287 Ridge Road, Hartsdale, NY
Join us for food, drinks and games...

ATTENTION PARENTS: FREE WORKSHOP

Saturday, October 13, 2012

Rhineland Children's Center Saturday Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children and Teens

Any deaf or hard of hearing person ages 5-20 is welcome to enroll in this free recreational program. There is a support group for parents as well.

The program meets two Saturdays in the month.

Location: Rhineland Children's Center at 350 East 88th Street (Time: 10am-3pm)

Please visit www.rhinelandcenter.org or contact Jackie Kimball at jacquelinek@childrensaidsociety.org for more information.

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Helping Children Move From A World of Silence to A World of Sound!!

The Children's Hearing Institute is a nonprofit organization founded in 1983 by noted Otolaryngologist, Dr. Simon C. Parisier and his wife Elaine. Over the past 29 years, the Institute has dedicated itself to improving the lives of deaf and hard of hearing children and their families.

Hearing loss is America's number one birth defect and leading disability. A startling 28 million Americans have some degree of hearing loss, from mild to severe, and the number is expected to soar in the coming years reaching an astounding 78 million by 2030! With hearing loss increasingly recognized as a public health crisis, we count on philanthropy more than ever to enhance our research capabilities, expand our educational outreach, and further our innovative treatments for children.

To make a tax-deductible contribution in support of our mission - click "[HEAR](#)". For more information on our organization, please visit our website at www.childrenshearing.org.



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