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The Official Newsletter of the Iowa Hearing Association

Winter 2016

Mark Your Calendar



IHA Spring Conference

April 15-16, 2016

West Des Moines Sheraton
West Des Moines, IA



IHA Fall Conference

Sept. 16-17, 2016

West Des Moines Sheraton
West Des Moines, IA



IHS Conference

September 12-15, 2015

Orlando, FL

***Mark your
calendars now
and plan to attend***

From the President's Pen



Dear Members,

I am honored to begin my term as President of the Iowa Hearing Association. As I begin my 24th year as an Iowa Hearing Aid Dispenser, there have been many changes that our industry has seen. We will continue to be presented with new challenges and opportunities in the coming year.

Our outgoing President, Monica Dove, deserves a thank you for guiding the association. We are thankful Monica will continue to serve as an officer of the association. For our current members and prospective members, I want to assure you we will stay focused on remaining a beneficial partner to our members and we will also stay current with industry standards and requirements.

I continue to improve personally and professionally through my involvement in our association. I encourage each of you to consider your involvement. My goal is to keep an open communication platform. I want you to always feel that you are able to express your views and concerns with me and any of the board members. After all, our businesses are very unique with our patient relationships. It should be the same way with our association.

It is good to hear all members' thoughts, questions and comments. As an association it has never been more important that we all stay involved by networking with each other, allowing you to have the tools to better serve your patients, your industry, and your community. Communication is a valuable part of our association and our members have a wealth of knowledge from these long-term relationships. Priceless as the saying goes.

Thank you again for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your President. I'm excited about the next two years, and what it holds for us all as we partner to strengthen, preserve and grow our association.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Spring meeting April 15-16, 2016 at the Sheraton Hotel in West Des Moines.

Sincerely,
Helen Royer, President



Silent Auction at Spring Conference



Once again IHA will sponsor a silent auction at our Spring Conference. We ask members, vendors, and manufacturers to donate items for the silent auction.

Need ideas? Items donated last year included hearing aids, bluetooth speaker, gift baskets, one night at a national chain hotel, a national conference package with free registration and much, much more.

Participants enjoyed this event and bids brought our association revenues of \$2,356.00. The Silent Auction event was a success and will be a part of the 2016 Spring Conference.



Plan ahead! It's not too early to start considering what you may want to submit to the silent auction this year. For more information call the IHA office at 515-440-6057 or email apmsthenas@aol.com.

Career Opportunity

Mobile Care Source provides mobile dental services to Iowa nursing home residents and we are expanding our services in the Iowa City and Des Moines regional markets to include audiology.

We are looking to partner with qualified hearing aid specialists and audiologist.

Competitive pay including travel expenses,
part time flexible work schedule,
1-2 days per week.

Qualified candidates must have appropriate licenses and education.

Contact Rick Hartman at 330-819-5046 or e-mail at rick@mobilecaresource.com for more details.

Welcome New Members

Jill Belski
Cedar Rapids, IA

James Hanerhoff
Moline, IL



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IHA Spring
Conference and
Auction

April 15-16, 2016

Sheraton Hotel
West Des Moines

IHA Fall Conference

September 25 - 26, 2015

Sheraton Hotel • West Des Moines, IA



Bill Fletcher presenting a certificate of appreciation to Annette Redman for her two years of service as board member and education chair



Bill Fletcher presenting a plaque to outgoing president Monica Duve in appreciation for outstanding service as president for two years



IOWA HEARING ASSOCIATION
DISPENSER OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Nomination Form -

*Please submit this form by March 1, 2016 to IHA Office,
1001 Office Park Road, Suite 105, West Des Moines, IA 50265*

I wish to nominate the following person for Dispenser of the Year:

Nominee's Name _____ Business/Company _____

Address _____

Background on Nominee _____

Reasons for Nominating _____

Additional Outstanding Characteristics _____

Nomination submitted by: (Optional)

Name _____ Company or Business _____

Address _____ Signature _____

Need IHA Information?

Find conference
dates and registrations,
newsletters,
board members, members,
and more on the
Iowa Hearing Association
website:
iowahearingassociation.org

Support the Iowa Lions Hearing Aid Bank

Used hearing aids may be given
to your local Lions Club or mailed to:

Iowa Lions Club
c/o Chris Waring
924 Dohrmann Street, Jessup, IA 50648

All hearing aids are accepted with sincere appreciation.
(Your donation may be considered a tax deduction.)

Dispenser of the Year Nominations

Enclosed in this newsletter is a nomination form for the Dispenser of the Year Achievement Award, sponsored by IHA. If you wish to nominate someone, the name must be mailed by March 1, 2016, to the IHA Office at 1001 Office Park Road, Suite 105, West Des Moines, IA 50265. The committee will review the nominations and select the Dispenser of the Year. The award will be presented at the Conference.

Past Award Recipients

Each year at the Spring Conference a IHA member is chosen by his peers and receives the Dispenser of the Year Award. This award is presented in honor of outstanding characteristics and actions in the field of dispensing. The following people have been awarded Dispenser of the Year.

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| 1992 | Don White | 2004 | No Nominee |
| 1993 | Bob Klopp | 2005 | Leslie Whippen |
| 1994 | Larry Baker | 2006 | Annette Redman |
| 1995 | Ken Lowder | 2007 | Jeff Smith |
| 1996 | Jerry Smith | 2008 | Steve Sword |
| 1997 | Paul Woodard | 2009 | No Nomination |
| 1998 | Coral Jud | 2010 | Greg Moore |
| 1999 | Patti Stark | 2011 | Diane Kautzky |
| 2000 | Dave Nelson | 2012 | Dotty Walters |
| 2001 | Pat Gourley | 2013 | Monica Duve |
| 2002 | Dean Kayser | 2014 | Mike Smith |
| 2003 | Judy Smith | 2015 | Anne Nerison |

Fall 2015 Conference Exhibitors

A thank you goes to all exhibitors at our Fall Conference. They enhance our conference with introductions to updated products, knowledge of specialized areas, fun door prizes and sponsorship of our reception.

Audiology Systems

CaptionCall

Lions Bank/IHS

**Midwest Special
Instruments**

Miracell

Relay Iowa

Resound

Siemens

Starkey

Unitron

**Wells Fargo
Health Advantage**

Widex USA

Calibration at Spring Conference



What could be more convenient — you're not at work, and your audiometer needs to be calibrated — you attend the seminars and pick up your machine when the conference is over. Remember, you are required by the State Health Department to have your audiometers calibrated once a year. Bring your audiometers to the spring conference. Our thanks for this service provided by Midwest Special Instruments.

Plan to Attend IHA Spring Conference

April 15 - 16, 2016

West Des Moines Sheraton • West Des Moines, Iowa

❖ Continuing Education

❖ Speakers

❖ Professional Networking

❖ Trade Show

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