



## What's Happening Here!

We simply would not be able to provide the vital audiology and clinical services most needed in our community if it were not for your support. Thank you!

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## Agencies Partner To Raise Awareness About Hearing Health

### Monroe County Department of Public Health and RHSC Kick Off Year-Long Collaboration

On April 25th, the Monroe County Department of Public Health and Rochester Hearing and Speech Center announced a year-long partnership to educate residents about hearing protection, loss, and treatment.

As part of this initiative, [hearingtoday.org](http://hearingtoday.org) was co-developed to include a five-minute online hearing screener, hearing aid information, frequently asked questions about hearing health, and curated links to other resources.

Hearing loss is both a medical concern and a public health concern that can be addressed by promoting positive attitudes and behaviors.

View press release on our website - [Click Here](#)

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## Celebrating 100 Years | Let The Celebration Begin

### People - Places - Partnerships - #centennial journey

On May 22, 1922, Alice Howe Hatton, a lip-reading teacher in the Rochester Public Schools, called to order the first meeting of the League for the Hard of Hearing at the Women's City Club. The non-profit organization now known as Rochester Hearing and Speech Center, was born. (Courtesy of [https://www.libraryweb.org/~rochhist/vss\\_1993v552.pdf](https://www.libraryweb.org/~rochhist/vss_1993v552.pdf))

Fifty years later, in 1972, May was proclaimed Better Hearing and Speech Month in Rochester, New York. RHSC proudly represented the agency as the then Mayor, Steve May, signed the Certificate of Proclamation.

RHSC is enriched in history and continues to make new memories. [Find out more >>](#)

As part of our 100th Anniversary celebration, please share your RHSC memories and favorite moments by emailing us directly at [info@rhsc.org](mailto:info@rhsc.org).

## Roaring Twenties Centennial Gala | Save The Date

Saturday, September 10th @ 6 pm | Locust Hill Country Club

2022 is an exciting year for Rochester Hearing and Speech Center, and we want to share our excitement with you. Dust off your glad rags, grab your friends and be ready to put on the Ritz to support the children and families in the Greater Rochester area and surrounding communities. 1920s attire is encouraged but not required. (Black tie optional)

Locust Hill Country Club is the perfect location to host our event. We are expecting 300 attendees — VIPs, donors, and many others.

### Corporate Sponsorship Opportunities Available.

Please email Cassandra George Ramos for more information at [cgramos@rhsc.org](mailto:cgramos@rhsc.org).

More information to come. Tickets will be on sale soon! [Find out more >>](#)

## Paris Memorial Garden Rededication | In Memory of John Paris

Remembering John Paris, Executive Director from 1978-1990

On Thursday, May 12th Rochester Hearing and Speech Center remembered John Paris, former Executive Director from 1978 to 1990. With help from our friends at First American Equipment Finance, who cleaned, planted, and mulched this special place located at the Al Sigil building on Elmwood Avenue. John's family joined us, in addition to a few former staff members who worked for and loved him, which made for a lovely reunion.



## Meet Benjamin | Client Testimonial | Early Intervention

"Benjamin went from speaking a few words to communicating expressively in sentences by the end of his two-year speech journey!"

Benjamin had a limited vocabulary when he qualified for speech therapy with the Early Intervention program in 2019. We were lucky to have Christine work with our son for two years.

[About Benjamin >>](#)

## "Making A Difference" | Employee Recognition Program

Employees agency-wide have made a difference in how our agency has operated and have encouraged co-workers to do their best.

"Making a Difference" quarter two winners:

**March:** Amy Micali, Webster | **April:** [Tela Katz, Au.D., CCC-A](#)

\*May will be announced in our quarter three newsletter. [Open Positions >>](#)

## Why We Celebrate Better Hearing and Speech Month

May 2022 | "Connecting People"

Each May, activities during Better Hearing and Speech Month (BHSM) raise awareness about communication disorders and the opportunities the community has to learn more about life-altering treatments. This year's theme is "Connecting People." Rochester Hearing and Speech Center joins the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association to spread the word about the services provided by audiologists and speech-language pathologists.

Learn more about this national awareness month and download educational materials to share with your family and friends. Resources Available: Bookmarks, coloring pages, informational and Spanish-language materials. [Find out more >>](#)

Take our 5-Minute Online Hearing Screener - [Click Here](#)

### DID YOU KNOW!

- Regular exposure to sounds above 85dB (decibels), like lawn mowers and listening to music will cause gradual hearing loss in a significant number of individuals. Scheduling regular hearing exams, wearing hearing protection when you are around loud noises, and educating yourself on the effects of hearing loss are all important ways you can take care of your hearing. To learn more about preventive hearing loss, schedule a comprehensive hearing evaluation. [Contact Us >>](#)
- Speech and language disorders are among the most common disabilities for which students receive treatment services in schools - more than 1 million school children nationwide do so each year. Speech and language services in public schools are available to eligible students at no cost for families as part of the special education, under U.S. federal law (through the individuals With Disabilities Education Act, or IDEA). Speech-language pathologist (SLPs) help students in many different ways. To learn how RHSC can help and about early childhood evaluations, click the learn more button below. Other individual services available: occupational therapy, physical therapy and special education. [Find out more >>](#)

## RHSC In The News..



**RADIO | Fickle 93.3, Warm 101.3, and 94.1 The Zone**

Bob Russell, RHSC President & CEO, spoke with Dino Kay about our 100th Anniversary celebration on Stephens Media Group's Public Affair Show, Rochester Speaks.

Special guest Rachel Robach, an RHSC client, joined the conversation to share her hearing health and speech-language journey; and her experience working with RHSC from as a young child to adulthood.

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**TV | 13WHAM, Good Day Rochester**

We are excited to announce the co-launch of the [www.hearingtoday.org](http://www.hearingtoday.org) website with Monroe County, an online hearing health resource for the community, and partnership with the Monroe County Department of Public Health.

Bob Russell, RHSC President & CEO, also discussed our 100th anniversary and upcoming Gala celebration this Fall.

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**TV | 13WHAM, "Many Voices, Many Visions with Alexis Arnold"**

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## Communication For Life

We are the longest standing and most experienced provider of speech-language and hearing services. We are a non-for-profit agency serving the Greater Rochester community and surrounding areas.

Three Locations: Rochester/Brighton | Greece | Webster



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