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“What works for your child is what makes the choice right”



Member's Corner /

A Proud Volunteer!

Contributed by Connie Stevens



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Volunteer Tess Ruetten is proud of helping with distribution of the *Hands & Voices Communicator* and *The Wisconsin Communicator* to Hands & Voices members across the state of Wisconsin!

Tess inserts the smaller *Wisconsin Communicator* into the larger *Hands & Voices Communicator* newspaper. Then she places mailing labels and postage stamps on the front of each newspaper for the U.S. Post Office and delivery to members' mailboxes.

Thank you for your help, Tess! We appreciate it. Also, thanks to mom, Connie, for sharing Tess' proud story with us.

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Member's Corner /

Parents, Kids, and Professionals

Contribute to The Wisconsin Communicator

Share your successes in the world of deafness and hearing loss

What's the **best** thing that happened lately?
What makes you **happy, proud, or grateful**?
What challenge have you **overcome**?

In words. In pictures. Or both.

We will publish member contributions in our newsletter and on our social media platforms. (Like our page 1 story!)

Help us connect, share, and care
with our community of families and professionals across the state!

Your ideas might include:

- A picture of your child's artwork! (A beloved pet, new tech, self-portrait)
- Your child's most memorable signs or spoken words!
- Show or tell us about a success! Big or small. Child or adult.
- What gives you joy as a professional who works with our children?

*Email a document, photo, scan, or file to:
handsandvoiceswi@gmail.com

*Mail an image of your work (please no original artwork!) to:
WI Families for Hands & Voices
P.O. Box 9644
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Please include the following signed statement so we can share your work publicly:
I give permission to WI Families for Hands & Voices to release the attached written, pictorial, video, or photographic images on Hands & Voices media and marketing materials.

Note: Text may be edited for length or content prior to publication. Color images will convert to grayscale in print material. Individual written consent is required for all photo images of people.

WISCONSIN FAMILIES FOR HANDS & VOICES



SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC



HARRIET PARK in VERONA
SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 2019
11:30 am - 2:30 pm

Sign Language Interpreters available.

A special summer event!
Picnic lunch, covered shelter, play areas, conversation and fun
with families with children of all ages
who are Deaf, Deafblind, or Hard of Hearing!

Please bring a dish/beverage to pass!
Hot dogs, brats, buns & condiments provided.

Where: Harriet Park Shelter - 151 Mary Lou Street
Verona, WI 53593

When: Sunday, June 23, 2019
11:30 am - 2:30 pm



Questions / RSVP by June 16 to Karen Manning
krmanning1@gmail.com or 608/347-8457



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Want to get
together with other
families when the
weather gets
warmer?
Here are some
great
opportunities!



2019 Milwaukee Walk4Hearing



Come out and
walk with us to
make an impact!

No matter where you
are on your hearing
journey, on Walk day
you will feel
empowered.

Find out more at
walk4hearing.org

Saturday, May 11, 2019

Location:
Greenfield Park, Area #3A
2028 S 124th Street
West Allis, WI

Time:
9:00 a.m. Registration
10:00 a.m. Walk

Walk Chairs

Caroline Ludka, carolineludka@gmail.com
Becki Jump, msjump77@aol.com



**Families Have The
POWER
To Make A Difference!**

WI H&V Family Empowerment Micro-Grant

Wisconsin Families for Hands & Voices announces an exciting new opportunity for members to make a positive impact on Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Deafblind youth in your own community!

The Family Empowerment Micro-Grant gives members the chance to help develop social, communication, and leadership skills in young people in your area!

Awards up to \$500.

Two application rounds each year.
March 30 & September 30 deadlines.

Go to: www.handsandvoiceswi.org
for more details and an application.

Turn your great idea into reality!

**Renew Your
Membership or
Become a
Member Today!**

**2019
Hands & Voices WI
Membership**

Please circle one of the following:

- Parent of a deaf/HH child \$25.00
- Deaf /HH Adult \$25.00
- Student \$25.00
- Professional \$40.00
- Organization/agency \$75.00
- Additional Donation \$_____

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A Mug an Issue!



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have an ILU sticker?
If it does, you're a winner!!***

Look for the *I Love You* sticker in your newspaper.
Win a Hot & Cold Travel Mug!

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If you find a sticker, email us at:
handsandvoiceswi@gmail.com
Provide your contact info.
1-2 winners per issue!