

New Voice News

June, 2004

New Voice Club of Broward County
www.newvoiceclub.org

Main Meetings Held at the Margate Community Center
6199 NW 10th Street, Margate, FL

	12:00	1:00
4blks N of Atlantic Blvd-2blks W of 441	Therapy &	Meeting &

President's Message

Last minute change.

Matt Griffin, President of Griffin Laboratories, the makers of the Trutone and Solatone electrolarynges and the Tellitalk telephone, will be visiting us on Sunday the 27th. I have asked him to say a few words to our group.

We have had several requests to include informative articles in the newsletter. A good source on the Internet is "larynxlink.com", the website for the International Laryngectomee Association. Access this site and move down to "Reading Material". The IAL Newsletter and various club publications are available on their website. The New Voice Club News and the FLA News are available. Another source is "webwhispers.org". Their publication is Whispers on the Web and this can be accessed through the webwhispers.org site. If you would like to subscribe to the e-mail edition of Web Whispers you can join on this site. The e-mails are a wealth of information and if you have a particular problem, just post it on the web and you will get a zillion answers. If you personally have any articles you would like included in the newsletter, please send them to the President who is also the newsletter editor.

Finally, a delicate subject: Loaners. The club has a "loaner closet" of electronic talking devices under the custody of Earl Mogk. Earl has asked me to ask you to return loaners that are not your primary speaking device. Our normal limit is 90 days, but we

Next Margate Meeting
4th Sunday at Noon
June 27th

(the club) have tried to be flexible because some people have a hard time arranging for their own device. If you have an electrolarynx of your own, please don't keep your loaner as a backup. Our supply in the "closet" is getting low and we would appreciate the return of devices that are not absolutely necessary for your speaking ability. Even if they are broken we would like them back. Our network is wonderful, inside and outside of the club and we can get them fixed. We'll even pick them up. Call Earl (954-929-0136), Carl (954-472-0865) or Mike (954-236-0980). Thanks for your consideration



NEXT MEETING
Sunday
June
27th, 2004

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CLUB NEWS

Good News!! Our Webmaster, Larry Switzer, who has been undergoing chemo for a recurrence of cancer, reports the tumor has shown such remarkable shrinkage that the third in-hospital chemo session has been canceled, and the proposed IMRT treatments have been reduced from 30 to 20. The outlook is most hopeful for a complete remission.

Bob Kranz is recuperating at home after a very lengthy hospital stay. We all wish Bob a speedy recovery.

Mary Jane Renner was the guest speaker at our last meeting. Mary Jane's been a laryngectomee for 24 years and has worked with Head and Neck Surgery Associates (Blom-Singer) for 13 years as a family counselor. She is a past president of the IAL, has served on the staff of the IAL Voice Institute for 15 years, and has published and lectured extensively on laryngectomee rehabilitation and the psychosocial impact of cancer. Mary Jane speaks using a TEP and a hands free valve, but emphasized again and again that there is no one way for a laryngectomee to speak. She spoke about Drs. Blom and Singer and the enhancements made in their prostheses since the 1980s, and offered many suggestions for the use and care of the prosthesis. After the meeting, she supplied several samples of InHealth products and then answered questions one on one.

The club sang Happy Birthday to Lenny Weinstein, 89 years young, and congratulated Earl and Wini Mogk who were celebrating their 45th anniversary.

Carl Kilmer, Earl Mogk and Mike Rosenkranz did a great job in their radio debut. They spent a full hour educating the public about laryngectomees, and delivering an anti-tobacco message. The program will be a roaring success if only one child decides not to smoke, or if only one nurse remembers the correct place to put the oxygen. Carl presented the hostess with a copy of "My nose is just an ornament". It was a big hit.

Thanks to Earl, our newest larys were invited to the Holy Cross Hospital's Celebration of life which was held at the Radisson Bahia Mar on June 6th.

June Birthdays

Robert Farin-4th	Selma Kranz-5th
Petey Partridge-9th	Ruth Farin-10th
Beatrice Breyan-15th	Barbara Dalton-16th
Sylvia Fein-16th	Doris Littlefield-16th
Lynn Carrier-20th	Ruth Hennegan-22nd
Bill Romanello-29th	

Happy Birthday to All

UP-COMING EVENTS

? **FREE SPEECH THERAPY (1st Wednesday)**
(Coffee) with Pascale Bourne (Donuts)
The Rehabilitation Institute of Florida
Florida Medical Center - Auditorium
5000 W Oakland Park Blvd

Next Meeting - Wednesday July 7th- 10:30 AM
More information: (954) 735-6000 Ext 5307

? **FREE SPEECH THERAPY (3rd Thursday)**
With Lynn Carrier, CCC-SLP
Boca Raton Community Hospital
DAVIS THERAPY CENTER
OAKS PLAZA - Glades Road at 13th Street
Next Meeting - Thursday, July 15th - 10:30AM
More information: (561) 361-7430

UM/Deerfield/Sylvester

? **Friday June 25 Noon-1PM Melanoma –**
Diagnosis and Treatment. Lynn Feun, MD
? **Monday June 28th Noon – 1PM Lung**
Cancer – Diagnosis and Treatment. Caio
Max S. Rocha Lima, MD
? **Tuesday July 13th 1:30-2:30PM Mort**
Silverblatt Head and Neck Cancer Sup-
port Group. This is Penny Fisher's group.