



Hello everyone!

Our next Chapter meeting is on **Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 1:30pm at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 1003 Hickory Hill Lane, Hermitage, TN.** Both CART and an ASL interpreter will be provided. We will have a guest speaker who will be doing a presentation on **Hearing Ear Dogs.** As usual, lunch will be served at Noon.

Our presenter, Cynthia Moynihan, is a Tennessee native and an immediate Past President of Hearing Loss Association of America Florida State Association. She will be bringing her Hearing Dog Hero, LaRue, who is from Canine Companions for Independence (CCI), a non-profit organization. CCI was founded in 1975 to enhance the lives of those with disabilities by providing highly trained assistance dogs and ongoing support free of charge to those in need with four dog types: Service, Veteran, Hearing and Facility. The life changing support stems from volunteers who help raise and/or provide sponsors/donations necessary to ensure the programs continued success to provide support to qualified candidates. Join us to learn more as graduate ambassador, Cynthia Moynihan, shares the magic of CCI when a graduate dog is placed with the person in need and the new beginnings that unfold.

In honor of Cinco de Mayo, we will be serving Mexican food. Please bring a dish to share – tacos, enchiladas, casseroles, salsa and chips, taco condiments (shredded cheese, lettuce, sour cream, sauce), dessert or drinks. Feel free to bring a friend who would like to learn more about service dogs.

Remember ... there will be **NO** meeting in June, July or August. We will reconvene in September! Y'all have a great and safe summer!

See you on May 12th!