

HEARING SOLUTIONS SIG

Sun City Texas Computer Club

May 10, 2018

Time for T-Coil

These receivers & headphones belong to our Computer Club for use in our Classroom, the Annex OR here in the Atrium.

If you don't have T-coil hearing aids, try this receiver to experience the T-coil difference. Be sure to return them before you leave today. I will be publishing a current price list from Loop America should you want your own.

Induction Loop Receiver with Headphones



Facilities in Sun City with Hearing Loops

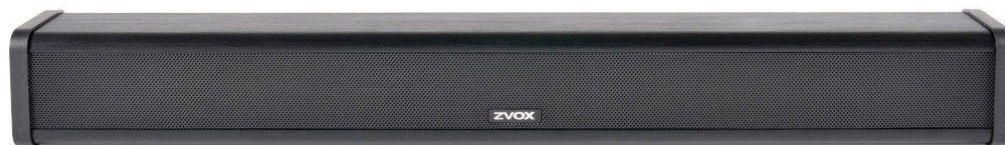
- CyberCenter Classroom**
- CyberCenter Annex**
- Activity Center Atrium**
- Social Center Ballroom**
- Cowan Creek Florence & Georgetown Rooms**
- Texas Drive Aerobic Classroom**

***"WHAT'S NEW &
WHAT'S FREE FOR
THE HEARING IMPAIRED"***

Louise Smith –

**Our member with years of hearing loss experience,
personally, & among family members.**

ACCUVOICE AV200 by Zvox



EyeOn App - <http://eyeonapp.com>

Selena Alvarez –

Outreach Representative for CapTel

Captioned Phones in our area,

**Based in Houston. The Federal
Communications Commission**

(FCC) provides **FREE captioned
phones, installation, & support.**



Brian Determan –

Brian is 54 years old & was born profoundly deaf & grew up with his hearing family. At age 9 he & his family learned sign language – this is when his education immediately skyrocketed.



He attended the University of Houston, receiving a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. Interpreting services were provide in all his classes.

For more than 11 years he has been a Deaf & Hard of Hearing Access Specialist in Central Texas,

Brian is authorized to be a STAP to certifier & will be explaining that program today.

Read Brian's story which will be posted on our May Meeting Notes.

Specialized Telecommunication Assistance Program (STAP)

- One of the programs that Office of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services (ODHHS) is in charge of.
- It helps people who have a certain disabilities purchase basic specialized assistive equipment or services.
- STAP typically covers the cost of most phones included in our voucher categories

Specialized Telecommunication Assistance Program (STAP) continues

- To be eligible for a voucher, you must:
- Complete
 - Form 3906, Application for Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program (STAP)
or
 - Form 3907, Application for Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program (STAP): Speech Generating Devices
- Provide proof of Texas residency, as listed on the application
- Have the application certified by one of the types of professionals listed on the application.

Smartwatch

How it works:

- 1 Your phone receives a notification.
- 2 The message then is sent to your smartwatch.
- 3 Your watch vibrates to alert you.



Bluetooth Shaker Alarm

How it works:

This device is a vibrating *alarm* controlled by *your* smartphone. Its vibrations are guaranteed to wake up you. It also allows you to set multiple *alarms*. You can also choose to be alerted to emails, text messages and *phone* calls.



Vibrating Awake Alarm Clock

How it works:

It allows you to be awoken by the vibrating shaker pad. If you want the audio alarm, the extra loud (max 113dB!) alarm is adjustable both in terms of tone and volume



Comfort Audio Contego FM HD Communication System with Earphone & Headphone

How it works:

It amplifies sound so you won't miss a word of what anyone says or what's happening around you. Ideal for lectures, meetings, use at home, watching TV, restaurants and more.



Serene Innovations HearAll Cell Phone Amplifier

Quick Overview

- Pairs with any Bluetooth® cell phone
- 40dB amplification, ideal level for those who are constantly asking the caller to repeat themselves
- Tone control defines and enhances sound quality
- Padded speaker grill for added comfort and background noise isolation



Karen Block -

I think everyone of us know this very familiar, smiling face who has brought programs to us in the past.

- Karen was born & raised in Miami & the Florida Keys.
- Attended University of South Florida School of Education. She raised two children who are now 28 and 26.
- She moved to Georgetown in January of 2013 with my husband and two dogs.
- She comes from a hearing challenged family & she suffers hearing loss.
- This disability led her to opening Zounds Hearing in 2013.
- She also became part of Advanced Hearing Aid Solutions in 2017.
- She is a STAP approved vendor & will tell us more about the STAP program.

NEXT MEETING

September 13, 2018

10:00 a.m. – Atrium

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