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Hope Is...



Come See What We Are All About!

Session B:

April 10th – June 30th

**NO MEETING on
Monday, May 29th
Memorial Day**

Break:

July 3rd – 7th

- Join us one, two, three or even four days per week!
- Call us for details and to register: 727-249-1953
- **Our schedule is changing!** Visit our website to see our new meeting times and what activities we have planned!
- <http://www.vohaphasia.org/>

**Thursdays
Hale Center, Dunedin**



**Mondays & Wednesdays
Sunshine Center**

**Fridays, USF St
Petersburg**



Upcoming Events

June is National Aphasia

Awareness Month!

Aphasia Awareness at the Deadly Rival Roller Derby!



- **Saturday, June 3rd**
- 4033 35th Street N, St. Petersburg, FL
- Doors open at **6:00 pm**



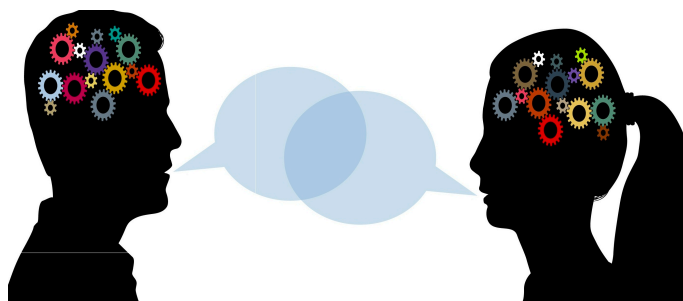
Free Aphasia Evaluation

- Learn how your communication abilities may have changed since your first diagnosis
- Receive a summary of assessment results
- Recommendations for communicating in your home and community
 - **Mondays at the Sunshine Center**
 - **Fridays at USFSP**
- Please call **727-249-1953** to schedule an appointment or for more information.

"Aphasia's Got Talent"



- A fun evening where performers with and without aphasia compete to get the attention of our celebrity judges, and votes from the audience!
- Become a team leader and register your group to join in on the fun in this friendly and empowering competition!
- Team Updates: Team USF Tampa, Team Blake, Team Dunedin, and Team St. Petersburg!
- **September 23, 2017**
- **5:00 - 7:30 pm**
- **St. Petersburg Woman's Club**



Out & About

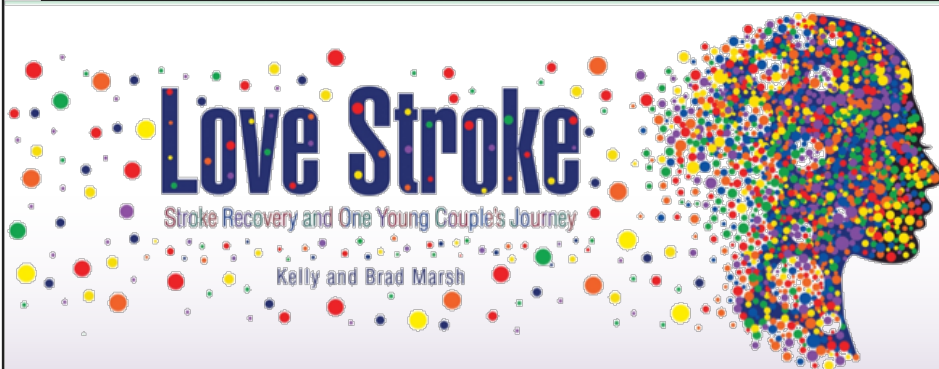
Trip to Florida Botanical Garden

- A relaxing day admiring beautiful flowers and scenery!
- Enjoyed conversing and eating lunch in the garden!
- A perfect spot for photography!



Shuffleboard Trip

- We learned how to play shuffleboard!
- Shuffleboard is a popular, family-friendly and accessible game that all can play (wheelchair or not!)



- Many thanks to Kelly and Brad Marsh who spoke to our caregiver program on Saturday, March 25.
- We recommend their book, Love Stroke, which tells the story of Kelly's stroke at age 36 years.





*Social

*Technology

*Aphasia

*Return to Life

*Speech

- **STARS Mission:** Provide hands-on training and support for people with aphasia and their families in the use of technology in a fun and social environment.
- Technology may be used to augment communication, for home practice, for connecting with friends and family, or to return to work and life activities.



- Danniella Muheim was an accomplished and brilliant engineer who worked at NASA on the James Webb Space Telescope team.
- Dannie suffered a stroke in 2012 at the age of 46.
- She returned to part-time work at NASA in 2014 and was an active member of Voices of Hope for Aphasia.
- Dannie was passionate about educating people about aphasia, and supporting and inspiring people with aphasia to return to life!
- Dannie passed away in 2015 but left a generous bequest to Voices of Hope for Aphasia.
- We hope to honor her with this initiative!



Trish's Tips:

Communicating with a person with Aphasia:

- Be patient and wait for a response
- Resist the urge to finish sentences or offer words
- Offer suggestions only when asked

Fund-Raising Corner:



- Help Us Get More Donors and Win Prizes on Give Day Tampa Bay!
- Voices of Hope for Aphasia has a goal to get as many new donors as possible for Give Day Tampa Bay!
- Do you have a friend, neighbor, fellow student, hair stylist, banker, co-worker, or family member who has never donated to Voices of Hope for Aphasia? Could you ask them to make one gift to us this year on Give Day Tampa Bay?

- Donations can be as small as \$5 to help us out!
- Gifts can be made by check or directly on the Give Day Tampa Bay website by credit card between April 18-30!
- Give Day Tampa Bay will be on **Tuesday, May 2, 2017**
- Mark your calendars now to help us on May 2!



Happy Birthday From Voices of Hope!



Terri: April 4th



Trish: April 24th

