



Welcome to the Advanced Bionics monthly eNewsletter. Our goal is to provide our recipients, professionals, and those new to cochlear implants with an email update on the latest information regarding events, education, products, and services from AB.

AB & Phonak: Expect to Hear Something Extraordinary!

We're working together to provide candidates and recipients with the best in hearing, connectivity, trust, aesthetics, and potential. [Learn more about this exciting partnership!](#)

THE LATEST ADVANCES FROM AB — YOUR PARTNER IN HEARING

NEW! The Harmony™ Listening Check — Available NOW!

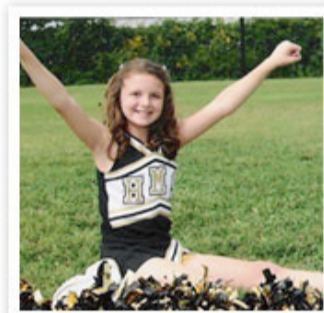
New from AB, this exclusive diagnostic tool provides parents and professionals with a unique way to check the child's microphone, including the T-Mic, determine if the FM system is providing proper input, and verify that ALDs are connected properly. It is portable, convenient, and easy to use. The Harmony™ Listening Check will be included in all pediatric Harmony Processor Kits or may be purchased separately. To learn more about this product, [visit our website now.](#)



THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE BIONIC EAR ASSOCIATION (BEA)

Meet Recipients Who Help Make a Difference!

Melissa and Cheyenne Roberts, from Oneida, Tennessee. Cheyenne is a 13-year-old bilateral AB recipient who received her first implant at age 2 and her second at age 12. Cheyenne grew up with one cochlear implant and after receiving her second implant over a year ago, her mother, Melissa, shared the following:



Cheyenne Roberts

"When leaving cheer practice about two weeks ago, I asked Chey why she was so happy. She said that cheer practice was so much easier now that she was hearing with two ears. She said she had to ask for fewer repetitions, and could just keep up easier. The first few months with the second implant were difficult, but she wouldn't give it up now for ANYTHING! It has made school and her social life just easier!"

Cheyenne is an honors student, a voracious reader, and a middle school cheerleader who participates in power tumbling, her school's scholar bowl, and her church youth group. Like other teens her age, she is addicted to texting, Facebook, and her cell phone!

Melissa has participated as a BEA Mentor for several years. She emails and meets with families considering cochlear implants; participates in local health fairs and CI information meetings; and stays active in our online community, [HearingJourney.com](#), and the Connect to Mentor site. Cheyenne's school and ENT regularly refer people to the family for support and mentoring.

VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Do you enjoy mentoring others and have an experience you'd like to share? Please contact us to let us know how you are making a difference!

[Submit a story, event photo or mentoring experience.](#)

CHECK OUT NEW, FREE ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES IN THE LISTENING ROOM

Are you looking for activities to support your or your child's journey to better hearing? Then come and explore our new features posted this month in The Listening Room™, our exclusive online listening resource. Adults can learn strategies to improve listening skills, particularly in real-world environments. For children, our monthly theme is "Camping." [Enter The Listening Room now!](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

ATTEND A WEB CLASS:

Webinars / Web Chats

August 24, 2010

Hear More Now and in the Future with Bilateral Harmony Cochlear Implants

Description: Whether you are considering implants for the first time or have used one implant for years, today's cochlear implant candidates and recipients can experience the many benefits of hearing with two ears. Find out if you or your child may be a candidate for bilateral cochlear implants. Hear first-hand accounts from those who know best, cochlear implant recipients and their families.

Event Time: 6:00 p.m. Pacific (9:00 p.m. Eastern)

Event Registration: <http://ablearningcenter.acrobat.com/e91124221/event/registration.html>

JOIN US AT A FUN, FREE BEA EVENT:

July 18, 2010

Southern California Chapter Meeting

Event Location: San Diego, California

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time

[Click now to learn more about this event.](#)

July 21, 2010

Are Cochlear Implants Right for Me? An Education Event

Event Location: Fort Worth, Texas

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Central Time

[Click now to learn more about this event.](#)

August 2, 2010

Children's Memorial Auditory-Verbal Summer Program

Event Location: Chicago, IL

[Click now to learn more about this event.](#)

August 15, 2010

Georgia BEA Chapter Meeting

Event Location: Georgia

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time

[Click now to learn more about this event.](#)

Questions? Can't make the event, but want to learn more?

Please feel free to email Linda.Luallen@AdvancedBionics.com, call 866.844.HEAR or visit our website at www.BionicEar.com.

Registration is easy. Join an event today! Visit www.BionicEar.com/calendar for a complete listing of all 2010 events.