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John was worried about Nancy's hearing. One evening, he stood behind Nancy's recliner and softly called her name. He got no response, so moved a little closer. Still no response. He moved even closer and softly called her name again. This time, she said, "For the third time, WHAT?!"



on the horizon >>>

A hearing aid that knows what you're thinking?

Not as far-fetched as you might think! A recent project entitled "Cognitive Control of a Hearing Aid" was just successfully completed. Researchers were able to use EEG signals (brain waves) to steer the sound so that only the desired speaker is heard.

Research EEG caps are a bit more noticeable than a hearing aid, and there is currently an 8-second delay in processing, but technology moves fast. One of the leading hearing aid manufacturers is testing a prototype of a hearing aid with embedded electrodes, using both EEG signals and eye gaze signals to direct the aid's attention. The future is now!



At least a few times a week, people ask us "Is there anything new out there?"

Well, yes. Always.

So here's the news from Spring 2019!

Oticon recently released their new model, the Opn S. The new model boasts a faster processor, a Li-Ion rechargeable system, better feedback control (a lot!) and better noise management. The original Opn series still holds up as the best hearing aid we've seen, so we have high hopes for the new Opn S.



Phonak released its Marvel model late 2018, to rave reviews. The Marvel has direct Bluetooth connection to all cell phones (including Android and flip) and a faster processor than the previous generation. The body shape and switches on the aids also got an update for increased functionality.

Signia announced their newest model, the Styletto Connect. Meant to appeal to those who are looking for a "less traditional" hearing aid, Stylettos are stylish, and come with a look and portable charger that mimic the popular AirPods from Apple.

Some of you might remember our graduate student from Spring of 2018, Casey Milkey. We are happy to welcome Casey back to Brattleboro to finish her Doctoral degree. You may see us supervising, but you'll also see her handling many appointments independently.

Casey is a native of the Pioneer Valley. After working in the restaurant industry for several years, she discovered her true love – the ear. A graduate of Greenfield Community College and the University of Massachusetts Amherst, she is thrilled to begin her externship year with the team at Brattleboro Hearing Center. In her free time, she enjoys hiking, snowboarding, and riding her vintage motorcycle. She lives in Greenfield, MA with her partner and two cats.



May is Better Speech and Hearing Month!

Our mission at Brattleboro Hearing Center is to make sure that people hear the best they can, with whatever works for them. We're not here to push, just to help. Okay, fine ... sometimes we push a little. But in a helpful way – just trying to do our part to ensure better hearing for all!

It makes us so happy when our patients refer their friends and family to us. We hope we make you happy, too! Please fill out a comment card when you're in our office if there's anything you'd like us to know.

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Disposable Battery Tips!

No refrigeration required!

Batteries prefer dry storage.

No brand preference! Buy

what works for you, as long

as it's the right size.

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the "good until" date is far

in the future.



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