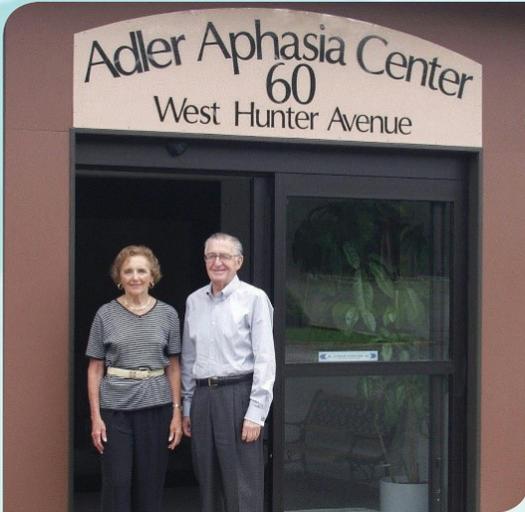


APHASIA ADVOCATE

Summer 2017

ADLER APHASIA CENTER

FOURTEEN YEARS IN THE MAKING Governor Christie Signs Mike Adler Aphasia Task Force into Law



▲ Elaine and Mike Adler in 2003, pictured in front of the aphasia center they founded in Maywood to help New Jerseyans living with aphasia and their families cope with this language disorder. The Center is considered the gold standard worldwide for its innovative programming that addresses the long term needs of people with aphasia, who number two and half million nationwide.

On May 1st, NJ Governor Chris Christie signed into law the Mike Adler Aphasia Task Force, making NJ the first state in the country to enact legislation to increase support services to people with aphasia.

The Center has worked hard for 14 years to make the word aphasia as recognizable as any other major medical disorder/disease and to help the public understand how dramatically it impacts the daily lives of those diagnosed with it and their families. Thanks to Mike and Elaine Adler and Karen Tucker, who have been instrumental in raising awareness about aphasia nationwide and worldwide, the impact of aphasia on the lives of New Jerseyans has now been brought to the forefront thanks to NJ Senators Loretta Weinberg and Robert Gordon, Assemblywoman Valerie Vainieri Huttle, and Assemblymen Tim Eustace and Gordon Johnson.

Senator Weinberg adds, "Thank you

for all your advocacy and support. This was a group effort of hard work, diligence and perseverance by everyone. We now lead the nation in raising aphasia awareness and hopefully will inspire other states to follow our example. This is a great tribute to a true pioneer, our dear friend Mike Adler, whose courage and spirit is always with us as we continue on this journey."

Legislation was sponsored by these five leaders to establish the Mike Adler Aphasia Task Force to ensure there are appropriate informational resources and support systems available in NJ to assist people with aphasia and their families. This will create a 13-member task force whose purpose will be to: monitor the prevalence of aphasia in NJ; assess the unmet needs of people with aphasia and their families; identify and facilitate the establishment of aphasia support groups and other resources designed to assist in satisfying these unmet needs; and provide recommendations to the Governor and Legislature for legislation or other action that would further facilitate support for NJ residents living with aphasia and their families.

"The Board, staff, volunteers and our members with aphasia and their families are so grateful to our legislators for recognizing this underserved population and advocating on their behalf to their colleagues. Their leadership serves as a role model for other state governments as NJ is the first and only state in the nation to conduct an Aphasia Study Commission and then to create the Mike Adler Aphasia Task Force," says President and CEO, Karen Tucker.



Meet our
Incoming
President
and CEO,
SHELBY KLEIN

Shelby Klein, LSW, will join the Adler Aphasia Center in July, 2017 as the Center's new President and CEO. She will be replacing Karen Tucker who is retiring after 15 years with the Center on June 30th.

In 2002, Karen met Mike & Elaine Adler, founders of the Adler Aphasia Center. Inspired by their vision and commitment to stroke survivors living with aphasia and their families, she worked in conjunction with the Adlers to build the Center as a place of help and hope for people with aphasia as they recover from their strokes and aphasia. Considered the gold standard of long-term aphasia treatment programs worldwide, Karen used her experience and background in gerontology in the planning, development and implementation of this community-based center, which opened in 2003. She also helped establish the Aphasia Network of NJ and served as Co-Chair of the NJ Aphasia Study Commission. She is a founding board member of AphasiaAccess, a national network of healthcare, business, and community leaders that advance lifelong communication access for people with aphasia.

Shelby comes to the Center as a former Senior Vice President of Development for Care Plus NJ, Inc., where she was part of senior staff since 2000 and provided leadership and oversight for corporate development and strategy. She was involved in a wide array of projects there that worked towards population health management. She also managed operations for the Care Plus Foundation.

A Jersey girl, Shelby completed her Bachelor of Social Work and Certificate in Gerontology at Stockton College and earned her Master of Social Work at Fordham University. Her 20+ years in the non-profit world has been diverse and will serve her well as she leads the Center into a new era of growth. She currently serves as a volunteer Board Trustee at the Center for Hope and Safety (formerly Shelter our Sisters), is a member of the Park Ridge Mayor's Wellness Committee and leads the Park Ridge Stigma Free Task Force.

Shelby resides in Park Ridge, is married and is the mother of two young sons. Please drop by and welcome her when you are in the area!

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Message from our President & CEO

How do I say good-bye? Before I wear my heart on my sleeve, for all those who don't know, I will be leaving the Center at the end of June to begin the next chapter of my life which will include family time, travel, hobbies, volunteering and maybe even some part-time work as well.

Who knew in 2002 when I first met the Adlers I would become such a passionate advocate for aphasia? Perhaps I should have realized after I listened to their life's journey that these two visionaries were not ordinary people. Consequently my journey here at the Center has been anything but ordinary and I too, have gotten swept up in their passion and vision for a better world for people with aphasia and their families.

From our early beginnings in August of 2003 with 4 people with aphasia and their caregivers entering our Center to today with two full-time centers and 8 aphasia communication groups throughout the state, 27 supportive and pioneering Board members, 22 full and part-time dedicated, caring and professional staff, a volunteer corps filled with compassion and commitment, our current census of 120 plus people with aphasia and their families, and a full service sister program in Israel, we have come a long way. Impacting the lives of the thousands of people with aphasia and their families that have passed through our doors, training the many thousands of healthcare professionals and the community, conducting applied research, planting the seeds for a national organization of like-minded professionals, and creating awareness of aphasia whenever the opportunity arose, was part of our footprint in the world of aphasia over the years.

So with pride of accomplishment and a deep sense of satisfaction but a very heavy heart, I say good-bye to the Adler Aphasia Center. Along with Elaine, Chuck Berkowitz, Board Chairman and the Board of Directors, and the rest of Team Adler, our new President & CEO Shelby Klein is ready to not only continue on this ground-breaking path but take it to new heights with your continued support. I will be available to her and the Center to ensure she has all the information she needs to sustain this standard of excellence that has been our benchmark.

Thank you my family, friends, supporters, colleagues, donors, volunteers, Board, staff, volunteers, members with aphasia & caregivers for being the best gifts of my life. You each played a part in why I loved coming to work every day. How rewarding it was to look out my office window and see people smiling, laughing, hugging, and communicating without speaking. It was a constant reminder that all our hard work was truly making a difference in the lives of others. You can't ask for a better job and I truly feel blessed to have been a small part in what we - Team Adler- has created.

With a tear, a smile, and sincere gratitude,

Karen

Karen Tucker | President & CEO



Elaine Adler recently accepted the AphasiaAccess Leadership Award at the AphasiaAccess Conference in Orlando this spring. Mike and Elaine provided the foundation for the formation of AphasiaAccess, a non-profit resource for healthcare and community providers, educators, and others who embrace the Life Participation Approach to Aphasia. Pictured are Elaine, Karen Tucker and Kathryn Shelley, President of AphasiaAccess.

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Special thanks to Easter Seals for
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ADLER ANNIVERSARY Campaign Update

Our Center's Anniversary Campaign, titled Strengthening Voices, was formally launched at our annual gala just last October and to date we have raised almost \$900,000!

Our goal is to raise \$1.5 million by the end of December, 2018, leading up to our 15th anniversary. Created to celebrate our upcoming 15th year of service to the aphasia community in 2018, and to ensure the vision of our founders, all donors who give \$2,500 or more to this campaign will receive a plaque on our one-of-a-kind Donor Wall. This campaign will help secure the future of the Center Elaine and Mike built in 2003 for people with aphasia and their families.

This wall of recognition, in which all plaques will remain in perpetuity, is an important piece for our Center as the wall's glass mosaic flowers were handcrafted by our family, our members with aphasia, their caregivers and our volunteers. We'd like to thank the following donors for their contributions and pledges to our Anniversary Campaign as of the publication of this newsletter:



With your valued support of our Anniversary Campaign, our members with aphasia and their families will continue to have access to the finest quality aphasia programming and services available. For more information about making a gift of \$2,500 or more and securing a plaque in your name or in memory or honor of another on our Donor Wall, please contact Elissa Goldstein, Director of Development, at egoldstein@adleraphasiacenter.org or call 201.368.8585.

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The short video of the Making of our Anniversary Campaign's Donor Wall, *The Journey of a Thousand Miles Begins with One Step*, can be found on our website www.adleraphasiacenter.org.

Adler Speech Staff Present at NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Several of our Center's speech therapists and staff recently attended the annual ASHA Convention, the premier annual event for more than 10,000 speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and speech, language, and hearing scientists from around the country. Two posters and a presentation were presented by our team. Speech-language pathologist Gretchen Szabo, M.A., CCC-SLP, presented "Whet Your APPetite: Improving Digital Literacy for People with Aphasia." This subject focused on the Center's approach to using technology to enhance digital literacy and communication skills, while empowering members to connect with others.

A second poster, titled "Creating a Network of Aphasia Groups: A Hub and Spoke Model," was presented by our Program Director of our West Orange satellite Center and our Aphasia Communication Groups throughout the state, Wendy Greenspan, M.A., CCC-SLP, along with co-presenter, Maura Silverman, of the Triangle Aphasia Project in NC. This model is a means to provide low cost, sustainable aphasia services throughout a large region like the State of NJ.

A one hour workshop was presented by staff speech-language pathologists, Karen Castka, M.S., CCC-SLP, and Ginette Abbanat, M.A., CCC-SLP, titled: "Be Creative: Performing Arts Programs for Aphasia Groups." Their discussion centered on the process of adapting performing arts programs for people with aphasia while identifying the benefits of participation in these programs.



▲ Center research speech-language pathologist, Gretchen Szabo, discusses a poster with ASHA attendees that she presented in Philadelphia at the American Speech and Hearing Association's national convention.

Celebrating Our Champions



Adler Aphasia Center's 12th Annual Gala

This year, we are hosting a very special annual gala, one that celebrates our aphasia community, our supporters, our 2017 honorees and our champion of all things aphasia, Elaine Adler, who is turning 90 years young in October. *Celebrating Our Champions* will be held at 6:00 pm on Thursday, October 19, 2017 and conclude at 9:00 pm. NJ Senate Majority Leader, Loretta Weinberg, will be this year's Honorary Gala Chair.



Join us as we wish Elaine Adler cheers to her 90 years with a very special tribute! Becton, Dickinson and Company will be honored this year with the first annual Mike and Elaine Adler Humanitarian Award for their continued support of the aphasia community. The 2017 Advocacy Award will be presented to Adler Aphasia Center's longtime President and CEO, Karen Tucker, for her leadership and tireless efforts in helping to build our award-winning innovative Center which has received worldwide recognition. We will also be honoring longtime Center member Jean Deer and his family as our 2017 Shining Stars, for their important contributions to our Center over the years.



Emmy Award-winning anchor, Thirteen/WNET(PBS) and NJTV(PBS), author and longtime friend of the Center, Steve Adubato, Ph.D., will once again emcee our event.

In addition to a memorable evening of networking, a lavish cocktail buffet, a silent auction and 50/50 raffle, we will present an excerpt from this summer's annual drama club's musical production, *Sister Act*, showcasing our members' performance straight from their always sold-out shows they present every August.

Our annual Ad Journal, offering well wishes and ads from our community to our honorees, will also be presented. Please consider supporting our honorees with your sponsorship/ad in our 2017 Ad Journal when you receive our Ad Journal contract and letter and Gala invitations in your mailbox this summer. Proceeds support the Center's programs and Scholarship Fund. All Ad Journal ads are 100% tax-deductible.

We look forward to greeting you on October 19th at our annual gala!



SAVE THE DATES 2017

>> JUNE 1-30

National Aphasia Awareness Month

>> JUNE 14

Join us at our annual fundraiser, *Clink for a Cause*, as we raise awareness about aphasia, raise our glasses to those in the aphasia community and meet new friends who support our cause! Event will be held at American Whiskey in New York City from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. \$20 suggested donation. RSVP to Amy May at amay@adleraphasiacenter.org

>> JUNE 20 AND 21

Our annual Spirit Days at our Center in Maywood will be held on these dates. Our members will enjoy special Center activities on both days in honor of this important month.

On June 21st, we will host a special Legislator Appreciation Breakfast to thank our NJ legislators for their ongoing efforts to support our work. This is open to our members, volunteers and special guests only.

>> JUNE 22

Adler Aphasia Center will be on hand this month to accept a formal resolution in Trenton declaring June as National Aphasia Awareness Month. Each year, the State of NJ passes a joint state-wide resolution which is introduced on the floor of the State Senate. This awareness effort has been spearheaded each year by our Center and sponsored by longtime Center advocate, Senator Loretta Weinberg and other legislative leaders.

>> AUGUST 2

12th annual musical production, *Sister Act*, 12:30 and 7:00 pm in Maywood, starring our members with aphasia. Come early as seats are filled at every performance!

>> OCTOBER 19

12th annual Gala, *Celebrating our Champions*, 6:00 – 9:00 pm in Maywood, honoring Elaine Adler on the occasion of her 90th birthday; Becton, Dickinson and Company will be honored with the Mike and Elaine Adler Humanitarian Award; Karen Tucker will receive the 2017 Advocacy Award; and Center member Jean Deer and his family will receive our 2017 Shining Star Award.

>> NOVEMBER 8

Something Special Holiday Boutique and Open House, 4:00 – 8:00 pm, in Maywood.

Bach and Brunch

A special afternoon that was music to our ears!

Bill Grundy, one of our longtime Center members with aphasia and his wife, Barbara, of Ridgewood, played hosts to a packed house of Center donors at the PNC Wealth Management offices in Ridgewood for our spring fundraiser, Bach and Brunch. Co-chaired by Paul Aronsohn, former Mayor of Ridgewood and Sandra Govic, of PNC in Ridgewood and both new Board members, the event celebrated all that the Ridgewood community offers including a special performance by the Ridgewood Concert Band Flutes. The event, held in March, raised money for the Center's Scholarship Fund. A very special thank you to our sponsors for their support:

CONCERTO

Elaine Adler

PRELUDE

Englewood Hospital & Medical Center
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Linda and Phil Cennerazzo
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Special thanks to Trader Joe's of Paramus for their donation of flowers for this event.

▶ Senator Bob Gordon attended and was recognized for his longtime support of our program.



◀ Elaine Adler greets attendees L to R: Rachel Berkowitz, Chuck Berkowitz, Board Chairperson, and Board member Walter Hecht.



◀ Members of the Adler Aphasia Center Board of Directors who attended the event L to R: Paul Aronsohn, Bernie Koster, Eddie Hadden, Sophie Heymann, Board Vice-Chairperson, Walter Hecht, Elaine Adler, Chuck Berkowitz, Board Chairperson, Anthony Iovino, Bill Zipse, Karen Tucker, President and CEO, and Sandra Govic.

▼ Event hosts, Bill and Barbara Grundy, shared some special moments with attendees as they spoke about how the Center has improved their quality of life as a family.



▲ Center members Bill and Crystal enjoying the Sunday afternoon event at PNC's Wealth Management glass enclosed lobby.

St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center Nurses Give Back Program Chooses Our Center to Pay it Forward

Mark Mion, Resource Nurse on the neurology unit at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center in Paterson, recently visited the Center to present a donation. This donation was from the nurses on the hospital's Neurology Unit. The donation was part of the hospital's Nurses Give Back program in which they choose a meaningful recipient of their gift. Neurology nurses frequently work with brain injury and stroke survivors with aphasia and their families but rarely have the opportunity to visit these patients to note their progress, post-stroke. Our visitor was awed by the progress that stroke survivors with aphasia can make and vowed to work harder to help his patients and to tell them about our Center as a wonderful resource as they recover from their strokes.



▲ Our Advocacy Group spent some time with visiting neurology nurse, Mark Mion, during his visit to the Center to present a donation. Pictured L to R: Susan Harris, volunteer speech language pathologist, Avi Golden, Robin Straus, Education and Training Coordinator, George Freeman, (seated), Alyson Bernhardt, Mike Hornbostel, and Mark Mion, resource nurse from St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center.

Mercy College Speech-Language Pathology Students Attend Center's Annual Professional SLP Workshop

Speech-language pathology students from Mercy College recently attended the Center's day-long 15th Annual SLP Workshop in April. Mercy College co-sponsored the event along with the Center. Dr. Jessica Richardson, Assistant Professor and Director of the Neuroscience of Rehabilitation Laboratory at the University of New Mexico, spoke to the more than 75 attendees.



Provident Bank Foundation Supports West Orange Program and Statewide Aphasia Communication Groups

▲ Provident Bank Foundation recently presented a \$5,000 grant to Adler Aphasia Center to support our West Orange satellite center and our Aphasia Communication Groups throughout the state. Pictured standing L to R: Wendy Greenspan, M.A., CCC-SLP, Program Director of the satellite center and our Aphasia Communication Groups. Jill Tekel, member of Adler Aphasia Center Board of Directors and Center volunteer, and Michael Petrucci, V.P/ Market Manager of Provident Bank in West Orange. Seated L to R: Center members Toni S. and Brenda M.



▲ Adler Aphasia Center members and caregivers who are part of a local social group called Outrageous for Aphasia, started by Adler member and now volunteer, Denise Powlis-Lighty, gathered recently at Bowler City in Hackensack to enjoy an afternoon of bowling and camaraderie.

SEVEN DOWN, Three More To Go In 2017



Our seven Aphasia Communication Groups (ACGs) have been so popular that we are in the planning stages to open three more in 2017 throughout the state. Currently located in the towns of Bridgewater, Hammonton, Maywood, Monroe, Morristown, Scotch Plains and Toms River, NJ, our ACGs are helping people live with aphasia in their own communities by giving them the opportunity to: practice and improve their communication skills; learn more about aphasia; make new social connections and; build their confidence and self-esteem. These groups meet twice a month and are facilitated by Adler speech-language pathologists.

In June, we will be opening a new group at the Union City library, where we will offer bilingual sessions in both Spanish and English. In addition a second Toms River group will be opening soon, as the original group is close to maximum capacity. In the fall, a new ACG will open at the First Presbyterian Church in Haddonfield.

Participation at the Morristown Aphasia Communication Group is growing in their location at Cornerstone Family Programs.

Here are just a few comments from our Aphasia Communication Group participants and their caregivers:

"The group helps me get my message across and helps me read and write better. And I like being around people and my peers now."

Lee, Hammonton

"Since my husband, Ricardo, joined, his whole attitude has slowly changed for the better. He has been jolly, smiling more, trying to make jokes, and is more sociable. He is definitely making an effort to communicate and be independent. Being with friends in the group has helped him a lot. He always look forward to attending and comes as much as he can."

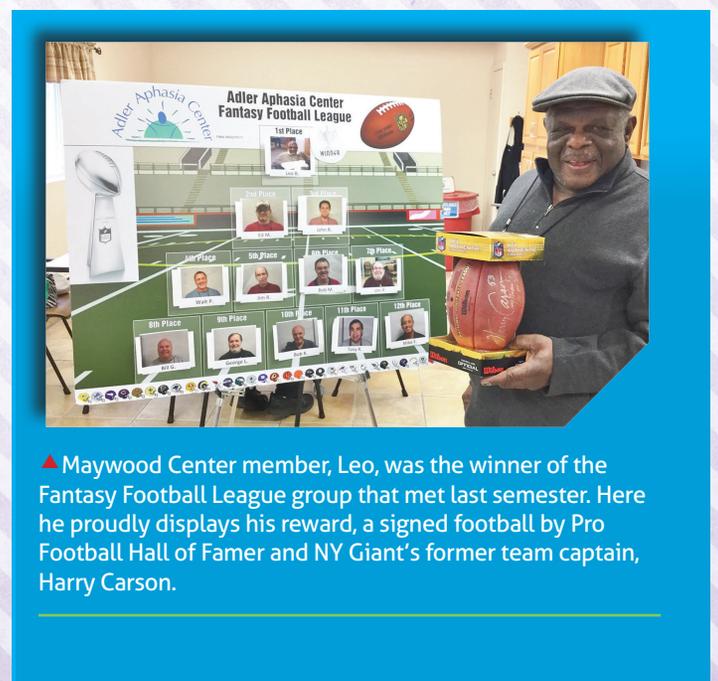
Mary Ann, Scotch Plains

"This group has given my husband confidence and reassurance in his manner of speaking. It has made him stronger in dealing with his speech issues. It has let him know that he is not alone and doesn't have to be embarrassed because of his aphasia. They help each other not only with their speech but in their daily routine of life. As his primary caregiver, I see the difference, immediately after the end of each meeting. Tony has more confidence and always seems as though he is ready to take on whatever life hands him for the future. "

Mary Ann, Bridgewater

"It has helped me practice on how to talk to people and have conversations."

David, Hammonton



Maywood Center member, Leo, was the winner of the Fantasy Football League group that met last semester. Here he proudly displays his reward, a signed football by Pro Football Hall of Famer and NY Giant's former team captain, Harry Carson.

IRA GIVING PROVISION is now permanent

In December 2015, the tax package was signed into law making the IRA giving provision permanent. This permanent law exempts from taxable income any funds transferred ('rolled over') from an IRA to a charitable organization, such as the Adler Aphasia Center. The following limitations apply:

- The contribution must be a direct gift, transferred from the IRA itself directly to the charity
- The cap on annual IRA rollovers is \$100,000
- The donor must be age 70 ½ or older

Donations can be directed to the Adler Aphasia Center, 60 West Hunter Avenue, Maywood, NJ 07607. For more information, contact Elissa Goldstein, Director of Development and Communications, at 201.368.8585.

The Adler Aphasia Center makes no claims in providing tax advice. Donors should always consult with their tax or financial advisor on how these provisions may affect individual circumstances.

Ways to give

2017 Annual Appeal

Contribute today to our Annual Appeal. Your gift will help provide a better quality of life for those with aphasia and their families.

There are several ways to give:

- Visit www.AdlerAphasiaCenter.org and look for the Donate Now button.
- Contact Elissa Goldstein at 201.368.8585.
- Donate using your Visa, MasterCard, or American Express.

Matching Gifts Programs

Matching gift programs are a powerful way to maximize the impact of your donation to the Adler Aphasia Center. Check with your employer to determine if they offer a matching gift program.

Remember us in your Estate Plans

Please remember us in your Estate Plans. By making a gift after your lifetime to a cause you care about, you can make a difference in the lives of others.

Wish List

FURNITURE

Two new or gently used couches and 2-4 chairs. Must have hard cushioned seating and arms for support for our members' use in common area.

ELECTRONICS

42 inch flat screen TV
iPad 128 GB
iPad 2 full cases (front and back)
Camera Tripod
iPod Nano
2 Dell Laptops
MacBook

PROGRAM SUPPLIES

Large poster board (assorted colors)
Easels and flip charts
Black Sharpies, fine point
Dry-erase black markers
Board wipes, laminating sheets

½ inch 3-ring binders
DVDs of movies
Mr. Clean magic erasers
Large wall dry erase board

ART AND PHOTO SUPPLIES

Painter's tape, canvases, water color paper, Elmer's glue/Modge Podge, pink erasers, scissors, frames (9 x 12 or 16 x 20)

DRAMA AND MUSIC SUPPLIES

Piano Dolly
Blank DVDs (DVD-R format) and CDs
Music Stands

OTHER

Visa gift cards
Amazon gift cards



TOMS RIVER APHASIA COMMUNICATION GROUP
Helping and Healing

The Ocean County Caregivers Coalition recently met in Toms River and our Toms River ACG helped man a table for the Center, while speaking to attendees about our programs. This occasion was the perfect trifecta with the goals of our Aphasia Communication Groups in mind: to improve and practice their communication skills, to enhance their support network by making new friends, and to build their self-esteem to speak in public confidently. We are so very proud of this group who put themselves out there to not only help us raise awareness about aphasia but helping themselves in their recovery as well.



Adler Aphasia Center is a non-profit 501c3 organization.
Aphasia Communication Groups are located in Bridgewater, Hammoncton, Maywood, Monroe, Morristown, Scotch Plains, Toms River and Union City, NJ.



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