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NAMES IN THE NEWS

AG Bell member **Jodi Cutler Del Dottore** has published a children's book co-authored with her father Stephen Cutler titled *Rally Caps*. The story features a 10-year-old boy who meets and becomes friends with a young boy with a hearing loss at summer baseball camp. The book has been endorsed by baseball player Curtis Pride, who has a hearing loss. Visit www.rallycaps.net for more details and ordering information.



The third edition of *Choices in Deafness: A Parents' Guide to Communication Options* by **Dr. Sue Schwartz** is now available. First published in 1987, the latest edition includes chapters on topics such as universal newborn hearing screening, genetic causes of deafness, communication technologies and identifying education programs that complement a child's chosen mode of communication. It also includes an audio CD, "What Hearing Loss Sounds Like." For ordering information, visit www.woodbinehouse.com.

Sanity Savers: Tips for Women to Live a Balanced Life is the latest book by **Dr. Dale Atkins**. Written with Barbara Scala, the book is "a daily guide for living a balanced life" and includes entries about living with loved ones who have additional needs such as hearing loss. The book is available for purchase at major bookstores nationwide.

IN MEMORIAM

DHHSer **Jan Zeller** died April 8, 2007, in Grand Junction, Colo., at the age of 54 after a two-year battle with lung cancer. She was remembered at a memorial service April 11 at Canyon View Vineyard Church and is survived by husband John Linko and son Evan. Friends can share memories of Zeller at <http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/janzeller>.

Preben Brunved, 65, died March 1, 2007, at his home in Somerset, N.J. Born in Denmark, Brunved earned a degree in electrical engineering with a specialty in telecommunications from Frederiksberg Technical School and was a sergeant in the Danish Royal Army. He later joined Danish international hearing equipment manufacturer Oticon as part of its new U.S.-based division, Oticon Inc., when it opened in 1967. He became its longest-serving employee, serving as a training instructor and subject matter resource, with particular

expertise in hearing connectivity and development and **Antonia Brancia** died May 13, 2007, Brookville, N.Y. She earned her master's degree in hearing science from Queen's College and a doctorate in hearing science from the City University of New York. Her research was the subject of numerous publications and, to her credit, was the subject of a book, *Hearing Loss: Assessment, Early Intervention and Rehabilitation*. She was the director of the New York State Center for Hearing Rehabilitation and the Northeast Coordinator for the Center for Hearing and Management Technical Assistant. She previously served as professor of audiology and director of the Chi Hearing Impaired Program at the University of