

March 26, 2015
6:30pm to 8pm at HASA
Joe Duarte speaking about
recent communication enabling technologies



Joe, a native of Portugal, will speak about his experiences dealing with hearing loss and how he uses the most recent communication enabling technologies to make a difference in his life. He will share his cochlear implant experience and how he uses supplemental technologies to achieve 100 % accessible communications on mobile phones including access to 911.

Joe is the President of Duartek, Inc., a company providing engineered accessible systems to help facilities become more accessible to individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. He also provides consultation services to a very diverse group of clients. Before founding Duartek, Joe worked for ten years as a systems engineer at IBM. He holds a degree in Biomedical Electronics Engineering from the University of Rhode Island. He is married to Meg who also has a cochlear implant and teaches at Woodson High School in Fairfax County. Joe and Meg have four hearing children and live in Centreville, Virginia.