

ALZHEIMER'S® ASSOCIATION

Greater Idaho Chapter

Chapter Newsletter

March 2025

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Aging is a privilege

Growing old is not a disease to be cured or defeated, but a privilege, tremendous privilege to be humbled

by, to be grateful for. A privilege withheld from most of our ancestors and so many of our brothers and sisters. Let's become worthy of becoming old, by falling in love easily, holding our heart gently, holding our fears lightly, and forgiving continuously. Ageism and Dementia-ism is a national and global We (healthcare professionals) need to notice it in ourselves and others and mindfully address it. Truth (as opposed to myth / dementia-ism) Persons with dementia have value Persons with dementia have strengths and Persons with dementia are capable of meaningful interactions Persons with dementia can be creative and innovative Persons with dementia can have good quality of life

> Author -Abhilash Desai MD, Geriatric Psychiatrist



Spring into Action!

As the days grow longer and flowers begin to bloom, March reminds us that spring is a season of renewal, growth, and fresh beginnings. Just as nature awakens, so does our spirit of service.

Spring is a time of transformation, and what better way to embrace change than by giving back? Volunteering provides an opportunity to refresh our perspectives, plant seeds of kindness. and nurture connections within our communities. To learn more about volunteering please email us at greateridahoinfo@alz.org.

Thank you for your continued commitment helping us ENDALZ!

~Greater Idaho Chapter Staff

ALZ Association Resource Spotlight



It can be difficult to know what your options are if you or a loved one has been diagnosed.

Visit:

<u>https://www.alz.org/alzheim</u> ers-dementia/treatments

to learn more about navigating treatment options, how to talk to your Dr., and much more.



RESPITE GRANT OPPORTUNITY

CENTER FOR

DEMENTIA RESPITE INNOVATION

The Alzheimer's Association Center for Dementia Respite Innovation (CDRI) funds new respite care innovation projects across the country. Over the course of five years, the CDRI will award \$20 million in competitive grants

to local respite care providers to improve and increase the delivery of person-centered dementia care with a focus on innovation, collaboration, outcomes, accessibility, affordability and sustainability

To learn more <u>visit .alz.org/professionals/professional-providers/center-for-dementia-respite-innovation</u> below you will find the full application timeline:

Grant Application Timeline			
RFA Release Date	February 24, 2025		
Information and Support Webinar	March 11, 2025 at 1 p.m. ET		
Required Letter of Intent Due Date	March 24, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. ET		
Application Due Date	April 25, 2025, 11:59 p.m. ET		
Award Notification	May 30, 2025		
Participation Period	July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026		

GREATER IDAHO CHAPTER SUPPORT GROUPS

March 2025 Support Groups for Family Caregivers



Greater Idaho Chapter

Cathedral of the Rockies: In Person 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month Thursday, March 6th & 20th at 2PM Cathedral of the Rockies Boise, Idaho 83702

Eagle Support Group: In Person

2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month Wednesday, March 12th & 26th at 1 PM Eagle Senior Center Eagle, Idaho 83616

Adult Children As Caregivers: Online 2nd Wednesday of each month Wednesday, March 12th at 6:30 PM Zoom Link Provided Upon Registration

Salmon Creek Support Group: In Person 3rd Tuesday of each month Tuesday, March 18th at 2:30 PM Salmon Creek Boise, Idaho 83713

Nampa Library Support Group: In Person Last Monday of each month Monday, March 31st at 1:00 PM Nampa Library, Room 302 Nampa, Idaho 83651

Grannie on the Move: In Person Personalized Education & Support
Every week on Tuesdays at 1 PM

Grannie On the Move Meridian, Idaho 83642

Pocatello Support Group: In Person 2nd Wednesday of each month Wednesday, March 12th at 2 PM Pocatello, Idaho 83201

Hailey Support Group: In Person**
Weekly on Wednesdays at 2 PM
The Senior Connection
Hailey, Idaho 83333
(208) 788-3468
**Please call The Senior Connection prior to attending

Cuéntame Más/Tell Me More: In Person

Spanish Support Group
March 8, 2025 at 1pm
Nampa, ID 83651
For more information, please call (208) 722-252.





Emmett Support Group: In Person 2nd Wednesday of the month Wednesday, Wednesday 12th at 2 PM Meadow View Assisted Living Emmett, Idaho 83617

Women Caring for Spouses: Online

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month Tuesday, March 4th & 18th at 4 PM Zoom Link Provided Upon Registration

Library! at Hillcrest: In Person
1st and 3rd Friday of each month
Friday, March 7th & 21st and at 12 PM
Library! at Hillcrest

Family Life Memory Care: In Person 2nd Thursday of each month Thursday, March 13th at 2 PM Nampa, Idaho 83651

Canyon County Support Group: In Person 3rd Wednesday of each month Wednesday, March 19th at 1 PM Nampa Public Library, Room 302 Nampa, Idaho 83651

Payette County Support Group: In Person Last Tuesday of each month Tuesday, March 25th at 2 PM Horizon Home Health & Hospice, conference room Fruitland, Idaho 83661

Twin Falls Support Group: In Person Third Tuesday of each month Tuesday, March18th at 6:30 PM CSI Office On Aging (4th Floor County West Building) Twin Falls, Idaho 83303

Creative Aging: In Person
Early Stage Social Engagement Program for people in the early to middle stages of dementia to express themselves through art.
3rd Wednesday of every month at 10
Art Museum
Idaho Falls, ID 83402
For more information or to register, call (208)350-6823.

GREATER IDAHO CHAPTER SUPPORT GROUPS



Cuéntame Más: Sharing Our Stories, Protecting our Minds

A Program for Caregivers and Latino Elders: Celebrate your stories, connect with your community, and learn how to care for your mind.

A monthly group that meets the second Saturday of each month.

Our next meeting will be March 8, 2025 from 2 pm - 4 pm.

Please arrive 15 minutes early to sign-in.

Hispanic Community Center 315 Stampede Drive, Nampa

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Interested in knowing more about our speakers? Check out our Facebook page - **Cuéntame Más Idaho.**

What You Will Experience:

- Thirty minutes of **Qigong** led by Antonia Jáuregui Tamayo.
- Rosalia Richardson, MD, will explore healthy eating, including tips on how to prepare your favorite cultural foods in a nutritious way!
- Storytelling Circle: Share your personal stories and hear the wisdom of others.



Rosalia Richardson, MD



Antonia Jáuregui Tamayo

For more information, call (208) 722-2521.

















Presentations

MP Room B on the 1st Floor



Dynamic Duo: Sweet & Savory Hummus 10:30-11 AM Plant Powered Nampa Valley & Faithful Plateful



Coping & Stress Management 11:30 AM-12:15 PM Presented by University of Idaho Extension



Aging Well 12:30-1:15 PM Alzheimer's Association Greater Idaho Chapter



Type 2 Diabetes Care and Education 1:30-2 PM Full Circle Health

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Greater Idaho Chapter

Aging Well

Wed, March 12, 12:30-1:15 PM | Nampa Public Library

Join us for Aging Well, an engaging and informative workshop designed to empower individuals, caregivers and community members with knowledge and practical strategies for maintaining brain health and overall well-being as we age. This interactive workshop will cover:

- 1. 10 Healthy Habits for your Brain
- 2. Practical tips for reducing the risk of cognitive decline
- 3. Resources and support available throughout the Alzheimer's Association | Greater Idaho Chapter

Whether you're looking to improve your own brain health or support a loved one, this workshop provides valuable insights to help you age well with confidence. Participants will receive a free reusable cup with lid and straw!





Support and Dementia Resources

If you care for someone with Alzheimer's, you are not alone.

We're here whenever you need us.

Join us every week for FREE, IN-PERSON, and PERSONALIZED dementia resources, caregiver support and education.

EVERY TUESDAY 1:00PM - 2:00PM

Grannie on the Move 3587 E. Overland Rd. Meridian, ID 83642







Registration Required. Please call our

Local Office: 208.206.0041

For additional resources contact the helpline available 24/7 at

800.272.3900



You deserve healthcare that supports you and your family during every stage of life.

That is why Saint Alphonsus offers a FREE Health & Aging educational Lecture Series. Join us as we team up with

The Alzheimer's Association, Greater Idaho Chapter to help you understand Alzheimer's and other dementia's. This evidence-based course helps caregivers understand the costs of caregiving and the benefits of early planning, and teaches them how to start a conversation about finances, assess financial and legal needs, avoid financial abuse and fraud, and find support when needed.

Saint Alphonsus - Boise McCleary Auditorium 1055 N. Curtis Rd., Boise, ID 83706 RSVP Today | (208) 206-0041



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Caregiver Connections

A series of free classes designed to support caregivers of those living with dementia.



This free education series teaches caregivers how to navigate the responsibilities of caring for someone living with dementia along with a session on Brain Health delivered by Leslee Blanch, University of Idaho Extension educator and Registered/Licensed Dietitian Nutritionist.

Register for individual sessions to meet your needs or complete the entire series.

For More Information or to Register, Contact Jody Cornilsen at jocornilsen@alz.org or 208-350-6823 or use the QR code below.

> Idaho Falls Public Library 457 W Broadway St. Idaho Falls, ID 83402

*Registration encouraged, but not required.

In Collaboration With:





Join Us from 12 - 1:30 p.m at the Idaho Falls Public Library

March 5

Dementia Friends Information Session

March 19

Intro to Alzheimer's & Building Foundations of Caregiving

April 2

Supporting Independence

April 16

Communicating Effectively & Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors

April 30

Exploring Care & Support Services

May 14

Brain Health: Protecting Your Cognitive Assets





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The Empowered Caregiver

An education program presented by the Alzheimer's Association



April 2nd, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Intro to Alzheimer's & Building Foundations of Caregiving explores the role of caregiver and changes they may experience, building a support team and managing caregiver stress.

April 9th, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Supporting Independence focuses on helping the person living with dementia take part in daily activities, providing the right amount of support and balancing safety and independence while managing expectations.

April 30th, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Communicating Effectively teaches how dementia affects communication, including tips for communicating well with family, friends and health care professionals.

Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors details common behavior changes and how they are a form of communication, non-medical approaches to behaviors and recognizing when additional help is needed.

May 7th, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Exploring Care and Support Services examines how best to prepare for future care decisions and changes, including respite care, residential care and end-of life care.

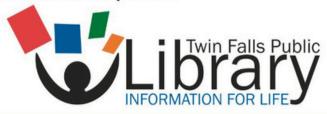
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Registration encouraged, but not required.

For more information or to register, contact Jody Cornilsen at jocornilsen@alz.org or 208-350-6823 to register.

Twin Falls Public Library 201 4th Ave E. Twin Falls, ID 83301

In Partnership With:



SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT



Aging

Supported by the Alzheimer's Association



Creative Aging offers creative art expression for individuals with mild cognitive impairment (MCI) and early to middle stages of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

This program creates a fun and comfortable way for people to get connected, get active and share their meaningful life moments or personal interests.

Previous art experience is not required.

BLICK art materials

Art Supplies provided thanks to the generous donation of Blick Art Materials The 3rd Wednesday of Every Month 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

The ART Museum 300 S Capital Ave., Idaho Falls, ID 83402

Registration Required (Class Limit 10)

For More Information or to Register, Call 208.350.6823 or email jocornilsen@alz.org



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SOUTHERN/EASTERN IDAHO MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUPS

ORGANIZATION/GROUP	DATE/TIME	LOCATION
Alzheimer's Association Pocatello Caregiver Support Group	2nd Wednesday of the Month 2 - 3 PM	First United Methodist Church, 200 North 15th Ave., Pocatello, ID 83201
Alzheimer's Association Twin Falls Caregiver Support Group	3rd Tuesday of the Month 6:30 - 7:30 PM	CSI Office on Aging (4th floor) 650 Addison Ave. W, Twin Falls ID, 83303
Alzheimer's Association/The ART Museum Idaho Falls Creative Aging (Social Engagement Opportunity)	3rd Wednesday of the Month: 10 - 11:30 AM	The ART Museum of Eastern Idaho, 300 S Capital Ave., Idaho Falls, ID 83402
Community Care Program Twin Falls Caregiver Support Group	2nd Wednesday of the Month: 1:30 - 3:00 PM	CSI Office on Aging (4th floor) 650 Addison Ave. W, Twin Falls ID, 83303
Community Care Program Hagerman Caregiver Support Group	3rd Thursday of the Month: 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Hagerman Public Library, 441 South State St., Hagerman, ID 83332
Community Care Program Blackfoot Caregiver Support Group	3rd Monday of the Month: 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Bingham County Extension Office, 412 W Pacific St., Blackfoot, ID
EICAP Idaho Falls Caregiver Support Group	2nd Tuesday of the Month: 1:00 - 3:00 PM	Eastern Idaho Community Action Partnership, 935 E Lincoln Rd., Idaho Falls, ID 83401
EICAP Idaho Falls Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group	4th Tuesday of the Month: 12:00 - 1:30 PM	Eastern Idaho Community Action Partnership, 935 E Lincoln Rd., Idaho Falls, ID 83401
SICOG Pocatello Caregiver Support Group	4th Wednesday of the Month: 2:00 - 3:00 PM	Area Agency on Aging, 214 E Center, St., Pocatello, ID,83201

EICAP: 208.522.5370 ext. 203

SICOG: 208.233.4032

COMMUNITY EVENTS & RESOURCES



Do you care for a family member with dementia? Call us! (503) 816-8310



PI: Dr. Allison Lindauer | OHSU IRB # 25741

YOU MAY BE FLIGIBLE IF:

- You provide care and/or supervision for a family member with dementia
- Your family member does things that upset you (such as asking the same question over and over, or refusing personal care)
- You live in Oregon, Washington or Idaho

ADDITIONAL INFO:

- · All study activities are done on your computer, no travel is needed
- · Your family member with dementia does not need to live with you

SCAN THE OR CODE



For more information, visit our website STELLA-R.org

Join the STELLA-R Study

Would you like to learn more about coping with upsetting behaviors?

Our study is an 8-week, self-paced program that includes weekly videos, written lessons, and plenty of resources.

STUDY PARTICIPATION INCLUDES:

- · 8 self-paced, weekly lessons to learn how to manage challenging behaviors
- Complete online surveys over 6 months
- · 4 assessments about mood, coping, & family member behaviors
- Brief weekly surveys about mood and costs
- Interactive exercises to help you manage

Gift cards of \$30 may be provided for completing all study activities



WHATEVER TIME: Day. Night. Weekends. Holidays.

WHATEVER THE REASON:

Mental health distress. Substance use crisis. Thoughts of suicide. The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is here for you.







F Text 988 (Call 988 Chat 98

Simply calling or texting 988 or chatting 988lifeline.org will connect a person in crisis to compassionate care and support for any mental health or substance use-related distress. Anyone-a person in crisis, or someone supporting a person in crisis-can reach 988 in the United States through any land line, cell phone, and voice-over internet device.

With rising levels of anxiety depression, emotional distress, and overdose deaths, it is crucial that people have somewhere to turn when they're in crisis. Suicide is a leading cause of death in the United States. The number of people with a substance use disorde continues to increase. The 988 Lifeline is a direct connection to immediate and free support and resources for anyone in crisis



And it works. About 98 percent of people who call, chat, or text the 988 Lifeline get the crisis support they need and do not require additional services in that moment. The 988 Lifeline is a key part of a broader vision for reimagined crisis care in the United States. Through federal, state, local, and community partnerships, SAMHSA is working towards a vision where everyone has:

Someone to talk to. Someone to respond. A safe place for help.



INSOMNIA TREATMENT STUDY

The RESTED Lab is looking for adults experiencing sleep difficulties.

Participants will be compensated up to \$100

Interested in participating?



Scan the QR code or go to: redcap.link/ISUInsomniaStudy

WHAT DOES THE STUDY INVOLVE?

Our study aims to investigate how adults with insomnia change following cognitive behavioral therapy for insomnia (CBTi) by measuring changes in sleep health and cognition.

Study visits include:

- · Online questionnaires
- · Brief clinical interview
- Cognitive functioning evaluation
- In-home sleep study (PSG)

6-Week Treatment includes:

- · Four 60-min sessions of abbreviated CBTi with a trained clinician.
- Two phone call sessions intermixed between the last two sessions.

What is CBTi?

CBTi is the first line treatment for insomnia disorder that focuses on addressing factors that contribute to the persistence of insomnia.

For more information, go to our website at https://sarah-emert.weebly.com/ or contact us at restedlab@isu.edu

JOIN THE COMPASSION COMPASS STUDY!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PARTICIPANTS TO TEST **OUR ONLINE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT** PROGRAM FOR ADULTS WITH DEMENTIA



WHO CAN PARTICIPATE? PARTICIPANTS MUST:

- HAVE RECEIVED A **DEMENTIA DIAGNOSIS** WITHIN THE PAST YEAR
- BE FLUENT IN READING **ENGLISH**
- HAVE INTEREST IN **COMPLETING AN ONLINE SELF-HELP PROGRAM**

INTERESTED? COMPLETE OUR









heather.kelley@usu.edu USU IRB #14297

COMMUNITY EVENTS & RESOURCES

2025 FUNDRAISING
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START YOUR TEAM TODAY!



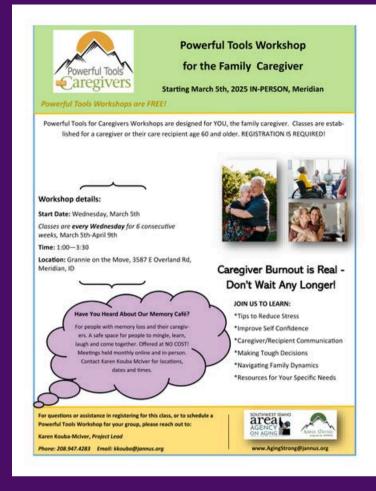
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AGELESS GRACE

For Brain, Body and Balance

JOIN OUR AGELESS GRACE CLASS! 🥮 🕻

Ageless Grace is a group exercise class based on everyday movements that focus on healthy longetivity of the body and mind.

> Starts Nov 15

\$ COST: Free for Members

WHERE: Idaho Falls Family YMCA

WHEN: Every Fridays

↑ TIME: 10:30 AM − 11:30 AM



Connection Club

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday | 9 AM - 3 PM

The Dick Eardley Senior Center is now offering adult day care services for local families. Supervised activities will include arts and crafts, games, lunch, snacks, and camaraderie with other Senior Center participants.

- · \$70 per day for Boise residents
- \$102.45 per day for non-residents

Call 208-608-7578 for more information and to set up the introductory evaluation.





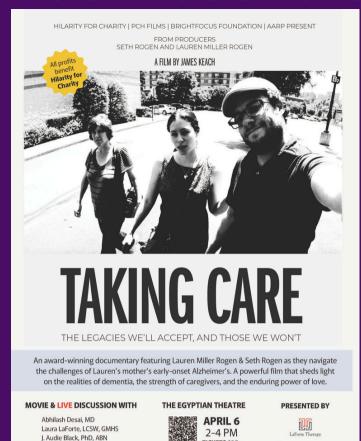


Dick Eardley Senior Center 690 Robbins Rd., Boise, ID 83702 seniorcenter.cityofboise.org



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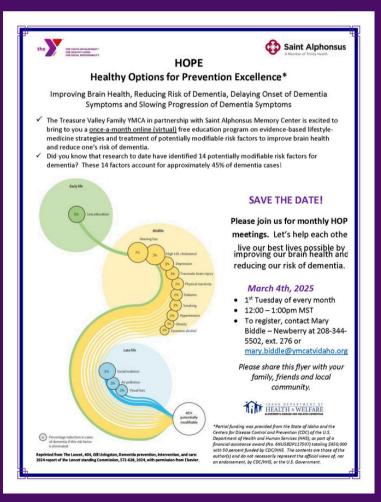


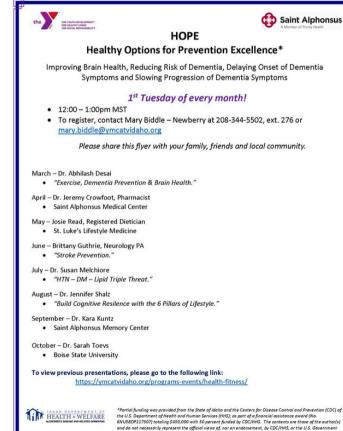


TICKETS \$25

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IDAHO NEUROPSYCHOLOGY





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