

ALZHEIMER'S FAMILY ORGANIZATION

People Helping Families

2009 ANNUAL REPORT



Serving Central Florida:

Citrus, Hernando, Northern Hillsborough, Lake, Pasco,
Northern Pinellas & Sumter Counties

MISSION STATEMENT

The Alzheimer's Family Organization is committed to offering educational programs and support services with assistance to caregivers, families and individuals with Alzheimer's disease and other dementia.

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

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A not-for-profit, charitable, tax-exempt organization, the Alzheimer's Family Organization serves the central Florida area and the following counties: Citrus, Hernando, Northern Hillsborough, Lake, Pasco, Northern Pinellas, Sumter

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WELCOME

From the Executive Director...Dominick De Petrillo



Another peaceful summer and fall, with a good amount of rainfall, gives us all much to be thankful for as we approach the holiday season. The "El Nino" effect almost completely curtailed the formation of storms that would have hit the United States, especially Florida. We now welcome the cooler weather.

It's that time of year again when we have an opportunity to renew old friendships and meet and greet new people who may eventually become old friends. Soon we will be having our Holiday Parties throughout our service area, a chance for us to thank our many volunteers and the sponsors of our events. In this small way we show our appreciation for all those of you who have helped this past year.

If you have been reading our newsletter and attending our events this year you will already know that we have had a very active year of fundraising and educational events. The funds raised have allowed us to distribute over \$52,000 last year to families who have registered for our Respite Care Program. We all know how important it is to have respite care for the caregivers and this program helps by allowing up to \$500 per person per year. Having respite care eases some of the stress and strain of caring for a loved one. We are pleased to say that Lake/Sumter United Way has been a great help in our respite care efforts for the past 11 years and we hope they will continue.

I wish to thank our staff at *the Companion* and also all the contributors to this noteworthy and informative newsletter. They have done an outstanding job in conveying important information and articles to educate caregivers and families.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Help-Line

Our Help-Line **assisted over 1,723 people** with referrals and emergency requests compared to **1,567 people in 2008**.

Memory Screenings

FREE Memory Screenings were held in various counties in conjunction with the Alzheimer's Foundation of America's National Screening Day. A total of **540 people** were screened: **Lake/Sumter - 530, Pasco - 10**.

Respite Assistance Program

The Alzheimer's Family Organization provided respite care assistance for over **125 caregivers** and **reimbursed \$35,145** through the Respite Care Assistance Program. Amounts given per county: **Citrus \$3,860, Hernando \$4,565, Lake \$3,570, Pasco \$17,109, Pinellas \$500, Sumter \$5,541**.

Support Groups

Support groups offer opportunities for caregivers to share experiences with their peers and exchange useful information. **32 groups** reached an average of over **320 caregivers monthly** and over **3,840 caregivers yearly**.

We facilitated **4 support group Orientation/In-Services** (education for present and new leaders). **37 people** attended with **12 becoming new leaders** for the organization. An **Orientation** instructs new leaders on how to facilitate a group. This training is free to anyone interested in becoming a leader. An **In-Service** brings together present leaders to discuss any problems that may arise in their monthly meetings.

Wanderer's Identification Program

A total of **734** are enrolled in the Wanderer's ID Program including **76 new individuals** from the following counties: **Citrus - 9, Hernando - 8, Lake/Sumter - 34, Pasco - 23 - Pinellas - 2 and Other - 7**.

Emergency Placement Services

Six caregivers used the Emergency Placement Service this year bringing the total to **36**.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY OUR ORGANIZATION

RESPIRE CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

SUPPORT GROUPS

LEGAL HELP (H.E.L.P.)

HELP- LINE

DO NOT RESUSCITATE ORDER

ALZHEIMER'S RELATED BOOKS

RESOURCE LISTS

EMERGENCY PLACEMENT DIRECTIVES

PARDON MY COMPANION CARD

TRAININGS /SEMINARS

RESEARCH

WANDERER'S IDENIFICATION PROGRAM

SPEAKERS BUREAU

EMERGENCY EVACUATION REGISTRATION

COMMUNITY SERVICES

SUPPORT GROUPS

Located within central Florida - Free respite care was offered at some groups.

Citrus County

- Highland Terrace, Inverness

Hernando County

- Brookridge Club House, Brooksville
- Oak Hill Hospital Enrichment Center, Spring Hill
- The Residence at Timber Pines, Spring Hill

Lake County

- Avante at Leesburg Nursing & Rehab Center
- Avante at Mt. Dora Nursing & Rehab Center
- Clare Bridge of Leesburg
- First Baptist Church of Umatilla
- Lake Harris Healthcare, Leesburg
- Lakeview Terrace Retirement Community, Altoona
- North Lake Presbyterian Church (**Early Stage**), Lady Lake
- North Lake Presbyterian Church, Lady Lake
- Somerset Assisted Living Facility, Tavares
- St. George Episcopal Church, Lady Lake
- Next to the "Best Little Thrift Store", Clermont

Sumter County

- Arbor Village, Wildwood
- New Covenant United Methodist Church, The Villages
- Thomas E. Langley Medical Center, Sumterville
- Homewood of Freedom Pointe, The Villages

Pasco County

- Atria Baypoint Village, Hudson
- Claude Pepper Senior Center, New Port Richey (2 groups)
- The Cottages, Port Richey
- Dynamic Seniors Adult Daycare, Zephyrhills
- Edwinola, Dade City
- Heritage Park, Dade City
- La Casa Grande, New Port Richey
- Royal Oak Nursing Center, Dade City
- Summerville Senior Living, New Port Richey
- Sunset Bay, New Port Richey
- Westbrooke Manor, Zephyrhills
- Zephyr Haven Health & Rehab Center, Inc., Zephyrhills

Thank you to our many Support Group Leaders, who reach out to help caregivers and their families in our communities.

EDUCATION

Additional information and awareness was provided through the organization's **Resource Library** and our "**Companion**" newsletter publication (**reaching 3500 quarterly**). Over **394 informational packets** were mailed out within the central Florida area. Many people were reached through our **website: www.alzheimersfamily.org**.

H.E.L.P. (Helping the Elderly with Legal Problems) gave legal assistance to **95 Pasco County residents**.

Resource Lists - Over **386 lists** were sent to the following counties: **Citrus - 33, Hernando - 45, Lake/Sumter - 125, Pasco - 165, Pinellas - 18.**

STATE REQUIRED DEMENTIA-SPECIFIC TRAININGS

Our trainings have been approved by the Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging (FPECA) for the Florida Department of Elder Affairs. Our trainers instructed many individuals in the central Florida area.

ALF's (Assisted Living Facility): Level I - Approval number ALF AD 171 (Expires 8/4/11) & **Level II** - ALF AD 172 (Expires 7/15/11).

Home Health Care: Approval number HH AD 133 - Expires June 12, 2012.

Nursing Home: Level 1 - Approval number NHAD 386 & **Level II** - NHAD 387 (Both expire 6/9/12.)

SPEAKER'S BUREAU

ATTENDEES

Hernando - **196**

Lake/ Sumter - **440**

Pasco - **336**

TOTAL - Over 972

HEALTH FAIRS

ATTENDEES

Lake - **Over 4800**

Pasco - **Over 360**

TOTAL - Over 5160



EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

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The Organization provides “**Caregiver Days**” for caregivers. These events provide educational information concerning Alzheimer's disease and related issues. In 2009, **89 caregivers** and **37 professionals** attended. **Free respite care was provided for 9 people**, which enabled their caregivers to attend.

CAREGIVER DAYS

Jan. 23rd – Hernando - Atria Evergreen Woods, 7030 Evergreen Woods Trail, Spring Hill

Feb. 26th – Sumter - New Covenant United Methodist Church, 3470 Woodridge Dr., The Villages

June 4th - Pinellas - Arden Courts, 2895 Tampa Rd., Palm Harbor

Nov. 2nd - Lake - Venetian Gardens, 209 E. Dixie Ave., Leesburg

SEMINAR FOR PROFESSIONALS & CAREGIVERS

Oct. 14th - Hernando - Silverthorne Country Club, 4550 Golf Club Lane, Spring Hill

SPONSORS

Arden Courts, Palm Harbor
 Atria Evergreen Woods - Spring Hill
 Clare Bridge of Leesburg
 Comfort Keepers, Leesburg
 HPH Hospice, Brooksville
 Homewood of Freedom Pointe, The Villages
 Mederi Caretenders, Brooksville
 New Covenant United Methodist Church -
 The Villages
 Nurse On Call Home Health Care, Brooksville

Respite Care Provided By:

Arden Courts, Palm Harbor
 Atria Evergreen Woods, Spring Hill
 Interim Healthcare, Leesburg
 New Covenant United Methodist Church, The
 Villages

SPEAKERS

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THANK YOU!

Educational Contact Hours

Community Hospital of New Port Richey
 Florida Statewide Public Guardianship Office

For providing educational contact hours for professionals.

FUNDRAISING



Alberta's Charity Fashion Show

\$4,950

Pasco County

Chairperson: Sandy Knapp

Bingo Tournament

\$ 491

Lake County

Chairperson: Maria Boglioli



West Pasco Golf Tournament

\$17,084

West Pasco County

Chairperson: Irene Thompson



Remember When

\$4,531

Citrus County

Chairperson: Linda LaMaire

Texas Hold-Em

\$5,735

Pasco County

*Chairperson: Nancy Britton &
Crystal Menzie-Olson*



Annual Appeal Letter - \$1,647

Bequests/Legacies - \$230,108

Donations - \$17,696

Membership - \$17,651

Memorials & Tributes - \$6,185

Rockathon - \$3,000

United Way/Grants - \$23,744

Total: \$378,789



Gong Show

\$20,999

West Pasco County

Chairperson: Al Friedman

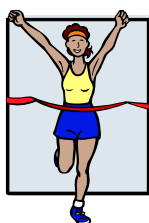
The Lily Golf Tournament

\$11,222

Lake County

Co-Chairpersons:

Deb Schlofman & Terry Peach



Chasco Challenge

\$13,746

West Pasco County

Chairperson: Eunice Sullivan

THANK YOU to the many committee chairpersons, committee members and "Day Of" volunteers who made our fundraising endeavors a success.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

INCOME BY COUNTY

Citrus.....	\$214,997
Hernando.....	\$ 20,545
Hillsborough.....	\$ 1,774
Lake/Sumter.....	\$ 55,183
Pasco.....	\$ 96,539
Pinellas.....	\$ 9,191

TOTAL INCOME.....\$398,229

EXPENSE BY COUNTY

Citrus.....	\$ 13,315
Hernando.....	\$ 24,078
Hillsborough.....	\$ 1,178
Lake/Sumter.....	\$118,341
Pasco.....	\$ 77,418
Pinellas.....	\$ 4,865

TOTAL EXPENSES.....\$239,195

CAREGIVER ASSISTANCE CALLS (Patient Information)

	PA	HE	C	L/S	PI	HI	O
GENDER							
MALE	49	11	18	44	5	3	5
FEMALE	51	12	8	41	7	1	3
AGE							
30-49 yrs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
50-60 yrs	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
61-70 yrs	3	3	3	9	3	0	0
71-80 yrs	36	13	12	25	1	1	0
81-90 yrs	41	13	13	43	0	0	0
91-100 yrs	6	0	0	6	0	0	0
ETHNICITY							
White	71	18	25	75	9	4	0
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic	3	2	0	4	0	0	0
African American	3	0	0	5	0	0	0
VETERAN PATIENTS 112 males / 8 females We also assisted 47 caregivers who were veterans.							
LEGEND: PA-Pasco, HE-Hernando, C-Citrus, L/S-Lake/Sumter, PI-Pinellas, HI-Hillsborough, O-Other							

VOLUNTEERS

The following reflects volunteer hours. Without these dedicated generous individuals our organization would not thrive. Thank you very much.

Board Members - over 2,575 hours	Educational Speakers - over 164 hours
Office Workers - over 573 hours	Finance Committee - over 594 hours
Fundraising - over 6,426 hours	Newsletter - over 128 hours
Support Group Leaders - over 3,012 hours	
H.E.L.P. (Helping the Elderly With Legal Problems) - over 502 hours	
TOTAL HOURS - over 13,974 hours = Value \$279,480	

2009 Volunteer Spotlight:

Judy De Petrillo, Chaplain George Carpenter, Joy Cook, Connie Greco

2009 RSVP Honored Volunteer - Lea Mahoney

RECOGNITION

2009 Corporate Members

We thank all the members of our organization. It is through their support that we are able to provide services to individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and their families in the local communities. We are working together to ease the caregiver's burden. **TOGETHER, WE ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

Clare Bridge of Leesburg
 Emeritus at New Port Richey
 Forest Oaks of Spring Hill
 Heather Hill Healthcare Center
 Hernando Pasco Hospice
 Highland Terrace
 Homewood of Freedom Point
 K & S Ballroom
 New Covenant United Methodist Church
 Right at Home
 Spring Oaks LLC
 Sunshine Christian Home
 Trinity Memorial Gardens
 Zephyr Haven Health & Rehab Center



**Working Together to
 Make the World
 a Better Place.**



Your weekly donation of...

- ⇒ **\$1.00 a week** for a year can provide ten "36 Hour Day" books
- ⇒ **\$5.00 a week** for a year can provide 100 Alzheimer's Information books to be distributed in the community.
- ⇒ **\$10.00 a week** for a year can provide registration fees for 26 Caregivers to attend a Caregiver Day.
- ⇒ **\$15.00 a week** for a year can provide respite care to preserve the health and relieve the stress of the caregiver.