Family Dynamics in the Dementia Journey

Are you the bossy big sister who knows it all or the youngest son who walks to the beat of your own drum? Not surprisingly, a person’s position in the family can have a significant impact on caregiver roles. Add to that the variations in today’s family make-up—blended families, second spouses, unmarried partners or same-sex partners—plus individual beliefs, personalities and family history and you have a recipe for a communication disaster if you’re not all on the same page when it comes to caring for a loved one with Alzheimer’s disease or other dementia. What’s a family unit to do?

When a family member needs care, it becomes even more important to find ways to improve communication and stay focused on providing the best care possible. Not everyone is able or willing to play a role in caring for the family member. Sometimes the spouse who provides day-to-day care is not willing to accept assistance from adult children. Mom may not want to give up what she believes to be her main responsibility in caring for her husband. Dad may not want to be criticized for not providing care “the right way.”

It’s important to take time to consider the other person’s perspective on caregiving. The assumptions we make can cause misunderstandings and hurt feelings. It takes a concerted effort to put the needs of the person with dementia first. What is best for him or her needs to take precedence over any family disagreement.

A family meeting is a great way to define what the caregiving needs are, discuss concerns and issues and develop an action plan.

Include everyone who is concerned and affected by caregiving decisions. This may involve the person with the illness, siblings, spouses, other relatives and perhaps close friends and neighbors. Consider using a speaker phone to include those who can’t be present because of distance. It is better to be inclusive to ensure greater support and prevent decisions from being undermined because someone was not given the opportunity to share his or her perspective.

Discuss concerns and issues. Consider collecting concerns ahead of time and create an agenda or use a flip chart to develop a list of supports needed. Let everyone share what they
Dear Friends,

With so many Alzheimer’s organizations to choose from we are often asked what makes us different. We pride ourselves on our dementia expertise and our local programs and services that enhance quality of life. We are much more than a fundraising organization. But, this thank you note we recently received says it all:

You have been a terrific support to me over the past 4 years. When my husband first called you, we felt we were so alone and lost. The Crossing Bridges 4-part program was good and a place where we met others in similar positions. My husband loved the Meeting of Minds and always had such a good time. Such a disease this Alzheimer’s is. I am sure some people resent the fact that it lasts long but I was grateful for those 4 years we had to get prepared to be apart. My husband passed with dignity but not without a good fight for life. I miss him so.

Special note to Meeting of Minds gang,
My husband loved his group of folks to laugh with. All the corny things you all have tucked away in your memories put together created lots of fun for all. I see there is many of the same group with you from when my husband attended and you are very lucky to still get together with each other and enjoy yourselves. Thank you all for supporting each other and my husband.

Similar sentiments were expressed by three courageous care partners who spoke about their journeys at our spring gala on April 1.

The difference comes down to our core values. As dementia experts we believe each and every person impacted by this disease needs an experienced partner along the journey. We are honored that so many in Wisconsin partner with us. Another core value is local access – our two regional offices in Lancaster and Portage, and regular office hours in Beloit, Darlington and Monroe allow us to expand our reach. Public policy is another core value. We want to significantly impact government policies in Wisconsin and Washington DC to help everyone impacted by dementia. (See page 3 for an advocacy update.)

Although we are not primarily a fundraising organization, donations are key and allow us to offer our programs at little or no cost. We hope you will join in one of our seven Alzheimer’s Walks this fall; golf with us at Maple Bluff on August 1 or respond to our annual spring appeal you will receive soon. Every dollar we raise stays in Wisconsin so you can see your donation in action.

Sincerely,

Paul Rusk
Executive Director

P.S. Do you know about businesses and organizations who might consider sponsoring one of our events or educations programs, which can count as a tax-deductible donation? Please contact Development Director Ingrid Kundinger or Development Coordinator Dirk Van Rybroek if you are willing to make an introduction. Charitable giving to help others is one of the key joys of life.
Advocacy Update

by Rob Gundermann, Public Policy Director

WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE PASSES FOUR DEMENTIA BILLS

It has been a busy time since our last newsletter. I worked with legislators and staff to draft a package of ten bills which were brought forward by the Speaker’s Task Force on Dementia and an eleventh bill separate from this legislative package. Hearings were held on the bills in both houses in various committees, and I testified on behalf of the bills at those hearings. Eventually all the bills were passed by the Assembly but only four of the bills were passed by both the Assembly and the Senate before the Senate recessed on March 15. ADAW was one of the organizations invited to a bill signing in Green Bay on March 24 where Governor Walker signed the three dementia bills from the Speaker’s Task Force. Those bills included:

Assembly Bill 786, introduced by Representative Mike Rohrkaste, (R-Neenah), directs the Department of Health Services (DHS) to design a pilot program for two or more counties to create dementia crisis units.

Assembly Bill 787, introduced by Representative Kathleen Bernier, (R-Chippewa Falls), provides $1 million annually in additional respite funding for family caregivers by increasing the appropriation for the Alzheimer’s and Family Caregiver Support Program.

Assembly Bill 790, introduced by Representative John Jagler (R-Watertown), requires DHS to award grants in the amount of $250,000 in fiscal year 2016-17 to counties or regions of counties for their mobile crisis teams to obtain training on recognizing and serving individuals with dementia.

When the Task Force held its first hearing and invited Paul Rusk and I to testify, we stressed the need for additional respite funding, explaining how this saves the state money by reducing long term care costs and needless institutionalization. We also testified about the need to create mobile dementia crisis teams and how treating people in place is more humane and can reduce state spending by reducing costly hospitalizations. We talked at length about the successes of ADAW’s crisis team and how teams in other counties could be modeled after ours. We even went so far as to explain the specific statutes that needed to be changed. We also pointed out the state lacks appropriate placement locations for circumstances when people cannot be treated in place. With the bills that were passed, the Legislature clearly attempted to address our concerns in these areas.

On March 30 ADAW had a second bill signing with Governor Walker where he signed the fourth bill the Alliance championed this session, Assembly Bill 674, also known as the visitation bill, which creates a process for an adult child to request a court to allow visitation of a parent. ADAW worked closely with Kerri Kasem, daughter of radio personality and co-founder and host of the American Top 40 franchise, Casey Kasem. Kasem had Lewy body dementia and his second wife

Alzheimer’s disease and other forms of dementia affect people regardless of their political persuasion and the Alzheimer’s & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin is grateful to receive bi-partisan support in the Wisconsin Legislature. Pictured with Gundermann and Rusk are [at left] Governor Scott Walker, Representative Dianne Hesselbein, Representative Mike Rohrkaste at the March 24 bill signing in Green Bay and [at right] Kerri Kasem at the bill signing on March 30 at the Wisconsin State Capitol.

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Diversity Update
6th Annual Solomon Carter Fuller Event

The 6th Annual Solomon Carter Fuller event, held on February 19-20, 2016, was a huge success! More than 100 people attended the Friday night discussion on how to better recruit and screen African American men by Dr. Consuelo Wilkins, MD, MSCI, Executive Director, Meharry-Vanderbilt Alliance and Associate Professor of Medicine, Vanderbilt University Medical School and Meharry Medical College.

When she appeared on NBC15’s 5 p.m. newscast with John Stofflet, Dr. Wilkins shared that African Americans are two to three times more likely to have Alzheimer’s disease than whites and are more likely to be diagnosed later, when existing treatments might not be as beneficial. Encouraging African Americans to participate in research is vital to understanding the causes of Alzheimer’s disease and finding a cure.

“We won’t be able to develop prevention strategies and increase treatment opportunities or diagnose earlier. It’s really critical that we have the people most impacted involved in the research from the beginning,” said Dr. Wilkins.

New this year were two panel discussions held Saturday morning at the Urban League of Greater Madison, before the memory screenings began. Guests had the opportunity to hear directly from caregivers about their journey and the importance of reaching out for support and guidance. Barbara Boustead also presented on elder financial abuse. More than 20 people had confidential memory screenings.

Charlie Daniel, ADAW’s Diversity Outreach Coordinator, has been working to connect folks with and without a family history of Alzheimer’s disease or other form of dementia to researchers at the Wisconsin Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center at the University of Wisconsin. In addition to leading the group that plans the annual Solomon Carter Fuller event, she also works with families, to improve awareness and understanding of the disease and its effects on the person, providing direct support and making the connection to available services, which can help make the journey a little easier.

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Members of the African American Community Advisory Board who planned the Solomon Carter Fuller event include, from left to right, Ornella Hills, Julie Sheahan, Fabu Carter, Kay Simmons, Carolyn Rumpf, Danielle Washington, Theresa Sanders, Paul Rusk, Dr. JoAnn Pritchett, Corinda Rainey-Moore, Bobby Moore, Dr. Consuelo Wilkins, Emanuel Scarbrough, Charlie Daniel, Aaron Perry, Pam Bracey, Dianne McMaury, Susan Flowers Benton, Hanna Blazel, Jewelline Wiggins, Lula Jones and Dr. Carey Gleason.
**FAMILY DYNAMICS**

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feel the care needs are. Listen and be respectful. Prioritize the concerns and identify where family members agree and disagree. Decide how to resolve the differences while keeping in mind what’s best for the person with dementia. It may be necessary to hold more than one meeting.

**Develop a written plan of what each person is willing to do and when each task will be done.** Can individual family members take on tasks like grocery shopping, household chores, providing respite care, transportation to doctor’s appointments and running errands? Allow family members to decide what tasks they can or cannot do and determine whether in-home services can be used to fill in. Remember, not everyone will be willing to help out in ways we think they should and that’s okay. Family members need to recognize that each person brings different strengths and weaknesses to the caregiving journey.

**Consider using a facilitator and meet at a neutral location.** Family meetings are not always easy and honest differences of opinion will occur. It can be easy for meetings to get off track or past conflicts can arise. A facilitator can help keep the focus on the person who needs care.

Open communication and acceptance are vitally important along the caregiver journey.

Having frank and honest discussions can help reduce misunderstandings and manage expectations. If you would like assistance with planning a family meeting, please give us a call at 888.308.6251 toll free in Wisconsin or 608.232.3400.

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**ADVOCACY UPDATE**

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moved him from location to location and did not allow his children to visit him. Kerri spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on legal fees and private investigators and was finally able to see her father at the end of his life. Kerri wanted to make sure that no one else ever had to go through what she and her siblings went through and the Visitation Bill creates a legal pathway to visitation that’s available to everyone, not just those with the means to fight a protracted legal battle. Visitation is not guaranteed under this bill. If the court determines that the person with dementia is still competent and doesn’t want to see a child then visitation will be denied. Additionally, the court will not allow access if it determines visitation is not in the best interest of the parent.

We still have a long way to go and a lot of work ahead of us but the bills passed this session substantially address a number of issues families brought to our attention. I’m confident we will be able to address more issues next session.
HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT OUR MANY SUPPORT GROUPS?

Join ADAW in a caring and understanding environment where you can ask questions and get straight answers from people who have been there. Learn creative and caring problem-solving techniques, get informed about helpful resources, and hear about advances in research and advocacy. Discover you are not alone in the way you feel! You may find that you can help others who are at a point where you’ve already been. Remember, laughter, taking care of yourself, and planning for the future are essential to well-being.

“The support I have been given by the Alzheimer’s & Dementia Alliance of WI, and especially the Men’s Support Group meetings, over the past four or five years have been very helpful and sincerely appreciated.”

–Howard S.

There are many support groups, at various times and locations.

To find one that works best for you or a loved one, visit www.alzwisc.org or call 608.232.3400 or 888.308.6251.

Upcoming Programs

All of the programs listed are offered often (some monthly and some weekly) across ten counties. All of the programs are free and require no registration, unless specified. Donations are welcome to ensure the continuation of these programs.

MEMORY CAFÉS: A Memory Café is a social gathering place where individuals with memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, early Alzheimer’s, or other dementias, can come together. There are currently eleven different cafés that meet monthly to visit, share common interests, and enjoy refreshments. Each monthly café is unique and offers a program or activity that’s fun and chosen by participants’ interests. Family and friends are encouraged to come. If you require assistance to participate, please have someone accompany you.

WE ALL FORGET: Is it normal aging or should I be concerned? We all forget names occasionally and misplace keys and wallets. Our brain may not seem as sharp as it once was but not all memory glitches signify the start of a progressive disease like Alzheimer’s. With growing awareness of the importance of having memory disorders diagnosed early, come learn what is normal for our brains as we age, how our memories work, and what we can do if we are concerned for ourselves or others.

UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER’S & DEMENTIA: What is the difference between Alzheimer’s disease & dementia? In this program you will learn the answer to that question as well as what causes dementia and receive practical things you can do, whether you are concerned about yourself, a loved one, or are just interested in helping others who are impacted by memory challenges.

BOOST YOUR BRAIN HEALTH: Tips to reduce your risk of Alzheimer’s and dementia. Current research indicates that lifestyle choices have significant impact on long term brain health. In this program you will learn how the brain works, tips on improving your brain health and how to lower your risk of developing dementia. This program features information about current research, scientifically-rooted nutritional and lifestyle advice as well as fun brain teasers and take home material.

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY COMMUNITY: The number of people living with Alzheimer’s disease in our state is growing and communities are mobilizing to better understand and support their local citizens. The majority of us will know someone with dementia in our lifetime. In this program you will learn how to better recognize a person with memory or thinking impairments and to better understand what businesses and community members can do to serve and support people struggling with cognitive challenges. Find out what is happening in your community and learn how you can make a difference.

MAY

UNDERSTANDING AND RESPONDING TO BEHAVIOR CHANGES

Understand reasons why behavior changes occur and get problem-solving tips to help prevent and cope with them.

Monday, May 9
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Alicia Ashman Library
733 N. High Point Rd., Madison

COMMUNICATION TIPS AND STRATEGIES

Learn ways to effectively and compassionately communicate with someone who has dementia.

Tuesday, May 10
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
The Richland Hospital, Pippin 3
333 E Second St., Richland Center

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SUN PRAIRIE MEMORY CAFÉ
Thursday, May 12
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
The Sunshine Place
1632 W. Main St., Suite 200, Sun Prairie
* Affiliated with ADAW. Hosted by the Colonial Club Senior Center. Call 608.837.4611 for more information.

SUN PRAIRIE MEMORY CAFÉ *
Thursday, May 12
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
The Sunshine Place
1632 W. Main St., Suite 200, Sun Prairie
* Affiliated with ADAW. Hosted by the Colonial Club Senior Center. Call 608.837.4611 for more information.

MADISON MEMORY CAFÉ
Monday, May 16
1:00-3:00 p.m.
Warner Park Community Center
1625 Northport Dr., Madison

SAUK CITY MEMORY CAFÉ
Thursday, May 19
9:30-11:00 a.m.
Sauk Prairie Community Center, Café Connections
730 Monroe St., Sauk City

PORTAGE MEMORY CAFÉ
Wednesday, May 25
1:00-3:00 p.m.
Portage Public Library
253 W. Edgewater St., Portage

CROSSING BRIDGES
A four-week educational discussion group for people with mild memory impairment and their families. The overall focus is to promote positive well-being while living with cognitive changes. Potential participants need to schedule an in-person interview as part of the registration process before classes begin.
Two sessions to choose from:
Thursdays - Beginning May 26, 2016
9:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Monroe Clinic
If you are interested in this program, contact Deanna Truedson, 608.843.3402 or deanna.truedson@alzwisc.org.
Coming in June 2016
Alzheimer’s & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin 517 N. Segoe Road, Madison Call Pat Wilson at 608-232-3406

RICHLAND CENTER MEMORY CAFÉ
Thursday, May 26
9:30-11:30 a.m.
Woodman Senior Center
1050 Orange St., Richland Center

SINSINAWA MEMORY CAFÉ *
Thursday, May 26
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Sinsinawa Mound Center
585 County Road Z, Sinsinawa, WI
*Affiliated with ADAW. Contact Coni LaBarbera, Pastoral Minister Sinsinawa Dominicans, Inc., at 608.748.4411 Ext. 188 or clabarbera@sinsinawa.org

DEFOREST MEMORY CAFÉ*
Friday, May 27
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
DeForest Area Community and Senior Center
505 N. Main Street, DeForest
*Affiliated with ADAW. Hosted by the DeForest Area Community and Senior Center. Contact 608.846.9469 for more information

YOUNG ONSET MEMORY CAFÉ (65 AND UNDER)**
**Please contact ADAW at 608.232.3400 prior to participating.
Saturday, May 28
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Alzheimer’s & Dementia Alliance of WI 2nd Floor Conference Room
517 N. Segoe Rd., Madison

JUNE

THE CAREGIVING JOURNEY: A ROAD MAP FOR MIDDLE TO LATE STAGE DEMENTIA
Caring for a family member with dementia is a journey where responsibilities and expectations change and grow as the dementia progresses. This program will help you develop a personalized road map for adapting to changes, making decisions, and solving problems that arise as the dementia moves into the middle and late stages. Participants will increase their understanding of the effects of dementia; gain insight into their own strengths and challenges as caregivers; and enhance coping skills related to caregiving responsibilities, problem solving, and decision making.
Wednesday, June 1
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Community Services Building
221 W. Seminary St., Richland Center
Developed by ADAW and funded by Bader Philanthropies. To learn more, contact Becky DeBuhr at 608.723.4288.

MARQUETTE COUNTY MEMORY CAFÉ - NEW!
Start date: Wednesday, June 1
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Westfield Village Hall
124 E. 3rd St., Westfield
In partnership with the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Adams, Green Lake, Marquette, and Waushara counties.
Contact Janet Wiegel, 608.742.9055, for more information.

DODGEVILLE MEMORY CAFÉ
Wednesday, June 8
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Park Place Community Room
1015 N. Elm St., Platteville

IS IT TIME FOR FACILITY CARE?
Review things to consider when making the decision to move to facility care.
Wednesday, June 8
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Park Place Community Room
1015 N. Elm St., Platteville

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SUN PRAIRIE MEMORY CAFÉ *
Thursday, June 9
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
The Sunshine Place
1632 W. Main St., Suite 200, Sun Prairie
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WE ALL FORGET: IS IT NORMAL AGING OR SHOULD I BE CONCERNED?
Wednesday, June 15
Presentation begins at 11:15 a.m.
Lunch is at noon.
Arena Meal Site, Arena Manor, 343 West St., Arena
Picnic style meal: Cheeseburger on a bun, Potato Salad, Watermelon, Chocolate Brownie
Suggested Donation of $4.25
Meal Reservations can be made by calling Mona at 608.341.6859 by Monday, June 13.
Transportation is available by calling the ADRC at 608.930.9835.
Hosted in partnership with the Iowa County Aging & Disability Resource Center

SAUK CITY MEMORY CAFÉ
Thursday, June 16
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Sauk Prairie Community Center, Café Connections
730 Monroe St., Sauk City

MADISON MEMORY CAFÉ
Monday, June 20
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Warner Park Community Center
1625 Northport Dr., Madison
In partnership with North/Eastside Senior Coalition (NESCO).

FAMILY DYNAMICS IN THE DEMENTIA JOURNEY
Discover ways dementia impacts families and the value of recognizing and accepting each person’s strengths and weaknesses as caregivers.
Tuesday, June 21
10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Stoughton Senior Center
248 W. Main St., Stoughton

SAFETY AT HOME
Get tips to help you and your loved one stay safely and independently in your own home.
Tuesday, June 21
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Health and Human Services Center,
Conference Room 1001
303 W. Chapel St., Dodgeville
Co-sponsored by the ADRC.

PORTAGE MEMORY CAFÉ
Wednesday, June 22
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Portage Public Library
253 W. Edgewater St., Portage

RICHLAND CENTER MEMORY CAFÉ
Thursday, June 23
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Woodman Senior Center
1050 Orange St., Richland Center

DEFOREST MEMORY CAFÉ *
Friday, June 24
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
DeForest Area Community and Senior Center
505 N. Main St., DeForest
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YOUNG ONSET MEMORY CAFÉ (65 AND UNDER)**
**Please contact ADAW at 608.232.3400 prior to participating.
Saturday, June 25
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Alzheimer’s and Dementia Alliance of WI
2nd Floor Conference Room
517 N. Segoe Rd., Madison

COMMUNICATION TIPS AND STRATEGIES
Learn ways to effectively and compassionately communicate with someone who has dementia.
Tuesday, June 28
5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Oak Park Place
800 Waldo St., Baraboo

SINSINAWA MOUND MEMORY CAFE*
Thursday, June 30
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
585 County Road Z, Sinsinawa
* Affiliated with ADAW. Contact Coni LaBarbera, Pastoral Minister Sinsinawa Dominicans, Inc., at 608-748-4411 Ext. 188 or clabarbera@sinsinawa.org for more information.

JULY

MIDDLETON MEMORY CAFÉ
Friday, July 1
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Captain Bill’s Restaurant
2701 Century Harbor Rd., Middleton

MARQUETTE COUNTY MEMORY CAFÉ
Wednesday, July 6
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Westfield Village Hall
124 E. 3rd St., Westfield
In partnership with the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Adams, Green Lake, Marquette, and to Waushara counties. Contact Janet Wiegel, 608.742.9055, for more information.
DODGEVILLE MEMORY CAFÉ
Wednesday, July 6
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Stonefield Apartments Community Room
407 East Madison St., Dodgeville

IS IT TIME FOR FACILITY CARE?
Review things to consider when making the decision to move to facility care.
Monday, July 11
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Goodman Library
2222 S. Park St., Madison

SUN PRAIRIE MEMORY CAFÉ *
Thursday, July 14
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
The Sunshine Place
1632 W. Main St., Suite 200, Sun Prairie
* Affiliated with ADAW. Hosted by the Colonial Club Senior Center. Call 608.837.4611 for more information.

MADISON MEMORY CAFÉ
Monday, July 18
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Warner Park Community Center
1625 Northport Dr., Madison
In partnership with North/Eastside Senior Coalition (NESCO).

COMMUNICATION TIPS AND STRATEGIES
Learn ways to effectively and compassionately communicate with someone who has dementia.
Wednesday, July 20
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Crawford County Administration Building
225 N. Beaumont Rd., Prairie du Chien

SAUK CITY MEMORY CAFÉ
Wednesday, July 20
9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Sauk Prairie Community Center, Café Connections
730 Monroe St., Sauk City

DEFOREST MEMORY CAFÉ *
Friday, July 22
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
DeForest Area Community and Senior Center
505 N. Main St., DeForest
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YOUNG ONSET MEMORY CAFÉ (65 AND UNDER)**
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Saturday, July 23
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Alzheimer’s and Dementia Alliance of WI
2nd Floor Conference Room
517 N. Segoe Rd., Madison

SAFETY AT HOME
Get tips to help you and your loved one stay safely and independently in your own home.
Tuesday, July 26
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Kilbourn Library
620 Elm St., Wisconsin Dells

PORTAGE MEMORY CAFÉ
Wednesday, July 27
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Portage Public Library
253 W. Edgewater St., Portage

RICHLAND CENTER MEMORY CAFÉ *
Thursday, July 28
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Woodman Senior Center
1050 Orange St., Richland Center

SINSINAWA MOUND MEMORY CAFÉ *
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“It takes a village to do this work. Without the help of the African American Advisory Board members being advocates, allies and educators I would have never been able to educate the African American Community on this silent epidemic in our community,” said Charlie.
“African Americans now feel safe and confident in knowing that the Alzheimer’s & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin is a place where they can receive free and confidential services.”

Charlie is available to meet with families on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. - 4:30p.m. at the Merrill Community Center, 1428 Wisconsin Ave., Beloit or in Madison at the ADAW office, 517 N. Segoe Rd. #301, Madison, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. She can be reached at 608.698.6170 or by email at charlie.daniel@alzwisc.org.
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An Evening to Remember

Thank you to all who attended An Evening To Remember on Friday, April 1 at The Edgewater. Our 200 guests enjoyed an evening of auction bidding, great food, and inspirational speakers. A special thank you to Moira, Naveena and Fred for sharing their personal dementia journey stories with us and to State Representative Dianne Hesselbein for her comments about the important work of our organization.

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