

 **MedicAlert⁺** **safe return** alzheimer's association
Greater Pennsylvania Chapter
2009 enrollment drive



JUNE is National Safety Month.

Safety is important for everyone, but individuals with dementia and their caregivers need to take particular precautions when it comes to creating a safe environment. The number one safety concern for person with dementia is becoming disoriented and lost in a once familiar place. This can happen within any stage of the disease. More than **60 percent** of those with dementia will wander and if not found within 24 hours, up to half of individuals who wander will suffer serious injury or death.

The Greater Pennsylvania Chapter's 2009 MA+SR Enrollment Drive is our effort to connect our MedicAlert[®] + Alzheimer's Association Safe Return program with those at risk for wandering.

HOW DOES MA+SR WORK?

MedicAlert[®] + Alzheimer's Association Safe Return[®] is a 24-hour nationwide emergency response service for individuals with Alzheimer's or a related dementia that wander or who have a medical emergency. If an enrolled individual wanders and becomes lost, caregivers can call the 24-hour emergency response line to report it. All efforts are made to reunite the family member or caregiver with the person who wandered. For more information on the MedicAlert[®] + Alzheimer's Association Safe Return[®] click here.

COST?

There is a cost for the MedicAlert[®] + Alzheimer's Association Safe Return[®] program. There is a \$49.95 initial fee and an annual fee of \$25 will be due after the first year of membership. **A sample membership packet, including jewelry, will be available at each drive.**

The Greater Pennsylvania Chapter, South Central Office has partnered with several host sites and will offer safety tips and application assistance. Please see the 2009 MA+SR Enrollment Drive Schedule below. Each enrollment drive is open to the public.

Important things to bring along...

- **A picture of the person with dementia**
- **A list of recent medications**
- **A list of allergies**
- **A wrist measurement of the person with dementia**
- **Contact information for all caregivers who can be contacted during an incident**
- **The enrollment fee. Checks only.**

If you have questions, please contact Tiffani Chambers, MASR Coordinator, @ 717.651.5020 or via email at tiffani.chambers@alz.org.



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Schedule

**June 2. Schuylkill County
Providence Place-Pottsville
2200 First Avenue
Pottsville, PA 17904
Drive Hours: 1 to 5 p.m.**

**June 9. Dauphin County
Arden Courts
2625 Ailanthus Lane
Harrisburg, PA 17110
Drive Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Arden Courts will sponsor ***\$5 off each application.**
Discount only valid during drive hours.*

**June 16. Cumberland County
Essex House
20 North 12th Street
Lemoyne, PA 17043
Drive Hours: 1 to 4 p.m.
Essex House will sponsor ***\$5 off the first 8 applications.**
Discount only valid during drive hours.*

**June 23. Snyder County
Graysonview-Selinsgrove
29 Graysonview Court
Selinsgrove, PA 17870
Drive Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Graysonview-Selinsgrove will sponsor ***\$20 off each application.**
Discount only valid during drive hours.*

**June 30. Cumberland County
Bethany Village
5225 Wilson Lane, Main Entrance
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
Drive Hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Bethany Village will sponsor ***\$10 off each application.**
Discount only valid during drive hours.*

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