

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION - CAPITAL OF TEXAS CHAPTER

OCTOBER 2009

October 2 – Lunch N' Learn: ALZ 101 in Rockdale

Come learn about Alzheimer's disease and enjoy a complimentary lunch from 11:30 – 1 pm in the Meeting Room of the Rockdale General Store, 1201 W. 79, Rockdale, TX 76567. Reserve your spot by calling (800) 367-2132 or (512) 241-0420 or via email to TXPrograms@TXAlz.org

October 6 - Introduction to Alzheimer's disease: ALZ 101 in Georgetown

1st Tuesday of every month in the 2nd floor classroom of the Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. 8th Street, Georgetown, TX. Class runs 6 – 7:15 pm. Call (512) 241-0420 or email TXPrograms@TXAlz.org to reserve your spot. Class is free of charge.

October 6, 7, 8 – Team Captain Bank Days

For Team Captains interested in turning in their donations and picking up T-shirts prior to the walk, Chapter staff will be ready to process you at the Chapter office from 9 am – 4 pm.

October 10 – Austin Memory Walk!!!

Join us for some awareness raising fun at the Chapter office: 3429 Executive Center Dr., Hubbard Building, Austin, TX 78731. Registration at 8:30 am. We will walk in the beautiful Northwest Hills neighborhood. Help us honor those affected by Alzheimer's and related dementias by fundraising for a cure! Contact Michaela at (512) 241-0420x16 or Mmorris@txalz.org with questions.

October 13 - Introduction to Alzheimer's disease: ALZ 101 in Austin

2nd Tuesday of every month at 3429 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100, Austin, TX 78731. Class runs 6 – 7:15 pm. Call (512) 241-0420 or email TXPrograms@TXAlz.org to reserve your spot. Class is free of charge.

October 14 – Lunch N' Learn: ALZ 101 in Johnson City

Come learn about Alzheimer's disease and enjoy a complimentary lunch from 11:30 – 1 pm at the Hill Country Cupboard, 101 South Hwy. 281, Johnson City, TX 78636. Reserve your spot by calling (800) 367-2132 or (512) 241-0420 or via email to TXPrograms@TXAlz.org

October 14 – Early Stage Education in Austin

Join us for a panel discussion about various topic relating to early stage Alzheimer's disease and related dementias at Querencia at Barton Creek, 2500 Barton Creek Blvd., Austin, TX from 5 – 6:30 pm in the Longhorn Room. Reserve your spot at TXPrograms@TXAlz.org or (512) 241-0420x15.

October 17 – Bell County Memory Walk in Temple!!!

Join us for some awareness raising fun! The walk will be held on the grounds of the Olin E. Teague Veterans Center on South 1st Street, Temple, TX. Registration at 8:30 am. Contact Michaela at (512) 241-0420x16 or Mmorris@txalz.org with questions.

October 19 – Lunch N' Learn: ALZ 101 in Burnet

Come learn about Alzheimer's disease and enjoy a complimentary lunch from 11:30 – 1 pm at the Highlander Restaurant, 401 Buchanan Dr., Burnet, TX 78611. Reserve your spot by calling (800) 367-2132 or (512) 241-0420 or via email to TXPrograms@TXAlz.org

October 20 - Introduction to Alzheimer's disease: ALZ 101 in Killeen

3rd Tuesday of every month in the Theater room at The Bridgemoor at Killeen, 2710 Cunningham Rd, Killeen, TX. The Bridgemoor is located off Hwy. 190, turn right after Logan's. Class runs 6 – 7:15 pm. Call (800) 367-2132 or email TXPrograms@TXAlz.org to reserve your spot.

October 24 – Hays County Memory Walk in San Marcos!!!

Join us for some awareness raising fun! The walk will be held at the Old Community Fish Hatchery Bldg, 204 CM Allen Parkway, San Marcos, TX. Registration at 8:30 am. Contact Michaela at (512) 241-0420x16 or Mmorris@txalz.org with questions.

October 27 - Introduction to Alzheimer's disease: ALZ 101 in San Marcos

4th Tuesday of every month at the City of San Marcos Old Community Fish Hatchery Building, 204 CM Allen Parkway, San Marcos, TX. Class runs from Noon – 1:15 pm. Feel free to bring your lunch and leave early if you need to. Call (800) 367-2132 or email TXPrograms@TXAlz.org to reserve your spot.

*Deadline for announcements in our newsletter is the 20th of each month.
Call 512-241-0420 or txprograms@txalz.org.*

NEWS YOU CAN USE

New Support Groups

3rd Tuesday at 6:30 pm
Regal Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
1000 Avenue J, **Lampasas, TX** 76550
Call Ruth or Liz at (512) 556-6267 for more information!

1st Thursday at 6 pm
Arbor House of Temple
4257 Lowes Drive, **Temple, TX** 76502
Call Ron or Linda at (254) 773-3081

Querencia at Barton Creek Raises Funds for Memory Walk

To support their Memory Walk efforts, Querencia at Barton Creek held a contest for a pet mascot. Zeta Bowen, a nine year old Shih Tzu owned by Lubeth and Herb Bowen, won the honors after raising over \$1,000 to support the Alzheimer's Association. Zeta is the official 2009-2010 Querencia at Barton Creek mascot.

News Headlines

ExonHit presents promising first patient results for EHT 0202, its Alzheimer's candidate drug

Paris, France – September 14, 2009 – Top-line Phase IIa clinical data released today demonstrate that EHT 0202, ExonHit's lead candidate for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease, is safe and generally well tolerated in patients and that it could potentially enhance cognition in Alzheimer's disease patients. These first EHT 0202 results in patients were presented today in Florence, Italy, at the 13th Congress of the European Federation of Neurological Societies (1). Further study details will be disclosed at the 2nd Conference of Clinical Trials on Alzheimer Disease in Las Vegas, at the end of October.

"EHT 0202 has an original mechanism of action with potential disease-modifying and symptomatic properties. The Phase IIa safety results and the potential efficacy signals observed in Alzheimer patients support advancing EHT 0202 into later stage clinical development to collect further evidence of safety and efficacy in a larger number of patients and over a longer time period," stated Professor Bruno Vellas, M.D., the principal investigator. *"There is a high unmet need for new Alzheimer treatments with procognitive and neuroprotective properties."*

"We are very happy about these promising findings as EHT 0202 could become a new approach to the treatment of Alzheimer's disease," commented Dr. Loïc Maurel, M.D., President of the Management Board of ExonHit Therapeutics. *"ExonHit will now actively look for a partner to ensure rapid clinical development and commercialization of EHT 0202."*

Data analysis showed that EHT 0202 is safe at both tested doses (40 and 80 mg twice a day) and generally well tolerated. The most frequent adverse events were mainly related to the central nervous system-acting nature of EHT 0202 and were dose-dependent. There were no specific gastrointestinal, cardiovascular or biological adverse events in the treated groups versus placebo suggesting the absence of clinical interaction of EHT 0202 with acetylcholinesterase inhibitors. Study withdrawals related to adverse events happened mostly during the first 6 weeks of treatment and all were due to different causes.

Encouraging signs of cognitive improvement, as measured by ADAS-Cog, the gold standard test for cognition, were seen in EHT 0202 treated patients. These results build on earlier observations using EHT 0202 in animal models of Alzheimer's disease. It was also observed in some assessments including ADAS-Cog that the ApoE4 positive subpopulation (patients with one or two of the ApoE4 alleles in their genes) tends to respond better to EHT 0202 treatment than patients with no ApoE4 allele in their genes.

These first patient data support progressing EHT 0202 into Phase IIb in order to (i) establish EHT 0202's cognitive benefits in a longer and larger clinical trial; (ii) further explore EHT 0202's benefit in the ApoE4 positive population; and (iii) identify the optimal therapeutic dosage for EHT 0202. Read more at: http://www.exonhit.com/sites/default/files/PR_EHT0202_Firenze_14092009_EN.pdf