The following are highlights of upcoming educational and awareness events of the Alzheimer’s Association – Heart of America Chapter

MINDS IN MOTION • KANSAS CITY, MO • Wednesday, March 6
The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, in partnership with the Alzheimer’s Association – Heart of America Chapter, provides free gallery tours for people with memory loss and their caregivers. These tours are the first Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m., 45th and Oak. March’s program is “Destination: Japan.” Come experience the exquisite art of Japan as we explore objects from the temple, the home, and the great outdoors. Call 816.751.1ART to register.

LEGAL AND FINANCIAL PLANNING • PRAIRIE VILLAGE, KS • Wednesday, March 6
If you or someone you love is affected by Alzheimer’s disease or dementia, the time for legal and financial planning is now. This workshop is for anyone who would like to know more about the legal and financial issues to consider when faced with Alzheimer’s disease, and how to put plans in place. 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Alzheimer’s Association Education Center, 3856 W. 75th Street.

MOVIES AND MEMORIES • Wednesday, March 6
These movies are part of a special, intergenerational cinema series for individuals with dementia, their friends, and families. Occurs on the first Wednesday of each month at 10:30 a.m., Kansas City Public Library, Plaza Branch, 4801 Main Street, Kansas City, MO, Contact: Emily Cox at emilycox@kclibrary.org or 816.701.3763.

UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER’S AND DEMENTIA • CLAY CENTER, KS • Thursday, March 7
If you or someone you love is affected by Alzheimer’s disease or dementia, it’s time to learn the facts. This program provides information on detection, causes, and risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment, and much more. 5:30 – 7:00 p.m., Clay County Medical Center, Education Center.

REMOTE LEARNING SERIES • Wednesday, March 13, 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
March’s topic: Driving and Dementia. This Remote Learning Series is bringing education to the community and providing the opportunity to attend a session close to home. Please join us for a monthly program to learn about memory disorders and the challenges associated with managing them. Programs are held simultaneously at the locations listed below:

- Burlington, KS, Coffey County Hospital, 801 N. 4th, 66839
- Fairfax, MO, Community Hospital, 26136 US HWY 59, 64446
- Mound City, MO, The Shop, 307 State St., 64470
- Ness City, KS, Ness County Hospital, 312 Custer, 67560
- Parsons, KS, Parsons State Hospital UCDD Building, 2601 Gabriel, 67357
- Pittsburg, KS, Pittsburg Public Library, 308 N Walnut Street, 66762
- Riverton, KS, Spring River Mental Health and Wellness Center, 6610 SE Quakervale Rd, 66770
- Seneca, KS, Nemaha Valley Community Hospital, 1600 Community Drive, 66538
- Troy, KS, Library District1, Doniphan County, 105 N Main, 66087
MEMORY CAFE • TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS WITH DIFFERENT DATES AND TIMES
Memory Cafe provides a safe place to learn and socialize for those living with dementia and their care partners, and offers opportunities to meet people, explore new ideas, and stay engaged in the community.

Kansas City Location: Kansas City Public Library, Plaza Branch, 4801 Main Street. 10:30 a.m., on the third Tuesday of each month (March 19). Contact: Emily Cox at emilycox@kclibrary.org or 816.701.3763.

St. Joseph, MO Location: Word of Life Church, 3902 NE Riverside Rd., 10:00 a.m., on the second Thursday of each month (March 14). Contact: Brenda Gregg at 816.364.4467 or bgregg@alz.org.

UNDERSTANDING AND Responding TO DEMENTIA-RELATED BEHAVIOR • CLAY CENTER, KS
Thursday, March 14
When language is lost, some behaviors can present real challenges for caregivers to manage. Join us to learn how to decode behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers, and learn strategies to help intervene with common challenges. 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., Clay County Medical Center, Education Center.

VOLUNTEER MADNESS • PRAIRIE VILLAGE, KS • Wednesday, March 20
All Heart of America Chapter volunteer brackets lead to being an Alzheimer’s Champion! Join us at our open house to learn more about volunteer opportunities. There will be raffles, games, conversation, and fun! Alzheimer’s Association Education Center, 3856 W. 75th street. 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact Cassie Wilson at cwilson@alz.org or 913.831.3888.

JAM SESSION • PRAIRIE VILLAGE, KS • Thursday, March 28
An informal jam session for musicians with early stage memory loss and musicians who are caregivers. Alzheimer’s Education Center, 3856 W. 75th Street. 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Jam Session occurs on the fourth Thursday of each month. For more information, contact Karen Clond at 913.831.3888 or kclond@alz.org.

ARTS AND INSPIRATION • PRAIRIE VILLAGE, KS • Thursday, March 28
Creative encounters for the person with Alzheimer’s. Group meets at the same time their care partners are attending a support group in the same building, but a separate room. 10:00 a.m., on the fourth Thursday of each month. For more information, contact Karen Clond at 913.831.3888 or kclond@alz.org.

To register for any program, call 800.272.3900 or logon to communityresourcefinder.org
Once you are logged on, click on ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION PROGRAMS AND EVENTS, then click on ALZHEIMER’S EDUCATION PROGRAMS, and then enter a zip code into the search.

The Longest Day is the second signature fundraising event of the Alzheimer’s Association! It is a time to raise funds and awareness for the care, support, and research efforts of the Alzheimer’s Association by choosing an activity you like to do and turn it into a fundraiser. We are looking for people to join The Longest Day planning committee. If you are interested, contact Cassie Wilson at cwilson@alz.org.

Check out all volunteer opportunities at:
alz.org/kansascity

If you can help, contact Katherine Rivard at krivard@alz.org or 913.831.3888.