Want expert medical care and cutting edge technology?
Clinical trials benefit participants—as well as the future of treatments.

Sharon Fratepietro calls herself “an Alzheimer’s human lab rat,” and she’s happy to be one! We asked Sharon to share her impressions of being a volunteer in Alzheimer’s research studies right here in South Carolina:

A few years ago I was in the ADNI study (Alzheimer’s Disease Neuroimaging Initiative). This study sought to validate the use of biomarkers for Alzheimer’s disease clinical trials and diagnosis through tests of blood and cerebrospinal fluid and MRI/PET imaging. I didn’t have Alzheimer’s, so I was a control subject.

I guess that study helped, because now it’s possible for scientists to detect the accumulation of amyloid plaque in the brain through lab tests and imaging procedures. Amyloid is a common biomarker for Alzheimer’s disease, and while the presence of this biomarker does not guarantee that a person will get Alzheimer’s, it could portend significant future risk.

Recently I volunteered to be in the A4 study (Anti-Amyloid Treatment in Asymptomatic Alzheimer’s), which seeks to prevent memory loss in older people who may be at risk for the disease. When I applied to enroll in the study, I learned that I have the telltale biomarkers of Alzheimer’s mentioned above. The A4 study involves a trial of the drug solanezumab to see if it will prevent additional accumulation of amyloid plaque on a person’s brain.

I am very grateful to have this chance to possibly be taking a medication that might keep me from developing Alzheimer’s. I get monthly doses of either the drug or a placebo, along with memory and physical tests that might show changes in my brain or body. At first it made me uneasy to take an experimental drug, but there have been no side effects so far.

Why don’t you consider volunteering for a research study, too? If you or a family member have Alzheimer’s, you know how devastating it is to have a fatal brain disease with nothing available yet to stop its relentless progress. Even if you have no family history of Alzheimer’s, you may still be at risk. Half of all people who live into their eighties will get Alzheimer’s.

Right now medical researchers need all types of volunteers, with or without Alzheimer’s disease or family history. Caregivers are needed for studies too. Some studies are brief and non-intrusive, while others require more.

So go ahead and be a guinea pig. You truly could help save a life—maybe even your own.

Sharon is a retired technical writer living in Charleston, South Carolina. She would be happy to respond to any questions about being a research volunteer through email at sharoninsc@hotmail.com.
Dear Friends,

Every 67 seconds, someone in the US develops Alzheimer’s disease. For many families, it will be years before they receive a diagnosis to explain the changes and challenges that they are facing. Although hearing the diagnosis is difficult, most individuals and their families wish to know the diagnosis which allows them to understand the cause of these changes and enables them to provide the best possible care and support.

One of the many reasons that an early diagnosis is important is that it allows the family to reach out to the Alzheimer’s Association for information and guidance. As you will see throughout this newsletter, there are many educational opportunities, support groups and online services that families can easily access as they navigate through this disease. We need your help in spreading the word that the Alzheimer’s Association is here and ready to help.

We were encouraged by the warm reception that we have received from state and federal legislators this spring as we visited our State House and traveled to Washington, DC. We must create a sense of urgency about the need for federal research funding as Alzheimer’s continues to be the sixth leading cause of death in the US and the only one that cannot be prevented, cured or slowed. SC has the 8th highest death rate from Alzheimer’s in the country. The time is now to find a way to stop this disease.

I would like to say a special thank you to the many individuals and organizations that provide financial support to our organization throughout the year. We are especially grateful for a special gift from the SC Physicians Care Charity (see page 5) and to our 2014 event sponsors (listed on page 9). You will also see that there are many exciting opportunities in the months ahead to become involved in fundraising, and we invite you to join us!

Finally, I’d like to acknowledge what has been an eventful year for our staff. We’ve congratulated Joyce Finkle on her retirement after 16 years with the Alzheimer’s Association. We’ve also welcomed several new staff members to our team since our last newsletter publication: Amanda Newberry in Charleston, Elizabeth Brantley in Columbia, Tanya Carter in Greenville and Dori Burgess in Spartanburg. In 2014, we celebrated the weddings of both Kimberly Best and Alexis Watts, and this year we’ve welcomed sweet babies born to both Ashton Houghton and Alexis Watts -- with another special arrival due in October to Elizabeth Brantley!

We have so much to be be thankful for as a chapter, including the privilege of serving you as we pursue our vision of a world without Alzheimer’s!

Sincerely,

Cindy Alewine
CEO/President

At the Alzheimer’s Association®, our work is about people and science. We are committed to accelerating the global effort to eliminate Alzheimer’s disease, and we are proud to be the world’s largest voluntary health organization in Alzheimer’s care, support and research.

Not sure if a piece of mail you’ve received is from the Alzheimer’s Association? Always look for our logo (pictured below) featuring the brandmark pictured at left.
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24-Hour Helpline: 800-272-3900
Call us anytime day or night. Our helpline is staffed 24/7, with assistance available in 140 languages.

Information & Referral
We offer a variety of educational literature, and our informed staff can make referrals to helpful community resources. Our chapter newsletter is available by mail and email, and it may be downloaded at alz.org/sc.

Care Consultation
Sometimes you just need to talk things out. Through personal consultation, the Alzheimer’s Association helps persons with Alzheimer’s and their families to maximize the care they receive and navigate difficult situations.

Caregiver Support Groups
Support groups are offered across the state to help caregivers cope and better understand the disease process. When arranged in advance, our chapter can pay for a sitter to help family caregivers attend meetings up to twice a month. Meeting details are listed by county at alz.org/sc.

Early Stage Dementia Programs
A diagnosis of dementia is life-altering. Early stage dementia programs are designed to help persons living in the early stages of Alzheimer’s disease or related dementia and their caregivers learn the basics of living with the disease while sharing experiences with others in a safe and engaging setting. To learn more, please call 800-272-3900.

Caregiver Respite
The Alzheimer’s Caregiver Respite Program can provide financial assistance to dementia caregivers, giving them a much-needed break by helping them arrange short-term care through in-home care agencies, adult day care centers, or short-term residential care. To learn more or to get an application, call 800-272-3900 or visit alz.org/sc.

Community Education
We offer conferences and workshops throughout the year for family caregivers, professionals in the field, and anyone interested. View our education calendar on pages 6-7 or online at alz.org/sc, or contact us at 800-272-3900 to request a presentation in your community.

Web Resources
There’s a wealth of information and resources available online at alz.org! Be sure to check out:

- Caregiver Center, your source for everyday tips and planning for the future, including our Safety Center resources for wanderers.
- ALZconnected, an online community for caregivers, family members and persons with dementia.
- Alzheimer’s Navigator, an online assessment program to help you evaluate your needs, plan action steps and connect with local programs and services.
- Community Resource Finder, a searchable guide of local programs, events, and care providers.
- CARES® online training, a person-centered, interactive and easy-to-remember approach to caring for an individual with dementia. CEUs are available.
- Free online classes, like Know the 10 Signs or Living with Alzheimer’s, are available at training.alz.org.

Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer’s disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer’s.
State House Day 2015

On a cold March day, concerned citizens from across the state gathered in Columbia to learn more about Alzheimer’s advocacy and to speak with their state legislators about restoring funding to the Alzheimer’s Caregiver Respite Program. This program, funded by the SC Department of Mental Health, helps family caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer’s (or any type of dementia) access short-term assistance with care so that they maintain their own health & well-being. We are grateful to the SC General Assembly for funding the program, and we hope to see it restored to the pre-recession level of $1 million this year.

Pictured at right: Advocates prepare to speak with their state legislators at the State House.

Advocacy Forum in Washington

In late March, dedicated advocates from South Carolina journeyed to Washington, DC, to talk with Congressional staff on Capitol Hill about the Alzheimer’s crisis. Alzheimer’s disease is the 6th leading cause of death in the US, and the only one of the top 10 killers that cannot be prevented, cured or even slowed. In 2015, Medicare and Medicaid will spend $153 billion for the care of individuals with Alzheimer’s. We are calling on Congress to invest strategically in Alzheimer’s research at the National Institutes of Health. This is the only way to achieve the goal set forth in our National Alzheimer’s Plan – to effectively treat or prevent Alzheimer’s by 2025.

Pictured below: South Carolina’s delegation of Ambassadors and advocates at the 2015 Advocacy Forum.

SC Physicians Care Charity

The Alzheimer’s Association would like to thank the South Carolina Physicians Care Charity for their gift of $50,000! This generous donation will translate into critically needed education, support, research and advocacy. Thank you!

Pictured above: Paul Oken, board member of the South Carolina Physician’s Care Charity and member of the SC Chapter, Alzheimer’s Association board, presents a $50,000 check to Cindy Alewine, President/CEO of the Alzheimer’s Association - South Carolina Chapter.

CALL US 24/7
800-272-3900
To learn more about these programs, or to RSVP to attend, call us at 800-272-3900.

Family caregivers: If you need an in-home care sitter in order to attend any of these programs, learn how to access this service at no cost by calling the Alzheimer’s Association at least two weeks in advance at 800-272-3900.

To request a program, email alzsc@alz.org or call 800-272-3900.

Prefer to learn online? Most of the workshops below are also available as free e-learning courses. Check out e-learning and view our most up-to-date education calendar listings at alz.org/sc.

The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer’s Disease

Alzheimer’s disease is not a normal part of aging. If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer’s disease or dementia, it’s time to learn the facts. This free program provides information on detection, causes and risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment, and much more.

Thursday, June 4, 2015 - Gaffney
6:00 - 7:30 PM at United Way of the Piedmont Partnership Center
405 N. Logan Street, Gaffney, SC
Parking available in rear of building and across the street.
Please RSVP by June 1st to 800-272-3900.

Tuesday, June 9, 2015 - Columbia
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
140 Stoneridge Drive, Columbia, SC (1st floor conference room)
Please call to pre-register: 800-272-3900.

Tuesday, June 16, 2015 - Varnville
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Harrison Peeples Health Care Center
1000 Pine St, Varnville, SC (in conference room)
Please RSVP by 6/12 to 843-571-2641 or ctisdale@alz.org.

Tuesday, August 4, 2015 - Greenville
4:00-5:00 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
301 University Ridge, Suite 5850, Greenville, SC
Seating limited. Please RSVP to 800-272-3900 or jguay@alz.org.

Tuesday, August 11, 2015 - Charleston
2:00-3:30 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
2090 Executive Hall Rd, Suite 130, Charleston, SC
Please RSVP by 8/10 to 843-571-2641 or ctisdale@alz.org.

Tuesday, August 18, 2015 - Columbia
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
140 Stoneridge Drive, Columbia, SC (1st floor conference room)
Please call to pre-register: 800-272-3900.

Planning Ahead Seminar

Learn about the importance of having all of your final wishes in order and sharing them with your family. Join us for tips and resources from several area service providers, including an elder law attorney, a geriatric social worker, a hospice provider, a funeral director and a local representative of the Alzheimer’s Association.

Thursday, June 11, 2015 - Greenville
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM at University Ridge: County Square
301 University Ridge, Room H, Greenville, SC
This free program includes lunch, but space is limited!
Please RSVP by 6/9 to 800-272-3900 or jguay@alz.org.
**Healthy Habits for a Healthier You**

**June is Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Month!**

Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging.

**Plans are in the works for additional workshop locations! For all locations, please call 800-272-3900 or visit alz.org/sc.**

**Tuesday, June 16, 2015 - Greenville - Free Lunch-N-Learn!**
12:00-1:30 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
301 University Ridge, Suite 5850, Greenville, SC
Seating limited. Please RSVP to 800-272-3900 or jguay@alz.org.

**Thursday, June 18, 2015 - Abbeville**
10:30 - 11:15 AM at Center Street Café
101 Center St, Abbeville, SC
Please RSVP by 6/16 to 800-272-3900 or jguay@alz.org.

**Thursday, June 25, 2015 - Charleston**
10:00-11:30 AM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
2090 Executive Hall Rd, Suite 130, Charleston, SC
Please RSVP by 6/24 to 843-571-2641 or ctisdale@alz.org.

**Monday, June 29, 2015 - Spartanburg**
6:00-7:00 PM at Spartanburg Co. Headquarters Library
151 S Church St, Spartanburg (in Barrett Room)
Please RSVP to 800-272-3900 or dburgess@alz.org.

**Tuesday, June 30, 2015 - Greenville**
8:30 AM - 12:00 PM at The Cascades at Verdae
10 Fountainview Terrace, Greenville, SC
Please RSVP by 6/26 to 800-272-3900 or jguay@alz.org.

**Thursday, September 24, 2015 - Charleston**
10:00-11:30 AM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
2090 Executive Hall Rd, Suite 130, Charleston, SC
Please RSVP by 9/23 to 843-571-2641 or ctisdale@alz.org.

**Conversations about Dementia**

Learn ways to address challenging care issues such as convincing a family member to go to the doctor, deciding when to stop driving, and making necessary legal and financial plans for future care needs.

**Tuesday, July 14, 2015 - Winnsboro**
2:00 -3:30 PM at Fairfield Memorial Hospital
US Hwy 321 Bypass North, Winnsboro (Conference Room 102)
Please RSVP by July 9th to 800-272-3900.

**Tuesday, July 21, 2015 - Columbia**
10: 30 AM – 12:00 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
140 Stoneridge Drive, Columbia, SC (1st floor conference room)
Please call to pre-register: 800-272-3900.

**Thursday, July 23, 2015 - Charleston**
2:30-3:30 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
301 University Ridge, Suite 5850, Greenville, SC
Seating limited. Please RSVP to 800-272-3900 or jguay@alz.org.

**Know the 10 Signs**

What are the warning signs of Alzheimer’s? Join us to separate myth from reality and discuss the benefits of early detection. If you have concerns about memory loss or behavioral changes, it’s time to learn the facts. Early detection gives you a chance to begin drug therapy, enroll in clinical studies and plan for the future.

**Tuesday, July 14, 2015 - Charleston**
2:00-3:30 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
2090 Executive Hall Rd, Suite 130, Charleston, SC
Please RSVP by 7/13 to 843-571-2641 or ctisdale@alz.org.

**Tuesday, September 8, 2015 - Charleston**
2:00-3:30 PM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
2090 Executive Hall Rd, Suite 130, Charleston, SC
Please RSVP by 9/7 to 843-571-2641 or ctisdale@alz.org.

**Effective Communication Strategies**

**Thursday, August 27, 2015 - Charleston**
10:00 - 11:30 AM at Alzheimer’s Association Office
2090 Executive Hall Rd, Suite 130, Charleston, SC
Please RSVP by 8/26 to 843-571-2641 or ctisdale@alz.org.
Alzheimer’s disease — the nation’s sixth-leading cause of death — is destroying our families, our finances and our future. But you can do something to stop it. Register for the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer’s® and lead the way to a world without Alzheimer’s.

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September 19, 2015
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Charleston | Riverfront Park
Check-in: 9:00 AM | Walk Start: 10:00 AM

September 26, 2015
Rock Hill | Old Town Rock Hill
Check-in: 9:00 AM | Walk Start: 10:00 AM

October 3, 2015
Aiken | H. Odell Weeks Activities Center
Check-in: 8:30 AM | Walk Start: 9:00 AM
Bluffton | Old Town, Calhoun St. Promenade
Check-in: 10:15 AM | Walk Start: 11:00 AM

October 17, 2015
Greenville | Fluor Field at the West End
Check-in: 8:00 AM | Walk Start: 9:00 AM
Myrtle Beach | Market Common, Grand Park
Check-in: 9:00 AM | Walk Start: 10:00 AM

October 24, 2015
Columbia | Finlay Park
Check-in: 9:00 AM | Walk Start: 10:00 AM
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843-667-6699 (Carly Yaken)  
3rd Thurs. 10:30 AM  
New Generations, 2111 West Jody Rd.  
843-629-0103 (Michelle Bailey)  
3rd Thurs. 6:00 PM  
The Leatherman Senior Center/ Senior Citizens Association  
600 Senior Way, Florence  
843-669-6761 (Fannie Kennedy)  
GEORGETOWN COUNTY  
1st Mon. 6:00 PM  
Morningside Of Georgetown  
2829 N. Fraser St, Georgetown  
843-957-1061 (Shannon Rachel)  
2nd Tues. 10:00-11:00 AM  
Lakes Of Litchfield  
Independent Living dining room  
120 Lakes of Litchfield Dr, Pawleys Island  
Snacks and drinks will be provided.  
843-902-4671 (Michael Fink)  
843-235-9393 (Kaitlyn Hamilton)  
GREENVILLE COUNTY  
2nd Wed. 10:00 AM  
Light refreshments & on-site activities for people w/dementia  
843-346-0579 (BJ Burns)  
843-679-1884 (Mary Lee)  
3rd Mon in Dec  
4th Mon. 7:00 PM  
The Gardens at Eastside  
275 Commonwealth Dr. Greenville  
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843-679-1884 (Mary Lee)  
2nd Tues. 7:00 PM  
Greer Memorial Hospital  
830 S. Bunker combe Rd, Greer  
864-884-0769 (Cindy Abrams)  
864-901-7235 (Dorene Myers)  
3rd Tues.  10:00 AM  
Early Stage Caregiver Group  
4th Tues. 6:30 PM  
Earle St Baptist Church (Main Bldg)  
225 W. Earle St, Greenville  
864-616-0629 (Julia Mullen)  
864-561-7020 (Denise Parsons)  
4th Mon. 7:00 PM  
3rd Mon in Dec  
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275 Commonwealth Dr. Greenville  
843-346-0579 (BJ Burns)  
843-679-1884 (Mary Lee)  
729 S.E. Main Street, Simpsonville  
For info call 864-250-0029  
864-346-0579 (BJ Burns)  
864-979-8463 (Emmie McNamara)  
1st Tues.  5:30 PM  
The Haven at Chanticleer  
355 Bermans Lane, Greenville  
864-275-5022 (Toni Edge)  
864-979-8463 (Emmie McNamara)  
1st Tues. 7:00 PM  
Hillcrest Hospital (Conf Rm E)  
729 S.E. Main Street, Simpsonville  
For info call 864-250-0029  
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(Nancy Pearce)  
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843-346-0579 (BJ Burns)  
843-679-1884 (Mary Lee)  
2nd Wed. 10:00 AM  
Dementia Education/Discussion Group  
Hampton Park Baptist Church  
875 State Park Rd, Greenville  
864-884-7675 (Mary Lee)  
2nd Thurs. 7:00 PM  
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<td><em>Meets every other month (odd months: May, July, Sept, etc)</em> Palmetto Senior Care 1308 Laurel St, Columbia 803-831-8166 (Karen Carr) 803-831-8166 (Cindy Hawkins)</td>
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<td>1st Tues. 12:00 noon Senior Primary Care 3010 Farrow Rd. #390 803-434-1238 Mary Winstead, LISW</td>
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