### KFL&A Alzheimer News



### St Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance

Come join us for the "Wearing of the Green"



*Date: Thursday March 16th Time: 5pm to 8pm Cost: \$15 per person* Main Entree is: Fish and Chips

560 Legion Hall - Montreal Street Kingston

For more information or to reserve your seats please contact our office 613-544-5078 or email: reception@alzking.com



### Live Groups are Back!

We are pleased to share that we are back with live groups taking place Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Kingston at Crossroads United Church on Sir John A MacDonald Blvd. (across from Kingston Centre) and a Caregiver Support Group will be at our Napanee office on Thursdays.

#### The current schedule for the groups at Crossroads is:

Monday: 9:30am - 12:30pm - **Mixed Support Group** (for those who are diagnosed) with a separate **Caregiver Chat** 11:30am - 12:30pm.

Tuesdays: 10:30am - 12:30pm - Men's' Support Group (for those who are diagnosed)

Wednesdays: 11:00am - 12:30pm - Ladies' Support Group (for those who are diagnosed)

Thursdays: 10:30am - 12:00pm - Napanee Support Group

Thursdays(drop-in): 1pm - 3pm - Coffee Chat Normandy Retirement Residence Kingston

At the Request of Participants, the following Groups will continue to meet on Zoom:

Musical Happy Hour with Max & Friends 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each Month 6:30pm - ZOOM

Caregiver Café every Tuesday from 1:30pm - 2:30pm - ZOOM

Caregiver Evening Café 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month - 7:00pm - ZOOM

Men's Caregiver Group 3rd Thursday of the Month - 10am - ZOOM

Note\* Zoom Links for handy reference or find them in your calendar!





### SURVEY SAYS.....

We at the Society aim to deliver the services that meet your needs so that you can live well with dementia. For us to do that, your feedback is critical to our planning. If you could take a few moments to complete the survey <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L2M2XZC">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L2M2XZC</a>, we would appreciate it.

The survey is anonymous, and your responses will be used for internal planning purposes only. If you would prefer to speak to someone instead, please reach out to Vicki Poffley, Executive Director at 613-544-3078 ext. 207



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2nd and 4th Monday night of the Month (excluding Holidays) 6:30pm https://alzheimersociety.zoom.us/j/95805318149 or click on the link in the Calendar

For more information contact the office at 613-544-3078 or email reception@alzking.com

Coffee Time Social

**Come join us Thursday 1:00 - 3:00pm** for casual conversation with our staff and other persons living with a diagnosis Normandy Retirement Residence 630 McClean Court, Kingston February and March 2023

> No appointment necessary For more information please contact our office at 613-544-3078 or email reception@alzking.com

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### **Gentle Exercise**

### NEW and Online via Zoom

The Alzheimer's Society of KFL&A is pleased to announce our gentle exercise program will be starting this March. We are excited to provide this program as physical activity is an important factor in our physical, and mental health and overall well-being. During the winter months, it can also be difficult to maintain physical activity, due to weather and other challenging factors. With that being said we are excited about this opportunity and look forward to making this a fun and exciting class for all to enjoy.

#### Why Is Physical Activity Important?

The importance of physical activity cannot be understated. Physical activity can help you feel better, reduce stress, and maintain health. It helps to prevent muscle weakness and health complications associated with inactivity.

Physical activity also promotes a normal day-and-night routine and may help to improve mood. The type of activity that works best for you will depend on your fitness level, present activity level, and overall health.

Exercise comes in many different forms. The gentle exercise program will encompass many different aspects of exercise, specifically targeting areas of mobility, muscle strengthening, and improving balance.

#### **Gentle Exercise Program Details**

The program will run for four weeks. One exercise class will be held each week online on Zoom link in Calendar, every Wednesday at 10:30 am. The class will last one and a half hours long. Caregivers are encouraged to join in with their loved ones. The first class will start on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 10:30 am.

After each session, you will be provided with a detailed take-home package highlighting the exercises performed throughout the session. There will also be a question-and-answer portion at the end of each session, where you will also have the ability to ask questions and be provided with feedback on health and related matters.

The gentle exercise program will be suited for all individuals, whether you have prior experience with exercise or not. Modifications and progressions will be added to help tailor the program to your physical fitness needs.

If you are interested in registering for the gentle exercise program or have any questions; please contact: Colton Sedore - 613-544-3078 ext. 209 - recreation@alzking.com

# **Dinner and Dance** Thursday March 16th

PATRICK'S

### 5pm to 8pm 560 Legion Montreal Street Kingston

### \$15 per person

Cash Bar Available

to reserve please contact reception at 613-544-3078 or email reception@alzking.com

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### How to help Dementia Patients through Daylight Savings Time

Maintaining consistent sleeping patterns or schedule as well as wake habits is especially important for those who suffer from dementia. Because these alterations can worsen dementia symptoms, caregivers need to know how they can help dementia patients through daylight savings time.

#### Keep your routine as normal as possible.

This means waking up, eating meals, and going through activities all at the same scheduled time.

#### Limit daytime napping.

Too much inactivity or sleeping throughout the day can make it harder for your loved one to fall asleep at night. Instead, consider going for a walk or any other activity that can keep them active.

### Limit the intake of sugars and/or caffeine to morning hours only.

Limiting your loved one's intake of caffeine to morning hours only can prevent agitation throughout the day and can help them avoid sleepless nights.

### Turn on the lights in the morning.

This will avoid confusion that the daylight-saving time may bring.

### Minimize your loved one's stress levels.

If your loved one has a song or shows they like to watch to keep them calm, turn that on so they feel comfortable. However, if you find yourself in an unfamiliar environment with your loved one, bring items that can create a relaxing atmosphere such as photographs or calming activity such as puzzles or knitting.

### As the evening approaches, try to keep the background noise to a

#### minimum.

It might seem as though it's still early due to the sunlight but if your loved one begins to wind down during the evening it can create a relaxed setting and can maintain their regular sleeping schedule.

# SAVE THE DATE



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### Looking for a way to get involved?

- Event planning volunteer commitee
- Volunteer day of event
- Sponsor / Donate
- Vendor for crafts/food/merchandise
- Participating
- Entertainment
- Games
- Photography

### For more information contact:

Michelle Moore fundraising@alzking.com 613-544-3078 ext 204 online form https://forms.office.com/r/5QtYipHbwS Yes, I want to get involved. Scan Me to sign up today!!

**SATURDAY** 

MAY 27, 2023



Anything for ALZHEIMER'S

Create your own event to raise funds for the Alzheimer Society of Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox & Addington.



### Get your fundraiser started:



fundraising@alzking.com



613-544-3078 ext 204



Are you an individual, group, team or class looking for a volunteer opportunity?



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### WAYS TO GET INVOLVED!!

- Volunteer Event Planning Commitee
- Volunteer Day of Event
- Social Media Event Promotion
- Create, plan, host games/activities
- Create Event invitations, flyers, posters
- Sponsor / Donate
- Vendor for crafts/food/merchandise
- Enter a team / participate on a team
- Entertainment
- Photography

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#### www.alzheimer.ca/kfla

#### **Thank you for your Generous Gift!**

A Huge shout out and thank for this wonderful gift of Twiddle Muffs and Fidget Matts for our Clients! These beautiful oneof-a-kind items are available free of charge to our clients who could use these items. Please contact us at the office 613-544-3078 or email <u>reception@alzking.com</u> to discuss picking one up!



#### THANK YOU MICHELLE!

### 7 Daily Energy-Boosting Habits

If you are noticing your energy is lacking more days than not, you might have to boost your energy by making some changes to your routine:

- Make sure you are drinking plenty of water throughout the day. Try swapping out soda or other drinks with water.
- Talk to your doctor if you are always tired or chronically feeling exhausted. You might need bloodwork to check out your thyroid and other body functions.
- Get enough sleep. Try setting a consistent bedtime and wake-up time, as well as stopping your phone scrolling at least one hour before bed.
- Make an appointment with a therapist or counselor to talk about your current mental health strategies.
- Develop good habits that decrease your daily stress, including regular movement and exercise
- Eat! Make sure you are taking your lunch breaks and eating a nutritious breakfast and lunch daily so that you can keep your energy levels up.
- Practice turning bad days around so that you can approach every day with a new and optimistic outlook.



### Featuring

A selection of the best performances from the Music Festival & Presentation of Awards

> Hosted by: Anna Sudac

### **2023 HIGHLIGHTS CONCERT**

**Isabel Bader Centre for The Performing Arts** Wednesday March 8th at 7:00PM Admission by Donation

### **Presented with Support From**

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## We Want you to Join our Board!

### Now recruiting Board Members

Alzheimer Society of KFL&A is looking for energetic, passionate people to: Influence policy decisions impacting the non-profit sector Serve as ambassadors for the Society.

Qualifications: Experience in Finance, Human Resources and Stewardship, Marketing and Strategic Communications A Passion for Improving the Quality of life for Persons living with a Dementia and their Partners in Care. Lived Experience with a Person living with a Dementia would be an asset.

> Our Expectations are simple: Board members must:

Commit to a three year term with an option to renew for one additional term. Adhere to the KFL&A Alzheimer's Society Code of Conduct for Board Members. Attend Board meetings.

Actively participate in strategic planning and committee work.

Publicly support the work of the society in the community.



A commitment of 1-2 hours per Week Visit: www.alzheimer.ca/kfla for more information about the Alzheimer Society



Contact us at 613-544-3078 or email at vpoffley@alzking.com

### **Our Board of Directors**

### 2022/2023

President: Vice President: Treasurer: Secretary: Director: Director: Chris Mackey, <u>BoardPresident@alzking.com</u> Ashley Miller Jim Kennedy Lynda Moore Anne-Marie Kooiman Glenn Griffiths

### Did you Know.....

The KFL&A Alzhiemer Society has not only a lending library of books on a wide variety of topics, puzzles, games and other activities for client engagment but also electronics for loan. We offer Therapy Pets, Musical Bears, large button phones, bed and chair alarms and ipods loadied with music and more, all free of charge! If you are interested in any of these items please contact us !



#### Message from the Executive Director

Although we have not had to terrible of a winter it seems like it has lasted forever some days. We here at the society are ready for spring and we hope you are too. Stay tuned for some opportunities to get back outside together. One opportunity to gather will be at our IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's that will be taking place in May and we are certainly excited to resume other activities, it won't be long before we can hit the golf range or maybe have a picnic in the park.

Thank you to those who have taken the time to complete the survey, it has provided us with some wonderful ideas to further create engagement. We have left it open a for a couple more weeks just incase you would like to complete it. You will find the survey link on page 2.

Vicki Poffley



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### Did you know... the KFL&A Alzheimer Society has 3 locations to help our clients and caregivers find support and programs?

**Kingston:** (Main Office) 400 Elliott Avenue Unit #4 Kingston Ontario Phone # 613-544-3078 Fax: 613-544-6320 Email: <u>reception@alzking.com</u>

#### Napanee:

Napanee Area Community Health Centre (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) 26 Dundas Street West Napanee Ontario K7R 1H5 Phone # 613-329-7078 Fax: 613-544-6320 Email: jwhite@alzking.com

#### Northbrook:

The Emmanuel United Church 108 Addington Road, Northbrook Ontario K0H 2G0 Phone # 613-827-6700 Fax: 613-544-6320 Email: plemke@alzking.com

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