

Support Groups

Support groups that focus on caregivers.

Check for details on respite care and care partner attendance.

Support groups that focus on the individual with the diagnosis.

Check for details on care partner attendance.

Note: support groups for dementia diagnoses, including Parkinson’s disease are listed here. If you are aware of additional, relevant, local support groups, please share that information.

One-on-one caregiver support:

[In-Home Dementia Coaching \(Flyer\)](#)

[One-on-One Caregiver Support, Education & Counseling \(Flyer\)](#)

For additional caregiver support services see <https://www.cityofroseville.com/2725/Caregiver-Coaching>

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Always check details on any event, before attending. Details change quickly.

Need Help? Walk-in, free social work assistance at Ramsey County Library in Roseville.

What: Community Resource Advocates, trained social workers, help you access resources for housing/shelter, mental health care, food shelves, transportation, domestic violence issues, youth resources, scholarships for daycare/preschool. All are welcome. No appointments necessary.

When: Wednesdays 1:30 - 3pm

Where: Ramsey County Library - Roseville – conf. room B
2180 North Hamline Ave
Roseville, MN 55113

For more information call 651-724-6062.

Need Help? Walk-in, free social work assistance at Ramsey County Library in Maplewood.

When: Tuesdays 1:30 - 3pm

Where: Ramsey County Library - Maplewood – board room
3025 Southlawn Drive
Maplewood, MN 55109

Tuesday	Oct. 1	
Wednesday	Oct. 2	<p><u>Twin Cities Support Group for Persons with Lewy Body Dementia</u></p> <p>What: This group is aimed at persons in the early stages of LBD who would benefit from communicating with others about living with this disease. Our goal is to provide mutual support and companionship as we</p>

share experiences and resources. **Caregivers are also invited**, and those persons needing assistance should be accompanied by a caregiver.

Facilitator: Paula Biever

Sponsors: 2nd Half with Lyngblomsten and the Lewy Body Dementia Association

When: First Wednesday of each month from 10:00 to 11:30am, **except holidays**

Where: Centennial United Methodist Church - Asbury Room
1524 W. County Rd C2 (County Rd C2 at Snelling)
Roseville, MN

Cost: FREE

Registration: none

For more information:

Paula Biever 651-641-0130 paula.biever@gmail.com

Carolyn Klaver, RN, at 952.261.5235 cklaver@lyngblomsten.org

NEW! Memory Café

What: For people with dementia and their care partners. Come and enjoy a snack and good company with other families living with dementia. In partnership with HealthPartners Neuroscience Center.

When: First Wednesday of the month 10:00-11:30 am

Where: HealthPartners Neuroscience Center
295 Phalen Boulevard
St. Paul, MN 55130

Cost: No Cost

Contact for further information: Wilder Caregiving Services:
caregiving@wilder.org or 651-280-2273

Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group

What: A memory loss caregiver support group for members of the public. Recipient of care may attend, however, there is no simultaneous care for the person with dementia.

When: First Wednesday of the month (unless a holiday) from 2:30-4:00

		<p>P.M.</p> <p>Where: The Estates (formerly Golden LivingCenter – Lake Ridge) 2727 N. Victoria St. Roseville, MN 55113 (Large conference room on lower level)</p> <p>Cost: Free, no RSVP required</p> <p>Contact: Jessica Miska, LSW, Director of Social Services, 651-765-7694 or 651-483-5431</p>
<p>Thursday</p>	<p>Oct. 3</p>	<p><u>Walking and Talking</u> new</p> <p>What: Join others for a 30-minute walk at the Minnesota History Center followed by a dementia-friendly guided tour of the exhibits.</p> <p>When: First Thursday of the month, walk from 9:30 – 10:00am and health talk from 10:00 – 10:30am.</p> <p>Where: Minnesota History Center 345 W Kellogg Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55102</p> <p>Cost: No cost for the walk but there is a fee for parking.</p> <p>Register: No registration necessary</p> <p>Questions: Wilder Caregiving Services: caregiving@wilder.org or 651-280-2273</p> <p><u>NEW! Memory Café</u></p> <p>What: Memory Café is a relaxed and welcoming place to enjoy the company of other people with memory loss and their care partners. A social group for anyone with memory loss and their care partner.</p> <p>When: Every 1st Thursday of the month, 10 - 11:30 AM</p> <p>Where: East Side Neighborhood Services 1700 2nd St NE Minneapolis MN 55413</p> <p>Cost: Free, donations welcome</p> <p>RSVP: No</p> <p>Questions: Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 or prudina@esns.org</p>

Parkinson's Disease Support Group

What: For caregivers and people living with Parkinson's or other movement disorders. This support group is an informal, self-managed organization of people with Parkinson's and their caregivers whose purpose is to share information and offer mutual support in a spirit of self-acceptance. It is also a place where other family members and friends can feel welcome and supported.

- informal gathering
- facilitated by social workers
- not a therapy group or class
- self-directed group
- any stage of PD welcome

This group is open to the community and free to attend. Come as often as you are able. New members always welcome.

When: 1–3 PM each 1st Thursday of the month

Where: Lyngblomsten - The Heritage
1440 Midway Parkway
St. Paul 55108

Contact: Jay Haukom 651.632.5391 jhaukom@lyngblomsten.org

Dementia Support Group & Monthly Education

What: Support and Education for anyone with a friend or family member with Alzheimer's or other types of Dementia. This small support group discusses a variety of topics including the stages of Dementia, how to care for yourself as a caregiver, ways to adapt activities and hobbies for someone with Dementia and tips on navigating the disease.

Facilitator: Amy House is a trained facilitator with the Alzheimer's Association and Certified in Teepa Snow's Positive Approach to Care

When: 1st Thursday every month 6pm-7pm

Where: Meadowood Shores **note changed location**
2100 Silver Creek Rd
New Brighton MN 55112

Cost: Free

RSVP: none

		<p>Information: Amy House 651-746-5611 or ahouse@brightondale.com</p>
<p>Friday</p>	<p>Oct. 4</p>	<p>Caregiver Coffee Hour</p> <p>What: Have a cup of coffee and a treat while chatting with other caregivers.</p> <p>When: 1st Friday of each month 9:00 – 10:30am</p> <p>Where: Wilder’s Community Center for Aging 650 Marshall Ave. St. Paul, MN 55104</p> <p>Cost: Free</p> <p>Registration: No registration required. Caregivers are welcome to drop in anytime during the coffee hour.</p> <p>Questions: 651-280-CARE (2273)</p> <p>Day Out! Group Respite</p> <p>What: Participants enjoy group discussions, creative projects, music, exercise, games and fun. Caregivers can also have a break while the person they care for spends time with FamilyMeans staff and volunteers in a group setting.</p> <p>When: Every Friday 10am – 2pm</p> <p>Where: FamilyMeans 1875 Northwestern Avenue S Stillwater, MN 55082</p> <p>Cost: \$40 each visit</p> <p>Registration: required before attending Day Out! Please connect with our FamilyMeans staff at 651-439-4840.</p> <p>NE Day Spot</p> <p>What: People with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions can spend four hours together with our wonderful volunteers and staff. We’ll engage our bodies and minds to stay as healthy as we can. Family and friend caregivers get a 4 hour break to rest, run errands, enjoy the company of friends and rejuvenate.</p> <p>A staff & volunteer led day of activities, exercise, engagement and discussion for older adults with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions.</p>

		<p>No hands-on care is provided, so you must be able to eat, walk and use the restroom independently.</p> <p>When: Every Friday, 10 AM - 2 PM 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25</p> <p>Where: East Side Neighborhood Services 1700 2nd St NE Minneapolis MN 55413</p> <p>Cost: Sliding fee scale, \$0-\$45</p> <p>RSVP: Pre-screening is required. Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 or prudina@esns.org</p> <p>Contact for more information: Interested in participating? Contact Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 prudina@esns.org.</p> <p>Interested in volunteering? Contact Jennifer Grilliot, 612-787-4104 jgrilliot@esns.org</p>
Saturday	Oct. 5	
Sunday	Oct. 6	
Monday	Oct. 7	
Tuesday	Oct. 8	<p><u>Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>What: Family and friends who have a loved one experiencing Alzheimer's or a related dementia are welcome to attend. Facilitators are trained through the Alzheimer's Association.</p> <p>When: 2nd Tuesday each month 10 AM</p> <p>Where: Centennial United Methodist Church, 1524 County Road C2 W Roseville, MN 55113</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>Contact: Jane Tripple 651.644.8411</p> <p>Additional Twin Cities cites for Memory Loss Caregiver Support Groups organized by Lyngblomsten: (http://www.lyngblomsten.org/caregivers)</p> <p><u>North East Seniors for Better Living Memory Café and Social Club</u></p> <p>What: A place where individuals with memory loss and their caregivers can get together in a safe, supportive, and engaging environment.</p> <p>When: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month 11am-12pm Memory Café and Social Hour 12pm-1pm Free lunch! Provided by Loaves and Fishes 1pm-3pm Fun & educational presentations by guest speakers Free blood pressure checks from nursing students Activities including cards, board games, bingo, and crafts</p>

Where: North East Seniors for Better Living
1961 Sherwood Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55119

Cost: FREE

RSVP not required.

Let's Do Lunch! Café - St. Paul site!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

What: For LGBTQ seniors, boomers and allies – relax, enjoy lunch and gather information on senior and LGBTQ services. A monthly social event for LGBT seniors that welcomes people with memory loss and their caregivers/partners. Come for the food, stay for the company! Be yourself, make new friends, and get up-to-date on ways to increase your well-being and independence.

When: 2nd Tuesday of every month 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Where: Wilder Community Center for Aging
650 Marshall Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55104

Cost: FREE, but RSVP is required

RSVP: 651-280-CARE (2273)

Questions: 651-280-CARE (2273)

Sponsors: Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly, Prime Timers MSP, PFund

Roseville Area Senior Program Caregiver Support Group

What: This informal, ongoing support group is intended for caregivers taking care of seniors. Come as you are able. No preregistration is required. Facilitated by experienced volunteers.

When: 2nd Tuesday of the month, 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Where: Fairview Community Center, Room 116A
1910 County Road B West
Roseville, MN 55113

Cost: Free

No RSVP required.

Information: 651-604-3520

Note: The group will no longer meet on 4th Tuesday/month.

Frontotemporal Dementia (FTD) support group

		<p>What: a new FTD support group. For information: Kathy Sullivan at kathy.sullivan@anoka.k12.mn.us</p> <p>When: 2nd Tuesday each month 6:00 – 7:30 pm</p> <p>Where: the Colony (Fireplace Lounge) 431 Prairie Center Drive Eden Prairie 55344</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p>
Wednesday	Oct. 9	<p><u>Arthur's Memory Café</u></p> <p>What: A place where individuals with memory loss and their caregivers can get together in a safe, supportive, and engaging environment.</p> <p>When: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.</p> <p>Where: J. Arthur's Coffee Shop 2441 Rice Street Roseville, MN 55109</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p>
Thursday	Oct. 10	<p><u>Wilder Foundation: Memory Loss Discussion Group</u></p> <p>What: A support group check-in about caregiving. For caregivers caring for someone with memory loss. On-site respite available with pre-registration</p> <p>When: 2nd Thursday of the month 10:00 – 11:30 A.M.</p> <p>Where: Wilder Community Center for Aging 650 Marshall Avenue St. Paul, MN</p> <p>Cost: Free, unless respite care is needed while you attend the meeting. Call Barb Zeis 651-280-2546 3 days before the group meeting to discuss respite care options available during the meeting.</p> <p>Registration for respite required by Tuesday before group. Register or Questions: 651-280-CARE (2273)</p> <p><u>African American culturally-specific Memory Loss Support Group</u> <u>Lill's Angels Support Group</u></p> <p>What: African American culturally-specific environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn the facts about memory loss, dementia and Alzheimer's disease • Connect with community resources • Share experiences and concerns with other caregivers • Identify solutions to difficult behaviors and other problems <p>When: 2nd Thursday of each month 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.</p>

		<p>Where: Centers For Families 3333 N. 4th Street Minneapolis</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>Contact: RSVP or questions please call Valorie Jones 952-945-4178</p> <p><u>Twin Cities Metro Area Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>What: A support group for Caregivers of those living with movement disorders, including Lewy body dementia, Parkinson's disease.</p> <p>When: Meets Second Thursday of every month, 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.</p> <p>Where: Struthers Parkinson's Center 6701 Country Club Drive Golden Valley, MN 55427</p> <p>Information: Joan Hlas Joan.Hlas@ParkNicollet.com 952.993.6650</p>
Friday	Oct. 11	<p><u>Day Out! Group Respite</u></p> <p>What: Participants enjoy group discussions, creative projects, music, exercise, games and fun. Caregivers can also have a break while the person they care for spends time with FamilyMeans staff and volunteers in a group setting.</p> <p>When: Every Friday 10am – 2pm</p> <p>Where: FamilyMeans 1875 Northwestern Avenue S Stillwater, MN 55082</p> <p>Cost: \$40 each visit</p> <p>Registration: required before attending Day Out!</p> <p><u>NE Day Spot</u></p> <p>What: People with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions can spend four hours together with our wonderful volunteers and staff. We'll engage our bodies and minds to stay as healthy as we can. Family and friend caregivers get a 4 hour break to rest, run errands, enjoy the company of friends and rejuvenate.</p> <p>A staff & volunteer led day of activities, exercise, engagement and discussion for older adults with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions.</p>

		<p>No hands-on care is provided, so you must be able to eat, walk and use the restroom independently.</p> <p>When: Every Friday, 10 AM - 2 PM 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25</p> <p>Where: East Side Neighborhood Services 1700 2nd St NE Minneapolis MN 55413</p> <p>Cost: Sliding fee scale, \$0-\$45</p> <p>RSVP: Pre-screening is required. Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 or prudina@esns.org</p> <p>Contact for more information: Interested in participating? Contact Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 prudina@esns.org.</p> <p>Interested in volunteering? Contact Jennifer Grilliot, 612-787-4104 jgrilliot@esns.org.</p>
<p>Saturday</p>	<p>Oct. 12</p>	<p><u>Reimagining Aging Book Club in partnership with Hennepin County Libraries</u></p> <p>What: Reimagining Aging Book Club in partnership with Hennepin County Libraries. Join our discussion of engaging and enlightening books about aging and what it means to live a vital life today. We will reframe the idea of aging as opportunity – the responsibility to reach out to other generations, share wisdom, and learn new ways of living in the world – is how we can grow up and grow old together.</p> <p>Sept. 14: How to Live Forever – The Enduring Power of Connecting the Generations by Marc Freedman</p> <p>Oct. 12: Dementia Reimagined – Building a Life of Joy and Dignity From Beginning to End by Tia Powell, MD</p> <p>Nov. 9: Women Rowing North – Navigating Life's Currents and Flourishing as We Age by Mary Pipher</p> <p>When: 9:00 – 10:30 AM Sept. 14; Oct. 12; Nov. 9</p> <p>Where: Pierre Bottineau Library 55 Broadway St NE Minneapolis, MN 55413</p> <p>Cost: Free</p> <p>Register: required https://hclib.bibliocommons.com/events/5d4d909cfd6e62400176f67 or call East Side’s Vital Living team at 612-787-4086</p>

Sunday	Oct. 13	
Monday	Oct. 14	<p><u>Southwest Metro Minneapolis Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>What: For families facing a diagnosis of LBD and healthcare professionals working with persons with LBD who want information and support.</p> <p>When: Second Monday of each month 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>Where: Gianna Homes 4605 Fairhills Road East Minnetonka, MN 55345. Please park in the lower parking lot behind the residence.</p> <p>Contact: Anne Marie Hansen 952.988.0953 for meeting specifics, to confirm time and place, and to be placed on the group's mailing list.</p> <p><u>Jewish Family Service Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>What: Jewish Family Service is offering a monthly education & support group for individuals caring for a loved one; whether at home or in the community.</p> <p>Sponsor: Jewish Family Service of St. Paul in affiliation with Sholom Home East and the Alzheimer's Association</p> <p>When: 2nd and 4th Monday of every month 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Where: Roitenberg Adult Day Center Kuller Nosh Nook 740 Kay Ave. St. Paul, MN 55102</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>RSVP and Information: Alice Tennis: 651-328-2063 Chris Rosenthal: 651-690-8920</p> <p><u>Frontotemporal Dementia Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>Discontinued.</p> <p>Where: Bethesda Hospital- B- Level Conference Room 559 Capitol Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55103</p>
Tuesday	Oct. 15	<p><u>LGBTQ Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>What: Open to anyone in the LGBTQ community caring for an older adult or person with dementia.</p>

On-site respite available with pre-registration.
Registration for respite required by Friday preceding meeting.

When: Third Tuesday 1:00-2:30pm

Where: Wilder's Community Center for Aging
650 Marshall Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55104

Cost: No cost

Early Onset Dementia Support Group **new**

What: The HealthPartners Center for Memory & Aging is starting a new group for those who have been diagnosed with early onset dementia and are 65 or younger. **Advance registration is required.**

When: 3rd Tuesday of every month 11am – noon

Where: HealthPartners Neuroscience Center
295 Phalen Blvd.
St. Paul 55130

Registration: 651-495-6355 or email:
MemoryLoss@healthpartners.com

Cost: FREE

Former Dementia Caregiver Re-Entry Group

What: Find the “New” you after caregiving. In an informal setting, share with others who have had a similar journey.

This is an opportunity to move past the grief and loss to reclaim “you”, and create a meaningful life beyond your caregiver role.

Experienced facilitators will coordinate and offer referrals and resources as needed.

Sponsors: Roseville Alzheimer's & Dementia Community Action Team (Rsvl A/D)
City of Roseville
Ramsey County Library

When: **third Tuesday of each month** 1 – 2:30 P.M.

Where: New Life Presbyterian Church - Heritage Room
965 Larpenteur Ave W.

		<p>Roseville, MN</p> <p>Cost: Free</p> <p>For more information call: Warren 612-791-5316</p>
Wednesday	Oct. 16	<p><u>Caregivers Support Group</u></p> <p>What: Support yourself and others in the journey of caregiving. Sessions include a brief education component, time to gather resources, and time to talk. Open to caregivers who are caregiving for an adult with any healthcare issue or disease.</p> <p>When: Meets the 3rd Wednesday each month 1:00–2:30 PM</p> <p>Where: The Heritage at Lyngblomsten - 2nd Floor Lounge 1440 Midway Parkway St. Paul</p> <p>Information: Jeanne Schuller 651-285-9193 jschuller@lyngblomsten.org</p> <p><u>Adult Children Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>What: A support group for caregivers caring for a parent, grandparent, step-parent, aunt, uncle, or other senior familial relationship.</p> <p>When: Meets the 3rd Wednesday each month 6:00 – 7:30 pm</p> <p>Where: Wilder’s Community Center for Aging 650 Marshall Ave. St. Paul, MN 55104</p> <p>Cost: Free</p> <p>Register: No registration needed.</p> <p>Questions: (651) 280-CARE (2273)</p>
Thursday	Oct. 17	<p><u>Walking and Talking</u></p> <p>What: Join others for a 30-minute walk at various indoor locations. Walkers are invited to join us afterwards for coffee, treats and information about maintaining health.</p> <p>When: Third Thursday of the month, walk from 9:30 – 10:00 and health talk from 10:00 – 10:30.</p> <p>Where: AARP Information Center at the Mall of America, (located on the third floor between Macy’s and Nordstrom’s) 228 W. Market</p>

		<p>Bloomington</p> <p>Cost: Free</p> <p>Register: No registration necessary</p> <p>Questions: Wilder Caregiving Services: caregiving@wilder.org or 651-280-2273</p> <p><u>Younger Onset Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Connection</u></p> <p>What: Do you know someone younger than 65 who has memory loss or has been diagnosed with MCI, Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder? Have you ever wished that you could connect with others in the same boat? Then this Meetup Group is for you. Join us for casual conversation.</p> <p>When: the third Thursday of every month, 7 p.m.</p> <p>Where: Houlihan's 6601 Lyndale Ave S Richfield, MN</p> <p>For information: email: mailto:dwickiser@alz.org phone: 952.857.0551</p>
Friday	Oct. 18	<p><u>Day Out! Group Respite</u></p> <p>What: Participants enjoy group discussions, creative projects, music, exercise, games and fun. Caregivers can also have a break while the person they care for spends time with FamilyMeans staff and volunteers in a group setting.</p> <p>When: Every Friday 10am – 2pm</p> <p>Where: FamilyMeans 1875 Northwestern Avenue S Stillwater, MN 55082</p> <p>Cost: \$40 each visit</p> <p>Registration: required before attending Day Out!</p> <p><u>NE Day Spot</u></p> <p>What: People with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions can spend four hours together with our wonderful volunteers and staff. We'll engage our bodies and minds to stay as healthy as we</p>

		<p>can. Family and friend caregivers get a 4 hour break to rest, run errands, enjoy the company of friends and rejuvenate.</p> <p>A staff & volunteer led day of activities, exercise, engagement and discussion for older adults with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions.</p> <p>No hands-on care is provided, so you must be able to eat, walk and use the restroom independently.</p> <p>When: Every Friday, 10 AM - 2 PM 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25</p> <p>Where: East Side Neighborhood Services 1700 2nd St NE Minneapolis MN 55413</p> <p>Cost: Sliding fee scale, \$0-\$45</p> <p>RSVP: Pre-screening is required. Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 or prudina@esns.org</p> <p>Contact for more information: Interested in participating? Contact Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 prudina@esns.org.</p> <p>Interested in volunteering? Contact Jennifer Grilliot, 612-787-4104 jgrilliot@esns.org.</p> <p>Caregiver Support Group</p> <p>What: Get support, understanding, tips and joy from others in a similar situation. A support group for anyone caring for an older adult with any health condition.</p> <p>When: Every 3rd Friday of the month, 10 - 11:30 AM</p> <p>Where: East Side Neighborhood Services 1700 2nd St NE Minneapolis MN 55413</p> <p>Cost: Free, donations welcome</p> <p>RSVP: No</p> <p>Questions: Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 or prudina@esns.org</p>
Saturday	Oct. 19	<p>African American culturally-specific Memory Loss Support Group Lill's Angels Support Group</p> <p>What: African American culturally-specific environment.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn the facts about memory loss, dementia and Alzheimer's disease • Connect with community resources • Share experiences and concerns with other caregivers • Identify solutions to difficult behaviors and other problems <p>When: 3rd Saturday of each month 10:00am-11:30am</p> <p>Where: Pilgrim Baptist Church 732 Central Ave. West St. Paul</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>Contact: RSVP or questions please call Valorie Jones 952-945-4178</p>
Sunday	Oct. 20	
Monday	Oct. 21	<p><u>Dementia Support Group & Monthly Education</u></p> <p>What: Support and Education for anyone with a friend or family member with Alzheimer's or other types of Dementia. This small support group discusses a variety of topics including the stages of Dementia, how to care for yourself as a caregiver, ways to adapt activities and hobbies for someone with Dementia and tips on navigating the disease.</p> <p>Facilitator: Amy House is a trained facilitator with the Alzheimer's Association and Certified in Teepa Snow's Positive Approach to Care</p> <p>When: 3rd Monday every month 2:30pm-3:30pm</p> <p>Where: New Brighton Community Center 400- 10th Street NW New Brighton, MN 55112</p> <p>RSVP: none</p> <p>Cost: Free</p> <p>Information: Amy House 651-746-5611 or ahouse@brightondale.com</p> <p><u>Parkinson's Support Group</u></p> <p>What: This PD support group is a combination of education and support. The group determines what they want to learn about. Generally host a speaker every other month. On the months without a speaker, we split into 2 groups with care partners in one and persons with PD in another.</p> <p>When: every 3rd Monday of each month at 6-8 P.M.</p>

		<p>Where: Woodbury Lutheran Church 7380 Afton Rd. Woodbury MN 55125.</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>RSVP: not required, but appreciated.</p> <p>For more information: 651.495.6305 or email sandra.c.varpness@healthpartners.com</p> <p>Minnesota East Metro LBD Caregiver Support Group</p> <p>What: A support group for caregivers and family members of people with Lewy Body Dementia, and people in early stages of the disease. We provide a comfortable and compassionate place to share experiences, support, and resources as we journey with our loved one through the many phases of this disease. Run by trained volunteers and peers.</p> <p>When: Third Monday of every month, at 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Where: Ecumen Lakeview Commons 1200 Lakewood Dr. N. Maplewood, MN 55119 For directions, contact Ecumen Lakeview Commons at 651-770-1111</p> <p>No registration required.</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>Contact for general information: Paula and Erik Biever 651-641-0130</p>
Tuesday	Oct. 22	<p>Caregiver Breakfast</p> <p>What: A big thank you to caregivers for their labor of love. The caregiver breakfast is a great way for caregivers and seniors to connect, share good food and get relevant information about caregiving, general health and services. Seniors welcome.</p> <p>When: every 4th Tuesday of the month 9:30 – 11:30am</p> <p>Where: Centers For Families 3333 N. 4th Street Minneapolis</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>Please RSVP by Friday at noon before the breakfast. 952-945-4034. Sponsored in part by Minnesota Board on Aging, Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging and Accreditation for Community Living and Live Well at Home.</p>

St. Paul Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group

Discontinued.

Where: Bethesda Hospital- B- Level Conference Room
559 Capitol Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55103

North East Seniors for Better Living Memory Café and Social Club

What: A place where individuals with memory loss and their caregivers can get together in a safe, supportive, and engaging environment.

September 11 – Know the 10 Signs of Alzheimer’s
Want to learn more about what’s normal as you age and what could be a sign of memory loss? Join us for a presentation from the Alzheimer’s Association about 10 warning signs of Alzheimer’s and how to spot them.

When: 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month
11am-12pm Memory Café and Social Hour
12pm-1pm Free lunch! Provided by Loaves and Fishes
1pm-3pm Fun & educational presentations by guest speakers
Free blood pressure checks from nursing students
Activities including cards, board games, bingo, and crafts

Where: North East Seniors for Better Living
1961 Sherwood Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55119

Cost: FREE

RSVP not required.

Roseville Area Senior Program Caregiver Support Group

4th Tuesday/month DISCONTINUED, ONLY MEETS 2ND Tues./month

Where: Fairview Community Center, Room 116A
1910 County Road B West
Roseville, MN 55113

Wednesday

Oct. 23

Arthur’s Memory Café

What: A place where individuals with memory loss and their caregivers can get together in a safe, supportive, and engaging environment.

When: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.

Where: J. Arthur’s Coffee Shop
2441 Rice Street
Roseville, MN 55109

Cost: FREE

<p>Thursday</p>	<p>Oct. 24</p>	<p><u>Men's Caregiver Support Group</u> new</p> <p>What: Support group for men caring for a family member or friend. Facilitated by Wilder volunteers No respite available</p> <p>When: Fourth Thursday of the month from 10:00 – 11:00am.</p> <p>Where: Wilder Center for Aging 650 Marshall Ave. St. Paul, MN 55104</p> <p>Cost: Free</p> <p>RSVP: None</p> <p>Contact for further information: Wilder Caregiving Services: caregiving@wilder.org or 651-280-2273</p> <p><u>Parkinson's Caregiver Education & Support Group</u></p> <p>What: Join us for a time for learning, discussing, supporting, and meeting new people as you navigate caring for your loved one with Parkinson's Disease. The first hour will be a speaker. The second hour will be for discussion and support.</p> <p>(This program is supported by a grant from the Parkinson's Foundation of Minnesota)</p> <p>When: every 4th Thursday of each month from 1 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.</p> <p>Where: HealthPartners Neuroscience Center 295 Phalen Blvd. St Paul, MN 55130.</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>Please RSVP to Sandy Varpness at sandra.c.varpness@healthpartners.com or 651-495-6343</p>
<p>Friday</p>	<p>Oct. 25</p>	<p><u>Day Out! Group Respite</u></p> <p>What: Participants enjoy group discussions, creative projects, music, exercise, games and fun. Caregivers can also have a break while the person they care for spends time with FamilyMeans staff and volunteers in a group setting.</p> <p>When: Every Friday 10am – 2pm</p>

Where: FamilyMeans
1875 Northwestern Avenue S
Stillwater, MN 55082

Cost: \$40 each visit

Registration: required before attending Day Out!

NE Day Spot

What: People with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions can spend four hours together with our wonderful volunteers and staff. We'll engage our bodies and minds to stay as healthy as we can. Family and friend caregivers get a 4 hour break to rest, run errands, enjoy the company of friends and rejuvenate.

A staff & volunteer led day of activities, exercise, engagement and discussion for older adults with early to moderate stage dementia and other health conditions.

No hands-on care is provided, so you must be able to eat, walk and use the restroom independently.

When: Every Friday, 10 AM - 2 PM **10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25**

Where: East Side Neighborhood Services
1700 2nd St NE
Minneapolis MN 55413

Cost: Sliding fee scale, \$0-\$45

RSVP: Pre-screening is required. Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 or prudina@esns.org

Contact for more information: Interested in participating? Contact Parichay Rudina, LISW, 612-787-4085 prudina@esns.org.

Interested in volunteering? Contact Jennifer Grilliot, 612-787-4104 jgrilliot@esns.org.

Let's Do Lunch!

What: A monthly social event for LGBT seniors that welcomes people with memory loss and their caregivers/partners.

Join us each month for

- a healthy lunch
- scrumptious dessert
- great conversation
- information on senior LGBT services and senior care options

		<p>Come for the food, stay for the company! Be yourself, make new friends, and get up-to-date on ways to increase your well-being and independence.</p> <p>When: <u>4th Friday of every month</u> 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM</p> <p>Where: Little Brothers – Friends of the Elderly 1845 E. Lake St. Minneapolis</p> <p>Convenient location in the heart of Midtown Minneapolis, just blocks from the Blue Line/Lake Street station.</p> <p>Cost: FREE, but RSVP is required</p> <p>RSVP: 612-721-1400 or mhaas@littlebrothersmn.org</p>
Saturday	Oct. 26	
Sunday	Oct. 27	
Monday	Oct. 28	<p><u>Jewish Family Service Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>What: Jewish Family Service is offering a monthly education & support group for individuals caring for a loved one; whether at home or in the community.</p> <p>Sponsor: Jewish Family Service of St. Paul in affiliation with Sholom Home East and the Alzheimer’s Association</p> <p>When: 2nd and 4th Monday of every month 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Where: Roitenberg Adult Day Center Kuller Nosh Nook 740 Kay Ave. St. Paul, MN 55102</p> <p>Cost: FREE</p> <p>RSVP and Information: Alice Tennis: 651-328-2063 Chris Rosenthal: 651-690-8920</p> <p><u>Frontotemporal Dementia Caregiver Support Group</u></p> <p>Discontinued.</p> <p>Where: Bethesda Hospital- B- Level Conference Room 559 Capitol Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55103</p>
Tuesday	Oct. 29	
Wednesday	Oct. 30	
Thursday	Oct. 31	

Meetup Groups

What: Meetup is a program designed to build a safe and comfortable social meeting space, both virtually and in-person. In-person social meetings occur once a month at various locations, which is determined by the group and then posted on the Meetup Group website. Time, dates and group locations vary. Groups include:

[Meetup - Younger-Onset Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Connection](#)

Meetup - People with Mild Cognitive Impairment (MCI)/Early Dementia and Care Partners.

Check out <https://www.meetup.com/Memory-Mentor/> for upcoming meetups in the Twin Cities.

Meetups are run through the Alzheimer's Association Minnesota-North Dakota.

Memory Loss Caregivers Support Group - additional locations

Family and friends who are caring for someone experiencing Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia are welcome to attend. Groups meet at sites throughout Ramsey, Hennepin, Dakota, and Washington counties. Facilitators are trained through the Alzheimer's Association. All groups are open to the community. Come as often as you are able.

Current groups include:

Augustana Lutheran Church, West St. Paul
10 AM | 1st Tuesday each month
Contact: Eileen Wilkie at 612.280.7526

Centennial United Methodist Church, Roseville
10 AM | 2nd Tuesday each month
Contact: Jane Tripple at 651.644.8411

First Presbyterian Church, White Bear Lake
10 AM | 1st Thursday each month
Contact: Joan McGrath at 651.429.5218

Salem Lutheran Church, West St. Paul
10 AM | 2nd Tuesday each month
Contact: Sue W. at 651.490.9091

White Bear United Methodist Church, White Bear Lake
10 AM | 4th Thursday each month
Contact: Naomi Miller 651.308.0759

Woodbury Baptist Church, Woodbury
10 AM | 4th Tuesday each month
Contact: Mary Hafner and Jane Beckstrom at 651.738.7700

For general information about Memory Loss Caregivers Support Groups, contact:

Betsy Hoffman 651.414.5291 bhoffman@lyngblomsten.org

Information on [support groups](#) and [memory cafes](#) in Washington County:

<https://www.familymeans.org/caregiver-support-groups.html>

Anyone is able to attend these groups, regardless of residence.

[Respite](#) information in Washington County: <https://www.familymeans.org/breaks-for-caregivers.html>

Memory Meetup & Mentor

What: Hello, are you [someone has been diagnosed and is living with Mild Cognitive Impairment \(MCI\) or Early Dementia](#)? Have you ever wished that you could connect with others who are on that same journey? Then this group is for you. Join us for community social gatherings and connect with a mentor with early stage dementia.

We are a group that likes to do something, learn something, share something and change something. Meetup members describe our group as The Trailblazers.

This program is designed to build a safe and comfortable social meeting space, both virtually and in-person, [for individuals with MCI and early Alzheimer's disease](#). In-person social meetings occur once a month at a Twin Cities location, which is determined by the group and then posted on the Meetup Group website.

Mentors with MCI and early Alzheimer's disease connect with newly diagnosed individuals who have contacted the Alzheimer's Association Helpline or who have participated in an Association-affiliated early stage programs. Mentors call and connect with the individual and invite them to join the Memory Meetup online and in-person social gatherings.

Time, dates and group locations vary. Please check the links below and visit the Meetup Site for your region.

When: variable.

Where: variable

For information: <https://www.meetup.com/Memory-Mentor/>

Requires evaluation before attendance.

variable meeting times

variable locations

The Gathering (group respite)

What: A day of stimulating activities for those with memory loss and respite for caregivers The Gathering provides a day of stimulating activities for those experiencing early- to mid-stage memory loss, and gives five hours of respite to caregivers who desire a break. The program is coordinated through Lyngblomsten and in collaborative partnership with more than 30 churches at 10 sites across the Twin Cities. Each program site meets 2-4 times per month and accommodates a group of 8-10 participants (person experiencing memory loss). There is one volunteer for every participant.

The caregiver and the person they care for will meet a Gathering staff professional for an assessment prior to enrollment. –

See more at: <http://www.lyngblomsten.org/community-services/gathering/#sthash.Ajx24kSv.dpuf>

The Gathering – Group Respite at Centennial United Methodist Church in Roseville meets weekly. There are also groups that meet weekly in White Bear Lake.

Note: There is a real need for volunteers for The Gathering in Roseville at Centennial United Methodist Church. The 2nd Tuesdays of each month are in critical need. The volunteers are at the site from 9:15 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

For information contact Betsy Hoffman @651.414.5291 or bhoffman@lyngblomsten.org