

Glenn Almack Helps Research Of Deadly Disease By Making Donation To The Alzheimer's Association

DALLAS, TEXAS, UNITED STATES, January 18, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Families all over the world have faced the horrible results of Alzheimer's disease. Millions of Americans are donating to the Alzheimer's Association in hopes of finding a cure. Glenn Almack is one of those individuals and recently made a vital donation to the research and study of this horrific disease.

The donation from Almack and the contributions of others continue to support research to find a cure. These studies help those affected by the disease to try to live comfortably. Also, the funds support all those afflicted by the disease including families and caregivers. Each dollar counts and helps in a big way.

Alzheimer's Association History

Since awarding their first donations in 1982, the Association has developed into the most significant philanthropic funder of Alzheimer's investigations. Over the life of their grants program, they have granted over \$385 million to more than 2,000 projects. Individuals who donate, like Almack, make funding possible for many years.

"Through close friends, I have seen the awful effects of this disease," <u>says Almack</u>. "Every dollar counts and I always make sure to donate the highest possible amount I can. I know the money goes towards a great cause and to find a cure."

By donating to the Association, Almack is supporting the group that serves people with Alzheimer's disease and their relatives and caregivers in his local area. Also, funds go across the United States to other facilities in need of assistance.

Research Leads To Breakthroughs

Because of the numerous donations by people all over the world, the Association can have breakthroughs in research.

In 2004, researchers shared their first findings on an imaging agent called Pittsburg Compound B (PIB). This device became a major potential breakthrough in disease monitoring and early detection that the Alzheimer's Association provided significant support.

During that same year, the Association joined in to sponsor the Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative. This group is a nationwide study that aims to create a standardized method for obtaining and interpreting brain images.

"For people experiencing with Alzheimer's, every development offers new hope," <u>explains Almack</u>. "The reason why I donated to the organization is that they are leading the charge for a cure."

More Ways To Bring Awareness To The Disease

Another avenue for donations and awareness has been hosting different events by the Association. These activities include Blondes vs. Brunettes, a powderpuff football game. Also, an Advocacy Forum in Washington D.C. Another function is Pain The Night Purple; this is an annual winter fundraiser bringing together young professionals in Chicago.

One event Almack has taken an interest in is the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Besides donating, Almack plans to join the world's most significant event hosted by The Alzheimer's Association.

This walk, which brings awareness to Alzheimer's care, is held once a year in over 600 communities nationwide. Also, it brings together people of different backgrounds, ages, and relationships to the disease to join the battle to fight against Alzheimer's.

"There are so many ways an individual can get involved to help," says Almack. "Either donating money or participating in different events can help more than a person knows."

The facts behind Alzheimer's are staggering. The disease is the sixth-leading cause of death in the United States. More than five million Americans are currently living with the disease. Also, someone develops Alzheimer's every 66 seconds in the United States. There are more than 15.9 million caretakers of individuals with Alzheimer's and other dementias in the United States.

Furthermore, Alzheimer's will cost the United States \$259 billion in 2017. That figure is expected to rise to over \$1 trillion by 2050. These numbers are why it's important to donate and spread awareness so the Association can bring a cure for this disease.

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