

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Our enthusiastic volunteers are vital to the success of our Chapter, helping us reach more people every year! For example, without the 600+ volunteers, we could never put on the 2016 Philly Walk to End Alzheimer's—the nation's #1 Alzheimer's Walk—with 15,000 participants. **Want to get involved? We need YOU so please sign up by contacting Elaine Griffin at elaine.griffin@alz.org or looking at volunteer opportunities at alz.org/delval.**

Check out what a few of our volunteers are doing now:



**SHAWN BARNDT—
SUPPORT GROUP
FACILITATOR**

For more than 16 years, Shawn has been volunteering for our Chapter by running a monthly support group for Alzheimer's caregivers. Shawn finds this role deeply rewarding: "Right now

there's no cure for Alzheimer's disease but I can empower families/caregivers through education and support, helping them cope with this deadly disease." As Chestnut Knoll's Executive Director, she also spearheads the organization's Berks County Walk to End Alzheimer's Team that has raised more than \$170,000.



**BRIAN WAITE—
SPEAKERS BUREAU &
OUTREACH**

Brian is a passionate advocate for our Chapter because both his grandmother and father had Alzheimer's disease. He volunteers nonstop by giving consumer education presentations throughout

New Jersey. In addition, Brian performs outreach by pitching senior centers and retired employee groups to host Alzheimer's events and then gives the lectures, too.



**SIDNEY WILLIAMS—
CASINO NIGHT
COMMITTEE MEMBER
AND SUPPORT GROUP
FACILITATOR**

Since 2000, Sidney has been a super volunteer, helping organize the popular Casino Night fundraiser (previously Chocolate Symphony) and

facilitating a Frontal Temporal Dementia Support Group. Sidney started volunteering as a way to give back when her aunt had Alzheimer's. She keeps volunteering here because she "loves the organization and everything it stands for."

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~ Shawn Barndt, Support Group Facilitator

SEEKING RETIRED FIRST RESPONDER VOLUNTEERS

The Chapter is currently looking for volunteers to reach out to the first responder community and provide training and resources to better equip these agencies to deal with missing persons who have Alzheimer's disease and related disorders. Volunteers will be receive training on safety education and programs, specifically MedicAlert® + Alzheimer's Association Safe Return®. We need retired police and firemen in Philadelphia, Delaware County, Atlantic County and Camden County. Ideally we seek volunteers who are retired police/firemen and experienced public speakers or comfortable speaking to groups to use their connections to set up and give MASR trainings. **If this sounds like you and you're interested in this volunteer role, contact Elaine Griffin at egriffin@alz.org or call our 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900.**

