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HBO's Emmy Award Winning 'The Alzheimer's Project' to be Shown in Decatur

Every 70 seconds someone develops Alzheimer's disease.

SPRINGFIELD, IL---In honor of National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month the Alzheimer's Association will present the Emmy winning 'The Alzheimer's Project' on November 4 and 12 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 130 W. Eldorado, Decatur, IL 62522. Catholic Charities' Faith in Action program is sponsoring this event.

The Memory Tapes and **Caregivers** will be presented on Wednesday, November 4 and **Momentum in Science** will be presented Thursday, November 12.

"We are excited to be able to give an opportunity to the public to view such an important documentary," said Nancy Rainwater, director, communications for the Greater Illinois Chapter. "The different segments of the series shine a bright spotlight on how this disease ultimately affects everyone it touches. Following both viewings there will be the opportunity for discussion."

According to Erna Colborn, president and CEO of the Greater Illinois Chapter, "**Deaths due to Alzheimer's disease increased by 47.1%** from 2000 until 2006 while deaths due to heart disease, breast cancer, prostate cancer and stroke all showed a decrease. **Alzheimer's disease is the health crisis of the 21st Century.**"

Space is limited so to reserve your space today contact Bridgette Austin at 217.726.5184 or at bridgette.austin@alz.org.

About the Alzheimer's Association - The Alzheimer's Association, the world leader in Alzheimer research and support, is the largest voluntary health organization dedicated to finding prevention methods, treatments and cure for Alzheimer's. Since 1980, the donor supported, nonprofit Alzheimer's Association has provided reliable information and care consultation; created supportive services for families; increased funding for dementia research; and influenced public policy changes. **The Greater Illinois Chapter** serves dozens of counties with offices in Bloomington, Carterville, Chicago, Joliet, Rockford and Springfield. For more information, call our Helpline at 800-272-3900 or visit www.alz.org/illinois.

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