

He Makes It Personal

“
He handles it well
with a grin
on his face and a
sparkle in his eyes...
”



28 year old Craig Thomas
Fort Calhoun Nebraska

A Portrait of a Nephew, by Craig Thomas's aunt, Linda Kollmeyer:

“He holds back a little but takes it all in, with a grin on his face and a sparkle in his eyes. If you are not watching closely you could miss him in a crowd because he doesn't need to be the center of attention. He knows how to enjoy the moment whether alone or with many; he's a thinker and an observer.”

“He is a good looking man in face and form with a boyish charm all his own. He looks so much like his mother, his nose and those two teeth that slightly curve, a genetic trait he shares with his sister, too. It just adds to his appeal. His looks speak "youth and innocence," but underneath it all he has a quiet intelligence that he will share if you will just listen. Just like the students in his Sunday school class. They love him, too.”

“This thoughtful young man is my nephew, Craig Thomas, and he has ALS. Craig is 28 years old and has been married to a special gal, Erin, for two years. When they married they had no idea what would face them so soon in their marriage. I'm so proud of both of them for holding fast to each other in this storm of uncertainty.”

“This horrific disease has had Craig's entire family in a frenzy searching for ways to make it go away. Craig quietly sits back and studies the disease with the help of The ALS Association. He has gotten involved with his local chapter, the Keith Worthington Chapter in Omaha, and has found a good friend in Steve Langan, Awareness and Development Coordinator. Together with Erin, they spread the word of awareness and do fundraisers to promote research.”

“Presently, Craig and Erin are involved in helping set up many fundraisers in Omaha for the Keith Worthington Chapter, including the first annual Craig Thomas ALSA Fun Run, a poker run, on Sunday, August 28 in Missouri Valley, Iowa. They have set up great Walk to D'Feet ALS teams in Omaha and Missouri. Will you please come out and Walk to D'Feet ALS with all of us, for Craig, and for the people in your life who are affected by ALS?”

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“In Craig's name, events are being planned in his hometown of Farmington, Missouri, to help raise money. With the great help of family and friends, the first Craig Thomas Annual Charity Golf Tournament is scheduled for October 29, 2005 in Farmington. Our family is also working to get Craig on the Oprah Winfrey Show. On behalf of everything you do to help people with ALS directly and indirectly, we all thank you.”

“Activity is all around Craig now. All of a sudden, he is the center of attention. He stands tall, while he still can, holding hands with Erin. He handles it well with a grin on his face and a sparkle in his eyes... You can't miss him.”

Another View of Craig Thomas, by Erin Thomas, his wife:

“It all started with a twitch. It was just a twitch, so we really thought nothing of it. After all, we were busy planning our wedding. Our wedding came and went, and still the twitching continued; only it was getting worse. Finally, we took Craig to the doctor. This is when we were introduced to the three letters: ALS. Craig and I had both heard of Lou Gehrig's disease, but we didn't know any of the details-only that it is bad. We went to see a series of doctors...starting in Omaha, then to Mayo Clinic, then to the ALSA Clinic in Kansas City, where he was diagnosed in January 2005 with this terrible disease. It is kind of hard to believe. After all, Craig was 26 when his symptoms started. He's only 28 now.”

A view of Craig Thomas by a friend, Shanna Moore:

“I've spent 12 years in the military and I've also been associated with many volunteer programs while working closely with police officers, fire and rescue personnel. I guess in the back of my mind when someone says hero, the image I have is someone wearing a uniform. Then I saw Craig battling ALS and got a taste of his determination. I have different visions of heroism now.”

Medicare to Offer Prescription Drug Coverage

In January 2006, for the first time, Medicare will offer prescription drug coverage for the more than 43 million people with Medicare. For too long now, America's seniors have struggled to pay for their medicines. Now, Medicare will offer prescription drug coverage to help people with Medicare pay for the prescription drugs that their doctor tells them they need. Enrollment in the new drug plans will begin November 15, 2005. Education about this benefit begins now.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is working with other federal agencies to educate community organizations and associations, senior advocacy groups, employers, the healthcare industry, and a variety of other groups who will help to inform and enroll people with Medicare in one of the prescription drug coverage plans. These organizations will help Medicare beneficiaries learn that the new drug coverage will:

- Be available to all people with Medicare regardless of their income or how they receive their medical coverage
- Offer comprehensive help for those with limited income and resources which means no premiums or deductibles for more than nine million people with Medicare. Medicare is currently sending a mailing to these folks to let them know that they will automatically receive this extra help with the costs of their prescription drugs, and that they do not have to apply to get this low-income subsidy
- Give beneficiaries a choice between at least two plans available in their area that will cover a comprehensive set of both brand name and generic drugs
- Provide convenient access to pharmacies, generally within just a few miles of one's home
- Be available to all people with Medicare who live in nursing homes because all prescription drug plans will have to contract with the pharmacies that serve long-term care facilities
- Ensure that Medicare Advantage plans such as health maintenance organizations will continue to offer prescription drug coverage to enrollees and enhance their existing coverage
- Ensure that people who receive both Medicare and Medicaid and who currently receive their drug benefit through Medicaid, will be automatically enrolled in a plan if they do not choose one by the middle of December so that they will experience no gap in their prescription drug coverage.

In addition to the Medicare prescription drug coverage, the new Medicare law ensures that retirees who currently have health and drug coverage from their past employer or union continue to receive that coverage.

Also, other people with Medicare who have limited income and resources and do not currently receive help through Medicaid or the state (the folks who will automatically receive extra help with the costs of their drugs) will get an application form from the Social Security Administration (SSA) soon that they need to fill out to apply to get comprehensive help from Medicare to help pay the costs of their prescription drugs. These mailings began in May with some people receiving these letters in June. Later this year, these folks will need to take the second step and enroll in a prescription drug plan.

For more information about the upcoming Medicare prescription drug coverage or other Medicare questions visit www.medicare.gov or call 1-800-Medicare (1-800-633-4227), 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Making Medicare Make Sense

Answers To Some of The Most Commonly Asked Medicare Questions

Q: Starting January 1, 2006, Medicare will offer prescription drug coverage for all people with Medicare. Folks with Medicare who have limited income and resources, may qualify for extra help paying for their prescription drugs. What do people with Medicare need to know?

A: If one's annual income is below \$14,355 for a single person (or \$19,245 if married and living with your spouse), they may qualify for extra help. Slightly higher income levels may apply if they provide ½ support to other family members living with them, or if they work or reside in Alaska and Hawaii. If their resources (including their savings and stocks, but not counting their home or car) are under \$11,500 (for a single person) or under \$23,000 (for a married couple) one may qualify for extra help paying for their Medicare prescription drug costs. One can apply for this extra help through the Social Security Administration or their State Medical Assistance Office. Social Security is mailing the application for extra help to those who may qualify. If one receives an application, fill it out and return it in the enclosed postage paid envelope. The amount of extra help one will get depends on their income and resources. They will still need to join a Medicare prescription drug plan for Medicare to pay for their drug costs. Enrollment into a Medicare prescription drug plan begins November 15, 2005 and ends May 15, 2006. If one joins by December 31, 2005, their coverage will begin January 1, 2006. If one joins after January 1, 2006, their coverage starts the first day of the month after the month they join. If they qualify for extra help, they will have continuous drug coverage and will pay only a small amount for their prescriptions.

Q: Where does one go for more information on this or information on any Medicare question?

A: For more information on who can get extra help with prescription drug costs and how to apply, call the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213, or visit www.socialsecurity.gov on the web. TTY users should call 1-800-325-0778. Soon, they will receive detailed information from Medicare about their choice of Medicare prescription drug plans in October 2005. Also, one can look at the "Medicare & You 2006" handbook that will be mailed in the fall or visit www.medicare.gov on the web or call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

Partnership for Prescription Assistance

Millions of people already get more than a thousand brand-name prescription medicines free, or nearly free! If you don't have prescription coverage and can't afford your medicines, you could to through the Partnership for Prescription Assistance (PPA). The PPA is a nationwide program to help qualifying patients who lack prescription coverage get the medicines they need through existing public and/or private programs. The PPA has access to more than 275 public and private patient assistance programs to help you find ways to afford medication. To see if you qualify for free medicines, call 1-888-4PPA-NOW or visit the website www.pparxmo.org.

The PPA kicked off in Missouri June 22, 2005. It is already effective in Nebraska and will be effective in Kansas August of 2005.

A Disability Resource

Tim Moore used to be a disability claims examiner for the Social Security Administration. He now has a website to answer questions about the social security administration's confusing disability system. His website, called "Social Security Disability Secrets" can be found at <http://www.disabilitysecrets.com> (or, if you go to google and type in the words social security disability, you should see it on the first page of results).

The Tornado Rally in Wichita

The ALS Association Keith Worthington Chapter branch in Wichita, Kansas, joined up with Big Dog Motorcycles to participate in the first annual "Tornado Rally." On Saturday, June 11th, the Chapter had an informational booth at the rally to register participants in the ALS Bulldog Poker Run. ALS red gel bracelets and magnets were available for purchase, too. The Bulldog Poker Run took place on Sunday, June 12th, in which participants rode their motorcycles around Wichita to collect their game pieces. The winner won a gift package filled with various gift certificates from local businesses.



The ALSA Center of Excellence

A Partnership between The University of Kansas Medical Center and The ALS Association Keith Worthington Chapter



4 YEARS

August of 2001, the month the ALS Clinic opened its doors at the University of Kansas Medical Center, was an important milestone for the Keith Worthington Chapter. That same month, a year later in 2002, The ALS Association (ALSA) announced the approval of the ALS Clinic as a certified ALSA Center in recognition of its outstanding clinical program for people with ALS and their family members. The ALSA Center at the University of Kansas Medical Center became one of 18 prestigious centers of excellence for ALS throughout the country recognized by The Association. Today there are 20.

As we approach August of 2005, it seems fitting to reflect on the growth and changes that have occurred in the past four years. The number of patients who visit the Clinic continues to increase. In the beginning, the Clinic was scheduled two Mondays a month and was seeing an average of 4 patients at each clinic. Today, the clinic is scheduled three Mondays a month and sees between 5 and 15 patients at each clinic.

Clinic visits from patients who live beyond the Kansas City metro area have also increased dramatically. The ALSA Center serves the entire Keith Worthington Chapter service area -- all of Kansas, Nebraska and Western Missouri. The total number of patient visits to the Clinic is over 700, approximately 25% of these visits are from those who live in areas served by branch offices in Wichita, Omaha and Springfield.

In addition to providing patients with comprehensive evaluation and treatment plans designed to maximize their physical function and quality of life, the ALSA Center has also been actively involved in clinical research trials for patients with ALS. Early on, Creatine and the drug Celebrex were studied. Today, clinical trials are being conducted on Minocycline, and CoQ10; future studies will include Ceftriaxone and Arimoclomol.

The ALSA Center program is a success due to the partnership between the University of Kansas Medical Center and the Keith Worthington Chapter and to the excellent leadership of the ALSA Center Director, Dr. Richard Barohn.

The following are highlights from a recent interview with Dr. Richard Barohn:

The Center has grown dramatically since its inception four years ago. Dr. Barohn, can you comment on some of the changes you've seen in the last four years?

Our clinic is now seen as THE clinic to go to if a patient has ALS, or if the possibility of that diagnosis has been raised. Neurologists from a six state area are now referring their patients to our clinic. This is a huge change in the referral patterns for ALS patients in the Midwest. Prior to the option of our clinic, many patients went to Mayo or Baylor for their care. Of course, the other change is the development of the clinical research program. Now we can give patients and their families a much greater degree of hope due to the enhanced care we can provide through the team approach and through the opportunity to participate in cutting-edge clinical research. The ALS Center at KU is now on the national 'map' for our efforts in patient care and research.

To what degree does the multi-disciplinary approach enhance awareness of ALS treatments among medical professionals?

It is amazing what happens when you can get physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, respiratory therapy, dietician, social work, ALSA nurses, and research coordinators all in the same room to discuss patient cases. It is a natural tendency for each specialist to look at the patient from their own perspective. When we all talk about the patients together, we teach each other so much and we are able to pass this knowledge from our team to the patients and their families and to KU medical students.

What are your plans for the ALSA Center?

We probably will expand to four clinics a month in the next year. We hope to add two more physicians who will work in the ALS Clinic. We have an outstanding multi-disciplinary team which we plan to keep together for many years. We want to stay positioned so we will be able to participate in clinical research studies that offer the possibility of finding a cure for this disease.

The ALSA Center for clinical management of ALS is one of the most important services of the Keith Worthington Chapter. Roland Walker, who lives in the Columbia, Missouri area and recently attended the ALSA Center for the first time, sums it up this way: "Even though the trip to KC/KU is a difficult one, it is well worth it to be able to see all of the professionals treating your disease at the same location with one appointment. Without this system, it would take an enormous amount of time and trips to different locations to accomplish the same treatment."



The ALSA Center
Housed in the Landon Center
3599 Rainbow Blvd.
Kansas City Kansas 66160.

June 29, 2005

Trying to Find A Cure

Dear Member of the ALS community,

Our ALS research program is continuing studies to identify causes of ALS that we thought might interest you. As you know, except for the gene superoxide dismutase (SOD), mutations which cause about 20% of inherited ALS, the causes of ALS are unknown. We are looking both for genes that cause inherited ALS as well as genes and environmental factors that increase risk or "predispose" an individual to developing sporadic (or non-inherited) ALS.

In the past, research has looked at cause and effect in ALS one variable at a time. We suspect that particularly sporadic ALS may be the result of several factors, some genetic and some environmental, coming together. Recent advances in the field of statistical genetics make it possible to answer such questions if there are sufficient study participants available. Blood samples from sporadic ALS patients, their living parents, brothers and sisters are needed for this study. We need 400 sets of samples from a patient and both of that patient's parents, of which we currently have 240. Additionally, we need 400 sets of samples from a patient and that patient's brother or sister, who is preferably at least as old as the patient was when he or she first noted symptoms of ALS. We currently have about 340 of those sets. Blood samples from patients without these relatives are also useful.

For our familial ALS studies we also need blood samples from patients and their blood relatives. We need slightly less than 3 teaspoons of blood from each participant. We will supply the needed tubes and instructions for returning the samples via Federal Express without charge to the participants. Most physicians and labs will draw the samples without charge, but we will pay for the drawing of samples if applicable.

Additionally, we request that patients complete a questionnaire that addresses potential environmental influences on the development of ALS. Obviously, there will not be an immediate benefit to patients and families, but an understanding of the causes of ALS may eventually benefit patients with the disease.

Anyone willing to participate in this study or wishing to discuss it, please contact us. We look forward to working with you on this endeavor.

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Helpful Hints from PALS and Caregivers...

People experiencing ALS and their caregivers have an opportunity to share tips and techniques for care when they attend support groups and chat rooms. To further this opportunity, there will be a "Helpful Hints" column in The Dialog. Please submit your ideas, hints, tips, and other information to share with others.

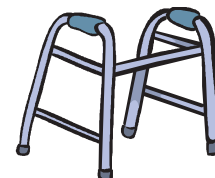
Send them to: Sarah Tucker at 8430 Mission Road, Suite B4, Prairie Village, KS 66206, stucker@alsa-midwest.org, or call 1-800-878-2062, ext. 202.

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To the Following DME Companies for Assisting the Chapter With the Loan of Durable Medical Equipment



United Seating and Mobility (Greater KC Area)
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Cox Home Support Systems (Western MO)
Presbyterian Outreach H.E.L.P. Program (NE)



The loan of durable medical equipment to those with ALS is an important service provided through the Keith Worthington Chapter and is made possible by these partnerships. If you are interested in learning more about the equipment loan program, please contact the Patient Services Staff. In Western Kansas, call 1-800-553-9056. In the Greater Kansas City area, call 1-800-878-2062. In Western Missouri, call 1-888-386-1200. In Nebraska, call 1-866-762-6361.

Support Group News

For those affected by ALS, these support groups provide a forum to share information and practical experience, a safe place to allow emotions to speak, an educational gathering spot where speakers and caregivers address subjects of major interest, and a place to witness firsthand the constant miracle of people continuing to live productive fulfilling lives in spite of having ALS.

MISSOURI

Jefferson City	Date: June 1st	Attended: 10	Topic: United Seating power chairs	
Branson	Date: June 8th	Attended: 12	Topic: Advanced Directives	Speaker: Barb Stock
Springfield	Date: June 14th	Attended: 18	Topic: Speech Devices	Speaker: Judith Peavey
Joplin	Date: June 22nd	Attended: 9	Topic: Advanced Directives	Speaker: Barb Stock

KANSAS

Wichita Caregivers	Date: May 21st	Attended: 10	Topic: Widowhood and Closure	Speaker: Jerry Hoggatt on Advocacy Day
Hutchinson	Date: June 1st	Attended: 12	Topic: Oxygenation, nutrition, feeding tubes and bi-paps	
Wichita	Date: June 2nd	Attended: 22	Topic: Emerson Coughlator	Speaker: Sherry Benhardt CRT, RCP
Salina	Date: June 16th	Attended: 16	Topic: The Ceftriaxone Study	
Kansas City Night	Date: June 5th	Attended: 13	Topic: Elder and Disability Law	Speaker: Ken Herring
KC Caregivers	Date: June 8th	Attended: 11	Topic: The Ideal Organization to Deal with ALS	
Kansas City Day	Date: June 15th	Attended: 9	Topic: The Ideal Organization to Deal with ALS	

NEBRASKA

Omaha	Date: June 9th	Attended: 22	Topic: Ethical & medical issues	Speaker: Prof. Andrew Jameton, UNMC
Columbus	Date: June 27th	Attended: 10	Topic: The Ideal Organization to Deal with ALS	

WALK TO D'FEET ALS®

The Keith Worthington Chapter is hosting 19 Walk to D'Feet ALS® events throughout Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. We need your support! Form a team, join us on walk day in your area, and encourage your friends to walk! For more information, please visit www.alsa-midwest.org.



August 27 Emporia, KS	September 25 Columbus, NE
September 10 Springfield, MO	September 30 Omaha, NE
September 17 Wichita, KS	October 1 Salina, KS
September 17 Branson, MO	October 8 Attica, KS
September 18 Grand Island, NE	October 8 Joplin, MO
September 18 Kansas City, MO	October 8 Richmond, MO
September 18 Excelsior Springs, MO	October 15 Manhattan, KS
September 24 Dodge City, KS	October 15 Maryville, MO
September 24 Topeka, KS	October 22 Lawrence, KS
September 24 Lincoln, NE	

Where the money raised goes:

86% stays in the chapter where:

- 74% goes directly to patient services
- 8% goes to research
- 16% goes to administration and fund raising
- 2% goes to the 6 month operating reserve

14% goes to the national ALS Association where:

- 44% goes to research
- 34% goes to patient service programs/ materials
- 22% goes to administration and fund raising



FOR SALE

HOMES

Fully accessible to accommodate manual or electronic wheelchairs: 2 ramps (garage and outdoors), wheelchair accessible shower, oversized doors and central hall, remote control bedroom drapes. Located in Amarado Estates in Wichita, Kansas. \$149,900. Call Beverly Giles at (316) 554-2846 or (316) 393-5737.

VANS

1987 F120 Ford, runs excellent, AC, needs battery. Call Clem Mann at 816-318-8867 with a reasonable offer.

Dodge 2000 Grand Caravan in excellent condition with conversion ramp, 20,000 miles, automatic and manual controls, accommodates large wheelchairs with automatic and manual lock down. Full warranty until June 2007 or 60,000 miles. Please call Louis at 660-582-5032.

2000 Ford Econoline E-150 Van. Full-size conversion by VMI with lowered floor and Braun Platform wheelchair lift. Remote starter. EZ Lock. Keyless entry. 31,000 miles. Call Toni at 816-361-2188.

WHEELCHAIRS

2003 Invacare Storm Series TDX 3 Wheelchair with 300 lbs. capacity. Seat raises and tilts with head rest, tight turning radius and more. Used 4 weeks. Call Yonne Craig at (816)453-2576 and leave a message.

Reclining Quickie Wheelchair with headrest, elevating leg rests, removable arm rests, gel cushioned seat. Call Angela at (620)763-2621 or email angela@ckt.net.

Invacare manual wheelchair and Invacare power wheelchair (never used). Call (402)496-7672.

Red, motorized Pronto M6 with elevating leg rests, adjustable foot plates and arm rests, and headrest for \$3,500. Call Maxine Baker at (417) 732-6385.

Jazzy Red Electric Wheelchair Model 1143 20" chair, custom personal back - tall, 18 x 17 Jay 2 deep contour leg cushions, removable arm rest, elevating leg rests, adjustable foot plates. Used sparingly for 6 months. Paid \$8,000, asking \$4,000. Call Shirlee Goalie at (402) 393-5680.

INDOOR ELEVATOR

Ram Thrust-T-Lift vertical wheelchair lift, height 142", maximum travel of 120". TTL control wall extension, solid end wall, keyed upper gate 42", adjacent access, carriage gate with interlock 54". Paid \$7,000; any reasonable offer considered. Call Diana at (913) 909-3777.

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Two chair glides for sale. Each can be adapted to fit stairs from 6-12 steps. Good condition. Local company that can install. Call Cheryl at (816)392-8597.

PLATFORM LIFTS

Access Industries Indoor/Outdoor Vertical Platform Lift, Model PLS 96. Used less than one year indoors, 750 lbs. capacity. \$5,500 - does not include installation. Call (314) 374-4480.

CHAIR LIFTS

ChamberLift 2000 Patient Lift System. Call (308) 832-2774.

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Geomat Hospital Bed Mattress, a twin size Geomat Memory Foam overlay, and a pressure reduction mattress overlay. Please call (402) 496-7672.

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If your item has been sold or if you would like to place an ad, contact Sarah at 913-648-2062, ext. 202 or stucker@alsa-midwest.org.

We need your old lap top computers!



The ALS Association needs lap top computers for patients. We are looking for WINDOWS 98 and above (i.e. 2000 or XP) with a minimum of 20 MB free hard drive space, 32 MB RAM/ memory, and a sound card with speakers. These lap tops will be loaned to patients to use as speaking devices. If you do not have an old lap top to donate, please consider donating money for the purchase of these computers.

Please call Sarah Tucker at 1-800-878-2062, ext. 202.

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In Memoriam

We send our sympathy and support to the families and friends of those who have recently died after battling ALS.

Anthony Amaro

Dorothy Munyan

Lewis Gilbaus

Harvey Bussard

Edwin Thornton

James Screen

Charles Colson

Earl Waddill

Memorials

Thanks to the families of the following for designating our Chapter for donations:

Lewis Gilbaus

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August Support Group Dates

AUGUST 2005	2	Kansas City Evening SG	7:00 p.m.
	3	Hutchinson	2:00 p.m.
	3	Jefferson City	1:30 p.m.
	4	Wichita	7:00 p.m.
	9	Springfield	6:30 p.m.
	11	Omaha	7:00 p.m.
	12	Kansas City Caregivers SG	12:30 p.m.
	17	Branson	1:30 p.m.
	17	Kansas City Day SG	2:00 p.m.
	18	Salina	7:00 p.m.
	20	Wichita Caregivers	11:00 a.m.
	22	Topeka	3:00 p.m.
	22	Columbus	6:00 p.m.
24	Joplin	1:30 p.m.	

Support Group Locations

<p>KC Evening SG 2nd Presbyterian Church 55th and Oak</p> <p>KC Day Turning Point 8900 State Line, Ste. 240</p> <p>KC Caregivers/ Survivors SG ALS- Must RSVP 8340 Mission Road, Ste. B4</p> <p>Wichita, KS Caregivers SG ALS Office 526 S. Market Street</p> <p>Wichita, KS SG Grace Presbyterian Church 5002 East Douglas</p> <p>Hutchinson, KS SG Grace Episcopal Church 20th & Main</p> <p>Topeka, KS SG Shawnee Co. Public Library 1515 SW 10th Avenue</p>	<p>Salina, KS SG Home of Nancy Persinger 409 Kirwin, 785.825.1833</p> <p>Omaha, NE SG St. Pius X Parish Center 6905 Blondo Street</p> <p>Columbus, NE SG Trinity Lutheran Church 2200 25th Street, Fireside Room</p> <p>Springfield, MO SG ALS Office 1721 W. Elfindale</p> <p>Jefferson City, MO SG Southridge Baptist Church, 1815 Vieth Drive</p> <p>Branson, MO SG Faith Luthern Church 221 Malone Street</p> <p>Joplin, MO SG St. Mary's Parish Center 524 W. 25th Street</p>
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