The Alzheimer’s Disease Research Center (ADRC) at Washington University is one of 29 centers funded by the National Institute on Aging with the collective aim of facilitating advanced research on clinical, genetic, neuropathological, neuroanatomical, biomedical, neuropsychological, and psychosocial aspects of Alzheimer’s disease and related brain disorders. Our Center and its clinical research office — the Memory and Aging Project — are at the forefront of a worldwide effort to uncover key causal factors in the development of Alzheimer’s disease, with a goal of developing more effective treatments and an eventual cure.

Friends of the ADRC
You may support our goals by joining the Friends of the ADRC. Members of the Friends are entitled to attend periodic Friends Receptions featuring presentations on current research findings from Dr. John C. Morris, Director of the ADRC, and other investigators, and also receive free admission to various ADRC-sponsored conferences. Friends are encouraged to make an annual gift in support of the ADRC.

What types of gifts are accepted and how are the funds used?
Donations from Friends support both the infrastructure upon which the ADRC depends, as well as specific research and educational projects of the Center. Private donations help to fund promising pilot research projects (i.e., small projects to test out new ideas in preparation for more extensive work), educational conferences such as the Leonard Berg Symposia Series, the training of medical students and fellows in dementia research and clinical care, and other worthwhile projects. Some of the categories of giving are as follows:

- **Annual Gift**—A gift or gifts in response to the ADRC’s annual appeal.
- **Memorial Gift**—A gift in the name of someone living or deceased to acknowledge their interest and/or contribution to Alzheimer’s research.
- **Named Fund**—A major gift in recognition of a specific individual or family that provides ongoing support for ADRC-related projects as an endowed fund.
- **Bequest Gift**—Funds, stock or other tangible property allocated to the ADRC in a will or trust.
- **Infrastructure Gift**—A gift to support a building, lab or large piece of equipment.

How do I join the Friends of the ADRC?
All are welcome. To join, simply call the ADRC at 314-286-2881 and speak with the Friends Coordinator to the added to the Friends list. You may also e-mail your request (including name, address and phone) to adrcfriends@abraxas.wustl.edu.