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## ST. ANDREW'S LEADS IN LGBT ELDER ADVOCACY

Reception to be held at Tower Grove Manor Monday showcases partnership model of senior living communities and local SAGE chapters

**ST. LOUIS, MO (OCT 16, 2011)** – Tower Grove Manor, an independent retirement community in south city sponsored by St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System, is part of a national model for LGBT elder advocacy being honored this week.

"The relationship that we've built with the St. Andrew's team is really the model of the future," said SAGE Metro St. Louis Executive Director Sherrill Wayland. "We live in every community. LGBT elders should be able to age in place wherever we live, work and play."

The St. Louis SAGE chapter office is located inside Tower Grove Manor. Regular programming and training is provided to staff and residents to bring awareness to LGBT elder issues as part of the St. Andrew's vision to empower elders and their caregivers through choices and options that foster a vital life.

SAGE Metro St. Louis, in partnership with St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System, invites community members to come out and meet members of the SAGE Affiliate Network. Attendees are encouraged to become part of the LGBT Aging Equality Movement by joining them at a welcoming Wine and Cheese Reception at Tower Grove Manor Monday night.

The reception is part of the week-long activities scheduled for the National Services and Advocacy for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Elders (SAGE) Affiliate Meeting held at the Moonrise Hotel in University City, where SAGE affiliates and aging professionals from across the U.S. are gathering this week. The conference began on Sunday and runs until Friday, October 21.

## WHEN: Monday, October 17, 6 p.m.

WHERE: Activities Room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor), Tower Grove Manor, 2710 S. Grand Blvd., St. Louis 63118

## ABOUT TOWER GROVE MANOR

<u>Tower Grove Manor</u> is an independent living retirement community sponsored by St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors. For more than 50 years, St. Andrew's Resources for Seniors System has been the place where seniors, their families and caregivers find answers. Whether it's occasional help that allows a senior to remain independent at home, a comfortable retirement residence that feels like home, or an assisted living or skilled nursing facility, St. Andrew's is addressing the needs of our aging population. Thanks to donations to our Charitable Foundation, we are able to assist seniors at all income levels, helping them find and access the support they need so they can Worry Less. <u>Click here</u> to see St. Andrew's Mission in Action. Get the real stories from those St. Andrew's serves.

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