



Park Nicollet

2009 Awakenings Concert

Garrison Keillor Joins Twin Cities Musicians to Help Benefit Park Nicollet Struthers Parkinson's Center

WHAT: **Awakenings Concert** is an annual music event presented by Minnesota Orchestra members and friends to benefit the Struthers Parkinson's Center. This year's performers will include Minnesota icon Garrison Keillor, *A Prairie Home Companion* pianist Rich Dworsky, Minnesota Orchestra violinist Kristin Kemper, Park Nicollet neurologist Martha Nance, MD, pianist Charles Kemper and members of the Minnesota Orchestra.

Struthers Parkinson's Center, located in Golden Valley, is a recognized leader in providing comprehensive care for Parkinson's patients, including alternative therapies such as Tai Chi and music therapy. Struthers offers innovative services such as Club CREATE, which provides respite time for family care givers.

WHO: **Kristin Kemper** has been playing violin since she was 9 years old. More than 20 years after she first picked up a bow, she achieved the dream of many professional musicians: a seat with the Minnesota Orchestra.

Two years later she noticed subtle differences in her muscle control, like a change in handwriting and an uncontrolled tapping of her finger. Then came dizziness and the tremors. Eventually she sought treatment from Martha Nance, MD, a neurologist at Park Nicollet Struthers Parkinson's Center.

Martha Nance, MD is a Park Nicollet neurologist and medical director of the Struthers Parkinson's Center. She played piano years ago and became reacquainted with the keyboard when Kristin formulated the idea for the Awakenings Concert.

WHEN: Sunday, March 29th at 3 p.m.

WHERE: Ted Mann Concert Hall, University of Minnesota
2128 4th Street South, Minneapolis

For ticket information call 952-993-6176 or visit www.parknicollet.com/awakenings

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