



Neurosurgery patient Gerd Thuer, Montrose

## The right doctor, the right procedure set Gerd's world right again.

Over the years Montrose resident Gerd Thuer was treated for facial pain by different doctors, at different hospitals, and with different

medications, but her pain always came back. Then Gerd found St. Mary's

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neurosurgeon Dr. Robert Fox who said she suffered from trigeminal neuralgia-periodic, shooting facial pain caused by an inflamed nerve. The pain can be severe enough to prevent people from talking or eating. Dr. Fox performed a procedure that stopped the pain by disrupting the offending nerve. Gerd says her entire visit to St. Mary's went smoothly. "I was just impressed," she says. "It was so easy, the whole thing." And the threat of pain that always lingered in her mind? "I never think about it. It's gone."

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