

**Mayo Clinic Medical Edge**

**VAD for Life**

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<b>Log</b>	<b>Audio</b>
<b>Intro with music</b>	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	AFTER 76 YEARS OF MUSIC, END-STAGE HEART FAILURE SILENCED VERA SCHROMBECK'S PIANO.
<b>Verna Schrombeck , Patient</b>	"I WAS NOT HEALTHY ENOUGH. I WASN'T STRONG ENOUGH. AND MY FINGERS WOULD NOT FUNCTION."
	BUT VERA IS BACK AT THE KEYBOARD THANKS TO A DEVICE IMPLANTED AT MAYO CLINIC. IT'S CALLED A VENTRICULAR ASSIST DEVICE, OR VAD.
<b>Margaret Redfield, M.D.</b>	"THE VAD THERAPIES ARE FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE AN ENLARGED HEART THAT DOESN'T CONTRACT

	<p>WELL. IT DOESN'T SQUEEZE AND PUMP BLOOD TO THE REST OF THE BODY.”</p>
	<p>MAYO CLINIC CARDIOLOGIST DR. MARGARET REDFIELD TEAMED UP WITH SURGEON SOON JOHN PARK.</p>
<p><b>Soon John Park, M.D.</b></p>	<p>“IT COULD EFFECTIVELY REPLACE MOST OF THE HEART FUNCTION FOR PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM HEART FAILURE.”</p>
	<p>VERNA SAYS CARRYING THE BATTERY PACK, WHICH SHE CHANGES EVERY 5 HOURS OR SO, IS A SMALL PRICE TO PAY FOR LIFE AND MUSIC.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT <a href="http://MAYOCLINIC.ORG">MAYOCLINIC.ORG</a>. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>