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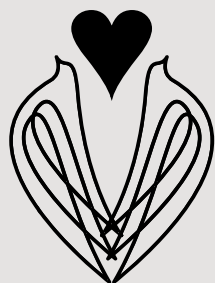
Intergenerational Activity

And much more!

2nd Annual Mrs. Roper's Romp

A grand THANK YOU to all the Helens, Stanleys and company who "came and knocked on our door" at the second annual Mrs. Roper's Romp event on Friday, April 11. There were tables filled with raffle baskets from amazing donors, many, many BINGO games played, 50/50 raffles, new this year, a wine pull and delicious food catered by the Felician Village Culinary Department.

THANK YOU! to our sponsors, raffle basket donors, planning committee, volunteers, attendees and all who helped make this unique, fun-filled fundraiser a huge success. Proceeds will support the new patio and pub at Felician Village.



Felician Village

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How You Want to Live Matters!

Felician Village at Home Mother's Day Special

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at Home



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BUS TRIPS

Friday, May 16
12:30 p.m.
Shopping at Aldi

Tuesday, May 20
1 p.m.
Sunrise Gardens
Greenhouse

Friday, May 23
12:30 p.m.
Shopping at Meijer

Friday, May 30
Overtime Restaurant
12 p.m.

Sign up in the Gardens
Activity Binder for all
Bus Trips listed.

May Crowning



Felician Village held a lovely May Crowning ceremony. The beautiful statue of Mary can be found at the end of the Heritage Hallway.

Thank You Volunteers!

This past year volunteers donated over 7,500 hours. That's equivalent to nearly three and a half years of full-time work. We celebrated our volunteers with an appreciation social on Wednesday, April 23 in the Village Hall. The FV Culinary team prepared an eye-catching and tasty appetizer buffet. Several volunteers won raffle prizes that included potted flowers and gift certificates.



At the social, the 2025 Volunteers of the Year were also named, congratulations to Mark and Suellen Reiff! Mark and Suellen have logged over 250 hours in the last two years, providing smiles and assistance at a plethora of Felician Village events like galas, happy hours, casino nights, and concerts. They log hundreds of miles on our Trishaw bikes, burn thousands of calories leading weekly exercise for our residents, push wheelchairs, and are willing to help where and when they can. Their dedication to our residents is evident, appreciated, and selfless. Residents are grateful that Mark and Suellen have chosen to share their talents and time with everyone at Felician Village. You are appreciated beyond measure!



Vote Felician Village the BEST May 1 - 15!

htrnews.gannettcontests.com/

[2025-Best-of-the-Lakeshore-Community-Choice-Awards/](#)



Old Glory Honor Flight Presentation

On Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 11 a.m. in the Village Hall at Felician Village, 1635 S. 21st Street, Dan Reinke will present information on The Old Glory Honor Flight (OGHF). Any veterans who served prior to May 7, 1975 are eligible. Spouses and family members are encouraged to attend as information will be available on how to be a Guardian on OGHF. A complimentary lunch will be provided. RSVP by May 30 to Tanya by calling (920) 684-7171, ext. 402 or tlulloff@felicianvillage.org.



TWINS, TWINS AND MORE TWINS!

Did you know there are three sets of twins currently living at The Gardens!? Tanya Lulloff, Independent Living Coordinator, conducted a fun question and answer interview with each set. Check out their answers below.

Eunice & Janice

How would you describe the bond you share?

No different than with our other siblings.

Do you have any funny or interesting stories from growing up together?

Riding our tricycle in the barn and playing on the apple tree.

What differences do you have in your personality or interests?

Janice went to college, thought sewing was a challenge and had no allergies or acne.

Eunice got married and had kids right away. She liked home economics and sewing, but ended up having allergies and acne.

Do you ever play pranks on others using the fact that you are twins?

No. We just dressed alike through high school.

How do people typically react when they first meet you both?

People rarely realize we are twins.

Have you ever felt like you were treated as a package deal or expected to do everything together?

At times we felt compared to each other. We do not have any photos of ourselves alone, except the once a year school photo.

Do you have any shared talents or hobbies? What do you both enjoy?

One time we biked to the Badger and crossed Lake Michigan to Ludington together. Cost \$5 to bring your bike over at the time.

We both enjoy cooking, family time, living at FV and all the activities!

Agnes & Eleanor

They have always counted on each other. Even now in their 90s!

Everything was interesting with 11 kids in their family and more than one set of twins!

The first time they earned money Eleanor bought a bike and Agnes bought a sewing machine.

No. We dressed alike through high school and looked more alike when we were 12 years old vs. now.

Surprised! Especially since we are 98, almost 99 years old.

No, we have a sister two years younger than us and she was always with us too.

No, Eleanor was more into sports and quieter. Agnes was more into sewing & cooking and more talkative. We both enjoy church and praying.

Jim & Jerry

Very close, tight bond.

We used to play pranks at school.

Jim is more of a numbers person, more outgoing and talks more. Jerry, not so much. He is very interested in a convertible at Bergstrom, but Jim (the numbers guy) not so much! Ha! Ha!

Yes. Pranks on our high school teachers. Whoever prepared the speech was the one who did it, no matter who was called on.

People often look twice. We tend to answer before people even ask.

Not really, however, we were always invited places together.

We share a lot of the same hobbies. Jim is right handed and Jerry is left handed. Jerry is good at trivia and Jim is more musical. We both enjoy traveling, cooking and reading.



Children from St. Mary/St. Michael School, Clarks Mills visited Felician Village for Mass, followed by a social with residents. The kids did a great job picking up trash around the grounds, sharing a meal and conversation with residents and presenting an earth day creation.



Unwind. Rejuvenate. Glow. Spa day at the Gardens!

Your age should never stop you from trying something new! A few ladies from The Gardens enjoyed their very first manicures courtesy of Nicole at His and Hers Styles Plus.





THE PICK IS IN!

Felician Village is the #1 pick of the 2025 senior living draft! Happy Hour Draft 2025 party was sponsored by HomeCare Health Services & Hospice.

Draft Day cocktails, snacks, photo ops and our own draft party where we drafted some of our residents!!

Mike Peterson provided great entertainment and

helped with announcing! Lucky winners received a Packer hat and jello shots for their table. Thank you to our awesome volunteers who joined in on the fun of Draft Day at FV!



It was all things Kentucky Derby at The Gardens during the end of April. First, their mix and mingle had a Derby theme early in the week and then they celebrated the Derby on Friday afternoon. There were wagers and bets on horse races, mint juleps, champagne and we can't forget the hats, those were a hit!



Mission Message

One of the things I love about the Easter season is that we get to hear readings from the Acts of the Apostles each Sunday.

Those readings take the place of what would, for the rest of the church year, be readings from the Old Testament. But for several weeks we focus on what the apostles did after Jesus' resurrection. We learn about their empowerment through the Holy Spirit to go out to preach among and serve God's people.

The apostles overcome obstacles to spread the Gospel message throughout the land. We learn about the Holy Spirit's empowerment, the growth and spread of the Church, the inclusion of Gentiles in the Christian faith, persecution and suffering faced by early Christians, and the significance of the Gospel message.

It's not just a nice history lesson, though. The experiences of the apostles' ministry show us that despite hurdles, we can share the word of God with others. We, too, are empowered through the Holy Spirit to act. Through our actions, we become the hands and feet of our Lord. Our care for those around us and for those far away demonstrates the love of God to all people. We are called to preach our faith through words and actions so that others might know of the Lord's goodness and generosity.

Lent presented us with the opportunity to have a regular discipline of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Easter gives us the beautiful signs of going out and serving others in the footsteps of the apostles.

Written by Barb Spies, OFS, Director of Mission Services and Pastoral Care

In Loving Remembrance

April 2025

Linda Peterson, *St. Mary's*

Robin Anderson, *The Villa*

Donna Goettler, *The Gardens*

& *St. Mary's*

Harriet Kappelman, *The Villa*

Janet Persinger, *The Villa & St. Mary's*





The week of May 12 Blessed Angela Chapel services will take place in the Next Step Unit due to flooring replacement in the Blessed Angela Chapel.



GARDENS RESIDENT PASSPORT

Around the World

Celebrating Seniors Week 2025

Monday, May 12 - Asian Zen

- Complimentary Pancake Breakfast • 8 a.m. - 9 a.m. • Bistro
- Tea Tasting • 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. • Village Hall

Stop in for a complimentary cup of tea.

Tuesday, May 13 - Latin Fiesta

- The Watering Hole, Mobile Coffee Bar • 9 - 11 a.m.

Entrance at 1635 S. 21st Street. Coffee drinks available for purchase.

- Salsa, Queso & Guacamole Tasting along with Piñata Fun 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. • Village Hall

Wednesday, May 14 - German & Polish Oktoberfest

- Mystic Moods Polka Band • 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. • Village Hall

Thursday, May 15 - Festa Italiana

- Mission Bingo • 3 p.m. • Village Hall

Friday, May 16 - Hawaiian Luau

- Lei Making & Coconut Bowling • 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. • Village Hall

Complimentary frozen juice treats & fruit skewers.

- Sheepshead Tournament • 1 p.m. • Glab Lounge
- Luau Dinner • Normal serving times • Wisconsin Room

The Village Hall will be decorated daily based on the theme for that day.

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Our Mission

To continue the healing ministry of Jesus by providing compassionate care that respects the dignity of each person we serve.

Our Vision

Our vision is to lead the community in offering seniors personalized services that are life-enriching and wellness focused.

Our Values

Respect for Human Dignity
Compassion
Transformation
Solidarity with People in Need
Justice and Peace

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