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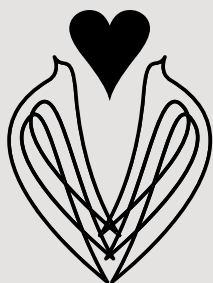
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Celebrating Seniors Week 2026

It was a fun-filled week it was across the Felician Village campus during Celebrating Seniors Week, May 11–15! This year's theme, "Living Through the Decades," brought plenty of smiles with themed dress-up days and engaging activities like decades trivia, donut day, CARDO, an employee luncheon, Mimosas and Mamas, a Fashion Show, LIVE music and so much more! All that led to so many special moments shared between employees and residents. We're so grateful for our incredible employees whose dedication and compassion make Felician Village such a special place, and we loved celebrating the amazing residents who inspire us every day.



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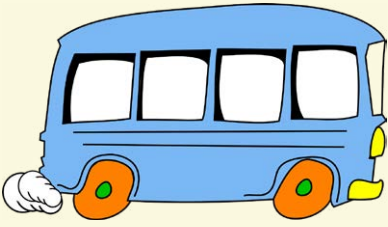
Sponsored by the Felician Sisters

What do Father Foley and Renee have in common?

The number 67!

This year marks Father Foley's 67th anniversary as a priest, and Renee celebrated her 67th birthday back in January. We'd say that's pretty special. Congratulations to Father Foley on 67 incredible years of faithful service, and cheers to Renee on another year of spreading joy to all those around her!





BUS TRIPS

Thursday, June 18
12:30 p.m.
Chilton Adventures

Friday, June 19
12:30 p.m.
Grocery Shopping

Tuesday, June 23
11:30 a.m.
Cedar Crest

Thursday, June 25
10:30 a.m.
Farm Discovery Center &
Libertyland

Friday, June 26
12:30 a.m.
Grocery Shopping

Please sign up
in the activity binder
outside the
Gardens office.

2026 Felician Village Volunteer of the Year

**Congratulations to Mike Miller, the 2026 FV
Volunteer of the Year!**

Over the past year, Mike has contributed more than 200 volunteer hours supporting resident activities, transportation, and special events. He always goes the extra mile to ensure residents can fully participate and feel included.

Mike has built meaningful connections with residents through consistent visits, and he also honored our veterans on Veterans Day by offering a prayer and presenting pins in recognition of their service. His compassion and commitment truly reflect the spirit of Felician Village and make a lasting impact on our community.

A heartfelt thank you to Mike for his outstanding dedication to Felician Village!



The award was presented by Luke Schubert, President/CEO and Lauren Daun, Director of Home & Community Based Services.

Adding a Little Extra Sunshine to Their Days



A huge thank you to Kaleidoscope Dance Studio for donating your beautiful recital flowers to our residents



QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Coming in July!

If you could plan the perfect summer day, what would it include?

What is one place in the USA you've always wanted to or have visited?

What autumn smell or memory brings you comfort?

We're trying something new! A "Question of the Month" will be posted on the table near the mailboxes. Simply fill out a slip, and your responses may be featured in next month's newsletter. It's a fun way to share a little about yourself and get to know your fellow residents.

Celebrations on the Patio

The Huebner family gathered on The Gardens patio to celebrate two very special milestones, Diane's 90th birthday and Diane & Wayne's 66th wedding anniversary! Family traveled from Washington, Florida, Illinois, Wisconsin, and beyond to celebrate together.

We are so happy the patio could be of use for such a meaningful occasion.

As Diane's daughter shared, "It really was a great space and worked out perfectly." Moments like these are what make our community feel like home.



Congratulations!

UPcoming EVENTS

Mark Your Calendar – July is Packed with Fun! Get ready for a month full of celebration, treats, and great outings!

Celebrating 250 Years - America's Birthday Party!



Thursday, July 2: Join us for an afternoon of socializing and music as we celebrate in style!

July Fun Continues...



Tuesday, July 7: Bingo & Berries – a sweet twist on a favorite game!

Saturday, July 18: Patio Pop Party – sunshine, music, and good company!

(And there's more fun still on the way!)



Let's Hit the Road! Upcoming Bus Trips

Thursday, July 16: Shalom Wildlife Sanctuary Zoo

Enjoy nature and wildlife up close!

Tuesday, July 28: West of the Lake Gardens & Ice Cream

Flowers first, sweet treat after!

Thursday, July 30: Rogers Street Fishing Village Tour

History, sights, and shoreline charm!

SUMMER Events

Sounds of Summer Concerts

FREE! Outdoor Concerts at The Gardens

1700 S. 18th St., Manitowoc, WI

Wednesday, July 15

6 - 7 p.m.

Del Rays

(Music from the 50s, 60s & 70s)

Wednesday, September 2

6 - 7 p.m.

Bobby Darren & Sheila Marie
Country Show

Food & beverages available for purchase from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



8TH ANNUAL CAR SHOW

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

4:30 - 7 P.M.

The Gardens at Felician Village
1700 S. 18th Street

FREE admission for cars and spectators!
Live music, food, beverages & more!

BLOOMING CHOICES

Gardens residents spent a lovely day visiting and shopping at Sunrise Amish Gardens in Reedsville. So many beautiful choices to pick from!



Guest Suites Update



As part of our ongoing efforts to best meet the needs of current and future residents, we will be transitioning our two guest suites into resident apartments. Both guest suites will be removed from service effective July 1.

Over the past two years, guest suite usage has averaged 20% occupancy, while interest in living at The Gardens continues to grow via our waitlist.

We understand that guest accommodations have been a convenience for some residents and their families. To continue supporting overnight visitors, Felician Village will provide roll-away beds at no charge. If you would like to reserve a roll-away bed for a guest, please contact Tanya, who will coordinate delivery and pickup with our Maintenance Department based on your requested dates.

In addition, Visit Manitowoc visitor guides are available near the mailboxes to help guests plan their stay. Felician Village resident families who are traveling may also utilize Felician Village on the Go Transportation for rides to and from the airport or hotel, based on availability, with the applicable fee. Contact Paula Wagner, Transportation Coordinator, pwagner@felicianvillage.org, or 920-323-1480, for more details on your specific request.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to make decisions that strengthen our organization and create opportunities for more people to call The Gardens home.

Volunteer Appreciation Event

On Thursday, June 4 we celebrated our wonderful Felician Village volunteers. It was a beautiful evening on the patio with perfect weather, delightful drinks and a appetizer buffet catered by our very out Culinary department. BellaRain provided lovely LIVE entertainment as well. We are so grateful for each one of them that dedicates their time and talents to Felician Village and our residents.



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Mission Message

All of the summer movies are coming. Summer reading lists are out. As we enjoy the movies and books of summer, we find ourselves immersed in the stories of others. We laugh. We get mad. We cry. We feel for those characters on the screen or in the pages of the book. And how much more do we feel those things for people we see in our world, on the news, on the streets of our cities?

One of the first things we read in Scripture is that we are all made in God's image and likeness. This aspect of our creation calls us to respect the human dignity of each person. In the papal encyclical *Pacem in Terris* (1963), Saint John XXIII wrote: "We must speak of man's rights. Man has the right to live. He has the right to bodily integrity and to the means necessary for the proper development of life, particularly food, clothing, shelter, medical care, rest, and, finally, the necessary social services."

When the Felician Sisters began serving at this ministry, then were handed the deed to the property by the Polish priest who started serving the community here, they emphasized the rights and responsibilities of everyone to care for others. As Saint John XIII continued: "In consequence, he has the right to be looked after in the event of ill health; disability stemming from his work; widowhood; old age; enforced unemployment; or whenever through no fault of his own he is deprived of the means of livelihood." The Felician Sisters, and those who continue to serve at this ministry, have offered care that respects the dignity of each person.

As we enjoy our summer entertainment, I'm hopeful that we can remember when we feel those pangs of emotion at the state of the characters we come across, that we can also experience that same empathy for those in our community and world. And may our empathy lead us to act in service to others.

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

SOUNDS OF SUMMER
 FREE OUTDOOR CONCERTS
 Open to the Public

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FV Gardens summer concerts sponsored by Nicolet NATIONAL BANK

In Loving Remembrance May 2026

Arlene Kolarik, *St. Mary's*
 Patricia Stangel, *The Villa*
 Donna Buchholz, *The Villa*
 Agnes Scharenbroch, *The Gardens*





As America celebrates its 250th birthday, we celebrate the people, stories, traditions, and achievements that have shaped our nation. Many of our residents have witnessed decades of American history firsthand, making this anniversary an especially meaningful time to share memories, reflect on our country's journey, and celebrate the spirit that continues to bring us together.

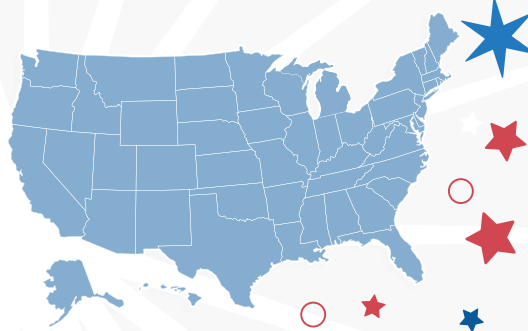
Hearts Across America

🇺🇸 Celebrating our country's 250th Anniversary 🇺🇸

The residents of Felician Village are excited to participate in a nationwide opportunity.

Our Goal

Collect a postcard or card from all 50 states! As cards arrive, residents will place a pin on a U.S. map to track where each one came from.



How Can You Help?

1. Send a postcard of your state to the residents of Felician Village.
2. Ask your family and friends in other states to do the same.

Spread the Love of our country!

Share our Hearts Across America goal on social media to help us reach all 50 states!

Thank you for the support!

Please Mail Cards To:

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"June is the gateway to summer."

Jean Hersey

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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

President & CEO
Luke Schubert

Chief Marketing & Strategy Officer
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