

# Development Matters



Felician Village recently received the "Music Therapy Advocate of the Year" award from Music Speaks.

(See back page for more information)

This last year has been a year of transformation. We are still navigating through COVID restrictions, but we are now seeing some light at the end of the tunnel. Through it all, we continue to be blessed by the generosity of our benefactors.



Your faithful giving helps grow our Felician Village Cornerstone Endowment Fund for the Poor, add new equipment, and continue providing innovative programs and services.

I've been honored to be part of this hard working Donor Development Committee. More so, I have been humbled to lead this incredible non-profit organization since 2013. Later this spring, I will be leaving Felician Village for the position of Sr. Vice President, Senior Living and Healthcare at Felician Services, Inc. The position will allow me to remain involved with the Felician Village Board of Directors as well as serving other ministries at FSI.

Felician Village is in great hands with a talented, dedicated staff and Board of Directors. I look forward to seeing many of you prior to my transition. Thank you for your continued support of Felician Village.

*Frank S. Soltys*  
Peace and All Good,  
Frank S. Soltys, President/CEO

## Serving up Meals and Colorful Conversations

A special friend of Felician Village was inspired to create a fundraiser for us upon learning benefits of serving meals on colorful dishes.

Atty. Michelle Birschbach, Steimle Birschbach, LLC, (and Donor Development Committee member), spearheaded this initiative to create a Facebook fundraiser for Fiesta Dinnerware. The dinnerware will be used in various households at Felician Village. The elderly, especially those with dementia and Alzheimer's, often experience positive behaviors during meal times while eating on brightly colored dinnerware.

She invited friends and family to join her Thrivent Action Team. Together they ignited a wave of donor support through the month long fundraiser. They shared, followed, and liked the posts. The team's gifts were further multiplied through a matching Thrivent grant.

"We were so pleased to offer this opportunity to the residents at Felician Village," Michelle said.

"Once people learned about the fundraiser and understood that some behaviors, affect, and improved appetites with residents occurred, we wanted to be a part of the movement. Plus it was so much FUN!" Using the dinnerware creates an opportunity between caregivers and residents to engage in a meaningful way. Thank you Michelle and Action Team! You are making a difference for our residents!



**Meet the team who helped raise more than \$5,100!**

**Back row:** Allen Schubert, Glenda Alvarez, Mark Birschbach

**Front Row:** Karen Mueller, Vera Graves, Carole Schubert, Michelle Birschbach

## Education and training is multiplied through donor's gift

Recently, FV nurse educator, Joan Smaglik, trained a group of FV caregivers and others in Hand-in-Hand dementia training.

All staff were from Assisted Living. Funding for this gift in dementia training and education continues to inspire Dee Ann Keip to give.



"My mother Dolores Keip lived with dementia the last few years of her life and if my gift can help others understand the disease, I know that we are making a difference for one more person at a time."

- Dee Ann Keip



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# Donors Fund Special Requests

This past year we had some very special donor funded opportunities for equipment, entertainment, and education. Nursing had a need for a bladder scanner. This new scanner which is attached to a mobile device, can be used in the privacy of the resident's room, often sparing the person a trip to the doctor's office. A caregiver applies the wand of the scanner over the bladder, which detects levels of urine in the bladder as a prophylactic or real-time measurement. The results are highly effective in determining a bladder infection and reducing catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTIs).



*St. Mary's Home caregivers being trained on the bladder scanner.*

A bladder scanner is generally used on nursing home residents who are often reliant on catheters and also for those prone to bladder (urinary tract infections).

Renee offered the gift opportunity to some special friends to

Felician Village. A caring, philanthropic friend to many responded quickly and favorably to the need. Jim Tadych and his wife, Patricia, agreed to fund this important piece of equipment. Jim said, "If this device can help any person who relies on catheters, I'm happy to help." After some thoughtful discussions, Jim contacted his financial advisor and the bladder scanner was funded through Jim's Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). We are so grateful to you, Jim.

Other donors, Catherine Thor and Ken Rieckmann offered support as well. Their gifts will provide additional services used in recording the data.



*L to R: Terri Enfors, caregiver; Jim, and Darcy Wech, FV Director of Nursing.*

## Accurate Vital Signs Critical to Health



*Pictured above, Dr. Jeffrey Allen, Felician Village Medical Director, oversees Rosemary Yang, CNA, using the equipment on Becki Christoffel.*

Another gift opportunity was presented to Roy and Darlene Geigel, who also funded the entertainment at the third annual Felician Village Car Show. We had a need for a new vital signs cart. This mobile cart is equipped with a calibrated device that records and monitors vitals. A caregiver tests residents' temperature, heart rate, blood pressure, and oxygen levels.

The information is recorded real time and data is uploaded electronically into the resident's chart. Geigels consistently provide gifts with impact. Another donor who wishes to remain anonymous recognized the need for a second cart and provided the funding so we could purchase two carts! Two carts, serving two areas, make shifts and duties more efficient for staff and residents.



*Roy & Darlene Geigel*

## Pauly Gift Spreads Cheer

Decades of friendship and family relationships culminated in a very special gift to Felician Village this past Christmas. Craig and Cindy Pauly attended our annual Donor Appreciation event this past summer. The late Tim Reinemann in his affable, passionate way, thanked the guests for all the wonderful gifts given to our residents. While he spoke to the group, he mentioned that our residents would really appreciate having some new televisions to watch their favorite shows and upcoming holiday movie classics and religious services.

As the holidays approached, Renee received a call from Cindy Pauly sharing that she and Craig wanted to make Christmas a little brighter this year. They wished to fund the purchase of large screen televisions to The Court, The Villa, and St. Mary's Nursing Home. Tim was ecstatic with the news. What a gift the Pauly family provided through the Theodore & Sibylla Pauly Fund of the Lakeshore Community Foundation.

## Local Bank Supports Technology

- With a generous gift from Associated Bank through the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation, they responded to our grant request to fund It's Never 2 Late (IN2L). IN2L is an interactive computer aided system used to enhance memory cognition through word and photo games, music quizzes, and popular television games. The mobile device travels to all households on campus. The Activities Team takes IN2L to The Court and plays television games and word games with residents. They go to St. Mary's Nursing Home and do Sing-a-longs with the residents. The team brings IN2L to The Villa and plays games relative to cognition.



- The Pauly Family and Associated Bank through their generous gifts have brought so much fun to our residents. Zoe, one of our life enrichment staff said, "It feels so great to hear our residents laughing and having fun again."





# Welcome to Felician Village

More than four decades ago, one of many visitors came to tour The Gardens at Felician Village. Deacon Robert (Bob) and Deanna Drobka were considering making a move to a senior living facility, which at that time, was not a common living environment. They toured the campus and while here, Deanna stopped for a remembrance on that beautiful warm day.

"We can only assume dad was the photographer," their daughter Mary Peterson said. "By the look of the garden in bloom and the clear blue sky, mom probably wanted a photo taken." The welcoming garden was a sign of the spirit of Felician Village.

While Mary was going through many of her parents' treasures, she found this beautiful photo of her mother, "a picture of a picture."

In Memory of Deanna and Bob Drobka, Mary sponsored the front flower garden at the entrance of Felician Village (1700 S. 18th St.). "Mom loved flower combinations of red and pink, especially geraniums." When you're in the area in early summer, be sure to stop and smell the flowers.



## Residents Beautify Felician Village

Newcomer Dorothy Smith had great fun decorating her Gardens' apartment when she first arrived. Many residents share that they have fun decorating their blank canvas apartment into a new home. Dorothy was just one of the many 122 apartments that get a personal make over.

Dorothy spread her gifts around campus. She spruced up the front Gardens' entrance with winter arrangements, then added the Child of Prague statue in the Gardens' Rosary home. She especially enjoyed sponsoring the music by Jim Ohlschmidt for the Gardens' Valentine's Day celebration. Thanks, Dorothy, for helping to make Felician Village home to many.



## FLOWERS FOR ALL

Carla and Geoff Liban provided a lot of holiday cheer to our residents. The generous couple purchased poinsettias for every resident on campus. Carla said, "It's a small way to bring cheer to the residents. We never know what this small act of kindness can do for someone who is lonely or sad, especially during the holidays."

We are so grateful to Geoff and Carla. Carla, financial advisor with Edward Jones, serves as Chair of our Donor Development Committee. Elves Liz and Josh, assisted Renee in delivering to campus residents.



Flowers are a favorite of Gardens' resident, Audrey Emme. Every year Audrey funds the beautiful flowering pots at the entrance of the Gardens. We can often spot her sitting on the bench at the entrance taking in the beauty.

We are grateful to all of you!



## Employees Generously Give to FV

More than \$15,000 has been donated by employees in the last two years to update their break rooms. *"I am so proud of the support and generosity from our employees,"* said President and CEO, Frank Soltys.

A makeover of two break rooms include fresh paint, a new television, docking station, furniture, flooring, and coffee and beverage station, along with art supplies. The number one request employees had was to offer a water fountain. We love that they are conscious of landfill. Thousands of water bottles have been saved!



*"Where flowers bloom, so does hope."*

- Lady Bird Johnson





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## *Music Therapy is Transforming Residents' Lives*

When we applied for funding to Felician Services, Inc. and the West Foundation to support one of our newest and most innovative programs, Music Therapy, we were doubly blessed by their matching gifts. More than 80 residents have been served.

Music Therapy is an accredited program directed by a board certified music therapist who

uses music as an effective means of therapy for our residents with dementia and Alzheimer's. The effects on our residents have

been amazing. One hundred percent of the residents engaged in music therapy have shown improvements in their affect, demeanor, behavior, eating, and engagement with staff and families!

As the program developed, so did the demand for services. We applied for and received additional funding to further support our residents, those on hospice and palliative care. COVID required us to pause the program temporarily. Last year Chaplain Carla Schommer sought out a board certified music therapist from Music Speaks who could virtually "treat" our residents.

Tracy Reif, along with Marcia Baeten, have developed a patient centered program that has grown the program nearly 50% in the last two years. An adult child was moved deeply by what she personally witnessed during therapy. "Mom is a new person since Marcia and Tracy have begun working with her. Before she began music therapy, she was depressed, quiet, and truthfully it felt like she gave up on living. It was hard for our family to spend time with her."

Tracy Reif said, *"Felician Village is the epitome of an environment which uses music therapy to its fullest. The behavioral and physical changes we see in the residents at Felician Village are exciting. Marcia's dedicated gentle and encouraging spirit is bringing out the best in your residents."*



*Pictured above (L to R): Renee Thompson, Fund Development Officer; Tracy Reif, Board Certified Music Therapist and Marcia Baeten, FV Mission Services*

Marcia has countless stories to share about her experiences with "Dorothy" and other residents. She commented that when she meets "Dorothy" in her room for therapy, she literally lights up."

*A significant gift* was provided by the former Investors Community Bank, now Nicolet National Bank, to enhance the nurses' station in St. Francis household, the household where residents with severe cognition reside.



*"We are pleased to support funding for the nursing station as a key initiative in providing a more modern environment for the residents and staff. We recognize that dementia and Alzheimer's affect many people in our community."*

*- Timothy J. Schneider*



*Construction done by Hamann Construction, Inc.*

**Our donors are so amazing! We have even more donor stories to share with you on the Felician Village website.**

**Please visit: [felicianvillage.org/donations.html](https://felicianvillage.org/donations.html)**



Felician Village

# Donor Recognition

*Thank you for your generosity in supporting the mission and ministry of Felician Village!*

You make a difference in the lives of our residents. For the last eight years, we have focused on the following areas of giving:

- **Cornerstone Endowment**

**Fund for the Poor:** Helps provide resources for residents who are unable to meet all of their necessary needs.

- **Dementia Center of Excellence:**

Provides unique methodology using a variety of sensory and tactile stimulation for our residents who live with dementia, Alzheimer's and neurological impairment.

- **Memorial and honorary gifts:**

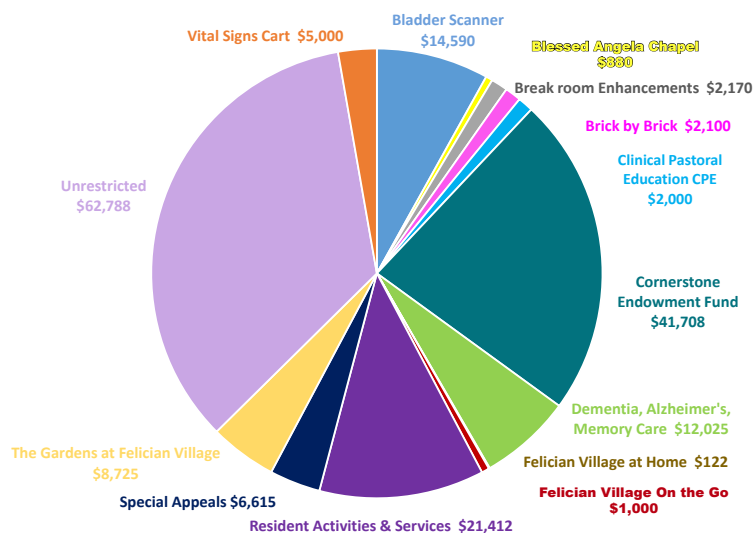
Garden bricks in honor or memory of your loved ones.

- **Unrestricted fund or area of greatest need:** Provides for the immediate needs of our residents and campus.

## Your Calendar Year 2022 Gifts\*

### Total \$181,135

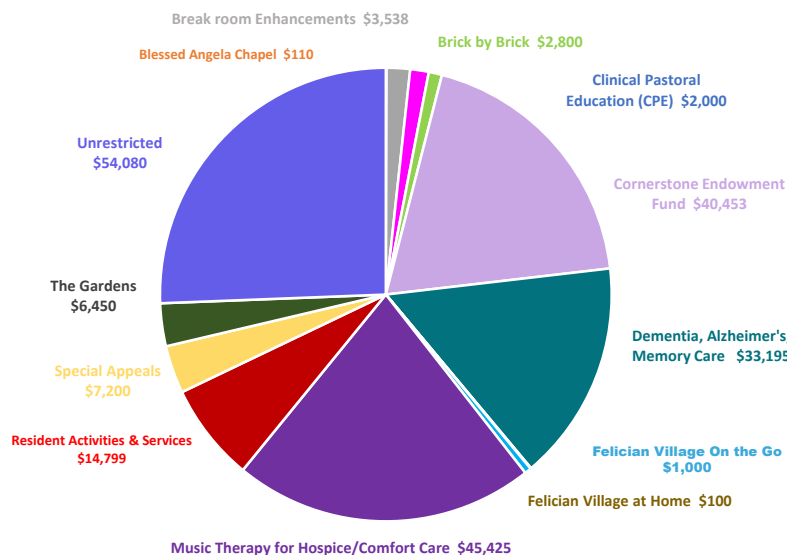
\*(January 2022 - December 2022)



## Your Fiscal Year 2022 Gifts\*

### Total \$211,150

\*(July 2021 - June 2022)



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**NOT-FOR-PROFIT**

Felician Village, which opened in 1887, is a not-for-profit senior living organization whose rich history of caring for the elderly and often poor residents. Since then we have continued caring for our residents and each other as Blessed Angela commands us, "Where there is a need, fill it." YOU have helped us fill so many needs.

## July 2021 - December 2022 DONORS

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Several levels include these.

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*Thanks to all who remember or  
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Florence Wellner  
**Robert Koch**  
Helen Koch  
**Roger and Karen (Skip) Deicher**  
Duane Deicher  
**Rudy Hartlaub**  
Geri Hartlaub  
**Ruth Sieker**  
William (Bill) Sieker \*  
**Selma Behnke**  
Dia Mermer



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### Serina Budnik

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Agnes (Sis) Shea

### Violet (Vi) Pritzl

Paul Pritzl

### Vic Remiker

Pat and Joe Pivonka

*We apologize if we have made an error or omitted anyone. We have done our best to report accurately. Thank you for your kind remembrance!*

## Felician Village Cornerstone Endowment Fund Aligns with Core Values

In 2008 the late Helen Eggers recognized the importance of giving to the Endowment Fund. She was the first of many donors who understood the need to fund the endowment whereby the principle remains in perpetuity, while the fund gains interest earnings. The late Richard N. Thomsen followed suit with a significant gift. Since then hundreds of donors have contributed to this special fund.

Fr. Gerald Foley, a long standing member of our Fund Development Committee said, "The purpose of our endowment is to provide ongoing financial support of the mission of St. Mary's Home for the Aged, Inc. dba Felician Village with the primary objective to assist in the care of residents where available funds do not meet the costs to provide the needed housing, nursing care, and/or other services."

Fund Development is responsible for raising monies and the Finance Committee under the direction of chair, Dennis Swetlik, advises wise stewarding and investment practices of those funds.

Over the last 14 years the fund has grown, thanks to you.

As of December 31, 2022, the most recent reported balance was \$804,339.33 (unaudited).

Interest earnings of approximately 4% each year for the last rolling 60 months contributes to earnings returned back to Felician Village for uncompensated care for our residents who rely on financial assistance. In 2022, more than \$25,000 was distributed back to Felician Village to support those in financial need.

The Cornerstone Endowment Fund for the Poor is managed by Lakeshore Community Foundation. For more information, visit: [www.lakeshorecommunityfoundation.org/cornerstone-5.html](http://www.lakeshorecommunityfoundation.org/cornerstone-5.html)



### Our Vision

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

### Our Mission

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

### Core Values

Respect for Human Dignity  
Compassion  
Transformation  
Solidarity For Those in Need  
Justice and Peace

## QCDs Gaining Popularity in Giving

Are you considering a charitable contribution? Do you have a traditional Individual Retirement Account (IRA)? Are you 70.5? If so, a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) may be attractive to you and your charity. **St. Mary's Home for the Aged, Inc. dba Felician Village Federal Tax ID is 39-0826123.**

According to Carla Liban, financial advisor with Edward Jones, and chair of the Donor Development Committee "A gift through a QCD is a win-win for people who wish to make a personal philanthropic gift, while possibly reducing their taxable income." Some requirements of the Cares Act include:

- The IRA holder must be 70 ½ or older at the time of distribution
- Gifts cannot exceed \$100,000
- Funds must be transferred directly from the IRA holder to a qualified charity, typically a 501c (3) organization.

In 2022, 13 donors made their gifts to Felician Village through the QCD giving vehicle. Gifts pass directly from the donor's IRA to the charitable organization." This method saves the donor taxes on the gift amount made to Felician Village (or other charities).

Contact your financial advisor when you are ready to make a gift through an IRA. Consult your advisor for current guidelines. Beginning in 2023, the new age for Required Minimum Distributions (RMD) has changed from age 72 to 73.

**If you are interested in making a gift through your Qualified Charitable Distribution, please contact Renee at [rthompson@felicianvillage.org](mailto:rthompson@felicianvillage.org).**

Gifts made may be done any time of the year. Four donors who made gifts through their QCD, did so at the beginning of the year. One thoughtful person said, "It's a priority for me, that at my age, my giving is done at the beginning of the year!"