



The AL Gazette

The Villa

The Court

Mission

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

Vision

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

Values

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

President & CEO

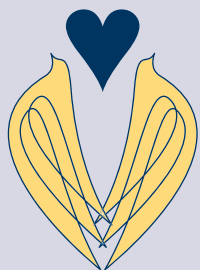
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Felician Village

Sponsored by the Felician Sisters

"A walk in nature walks the soul back home." - Mary Davis

The Court residents took a bus trip to visit the stunning West of the Lake Gardens. The grounds and flowers were absolutely beautiful. The garden walk was followed by lunch at Dairy Queen.



There's a Cat in the Library!

Villa residents enjoy story time with Sister Rosalie. Following the story was a group discussion and a coloring page.



Some of the best memories made are in flip flops. Or while decorating them!

Court residents gave the lounge wreath a summer vibe with fun, decorated flip flops. So cute!



THE END OF ALZHEIMER'S STARTS WITH YOU.



Walk to End ALZ Saturday, September 7

8:30 AM Event Opens | 9:40 AM Opening Ceremony | 10:00 AM Walk Begins

Scan the QR code to learn more about joining the Felician Village team and raising funds!



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President's Column

After months of planning, evaluation, and deliberation, the Felician Village 2025 Fiscal Year Budget (July 1 – June 30) was approved by the Board of Directors and Felician Services, Inc.

A significant piece of our budget negotiation was the obligation to meet the loan covenants to Felician Services, Inc. We passed a budget that lessened your rent increases compared to last year while continuing to maintain and grow our services and capital spending advancements to our community. While that required us to find efficiencies through the re-organization of work functions, we expect our service quality to remain unchanged. We are proud to announce that we are overcoming wage, service, and expense inflation rates by giving a modest cost of living rent increase in this fiscal year budget.

It is an absolute pleasure to once again tell you that Felician Village was named the “Best of the Lakeshore” for the 15th year in a row! Felician Village was voted best Assisted/Senior Living, Memory Care, Nursing Home, Rehabilitation Facility, and Retirement/55+ Community. We were also voted a runner-up as one of the top workplaces in Manitowoc County. This is a testament to the hard work and dedication of all involved in our Felician Village Community.

I will be participating in the Walk to End Alzheimer’s on Saturday, September 7th with our Felician Village team, and I hope that you can join me and my family in supporting this much-needed advocacy cause for our industry. Additional information on the event, and how to help our Felician Village team raise funds is included in this month’s newsletter.

The theme of this year’s strategic plan and budget is centralized around effective change management and our core value of transformation. While change is difficult for many ministries, we are blessed with a special ability to champion it at Felician Village, having executed it for a rare 137 years and counting. I am looking forward to year 138.

Thank you all for your love and support.

Luke J. Schubert

Luke Schubert, *President/CEO*



On August 11, we celebrate the Feast of St. Clare of Assisi. While many have an awareness of St. Francis of Assisi, they may not know much about St.

Clare. We see statues of Francis in gardens with birdbaths. We sing songs in church inspired by his words and actions. But, not much about St. Clare who was the founder of the Second Order Franciscans.

St. Clare followed in the path of St. Francis, leading a Gospel life. She left her home, declining to be married to another noble person of the time, choosing instead to live in poverty, chastity, and obedience. Clare was a model for us in humility and care for others. Sr. Ramona Miller, OSF, notes, “Clare’s commitment to follow in the footsteps of Jesus shaped her compassionate heart. She extended such care to others that they were healed of their afflictions.”

Though we may not consider taking the same kinds of vows that St. Clare took 800 years ago, we certainly can follow her lead in caring for others with compassion, and in offering healing, whether physical or spiritual. Our sensitivity toward others and their needs can be like that of Clare whose “compassion for her Sisters was such that she tried to teach them in the love of God to be sensitive toward the good for both the body and soul.”

The Mission of Felician Village is to continue the healing ministry of Jesus by providing compassionate care that respects the dignity of each person we serve. St. Clare understood this call. Blessed Angela Truskowska, the founder of the Felician Sisters also heard this call. May we find inspiration in their work of compassionate healing to offer the same to others.

If you'd like to learn more about St. Clare, I will be offering a talk at 12:30 pm on Wednesday, August 7 in Blessed Angela Chapel.

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

Sparkle & Shine Drive

Residents in The Court, along with Secular Franciscans from Holy Innocents fraternity in Manitowoc, gathered to box cleaning supplies collected by staff and residents for Hope House in our Sparkle & Shine drive. We collected about \$600 worth of items from the wish list.



FV AT HOME LUNCH BUNCH



Felician Village at Home members took advantage of the wonderful Sub Pub patio for their July lunch bunch.

In Loving Remembrance July 2024

- Priscilla “Shelly” Richardson, *The Court & St. Mary's*
- Lois Vohen, *The Gardens & The Court*
- Father John Gallagher, *The Court*
- Cheryl C. Matthias, *The Villa*
- Joanne Mueller, *The Gardens, The Court & The Villa*
- Father Richard Cerpich, *The Villa*
- Beverly Mann, *St. Mary's*