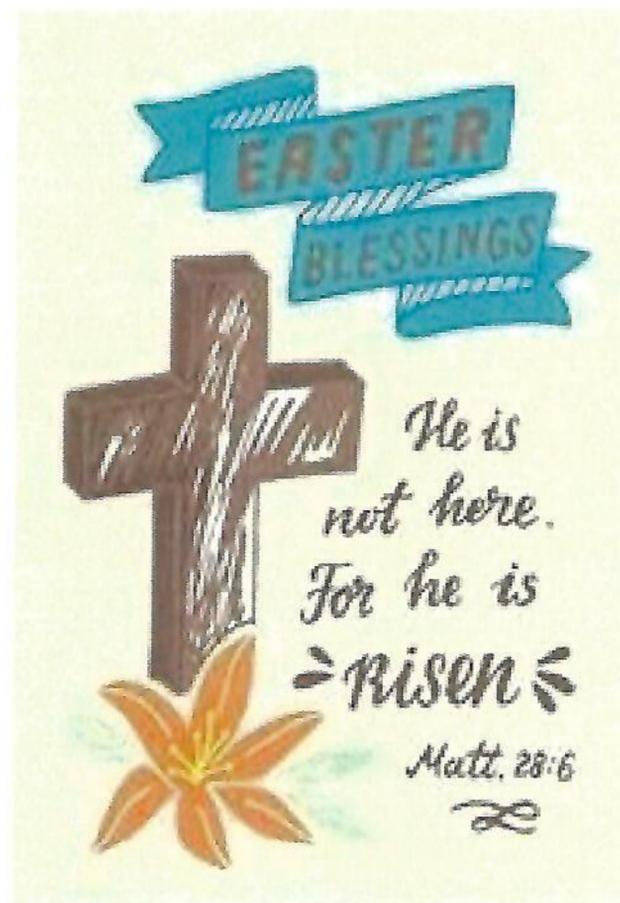


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Resident's Monthly News April 2026



Holy Week & Easter Programs and Services in the Chapel

- Tuesday 3/31 Bible Circle at 2:00 pm and the Video Ministry at 6:15 pm
- Wednesday 4/1 Early Morning Rain (Chuck, Tesha & Greg) Hymns and Reading
- Thursday 4/2 Maundy Thursday Hymn Sing with Bell Choir 10:30 am
- Friday 4/3 Good Friday Service 11:00 am
- Sunday 4/5 Easter Sunday Catholic Communion Service 9:30 am
- Easter Sunday Worship Service 11:00am

From the Chaplain's Heart

A Message from Chaplain Maureen

Wishing you a Blessed Easter as the beauty of Spring unfolds!

With Much Love, Chaplain Maureen



The Blessings of Spring

By Deborah Ann Belka

*There are many blessings,
that each new Spring brings
you can see it bloom about
and hear the song it sings.*

*With winters bleakness over,
and brighter days ahead
comes promises of new life
Springtime loves to spread.*

*As God unfolds the flowers,
and their buds begin to show
He gives to us the assurance
grace in our hearts will grow.*

*He sends us the robin's song,
with the promise to provide
a shelter under His mighty wing
where in His love we can abide.*

*He melts the snowy covers,
and sends the refreshing rain
sprinkling us with His mercies
to heal winter's ache and pain.*

*God's given to all His Son,
to shed upon us a new light
and the real blessing of Spring . . .
is keeping Jesus in our sight!*

He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Matthew 28:6a



Remembrance Service

Please join us to
remember, honor and celebrate
the lives of the following residents
who have entered into eternal life:

Thursday, April 9

10:30 am

Chapel

Helen Peterson 2-22-26
Richard Leach 2-23-26
Catherine Felber 2-23-26
Alice Hutsteiner 2-27-26
Vivian Schmidt 3-08-26
Charles Urban 3-11-26
Martha Sakowsy 3-12-26

The Remembrance Service is open to
residents, family members, and employees.



Childhood Memories

- Ed was born, raised and attended grade school and high school in LaSalle, Illinois. He had 12 siblings!
- When he turned 16 he became the family chauffeur taking family to church and many other activities. They would go on Sunday excursions visiting friends and neighbors. Ed's first job was working in a bakery, washing cake pans. He also helped with the family's two large gardens.

Military, Marriage & Family

- Ed took his brother and two friends to enlist in the military and the recruiter took him instead! He went home, packed, said his goodbyes and was gone 4 hours later. He was in the Army Air Forces in Hawaii, Iwo Jima and the Midway Island. Ed is one of the last living survivors of Pearl Harbor. After World War II ended Ed went home for two weeks, and then hitchhiked to Milwaukee.
- It was here in Milwaukee where he met and married Lois and they had four children.
- He worked at Westinghouse installing elevators and eventually becoming their consultant which took him to many major cities all over the USA.

Hobbies

- Ed's love for gardening continued on for the rest of his life as well as golfing. He was happy to have a putting green go in at Congregational Home. Ed has many wonderful memories of helping friends do maintenance around their homes and building rec rooms, play houses and even an airplane which only flew once!

Proudest Moments

- Helping young immigrant doctors acclimate into the area and they in turn helped him.

What Ed Likes About CH

- Making friends with so many wonderful people.

We wish Ed a very happy 106th birthday on April 2 and are grateful to have him as part of the CH family!

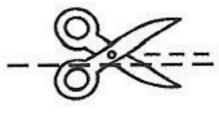


Please fill out this form and return it to the Reception Office or Life Enrichment with a resident you would like to nominate and we will feature them in our Newsletter!

Nominee Name _____

Please return this form to the Reception Office or Life Enrichment.

Thank you!



Wear your Brewer Gear!



- April 1 - Wednesday
- April 10 - Friday
- April 15 - Wednesday
- April 24 - Friday
- April 29 - Wednesday

- May 08 - Friday
- May 13 - Wednesday
- May 22 - Friday
- May 27 - Wednesday

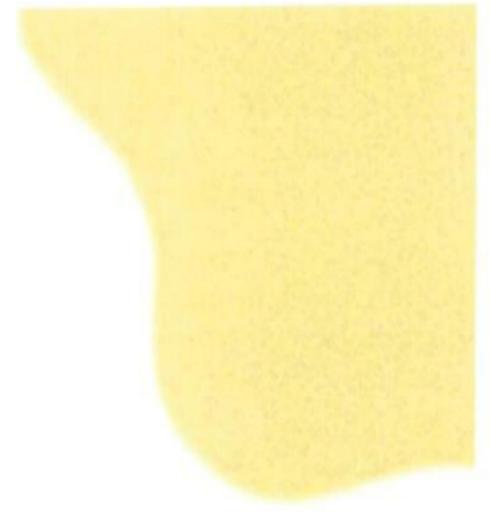
- June 03 - Wednesday
- June 12 - Friday

- June 17 - Wednesday
- June 26 - Friday

- July 01 - Wednesday
- July 17 - Friday
- July 22 - Wednesday

- August 05 - Wednesday
- August 19 - Wednesday
- August 28 - Friday

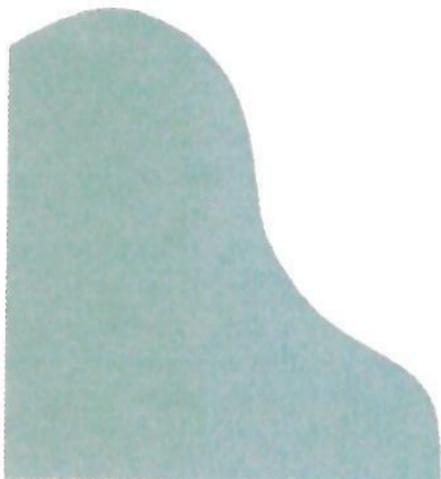
- September 09 - Wednesday
- September 25 - Friday



APRIL EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT NAOTO, DIETARY AIDE

We are proud to recognize Naoto, a dedicated member of our team since 2016!

Naoto's commitment, hard work, and positive attitude make a difference every day. Thank you for all that you do!





SOCIAL WORK CHANGES

We have had a departure in the social work department, our rehab Social Worker Jessica Schiller is no longer with us. This role is being filled by our Discharge Planner Natalie Nowak who has been with the Social Work Department for over a year and is excited to assist those admitting for rehabilitation. Colleen Kuether will remain on Fireside East. Gina Osell is stepping down as the Social Work Director to focus her time and attention as the Assisted Living Director and a new Social Worker has been hired as the Social Work Director. Amanda Robles began on March 9th and she will also be the Social Worker for Fireside West as well as the contact for those residing in the apartments. The Social Workers are here to assist with any questions, concerns, guidance and any problem-solving needs that might arise. Don't hesitate to reach out to them to assist you.

NEW NURSING HOURS IN ASSISTED LIVING AND CBRF

Our Congregational Home core value continues to be the delivery of excellent service and care to all who reside within our community. We know the importance of our nursing team and want to share new hours that are being implemented to best assist all of you with any non-emergency medical needs or questions. Unplanned needs will be promptly tended to by a nurse and communicated to the proper practitioner for follow up.

**Our Assisted Living Nursing hours will be:
6:00 AM-4:30 PM Monday through Friday
6:00 AM -2:30 PM Saturday and Sunday**

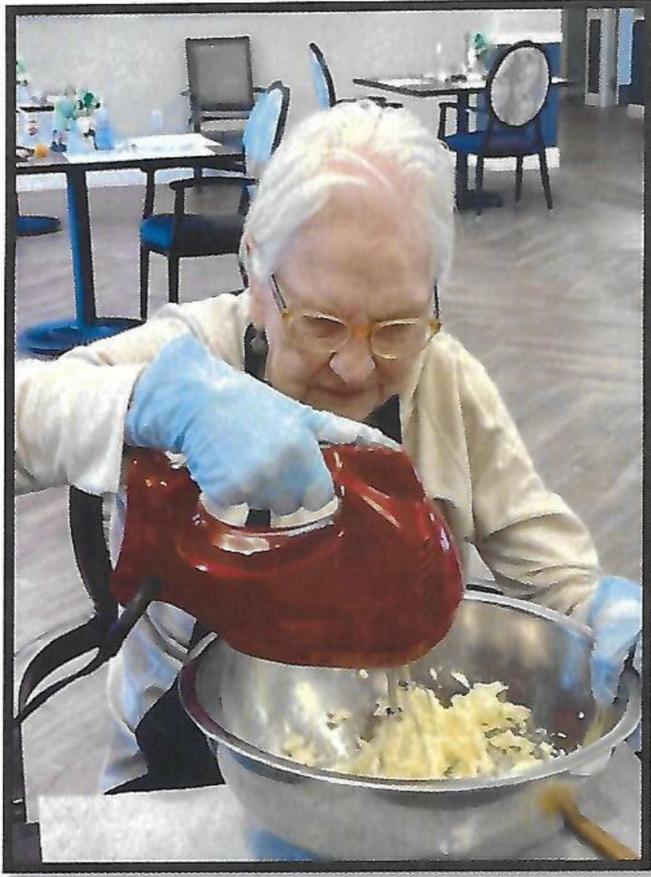
Patricia Barutha remains the RN manager overseeing nursing care in the Assisted Living and Rebecca (Becca) Schimek remains the primary LPN on the unit. They are both happy to help you with your nursing needs and questions as are any of the other nurses working on the units.

Amanda Robles, Social Service Director & Apts. & Fireside West
Gina Osell, Director of Assisted Living and CBRF
Colleen Ellsworth, Social Worker Fireside East
Natalie Nowak, Social Work Specialist Rehab 2nd Floor

Thank you,

Gina Osell

Assisted Living Director



St. Patrick's
Day Baking and
Party





Mayor Ponto Visits

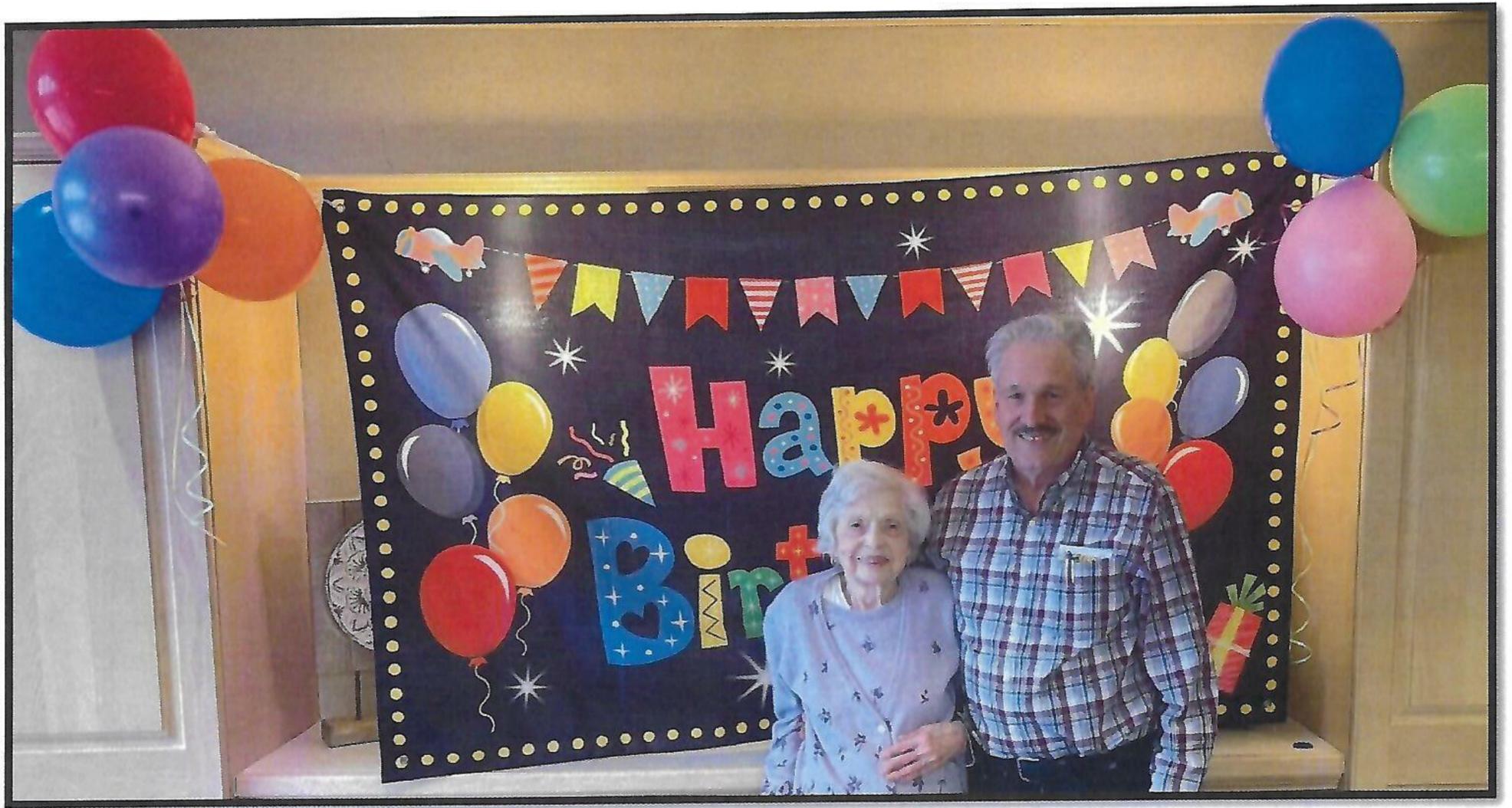


Wisconsin Diamond Dancers



Birthday Celebration





Kitchen Fun!



Upcoming Events

Birthdays Social with
Garbage Pickers
April 2



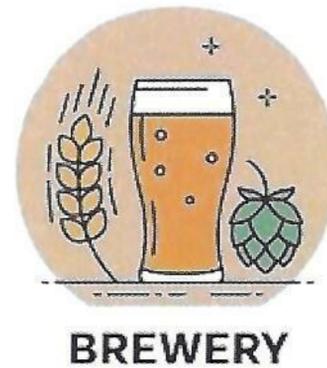
Easter Bunny Visit
April 3



Live Music with Chuck
April 8



Lakefront Brewery Presentation
April 9



Accordion Music with John
April 24



Sendiks Presentation
April 28



Updated 1-19-26

- **MEDICARE'S Highest 5-Star Rating** for Nursing Staff Levels.
- Named a 2025 **High Performing Short-Term Rehab & Long-Term Care Facility** by **US NEWS & WORLD REPORT**
- **Physician and/or Nurse Practitioner Onsite Daily**: At least one of these medical providers is onsite here 5 days a week thanks to our Partnership with **FROEDTERT HEALTH** and the "Mobile Care Team" they have placed at Congregational Home. This level of care is rarely seen in most other facilities and is key in helping to keep our residents stable and out of the hospital.
- **24-Hour Onsite RN Nurse Coverage**: We have RNs on all 3 shifts
- We have one of the **Highest Nursing Staff Levels** in the state
- **No Temp Agency Staff**: We use only our own staff to ensure quality & continuity of care
- Our **Dedicated Nursing Assistants** focus only on the care of residents, they are not pulled away to perform duties in the housekeeping, laundry or kitchen departments
- **Life Plan Community with Full Continuum of Care**: We are one of a small percentage of organizations in the region that offers a Full Continuum of Care - and it's ***All Under One Roof!***
 - Short-Term Subacute Rehab • Independent Living • Assisted Living (Both RCAC & CBRF)
 - Memory Care • Skilled Nursing Home Care • Hospice Care
- **Rare Dual License** allowing couples with different levels of care to stay together
- **No Roommates!** We are 100% private rooms, suites & apartments, so no worrying about getting an unwanted roommate or sharing a bathroom with the person next door (we can accommodate couples who want to be together)
- **Apartment-Style Rehab Suites** with living room, kitchenette, bedroom & bathroom. These suites are unparalleled in our region and they are **FREE** for our Medicare rehab patients.
- **Tons of Amenities!** Fitness Center, Putting Green, Coffee Bar, Theater, Salon, Chapel & more...
- Providing care the **Non-Profit** way by returning profits back into our organization for the betterment of those we serve ...***You Can Feel The Non-Profit Difference!***



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Over 50 Years of Caring!***