

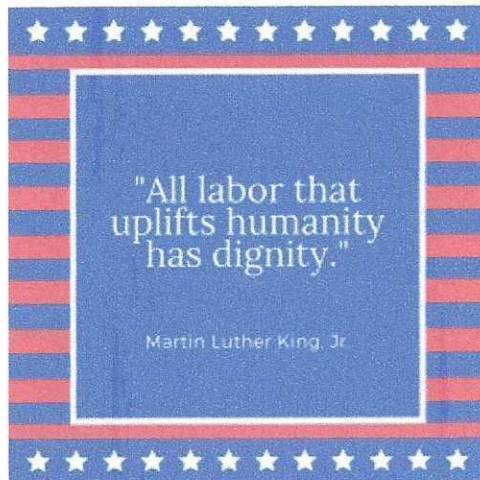
Congregational Home

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Resident's Monthly News September 2025



HAPPY LABOR DAY



New Registered Clinical Dietitian!

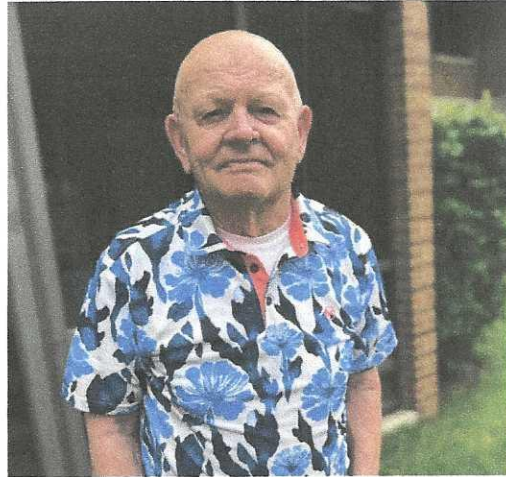
Please welcome Kelly Essman, as our new in-house Dietitian!

Kelly joins our team with a vast amount of experience from multiple clinical settings and she has already jumped into action here at Congregational Home!

Kelly's warm, energetic personality is easily accepted as she partners with our Culinary Team to assure our meal offerings offer high nutrition, clinical needs, and enjoyment to our residents! Kelly's office is off the Life Enrichment Center hallway, so please feel free to stop in to welcome her!

Our First Resident Spotlight!

Earl Gengler



Earl was born in Milwaukee and raised in Brown Deer. He was an only child and said he was spoiled. 😊

He went to Brown Deer Elementary School and then headed off to Rufus King High School where he continued his love of learning and sports. He excelled in baseball and continues this day to be a dedicated Brewers.

Earl married and they had two children, one girl and one boy. After high school, Earl continued his education at UWM and received many accolades and athletic awards. He was nominated into the Hall of Fame Coaching Associations! Earl taught accounting and coached baseball.

Yes, you could say he's a "sports nut!" Earl has been living at Congregational Home since 2018 and finds the location, dining experience, and activities to be the most rewarding.

Earl was nominated by his friends for his eagerness to help people.

You can often find him serving ice-cream or leading bingo.

Earl's Word of Wisdom: "Don't jump to conclusions."



If you are interested in being nominated for our Resident Spotlight, please fill out this form and return it to the reception office.

Our residents can vote for whomever they wish to be featured in our monthly Resident Newsletter.

If you receive the most votes, we will interview you and feature you in our monthly newsletter!

Yes, I would enjoy sharing my life stories with you!

Your Name _____

No, I would rather not be nominated.

Name _____

Please nominate someone or even yourself!

Nominee Name _____

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

Thank you!

SEPTEMBER EMPLOYEE
SPOTLIGHT

Lori Halvorsen



Our Life Enrichment Assistant, Lori, is the definition of dedication. She is always willing to help in any way possible, with a positive spirit that brightens every day.

She's patient, thoughtful, and truly committed to both our residents and her fellow team members. A wonderful coworker and an even better person!

From the Chaplain's Heart

*Please receive the blessing of this prayer as we celebrate Grandparents Day this month!
Much Love, Chaplain Maureen*



A Prayer for Grandparents and Elderly

~ Author Unknown

Heavenly Father, we come to you today with gratitude for all the grandparents and elderly in our lives. We thank you for the wisdom, love, and guidance they have given us throughout the years.

We lift them up to you today and ask that you bless them with good health, strength, and vitality. We pray for their physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. We ask that you guide them in their daily lives and keep them safe from harm.

We ask that you watch over them and protect them, and that they may feel your presence in their lives. We trust in your goodness and ask for your healing hand to be upon them.

We pray for your protection and guidance in their daily lives. We ask for your grace to fill them with hope and joy, and for the strength to overcome any challenges they may face.

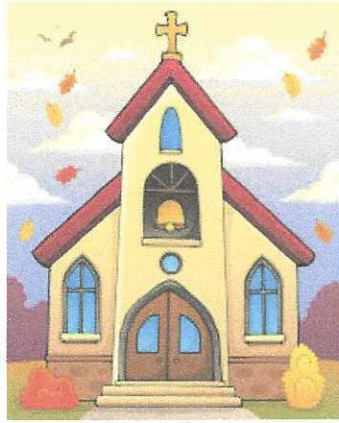
We also pray for the caregivers who assist them, with thankfulness for their compassion and care. Amen.

<https://collectiveblessings.com/prayers-of-faith-for-grandparents/>



The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Numbers

6:24-26



Remembrance Service

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

Carol Berndt 07/27/25

Arlene Wilson 08/10/25

Robert Holly 08/12/25

Helen Pugh 08/12/25

Shirley Knoll 08/19/25

Ellen Roe 08/24/25

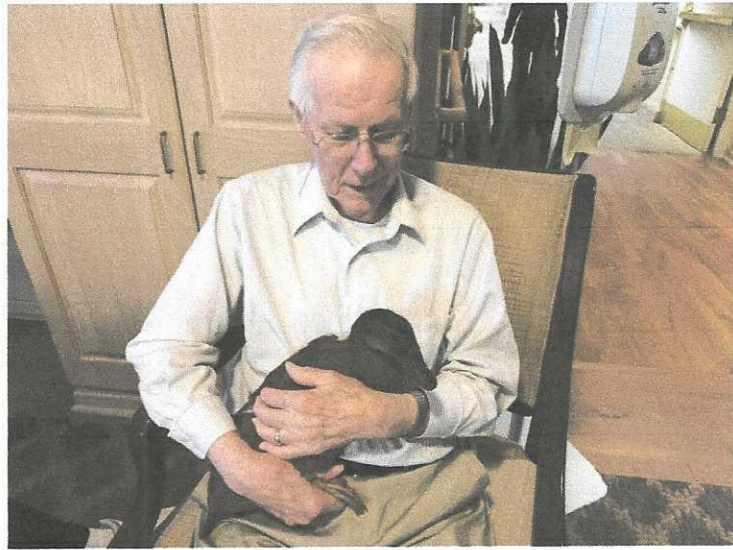
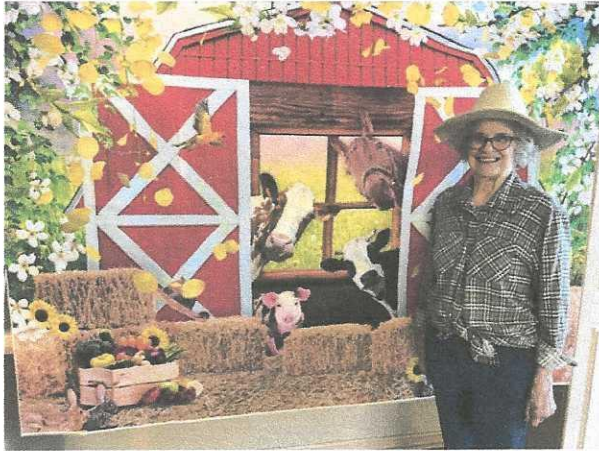
The Remembrance Service is open to
residents, family members, and employees.

Thursday, September 11

10:30 a.m.

Chapel

Congo State Fair



Outdoor Concert and Outing







Cello and Violin
Concert

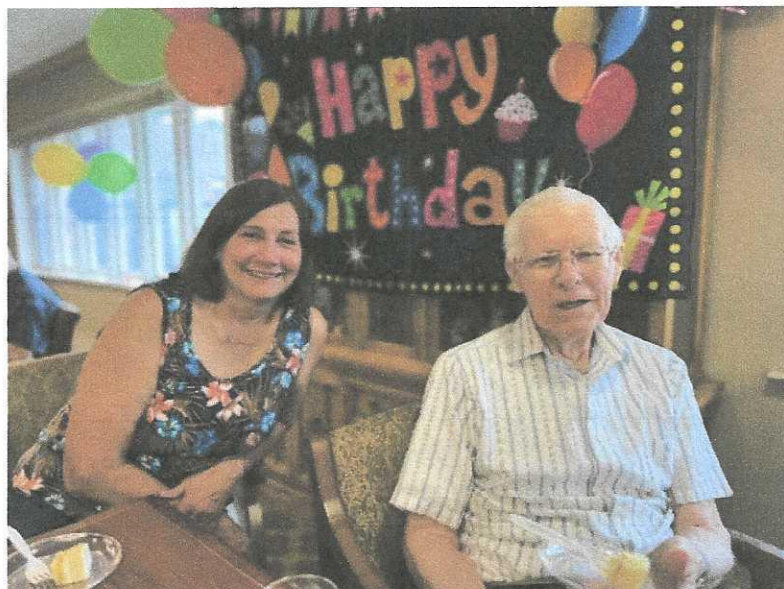


Elvis is in the Building!!





Birthday Social





FLU Season Ahead

ANTONIA PERRY RN- INFECTION CONTROL NURSE

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Hello Families,

Rumor has it... FLU season is on the way! Protect yourself and loved ones this season by knowing the facts. FLU season occurs every year when influenza circulates, beginning in fall and peaking in the winter months. According to Center for Disease Control and Prevention, flu vaccinations is recommended for everyone 6 months and older annually. Flu circulates as early as October and peaks December and February extending through May. For the best protection, get your flu shot **BEFORE** the flu season begin circulating in your community. Everyone is at risk for contracting the flu. Young children, pregnant women, older adults, and people with chronic medical conditions are especially vulnerable. Vaccines is the first step in protecting yourself. It is also the best defense we have against flu-related illness, hospitalization and death. Getting vaccinated helps protect YOU, YOUR loved ones AND your COMMUNITY. Some common symptoms include, but not limited to, fever, cough, sore throat, runny/ stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headaches, fatigue (tiredness), vomiting and diarrhea. Get tested for the FLU if you're experiencing any symptoms. Avoid contact with sick people. Stay home if you're sick. Wash your hands with soap and water. Cover your sneeze and cough in your elbow. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth. Complete full dose of antivirals prescribed by doctor.

Everyone be safe and have a protected winter this year.





Congregational Home Retirement Community

Updated 6-16-25

- **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**
- Named the 2024 **Top Choice for Nursing Home Care** by **MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL** online readers
- **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
- **24-Hour Help Call System with TALK CAPABILITY:** Just like the hospitals have!
- **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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***Congregational Home is Celebrating
Over 50 Years of Caring!***