

Congregational Home

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Resident's Monthly News October 2025



New EXECUTIVE CHEF!

Please welcome Chef Chris Patrick Jr.
as our new Congregational Home Executive Chef!
Chef Chris joined us on September 10, 2025 and has been busy working with our Culinary Team to help elevate our meals and bring delicious food to all of you!

Chef Chris joins us from Las Vegas Nevada where he was most recently a Chef at the MGM Grand, as well as past Chef positions at a Yacht Club, and other resorts and restaurants, after he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Culinary Arts at Johnson & Wales University in Providence, Rhode Island.

Chef Chris's kind, hard working, energy is contagious and he welcomes your greetings and input! You will see him out and about in his chef's jacket, so please feel free to say hello and welcome him to our Congregational Home community!

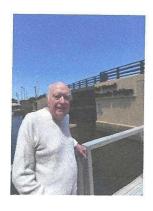


Please fill out this form
and return it to
the Reception Office or
Life Enrichment with
a resident you would like to learn more about
and we will feature them
in our November Resident Newsletter!

Nominee Name_____

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

Thank you!



Resident Spotlight October 2025





Career

- MSOE Grad Electrical Engineering
- U.S. Navy Korean War Vet
- Engineering Field Maintenance, Trouble Shooting, and Much More!



Family

- Loving Wife Betty
- o Grateful Children Dennis & Cindy
- o Precious Grandchild Louis

Hobbies

- o Marathon Runner
- SCUBA Diving in the Caribbean
- o Miniature Ship Building

scuba

Fun Facts

- Learned to Swim in a Rock Quarry with his 3 brothers
- o Radio operator all over the world
- Has Been at CH since 2016

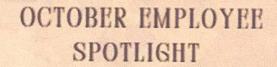
What Dick Likes About CH

- Welcoming Camaraderie from Residents and Staff
- Engaging Activities
- o The Food



Dick's Motto & Words of Wisdom

"Never Give Up!"



ROSA NEAL

CNA

Rosa is a dedicated team player whose compassion and hard work shine every day. Residents love her kindness, and we are grateful for the positivity and care she brings to our team. Thank you, Rosa!

From the Chaplain's Heart

A Message from Chaplain Maureen

May the blessing of the beauty of Fall bring you joy and peace and daily remembrances of the goodness of God.

With much love, Chaplain Maureen



Portrait of Fall By Alora M. Knight

Looking out my window
In October's golden light,
I see a beauty unsurpassed,
A truly lovely sight.

Leaves are saying soft good-byes As they come floating down To make a nature's carpet Of yellow, red, and brown.

Mountain tops, now turned to white, Forewarn of winter chills, While trees, like golden rivers, Wind their way up through the hills.

Throughout our world's creation You will ever find it thus, Kaleidoscopes of color, In God's hand, the artist's brush.



"The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26 NKJV



Remembrance Service

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

Thursday, October 9
10:30 am
Chapel
Marian Wendler
Kenneth Borckmann

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

Hawaiian Cook-Out















Hawaiian Dancers





Arts and Crafts



African Safari





Popsicle Day





Outdoor Concerts









Birthday Social





Upcoming Events

Brewer Play-Offs!
Times to be determined

October 4, 6 & 11



Birthday Social

With 'Musical Moment'
October 1 at 2: 00 in the Chapel D.R.



Computer Science Class

With Brookfield East H.S.
October 4 at 10:30 in the Chapel



Music With Chuck

October 8 at 2:00 in the Chapel



Piano Concert

With JL Russell
October 9 at 2:00 in the Chapel



Miss Kim's Amazing Animals

October 22 at 2:00 in the Chapel



Accordion Music With John

October 24 at 2:00 in the Chapel D.R.



Halloween Party

October 31 at 2:30 in the Chapel D.R.





Antonia Perry, RN Infection Control





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Dear Residents and Families

Measles on the uproar...

In Wisconsin, Measles cases are rising. Measles is a highly contagious disease caused by the measles virus. It can be especially dangerous for infants and young children. Measles can live up to 2 hours in an airspace after an infected person leaves an area according to Center of Disease Control (CDC). Measles live in the nose and throat of their host while being spread through coughing and sneezing from person to person.

Measles can cause serious health problem in particular; pneumonia (infection of the lungs), encephalitis (brain damage caused by swelling) and deafness (death). Symptoms begin to start showing 10-21 days after infected. Symptoms may include runny nose, high fever, tiredness, cough, red' watery eyes or conjunctivitis (pink eye), a red rash with raised bumps. These symptoms are followed by a rash that spreads across the body appearing three to five days after symptoms begin.

Protect yourself and the people around you from measles. The best protection is a measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR/MMRV) vaccine. 2 doses of the vaccine are about 97% effective providing long lasting protection against all strains says Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The first dose typically given between 12-15 months of age while the second dose is given between 4-6 years of age. It is recommended per CDC that an adult with no immunity get two doses MMR, separated by at least 28 days.

The only way to diagnose is from a doctor through appropriate nose and throat swab and a blood test. Always remembering frequent hand hygiene, appropriate cough and sneeze etiquette, dispose of tissues properly and avoiding close contact. Stay safe all.

Sincerely,

Nurse Toya.



Gait Patterns

As people age their gait pattern often changes. Gait pattern can be described as the way a person walks. These changes can be due to balance problems, medication changes, vision problems, muscle tightness or muscle weakness, dizziness and even fear of falling.

What might the changes in walking (gait) look like?

- *Shorter footsteps
- *Slower footsteps
- *Shuffling footsteps
- *Sway to right or left
- *Difficulty lifting feet to take a step
- *One foot crossing over the other scissor stepping
- *Feeling the need to hold onto something ie furniture or a railing

All of the above characteristics of walking put people at risk for falls. While a change in the way a person walks doesn't necessarily require physical therapy services, having therapy to address underlying problems can reduce your risk of falls.

How do you recognize someone that may need physical therapy to assist with walking? In addition to the above, the person may have a fall(s)or the walker may be way out in front of them. If notice any of the above characteristics or changes in the way you walk and would like to work with physical therapy to reduce the risk for falls, please call 262-781-0550 x2177. We will get prior authorization for your therapy before therapy begins.



Updated 6-16-25

- MEDICARE'S Highest <u>5-Star Rating</u> for Nursing Staff Levels.
- Named a 2025 <u>High Performing Short-Term Rehab & Long-Term Care Facility</u> by *US NEWS* WORLD REPORT
- Named the 2024 <u>Top Choice for Nursing Home Care</u> by <u>MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL</u> 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 <u>Dedicated Nursing Assistants</u> 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!
- <u>Life Plan Community with Full Continuum of Care</u>: 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 <u>Non-Profit</u> 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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