



Congregational Home

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Resident's Monthly News September 2026



NATIONAL ASSISTED LIVING WEEK®
SEPTEMBER 13-19, 2026

The week of September 13-19 is Nationally recognized as Assisted Living week. This year's official theme is **Shining Through the Years**. The observance honors the memories, achievements, and deep connections of residents and staff. This week is a chance to recognize the staff as well as our amazing tenants and residents in Assisted Living.

Our Community is going to celebrate Assisted Living week with some bright star recognition, a classic Hollywood movie sing along and a resident & staff talent show which will be fun for all. Watch for more information and follow your September activity calendar for details.

Join us in some colorful casual wear fun for our special celebration week!

Monday- **Red** Carpet Red Tuesday- **Blue** Sky Blue

Wednesday- Emerald City Green (Green Congregational Home T-Shirt)

Thursday- Gold, Silver, Shiny or Stars

Friday- Shining bright White or **Yellow**



ALL RESIDENT AND STAFF TALENT SHOW



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Do you have a special talent, can you sing or dance?

Do you have a collection or something you are proud of that you would like to share?

If so, please participate in our Talent Show on Thursday September 17th. This will be for all residents and staff to participate in. It will be a fun afternoon together. Please inform Life Enrichment by Monday September 7th if you wish to participate. We look forward to seeing just how talented everyone is!

WELCOME OUR NEW EXECUTIVE CHEF!



Please join us in welcoming **Shawn Rooney** as Congregational Home's new Executive Chef, following the unexpected departure of Chef Chris Patrick Jr.

Chef Shawn, who holds a degree in Culinary Management, will begin his journey with us on **August 12, 2026**. He brings a wealth of culinary experience, most recently serving at **The Club at Lac La Belle, Saz's Catering, Thunder Bay Grille, and Shorehaven Retirement Community**.

We also extend our gratitude to Shawn for his service to our country in the Armed Services.

Chef Shawn is excited to jump right in, delivering delicious meals while evaluating and enhancing our menus and dining experience. You'll have the opportunity to meet him at upcoming Tenant Meetings and see him in the dining rooms as he gets to know our community.

Please help us give Chef Shawn a warm Congregational Home welcome!

From the Chaplain's Heart

Please receive the blessing of this prayer as we celebrate National 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.

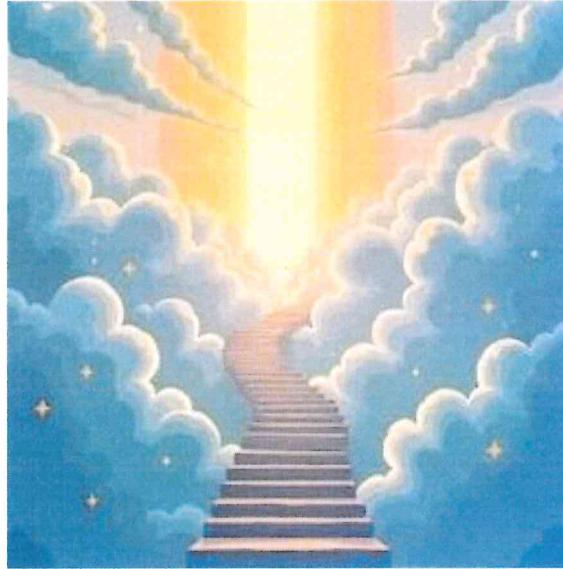
We also pray for the caregivers who assist them, with thankfulness for their compassion and care. Amen.

<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:

Thursday, September 10

10:30 am

Chapel

Richard Hartenstein 7/26

Cheryl Walker 8/4

Arlene Goranson 8/8

Sheldon Rusch 8/8

Vernon Bentley 8/13

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

Employee Spotlight

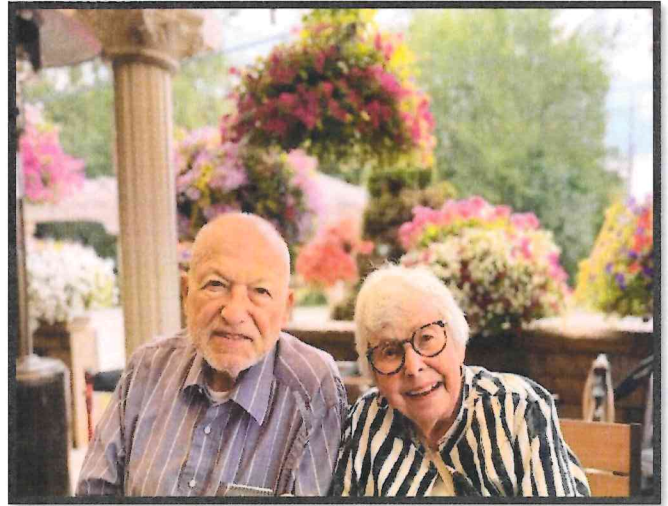


September
Employee
Spotlight

**Ron Gilson;
Housekeeping**



Restaurant Outing

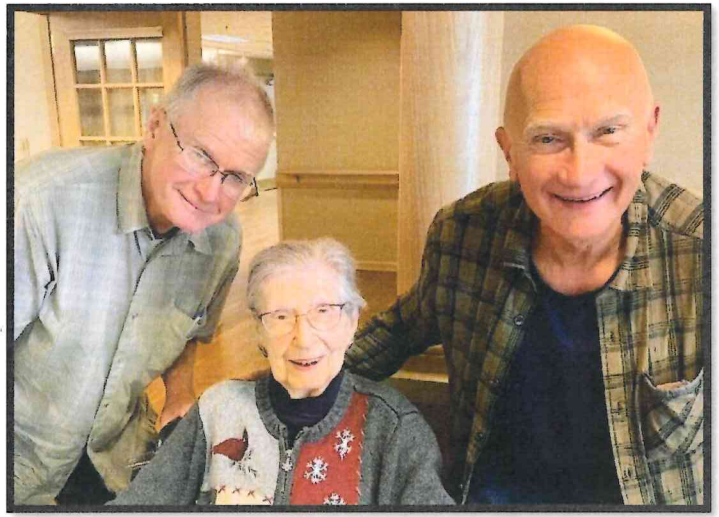




State
Fair



Birthday Social



Romanian Folk Dance





Butterfly Program



World Flutes & Nature Sounds



Outdoor Concert



Upcoming Events

Birthday Social
With Frogwater

September 2, 2:00 pm, Chapel D.R.



Let's Know the Neighborhood
With Jim Haertel-Pabst Brewery

September 3, 2:00 pm, Chapel



Music With Chuck

September 9, 2:00 am, Chapel



Resident & Staff Talent Show

September 17 Chapel



Bird City Wisconsin with
Lake Michigan Observatory

September 24, 2:00 pm, Chapel



Accordion Music
With John

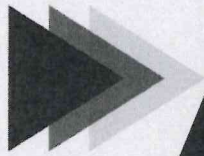
August 25, 2:00 pm, Chapel



Oktoberfest With
Greendale German Polka Band

September 30, 2:30 pm, Chapel





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 risks 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..... We will get prior authorization for your therapy before therapy begins.

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Solution:

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The answers to last month's crossword puzzle.

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Jimmy and Evelyn Johnson



Congregational Home Retirement Community

Updated 4-6-26

- **MEDICARE'S Highest 5-Star Rating** for Nursing Staff Levels.
- Named a 2026 **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 Certified 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 few Life Plan Communities in the region with 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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