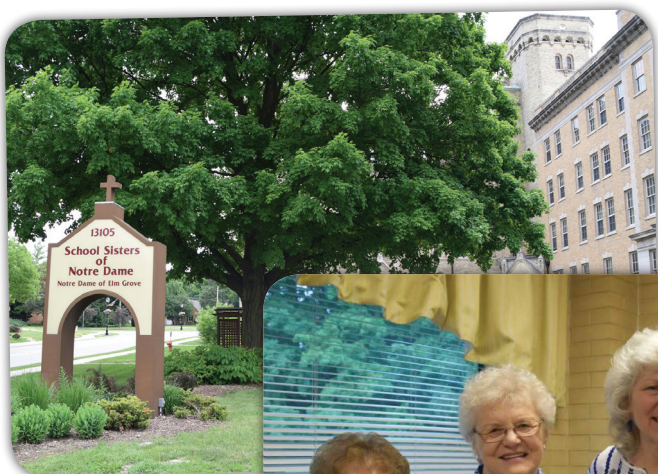




A New Partnership with the School Sisters of Notre Dame

Milwaukee Catholic Home and the School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province are excited to announce a new partnership to support the care of retired religious, share community and build toward common mission goals.

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A Celebration at Clare Gardens

Join us on September 15th for a special dinner event honoring our friends and partners. Details inside!



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from the CEO...

Five years ago, we gathered together to celebrate our 100th anniversary serving seniors in southeast Wisconsin. It was a time of celebration, but also of reflection, as we thought about what Milwaukee Catholic Home's next chapter would bring.



In our spring 2014 issue of Focus, soon after the celebration had concluded, I wrote: "The word 'encounter' has captured our imaginations, and we're looking forward to finding new ways to animate our mission by more authentically living that call. We'll be listening carefully to our partners, thinking more deeply about collaboration, and staying open to the ways in which God might be leading us."

I'm so proud of how, in the time since then, we have fully embraced this call to encounter and collaboration. Our rich and fruitful partnership with the Assumption BVM Province of the

Franciscan Friars is now in its third year, and we are entering into another significant partnership with the School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province.

Our partnerships with religious orders and other groups committed to ministry have infused us with a new enthusiasm for our own mission. We'd love if you would join us for our upcoming event at Clare Gardens, celebrating all of the individuals and organizations who partner with us.

Dave Fulcher, CEO



You're Invited
**Please join us at Clare Gardens
September 15, 2018, 5:00-8:30pm**

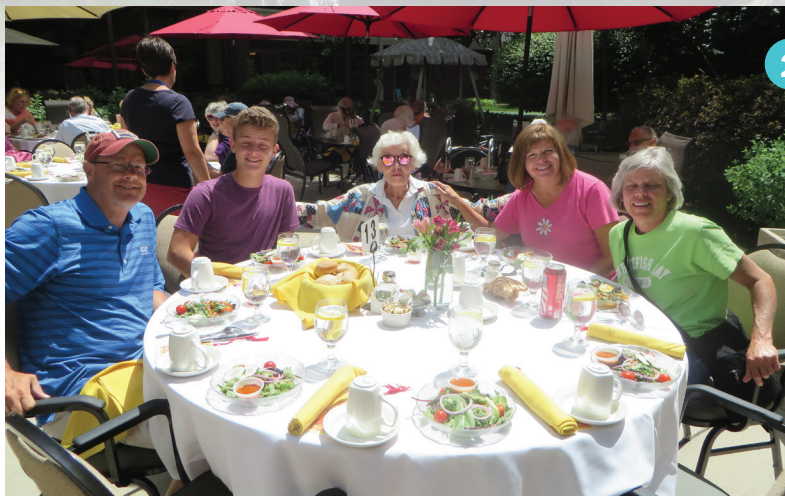
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1. MCH residents at Lake Park 2. Ann Helfer (center) with family 3. Leo Crivello, Marty Biller, Delores Kloth 4. Darlene Roberts, Cathy Miller 5. The Radio Rosies perform at Patio Pops 6. Rosemary Cavaluzzi, Mary Caye Smith, Jean Huyler 7. Maria Lopez, Mary D'Amato



A New Partnership

The School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province (SSNDPCP) is part of an international community of women religious whose mission is to proclaim the good news, directing their entire lives toward that oneness for which Jesus Christ was sent.

The sisters live and minister in 57 dioceses, 21 states, the U.S. territory of Guam, Austria, Italy, Japan and Nepal. They continue the sacred work of their foundress, Blessed Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger, to transform the world through education, giving special emphasis to women, young people and those who are poor. Their commitment to education includes Mount Mary University, which they founded in 1913.

“The mission of the School Sisters of Notre Dame has always been the same mission as Jesus: to make one, and to do that in our lives and in our ministries,” said Sister Mary Anne Owens, Provincial Leader of the Central Pacific Province.

In 2014, at an assembly of all the sisters in the province, the School Sisters of Notre Dame began looking toward the next phase of their congregation, both its challenges and opportunities. These included the management of their various

properties and the increasing population of aging sisters in need of additional care. They put into place an Integrated Planning Process to address these needs, which included the pursuit of additional partnerships.

Conversations between Milwaukee Catholic Home and SSNDPCP began in 2017. With its 105-year history of excellence in senior care, its recent success with collaborative models of care with religious orders such as the Assumption BVM Province of the Order of Friars Minor, and its faith and mission affinity, MCH was a natural fit as a partner to meet SSNDPCP’s needs.



“We are not healthcare providers, and healthcare has gotten increasingly complex and regulated,” said Sister Mary Anne Owens. “We realized that in order to provide the best possible care for our sisters, we needed to partner with someone who was in healthcare, who could witness our values that we hold as critical, and witness the sense of care and compassion for these women who have labored for so many years for the Catholic community.”

The two organizations signed a Memorandum of Understanding in June 2018, outlining their shared goals, and in July 2018, implemented the first phase of their partnership. As part of this phase, Milwaukee Catholic Home has assumed day-to-day management of the operations of the residence for retired sisters located at Notre Dame of Elm Grove, the SSNDCP property in Elm Grove, Wisconsin. MCH will support SSNDCP in implementing new, innovative models of care and will connect them to the support, resources and overall health care framework that MCH has to offer.

The two organizations look forward to further conversations and opportunities to expand on their partnership.

“It’s an honor to be able to put our expertise at the service of these women who have given their own



lives to serving others,” said Dave Fulcher, CEO of Milwaukee Catholic Home.

“We’re excited and grateful that we’ve come this far. This is an opportunity for both of us,” said Sister Mary Anne Owens. “That’s what collaboration really is: it’s that ability to work with another group in a situation where you really do both have the same values and try to promote the same goals.” ■





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