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# St. Monica's Senior Living

*Celebrating a blessed heritage*

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# THE Community MONITOR

# HOUSEKEEPING WEEK



Back: Sandra, Julie, Margaret  
Front: Misti, Delores  
Not pictured: Laura



**September 11th - 17th** is Housekeeping week! During this week long celebration, we get to recognize and celebrate the department responsible for our clean rooms. With such an awesome team, we can always trust our environments are thoroughly cleaned and well maintained. Their hard work helps our community members feel safe, comfortable and happy. Please join us in thanking the Housekeeping team when you see them!

***"We really enjoy working at St. Monica's.  
We love our community members and enjoy  
being able to help them."  
- The Housekeeping Team***

## FINAL PROFESSION OF VOWS

**Saturday, April 23, 2022**, was a great day of rejoicing and thanksgiving for the community of the Sisters of St. Rita.

I, Sr. Jana Anne, made my Final Profession of Vows before God and the Superior General, Sr. Rita Maria Käs, at St. Rita of Cascia Shrine in Chicago, IL. In making my final profession of perpetual vows, I made a lifelong commitment of myself to our community and vowed to continue to journey with the Sisters of St. Rita in poverty, celibacy, and obedience to God.

I moved from Los Angeles to enter religious life with the Sisters of St. Rita almost 7 years ago, worked at St. Monica's for 3 years, which allowed me to get acquainted with the facility and the community members. During my studies for Chaplaincy, I began working as a full time Hospice Chaplain. Currently I work for Ascension Living Alexian Village in Milwaukee in their Assisted Living & Memory Care facility as a Chaplain. Before I moved to Racine, I was a third order Augustinian, an active member of SVdP, involved in restorative justice and prison ministry, taught catechism at my Church, involved in various Parish committees and

I volunteered as a hospital minister. After I joined the Sisters of St. Rita I continued serving the local Parish community by teaching catechism, I'm now leading the bereavement ministry with the deacon at St. Rita's Parish, and I still volunteer as a communion minister at Froedtert Hospital in Milwaukee. I also started a Pocket Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Monica's in 2017 due to immediate need at Froedtert. To date, the community members have made approximately 7,000 pieces of pocket prayer shawls and donated them to Froedtert Hospital Bereavement in Milwaukee.

These past seven years have been a blessing and I thank you all for allowing me to be a part of your life. Every day I pray for God's grace to grant me to continue to minister and serve Him for many years in the spirit of St. Augustine and St. Rita.

Blessings,

Sr. Jana Anne, OSA  
Sisters of St. Rita



# Core Value Award



Josie Strutz

**Respect:** Josie is a valuable member of our team as she is always so sweet and respectful to every team member and community member.

**How long have you worked at St. Monica's?** "I have worked at St. Monica's for 2.5 years."

**What do you like to do in your spare time?** "I love traveling, hiking, painting, reading, and learning new things."

**What do you like most about working at St. Monica's?** "Seeing the same lovely faces of the community members everyday. I love my coworkers, the empowering team they create, and how they exude St. Monica's core values daily."

**What are some things on your bucket list?** "To travel every country in Europe and South America, get my DNP degree, and save as many lives as I can."

# Community Member of the Month

**Family:** 4 children, 9 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren

**Early Years & Hobbies:** Graduated from Business College, Leader of the Catholic Women's Club & still a member, Enjoyed Line Dancing at the Senior Center

**Former Career:** Worked in sales at Barden's in Kenosha for 3 years where she met her husband. Retired from the Mill factory.

**Fondest Memory :** "One of my fondest memories has to be when I met my husband, Jack. I will never forget him and the great times we had. Another fond memory is seeing my children all grown up and being around to still enjoy them."

**Our dear Helen Larsen turns 103 this month! We are so lucky to be blessed with her presence another year!**

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY



Helen Larsen

103

# What's Happening?

## Assisted Living Week

September 12th - 16th, we will be celebrating Assisted Living Week!

**Monday:** Banana Split Bar

**Tuesday:** Dollar Bingo

**Wednesday:** Cupcake Wars

**Thursday:** Staff vs. CM Games

**Friday:** Kettle Corn & a Flash from the 60's with Grease



## Staying Safe

Protect yourself and others from getting sick. Please wash your hands before and after meals, before and after activities, and after using the restroom. Friendly reminder to also wear your mask in public areas.

## Racine Zoo

The Racine Zoo has generously donated their time and will be visiting St. Monica's on Monday, September 12th. Come down to the patio and check out their furry friends!



## Grandparents Day

On Sunday, September 11th, we will be serving Kringle and coffee on the patio in honor of Grandparents Day. Please make sure to join us!



## September

*Helen Hunt Jackson*

The corn is turning brown;  
The trees in apple orchards  
With fruit are bending down.  
The gentian's bluest fringes  
Are curling in the sun;  
In dusty pods the milkweed  
Its hidden silk has spun.  
The sedges flaunt their harvest,  
In every meadow nook;  
And asters by the brook-side  
Make asters in the brook.  
From dewy lanes at morning  
The grapes' sweet odors rise;  
At noon the roads all flutter  
With yellow butterflies.  
By all these lovely tokens  
September days are here,  
With summer's best of weather,  
And autumn's best of cheer.  
But none of all this beauty  
Which floods the earth and air  
Is unto me the secret  
Which makes September fair.  
'T is a thing which I remember;  
To name it thrills me yet:  
One day of one September  
I never can forget.

# OAK LANE NEWSLETTER



## Walk to End Alzheimer's

St. Monica's will be participating in the *Walk to End Alzheimer's* on Saturday, September 24th at UW-Parkside! The opening ceremony begins at 9:40 am and the 2 mile walk starts at 10:00 am. Please come support St. Monica's at this wonderful event for the Alzheimer's Association.



**Location: University of Wisconsin - Parkside**  
**900 Wood Road**  
**Kenosha, WI 53144**



## Collecting Donations for the Walk

We are currently collecting donations at the Welcome Desk for the Walk to End Alzheimer's. Every dollar raised benefits those affected by Alzheimer's disease in our community. The Alzheimer's Association is a global organization, working to advance care, support and research across the world.

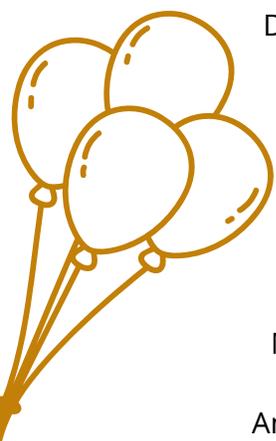


# Know Your Rights

Right to be free from mental and physical abuse, and free from chemical and physical restraints except as described in State Statutes.

## September Birthdays

- Tavarrah Young 1st (S)
- Rondaija Perry 2nd (S)
- Sally Cooke 3rd (CM)
- Julie Pasteur 3rd (CM)
- Judy McGuire 4th (CM)
- Richard Imhoff 6th (CM)
- Katherine Wemmert 6th (S)
- Charlotte Schmidt 7th (CM)
- Delores Hubmann 9th (CM)
- Mary Jo Becker 10th (CM)
- Steven Andrasic 10th (S)
- Sandra Meier 12th (S)
- Janice Nunn 12th (S)
- Joyce Barina 14th (CM)
- Tanisha Nesby 14th (S)
- Robert Zold 16th (CM)
- Margaret Matter 18th (CM)
- Lyle Tennis 18th (CM)
- Andrew Mikaelian 19th (CM)
- Helen Larsen 25th (CM)
- Dana Hall 25th (S)
- Fred Rosenbaum 27th (CM)
- Jeff Domer 27th (CM)
- Jocelyn King 28th (S)



## FALL WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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|--------------|----------|-------------|---------|--------------|
| TURKEY       | HARVEST  | COLORFUL    | HAYRIDE | SCARECROW    |
| THANKSGIVING | NOVEMBER | HALLOWEEN   | GOURDS  | AUTUMN       |
| ACORNS       | PUMPKINS | APPLES      | SCENERY | FALL FOLIAGE |
| NIPPY        | FROST    | COOL NIGHTS | JACKETS | SWEATERS     |
| BOOTS        | TREES    | LEAVES      | BROWNS  | FALL         |

## Staff Anniversaries

- Latoya Dawkins-Scales 4 years
- Virginia Dziedzic 4 years
- Megan Lichter 3 years
- Marina Contreras 3 years
- Charisse English 3 years
- Valeria Hines 2 years
- Julia Reynoso 2 Years
- Kelly Wheatley 1 year



## Useful Information

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