



TOUCHING LIVES EVERYDAY

ST FRANCIS FOUNDATION OF MILWAUKEE INC

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Mark your calendar and help celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Felician Sisters' ministries in Milwaukee

March 6

Late Nite Catechism
Scottish Rite Masonic Center

5:30 p.m. cocktails
7:00 p.m. performance

July 29

Family Picnic
Wilson Park Pavilion

August 13

Annual Golf Outing

Tuckaway Country Club
11:00 a.m. lunch
12:30 p.m. start

October 30

Century of Care event

Clarion Hotel
7:30 a.m.

November 29

Mass of Thanksgiving

St. Josaphat's Basilica
6:00 p.m.

December 5

Annual Holiday Dinner



Sister Expects You to be There!

St. Francis Foundation is pleased to present "Late Nite Catechism" on Tuesday, March 6th at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center in downtown Milwaukee.

The fun starts at 5:30 with cocktails, a special "gift tree" and a silent auction. Please make plans to join us at this hilarious one-woman show which brings back the good old days of parochial school, but this time you get to laugh out loud!

Your "Catholic guilt" will melt away as our very own "Sister" gives you a catechism lesson you won't soon forget. Our performance will even include some special "Felician" surprises, so you don't want to miss it!



For more information on sponsorship opportunities or to register to attend this event, contact us at 414-645-9005 or on-line at www.touchingliveseveryday.org.



*By Jane Hodnik,
Executive Director*

Celebrating the Past, Looking Toward the Future

We are eager for you to participate in the many events that will be held this year as our sponsors, the Felician Sisters, celebrate their 100th Anniversary of serving Milwaukee.

As you can see by looking at the column on the left, there will be a lot of fun events in 2007! Please be sure to join in as many activities as you can. This year offers us many ways to experience their service to the community.

Even as we look back at the successes over the years, we are keenly aware of the future needs of the Child Development Center of St. Joseph and Villa St. Francis. More staff, more training, more activities and more programs are all on the agenda.

Please donate whenever you can to help maintain the high quality services to young families and older adults on Milwaukee's south side.

New Law Brings Tax Savings

Donors who are 70½ years old now have a new tax incentive for charitable giving thanks to the Pension Protection Act of 2006 that was signed into law last August. This new legislation can help you meet your required minimum IRA distribution, reduce your Social Security wage and also reduce the phase-out of itemized deductions.

This new law allows distributions tax-free as long as they are transferred to a charity like the St. Francis Foundation.

In order to take advantage of this new law you must:

- Donate \$100,000 or less each year
- Make the gift on or before December 31, 2007
- Directly transfer funds from an IRA or rollover IRA
- Transfer the gift outright to one or more public charitable organizations

For more information about these tax incentives, please consult your financial institution or tax advisor.

St. Francis Foundation Welcomes New Members to Board

The St. Francis Foundation is pleased to welcome to its board of directors, **Sr. Julie Weckwerth** of Felician Services, Inc. and **Joe Murry** of Lincoln State Bank.

Sr. Julie is a familiar face to many. As a Felician Sister, she is thrilled to be providing support to our ministries.

"The Child Development Center of St. Joseph and Villa St. Francis are easy to get excited about. Providing critical services to two vulnerable segments of the population is so congruent with the history, mission and charism of the Felician Sisters," she said.

Currently at Felician Services, Inc., Sr. Julie serves as Vice President of Contracted Mission Services. In her spare time she is an avid reader of the classics as well as contemporary fiction and poetry.

"And as a Milwaukee native and a die-hard Packer fan living in Chicago Bears' territory, I am also working on my 'tolerance level for adversarial environments'," said Sr. Julie.

Joe Murry has a last name that is familiar to many in Felician circles in Milwaukee. He is the third generation of the Murry family to take on a leadership role with a Felician Sisters' ministry, like his father Mike and his grandfather John. "The Felician Sisters have been such an important part of my life. I look forward to working with them to make a difference in our community," said Joe. In addition to his post at the St. Francis Foundation, he is serves on the board of the downtown YMCA.

In 2006 Joe became president of Lincoln State Bank, which has 9 branches in the Greater Milwaukee area.

He and his wife, Theresa, live in Hales Corners with their young daughter Anya.



Joe Murry and his wife Theresa visit with his grandmother Betty Murry, a resident of Villa St. Francis

Shop for Groceries, Support the Felician Ministries

The Child Development Center of St. Joseph and Villa St. Francis are both part of the Pick 'n Save We Care program. A percentage of your purchases will be donated to the ministry you choose.

Please be sure to sign up the next time you go grocery shopping.

The Child Development Center's number is **603000**; Villa St. Francis' number is **897290**.



We've Moved!

The St. Francis Foundation has a new address. Please feel free to stop in and visit our new offices at:

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