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Felician Village offers Virtual Dementia Tour

MANITOWOC, Wis. (April 26, 2017) - Felician Village will be offering a Virtual Dementia Tour for the community on Tuesday, June 13, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at The Gardens at Felician Village, 1700 S. 18th Street, Manitowoc.

The Virtual Dementia Tour (VDT)[®] is a first-hand glimpse into the world of someone living with dementia. It was created by P.K. Beville, M.S., an award-winning geriatric specialist, dementia expert, and founder of Second Wind Dreams, Inc.

The VDT[®] is an evidence-based, scientifically proven method of building a greater understanding of the physical and mental challenges of people living with Alzheimer's and dementia through the use of patented sensory tools and direction.

Thanks to a donation from Dee Ann Keip, who personally knows the experience of caring for a loved one with dementia, Felician Village is now able to provide the Virtual Dementia Tour[®] to our staff and offer this same opportunity to the community through our Caregiver College. The unique experience helps provide better person-centered care for those with Alzheimer's and dementia.

In March, Felician Village employees Lisa Voda, RN, Assisted Living Manager, Lu Ann Luckow, Social Services and Connie Thimmig, Director of Enrichment Services, hosted a state-wide training at Felician Village and became VDT[®] facilitators. To implement this exciting program for Felician Village staff, they are offering monthly trainings throughout 2017. For answers to questions about VDT training, contact Connie Thimmig at (920)684-7171, ext. 351 or email cthimmig@felicianvillage.org.

The VDT[®] also enhances our Dementia Center of Excellence. The Dementia Center of Excellence was established to offer support, education and advocacy for those living with Alzheimer's. It's not a specific building, but weaves our commitment to exceed industry standards by delivering quality, compassionate care to those we serve with dementia throughout our campus and community.

To register for the Virtual Dementia Tour, call 920-684-7171 ext. 329 or email, fvmarketing@felicianvillage.org. This class is being offered as part of several caregiver classes for the community throughout the upcoming year. For a complete list of 2017 classes, please visit www.felicianvillage.org.

Felician Village will also be offering classes for family caregivers. To view a complete list of 2017 classes, please visit www.felicianvillage.org.

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About Felician Village

Felician Village, a continuing care campus, has been providing housing and services for seniors through rehabilitation, independent living, assisted living and long-term care for more than 125 years. Felician Village is a Catholic organization that welcomes people from all faiths.

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