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Our Vision
We recognize and respect the dignity and value of each human being.

Our Mission
The Senior Companion Program, Inc. (SCP) enhances the quality of life for adults through socialization and information.

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Have a Great Summer!

Family by Sue Craanen

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Families often differ structurally, economically, culturally, and socially. However, one thing every family does is make it clear to each member of their family unit that they are important to them in some way. Bonds are developed with individuals outside the family unit, which opens the door for family members to invite them to be included into their family.

Throughout our lives, family dynamics will continue to change. You may lose family members and choose to enhance or reconstruct your family unit with friends who share similar interests and goals. Although untraditional, this new family will lend needed support and can be just as close as, or closer than a traditionally structured family unit. Inviting someone to be a part of your family dynamics can be very rewarding and fulfilling. Regardless of whether your family is traditional or untraditional, use what works for you. As the saying goes, “family is what you make it.”

As summer approaches and you are able to be out and about, concentrate not only on making the most of your traditional family unit, but also on taking time to welcome new members into your family fold. You will not only feel good about yourself, you will also be helping someone else feel good about themselves. The rewards received by everyone will be priceless. Ultimately, our final goal is to be welcomed into God’s Family!
You make a world of difference!

An Afternoon of Appreciation

by Laurie Radewan

On April 18th, we hosted an appreciation luncheon for all of our program members. Thank you to the Racine Community Foundation for sponsoring this event. Infusino's Banquet Hall provided a delicious five course meal. The Siena Bell Choir played beautiful music. A lovely time was had by all.

We couldn’t keep our program running without our members. We are so blessed by each one of you!

Save the date!
You are invited to attend our 2nd Annual Sentimental Journey Fundraiser Sunday, October 25, 2015 Infusino’s Banquet Hall
Please join us for an afternoon of great music and appetizers. Our fundraiser will begin at 1:00 pm with live big band music provided by the Howard Schneider Variety Band.
Ticket information coming soon. If you are interested in sponsoring this event, please contact us at 262.898.1941.

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Senior Companion Program, Inc., 521 Sixth Street, Racine, WI 53403; or call 262.898.1941.

Heartwarming Note
One of our wonderful volunteers shared a priceless moment she had with a senior that she visits weekly. Her companion recently spent time in the hospital. After playing cards together and enjoying a cup of coffee and cookies, our volunteer commented on how well her companion looked. She answered that she was doing so well because of their time spent together and requested that our volunteer keep coming to visit. We are so very grateful for the relationships that are formed through our program.

Websites of Interest
Home Instead Enhancing the lives of Aging Adults and their Families www.homeinstead.com/427
BrightStar Lifecare www.brightstarlifecare.com
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