

Age Well Centre for Life Enrichment Assisted Living Facility Undergoes Renovations

Age Well Centre for Life Enrichment has a new name, a new owner, a new purpose and new amenities. The assisted living center at 246 Berger St., Green Bay, formerly known as Creekside Senior Living, is renovating its living units as it transitions to an entirely assisted-living facility. "Our niche is residents at least 62 years old and in need of some type of assistance at a minimal level," said sales manager Al Wells.

The Bornemann family opened the facility in 2004. Pathway for Senior Living, an Illinois-based company, recently acquired the building. Pathway owns 16 residential communities in the Chicago area, some in the Twin Cities, and is planning to break ground for a new center in Shorewood.

The Green Bay center includes 59 living units in a 60,000-square-foot building, with six apartment floor plans ranging from 700 square feet to 1,250 square feet. Each apartment has a kitchen, but there is a chef and full kitchen for the common dining room, a bistro, a workout center, a craft area, private dining area and a library. Age Well also allows pets.

"Our whole philosophy is to engage residents," Wells said. "Sometimes people fall into the prison of their own minds. They do not think about things in broad enough ways, don't realize you have a future yet."

Ganther Construction|Architecture of Oshkosh is managing the renovations, which include replacing tubs in the apartments with walk-in showers. Each apartment has a clothes washer and dryer, and third-floor apartment living rooms have cathedral ceilings. Linen service is included in the rent.

Wells said 27 independent-living residents had to move as a result of the change to assisted living-only services. Many moved to nearby Parkway Highlands apartments, he said. Ten assisted-living residents remained at Age Well.

Age Well staff will provide up to 28 hours of assistance per week. Residents can engage outside agencies for additional assistance. "We can do as much or little as they want if it falls within the 28 hours," Wells said. Wells said the staff is new, most of whom are Green Bay natives, and includes a registered nurse.

"As we grow the census, we'll be adding other professionals," he said.

Age Well is a private-pay facility. Leases are for a year. Needs are reviewed on a quarterly basis.

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Age Well Centre for Life Enrichment
246 Berger St. Green Bay, WI
Owner: Pathway For Senior Living LLC

What it is: Assisted-living facility providing up to 28 hours of assistance per week.

Apartments: 59 living units that include kitchen, washer, drier, linen service.

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