

#### ROSELANI SCENE

#### MARCH MALAKI 2025



General Manager - Faith Gianan

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Activities Director - Kalei Figaroa

Housekeeping Supervisor - Sarah Perreira

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Maintenance Director - Keala Dutro

**Enhanced Care Coordinator - Deann Moritz** 









#### Aloha from our General Manager

"Life is a story. What does yours say?"

I think the best part of working with seniors is the curiosity of us discovering their past. Every one of our residents has a fascinating story and have cultivated their own family to continue their legacy. Our residents have devoted their lives to a career they loved doing and perhaps in some way may have made a contribution to our Maui Community. If they are not originally from Hawaii, then we get to learn of their journey and how they ended up calling Hawaii home and *Maui No Ka Oi!* 



It's taking the time to talk story with our residents that is key. We serve our residents where some belong to the Greatest Generation (born 1901-1924), or the Silent Generation or Traditionalist Generation (born 1925-1945) and the Baby Boomers (born 1946-1964).

I was the Memory Care Coordinator when I started working at Roselani Place in 2009. Back then, I thought of a way to celebrate our residents and share their life story to others. I was given the opportunity to start *Kupuna Close Up* in our monthly newsletter, **Roselani Scene**, back in 2016 where I composed two resident stories. One resident was a sensei of Ikebana the Japanese art of flower arranging. The other article was a collaboration I did with the son of our resident who paid tribute to his mom. She was a loving and strong matriarch of their close-knit family.

For the last four years, our Activity Director, Kalei Figaroa, has continued to feature many of our awesome residents in our *Resident Spotlight*. I'm glad we continue this tradition of sharing with others our residents' life stories. We were also given the opportunity to have one of our *Resident Spotlight* articles be featured in the Maui News.

We value our residents as they are truly special, each in their own and unique way. Each of our residents has their own history and culture that they treasure. When we take the time to talk story with our residents, we have the opportunity to learn valuable life lessons. These life lessons can teach us about the values of patience and perseverance. It is from their stories we understand how their generation navigated through life's ups and downs. Comprehend how our kupuna navigated through these life's challenges with determination and hard work. Each of our residents experienced their own journey to becoming resilient, all while showing empathy and compassion. By listening to their stories, we gain a better understanding of humanity through their perspective.

I find it captivating to learn about each of our residents' narrative. As we begin to know our residents for who they authentically are and the advice they give us, then we in turn can learn more and understand ourselves; and how we choose to live our life and live our story.

Mahalo nui loa, Faith Gianan General Manager

#### Visiting Roselani Place Reminders

Hello Residents, Families and Our Guests,

Residents, staff, visitors and guests are not required to wear face masks while in our Community and are optional. However, should we have an active staff or resident case, we encourage you to wear a face mask for your protection and for others. I also ask should one present any symptom(s) that is not COVID related, then to please wear a face mask.

A friendly reminder to wash your hands often and please utilize the hand sanitizer stations throughout the building. When serial testing is being conducted, we encourage you to wear a face mask that covers your nose and mouth upon leaving your room and when assisted by any one of our staff members. If you are in need of a free face mask, please ask us and are made available at the Front Desk. Wearing a face mask becomes optional again when serial testing is complete and no COVID activity is present.

If someone is exposed or is experiencing COVID or flu symptoms, we strongly urge our guests to refrain from visiting and to re-schedule their visit.

We have the ability to test those for COVID who may have been exposed and/or experiencing any symptom(s). Please inform a Nurse, Resident Assistant or the Receptionist if you don't feel well.

Visits can be conducted daily and for any out of the facility visits. For our residents, please inform us of the date, time, and approximate length of when you will be out of the facility; at least 24-48 hours in advance of leaving, to our Receptionist. Before leaving the facility, residents please sign out at the Front Desk.

Roselani Place stays committed to the well-being of our residents. Our Health Services Team also wants to remind you to wash your hands often. Please inform our team in the Med Room when you have a medical appointment. When you feel sick or ill, please press your call pendant and inform any staff member or nurse.

I am available to address any concerns or questions you may have. On behalf of myself and all the staff of Roselani Place, we want to thank our residents and their families for their continued support and understanding to keep our community safe for everyone.

Thank you, Faith Gianan General Manager



#### Roselani Place Rummage Sale Fundraiser

Saturday, April 26, 2025 Front Parking Lot Area 7:30 am — 12:00 pm

Monies raised will go to our **Team Roselani Place**For the 46th Maui Charity Walk at War Memorial
More details to come!

# March 2025 Important Dates

March 3 Girl's Day

March 4 Mardis Gras / Fat Tuesday

March 5 Ash Wednesday

March 9 Daylight Saving Time

March 17 St. Patrick's Day March 19 Spring Equinox

March 26 Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalanianaole Day



# Resident Spotlight Barbara Ann Murren

Barbara was born on September 7, 1940, in Saint Joseph, Missouri. Barbara's dad served in World War II from 1941-1945.

Barbara and her family moved to Lancaster, California when she just 7 years old. Barbara met her husband John Murren in High School. They then moved to the Bay Area in 1960 and lived in Sunnyvale, California.

Two years ago, Barbara moved to Maui to be closer to her son, Tim, so

that he could take care of her. Barbara was a pilot for many years and she also owned her own airplane. Her favorite thing to do was racing airplanes which led to her becoming Pilot of the Year in 1985.

Her hobbies were golfing, going to the gym, gardening, ceramics and being around family and friends.









### In Loving Memory of our Roselani Place Resident

Alice Sugimura August 12, 1928- February 10, 2025







#### Are you facing any of these challenges?

- Is your home too big?
- Are there too many stairs?
- Is it more than you want to maintain?
- Are your daily routines feeling more difficult?

#### Do you have any of these questions?

- I'd like to downsize, but where do I start?
- What do I do with all my stuff?
- If I wanted to move, what options do I have?
- What can I afford to do?

Get answers and additional tips on deferring capital gains on real estate and how to avoid family disputes in the process.

Call **808-276-8776** or visit **MauiSeniorOptions.com** to register for your **FREE** seminar.

L. Lee Potts Realtor Broker, RB-20663 When: Saturday, March 15, 2025

Time: 11 am—12:30 pm Where: Roselani Place

**3rd Floor Lobby** 

88 South Papa Avenue

Kahului

Light refreshments will be served and a tour of Roselani Place will be available.



# Roselani Place hosts the monthly Caregiver Support Group

Offering care and support to Maui residents living with dementia and their caregivers.

Come join us on Thursday, March 27, 2025 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Roselani Place Activity Room
Open to the public
Refreshments provided



Cindy Fowler - Kauai / Maui County Regional Coordinator

will also be presenting "10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's" from 2-3:30 PM prior to the Caregiver Support Group.

Please join us for both!

Please RSVP to Cindy Fowler at cfowler@alz.org or call Debbie Priest at 808-871-7720 for more details.

### March Birthdays at Roselani Place

Marylin Maquedang	March 04
Edward Koja	March 06
Rebecca Hanson	March 08
Marian Kawamoto	March 14
Bonnie Sue Pierce	March 18
Irene Arakaki	March 20
Nancy Shimoda	March 21
Robert Hanusa	March 31

<sup>\*</sup>Complimentary Birthday Lunch\*
Please see Kalei in Activities for more info





Blood Bank of Hawaii

# Hawaii needs more than 200 blood donors **every day**.



Did you know that all 18 of Hawaii's civilian hospitals rely on our donors to provide blood for everything ranging from cancer and burn treatments to surgeries and transplants. Your neighbors on every island need your support.

# Maui Blood Drive

#### **Cameron Center**

95 Mahalani Street Wailuku, HI 96793

#### Roselani Place

Please provide our Lifesaver Club group code **3313** to the BBH staff when you arrive for your appointment at any location.

Tuesday, March 18 9:00am - 7:00pm Wednesday, March 19 8:00am - 6:00pm Thursday, March 20 6:00am - 3:00pm

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Blood donations by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, call (808) 848-4770 or visit bbh.org

The Blood Bank of Hawaii will also be on Maui July 15-17 and November 18-20. You can start booking your appointments online at bbh.org or give them a call at 808-848-4770.

To schedule an appointment, talk to your Lifesaver Club coordinator, visit bbh.org or call (808) 848-4770.







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## Roselani Place March Employee of the Month Shirley Suka

Congratulations to Shirley Suka! She was selected to be our March Employee of the Month. Shirley is one of our dedicated Housekeepers and has been working with us for 1 and 1/2 years.

Shirley always has a can do attitude and is willing to help out where needed. She enjoys helping our residents by making sure their rooms are clean and orderly and their laundry gets returned in a timely manner. She really takes pride in her work and also assists with cleaning some of our common lobby areas.

Shirley used to service her clients in Lahaina but since the wildfires, she found working at Roselani Place is closer to

her home.

We are very grateful for all that Shirley does for Roselani Place. She is dependable and takes her time to help our residents. Her supervisor, Sarah Perreira, is also very appreciative of Shirley's hard work.

We feel very lucky to have Shirley be a part of our Team and are happy to see her receive this recognition. Please join us in congratulating Shirley, our Employee of the Month!





# For our Residents St. Patrick's Day Luncheon Monday, March 17, 2025 11:00am - 1pm

#### Menu

Soup and Salad
Stewed Potatoes, Carrots and Celery
Steamed White Rice
Fresh Corned Beef and Cabbage
O'Douls Non-Alcoholic Beer
Grasshopper Fudge Cake

#### Musicians in all 3 dining rooms

Mike Fitzsimmons in Aloha Gardens Glenn Foster in Maluhia Terrace Francie Starlight in the Main Dining Room

