

#### ROSELANI SCENE

MAY "MEI" 2025



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#### Aloha from our General Manager

"A mother's love is the first gift we receive, and it lasts a lifetime." — Unknown

Every time May comes around, I look forward to all the celebrations that my family gets to celebrate every year. My daughter, husband, mother and cousin are all born in May and their birthdays are 7 days apart.



I experienced my first Mother's Day two days after my daughter was born. It was such a joyous time for us and also very new, as I was a first time mom. Luckily, my mom was there to help and she was overjoyed to celebrate being a grandmother for the first time. It is really a gift to see how a mother's love is unconditional and can endure generations and sustain families.

Mothers' Day is predominately celebrated throughout the world on the second Sunday in May. In reading how Mother's Day came about dates back to the times of the ancient Greeks. The Greeks "held festivities to honour Rhea, the mother of the gods." Also "Early Christians celebrated the fourth Sunday of Lent as a Mother's festival to honour Mary, the mother of Christ." In the United Kingdom, Mother's Day is similar to how we honor our mothers in the U.S. However, "its origins are different, as the day commemorates returning to your mother church on the fourth Sunday in Lent. Then when "the English colonists settled in America (they) discontinued the tradition of Mothering Sunday, as presumably, it would have been a bit of a trip to return to their mother church for the day." This is perhaps how Sunday became the designated day to celebrate mothers all around the world. Nonetheless, Sundays became the preferred day for families to come together during the week.

In its 114th year, the U.S. has officially celebrated Mother's Day since 1911. Mother's Day is now one of the most commercially successful occasions in our nation. Consumers are expected to spend 21.2 billion on Mother's Day. Many purchase cards, flowers, gift cards, jewelry and eating out. "According to the National Restaurant Association, Mother's Day is now the most popular day of the year to dine out at a restaurant in the United States."

So, from all of us at Roselani Place we want to wish you and yours a blessed and memorable Mother's Day. And to all our Mothers, we honor and love you!

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 hosts the monthly Caregiver Support Group

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

Come join us on **Thursday, May 22, 2025 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm** 

Roselani Place Activity Room

Open to the public | Refreshments provided

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



### May 2025 Important Dates

May 1 Lei Day ~ May Day

May 5 Cinco de Mayo

Boy's Day

May 6 National Nurse's Day

May 11 Mother's Day

May 26 Memorial Day





Traditionally, Lei day is May first. The first Lei Day was started in Honolulu on the island of Oahu by Don Blanding in 1927. He created the idea to establish a unique Hawaiian holiday.

Lei Day became an official holiday in 1929 and is continued today, with lei-making competitions, concerts, hula performances, and the giving and receiving of lei among family and friends. The *lei* is a symbol of aloha – a way to show others that you care about them. A lei is a wreath of flowers, leaves, etc. that are worn around the neck or head.



# Raselani Flace

# Volunteer Spotlight Kimberly 'Kim' Endres

Kimberly Endres has been a volunteer at Roselani Place for 10 months. You will find her calling Bingo with our residents or talking story with them. When you ask her, she will say that she loves coming to Roselani Place to spend time with our residents and our staff.

Kim has also volunteered at other retirement homes in San Leandro, CA. and really enjoys spending time with seniors. Her passion to volunteer started from when she cared for her grandmother. At a very young age, Kim's grandmother taught her to be kind to the elderly. As she too will be a senior citizen one day.

The oval locket Kim wears holds a special place in her heart. When she opens it, there are pictures of Kim when she was a baby with her grandmother. Kim really cherishes her locket and wears it when she comes to volunteer at Roselani Place. To Kim, her locket represents her love for the elderly and also to remind her the love she has for her grandmother.

We are very appreciative of Kim's eagerness to volunteer and spend time with our residents. Kim's favoring saying is, 'Keep Smiling!"

Written by: Kimberly Endres



Join us at the 46th Annual Visitor Industry Charity Walk for a beautiful morning of fun, food, prizes, entertainment and a little exercise as we fundraise to support Maui, Moloka'i, and Lāna'i non-profit organizations. All funds raised on Maui, stay in Maui! It's our tradition of giving!

Saturday, May 10, 2025

War Memorial Special Events Arena

Parking located at the War Memorial Stadium

7:30 AM Check-in 8:00 AM Charity Walk Begins at the Start Line

Please consider donating and joining our **Team Roselani Place** for this year's Charity Walk here on Maui. Donations are still being accepted!

Our Rummage Sale Fundraiser on Saturday, 4/26/25, was a huge success!! Thank you to all who came, helped and donated items. Over \$2,000.00 was raised and will go to our Team and be used to level our current billiard table, purchase new cue sticks and accessories.

If you are unable to walk with us, please consider a donation. Scan QR code or visit: <a href="https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/Maui">https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/Maui</a>



# May Birthdays at Roselani Place

Thomas Figueira	May 09
Elizabeth Cesario	May 10
Mary Yamada	May 12
Ed Gramit	May 13
Masue Okumura	May 16
Ralph Shinmoto	May 16
Rachel Fujinaka	May 29
Sara Sanders	May 31

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



#### The Power of Nurses<sup>TM</sup>

The American Nurses Association is celebrating

# National Nurse's Week May 6-12, 2025

and throughout the month.

Roselani Place recognizes the invaluable contributions of our nurses and the real-life challenges they face every day. Whether you're a nurse, a healthcare professional, a resident, or someone who appreciates the valuable role our nurses play in providing our residents with a safe and comfortable environment to call home. National Nurses Week is the perfect time to share your gratitude and to celebrate all nurses!!

At Roselani Place, we want to acknowledge our amazing nurses who make a difference in our resident's life, one kupuna at a time. They go above and beyond the call of duty today and everyday.

Mahalo nui to our awesome and dedicated team of nurses: Venesha, Charlene, Patty and Tiare. Each of you have a natural talent to care for our kupuna and we and grateful for all that you do. Your commitment to enrich the lives of our residents everyday is inspiring.





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#### Roselani Place May Employee of the Month Jennifer Julian

Congratulations to Jennifer Julian for being selected as our May Employee of the Month. She is one of our dedicated Medication Technicians for our NOC shift.

Later this year, Jennifer will celebrate 20 years of employment. Her dedication and commitment to our Residents and Roselani Place is evident and the loyalty to her dept. She works well under pressure and does her best to ensure the safety and care of our residents at night.



Jennifer is very caring, humble and has many years of experience assisting our kupuna. She also has knowledge of medications, helping our residents with dementia and informing our nurses when any concerns of our residents arise.

We are very appreciative of all the hard work Jennifer has demonstrated all these years and this recognition is well deserved. She works very well with the Team, offers to help others and goes out of her way to make sure our residents are well taken care of. A big mahalo to you Jennifer and congratulations on your milestone!

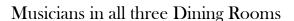


# Mother's Day Luncheon Sunday, May 11, 2025

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### Menu

Soup and Salad
Salmon with Penne Pasta and Pesto Sauce
Green Velvet Cake



Glenn Foster in Aloha Gardens Vaughn Razo Maluhia Terrace Bobbie Jo Curley the Main Dining Room

\$22/adult \$12/keiki

Limited parties of 3 or less please inquire prior

Due to increased occupancy in our Main Dining Room, seating is limited and is available on the day of the luncheon on a first come, first serve basis.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, May 7, 2025 at the front desk or by calling Roselani Place 871-7720.





