

# Renaissance Lifestyle

SUMMER 2019



## Aloha from Renaissance Villages

It's that time of the year again! We're hosting our annual Luau on Saturday, August 17 at 5:30 p.m. We invite you to hula on over and enjoy some delicious Hawaiian treats and amazing Polynesians dancers and outfits. We'll also be selling raffles tickets for fabulous prizes. All raffle ticket proceeds will go toward the 2019 Walk to End Alzheimer's. Call to RSVP!



**Together, We Can  
End Alzheimer's**

Join Team Renaissance Villages in the fight against Alzheimer's. We're participating in the Alzheimer's Associations 2019 Walk to End Alzheimer's on Sunday, October 6 at 7 a.m. at Lake Skinner Recreation Center. To join our team or make a donation, visit <http://bit.ly/TEAMRVTEMECULA19>. You can also support our team by purchasing raffle tickets at our Luau on August 17. See above for more details.

## Executive Director's Corner

Dear Residents, Family, and Friends:

Things are heating up at Renaissance Village Murrieta this summer. With this in mind, we encourage you to make sure you get your recommended eight glasses of water each day to stay hydrated.



We welcome several new employees to the Renaissance Villages Family. We welcome our newest concierge, Desiree Hilliard. Angelica Pacheco-Carrillo, Novie Joy Mayol, Ashton Mccoy, Jocelyn Messinger, Carolina Ramirez, Morgan Ryan, and Lyn Villanueva joined the care staff as caregivers. The kitchen welcomes Nicholas Solorio, Prep Cook, and Marlenee Morales, Server. We also welcome Ronnea Parker and Ayra Villarreal to housekeeping. Be sure to make these new employees feel welcome.

We hosted our End Alzheimer's Gala on June 26 and I'd like to thank those partnering with us in the fight against Alzheimer's. We are so excited for our next fundraising opportunity to benefit the 2019 Walk to End Alzheimer's. Renaissance Village Murrieta will host its annual Luau on Saturday, August 17 at 5:30 p.m. You can come enjoy hula dancing performances, delicious appetizers, and buy raffle tickets for wonderful raffle prizes. Don't miss out!

*Happy Summer! I hope to see you around the community.*

**Brian Taube, Executive Director**

## Resident Spotlight: Carol A.



Carol A. during her Resident Spotlight Interview.

In 1944, Carol A. was born in Oakland, California at the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital, the second of two girls. It was the tail end of World War II and her father was in the Navy. After he got out of the service, he worked for industrial paint companies. He and his brother did not get along, so he made the decision to transfer and move the family down to Southern California. They lived in Whittier, California and Carol did all of her schooling there.

Carol's mother was delightful and caring, but not overbearing. The way she patiently listened to the different sides of stories, especially the ones between the two young sisters, stuck with Carol over the years. She shares that the greatest lesson she learned from her parents is fairness, which carried over when Carol later became a teacher.

Carol's sister, Joan, was three and a half years older than her. It wasn't a big age difference, but it was enough to put them in different groups. Carol loved her sister and they became best friends when she got older. One of her most treasured possessions is a picture frame she received from her sister that says, "chance made us sisters but love made us friends."

When Carol graduated high school, she went onto Long Beach State and later received her teaching credential. She began working for the Long Beach School District teaching elementary education. After twelve years, she needed a change

and put in a transfer. Carol began working for the Garden Grove School District teaching 6th grade. She taught rudimentary math classes and typing, which later transitioned into keyboarding. Carol says she went through all the eras with that starting with the old public ones, the electric, and then onto the keyboard. Teaching was her only job, but she enjoyed it.

Carol met her future husband, Donald, through her brother-in-law. When he came to visit her sister, he would bring Don with him. He was a Navy man; Carol says he was a private who got out as soon as he could. He luckily missed the wars



Carol and her husband, Donald.

and served the time in between the Vietnam and Korean wars. They didn't start dating right away because Carol was still in high school. After a year of dating the two got married and moved to Stanton, California. They bought a four-bedroom home for what they thought was so expensive at the time. Carol later sold it for a whole lot more.

Carol loved just about everything about Don. They had a lot of similarities in both likes and dislikes. They both enjoyed golf, and Don got good at the game. The two also played with her parents at their country club. They also played golf whenever they went to Kauai, which was their favorite destination. Don also ended up being the cook of the family. He would always come up behind her and say, "you know what you could do to make that really good?" She finally told him "you fix it," and he did. It worked out because he liked cooking and



Donald, Carol, sister, Joan, & her husband.

going to some place new. The three of them went on a trip and hit two or three different countries or at the very least two or three big cities. They went away for two to three weeks at a time.

Carol and her sister were very close, which made it so much harder when Joan passed away. Unfortunately, six months later Carol's husband, Don, also passed away. It was really hard losing

she didn't.

In addition to the trips to Kauai, Carol also went on five different trips with her mother and Joan to Europe. They covered different sections each time and always loved

both of them, especially so close to one another. She still has her two nieces and a nephew. Carol continued living in her home in Stanton. After going in for a successful back surgery, Carol woke up with no memory. The six hours of anesthetic she endured didn't agree with her head. Her nieces and nephew looked for support for Carol's new condition, and came in for a tour at Renaissance Village Murrieta. Carol moved into the community, and now resides in our assisted living.

Carol enjoys participating in bingo and attending the movie nights we offer. She likes sudoku and puzzles. What she likes most about Renaissance Villages is that so much is done for you from housekeeping to food preparation. Carol also likes that there's so much to do around the community. She says the staff is really nice and do a great job. Carol highlighted the staff in the dining room because they always handle themselves very well and take great care of all residents.

## EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

### May

#### Lamar M., Housekeeper

Lamar has over 20 years of experience in the senior living industry. She started in dining, but after five years moved to housekeeping. Lamar lived with her grandmother growing up. She enjoys hearing about the historical events seniors lived through. Lamar also likes to sing for residents. She loves seeing their faces light up and engage with her. When she's not working Lamar likes to garden, cook, and spend time with her husband, Glenn. They also have four children, two boys, and two girls.



### April

#### Arkesia W., Med Tech

Arkesia is one of our longest employed care staff members. She started when we first opened our doors. Arkesia has always desired to work with the elderly. As a teenager, she worked in the kitchen of an assisted living facility. She enjoys hearing residents' stories and learning the similarities they share. When she's not working, she loves traveling and spending time with her husband, Demarko and two children, Starr and Alex. Arkesia shares that she's worked many places, but this is the first place that feels like home.



### June

#### Billy N., Lead Server

Billy was studying to be a registered nurse at Mt. San Jacinto College when his grandma fell ill. He took time off to care for her. After seeing a now hiring sign while driving by he applied to be a server in the Dining Room. Most recently, he received a promotion to Lead Server. Billy loves the community's family-oriented approach. He loves getting to know residents on a personal level and finds his job very rewarding. When he's not working, he enjoys spending time with his younger sister, playing Final Fantasy XIV online, or drawing.

# GREAT DAYS AWAIT AT RENAISSANCE VILLAGE!



Morgan and Emily at the Assisted Living Villa Grand Opening.



Happy Birthday to Naur and Patricia! Hope you loved your cake!



Stephanie and Jacqueline enjoying the Easter Brunch.



Villa Lago residents playing noodle ball.



Dorothy at the Mother's Day Brunch.



Lumi and her family enjoying a meal in our Private Dining at the Mother's Day Brunch.



Villa Lago residents celebrating Naur and Patricia's birthdays.



Mildred painting a lighthouse.



John enjoying a laugh and a beer at BJ's.



Villa Lago residents posing together with the beautiful spring decorations.

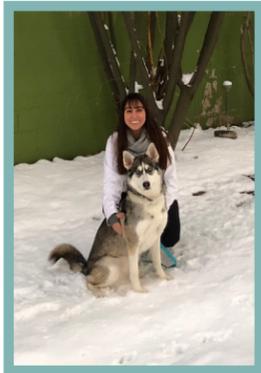


James, Janet, and their family praying for their meal at the Mother's Day Brunch.



Phyllis's noodle complements her outfit.

## Renaissance Villages' Growth



Ashley & Mila in the snow.

Continental East Development Inc. (CED), headquartered in Murrieta, California is a full-service real estate operating company. CED acquires, develops and manages the retail, office, medical building properties, and is actively developing new multi-family and senior care communities. Al Rattan, President, and Lydia Percia Rattan, Senior Vice President, are the co-founders of CED, which they established in 2009.

In the 1980s and early 1990s, Al was considered a pioneer in building and developing High-End Senior Housing Communities. Lydia brings experience in both commercial and residential real estate since 2006. They saw a market need to provide upscale quality senior living communities. To position CED as a premier senior community developer, Al and Lydia established Renaissance Villages, Inc. in December 2011 with the business goal of "Creating Great Days for Seniors."

As a real estate broker, Lydia's vision is to operate Renaissance Village as a family business. Lydia and her daughter, Ashley Percia, are licensed administrators. The day to day operations of CED's Renaissance Villages is under the direct stewardship of Lydia and Al.

Renaissance Village Rancho Belago opened in 2014. Ashley was highly involved in the startup phase and the opening of the community. She served until January 2017 as the Assistant Administrator of Renaissance Village Rancho Belago. Before ending her time at the Rancho Belago location, Ashley began pursuing a Masters of Aging Services Management at the University of Southern California.

Her time at USC allowed her to study the

physiology of aging, different trends in the aging population, how aging is affecting us on a global scale, environmental factors that affect aging successfully, and the importance of maintaining the health of caregivers. Ashley's studies further expanded her knowledge of the senior living industry and makes her a valuable asset to the Renaissance Villages Family.

Renaissance Village Murrieta opened its doors in January 2017 with capacity for 112 beds in Assisted Living. Ashley resumed working with Renaissance Villages later that year, and completed her master's degree during Fall 2017. With a focus on Renaissance Villages' regional marketing, Ashley



The front entrance of Renaissance Village Murrieta networked with organizations and businesses in the area to expand Renaissance Villages' brand awareness. Later that summer she also became the Community Relations Director at Renaissance Village Murrieta.

Brian Taube is a long-time employee of CED. He previously served as Assistant to the Vice President at Continental East Development, Inc. Lydia saw the potential Brian had to become a Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE) Administrator and sent him to Renaissance Village Rancho Belago to serve as an Administrative Assistant. He then became the Assistant Executive Director at Renaissance Village Murrieta, and in January 2018 he was promoted to the community's Executive Director.

In 2018, Renaissance Village Murrieta opened its first Memory Care Villa, with its second estimated to open later this year. The community opened its new Assisted Living Villa in April 2019. The Assisted Living Villa offers residents a more intimate version of its assisted living services. The open layout of the villa provides a centralized floor plan that gives residents comfort knowing support is close by. Residents can also participate in activities or take their meals in the comfort and privacy of the villa, or also go to the community's main building.

Ashley gets the most fulfillment out of her job by being a resource for seniors and their families. She loves educating families about the senior living industry or sharing resources like veteran's benefits, which can aid seniors in affording assisted living. Ashley embodies the Renaissance Lifestyle and does a great job of engaging residents and their families.

In addition to Ashley's love of helping seniors and their families, she also loves her Siberian Husky, Mila, which Renaissance Villages dubbed the "Renaissance Pup." This nickname comes from not only the fact that you can find her occasionally hanging around the community, but because she has a fleur de lis emblazoned on her forehead.



A closer look at Mila's fleur de lis.

Renaissance Villages is proud of the work being done to create great days for our residents and making the company a valuable resource to seniors and their families in the community.

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## SAVE THE DATE!



**4th of July BBQ**  
July 4 at 11:30 a.m.

**Annual Luau**  
August 17 at 5:30 p.m.

**Walk to End Alzheimer's**  
October 6 at 7 a.m.

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to the concierge to learn more.**

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