

# Halloween Celebrations at the Cottages

Residents helped staff to hand out candy to our Halloween Visitors on Halloween night they also enjoyed delicious *Spooky* Halloween cupcakes. They also received a special Halloween Treat Bag!



Irvine Cottages held a Halloween Contest for Best Decorated Cottage! Homes were judged by some of the cottage residents. Congratulations to winning cottages 8 & 11 and thank you to everyone for decorating their homes.

## Happy Holidays to all our families

We are all so thankful for all of our families and residents who care so much! Thank you for caring about our employees and all of our residents who so many of you visit and talk to on a regular basis. Because we try to be a true family" not family like" we all really want to thank the families of our relatives who are our extended family.

## Thanksgiving Celebrations at the Cottages

All residents will receive a special thanksgiving gift. Homes will enjoy a scrumptious Turkey Dinner on Thanksgiving Day featuring the Holidays Bountiful offerings. If you have a special recipe that is a favorite of your loved one, we encourage you to bring it in for them to enjoy.

Dinner includes:

- Honeysuckle whole Turkey
- Traditional home style stuffing
- Turkey Gravy
- Mashed Potatoes
- Green Bean Casserole
- Dinner rolls
- Cranberry sauce & Pumpkin Pie



### Pumpkin Patch

Some of our more able residents have visited the local Pumpkin Patch with Gina during October. Many of the residents purchased Pumpkins which were then placed in our homes. Thank you Gina for taking our residents on this special Holiday Outing!



### Irvine Cottages Training Update

During the past few months, staff have been trained on the following topics: Continuing Medication Training, Fall Risks, Pain Assessment for patients with Alzheimer's & dementia (Alzheimer's Association) Signs & Symptoms of illness (Vitas) and also Loss and Grief.

### What's Happening at the Cottages this Holiday Season...

- December 15th Annual Irvine Cottages Holiday party celebration 11:30am  
The Four Seasons Restaurant Banquet Hall, Irvine.  
Invitations to follow soon...
- December 25th Residents will be served a holiday dinner



## CONGRATULATIONS TO ONE OF OUR OWN SPECIAL CAREGIVERS

Regina Felicitas at Irvine Cottage 4 has been nominated by Linda Abbott For the Alzheimer's Association's "Caregiver of the Year" Good Luck Regina!

### and Holiday Shoppe

### Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort in Huntington Beach

Annually, we gather to celebrate select individuals for their exceptional service to others. This year, we will honor those Orange County caregivers who display extraordinary compassion in caring for patients and their families. Thank you to all who submitted nominations.

With special thanks to our sponsors, WebVisible and the Argyros Foundation, and our Visionary Women Chair, Kirsten Mangers.

We invite you to join our Visionary Women Circle: the compassion to care, the leadership to conquer. Our Visionary Women Circle is a membership group whose purpose is to cultivate a closer relationship between the Alzheimer's Association and the community. Visionary Women Circle volunteers raise awareness and funds for those affected by Alzheimer's disease, garnering support for families throughout Orange County.

The volunteer-driven Visionary Women Circle offers a meaningful and empowering opportunity for those willing to devote their time and talents.

For more information, call Mallory at 949.757.3705.

### *Please join us in celebrating these Caregiving Nominees:*

Dr. Pauline Abbott, CSU-Fullerton, Institute of Gerontology  
Jan Brooks, Acacia Adult Day Services  
Jenny Diaz, Guardian Angels Homes  
Cordula Dick-Muehlke, Ph.D., Alzheimer's Family Services Center  
Susan Embree, Alzheimer's Placement Specialist  
Regina Felicitas, Irvine Cottages  
Valerie George, UC Irvine Senior Health Center  
Norma Hernandez, Regina Residence  
Darrell Maravilla, Thank Ya Kindly  
Korla McClendon, AristoCare

Honorees will be announced during the Visionary Women Celebration Luncheon.

*Holiday Shoppe, too!* Enjoy a glass of wine while you get your holiday shopping underway with more than thirty vendors featuring fine giftables. A percentage of all purchases benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Our gift to you—mini massages and manicures available.

Please RSVP by phone to (949) 955-9000 or online at [WWW.alzoc.org](http://WWW.alzoc.org)

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## *Visionary* **WOMEN**

In Celebration of Caregivers

### *2009 Luncheon*

**Friday, November 6**  
Hilton Waterfront Beach Resort  
21100 Pacific Coast Highway  
Huntington Beach, 92648

Lunch 11:30 am – 1 pm  
Shopping 1 pm – 3 pm

The Visionary Women Luncheon honors women who have served as models of commitment to compassionate care. Their sensitivity, empathy and ability to instill a sense of hope distinguishes them and inspires others.

Join us for the third annual Visionary Women Luncheon celebrating women leaders in Orange County and support us in offering help and hope to the growing number of people affected by memory loss disorders throughout Orange County.

*Event Chair:*  
Kirsten Mangers,  
CEO, WebVisible

*Honorary Chair:*  
Ellen Burstyn,  
Award winning actress,  
producer and author