

# 2015 FACILITY SUPERSTARS



## RUDY BRISENO

Maintenance Supervisor  
Golden Living Center - Country  
View Alzheimer's Care, Fresno  
*28 plus years in long-term care*

Rudy is a mentor to his colleagues and is always willing to spend time with the residents and their families. He takes pride in his work and has built an aviary and koi pond and planted various plants and trees at the facility.

Ellie plays a valuable role at the facility, ensuring correct policies and procedures are followed, therapy is ordered in the correct method, medications are given in correct dosages and care plans are appropriately set up.

## ELLIE DAWKINS

Respiratory Therapist  
Granada Rehabilitation and  
Wellness Center, Eureka  
*18 years in long-term care*



## CHRISTI FAIN

Director of Dining Services  
Golden Living Center - Shafter  
*21 years in long-term care*

An inspiration for all, Christi started as an evening janitor and worked her way up because of her indomitable personality and determination. She is kind and generous and loves people, and her staff is always grateful for her motivation and help.

A caring, conscientious and positive personality who treats her residents and co-workers with the utmost respect. Maria was a CNA, RNA and LVN before becoming a staff developer and continues to work with that same drive for excellence.

## MARIA FARIA

Staff Developer  
Willow Creek Healthcare Center,  
Clovis  
*29 years in long-term care*

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# BETSABE GIL

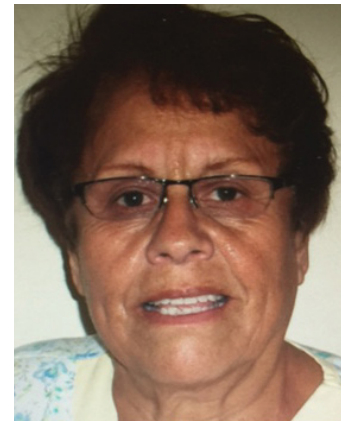
Restorative Nursing Assistant  
Torrance Care Center West,  
West Torrance  
*29 years in long-term care*

With two daughters also working in long-term care, caregiving is part of Betsabe’s genetic makeup, and throughout her long career, she has brightened the lives of residents with her bubbly spirit and her words of encouragement.

Years ago, when she was still a housekeeper, Aurora had a passion for patient care and so often volunteered to work directly with residents that she was a natural to become a CNA.

# AURORA GUEVARA

CNA  
Pacific Villa, Long Beach  
*40 years in long-term care*



# SOPHEAP LOCH

CNA  
Creekside Center Genesis,  
Stockton  
*36 years in long-term care*

A ray of sunshine when she enters a room, Sopheap makes new employees and residents feel welcome and also works three days a week as a courthouse interpreter.

An active volunteer who helps raise money for student scholarships, Virginia is a compassionate caregiver who provides positive energy to residents and always finds time to help anyone who needs her.

# VIRGINIA LORENZO

CNA  
Long Beach Care Center, Long Beach  
*25 years in long-term care*





# LITA MARTINEZ

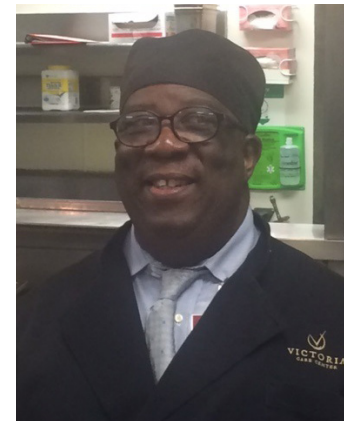
Assistant Director of Nursing  
Vista Cove Care Center at Long Beach, Long Beach  
*25 years in long-term care*

Always ready to meet the needs of the residents, Lita leads by example. She also participates in theme days and is ready to come dressed “to the nines” as a cowboy, a clown and one time even a mouse.

A spark plug in the management team and a key leader in culture development at sister facilities, Derrick visits with all new residents to learn about their special food requests while keeping his department costs in line.

# DERRICK PATTERSON

Director of Dietary Services  
Victoria Care Center, Ventura  
*32 years in long-term care*



# GERALDINE PEREZ

Social Services Director  
Golden Living Center Fowler  
*26 years in long-term care*

Described as “the rock that this facility is built upon,” Geri is the go-to person whom everyone relies on for her knowledge and her ability to stay calm in a crisis. Her passionate advocacy for the residents improves their quality of life.

Sandra started out as a CNA in 1965 in Northern California. She advocates for her residents as if they were family, and she is at her best with one-on-one interactions. Full of compassionate care and knowledge which she shares with all the staff, she is a mentor to new nursing staff.

# SANDRA PETERSEN

Charge Nurse  
Centinela Grand, Perris  
*50 years in long-term care*





# PATRICIA REIS

Activity Director  
Eureka Rehab and Wellness  
Center, Eureka  
*37 years in long-term care*

Dearly loved by everyone at the facility, Patricia took a CNA course six years after earning her activity certificate just so she could be closer to residents. You can see their eyes light up when she enters the room.

Rene has been called the symbol of hard work, dedication, compassion, enthusiasm and teamwork all rolled up in a celebratory firework that explodes with happiness every day. Every facility should have employees like RENE - Resourceful, Engaging, Nice and Energetic.

# RENE ROSIEN

Activity Director  
Glendora grand, Glendora  
*20 years in long-term care*



The shining light in the dietary department, Evelyn has helped many dietary supervisors find their way into their new positions with kind guidance and support. No matter what the problem, she always steps in with a smile and positive motivation.



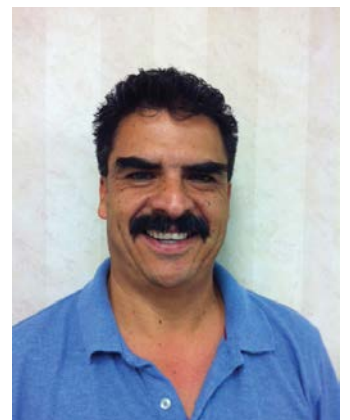
# EVELYN STEDMAN

Dietary Aide/Cook  
Fortuna Rehabilitation and  
Wellness Center, Fortuna  
*31 years in long-term care*

Ensuring that seniors' meals are prepared according to the physician order but also to their liking, Martin always delights the residents with his offerings. He always tries to exceed residents' expectations by providing their favorite foods.

# MARTIN TORRES

Dietary Supervisor  
Windsor Gardens Healthcare Center  
of the Valley, North Hollywood  
*31 years in long-term care*





# STEVEN TOWNSEND

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LVN  
Seaview Rehabilitation and  
Wellness Center, Eureka  
*30 years in long-term care*

A strong, compassionate nurse and a great leader who is a mentor to the nursing staff and who believes that in long-term care nursing you can make a difference for residents.

A dedicated and dependable team player as well as a community volunteer who is willing to dress up for any facility event to make it festive, Matilde is an asset to the company and a joy to be around.

# MATILDE UITZ

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Housekeeping  
Century Villa, Inglewood  
*18 years in long-term care*



# SALLY VILLARREAL

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Housekeeper  
Villa Siena, Mountain View  
*20 years in long-term care*

Sally not only cleans the residents' rooms but is also a companion and sounding board, listening to residents' concerns and helping any way she can. On several occasions, she has noticed significant changes in behaviors and has been able to alert the nursing staff.