

# ROSARY HILL HOME



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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends of Rosary Hill,

I am composing this letter on Second Sunday of Easter, April 12, 2015. The quite strange and temperamental (weather-wise) transition from winter to spring is over. The trees are budding out; flowers are blooming; birds are nesting and the melody of their songs has returned. There is beauty, life, energy and sunshine everywhere. So nature is trying to tell us what happened spiritually when Jesus died on the cross and rose again on the third day. Hope for an eternal life of joy was given. And to everyone who believe, all were made new. Through our celebration of the Mysteries of Lent, Holy Week and Easter we are inwardly renewed, spiritually rejuvenated, reenergized. We might compare it to being restored to good physical condition through a blood transfusion after suffering of severe anemia. Easter experience for a faith-filled Christian is a spiritual blood transfusion. It is about a new Spiritual Springtime in a soul.

In the atmosphere of spring, the one of nature and the one of soul I share with you my joy and gratitude for God's love manifested to us in life, death and resurrection of Christ, and my unshaken faith in his fatherly care for Rosary Hill. I know that through people like you God energize and enhance our life and ministry. Your friendship, prayers, financial support is like a rejuvenating blood transfusion that makes us able to give our best in living out our vocation to serve and care for those in need. The outpouring of your support manifested so lovingly at our recent Fund Raising Dinner touched our hearts again, boosted up our trust in God's special care and energized us in our efforts to make Rosary Hill a place vibrant with faith and charity. The transfusion of your love into this place is always welcome and appreciated like the arrival of spring and Easter joy.

For being such vital and energizing element in the life of Rosary Hill: its residents, employees and us Dominican Sisters, we praise you, thank you and pray for you every day.

Wishing you a truly blessed and enjoyable spring and summer time,  
I remain gratefully and prayerfully yours

Sister Natalie, OP

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## Butterfly Release Event



On **Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 2:00p.m.**, Rosary Hill Home will be hosting a commemorative "Butterfly Release" to honor those living and deceased. It will be a tranquil celebration of life and remembrance of those we loved and lost.

Butterflies can be reserved for \$10.00 per person, per name and are available for purchase. Supplies are limited, so please reserve your "butterflies" today. Order forms are included with this newsletter and are available at the front desk of Rosary Hill Home or online at [www.sisterop.com](http://www.sisterop.com). If you are unable to attend, volunteers will release your butterfly for you. Deadline to order is July 17<sup>th</sup> – no exceptions.

Ceremony will begin promptly at 2:00p.m. Check in 1:15p.m. until 1:45p.m.

**THERE IS ONLY A LIMITED SUPPLY OF BUTTERFLIES AVAILABLE. ORDER YOURS TODAY!**

For additional information you may call Rosary Hill Home at (708-458-3040)

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## Volunteer Week Celebration!

On Monday, April 20th, a special luncheon hosted by Sister Natalie and served by activity director, Sophie Swiech, was in recognition of the volunteers of Rosary Hill Home. It was a delicious meal consisting of fresh garden salad, pizza, macaroni salad, delicious sweets and assorted beverages. It also was a very special time for the volunteers to just visit and exchange happy experiences of past activities. The highlight of this luncheon was a most amusing and side splitting true story told by Joe Mancuso of a family incident. If you ever happen to meet him, ask that he retell it to you. We volunteers would like to take this opportunity to encourage anyone with any spare time, to consider dedicating that time to Rosary Hill Home. It would mean so much for many residents who no longer have relatives or friends stopping by. Your presence would help replace that void. But most importantly it is knowing that you were of some help that is most rewarding. Submitted by: (Volunteer) Veronica Urbanik

**PLEASE NOTE: Volunteers are always welcome at Rosary Hill Home, please let us know if you are able to donate some of your time. We are currently looking for volunteers for both our Butterfly Event on July 27<sup>th</sup> and Annual Family picnic on September 13, 2015. We wish you to please consider, even one hour would be greatly appreciated.**

From the desk of our Chaplain

“The Joyful Season of Easter”

The Risen Jesus came into the world to save us and bring us true joy. Many people search for true happiness and joy in the wrong places. Since God made us after His own image and likeness, He alone can fill up our craving for true joy. Jesus reminds us “Come to me all, you who labor and are burdened and I will refresh you.” Jesus said “My yoke is Easy and my burden light.” Let Jesus help you to carry your cross and it will become lighter and more fruitful. He gives you true joy.

Father Raymond Jasinski

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Words of Wisdom

Life is an opportunity, benefit from it. Life is beauty, admire it. Life is bliss, taste it. Life is a dream, realize it. Life is a challenge, meet it. Life is a duty, complete it. Life is a game, play it. Life is a promise, fulfill it. Life is sorrow, overcome it. Life is a song, sing it. Life is a struggle, accept it. Life is a tragedy, confront it. Life is an adventure, dare it. Life is luck, make it. Life is too precious, do not destroy it. Life is life, fight for it.

“Mother Theresa”

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Dates to Remember...

Butterfly Release Event, Sunday, July 26, 2015

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Annual Family Picnic, Sunday, September 13, 2015, details to follow.

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Please join us for Family Mass the second Sunday of every month @ 9:30 a.m. (refreshments follow). Remember, you can join us any Sunday for Mass.

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RESIDENT’S NEWS & EVENTS

Holidays make us Smile! Don’t we love to see the holiday events marked on our calendars? The dear ladies that volunteer at Rosary Hill for Christmas and Valentine’s Day enjoy the program as much or more than the residents. Many traditional fun songs were led by two elves, Jingle and Jolly, complete with jingle bells and holiday props. Holiday merriment filled the newly remodeled activity room. On Valentine’s Day the room was again filled with lovely ladies in red and pink waiting for some more holiday fun. There was an evening gown fashion show, bridal veiled volunteers leading “Let Me Call You Sweetheart,” and more classic songs of love and romance. It is always a heart touching afternoon and those of us who volunteer just love to “pay it forward.” Ask at the desk if you would love to join us. There is always room for one more! Submitted by: (Volunteer) Janet Pawlicki

On March 22nd, The Blackbird Academy of Irish Dance performed at Rosary Hill. Under the direction of Mary McQuillan, our residents enjoyed the dancers, Thanks to Mary and all involved, our residents and staff were able to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day with one another! Submitted by: (Resident) Loretta Dolan

WELCOME

We offer a warm welcome to our new residents:

- Louise Swerhun 02-02-2015
- Anne Worobiew 02-23-2015
- Dorothy Zelazo 04-11-2015

IN OUR PRAYERS

Let us remember also all that are sick and infirm among us that they may experience Christ’s healing power and be restored to health both spiritually and physically.

OUR SYMPATHY

“If we have died in Christ, we believe we shall also live in Him.” Romans 6:8

+Mary Lehr 03-13-2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



We extend our warmest congratulations and Best Wishes with love and prayers to the following residents of Rosary Hill on the occasion of their respective birthdays.

- April: Mary Laczkowski 83  
Therese Langan 86  
Eleanor Roeder 86  
Pearl Krejci 83
- May: Helen Farley 95  
Loretta Dolan 81  
Janet Wilders 89  
Marion Foertsch 95  
Marie Bona 91  
Mary Dziura 97  
Lislotte Stuben 88
- June: Julia Figura 92  
Marilyn Andrews 77  
Jean Zwierz 85  
Dorothy Majersky 86

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