

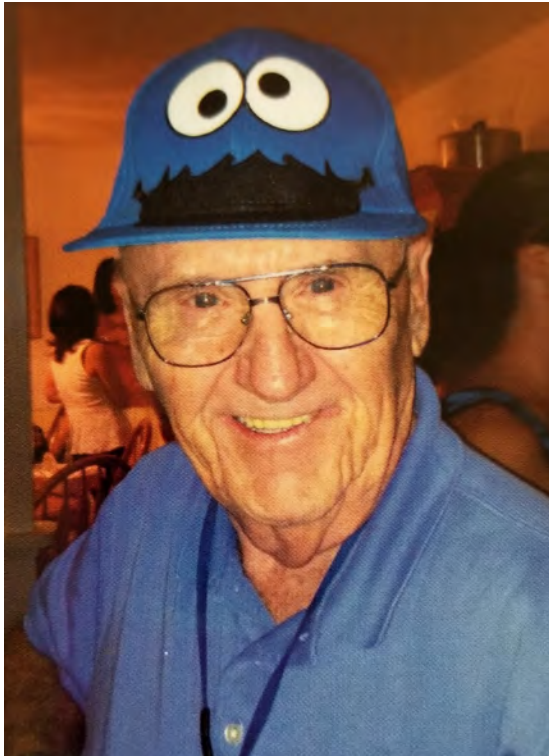


Villa Siena

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OUR community in action

WINTER • SPRING 2019



“The Motivation Behind It All”

Jim Kelly, a 9 year resident of Villa-Siena

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The Big 40's Night Out

On Saturday evening, September 29th, Villa Siena hosted the annual Fall fundraiser: “The Big 40’s Night Out.” Villa Siena’s courtyard was transformed into a potpourri of 1940’s themed attractions and activities including a USO stage, sherman tank bar, Coney Island striker game, The B17’s Big Band, swing dancers, classic cars, WWII re-enactments and more! The crowd of nearly 300 guests enjoyed the war years’ food served at the USO Canteen. Smells of pot roast, mac & cheese, peas & carrot casserole, mashed potatoes, grilled spam, apple pie and more filled the evening air.

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The Daughters of Charity, Province of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, celebrate their 50 year Anniversary with a Mass and Reception.

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The Motivation Behind It All



“When we first visited Villa Siena, it smiled at us,” said resident Jim Kelly. Having lived at the Villa since November of 2010, Jim is one of our most tenured residents. As one of three siblings, Jim was born in Brooklyn, New York to Irish immigrants Owen and Ann Kelly. As a first generation American, Jim worked as an auditor for a national bank, served as a Training Officer for the United States Army during the Korean War, and worked as a salesman until he retired.

He married Margaret “Peggy” Cotter of Boston, and the two of them went on to raise four children of their own: Jim, Kathy, Trish, and Mary Ann. After the birth of Mary Ann, Jim and his family moved to South San Francisco for a job opportunity. From San Francisco, the Kelly’s relocated to Sunnyvale. After settling in the city of Sunnyvale, life would go on for the Kelly family and would grow to include five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

In the year 2009, Peggy Developed cognitive difficulties (accompanied with other ailments), which required her to need skilled nursing care. To meet the needs of her care, Peggy found a home at a nearby nursing facility where Jim and the kids alternated meal times in order to visit her every day. While living on his own, Jim was encouraged by his kids to seek residence in a senior living community for the betterment of his social well-being. Enter Villa Siena.



Living at the Villa would keep him in the company of others, and it would place him within walking distance of where Peggy lived. It was a done deal. Shortly after Jim moved in, Peggy followed and moved into our nursing care unit. Now reunited at the Villa, Jim had the opportunity to be with Peggy from morning until night. All the family and Jim spent every day with each other until Peggy would no longer be with us in February of 2011.

Jim recalls that Peggy was the motivation behind it all. She is the reason why Villa Siena is his home. He spends the days attending mass and engages everyone in the community. In his spare time, he enjoys walking laps at the St. Francis High School track, especially during football season. He also likes to walk around the Villa Siena courtyard and exercise at the local YMCA. He is a light in our community and we look forward to seeing him every day.

BIG 40'S NIGHT OUT" CONTINUED



Anne Wheatcroft, with Ned & Sara Callahan



The "M4" Sherman Tank Bar

As attendees arrived at Villa Siena, they were greeted by a life-like Rosie the Riveter statue, a WWII jeep and soldier display, and 40's music delightfully sung by "Vocal-ease", the entertaining trio singing in the spirit of the Andrews Sisters.

The unique Sherman Tank Bar, attracting attention at the courtyard entrance, served a variety of drinks to include Manhattans, Martinis and Sidecars. This "tank bar," created and donated by Carl and Nancy Claunch, and was an exact replica of the famous WWII tank. Dennis Stein & Alice Schwatz also labored long hours to help create the tank bar. After the event, this tank replica was donated to the Eagle Field Foundation and their Veterans Day Celebration at Santana Row.

Other evening highlights included: a swing dance performance by Arete Dance Center dancers, military and classic car displays provided by Bay Area Spirit of 45, dancing to the "B-17 Band" playing on the USO stage, 40's Casino Pong and Coney Island High Striker game competition.

Proceeds from the fundraiser went towards the Villa Siena Foundation's mission of supporting our residents who outlive their financial resources. Our thanks to all the donors, sponsors, volunteers, and attendees for making this event a huge success!

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Villa Siena resident Maria McDonald & Family



Pete & Rosemary Deguara and their classic car



"The Famous Kiss" reenacted by John Fornbaucher & Angelina Aguilar at the Tank Bar



Sister William Eileen Dunn, D.C. posing with Rosie the Riveter

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SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR TWO FUNDRAISING EVENTS!

Villa Siena's 9th annual **Bocce Ball Tournament** will take place on **Monday May 6, 2019** at Campo di Bocce in Los Gatos. Information and registration forms will be posted on our website at www.villa-siena.org or call the Foundation office at (650) 318-5814 to reserve your spot.

Stay tuned for more information on our Fall Fundraiser scheduled for Saturday, September 21, 2019. The theme of this year's event will be announced shortly. Look for upcoming details on the **Villa Siena Website, Facebook, and in the Summer/Fall 2019 Villa Views.** Invite your own group of family and friends to share an evening of fun and friendship to benefit Villa Siena.



Thank You to Our Villa Siena Foundation Donors

We are truly thankful for all the individuals, businesses, and organizations that supported our ongoing mission of the Villa Siena Foundation during 2018. We will remember your generosity in our prayers during the year.

What a blessing it is for our residents to enjoy the loving care provided at Villa Siena and not having to worry about leaving due to running out of their financial resources! It is the ongoing generosity of our donors who provide this blessing of security and peace of mind for our residents and their families. We are extremely grateful for those who financially support our mission at Villa Siena. How fortunate we are to have your faithful friendship and your kind and generous help.

Sr. Judith Lynn Gardenhire, D.C.
Chair, Villa Siena Board of Directors



Thanks to your generosity and support, the residents of Villa Siena are secure in knowing that they will always have a home even when their finances begin to wane. Peace of mind is essential for a peaceful life. So, on behalf of the Villa Siena Foundation Board of Directors – Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

Anne Kearney
Chair, Villa Siena Foundation Board of Directors

A complete listing of all our Donors is posted on our Villa Siena website
www.villa-siena.org

Members of the Heritage Society and Founders' Circle are also listed on our Donor Wall

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VILLA VIGNETTES



DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY CELEBRATE THEIR 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY WITH A MASS AND RECEPTION

Villa Siena Auxiliary Members join Sr. Judith Lynn Gardenhire & Sr. William Eileen Dunn in celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Daughters of Charity Province, now renamed to “Province of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton”. The Anniversary Mass and Reception was held on January 4th 2019 at St. William’s Church, Los Altos.

VILLA SIENA – CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK 2018

Villa Siena sponsored a Christmas tree at Christmas in the Park, in San Jose. Our own Hayley Bernard and Justin Bernard went to set up and decorate the tree. It was trimmed with ornaments of the faces of our residents & staff of Villa Siena.



OUR AMAZING VILLA SIENA AUXILIARY

held their Annual Holiday Boutique in November. Beautiful items were on display and the enthusiasm and turnout was overwhelming. It was a huge success!

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR OUR RESIDENTS

The Villa Siena Auxiliary hosted their annual Christmas Party for the residents. Santa and Mrs. Claus made a special appearance and the Auxiliary members sang Christmas carols and presented gifts and delicious treats to all. As a special treat, the Harmonikatz Band provided the entertainment for the festive day.





“Staff Highlights”

2018 marked a milestone for some of our staff at Villa Siena. At the company Christmas party they were recognized for their years of service. From left to right: Fabian Mortebeello 15 years, Nora Olairéz 20 years, Nimisha Patel 20 years, Alvin Silva 10 years, & Gabriela Cortez 15 years. All were presented with a gift of appreciation from Corine Bernard. Villa Siena, congratulates all of you on achieving this milestone! We appreciate your hard work and dedication.



Dr. Zein Ahmad, DPM
Podiatric Medicine

After years of dedicated service at Villa Siena, podiatrist Christopher Fenesy has decided to step away and enjoy the spoils of retirement. He and his wife Jean have been longtime fixtures in the community, and we would like to extend our sincere gratitude and wish them the best moving forward.

The torch has now been passed to Dr. Zeineldin Ahmad who will assume the role of podiatrist beginning in January of 2019. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Ahmad and anticipate an advantageous partnership in the new year.

Leave a legacy in sponsoring a memorial brick or a bench in honor or in memory of a loved one



* Engraved bricks are beautifully displayed near the fountain next to the St. Louise Chapel. Inscribe it with wording of your choice. \$500 per brick



* Benches are located throughout the peaceful grounds and courtyard at Villa Siena. Inscribed bronze plates honor your love one. Costs vary depending on location of the bench.

Sponsorships are tax-deductible and support the Villa Siena Foundation. For more information, please visit our website at www.villa-siena.org or contact Scott Johnson, Director of Marketing & Development at (650) 318-5814 or Monique Flores Development and Marketing Assistant at (650) 318-5813.

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VILLA SIENA’S VISION, MISSION AND VALUES

Our Vision:

Inspired by the compassionate healing ministry of Jesus Christ and the mission of the Catholic Church to promote dignity and justice for all people of God, Villa Siena is a values-driven residential and skilled nursing care facility whose administration, employees and collaborators strive to advance the Mission through idea, influence and action. As a Daughter of Charity sponsored ministry, we are faithful to the tradition of service established by our founders, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Louise de Marillac and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.

Our Mission is to:

- Make a positive difference in the life and human development of individuals and communities.
- Serve the spiritual, physical, social and emotional needs of seniors in a spirit of humility, simplicity and charity.
- Create an atmosphere of hospitality, involvement and concern for our residents, their families and our employees and volunteers.

Our Core Values: The Charity of Christ urges us to:

- Respect, quality service, simplicity, advocacy for the poor, and inventiveness to infinity.

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