

The Women of Rose Villa *by Judy Francis*

Introduction

March is Women's History Month. To honor the women of Rose Villa (Independent Living residents, Madrona Grove residents, Staff and the Board of Directors), I decided to write a poem using their first names. Well! Numbers fluctuate, but there are approximately:

- 271 women of the 343 Independent Living residents
- 19 women of the 28 Madrona Grove residents
- 122 women of the 174 staff members
- 2 women of the 4 Board of Directors

That's 414 women! Every one has a story and every one has a name. So from A to Z, here are the *Women of Rose Villa*.

The Women of Rose Villa

Alice and Alice and Alice,
Amber and Amber, Amy and Amy,
Angela, Angie and Andrea.
Ann, Ann and Ann,
Anne with an E, Annie and Anna,
Abril, Alisha, Alexa, Amanda,
Ashley, Autumn and Azucena.

Barbara and Barbara and Barbara and Barbara and Barbara - and - Barb.
Betty and Betty, Bonny and Brenda
Beata, Bianca, Bitsy, Becky, Berta and Beth.

Carol and Carol and Carol and Carol and Carol and Carol, and
Carole with an E and Carol with a Jean.
Carolyn, Carolyn and Carolyn with Ys and Caroline with an E.
Catherine and Catherine, Cathy and Cathy with Cs
Katherine and Katherine, Kathy and Kathy with Ks.
Charlotte, Charlene, Christa and Cheryl
Cindy, Connie, Corinne and Corinna,
Carrie, Carmela and Cora Lee.

Donna, Donna, Donna and Donna
Darlene, Darlene and Darlene.
Diane and Diana and Dianna with 2Ns
Dayle, Darby, Dottie, Dorothy, Dori, Doris, Dee
Dahlia, Debbie, Dessie, Delores, Dakota and Daveen.

Elizabeth, Eleanore, Elexis, Elodi,
Emily, Erica, Erin, Edna and Evey.

Florence, Felicia and Fran.

Gail and Gail,
Gloria, Glaydis and Gretchen.

Helen and Helen and Helen,
Hailey and Hailey,
Horizon, Heide and Holly.
Inge and Ilene.

And then there are the J's -

Jackie and Jackie, Jacki with an I and Jackalyn.

Jan, Jan, Jan and Jan

Jane, Jane, Jane, and
Janet, Janet and Janet.

Jean, Jean, Jean, Jean

Jean, Jean, Jean and Jeanne with 2Ns and an E.

Jennifer, Jennifer and Jenny, Jessica and Jessi,
Julia and Julia and Julie.

Joan, Joan, Joan, Joan and Joan,

Joanne and Joanne, Joyce and Joyce, Jo and Jo.

Judith and Jude, Judie with an IE and

Judy and Judy and Judy and Judy and Judy with Ys.

Jaime, Janice, Janiece and Janyce,

Joncile, Jill, Josy and Joy!

Karen, Karen, Karen, Karen and Karen,

Kathleen, Kathleen and Kat, Kate and Kate and Katie.

Kay and Kay, Kelly and Kelly, Kirstin, Kristine and Kristina.

Kayla, Kenzie, Kimberly, Kyle,

Kari, Kirsty, Karon, Kikue.

Lois and Lois, Louise and Louise

Lou and LouAnn, Lisa and Liz

Lana, Lani, Lara and Leaf

Lott and Lottie.

Leanne, Loraine, Leticia

Lydia, Lynn, Linda and Lilly.

Margaret and Margaret, Margi with a G and Marjie with a JIE.

Marilyn, Marilyn, Marilee, Marilee, Michelle and Michelle.

Mary and Mary and Mary and Mary and Mary and Mary and Mary - and -

Mary Ann, Mary Claire, Mary Deane and MaryHelen.

Molly and Molly
Madeine, Marina, Malinda and Marcia
Marie, Marietta, Marty and Mayo
Melanie, Meiling, Melissa and Mimi
Miranda and Myri.

Nancy, Nancy, Nancy, Nancy and Nancy,
Nancy, Nancy, Nancy, Nancy and Nancy,
Norma, Nat, Nicole, Nadine and Norine.

Pat, Pat, Pat, Pat, Pat, Pat, Pat, Pat and Pat,
Patt with 2Ts, Patti with an I, and Patsy.
Pam and Pam, Penny and Penny, Phyllis, Phyllis and Phyllis.
Paula, Pearl Joy, Peggy, Perry, Penelope, Priscilla and PK.

Roxanne, Roxanne, Ruth and Ruth,
Rachael and Rachelle, Rosalind and Rose,
Richie, Ricky, Rowdie, Robyn and Rene.

Sarah and Sarah, Sharon and Sharon
Sheri with an I and Sherry with an RRY.
Sally, Sallyanne, Shirley and Sheila
Stephanie and Stephanie.
Sachie, Savannah, Samlee, Soren, Sunny - *and* -
Sue and Sue and Sue and Sue and Sue and Sue
Susan and Susan and Susan and Susan and Susan and Susan,
Susie and Susie and Suzanne!

Teresa and Teresa,
Terri with an I and Terry with a Y.
Tammie with an IE and Tammy with a Y,
Traci with an I and Tracy with a Y.
Tamara, Thuy, Toni, Tina, Trinity and Tricia.

Ulia and Uva.

Virginia and Virginia
Val, Verna, Vikki, Vassar - *and* -
Zoe!

These are the courageous, outrageous and spectacular
Women of Rose Villa!