



## **Congratulations Ted!**

*Burgess named Executive Director of the Year*

Ted Burgess, executive director of Rosewood Retirement Community, has been named Executive Director of the Year for Rosewood's parent organization, American Baptist Homes of the West. The organization includes 30 retirement communities throughout the western U.S.

Burgess, who has served as Rosewood's executive director since 1998, was lauded for his passion and enthusiasm for the Bakersfield community during the awards ceremony. He was recognized for extraordinary performance and involving Rosewood's board and residents in budgeting and planning processes.

"I understand the criteria for this award include the accomplishment of annual goals, extraordinary performance, special contributions to ABHOW and leadership/mentoring and

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## **Holiday Greetings from Rosewood**

*All of us at Rosewood wish you and yours a very happy holiday.*

In celebration of the occasion, we took this photo which adorns our Christmas card this year. It was quite an achievement to gather residents out on the lawn to form the shape of a Christmas tree. Photographer Don Mason worked with Danielle Adams, Rosewood executive assistant, and other staff members in planning and taking the photograph.

On Dec. 1, we held our annual "Lighting of Rosewood" celebration and gathered for caroling, hot chocolate and eggnog as well as flipped the switch on the Rosewood Christmas tree and decorations.

Thank you to Mayor Harvey Hall and Channel 17 for participating in our event!"



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support to professional colleagues,” said Gloria Marshall, chairperson of the Rosewood Advisory Board, at the presentation.

She added that she is especially appreciative of the manner in which Burgess has involved the board and residents of Rosewood in the budgeting process.

Burgess joined Rosewood in 1984 in the marketing department and was promoted to assistant administrator in 1989. Nine years later, he took the helm as Rosewood’s executive director and has been instrumental in the community’s growth and development.

Congratulations Ted!

### Rosewood celebrates veterans

Rosewood was one of the major sponsors of a special community event called “Keep Old Glory Flying” to honor veterans in November. Held at Buck Owens Crystal Palace, the celebration featured country singer and songwriter Jonathan Wild performing his hit single “Keep Old Glory Flying.” Proceeds from the event benefited the Kern Veteran’s Memorial Foundation.

# Always in Fashion

There were some spectacular outfits on equally wonderful models as Rosewood residents, staff and family participated in the Annual Fashion Show held earlier this year.



### Rosewood sponsors seminars on Alzheimer’s Disease

In recent months, Rosewood has sponsored two special symposiums to help inform the community about Alzheimer’s Disease and other disorders related to memory loss.

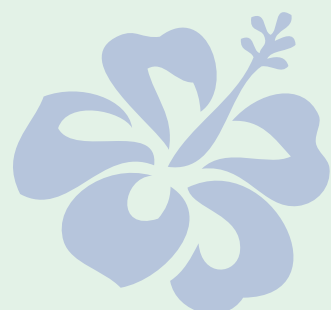
In November, Rosewood was a major sponsor of an event presented by the Alzheimer’s Disease Association to inform the medical community and caregivers about intervention in the early stages of Alzheimer’s Disease.

Considered one of Kern County’s finest educational presentations on dementia care, the symposium was designed to aid caregivers in maintaining and enhancing quality of life for those impacted by Alzheimer’s Disease and related disorders.

Earlier this year, Rosewood presented a free seminar on the most current medical and psychological research on the topic of memory loss. The seminar, entitled “Down Memory Lane,” was presented in cooperation with the Alzheimer Disease Association and featured clinical psychologist Dr. David Wood.

## fun in the sun

Our annual Luau Celebration treated residents, staff and families with fun and entertainment. A good time was had by all!





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### **New “seating times” enhance dining at Rosewood**

Rosewood has adopted a practice common on luxury cruise lines, employing the use of “seating times” to make sure guests are provided with the best possible service and environment for their dining experience.

Rosewood has established

three “seatings,” giving residents the choice of 4:30, 5 and 5:30. Approximately 40 residents are seated during each dining session.

#### ***Tours available*** **Plan early for possible move**

Would you like to learn more about Rosewood? Give us a call and arrange a

personalized tour.

If you are interested in becoming a resident, it is advisable to let us know as soon as possible. We’ll add your name to our waiting list, giving you and your family time to make plans and arrangements for your move.

Please call us at 834-0620 for more information and to arrange your tour.

## *Upcoming...*

### **Bridge Luncheon every 3rd Thursday**

Rosewood is hosting a bridge luncheon on the third Thursday of every month. The event, which is open to the public, begins at noon. For more information and to reserve your spot, contact Sharon Varner at 835-2545.

### **Happy Hour!**

Rosewood residents are invited to join their neighbors

for Happy Hour, held every other Wednesday evening. Complimentary wine and other beverages are available, along with entertainment and fellowship with other residents.

### **Valentines Day**

On Feb. 14, we’ll have an evening of romance with our “Language of Love” event. Residents will enjoy special music and entertainment.

### **St. Patrick’s Day Celebration**

Mark your calendars now for March 17 and join Rosewood as we celebrate St. Patrick’s Day. All are invited to enjoy an afternoon of special music and entertainment. Don’t forget to wear your green!

Rosewood is Bakersfield’s only accredited Continuing Care Retirement Community and offers residential living, assisted living and skilled nursing care. Rosewood is owned and operated by American Baptist Homes of the West, a non-sectarian, not-for-profit company serving seniors through quality retirement housing since 1949. State of California License #150400536, DHW #120000165, Certificate of Authority #114.

