

# A Life of Service is a Life of Purpose



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Children's rights activist MarianWright Edelman could have been referring to South Nassau employees when she said, "Service is the rent we pay to be living. It is the very purpose of life and not something you do in your spare time." Certainly, to devote your professional life to the health and well-being of others shows a strong commitment to that very ideal. The activities that engage many of our fellow staff members when they are away from work underscores their belief in a life of service.

Tony Amato's story on page 3 is a perfect example of this. Tony spent his holiday vacation volunteering as a surgical nurse on a medical mission to Liberia. Also in this issue of *Intercom*, you will read about Joan Pellegrino, R.N., who, when she is not at work, shares her love of horses with disabled children.

That commitment to service is a driving force for our employees, whether they are out in the world at large, or here within the walls of South Nassau. It is that dedication that inspires them

to strive for excellence, to continually seek out opportunities to learn and distinguish themselves among their peers. In this publication, you will read about some of the honors your colleagues have recently achieved such as the Sodexo team award earned by the Dietary Department and the outstanding effort put forth by our Home Care Employee of the Quarter.

Reading about these achievements makes me proud to be associated with this group of motivated, dedicated health care professionals. Whether you are a patient care provider or work behind the scenes to ensure that our patients receive the best health care available, your contributions are valued and your commitment to excellence is appreciated.

On behalf of our patients, our board and administration, I thank you for choosing a life of service. The world is a better place because of the contributions you make.

Sincerely,

Joseph A. Quagliata  
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