

Our Rainbow Warrior

If positive character traits were portrayed by bright colors, then Nalani Haruo would be as radiant as the rainbows of her native Hawaii.

And those primary colors would represent:

- **Faith.** She is a born-again believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, and her walk matches her talk. “Nalani is truly one of God’s chosen prayer warriors,” said her supervisor, Dee McCarthy, senior vice president for Clinical Services. “Her daily prayers for the department, for the nursing staff, for the residents and for each and every member of the Life Care family are often what keep us going as a team.”
- **Hope.** She inspires it in others. “Members of the clinical team all talk of how comforting it is to get Nalani on the line during a bad travel day. She not only soothes their upset spirits, but swiftly and quietly smoothes over whatever problems they are having,” McCarthy said. “Without fail, she always comes through for them, even when others say it cannot be done.”
- **Love.** It is expressed in a variety of ways. First of all, she gives praise to God for His grace and His mercy. And then she extends His love, through her, to everyone around her – and beyond. “To know that there is someone who prays daily for us, for the work we do and for God to bless the lives of everyone we touch is an awe-inspiring and precious gift. It is one of many that she humbly and quietly bestows upon us all,” McCarthy noted.



Wednesday, April 15, during Life Care’s early celebration of Secretaries’ Day (since April 22, the actual date, falls during the directors of nursing annual meeting in Nashville) Haruo was crowned Life Care’s Secretary of the Year. Kathleen Preston, wife of Forrest Preston and a former Secretary of the Year for the City of Cleveland and Bradley County, placed the tiara on Nalani’s head and presented her with a dozen roses. Haruo was escorted down the red carpet for her coronation on the arm of President Beecher Hunter.



Also honored during the Wednesday breakfast were Life Care’s division

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executive secretaries: Kathi Christensen, Eastern; Tammy Van Dyke, Heartland;



Robyn Maynard, Mountain States; Ann Boyd, Northeast; Stephanie Halvorson, Northwest; Pamela "Pete" Vaughn, Southeast; and LaRue Lahvic, Southwest. Following the breakfast, they spent time in a training class led by Jennie McClaren, vice president of People Development.

Secretaries and their supervisors were entertained by a quiz show,

The Truly Said Game, modeled after *The Newlywed Game*, and hosted by Bob Grayson, vice president of The Media Center.

We congratulate all of our secretaries across the company, and thank you for the exceptional talents and commitment you bring to your jobs everyday.

– Beecher Hunter