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Asmina Jiwa: Resident of the Month

November 2024

Our November Resident of the Month is Asmina Jiwa. She has lived at Ponte Palmero for over 7 years, since June of 2017. One of eight children, Asmina was born in Mombasa, Kenya. Her father was passionate about education. "My father's dream was that his children become doctors and serve humanity. He believed everyone should strive to be economically independent," she said. Asmina came to the United States on a student visa. She studied immunology at the University of Massachusetts and worked as a scientist at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Later, she moved to the Sacramento area to be closer to her parents.

After academia, Asmina worked in the biotechnology industry. Her grandfather was an accomplished businessman who was the first person to export Kenyan coffee, and she thought she might follow in his footsteps and try her hand at business. Working at the university as a scientist, she was exposed to only a single area of research. While working in biotechnology, she got to learn about many different things. "That experience opened up my mind completely," she said.

Asmina enjoys photography, acrylic painting, cooking, and traveling. When she retired, just for fun, she became a Hindi - speaking flight attendant for Delta Airlines. "I'm a busybody. I have to do something; otherwise I feel like 'what did I accomplish today?'" she said. Asmina has traveled almost half the world! Among her favorite places are Banff National Park in Canada and Sedona, Arizona. She loves the mountains. Asmina said, "There's something mystical about them."

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(Continued from page 1) About living at Ponte, Asmina said, "[The residents] are such an inspiration. Ponte is amazing. I feel at home here. The employees are very good and they try their best. This place is inclusive. We are all equal." A bit of Asmina's life philosophy: "I believe in helping others. Everything in the universe is shared. Our job here is designed. The sooner we figure out what we are supposed to do, the better off we are. The universe will guide you on your path."



Barbara Kampe - Nov. 9 Helen Carlson - Nov. 9 Bill Johnson - Nov. 11 June Barton - Nov. 12 Linda Russo - Nov. 16 Ovid Holmes - Nov. 16 Carole Mitchell - Nov. 22 Irene "Rene" Welter - Nov. 22 Dorothy Carey - Nov. 23 Albert Edgeman - Nov. 24 Paula Lester - Nov. 29 Hawaiian Luau

































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Aerospace Museum

























Cameron Park Car Show



















Apple Hill Outing: Abel's Acres









Employee Appreciation







Harmony & Grits



Ukulele Club Performance at the Lighthouse





Volunteer Pianists





Walking Club







Tim Planting Flowers



Oktoberfest

















Fall Pumpkin Decorating







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Ponté Palmero Resort-Style Living

"This Month In History" NOVEMBER

1876: Yale defeats Princeton in the first college football game played on Thanksgiving.

1935: Departing from San Francisco, the China Clipper seaplane carries over 110,000 pieces of mail across the Pacific Ocean, arriving in the Philippines seven days later. The completion of the voyage marked the beginning of trans-Pacific airmail service and travel.

1945: The super-strong, spunky girl with the mismatched socks is introduced to readers when

Astrid Lindgren's book "Pippi Longstocking" is published in Sweden.

1963: Priced at \$15.95, the Easy-Bake Oven debuts in toy stores. Half a million of the mini appliances were sold during the first year.

1982: The first Honda Accord rolls off the assembly line in Marysville, Ohio, making Honda the first Asian automaker to manufacture cars in the U.S.

1993: A football record is set when the Miami Dolphins defeat the Philadelphia Eagles, crowning head coach Don Shula the winningest coach in NFL history.

2005: Angela Merkel is sworn in as the first female chancellor of Germany.

2019: The iconic black leather outfit worn by Olivia Newton-John in the 1978 film "Grease" is auctioned off for \$405,700, with 100% of the proceeds donated to the actress' cancer research organization.

