

**Faith Savasta '85, MSN, RN** *Registered Nurse*Primetime Adult Day Care

A registered nurse for Primetime Adult Day Care in Bethel Park, Pa., Faith Savasta '85 provides holistic care to patients who are elderly, mentally challenged or have been diagnosed with dementia or Alzheimer's Disease. In this role she works collaboratively with staff to help clients attain maximal physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health.

Ms. Savasta graduated from West Penn Hospital School of Nursing in 1966, earned her Bachelor of Science in nursing from La Roche in 1985 and obtained a master's degree in nursing from Duquesne University in 1995. Her career began as a staff nurse at West Penn Hospital in 1966, where she later served as an assistant head nurse and head nurse. Later in her career she was a critical care instructor for Sewickley Valley Hospital School of Nursing (1972-2011).

"The instructors at La Roche were humanistic and encouraged the students to be self-directed and intrinsically motivated. The curriculum helped me to think critically and to remember the humanness of the individual. The instructors were beautiful examples of what nurses should be," she said.

Ms. Savasta is a certified nurse educator and a CCRN. She also holds a trainer certification from the Pennsylvania Department of Human Medication Administration. She was recognized by the Cameos of Caring for Nurse Educators (2006) and won a state nursing essay (2001).

"I cannot change the world, but I can change a little piece of it by offering love and support to those less fortunate," she said.