

ROSALIN CONTRERA GUASTELLA CROWNED MS. SENIOR MICHIGAN 2013



Rosalin is a 62 year old, opera singer and member of the Michigan Opera Theatre chorus who sang "O mio babbino caro" from *Gianni Schicchi* by Puccini.

Rosalin was born and raised in Detroit in a very close Italian family. She began working as an executive secretary, 1969-1975, for General Motor's Tech Center in Warren, Michigan, then entered college to obtain a Bachelor's in vocal performance at South Dakota State University. After graduation, she and her husband moved back to Plymouth, Michigan, where she auditioned for the Michigan Opera Theatre and has been doing opera's with MOT since 1985. During these years, she volunteered as a teaching leader for the International Woman's Bible Study Fellowship and started a small personal training business in the 90's. For the past fourteen years, Rosalin

worked as a secretary for the Plymouth-Canton Community School district and has just retired. Having just retired, Rosalin is in the process of redefining her life and goals.

Rosalin has lived in Plymouth since 1980 with her husband Dennis, an artist and retired professor, who continues to teach part-time at the University of Michigan. They have three daughters and two grandchildren.

As Mrs. Senior Michigan, Rosalin will represent our Great Lakes State of Michigan at the larger Ms. Senior American 2013 Pageant in Atlantic City running from October 20 - 25, 2013. All of the 50 United States, plus, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico are eligible to send a contestant to the Ms. Senior America pageant.

The fundamental idea behind the pageant is to highlight the fact "senior women are remarkable, talented role models for life."

by Toni Sanchez-Murphy
Ms. Senior Michigan 2012

(Note: Rosaline also spells her name without the "e" *Rosalin*)