

Samaritan Medical Center

Quarterly Newsletter

2017 RECYCLE DAY a Success!

Samaritan Medical Center held its annual Recycle Day on Wednesday, April 12, 2017, in partnership with Good Samaritan Hospital. Over 24 SMC tenant offices took advantage of the services, as well as numerous GSH staff and volunteers. Over 320 boxes of paper were sent to Corodata Shred, and thanks to the non-profit organization, EWaste4Good, 4 large bins of electronics were collected for recycle. We have received positive feedback from the campus that this service is very much appreciated.



To stay abreast of SMC future campus development plans, please visit the website we created which contains updates on building plans for the medical center.

www.samplussj.com

DID YOU KNOW?

STANFORD BLOOD DRIVE



Stanford Healthcare held its first blood drive on the SMC campus on June 7 with 30 donors participating and 21 units of blood collected. This was a successful event, and they thank everyone who attended and helped make this happen. If you wanted to participate and were unable this past time, please stay tuned for the next blood drive announcement, which is tentatively planned for the Fall.

Now in East San Jose! Cancer CAREpoint offers Nutrition classes in Spanish for cancer patients and their families. The next program is on June 25 at Our Lady of Guadalupe. Contact Cecilia Carranza, cecilia@cancercarepoint.org for more information.

Are you a guy facing a cancer diagnosis? Come to our Cancer CAREpoint Men’s Breakfast: Stress Reduction Techniques presented by Dr. Cynthia McDonald on July 19th from 8:00 to 9:00 am. Contact Denise Garlick, denise@cancercarepoint.org for more information.

What is that beautiful fragrance? On July 19th at 6:00 pm, Cancer CAREpoint will present an Aromatherapy Seminar. You can learn how using essential oils can help you manage your mind and your body during and after cancer treatment. Contact Denise Garlick, denise@cancercarepoint.org for more information.

Visit the Cancer CAREpoint website at www.cancercarepoint.org for the latest calendar of programs.



SMC OCTOBER TRIVIA WINNER!

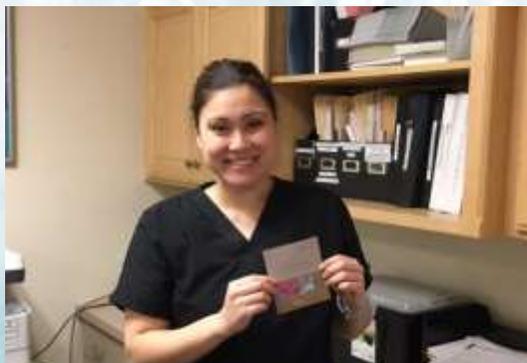
Christine Melendez

Dr. Bahadi’s Office
Suite 2505/103

Clue...



Answer...



The rose garden picnic area at the 2505 building

WHO WILL BE OUR NEXT STARBUCK’S WINNER? – SEE BACK PAGE FOR THE NEXT GAME’S CLUE

TENANT SPOTLIGHT

Jamal Modir, M.D.

2505 Samaritan Dr., Suite 301



We'd like to introduce you to Dr. Jamal Modir, a renowned surgeon, practicing on the SMC campus since 1974. Dr. Modir, a graduate of Duke University Medical School, completed his internship at Utah Medical Center. At a very young age he realized that he wanted to be a surgeon. He said that the pleasure of making a difference for those who need it and couldn't get it was always very appealing to him.

When asked to highlight one of the most memorable moments of his medical career, Dr. Modir noted that one year he dedicated his surgical practice to charity work. All the surgeries he did during that year were done at no charge for poor people. He has done that periodically throughout his career.

Dr. Modir belongs to the Santa Clara County Medical Association and the California Medical Association. He is the Founder and President of the Northern California Breast Institute. He was also the Founder and former Medical Director of the Samaritan Breast Clinic, which was the first freestanding complete breast care center in Northern California, and which was praised by then California Governor Deukmejian. During his directorship at the Samaritan Breast Clinic, he held and lectured many local seminars on early cancer detection and total breast care. He made medical appearances on several national television networks including NBC and FOX to promote and encourage breast care. It was because of these efforts that he was able to reduce the time of obtaining mammograms from an average of 2 months to 48 hours in the Clinic. Subsequently, dedicated centers for mammography were popularized throughout the state, and the time period to get a mammogram was reduced to less than 2 weeks on average.

Some of his other professional accomplishments include his authoring three patented inventions, one of which was the design and patented implant for partial mastectomies.

Dr. Modir is the Founder of the GASPA (Good Samaritan Physician Association), which later became SCCIPA (Santa Clara County Physician Association). He was elected Chief of Surgery at Good Samaritan Hospital for a total of more than 10 years and served at the executive level for more than 16 years. At Good Samaritan Hospital, he created a subdivision in the Department of Surgery, whose director is in charge of all O.R. and surgical functions. He served as the division's first director.

With the help of Dr. Modir's son, a legislative attorney, Congressman Tom Campbell and the CMA, he attempted to unionize independent physicians to enable collective bargaining. A Bill was prepared that passed in the House of Representatives, but never made it to the Senate Floor. He plans to pursue this further after retirement because he truly believes physicians need collective action and organization in the existing healthcare framework to further patient care.

Dr. Modir is a unique physician who was involved with nursing care at both local and state levels, and was awarded an "Honorary Nurse" certificate of appreciation from the California Nurses' Association for "tireless efforts" in being the "voice of a patient advocate".

Dr. Modir's brother often encouraged him to "dream big, swing for the fences and focus on people in need along the way." He certainly seems to have heeded that advice from looking at his outstanding and compassionate career.

If he were granted any special powers, he wishes he had strong legislative authority to help further advance single payer healthcare for the state and country. He's been a believer in universal healthcare for all people.

When the time comes to no longer manage a medical practice, this talented man would like to resume two former hobbies which include writing music and architectural design. Who knew? I'm sure his wife, Fran, who currently works side by side with him in his medical office, will be happy to hear his music bellowing their halls, perhaps in one of his original architectural designs!

In the meantime, we will enjoy running into this creative doctor as he strolls the walkways between his office here on the Samaritan Medical Center campus and Good Samaritan Hospital.



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Premier Medical Office Space

SMC TRIVIA

Find Alex, the SMC Penguin!

Can you identify where this photo was taken? It is somewhere on the SMC campus, and many of you pass this perch every day, though Alex won't be there now! Answer will be revealed in the next newsletter if there is a winner.

Who wants to win?



*The first person who contacts our office with the correct answer wins a \$50 Starbucks gift card.
All newsletters are found on our website – www.samaritanmedical.com.*

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LOST & FOUND AT SMC

If you or any of your clients ever lose anything on the SMC campus, i.e., keys, purses, cell phones, credit cards, articles of clothing, please call the Property Management Office at 408-402-6600 or e-mail annmarie@samaritanmedical.com since we continue to accumulate a collection of items.

"The two most important days of your life are the day you were born and the day you find out why." (Mark Twain)