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MEDICAL STAFF BRIEFS



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Medical Staff elects 2010/2011 Officers

Here are the election results for the 2010/2011 Medical Staff Officers from 361 ballots submitted, with five not acceptable:

Chief of Staff:.....	George Moro, M.D., FACS (200) Brian Kent, M.D. (154)
Vice Chief of Staff:	Paul Beck, M.D. (203) Robert Del Junco, M.D. (152)
Secretary Treasurer:	Lawrence Ehrlich, M.D., JD (221) Edward Alexson, M.D. (132)
Member at Large:	Ervin Ruzics, M.D. (206) Edward Lee, M.D. (148)

Congratulations to the newly elected officers, and thanks to all the nominees for running a fair race. We hope they will continue to be involved in Medical Staff Affairs.

Ashok Kar, M.D., Chief of Staff

SJO sticks with safety, earns award

BD Diagnostics recently presented St. Joseph Hospital with a Safety Recognition Award for its commitment to preventing needlestick injuries in healthcare workers. Through the use of the BD Vacutainer® Push Button Blood Collection Set utilized by St. Joseph Hospital for the last six years, not a single needlestick injury has been reported.

An estimated 384,325 injuries due to needlesticks occur in United States hospitals annually, as reported in the *Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology Journal*. A study by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) showed that 61 percent of needlestick injuries occur within seconds after the device was removed from the vein.

The safety-engineered BD Vacutainer® Push Button Blood Collection device can be activated with the simple push of a button to retract the needle before it is removed from the patient's vein, thereby protecting the healthcare worker from the risk of needlestick and exposure to bloodborne pathogens such as HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C.

Last call for physician photos in SJO directory

For any Medical Staff members missing a portrait for the 2010-2011 physician directory, photos will be taken on Wednesday, November 18, from 2-5 pm in the SJH Pavilion Brd Rm; and Thursday, November 19, from 2:30 - 5:30 pm in The Center for Cancer Prevention and Treatment Resource Library. Photos are also posted on SJO's website. If you have any questions please call 714-771-8937 or email jen.duerksen@stjoe.org.

Rapid Improvement Events Reshape Outpatient Radiology

A year-long St. Joseph Way process improvement effort for Outpatient Radiology kicked off on September 21 with the first in a series of week long Rapid Improvement Events (RIEs). The outcome of the first RIE was to centralize registration on the first floor of the Pavilion and to set a target for completing registrations within five minutes. The outcome of a second RIE was to change the way physician orders are received - using new technology to enable receipt of faxes in electronic format, thereby eliminating paper and improving the speed with which orders can be processed.

A November 16-20 RIE has the goal of creating a uniform referral form so that clinicians and schedulers have all the information needed when the Radiology test is scheduled. **Dr. Tiberio Lindgren's** office manager and CHOC team members - as expert representation of physician medical practices - will join CMO and SJO Way Executive Sponsor **Dr. Raymond Casciari** and the SJO Way team in the "war room" at the Motherhouse to accomplish this RIE. The expected outcome is to create a more efficient process for physician offices, patients and schedulers. Future RIEs will explore extending hours and improving the ability to obtain authorizations.

- Susan Deforest, Manager, Outpatient Radiology

St. Joseph Heritage Healthcare Merits recognition from ADA

The American Diabetic Association Education Recognition Certificate for a quality diabetes self-management education program meeting national standards was recently awarded to St. Joseph Heritage Healthcare's Center for Health Promotion.

St. Joseph Heritage Healthcare encompasses St. Joseph Hospital Affiliated Physicians and St. Joseph Heritage Medical Group.

Welcome, new Medical Staff

Jonathan Ahdoot, MD	Pulmonary Disease
Ian Bare, MD	Family Practice
David Buchbinder, MD	Pediatric Hematology/Oncology
Svetlana Gorodetski, MD	Pediatrics
Han Ji Yon, MD	Pediatrics
Israel Hernandez-Arce, MD	Internal Medicine
Jessica Langenhan, MD	Psychiatry
Samuel Lin, MD	Family Practice
Saloman Maya, MD	Anesthesiology
Chauppit Moser, M.D	Pediatric Pulmonology
Roshny Pattathu, MD	Internal Medicine
Daniel Saesim, MD	Neonatology
Desmond Sjauwfoekloy, MD	Pulmonary Medicine- Intensivist

Clinical Institute Office Managers' Holiday Luncheon

Clinical Institute office managers are invited to a festive, informational luncheon on Wednesday, December 2 in the Mother Louis Rm of the St. Joseph Center, 480 S. Batavia St. Officer managers can RSVP at 714-744-8821 or via email to Kelleen.Corfield@stjoe.org.

Celebrate Light Up a Life

The Light Up A Life Tree Lighting Ceremony takes place on Sunday, December 6, at the St. Joseph Hospital Park (between the parking structure and hospital). Lights on the tree may be dedicated in honor or memory of a loved one as follows: Peace - Tree Light and Ornament - \$100 each; Joy - Tree Light and Engraved Ornament - \$250 each; Star - Tree Light, Engraved Ornament and Keepsake Book - \$500 each; and Friend for Life - Tree Light, Engraved Ornament and Engraved Tile on the St. Joseph Memorial Wall - \$1000 each.

All proceeds will benefit St. Joseph Hospice. To order a light please contact the SJO Foundation at 714-771-8211.

To the Light exhibit slated for December 2 at CCPT

You are invited to attend "To the Light" at The Center for Cancer Prevention and Treatment on Wednesday, December 2. Through photographs over a 10-year period and her remarks, breast cancer survivor and author **Trish Kinney** will share her inspirational cancer recovery story.

Kinney states, "Cancer was one of the greatest gifts I have ever been given, teaching me everything I know about life and death. If you follow the timeline of the photographs, you will see the opportunity that I have been given to move "to the light" and live in its brilliance."

A reception begins at 6 pm. Kinney's presentation will be at 6:45, and tours of the Center will be given from 7:15 to 8 pm.

Please RSVP by November 25 by calling 714-771-8211 or emailing marina.harrison@stjoe.org.



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