

# MEDICAL STAFF BRIEFS

A Publication from the Chief of Staff and Chief Medical Officer



June 2022



Staff Officers, from left: Drs. Scott Rusk, Chief Medical Officer; Peter Smethurst, Chief of Staff; Brian Boyd; and John Cross, along with Jeremy Zoch, Chief Executive, and Snoopy, honorary staff member.

## Fun Day for Doctor's Day at Knott's Berry Farm

The appreciation event for Providence St. Joseph Hospital physicians and their families on June 4 at the amusement park was filled with high-speed thrills and kid-sized adventures. Medical Staffers were able to step out to enjoy an old fashioned picnic plus 165 rides, thrills and attractions.



Emergency physician Dr. Claudia Gold, husband David, and Dr. Peter Smethurst.



Family Medicine physicians Dr. Lawrence Ehrlich, JD, and Dr. Laura Mackenzie-Tangredi with Jeremy Zoch.

## Your PSJO Campus Safety: Our #1 Priority

Security measures in place include:

**Continuous Education:** Security visited all departments and units to provide re-education on emergency codes, with a specific focus on Code Silver - Person with a Weapon or Hostage Situation. If you'd like a badge buddy with a listing of all emergency codes and Security phone number, please stop by Security or the Medical Staff Office.

**Campus Access & Monitoring:** Access to visitors continues to be restricted to the main entrances. Badge access is granted at specific entrances for caregivers during regular business hours. Access is restricted to main entrances-only for all nights and weekends (except for staff who respond to codes). Please re-direct people without the appropriate badge access to a main entrance. Video cameras throughout the campus are continuously monitored by Security.

We hope to never experience an active shooter (Code Silver); however, should this occur, run, hide, or fight to survive. If you see or hear something suspicious, say something. Internally, dial 66 to reach Security immediately, or call Security at 714-771-8050, or call 911.



## Recounting Sacred Encounters

*"My wife was in St. Joseph Hospital for nearly a month. The doctors and nurses assigned to her are the best I have ever seen..."*

As some of you may be aware, at the start of every shift, in every area of the hospital, a daily huddle occurs to reset, center, provide updates, and inspire our caregivers and support staff. One part of this is the 'Sacred Encounter' where feedback and experiences are shared. Many of the Sacred Encounters cite our physicians, often by name. Other recent patient/family comments shared include:

*"I've been a patient of St. Joseph's associated doctors and the hospital since 1994 and would not consider going anywhere else."*

*"My experience at this hospital was amazing, the amount of care and support I had from the staff and my doctor was wonderful..."*

We have a lot to be proud of. I look forward to sharing more Sacred Encounters with you in this section from time to time.

- Peter Smethurst, MD, Chief of Staff

## In Memoriam: Jerald Robinson, MD, Otolaryngologist, 1937 - 2022



With heavy hearts we announce the passing of Jerald Robinson, MD, on May 16, 2022, after a battle with cancer. Dr. Robinson practiced Otolaryngology/Neurotology and was an otolaryngologist who joined the St. Joseph Hospital Medical Staff in 1984. Dr. Robinson was also an Assistant Clinical Professor in Otolaryngology at the USC School of

Medicine for a number of years. At St. Joseph Hospital, he was a regular member of the EENT Committee and an active member of the Medical Staff. He regularly communicated with the Medical Staff Office that he was hopeful to beat his illness and return to practice at the hospital.

Dr. Robinson's obituary can be viewed at: [www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/jerald-robinson-obituary?id=34897710](http://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/jerald-robinson-obituary?id=34897710)

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news items to 714-771-8056 or  
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## Melanoma and Skin Cancer Symposium



Thursday, October 27, 2022

5:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
Dinner provided

### Keynote Speakers:

Dr. Daniel Clayburgh  
Dr. Bartosz Chmielowski  
Dr. Dekker Deacon



## WELCOME to Affiliated Pathologists Medical Group and New Staff Pathologists

Affiliated Pathologists Medical Group (APMG) has joined Providence St. Joseph Hospital to provide Pathologic and Laboratory medical services effective June 1. APMG is a physician group comprised of 39 board certified and fellowship trained pathologists. A number of APMG members are recognized as national and international experts in Pathology and in specific subspecialty fields. APMG has leveraged its expertise to drive innovation in Molecular Pathology, Digital Imaging and Custom Software development. As we look to grow our

Laboratory services, APMG will be a great partner as we share the common goal of serving our community with the highest levels of quality.

Three full-time pathologists listed below will be scheduled here at Providence St. Joseph. Along with other members of the medical group, APMG will provide coverage for our campus 24/7/365.

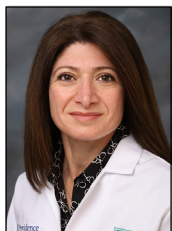
- **Nicolas Gallegos, MD, Co-Medical Director Fellowships in Cytopathology & Surgical Pathology UCI**
- **Wamda Goreal, MD, Fellowship Cytopathology UCI**
- **Adam Stelling, MD, Co-Medical Director (CAP/CLIA Medical Director) Fellowships in Hematopathology & Surgical Pathology UCLA**

Please join in welcoming the newest members of our Medical Staff.

**Jason Zepeda, Executive Director, Operations**



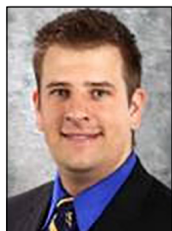
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Georgia Tunstill, MD