With great sadness we mourn the June 17 passing of Alan Gazzaniga, MD, cardiothoracic surgeon and beloved past chief of staff at St. Joseph Hospital (1994-95). Dr. Gazzaniga was a surgical pioneer in both adult and pediatric cardiothoracic surgery. He was a mentor, teacher, and friend to many, many people in and around Orange County and beyond. Dr. Gazzaniga came to California in 1970 and served as professor and chief of Cardiothoracic Surgery at UCI. He also headed trauma care at UCI until 1987. His contributions to medical research and surgical innovation have left an indelible mark on how medical care is delivered today. He assisted in the first heart transplant surgery in Orange County, broadened the application of ECMO in children and infants, introducing it to CHOC for the first time in 1972, and established the EMT program in the Orange County Fire Department.

Outside of medicine, Dr. Gazzaniga was a devoted family man, master gardener, and author of mystery books. His obituary, recounting his extraordinary life, can be found at dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/santa-ana-ca/alan-gazzaniga-10797780

In Memoriam: Alan Gazzaniga, MD, Cardiothoracic Surgeon, 1936 - 2022
July 2022

What are we doing to keep our facility safe?

We are committed to providing a safe and secure workplace by sharing security measures currently in place throughout St. Joseph Hospital and our campus, such as limited access at entrances, video monitoring and frequent rounding by the security team. We recently completed a security assessment with the Providence System security team. Overall, they found our security initiatives to be working well.

Initial areas for improvement (and how you can help to make our campus even safer) include:
1. Do not prop open exterior doors
2. Do not let someone enter the building behind you, i.e., tailgating, and
3. If you see something, say something.

We will share more information with you once we have the final assessment.

WELCOME to New Medical Staff

Evagelos Coskinas, MD
Psychiatry
College Hospital
Costa Mesa

Anthony Chuang, MD
Pediatric
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Pathology
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Mahmoud Moammar, MD
Pulmonary Disease
St. Joseph Heritage

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Save Saturday evening, Oct. 15, for the highly anticipated Celebration event featuring an entertainment, gourmet dinner, premier auction and much more. Proceeds will support cancer services at The Center for Cancer Prevention and Treatment. More details coming soon! For questions, contact the Events team at 714-347-7900 or email sjofoundation@providence.org.