



# Su Casa



November 2014



## Construction Update

During the last several months, framers continued to hang drywall in the hallways and patient rooms while exterior grade drywall (Densglas) was applied to the outside of the new building. The exterior windows were also installed and preparation for the stucco is in process. Inside the building the mechanical ducting, electrical, plumbing and medical gas lines installation continues. The elevator contractor began the framing for the installation of the two elevators. Backing was applied to the stair walls backing to anchor the handrails and concrete pads were poured on the roof to hold the HVAC equipment. Work continues on the metal decking, roof support fabrication, plywood sheathing and roofing paper. Presently the roofing contractor is loading the roof tiles on the top of the building – this will be a very beautifying and noticeable step.

In addition, the current hospital's lobby remodel was completed with the final OSHPD approval obtained for this part of the project.

The Testing Lab continually took samples during this time and the inspection process continues.

Keep watching our progress and stay safe!



## PHYSICAL THERAPY AWARENESS FAIR

During the month of October we recognize our physical therapists and physical therapy assistants for their work restoring and improving motion in people's lives.



## Safety Pays By Being Accident Free!

We are pleased to announce that ADHC has won the award for being injury free in the 3rd quarter. Because of this accomplishment, they were awarded with a Breakfast Party from Panera Bread. Great job and congratulations!!!

Keep up the good work!



# WELCOME

*Sarah Barnes, PHYSICAL THERAPIST, Outpatient*  
*Richard Davis, SPEECH PATHOLOGIST, Inpatient*  
*Taylor Lamborghini, RESIDENTIAL CAREGIVER, Hillsdale Home*  
*Kenneth Larracas, THERAPY AIDE, Children's Center*  
*Antoinette McHenry-Culver, DIRECTOR, MED-SURG/ICU, Nursing*  
*Sharon Pavlovich, COTA, Inpatient*  
*Mary Perez, ADMISSIONS COORDINATOR, Outpatient*  
*Randall Ricordati, SENIOR MAINTENANCE, Facilities*  
*Sheila Rosenberg, PhD, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, Research*  
*Stephanie Valdez-Escalante, MEDICAL ASSISTANT, Wound Care*  
*Althea Valencerina, COTA, Inpatient*  
*Allyson Viteri, THERAPY AIDE, Children's Center*  
*Delissa White, RESIDENTIAL AIDE, Apple Valley*



## Ask Bugsy



Here are the facts you should know about Ebola:

**What is Ebola?** Ebola virus is the cause of a viral hemorrhagic fever disease. Symptoms include: fever, headache, joint and muscle aches, weakness, diarrhea, vomiting, stomach pain, lack of appetite, and abnormal bleeding. Symptoms may appear anywhere from 2 to 21 days after exposure to ebolavirus though 8-10 days is most common.

**How is Ebola transmitted?** Ebola is transmitted through direct contact with the blood or bodily fluids of an infected symptomatic person or through exposure to objects (such as needles) that have been contaminated with infected secretions.

**Can Ebola be transmitted through the air?** No. Ebola is not a respiratory disease like the flu, so it is not transmitted through the air.

**Can I get Ebola from contaminated food or water?** No. Ebola is not transmitted through food in the United States. It is not transmitted through water.

**Can I get Ebola from a person who is infected but doesn't have any symptoms?** No. Individuals who are not symptomatic are not contagious. In order for the virus to be transmitted, an individual would have to have direct contact with an individual who is experiencing symptoms or has died of the disease.

**Reference:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 10/14

The first confirmed case of Ebola diagnosed in the United States is a person who traveled from West Africa. He died 10/8/14. Persons who came in contact with him in the airplane and stateside are being monitored for signs of developing Ebola

Have a question for Bugsy? You may contact her via e-mail ([infectioncontrol@casacolina.org](mailto:infectioncontrol@casacolina.org)) or at extension 3207.

**Join us for our  
Annual Human Resources Holiday  
Open House**

**December 8<sup>th</sup> 11:30-1:30**

**Enjoy homemade cookies and hot cider  
We will be here to answer any questions  
you might have or just come and enjoy!**



Casa Colina Respiratory Care Services celebrated Respiratory Care Week. The respiratory team would like to express their gratitude for Casa Colina, the physicians, and nursing dept., who provided lunch and dinner throughout the week. Each RT received a special gift and a big thank you. It was a successful week!

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## AMC Theaters

AMC has discontinued the sale of their Silver Tickets. However, we are very excited to announce that we will be selling a new bundle package this holiday season. For \$14, you will receive 2 Gold Tickets, 2 small drink coupons and 1 small popcorn coupon. This is a great stocking stuffer!

Please stop by HR to pick up your AMC bundle today



## Accomplishments:

**Cathy Timple**, PT, DPT, Director of Inpatient Physical Therapy, was recognized at the California Physical Therapy Association (CPTA) Annual Conference in October as the recipient of the association's Rising Star award. The Rising Star Award was established in 1999 to recognize members getting started in the Association's activities and have demonstrated themselves as potential leaders in the California Physical Therapy Association. Award recipients are nominated by their peers and must demonstrate enthusiasm, creativity and a valuable contribution to their local District of the California Physical Therapy Association.

**Deb Oulette**, OT, Occupational Therapist in OutPatient Therapy received Specialty Certification in Low Vision (SCLV) from the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA). Only one percent (1%) of Occupational Therapist in the country have completed advanced and specialty certifications. This achievement requires a serious time commitment to compile and complete an extensive portfolio and payment of fees for advanced certification.

**Margaret Atmodjo**, **Cami Haber**, and **Jeannene Heinrich** completed their RN Extern programs and are now working as Registered Nurses. **Ellen Bustamante** and **Amber Gray** each completed their Clinical Fellowship Year to become Speech Language Pathologists. **Meeran Kim** and **Susan Shi** achieved designation as Certified Rehabilitation Registered Nurses (CRRN). **Jeperson Simaniuntak** and **Mimi Nguyen** were promoted to Clinical Supervisors in nursing and **Eileen Willie** was promoted to LVN.

**Jaclyn Lucariello**, Imaging, received her advanced license as a Registered Vascular Technologist with the Registry of Diagnostic Medical Sonographers (RDMS).

**Paul Dinh**, Physical Therapist, Azusa and **Sean Gateley**, PT, Director of Rehabilitation in Azusa, completed their Titleist Performance Institute Level 1 certification as golf instructors. This allows them to do video golf swing analysis and corrective exercises to improve golf swing efficiency. The Azusa Center will open a golf clinic starting early 2015.

Two Casa Colina clinicians gave presentations on research studies at national conferences in October and November. **Jamie Dausillio**, RN, CRRN, Nurse Manager presented on our Patient Falls Reduction research at the Association of Rehabilitation Nursing (ARN) conference. **Melissa Howard**, SLP, CCC Clinical Director of Inpatient Speech Therapy, will be presenting later this month at the American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA) on her dysphagia research.

**Tina Salcido**, Program Assistant in Adult Day Healthcare Center (ADHC) became licensed as a Certified Nursing Assistant.

## In Other Exciting News:

"The Imaging Center passed their American College of Radiology (ACR) accreditation survey, receiving the maximum accreditation of 3 years for our new 64-slice CT Scanner. Special thanks to **Joann Ramirez** for leading this process."