Cancer is the second most common cause of death in the U.S., with more than one million people being diagnosed each year. In 2012 alone, Saddleback Memorial Medical Center reported more than 1,000 new diagnoses of cancer.

In an effort to respond to our community’s needs, Saddleback Memorial is renovating a building conveniently located adjacent to the main hospital in Laguna Hills on Paseo de Valencia. This building will become the new home of the MemorialCare Cancer Institute at Saddleback Memorial, opening in spring 2014.

Cancer patients will have access to technologically advanced equipment, a compassionate team of physicians, nurses and staff dedicated to their care, and a new resource center for both patients and their families.

The Meiklejohn Radiation Oncology Center will move to the Cancer Institute and will feature a new TrueBeam™ linear accelerator that is designed to destroy cancer cells while sparing the surrounding normal tissue with pinpoint accuracy.

The Cancer Institute will also house other state-of-the-art technology including a new PET/CT used to stage and/or restage a variety of types of cancer to help patients and their physicians decide what kind of treatment is needed.

Saddleback Memorial Foundation is partnering with the community to raise funds for this Cancer Institute that will have a positive impact on the lives of many individuals in the community. Several naming opportunities are available. Anyone interested in learning more about the Cancer Institute can contact the Foundation at (949) 452-3724.

Key Points of Interest and Funding Needs

- About 77% of all cancers are diagnosed in persons 55 years of age and older.
- The most common cancers treated at Saddleback Memorial are breast, lung, colon, prostate, bladder, and Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma.
- The building is being retrofitted to house the linear accelerator, PET/CT exam rooms, physician offices, patient changing rooms and a new resource center.
**Meet the New Saddleback Memorial Foundation Board Members**

Saddleback Memorial Foundation is pleased to welcome three new board members who bring unique skill sets in innovation, leadership and community service that will help the Foundation grow support for Saddleback Memorial Medical Center.

Michael Douglas of Aliso Viejo is the Co-Founder and Chief Operating Officer of Fidelis Partners. He has more than a decade of experience in healthcare staffing and corporate leadership. Michael and his wife, Kate, have strong ties to Saddleback Memorial, where their quadruplets were born in 2011. They, along with the Bravo family whose quintuplets were also born at Saddleback Memorial, host the annual Douglas/Bravo Memorial Golf Outing & Dinner to raise funds for women and children's services at Saddleback Memorial. Their 2nd annual tournament will be held Monday, November 11 at the Tijeras Creek Golf Club.

Arnold Schwartz has utilized his experience in the aerospace industry, which he gained from his time in the Air Force, paired with his sales experience to start his own multi-million dollar company. His company, Hydro Fitting Manufacturing Corporation now run by his son, has been designing and building custom, high-pressure valves, charging kits, hose assemblies and fittings for over 50 years. He has initiated innovative ideas including utilization of CNC equipment, four-day work weeks for employees, profit sharing plans and more. Arnold has been a member of a variety of clubs in Laguna Woods including The Aerospace Club, The 110 Club and The Community Civic Association. He has also been an active volunteer with Meals on Wheels, delivering meals to seniors in need.

Rae Tso has spent most of her career managing and implementing projects in the telecommunications industry and handling multi-million dollar budgets. Since retiring she has stayed active in her community serving as treasurer of the Laguna Woods Village Homeowners Association Board, producing a multi-cultural benefit show for the Laguna Woods Foundation and participating in disaster relief efforts. Her participation in the community, belief in transparency to the public and devotion to giving back has been a guiding force in the work she has done.

**BABY DOCS DELIVER DINNER**

Saddleback Memorial Foundation hosted the 15th annual Dizz’s As Is fundraising event in Laguna Beach on September 16. The intimate event raised nearly $16,000 (net) to benefit women and children’s services at Saddleback Memorial Medical Center. Servers included (from left to right) back row: Drs. Michael Haydon, Dennis Phillips and Jay Mersch; second row: Drs. Dennis Martin, Julio Duarte and hospital CEO Steve Geidt; third row: Drs. Kathy Sullivan, Paige Natori and hospital VP of Ancillary Services Hugo Folli; front row: Drs. Dinh Vu, Ron Naglie and Kate Roberts at Dizz’s As Is restaurant.
On a Personal Note…

Bill Phillips, Chair
Saddleback Memorial Foundation
Board of Directors

Throughout my years of service on both the hospital and foundation board of directors, I have found that community has played an integral role in our medical center’s continued success and advancement in healthcare.

Saddleback Memorial Medical Center was built from the donations of members of the surrounding community which forged a strong bond between individuals and the hospital. In return, the medical center has been providing exceptional care to the residents of South Orange County and beyond for nearly 40 years, utilizing state-of-the-art technology, top physicians and nurses, and caring, compassionate staff.

Today, Saddleback Memorial is making a difference in the lives of our friends, neighbors and family who are dealing with cancer. Located adjacent to the main hospital in Laguna Hills, the MemorialCare Cancer Institute at Saddleback Memorial is set to open in spring 2014. This new center will offer technologically advanced radiation therapy, scanning equipment and a new resource center – made possible by generous donors like you.

So many of us are directly impacted or know somebody affected by cancer. If you haven’t already done so, please consider making a contribution towards this important project. Investing in this cancer center is an investment in the health and well-being of the people of our community.

Saddleback Memorial Certified as Primary Stroke Center by the Joint Commission

In recognition of Saddleback Memorial’s expanded capabilities and commitment to provide an extraordinary stroke program, the Joint Commission has certified Saddleback Memorial as an advanced primary stroke center. This designation recognizes centers that make exceptional efforts to foster better outcomes for stroke care.

Donations at Work: Philanthropy Counts
Saddleback Memorial Foundation Transfers $5M to SMMC

As of June 30, 2013, philanthropic support has enabled Saddleback Memorial Foundation to raise $3,867,580 through cash and planned gifts for both Laguna Hills and San Clemente for fiscal year 2013. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the Saddleback Memorial Foundation Board of Directors approved $5,000,000 to be transferred* to Saddleback Memorial Medical Center to fund the following:

Equipment/Projects:
- Designed for Healing Hospital Renovation Project $1,329,519
- Inpatient MRI $1,113,150
- Siemens Artis Zee Bi-Plane $1,000,000
- 45 Monitors & 58 Transmitters (Critical Care) $206,557
- Replace Fluoroscopy Room at San Clemente $147,447
- Alcon Constellation LXT ENT Navigation System - SMMC Surgery Services $143,400
- 24 Vital Sign Machines (3 West) $99,100
- 22 Vital Sign Machines (3 East) $90,900
- Stryker Electric Stretchers $89,106
- IE33 Ultrasound and one 3D TEE $65,097
- Bonding Room Project $50,000
- Bassinets for LDRP $41,000
- Canopy at San Clemente Campus $39,000
- Ultrasound - Transcranial Doppler Procedure $37,950
- Anesthesia Machine $28,348
- Reception Project – ER $15,110
- Pagewriter TC70 Wireless EKG Machine $12,894
- NICU Renovation Project $9,674
- Blood Donor Center Project $6,670
- Secure Prescription Printers for ER $5,905
- Pediatric Scale for premature babies and infants $3,894

**Total Equipment/Projects $4,534,721

Program Services:
- Hospice Program $288,866
- Home Care Services Program $65,034
- Scholarship Program $43,200
- MemorialCare Senior Plus Program $20,000
- Transitions - Infant Safety CPR Classes $10,000
- Meals on Wheels Program $10,000
- Disease Management Program $7,479
- C.A.R.E. Channel at San Clemente $7,200
- Volunteer Services Scholarships – Laguna Hills $6,000
- Volunteer Services Scholarships – San Clemente $3,000
- Volunteer Services Comfort/Tea Cart $2,000
- The Women’s Hospital Bereavement Program $1,500
- Transitions - NICU Diaries $1,000

**Total Program Services $465,279

* $227,700 of funds will transfer in fiscal year 2014.
YEAR-END GIFTS THAT GIVE BACK

There are several ways to make a gift to Saddleback Memorial Foundation while receiving the benefit of income and tax savings. One option is to transfer cash or property in exchange for a charitable gift annuity. You will receive a charitable deduction for the donation, and guaranteed fixed income for your lifetime at a rate based on your current age. A portion of your income will be tax-free. After your lifetime, the remainder will be used to further our mission of improving the health and well-being of people in our community.

Additionally, consider a charitable remainder trust. You can choose the option of fixed payments, or payments that could increase over time. The payments create a stream of income for your lifetime, or loved ones for up to 20 years. Charitable trusts are an excellent way to avoid taxes on the transfer of appreciated property such as stock or real estate.

If you are currently 70½ or older, 2013 tax law allows you to make a charitable rollover gift from your IRA. You can redirect unneeded IRA income of up to $100,000, thereby reducing your taxable income.

Note: This charitable giving option is time-limited. With the uncertainty of Congress enacting additional extensions to this portion of the law, only gifts made before January 1, 2014 will be eligible.

During these remaining weeks of 2013, please consider making a year-end gift that could touch the lives of many. Please call Amy Cosper at (949) 452-3724 for more information or visit www.memorialcare.org/smf and click on Gift Planning.

Rae Tso: A Portrait of Giving

When Rae Tso retired in 2009, she wanted to move to a retirement community and continue working – not for the pay she could earn, but for what she could give back. Rae is fulfilling her wishes as a volunteer community leader and generous donor of a charitable gift annuity.

“I'm truly grateful for the opportunities I've had in this country, and now it's my turn to reciprocate,” she says of her $100,000 gift to Saddleback Memorial Foundation. “It’s so much better than having it locked in a savings account. Instead, I have a great deal of satisfaction knowing I'm contributing to the well-being of our community.” Rae said she was “made in China,” the money was “made in the USA,” and she simply returns the money to society with great pride.

Born in Shanghai, China during World War II as Rae-Chu-Ping (translated: “Hope-Peace”), Rae came to the U.S. with $100 from her parents. She credits them for teaching her the importance of an education and living within one’s means.

Rae looked for a worthy institution to support and found it in Saddleback Memorial. As a new member of the Foundation board, she will be involved with many decisions that raise money for important services of the hospital.

“We have one of the best hospitals in the U.S. right in our backyard and it has helped many of our residents in Laguna Woods,” says Rae. “To remain a leading hospital, we need to retain and recruit highly qualified physicians and staff who are drawn by state-of-the-art facilities, and that takes money. For me, giving to the hospital wasn’t a question of why, but why not.”

Giving Tuesday

The National Day for Giving is on December 3, 2013. You can start the holiday season with a special donation in support of Saddleback Memorial Medical Center. Simply visit our website www.memorialcare.org/smf and click on the “Give Now” button.