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Greetings!

4th Annual Cancer Forum



The Arab American and Chaldean Council, in collaboration with William Beaumont Hospital and Cancer Institute, will host its 4th Annual Arab American and Chaldean Cancer Prevention, Early Detection and Treatment Forum today, October 9 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Troy. The overall aim of the cancer forum is to help reduce risks and morbidity in breast, cervical, prostate, colorectal and other cancers among the Arab and Chaldean community.

Through its bilingual presentation, this unique event has helped many high risk individuals obtain cancer screenings and follow up care. Guest presenters and speakers include: Muhyi Al Sarraf, MD, FRCPC, FACP; Samer Ballouz, MD; and Samir Jamil, MD.

Please join us for this very important symposium
To Register: Please call (248) 551-1219 or (248) 559- 1990
Dinner is free and included for registrants
*Please note, there is no cost to attend this symposium

[Forum Flyer in Arabic](#)

You're Cordially Invited



The Arab American and Chaldean Council (ACC) cordially invites you to attend a ceremony and reception on Monday, October 27 to celebrate the Grand Opening of its Artisans and Adult Learning Center, located at 55 W. Seven Mile Road, Detroit.

"Progress is the activity of today and the assurance of tomorrow." ~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

To RSVP please contact ACC at (248) 559-1990 or kimberlys@myacc.org by Monday, October 20, 2008.

Students Shadow ACC Program



On Thursday, October 2 a group of senior social work students from Taylor University in Fort Wayne, Indiana spent the day with ACC's Behavioral Health Program. The students spent two days in the Detroit area visiting different agencies that work with specialized ethnic groups. The class broke down into groups of 5 and each group will present on their assigned ethnic group at the end of the semester. The group that visited ACC, learned about the different Arabic cultures, family dynamics, treatment approached and interventions. They were given an overview of the services we provide and how they should approach working with individuals from the Middle East as they move into the workforce.



An intensely moving look at the war's impact on Iraqi women.

Community Collaboration Event

Please join us on Thursday, October 23 for the Performance Network Theatre's *9 Parts of Desire*, written by Heather Raffo, starring Sarab Kamoo and directed by Ed Nahhat. ACC is the benefiting organization of the evening's performance. Funds raised will benefit ACC's Iraqi refugee and displaced family programs.

As topical of today's headlines, *9 Parts of Desire* is a

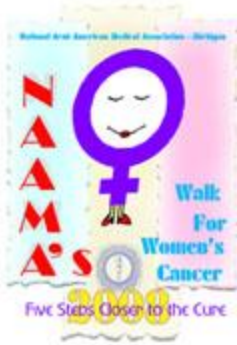
portrait of the extraordinary lives of Iraqi women. This work explores the conflicting aspects of what it means to be a woman in the war zone of Iraq.

"Powerful, impassioned, vivid memorable!" - *the New York Times*

For tickets and additional information please call ACC at (248) 559-1990.

Tickets are \$50.

ACC supports NAAMA Walk for Women's Cancer



Saturday, October 18th, 2008

The 5th Annual NAAMA's Walk for Women's Cancer

ACC is a proud sponsor of this year's NAAMA Walk. This one mile non-competitive walk at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak, Michigan was established in 2004 by the Michigan Chapter of the National Arab American Medical Association (NAAMA). Its mission is to increase public awareness, support surviving patients, honor memories of those lost and to create a community of individuals and businesses dedicated to eradicating the concerns of future generations.

During the months of September and October ACC's radio show "Maal Jalia" on WNZK 690 AM discussed the importance of raising awareness against women's cancer, screening, early detection and prevention in general; importance of raising these issues in our community; role community organizations such as NAAMA, ACC, and others play as health educators in the community; importance for our community to come together and join in raising awareness; and the history of the walk and the role the walk plays.

[Learn More](#)

Community News

The Power To End Stroke Gospel Tour

Sunday, October 19, 2008 at Fellowship Chapel in Detroit. The free event raises awareness about stroke among African American and our Power To End Stroke education program. There will be free health screenings from 4pm -6pm followed by free gospel music.

For additional information please call 248-936-5782

Children's Tasting Event at the YMCA

In an effort to fight childhood obesity, the American Heart Association, the Detroit Lions, and YMCA of Southgate are teaming up to host a tasting event for parents and kids. This event features healthy snacks and recipes, Hugo the mascot, kids activities, give-a-ways, and much more. The event is located at 16777 Northline Road in Southgate.

For additional information email: alicia.hoge@heart.org.

Stroke Care Across The Continuum of Care

Presented by: Detroit Receiving Hospital's Stroke Team
October 29, 2008, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Boy Scouts of America (1776 W. Warren Ave., Detroit, MI 48208)
Registration Fee: Free for DMC employees
This course is designed for all health professionals.
Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided
For more information please contact: Camille Pavlak, at (313) 745-2211 or email at cpavlak@dmc.org.
This course has been approved for 6.6 nursing contact hours.

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