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New Frank Tedesco Café at Bayside Center for Behavioral Health

SARASOTA – A an open-house celebration was held on July 17, 2008, at the Frank Tedesco Cafe located in Sarasota Memorial’s Bayside Center for Behavioral Health. A \$30,000 contribution by Frank Tedesco to Sarasota Memorial Healthcare Foundation, Inc. helped fund the Café, which is located in Bayside’s East Building.

The Café, which is bright and cheerfully decorated in natural wood tones, and shades of teal and cream, will serve the 1,500 patients seen annually in the center’s Partial Hospitalization Program. It provides a comfortable room for patients to socialize and enjoy breakfast and lunch. Additionally, group activities are held in this newly renovated facility, which is adjacent to the nurses’ station.

The Partial Hospitalization Program offers many therapy groups and socialization opportunities for people who need a more intensive counseling experience, and runs from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. There are three specialized focus areas: 1) senior (65 years and older), 2) adult (18-64 years) (for people who have ongoing behavioral health issues and are experiencing a crisis of some kind), and 3) dual diagnosis (addiction and an emotional or psychiatric illness).

Mr. Tedesco, who recently passed away, had also funded the Tedesco Sky Patio at Sarasota Memorial in 1992.

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