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## News of the Month

### John Muir Medical Center – New Facility in Concord Opens

John Muir Medical Center – Concord Campus recently celebrated the opening of its new Hofmann Family Patient Care Tower, a five-story facility and expansion at 2540 East Street. The Hofmann Family Patient Care Tower houses the new John Muir Health Cardiovascular Institute and a larger, relocated emergency department. In addition, 61 new private rooms, with room for expansion, along with separate patient-only elevators and corridors have been added to this state-of-the-art facility. This \$212 million investment and expansion by John Muir Health shows their strong commitment to the community.



For more information about the John Muir Medical Center – Concord Campus go to their website:

[www.johnmuirhealth.com](http://www.johnmuirhealth.com)

### Willows Shopping Center Introduces New Eco Gardens



The Willows Shopping Center and its partners are pleased to introduce its new Eco Gardens, Composting System and Critter Farm. The Eco Gardens demonstrate a transition from conventional to sustainable landscaping featuring approximately 50 plants selected from the UC Davis Arboretum All-Stars and utilizing Bay Friendly Landscaping. The All-Stars are low water hardy plants that enhance beauty and sustainability. Bay Friendly Landscaping is a guideline for designing, installing, and maintaining sustainable landscapes. For more information about this eco-friendly project contact Patricia Green at [PGreen@Colliersparish.com](mailto:PGreen@Colliersparish.com)

### City Offices Closed Thanksgiving Week

City Offices will be closed due to furlough and the holiday during the Thanksgiving week (Monday, November 22nd through Friday, November 26th). City offices will reopen on Monday, November 29th.

## Tip of the Month

### Small Business Seminar

The Contra Costa County Library, in cooperation with the Contra Costa County Small Business Development Center (SBDC), and SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) – East Bay Chapter 506, is hosting a FREE seminar for local business owners:

**Tuesday, November 30, 2010**

7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**"Why Do You Need a Business Plan in the First Place?"**

Contra Costa County Library, Administration Building  
75 Santa Barbara Road.

Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Entrance & parking in back of the Pleasant Hill Library  
(925) 646-6434

Register for this event at: [www.cclib.org/programs](http://www.cclib.org/programs). For event type enter: business.



## Deal of the Month

### Willows Shopping Center Welcomes New Restaurant

Willows Shopping Center at 1975 Diamond Boulevard (and Willow Pass Road) recently welcomed Zaiqa Restaurant. This new Indian/Pakistani restaurant joins many other restaurant tenants in this thriving center including: Benihana, Claim Jumper, El Torito, Fuddruckers, Gourmet Burritos, Jamba Juice, Panera Bread and

Quizno's Sub. The Willows recently launched a new coupon book for all of their retail and restaurant merchants. The coupons became available on their website in November:

[www.WillowsShoppingCenter.com](http://www.WillowsShoppingCenter.com).



To celebrate their grand opening, Zaiqa Restaurant has two offers for "Buy.Concord.net" users: "Buy one lunch buffet, get the second one ½ off" and "Buy one dinner entrée, get the second entrée free." This new restaurant also offers catering services and is open Sunday through Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. A lunch buffet is available every day from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Call the restaurant at: 925-825-5353.

[Click here](#) for more information about this deal and other promotions from local businesses on the BuyConcord.Net website.