# EMERALD LADIES OURNAL FEATURING Proof of doing the Coast





HONORARY emerald ladies



# Men along the Coast

I was born and raised in Turkey. I decided to explore the world and people. and made the move to United States years ago. Started my surgical training in New York, and completed a General Surgery residency, as well as a Master of Science program in "scarless wound healing" while I was in New York, After becoming a General Surgeon (which I never practiced). I started my second residency in Plastic Surgery, and moved to Augusta, Georgia. After my Plastic Surgery training. I realized soon enough that cosmetic surgery is not simply a surgical subspecialty, but an art. And in order to be great at it, you should definitely know more than cutting and sewing, and you must have an aesthetic eve to solve the challenging problems. So I decided to complete the package. and moved to Hawaii for my Aesthetic Fellowship (third and final subspecialty) to be trained by world renowned plastic/aesthetic surgeon Dr. Flowers. The time I spent in Hawaii with Dr. Flowers matured my surgical skills, and made me a better artist. My Aesthetic Fellowship taught me how to apply all the delicate surgical skills I learned throughout the years on restoring natural beauty. and preventing unnatural "done look". After finishing my Aesthetic Fellowship, I looked back, and realized that 25 years of intense schooling and training

# OCCUPATION:

Double Board-Certified Plastic Surgeon at Plastic Surgery Institute & Spa. Two office locations: Panama City and Destin.

was enough, and it was about time to start feeding my kids, so I moved to

Panama City "The World's Most Beautiful Beaches" in 2007, and started my

#### WHY DID YOU BECOME A PLASTIC SURGEON?

private practice. And happily ever after.

I am biased of course, but I really think plastic surgery is the greatest field in medicine. There is so much you can do. You may not be saving lives, but you definitely change lives, put smiles on their faces, give people their confidence, and make them feel whole again. I see "plastic surgery" as my hobby; the only difference is loct paid for doing what I love to do.

#### HONORS AND AWARDS:

 April 2012 - The Aesthetic Show 2012 Award Ceremony, Las Vegas, "The Oscars of Aesthetic Medicine", the winner of three awards

 December 2011 - American Health & Beauty Magazine, "Best Overall Patient Enhancement At THE Aesthetic Academy"

•May 28, 2009 - 2008 Patients' Choice Award

\*2007 - Inclusion in "Guide to America's Top Plastic Surgeons" 2007 Edition by Consumers' Research Council of America, Washington, DC.
 \*October 2007 - Inclusion in 62nd Edition of Marquis Who's Who® in America.

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 December 2006 - Inclusion in First Edition of Marquis Who's Who® of Emerging Leaders

 October 2006 - Southern Medical Association, 2006 Physicians-In-Training Award

•2006 - Inclusion in the 60th Diamond Anniversary Edition of Marquis Who's Who® in America

•2006 - Inclusion in the 6th Edition of Marquis Who's Who® in Healthcare and Medicine

 June 2005 - New York Methodist Hospital, Department of Surgery, Highest Research Productivity Award

•January 2005 - American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery-Richard C. Webster, MD Resident Paper Winner

 June 2004 - New York Methodist Hospital, Department of Surgery, Highest Research Productivity Award

-July 2003 - American Medical Association, Physician's Recognition Award
-December 2002 - American College of Surgeons, Committee on Trauma,
Resident Trauma Paper Winner. NY

 April 2002 - American College of Surgeons-New York Chapter, Resident Paper Contest Winner

 $\bullet \text{May 2001 - American College of Surgeons, The Murry Friedman Resident Competition Award } \\$ 

May2000 - Association for Academic Surgery, 2000 Student Research Award

# ARE YOU INVOLVED IN ANY CHARITABLE OR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS?

I am the honorary chair of American Cancer Society's "Making Strides against Breast Cancer" I will be donating a reconstructive breast surgery, along with my amesthesiologist colleagues and Panama City Surgery Center, to one of the breast cancer survivors who lost her breast to the disease and who doesn't have insurance or financial means of having the surgery otherwise.

# WHAT IS YOUR GREATEST CHALLENGE TODAY?

Raising my beautiful kids, Isabel and Bora, and hoping that they will be productive people to society.

# WHAT WORRIES YOU THE MOST ABOUT THE WORLD TODAY?

Unnecessary anger and discrimination. People discriminating people about race, religion, gender, country of origin, financial status, and list goes on.

# WHAT DO YOU DO FOR FUN?

I am a beach burn. Anything and everything to do with the ocean makes me happy.

### FINISH THIS STATEMENT. MY PARENTS ALWAYS TOLD ME:

"Embrace your health and take care of yourself, if you are not healthy, nothing else matters."

# Worst Habit: Being overly critical on everything and constantly looking for perfection. I

should learn and accept that nobody is perfect, including myself. Life is not always fair.

BEST ASSET: I care.

FAVORITE FOOD: Turkish Kebabs

FAVORITE COLOR: Black

FAVORITE FLOWER: Hibiscus

# MOST PEOPLE WOULD BE SURPRISED IF THEY KNEW:

How gentle and sentimental I am.

IF I WERE STUCK IN AN ELEVATOR WITH SOMEONE, I WOULD LIKE IT TO BE: An elevator mechanic.

## IF YOU COULD MAKE ONE WISH, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

I want my kids, Isabel and Bora, to be healthy throughout their lives.