



Our Mission at Catholic Health International is to ensure the presence of Catholic values in our Corporations

St. Joseph's Hospital, Saint John, NB held a Missioning Ceremony for their new Advisory Committee Members on March 28th. Claire Ryan, Eileen MacGibbon and Mary MacPhail (in absentia) were recently appointed to the hospital's Advisory Committee.

Judy Glennie, Chairperson, presided at the celebration and welcomed the other Committee members. She also thanked the Leadership Team of the Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception of Saint John (SCIC) who were in attendance.

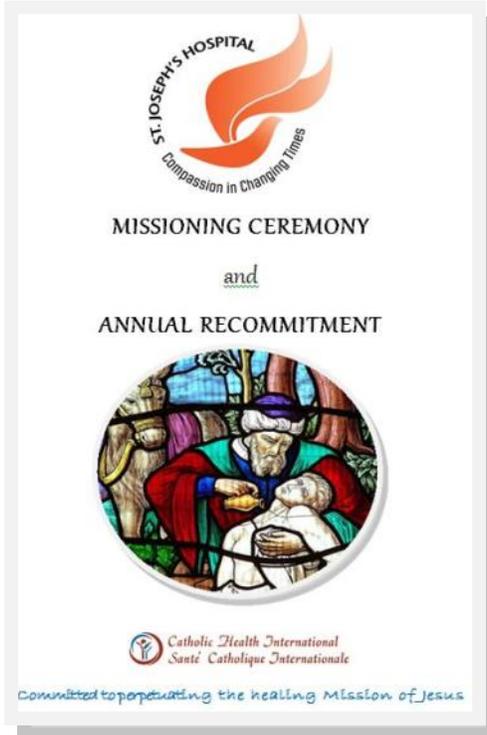
Following the opening hymn and prayer, Sr. Mary Beth McCurdy, General Superior (SCIC) led the missioning rite, welcomed Claire and Eileen to the Advisory Committee and presented them with candles as a sign of the light of Christ in them and in the St. Joseph's community. Sister Anita Holmes, SCIC representative on the CHI Board led the recommitment ceremony. Judy Glennie led the prayer of commitment, the closing prayer and hymn and thanked everyone for attending. **Welcome!**



From Left to Right: Rick Benson, Sr. Anita Holmes, Dr. Pam Forsythe, Don Cullinan, Chris McGrath, Sr. Mary Beth McCurdy, Judy Glennie, Claire Ryan, Heather Oakley, Sr. Roma DeRobertis, Eileen MacGibbon.

This is the front cover of the Missioning Ceremony and Annual Recombitment booklet that CHI produced for Saint Joseph's Hospital to use for their ceremony. A personalized booklet was presented to each of our CEO/Executive Director/Facility Managers at the Leadership Council meeting held in Montreal.

It will be used at our facilities each year to Mission new Directors, Trustees and Advisory Committee Members. We encourage you to make this a special event each year. Hold it in your chapel, invite Sisters from your founding congregation if possible, include your senior leadership team in the recommitment ceremony and enjoy hymns and offer candles. Don't forget to submit photos for the Torch to Catherine at cbatten@chpci.com



Sister Margaret Morrissey, rshj died peacefully in Kingston, ON on March 17, 2014. Sister was 90 years of age, 67 of those years were spent in Religious Life.



Sister Morrissey worked for many of our sponsored facilities over the years including: Supervisor of the Medical/Surgical Unit at St. Bernard Hospital, Chicago, Pharmacist at HDH Kingston ON, Executive Director of St. Joseph Residence New London WI and Board Chair of St. Bernard Hospital in Chicago IL. She was on the Board of Partners In Mission Food Bank and the Jeanne Mance Foundation in Kingston, ON. Sister Morrissey retired in 2010 and moved when Regional House closed in 2012 to the Sisters of Providence Motherhouse. She will be missed by many and remembered very fondly.

CENTRE FOR EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP—Update
At the Leadership Council meeting held April 3 & 4 in Montreal, Pillar Chairs provided an update to attendees.



Values Integration Assessment Program: Claire Savoie reported that a schedule for the assessment of our facilities is complete. CHI Policy #5002 (available on our Members website) outlines the assessment fees for the program and funding subsidies available from CHI. "Best practices" and success stories will be shared across our system

in the Torch and on our website. **Mission Development:** Dave Schneider reported his committee is participating in a number of teleconference interviews with mission leaders from throughout the Catholic healthcare industry in Canada and the United States. The plan is to solicit ideas and tools for mission orientation and development that can be utilized by our facilities. **Catholic Healthcare Leadership:** Bonnie Ruest reviewed the project charter wherein they hope to establish a baseline of existing leadership capacity in CHI member corporations including competencies and programs of study, and then determine future program needs for our organizations. **Ethics:** David Levangie reported that presentations that have already been done, are being collected from across the Canada. They are also compiling a speaker list that can be used by CHI facilities.

Spiritual and Religious Care: Marthe Léger informed the group that they are looking into the current structure within the various spiritual care and pastoral care departments across the CHI system. The plan is to develop training standards.

While in Montreal, Bob Stewart met with the Pillar Chairs. He would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved with the Centre for their hard work and dedication!

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Hotel-Dieu Grace Healthcare, Windsor ON, currently provide Windsor and area residents with extensive mental health and addiction/substance abuse programs and services. A steering committee was established to look more closely at gaps within the current system, especially the vulnerable and/or those in any way marginalized. It quickly became apparent that a downtown presence was needed to focus on individuals who experience mental health and/or addiction or substance abuse events, and to provide them with an alternative to an emergency department visit. They don't necessarily need emergency care or admission to hospital. The program model was developed and somewhat based on the Bob Janes Triage Centre in Fort Meyers Florida.

A proposal was submitted to local government who have since approved a \$1.8 million annual operating fund for a Transitional Stability Centre. It will provide 25-50 beds in the city core. The Centre will operate 24/7 and be staffed by nurses, social workers, case managers and residential attendants. A nurse will perform an intake assessment and then start the process to determine the clients needs.

St. Joseph's Continuing Care Centre (SJCC), Cornwall ON celebrated Volunteer Appreciation Week on April 9th. The celebration was marked with their Volunteer Services Awards and the Catholic Health International (CHI) Volunteer of Excellence Award. Nominees for the CHI Award were Betty Febrile, Gloria Hoggett, Rejean Lefebvre, Cathy Miron and Brenda Petersen.

The recipient of the 2nd Annual CHI Volunteer Excellence Award was Mrs. Gloria Hoggett!

A fun afternoon was had by all with fine foods, a delicious cake and very special **Thank You Video** from residents and staff played to the Volunteers. Over 13,905 volunteer hours were donated at SJCCC in 2013!

(left to right) are Tammie Menard, Community Engagement Officer, Bonnie Ruest, Executive Director, Gloria Hoggett, SJCCC Volunteer, and Father Raymond Dumoulin, Resident Chaplain



Hotel Dieu Hospital, Kingston, ON has opened a cutting-edge eye treatment centre, the first of its kind in Canada. "The opening of this Centre demonstrates the commitment of Hotel Dieu Hospital and Queen's University to provide our macular patients with world-class care," says Dr. Sanjay Sharma, a retinal specialist at HDH, a professor of ophthalmology and epidemiology at Queen's University and an internationally-recognized expert in macular degeneration. "Patients can access the best treatment in the country, and we can continue to be at the forefront of macular disease research and train doctors from around the world who come to learn from us."

Retina problems - caused by aging and diabetes are now the most common cause of vision loss and blindness. Early diagnosis and timely treatment has changed these diseases from ones in which blindness was inevitable to ones in which visual improvement is highly probable," says Sharma. "To obtain optimal outcomes, macular disease has to be recognized and treated early and quickly," says Sharma. "With the latest treatments, 95% of patients can be spared from going blind and 40% can enjoy significant improvement in vision."



National Volunteer week April 6 to April 12!

The Catholic Health International family of healthcare and social service organizations collectively service approximately 5.3 million people in Canada and the United States. This would be impossible without the tireless efforts of our many volunteers! Our facilities recognize their volunteers in a variety of ways. Most hold special events and present awards to honour the incredible contribution that their volunteers make every day. Please share information about your volunteer recognition events and include photos by emailing Catherine at cbatten@chpci.com

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Catholic Leadership Formation Program (English 2014)

May 7, 8, 9 - Module 1,

September 23, 24, 25 - Module 2

Location: Montreal at [Villa Saint Martin](#)

Catholic Leadership Formation Program (French 2015)

May 6, 7, 8 - Module 1, Sept 23, 24, 25 - Module 2

Location to be determined

All persons seeking advancement to a Senior leadership position within one of our sponsored organizations must have taken, or commit to taking the program within the first 36 months of employment. For more information and to register contact [Eileen](#) View the [program outline](#) on our website under Education.

Catholic Health International Leadership Council FALL SESSION: hosted by Langlade Hospital, Antigo WI Catholic Health International Board of Directors & Corporation meeting dates for 2014

Annual meetings: June 11, 12 & 13

September 11, November 19

Catholic Health International Volunteer Excellence Award for 2014

We encourage our facilities to submit the name of a truly outstanding Volunteer who :

- ⇒ Demonstrates the Spirit of Volunteerism,
- ⇒ Reflects the Mission & Values of their organization,
- ⇒ Promotes their Facility,
- ⇒ Empowers and Educates Others to Volunteer.

Please send the name of your recipient to Eileen at ebowes@chpci.com



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April 30 - May 2
Ottawa, ON

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