



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

CONGRATULATIONS to Rocmaura Nursing Home in Saint John NB, on achieving Exemplary Status with the Accreditation Council of Canada. As well, their Director of Nursing, Kim Roberts, has been contracted by the Auditor General of Alberta, to review the audited findings related to their long term care sector. Her role is to bring an objective, clinical view to the audited findings and proposed solutions. Sheana Mohra, Executive Director of Rocmaura says, We are very proud of Kim and are especially happy her talents and skills have been recognized in this manner. Our congratulations to Kim as well.

CATHOLIC HEALTH INTERNATIONAL (CHI) VOLUNTEER EXCELLENCE AWARD 2014

Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre in St. Catharines ON recently awarded Mr. Isreal Mailloux the CHI Volunteer Excellence Award.



(L to R): Jane Rufrano CEO, Mr. Isreal Mailloux and Sister Louise Dillon rhsj

“Isreal “Issy” Mailloux has been volunteering in the Carpentry Shop at Hotel Dieu Shaver for the past 12 years. He volunteers 5 days a week, driving over 30 minutes to arrive at the hospital.” **Congratulations and thank you Issy!**

YTD Recipients of the CHI Volunteer Excellence Award:

Paschal Chishom – St. Joseph’s Hospital, Saint John, NB
Israel Mailloux – Hotel Dieu Shaver, St. Catharines, ON
Gloria Hoggett – St. Joseph’s Continuing Care, Cornwall, ON

The **CHI Volunteer Excellence Award** is presented annually to one volunteer recommended from each of our facilities. We would not be able to provide the level of care that we do, to our clients, without the tireless efforts of our many volunteers.

Through the Volunteer Excellence Award, CHI can also acknowledge and honour those volunteers who:

- √ Demonstrate the Spirit of Volunteerism,
- √ Reflect the Mission & Values of their organization,
- √ Promote their Facility and
- √ Empower and Educate Others to Volunteer.

Did you realize, that we have approximately 900 volunteers throughout the Catholic Health International family? Please submit the name of your truly outstanding Volunteer to [Eileen](#) and send photos to [Catherine](#)

Committed to perpetuating the healing mission of Jesus



The Congregation of the **Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph** was established in the town of La Flèche in the Loire Valley of France 378 years ago, on **May 18th**, 1643. Jérôme Le Royer de la Dauversière, a devout Catholic and tax collector for the town, had been receiving visions for six years in which God instructed him to found a congregation of Hospitaller Sisters, to build a hospital in La Flèche and to found a colony and a hospital in New France on the Island of Montreal.

He was involved in the administration of the old Maison Dieu (House of God) Hospital in La Flèche where the sick poor received care. There were three women who lived and worked there living on alms. Jérôme wondered what to do to improve their situation, so first he rebuilt the dilapidated hospital.

Marie de la Ferre visited the sick poor at Maison Dieu, and it was there that she met M. Le Royer. Marie also felt that God called on her to dedicate herself to the service of the sick poor. They received canonical approval from the Bishop of Angers in 1643, and the Daughters of St. Joseph, (as they were initially known) began.

The community was formed at the Maison Dieu (which became Hotel Dieu) with the three servants of the poor already on site. The first constitutions of the congregation were approved in 1644, when Marie de la Ferre and



eleven companions made their vows. Marie de la Ferre was their first superior. The Sisters dedicated themselves to the service of the poor, the sick, and the most needy.

A century and a half later, during the French Revolution the Sisters were expelled from La Flèche. The hospital was then converted into police station, court and prison. The staircase of the Hotel Dieu was walled in and forgotten. During demolition and restoration of the old prison in 1953 the oak staircase was rediscovered. The town of La Flèche offered it to Montreal as a symbol of the long alliance between the two cities.

Le Royer eventually accomplished all three elements of his mission. Colonizing the island of Montreal occupied him for the decade following his first vision.

Hotel Dieu Hospital, Kingston ON celebrated St. Joseph the Worker Day on May 1, 2014.



St. Joseph is the patron saint of the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph, the congregation of Sisters who founded many of our facilities.

"A carpenter, Joseph exemplifies working people who are dignified by their labour and who bring Christ into the workplace. As a community of equals we gather in our diversity to further the mission of compassionate healing within the Roman Catholic tradition and culture."

CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP FORMATION PROGRAM:

Module 1 ran May 7, 8 and 9 at the Villa St. Martin in Montreal. Sister Rose-marie Dufault, Director of Programs for Catholic Health International, reported "The session went very well, I couldn't expect better. Right from the meet and greet cheese and wine reception the evening of the 6th, a great bond was established and the group gelled. All participants are looking forward to the next session which will be held in late September". A special thank you to Sister Rose-marie our facilitators and our attendees!



L to R kneeling: Mike Kingston (Mount St. Joseph, Miramichi, NB), Brian Merkley (HDH Kingston, ON), Daniel Roy (FNDL Bathurst, NB), Tony Ingram (SJCCC Cornwall, ON), Clarence Williams (HDH Kingston, ON), Derek Demmings (HD Perth Andover, NB)

L to R Back row: Sally Cummings (Rocmaura, Saint John NB), Wendy MacInnis (SJCCC Cornwall, ON), Becky Lyons-Standring (Mount St. Joseph, Miramichi, NB) Sister Laura Hughes (St. Josephs Hospital, Saint John, NB), Theresa Mercer (Rocmaura, Saint John, NB), Margaret Melanson (Horizon Health Network NB), Sherry Gionet (St. Josephs Hospital, Saint John, NB), Kathi Hurley (St. Josephs Hospital, Saint John, NB), Mary Johnson (St. Josephs Hospital, Saint John, NB), Kelly Monaghan (HDH Kingston, ON) Lucie Lombardo (HDG Healthcare Windsor, ON), Karla Sullivan (HD Perth Andover, NB), Anita Roach (SJCCC Cornwall, ON)

INTERNATIONAL NURSES WEEK

Every May 12th in celebration of Florence Nightingale's birthday, the International Council of Nurses (ICN) celebrate International Nurses Day!

Did your facility celebrate your nurses through any special events during Nursing Week May 12 to 16? Please send photos to Catherine at cbatten@chpci.com



Catholic Health Alliance of Canada (CHAC) recently held their Annual Convention in Ottawa, ON. Each year, they present the **Lifetime Achievement Award** to honour individuals who have inspired and mentored numerous others in Catholic health care during the course of their career. This years' recipient was **Sister Sheila Langton**, Sister of Providence from Kingston ON. [Presentation Text](#)

The **Midcareer Leadership Award** is given to young leaders each year, who have already made significant contributions to the ministry and who, through their leadership, provided prophetic witness to the mission of Catholic health care. This years' recipient was Sandra Carlton VP, Mission, Values and People with Providence Care in Kingston, ON. [Presentation Text](#)



Sister Sheila Langton receives award from **Daniel Lussier, Chair of the Governing Council of CHAC**



Sandra Carlton (R) receives award from **Dianne Doyle, Vice-Chair of the CHAC Governing Council**

**IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS!
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**Catholic Leadership Formation Program (English 2014)
Module 2** September 23, 24, 25

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