



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

## **CATHOLIC HEALTH INTERNATIONAL (CHI) VOLUNTEER EXCELLENCE AWARD Foyer Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes, Bathurst, NB**

Mrs. Olivette Roy Christie was recently awarded the 2014 Volunteer Excellence Award from CHI.



Olivette began her relationship with Foyer Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes in 2004 when her mother and then later her father became residents of the nursing home. Upon their death, Olivette began volunteering and joined the Pastoral Care department and helped deliver spiritual care and eucharistic celebrations for staff and residents.

Mrs. Roy Christie was also one of 7 recently recognized volunteers from across the

province, by the New Brunswick Association of Nursing Homes at their annual Volunteer Gala! Her commitment to our mission is obvious through her ongoing involvement within the nursing home and the local community. She is very much appreciated and respected by staff, families and especially our residents! Thank you Olivette for all that you do!

## **CATHOLIC HEALTH INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP ALUMNI**

The CHI Leadership Alumni groups (Atlantic and Central) will be meeting immediately prior to the upcoming provincial Catholic Health Association meetings.

The **Atlantic Alumni** will meet on September 17th and 18th prior to the CHANB meeting while the **Central Alumni** meeting is scheduled for September 30th and October 1st prior to the CHAO meeting.

Both groups will have an opportunity to attend a workshop led by Dr. Tracy Carr, a professor at University of New Brunswick's nursing department titled "Spirituality: The Invisible Ingredient In Health and Healing." The CHI Board has allocated funds for these gatherings so all alumni are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions contact David Levangie at 506-632-5481.

## **DENNIS SAVOIE APPOINTED ENVOY TO THE HOLY SEE!**

Please join us in congratulating Mr. Savoie on his recent appointment as Canada's next ambassador to the Holy See. Dennis was a charter member of the Catholic Health Partners (International) Board and had been invited to join the CHI Board earlier this year. We were expecting him to take office in the fall.



Mr. Savoie has held various leadership positions within the Knights of Columbus, most recently the second highest in command worldwide with the title of deputy supreme Knight. He was a senior executive at NB Power and spent many years as Executive Director with the New Brunswick Association of Nursing homes. Congratulations Dennis!



## **Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph**

The 2014 General Chapter of the [RHSJs](#) took place in July at the Motherhouse in Montreal.

*Pictured left to right: Sister Colette Lemieux, Sister Marie-Thérèse Laliberté, who was re-elected superior general for the next 6 years, Sister Louise Lelièvre and Sister Bibianne Daigle.*



## **Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception of St. John**

The [Sisters of Charity](#) held their Chapter in July in greater Saint John, NB, where elections were held for their Leadership Circle.

*Pictured left is Sister Mary Beth McCurdy, re-elected congregational leader until 2018. Sister Alice Keegan, (second from left) and Sister Roma De Robertis, (right) were re-elected to the leadership circle. Sister Arleen Brawley, second from right) was newly elected.*



**Catholic Health Association of Ontario** will hold their Annual Convention and AGM at the Yorkville Marriott in Toronto October 1 to 3. The theme this year is [Caring for the Most Vulnerable: The Special Calling of Catholic Healthcare](#)



**Rocmaura Foundation's 16th Annual Dinner, Auction and Casino**  
Saturday September 13th  
Saint John Trade and Convention Centre  
[flyer](#)

**Catholic Health International - Lending Library**

Nathalie, our summer student has been updating our on-line book listing. She's uploaded pictures of each book cover, and you can use the CTRL + F command to search for a particular title or author. Please browse through the listing to see if there is anything you would like to read! We would be happy to send it to you. If so, contact [Eileen](#).

**St. Joseph's Community Health Centre**, Dalhousie, NB Vitalité Health Network has announced that three new Ambulatory Care clinics will be opened at our hospital in Dalhousie. Specifically, a Foot Care Clinic, Anticoagulant Therapy Clinic and Urological Wellness Clinic. These Clinics should be operation this fall. This expanded access to primary healthcare in a Clinic setting will reduce the need for hospitalization when the appropriate ambulatory care could have prevented or reduced the need for hospital admission. These three new Clinics join the approximately 15 others being offered on an ambulatory care basis at [St. Joseph's Community Health Centre](#).

**Hôtel-Dieu Grace Healthcare**, Windsor ON



HDGH recently appointed a full time ethicist, contracted through the Centre for Clinical Ethics in Toronto. Rosalind (Roz) Abdool, Clinical Ethicist joined HDGH in June. Roz completed her clinical ethics training through the Centre for Clinical Ethics at St. Joseph's Health Centre, St. Michael's Hospital and Providence Healthcare in Toronto and jointly through the

University of Toronto's Joint Centre for Bioethics. A number of Catholic Sponsor groups (including CHI) provided funding to the Centre to ensure ongoing ethicist education and availability of ethicists into the future.

Roz served on the Ethics Committee at the Waterloo-Wellington CCAC and is currently on the board of the Canadian Bioethics Society.

"Clinical Ethics provides an open dialogue to reflect on what one "could" and "should" do when facing challenging health care circumstances," states Roz. "Ethical issues might include, deciding between competing values, moral distress and burnout, patients choosing to live at risk, the withdrawal/withholding of life sustaining treatment, capacity, substitute decision-making and complex discharge issues." To read the entire article see [EConnect](#).

**YTD Recipients of the CHI Volunteer Excellence Award:**

- Paschal Chishom - St. Joseph's Hospital, Saint John, NB
- Israel Maillioux - Hotel Dieu Shaver, St. Catharines, ON
- Gloria Hoggett - St. Joseph's Continuing Care, Cornwall, ON
- Dawn Ofsthun - Langlade Hospital, Antigo, WI
- Susan and John Delaney - Rocmaura Foundation
- Jean Hamel - Rocmaura Nursing Home, Saint John, NB
- Mae Lawlor - St. Joseph Hospital, Dalhousie, NB

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 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.

Please submit the name of your truly outstanding Volunteer to [ebowes@chpchi.com](mailto:ebowes@chpchi.com) Send photos to [cbatten@chpchi.com](mailto:cbatten@chpchi.com)



**Catholic Health Association of New Brunswick** is holding their Annual Convention September 18th and 19th at the Rodd Inn in Maramichi. This year's theme is "[Challenges of Senior Care](#)".

Sister Nuala Kenny, one of the speakers, Professor Emeritus, Department of Bioethics, at Dalhousie University will speak about "Understanding Challenges to a Good Death from Assisted Suicide". Any readers who have had the opportunity to hear Sister Nuala speak, know this will be a factual and thought provoking talk.

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

**Catholic Health International Leadership Alumni Atlantic Group** - September 17, 2014

Keynote : Professor Tracy Carr U of NB Nursing Program: "Spirituality: the invisible ingredient in health and healing"

**Catholic Health Association of New Brunswick 2014 Annual Convention:** September 18 & 19 2014

Rodd Inn, Miramichi, NB

**Catholic Leadership Formation Program**

(English) Module 2 September 23, 24, 25 2014

Location: Montreal at Villa Saint Martin

(French) Module 1 May 6, 7, 8 2015

(French) Module 2 Sept 23, 24, 25

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 Alumni Central Group** - September 30, 2014

Keynote : Professor Tracy Carr U of NB Nursing Program: "Spirituality: the invisible ingredient in health and healing"

**Catholic Health Association of Ontario**

**2014 Annual Convention:** October 1 to 3, 2014

Bloor Yorkville Marriott Hotel, Toronto, ON

**Catholic Health International Leadership Council** October 14-17 2014

hosted by Langlade Hospital, Antigo WI

**Leadership Council Plenary Session**

April 9 & 10, 2015 Fairmont Queen Elizabeth Montreal

**Board of Directors & Corporation meeting dates for 2014**

September 11, November 19