



May 10, 2011

***The Alumnae Executive were invited
to attend the Nurses Award Banquet.***

***They were presented with a plaque
honouring our Legacy to the nursing profession***

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the St Joseph's Hamilton School of Nursing

***With great appreciation for the inspiration and legacy that the School of Nursing built for today's Nurses at St Joseph's.
We are deeply grateful to the members of the Alumni for the foundation and pillars of learning, compassion, dedication and innovation you created.
Together with our patients and colleagues, we will continue to build on your legacy.***

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***Kevin Smith, President & C.E.O. St Joseph's Health System
Winnie Doyle, Chief Nursing Executive***



Celebrating Nursing Week 2011 **Nursing: Past, Present and Future**

Nursing Week had special meaning this year, as it was not only the 10th Anniversary of the St. Joseph's Nursing Excellence Award Dinner, but also the 100th Anniversary of the opening of St. Joseph's School of Nursing.

At Nursing Grand Rounds held on May 9th, seven nurses presented their impressive work on changing practices to improve patient and staff outcomes. The "Staff Nurses as Change Agents" included Amanda Salonen RPN and Shawn Smith RN, from 10 Tower (Falls Prevention); Teresa Morosin RN, from Nephrology and Alexandra Crowe, RN, from ICU (Skin and Wound Health) and Claire Chaput RN, Angela Spiler RN, both from CTU Central and Phuong Do RN, from CTU West (Collaborative Practice). Their expertise and passion were truly inspiring.

The reception afterwards featured beautiful photos and other archives from St. Joseph's School of Nursing, lovingly displayed by a group of very dedicated alumni. A celebratory cake for the 100th anniversary was enjoyed with refreshments and fellowship. A poster and video were also running to showcase the benefits of specialty Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) certification for nursing, while student participation in SJHH nursing research projects was also highlighted.



The well-attended 10th Annual Nursing Excellence Award Dinner, held on May 10th at Carmen's Banquet Centre, honoured 122 nominees. A list of all nominees and award recipients are outlined on the insert included in this copy of *Connections*. Congratulations to all! Winnie Doyle, Chief Nursing Executive and VP, Clinical Services, presented Cheryl McQueen, St. Joseph's School of Nursing Alumni President, with a plaque to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the school and to acknowledge our appreciation for the alumni's significant contributions.

