

# The Torch

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## Rosalia Gardens Expansion Project 2016



**Monday, July 11th, 2016**

Aspirus Langlade Hospital is excited to break ground on the Rosalia Gardens Expansion Project to be completed summer of 2017. Rosalia Gardens is a licensed Community Based Residential Facility that provides a personalized setting for residents who need assistance with daily living and thrive in a setting with caring, compassionate staff that understand the unique needs of each resident. Caregivers encourage residents to live as independently as possible for their physical, mental, emotional and spiritual health in the least restrictive environment. In response to growing demand, the expansion project will include a 25-room addition that will include additional resident rooms, spacious community space, Memory Care, and dedicated Hospice rooms. All attractively designed to create an atmosphere that leads to successful and happy aging.

## ST. BERNARD HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CARE CENTER

### Englewood Community Gets the Out-patient Healthcare Services They Need and Deserve

In October 2014, the Englewood community gathered as St. Bernard Hospital broke ground on its new Ambulatory Care Center (ACC). Less than two years later, on Tuesday, May 31st, the community gathered once again to celebrate the Ambulatory Care Center's grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony and tours of the magnificent, three-story health care facility. Located in the heart of Chicago's south side, the ACC (6307 South Stewart Avenue) was conceived after the

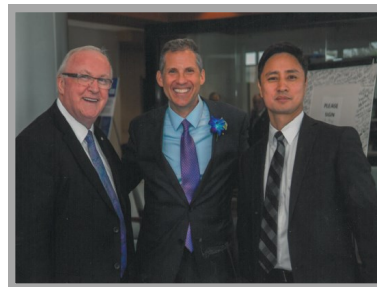
hospital conducted extensive community outreach to learn more about their residents and what they wanted and needed in terms of health and wellness care.

What they found was that residents were either traveling outside of the community to see a physician, or they didn't see a doctor at all. They had no local resource to address their non-emergent needs.

Charles Holland, St. Bernard's president and CEO stated "The opening of our Ambulatory Care Center is an exceptional opportunity for us to better serve our community and to expand access to wellness and preventative medicine for thousands of people."



The vision for St. Bernard's Ambulatory Care Center was to create a one-stop health care facility with a patient friendly environment, and that's exactly what it is. "With the opening of our Ambulatory Care Center, people are now able to access health care and specialty services close to their homes," explains Holland. "The Englewood community deserves the same kind of services and



healthcare that they can get in other communities, and we wanted to make sure that we provided it for them right there."

"For 112 years, as a safety-net hospital, St. Bernard has continued its mission of providing high quality, comprehensive health care," adds Holland. "Each year, more than 80,000 patients seek services from our hospital," he continues. "Our Ambulatory Care Center represents our continued and unwavering commitment to being the community's source for trusted healthcare."



**HOTEL DIEU HOSPITAL AND KINGSTON GENERAL  
HOSPITAL TO FORM A NEW ACADEMIC HEALTH  
SCIENCES CENTRE.**

The two hospitals are forming a partnership to create an integrated academic health sciences centre with one CEO, one board and one budget. The announcement was made in a press conference on Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> in Kingston.

The current missions of both hospitals will be guaranteed in a binding agreement with oversight by a partnership council composed of members of both boards. Hotel Dieu will retain its Catholic identity while KGH will remain secular. Catholic Health International and the Archbishop of Kingston, Brenden O'Brien support this new entity.

Many services of the two hospitals are working together and it is felt that this new arrangement will provide smoother access to care for all who use the facilities. The partnership with Queens University is very important and will not change. The development of a comprehensive agreement between the two Corporations will begin immediately.

The first president and CEO of the new Academic Health Sciences Centre has been announced – Dr. David Pichora, present CEO of Hotel Dieu Hospital has been appointed.

It is anticipated that the new corporation could be operational by as early as April 1, 2017.



**Catholic Health Alliance of Canada Governing council May  
4th, 2016 Highlights**

- ◆ Annual Meeting:
  - Audited financial statements accepted.
  - Confirmation of Governing Council appointees for the coming year confirmed
  - Dan Lussier and Dianne Doyle began the second year of their two year term as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively.
- Major discussion around the physician assisted death issue. Concerns centered around internal education and preparation in Catholic facilities for PAD. Documentation on this will be circulated to Membership.
- Preparations for the 2017 National Conference in Charlottetown, PEI have begun.
- St. Joseph's Hospital in the Hamilton, Ontario was approved for Membership.
- The idea of a Canada Post postage stamp series honoring those leaders of congregations of Sisters who founded many of the health care facilities in Canada were discussed. The idea was generated by Bruyere Continuing Care in Ottawa. A small group was created to pursue the idea.
- Next meeting of the General Council– August 25th and 26th– Comox, BC

**IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS!**  
**CHI Board of Directors Meetings**  
Sept. 21st, 2016  
Nov. 23rd, 2016  
January 18th, 2017  
March 15th, 2017  
May 17th, 2017  
June 21, 22 & 23rd 2017– ANNUAL  
**LEADERSHIP SESSION**  
October 12th-14th 2016– Chicago

**CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP FORMATION PROGRAM**

Catholic Health International will be offering an English Leadership Formation Program for the 2016–2017 year.

Session 1: Oct. 19–21, 2016  
Session 2: May 3–5, 2017.  
Location: Villa St-Martin, Montréal

Registrations are now being accepted.



The Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce announced the finalists for the 13th annual Niagara Business Achievement Awards.

Mary Jane Johnson (Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre and Foundation). was awarded **Young Professional of the Year**,

A gala evening honouring the winners was held Thursday, June 23, at the Holiday Inn and Suites Parkway Conference Centre in St. Catharines.

