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The Newsletter of Catholic Health International

2023 CHAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE & AWARDS

Catholic Health Alliance of Canada Alliance catholique canadienne de la santé

GET TO THE HEART OF IT
being - caring - doing

Awakening our capacity to be present in a broken world

CHAC NATIONAL CONFERENCE | MAY 11 – 12, 2023

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
2023 AWARDS

Lifetime Achievement (3 categories)
Tomorrow's National Leaders
Programs of Distinction

Leadership will be recognized at the CHAC National Conference on May 11 – 12, 2023

The Catholic Health Alliance of Canada's national conference will be held on May 11 & 12, 2023. The conference will focus on the theme ***Get to the Heart of it: being - caring - doing***. The conference will explore the heart of our promise as Catholic health care and how we live our call to compassion—individually and as a community. The conference will focus on getting to the heart of what it means to do our best as a Catholic ministry for the people we serve. As we work to recover from the challenges health care organizations have faced and want to revitalize our workforce, this conference will provide an opportunity to explore how we can grow our teams in challenging times and foster hope, compassion and resilience in ourselves, our ministry and our organizations.

For more information follow this [LINK](#).

The CHAC will also present its 2023 Awards, in five different categories, during the conference. Awards for ***Lifetime Achievement, Tomorrow's National Leaders*** and ***Programs of Distinction***, will be awarded. We encourage you to consider nominating someone from your facility for one of these prestigious awards. You can find more information by going to this [LINK](#) at the CHAC website. Deadline for nominations is March 3rd.

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SPOTLIGHT

LUCIE LOMBARDO - BOARD MEMBER



Lucie Lombardo is from Windsor ON and has been a long time member of the Board of Directors of Hotel Dieu Grace Healthcare. She is a graduate of CHI's Leadership Formation Program and a member of CHI's Ethics pillar. She has also been an Assessor for CHI's Values Integration Assessment Program. Lucie has a Master's in Administration from Central Michigan University and was the Executive Director for Long Term Care for the City of Windsor for 20 years.

Spotlight

Each month, in this column, we will introduce you to one of the members of the Catholic Health International Board of Directors. Lucie Lombardo became a member of the Catholic Health International Board of Directors in June 2022.

Where did you grow up and how large was your family?

I was born in Rouyn, Noranda, and my family of six moved to Windsor, Ontario in 1964 just in time to start grade school. I have lived in Windsor or surrounding area since that time. I attended the University of Windsor for my undergraduate degree and completed my graduate degree at Central Michigan University in Detroit, Michigan.

What is your favourite food?

I have to say that my go to at least once a week is Italian food. This could include lasagna, pizza, chicken or veal Parmesan, various pastas and sauces, risotto, arancini, tasty breads and desserts like tiramisu or gelato.

What's your favourite travel destination?

Travel is something that I love to do. I feel very fortunate to have travelled to some beautiful destinations over the years. Such as visiting the Chartres Cathedral in France, Michelangelo's Sistine chapel, the Basilica of our Lady of La Salette in the Swiss Alps. A special destination was Rio de Janeiro with a contrasting stay at a camp in the Amazon rainforest. No matter where, when, and how I travel, I always say I live in one of the most beautiful countries in the world. I prefer to travel to different locations to experience how people live and enjoy different cultures. My go to destination for 2023 is Churchill, Manitoba. Happy and safe travels!

What kind of music do you listen to?

I enjoy live music such as going to a symphony or a concert. One of my favourites was seeing Elton John on stage starting with the song a Funeral for a Friend and an Acapella arrangement in the Notre Dame Cathedral. There are so many gifted, creative, and talented artists that have clear beautiful voices or can play an instrument exquisitely. Such as Phil Collins "In The Air Tonight" or legendary David Bowie's "Space Oddity".

How do you relax?

One of the ways I relax is to have a long walk.

What was your happiest moment?

Taking one day at the time really helps in being happy in the moment.

What is the toughest job you've done?

One of the toughest jobs I held was my first full time position working at an adolescent group home. Somehow, I always believed we could do more. The position reinforced the fact that many services and community groups are required to support and assist vulnerable youth. This continues to be very evident in many communities today.

How did you become involved in Catholic healthcare?

I became involved in Catholic Health Care when I joined the Board of Directors with Hotel Dieu Grace Healthcare in Windsor. I had an opportunity to attend CHI's Leadership Formation Program. The course provided a depth and breadth of information that provided the reach that the Sisters had in assisting the most vulnerable in many communities.

What do you enjoy most about being on the CHI Board of Directors?

I enjoy the Board of Directors because I have an opportunity to continue to serve in the health care sector. At the same time, I have an opportunity to gain valuable history and be mentored by seasoned committee members. Thank you for your support and the opportunity to serve.

What is something that people would be surprised to know about you?

In our household Bob and I enjoy the company of our three miniature long haired Dachshunds. They are named Rocky, Apollo and Polly.

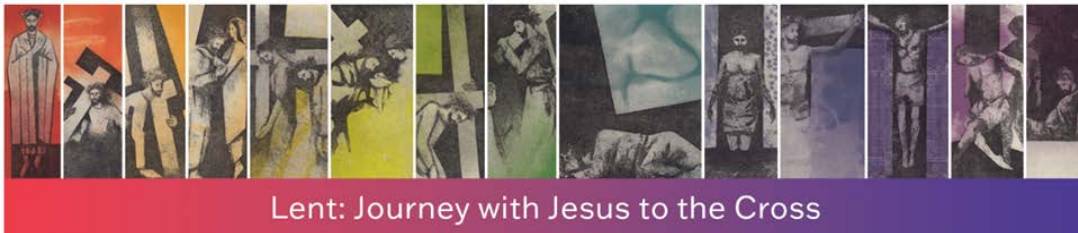
FACILITY EXECUTIVE ORIENTATION HELD IN MIRAMICHI



On February 7th and 8th, Catholic Health International hosted the six recently appointed New Brunswick Facility Executives at the Rodd Miramichi for an orientation session. The participants were Marie-Claude Thériault - Facility Activities Manager at St. Joseph Community Health Centre in Dalhousie, Phylomène Zangio - Facility Activities Manager at Hôpital Stella-Maris-de-Kent in Sainte-Anne-de-Kent, Jennifer Eagan- Facility and Business Manager at Hôtel-Dieu of Saint-Joseph in Perth-Andover, Sindy Turcotte - Facility Activities Manager and Non-Clinical Nursing Services at l'Hôtel-Dieu Saint-Joseph de Saint-Quentin in Saint-Quentin, Hélène Roy - Executive Director of Foyer Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes Nursing Home in Bathurst and Connie Doucet - Administrator at Mount St. Joseph in Miramichi. Dr. Robert Stewart, Eileen Bowes and David Levangie were the presenters and Abbie Kingston provided Admin Support. The participants found the orientation very helpful and were very much engaged with the material presented. Catholic Health International is very pleased to welcome, once again, these accomplished new leaders in health care in New Brunswick to the CHI family.



L to R: David Levangie, Eileen Bowes, H el ene Roy, Jennifer Eagan, Phylom ene Zangio, Abbie Kingston, Connie Doucet, Sindy Turcotte, Marie-Claude Th eriacult, Dr. Robert Stewart



Lent: Journey with Jesus to the Cross

LENTEN RESOURCES

The Catholic Health Association of the United States once again has released a series of lenten reflections to help you on your journey. These video reflections, inspired by the images crafted by artist William Frank, are entitled Via Dolorosa, meaning "sorrowful way." These reflections can be used in your next team huddle, department meeting, or personal reflection. The video reflections are 4-5 minutes in length and offer a relatable and meaningful way in which to journey through Lent individually and together as colleagues. As you engage in these reflections consider your journey with patients and families experiencing suffering in the coming days and weeks.

You can access these reflections by following this [LINK](#).



SR. JULIANA CASEY, PIONEER IN THE FIELDS OF MISSION & LEADERSHIP FORMATION



Sr. Juliana Casey, IHM, died December 29, 2022 at the motherhouse of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, in Michigan. She was 82. An acclaimed theologian, Sr. Casey was a thought leader in Catholic health care for nearly three decades. She was the Catholic Health Association of the United States' vice president of mission services, where she pioneered a program to prepare people to be mission leaders in health care facilities. In 1991, she wrote *Food for the Journey: Theological Foundations of Catholic Healthcare* which is considered an essential formation resource to this day. Sr. Juliana was the key note speaker at the Catholic Health Association of New Brunswick Annual Conference in Edmundston in 2001.



Several times a year the Center Spiritualitésanté de la Capitale-Nationale publishes its newsletter "INFOLETTRE" of which the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Québec and Université Laval are the trustees. The latest edition of this French newsletter is available by following this [LINK](#).



IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

CHI Board Meeting Dates

March 8, 2023

April 5, 2023 (Corporate)

May 5, 2023 (Partners in Mission AGM)

Catholic Health Sponsors of Ontario Webinar

Medical Assistance in Dying and Mental Health

March 2, 2023 12:00 - 1:00 pm ET

REGISTRATION

CHAC Annual Conference

Get to the Heart of It: Being - Caring - Doing

May 11 & 12, 2023

Leadership Formation Program

English Program

Module 1 of the 2023-2024 English Program will be held in Mississauga ON

June 20-22, 2023 (Registrations full - waiting list in place)

**ENGLISH
REGISTRATION**

French Program

Module 1 of the 2023-2024 French Program, will be held in Tracadie NB

September 26-28, 2023 (Registrations are still being accepted)

**FRENCH
REGISTRATION**

If you have any questions please contact CHI's Director of Education Heather Oakley at hoakley@chpchi.com.