

Caring is the Essence of Nursing. ~Jean Watson Safer Health Care 110711/

Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) is the most common preventable cause of hospital deaths. To demonstrate a commitment to patient safety, on May 14, hospitals across Canada will participate in the first-ever Great Canadian VTE Audit Day. Windsor Regional Hospital will be participating by collecting and submitting data on VTE. Later results of this national audit will be published and will provide an opportunity to identify areas of improvement.

## Windsor Regional Hospital Celebrates Nurses Week May 11-15, 2009

Congratulations are extended to the nominees and winners of this year's Nursing Excellence Awards. **Kerri Drouillard** (Oncology) - Rookie of the Year

Cathy Bauer/Brenda Leblanc\* (Family Birthing/Complex Continuing Care) - Frontline/Bedside Nurse Jan Imeson (Oncology) Team Player

Angela Italiano (Medicine II) - Floor Leader

7 North - Team Award

\*posthumously awarded and accepted by her family

Activities continue during the week with daily draws and special services geared towards nursing staff. May is Speech and Hearing Awareness Month

As the number of persons over the age of 65 increases so do communication, swallowing or hearing problems. Older people with these difficulties often feel disempowered. They can become frustrated and isolated by their inability to communicate effectively with others. Through appropriate identification and treatment Speech Pathologists and Audiologists strive to help relieve these burdens.

## **WRH Golf Tournament**

The WRH Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, May 21, 2009 at Pointe West Golf Club. For more information on participating or volunteering in this event, contact Danielle Ramsten at ext. 52656. Proceeds support the Western Campus Redevelopment.

## Last Call for All Canadian Wine Championship Tasting

The WRH Foundation will host a unique **Wine Tasting** Event on May 14th, 2009 at the Caboto Club. Attendees will enjoy tasting a sample of some of the over 750 bottles of wine that were submitted by Wineries in British Columbia, Ontario, Nova Scotia, Quebec and the Artic to the Ontario Wine Tasting Championships. Tickets are only \$30 and \$25 for groups of 8 or more. For more information, contact Danielle Ramsten at ext. 52656.

Did you know? The Metropolitan General Hospital Auxiliary will celebrate 75 years of service on May 11, 2009. Since they formed in 1934, \$3,0830,804 has been raised for Hospital services and equipment. The WRH Tribune is a publication of the Public Affairs Department of Windsor Regional Hospital. Submissions can be made to gisele\_sullens@wrh.on.ca or by calling ext. 52008.

He provide outstanding care with compassion.