



Reporting Period: April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016  
AGM – April 21, 2016

## GREATER TORONTO AREA CHAPTER

### 1. Dissemination of Knowledge and Expertise (Education)

#### Education Committee Chair -

All the executives get together to plan the events.

April 21, 2015: Provincial Annual General Meeting. *Misunderstandings: Health Care Consent and Advance Care Planning* - Judith Wahl, Executive Director, Advocacy Centre for the Elderly

June 16, 2015: *The Lesser Known Dementias* - John Thomas, Psychogeriatric Resource Consultant, Baycrest Health Sciences

September 22, 2015: *Dying with Dignity* - Françoise Hébert, former CEO of the Alzheimer Society of Toronto.

December 1, 2015: *RNAO LTC Best Practices Toolkit* - Carol Holmes, Program Manager, RNAO Long-Term Care Best Practices Program and Suman Iqbal, Long-Term Care Best Practice Coordinator

February 23, 2016: *Ethical Issues and End of Life* - Lorrie Hamilton, Director, Ethics and Research at Toronto East General Hospital.

Usually 30-45 people attend.

These were dinner meetings with a speaker and were held at Villa Colombo.

### 2. Professional Advocacy Activities

#### PA Chair - Jan Mitchell

Jan attended webinars and sessions at RNAO.

### 3. Membership Report

#### Membership Chair - Susan Sardellitti

Chapter membership figures as of March 31, 2016:

Total membership of **745** including 473 free nursing students. There were 107 lapsed members.

### 4. Local Chapter Financial Report

#### Treasurer - Anne Ollikainen

Chapter balance as of March 31, 2016: \$36,385.22

### 5. Local Board Recruitment

Four people responded to the recruitment letter prepared by the board, including one RPN. We added 2 of these people - Marguerite Tersigni and Susie Sardellitti - to our executive when they came to our executive meetings. Both had great ideas and much experience. Any interested parties are welcome. Just send us a letter, CV. Contact either Susie or Leila.

### 6. Local Chapter Executive Committee Activities

Most of the time we communicated by email or telephone to finalize details for the dinner meetings at Villa Colombo as well as confirm annual meeting details such as who is registering, introducing the speaker and thanking the speaker. We also met twice over dinner to plan the events, the last time being on March 30, 2016.

### 7. Of Special Mention (Issues, Concerns, Celebrations)

Sponsored a membership for a nurse with some financial difficulty.

We are planning a physical assessment skills workshop for the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Leila Carnegie, President - Greater Toronto Area Chapter