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Wellington Chapter Spring Newsletter

President's Report

Dear Members, Happy spring!

Together, with pride and in celebration, we share this president's report. This spring RNAO celebrated its 90th Anniversary. This year in all that we do, members of Wellington Chapter will carry on the tradition of impact and influence.

Thanks to the highest membership numbers in chapter history, Wellington Chapter had the privilege of sending four of our members to attend RNAO's 90th Annual General Meeting (AGM) as Consultation Representatives.

With national volunteer week in the recent past, we extend the highest gratitude to members that volunteer in a variety of capacities for our chapter and beyond. Volunteers are making a significant difference every day to nursing and health in our community. There are currently opportunities to volunteer to be a Workplace Liaison or to join the Wellington Chapter Executive Network. Our Officers have been busy engaging with Registered Nurses and nursing students to stimulate membership and promote the value of belonging to their professional organization.

Political Action: Queens Park on the Road 2014

In October 2014, Wellington Chapter members met with local MPPs Ted Arnott and Liz Sandals. Issues around medical tourism, health structure reform, RN prescribing, health and dignity for Ontarians and NP compensation were discussed. We thank the MPPs for speaking with us. We also thank Wellington Chapter members Magee McGuire and Matt Dubuc for being a part of QPOR 2014!



Left to right:
MPP Liz Sandals,
Magee McGuire,
Keree Green, Matt
Dubuc



Below Left to right:
Debbie Friesen,
MPP Ted Arnott,
Sam Cohen and
Tabitha Kellendonk



Wellington Chapter Executive Members from left to right: Keree Green, Samantha Cohen & Tabitha Kellendonk

Annual Queens Park Day in Toronto

RNAO's annual Queens Park Day occurred this past February 25-27th 2015. Wellington Chapter Co-Presidents Keree Green and Samantha Cohen as well as Communications Executive Network Officer Tabitha Kellendonk were in attendance for this 3 day event. A breakfast with MPP Ted Arnott, a sit in on question period and a discussion with Premiere Kathleen Wynne and Health Minister Eric Hoskins were among the events this year.

RNAO and its members were very pleased to hear a formal announcement from Premiere Wynne that the province would be going through with its commitment to RN prescribing and will begin talking with key stakeholders this spring!

Take your MPP to work day 2015

This year, Communications ENO Tabitha Kellendonk will be taking MPP Liz Sandals to St. Joseph's Health Centre in Guelph in May for RNAO's annual take your MPP to work day. Finance ENO Tanya Murtagh will be taking MPP Ted Arnott to Groves Memorial Community Hospital in Fergus for this annual event as well.

RNAO's 90th Annual General Meeting in Toronto

RNAO celebrated its 90TH AGM this past April 16-18th in Toronto. A big thanks to Wellington Chapter members, Magee McGuire and Pat Nashef for attending alongside executive members Tanya Murtagh, Tabitha Kellendonk, Samantha Cohen and Helen Tindale.



Above from left to right: Samantha Cohen & Helen Tindale

Spring Event for Nurses Week 2015: "With you every step of the way"

In celebration of nursing week this year, Wellington Chapter would like to invite members for an evening walk in the park! As nurses we all know the importance of self-care in our profession. We have created this event as a chance to get together with chapter members and enjoy some fresh air and refreshments. A flyer detailing this event has been sent to members. To view it check out our Facebook page or visit <http://chapters.rnao.ca/wellington/node/1805>

Update Chapter Executive 2015

Co-presidents: Keree Green and Samantha Cohen, kgreen@rnao.ca, scohen@rnao.ca

Finance ENO: Tanya Murtagh

Communications ENO: Tabitha Kellendonk

Work Place Liaison ENO: Tabitha Kellendonk

Membership and Services ENO: Keree Green

Information Management and Technology ENO: Denise Peddle

Policy and Political Action ENO: Samantha Cohen

Members at Large: Tricia Stiles, Sharon Grey

Past President: Helen Tindale

*****If you are interested in being a part of the executive and co-chairing a position please contact Keree Green or Samantha Cohen. ******

*****In addition, if you know of a member who did not received this newsletter via e-mail please advise them to go to the RNAO website and update their e-mail under myRNAO and make sure your information is updated. <https://myrnao.ca/> *****

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