



*"It's kind of fun to do the impossible." - Walt Disney (1901-1966)*

## National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week—April 19th to 25th

During this **National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week** we celebrate the important roles played by our Medical Laboratory Assistants, Technologists, Secretaries, Pathologists, and Managerial staff in their role serving the public through defense and discovery. Whether it is a blood test, a throat swab or a biopsy, tests performed by medical laboratory professionals provide vital information about your health. Doctors depend on laboratory test results to accurately diagnose and treat illness, and monitor patient health. **In fact, up to 85 per cent of decisions about diagnosis and treatment are based on laboratory test results.** This week is a time to promote and recognize the professionals who work vigilantly on the front line of the public health system performing tests that provide the results and permit the critically important health care decisions to be made promptly and accurately. National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week provides the profession with a unique opportunity to increase public understanding of and recognition for our clinical laboratory personnel.

## WRH Celebrates Nurses Week May 11th to 15th, 2009

The 2009 Nurses Week will be celebrated May 11th to 15th. Activities start early with the Nursing Excellence Awards evening on **May 6, 2009** at the Caboto. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at the Public Affairs/Foundation office (ext. 52005) at Met Campus or by contacting Sandra Shearme (ext. 72385) or Gillian Koolen (ext. 73154) at Western Campus / Malden Park Continuing Care Centre.

## Western Campus Redevelopment Begins

We are starting to make preparations for the "major" component of the Western Redevelopment project to commence. An announcement will be forthcoming in the next month or so; however, everything is still on track for it to start in June 2009. The Early Works portion resulted in people having to move offices etc. similar to the Met project. This will intensify once the "major" project starts. As a result you may have to move to a smaller area or further from your current location. In addition, some of our partners located at Western will have to do the same. This is part of the process and although, on a temporary basis it may be disruptive, it will result in positive change for the campus that ALL of us have been asking to happen for years. Therefore, let us all be patient and instead of having a negative attitude towards it, let's embrace it with a smile and explain to everyone it will result in positive change for everyone - most importantly our patients and families.

### Did you know?

Windsor Regional Hospital's **Western Campus**, located at 1453 Prince Road began in 1910 to care for patients with tuberculosis. The proprietors of the hospital were the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire (I.O.D.E.) whose Border City Chapter raised the original funding to build the Hospital.

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