

## *Message from Executive Director*

Maria Joseph Continuing Care Community newsletter

It's been an active and exciting first quarter of the year! This new-year has brought some great new staff and leadership to Maria Joseph who have integrated very nicely into the existing team of dedicated employees. All maintain the common goal to continue the Sisters' mission at Maria Joseph Continuing Care Community, the "Home with a Heart." Maria Joseph rolled out the results of the "My Innerview" survey; a satisfaction survey completed by residents, families and staff in May. Opportunities for growth were identified for each person's lifestyle. Interdisciplinary teams of employees and residents have been organized to develop goals along with action plans geared towards addressing the identified areas. The general thought from staff, residents and families is that things are going very well and that they have already seen positive changes in the community.

Another improvement this past quarter is that we are able to provide guest Wi-Fi for residents in Maria Joseph Manor, Nazareth Memory Center and Emmanuel Center. We anticipate this service to be added in the Meadows Community Center soon. This has been a much-welcome addition to our facilities; allowing residents, families, and guests to keep in touch with their loved ones through technology.

We are entering into the final phase of repairs from the April 2014 storm. The contractors predict the project to be complete by the end of May. It will be nice to have this project finally behind us. In addition to the exterior improvements, we are also completing our first cottage up-grade at 38 Mateo Drive. This interior upgrade will be a very positive improvement in our cottages. The completion is just in time as our new Marketing Director, Dawn Orzechowski has many marketing events planned as warmer weather approaches and inquiries increase. Be on the lookout for the announcement of an open house in the near future!

We are looking forward to an exciting new year at Maria Joseph and continuing in the tradition of the "Home with a Heart".