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OU to recognize exceptional nurses at the 27th annual Nightingale Awards May 7

Oakland University's School of Nursing and its Board of Visitors are proud to honor Michigan's top nurses at the 27th Annual Nightingale Awards for Nursing Excellence. The only event of its kind in the state, the Nightingale Awards will be held on May 7 at the San Marino Club in Troy. The awards were created to promote nursing's critical role in healthcare and the array of ways that nurses care for America's citizens.

More than 500 nurses, physicians and administrators, as well as family members and supporters, will attend this year's awards ceremony. This esteemed event includes an elegant sit-down dinner and silent auction. High bidders at the auction could go home with a 40" smart TV, golf and spa packages, exquisite jewelry and many other prize packages. Fox 2 News weekday morning host and Oakland University alumna, Amy Andrews will emcee this year's awards ceremony.



The Nightingale Awards are presented annually to Michigan's top nurses. This year's event takes place on May 7 at the San Marino Club in Troy.

Each of nine Nightingale Award winners receives a check for \$1,000, a bronze statue of Florence Nightingale and a pin. The eight runners up each receive a plaque and a pin. Nurses were nominated by their peers, supervisors, friends and patients for superior service and contributions in eight areas of expertise. The 2015 Nightingale Awards for Nursing Excellence are presented by Beaumont Health. Other sponsors include St. John Providence Health System, Detroit Medical Center, St. Joseph Mercy Oakland and many others. Hour Detroit Magazine is the People's Choice Award sponsor.

For more information, or for tickets to the event, please contact Ashley Samson in the School of Nursing at (248) 364-8725, via email at samson@oakland.edu or visit oakland.edu/nightingale.

2015 Nightingale Award winners:

Administration: Anne Ronk, Beaumont Health System-Royal Oak

Advanced Nurse Practice: Susanna Sirianni, Sinai Grace Hospital

Education & Research: Carla Groh, University Of Detroit Mercy

Long Term Care/Rehabilitation: Theresa Duller, Beaumont Health System-Royal Oak

Nursing in the Community: Cathy June, Detroit Receiving Hospital

Oakland University Distinguished Alumni: Marlene Mullin, Hope Inc., Michigan Council of Nurse Practitioners

Staff Nurse Practice: Jeffrey Wolff, Harper University Hospital

Staff Nurse Practice: Michelle Wood, Oakwood Hospital-Taylor

2015 Nightingale Award Runners-Up:

Administration: Rhonda Berndt, Oakwood Hospital-Wayne

Education & Research: Carmen Alicia Stokes, University Of Detroit Mercy

Nursing in the Community: Doris Neumeyer, Beaumont Health System-Troy

Oakland University Distinguished Alumni: Marie Doherty, Beaumont Health System-Royal Oak

Staff Nurse Practice: Kelly Hendrix, Beaumont Health System-Royal Oak

Staff Nurse Practice: Nancy Whitt, Beaumont Health System-Royal Oak

People's Choice: Winner will be revealed at the Nightingale Awards ceremony

Janette Bell, Beaumont Health System-Royal Oak

Michael Clark, Henry Ford Hospital

Geraldine McCormick, St. John Providence Health System