

*Sixth Annual  
Nurse of Distinction  
Awards Ceremony*

*2009*

**1199SEIU League**  
Training and Employment Funds

# Message from 1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East



As we celebrate the Sixth Annual Nurse of Distinction Awards, it is with the purpose of honoring the professional excellence and dedication of our 1199SEIU nurses of UHWE.


The 1199SEIU nurses are widely recognized as leaders among other professions. They are known for continually enhancing and improving their professional skills in order to deliver the best of care. Their genuine interest and commitment to meeting the challenges of an ever-changing industry is one of their most impressive characteristics.

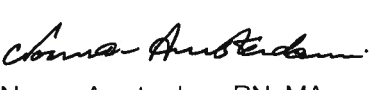
Being part of a National Union, our 1199SEIU nurses are over 85,000 strong. We proudly applaud the RN Contract Administrators, Delegates, Activists and Captains, for not only maintaining the integrity and compassion essential to the day-to-day delivery of care, but also their commitment to educate and support their brothers and sisters in the labor movement. In the political arena, the 1199SEIU nurses ensure that their voices are heard in the halls of the legislature, going the extra mile for their patients with the strong belief that patients come first.

We offer thanks and special congratulations to the nominees and winners of the 2009 Nurse of Distinction Awards.

In solidarity,

  
George Gresham  
President

  
Maria Castaneda  
Secretary-Treasurer

  
Norma Amsterdam, RN, MA  
Executive Vice President  
RN Division

## Message from League of Voluntary Hospitals and Homes of New York



Our sincerest appreciation goes out to all of the nurses honored this year at the Sixth Annual Nurse of Distinction Awards Gala.

We are indeed happy to honor those who form the foundation of care in our institutions, those who perform with excellence every shift, every day, despite the challenges inherent in their profession. They work according to the highest standards of patient care delivery, always looking for avenues to raise the bar.

Congratulations 1199SEIU RNs – for your hard work and exemplary performance!

Sincerely,

Bruce McIver  
President  
League of Voluntary  
Hospitals and Homes  
of New York

Thomas A. Helfrich  
Senior Vice President and Counsel  
League of Voluntary  
Hospitals and Homes  
of New York

Roseann M. Simonelli  
Vice President  
League of Voluntary  
Hospitals and Homes  
of New York

## Message from 1199SEIU Training and Employment Funds



I am so pleased to welcome you to the Sixth Annual Nurse of Distinction Awards Gala and to recognize the dedication and superior care our 1199SEIU Registered Nurses provide.

1199SEIU RNs exhibit a high level of professionalism amidst the ongoing challenges of today's healthcare environment. In fact, we are here tonight in part because many of our nurses care enough about their patients and profession to participate in the many labor-management initiatives going on throughout our hospitals. Through the programs, nurses and management work collaboratively to improve healthcare for their patients, pushing aside and dispelling obstacles. The mutual respect they are developing with their employers empowers them to promote the principles important to nursing, hospitals, nursing homes and the Union.

We are grateful for their hard work and perseverance. Congratulations to our nominees for their excellence in nursing and their commitment to delivering high-quality patient care.

Sincerely,

Deborah King  
Executive Director  
1199SEIU Training and Employment Funds

## Masters of Ceremonies



**Clare E. Thompson, RN**, is Vice President and Area Director of the 1199SEIU Registered Nurses Division. A Registered Nurse since 1974, she has also been a Registered Midwife since 1976.

Tonight marks the sixth year that she has co-hosted the annual Nurse of Distinction Awards Dinner. Ms. Thompson has served on the staff of 1199SEIU for the past 20 years as a strong advocate for the nursing profession. To this end, she has pursued the right to dignity, respect, and a better quality of work life for our nurses.

Ms. Thompson has consistently struggled to obtain fair contracts for our 1199SEIU nurses—contracts that have provided favorable wages, benefits, training opportunities, and also addressed their staffing recruitment and retention needs.

Her concern for enhancing staffing levels remains a focus in all her institutions, and she has worked on numerous Labor/Management collaborative initiatives. Ms. Thompson also serves as a Union trustee for the RN Training and Job Security Fund, the RN Training and Upgrading Fund, the Child Care Fund and the 1199SEIU Health Care Employees Pension Fund.

Ms. Thompson oversees Team A of the 1199SEIU League of Registered Nurses Division, which represents nurses in Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan, Staten Island and parts of Long Island.

**Bob Linn**, the president of Linn & Green Consulting, Inc., has worked closely with the League of Voluntary Hospitals and Homes of New York for a number of years. He has assisted Tom Helfrich, Senior Vice President and Counsel to the League, in negotiations with the 1199SEIU Registered Nurses for the last four rounds of collective bargaining. Mr. Linn has also participated in all of the RN labor-management projects that 1199SEIU and LVHH have jointly developed, and he firmly believes in the cooperative, interest-based approach that the parties have employed so successfully in their labor-management relations.

Mr. Linn has co-hosted the Nurse of Distinction Awards Dinner with Clare Thompson since 2004. He is proud and thrilled to have been invited back with Clare to co-host this spectacular and important dinner honoring New York's best nurses.

## The 1199SEIU League Nurse of Distinction Program

The Nurse of Distinction award program was established by the collective bargaining agreement between the 1199SEIU RN Division and the League of Voluntary Hospitals and Homes to recognize nurses who have made a difference in their profession. This program addresses the retention of nurses working at the bedside.

A joint committee of appointed 1199SEIU RN and League members oversees the program. The committee develops the criteria for the awards, solicits nominations from institutions and interviews the nominees.

Tonight, we will present five awards that recognize excellence in practice by both Registered Nurses and managers who work in 1199SEIU hospitals and nursing homes.

The award categories are:

- **Nurse of Distinction of the Year (hospital setting)**
- **Nurse of Distinction of the Year (nursing home setting)**
- **Nurse Leader of the Year (hospital setting)**
- **Novice Nurse of the Year**
- **Nurse Preceptor of the Year**

The two Nurse of Distinction awards are peer-nominated categories, while staff RNs from each institution nominated the Nurse Leaders. Tonight, we honor all the nominees as representatives of professional excellence in their institutions.

We would like to thank the members of the 1199SEIU League Nurse of Distinction Committee:

**Deb Friedland, RN**  
St. John's Episcopal Hospital

**Miriam Kho, RN**  
Beth Israel Medical Center - Petrie Division

**Joyce Lemon, RN**  
NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases

**Bob Linn**  
Consultant  
League of Voluntary Hospitals and Homes of New York

**Dr. Michael Nozdrovicky**  
Vice President, Patient Care  
North General Hospital

**Patricia O'Brien, RN**  
Beth Israel Medical Center - Kings Highway Division

**Carmen Schmidt, RN, MSN**  
Director of Nursing Education  
Beth Israel Medical Center

**Roseann Simonelli**  
Vice President  
League of Voluntary Hospitals and Homes of New York

**Clare E. Thompson, RN**  
Vice President  
1199SEIU RN Division

**Marc Wolf**  
Director, Human Resources  
St. Barnabas Hospital



## 1199SEIU Training and Employment Funds

The 1199SEIU Training and Employment Funds are a joint effort of 1199SEIU and its contributing employers. Our mission is to develop high-quality training, placement and labor-management initiatives that strengthen both the quality of care and our industry as a whole. By providing healthcare workers with educational opportunities, we give them the support they need to effectively provide efficient and caring service. And by working closely with the Union and employers, we help labor and management to solve difficult issues and create innovative solutions together. Through our collaborative work, we intend to create a world-class healthcare workforce and service delivery system.

In these difficult times for healthcare workers, the Job Security Fund works with laid-off workers to assist them. The Fund not only assures the extension of their benefits beyond their lay-off dates, but helps them find new employment in member institutions. 1199SEIU members are given a skills assessment and provided training where indicated. The upgrading of skills allows laid-off workers to fill open positions for which they previously would not have qualified.

The 1199SEIU Training and Education Funds offer a full range of professional programs that help RNs stay on the cutting edge of their abilities so they are ready to meet the needs of their employers and the industry. To help address the nursing shortage, the 1199SEIU Training and Employment Funds established the following Funds:

### **Registered Nurse Training and Job Security Fund (RNTJSF)**

#### **Addressing the Nursing Shortage**

To recruit new nurses into the profession, a “fast-track” program was created for healthcare workers interested in becoming RNs. And to motivate members’ children enrolled in RN programs, the Fund offers tuition assistance. In 2008, almost 300 students completed RN programs with assistance from the Fund.

To help RNs who are eligible for the Training and Upgrading Fund pursue a Bachelor’s (BSN) or Master’s degree (MSN), the Fund offers tuition reimbursement and academic and counseling support. Study programs are geared toward providing returning adult students with families with flexible study options. For RNs seeking to advance their clinical and on-the-job skills, the Fund offers ongoing high-quality training from specialty review classes to computer classes. In 2008, 345 nurses took the opportunity to study through these degree programs.

For more information contact Salvie Colina at (212) 284-9280 or [scolina@1199funds.org](mailto:scolina@1199funds.org).

### **Retaining New Nurses With the New RN Initiative and Mentoring Program**

Another nursing shortage issue is retaining new nurses, many of whom are leaving the profession within two years. The New RN Initiative and Mentoring Program helps new nurses with the emotional and clinical challenges they face, connecting them with a nurse mentor and providing them with opportunities to succeed in areas they enjoy. Since 2006, over 800 RNs have participated in this program.

The RNTJSF offers seminars and specialty courses at its training center and at individual institutions; participants are eligible for Continuing Education Units.

### **Labor Management Initiatives, Inc. (LMI)**

#### **Improving Care and Job Satisfaction Through Labor Management Initiatives, Inc.**

The RN Recruitment and Retention Programs support nurses in their day-to-day work, giving them the opportunity to work with management and positively affect their work environment. The outcome of such projects leads to improved patient and staff satisfaction, which in turn produces high-quality care and RN job satisfaction.

# 2008 Nurse of Distinction Winners and Nominees



**Maureen Stewart**  
Good Samaritan Hospital  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Hospital Setting, Winner



**Ilona Raskina**  
Sephardic Nursing and Rehabilitation Center  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Nursing Home Setting, Winner



**Charmaine Thomas**  
Forest Hills Hospital  
Nurse Leader, Winner



**Frederick Dunau**  
Beth Israel Medical Center - Petrie Division  
Nurse Preceptor, Winner



**Jennifer Westbrook**  
Orange Regional Medical Center - Horton Campus  
Novice Nurse, Winner



**Dawn Cynthia Freeman**  
Brookdale University Hospital  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Hospital Setting, First Runner-Up



**Stella Dobrovolskaya**  
New York Community Hospital  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Hospital Setting, Second Runner-Up



**Melanie Pabon (Right)**  
Beth Israel Medical Center  
Novice Nurse of the Year, Nominee



**Violetta Isakova**  
Jamaica Hospital  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Hospital Setting, Nominee



**Felix Feldman**  
New York Community Hospital  
Novice Nurse of the Year, Nominee



**Christine Cebollero (Right)**  
Morningside Home  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Nursing Home Setting, Nominee



**Renjini Raju (Right)**  
Isabella Geriatric Center  
Nurse Leader of the Year, Nominee



**Socorro Anora**  
Schervier Nursing Care Center  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Nursing Home Setting, Nominee



**Kerinth Afflick (Right)**  
St. John's Episcopal Hospital South Shore  
Nurse Preceptor of the Year, Nominee



**Kathleen Hanna**  
St. John's Episcopal Hospital South Shore  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Hospital Setting, Nominee



**Alesa Bernard (Right)**  
Our Lady of Mercy Medical Center  
Nurse Preceptor of the Year, Nominee



**Fay Dunn (Right)**  
Beth Israel Medical Center  
Nurse of Distinction Award in a Hospital Setting, Nominee



**Anthony Clovis (Right)**  
New York Community Hospital  
Nurse Leader of the Year, Nominee

# 2008 Nurse of Distinction Nominees

Our 2008 Nominees continue to show their leadership skills and commitment to the field of nursing. Frederick Dunau, Dawn Freeman, Ilona Raskina and Charmaine Thomas all joined the 2009 Nurse of Distinction Committee to help select this year's honorees.



(Left) **Frederick Dunau, RN** Beth Israel Medical Center



(Left) **Dawn Freeman, RN** Brookdale University Hospital



(Right) **Ilona Raskina, RN** Sephardic Nursing and Rehabilitation Center



(Center) **Charmaine Thomas, RN** Forest Hills Hospital

# 2009 Nurse of Distinction Nominees (Hospital Setting)



**Nicole Ade**  
Forest Hills Hospital



**Agnes Adjin-Lartey**  
Montefiore Hospital - North Division



**Shirley Basa**  
North General Hospital



**Donna Brideman**  
Brookdale University Hospital and Medical Center



**Gerard Eustace**  
Jamaica Hospital Medical Center



**Cherie Fingerle**  
Eastern Long Island Hospital



**Cheryl Gayle**  
St. Barnabas Hospital



**Ivona Jalowski**  
Mount Sinai Hospital of Queens



**Christine Levine**  
Orange Regional Medical Center - Arden Hill Campus



**Mary Lippincott**  
Orange Regional Medical Center - Horton Campus



**Kim Lonnborg**  
St. John's Episcopal Hospital South Shore



**Golda Maxwell**  
Beth Israel Medical Center - Petrie Division



**Yvonne McGlade**  
Bon Secours Community Hospital



**Patricia McQuade**  
Good Samaritan Hospital



**Donna Pagani**  
Beth Israel Medical Center - Kings Highway Division



**Julieta Reynoso**  
NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases

# Nurse of Distinction Nominees (Nursing Home Setting)



**Ofelia Castulo**  
Schervier Nursing  
Care Center



**Venice Guy**  
Rivington House



**Lavern Marks**  
The Schulman and  
Schachne Institute for  
Nursing and Rehabilitation



**Janene Mauro**  
Eger Health Care and  
Rehabilitation Center



**Marie Palanquet**  
Isabella Geriatric Center



**Alfonso Penaco**  
Morningside House



**Marina Sandler**  
St.Vincent's Catholic  
Medical Center Home  
Health Agency



**Georgia Stewart**  
Center for Nursing  
and Rehabilitation



**Susan Thomas**  
The Hebrew Home  
at Riverdale



**Laletha Thompson**  
St. Barnabas Nursing Home



**Jongsook Won**  
Sephardic Nursing and  
Rehabilitation Center

# Nurse Leader of the Year Nominees



**Doris Barnes**  
North General Hospital



**Catherine Binck**  
Beth Israel Medical Center -  
Petrie Division



**Zoe Boniface**  
Orange Regional Medical  
Center - Arden Hill Campus



**Eulanda Corales**  
Jamaica Hospital  
Medical Center



**Elvira Gregorio**  
Montefiore Hospital -  
North Division



**Teresa Javed**  
St. Barnabas Hospital



**Kyeong Hwa Kim**  
Mount Sinai Hospital  
of Queens



**Martha Krawczyk**  
Orange Regional Medical  
Center - Horton Campus



**Eileen Lydon**  
NYU Hospital  
for Joint Diseases



**Noreen Nagy**  
Bon Secours  
Community Hospital



**Linda O'Flaherty**  
Beth Israel Medical Center -  
Kings Highway Division



**Judith Persaud**  
Forest Hills Hospital



**Elizabeth Ponte**  
Good Samaritan Hospital



**Elaine Wynter**  
Brookdale University  
Hospital and Medical Center



**Hermelina Zabala**  
St. John's Episcopal  
Hospital South Shore

## Novice Nurse of the Year Nominees



**Eloisa Campbell**  
The Schulman and  
Schachne Institute for  
Nursing and Rehabilitation



**Roland Densen**  
North General Hospital



**Janine Duran**  
St. Barnabas Hospital



**Jennifer Gallway**  
Forest Hills Hospital



**Janice Hamilton**  
Montefiore Hospital -  
North Division



**Leslie Jollie**  
Orange Regional Medical  
Center - Horton Campus



**Jane Lee**  
NYU Hospital  
for Joint Diseases



**Eugene Maca**  
Jamaica Hospital  
Medical Center



**Steve Malcolm**  
Brookdale University  
Hospital and Medical Center



**Latoya Maragh**  
St. John's Episcopal  
Hospital South Shore



**Heather McDonald**  
Bon Secours  
Community Hospital



**Anastasia Ninos**  
Mount Sinai Hospital  
of Queens



**Dawn Quarty**  
Eastern Long  
Island Hospital



**Jennifer Reiser**  
Beth Israel Medical Center -  
Kings Highway Division



**Richard Spatafora**  
Beth Israel Medical Center -  
Petrie Division



**Emilia Stoeva**  
Good Samaritan Hospital



**Lauren Werner**  
Orange Regional Medical  
Center - Arden Hill Campus

## Nurse Preceptor of the Year Nominees



**Susan Adler**  
Beth Israel Medical Center -  
Kings Highway Division



**Kishana Alie**  
The Schulman and  
Schachne Institute for  
Nursing and Rehabilitation



**Chandra Bhamdat**  
Forest Hills Hospital



**Guillermo Burga**  
Beth Israel Medical Center -  
Petrie Division



**Flor Canezal**  
Jamaica Hospital



**Eleanor Cantuba**  
Mount Sinai Hospital  
of Queens



**Susan Charity**  
Orange Regional Medical  
Center - Horton Campus



**Deborah Conrardy**  
Eastern Long  
Island Hospital



**Naomie Noisette-Guiteau**  
Brookdale University  
Hospital and Medical Center



**Winsome Johnson-Berry**  
NYU Hospital  
for Joint Diseases



**Fay Joshua**  
St. John's Episcopal  
Hospital South Shore



**Mary Kostenblatt**  
Good Samaritan Hospital



**Elizabeth Rivera-Luciano**  
Montefiore Hospital -  
North Division



**Donna Martin**  
Orange Regional Medical  
Center - Arden Hill Campus



**Katherine  
Romero-Rodriguez**  
St. Barnabas Hospital



**Colleen Spicer**  
Bon Secours  
Community Hospital



**Sonia Villanueva**  
North General Hospital



**Tyiesha Wyatt**  
Isabella Geriatric Center

We, the 1199SEIU  
Registered Nurses  
Council of New York  
honor all our nurses  
and nominees  
for their excellence  
and commitment  
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**Members of the 1199SEIU RN Council**

Mary Ann Smith, Arden Hill Hospital  
Janet Pinero, Arden Hill Hospital  
Sherry Kirschenbaum, Beth Israel Medical Center, Petrie Division  
Sandra Morales, Beth Israel Medical Center, Petrie Division  
Martin Tuite, Beth Israel Kings Highway Division  
Maureen Woodruffe, Beth Israel Kings Highway Division  
Timothy Leahy, Beth Israel Kings Highway Division  
Adley Cassius, Brookdale Hospital  
Avonda Cummins, Brookdale Hospital  
Noreen Peters, Brookdale Hospital  
Denise Vassell, Brookdale Hospital  
Sheron Simmons, Center For Nursing  
Joanne Rosenberg, Forest Hills Hospital  
Lynne Barnett, Forest Hills Hospital  
Eileen Dunnion, Hebrew Home For The Aged  
Noreen Brennan, Holy Family  
Jennie Lyons, Horton Hospital  
Susan Van Etten, Horton Hospital  
Bernadette Mayers, Hospital For Joint Diseases  
Taslyn Muir, Hudson Pointe Nursing Center  
Phyllis Cameron, Isabella Geriatric Center  
Sheina Garrison, Jamaica Hospital  
Michael Calise, Jamaica Hospital  
Elizabeth Gromadski, Menorah Home  
Isalina Charles, Mt. Sinai of Queens  
Kevin Khusial, Mt. Sinai of Queens  
Julieta Oates, New York Community of Brooklyn  
Colleen Springer, New York Community of Brooklyn  
Veronica Scanlon, New York Hospital Medical Center  
Eileen Flanagan, New York Hospital Medical Center  
Bernadette Carter, North General Hospital  
Laura Colley-Richardson, North General Hospital  
Diane Scumaci, Montefiore North Hospital  
Tom Fitzsimons, Montefiore North Hospital  
Guy Veronick, Rivington House  
Allys Ansah-Arkorful, Schervier Nursing Care Center  
Yasmine Beausejour, Sephardic Nursing Home  
Regina David, St. Barnabas Hospital  
Joan Watson, St. Barnabas Hospital  
Marcia Butler-Richardson, St. Barnabas Hospital  
Deborah Lerner, St. John's Episcopal South Shore



**Beth Israel Medical Center**  
congratulates its exceptional nurses  
nominated for the 1199-SEIU League  
**2009 Nurse of Distinction Awards**

Novice Nurse  
**Kings Highway Division: Jennifer Reiser**  
**Petrie Division: Richard Spatafora**

Nurse Preceptor  
**Kings Highway Division: Susan Adler**  
**Petrie Division: Guillermo Burga**

Nurse Leader  
**Kings Highway Division: Linda O'Flaherty**  
**Petrie Division: Catherine Binck**

Nurse of Distinction  
**Kings Highway Division: Donna Pagani**  
**Petrie Division: Golda Maxwell**

**Marie Flordeliza, V.P. Kings Highway  
Division**  
**Mary Walsh, V.P. Petrie Division and  
CNO**



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1199SEIU/League Nominees

**CHERIE FINGERLE RN**

*NURSE OF DISTINCTION*

**DEBORAH CONRARDY RN**

*PRECEPTOR NURSE OF THE YEAR*

**DAWN QUARTY RN**

*NOVICE NURSE OF THE YEAR*

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United Healthcare Workers East

George Gresham, President

Maria Castaneda, Secretary-Treasurer

The Executive Council

Union Staff, Retirees, Delegates, Contract Administrators, and  
the 300,000 Members.

*Congratulate* the nominees and honorees of the 2009  
Nurse Of Distinction Awards

*and*

*Salute* our 1199SEIU Nurses for their hard work, dedication  
and commitment to putting "Patients First" in the face of the  
many challenges.

**1199SEIU**  
United Healthcare Workers East  
YEARS ON THE FRONTLINES

# 1199SEIU

United Healthcare Workers East  
Maryland/DC Region

John Reid, Executive Vice President

Katherine Taylor, Vice President

Maryland/DC RN Council & Registered Nurses

Extend our  
*Congratulations*  
to the  
**Nominees and Honorees**  
of the

**1199SEIU and League of Voluntary Hospitals & Homes  
2009 Nurse of Distinction Awards**



The Nurse Alliance of SEIU Healthcare is very proud to join in honoring the Nurses of Distinction and all nurses for their dedication in keeping patients safe and continually improving the quality of care we provide.



*"Let there be no doubt. Healthcare reform cannot wait, it must not wait, and it will not wait another year."*

—President Barack Obama

Americans can't wait any longer for quality, affordable healthcare. Our patients can't wait any longer, either. Now more than ever, nurses around the country need to make our voices heard: in Albany, in our workplaces, and in Washington, D.C.

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Nurse of Distinction Award  
Brookdale University Hospital and Medical Center

**LAVERNE MARKS**

Nurse of Distinction Award  
The Schulman and Schachne Institute  
for Nursing and Rehabilitation

**STEVE MALCOLM**

Novice Nurse of the Year

**NAOMI NOISETTE-GUITEAU**

Nurse Preceptor of the Year

**ELAINE V. WYNTER**

Nurse Manager of the Year

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**2009**

***Nicole Ade***

Nurse of Distinction

***Chandra Bhramdat***

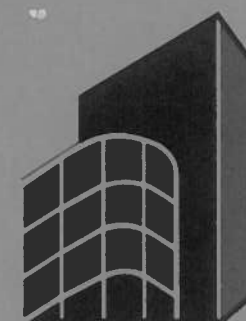
Preceptor of the year

***Jennifer Gallway***

Novice Nurse of the year

***Judy Persaud***

RN Nurse Manager of the year



## **JAMAICA HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER**

*Department of Nursing*

SALUTES OUR

### *2009 Nurse of Distinction Nominees*



*Nurse Of Distinction*

*Gerard Eustace, RN*

*Nurse Preceptor of the Year*

*Flor Canezal, RN*

*Novice Nurse of the Year*

*Eugene Maca, RN*

*Nurse Leader of the Year*

*Eulanda Corales, RN*



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# Congratulations

## to our 1199 Nurse of Distinction Nominees for 2009

**Nurse of Distinction**  
Ivona Jalowski, RN (4 East)  
**Nurse Preceptor**  
Eleanor Cantuba, RN (ED)  
**Novice Nurse**  
Anastasia Ninos, RN (4 East)  
**Nurse Leader**  
Kyeong-Hwa Kim, RN (CNM, 4 West)

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hard work in serving the  
mission of the Union,  
their institutions, and their  
dedication to quality  
care in these difficult economic  
times. We also extend special  
recognition and deep appreciation  
for the services of the RN Contract  
Administrators, Delegates and  
Activists, and to the Regional RN  
Council representation of Upstate  
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Massachusetts. Continue the good  
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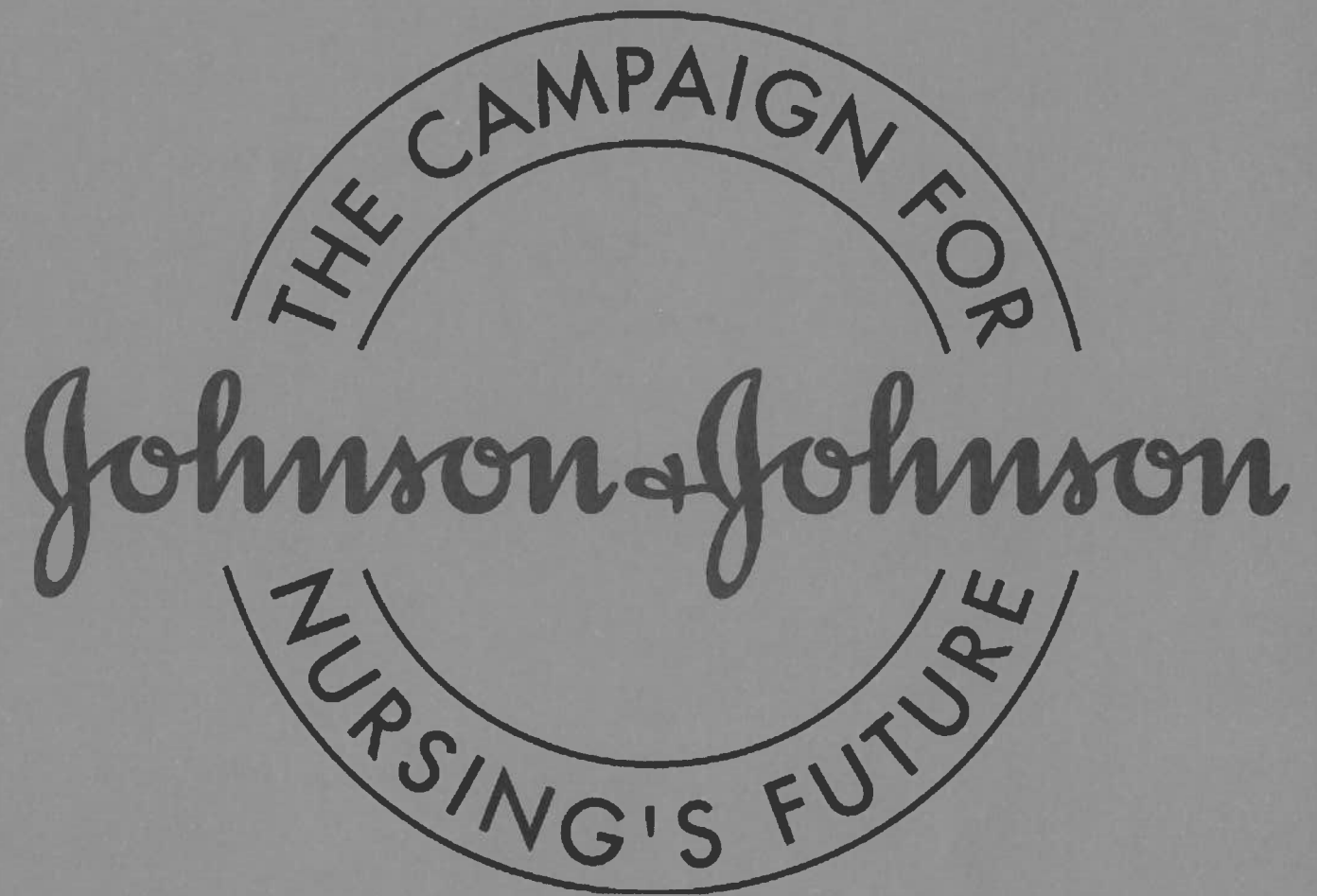
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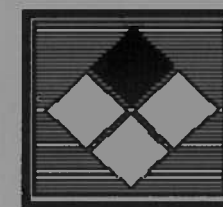
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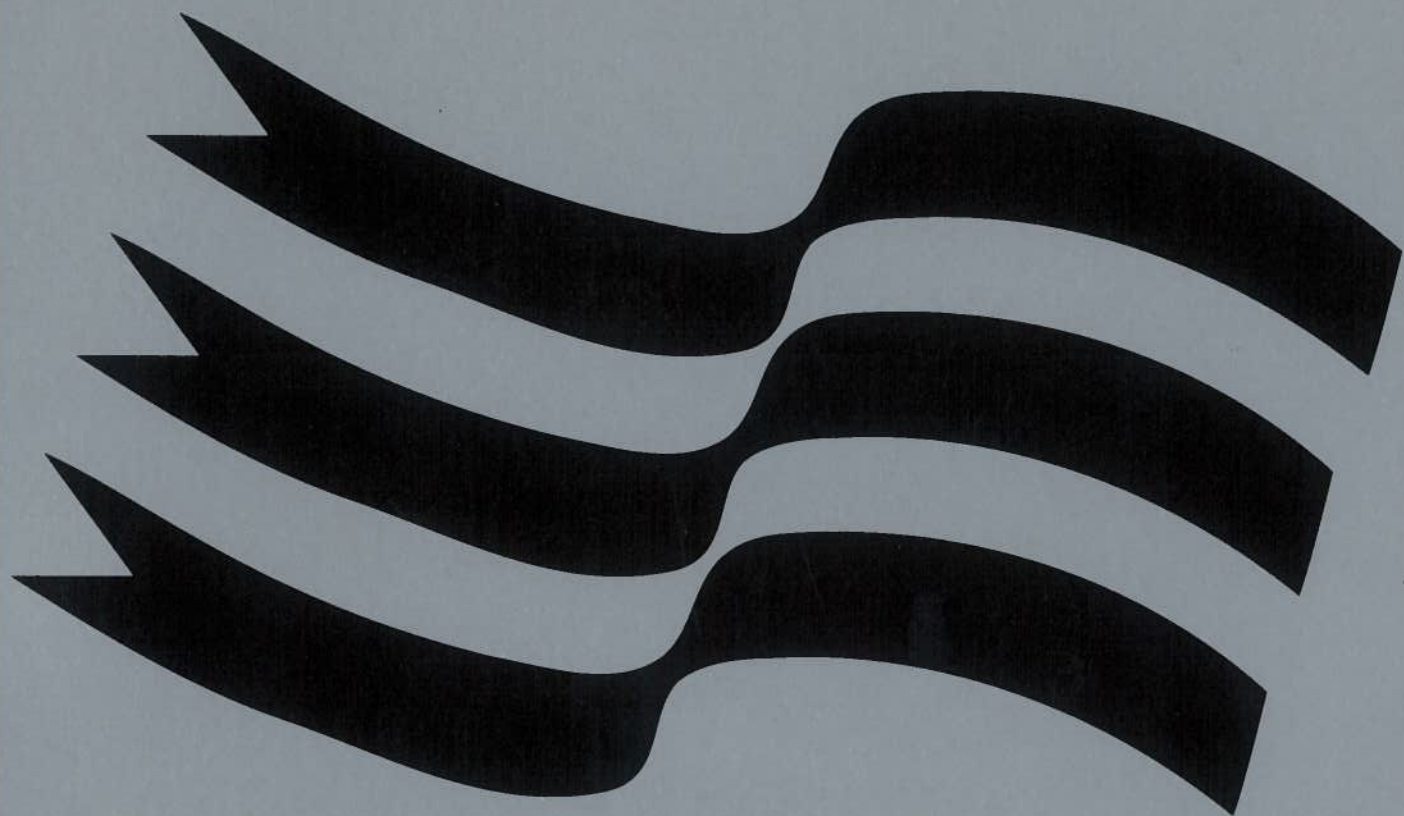
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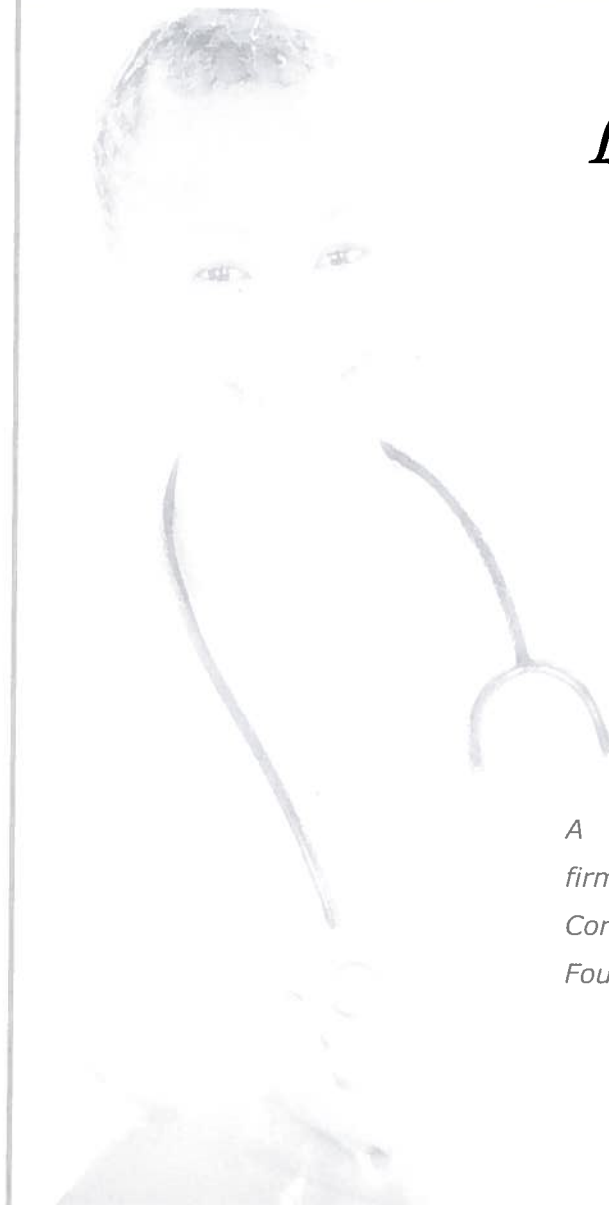
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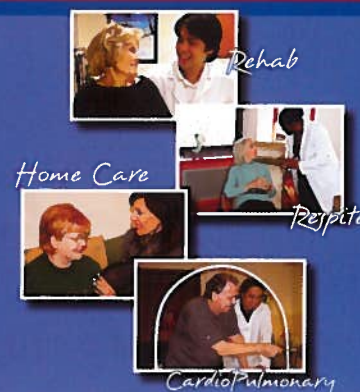
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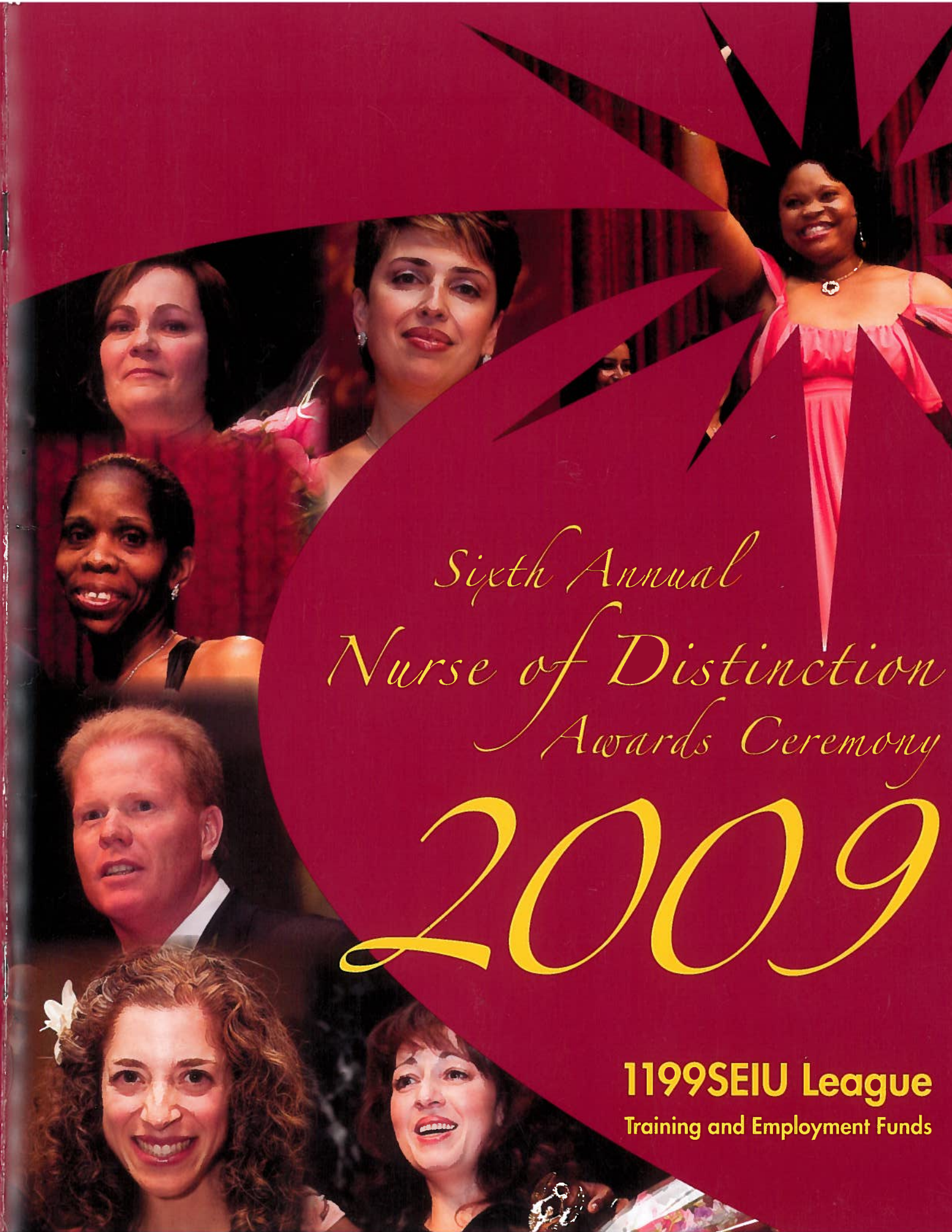
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