

# Shalom Village scores hat trick at SAGE Awards

*Service Awards for Geriatric Excellence in Recognition of Exemplary Service and Outstanding Contributions to the Health, Independence and Quality of Life of Seniors*



Shalom Village won awards in three out of five categories at the SAGE Awards presented on Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> 2007.

**Emily DiSante** won the SAGE Award in the Student category. Judges were impressed with her efforts to reach out across borders and cultures with the *Bubbies to Grandmothers* program she initiated at Shalom Village.

**Pat Morden** took home the award in the Executive category. She was recognized for her exceptional leadership as well as her tireless efforts advocating for seniors at all levels.

The SAGE award for team achievement went to the **Shalom Village Community Centre**

**Team** for the work they do coordinating recreational, spiritual, social, intellectual and physical programs for residents and acting as Shalom Village's bridge to the wider community.

Close to 400 people were in attendance at Liuna Station in Hamilton for the event. The SAGE Awards are presented by The Regional Geriatric Program central (RGPC) in partnership with St. Peter's Hospital. The RGPC is affiliated with McMaster University and sponsored by Hamilton Health Sciences.

The SAGE Awards are presented to organizations and individuals in recognition of exemplary service and outstanding contributions to the

health, independence and quality of life of seniors. Those providing geriatric services to the region including Hamilton, Halton, Brant, Niagara, Haldimand Norfolk, Waterloo and Wellington / Dufferin were eligible for nominations.

As last year's winner in the Organization category, Shalom Village CEO Pat Morden had the honour of presenting the award to this year's winner, Norview Lodge in Simcoe. Shalom Village Care Innovation Coach Karen Allcroft, who won last year's award in the individual category, presented this year's Individual Award to our good friend Mary Buzzell.

Congratulations to all winners and nominees!

