



## NURSING STUDENTS CAN ACCESS A NEW EMERGENCY FUND - UNVEILED AT THIS SPRING'S MOVING UP CEREMONY

On May 9th, the College's Nursing Program hosted its annual Moving Up Awards on the Auburn campus at a luncheon attended by several award donors and College Staff.

Among the attendees were Jinny Porcari Keough, Chuck and Conna Porcari, representing the new Mary Porcari Brady Fund that was established as an emergency fund for students in Cayuga's Nursing Program, allowing them to apply for funds due to a financial emergency that may threaten their ability to remain in the program. The \$10,000 gift from the Mary Porcari Brady Fund is being matched by the Cayuga County Community College Foundation.

The gift to Cayuga's Nursing program is one of several the Mary Porcari Brady Fund has awarded over the past decade to nursing programs at community colleges.



L-R Chuck Porcari, Jinny Porcari Keough, Conna Porcari and Cayuga Nursing Director Mary Driscoll

Started in 2006 by her children, the fund was established to honor Mary Porcari Brady after she completed nursing school in 1971 following the death of one of her children due to a rare genetic disorder. She started her nursing career at Park Avenue Hospital in Rochester before working at Old Forge Medical Center, Cortland Hospital and Oswego Hospital before retiring in 2001.