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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU FROM US...

That's right, another year has just flown by. Remember when we were all getting ready for Y11k and the end of the world as we knew it. It seems like just the other day we were stocking up on candles, tinned tuna, bottled water and getting our generators ready for that time of the year when computers the world over were going to say "Cheerio chaps". Of

course we all survived Y11k just fine (although some were acutely disappointed) and now here we are 2003. Now here is a whole year for you to try and be innovative, excited, challenged or of course you can just cruise through it (because you are so good at what you do already).

TOP TEN NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS:

Lose weight
Exercise
Quit smoking
Quit drinking
Be a better person
Spend more time with family
Less time on the internet
Be more organised
Get out of debt
Be more spiritual
(from www.rats2u.com)

MRS CHINNIAH SPEAKS



Congratulations are extended to Mrs Chinniah who was promoted to Nursing Services Manager as from 1 February 2003. Mrs Chinniah is renowned for her compassionate and caring approach towards patients which has been evident by her participation in the Good Governance and Batho Pele Quality Programmes.

We recently sat down with Mrs Chinniah, to learn more about the nurse behind the manager.

Mrs Chinniah started her nursing career at St Aidans where she qualified as a Staff Nurse, she moved between Northdale where she did her midwifery and RK Khan and then back to St Aidans where she achieved her Diploma in General Nursing. Mrs Chinniah has various educational achievements which have no doubt added value to the Nursing Manager we have today, including a Diploma in Nursing Administration and a UNISA B.Cur in education, ethics and professional practice. Mrs Chinniah joined Addington in 1991 in the CCU, was promoted to Assistant Director in 1999 and is now our Nursing Service Manager :) [/to page 4](#)

OUR NEWEST HUMAN RESOURCE IS...

Mr Dan Govender. Mr Govender has been promoted to Human Resources Manager, Addington Hospital from 1 November 2002 from the Persal Department, Head Office. Dan joined the Public Service in 1978 as an Admitting Clerk at Clairwood Hospital, in 1985 he transferred to the HR Department. In 1991 he joined King Edward Hospital as Chief Clerk, Revenue and in 1993 transferred to Human Resources.



Dan Govender is happily married with three children aged 19, 16, and 9. His interests are watching sport, reading and gardening.

His aims at Addington Hospital include ensuring that the Human Resources Department provides a high quality service to all its clients with a strong emphasis on Service Standards and Courtesy. Additionally to participate in maintaining the standards that have ensured Addington's role as a trendsetter in various programmes including Accreditation and the Premiers PriceWaterhouse-Coopers Good Governance Awards at which we took the gold.

HELLO'S, GOODBYES AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN

A very big warm welcome to our Interns and Community Service officers. We confirm there is no truth to the rumour that if you don't spend at least five years at Addington then you may experience a little problem at immigration (on your way to the UK).

Condolences to Barbara Morris from Doctor's Quarters on the recent loss of her mother - from Diane

Social Work Department extends their thanks to Thembi Mngadi who has

now moved over to the Revenue Department. Additionally they thank their Secretary Connie Mayeza who was boarded in October 2002, for hard work and dedication.

We said goodbye in January to the very hard-working Ros Collet, O&G Secretary and formerly of the ENT Department. Ros, as many of you know is one the most cheerful people working at Addington. When

A wise man says little but knows much, a fool says much but knows little -

Chinese Proverb

ever you see Ros you know you're in for a smile. Good luck and God bless Ros. Enjoy your retirement.

Birthday greetings to Matron's Lawlor and Zwane also to Jeannette Combrink from us here at the PRU, and to Peter Gagiano our own in-house radio man for January.

Sadly Pam Chili formerly from Registry and Sally Naidoo from Ward 2A both recently passed away. Our sympathies to their families and friends.

CLIMBING THE CORPORATE LADDER????

Congratulations to the following members of staff on their promotions:

Dr V. Geyer is promoted to Senior Specialist/Head of Accident & Emergency

Dr C. Hammond is promoted to Specialist/Accident & Emergency

Mr S. Govender is promoted to Human Resources Manager

Mrs A. Chinniah is promoted to Nursing Service Manager

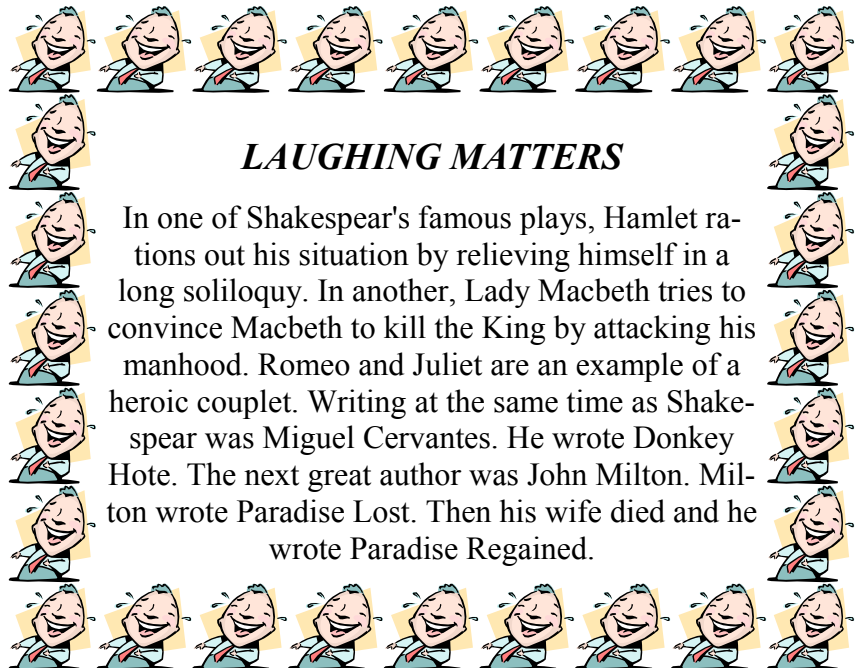


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LAUGHING MATTERS

In one of Shakespear's famous plays, Hamlet rations out his situation by relieving himself in a long soliloquy. In another, Lady Macbeth tries to convince Macbeth to kill the King by attacking his manhood. Romeo and Juliet are an example of a heroic couplet. Writing at the same time as Shakespear was Miguel Cervantes. He wrote Donkey Hote. The next great author was John Milton. Milton wrote Paradise Lost. Then his wife died and he wrote Paradise Regained.

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The Meditech Awards (an insider speaks out)
AFM Hospital Radio: Bigger, Better, Faster, More!

An Addington Hospital Success Story...

(or a reminder about the good work our staff do)

Thank you Sue Meyer

Douglas and Jeneanne Saint – brother and sister – badly burnt in a boating accident 18 years ago. Both children were nursed in Ward 13B (Paediatric Surgical Ward) – Douglas had 90% burns and Jeneanne had 60% burns. They both lived to tell the tale!

(Douglas on his wedding day) (Jeneanne on her wedding day)



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In her precious spare time Mrs Chinniah loves reading, watching sport, swimming, her animals and spending time with her family.

Her aims as Nursing Manager include the continued devleopment of staff, focus on quality and to ensure Addington remains a contender when it comes to the nursing care provided to patients.

We wish Maggie Chinniah all the best as Nursing Manager.