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STAY INFORMED



McCord Hospital staff Spread love at KwaMashu Christian Care for Age

To commemorate 67 minutes for Mandela Day, and with keeping the spirit of Mandela alive, staff at McCord Hospital decided to do a collection drive for basic needs at KwaMashu Christian Care for Age.

The collection began at the beginning of July, it was done departmentally and some contributed money to buy bulk items. Staff displayed their selflessness with their compassion and generosity.

All this happened quickly because everyone wanted to take part by contributing to make a difference in someone's life. Besides the groceries that were contributed to the home, the most valuable gift anyone can give another is time. It was an investment to have the opportunity to spend time with gogo's and mkhulu's. Apart from having time to chat to them, McCord Eye Clinic Team also provided eye screening to 47 occupants and referred them for further treatment.

Other staff were serving hot dogs, cake and juice to those waiting to be screened. The excitement from all was unbelievable.

A big thank to all staff for the spirit of UBUNTU. We must remember that serving those who are unable to serve themselves it's a Blessing.

Mandela Day Gallery Pics



Eye screening in progress



Mrs. T Mdlalose— Director of KwaMashu
Christian Care for Age
& Z R Mbatha—PRO



BIRTHDAY TEA WITH THE CEO



Staff born in July celebrated their birthday with
Dr J Mannie— Acting CEO and Acting Medical Manager –Dr N Chelin

The Acting CEO has started a Birthday Tea with staff who celebrated their birthday in May, his birthday month. About 10 staff born in the same month attended and were very happy about the idea. This is how it started and is now happening every last Friday of the each month for one hour in the CEO's Complex.

The aim is to create a happy workplace and also to understand the background of each staff apart from work environment.

He believes that happiness at work starts from top. This is one of the fundamental truths of happy workplace.

The event gives him an opportunity to connect with each staff member in a smaller group and allow them to give a brief introduction about themselves.

He is hoping this will continue and able to cover most of the staff by the end of the year and cover the first four months next year. This will able him to great the staff by their names.

The staff appreciate his effort of building good relationships amongst those within the institutions. They are always looking forward to their birthday month.

WOMEN'S FORUM AT McCORD HOSPITAL

McCord Provincial Eye Hospital (MPEH) recently initiated the Provincial Institution of a Women's Forum.

In making a start at providing care for the women at MPEH the committee invited learners from Damrosa Pre-vocational High school to our hospital to provide massage, manicures and pedicures to our women staff as way to relax and unwind from our busy jobs.

Ten Grade 9 and 10 learners came to the hospital on 28th July 2017 to provide treatments for our female staff members. The morning was a great success with nearly 60 staff members receiving a treatment of their choice.

Staff contributed a nominal donation which was used to provide a meal for the learners as well as massage oils to perform the treatments. Soothing music, candles and essential oil burners gave a nice ambiance for staff to enjoy their treatments and overall it was a successful morning of pampering.

This gives us an opportunity to gather together as Women and empower one another, also to share skills. We have a plan of monthly meetings where we will be discussing different topics. Everyone is very excited about the initiative and thanked the Management for their support.

Ladies visited different stations of their choice to be pampered



STAFF ACHIEVEMENT



Mr D Pandaram—Post-Basic Pharmacy Assistant

The Senior Management and staff would like to congratulate Darren Pandaram for the achievement in his studies as Post- Basic graduate Pharmacy Assistant.

A “big thank’ to Mr R Maharaj—Pharmacy Manager for being an excellent mentor.



Saving Vision through Education

World Sight Foundation in partnership with McCord Hospital had a special Ophthalmic three day course on 5-7 June 2017.

It was a basic course for Ophthalmic nurses and other health care workers.

The teaching team was from Bristol.

We are looking forward to more training as the nurses benefitted a lot.



Dr J Mannie—Acting CEO doing a welcoming introduction to WSF Team and students

STUDENTS WERE AWARDED CERTIFICATE ON THE LAST DAY

Congratulations to 23 students from around EThekweni District who attended a three day ophthalmic course which was sponsored by the World Sight Foundation.

They couldn't stop thanking the WSF Team which was leaded by Anthony for enlightening them and encouraging to further their studies.



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