



PORT SHEPSTONE REGIONAL HOSPITAL

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## Merry Christmas and a happy new year message from the CEO- Mr GBC Khawula

Once again, we have come to the end of the year. We had lots of wishes and hopes for the year to come, some will be fulfilled and some will not, but life still continues.

I would like to thank all staff members for the effort they displayed in rendering quality health care to our clients. Although we experienced staff shortage problems, but you maintained good work ethics by ensuring human dignity to our clients by implementing Batho Pele Principles.

May you all enjoy the festive season and be responsible so that you do not put yourselves and others at unnecessary risks. May God richly bless you and your families during this time. Be Safe, Merry Christmas and happiness in the New Year! We couldn't have

Achieved our goals without the outstanding skills and dedication of our staff and volunteers and the fantastic support of our governors, from our Ugu Health District, and Head Office in Pietermaritzburg, Community members, members of the Board, Suppliers, Fundraisers, and partners.

So, a huge thank-you to each and everyone of you, you all help make Port Shepstone Regional Hospital so very special. I wish everyone, especially our staff, patients and their families and friends –our warmest wishes for the new year



MR GBC KHAWULA—HOSPITAL CEO

### CEO THANKS EXCO MEMBERS IN STYLE

With many challenges we faced in 2007 I felt it necessary to thank managers for their support especially that things were always under control up to the end of the year. On the 19 December Mr Khawula called to dinner, Mrs SS Zuma, Mrs R Ludwig,

Mrs BL Ngesi, Ms N Shange, Ms P Mayeza and Mrs P.P. Morai at Spur Restaurant in Port Shepstone. If God allows, next year I will extend this invite to all the Heads of Departments in the hospital.



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#### End nursing shortage!!

Port Shepstone Regional Hospital has recently been chosen as one of the leading hospitals in KZN in the provision of quality services, however, we are facing the impossible. It's harder to find Professional nurses than ever before." Moans the Nursing manager-Mrs B. L. Ngesi

There's a special allowance in ICU, just for you, so nurses apply !



## PSH 2007 AWARDS CEREMONY

Mr Khawula opened the ceremony and welcomed all present. He conveyed his word of appreciation to the staff stating, "since we had just had a huge Cohsasa celebration, the budget did not allow us to make this award ceremony an event that could accommodate everyone in the hospital hence only Heads of departments were invited". However, the management equally appreciates the work done by both the staff and the HOD's. He further ensured that in 2008, the management will make sure there will be provision made to have a huge party for everyone in the hospital. Mr Khawula thanked all departments for maintaining good standards in service delivery and all recognized departments received certificates of appreciation. ."



Mr GBC Khawula—Hospital CEO welcoming employees

Christmas is a time for which people of the whole world look forward to, hence in his motivational talk to Port Shepstone Hospital staff Dr Kalala said " we need to look at the first chapter of Luke's Gospel, which gives us the surrounding circumstances of our Savior's birth, is saturated in holiness, a fitting preparation for the miraculous incarnation of the Son of God, the Holy One of Israel! Have you received the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Savior? If you have, are you serving Him in 'holiness' and righteousness? The greatest gift you can give the 'Holy One' this Christmas is yourself, dedicated to serving Him in 'holiness' and righteousness...all the days of your life. By doing so you will be able to do good to everyone around you and participate fully in your work, goals and the mission of Port Shepstone Regional Hospital



Dr Kalala—Motivating employees

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.  
Luke 2:7







**COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS REMEMBERED  
THE CHILDREN**

C ward is a 66 bedded ward led by Sister Rhoda Ngesi who works under the supervision of Matron Lydia Matta who then reports to Mrs Buyisile Ngesi, the Nursing Manager. It is not the first time we had visitors in our children's ward this year, our children received goodie packs from Port Shepstone Coca Cola company, hampers from Christian life Centre, Chips and Sweets from Celebration Centre and chips, lollipops and toys from SAPS- Port Shepstone , goodie packs from East Coast Radio, stuffed animals and toys from Gaylyn Bedingfield—a former South Coaster who now lives in America. The Port Shepstone hospital Management is very thankful to all the above sponsors. On the 29<sup>th</sup> November we had another special visit by a special group of young boys and girls led by Mrs Mbatha from Port Shepstone Senior Primary School. I've never met such kind, loving and generous young fellows before, who are so sympathetic towards sick children. They all ensured that every patient had a gift for the coming Christmas holiday. I've witnessed that a doll or a stuffed animal really puts a smile on the face of a child who hasn't smile for quite some time. All donated items boosted our children's spirit

hence the management of the hospital is so pleased and thankful to all these sponsors acknowledging that playing is very essential when a child is undergoing difficult treatment or procedure due to illness and watching a smile lighting up a child's face is a special moment for us. A special thanks goes to all our generous sponsors from our loving and caring community.



*Recipients of these gifts were all happy !*



The hospital would like to take this opportunity to also thank Lucky's Furniture shop management in Manaba for a TV donation that was going to be raffled and get more funds for the preparations of our Open day which was held on the 24<sup>th</sup> October this year.



Members From Christian Life Centre in Margate with Matron Tobo

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**HR Personnel Department themed Christmas party at Oslo Beach Park**

All departments were allowed some time to celebrate Christmas with colleagues. HR was one of those interested in holding their own, one Gigantic Christmas Party and erected their tent at Oslo Beach Park

welcoming guests is Mrs S S Zuma



Human Resource Manager—Mrs SS Zuma



Abanye sebe brush' izisu basuth'inyama —Hay kumnandi lana !

**Mr Msane and HR staff dancing' to the funky beat!!!**

We also do the secret paler, a Christmas present Game! It is a riot and we all love the challenge to get a gift and you are not sure who bought it for you .

...people really get into this game! Lots of catching up and tons of laughter and making wonderful memories!



**Other Departmental Parties**

In no way this newsletter intends to exclude other departmental parties. We recognize that there were other departmental parties that took place on different dates and they all went very well. Its just that photos were not submitted. However, from now on we're calling departments to bring photos for future events . The

same policy also applies to employees who are celebrating any kind of achievement to inform the PR office on time. But Christmas carols were not sung

here, only Kwayito was opened big time !

Happy holidays to you and your families !