



# WENTWORTH FOUNTAIN

## HR OPEN DAY

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### OUR CATCHMENT

#### AREA:

The hospital serve the following areas:  
Hillary, Seaview, Wentworth, Bluff, Austerville, Cato Manor, Yellowwood Park, Chesterville, Clairwood, Montclair, Jacobs, Lamontville, Umbilo, Woodlands and Merebank.

For the first time in 26 years the Human Resource department at Wentworth hospital had its open day. The theme was **“Keeping Batho Pele alive in HR”**. Every personnel under the umbrella of Human Resource were all out.



Consultation time: Jamilya Cotwall from HR explaining it all to Thandi Khumalo.

Delivering her speech, Mrs. Geleyn the chief human resource officer gave an overview of the structure of the department. She talked about OSD, new post that have been filled

e.g. Labour relations officer and the HRD post. At a later time, the staff had the opportunity to view the different tables and to ask questions. Most queries were settled at the spot. A suggestion box was also made available for those who prefer to put their queries in writing.



The A team: A group photo for the Human Resource personnel team.



# HEALTH PROMOTION IN OPD

The Out Patient Department decided to use the 14th of February as a day to educate patients on a healthy living lifestyle.

Patient were equipped with the rightful information that they use forever. The OPD staff decided to have all the rightful information under one roof.

The Out Patient Department was beautifully decorated and had tables which had information on VCT and condom usage, hypertension and stroke, cholesterol and TB. Patients were given book marks which were beautifully engraved and had tips for a healthy lifestyle.

This helped our patients as when they were waiting to be seen by the doctors or to collect their medication, they were kept busy with all that was happening .



Nomusa Ngcobo from Masibambisane clinic demonstrating the proper way of putting in a condom.



Scramble for information. Patients helping themselves on the pamphlets provided.

## ECR VISIT TO WENTWORTH

Christmas came a bit too early for our pediatric patients in ward C4. Father Christmas came in a form of Durban's number one station, East Coast Radio. The children were much too happy to receive brand new presents. Through their collection (ECR) of toys that they have been doing, it made it possible for them to play Santa Clause.



One of the East Coast Radio staff giving a present to one of our C4 patients.

The children's faces lit up, the moment they were given toys and they all seemed to forget about their stay in the hospital.

The hospital would like to send its sincere appreciation to Mrs. Koekemoer and her associates and the St Barnabus Anglican youth for the gifts that they gave to the

Masibambisane Clinic (ARV). They donated a bag full of presents for the little ones. Our heartfelt gratitude goes to East Coast Radio, Mrs. Koekemoer and to all those who donated presents to the hospital for the little ones.



An amazed patient with her mother, after receiving her teddy bear from East Coast Radio .

“ENJOY YOUR LIFE TODAY BECAUSE YESTERDAY HAS GONE AND TOMMOROW MAY NEVER COME.” Alan Coren

# INFECTION CONTROL AWARDS

The Infection Control unit had its awards presentation to the different wards and departments. The awards ceremony was graced by Ms Ntombifuthi Ngcobo, the



District Quality Assurance manager, Mrs. Nelly Gumede, the hospital board member and Mrs. Mbambo and Mr. Mtshali from Emaweleni environmental health.

According to Matron Shezi, the infection Control practitioner, infection control is very important as it helps to protect the staff, patients and the community at large from acquiring infectious diseases and also it helps to prevent the communicable diseases outbreak like Klebsiela.

The infection control unit also conducts planned and unplanned in-service lectures for all health

From left: Matron Shezi, Sister Pitso (Both from infection control), Mrs. Mbambo, Mr. Mtshali (from Emaweleni environmental health), Ms. N. Ngcobo (District Office), Matron Mchunu and Mrs. Nelly Gumede (Hospital Board member).

care workers in the hospital in both English and Zulu on monthly basis e.g. on proper hand washing and proper disposal of dirt.



Sister Coughlan Unit Manager receiving her certificate from Ntombifuthi Ngcobo.

Five ways to feel great for free.

1. Practice deep breathing
2. Laugh more often
3. When you criticize yourself, be kind and understanding
4. Pamper yourself
5. Count your blessings.

## LAUNCH OF THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP MOVEMENT

Wentworth hospital recently launched its

Christian fellowship movement. The launch was attended by the staff and some representatives from other institutions like, Inkosi Albert Luthuli, R.K. Khan and Prince Mshiyeni Memorial hospital.

It was a day to remember for the staff that attended as the vision and mission of the fellowship was shared and Mr. Thembela Hlazo delivered a word of God.

The Christian fellowship movement meet at the hospital chapel every Wednesday and Thursday between 13H00 and 14H00 for their services.



Nokuzola Mzobe from the Medical school giving more information about the fellowship.

## OUTREACH ON STI AND TEEN PREGNANCY

Our health promotional sister in conjunction with the labour ward had an outreach programme that commemorated the pregnancy week / STI and condom week. Six secondary schools in the Merebank and Wentworth area were visited and the target

was grade ten and eleven. Among the schools that were visited were P. R. Panther, Merebank secondary, Ganges secondary, and Umbilo secondary.

Relevant information on pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and HIV– AIDS were discussed .The session was well received by the learners.



Sr. Bodha educating pupils from Umbilo secondary about pregnancy.

# MASIBAMBISANE CLINIC SKILLS PRESENTATION

The Cheshire home had its skills presentation awards in an aim to show their gratitude to the Masibambisane staff, the management and all those involved in the management of patients from the Masibambisane (ARV) clinic. Those who were



invited included, Dr. Ramdeen, the medical manager, the nursing component, patients and the Masibambisane staff.

In her welcoming speech, Dr. Ramdeen thanked Pam and her team for a job well done as they educate patients on skill development that will benefit them.

Pam also thanked the hospital for a good relationship that has developed. She further encouraged patients to adhere to the teachings that are taught to them in while in the hospital.

All smiles. Sister Damane from Masibambisane clinic with Pam from Cheshire home and Mr. Richard Myeza during the skills presentation.

## AIDS PRAYER DAY

In commemoration of the world AIDS day, Masibambisane (ARV) clinic had a prayer. The theme was “Stop AIDS, it starts with me”. Staff and patients were educated on the reasons why this day is celebrated world wide. They were also urged to spread the message and to further protect themselves from the deadly virus.



Stressing her point. Lwanele Damane speaking during AIDS prayer.

# SHARING OF BEST PRACTISE

The Accident and Emergency department decided to share its best practices with some members of the staff. Some members of the staff had an in-service training on the application and the removal of POP so that everyone in the department can have a knowledge on how to.



One of the “learners” on her final touches.



The staff that attended the in-service training on POP

## And CHEERS TO...

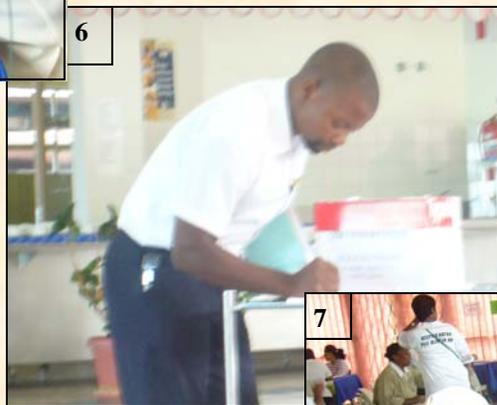
Cheers to the A&E (Accident and Emergency) department for obtaining 100% in their in-service training. The department managed to involve all categories of the staff, from professional nurses to potters. They had a higher number of topics discussed than any other department. To the A&E department, ***Cheers to you.***



A group photo of the staff from the A&E Department.

# Our HR Open Day, in pictures

They say a picture is a thousand words, and we have some of the pictures to show what was happening on our HR open day.



For the first time in twenty six years, the human resource department had its open day for its customers, the staff.

1. Dr. Ramdeen, on her welcoming speech. 2. Labour relations Officer, Mr. Gilbert, with Vashnie Beharie and Joy Lenz 3. Mrs. Geleyn giving her HR report 4. HR Officers hard at work, explaining the pros and cons of the questions being asked by the staff. 5. Health promotion was available for health related issues and advice. 6. K.D. Zulu, putting his concerns in writing. 7. Dr. Kader, the CEO also had her chance.

## EDITOR'S COLUMN

**L**ets make a start to adhere and uphold the Batho Pele principles, and to treat our customers with care and consideration. A few changes now can make a huge difference to our hospital.

As a part of promoting the positive image of hospital, the staff is urged to provide stories for upcoming publications.

In ending, I would like share this message with you, "Do not set your goals by what other people deem important, Only you know what is best for you."

The public relations department takes this time to wish every staff member a blessed, safe and a happy Easter weekend.

Until next time...

Carol

**A** warm welcome to all the staff who have just joined Wentworth hospital. We hope you will have a happy stay in the institution.

They are as follows: B.A. Hadebe, B.P.Hlubi, R. Naidoo , P.J. Dlamini (student professional nurses), C.D.P. Edwards, B. Ramadhur, (Professional nurses) A.R. Naidoo, A. Moddley (Senior Medical Officers)

Y. A. K. Essack (Com Service Pharmacist), K. Kadwa, C. Naidoo, Z. Fakrooden, H. B. B. Dawood (Interns), N. Sadeck, P.N. Salimane, S. Naidoo, R. Singh. N.T. Ndlovu, S.G. Mkhungo, B.Mbatha, P.K. Mtshali, B.C.Zulu, S.A. Johnson, G. S. Sibisi, M.G. Dlungwane, P.E.G. Nxele, R.T. Vilakazi (Cleaners on Contract).

To retired staff tired, may you enjoy your retirement, and to all those that we have lost through death, may their souls rest in peace. You are missed.

## FIRE FIGHTING CERTIFICATES

**T**he hospital in conjunction with the Safeguard Fire

Security conducts basic fire training demonstration in an aid to educate and equip the staff on the dangers of fire and on how to prevent or fight it. Staff who have attended are given certificates. These certificates can be collected from the Public Relations Officer in the Out Patients Department.

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