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FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

Lockdown 2020...

This pandemic has been relatively tough for residents and families of our Home. Our residents have not been able to spend time with their families which is heart breaking. We have allowed 'drive by' visits, without any physical contact and with necessary precautions. But that hug and physical contact is sometimes the reassurance that is needed, we all need it from time to time.

As much as we would love to reunite our residents with their family and give out big bear hugs to volunteers and friends, we have elected to 'rather be safe than sorry'. We are going to continue to operate cautiously. We are guided by many sources and will communicate with you when we plan to open our shops, commence with fundraising and start allowing controlled visits. For now, we ask that you respect our decision to keep our home under lock and key, until such time we feel it safer to open up.

I would like to use the opportunity to thank our staff and Board for their tremendous support during Lockdown. Thank you to Sister Laura for her leadership in the care department, and for taking special care of our residents.

To all those who attend our monthly lunches – we are thinking about you, and trust you are keeping safe and well. We honestly miss all your smiles and love.

We cannot currently generate revenue, so any donations during this time are most welcome. Our fete would have been this weekend...

We always have a wish list, so if you would like to find out how to support our home, please contact us, and we will happily advise where we need support.

With love and fondness,

DEIDRE BURGER



FUNDRAISING REPORT (APRIL 2020)

FUNDRAISING:

WOT NOT SHOP	R4 689
CLOTHES GALORE	R1 130
SPONSORSHIP (DB & LM)	R7 168
GUEST ROOM	R750
PHILLIP J V RENSBURG (BACK-A-BUDDY)	R27 619
JOHN EDWARDS TRUST (EASTER EGGS)	R1 200

DONATIONS:

DOLFYNTJIE SKOOL	R50
CHESHIRE VILLAGE TRUST	R100 000
BRIAN & SHARON NEL	R2 500
THE LORD OUR SHEPHERD	R5 000
MY SCHOOL CARD	R716

THANK YOU STAFF

We are very grateful to the staff for the amazing support and respect shown to each other and the residents during this lockdown period.

It has been extremely stressful, yet commitment and loyalty has shone through and the lives of our residents prioritized.

Sacrifices were made to ensure that we all stay safe, and hopefully we will continue in this fashion, unaffected and safe.

THIS & THAT

* **Staff members on leave** this month: **Amanda Twani** (Care Worker) and **Gloria Sonyabashe** (Care Worker) – wishing them both a well-deserved rest!

* **BOOK SHOP:** The little red container next to the charity shops will soon undergo a facelift – **renovations will be** generously sponsored by the **Rotary Club of Algoa Bay** – and it will be transformed into a book shop! We are appealing to **anyone interested to paint some murals on the outside** of this container once all the renovations are complete.

* **PIZZA DAY:** On lockdown **day 50**, residents were treated to delicious **Roman's Pizza** – generously sponsored by volunteer **Mark Rudd** – our thanks to Mark for the wonderful gesture!

* **CONDOLENCES:** Our sincere condolences to **staff member Gloria Sonyabashe** on the passing of her **mother** in May. We pray that God will comfort the family during their time of great sadness.

* Our residents have been participating in various **arts & crafts activities** at the Home since lockdown - special mention to the **Bullocks** for their generous donation of goodies for some of the activities!

300 CLUB 2020

Our 300 Club fees for 2020 are a **once-off payment** of **R120 per year**.

There are **monthly draws of R300 (1st), R150 (2nd), and R75 (3rd)** for members!

At the end of each year one lucky member stand the chance of winning **R1 000!**

Our aim for 2020 is **to have 300 members...**we already have **146 members** to date (2 June)! Please support this worthy cause – see attached 300 Club form for 2020!

APRIL WINNERS:

1. CAROLYN DAY (3)
2. ETIENNE RABE (121)
3. GIANNA DOUBELL (139)

**PLEASE DIARIZE AND KEEP US IN YOUR THOUGHTS!
POST LOCKDOWN FETE!!!**

CHESHIRE HOME SUMMERSTRAND'S ANNUAL FETE
is scheduled for **Saturday 28 NOVEMBER**
at 7 Gomery Avenue, Summerstrand

We firstly thank you for the generous support you have given Cheshire Home Summerstrand over a number of years through our Fete - you have been a wonderful friend to the Home.

The importance of a **successful fete** is essential for the Home as fundraising continues to be difficult. We so plan to have a **bumper fete** for the direct benefit of our 57 profoundly disabled residents and 23 disabled children at Khaya Cheshire. We kindly ask for your support again and a **formal appeal to follow shortly!**

As a registered PBO, we are able to provide an **18 A receipt for any donation** (financial) received and this allows for tax benefit for the donation. Please feel free to request such a receipt for your donation.

DONATIONS (APRIL/MAY 2020):

- * NUMEROUS DONATIONS OF "GIFTS IN KIND" FROM **VARIOUS DONORS** FOR THE RESIDENTS AND CHARITY SHOPS
- * **DIESEL** FROM **SASOL SUMMERSTRAND**
- * A VARIETY OF **FOOD STOCK** FROM **FAMOUS BRANDS**
- * **MUSHROOMS** FROM **SNOWCAP MUSHROOMS**
- * **YOGURT AND FRUIT JUICE** FROM **COMMUNITY CHEST PE**
- * 10 WINTER BLANKETS, FACE MASKS FOR STAFF AND HAND SANITISER FROM THE **ISLAMIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF PE AND SANZAF PE**
- * WEEKLY **MILK DONATION** FROM **ST LAWRENCE TRADING**
- * **GROCERIES** FROM **HEALING HANDS**
- * **HANDMADE FACIAL MASKS** FROM **VARIOUS DONORS**
- * **FOGGING OF PREMISES** BY **ENGOZA HYGIENE**
- * **GROCERIES** FROM **VARIOUS DONORS** THROUGH **CHECKERS GREENACRES AND GREENACRES SHOPPING CENTRE**
- * **LUNCH MEALS** FOR **NURSING STAFF** FROM **THIS IS EAT**
- * **VARIOUS GOODS** FOR **WOT NOT SHOP** FROM **CHECKERS GREENACRES**
- * **SOUP** FROM **CAPE RECIFE HIGH SCHOOL**
- * **PERSPEX SCREEN** FOR **OFFICE** FROM **PLASTIC CONCEPTS**

"WOKS FOR WHEELS"

A **WELFIT ODDY PROJECT** MADE BY
RESIDENTS OF CHESHIRE HOME SUMMERSTRAND
MADE FROM **316 STAINLESS STEEL**
WITH **3 DETACHABLE LEGS**
R400 each **ORDERS: 041 583 2183 OR**
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**THOUGHT OF
THE MONTH**

"Nothing will change
until you step out in
faith and take
uncomfortable,
challenging action."
~John Di Lemme~

RESIDENTS' ACTIVITIES (MAY 2020):

Due to the national lockdown our residents are unable to participate in the regular activities...but at the Home there is always a Plan B...and C.

To keep residents' occupied and active, various activities have been and are still being organized. Arts & crafts activities in May included: butterfly and clown images, snowdomes, Mother's Day flowers, tie dye art on shirts, animal crafts etc. Fun games included amongst others a Rummikub Challenge etc. Special themed days with generously sponsored yummy eats were Pancake Day, Pizza Day, Braai Day etc. Never a dull moment at Cheshire!

WELCOME TO OUR CHARITY SHOPS:

Our shops are currently closed until further notice.

We thank all our **dedicated shop volunteers** for all their hard work and wish them a safe lockdown period at home.

CLOTHES GALORE & WOT NOT SHOP

We gladly accept **donations** of unwanted items, pre-loved clothes, linen & any household items **AND WILL COLLECT OR YOU ARE WELCOME TO DELIVER BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT.**

MONDAY – FRIDAY 10 – 2PM
PLEASE CONTACT THE HOME ON
041 583 2183 for more info!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

4th **Andrew van Staden**
4th Silest Fourie
5th Jody Alexander (Gardener)
5th Zukiswa Mayekiso (EP Caterers)
6th Lucky Magada (Care Worker)
7th Ashley Arthur
(Maintenance Manager)
10th Hilary Bolton
10th **Dominic Rizzo**
13th Sandra Botha (Shop Volunteer)
13th Lwando Mahali (Care Worker)
14th Nobunto Maqoma (EP Caterers)
15th Leon Bavuma (Care Worker)
25th **Carl Fitchett**
25th **Melissa Ferreira**
29th **Jackson Gqomo**

FATHER'S DAY - SUNDAY 21 JUNE 2020

Why do we celebrate it?

Father's Day is generally believed to have been inaugurated in 1908, by a West Virginian woman who missed her own dad.

Grace Clayton had lost her father several years before, but was roused to act by an incident that would shake her town for generations. The 1907 Monogah Mining Disaster left a thousand children fatherless, when an accidental explosion killed 250 fathers and 367 men.

Inspired by the US' first Mother's Day earlier that year, Clayton encouraged her pastor - Reverend Robert Thomas Webb - to dedicate a special service to the victims of Monogah. It was July 5, the closest Sunday to her own father's birthday.

So Father's Day was not originally a day of breakfast in bed and greetings cards. It was a dedication to unforgotten fathers, and a memorial to the tragic loss of men's lives.

The date in June was officially designated by President Lyndon Johnson almost 60 years after the Monogah service, in 1966. But if we zoom out historically, it is not that significant a marker.

Ritual celebrations of fatherhood can be found within many civilizations. One that endures comes from Catholic Europe in the Middle Ages, where a religious observance has long been held on the Feast of St Joseph - 19 March.

Joseph, guardian of Jesus, was certainly no Virgin Mary - at least in the eyes of Catholics - but he did a respectable job in the undesirable shadow of The Holy Father. Many men would have felt insufferably "emasculated" by this unchallengeable rival to their wife's affections. But not Joseph. Thanks to St Joseph, fathers are still hailed in Catholic countries on the "Festa del papa" (Italy) or "Dia del Padre" (Spain).

(www.standard.co.uk/lifestyle/fathers-day-2020-when-and-why)