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CHESHIRE HOME SUMMERSTRAND (like us on Facebook)

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FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

Cheshire Homes started in South Africa in 1965. A visitor from the United Kingdom, holidaying in Durban, realized that there was a desperate need for a service for disabled people in this country. She made contact with community leaders, committees were set up, and Cheshire Homes South Africa took its first tentative steps.

The first Home, at Queensburgh (Durban), was opened in 1968. Today, sixteen Homes in this country, provide residential accommodation to severely and permanently disabled adults and children. In addition, outreach programmes provide services such as day care, respite care, community base care, and day care for children with disability. These outreach programs operate from established Cheshire Homes.

There are also a number of independent living units attached to Cheshire Homes, where those residents who are sufficiently confident can live as independently as possible, secure in the knowledge that expert care is within call. Leonard Cheshire died of motor neurone disease aged 74 on 31 July 1992.

We at Cheshire Home Summerstrand are proud to be part of the legacy of such a person as Leonard Cheshire. As we celebrate our 46th birthday, we saw it fitting to be reminded of the legacy created by this noble gentleman. We look forward to another 46 years of success, prosperity, happiness and more so, love.

"Not because it is big or because it has been long established, but because there are people in it who live it., sleep it, dream it and build great future plans for it. We should be working together, helping each other, strengthening each other. I hope the Cheshire foundation will always be forward looking, outward looking. That it will always be reaching out to see what else it can do. I hope it will never say "that's it". Now all we've got to do is maintain the status quo." ~ **Leonard Cheshire**

46TH BIRTHDAY!!!

We celebrated our Home's **46th birthday** on **1 October** with a special lunch for the residents and staff.

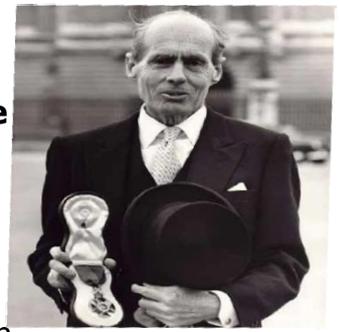
Thank you to everyone who has been supporting our organisation through the years, so enabling us to provide a much-needed residential service to our physically disabled residents and community outreach at Khaya Cheshire! Thank YOU for being part of the success of Cheshire Home Summerstrand! Special thank you to **Summerbreezz Super Spar** for sponsoring the **delicious birthday cake** – your generous support is always greatly appreciated.

* The Home was officially opened by **Professor Chris Barnard on 24 July 1976.**

LEONARD CHESHIRE

Leonard Cheshire as he wanted to be addressed, the **founder of the Cheshire organisation**, was born on the 7 September 1917 in the town of Chester, in the County of Cheshire, in England.

Leonard Cheshire was brought up in his parent's home near Oxford. After his schooling he attended Oxford University where he, apart from his studies in jurisprudence, also learnt basic flying skills at the Oxford University Air Squadron.



After this he received a commission as a pilot Officer with the Royal Air Force Reserve, which stood him in good stead when the Second World War broke out.

When war broke out Leonard Cheshire joined the Royal Air Force on 7 October 1937 flying medium bombers. In 1940 he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Order for flying his damaged bomber safely back to base. By March 1942 Leonard Cheshire was promoted to squadron Leader and by March 1943 to Acting Group Captain of 617 Squadron flying Lancaster Bombers, the legendary "Dambuster Squadron". He was the youngest Group Captain in the Service.

He was one of the most highly decorated servicemen of the Second World War. His awards for service, bravery and leadership in the War included the Victoria Cross which is the highest accolade that can be given to a British serviceman.

Leonard Cheshire resigned from the RAF in 1946. Two years later, he was contacted by a fellow serviceman, Arthur Dykes, who was hospitalised as he had terminal cancer with no home to go to. Leonard Cheshire took him into his Home "Le Court" and nursed him until his death. Leonard Cheshire realised he had been one of the lucky pilots who had survived the war.

He was seized with a desire to make the world a better place and this started a lifetime of humanitarian work with persons who had physical disabilities. From such a small and unplanned beginning the worldwide Cheshire organization was started in England in 1948. The organisation has grown today there are Cheshire organisations and Homes in 52 countries worldwide, with a total of over 200 residential services.

His objective was to now fight injustice and work towards a society in which everyone had equal rights and values – a service to those who, because of their disability, did not have the rights and opportunities they deserved.

IN MEMORY OF DANIEL JACOBUS GERBER 8 AUGUST 1957 – 20 AUGUST 2021

Dear Danie (63) peacefully passed away on 20 August at the Home. Danie was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 1996 and spent the last 14 years at the Home as part of our Cheshire Family. He had a very long and hard battle with the disease and fought bravely until the end.



When Danie moved in in July 2007, the very first thing everyone noticed about him, was his beautiful genuine smile. He was most appreciative towards staff and fellow residents for their love and care and hardly ever complained – every "thank you" was always followed with his familiar wide smile. Danie was such a kind-hearted gentleman, always friendly and grateful for every new day, no matter how difficult his physical circumstances!

He loved attending sing-a-long entertainment mornings with visitors from church and various other organisations and would "soak up the moment" by closing his eyes while listening to all the well-known tunes. He so enjoyed special event days at the Home and participating in walks and other outdoor activities was always a highlight for him.

Our deepest condolences to his family and friends – his presence here at the Home will be sorely missed, but the memories he had left behind will remain in the hearts of those who loved and cared for him! Rest in peace dear Danie!

FUNDRAISING REPORT (AUGUST 2021)

FUNDRAISING:

WOT NOT SHOP	R 24 850
CLOTHES GALORE	R 12 891
COFFEE SHOP	R 2 437
WOK	R 400
FLIGHT TICKETS	R 1 600
LORENZO CORDANI	R 250
BABY BLANKET	R 1 800

DONATIONS:

K SUBRAMONY	R 100
KITTY DE ROER	R 400
MAXI JACHENS	R 300
HA KENDALL TRUST	R 916
EDGE FINANCIAL GROUP	R 1 000
GFM	R 7 500
MY SCHOOL CARD	R 599

300 CLUB 2021

Our 300 Club fees are a **once-off payment** of **R120 per year**. There are **monthly draws of R300 (1st), R150 (2nd), and R75 (3rd)** for members!

We are aiming **to have 300 members for 2021** and we already have **109 members** to date (1 October)! At the end of each year one lucky member stand the chance of winning **R1 000!**

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE & SEE ATTACHED 300 CLUB FORM FOR 2021!

300 CLUB WINNERS (SEPTEMBER):

1. BOB BULLOCK (93)
2. SANTIE DU PLESSIS (107)
3. ARETT FOURIE (106)

FAREWELL

A **farewell lunch** was held for **Sr. Laura Maritz** on 5 October at the Home. She has handed in her resignation as she is moving to Cape St Francis.

We thank her for her **3 years of service** going above and beyond to care for the Home's residents. Her dedication and efficient work ethics is admirable and we greatly appreciate her support of the Cheshire cause – the care she bestowed onto all the residents over the years will always be remembered. We will miss her laughter, enthusiasm and contagious energy but she promised to visit regularly! We wish her a fond farewell and best of luck with her future endeavours!

THIS & THAT

- * **Staff members on leave** this month: **Theodora Dundu** (Care Worker) and **Josie Smokey** (Care Worker). We wish them both a wonderful well-deserved rest!
- * **NEW APPOINTMENT:** We would like to welcome **Sr. Dudu**, Signoria Nyweba, as the new **Head of Care** of the Home. We wish her every success as part of the Cheshire Family!
- * We wish to thank all the **companies** and **individuals** that support our Home through **monetary donations**...we are so grateful for the overwhelming support! Fundraising is so challenging, therefore funding is limited and yet expenses continue as normal.
- * **CONDOLENCES:** Our sincere **condolences** to **Estelle (Stella) Saayman (EP Caterers staff member)** on the passing of her mother last month. We pray that God will comfort the family during their time of great sadness!
- * **CONGRATULATIONS:** Staff member **Sipho Sabisa** (Gardener) on the birth of his little girl, Hannah and **Asanda Ningi** (Engoza staff member) on the birth of her little girl - wishing both families much love and happiness.
- * **KHAYA CHESHIRE:** Wonderful news...the new **Khaya Cheshire bus, a VW Crafter** was handed over on 9 September. With thanks to the **National Lotteries Commission** for making this possible! Our heartfelt thanks to **Mark Fish** from **Tavcor Commercial** for the fantastic service and special hand over function!
- * Thank you to **Cheryl Reynolds** from the **Wilderness Foundation** for a very informative presentation on rhino conservation on 16 September.
- * **OLLIMove:** OLLI, the acronym for **One Land Love It**, is a Non Profit Company focused on rhino conservation. They are focused on raising awareness and challenging ordinary people to consider what they have in their hands that will make a difference in the world today! Residents participated in the OLLIMove campaign by making special sparkly rhino horns in honour of those rhinos who have been killed, and "moved" with the horns on **World Rhino Day – 22 September**.
- * Thank you to the **EP Caterers staff** for the most delicious **braaivleis spread** on 24 September in celebration of **Heritage Day!**

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

7TH **GEOFFREY LILFORD**
 7TH DINAH POTSANE (CARE WORKER)
 24TH GREGORY PRINCE (DRIVER)
 25TH **PHILLIP JANSEN VAN RENSBURG**
 30TH LAURA MARITZ (HEAD OF CARE)

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

"Act positively. Act enthusiastically, and become enthusiastic. Act happy, and become happy. Act confidently, and become self-confident. Attain any desired attitude by acting the attitude. Just go through the motions."

~ *Sefer Ha Chinuch* ~

DONATIONS (AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2021):

- * NUMEROUS DONATIONS OF "GIFTS IN KIND" FROM **VARIOUS DONORS** FOR THE RESIDENTS AND CHARITY SHOPS
- * **DIESEL** FROM **SASOL SUMMERSTRAND**
- * PERISHABLE FOOD FROM **COMMUNITY CHEST PE**
- * **BIRD SEED** FROM **CAMPBELL FEED & SEED**
- * **VARIOUS GOODS FOR WOT NOT SHOP** FROM **CHECKERS GREENACRES**

COVID-19 LOCKDOWN

RESTRICTIONS TO CONTINUE AT CHESHIRE HOME SUMMERSTRAND

- Visitors are to make an **appointment** with the office prior to the visit.
- Visiting hours are between **8am and 5pm**.
- Visiting hours to be weekdays, unless prior consultation with the Manager.
- PLEASE still wear your mask and distance yourself.
- Visits at **gate allowed anytime** – please sanitize parcels being handed over the fence.
- Please maintain a **2m distance** when visiting at the gate.
- Residents may go on **visits or for holidays** – vaccinated residents will need to isolate for 5 days upon return (unvaccinated residents will need to isolate for 10 days). If any symptoms arise, this will obviously change. Also, please note that it does take a few days for symptoms to manifest so we will monitor closely.
- Please be sensible when/if your family comes home – we don't want Covid spreading through the home – staff being off sick is very costly. And we cannot afford any resident to get sick.
- **Medical visits** are still allowed.
- Shops are open on **Fridays** (10-2pm) and **Saturdays** (8:30-12). If you are visiting, please still respect all safety protocols.
- **No visitors** allowed in the **bedrooms or in the rest of the Home**.



UP FOR GRABS:



1 OF 2 ONE HR FLIGHTS VALUED @ R2000.00 EACH, AT MADIBA BAY SCHOOL OF FLIGHT.



MASTERTONS HAMPER

- 1 X MASTERTONS MEASURING SPOON
- 1 X MASTERTONS ONE - CUP HOLDER
- 1 X MASTERTONS 1 X 2 FILTERS
- 1 X MASTERTONS 250G COFFEE

1 OF 2 MASTERTONS COFFEE HAMPERS.



TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING OUTLETS:

- Cheshire Homes Summerstrand
- Mastertons - Walmer
- Images 1 Hair Salon - Newton Park
- Madiba Bay School of Flight
- La Bella Vita Spa - Summerstrand
- Summerstrand Pharmacy
- Pezula Championship Course - Knysna



WELCOME TO OUR CHARITY SHOPS:
 OUR CHARITY SHOPS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON

FRIDAYS 10 – 2PM SATURDAYS 8:30 – 12

- * CLOTHES GALORE * BOOK BARN *
 - * WOT NOT SHOP * COFFEE SHOP *
- (CASH OR CARD)

We gladly accept donations of unwanted items, pre-loved clothes, linen & any household items.

PLEASE CONTACT THE HOME ON 041 583 2183 for more info!

FLIGHT RAFFLE 2021

Win yourself **ONE OF TWO** chances to fly along our Bay (one hour flight) in a **PRIVATE SLING 2** valued @ **R2000 EACH AND 1 of 2 Mastertons Coffee Hampers!**

Draw date: 31 October – R100 a ticket!

Tickets available from the office, various outlets and online.
 Don't miss out – enter NOW!