



# CASA NEWS

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Casa Caritas is a Home that provides love, care and stimulation to people with both intellectual and physical disabilities, irrespective of race or culture



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## Congratulations

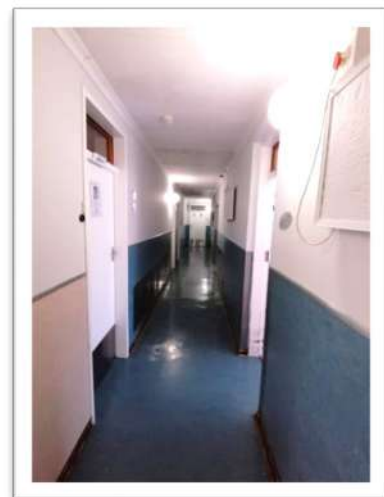
Mark Naidoo (right) has been elected to the role of Chairman and Danie Kruger (far right) to the role of Vice-Chairman of the Casa Caritas Board.

Your willingness to serve this important cause at this level is highly appreciated!



## Thank you

We deeply appreciate **Johan Claasen** and **Patricia Clays** from the **American Embassy** who pays us an annual visit. Over the past few years she has arranged the installation of play equipment for our play park and 11 wheelchairs. This year she arranged a donation of R10 000 which enabled us to buy paint for the entire inside of the Home. Percy Ragnie and Chantell Kriel received the paint delivery (below left) and Percy jumped in with great energy to do the work (below middle). The result is beautiful (below right). Thanks for the donation, Pat!



The owner of Figures Modelling Agency, **Mona Swanepoel** (below), arranged a Tekkie Tax evening for the benefit of Casa Caritas. She approached some of her own models as well as the finalists of Miss Tembisa to participate. Prizes were given to the models who were best dressed in the Tekkie Tax theme.



# Be MeZZZ-merized Get Tekkie-tized

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The models collected non-perishable products for Casa Caritas that were handed over at the function. Busisiwe Mabena (below) with the card from Figures and the donation. Thank you very much!



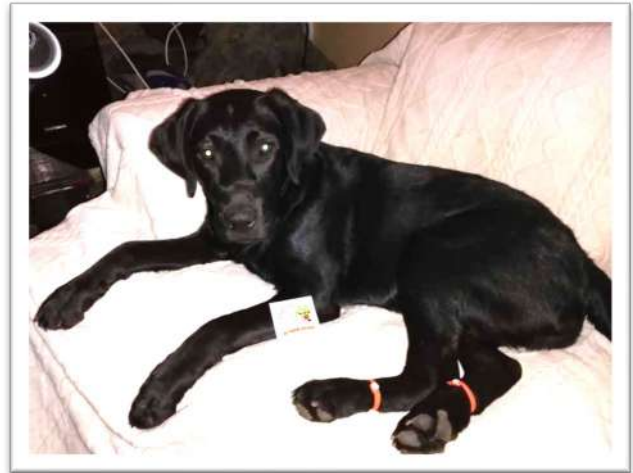
**FasTrackKids** Pre- & Preparatory School collected a large donation of groceries and delivered it to Casa Caritas. Thank you very much!



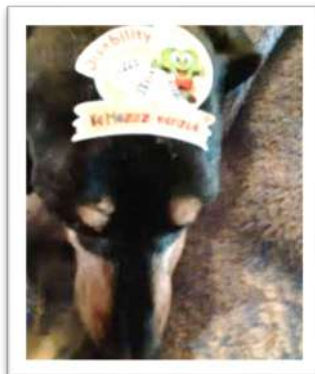




Thank you very much to everyone who supported us with Tekkie Tax 2019! We are still tallying the final figures and will report on that in the next newsletter.



Thank you also to everyone who sent us photos! Chantell Kriel's dog Brandy donned hickies on his hind legs and a sticker on his arm (right). Jacqueline Brown had a tattoo on her cheek (below) and Odi (below middle) had a sticker on his head! Evangeliene Bekker (below right) with her hickies.



Casa Caritas office staff Rochelle Bekker, Adri Kruger (CEO) and Chantell Kriel showing great spirit for the day (left and below).



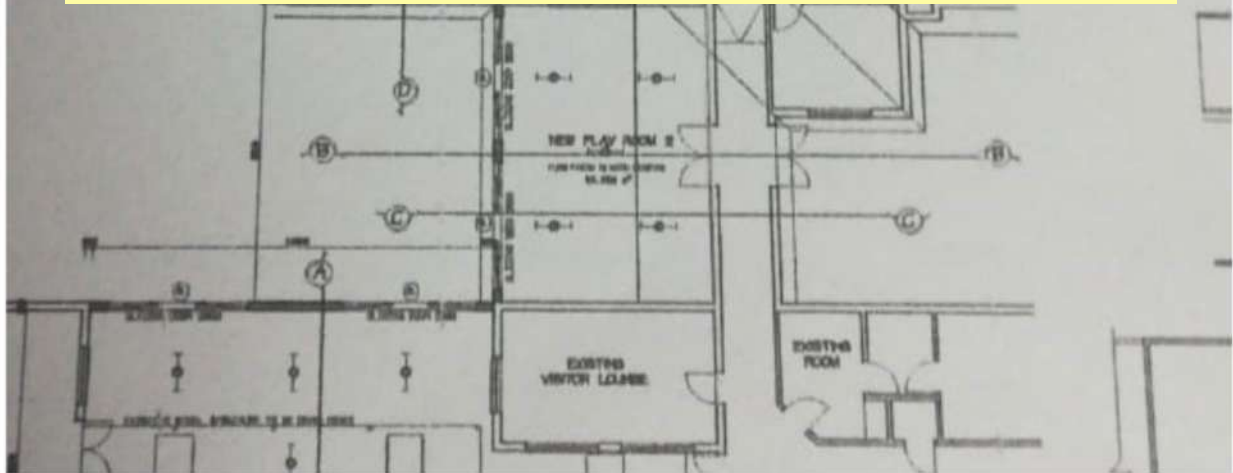
## Building project



Our long-existing dream to expand the playroom is coming true! We received a donation specifically for this project and building will commence on 1 July 2019 and will continue until the end of October 2019.

We have planned the project to be as least disruptive as possible for residents. On Monday a boundary will be installed around the playroom to secure the home. After that residents will be moved to the bottom wing of the Home which we have converted for temporary use. Adri Kruger undertook to keep parents informed about progress and important stages such as breaking through the current exterior wall.

Everyone's support and patience will be greatly appreciated. We can't wait for a the generous space that we are going to get!



### Safety Exams

Following the training to maintain safety standard (OSHAS 18001) all staff had to write examinations to prove their knowledge about procedures. We are happy to report that they did well.

**#GoTeamCasa!**



## Youth day 2019

Youth Day commemorates the Soweto youth uprising of 16 June 1976 which spread countrywide, placing the Apartheid government under tremendous pressure. The uprising made a huge contribution to the transformation of South Africa to a democratic system. We always remember with sadness the hundreds of young people who lost their lives in clashes with the SA Police, but we celebrate their contribution to our democracy. Staff members were encouraged to dress up in school clothes to commemorate Youth Day.



From left: Connie Duze, Bonisile Thobela, Mirriam Mangena, Rejoice Njoka and Sophie Jiyane.



Fredda Maluleka was so happy about her prize that she changed back into her school clothes!



A prize was promised for the person who looked the best but since they looked really great all staff members who took the trouble to dress up received prizes. From left: Bonisile Thobela, Mirriam Mangena, Connie Duze, Sophie Jiyane and Rejoice Njoka.



## Life at Casa Caritas

The blessings of winter: Ruan Reinecke is catching an afternoon nap (right).

Here are some of Casa Caritas' mind-boggling operational facts:

- ✚ 4,2 tons of laundry per month using 60Kg washing powder and 35L fabric softener.
- ✚ 7500 plates of food per month.
- ✚ Our residents get dessert every evening. When it is jelly and custard we use 8 packets of jelly and 8 litres of milk.
- ✚ Monthly bulk groceries:
  - 50 packets instant pudding
  - 10 Kg Spaghetti
  - 10 Kg Macaroni
  - 104 Kg potatoes
  - 40 Kg gem squash
  - 40 Kg pumpkin
  - 20 Kg sweet potatoes
  - 36 blocks of margarine
  - 40 Kg chuck
  - 40 Kg mince
  - 50 Kg chicken
- ✚ We use 875 tea bags over 5 weeks.



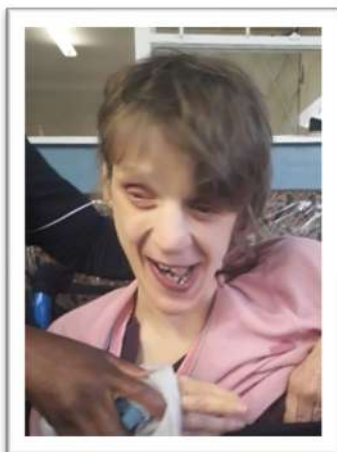
- ✚ Housekeeping monthly:
  - 25 L dishwashing detergent
  - 30 L pine gel
  - 110 rolls toilet paper
  - 20 L Handy Andy
  - 20 L bleach
  - 12 L handwash
- ✚ Toiletries per month:
  - 30 large bars soap
  - 15 L shampoo
  - 45 tubes toothpaste
  - 40 toothbrushes per month
  - 15 cans antiperspirant
  - 5 large baby powder
  - Over 4 000 nappies

*When we say we are grateful for every single donation, we mean it, because no matter how small it may seem to you, it is a big deal to us!*

## June Birthdays

Happy birthday to our residents who celebrated their special day during June!

**Marihona Steenkamp (43)**  
8 June 2019



**Ronele Pubalakan (24)**  
14 June 2019



**Kyle Sutton (18)**  
20 June 2019





**Important dates  
2019**

- |             |                         |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| 18 July     | Mandela Day             |
| 25 August   | Annual General Meeting  |
| 6 September | Casual Day              |
| 7 September | Casa Fête               |
| 5 October   | Klipwerf Dance          |
| 1 November  | Golf Day                |
| 1 December  | Christmas Tree          |
| 6 December  | Staff Year-End Function |



# CASA CARITAS

## GOLF DAY



**1 November 2019, Benoni Country Club**  
**Watch this space**

