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PHS Celebrates

We are nearing the end of 2013. It has been a year full of activity and achievement. We are thankful for the achievements of 2013 and look forward to embrace 2014 with enthusiasm.



Spotlight on PHS Alumni

Nick Cloete, a graduate of PHS is currently the Assistant Restaurant Manager at the La Cantina restaurant at Fancourt Hotel & Spa Resort. On a typical day he will be in charge of either managing dinner service or breakfast service in the La Cantina restaurant. His duties also include tending to the administration side of a restaurant, from stock control to menu editing and programming. He also finds himself managing other outlets and functions on a regular basis. Very much a jack of all trades, which is great for experience. Nick believes that PHS assisted to instill how hard one has to work in the industry. Deadlines are short, work load is heavy and if you don't perform - they'll find someone else. He regards PHS as an institution of building character as well as education and refers to PHS as the "No. 1 Hotel School". We are proud of you Nick and wish you all the best with your future endeavours.



Industry visits the PHS Campus

Dr Etienne Marais and Mr Kendrick Simon from Oasis Global visited the campus during November. The key focus of their visit was to motivate the future hospitality leaders to believe in themselves and to embrace life with passion. They shared with students and staff that in life there are four categories of people – the watchers who only watch; the waiters who patiently wait; the wishers who always wish for better and the workers who passionately enjoy their studies and work and who make a success despite challenges.



Rock A Bye fundraiser

Under the guidance of Dr. Deborah Johnson (Vice Dean: Innovation and Strategic Planning) students from the second semester group staged a fundraising event, to support a local baby house in the Kuislriver region. The event was the practical assessment for the module Event Planning that is part of the broader curriculum in International Hotel Management and Culinary Art studies offered at PHS. The students spent five months organising the event and gained valuable insight to the event planning process. They raised over R6000 in ticket sales for the baby house and obtained sponsors in the form of baby products. Through this event, a broader awareness for the baby house was also established amongst the business industry and as a result, some businesses have adopted Rock a Bye Baby House as their social responsibility project. The guests who attended the event rated the students as 'most professional and organised'. We are proud of our students. PHS would like to thank in particular the following sponsors who were generous and supported this event: Chas Everitt, Kerston Foods, West Coast Farmstall, TTCN, Vergenoegd Wines, Isa Carstens Academy, Stellenbosch Travel, Oasis Global and Mhudi Wines.



Best wishes for the festive season

The Director, Ms Susina Jooste and staff of PHS wishes everyone a very blessed festive season. May this time with family and friends be refreshing and bring a season of rest and focus for 2014.

"Embrace opportunity and be thankful and remember your history does not determine your destiny"



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