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CEO MESSAGE



Dear Friends and network partners, you are invited to enjoy this April /May edition of DeafNET's newsletter. This edition is a highlight for DeafNET. We are excited to share our Uganda Beekeeping project with you and also give you feedback on some of our established projects.

This edition is dedicated to all our Deaf beneficiaries on the continent who struggle to get employment due to their deafness, but still believe and trust in their own abilities and the humanity of people.

The rights of people who experience hearing difficulties, are important and DeafNET hopes to make the UNCRPD document accessible for Deaf. Together with the world we shout out, that the abducted schoolgirls in Nigeria should be released. This is an extreme form of abuse of their human right.

Radio Interview

Louis Le Grange, our DeafNET Multi Media Coordinator, had an interview with The Voice of the Cape on 91.3 on 22 April about the Project he will be coordinating called the "Social Media Academy" that focuses on training the Deaf in Africa in Multi-media.

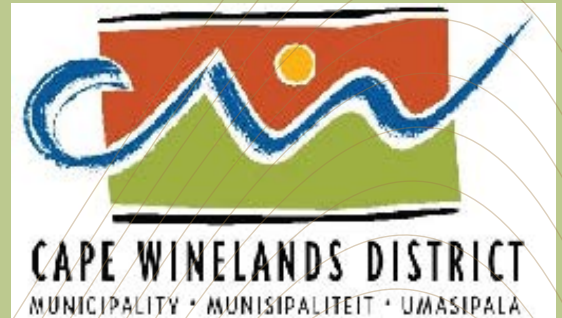


Scholarship Project Update

Here we have Nelisiwe Dlamini from Swaziland and Samantha Hector from Mauritius, the two beauty queens that won the DeafNET Scholarship to study at the NID College for the Deaf in Worcester.

Nelisiwe is in her final year of study and Samantha is in her first.

We are so happy to have them here with us and to see how they grow and develop.



Three staff members of DeafNET (1 hearing and 2 deaf) attended the Disability Conference in Worcester, South Africa.

Cape Winelands District Municipality in partnership with provincial departments and disability sector organizations hosted a District Disability Conference on the 23rd April 2014 at the Ukwanda Campus of the University of Stellenbosch.

The purpose of the Disability Conference was to discuss and address the realities and challenges facing persons with disabilities in our District.

The Theme of the Conference was: "Think Global, Act Local-Maximising opportunities for people with disabilities in the Cape Winelands District"

Red Star, 4 weeks training

Three educators from Mozambique and two educators from Cameroon attended the Red Star Training at De La Bat School for the Deaf from 11 May to 7 June 2014.

The Red Star Training Method assists educators to equip and empower Deaf Learners with numeracy and literacy skills.



Above from Left: Emile Talla, Ricardina Abilio Tembe, Adelina José Muchave, Jeugo Anne-Marie epse Kenmoe, David Luis Nhantumbo



Photo on Right: Educators receive their Red Star Certificates from Mr. Philip Cook, Mrs Ina Senekal and Mrs Suzette Willemse

REGISTER TO ATTEND THE AfriNEAD 4th Symposium

Uganda Beekeeping for the Deaf

DeafNET introduced a beekeeping project for the Deaf in Uganda in April 2014. We were honoured to be accompanied by Mr Paul Draper from Care Co Rodrigues, who is an expert in beekeeping with the Deaf. The CEO of DeafNET and two staff members from DeafNET jointly with our ACGMHD representatives in Uganda, met with stakeholders to ensure the implementation of this project. A stakeholders meeting was held at Uganda National Association of the Deaf on 9 April 2014.



An agreement was reached that the Uganda National Association of the Deaf (UNAD) will manage the project in Uganda, with the support of prominent partners such as ApiTrade Africa, The Uganda Ministry of Agriculture, TUNADO, etc. Soonest the Memorandum of Understanding between DeafNET and UNAD is signed the implementation process will start.

The aim is to address poverty and the unemployment amongst the Deaf youth and women and to empower the Deaf with knowledge and skills.

Progress on the project will be communicated in the monthly newsletters.

