



Newsletter

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HIGH SCHOOL CAREER COMPETITION

The Hotel School held its first-ever High School Career Competition for Grade 10 to 12 learners. Learners who participated in the competition, as well as their schools, could win prizes sponsored by the Hotel School. Learners had to choose any career within the hospitality industry, and had to design a visual size A2 poster of the career they had chosen.

The posters were loaded onto the CUT Hotel School's Facebook page, where fellow learners could vote for their favourite poster. A total of 32 posters were received from five different high schools, inter alia Hendrik Potgieter High School, Jim Fouché High School, HTS Louis Botha, Dr Viljoen High School and Fichardt Park High School.

Participants were awarded their prizes at an award function held at the Hotel School on 11 August 2016.

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Pictured from left to right are Dalene Crowther (Acting HoD: Hotel School), Bianka Wessels and Urma Myburgh (Consumer Study Teacher: Fichardt Park High School).



The Hotel School Choice Award went to Corli Venter from Hendrik Potgieter High School in Reddersburg, who designed six very creative posters. She was awarded various vouchers sponsored by industry partners.

The Hotel School would like to thank Protea Hotel Willowlake, Tsogo Sun, Bon Hotel, Avanti and The Terrace, who sponsored vouchers for the learners, teachers and principals of the five participating schools.

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The second prize went to Marli du Preez, a Grade 10 learner, also from Fichardt Park High School, who was awarded R1500 for herself.

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Third-prize winner Amoré Smith is pictured here with Ms Andriette Strydom (Consumer Study Teacher: Jim Fouché High School). Amoré was awarded R1000 for herself.



The first prize went to Bianka Wessels, a Grade 12 learner from Fichardt Park High School, who was awarded R2000 for herself. Bianka's winning poster secured R10 000 towards Fichardt Park High School.

CONFECTIONERY AND YEAST TRAINING



The Master Caterers Challenge offered by DESTEA and ILO, in cooperation with Bidvest, commenced in July 2016. Approximately 40 caterers from as far as QwaQwa were shortlisted for the 2016 challenge. From 11 to 14 July 2016, Chef Janice Solomons from the Hotel School provided confectionery and yeast training to caterers. All of them really enjoyed the hands-on classes and the valuable knowledge they gained during the project.

SERVICE EXCELLENCE TABLE



Pictured from left to right are Hanna Husselmann (Secretary of the Dean: Faculty of Management Sciences), Dalene Crowther (Acting HoD: Hotel School), Marlene Burger and Annemarie Kleinhans (both from Student Enrolment Services).

The Acting Head of Department (HoD) of the Hotel School, Ms Dalene Crowther, and staff members at the Hotel School understand and value the importance of excellent service, as that is the core business of the School. Therefore, a quarterly Table of Service Excellence was launched as a means to acknowledge the excellent and friendly service other departments at CUT provide to the Hotel School.

These ladies were invited to a remarkable lunch at One on Park Restaurant on 10 August 2016, in acknowledgement of the excellent service they rendered to the Hotel School over the past few months. According to the ladies, they had an "unforgettable experience" and enjoyed the "exceptional service".

PREPARING FOR THE INDUSTRY



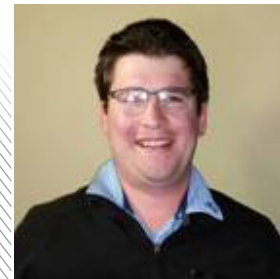
Eric Lee, a third-year Hospitality Management student who is currently completing work-integrated learning (WIL), is thoroughly enjoying his six-month training period at The Vineyard Hotel in Cape Town.

"The training experience here at The Vineyard is phenomenal", says Eric Lee. "I enjoy training at this particular establishment, because of the staff, and especially my mentors – they can see one's passion, and they help wherever and whenever".

Whilst studying at the Hotel School, Eric enjoyed both theory and practical training. Being educated at the Hotel School has helped him advance in all areas of the hospitality industry.

Save the date!
The annual **Fiesta Del Vino** will be held on **29 September 2016**.
We are looking forward to host our guests at the **Hotel School**.

ALUMNUS DOES US PROUD!



The annual Aspen Pharmaceuticals Sales Conference, which was hosted by the Champagne Sport Resort in July 2016, was successfully managed by alumnus, Niel Brits. This was Niel's first large conference since his appointment as Duty Manager at Champagne Sport Resort. Mr Philip West (Resident Director: Champagne Sport Resort) was impressed with the professional manner in which Niel assumed leadership on the Aspen Conference, and assisted the team at Champagne Sport Resort to ensure a successful event.