



Fundraising on both sides of the Equator

THE HOPE GALA IN DRESDEN

Since the inception of the annual HOPE Gala twelve years ago, more than €1,2million has been collected for HOPE Cape Town.

This year the celebration took place on 28th October at the Kulturpalast in Dresden where 1,200 guests were entertained by distinguished international artists such as Conchita, Dresdner Philharmonie, The Celtic Tenors, Su Yeon Hilbert, Jasmin Schwiers, Sofie Thomas and Gregor Meyle to name a few. The honour of Master of Ceremony duties was shared by the highly acclaimed TV personality Andrea Ballschuh and Pianist Joja Wendt.

The event was made possible with generous sponsorships from Saxonia Systems, Process Consulting and Sparkasse and continued support by Saxoprint, SAM Production, Buntemedien, Kulturpalast Dresden, Meissen, Wolf, Ströer; Sächsische Zeitung, Top Magazin, Kampen, Diamir, Markenteam and so many more (see: <http://www.hopegala.de/partner/hauptsponsoren/>). This event raised a total of €185,000 for HOPE Cape Town.

Year after year, the Founder of the HOPE Gala, Viola Klein creates a type of magic that surpasses all expectations. When people ask her why she does this her answer is simple "Money cannot buy what really matters in this world. It's a project of love." Reverend Father Stefan Hippler, Chairperson of HOPE Cape Town was at the event in Dresden to receive the donation on this auspicious occasion.

The next HOPE Gala will take place at the Staatsschauspiel in Dresden on 27 October 2018.

THE BALL OF HOPE IN CAPE TOWN

The local annual fundraising event, the Ball of HOPE was held at the Westin Hotel in the City Centre of Cape Town and as usual, honoured guests were excited to rekindle old friendships and meet new faces. This esteemed event is co-hosted and arranged in partnership with the Southern African—German Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

The theme of the entertainment for this year was music from great singers who had recently crossed over from this life. HOPE Cape Town's Goodwill Ambassador Katlego Maboe was Master of Ceremonies and delivered his own heartfelt rendition of the late George Michael song Careless Whisper. Accompanied by the angelic Holy Cross Primary School Choir and Musical Director Adolf Thelen and his talented musicians, the delighted guests thoroughly enjoyed the evening of entertainment.

The Western Cape Provincial Minister of Health, Dr Nomafrrench Mbombo delivered the keynote address which highlighted the relevance of the work of HOPE Cape Town. This event took place on 6th May and the Special Events Team at the Westin Hotel created an atmosphere and dining experience that our guests will never forget.

The Ball of HOPE has enjoyed increasing support from both local and international HOPE champions and has seen substantial growth since the first Ball of HOPE took place in 2001. The date of the next Ball of HOPE has been confirmed for Saturday, 12th May 2018 and will be held at the Marriot Hotel in Cape Town.





A LEARNING INSTITUTION

The University of Stellenbosch has approved accreditation for all three of HOPE Cape Town's doctors as external lecturers. Dr Izane Reyneke, Dr Ana Houston and Dr Sadeeka Williams will use this accreditation specifically for the training of MB, ChB students for the Early Clinical Rotation in Paediatrics for a period of three years.

HOPE Occupational Therapist Robyn Meissner and Social Worker Maria van Blerk attended training on playing and using DUPLO in the classroom and therapy sessions. Children can practice different skills (for example: language, fine motor, perceptual, problem solving and collaboration) through fun and

short activities with six bright DUPLO bricks.

Robyn also had her work published in The World Federation of Occupational Therapists Bulletin —*A play-informed, caregiver-implemented, home-based intervention for HIV-positive children and their families living in low-income conditions in South Africa.*

A free download of her work is available on:

<http://www.tandfonline.com/eprintmMyQHjfRwpdiCSDTtfwK/full>

“Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world”

ACQUIRING KNOWLEDGE

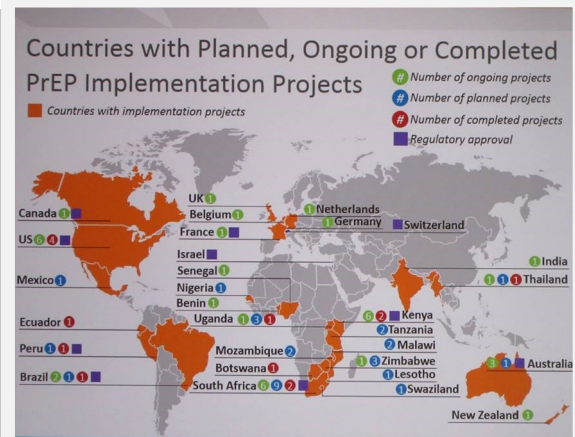
On-going training equips HOPE Cape Town Community Health Workers with the knowledge and skills that they require to carry out their tasks efficiently while also improving job satisfaction and productivity. This year, one of the many interesting externally facilitated sessions was on human trafficking—the fastest growing criminal industry in the world, generating more than US\$150 billion every year. Participants were taught how to look for clues that might identify a possible modern day slavery victim within the context of our own local communities.

The Annual Outing was a visit to Parliament where HOPE's Community Health Workers were introduced to the different structures of the legislature. The informative tour was concluded with a delicious lunch in Long Street.

HIV/AIDS CONFERENCES

The 9th International AIDS Symposium Conference on HIV Science was held in Paris, France between 23 and 26 July. HOPE Chairperson Stefan Hippler was among more than 5,000 scientists, clinicians, public health specialists and community leaders who discussed cutting edge research on HIV/AIDS. One of the most interesting topics was the high uptake of community-based HIV testing by adolescent girls and young women aged 15-24 and the implications and synergies for PrEP Rollout.

In November, HOPE Cape Town's Programs Coordinator Dr Izane Reyneke attended the AIDSImpact Conference in Cape Town. This is an international behavioral and psychosocial science conference that addresses issues related to HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and care, focusing both globally and on specific communities and countries hardest hit by the HIV/AIDS epidemic.





ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR HOPE CAPE TOWN TRUSTEES

Congratulations to:

Dr Minka Woermann , senior lecturer in the Department of Philosophy and the Head of the Unit for Business Ethics and Public Integrity in the Centre for Applied Ethics, for publishing her book titled *Bridging Complexity and Post-Structuralism: Insights and Implications*.

Professor Dr Mark Cotton, co-investigator in the CHER study which produced the findings that were featured at the IAS Conference in Paris.

Mrs Carole Armstrong-Hooper for her appointment as President of the Rotary Club am Kap in Cape Town.

The Board of HOPE Cape Town on their 19th Annual General Meeting held in Cape Town in May.

GOING TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

In the New Testament, ACTS 1:8 the Apostles are encouraged to bear witness for Christ and to go to the ends of the earth for Him.

This year the HOPE Cape Town Chairperson went to the ends of the earth to bear witness of the work of our organization. From the Africa Center of Colorado State University to the Department of Social Work at Rutgers University in New Jersey; From the Rotary Club of Somerville to the Cathedral of HOPE in Dallas; From the MS Amadea cruising through the fjords of Norway to the University of Applied Sciences in Moenchengladbach; From the office of Minister Ilse Aigner of the Free State of Bavaria to the office of Dr Aures of the Bavarian Health Department; From the Children's Hospital of the 3 Orden in Passau to a school in Bitburg, he tirelessly met with stakeholders and interested parties to share the work of HOPE Cape Town.

At every engagement the message was clear, there is still much work to be done in Sub-Saharan Africa in relation to HIV/AIDS if we want to reach the UNAIDS Goal by 2030: 90% of all people living with HIV will know their status; 90% of all people with diagnosed HIV infection will receive sustained antiretroviral therapy; 90% of all people receiving antiretroviral therapy will have viral suppression. Ambitious? Yes, very, but with an apostle like Stefan Hippler it is achievable!



HOPE Cape Town USA Trustees on finalizing their Vision and Mission Statement at their second meeting held in Greenwich Village New York in June .

VISITORS, TOO MANY TO MENTION

We were blessed with many visitors during 2017. On the occasion of the Ball of HOPE our beloved patron Viola Klein and Hermio spent days with HOPE Cape Town staff and beneficiaries. In addition we were visited by old friends Thorsten Kloth, Rocco and Daniela Damm, Laura Fiebig and the Corpsbrüder.

Main prize winners at the HOPE Gala 2016, Barbara and Peter Simchen, and Family Göbelbecker, winners at the Charity Dinner, enjoyed their holiday in Cape Town and were impressed with the work of HOPE Cape Town.

Among our local visitors, we had interesting conversations with Thobile Ndarana, Manager - Global Council Zeitz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa (Zeitz MOCAA), and great fun at Blikkiesdorp with Doctor Fernando Adams and Wendy Grant and her colleagues of Nedbank Embassies to commemorate 67 minutes of service on Mandela Day.



MARVELOUS MARMALADE... FOR AFRICA!

HOPE & Future e.V comprises a small number of people from the town of Munster in Germany. With the proceeds from the sale of their delicious marmalade and sponsorships by running marathons, these friends of HOPE Cape Town support the HOPE Outreach Project Blikkiesdorp. To date they have exceeded the 10,000 mark of jars of marmalade sold!

This year we welcomed Herr Gregor Lamers and Herr Andreas Schröer to Cape Town where they visited the HOPE Cape Town projects and engaged the community healthworkers and the residents of the communities that they support. They had a thoroughly fun time with the children of Blikkiesdorp and even helped the knitting club ladies to put together baby garments.



5 X 5 X 5 = GOLF-CHARITY-PROJECT

Steffen Becker is a business consultant from Dresden. He is also a keen golfer with a handicap of 17. In 2015 Steffen attended the HOPE Gala and was captivated by the presentation of the work of HOPE Cape Town. He decided to embark on a fundraising journey of his own with a unique plan of action—to play five rounds of golf on five different continents within five days. He calculated that with sponsorships for each 'hit', he would be able to raise €10,000 for HOPE Cape Town.

From 9th to 14th April Steffen played at the Elbflorenz Golf Course in Dresden, Germany; the Angeles National Golf Club in Los Angeles, USA; the National Golf Club in Melbourne, Australia; the Dubai Creek Golf & Yacht Club in Abu Dhabi, Dubai; and finally at the Clovelly Country Club in Cape Town, South Africa.

Many thanks for the sponsorship from the Management of the Clovelly Country Club where this huge mission was finally accomplished.

“I WAS DEEPLY MOVED...”

In May, Mr Matthias Hansen, newly appointed Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany took time out of his busy schedule to familiarize himself with the work of HOPE Cape Town since the organization has close links with other well-established institutions in Germany.

“HOPE has developed a highly systematic, targeted, and comprehensive approach to the problem of HIV/AIDS in South Africa, with three specific strengths: Its work is state-of-the-art because it consistently aims at providing a direct link between scientific and grass roots work. Its work is sustainable, because over time, HOPE has contributed to developing an invaluable amount of expertise in the field of paediatric HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment. And finally, its work is embedded in a stable and productive international context through its network with European and American partners.”



EVERY CHILD NEEDS A HERO

Katlego Maboe is HOPE Cape Town's Brand Ambassador. Not only does he attend our public and fundraising events, this year he spent a number of days visiting the little patients in the paediatric wards at Tygerberg Hospital and at the Tygerberg Hospital school. Katlego also joined the party we held at Bounceworld for the children who attend the clinics and he participated in a photo shoot with the HOPE staff as well as a video promoting the work of HOPE Cape Town which was viewed on national television on World AIDS Day, 1st December 2017. The video was kindly sponsored by MySchoolCard as a celebration of the 20th year of their existence. The MySchool programme enables non-profit organisations such as HOPE Cape Town to benefit from members' purchases at selected points of sale.

At a recent display of the Blikkiesdorp Outreach Project, this year HOPE Cape Town bestowed the first HOPE Hero Award to our social worker Maria van Blerk who runs a school readiness programme from a container in Blikkiesdorp. Approximately 30 children participate in this programme annually where they learn social skills as well as the basics such as numeracy, literacy and identifying shapes and colours. Maria assists the families to enroll their children for school and provides them with bags of books, stationery and school uniforms to prepare them appropriately for their school



“A good head and a good heart are always a formidable combination”

67 MINUTES FOR MADIBA

On Mandela Day, HOPE Cape Town commemorated our great leader's birthday by engaging a working party of volunteers and contributors at the outreach site in Blikkiesdorp.

Afrilandscapes brought seedlings and compost as well as a team of workers to revitalize the vegetable garden; Nedbank brought a team and provided the ingredients to prepare a hot breakfast for more than 1,200 children; BuildIt donated a truckload of paint and hardware; Individuals collected blankets, shoes, clothes and their time by painting containers and murals, preparing food, cleaning the gardens, recycling and supervising games for the children.

Lunch was provided by Ellies and Friends of HOPE Cape Town sponsored toothbrushes and toothpaste. Young people came from private colleges and schools and international students responded to our call for volunteers to assist us and the camaraderie was overwhelming despite the icy wind blowing in a space where shelter from the elements is scarce.

67 minutes turned into more than 7 hours of service and we went home assured in the knowledge that Madiba smiled in Blikkiesdorp that day!

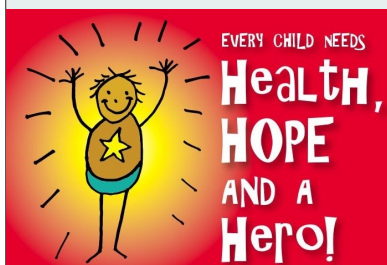




**Christmas was celebrated at the
HOPE Cape Town office,
Blikkiesdorp, and Tygerberg
Hospital**

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TO YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES

COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON FROM CAPE TOWN

