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**DATES to DIARISE:**

Lebone  
Anniversary  
Dinner

7 October  
@  
18h30

Lebone  
SPLASH

November

Contact us for further details

# The Lebone Light

Lauren, to the moon...and back into our hearts!



This month we bring you the story of yet another new member of the Lebone family, Lauren Borsa, all the way from America. Lauren volunteered at Lebone Land for the past 6 months. She was sent to South Africa for a whole year through a volunteer program of her church and we were so grateful and privileged that Lauren chose to spend her last six months in South Africa with us at Lebone. She quickly and without any difficulty took on many challenging tasks, not one was too big or too small for Lauren - welding, laying hall floor, pumpkin harvesting, helping Willem fix our gas heaters when the winter started, re-packing our store rooms, filing, and administration are only some of the hundreds of tasks she helped us with.

While Lauren was taking on all these tasks, many times she had to ask advice on how to get the job done in the best possible way and when asking Willem's advice his answer would always be "...but you Americans have been to the moon, you should know how to do it!" What a big laugh we all had when Lauren returned from one of the world cup soccer games she attended with a photo of her with some fellow Americans in Space suits.

Because of Lauren's positive report about Lebone another young American from the volunteer program will be arriving within the next two weeks to spend the next year volunteering at Lebone Land.

Lauren was a wonderful blessing for us all while she was here and we miss her already. We hope and trust that she will return in the future because we know that she is now part of our big Lebone Family. Lauren, may you continue to be a blessing to the people's lives your life path will cross.

**The chicken thieves are in jail!**

After the last burglary and theft at our chicken houses we received information about suspicious chicken sales not far from Lebone the morning after our chickens were stolen. After investigation we informed the police who opened a theft case and arrested 2 men. Since this breakthrough we haven't had any burglary attempts. We are so grateful and relieved and we ask everyone to continue praying for the safety of and protection over Lebone Land.

## Spring is in the air!

As the first fruit trees started blossoming at Lebone Land so did the summer feeling. The fields are being prepared for the summer and planting season which is almost here. The Lebone agricultural section is producing much needed vegetables for the children and people of Lebone and we are excited to see what the harvest will yield this coming summer. The beans in our big tunnel are growing fast and even though our fields are empty at the moment we know that this will soon change once it is warmer for the seeds to be planted.



## Visit our nursery TODAY!

Over the last two years the Lebone nursery has greatly increased in popularity and we are now ready for all our customers who are busy planting trees and doing their gardening for the coming season. The nursery staff are very busy planting new seeds as well as replanting trees to ensure that our nursery continues to flourish.



**Visit our nursery today for our unbeatable prices on the following trees: White Stink Wood, Karee, Wild Olive, Oak, Carob, Kurrjon, Ordinary as well as Fan Palms. We also have a wide variety of Clivias (Bush lilies).**



**Call us today to avoid disappointment!**

## Bokang Dumezweni 26/03/2000 – 14/08/2010

Bokang, an adorable orphaned 10 year old little boy was admitted to Lebone this month. He was very sick and neglected and we had to have him admitted to Pelonomi hospital shortly after his arrival, where he passed away on Saturday night 14 August.

It is with great sadness that we bring you this report this month but Bokang is an example of so many children in need in the community and it is so sad that he came to Lebone too late. The tuberculosis in his little body was just too advanced and help came too late for him. When we however look at Bokang's story, we cannot but be thankful for all the other children who were privileged to get much needed "Lebone care" in time. It is this positive we want to focus on but it also makes us aware of how big the need is out there.

Through our faithful God & the help, support and prayers of you all we know that we will be able to give this much needed Lebone care to many more children in the future!

## Guardian Angels initiative Making birthdays special



Marlene Jooste from the "I am a star project" started the Guardian Angels initiative at the end of 2009. Individuals become guardian angels to children in different orphanages and care homes in and around Bloemfontein. The children in the following homes are just like the Lebone children part of this wonderful initiative: Bolakanong, Sunflower, Oeratile, Tshepo Creche, Tshepang, Ons Kinderhuis and 3 satellite houses from kinderhuis – Gardeniapark, Gladstoneweg and De Bruynstr houses.

The only criteria is that the child's birthday must be on the same day as the guardian angel's birthday.. This guardian angel then buys the child a present on his/her birthday and on Christmas day. Some people even use the birthdays of children or family members who passed away and in this way even though these people are not here anymore continue to make children feel special. Many of our children had such special birthdays this year because of these wonderful people. What a blessing you all are – truly guardian angels!

Anybody who wants to become part of this initiative can contact Marlene Jooste @ [marlenej@discovery.co.za](mailto:marlenej@discovery.co.za) / tel: 083 381 4009.



# Happy Birthday

<b>1 August</b>	
Omphile Kale	2 years
<b>4 August</b>	
Obakeng van Eck	13 years
<b>12 August</b>	
Pule Mojahi	11 years
<b>26 August</b>	
Josephine Mosese	6 years
<b>31 Augustus</b>	
Lorna van Rooyen	Trustee

## Pancakes for profit

Once again the residents of the Westerbloem Retirement Village in Bloemfontein had a pancake day in aid of Lebone. Every year these wonderful people spend a whole day baking and selling their delicious pancakes and we thank you all for the wonderful spirit and love in which you do this for us year by year!



### Prayer Requests:

- Safety and protection over Lebone Land
- Guidance for Lebone preschool
- Nthabiseng, very ill little girl admitted to Lebone this month
- **G**uidance & wisdom for the next 10 year goal plan according to His will

## I want to be in the Army!

Last month our kids had the privilege to visit the Tempe army base in Bloemfontein. This was a wonderful experience for each one of them. The men and women in uniform were instant heroes to our children as they got off the bus on arrival at the army base. Many of the boys decided there and then that this is what they want to do one day. They also want to wear their countries uniform and be big strong soldiers one day. At first they were a little scared of all the big war vehicles but they soon relaxed and enjoyed this new experience.

The soldiers didn't let our kids leave there empty handed; a big donation of clothes, toys and food put even bigger smiles on the little one's faces. Thank you ISSB for not only serving your country but also serving our children in the way you did!



## Much needed physical development – all thanks to energetic students



For the past few years the Human Movement Science students from the University of the Free State have been doing service learning at Lebone Land. Not only is this giving the students valuable practical experience during their studies but it is also benefiting our children's physical development tremendously. Every Thursday afternoon the students spend the afternoon at Lebone Land playing all kinds of games and doing activities with them to better the physical skills they need.

Our children enjoy this very much and during all the "playing" they don't even realize that they are actually learning. I don't know who is the most tired on Thursday nights, the Lebone children or the students, but one thing is sure, Thursday afternoons are never boring!

## Food for entrance please!

SA GLAAD took the initiative to ask their members for non-perishable food as an entrance fee when coming to one of their recent meetings and donated all these "entrance fees" to Lebone. What a wonderful initiative and what a big difference donations like this makes. Thank you SA GLAAD and every individual who contributed, it is through people like you who and contributions like this that our children are ensured of a plate of healthy food every day.



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## Watch this space next month for full details on the Lebone SPLASH

If you are interested in swimming in SPLASH this year you can contact Clint Bailey @ 0733493412/  
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