

## CISCO Stream

The CISCO Stream is once again the dominant force in the Academy with 42 new students joining in 2007. To this end the CISCO stream has expanded to 3 labs plus a new practice lab.

CISCO will also be acquiring new equipment this year. Due to the Academy Program being in its 10<sup>th</sup> year, John Chambers (the CEO of CISCO), says that the Academy is getting a massive 75% discount on its lab bundles. This will greatly benefit the stream.

80% of the 2004 group of CISCO students already have jobs in the industry, Mr. Platt and Mr. Ntuli are complaining that they do not have enough CV's on hand anymore; clearly the ICT is starting to make waves in the industry.... We need to keep it up.

### The ICT Academy

**Website is here!!!**

The new electronic home of the ICT Academy is going live on the 30th of March, Friday. Visit this link: [www.cidaictacademy.co.za](http://www.cidaictacademy.co.za) at 14H:00 and experience the thrill and feel of the Academy. Please e-mail the webmaster directly from the site at [webmaster@cidaictacademy.co.za](mailto:webmaster@cidaictacademy.co.za) with questions and comments. **DO NOT MISS THIS LAUNCH, WE WON'T !!!**



### Pearl Yende Consulting cc

Pearl Yende Consulting cc is providing services to the Academy (both students and staff) such as face to face counselling, telephonic counselling; desks drops are being sent monthly as way of making awareness of living healthy.

PYC provide both individual and group counselling. It is a confidential and professional service for everyone with any kind of personal, social or academic worry.

- A counsellor comes every Wednesdays
- From 13h00 until 16h00

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# The Academy wishes you a happy new year!!!

Welcome back. The ICT Academy had an eventful 2006; thanks to all the stakeholders. We would like to express our sincere appreciation to our partners & service providers for their loyal support throughout the year.



**ICT Academy Manager:**  
**Khulu Ntuli**

We would like to welcome all our new friends into the ICT Academy Family. I am sure that we are all ready to tackle the challenges of the New-year and I have no doubt that there are a number of victories that we would be celebrating together.

The Academy is proud of the successes that it has achieved in the past, none of which would have been possible without the hard work & dedication shown by our staff & students.

It is important to bear in mind that all of us must take ownership of the messages we are sending out to the world about ourselves & also about our Institution. As Sir Winston Churchill points out, *"If you have knowledge, let others light their candles in it"*.

## Foundation year orientation day

2007 Foundation year orientation day incredibly motivated all of foundation year students. Vuyo Ndzamela one of Java trainers in the ICT Academy was the Keynote Speaker for the day, and Aminah Khoza, a former student of CIDA and ICT Academy, delivered a motivational speech to the students. In her speech she



stated that she is now working for one of the biggest partners of the ICT Academy - SAP.

At the end of the session all students were ready to start with their studies and they went out of the room saying if the other students could managed to make it through their studies, we will also make it in 2007!!!

## The ICT Academy Team



**Front row:** Mpho Ramphele, Ziphonzonke Mthethwa, Daniel Mathebula, Marcus Karuppan, Nosiphiwo Mgjijima and Jama Sokuyeka.

**Back row:** Witson Chirwa, Cyphrian Platt, Gift Mukadzi and Earl Theys.

## Another 100% in N+

Dino Peterson was the only student that couldn't write the exam due to health reasons. He wrote his N+ exam two weeks after the others and he got 900/900 (100%). Dino got the highest marks in ICDL and in A+ for both Hardware 827/900 and Software 724/900.



**Dino Peterson**

Dino is currently in CISCO Stream and he's looking forward to be the best in CISCO this year.

## SAP Stream

The first day for SAP students was very fantastic for all of them. They got a chance to introduce themselves to their colleagues and on their second day they attended a team building class which they all say it was an interesting experience. They had team building exercises which were basically for the students to get acquainted with each other and also make new friends.

Daniel Selematsela a former CIDA and ICT Academy student and is now a SAP K2 Banking consultant was the guest on their third day in class and he enlightened them on the following topics:

- What is SAP?
- What it does?
- What do they offer?

- What career options are there?

They also got a chance to be given a presentation by the best SAP student in 2005 (Mbali Matshoba). This was a cherry on top to get them going and motivated.

## SUN



It had been a long journey for many of our students who have committed themselves to achieving their dreams. At the end of 2006 Nzako IT held an end of year function for SUN stream to award the students for their hard work and resilience through the trials of 2006. It was a day of food and the sweetest things in life. A few of our students won awards for their continued participation and being examples of the people that SUN Microsystems and the ICT Academy are trying to produce.

In the beginning of 2007 students returned early to prepare for the Solaris 10 System Administration Part 1 exam as well as for the SUN Web Components Developer exam. "Everyone worked hard and supported one another on their journey to the exam d-day, I'm glad to report that it was all worth it in the end" says Jama Sokuyeka (SUN Stream Coordinator). Our students wrote their respective exams on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March and the results reflect their sacrifice and commitment.



**Solaris Students**

In Solaris of the 8 students 7 passed with exceptional marks, Vincent Khanyile received 98% pass for his exam and Itumeleng Nonyane passed also with 96%.

In Web Components we had 3 of the 8 students pass the exam with Stanley Sebatlelo receiving a 75% pass.

We would like to congratulate our students on their first steps to becoming the best of what the country can offer and to those that have stumbled keep your chin up and try it again as we all believe in you..