

A different newsletter than we originally intended. The positive news that we wanted to share with you is now also tainted with the Coronavirus. However, we would still like to give you an update on our activities.

Board of Quina Care



Start renovations top floor

The materials and the construction workers had arrived, demolition work was done, and the first walls were already build when the 17th of March the renovation works were paused.

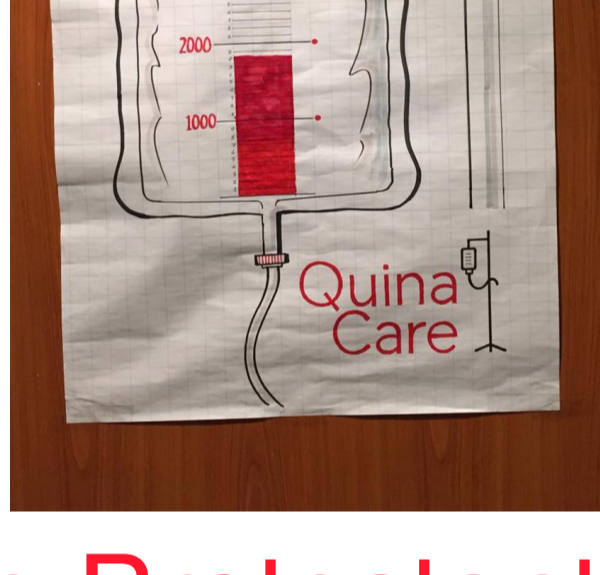
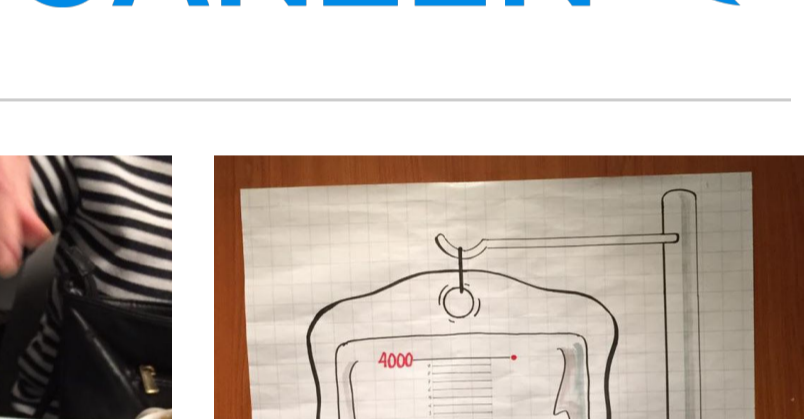
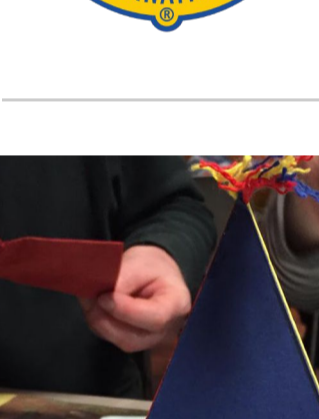
As announced in our previous newsletter, during the Lions Night on November 1st, 2019 the necessary funds for renovating the top floor were raised. And on March 6th it finally started! The team of our contractor Elvis has started enthusiastically with this project. They are very excited to be part of building the hospital and we are very satisfied with the quality of their work. Unfortunately, the coronavirus has also reached Ecuador and on March 17 a number of actions were announced by the government. Citizens may only venture outdoors to get groceries or visit the pharmacy. Everyone is expected to work at home, apart from medical professionals and police. This means that the renovation of the hospital has been paused until further notice. When possible, we'll - of course - continue with this.



Expansion Project Lions Club Nootdorp-Pijnacker and Wilde Ganzen

In addition to the realization of the clinical wards, the ward for the accompanying family will be extended.

Due to the fact that more money was raised than estimated for the renovation of the top floor, Lions Club Nootdorp-Pijnacker suggested expanding the existing project. Additional good news was their decision to donate extra funds in order to achieve this! A decision was made to expand the project by, among other things, extending the ward for the accompanying family of patients. This will be useful as it is common in Ecuador for patients to be accompanied by family in case of hospitalization so that they can take care of the patient. Quina Care would like to offer them a place to stay in the hospital. And on top of that, Wilde Ganzen has announced that they will raise these funds with 50% as well! Therefore, once the renovations of the top floor will continue, we can also start on building the ward for the family.



40Days Time Protestant Church Leidschendam

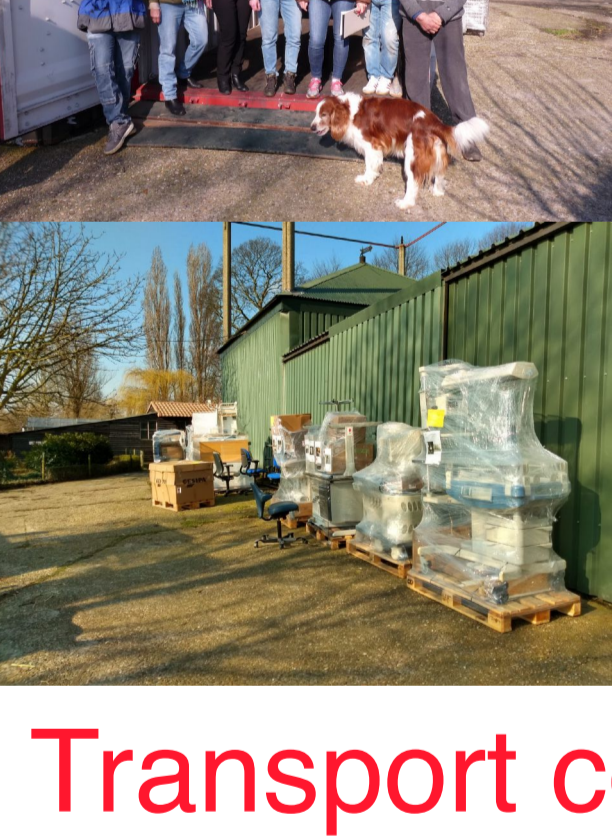
Seminar ZWO in Leidschendam is committed during the 40Day time to Quina Care, down to the smallest detail.

The seminar 'ZWO' (Mission, World Diaconat and Development Corporation) of the Protestant Church in Leidschendam has selected Quina Care as their project for the 40Day time. Starting March 1st, funds are collected through offertories during worship services and lent services as well as the sale of peppermint and (Ecuadorian) chocolate. The funds are intended for the appointment of a receptionist at the hospital; someone responsible for receiving the patients. This campaign was originally intended to finish on April 10th but due to the Coronavirus it was necessary to put it on halt until further notice.

Anonymous donations

We report regularly about received donations by specific businesses,

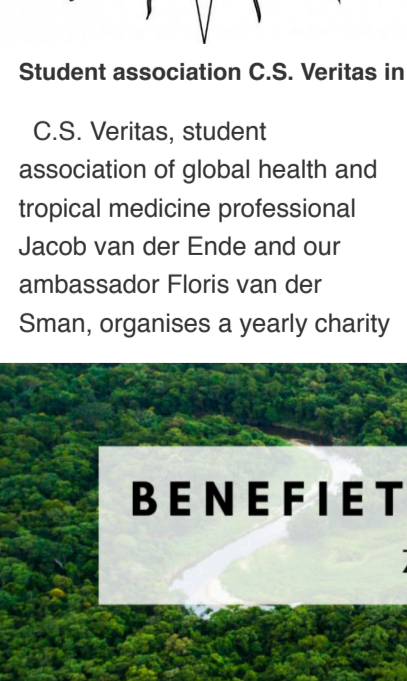
foundations and trust funds. However, not everyone is comfortable with sharing their identity. During this last term we once again have received funds from foundations wishing to remain anonymous. It's fantastic to see how selflessly people do these things!



Transport container with hospital inventory

Inventory for first phase of the hospital is on its way to the port of Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Quina Care has been working behind the scenes for months to arrange the transport of a container filled with hospital inventory to be shipped from The Netherlands to Ecuador. During this process we encountered a number of difficulties. But on March 6th we were finally ready, with many thanks to freight forwarder Sealiner and shipping company MSC we were able to deliver the container to our storage location in The Hague. A group of volunteers have spent the day after to load up the container. And after sorting out a range of documents and stamps at the embassy, chamber of commerce and courthouse, the container was ready to be picked up and brought to the harbour to be shipped to Ecuador on the 22nd of March. If everything goes according to plan, the container will arrive in the harbour of Guayaquil on April 14th. Here as well, the coronavirus causes additional stress, mostly because of the uncertainty of the possibility of clearing the container through customs and the transport to Puerto el Carmen. We will be incredibly relieved once the container arrives! A special thanks to Lensveld in Vlaardingingen. They have been willing to, completely free of charge, move the empty container from the depot in Rotterdam for loading in The Hague and afterwards move the fully loaded container to the harbour. This means a lot to the foundation!



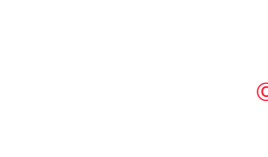
Charity concert C.S. Veritas

Student association C.S. Veritas in Utrecht chose Quina Care as their charity for this years charity concert.

C.S. Veritas, student association of global health and tropical medicine professional Jacob van der Ende and our ambassador Floris van der Sman, organises a yearly charity concert to raise funds for an organization. This year they have selected Quina Care. The charity concert will take place on Saturday June 6th from 13:00-21:00 at the Lepelenburg in Utrecht. There will be food, drinks, dancing and an obstacle course for children. More information can be found at benefietconcertveritas.nl.

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