

## **LANGHAM HOUSE**

The Home was built around 1904 and was originally known as the Rhodes Hotel and then the Langham Hotel. Rumour has it that the Hotel was named after Mr Langham Dale, the founder of Dale College in King Williams Town.

The Hotel was sold in 1917 to Castle Breweries (now S.A.B. Millers) who sold it to the South African Red Cross in 1969. It was then turned into an old age home.

During 1990 the S.A. Red Cross decided to no longer be involved in Homes for the Aged and disposed of their assets to other non profit organisations. This led to the formation of Leisure Homes for Senior Citizens, a Section 21 Company not for gain and a registered non profit organisation.

The current Board, all of whom offer their services free of charge, consists of 11 members.

The Home is situated at 82 Fleet Street in the beachfront suburb of the Quigney and is able to care for 74 senior citizens. There are a total of 43 bedrooms of which 13 have en-suite facilities.

Cost of staying at Langham House:

The current cost of 24 hour nursing care, all meals, room services, laundry, etc is R4000,00 per month. Subsidies are available from the Department of Social Development for those that qualify. These are currently:

The Old Age pension of R1080.00 per month and Old Age Home subsidy for Category 3 persons of R1700.00 per month. Family members are called upon to assist in the fee shortfall to enable the Home to survive economically.

Only persons over the age of 60 can be accommodated in the Home.

Nursing: The Home is run by the Nursing Services Manager Mrs Cathy Botha, who has been a Matron for 25 years. She has a team of dedicated nursing sisters and staff that are there to care for your loved one.

Meals: there are 2 dining rooms in the Home. The kitchen staff under the watchful eye of our Catering Supervisor Mrs Desrae Beckett prepare and serve 7730 meals a month.

Housekeeping and Laundry: These services are provided by our dedicated cleaning and laundry staff under the control of Mrs Lizanne Backeberg, the Housekeeper.

Church services are held in the Home on a regular basis.

The mobile library calls every Tuesday at 11:00 am.

Daily transport to hospital and back is provided by Leisure Homes for Senior Citizens bus, which has a hydraulic lift for wheelchairs. This service as well as the collection of medication from state facilities is provided free of charge.

Various forms of entertainment are held in the Home and Residents are often given the opportunity to attend outside functions free of charge, like school plays, musicals and outings by service clubs.

Should you or your family member wish to apply to become a resident of Langham House, kindly contact the Nursing Services Manager Mrs Botha on 043 – 722 1247.