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Dear AAA Student,

I hope that you are all well, enjoying the course and like me, looking forward to the seminar at the end of July. The seminar is usually the high point of the year and I have put together an exciting programme. I want to ensure that you will not only find the seminar a good learning experience, but also enjoyable.

NB: if you are not able to attend the seminar, please contact me ASAP.

The date: Friday 29 & Saturday 30 July

Starting times: 8h30 for 9h00 every day

Finishing times: 16h00 on Friday and on Saturday, not later than 17h00.

Venue: The Conference room at Tuishuis Home Lodge, 160 Von Willigh Ave, Clubview, Centurion. This is one of the quest houses on the list and you can have a preview if you visit their website.

The Programme: A detailed programme will be available at registration, but in the mean time a brief idea of what to expect:

Friday: Introduction to Animal Assisted Activities, ethical issues and marketing of AAA programmes: Dr Magdie van Heerden.
Take a walk from Freud to Rogers; Hanna Odendaal
Communication skills: Hanna Odendaal
Questions, discussion, evaluation, conclusion.

Saturday: Applied Human Animal Interactions: Presentation of programmes by AAA practitioners.

What should you bring along: Your notes and perhaps some cash or your cheque book, but most of all – an open mind. Refreshments are included, but we usually also have a few items on sale like books by the late Prof Odendaal at special seminar prices.

Travel and accommodation are your own responsibility, but please let me know should you need assistance. I will try my best to help.

Should you stay in one of the guesthouses on the list or in this area I am willing to assist you to get to the venue and back on the two days of the seminar. Staying in Tuishuis Guest Lodge will of course be the most convenient option.

I am so looking forward to this event and to get to know you all on a more personal level. Please contact me should you need any assistance and I will try my best to help.

Kind regards,

Hanna Odendaal

Directions to Tuishuis, 160 Von Willigh Ave, Clubview, Centurion:

From Johannesburg and Krugersdorp: Follow the N1 (becomes N14) towards Pretoria. Take the Jean Ave off ramp to your left and follow Lyttelton Rd direction Clubview. At the first robot turn right in Von Willigh Ave. TuisHuis is about 800 meters to your right. There is ample safe parking inside the gates.

From Pretoria: Take the N1 (also marked N14 or Ben Schoeman) to Johannesburg (exit Fountains) After about 5km, take the Jean Ave off ramp, at the robot; turn right towards Club View (Lyttelton Rd). At the first robot turn right in Von Willigh Ave. TuisHuis is about 800 meters to your right. There is ample safe parking inside the gates.

From the East Rand (R21) & Oliver Tambo:

Close to Pretoria, take the N1 South – direction Jhb. Then take the John Vorster Off ramp and turn left towards Centurion. Follow JV up to Hendrik Verwoerd Dr (also the M25) and turn right towards Centurion mall. Follow Hendrik Verwoerd up to Jean Ave – also the M34 (about 2km) and turn left (Fuelling station to your left) in to the slip stream leading to Jean Ave. Follow Jean Ave, go through the intersection with the N14 (robots at both sides of the N14). The name will change from Jean to Lyttelton rd. Follow Lyttelton Rd up to the first traffic light and turn right into Von Willigh Ave. TuisHuis is about 800 m further down the road.

Should you get lost – our telephone numbers are 012 654 3448 & 072 575 8586

Accommodation in guest houses close to the Tuis Huis seminar venue:

The rates vary from R370 – R550 per night for a single room. I do not have first hand experience of any of these establishments but from the outside that all look very respectable. They all have websites where more info can be found.

A Lala Lodge: 012 654 6261 (R470): www.alalalodge.co.za

Clubview: 012 654 6812 (R530) www.clubview.co.za

Hampton House: 012 654 1047 www.hamptonhouse.co.za

Bloemhoek: 012 654 6302 (R370 per night) www.bloemhoekbb.co.za

J Cups; 012 654 6747 (R520) ; www.j.cubs.co.za

TuisHuis Home Lodge : 012 654 5713 (R550) www.tuishuis.co.za