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Two Durban University of **Technology** students received R7 000 after winning the Sunflower **Fund Design** competition. Congratulating the winners are (from left) Kylie Folkard and Aadilah Patel. with Nolan Logan from Pick n Pay, and the winning team, Bianca Booth and Collette Hertz. PHOTO: SUPPLIED

Bandana day: Best design winners

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TWO Durban University of Technology (DUT) students, Bianca Booth and Collette Hertz, were chosen as the winners of the The Sunflower Fund bandana design competition.

The non-profit organisation aims to give South Africans diagnosed with leukaemia and other lifethreatening blood disorders the chance of life, irrespective of their financial circumstances.

National Bandana Day is its main fundraising event and this year over R3 million was raised.

In December 2011, the organisation commissioned third-year stu-

dents from tecknikons across South Africa to design a surprise bandana, and, after coming out victorious, Booth and Hertz walked away with R7 000 worth of Pick n Pay vouchers.

Booth told Weekend Witness: "We are very excited. This a big honour for us."

Hertz added that this was a great opportunity for them to put their names out there. "This is a lovely end to our year," said Booth, who lost her grandmother to cancer.

"She died before I was born, I was told she was very loving and that I remind a lot of people of her," the 21-year-old said.

The two had about five weeks to come up with a concept for their handanas.

"Our design is unique. We wanted to do something that was universal and uplifting, and would appeal to both men and women."

Booth said she would love to get involved in other projects related to cancer. Both of them are now looking forward to working as professional designers and eventually opening their own clothing stores.

Bandana Day is held on October 12 annually, when South Africans are urged to buy bandanas to wear to work, school, or just for fun.

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