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RHODES ALUMNI NEWSLETTER AUGUST 1996

VICE CHANCELLOR WOODS

David (1959) and Charlotte Woods (Abbot) (1961) returned to Rhodes University on 1 May 1996 when Dr David Randle Woods took up his new post as Rhodes' Vice-Chancellor.

Dr Woods left Rhodes in 1962 after having gained a first class Honours degree in Botany. He returned to Rhodes in 1967 to take up a lecturing post in the department of Microbiology. By the time he and Charlotte left Rhodes in 1979 he was Professor and Head of that department. Many Old Rhodians will remember him as warden of Botha House and Master of Founders Hall. Before returning to Rhodes this year he was Deputy Vice-Chancellor at UCT. He speaks to alumni about the future of Rhodes University.

I am delighted to be back at Rhodes. Both my wife Charlotte and I view this as the absolute high point of our careers. We feel privileged to have rejoined this exciting university with wonderful students, staff and alumni.

We recently attended the Queenstown Old Rhodian reunion, the first in my capacity as Vice-Chancellor, and it was wonderful sharing the nostalgia and enthusiasm alumni have for their alma mater. I will be attending almost all the reunions held this year and look forward to meeting many more alumni.

Let me take this opportunity of answering the question most of you are asking-how I see Rhodes going into the future, particularly in the light of tertiary education developments.

According the National Commission on Higher Education (NCHE), tertiary education is going to be much more flexible as is evident by the offering of degrees at technikons and of short courses at universities. We agree and believe we need to collaborate with the other four universities in the Eastern Cape so that each of us operates to our strengths without any of us losing our individuality. The recommendations of the NCHE are to the

advantage of the Rhodes East London campus in particular. The NCHE is in favour of multi-campus universities, and with our already flourishing urban campus in East London, a lot of work will be put in to ensure that East London becomes our major growth area. Already strong in commerce and education, there are two further key areas in which I see us growing quite dramatically - technology and the management aspects of commerce.

On the technology front, I envisage a gradual growth, from offering novel one-year diplomas towards an eventual Faculty of Engineering over the next six or seven years. In the beginning the diplomates will gain practical and business skills, as well as a strong foundation in maths and aspects of physics and chemistry.

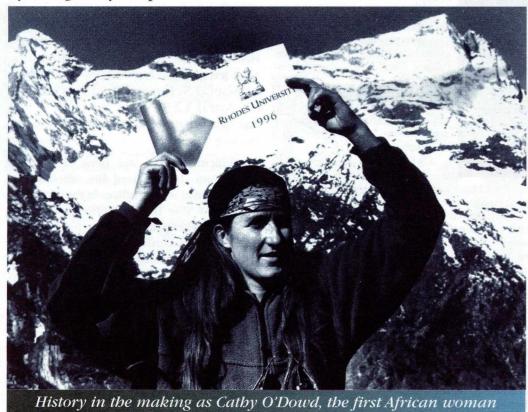
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Rhodes' new Vice-Chancellor Dr David Woods (1959) and his wife Charlotte Woods (Abbot) (1961)

ALUMNI ON MOUNT EVEREST

By Montgomery Cooper



History in the making as Cathy O'Dowd, the first African woman to conquer Everest, holds the Rhodes flag aloft at base camp.

"Hello, Mum!" came the breathless exclamation from Old Rhodian Cathy O'Dowd (1993) on the summit of Mount Everest on 26 May.

Cathy was talking to her mother, after being patched through the South African Everest Base Camp, via the Indian Ocean satellite and London to South Africa.

Her link across continents and altitudes symbolised the incredible modern communications capabilities used by the climbers.

Her speech also symbolises the determination and

willpower of Rhodes alumni that, perhaps, distinguish them from graduates of other universities. Cathy described her arrival on the summit and the phone being thrust into her hands: "Then I got to them, (Ian Woodall and Pemba Sherpa); four steps,

rest; four steps, rest; slipped to my knees and hugged both of them. Then Ian gave me a phone and I spoke to South Africa and to Mum. After that it's a complete blur!"

Communications between the climbers and Base Camp were implemented with VHF radios and the climbers carried portable receivers with the base station at Base Camp.

One of the most poignant moments for the climbers was the death of highly experienced team member and friend, Bruce Herrod, who sadly never made it back to Base camp after summiting six and a half hours later than his team mates.

Cathy, who will be working on two books describing the team's Everest experience, is the daughter of Rhodes LLD Honorary Graduate and Anglo American director Michael O'Dowd (1994).

SURVEY RESULTS

We were delighted by the overwhelming response we received to the questionnaire we sent to Old Rhodians with the OR Newsletter at the end of last year.

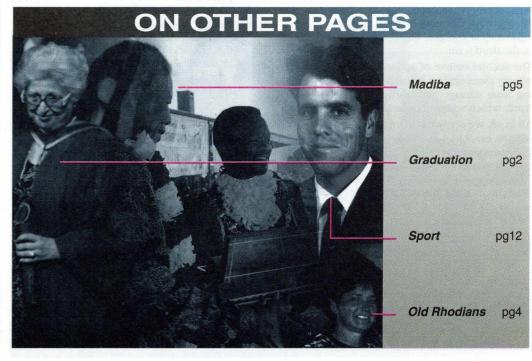
It seems that the news Old Rhodians are most interested in reading about in the Rhodes Newsletter is about other Old Rhodians. News about lecturers and current happenings on campus are also of interest.

By far the majority of Old Rhodians wish to continue receiving the OR Newsletter and despite our suggestion that we send out news on Old Rhodians more often, the preference remains for an issue every six months. Most of you would like to receive our new annual publication, Rhodes Today, but are not as keen on the Vice-Chancellor's Annual Report. Dr Woods, too, feels that he wants to change this report substantially so as to be a lot more interesting to Old Rhodians. A good thirty percent of Old Rhodians who returned the questionnaire added that they want

to know what is happening on the Rhodes sports front. We hope you enjoy the sport coverage on the back page which will now become a regular feature.

There also seems to be a real concern about the transformation process; what it means and how this process will affect standards at Rhodes on the one hand, and that transformation appears to have got off to a slow start at Rhodes on the other. Dr Woods, in his address to alumni, (see page one) tackles this issue.

How does transformation at Rhodes affect alumni? Is there a need for better racial integration amongst Old Rhodians? Several alumni have called for a meeting to discuss this issue and we have spoken to **Lincoln Mali (1988)**, a spokesperson for the Ministry of Education, who has agreed to be a speaker at this meeting. Dr Woods is particularly keen to get this discussion going and we would like to hear from the rest of you on this matter so as to gauge your need for such a forum.



GRADUATION 1996

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This will equip the diplomates with necessary skills for immediate employment as well as qualify them to take up engineering at second year level at a university away from home. On the business management front, we will be concentrating on developing courses specifically to meet the training, leadership and management needs of manufacturing industries in the East London hinterland, rural municipalities and fledgling small businesses. A major problem with our East London development is the fact that we are hamstrung by lack of capital funding from government because we are still seen as a dreaded historically white university. With 63% black enrolment in East London, and 47% black student numbers overall, government funding for Rhodes means education for many thousands of disadvantaged students in the Eastern Cape, and this is the viewpoint which we are working hard to put across.

The example of universities north of the Limpopo which were destroyed by "massification" has given us in South Africa a timely warning of the path we should not tread. Nonetheless, we will be increasing our student numbers to cope with the increasing numbers of qualified matriculants. In this regard, Rhodes is ideally situated.

One of the proposals in the NCHE recommendations is concerned with a national qualifications framework, the NQF. Whilst we see the advantages, we will fight for the right to produce students to our own levels of excellence, and will not drag down our students' learning experience to the lowest common denominator.

Until now, universities have been funded on a per capita basis. In the future, funding is going to have to be negotiated for study programmes and qualification levels offered. I regard this as a most exciting development, as it means we will be able to devise programmes against an overall national plan - something that has long been lacking in South Africa. There could not be a more opportune moment for putting together a long term strategic academic plan, and as brand new Vice-Chancellor rarin' to go, this suits me extremely well.

As far as the Grahamstown campus is concerned, there is nothing to compare with the increasingly rare and precious undergraduate experience of spending three or four years at Rhodes. The urban problems of violence, congestion and dangerous distractions will never destroy this unique lifestyle, as Grahamstown is highly unlikely ever to suffer from urbanisation.

We also still enjoy the best staff/student ratio in the country.

The other major opportunity for Rhodes in Grahamstown is to build up our postgraduate enrolment. With excellent academic facilities, we now need to provide adult self-catering residences to match the unparalleled quality of life enjoyed by the citizens of this little town.

Transformation is something universities should be doing every day of their existence, through critically examining themselves and reacting to the long term view of the times in which they find themselves. I believe at Rhodes we need to look at all our work processes just as industry is doing, and to re-examine our curricula, as part of our ongoing responsibility to ensure that we continue to better our position as a leading university in South Africa.

Recent unrest on campus has led to two courses of action on the disciplinary front. The Independent Mediators of South Africa have recommended a disciplinary enquiry which has been welcomed by students, the university and Dr Motara who will now be able to defend himself against clear charges. The enquiry will take place in the third term.

The second course of action concerns the disciplinary cases against a number of students resulting from damage and disruption on campus in April, which will also be held in the third term.

All in all, we are living in an interesting and challenging era, but one which is not new in that all these developments have happened or are happening on university campuses around the world. I believe that Rhodes is a fine university which offers wonderful opportunities and we will be keeping it that way as we move into an exciting future.



Two things made this year's graduation in Grahamstown different from last year's. First, it was the last attended by Dr Derek Henderson in his capacity as Vice-Chancellor and second, graduands once again graduated at the 1820 Settlers' Monument, following a year's absence. The weekend of activities began with the first of the graduation ceremonies at 10h30 on Friday April 12, 1996.

During that ceremony degrees and diplomas were conferred on graduates in the Faculties of Science, Social Science and Pharmacy, and the graduation address was delivered by Dr Willem Welling, previous director of the Bernard van Leer Foundation, who received an honorary doctorate in Social Science.

Law, Commerce and Education graduands were hooded at the Friday evening ceremony at 20h15, and graduands of the Arts Faculty were awarded their degrees at 10h30 on Saturday morning. Dr Frene Ginwala, Speaker of the House, and guest speaker at the Friday evening ceremony, received

and obtained a DPhil from Oxford. She qualified as a Barrister at Law at the Inner Temple.

She worked as a freelance journalist for the BBC and "Guardian". She also edited the monthly political journal "Spearhead" and was Managing Director of two Tanzanian English language newspapers, "The Standard" and "The Sunday News".

Dr Ginwala then became head of the political research unit in Oliver Tambo's office. She headed the ANC's research department in Johannesburg, was deputy head of the ANC Commission for the Emancipation of Women and convenor of the Women's National Coalition.

She is the first woman Speaker of the House, a member of the constitutional committe of the constitutional assembly, a member of the National Executive Council, convenor of the National Executive Council sub-committee on governance and legislature and serves on the informal advisory group to the UN High Commission for refugees.

Excerpts from Dr Ginwala's Graduation Address

There is an irony in my presence here and in the event: here in the "1820 Settlers National Monument" being honoured by a university named after Cecil John Rhodes.

I am a member of a liberation movement dedicated to the establishment of a South Africa freed from the stamp of "settlerdom" and from both the desire to be a subordinate part of Europe and the mining capitalist ethic epitomised by Rhodes. Add to that that I am a woman clad in a saree and the irony is compounded.

In conferring this degree on me, you also honour the African National Congress, its values and traditions, its leaders and its leadership.

It is what we do now, and how we do it that is of crucial importance. The very process of transforming institutions will require methods that are alien to their organisational culture, and will demand a reassessment of objectives, a reevaluation of procedures and perceived standards, transparent processes and an accountability to all stakeholders.

In this task, those who were privileged, or were the beneficiaries of

apartheid have as much if not more to contribute than its victims. Yet in some ways the legacy of the past prevents many South Africans from rising to the challenge. Either they see the making of the new South Africa as something that is of concern to, and should involve only, the former victims of apartheid and not those who were privileged by it. Either way, they can see no role for themselves. Some, but not all of the latter are white South Africans.

Much has been written and said about the impact of apartheid on black South Africans, but little about what is the heritage for white South Africans. They were cut off from fellow South Africans initially by the geography of apartheid, and latterly by the high walls behind which they barricaded themselves. When they came out, they looked but did not see, and what they saw they did not seek nor want to understand. They closed their minds, eyes and ears to the majority of South Africans and eventually to the world, as they dutifully echoed their leaders.

But what happened to white minds within a system that did not encourage anyone to question, or participate in decision making, to be critical as well as tolerant; a system in which the alleged beneficiaries of apartheid, white South Africans, were encouraged simply to place their trust in their leaders and follow rather than think? What was in the minds of the young conscripts sent into the townships and found themselves shooting at children? Were these and the thousands of other zealots conscious supporters of apartheid or did they put on mental blinkers, and follow their leaders? And what of the schools and universities that failed to inculcate values different to these and even provided the mental blinkers that shielded the followers?

I wonder, whether the present tendency among some groups to send delegations to Tuynhuis or Mahlamba-Ndlompfu, to try and persuade one man, the President, about their concerns arises from a similar focus on the actions of the leader alone. We can never build a secure future for anyone in South Africa, if we seek to do so only through the intervention of one individual, however great the President's undoubted integrity, humanity, and understanding and unerringly skilful his touch.

The values we see personified in the President are in our constitution and should form the basis on which we exercise our new rights. These values should become our cultural as well as our legal norms and inform the transformation of our institutions. Essentially, many of us have not come to terms with the fundamental change in our society: that now we have to take responsibility and make decisions ourselves. This applies to all of us, young and old, black and white and every shade in between. It is natural that in times of change there will be uncertainty and fear, especially among those who may not have been part of the process from the outset. There may be an acceptance, sometimes grudgingly, sometimes out of conviction, that privilege will no longer be there.

The opportunity to build anew is granted to very few societies. Apartheid was not simply a matter of some unjust and repressive laws that now need to be repealed, nor is change simply giving all South Africans the right to vote. Apartheid was an attempt to construct an entire political, economic and social order upon a pre-determined and immutable relationship of power between black and white South Africans. Hence systemic racism, exploitation and oppression pervaded and shaped every aspect of our lives, our attitudes and culture and all our institutions.

Those of you who are graduating today, have a vital role to play in shaping the new South Africa. You have youth and vigour and have acquired special skills and training. Your minds were not shaped within the rigidity of apartheid but as it began to crumble, and in these last five years as we began to define the meaning of change in South Africa. Now you can set your sights on a challenging future rather than an unstable and illusionary past.

One of the advantages of coming late to democracy is that we can study the experience of others and adapt as we incorporate the best for ourselves.

DR WILLEM WELLING

"Educator, administrator, humanitarian and philanthropist" was awarded the degree of Doctor of Social Science (Honoris causa) on April 12 1996.

Exerpts from the citation by Prof Patrick Terry.

Dr Willem Welling was born in 1923 in Amsterdam. He received his schooling in Nijmegen and was an officer in the army during World War II. He studied law at the Rijksuniversiteit, Leiden where he served on the student co-ordinating commission for contacts with Germany as a member of the Commission of the Dutch Government on Cultural Relations with Germany and as vice-chairman of the University refugee fund.

He worked for UNESCO becoming Secretary for the Interdepartmental Commission for Higher Education, Chief in the Division of Higher Education and finally Deputy Director for Higher Education. He also served as Chairman of the Hague Club.

He has received an honorary degree from Lake Eerie College in the United States and holds doctorates from the universities of Leuven and of the West Indies, a Fellowship from the European Comparative Education Society, and decorations from Columbia, Brazil, Israel, Venezuela and Germany.

He was the Director of the Bernard van Leer Foundation, then Executive Director until his retirement. He still serves the Foundation as an Executive Director Emeritus, and as a Trustee of the Bernard van Leer Foundation of Jamaica

Exerpts from Dr Welling's Graduation Address.

Some years ago, in 1963, a conference took place under the auspices of UNESCO, on the future and development of higher education in Africa.

The conference noted that African universities, like their counterparts elsewhere, have the responsibilities to advance the frontiers of knowl-



an honorary Doctor of Laws degree and on Saturday the artist, Dr Cecil Skotnes, received the degree of Doctor of Fine Arts.

The festivities continued at the traditional garden party for graduates and their guests on Saturday afternoon. This was followed by the Graduation Ball, held in the Monument.

The Quigney Baptist Church was a perfect setting for this year's East London Graduation Ceremony. The new Vice-Chancellor of Rhodes, Dr David Woods, attended the ceremony in his first appearance at an official function. There were 220 graduates, with the Commerce and Education faculties yielding the biggest crop. The ceremony was followed by tea in the church hall and later the graduates and their guests attended the Graduation Ball at the Blue Lagoon Hotel.

DR FRENE GINWALA

"Member of Parliament, Speaker of the House, and Champion of Democracy" was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws (Honoris causa) on 12 April 1996. Excerpts from the citation by Prof Patrick Terry, Public Orator.

SOUTH AFRICA IS YOURS FOR THE MAKING

Dr Ginwala was born on the 25 April 1932 and grew up in the Transvaal in Kempton Park then in Roodepoort. She studied at King's College in London, London University

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edge through teaching and research. These traditional functions are basic to the work of any university and they form the foundation of its intellectual life. The African university cannot deviate radically from this basic pattern without losing its international validity.

However, in addition to the traditional role of giving a broad liberal education, African universities must reflect the needs of the African world by providing African society with men and women equipped with the skills that will enable them to participate fully and usefully in the economic and social development of their continent. Each country has its own genius and specific characteristics. African universities must be closely involved in the general economic, social and cultural development of African society. This involvement is intended to further the service which they render to society. Far from becoming ivory towers detached from the society in which they are situated, higher education institutions in Africa must be in close and constant touch with society, both through their extramural departments and through all those activities which can contribute towards preserving the African heritage

Developments at Rhodes University over the years correspond to a great extent, if not entirely, with the conclusion formulated by that conference.

The plans to reconstruct the entire education system are ambitious but necessary to open the doors of learning and culture to all. After I left UNESCO and had become Director of the Bernard Van Leer Foundation, I visited South Africa in 1969 and was appalled by what I saw of the educational facilities particularly in the black townships. The Foundation at that time was looking for some educational projects to support in the country. What struck me most was that living conditions in the townships hardly enabled pupils to do their homework or to get home-support for that task.

Your government is now embarked on a far-reaching reform of the educational system. One of the Government's Reconstruction and Development Programme's key elements is the development of human resources. The underlying goal is that all South Africans should have access to lifelong learning. I noted that the programme entails the reorganisation and upgrading of teacher training, the introduction of quality educational tools and the improvement of physical facilities. An important sum of money has also been set aside to "kickstart" an early childhood development programme, intended for five and six year olds: a sound foundation for lifelong education.

Thirty years later, it is sobering to note that not much has changed and that the poor still do not have universal access to education. It is important in today's South Africa to discover ways of narrowing if not erasing the gap between the demands of the prevailing educational systems on the one hand and the needs of disadvantaged children on the other. It is obvious that the whole of education, in school at any rate, is itself only one of the factors which will affect the mental and physical growth of the child, and should therefore never be considered in isolation. Health, housing, economic situations and social patterns will affect the child as much as the schools can ever hope to affect it.

In that respect the lack of appreciation of the need for cultural relativism has often meant that the strengths and positive features of disadvantaged children and their families have been overlooked. In many situations the effort has been made to adapt the child to the educational programme, instead of the programme to the child. Thus the chance to use such positive features as a rich heritage of folk tales and story-telling has been missed. Indeed, education must be seen as a continuous process which takes place in the home, on the street, in the market, in the fields as well as in the school classroom.

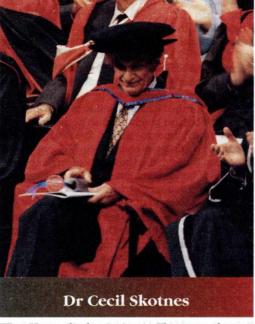
If we are really going to make an impact on the well-being of children growing up in deprived communities, it is the totality of their environment which has to be addressed. The message is empowerment, not only of just the parents or the extended family, but of the whole community.

DR CECIL EDWIN FRANS SKOTNES

was awarded the degree of Doctor of Fine Arts (DfineArt) (Honoris causa) on April 13 1996.

Excerpts from the citation by Prof Patrick Terry

Cecil Skotnes was born in 1926 in East London. He was educated in Johannesburg and fought in Italy during the Second World



War. He studied painting in Florence, then at the Wits Technical School and enrolled for a Bachelor of Fine Arts at the University of Witwatersrand in 1947.

He was cultural officer in the Johannesburg Non-European Affairs Department, secretary of the Johannesburg Local Committee for Non-European Adult Education. He was Chairman of Johannesburg Bantu Music Festival and helped in the establishment of a music library in Johannesburg. He was President of the South African Council of Artists.

He received the South African Akademie Medal of Honour in 1976 and was awarded gold, silver and bronze in 1978 at the National Festival of the Arts. He has executed numerous commissions throughout his career, for both public buildings and private collectors. His work appears in both South African and international collections.

Farewell Dr HENDERSON

In his farewell address to six hundred staff members and friends at a cocktail party in his honour earlier this year, Dr Henderson spoke with fond memories of staff and past students. He said that the two greatest rewards which he and Mrs Henderson would be taking with them are the recollections of more than 20 000 students who have passed through Rhodes and the friendships which have been forged with so many staff members.

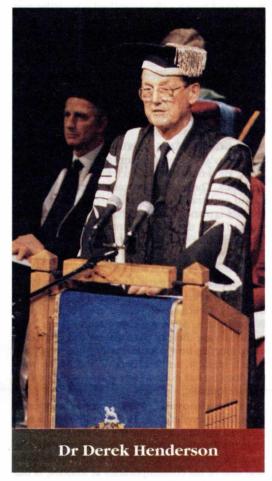
Dr and Mrs Henderson will remain in Grahamstown where Mrs Henderson will continue her work at the Centre for Social Development.

Here follow excerpts from his last graduation address as Vice-Chancellor of Rhodes University. Excerpts from the GRADUATION ADDRESS: 13 APRIL 1996

by the Vice-Chancellor, Dr Derek Henderson

Over the past twenty years Rhodes University has made solid and substantial progress in virtually every aspect of its activities. We have only existed as a fully fledged university since 1951. My term of office covers almost exactly 45% of that history, and I am proud that we have not let the grass grow under our feet. In its academic programmes, both teaching and research, Rhodes has made outstanding contributions to these two key languages, English and Mathematics. From his base in the English Department that visionary, Professor Guy Butler, has pushed and cajoled us into a veritable forest of extensions - Linguistics, Drama, Journalism and Media Studies, English as a Second Language, the Institute for the Study of English in Africa, the National English Literary Museum, and the Dictionary Unit, not to mention the Molteno Project which has conveyed the gospel into primary schools throughout Southern Africa. On the computer side Rhodes has done more to pioneer networking than any other university. We provided the first Internet gateway in Africa, with links Zimbabwe, Mozambique, Madagascar, Tanzania and Nigeria, while the campus itself boasts over 2 000 PCs. In Mathematics itself our research grows Fuzzier by the day, while our community service component includes enthusiastic support for the Mathematics Olympiad and the establishment of the Rhodes University Mathematics Education Project which contributes to maths in the primary schools, albeit on a smaller scale, what Molteno has done for English. One not infrequently hears calls for more relevance in what universities teach and research. What could be of more practical consequence than this?

It is now widely accepted that transformation is an ongoing process, not an event. Thus understood Rhodes has been transforming itself steadily for decades, but we have always been careful to do so without losing our soul. Rhodes is unique; if it were not so it would cease to attract the extraordinary diversity of students and staff that provide such an outstanding educational environment. My wife and I have been enormously privileged to have been called to play the leadership role that the University has entrusted to us. A great institution transcends the part played by any individual. Secure in the belief that it will continue to grow in stature we wish Rhodes every success as it enters a new era.



EAST LONDON GRADUATION, M A Y O R A L ADDRESS

On 11 May 1996 the honourable Mr Nazo delivered the address at the East London graduation ceremony.

I extend a special word of welcome to Dr Woods who was appointed as Vice-Chancellor of Rhodes University on 1 May 1996. On behalf of the people of East London, I congratulate and wish you success in the mammoth task that lies ahead of you.

I would appeal to you to include the Transformation Process in your list of priorities at this University, so that while the institution continues to compete with other universities of the world, in terms of academic excellence, it is identified as a South African university operating in Grahamstown and East London.

I am delighted to note that 135 graduands at this ceremony are teachers who have completed their teacher-upgrade course. In my view this demonstrates that Rhodes is committed to the upliftment of historically disadvantaged communities. These teachers are now better qualified in their profession.

Institutions of Higher Learning continue to play a significant role in addressing the socio-economic problems of mankind. Universities, for instance, have increasingly realised that they can no longer remain or be seen as ivory towers but are expected to make a meaningful contribution in society. There is a need for our tertiary institutions to embark on affirmative action policies and align themselves with the needs of the RDP and related initiatives. Also it is imperative that universities

establish transformation forums which include internal and external stakeholders.

Development is not about the delivery of goods to passive citizenry but it is about active involvement, empowerment and upliftment of marginalised people. I have no doubt that Rhodes University and the three technikons in East London can rise to the occasion as far as development of human resources and skills training are concerned.

We look upon these institutions of higher learning for a qualitative delivery of skilled graduates with the expertise to enable the RDP to realise its objectives of a sustainable economic growth so that we can compete internationally in scientific development, job creation and nation building.

Universities are the public institutions of higher learning whose overall mission is to provide high quality education for students and to make a significant contribution to advancement of knowledge. This knowledge must be applied to solve technological, economic and social problems of humanity. Rhodes University is already making an important contribution to the economy of East London and the region. For example, the Institute for Social and Individual Development in Africa (ISIDA) has pioneered many innovative projects in the Eastern Cape which are focused mainly on the crucial area of leadership development.

The work done by the Institute for Social and Economic Research (ISER), which opened an office in East London last year, is appreciated by the people of the city. I am particularly pleased to notice that the Institute covers research into the problems of poverty and the impact on urban areas of the development of informal settlements. Projects undertaken by the ISER have been in close collaboration with local communities, and I commend the good relationship that has been established.

H i g h e r Education Transformation

Shortly after his arrival Dr Woods announced that the transformation process at Rhodes would be speeded up. To this end 10 August 1996 has been earmarked as the date for setting up the Rhodes University Transformation Forum (RUTF). All Rhodes stakeholders will be represented here, including Old Rhodians. Dr Woods said that Old Rhodians not only have a stake, but a significant support function as we forge into the future.

Rhodes makes its move just as the National Commission on Higher Education (NCHE) releases its final paper on transformation at tertiary institutions. The discussion document, released by the commission in April this year, proposed several topics for debate aimed at restructuring higher education.

The Commission, established by presidential proclamation in February 1995, was charged with "formulating a vision for higher education and putting forward policy proposals designed to ensure the development of a well-planned, intergrated, high quality system of higher education". The Chairperson of the NCHE, Dr Jairam Reddy,

identified the following as the three central features of the broad framework for transformation:

- Steadily increasing student participation in the system to meet the human resource needs of the country.
- -Increased co-operation and partnerships between higher education and other social actors and institutions
- Greater responsiveness to a wide range of social and economic needs.

The drafting of the new mission statement for Rhodes University will be the first task of the RUTF. Thereafter they will discuss and debate the NCHE proposals as Rhodes' role within the proposed national system is defined. The NCHE's final document will be released at the end of August.

OLD RHODIAN News

1920s

Errol Harris (1927) is completing his 24th book: The Restitution of Metaphysics. He already has plans for the 25th book which will be an anthology of essays, by different authors under his editorship, on: The Meaning of "Global Governance".

 1930_{s}

John Waldron (1935) wrote from London to tell us what he had been doing for the last 45 years! He settled in North London 45 years ago and has been there ever since, except for a 3-year contract in Zambia. While in Zambia he had to teach French and on his return he took a part-time course at the French Institute and continued to teach it to 'rather uninterested pupils"! He still sings and belongs to two clubs. He also acts as honorary English coach for foreign priests who come to his local church and thus manages to organise himself some holidays on the continent. In 1994 he spent a week in Poland and is hoping to visit the chaplain to the Swiss Guard, and thus stay in the Vatican City. He says that he is still remarkably fit for 78 and hopes to remain in his own home for many years to come. He sends greetings to all those who remember him and hopes to hear news of those he remembers in future newsletters.

Dr Francis Hewitt (1936) and his wife emigrated to Canada in January 1995 to join their son in Kelowna, BC. He says it is easy to settle down there as long as the exchange rate holds up!

Elizabeth Murray (Fenwick) (1937) moved to Pietermaritzburg in 1986 after 29 years in Johannesburg.

1940s

Aston Atkinson (1940) worked for the Argus Group as a senior reporter on "The Star", as editor of the "Diamond Fields Advertiser" and as chief representative in Pretoria "right in the front line of the company's war against apartheid". He is now living on the Isle of Man, "a tiny island at the back of beyond"!

Lieda Bell (1942) describes herself as an unwilling exile since 1963. She has recently retired as Assistant Professor of German in the Dept of German and Russian at Memorial University of Newfoundland in Canada and remembers Rhodes as a very special place.

Neil Emslie (1942) is now retired, having taught, at various stages, Geography, History, English and Scripture in his 36 years at Selborne College. His stay at Selborne included three spells as Acting Head, although he says he never aspired to the Headmastership! Neil coached the Selborne First XV for 19 years. In his retirement, he assists with the pastoral work of the Church of England in Port Elizabeth.

Barbara Wanklyn (Chase)(1946) has retired but is working part-time as a crystal grower at the Clarendon Laboratory in the Physics Dept at Oxford University.

Walter Berry (1946) is a retired accountant who is now farming.

Trevor Bush (1946) is living in Penarth in the UK. He is a retired teacher of English as a foreign language. He was knocked down by a car on a pedestrian crossing in October 1995 and was quite badly injured. However, he writes that otherwise he enjoys perfect health and manages his own housekeeping in his maisonette overlooking the Bristol Channel.

Leanor Phillips (1946) has a consultancy in Port Elizabeth. She enables entrepreneurs to evolve their visions into flexible working organisations. She also helps them to understand decision thinking which gives into decision making, which is particularly useful for the new Labour Act.

Clifford Wilkinson (1949) was a headmaster in Switzerland and Zambia before settling in Colwyn Bay, North Wales, with his wife Barbara. He still goes for five mile jogs with his elder daughter and enjoys mountain walking. He has two daughters and a grandson living close by.

Maureen Spears (Chase) (1949) and her husband, Hilary, have retired to Cannonville on the Sundays River. Hilary was a headmaster in Bloemfontein for 17 years, and they are enjoying the freedom to travel and to spend time with friends

1950s

Prof Peter Carstens (1950) (Professor Emeritus of Anthropology), living in Toronto, is writing two books, one on a South African mining community, the other on the Khoi (Nama) of South Africa and Namibia.

Valerie Cozens (Jackson) (1950) wrote to say that although she does not forward her son's (David (1987)) copies of the newsletter to him, they do not end up in the bin! Instead they are

deposited in the Arundel School Career's Reading Room.

John Vail (1952) has retired from the University of Portsmouth, England, where he was Head of Department for 23 years. Prior to this, he was Professor of Geology at the University of Khartoum, Sudan, and before that was Research Fellow at the University of Leeds. The University of Portsmouth has appointed him Professor Emeritus, the first such post at the University, in recognition of his long service and his research which was mainly concerned with the geology of eastern Africa.

Donald Macauley (1952) worked as a geologist and for years he and his wife, Barbara, lived "almost like gypsies in tents and mud and thatch huts in the mists on tops of mountains, in deserts, and in raw bushveld". They settled in Barberton a few years ago and Donald is now retired. They have a daughter, granddaughter and three sons.

Hymie (1952) and Joan Touyz (Jankelowitz) (1954) are living in Perth, Australia. Hymie is the managing partner in a law firm: Hammond, Lang, Touyz, and Joan is a successful real estate sales person. They note that there are many ORs in Perth. Elizabeth Barker (Wood) (1953) has retired from teaching English and Business Communication at the East London Technical College and has moved to Cape Town to enjoy family life.

Jonas Andersen (1954) is now a Senior Counsel at the Harare Bar. He has a son, David, who may come to Rhodes in 1997.

Arthur Cotton (1954) retired as Headmaster of St Andrew's College, Grahamstown, in December 1993. He is now the Manager: ORT-STEP Institute Branches. The institute promotes technology education and trains and retrains teachers to teach technology in primary schools. He has also worked with the RU Education Faculty to establish a Further Education Diploma: Technology Education (Primary).

Brian Bush (1955) is still a Reader in Physiology at Bristol University but is due to retire in July 1998. Selma Oosthuizen (Triegaardt) (1956) and her bushand. Ookie, have retired to Still Bay from

husband, Ockie, have retired to Still Bay from Bloemfontein. Although they found it quite traumatic leaving their two daughters and grandchildren, meeting new people, owning a lovely house with a seaview, and a variety of beaches to walk the dogs on has gone a long way towards lessening the longing.

"Pete" van Rooyen (1958), who was mentioned in the last newsletter as H O van Rooyen, wrote again to say that, without the nickname, no one from his Rhodes days would have known who he was! He is very pleased that David Woods, who was one of his contemporaries at Rhodes, is our new Vice-Chancellor.

Digby Cranke (1958) is married to Denise (Burgess) (1959) and they have been living in the Free State for 20 years. They have two children, Geoff and Lisa. Denise taught for 20 years, ten of which were at Grey College, and is now retired. Digby stopped teaching 14 years ago and is now the Regional Manager of Waverly Blankets in the Free State. He is a Radio Controlled Aircraft Springbok.

Fred Brownell (1959), South Africa's State Herald, has received international acclaim at a vexillology congress in Warsaw for the pivotal role he played in creating the new national flag. He received the "Vexillon" award, which is considered the Nobel Prize of flag design.

Otto Hempel (1959) has turned 55 and has taken early retirement to Gordons Bay.

1960s

After a three-year Australian Government aid contract with the Zimbabwe Geological Survey, **Peter Fey (1961)** has returned to Western Australia to resume his geological consultancy from Perth.

Lowell Bradley (Durham) (1961) went to England after leaving Rhodes in 1964, and taught art there for two years. When she returned to Africa she taught in Chinoyi and Bulawayo, Zimbabwe. In 1971 she went to Australia to marry an Australian doctor whom she had met on board ship. However, it wasn't the same on dry land and she ended up teaching art at the Sydney Girls' High School. She then met a Natal-born Zimbabwean, Denzil Bradley, and married him instead! He worked for the then Rhodesian Foreign Affairs Department and they returned to Zimbabwe in 1974. In 1980 they returned to South Africa and after two years in Johannesburg settled in Kloof, Durban. Their daughter, Kate, has just completed her BPrimEd at Rhodes. Lowell has been teaching children aged 5-13 arts & crafts at home for 15 years, and a year ago started a small business cutting things out of wood and painting them. She is busier than ever and having great fun!

Melane Coetzee (Fourie) (1962) married a wine farmer, Sakkie (Izak), and they live on the farm

"Sewester" near Lutzville. They have two children; Johan (27) who is working for the KWV in Paarl and at the same time doing his Masters in Industrial Engineering at Stellenbosch University and Karlien (25) who is working in Wurzburg, Germany for a year. Melane joined the Lutzville branch of the Women's Agricultural Association in 1964 and went on to become the Circle President for the Namagualand Region from 1989 to 1995. She also taught English at the local high school from time to time. In 1995, Melane obtained a doctorate in the Philosophy of Education through the University of Stellenbosch. The title of her dissertation was: The Relationship between the School Curriculum and the Struggle for Power: A Study in the Philosophy of Education. Roy Osborne (1962) has left the Chemistry Dept at the University of Natal, Durban, after 16 years of service. During that time he published over 100 research papers and was awarded the University's Distinguished Teachers' Award. He and his wife, Angela, and their three daughters have moved to Queensland, Australia to "explore new opportu-

Brian Fennel (1963) is in his seventh year as bishop of Natal West District of the Methodist Church of SA. In 1995 he chaired the KwaZulu Natal Church Leaders Group which represents about 17 denominations and is very involved in socio-political issues.

J Christopher Meyer (1963) has been living in Vancouver for the past 20 years and is a partner in the law firm, Watson Goepel Maledy. He is married to a Canadian and has two children. He has recently been appointed Honorary Consul for South Africa for the Province of British Columbia and the Yukon Territory. He is very interested in hearing from ORs in the area with a view to establishing an ORU Club for the Province of British Columbia. Should anyone wish to contact him, his address is: c/o Watson Goepel Maledy, P O Box 49096, Vancouver, BC, V7X 1G4, Canada

John Cooper (1965) is an Anglican priest who suffers from spino-cerebellar degeneration and from depression caused by chemical imbalances. He presented a paper at the All Africa Physical Disability conference in East London in October 1995 in which he spoke of ways of adapting mentally to being physically disabled in the workplace. John is married to Dr Viv Cooper, who works at Cecilia Makiwane Hospital in Mdantsane.

Peta Nelson-Xarhoulakou (Nelson) (1966) is still in Athens, where she owns and runs a private language school. Her older son, Andrew, starts at Aberdeen University this year, while her younger son, Marino is in Std 8. They visited SA in 1994 after 17 years of absence and took in Rhodes and Grahamstown - "so much change and yet achingly familiar". Peta has also written and published a successful grammar series through Heinemann.

Peter (1966) and Erica Kirby (Ebden) (1967) have settled in the UK. They have chatted to Phillip (1966) and Cathy Read (Craig)(1969) who have been in the UK for some years. Their son, Robert, is at Wellington College, where his headmaster is Jonty Driver, a former NUSAS President and son of Mrs Driver, who was Lady Warden of John Kotze House during Erica's last year.

Margaret Donaldson (1967) retired from full time teaching and as Dean of Divinity at Rhodes in December 1995. Although she has moved to Cape Town, she will still teach some post graduate papers for the Divinity Department.

John Schmoll (1967) has been living in Australia for ten years. Three years ago he moved from Perth to Melbourne to join Australia's largest retailer, Coles Myer Ltd and he has now been appointed Chief Financial Officer of the company. He is looking forward to the challenge of the position. He and his family are thoroughly enjoying life in Melbourne and would like to make contact with any ORs passing through their beautiful city.

Bella Codron (Ziskind) (1968) is married to Richard (1969). They have been living in Melbourne, Australia for the past eight years with their three children. Bella writes that her eldest daughter has started university this year (studying physiotherapy) and that talking to her brings back very happy memories of varsity life at Rhodes! She requalified as a pharmacist in Australia and now works part-time in retail pharmacy. Richard is a consulting actuary with William M Mercer and plays guitar in a band in his free time. They would love to hear from old friends.

Ronald Steel (1968) and Elsie (Dunstan) (1968) have been married since 1972. They have three children: Andrew, James and Laura. They moved to the Cape recently after 12 and a half years at St Mungo's United Church in Bryanston.

Carol van Zijl (Cox) (1968) works as a subject librarian in the Library of the Vaal Triangle Technikon. She has two sons studying at Wits. Heather Brand (Murray) (1969) and Peter

(1970) have lived in England since 1976, where Heather completed a doctorate at the Wellcome Institute, Zoological Society of London, and Peter continued freelancing in the IT industry. They have three boys (14, 9 and 6 years) and live in Reading. Heather has just completed a 5 year contract with the local Queen Ann's Boarding School for girls to organise and computerise their new library and start off their marketing effort. She is now looking for further organising work while putting Peter's business admin into order!

Peter works as an IT Outsourcing consultant for Digital, bidding for contracts in the financial and government sectors. They would like to make contact with OR friends and have found e-mail a wonderful way of doing this. Their e-mail address is: brandp@spotsore.win-uk.net

Richard Wallace (1969) has recently moved to Raleigh, North Carolina after spending 18 years in Montreal and Toronto. He is now Vice-President of Business Development for Glaxo Wellcome, the world's largest pharmaceutical company. He is married and has two daughters, one of whom will finish college in Canada this year, and a second in middle school in the USA.

1970s

Kerry Swift (1970) won the prestigious Siemens Award for Journalistic Excellence in 1995. Kerry is a former senior lecturer in the Department of Journalism and Media Studies at Rhodes. He graduated with a BJourn and, as a Rotary Fellow, received an MA from the university of York. During his time as a senior lecturer in Journalism at Rhodes, he launched and edited the Rhodes University Journalism Review. Kerry has worked for the Sunday Times, was publishing director at Leadership magazine and has also written two books. He was recently appointed a director of Fox Publishing and plans to launch a diploma course in Industrial Editing through Midrand Campus. He maintains connections with Rhodes as an external examiner for the Journalism

Tony Granger (1970) has recently had his latest book, Wealth and Strategies for Your Business, published in the UK. In its first few weeks of launch it had already sold more than 50% of its first print run and Tony is extremely pleased. The book is aimed at the three and a half million business owners in the United Kingdom, but its principles have worldwide application. It is designed to show businesses how to reduce costs while increasing profits, and how individuals can build wealth through their business. Tony has been involved in the financial services sector for many years and is Investor Coordinator for The Independent Financial Partnership Limited of Harrowgate. He tells us that Nevin Weakley (1968) is based in London and works with him in raising capital for small businesses.

Richard Ward (1970) is still living in Durham, England, where he is Professor of Mathematics at Durham University. He married Rebecca a few years ago and they now have a son. Recently, he took the family to Cambridge on sabbatical.

Janet Mullineux (Jessop) (1970) is now living in Cockle Bay, New Zealand. Her husband, James, requalified as a barrister and is working for the Serious Fraud Office in Auckland, while Janet teaches music privately. They would love to hear from Old Rhodains. Their telephone number is: 09 535 3235.

Dale Myerscough (Capon) (1970) has been married to Dave for 20 years and has three "lovely" children. They farmed in Trelawney, Zimbabwe for 12 years and have now moved to the Chinhoyi area. Dale is teaching at a private school in Karoi until December 1996. On the staff with her are two other ORs, Rene Lombard (1991) and Lyn Shaw (1992), who she says are doing a wonderful job!

Brian Dollery (1971) is still in the Department of Economics at the University of New England, Armidale in New South Wales, where he has lectured since 1988. He says that UNE and Armidale are very similar to Rhodes and Grahamstown, and socialising fuelled by liquid refreshment plays a dominant role in Armidale as it always has in Grahamstown! Brian has been awarded a visiting fellowship from the HSRC in Pretoria to do research into microeconomic reform in SA with former Rhodes academic, Prof Phil Black (1975) of UCT. He hopes to travel to SA in 1996 for about a month and is looking forward to meeting up with old friends. Brian's e-mail address is: bdollery@metz.une.edu.au

Timothy Askew (1971) moved to Ottawa, Canada in April 1996 with his wife, Veronique and two sons, Nicholas (12) and Christopher (9). Timothy will be working for the Export Development Corporation as Regional Manager, Centre of Expertise (Africa). He wrote to express his appreciation, and that of his sister, Beth and

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brother, **Mark** (1975), for the tree planted in memory of his parents in the gardens at Rhodes. He hopes that any ORs who knew them will visit the site when visiting Rhodes.

Mikkel Christensen (1971) handed over management of a fisheries project in Brazil in June 1996 and then returned to Germany with his wife, Tina, to "close up shop" before emigrating to Australia to begin a new way of life, managing their own 50-ha farm.

Rowena Penberthy (Bell) (1971) is married and has four children. She teaches part-time and helps her husband in his electronic information business. She lives in Gauteng and would love to hear from any of her Old Rhodian friends. Her address is: P O Box 779, Jukskei Park, Randburg, 2153.

Virgil Goncalves (1971) still lives in Whyalla, South Australia, with his wife, Lesley and children, Kyle (14) and Ross (11) after emigrating ten years ago. He would love to hear from Old Rhodians.

Les (1971) and Louise Todres (Jaffe) (1972) have been living in a small village near Bournemouth in the UK for the last four years. Les is the Head of the Student Counselling Service at Bournemouth University, while Louise is a counsellor working at GP practices within the NHS. Their eldest son, Mathew is about to attend the University of Kent.

Mike McCoy (1972), his wife Lorna and their sons, John (10) and David (7), have enjoyed their first year in Sydney where Mike is on the national staff of the Anglican Board of Mission (ABM). His work has already taken him to several Australian cities and to New Zealand. As he is also registered for doctoral studies in Missiology through UNISA, he expects to be kept busy! Mike is on e-mail at: missio@ozemail.com.au

or mike.mccoy@accnet.net.au.

Anthony Bethke (1972) has moved from the Parktown North Methodist Church to a navy chaplaincy at Saldanha. He is working largely with integrated naval trainees in what he calls a very interesting new system of training.

Stephen Burnett (1973) has recently displayed a series of photographs, taken while he lived in South Africa, at the Stamford Arts Centre in Lincolnshire, England. Most of the photographs are of subjects in Cape Town and feature people in an environment which they have shaped or influenced. Stephen now lives in Uffington and works in London. Prior to this, he was a reporter and sub-editor for the Cape Times.

Stephen Frampton (1973) was appointed Financial Manager for Zimbabwe Sugar Sales (Pty) Ltd on 1 May 1996.

Nicola Sinclair (Genlloud) (1973) was ordained as a priest in the Anglican Church of New Zealand on December 2nd, 1995.

Peter Whalley (1973) has been appointed as Deputy Headmaster of St John's College, Harare. Fiona Burns (Nightingale) (1974) now has two children, aged seven and five. In 1993 she and her husband moved from Zimbabwe to England where they are now pastoring a church in Blackpool with the Assemblies of God. Fiona teaches at a private school there.

Lesley Oliver (Dobbs) (1974) was divorced in 1994. She transferred to London with Ogilvie & Mather in October 1995, after eight years with their agency in Johannesburg, and is really excited about a whole new beginning in the UK.

Alan Emslie (1974) taught for some 15 years at Selborne Primary, but has recently moved to PE and is now teaching at Kabega Park.

Daniel Fourie (1974) completed a tour of duty as Consul-General, Munich and took up the post of Director: Liaison Services in the Western Cape in December 1995.

Patrick Hofmeyr (1974) and his wife Judy (Baring-Gould) (1973), recently visited John and Antoinette Callender-Easby (van Deventer) (1979) in Christiana, where they played golf and watched potatoes grow! John is the captain of the Christiana Golf Club and Patrick the Captain of the Somerset West Golf Club - so the time spent by both at the Grahamstown Golf Club has certainly paid off!! A wrong turn on the way to Sun City saw all four end up with Gerald (1973) and Michelle Coleman (du Buisson) (1975). They were pleased to find that he had not gone to the dogs but rather well into the horses. Felicity Leach (Porteous) (1974) is a clinical psychologist. She lives in Rotorua, New Zealand, where she is the Manager of Specialist Services,

Children and Young Persons Service. **Doug Mullins (1974)** left Nedbank as a manager in 1984 and went on a "rondloop" via the USA, eventually settling in the UK where he set up a tax partnership for US companies. He has just sold out and is biding time before his next venture.

Eric Ryan (1974) is living in Florida, USA. He married Marcy Jo Quinn in July 1994 and they were expecting their first child in July 1996.

Blanche Cleghorn (1974) came back from over-

seas to marry **John Stephenson** (1974) in 1980. After their marriage they both taught in Port Elizabeth: John at Grey High School and Blanche at Clarendon Park Primary. John joined Nestle in Durban and was promoted to Johannesburg in 1986. In 1990, John left Nestle to join SA Inshore Fishing in the marketing department. Blanche runs a direct sales business from home. They have two daughters and live in Cape Town.

Carol Boshoff (Watts) (1975) obtained her Diploma in Education: Pre-primary at Barkly House Teacher's College in 1981. She started teaching at Arderne Gardens Pre-primary and is now the Principal. She completed a BA through UNISA in 1991/92 and is currently studying part-time towards a BEd at UCT. She married Pieter Boshoff on 3 April 1993.

Gail Cunningham (Gatley) (1975), and her husband, Gregory (1988), are emigrating to Sydney, Australia.

Chris Duncombe Rae (1975) has been a physical oceanographer at the Sea Fisheries Research Institute in Cape Town since 1989. He obtained a PhD from UCT in 1994 and has just returned to Cape Town after spending a year at the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University in New York, as a post-doctoral research scientist. John (1975) and Glenda Winfield (Sansom)

John (1975) and Glenda Winfield (Sansom) (1976) are now in Knysna: John completed his Bachelor of Optometry (cum laude) and is now practising there. They have two boys, Benjamin (8) and Matthew (4).

Tom Holmes (1977), International Group Director with the Lowe Group Advertising Agency Network in London wrote to tell us that his daughter, Molly, was born on April 21st 1995.

Robyn Chester (Beinart) (1977) is married to an Australian dentist, Mark, and is living in Sydney. They have a little boy, Doron, who has just turned two. In Sydney, they see Eric Meyer (1975) who is also married to an Aussie and has a son called Aaron who is nearly a year old. They have recently been on holiday in SA and caught up with Ernest Schay (1977), Pat van Eeden (Bevis) (1976) and Tessa Fischer (Florence) (1978). Robyn has two jobs at the moment: doing pharmacy locums twice a week and public relations and marketing for a firm of radiologists. She would love to hear from ex-Pharmacy graduates in Australia visiting "Down Under".

Rob Tilney (1977) and Lorna Burns (1981) have moved to Cape Town where Rob will be working as a research scientist in Ichthyology for the Sea Fisheries Research Institute and Lorna as a clinical psychologist.

Ronald Laxton (1977) e-mailed us from Bedfordview, where he is still living with Karyn and their three sons, aged seven, five and three. Ronald joined SPL in October 1995, where he sells high-end financial systems (mainframe and midrange).

Deborah Rolfe (Weyer) (1977) taught in East London until 1983. She married in 1984 and moved to Witbank. She has one son. In 1994 Deborah became Deputy Principal of Robert Carruthers School

Amanda Wright (Webster) (1977) is married to Kenneth and lives in Beith, Scotland. She has two children, Pamela (8) and Caroline (6). She would love to hear from old friends at Rhodes.

Joel Dorfan (1978) married Barbara Weinberg in 1994 and moved to Dunkeld West, Johannesburg. Joel left SPL in 1993 to go into the family group of companies and is now the MD of a company specialising in the wholesale supply of satellite TV reception equipment. He has also represented Transvaal 5 times in combat shooting over the last two years and has been awarded Transvaal colours for 1994 and 1995. Joel's e-mail address is: bdorfan@lia.co.za.

Gavin (1977) and Margie Keeton (Henderson)(1978) had a baby boy in February last year. They are both still working for Anglo American: Gavin as a senior economist and Margie as Vice- Chairman of the Chairman's Fund.

Steve Henderson (1978) is married to Catherine Matthews (1978). After eleven years in Cape Town, they have moved from the Bergyliet Congregational Church to the Strubens Valley United Church in Roodepoort.

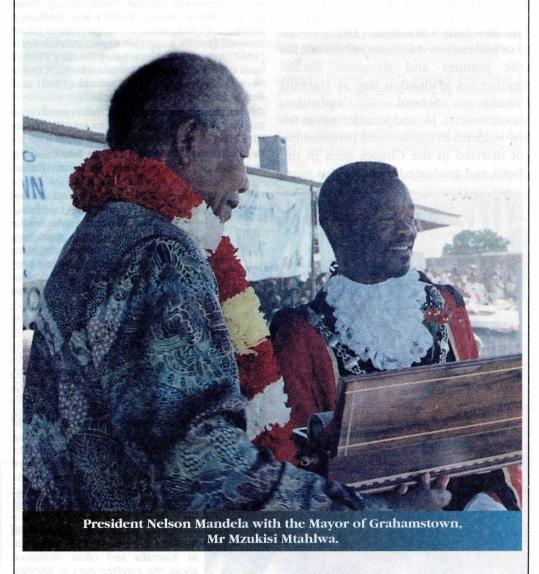
Brian Trinder (1978) and his family have moved to "sunny Gisborne" on the east coast of New Zealand and are thoroughly enjoying their new environment. Brian is now registered with the Pharmacy Society of New Zealand and enjoys working in a large retail pharmacy in Gisborne.

Beverley Caswell (1979) has returned to teaching at a Christian school after two years in Cape Town in administration. Her school is in Vanderbijlpark and follows the School of Tomorrow curriculum.

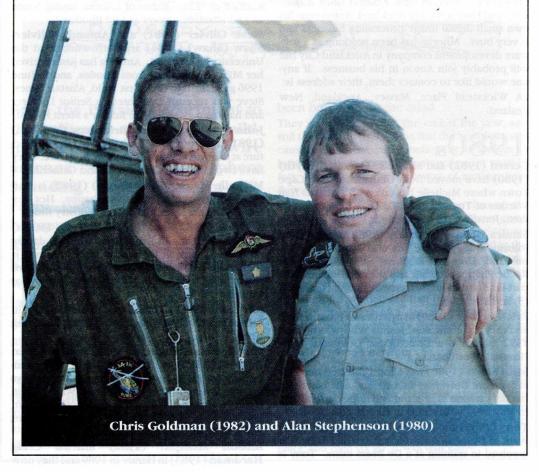
Andrew Cowell (1979) is still with the Dept of Social Welfare in Chipinge, Zimbabwe.

Robert Cragg (1979) is living in Houston, Texas,

Freedom of the City for *Madiba*



Old Rhodian, *Chris Goldman* (1982), had the honour of flying *President Mandela* in to Grahamstown on the day Madiba was awarded the Freedom of the City. Chris,now a major in the SouthAfrican Airforce is pictured below with *Alan Stephenson* (1980). Alan, a Principal Officer in nature conservation for the Western Region District Council - Nature Conservation, is married to **Sandy** (**Dowdle**)(1982), who has recently been appointed as Rhodes' Academic Planning Officer. Five-year-old Ryan Stephenson had his hand-drawn national flag autographed by Mr Mandela.

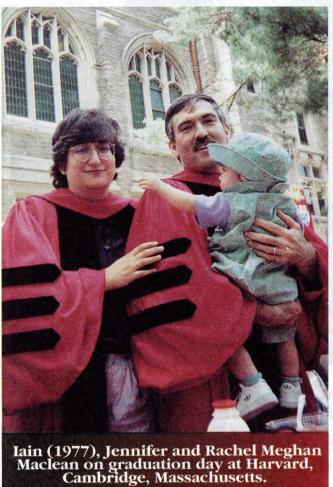


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where he is the Finance Manager for Amerada Hess Corporation Oil and Gas. He has two sons, Bryan (5) and Nicholas (3) and is studying for an MBA (International Finance) at the University of Houston

Brian Gardner (1979) is now the Human Resources Manager at Foschinidata, the IT company for the Foschini Group.

The Rev Iain S Maclean (1977) wrote to us and enclosed a photo of himself, his wife Jennifer and daughter Rachel Meghan on graduation day at Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He and Jennifer met as fellow students in the doctoral programme, got married in the Chapel seen in the photo, and graduated together this year.



C Harrington-Johnson (1979) moved to New Zealand last year. He is married to Helen, a Witstrained speech therapist and they have three children. He works in the Wellington office of Sedgwick, the International Insurance Brokers, and they are happily settled on the Kapiti Coast. Philipa Hill (1979) has been teaching at a private primary school in Gaborone since April 1994. She was promoted to Deputy Principal in May 1995.

Anton (1979) and Mhorag Turner (Black) (1980) have been in New Zealand since August 1994 and have settled in Auckland. Anton runs his own small digital image processing business and is very busy. Mhorag has been working at a software development company in Auckland City but will probably join Anton in his business. If anyone would like to contact them, their address is: 2A Wickstead Place, Massey, Auckland, New Zealand.

1980s

Gerard (1982) and Michelle Corsane (Blyth) (1980) have moved from Grahamstown to Cape Town where Michelle has taken up a post as Hall Warden of Tugwell at UCT. They have two children, Jonathan (6) and Danielle (4).

Sandra Horner (Vorster) (1980) moved from Johannesburg to Cape Town in April 1995. Her husband, Drew, is Regional Sales Manager for Roche Pharmaceuticals and she does locums on a part-time basis. Sandra has two children, Cameron (5) and Tarryn (3).

Erich Meltzer (1980) married Vania Frost in 1990 and they have one son, Joshua who was born in 1992. Erich is a Director for Goldfields Mine Hospital, Westonaria.

Madi Moed (1980) has almost finished her PhD at Syracuse University in America. She is writing her dissertation in England and hopes to graduate in May 1997 with a PhD in Higher Education.

Tony (1980) and Eunice Timm (Luzzi) (1982) were in Jwaneng for three years while Tony was involved in training at a De Beers mine. Tony is

now teaching at Woodridge College and says they are glad to get back to the coast, the Eastern Cape and to be involved in private school education. They have two daughters, aged four and eighteen months

According to **Donwald Pressly** (1981), who is working for The Mercury in Cape Town, ORs are well represented in the Parliamentary Press Gallery: **Barry Streek** (1967) and **Anthony Johnson** (1962) from the Cape Times, **Clive Sawyer** (1980) from The Argus, **Patrick Cull** (1967) from the EP Herald, **Ray Hartley** (1983) from the Sunday Times, **Brendan Boyle** (1969) from Reuters and **Angela Quintal** (1986) and **Ben MacLennan** (1976) from SAPA.

Gwendolene Dube (1981), who teaches at Goshangure in Pretoria, wrote to say "Hi" to the HDE class of 1989.

Bryan Haller (1981) is living in Johannesburg and working at Cargo Carriers Ltd as Human Resources Manager.

Mike Ward (1981) and Carry (Croft-Goodison) (1984) are living in Australia. Mike is now Senior Project Manager for a company which develops realtime software systems. He is doing realtime programming and is involved in designing the systems and developing the software and hardware. Carry is a plant microbiologist at the Kent Brewery in Sydney. She has moved out of the lab into the plant and is enjoying the hands-on work: problem solving, teaching people about hygiene and maintaining brewery equipment in a sanitary condition. She is also involved in developing and delivering training courses within the brewery and in implementing a new workplace reform program. In their spare time, Mike and Carry are renovating their 1920s house and taking the odd holiday around Australia. Carry recently bought a 4WD which they have been using to tour Australia. Their last trip took in 5000km in 12 days! They enjoy life in Australia and often reminisce about the carefree days at Rhodes. They send "hellos" to all their friends in Zoo, Micro, Physics and Comp Sci as well as old res mates from Phelps and Smuts.

Linda Castaldo (1981) is still single! She is now Head of the English Dept at Montana High in Worcester. Linda has been teaching for 10 years, in Elliott and East London, and she com-

pleted her BEd through UNISA in 1992.

Ian Gendal (1981) and Janet (Maclaren) (1982) moved to Quito, Ecuador, from Argentina in August 1995. Ian is an exploration geologist for Gencor. Although Janet is not practising pharmacy, she is kept busy teaching English at Glaxo Pharmaceuticals. Any ORs passing through Ecuador or South America are welcome to contact them. Their e-mail address is: gemsal@gemsa.com.ec

Darryl Goldman (1981) has moved to Melbourne, Australia for professional reasons. He notified us of his change of address, saying "once an Old Rhodian, always an Old Rhodian".

Steve Olivier (1981) and Amanda Olivier-Shaw (Shaw) (1984) are both working at the University of Zululand. Amanda has just received her MEd (Distinction) from Rhodes, and in June 1996 gave birth to their first child, Alastair James. Steve was recently promoted to Senior Lecturer and has been awarded the Rector's Merit Award. John (1981) and Karen Bradshaw (Wrench) (1981) have moved to Zimbabwe to farm and lecture at the University of Zimbabwe in Harare. They have two children, Christopher and Catherine.

Michelle Maitland (McManus) (1982) is married, with two sons, and is very happy. Her husband is the manager in a paving industry firm.

Andrew (1982) and Diane Wiggan (Miles) (1982), are living in Randburg with their daughter, Claire, born in December 1995. Andrew is the Quality Audit Manager for Coca-Cola Southern Africa and Diane is the Microbiology Supervisor for Infacare.

Rory Stewart (1982) has moved around a lot in recent years and is living and working in Hong Kong

Caroline MacNaughtan (1982) married Gavin Boswell (1987) on April 27th 1996. They honeymooned in SA, and spent a few nostalgic days in Grahamstown. They live in Harare, where Gavin is the Presbyterian minister at Trinity, Greencroft, and Caroline works for the Legal Resources Foundation as their publications co-ordinator.

Allison McAlpin (1982) married Craig Hardman (1983) in Harare in 1989 and they now

have two children, Shaun and Jamie. Craig writes that they do not intend to have any more! Allison has just opened a new pharmacy in the Metro centre in conjunction with the Medix Group. Craig is the General Manager at Standard Telephones & Cables and is really enjoying himself. In Harare they regularly see ORs: Hilary Bailey (Jones) (1983), Brian Bailey (1982), Felicity Lake (Metelerkamp) (1983), John Lake (1983), Tom Rudd (1984), Gunther Marx (1986), Cassey Robbie (Valentine) (1985), John Robbie (1985), Gill Walls (1984), Burt McKrae (1982) and Gary Hardman (1983) who has recently returned from the UK.

Wendy Hodgson (Barnard) (1982) was engaged to Rob Smith (1983) until his death in 1987. She is now married to Simon Hodgson, a tobacco farmer in Horseshoe, Zimbabwe. They have two children.

Buyisile Kwenene (1982) was awarded a Golden Poet Award in 1986 and again in 1991 by the World of Poetry, in Orlando, Florida. His winning poems have also been published in an anthology.

Peter Martin-Turner (1982) is married to Billie Bridges (1982) and they have three children: Alex (6), Ashleigh (4) and Francesca (18 months). They are both working in the UK, but plan to leave for New Zealand by the end of the year.

Edwin Mohoebi (1982) is working for the National Land Committee as a Communications Director. He was married in December 1995.

Hanno Rumpf (1982) graduated in 1984 and then went into exile as an active member of SWAPO. He returned to Namibia in 1989 to assist with in the preparations for their independence elections. In 1990 he was appointed Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Environment and Tourism. In March 1995, he was promoted to Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Trade and Industry. (A Permanent Secretary is equivalent to a Director General).

Robert (1983) and Gail Botha (Watson) (1983) write: "We have settled very happily back in South Africa after four years in Mauritius working for SA Foreign Affairs. The family doubled in size there and we have returned with two small children who occupy much time and attention at present. One day they may have the privilege of attending Rhodes!"

Beatrice Eve (1983) is married to David Lake (1980) and their first child, Malcolm Blair, was born on 3 August 1994. They live in Harare where Beatrice works as Administrator of the Association of Trust Schools Teaching Bursary Scheme, which sponsors 45 students at Rhodes, training as teachers.

Congratulations to **Simon Herring (1983)** of Zimbabwe who got married on February 24th 1996. He manages a private hotel, the Ilala Lodge, at Victoria Falls.

Cathryn Sewell (1983) moved to Toronto, Canada in May 1995 and is enjoying living there. Jennifer Stevenson (Gleeson) (1983) married a dentist from Northern Ireland in August 1991 and they have been living in Newton Stewart, spent a year travelling through the UK, Europe and the USA. On his return he spent two years with the Receiver of Revenue and obtained BCompt (Hons) through UNISA. He joined Old Mutual in 1993 and is now a consultant in the metropolis of Port Alfred as well as a Fellow of the Institute of Life and Pension Advisers. He married Joan Bradfield in 1994 and they are having too much fun to have kids!

Bede Harris (1984) is a senior lecturer in the School of Law at the University of Waikato, New Zealand. He is married to Veronica.

Saskia Harris (Hobson)(1984) married Martin (1985) in April 1994. They are now living in the UK, with their baby son, Alexander. Saskia is studying part-time at the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London and Martin is a solicitor in a City of London firm.

Tracey Latham (Anderson) (1984) is teaching Std 2 at Sacred Heart College in Johannesburg.

Sally Manley (Judge)(1984) married Jonathan (1985) in 1988. They now live in Fish Hoek.

Paul Meersman (1984) owned and ran an art gallery in Ostend, Belgium, before deciding to concentrate full time on his own photography. He now has a photographic business in Ostend, specialising in portraiture, advertising and fashion: basically, people. He is married to Magda Vermeulen who is also a professional photographer and they have a dog called Picasso.

Marika Ottogali (Scherrer) (1984) has been living in Perth, Australia since September 1995, with her husband, Karl and their son, Hanson who was born in November 1995. She has already met up with Inka Kilroe (Tragoshi) (1984) and they would love to hear from other ORs, especially from the 80s.

Lindsay Sherman (1984) is married and living in Sydney, Australia where she works in the Information Technology industry.

Paul Teeton (1984) is now Head of Department (General Studies) at The King's School, Canterbury, Kent and teaches Economics and Politics to the sixth Form. He loves teaching despite the hard work and is also in charge of the second XV.

Taylor (1985) were married in the Rhodes Chapel at Easter. This was a rather unique occasion, it being the first time that two PhD Chemistry graduates were married here. In the photograph, together with the bridal couple, are some of the Chemistry Dept staff and many Chemistry Dept Old Rhodians. The bride's parents are also Old Rhodians. Debbie and Steve have settled in Edenvale, where she is employed at AECI as a research scientist and he is a computer scientist at Rand Reef Refineries.



The bridal couple, Debbie Davidson (1984) and Steve Taylor (1985), together with some of the Chemistry Dept staff and many Chemistry Dept Old Rhodians.

Scotland since then. Jennifer graduated in May 1996 from the Open University with BSc Hons. Her husband is buying a business and they hope to move to Shropshire, England. She is in contact with **Barbara Viljoen (Pellatt) (1984)** who lives in London and had a baby daughter, Laura, last December.

Warrick Strachan (1983) completed his articles with Ernst & Young in Port Elizabeth and then

Susan-Jayne Labuschagne (Van Zyl) (1985) and her husband have left the rat race behind and moved to George, in the heart of the Garden Route. She is the Marketing and PR Executive for the Fancourt Hotel and Country Club Estate, while her husband is project manager for a local consultancy.

Linly Sewell (1985) has been contract programming in the USA since October 1993. She moves

OLD RHODIAN News continued

around a fair amount and is currently in Minneapolis

Paul (1985) and Heidi Wheeler (Power) (1985) are living in Johannesburg with no children, and are both happy! Paul works for Hi Performance systems as an Account Manager in computer sales. Heidi works for JCI as Manager Organisation Development and is registered as an Industrial Psychologist. She is also in the process of completing her doctorate in Commerce through UNISA.

David Mahlangu (1986) is now in his final year MBChB at MEDUNSA.

Russell Brooke (1986) married Ellen Spaargaren (1987) in August 1995 in London. The wedding was attended by 12 other ORs also living in London.

Nola Herrman (McBean) (1986) is now in Swaziland, having enjoyed a nine month contract in Mauritius. They are settling very happily into life in Mbabane and were expecting their first child in May 1996.

Evangelia Ioannou (1986) is a development chemist at Reckitt & Coleman.

Sally Langton (1986) is very happy operating a safari company, specializing in photographic safaris throughout Botswana.

Jennifer Laws (Allen) (1986) is living in the UK. She was married in July 1994. Jennifer worked in the film industry for five years but is now working for an international corporate bank in London. She was expecting her first child in May 1996.

Patrick Lorentz (1986) has left the dairy at Ncoka and now heads the computer division of a Gauteng appliance giant. He works with Harry Schuit (1988) who lives in Johannesburg. Patrick lives with Amanda Paton (1977) in Centurion and they have two little girls. They are in regular contact with Johan "Moosa" Kruger (1977) and his wife Dianne (Pendlebury) (1977) who both work at Wits University.

Ingrid Rewitzky (1986) obtained her PhD in Mathematics last year from UCT. This year she took up a Visiting Fellowship in the Mathematical Institute at Oxford University.

Michael Stobart (1986) married Jennifer Smith and they have a son, Nicholas, born in 1995. Mike is working on the family farm in Zimbabwe with his father, David (1953).

Bill Teeton (1986) has a Higher National Diploma (BTech) Science of Health and Fitness from the Farnborough Institute of Technology and a CertEd from Southampton University. He is busy with a diploma in advanced professional studies at Bath University, teaching computer and information technology to junior pupils. He is still at Salisbury Cathedral School and married to Carol.

Peter Allanson (1987) is living in Port Elizabeth and practising as an attorney at Joubert, Galpin & Searle Inc, who service the corporate market. He is unmarried and still playing lots of golf!

Carol Wilson (1987) is employed as a microbiologist at Lennons Pharmaceuticals in Port Elizabeth.

Jeremy Bolt (1987) qualified as a chartered accountant and is now a senior consultant with Deloitte & Touche Management Consultants in

Mary Spears (1987) has started a new job in the Physics Dept at Oxford University, "making microcircuits using photo-fabrication".

Christelle Burgess (1987) has been living in the UK for the last three years and is working for a telecommunications company as a unix system administrator/analyst.

Cecilia De Vos-Belgraver (De Vos) (1987) has joined Santam as editor of "Umbrella" and "Focus". Her move was prompted by her marriage to Capt Wim Belgraver, a strike navigator in the SA Air Force, in January 1996.

Nomathemba Dingaan (1987) is a maths teacher at Hlumani High School. She is happily single with one child who turned a year old in April

Fiona Sutton (1987) married Stephen McCarley in May 1993. She is working at Steffen, Robertson and Kirsten, Consulting Engineers in Durban. They live in La Lucia Ridge "after undertaking the mammoth task of owner building".

Thapelo Pitso (1987) is Head of Department (Maths and Science) at St Bernard's High School in Bloemfontein. He is studying through UNISA for an HED as well as a Certificate in Information Technology

Kate Stobart (1987) has returned to Johannesburg after four and a half years in London. Gaye Taylor (1987) edits the Kei Mercury in King William's Town and is doing her Social Work Masters part-time through Rhodes East London. She has a two-year-old son, Robin.

Mike Tribelhorn (1987) married Sarah Weldrick (1989) in the Rhodes Chapel on 16 December 1995.

Philippa Wilmot (1987) did a BSc Hons and HDE at UCT in 1990 and 1991 and then travelled extensively in Europe and Asia, before settling in the UK last year. She is now teaching at a small private school in Oxford.

Leslie Williams (1987) is a pilot for SA Express Airways, based in Johannesburg International Airport. Previously, he flew for a conservation corporation at Phinda Game Lodge in Zululand.

Shane Marais (1988) has worked for the East London Daily Dispatch, Business Day, the Sunday Times and the Sunday Times magazine, and is now sub-editor on South African Elle.

Timothy Spears (1988) is working at Paradigm in Pretoria where he designs computer software to make flying safer. Last year he spent several weeks in Paris and London training members of the air force in its use

Carla Coimbra (Vieira) (1988) got married in 1990 and had a little boy in May 1995.

Gregory Cunningham (1988) and his wife, Gail (Gatley) (1975), are emigrating to Sydney, Australia.

Bradley Krug (1988) has been working at Berea Pharmacy in East London for over a year and is enjoying retail pharmacy immensely. He and Lee Deutschman (1992), who has just completed a BCom at Rhodes East London, were married in March this year.

Kim Leith (1988) is now living in Port Elizabeth and is employed at the Port Elizabeth Museum Complex, Oceanarium and Snake Park as display

Sarah Taylor (1988) is teaching English in Poland and loving every minute of it although she misses SA (and Rhodes) very much. She would love to hear from any ORs who remember her. Her address is: International House Opole, UL.Kosciuszki 17, 45-062 Opole, Poland.

Rochelle Wong Kun (1988) taught in East London for two years after graduation and then moved to Cape Town, where she is now teaching a Sub A class at Plumstead Preparatory School. Ian Sampson (1989) married fellow OR, Lynne

Donovan (1990), on 12 April 1996 in Bulawayo. They are now living in Durban. Rob Verseput (1989) is living in Fourways,

working for a pharmaceutical company and miss-

ing Rhodes! Nicola Jenkin (1989) e-mailed us with news on herself and other great friends, Allison Clarke (1989) and Janet Hunt (1989). After completing their degrees in 1992, they split up to tackle the job market: Allison taught in Berlin (EC) for a while before moving up to Zimbabwe to join Janet at Ruzawi, Marondera. Although they both enjoyed teaching there, they are now living in London, teaching for pounds! Allison is also au pairing. Nicola moved to Cape Town after graduating and had a horrid job as a secretary. In 1994 completed her Environmental and Geographical Science Honours at UCT. The first half of 1995 involved looking for a job while working for a green NGO until she was finally rewarded with the position of Assistant to the Chair of Environmental Education at Rhodes.

Steve Palframan (1989) got his long awaited chance to represent SA when Dave Richardson fractured his finger during the English Test series. Steve is the Border wicketkeeper and lives in East London with his wife, Sandy (Dwenger) (1988), and their two children.

Bruce Bean (1989) married Annabel Johnstone (1991) on 20 April 1996 in Zimbabwe. She had spent a year running safari camps in Zimbabwe - good experience in crisis control as she was involved in ostrich farming as well! They are living in Lyttelton and Bruce works for the CSIR while Annabel is studying for a Post Graduate Diploma of Management at Wits Business School.

Candice Botha (1989) spent two years travelling and working abroad in the UK, Europe, Canada, Middle East and Australia. On her return home she taught in an independent school outside Estcourt. She is now living in Durban and teaching at Danville Park Girls' High.

Simpiwe Dzengwa (1989) is in the USA on a scholarship program. He graduated from his masters program in December and is doing his internship in Washington DC.

Kyle Hudson (1989) is teaching Drama at St Mary's School for Girls in Waverley,

Andrew Teeton (1989) is working for the Chase Manhattan Bank in Christchurch near Bournemouth, where he monitors futures trading. He sings in the Bournemouth Symphony Chorus and was on a recent tour to Orlando, Florida. He has also walked the Pilgrim Way from Concevalles (France) to Santiago de Compostella in North West Spain. Occasionally, he plays baseball for the bank!

Laura Guest (1990) has been appointed Marketing Executive at the AAA School of Advertising. Laura graduated as Top Student of the year at AAA in 1994 and was awarded an overseas trip. After working as an account executive at Ogilvy & Mather in Gauteng she toured Europe until she returned to take up her position at AAA. Andrew Haynes (1990) completed his LLB at Wits in 1992, gained a Certificate in Legal Practice from UCT in 1993 and was admitted as an attornev in September 1994. He is currently working as a tax consultant for Arthur Anderson & Associates in Johannesburg.

Guy Thornycroft (1990) married Fiona Wright (1991) on 13 April 1996 in Grahamstown. They are now living in Linlithgow, Scotland.

Wayne Ford (1990) and Maria Dos Santos (1990) were married last year.

Nicole McDonald (1990) is still travelling after two and a half years. She is engaged to an Australian, Guy-Richard Todd, and they plan to return to SA over Christmas 1996 and stay a while. Anne Midgley (Smith) (1990) is busy with articles at KPMG in Umtata. She passed her FQE in 1994 and married Mark (1988) in September that year.

Steven Vlok (1990) is an executive trainee at FNB and has passed the Institute of Bankers exam and is now a certified Associate of the Institute of Bankers. He will marry Estelle sometime this year. Maria-Therese van Dongen (1991) joined a company specialising in computer upgrades as Sales and Marketing Manager. In 1995 she married Shane McAdam (1990) and moved to Beitbridge, Zimbabwe in early 1996.

Rebecca Hill (1991) is in England, working at

Silverstone Race Track at their Driving Centre. Although she is no Damon, she does get to have a go in the racing cars!

Nicholas Olivari (1991) is working as a journalist in Toronto - "freelancing frantically" - and recently returned from a trip to Bosnia. He is now married and enjoying life to the full, although he does miss the Cathcart!

Camilla Rickwood (1991) moved to Harare last year and is continuing her career in accounting. She married Andrew Taylor, an optometrist, in April this year. Jennifer Everett (1991) married Blair Rose in

November 1995. She is living in Bulawayo and working for Coopers and Lybrand, with the aim of becoming a CA

Cathy Shone (1991) completed her BA LLB in 1995 and is now a candidate attorney with Findlay & Tait in Cape Town.

Hector Elliot (1991) joined the British Army in September 1995 and is now at Sandhurst Military Academy. He has been invited to join the Parachute Brigade after he finishes at Sandhurst.

Johannes (JP) Heath (1992) married Angela Maureen McIntosh in 1994 and they had a son in 1995. He was also ordained as an Anglican priest and is now assistant priest at St Michael's in Bryanston.

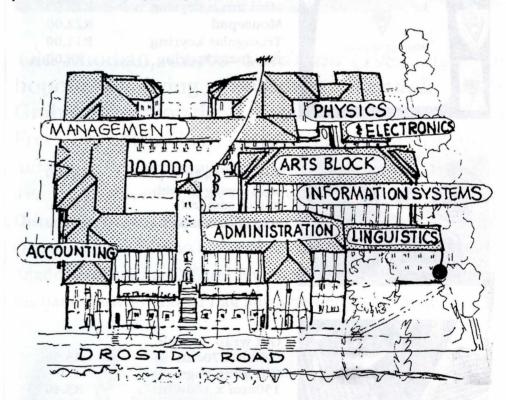
Derek Buchler (1992) is studying at the Cedara Theological Institute.

Godwin Rozani (1992) is on pension after the retrenchment of management level officers of the old Transkei Department of Education (among others) during the rationalisation process.

Susan Sedumedi (1994) is employed in the Department of Psychology at the University of the

THE CASE OF THE Mystery Bras

By Peter Duncan (1958)



From the Physics department to been brought into the quad. the belltower of the main building there stretched a double-wire antenna for the Ionosphere Sounding experiments of the early 1960s. With the pawky humour of scientists, this was known to them as the Ysterbal Klanker aerial. It consisted of two wires separated by sticks as insulators and the whole thing was about forty feet above the ground at the middle of the quad.

One morning, just before the end of our third year, when steam had to be let off somehow, two bras appeared dangling from the aerial in the middle of the quad. Two bras swinging in the breeze from a place quite inaccessible to anyone or any device that could have

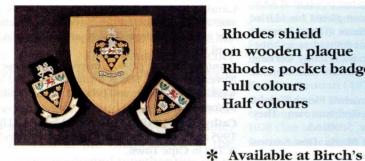
They were still there at the end of the year, and still there at the Graduation Ball the next year, still causing comment, still pleading for an answer to how it had been done. They stayed up for years in fact, because there was no way of getting them

Now that it is "safe" to do so, let me clear up the mystery. We did it, three of us! We had been given two bras by a couple of girls in our class which we tied to a cord and the cord to an arrow, and in the dead of night, we shot the arrow over the aerial with a long bow that I had bought at a sale. It didn't work the first time or the second and after several attempts we decided that it was not going to work. By the light of a pencil torch and under threat of being caught by a watchman and fearing that we might bring the whole aerial down, we quickly devised a new plan.

We tied the bras to the cord with a Highwayman's Hitch, a knot which holds from one end, but loosens when the other is tugged. After shooting the arrow up over the aerial again, we pulled on it to release the knot. This time however we had held the aerial down until the bras were nicely in place and then let go. It was that easy!

Memorabilia

Rhodes memorabilia is available at the Grahamstown Publicity Association - Tel (0461) 2 3241, except for the ties and pocket badges, which are available from Birch's - Tel (0461) 2 7010



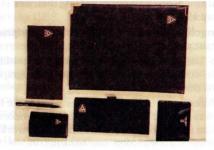
Rhodes shield on wooden plaque R70.00 Rhodes pocket badges * **Full colours** R136.80 Half colours R95.03

Ceramics and glassware: Large beer mugs and tankards R20.00

Coffee mugs R15.00 **Ashtrays** R12.00



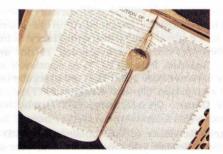
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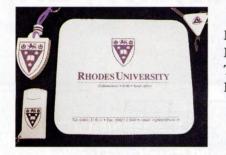




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REUNIONS 1996

United Kingdom Johannesburg

The 1996 Reunion is to be held in central London on Thursday 5 September 1996 at the Portal Gallery, 16a Grafton Street (just off Bond Street), London W1 from 6.00 to 8.00pm. The Vice-Principal of Rhodes University, Dr Michael Smout, will address the gathering. All UK Old Rhodians - especially those living in Greater London - are urged to come along. Spouses, partners and guests are welcome.

The Portal Gallery specialises in British idiosyncratic art, with Beryl Cook and Kit Williams amongst the world famous artists it represents. So as well as a meeting up with fellow ORs, the art on show is sure to be a talking point!

Fund raising continues for the UK bursary fund, with the 5 September London reunion the focus of UK activities this year - so please support your alma mater by coming along, or send donations to the UK bursary fund to our registrar (details below), making cheques payable to the treasurer, Donald Pearce-Crump (ORU).

Plans are under way for the 1997 Reunion, to take place when the new Vice-Chancellor, Dr David Woods, visits the UK, probably in April. We hope to hold this reunion at the South African Embassy in Trafalgar Square.

For details of reunions, ideas and contributions, please contact:

FRED CASTLE 199 Surrenden Road **Brighton East Sussex** BN1 6NN Tel: 01273-50 1770

Reunion date: Thursday 5 September 1996 Speaker: Dr Michael Smout, Vice-Principal

ROSE RIDGEWELL

RU Jhb Office Tel: 011-788 5543 (w) Saturday 21 September 1996 Reunion date: Dr David Woods, Vice-Chancellor Speaker:

Durban

MIKE BARKER Tel: 031-466 1632 BERT WICKS Tel: 031-23 5913 Reunion date: Thursday 3 October 1996 Dr David Woods, Vice-Chancellor Speaker:

Cape Town

DAVID HART Tel: 021-686 3982 (w) 021-786 3496 (h) Reunion date: Thursday 10 October 1996 Speaker: Dr David Woods, Vice-Chancellor

George / Knysna

GRAEME POLLOCK Tel: 0441-71 2281 (h) 0441-74 2333 (w)

DOUGLAS COGHLAN Tel: 0445-2 3278 Reunion date: Friday 18 October 1996 Dr David Woods, Vice-Chancellor

Bloemfontein

ROY GORDON

051-430 0436 (h) 051-447 7831 (w)

Reunion date: Tuesday 29 October 1996 Dr David Woods, Vice-Chancellor

Kimberley

MARK FLETCHER Tel: 0531-82 9071(h) 0531-81 3221 (w)

Wednesday 30 October 1996 Reunion date: Speaker: Dr David Woods, Vice-Chancellor

Port Elizabeth

SEAN BOWNES

Tel: 041-52 2697

The PE 1960s and 1970s Old Rhodians have started organising regular informal get togethers. Contact Sean for further details.

Cape Town

Following a successful outing on the Breede River in 1994, Rob MacLean (1973) organised a repeat trip on Sunday 18 February this year. It was a great success with some 53 people present, including ORs, their families and friends. The day started off with a continental breakfast on the banks of the Breede River. The group then set off on a relaxed paddle down a tranquil section of the river, followed by a leisurely lunch and a wine tasting of some local wines. A 35 minute paddle took them back to the starting point. The outing was enjoyed by all and it is hoped that this will become an annual event. Any ORs in the Cape Town region interested in joining the fun next time are welcome to contact Rob on 021-762 6935 (w) or 021-788 7309.

Queenstown

Approximately 35 Old Rhodians (vintages ranging from 1920 to 1995) attended a most enjoyable reunion dinner held at the Nag & Crawl, Queens Junior's club house, in Queenstown on Friday 21 June this year. This event was the second annual reunion organised by Adrie Stockdale (1970) and her crew and was great fun indeed. The Vice-Chancellor, Dr David Woods and his wife, Charlotte, were the guests of honour and after a lovely dinner and plenty of wine, Dr Woods spoke to the gathering about his vision for Rhodes in the years ahead. (See report in this edition of *Rhodes*.) The party continued well into the early hours of the morning and we look forward to as much enjoyment next year!

ADRIE STOCKDALE

Tel: 0451-4676 (h)

0451-4258 (w)

Old Rhodian Mountain Club

Rhodians in Johannesburg area recently launched a mountain club for alumni in that region. The organisers also hope that the club will act as a central contact place for Old Rhodians who have left Grahamstown and now feel isolated in Johannesburg as they do not know how to

contact others from Rhodes. The idea is eventually to extend this club to include a much larger part of South

The club stems from the Rhodes Mountain Club and is supported by the University. It organises climbing outings, hiking trails and general get togethers. Even if you're not really the outdoors type, the club will be happy

to put you in touch with Old Rhodians on its mailing list.

Although a great number of enthusiastic Old Rhodians have already joined, the networking is only just beginning and the organisers urge all those who are interested to contact them on the following telephone numbers:

James Matcher (1991) (h) 011-682 333

Liezel Lane (1991)

(h) 011-682 333

(w) 011-720 3099

Otto Kritzinger (1989)

(h) 011-952 1470

(w) 011-402 3552

The editor welcomes news and comments as well as contributions to the newsletter of a relevant and suitable nature.

Please address all correspondence to:

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Mountain Club in Johannesburg.

OBITUARIES

Notification of Death

CL Wallis (1920)

Maisie Webb (Clayton) (1923)

George House Randell (1924)

HE Saffery (1924)

Kathleen Daisy Charlotte (Charlie)

Chadwick (Day) (1925)

Harold Hirsch Le Roith (1925)

TK Sansom (Scot-Russell) (1925)

Enid Craig (Barker) (1927)

AJ Karstaedt (1927)

DHS (Jeff) Jeffrey (1928)

Kenneth Mackenzie Fleming (1929)

CJ van der Walt (1931)

Eleanor Isabel Sutton (Rhodes) (1933)

Cynthia Asher (Barnes) (1935)

Joyce Beaufort Meaker (Krummeck)

Joseph A Minne (1935)

Antony Meredith Lewin Robinson (1935)

Cecily Frizell (Buyskes) (1937)

Pierre Knobel Faure (1938)

Richard Edwin Lister Moore (1939)

David Gerhardus Roux (1939)

Neville Robertson (1945)

Peter Hinchcliff (1946)

Aleen Lockie (1946)

William Mann McHardy (1948)

Richard Kendall Brooke (1949)

William Leslie Hazlewood Shuter (1954)

Crystal Edmunds (Copeling) (1956)

Roger Michael Gee (1958)

RD Hartley (1958)

David M Kelson (1958)

Cecil James Buckland (1962)

BA McComb (1962)

Maureen Pyott (1962)

Bruce Allen Delaney (1963)

Roger Omond (1963)

Harvey Warrenburg (1964)

Corlette Glover (Pryor) (1965)

Richard Andrew Ian Norval (1968)

Michael Gibson (1970)

Adrian Winston Brink Palmer (1975)

Dan Mackinnon Morton (1976)

Heather Tilley (1976)

Michael Daynes (1978)

Susan Imrie Ross (1983)

Claire Emma Fitzgerald (1986)

Charlene Smith (1987)

David Grant Jaffray Lowenherz (1987)

Douglas Livingstone (1990)

Johan Wilhelm Claasen (1992)

HAROLD HIRSCH LE ROITH (1925)

Harold Hirsch Le Roith, one of the great architects of the modern movement, died on 4 July 1995 in Johannesburg at the age of ninety. His death is a reminder of how influential he was and his great contribution to SA architecture. He graduated from Wits in 1935 - one of a band of young students who later exerted a profound influence on the development of SA architecture. Inspired by the writings and work of Le Corbusier, Mies van der Rohe and Frank Lloyd Wright, he was a worthy disciple of the modern movement, but more interested in building than talking or writing about it. He was one of the more successful amongst his contemporaries: in immediate post-war years while others were struggling to re-establish practices and rediscover architectural directions, Harold seemed so certain of where he was going. Three of his great buildings - Radoma Court, Lhenveolan and Dunkeld Mansions - helped to bring SA into the mainstream of world architec-

ENID CRAIG (BARKER) (1927)

Enid Craig (Barker), sister to **Joan Krummeck** (1935), died suddenly and painlessly on 21 October 1995 at the age of 86. She was at Rhodes from 1927 to 1930 when she completed a BA in English and Latin, followed by UED. She had a long and illustrious teaching career. In the 60s and 70s she lectured in English at the Grahamstown Teachers' Training College and became the first lay-person to fill the post of Rector/Principal, succeeding Sister Virginia CR.

KENNETH MACKENZIE FLEMING (1929)

(Obituary by Ellie Fleming)

Kenneth Fleming, known to his friends as "Coney", died on 14 April 1996, at the age of 86. Although he did not make the grade when he initially came to Rhodes in 1928, he tried again a year later, after spending a boring time with the Customs Department in Bulawayo and having discovered an interest in law. During those years of Depression his father could not afford university fees, so Coney got a job as a stooge at St Andrew's Prep where he came to like the idea of teaching. After five years of hard work and paying his own way, Coney left Rhodes with a BA and UED and applied for a teaching post in Rhodesia. Eventually he became the Headmaster of Umtali Boys High School, a new school that he built up with the help of the parents and local population. He spent 15 happy and productive years at the school. He became Rotary President in 1961 and in July 1991 received Rotary's highest honour, the Paul Harris award, "in appreciation of tangible understanding and friendly relations between peoples of the world." In 1971 Coney was presented with a medal by the then Rhodesian Government for "special and notable public service to Rhodesia in

ANTONY MEREDITH LEWIN ROBINSON (1935)

Died in Cape Town on 17 June 1995. He took a BA degree at Rhodes University College in 1937, a Dip. Lib. at the University College in London in 1939 and gained a PhD from UCT in 1961. He worked as Deputy Librarian at the South African Library (1943-1961) and was director of the SA Library from 1961 to 1981. He also lectured in bibliography at the School of Librarianship at UCT for many years. In 1951 he won a Carnegie grant to study bibliographical methods in Europe and in 1964 he was awarded a travel scholarship from the Carnegie Foundation to observe national and other research libraries in the USA. He was a Fellow of the Library Association (GB), Fellow of the SA Institute of Library and Information Science (1980), Hon Member of SAILIS 1983, and a Paul Harris Fellow (Rotary International). He also received the SAILIS Award for exceptional achievement in the field of Bibliography (1985). He was a member of the Rotary Club of Cape Town and the English Association (SA) (President until 1995). A lay minister of the Anglican Church, he leaves behind Helen Austin, his wife, two sons and a daughter. While at Rhodes he was in Botha House and later the old Milner House. His son, Andrew (1965), writes that he always greatly valued his time at Rhodes and that he himself needed little encouragement to follow in his father's footsteps.

CECILY FRIZELL (BUYSKES) (1937)

Patsy Dalziel (Swan) (1937) wrote to tell us that Cecily Frizell had died in Perth, Australia in August 1995. She had gone to Perth after retiring, as three of her children had emigrated to Australia. On her retirement she was Headmistress of a large school in Harare and a well respected educationist in Zimbabwe

PROFESSOR PIERRE KNOBEL FAURE (1938)

(obituary by Douglas Rivett)

Professor Pierre Knobel Faure, known to all as PK, died on 21 May 1995, aged 73, in Johannesburg. He came to Rhodes from Grev High School in Port Elizabeth as a sixteen-year-old and had a brilliant undergraduate career with firsts in chemistry, physics and mathematics. He remained at Rhodes for sixteen years working on the conductivity of solutions with Professor Barker and Jack Gledhill. Always courteous and impeccably dressed, he was painstaking, knowledgeable and an excellent lecturer, popular with students both within and outside his classroom. He was a keen golfer and bridge player with a phenomenal memory for recalling hands, even on the following day. PK was an ardent supporter of the Rhodes Scientific Society, which covered the entire faculty, in the days before splinter societies formed at departmental level. In 1954 he joined the National Chemical Research Laboratory of the CSIR in Pretoria where he remained for two years and then he accepted a Canadian National Research Council postdoctoral fellowship in Ottawa. He returned to Rhodes in 1959 as senior lecturer in Inorganic Chemistry but two years later moved to the SA Wool Textile Research Institute, then housed in the buildings next to LIRI Technologies. In 1967 PK was appointed Professor of Inorganic Chemistry at RAU where he remained until his retirement in 1981. He leaves his wife, Peggy

DAVID GERHARDUS ROUX (1939)

(obituary by Douglas Rivett)

Professor David Gerhardus Roux died at Hermanus on 28 June 1994, aged 74. He came to Rhodes as a second year student after completing his first year at the Huguenot University College at Wellington. After his BSc he had a spell in industry before returning for an MSc and then joined the Leather Industries Research Institute in 1947, where he remained for some 20 years, ending with the rank of Chief Research Scientist. In 1968 he was appointed Professor of organic chemistry at the University of the Orange Free State where he founded a research unit for flavonoid chemistry with the support of the CSIR. On his retirement in 1985 he was actively involved with the Foundation for Research & Development, first as Manager, then as Executive Director of the Main Research Support Programme and finally as Manager of the Multi-user Equipment Programme. Professor Dawie Roux was a reserved, industrious, enthusiastic and dedicated scientist of international repute, and a pioneer in the chemistry of tannins, where he combined practical objectives with high-level research. His outstanding contributions to this difficult field were recognised by many honours, including the second North American Tannin Conference Award in 1991, the Havenga Medal of the SA Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns (1969) and the Gold Medal of the SA Chemical Institute (1977). His wife, Valerie, died in 1992. He is survived by three daughters and a

ROGER OMOND (1963)

Was born in 1944 and died in London on 12 February 1996 after a long struggle with lung cancer. He was educated at Grey High School and Rhodes University. He worked for the EP Herald in his student days and after graduating worked for the Daily Dispatch in East London under

Donald Woods. Roger quickly climbed to be political correspondent at the age of 23 and night editor two years later. Before he left SA in 1978 for political reasons, he had been a leader writer and assistant editor at the Dispatch. In London he joined The Guardian as chief sub-editor on the foreign desk and held that position until he was first diagnosed with cancer in 1993. He put his knowledge of South Africa to good use, publishing three books on the subject - The Apartheid Handbook, The Sanctions Handbook and Steve Biko and Apartheid - and managed to keep well abreast of happenings in SA. He won a Guardian-nominated Nuffield Fellowship for a year's study at Oxford shortly before his diagnosis, but instead decided to return to SA and accept the editorship of the Daily Dispatch. He was bitterly disappointed, however, when the Dispatch directors cancelled his appointment as editor-designate after a second cancer had been diagnosed.

Dispatch political correspondent, **Barry Streek** (1967), described him as a man of few words with a sharp, dry and wonderful sense of humour, who enjoyed a good party. He leaves his wife, Mary, mother, Joyce, and two sisters.

CORLETTE GLOVER (PRYOR) (1965)

Died on March 25 1996 after a long battle against cancer. She attended Rhodes from 1965 to 1967, living in Olive Schreiner House. After receiving HPTC, Corlette taught at Erica School in Port Elizabeth until she married **Brian Glover (1965)**. She specialised in teaching children with learning disabilities and more recently taught at DSG where she helped those who battled with the complexities of English.

HARVEY WARRENBURG (1964)

Head boy at Durban Boys High School in 1963, Harvey entered Rhodes life fully and will especially be remembered as the rugby fly half in the hard EP league of 66/67. After leaving Rhodes, he joined SA Breweries and retired as PRO in March 1994. A year later he joined Gilbeys and was making good progress there. He won a wine tour to the Cape in a sales competition and while on the tour he had a fatal heart attack. Harvey had the distinction of being a good sportsman and socialite who was liked by everyone. In his closing years he was very active in lifesaving and wild life conservation. He leaves three children.

MICHAEL GIBSON (1970)

(Obituary by Tony Granger)

Mike did a BA at Rhodes before returning to Rhodesia, as it was then, to join the British South Africa Police as a national serviceman. After his service he farmed for a while, did hotel management and then returned to Rhodes in 1978 to do an LLB. Whilst a student at Rhodes, he managed the Rhodes Club and the Monument Restaurant. After getting his second degree, Mike returned home and went farming, spending time as a tenant manager on other peoples' farms until he saved enough money to buy his own. It was shortly before he was due to move to a farm he and his wife Jenny had purchased in the Trelawney area of Zimbabwe, that illness struck him down in the prime of his life. He died in November 1995 from aemorrhaging pancreatitis. He leaves his wife. Jennifer, who worked at Rhodes' Tick Research Unit while Mike was a student, and two children, Nina and Liam.

ADRIAN WINSTON BRINK PALMER (1975)

Born on 31 May 1955, Adrian was murdered by intruders on his farm Blaauwkrantz in the early hours of the morning of 26 February 1996. A third generation farmer at Blaauwkrantz, Adrian grew up there and spent most of his life on the family farm. He went to Manley Flats' Farm School, then became a boarder at St Andrew's Prep and later St Andrew's College in Grahamstown. Adrian enjoyed school and took particular pleasure in sport. After school he was called up for military service and spent part of it lecturing at Fort Cox Agricultural College in the then Ciskei. He went on to Rhodes and graduated with a BCom in 1982.

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Adrian then returned to the family farm and helped his father and uncle to run it. During the next 14 years he worked hard to develop the farm further and his leadership and integrity in this field were recognised when he was recently elected President of the local Farmers' Association. He maintained an intense interest in sport throughout his life, giving back to sport in the district as much pleasure as he derived from it. Adrian was a warm and charismatic person, deeply loved by a wide circle of relatives and friends. Although a lifelong bachelor, he was very happy in his long relationship with Jenny King, who was present during the attack. Four men have been charged with his murder.

DAN MACKINNON MORTON (1976)

Former Professor and Head of the Education Department for 34 years, Professor Emeritus Dan Morton died in Cape Town at the age of 94. He was born in Scotland, completed a BSc, Masters and BEd degrees at Glasgow University, and teaching certificates at the Glasgow Training College. He taught in Glasgow before taking up an appointment at the University of Aberdeen in 1929. Dan Morton joined the staff at Rhodes University College in 1936. After the war he returned to Rhodes and married Miss Margaret Hemming. He influenced lives of generations of SA teachers trained at Rhodes and was also involved in many SA educational initiatives, including the Joint Matriculation Board. He retired from Rhodes at the end of 1970, although he continued to teach in the Faculty of Education for several years afterwards. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, and their four children, Hugh, Phillippa, Angela and

CLAIRE EMMA FITZGERALD (1986)

(Obituary by Elena Kyriacou)

Claire Fitzgerald enrolled at Rhodes in 1986 for a Bachelor of Journalism degree. Phelps House became her home away from home and she soon adapted to the ways of student life. Machine", as she was affectionately called by her close friends, will always be remembered among those who loved her for her indomitable spirit, bubbly laughter, loving nature and her great zest for life. She never failed to surprise and entertain, providing much laughter and comfort during troubled times. Claire graduated in 1990 and had her first taste of journalistic life as a reporter for the Citizen newspaper, where she worked on the women's pages for two years. For health reasons, Claire moved to England in 1993 where she was employed as Information Officer for Talking Newspapers, a charity-based organisation, where she achieved tremendous results. Sadly, after battling an illness bravely borne for four years, Claire died on 6 June 1996. Claire will be sorely missed among all who knew and loved her. The memories of a fun-loving, kind-hearted, loving and beautiful woman will be treasured now and always.

DOUGLAS LIVINGSTONE (1990)

One of SA's foremost poets, he was awarded an honorary doctorate by Rhodes in 1990 and died after a brief battle with stomach cancer on 19 February 1996 in Durban, aged 64. Born in Kuala Lampur in 1932, he moved to SA when he was 20. He worked as a marine bacteriologist for the CSIR at Congella, his main focus on protecting Natal's coastline. In 1965 he won the Guinness Poetry Prize at the Cheltenham Literary Festival for his poem Bamboo Day, in 1974 the Olive Schreiner Prize for his play A Rhino for the Boardroom, which was broadcast by the SABC. He also won the CNA Literary Award in 1984 for his Selected Poems and the South African English Association Prize for The Anvil's Undertone in 1977. Michael Chapman, Dean of Arts at University of Natal Durban, and author of a book on Livingstone, says "he is still the poet no future discussion of South African work can avoid. In his bigger ecological themes, about nature's creative and destructive forces, he really anticipated this country's postapartheid concerns. He disdained narrow tolerances. He was our first 21st century poet."



Miss *Maureen Pyott (1962)*, photographed at the Reunion held in Grahamstown in September last year.

MAUREEN PYOTT (1962)

Died on February 23 1996, in her sleep after a long battle against the restrictions of a wheelchair, callipers and walking sticks. She was born in Port Elizabeth, one of the Pyott family famous for their biscuits. Maureen contracted polio at age of seven, but overcame this disability and gained her BA and MA degrees from Rhodes. She tried to earn her living as a clerk and a teacher but eventually her disability ruled out a job. She lived in Grahamstown for about 30 years and was a familiar sight in her motorised wheelchair in town. After Maureen's death, her sister, Hilary, donated Maureen's wheelchair to Washington Mvundura, a disabled student at Rhodes. Hilary felt that was appropriate as Maureen had often spoken about the happy years she had spent at Rhodes and would have liked to see a needy student benefit. Dean Chich Hewitt of the Anglican Church said she was a wonderful, saintly person despite the suffering she endured from physical restrictions.



Washington Mvundura, a student at Rhodes, test driving the motorised wheel-chair that was donated to him by Maureen Pyott's family.

SUSAN IMRIE ROSS (1983)

Dr Susan Ross died just a couple of days after a remarkable graduation ceremony was held in her Cape Town home in February. Professor Robert Brookes and other senior academics travelled from Rhodes to award a frail Susan Ross, suffering from cancer, a doctorate for her thesis on the life and work of Helen Martins, the creator of the quirky Owl House and Camel Yard in the little Karoo town of Nieu-Bethesda. Dr Ross became intrigued by Martins and her art after visiting the Owl House in 1984. The thesis, which took 11 years to complete, is considered an academic gem and is the first PhD in Fine Art to be awarded by the University. As Press officer for the National Arts Festival, Sue lived in Grahamstown for a number of years. She moved to Cape Town in 1991 to head up the communications unit at the National Botanical Institute and made her mark by introducing free outdoor concerts on the beautiful lawns of Kirstenbosch. Sue leaves three children, Karin, Laurien and Cameron.

A NEW Alumni Manager

Lisl Griffioen Paterson (1988) takes over from Jenny Purdon as Alumni Manager, the link between Old Rhodians and Rhodes University, on 1 August 1996. Jenny Purdon, who served in this position for 10 years, has been appointed as the Campus Events Manager also within the Marketing and Communications Division.

Lisl comes to us with experience in this field, having worked at Kingswood College in a similar position for two and a half years. She is

married to an Old Rhodian, Angus Paterson (1987), who is completing his PhD whilst working at the JLB Smith Institute of Ichthyology as an estuarine research assistant.

Lisl looks forward to meeting many Old Rhodians this year as she travels around the country attending Old Rhodian reunions with Dr David Woods, the new Vice-Chancellor, and his wife, Charlotte.



The White & Purple Stripes

Dr Maureen Taylor (1969) and Lesley Salter (Taylor) (1966) are seen in the photograph handing their mother, Anna "Goose" Goosen's (1939) blazer to Dave and Charlotte Woods. Maureen regularly used to babysit for the Woods' when she was a student here in the seventies and they were wardens at Botha House.

Lesley, Faculty Officer at the Wits Faculty of Management, now lives in Johannesburg and Maureen is lecturer/researcher in medical virology at the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Pretoria. The Taylor sisters visited the alumni office when they came down to the Grahamstown

Arts Festival. Lesley would like to register her daughter Annette as the third generation Taylor woman at Rhodes in 1997 and came to show her the campus. They also brought their mother's photo album with pictures of Rhodes and Rag during the second world war. We will feature these in the next newsletter.

Mrs Woods remembers the Founders Day Balls, when men wore these blazers and women wore white dresses and purple ribbons. The blazer was also part of the official uniform back in the early years. They were later worn mostly to sporting events. We will keep this and any other blazers that we can find in the Alumni Museum.



Lesley Salter (Taylor) (1966), her daughter Annette Salter and Alumni Manager Lisl Griffioen Paterson (1988). Seated in front are Dr Maureen Taylor (1969), the Vice Chancellor Dr Woods and Charlotte Woods.

RHODESPORT

The past year and a half have been marked by success, growth and change. We have seen both individuals and clubs achieving great These achievements success. cover the pinnacle of personal achievement and include selections for South Africa, club sides winning their leagues and further growth in health and fitness areas such as aerobics, weight training and hiking. Here is a brief resume of highlights and achievements.

SASSU In December Rhodes was represented at five South African Students Sports Union (SASSU) Tournaments. Our Chess team finished 6th at the SASSU Chess Tournament hosted by UWC, Basketball finished 5th at Wits, Golf 8th in Stellenbosch and Cricket an impressive 5th out of 18 teams at SAU hosted by Maritzburg University. Rhodes hosted the SASSU Underwater Tournament where the women's and men's underwater hockey teams finished 3rd and 7th respectively and in the scuba orienteering division, the men finished 6th and the ladies brought home the trophy.

HOCKEY with National and International Sport Honours Hockey continues to prosper at Rhodes. Matthew Hallowes, our 1995 Sportsman of the Year, a regular in the South African Hockey team has gone to Atlanta to represent South Africa in the 1996 Olympics. Graeme Ortlieb who has been in the national squad for the last four years, has just spent a season in England playing hockey in Kent. The men's hockey team finished 2nd in the Intercity League which involves the top four teams from EP and Border. No less than eight Rhodents have been chosen for EPU/21 hockey

ROCK CLIMBING Shannon Law and Jeremy Colenso continued their success at national rock climbing events. Shannon is the ladies National Champion and Jeremy is in the top six men in the country. This fast-growing sport has seen rapid development at Rhodes and is backed up by a well administered club and a developing competition indoor climbing wall.

TENNIS Tennis has enjoyed considerable success and the club boasts some talented players. One of our professional player/coaches, Chris Loock, is a top player in the Eastern Province. James Haydock was selected to the SA Universities team. Melanie Theck was again selected to represent EP and her contribution in the Rhodes Night League Tennis team helped earn Rhodes the winning trophy. She also joined Kirsty Lewis in winning the EP Spar Doubles Championships which saw them represent EP at the National Spar Doubles Tournament at Sun City.

CRICKET Rhodes Cricket goes from strength to strength with the First XI shifting across to the Border League. They won both the limited overs league and the Bohemians six-a-side tournament. The competitive edge was retained at the SA Universities Tournament where Rhodes finished fifth, despite rain denying Rhodes victory in three matches when poised to beat RAU, Pietermaritzburg and Stellenbosch Universities.

ROWING In 1995 rowing enjoyed considerable success as we continued to dominate university rowing. Andy Maclachlan and Luke Hartley maintained their status as SA Squad members while Claire Baker, Lindsay Cretchley (spareman for SA Olympic team to Atlanta), Richard Dickerson, Joey Simpson, Andrew Grant and Richard Steele-Grey were all members of the SA U/23 squad. Rhodes maintained its unique record in the SA Universities Boat Race rowed at Port Alfred, the men winning for the 6th consecutive year and the women for the 3rd time in a row. At their SASSU regatta this year Rhodes rowed in 30 races, winning the gold in 14, silver in nine and bronze in four. They brought home the points trophy beating Wits by 72 points and UCT by 87 points. Andrew Grant, Richard Steele-Grey and Simon White have been included in the heavy weight SA National Squad.

By: Pete Andrew and Sue Powers RUGBY Rhodes' first encounters in the Border Rugby League have been favourable. Kelly Hilton-Green, Andy Milne, Ryan Grobler and Dave Jackson have all been included in the Border Senior Squad. Last year Scott Roodt captained a very successful EP U/21 team to some notable

SQUASH Our 1995 Sportswoman of the Year, Sjeanne Cawdry, kept up her impressive form throughout last year winning a number of provincial tournaments and reaching the semi-finals of the SA Championships. She has recently won her third consecutive EP Ladies Closed Squash title and remains unchallenged in the Province. She will be bidding for a place in the SA team in the World Champs later this year and is currently the No 1 student in the country. Due to the lack of competition in the women's leagues, Sjeanne plays in the Rhodes first team in the EP Men's first division and has an enviable record of success.



INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

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The World Student Games. These Games, played in Japan, saw two Rhodes students representing South Africa. Puling Puling established himself as the top student soccer goalkeeper in a very competitive South African team whilst Dominic Goliath was one of the central figures in the Students Volleyball team. Both athletes benefitted greatly from the experience gained at this internation-

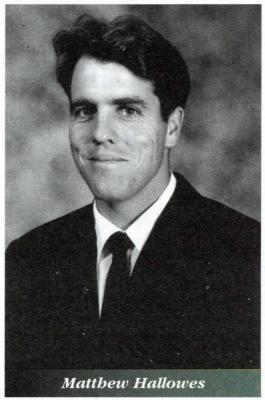
AFRICA GAMES Rhodes boasted two more full South African representatives at volleyball with player/coach Justin Powers and Bronwyn Law-Viljoen both representing our country at the All Africa Games in Harare. Both these players are also dominant on the local beach vollevball circuit.

Matthew Hallowes was a member of the men's hockey team which won the tournament, thereby qualifying for a place at the Atlanta Olympic

Two other Rhodes athletes represented Zimbabwe at the All Africa Games, Martha Banda, playing for the Zim basketball team and Adam Sargent cycling for Zimbabwe. In addition, Norelle D'Ewes and Richard Gardner represented Zimbabwe at swimming and Coco Ndlovu played hockey for Zimbabwe.

These are but a few of the impressive achievements of our Rhodes athletes and teams. All in all the above represents a very active and successful period for Rhodes Sport.

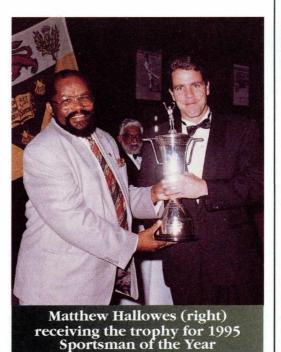
TOP PERFORMERS



Rhodes alumni are running rings around athletes at all levels, but more specifically in the high flying five Olympic ones waving proudabove Atlanta. Two Rhodes 1995 graduates, **Matthew Hallowes** and were Lindsay Cretchley, both selected the Olympic team.

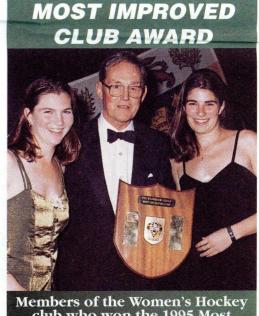
An economics honours student, Matthew is a member of the South African Men's Hockey Team and will be playing in Atlanta whilst Lindsay, a Human Movement Studies student, is the "spare-man" for the SA Women's heavy weight rowing pair, as a nontravelling reserve for the team.

Matthew was first selected for the South African side in 1994 when they played against a touring Dutch side. Following this he travelled with the national team to India for the inaugural Indira Gandhi Tournament, and to Europe, where the team took on India, South Korea and Germany at the four-nations tournament in Germany.





Waterbaby Lindsay was selected for the South African U23 Crew for Seattle, USA, as well as the National Student Reserve Crew last year. Her aptitude for water sports flows from rowing, to her ability at waterpolo, where she played first team level at Rhodes for three years, to lifesaving - a skill which earned her Eastern Province Colours at school level.



club who won the 1995 Most Improved Club of the Year, Debbie De Klerk (left) and Lauren Collier (right) with Dr Henderson



Yvonne Shapiro of the Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC) visited our alumni office recently to remind us of the importance of their database as a national resource. Graduates of all universities are regularly sent requests for updated information. Yvonne asks that Old Rhodians make an effort to let the HSRC know of changes of address, occupation, marital status, etc so that their database can be as up to date as possible and continue to play an important role in market research. HSRC, P.O. Box X41, Pretoria, 0001. Tel: 021-202 2529