

# RHODES NEWSLETTER

Old Rhodian Union

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## University of California Chancellor revisits alma mater

Possibly our most illustrious alumnus, **Professor John Saunders (1920)** revisited Rhodes in October on holiday from San Francisco where he is Chancellor of the mammoth University of California. He was accompanied by his wife of eight years, Rose-bud. Both widowed, they had lived in the same street for many years. "He preferred the view from my house", says Rose-bud. Professor Saunders went to California as head of the medical faculty before the Second World War. Not only is he extremely interesting when talking about the development of education in the USA, but he also has a faultless memory for people and events in Grahamstown more than sixty years ago. His father was in charge of Prince Alfred Hospital, and their family home was "The Oaks", now demolished, up near the Vice-Chancellor's Lodge. Professor Saunders came to Rhodes for the first time as a 13 year old to study Greek under Professor Bowles. It was good having you back again, Professor Saunders.



## Bad news for M C P'S as women sweep to power at Rhodes

Since the recent election of a female SRC president at Rhodes, women have swept to leadership positions in a large number of the more prominent societies, committees and clubs on the campus. Of the five SRC executive members, four are women — the SRC president Jennie Bowen, media councillor Olivia Forsythe, Mary-Jane Enslin and Julie Scott. The other member is Barry du Toit, SRC vice-president.

Women have also taken over the leadership of the National Union of South African Students (NUSAS) local committee — Maura Talbot and Olivia Forsythe are co-chairwomen.

The new chairwoman of AIESEC Rhodes is Elizabeth Miller and Iris Vogelsang is chairwoman of the Rhodes University Pharmacy Students Association.

Other female society chairwomen are Toni Petra, Progressive Federal Party Youth Branch; Patsy Weyer, Rag Committee; Billie Bridges, Rhodes University Social Work Association; and Julie Scott, Academic Freedom Committee.

Roelien Theron and Melissa de Villiers are the new editors of the student newspaper 'Rhodeo'.

*The Centenary of the Grahamstown — Port Alfred train service was celebrated in September when almost 600 people set off in Edwardian garb for a steam train outing filled with beauty and nostalgia. Pipe bands, bunting and mayors in chains were the order of the day, plus a picnic champagne lunch at Bathurst. Among the guests was Prime Time presenter Dorianne Berry, seen here talking to our splendid archetypal minister-figure Professor L A Hewson. Also there were **Errol Moorcroft (BA 1963)** MP for Albany, and his wife Gill (Williams BA 1963).*





# Rhodes Tick Research Unit in Congo fever fight

The Rhodes Tick Research Unit (TRU) played an important role in the fight against Crimean Congo Fever, which caused the death of a Western Cape man, a doctor at Tygerberg hospital, a boy in Bloemhof, the serious illness of a Free State farmer, one of his labourers and four nursing sisters and a matron at the Tygerberg hospital in September.

Dr Ivan Horak, TRU director, said that the National Institute for Virology had asked him to share his findings when it became known that he and his team were conducting a survey on the bont-legged tick, which is responsible for the infection in animals and occasionally humans.

Dr Horak said: "TRU started work on hares in January, 1983. Hares and ground-frequenting birds are hosts of the bont-legged tick during its immature stages.

"That is when the National Institute for Virology came in and asked to share our findings on where the tick occurs, the nature of its hosts and seasonal occurrences".

He said the adult tick preferred large hosts but seldom attacked humans. It was known that the Bloemhof boy who died from the disease had been out camping. Dr Horak said that were a tick to find a warm body in close proximity it might well bite.

There was the possibility of human-to-human contact but it appeared that humans infected by other humans suffered far less serious symptoms.

Dr Horak said that if the Tygerberg Hospital nursing sisters had contracted Crimean Congo Fever in this way it would account for the lesser severity of the attack.

## Club 15 Reunion

Calling all members of Club 15. Your club was founded in 1960, and will be 25 years old next year. Current members are anxious to compile a list of past Club 15'ers preparatory to arranging a nostalgic weekend get-together some time during the year.

Please send your name, years of membership and contact address to:

Mr Ritchie Morris  
7 Hodges Street  
Grahamstown  
6140



*Dr Chris Hummel, who will lead the historical tour, attended the steam train centenary with current students Made Moed who is studying for an MA in history and Michael Stevens, third year history student.*

## Roam Europe with Rhodes Historians

If you are fascinated by the highways and byways of medieval history, you may wish to join the Rhodes University history department on a 28-day ramble through Italy, France and Germany in June/July next year. Their route follows closely in the footsteps of the first half of the medieval European course taught to first year history students at Rhodes.

It starts in Rome, wanders north through Florence and Venice to Milan, then into France to Arles, Avignon, Cluny, Dijon, the Loire Valley, Bayeux and Paris. Then the tour goes through into Germany taking in Cologne, Heidelberg, Rothenburg and Würzburg and ending at Frankfurt. The tour organiser is Dr Chris Hummel, of the department, and Professor Rodney Davenport, who will be on sabbatical leave in Dublin, will guide the group in France. The tour is described as one that should appeal to old and young, amateur and connoisseur, and is reasonably priced at R4 250. It follows a successful tour of the sites of classical Greece and Byzantium led by Classics lecturer, Warren Snowball, last year. Further information can be obtained from Dr Hummel at the History department, telephone 0461-2023 x 45, or from Mike Barnwell at Tom Tits Travel, telephone 0461-2235.

## R50 000 Scholarships awarded to Rhodes German students

Professor Dieter Welz, head of the Department of German at Rhodes, has announced that 10 of his students have been awarded coveted Goethe Institute scholarships to study for two months in Germany at the end of this year. The scholarships are worth R5 000 each. The 10 students are all doing German as a foreign language at Rhodes, which was the first university in the country to offer this type of course. The successful applicants, who come from all population groups in the country, had to undergo placement tests which were assessed in Germany. The Goethe institutes, spread all over the Federal Republic, offer courses tailored for different levels of proficiency in German and are intensive language acquisition exercises of a highly sophisticated nature. Each student will be examined at the end of the course and internationally-accepted diplomas will be awarded.

Professor Welz remarked that the somewhat overwhelming success rate of his department's applications might indicate that the recently-introduced German as a foreign language option had started to pay handsome dividends. The successful applicants are — Kevin Adams, Michelle Enslin, Valmay Kariem, Ruben Mitchell, Khumo Mokgatle, Louise Pistorius, David Segatle and Iris Vogelsang.

## SA is "Media Laboratory of World"

A lecturer in the Rhodes Journalism and Media Studies Department and newly-appointed professor at Natal University, Kenyan Tomaselli, says South Africa is the media laboratory of the world. Dr Tomaselli, who is to take up the newly created position of Director of the Contemporary Cultural Studies Unit at Natal University, Durban, says 'little attention has been accorded to media studies at South African universities — other than Rhodes'.

As head of the unit, Dr Tomaselli will be teaching students conducting post-graduate research. 'The direction of courses will be an extension of the direction in which the Rhodes Journalism and Media Studies Department has been moving in the last four years.' Dr Tomaselli, 36, who has reached professorial status after only six years of academic teaching says he is sad to leave Rhodes. 'The staff here have worked hard and constantly to establish this department as one of the more progressive in the world. Comparing the standards of courses taught here with courses in America, there is no doubt that our theoretically based approach to production is at least a decade ahead'.



# Poet, scientist and miner to be honoured by Rhodes

Rhodes will award honorary degrees to three prominent South Africans at the University's annual graduation ceremony in Grahamstown in April next year.

The distinguished Afrikaans poet, author and literary critic, Ernst van Heerden will receive a Doctor of Literature degree (*honoris causa*) in recognition of his standing as a poet, literary critic and teacher.

Professor van Heerden was born at Pearston and was educated at Grey College, Port Elizabeth, Stellenbosch University, the Gemeentlijke Universiteit Amsterdam and the University of Ghent in Belgium. In 1959 he was awarded a Carnegie scholarship, which enabled him to study modern American literature in the United States of America of America.

He lectured in Afrikaans at the University of Natal and in English and Afrikaans at Stellenbosch University before moving to the University of the Witwatersrand, where he was appointed senior lecturer. After being promoted to Reader in General Poetics, he was appointed Professor and Head of the Department of Afrikaans and Nederlands in 1967, a post he held until his retirement in 1981.

Professor van Heerden has earned numerous distinctions. In 1948 he won second prize in an international poetry competition at the Olympic Games in London; he won the Hertzog Prize for Poetry in 1962 for his volume "Die Klop", and "Teenstrydige Liedere" earned him the W A Hofmeyer Prize for Poetry in 1975.

In 1977 he was honoured with the diploma of the União Brasileira de Escritores, based in Manaus, Brasil; and shortly after his retirement the University of the Witwatersrand conferred on him the degree of DLitt (*honoris causa*). Recently the freedom of the town of his home-town Pearston was bestowed on him.

He has published twelve volumes of his poetry and several collections of prose during his career and has also made a notable contribution as a literary critic. His intimate knowledge of the literatures of several languages is a valuable feature of his literary essays and has contributed to his balance and depth of critical understanding.

Professor van Heerden has done much to promote interaction and understanding between the Afrikaans and English cultures in South Africa and he is regarded as one of the most prominent living Afrikaans poets.

Dr Thomas Webb, an internationally recognized pioneer in thermal analysis (the quantitative study of the effect of heat on materials of all kinds) will receive the degree of Doctor of Science

(*honoris causa*) in recognition of his contribution to the study of building materials.

Dr Webb was born in Cradock and was



*Professor Ernst van Heerden*



*Dr Thomas Webb*



*Dr Richard Cooke*

educated at Templeton High School, Rhodes University and the University of Pretoria.

He is an honorary member of the Institute of South African Architects, the SA Institute of Building, the SA Ceramic Society and the SA Institute of Housing Management. He is also a member of the Building Industry Advisory Council as well as several other professional bodies.

After service in the Special Signals Service (RADAR) during World War II, Dr Webb joined the National Building Research Institute of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, becoming head of the materials division in 1955 and Director of the Institute in 1959. On his retirement he was appointed to a Chair in the School of Business Leadership at the University of South Africa.

Dr Webb is particularly known for his studies on clays and related building materials and has promoted international links for South Africa through his long membership of the International Confederation of Thermal Analysis.

His more recent contributions have been in the field of industrial building and research management and he has frequently appeared on radio and television in connection with the pressing housing needs of the country.

Dr Richard Cooke, former Executive Director of the Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Company and chairman and director of a number of mining companies, will receive the degree of Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*) in recognition of his contributions to the economic, industrial, educational and cultural life of the country. Dr Cooke was born in Malta and was educated at Lancing College, Sussex and King Edward VII School in Johannesburg.

He was President of the Chamber of Mines in 1966-67 and 1969-70, and is a member of the Institutes of Mining and Metallurgy in South Africa and the United Kingdom.

In 1974 he was awarded the degree of LLD (*honoris causa*) by the University of the Witwatersrand in recognition of his services to the mining industry in South Africa.

At present Dr Cooke is Chairman of the Council of the 1820 Foundation and, since his retirement to Plettenberg Bay, has played an important role in the development of the Foundation as a cultural organization.

He is a Trustee of the SA Foundation, the University of South Africa and the Stellenbosch Centenary Fund. From 1965 to 1970 he was a member of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council. Dr Cooke also served on the Boards of the National Institute for Metallurgy, the Nuclear Fuels Corporation, the National Productivity Advisory Council, the SA Institute for Medical Research and the Pneumoconiosis Research Institute. He also played an important role on the Research Advisory Committee of the Atomic Energy Board.





## Harare Reunion

**Barry Blair**, our stalwart ORU representative in Harare sends the following account of this year's annual reunion: Professor Cliff Moran and his wife, Peggy, were the guests of honour and representatives of the University at the Old Rhodian Reunion in Harare on 11 July 1984. In an amusing and interesting talk (interspersed with wry comments from the audience), Professor Moran told the gathering of 70 about recent developments on the campus, and about the successful efforts in fund-raising by the Development Division. As it had been some years since Professor Moran was in his home town, his visit provided an opportunity to renew friendships and freshen memories of past stamping grounds. It was necessary, however, for him to partake of a few brown bottles before he could decide whether the quality of the brew was unchanged! A good and enjoyable evening was had by all present.

## Settler Country 1985 Calendar

The haunting beauty of the Eastern Cape frontier territory is the subject-matter of a new art calendar for 1985 designed and photographed by Rhodes Journalism and History graduate, **Rob Cooper (BA 1979)**.

Titled 'Settler Country 1985', the calendar contains thirteen black and white images which were taken over a two-year period. They cover a wide area — from the dense natural forests of Hogsback in the north through the rich historic fabric of our own 'City of Saints' and the grandeur of the coast to the sombre industrial heartland of Port Elizabeth in the south.

Two of the pictures were taken during the filming of the recent SABC "TV Settlers" documentary **THE VOLUNTEERS** — for which Rob took most of the press pictures.

The original photographs — master-printed on Ilford Galerie paper — were exhibited at the 1820 National Monument and shown on TV during this year's Arts Festival. In order to ensure maximum faithfulness to the rich blacks and sparkling highlights of these originals, they were reproduced using laser scanning technology and printed on imported art gloss paper by the expensive and laborious Duotone process which employs two negatives.

Launched to commemorate this year's 10th anniversary of the 1820 Settlers National Monument, the calendars are available now in a limited edition and can be mailed direct. Price is R11,50 (mailed to anywhere in SA) or R12,50 (mailed to anywhere in the world). Orders should be sent to Grocott and Sherry, P O Box 179 Grahamstown, 6140 or phone (0461) 7222.

Rob is currently the editor of Grocott's Mail — the oldest continuously published newspaper in the country. His next project is a book of photographs on Grahamstown and the Eastern Cape.

## Rhodes refused statue

The Zimbabwe Cabinet Committee on the National Anthem and Monuments has rejected a request from Rhodes that it be given a statue of Physical Energy. The Harare City Council General Purposes Committee had originally agreed to offer the statue to the university. However, in a letter to the council, the secretary for the Ministry of Local Government and Town Planning said the Cabinet Committee did not want the statue to be given to the University. The statue and that of Cecil John Rhodes, placed in what was then Jameson Avenue, were re-sited in 1981 at the rear of the National Archives on the instructions of the former Ministry of Information and Tourism. The Physical Energy statue, which for several years stood by the Rowan Martin Building on the Bulawayo road, was previously held in storage by the council after it came from Lusaka municipality when Zambia gained independence in the 1960's.

## Changes in Rhodes PR

Earlier this year the Public Relations and Development Division was divided, with **Neil Papenfus (B Com 1958)**, who is once more stationed in Grahamstown, becoming Director of Development and **Richard Buckland (1953)** Director of Public Relations. Two new posts were created — **Mary Burnett (BA 1972)** was appointed Press Officer and Charles Jefferys Schools Liaison Officer stationed in Grahamstown. **Felicity van der Linde (Pearson, BA Hons 1973)** remains at the helm of our Johannesburg Liaison Office, which now falls under the Public Relations Division. Public Relations Officer, **Aletta Eliott (de Villiers BA Hons 1966)** leaves Rhodes in the new year to join Fort Hare as their chief PRO. Her place will be taken by **Julia Demetriou (Denny BA Hons 1982)**.

The Rhodes Newsletter is published bi-annually in June and December by the Public Relations Division of Rhodes University. Information and news of, or of interest to, Old Rhodians can be submitted to:

The Secretary  
ORU

or

The Public Relations Officer  
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6140 GRAHAMSTOWN  
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**Professor Dennis Buchanan (B Sc Hons 1969)** has been appointed to the Mineral Industry Chair of Mining Geology at Imperial College, University of London. He worked for Union Corporation before he gained his PhD at Imperial College on aspects of the Bushveld Complex. Dennis was in Grahamstown in September when we took this picture.





## Eighth consecutive Intervarsity loss

If it weren't for the gentlemanly attitude to sport still prevalent at Rhodes — game, not battle — 1st team rugby players might be feeling a little despondent after their eighth consecutive defeat by UPE at the annual Intervarsity. However they can cheer themselves up (slightly) by re-reading the following report in the local rag: 'Although UPE once again proved too strong for Rhodes in most departments of the game, the one area in which they did not match the home team was in enthusiasm. The Rhodes teams gave everything they had and their reward was keeping the margin down to 9 points and scoring the only points in the second half'. Bear in mind too, that Rhodes is, we believe, the only university left in South Africa that has not succumbed to offering sports scholarships.

## Not enough cooks spoil the broth

*Unrest in the Black townships of Grahamstown had an unexpected spin-off during final exams this November when the University's residences found themselves entirely without Black staff, and students volunteered for behind-the-counter duty for a change, cooking and serving meals for almost 2 000 people.*

*Behind the scenes were Professor Alan Penny (BA 1963) Master of Founder's Hall and Miss Jane Dalton, General Manager of Catering and Housekeeping Services. He washed while she dried.*



*The Rhodes Choir made its first tour of the Reef in seven years during the September vacation, and a great success it was too. In the picture, Professor Rupert Mayr puts his choir through its paces at an impromptu concert in Rhodes Park. Many thanks to those who hosted members of the choir in their homes and looked after them so well!*

## Whites cracking under the strain

Professor Edward Higgins, head of the Department of Sociology and Industrial Sociology at Rhodes, says the White population group in South Africa is being subjected to severe stresses which it is not able to withstand.

Currently engaged in a major national demographic study of census data from the beginning of this century up to the present day, Professor Higgins' research has led him to believe that the distorted South African social and political system, which ignores almost four-fifths of the population while expecting the White minority to produce all the leaders in commerce and industry and the professions, is largely to blame.

This, added to excessive smoking and drinking, lack of exercise and over-eating, has produced a high-risk 'killer' lifestyle. His study shows that mental illness is now largely the exclusive preserve of the White population because of the intense strains under which Whites are forced to operate. Black people, by contrast, tend to be more tolerant of behavioural aberration within their community.

White males in SA lead the world in death from heart disease and Indian males are rapidly showing the same trend, while heart disease in the Black and Coloured community is less prominent.

**Professor Les Switzer** of the Department of Journalism and Media Studies has left Rhodes to become joint professor in the School of Communication and the African and Afro-American programme at the University of Houston in Texas.

## Ex-Rhodes Professor edits Jewry survey

A former professor of Economics at Rhodes, Dr Marcus Arkin, has for 12 years been Director-General of the Zionist Federation in Johannesburg and for the last two years has been editing a major survey of Jewry in SA.

The book consists of 10 chapters on different aspects of contemporary Jewish life, each by a specialist. Arkin feels a touch of pride that the work is to some extent a father and son effort. While he has edited, introduced and contributed one chapter to the survey, his son, **Dr Anthony Arkin (BA Hons 1972)** has also contributed a chapter. Anthony is the first White to have been awarded a doctorate by the University of Durban-Westville.

Marcus Arkin has plenty of facts at his fingertips. For example, the Jewish community of South Africa is about 120 000 strong and is remarkably homogeneous. About 80 per cent originated in Lithuania, one of the earliest centres of Zionist effort in the world.

Of this community, 80 to 85 per cent are found in the two major urban areas of South Africa, Johannesburg and Cape Town. About half of all Jewish children attend Jewish day schools.

South Africa plays a role out of all proportion to its size in world Zionism. This is because the Zionist community in South Africa is the most vibrant and closely knit there is. This, in turn, is largely the result of one body, the Zionist Federation, controlling all aspects of the movement. South Africa is the only country in the world where this is so.



# Who's Who?

## Rhodes women are Who!

Fair Lady magazine annually publishes the Who's Who of SA women. Rhodes is happy to note that no fewer than 18 of these have Rhodian ties. We publish the details here:

(with acknowledgement to Fair Lady).

**Joyce Elizabeth Berry (Lumsden B Pharm 1976)** is managing director of Servier Laboratories (Pty) Ltd. She has a degree in pharmacy from Rhodes and completed her internship at Settlers' Hospital in Grahamstown. She has worked at the Nigel Hospital and in retail pharmacies. She was appointed assistant pharmacist and training manager at Servier in 1982 and was appointed managing director last year. She is married with two sons and lives in Johannesburg.

**Molly Blackburn** is the PFP member of the provincial council for Walmer. She is a BA graduate of Rhodes, and until 1981 she had her own estate agency in Port Elizabeth, where she lives. She is the official opposition spokesman in the Eastern Cape for hospital services. She is married and has seven children.

**Jean Branford** compiled 'A Dictionary of South African English', the third edition of which is in preparation. Dr Branford works at the dictionary research unit of Rhodes in Grahamstown as a lexicographer involved in teaching and research. She is consultant on South African English for the Oxford English Dictionary supplements. She is married and has two adult children.

**Nancy Charton** is associate professor of political studies at Rhodes. She was appointed in 1981 and was previously senior lecturer. She has bachelor's and master's degrees in administration from Pretoria University, BA and B Theol degrees from UNISA and a University Education Diploma from Rhodes. She is the author of 'Ciskei - Economics and Politics of Dependence', and co-author of 'White South African Elite', 'African Perspectives on South Africa', and 'An Empty Table'. Her chief interests are resettlement, the homelands and the politics of developing countries. She is a sub-deacon in the Anglican Church.

**Jacklyn Cock (BA 1966 PhD 1981)** is a lecturer in sociology at the University of the Witwatersrand where she teaches courses on education, women and health. She is actively involved in the feminist movement and is the author of the book *Maids and Madams*. She has a Ph D in sociology from Rhodes, and her thesis dealt with the position of black women in domestic service. During 1983 Dr Cock was engaged in research on child care and the working mother for the second Carnegie inquiry into poverty in South Africa. She edited a special issue on women and work for the South African Labour Bulletin, which appeared in December 1983. She was previously a lecturer at Rhodes and lives in Johannesburg.

**Ethne Fourie** is minister of St Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Kroonstad. She started studying theology after she was widowed in 1969, graduating first with a BA at UNISA and B D with first class honours in systematic theology at Rhodes at the age of 53. This year she is moderator of the Presbytery of the Orange River. She was the first woman ordained in the Presbyterian Church of southern Africa, the first to receive a call from a congregation and to be elected moderator of a presbytery.

**Shirley Gelb (Cohen 1953)** has been director of Face Place for 12 years, is vice-president of the SA Institute of Health and Beauty Therapists and has been a council member of this body for the past eight years. She has a BA from Rhodes and diplomas from Vienna, Paris and the USA. She has travelled widely on lecture-demonstration visits. In 1973 she won a national make-up competition. In 1982 she was the convenor of the eighth national and tenth anniversary congress of the SA Institute of Health and Beauty Therapists in Cape Town. She has three children and lives in Cape Town.

**Eily Gledhill (M Sc 1936)** is an honorary research associate in the department of plant sciences at Rhodes. She has a M Sc from Rhodes and a Ph D in plant ecology from London. She is the author of 'Eastern Cape Veld Flowers' (translated as 'Blomme van Oos-Kaapland') and co-author of three histories, 'From Cottage to Villa', '1820 Settlers Illustrated' and 'In the Steps of Piet Retief'. She was a foundation member of the 1820 Settlers National Monument Council, and managing director and a founder of Historic Grahamstown (Pty) Ltd. She is chairman of the Grahamstown Guild of Tour Guides, and president of the town's historical society. She is a member of the Simon van der Stel Foundation and a former council member and a Commander Sister of the Order of St John with 40 years' service. She is married, has one daughter and lives in Grahamstown.

**Thelma Henderson** is director of the Centre for Social Development, Grahamstown and spearheads the funding and development of new community facilities (day care centres, creches, nursery schools) and is the co-ordinator for four large bursary funds including Gadra Education of which she is chairman. She is also a council member and projects consultant of the 1820 Foundation, and a member of the Eastern Cape Board of the Urban Foundation. A former dean of women's residences and lecturer in geography at Wits, she has written and lectured widely on education, the role of women and community development. She is a member of the federal executive of the PFP and alternate chairman for the OFS and E Cape Rhodes Scholars select-

ion committee. She is the wife of the vice-chancellor of Rhodes, has two daughters and lives in Grahamstown.

**Helen Mann** is resident director of the Mannville Open Air Theatre in Port Elizabeth. She played leading roles in more than 35 productions between 1952 and 1982 and has directed more than 40 major productions, including two operas. She has served on the drama and opera committees of Capab, conducted workshops for drama teachers at Rhodes and Dower College, and holds the Shakespearean Festival anniversary gold medal, the Port Elizabeth anniversary medal, the Andrew Humeunet medal and the 1820 Settlers gold medal. In 1981 she was awarded the Prisa merit award for promoting classical theatre. She is married, has five children and lives in Port Elizabeth.

**Estelle Marais (BA 1965 MFA 1972)** is professor and head of the fine arts department at the University of Bophuthatswana, a new department. The first students will be enrolled next year. She has a MA in fine arts and an honours degree in Afrikaans from Rhodes where she is doing her doctoral thesis. She started a fine arts department at the University of Fort Hare, was head of the Natal Technikon's art department for a year, and returned to lecture at Rhodes before joining the staff at the University of Bophuthatswana; She is an authority on contemporary southern African art and has held 15 one-man exhibitions and 40 group shows of her own work. She is single and lives in Mmabatho.

**Lucy Mvubelo** is founder and general secretary of the 22 000 strong National Union of Clothing Workers (SA), and has negotiated better conditions for workers in the clothing industry. Dr Mvubelo is deputy vice-president of the Trade Union Council of South Africa, life vice-president of the Business and Professional Women's Association and a member of the Women's Legal Status Action Committee. In 1975 she was voted woman of the year by The World newspaper, and in 1979 The Star's woman of the year. In 1979 she visited the USA twice under the auspices of the South Africa Foundation. She has strongly opposed disinvestment by American and European businesses in South Africa and this year under the auspices of the US Chamber of Commerce in South Africa presented a paper at the District of Columbia hearing on the disinvestment of civil pensions in South Africa. She is a member of the National Manpower Commission. In 1981 she received an honorary doctorate in social science from Rhodes University. She is widowed and has two children and two grandchildren. In 1983 she received the Adelaide Ristori award.

**Nan Olivier** is new business development manager with Berk Pharmaceuticals, a member of the Revision Health Care Group. She was appointed in 1982 and was previously a product manager at Berk. She has a bachelor's degree in



pharmacy from Rhodes, a B Sc (hons) from Wits and an MBA from UCT. She lives in Sandton.

**Muriel Bamford Richter** is the medical officer of health for Durban. She worked for the Transvaal Provincial Hospital Services from 1951 to 1953, the Johannesburg City health department from 1953 to 1968, was assistant medical officer of health for Durban from 1968 to 1971, and chief state medical officer in the State Health Department in Pretoria from 1971 to 1974. This year she is the moderator in epidemiology for the Natal Technikon and united municipal executive representative on the State Advisory Committee, Animal Slaughter, Meat and Animal Product Hygiene Act. Last year she was appointed to the Health Matter Advisory Committee. She has been a registered specialist in preventive medicine since 1969. She obtained her medical qualifications from the universities of Rhodes, the Witwatersrand, Cape Town and Dundee. She lives in Durban.

**Irina Russell (B Sc 1967)** is professor of pharmaceuticals and head of the school of pharmacy at the University of the Western Cape. She was appointed in 1981, and was previously a senior lecturer in the department of pharmaceutical chemistry. She has a B Sc (Pharm) and a Ph D from Rhodes, as well as an HED from UNISA and a B Ed degree from the University of the Western Cape. Her chief interest has been the study of polysaccharides from the red seaweeds, and she has published several papers in scientific journals. She lives in Cape Town.

**Margaret Smith** retired as director of the JLB Smith Institute of Ichthyology at Rhodes in 1982. Professor Smith is a marine fish systematist, and a world authority on fishes. She is a member of the national committee dealing with marine line fish, editor-in-chief of the revision of 'Sea Fishes of Southern Africa', honorary curator of fishes at East London and Port Elizabeth museums, board member of Albany Museum and honorary life vice-president and life member of numerous angling, underwater and conservation bodies. She is involved in various women's organisations — NCW, SAAVW Soroptimist, and is a member of Grahamstown School Board and Councillor of Kingswood College. She has written numerous books on marine life and been on many research expeditions. She is the widow of Prof JLB Smith after whom the Institute is named. She has one son, two step-children, four grandchildren, and seven step-grandchildren and lives in Grahamstown.

**Glen Uys (Irving BA 1943)** is president of the SA Women's Agricultural Association, which has 31 000 members. In 1982 she was elected for a second term of office. She has been associated with the WAA since 1948, and is the author of two jubilee albums to mark the 50th

## BIRTHDAYS AND WEDDINGS .....



*Our Johannesburg liaison office turned 10 this year (it was established in 1974 with **June Bahlman (now Mason BA 1966)** at the helm), and to celebrate, current Johannesburg schools liaison officer, **Felicity van der Linde (Pearson BA Hons 1973)** remarried in Grahamstown in November. She is seen here on the big day with new spouse **John Easom**, product manager with a major pharmaceutical firm.*

anniversaries of the Cape Province Women's Agricultural Association and the SAWAA. She is the mayor of Heidelberg. She has a BA from Rhodes and a Higher Education Diploma from UCT, and taught for some years in the Cape and Natal. She is married and lives at Heidelberg.

**Lize van der Merwe** has been associate professor of mathematical statistics at Rhodes since 1982. She was previously a senior lecturer at UNISA and a lecturer at UPE. She has a B Sc (hons) degree from Stellenbosch and a Ph D from UPE. She is married and lives in Grahamstown.

## Late OR news

**Niall D'Altera Turner (Abrahams BA 1965)** is teaching English to foreign students in Bournemouth, England and studying for a diploma in the subject. Her husband, Kenneth, is sales manager for a computer distribution company.

**Tony Granger (LLB 1979)** is with the Old Mutual in Cape Town where he is the manager of their financial advisory services. He is married to Joy and has one son. Also at the Old Mutual from the 1979 Law class are **Brian Pemberton**, **John Rainier** (both in property investments) and **Steven Manning** (legal adviser).

**Ann (Brink BA Hons 1966)** and **Andre Jaquet (BA 1966)** are returning to SA from the USA in January, and will be living in Sandton for a few years, before setting off again for pastures new. Andre is with the Department of Foreign Affairs.

**Michael McCoy (BTheol 1974)** is now in Stutterheim, where he is rector of three Anglican parish churches — two in town and one at Kei Road. He and Lorna (UCT physio) had three very happy years at the Cathedral in Grahamstown, 1982-4, during which Mike embarked on the part-time B Theol Hons in Pastoral Theology at Rhodes. The move to Stutt hasn't made study easy, but Mike intends to pass his finals in February 1985. The rectory where he

and Lorna live is well-situated in the centre of Stutt, just off the national road between KWT and Queenstown — friends please note!!

**D M Venter (M SC 1980)** who was living in Tsumeb, is now a project geologist with African Selection Trust Exploration, the exploration subsidiary of BP. He is stationed in Klerksdorp.

**Avril Wilson (Challemore BA 1963)** writes that she and her husband **Alan (B SC 1963)** do not receive their newsletters despite having paid at a Rhodes Reunion in Durban. That was an enterprising person who took your money Avril — newsletters are sent free to all OR's who keep us informed of their current address. Hope this one reaches you. (P.S. Suppliers of OR ties are Birch's, High Street, Grahamstown).

## Foreign address lists

OR's receiving their newsletters while living abroad should, if all goes according to plan, find in their envelopes address lists of all OR's known to live in that part of the world. Please help us to keep these lists up to date by sending any changes to us, either for yourselves or for others. Also, all SA-based OR's travelling abroad who would like to meet fellow OR's, please write to us before you go, for your copy of the foreign address list applicable to the part of the world you intend visiting.



# Old Rhodian News

**Prof Andy Andrews (B Com 1971)** who is the youngest dean to be appointed at Wits and the youngest head of a South African business school, was voted one of the Jaycees 'Four Outstanding Young South Africans' this year. He joined the Department of Economics at Wits in 1974 and became Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration in 1982.

**ASSOCOM** remains in the firm control of Old Rhodians, now that **Bill Yeowart (1958)** has handed over the presidency to **M E W Weir (1953)**. In his presidential address at the Assocom annual congress in Pietermaritzburg, Bill pinpointed some cures for inflation:

- 1) cutting down Government expenditure;
- 2) cutting down the supply of money going into less urgent private sector spending, primarily as a result of previously unrealistically low interest rates;
- 3) reduced taxation;
- 4) increased productive investment in commerce and industry;
- 5) an increase in personal voluntary saving to supply funds for investment;
- 6) an all-out effort by everyone in the private sector to increase efficiency.

**G L Awre (B Sc 1948)** writes from Swindon in the United Kingdom that he has left Sir William Halcrow and Partners after 28 years and joined the Training Department of the Institute of Civil Engineers in Great George Street, Westminster. He has three children — two sons and a daughter — and complains that he hears very little news of '48 graduates, especially those who started in 'The Homestead' up the hill.

**John Badenhorst (BA 1972)** has been appointed publicity officer for opera, ballet, music and orchestra at PACOFS in Bloemfontein. So far, John has alternated his career between his two main interests — education and the arts — by teaching at Harold Cressy school for Coloured children in Cape Town, and directing drama workshops and the People's Space Theatre in Cape Town.

**Lorna Bateman (Ryan HED 1974)** writes: My husband, **Kenneth Bateman**, and I attended Rhodes from 1971-1974, where Kenneth completed his **BPharm (1974)** and I studied for a **BA(PhysEd) NHED (1974)**. My husband now runs his own pharmacy in Mount Pleasant, Port Elizabeth. I taught for 6 years in both Cape Town and Port Elizabeth and am now a housewife with a 2½ year old son, Ryan, and a second addition due next June. My brother **Eric Ryan (BCom 1979)** lives in Dallas, Texas. He completed a post graduate course in computer programming and now works as a systems analyst for a large international, London-based firm. He is not married.

not married. My sister **Helen Riding (Ryan BCom. 1979)** is married to **Michael Riding (BCom Hons 1977)**, who later qualified as a CA and then studied further through UNISA, to complete a BSc (computer science). He is now working for Mobil Oil as an international auditor (computers) and they travel throughout the world, spending periods of up to 3 months in different cities — at the moment they are in Havanger, Norway. They have been married for 6 years and do not have any children as yet. My brother-in-law, **Andrew Bateman, BPharm 1981**, will soon complete his military service at Saldanha Bay, where he has been working in the navy dispensary. He intends travelling overseas next year.

**Hans Berker (LLB 1951)** was appointed Judge President of South West Africa/Namibia in March last year.

**Jennifer Bishop (nee Bostock B Soc Sc 1962)** has been appointed Registrar (academic) at the University of Fort Hare. Her husband is an Associate Professor in the Department of Animal Science at Fort Hare. They have a son and a daughter.

**Diane Boernstein (Hermans BA 1954, Hons 1958)** is the first woman lawyer to bring a case before the International Court of Justice in The Hague. Diane, who has worked for the United Nations for 20 years, will be bringing the case of a Russian who was contracted to work for the UN but was recalled to the Soviet Union. He declined to go, but on the

expiration of his contract, the UN, under Russian pressure, refused to renew his contract. Dr Boernstein won his case on appeal to the General Assembly.

**Cindy Breetzke (Junior Primary Dip 1980)** is married to **David Hardy (B Pharm 1979)** and the couple live in Port Elizabeth where David is in partnership in a pharmacy in Despatch and Cindy is teaching at Westering Primary.

**Ernie Burmeister (B Com 1973)** is MD of Diesel Electric Eastern Cape, stationed in Port Elizabeth.

**Geoffrey Burton (BA 1970)** is now teaching at St George's Grammar School at Mowbray in the Cape. He taught for ten years at Que Que in Zimbabwe. He and his wife have two sons.

**Wendy Clark (nee Parker BA 1971)** is living in Pulborough, West Sussex, where she teaches the violin to pupils from the age of two upwards. Poor neighbours!

**Norman Cliff (B Com 1949)**, one of our kind and energetic ORU organizers in the UK, who was born in China, spent some time there this year. His address is

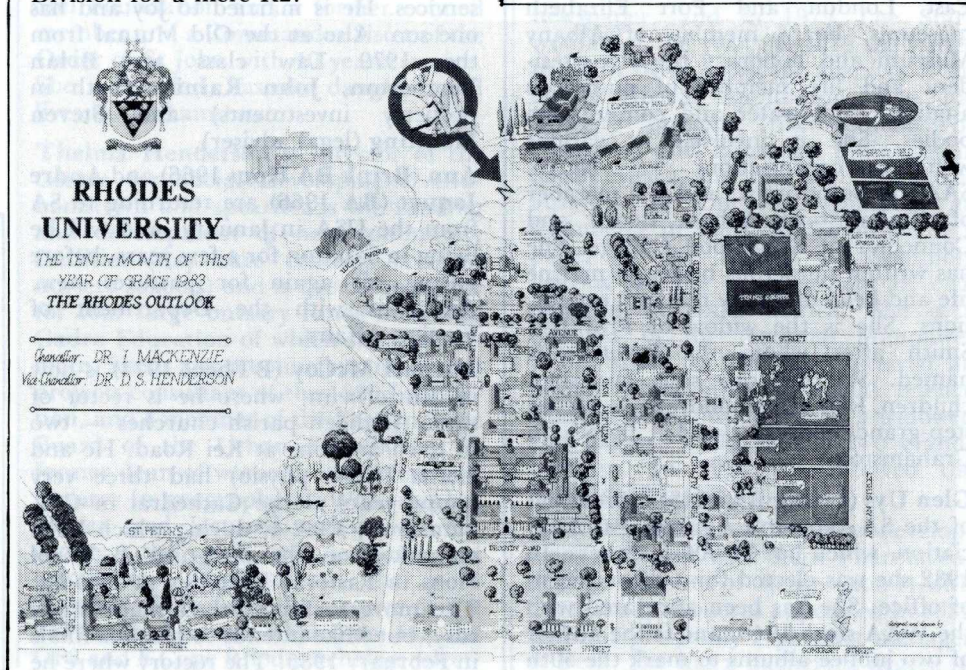
4 Hull Terrace  
Colchester Road  
Harold Wood  
Essex RM3 OXR

**Bryony Cobby (B Sc 1977)** worked in the Rhodes Entomology Department until 1982. She has since emigrated to the UK and is working at Birkbeck College, University of London.

Cape Town OR's have a new representative, **Katherine Cruise (Button BA 1967)**. She takes over from **Jen (Forbes BA 1964)** and **Dave Lewis (B Com 1967)** to whose dedication Rhodes and all OR's in Cape Town owe the

## New Campus Maps for sale

The campus map, featured reduced in size in this year's Rhodes Review, is available in full poster size and glorious technicolour from the Public Relations Division for a mere R2.





tremendous success of their re-union parties.

Katherine is in an ideal position to continue the good work of her predecessors — her husband **Stephen (1967)** is the manager of the club where the reunion was held this year.

**Hilary (BA 1954)** and **Maggie (Boyd BA 1954) Currey** are in Somalia where Hilary runs the Juba Sugar Project for Booker Agriculture International Limited, London. They went to The Horn in 1981 after 24 years in Zambia, where Hilary was in charge of Zambianisation of the Copper Industry and Maggie worked as a journalist. They expect to return to the BAI head office in London in 1985.

**Prof E A Davies (BA 1964)** has been appointed head of the English Department at Fort Hare. After leaving Rhodes he received a teachers diploma at the University of Zimbabwe, a Masters degree at the University of Exeter and a doctorate from the University of Birmingham. Before coming to Fort Hare, Prof Davies lectured at the University of Durban-Westville.

**Alexander Dewar (B Sc 1939)** received his medical degree at the University of Glasgow and went into practice in the UK. He married in 1939, just before setting out on five years of military service. The Dewars returned to SA in 1946 where Dr Dewar set up a practice in Port Elizabeth. In the fifties the couple turned to farming. They are now retired and living in Adelaide.

**Sue Dickie (BA 1978)** who was a springbok swimmer, is now playing hockey for Western Province.

After nearly 20 years in librarianship **Glenn Emmerson (BA 1962)** took a year off to train as a florist and has opened her own shop, 'the Daisy Chain' in Claremont, Cape Town where she specializes in natural, country-type arrangements and cottage gifts.

**Jakes Ewer**, who was a professor of Zoology at Rhodes until 1976 is living in London. No details however.

**Mrs N M Falkiner (Davies 1919)** is living in Springs and tells us that she is shortly going to move to an old age home. Her postal address is Box 113, Springs, 1560.

**Quentin Ferrey (Ba Div 1963)** is married to **Pat (Gregory 1962)** and was recently appointed secretary to the Faculty of Engineering at Wits. The couple are living in Roodepoort.

**Laura Fielden (B Sc Hons 1982)** has been awarded the 1984 Frank Bush bursary to study a rare and elusive species of mole in the Namib desert. At present Laura is an M Sc student in the Department of Zoology at the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg.

**Mark Finnigan (B Pharm 1980)** married **Rose Bouchier (B Pharm 1981)** in East London in December last year, and they are both working at the Frere Hospital.

**A M Gibbs (B Sc 1979)** married **Carole Hodge (B Sc 1980)** in May this year just

prior to a business trip to Europe to visit cement factories in Spain, France, Denmark, Luxemborg and Germany. He also attended the 1984 International Cement Production Seminar in Copenhagen. He is the Production Superintendent at Pretoria Portland Cement Riebeeck Works near Cape Town.

**Antoinette Alexander (Rault BA 1946)** and **Heather Giles (BA 1973)** have been appointed the first lay Principal and Deputy Principal respectively of Brescia House in Bryanston.

## Rhodes Pottery



Mrs Jenny Purdon of the Rhodes PR Division holds pottery specially made by Hamburger Potteries bearing the Rhodes crest. Prices, plain or crested, (excluding GST), are:

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Small ashtray	R3,09

Order from us, including vast amounts for postage. If you send too much, shall we consider the change a donation?

**Vanona Gillard (B Theol 1983)** has been appointed director of Life Line (E Cape). Vanona first trained as an occupational therapist, and lectured at the University of Pretoria for some time. In 1969 she moved with her family to Port Elizabeth where she was instrumental in the establishment of an E Cape branch of Life Line in 1976. After a divorce in 1979, Vanona and her four children moved to Grahamstown where she became a student again. Although she feels a call to the ministry, the Anglican Church in South Africa does not ordain women. However, she says: 'Life Line sees itself as a branch of the Christian ministry by providing an educational and a counselling service as well as a 24-hour telephone service'.

**Lisa Goddard (BA 1978)** writes: 'Believe it or not, am still alive and suspiciously well. Working as a freelance journalist, still single, free and sane. Living in Craighall, Johannesburg (phone 706 1543) and would love to hear from old friends'.

**Murray Graham (B Sc Hons 1949)** is well-known to all veteran UK OR's. New UK OR's should contact him at

27 Dormers Wells Lane  
Southall, UB1 3HX  
Middlesex

UNITED KINGDOM

Murray is looking for **Patrick Aloysius O'Brien (M Sc 1949)**. Can you help?

**John Grogan (BA Hons 1972)** who has been a lecturer at Rhodes since 1981, has been appointed a senior lecturer in the Department of Journalism and Media Studies. John has worked on newspapers in Cape Town and in Port Elizabeth, as well as completing B Juris and LLB degrees through UNISA. He is married with 3 children.

**Hermanus Haye (B Sc ED U 1952)** retired from teaching in 1980 and is now studying at the Cape Technikon for a diploma in Pharmacy.

**Graham Herbert (BA 1977)** and his wife **Arlene Katz (BA 1976)** have been in the USA for two years where Graham has been studying for his MBA at Michigan State University. He is on a Ford Fellowship and will return to Ford in Port Elizabeth in 1985. Arlene, who was Personnel Officer at Barclays in Port Elizabeth, has been keeping active in the arts, and has recently taken part in a TV play to be screened in the USA in January.

**Hugh Herman (BA 1960)** has been made a joint MD of Pick 'n Pay, where he was formerly the property director. After leaving Rhodes, Hugh became a partner in a Cape Town legal firm. He joined Pick and Pay in 1976.

**C K (Ken) Hill (M Sc 1942)** has just retired from the Maths Department at Natal University, Durban. He passed through Grahamstown with his wife **Jean (Ballantine UED 1942)** on a trip to Cape Town recently. They still live in Durban.

**Manton Hirst (BA Hons 1974)** tutored at Rhodes in the Department of Anthropology from 1975-77, during which time he was involved in a project dealing with folk-healing amongst the Xhosa-speaking peoples. He has been with the Kaffrarian Museum in King William's Town since 1978 as curator of anthropology.

**Bedford Hurndall (B Sc 1933 and B Ed 1937)** has sent us some delightful tales of didgeroo-doo during his Rhodes days. How nice it is to know that one's elders were as wayward in their youth as oneself! One tale, too scurrilous for the pages of this pristine publication, concerns a certain student — 3rd year chem at that — confusing the formulae of alcohol and ether and scaring the day-lights out of his pals as a result. Another we'll quote in full, (thank you Bedford Hurndall) and tentatively titled: 'The Copbaiters'

'I think the year was 1931. Could have been 1932. One evening half a doz. students dropped in at Alf's, the local pub which stood where the Graham Hotel is now, on the way to the local bio which



at that time was down past the Cathedral to the right. By the time they reached the Cathedral they had also reached the unanimous decision that one of them who still had the odd penny, over and above the bio entrance fee, must spend it weighing himself on a scale that used to stand outside one of the shops immediately to the South of the Cathedral. Somehow or other he lost his balance while weighing himself and in falling he pulled the scale over which crashed down on the pavement with a great bang. Before they knew it, a policeman appeared amongst the 'revellers', who by this time were killing themselves with laughter but not for long as said policeman took 'the criminal' (intent on malicious damage to private property) into custody where he spent that night getting over Alf's hellfire jack but not his indignation. As a consequence, although he was released the following morning without being charged the students (over 200 of us at the time) decided to get their own back. Word was leaked to the police station that on a certain night the students were going to demonstrate en masse and possibly commit mayhem in the town. On the appointed night the students quietly marched down High Street four abreast on the way to the cinema after which they all marched quietly back to Res. The police must have enrolled dozens of temporary extras for the event, some of whom wore helmets or bayonets or some other piece of official dress, and these could be seen skulking in alleyways, doorways, behind trees and parked cars all along our way to and from the cinema. Although the incident didn't endear us much to the police, this never worried us much as it was generally felt that we had proved a point. Noby actually knew what.'

**Tony Jackson (B Sc 1965)** is living at 30 Kingstons Drive, Umhlanga.

**Francois Jacot-Guillarmod (B Sc 1973)** is returning to Rhodes this December as a systems programmer. He has been working in the Transvaal as a programmer/analyst for engineering and financial concerns.

**Max Kowen (BA 1970)**, principal of Legal Personnel Selections, warned would-be law students at a careers guidance meeting in Johannesburg that young lawyers are moving out of the profession because they can't maintain a high enough standard of living. Max says they are moving instead into commerce.

**Leslie-Sharon Lang (BA 1979)** — we are looking for you! Doreen McDonald is most anxious to get in touch with you. Leslie-Sharon apparently emigrated with her parents and brothers to the USA in 1980. Their first address was 8D, 144 West, 86 Street, New York. We appeal to anybody with further news about the Lang family to contact us and/or Doreen, whose address is

E34, Edingight,  
Queen Road  
Rondebosch  
7700



*Bedford Hurndall (third from left), author of 'The Copbaiters', is one of only two golfers who have played in every one of the Davis Cup Intervarsity golf tournaments which have been held in Johannesburg annually since 1976.*

**Deon Lemmer (Fine Art 1977)** studied at the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam after leaving Rhodes. Currently living in Natal, Deon held an exhibition in August where the imagery of kites is used throughout to represent an attempt to rise above the earth towards a purer understanding.

**Mary Lochner (de Beer BA 1927 HED 1928)** sends news of her three children, all OR's: **Ludy Lochner (B Sc 1959)** is a partner in the law firm Stephenson & Harwood of Coulters Lane, London, dealing with patents and trademarks. He rides to work on a folding bicycle which then goes home to Godalming with him on the tube.

**Christine Thomas (nee Lochner BFA 1961)** took a diploma in infant teaching at UNISA and is now principal of the Valley Road Pre-Primary School in Hout Bay near Cape Town.

**Alice Wilkes (nee Lochner BA 1966)** teaches art in the Ryde School on the Isle of Wight, where her husband is the principal.

**Arnold Louw (MSc 1932 UED 1935)** writes from Colesberg in response to our article about **Dr D G Kingwill (Hon Grad 1984)**: 'I think it was on his door that there hung this notice: "Bread is the staff of life, but that does not mean that the life of staff should be one long loaf".'

**Margeret Lundquist (BA 1950)** is based in Stockholm, although she and her husband are spending several years in Morocco.

**Dr Jos Lurie (B Sc 1961)** is director of the Witwatersrand Technikon's School of Mining and Metallurgy.

**Alan Maker (B D Hons 1966)** has been elected moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Southern Africa at the very young age of 42. Married with three daughters, Alan also holds a doctorate in theology from Princeton.

**Corinne Marriott (B Soc Sc 1973)** is sales manager for a big motor car dealer in Phalaborwa. Corinne, who is also involved with the personnel agency she started when she moved to Phalaborwa

in 1980, is divorced and has three small daughters to care for. Being a woman in a man's world, she finds, like most women before her, that she has to work harder and longer hours than her male counterparts for equal recognition.

**Nan Melville (BA 1970)** is one of the official photographers for PACT. Her work entails producing pictures for the archives, and publicity photographs for the three PACT companies: opera, ballet and drama. However, it is with dance that she has found the greatest challenge, and to which she has made the greatest contribution.

**Adrian Meyer (B Com 1983)** came third in SA in the public accounting and auditors board examinations. An excellent achievement, particularly when one considers that only 42% of candidates passed the exam at all.

**Colin Millar (B Com 1977)** is living in Atlanta, Georgia, where he is establishing a business importing high investment art pieces from various southern African countries including a teddy bear from Botswana called Zak. He is also involved in a skin care product which provides a good base. (Not kubus we trust?)

**Ann Miller (Sec Prac)** is MD of a PR agency in Johannesburg which specializes in organizing sporting events such as Fun Runs and the JSE Marathon. The divorced mother of two daughters, Ann is a 'no-nonsense, no frills' PR person.

News of the **Morton** family:

**Hugh Morton (B Sc Hons 1968)** is living in New Zealand where he is a senior lecturer in statistics at Massey University. In the last New Zealand parliamentary elections, a computer analysis system devised by Hugh was spot on in its predictions of results in almost every constituency.

**Phillipa Johnson (nee Morton BA 1968)** is working as an illustrator for the surgery department at UCT. She has two little boys.

**Angela Morton (BA 1973)** is a manageress of Woolworths, stationed in Cape Town.



**Patrick Mynhardt**, fond of describing his days at Rhodes as 'three disastrous years' has had a great success round the country with his latest one-man presentation "Boy from Bethulie".

**Mike Osborne (Land Survey 1953)** spent five years in the Middle and Far East before leaving Rhodesia in 1964 to settle in Johannesburg. He qualified as a town planner at WITS while working for the City Council and for the last 14 years has been a partner in a large firm of town planners and land surveyors in Johannesburg. He is currently president of the SA Institute of Town and Regional Planners. Mike is married with two teenage sons.

**Ian Paterson (B Sc HED 1950)** retires this year from the headmastership of St Andrew's School Bloemfontein. Although a chemistry graduate, he has taught maths throughout his career and was co-author of the highly successful textbook 'Junior Mathematics'. In 1962, he was appointed headmaster of St John's Prep in Johannesburg and has been head of St Andrew's since 1974. He and his wife **Robin (Angus BA 1949)** have three sons, one of whom **Torquil Paterson, (BSc 1973, B Div 1977 MA 1978)** is the present chaplain at Rhodes. The couple intend retiring to Kenton-on-Sea.



**Dr Carol Pemberton (MA 1941)** is at present acting director of the Office of Institutional Research at the University of Delaware. The institute is concerned with enrolment planning, academic growth and quality of students. Carol has been at Delaware since 1963. She was previously a research assistant at the University of Chicago and a lecturer in psychology at Wits.

**Marguerite Poland (BA 1970)** who went on from Rhodes to do an Honours degree at Stellenbosch and a Masters degree on the structure of Zulu Folk Tales at Natal, is the only person to receive the Percy Fitzpatrick Award for children's literature in the past 12 years. Her delightful books have become virtually required reading for today's children. Marguerite is married to

**Martin Oosthuizen** and they have two young daughters. The family live in Natal on the edge of the Kloof Nature Reserve.

**Humphrey Power (LLB 1980)** is living in Montgomery Park and practising as an attorney in Johannesburg. He married a Witsie in 1982.

**George Pressly (BA 1947)** is living in Kimberley where he recently stood in the municipal elections. After leaving Rhodes, George qualified at St Paul's Theological College in 1949 and was rector at Barkly West for some years. He also taught at Kimberley Boys High and actually returned to Rhodes in 1953 to do his Education Diploma.

**Dana (B Journ)** and **Michael Pullen (B Com 1983)** are living on a farm just outside Alexandria and have a baby son. Dana is on the staff of the local newspaper, Coastal News.

**Terry Roach**, current vice-chairman of the Rhodes branch of AIESEC has been elected AIESEC'S exchange controller for 1985. He will be based in Johannesburg and will be co-ordinating the work of the local committees of 24 universities and technikons in South Africa to find jobs for foreign graduates here and to place South Africans in trainee jobs overseas.

**Barlu Searll (Speech & Drama Hons 1983)** left Grahamstown in August where she has been working for FAMSA. She is attending the Laban School for Movement and Dance in Greenwich, a branch of Goldsmith College.

**Rosemary Sellick (BA Hons 1983)** is living in Mowbray, Cape Town.

**Penny Siopis (M Fine Art 1977)** who is gaining repute for her 'cake paintings' was featured in the SABC TV'S art programme 'Kunskaleidoscope' at the end of August. Penny is lecturing at Wits.

**Dr Eve Slatter (Harvey MA 1934 PhD 1966)** has left Zimbabwe and settled in Krugersdorp.

**Bruce Smith (BA 1967)**, previously Sports Officer at Rhodes has been appointed Deputy Director of Personnel at the University. Bruce taught at Kingswood for seven years before joining Rhodes.

**Prof J Smuts**, retired professor of Afrikaans Nederlands at Rhodes, is living in George, and describes the Government's

**Ingrid Rischbieter (Smeets B Pharm 1977)** and husband **Tony (B Pharm 1978)** are living in Pretoria where Tony is production pharmacist at The Boots Company. They have two little children, a girl and a boy. We quote the rest of your letter, Ingrid: 'I should like to add an obituary for my beautiful and beloved sister, **Gillian Anne Smeets** who was in third year pharmacy at Rhodes and who died tragically in a motor car accident on 23 June 1984. We will all miss her so very much'.

design for a memorial at Delville Wood thus: "A strange mixture of classical Greek, medieval fortress and Cape Dutch architecture — a style I once heard described as late Parow Afro-Gothic".

**Mrs M Stephens** of Chinhoi, Zimbabwe sends news of her two OR offspring:

**Kay (BA 1966)** married a Kenyan, Ewan Wilson and emigrated to the USA in 1969. Kay obtained a Masters degree in education at the University of West Virginia. She and her husband, who is a Vice-President of the American Meat Institute, live near Washington DC and have three daughters. **Brian (B Com Hons 1979)** was articled to Peat Marwick Mitchell and qualified as a CA in 1982. He married **Patricia Butterworth (1977)** in 1979 and they have one son. He has recently returned to Johannesburg after a two year stint for his firm in San Jose, California.

**Colleen (nee Dargie B Sc Hons 1968)** and **Wiet Stokhuysen (B Soc Sc 1967)** are living in Rugby, Warwickshire.

**Peter Surtees (B Com 1961)** has been appointed a professor in the Department of Accounting where he has been lecturing since 1981. Peter qualified as a chartered accountant and was a partner in a firm of accountants before returning to Rhodes as a lecturer.

**Peter Sutherland (1963)** was married in Kingston, London, on September 8 to Rosamund Huggett. She has a diploma in hotel management from St Margaret's College, Edinburgh, and is a careers adviser of the Hotel and Catering Management Association. Ros also has a music degree from the University of Hull. Peter, who has a PhD from the University of Birmingham, is senior lecturer in educational psychology at St Mary's College of Higher Education, Twickenham Surrey.

**Murray Sutherland (1968)** is now a sub-editor on 'The Mercury' and the Tasmanian Sunday, in Hobart, Tasmania.

**Juwa Thorburn (Evans BA 1972)** spent seven years in Saudi Arabia working for the Saudi Arabian Airlines. Last year she and her husband returned to the UK where Juwa produced twin girls and is now a 'contented suburban housewife'.

**Christopher Till (MFA 1976)** has been appointed director of the Johannesburg Art Gallery. Brought up in Johannesburg, Christopher came to Rhodes after passing through on a sketching tour with close friend **Jonathan Cook (MFA 1974)**, son of Divinity Professor Calvin Cook. He liked it so much he stayed for five years. On graduating he moved to Salisbury (now Harare) where he was assistant, acting and finally director of the National Gallery.

**Molly Tylden (BA 1980)** has received her MA degree with distinction from London University where she has been studying at Queen Mary College.



**Dr Binno Watze van der Veen (B Pharm 1973)** received his medical degree at UCT and is now the Registrar in the Department of Anaesthetics at Baragwanath Hospital in Soweto.

**Colin Visser (BA Hons 1958)** returned to South Africa in June for his first visit home in 25 years. He is currently an associate professor of English and director of drama at Toronto University in Canada. Colin met his wife, Margaret, while studying in France, and the couple have a home near the Spanish border. They have two teenage children, a son and a daughter.

**Miss V K Webber (1925)** sends us good wishes and a word of appreciation for the newsletter. She says 'I am one of the very old Rhodians.'



**Dana Wynter (1949)**, who became a Hollywood star in the '50's, has written a marriage guidance book. She is living in a cottage in Ireland and is divorced from husband Greg Bautzer. Dana says she doesn't miss Hollywood at all, although she did return last year to play the queen in 'Charles and Diana'. "There were few similarities between me and the Queen", she said, "I think she would have had a fit if she had seen it".

**Jenni Webster (B Soc Sc 1969)** is a lecturer in psychiatric social work at the University of Manchester, UK. One of her areas of specialization is the increasingly prevalent anorexia nervosa. Jenni returned to Rhodes in July to deliver a course of lectures to current students.

**Kevin Yee Loong (B Com 1977)** is a manager on the Computer Audit Staff of Clarkson Gordon, a major firm of public accountants in Ontario Canada. He and his wife have a little boy. They are considering moving to Australia in the new year.

**Jane Young (BFA 1983)** is living in Johannesburg and held an exhibition of her pottery earlier this year in Melville.

**Maisie Young** is living in Ladysmith and runs art classes in her studio. Before moving to Ladysmith Maisie lived in East London where she was the itinerant art teacher for 15 years.

## OBITUARIES

**H W Arnott (BA 1928, MA 1937)** and a long-time member of the Rhodes University Council died in September.

**Professor M Blackman (BSc 1928, MSc 1929)** died last year in London.

**Winifred Cloete (Kirby BA 1934)** died in Marquard, OFS. Her brother, **Kenneth** was also at Rhodes and was tennis champion in his time.

**Dr J A G Coetzee**, who retired last year after 15 years as a senior lecturer in the Department of Sociology and Industrial Sociology at Rhodes University died suddenly at his home in the Western Cape. Dr Coetzee and his wife, who was a secretarial practice instructor at Rhodes, had moved to Yzerfontein, near Darling, where they built a retirement home. Dr Coetzee began his university career at the University of Pretoria before joining the copper mines in Zambia. He was transferred to Western Deep Levels gold mine as Personnel Manager and, while there, registered for a doctorate at Rhodes. He joined the University in 1969.

**Dr Charles Cory**, son of Rhodes's first professor of chemistry, Professor George Cory, and known to many generations of Old Rhodians as Grahamstown's dentist, died in August at the age of 88. Dr Cory's daughter **Pamela (1955)** is married to the artist **Norman Carruthers** and lives in the USA.

**Reverend R E Flowerday, BA 1935, MA 1936.**

**Dennis Hastilow (BSc 1953)** died suddenly in September at his home in Cronulla, NSW.

**Audrey Henley Gray** died in Inverness in October. She was an art student during 1936 and 1937, at the end of which year she was awarded the Purvis Prize. She then worked as a designer at the Electric Press and Commercial Printing Company in Durban, where, being the only artist to design for a material then yet new, she was nicknamed 'the Cellophane Queen'. After serving in the Coastal Artillery in Simonstown and East London she worked as a commercial artist in London, and later taught mathematics at the Grammar School, Rochester. She developed a great interest in the Norse Sagas, and from the tales of Aud the Deep-minded she drew material to write a play on the Vikings in Iceland. She retired from teaching but continued to be in demand as a supply teacher in Rochester, until she and her husband moved to Inverness-shire.

**Professor Jan Hendrik Hofmeyr** died in Pretoria in August. He was born in Somerset East in 1909, and came to Rhodes in 1927. He later trained in the United Kingdom as an ENT specialist and after settling in Pretoria he joined the university there as their ENT professor. He and his wife, Vera, had seven children.

**Stan Laidlaw (1949)** died in Pieter-

maritzburg in June. He was steward of the PMB Turf Club and on the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce. He leaves his wife, Audrey and three children.

**Andrew Lind**, a second year BA student, was killed in July when his motorcycle collided with a heavy commercial vehicle in Grahamstown.

**Molly Lovins (MA 1921)** died in Bloemfontein in June. Molly taught for most of her career, and also lectured in Afrikaans at the University of the Orange Free State. After undergoing treatment for cancer, she became a regular visitor to the cancer wards in the Bloemfontein hospitals, encouraging and helping the patients there.

**Peggy Mollett (nee Sutherns BA 1940)**, widow of **WAM Mollett**, died in September.

**Helen Audrey Robb**, a third year B Sc student at Rhodes was killed in a motorcycle accident in East London in the September vacation.

East London attorney, and original mover on the city council for plans to start a division of Rhodes in East London, **Charles Kenneth Rowland**, died in East London in November. Mr Rowland was the sole owner of a legal firm and had practised in East London since 1938. He also practised in Umtata and Grahamstown. He was born in Bournemouth, England, in 1909 and complete his schooling at St Edwards School and St Johns College in Oxford. He furthered his education at Rhodes University and gained his Attorneys Admission Examination in 1936.

Mr Rowland was admitted as an attorney and notary in the Eastern Districts Local Division in 1937. He was admitted as conveyancer in the Cape in January 1946.

While at Rhodes he founded the University Rowing Club and was also the co-founder of the annual inter-varsity boat race.

Mr Rowland was chairman of the Selborne Primary School Committee for 13 years, a member of the city council here for 15 years and also served on the East London Technical College Council for three years. He held office on the Rhodes University Council for 21 years and on the university's finance committee for 18 years. He also held office as chairman of the East London Fine Arts Society from 1959 to 1961. Mr Rowland leaves his wife, Elizabeth, and three sons, Charles, Anthony and Timothy.

**Francis Edwin Smit (B Sc 1926)** died at the end of 1983. He lived in the Orange Free State.

**Fred Zietzman** died in November at the age of 62 while training for a scuba diving certificate. Fred, an attorney in Cape Town, was a founder member of the Red Cross air ambulance service, and had piloted more than 300 mercy flights. He was a keen jogger and fitness fan. He leaves his wife, Dorothy, two sons and a daughter.