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Rhodesfest

Culture Vultures will have a bonus during the National Festival of the Arts, with the second Rhodes University's *Rhodesfest* programme.

Rhodesfest, sub-titled Extra-Mural week, presents an array of stimulating lectures, demonstrations and exhibitions catering to all interests ranging from science, the arts, philosophy and current issues. The lectures are all at non-specialist level with special emphasis on visual presentation.

Lectures on the power of words and the multi-faceted manner in which language and literature affect and reflect our daily lives will be

presented by members of the Dictionary of South African English Unit, the National English Literary Museum, and the Department of Afrikaans en Nederlands. Practical lectures on how to write poetry and good short stories will also be presented by Professor Peter Mtuze, head of the Department of African Languages.

For those into science, the fantastic power of computer graphics in TV, film and advertising will be vividly demonstrated in a talk given by the Computer Science Department. The Physics and Electronics Department will present illustrated talks on

such cosmic topics as the resplendent demise of the most exotic objects in the universe - stars; the effects that the ever-changing sun has on human existence; and a glimpse into the strange world of light and Quantum Mechanics where nothing is quite what it seems. Puzzling and spectacular phenomena will be explained and the applications of science to everyday life will be demonstrated in two lab-top magic extravaganzas.

Two lectures from the perspectives of Zoology and Divinity under the title: *God's Place in Nature* bring together the opposing ideas of Genesis and Evolution.

The controversial topic of abortion will be used in an

active course in critical thinking, presented by the Philosophy Department, to introduce participants to the basic techniques of identifying, analysing and assessing arguments.

Issues facing the New South Africa will be addressed from an economist's viewpoint when the possibility of achieving "justice" in the provision of social services is discussed.

Staff of the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences will update audiences on various health issues in a series of five lectures.

Among the fascinating exhibitions is a large display of the current works of staff and students of the Fine Art Department. The guided tours include those by Andrew Tracey, director of the International Library of African Music, who will describe and play some of the instruments from his collection of African xylophones.

Tastier Catfish and Barbel

Research being conducted in the Department of Ichthyology and Fisheries Science may result in a hybrid of two species of catfish being used for commercial purposes. Lawrence Oellermann, a second year PhD student, is investigating the viability of using a hybrid species of the African Sharptooth catfish (*Clarias Gariepinus*) or barbel, and the Central African catfish (*Heterobranchus longifilis*) or 'Vundu', for aquaculture purposes.

"The driving force behind my project is a Zambian fish farmer, Mr Willem Lublinkhof, who started growing barbel on his farm in Mazabuka. The Vundu have very strong growth characteristics and in 1982 he came up with the idea of crossing Vundu with the South African barbel. By crossing the two the faster growth rate of the Vundu could be transmitted to the hybrid," said Mr Oellermann. So far the findings of Mr Oellermann's project have shown that a hybrid of the two species may have great potential for commercial fish farming.



Hobson House recently celebrated its 25th anniversary with a teaparty for present and former students. Lil Haigh (Rademeyer 1963) and Debbie Longhurst (Johnson 1967), founder members of the House, were there. They are holding a portrait of Professor Winnie Maxwell, the first Warden.

Rhodents down under!

Sydney reunion

Summer school of 1975 was the start of a friendship that was recently renewed in Sydney when Eric Meyer, Liz van der Niewenhof, Peter Mullins, John Kingsley-Jones, Simon Butler-White and Miles Clarke organized an informal reunion. Also present were Steve Bell and Cathy Tripp. Cathy's Grahamstown connection is via a sister, Sue, who was at DSG and a brother, David, who like Peter and John, was at St Andrew's. A great time was had by all - the talking point of the evening being a menu from Tiny's Restaurant dated 1979 which Simon produced. A hamburger cost 55c, a cheeseburger was 65c, an eggburger 65c while a baconburger was a real extravagance at 75c! Little wonder that the consensus view was that the 1970s provided real value for money. The Sydney ORs would love to hear from other Aussie Rhodents of a similar vintage (some younger blood is definitely required as the average age of the group seems to be heading towards the roaring 40s!).

If you are interested in joining the above group please contact :-

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PR Manager
State Bank of New South Wales
Telephone 02-266 3259

Eric Meyer
Pharmacy School
University of Sydney
02-692 2356

Liz van der Niewenhof
Telegraph Mirror
02-288 2613

Adelaide reunion

The inaugural meeting on December 1 of the Adelaide ORs was held in the Belair Recreational Park in the Ad-

elaide Hills. Thirteen ORs and their families attended a picnic organized by Michael Kokkinn (1976). Under the shade of a huge gum tree, reminiscences were swapped, news told of mutual acquaintances and a very friendly atmosphere was created. Some of the ORs who attended were :-

Chris (1964) and Jane Ostler (1967). Chris is the Chief Internal Auditor of the State Government Insurance Commission in South Australia. Sue Kirsten (Bredenkamp 1967) teaches English at Walford School for girls. She arrived sans Ernie (1969) who was off fossicking for opals in the outback. Guy Pitman (1969) and Julia (Corder 1969) recently moved to Adelaide from Sydney. Guy is an actuary with the State Bank and Julia teaches English to immigrants. They have four bonny blond sons. One of the attractions for the Pitmans in Adelaide must have been the fact that Caroline (Corder 1968), Julia's sister lives there. She is married to John Bryant, an old Ikey, and she teaches science at St Peter's School for

Girls. John expressed his gratitude to all the ORs for providing his family with a livelihood - his father used to own Hewitt and Palmer! Don Gilbert (1977) is a valuer and residential property consultant. He is married to Antoinette from Bloemfontein and they have a four-year old daughter. Jinny Hussey (Beatty 1962) is the senior instructor of a Physical Education Department in an all-girls school. She is married to John and they have two children (21 and 23). They have lived in Adelaide for 20 years. Jinny is still diving and she now has a dive master's certificate.

Clive Moore (1963) teaches Latin at Blackfriars Primary School. He is presently studying Japanese at Adelaide University. Mike Kokkinn (1976) and Bev (Charteris 1966) have lived in Adelaide for 10 years. Mike lectures biology at the University of South Australia and Bev teaches English to immigrants. Also present was Antony Ilsley (1960).



Canadian ORs

The following ORs met for breakfast during the annual convention in Toronto of the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada in 1991. It was their third such meeting. Pictured here, from left to right are :-

George Shadford (1948), Hamish McGregor, Willem Fuchter (1974), Wilfried Meyer (1958), Eric Cunningham (1958), Jenny Ransom (Hipkin 1967), Tony Watts (1969), Paul Maarschalk (1973) and Tony Ransom (1965).

Reunions

• Bloemfontein

Thursday, September 10
Contact: Mr Roy Gordon (1960):
Telephone 477 831 (W)

• Cape Town

Friday, September 4 at the
WPCC Impala Club from 5-8pm
Contact: Mrs Kitty Cruise
(1965): Telephone 689 1696 (H)

• Durban

Friday, September 11
Contact: Mr Julian Wentzel
(1987): Telephone 300 9911 (W)
All Pietermaritzburg ORs are
invited to attend this reunion.

• Johannesburg

Friday, September 18 at the
Wanderers Club at 6.30pm. All
Pretoria ORs are invited to at-
tend this reunion
Contact: Mrs Liz Hadwen
(1968): Telephone 788 5543 (W)

• Kimberley

Wednesday, September 9
Contact: Mr Richard Snyders
(1974): Telephone 31 791 (W)

• Namibia

Saturday, September 12
Contact: Mr David Rush (1962):
Telephone 32 467 (H)

• United Kingdom

Friday, October 2 at the King of
Diamonds, Grenville Street,
EC1.
Contact Mr Murray Graham
(1943): Telephone 574 2197
Address: 27 Dormers Wells
Lane, Southall, Middlesex, UB1
3HX, England

• Zimbabwe

• Bulawayo

Monday, July 13
Contact: Mr Ray Louw (1974):
Telephone 63 567 (W)
Address: c/o Financial and
Computer Services, P O Box
1746, Bulawayo.

• Mutare

Tuesday, July 14
Contact: Mrs Jean-Ann Carroll
(1951): Telephone 60 945 (H)
Address: 1 Herrick Close,
Fairbridge Park, Mutare.

• Harare

Thursday, July 16
Contact: Mr Harry Hall (1939):
Telephone 725 262
Address: 94 Central Avenue,
Harare

A first for Rhodes!

Rhodes University has become the first university in the country to offer 'Development Sports Bursaries' says Mr Steve Olivier, the University's Senior Sports Officer.

"This scheme will operate in conjunction with our current Merit Sports Bursaries. The Sports Council is attempting to maintain a progressive approach to sport in South Africa and we recognize the need to assist people who have been disadvantaged in terms of coaching and access to facilities, but we have for various reasons been unable to do anything concrete about it. We have now secured some initial funding, and are in a position to call for applications. Criteria, eligibility etc have been formulated following consultations with the South African Tertiary Institutions "Sports Union", he said.

These bursaries now form part of an ongoing Development Programme initiated by the Sports Council. This programme includes extensive township coaching clinics, as well as visits to schools as far afield as Guguletu and Khayelitsha. The Rhodes lead in this field seems to have generated a lot of interest and it is hoped that there will be long-term benefits for both the University and the communities from which we draw students. Referring to the importance of the programme, Mr Olivier stated: "Although we are fully extended in our 'Development' efforts, we need to do more. Funding is of primary importance, and although we have allocated Sports Council money and time to the programme, we desperately need more private-sector involvement". Anyone seeking information or wishing to become involved can contact Mr Olivier at 0461-23358 / 29704.

Founder's Day

Monday, September 14, 1992

Programme

- 5pm
Annual Wreath-laying Ceremony, War Memorial, Great Hall
- 5.20pm
Unveiling by Professor FG Butler of bronze sculpture of Hadedahs by Professor J Nell in the second quadrangle
- 5.45pm
Convocation Annual Meeting, Council Chamber, Rhodes University (non-graduate members of the Old Rhodian Union are welcome to attend as observers)
- 6.15pm
The Annual General Meeting of the Old Rhodian Union, Council Chamber, Rhodes University
- 6.40pm (approx)
Cheese and Wine party in the Senior Common Room

CONVOCATION

ANNUAL MEETING 1992

NOTICE

The Forty-Second Annual Meeting of Convocation will be held in the Council Chamber on Monday 14 September 1992 at 5.45pm

AGENDA

1. Notice of meeting
2. Minutes of Forty-First Annual meeting held on 12 September 1991
3. Vice-Chancellor's Report
4. Election of President of Convocation
In terms of S28(1) of the Rhodes University Statute the term of office of the Hon. Mr Justice T M Mullins as President of Convocation expires. An election must therefore be held.
Judge Mullins is eligible for re-election.
5. Election of six members of the Executive Committee in terms of the Constitution, for a period of two years, to replace the following members who were elected on 12 September 1990 and whose terms of office are expiring:
Mr W T Futter, Dr E E A Gledhill, Mr T T Long, Professor I A Macdonald, Professor I D Schafer, Mr Justice N W Zietsman.
They are all eligible for re-election.

The Annual Meeting of Convocation will be preceded by the Founders Day Wreath-laying Ceremony at the War Memorial at 5pm. The gathering will then move to the second quadrangle where the award winning Bronze Sculpture of Hadedahs, by Professor Joshua Nell, will be unveiled by Professor F G Butler.

After the meeting members are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Old Rhodian Union. This will be followed by a Cheese and Wine party in the Senior Common Room.

KEITH S HUNT - SECRETARY

JUNE 24 1992

NOTE: Only graduates of Rhodes University and Rhodes University College, and members of staff, in terms of the Rhodes University Act, may vote at the Annual Meeting. Members of the Old Rhodian Union who are not graduates are welcome to attend as observers.

Old Rhodian Union

The Annual General Meeting of the Old Rhodian Union will be held in the Council Chamber on Monday, September 14, 1992 at about 6.15pm.

Agenda

- Minutes of the previous meeting
- Matters arising
- President's Report
- Financial Statement for the year ended December 31, 1991
- Election of Office Bearers
- General

Honorary Secretary

Dr and Mrs Henderson abroad

On Monday, May 18, the Vice-Chancellor, Dr Derek Henderson, and Mrs Thelma Henderson left Grahams-town to begin a journey to the United States, Canada and Europe which is hoped will forge closer links with Old Rhodians and academics overseas.

The North American leg of their tour was organized by Old Rhodians, and Professor John Shingler (1954), Dr Neville Robertson (1945) and Mr Warne Boyce (1949). Their first stop was McGill University in Montreal, Canada, where Dr Henderson met, among others, the Vice-Principal, Mr Michael Keifer and Dr Eugene Donefer, Director of McGill International. Mrs Henderson spoke to Political Science students about South Africa and Rhodes University and met development specialists at the University. They were luncheon guests of Dr Roger Pritchard, Vice-Principal (Research) and Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies at McGill University.

Toronto was the next city they visited in Canada where they stayed with Old Rhodian, Dr J McGregor (1952). Nearly 40 Old Rhodians gathered to meet them and the Rhodes video was screened.

They then flew to Boston where they met Dr Jean Mayer, President of Tufts University. The following evening they attended a dinner held for Old Rhodians at the Cabot Cultural Center at

Tufts University.

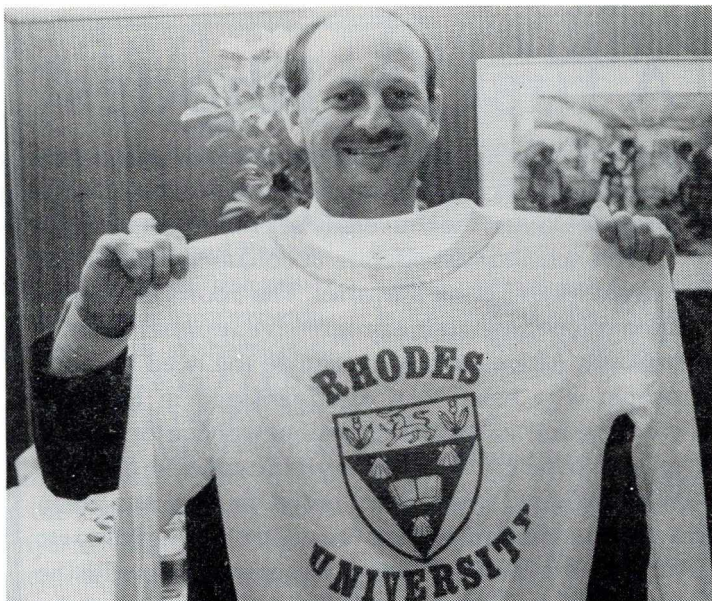
Pittsburgh saw the Hendersons attending yet another Old Rhodian dinner at the Duquesne Club. They then flew to Washington DC where they attended a small Old Rhodian party arranged by Old Rhodians Mrs E M Wilson (1964) and Dr Gerrit Verschuur (1955), and visited the South African Ambassador Harry Schwarz. Whilst in Washington they attended a South African Celebration at the Sheraton Washington Hotel and visited Howard University.

At the time we went to press they were due to jet across the Atlantic to London for a three-day breather with visits to Oxford where they were to meet Sir Maurice Shock, Rector of Lincoln College and Dr Antony Kenny, Warden of Rhodes House at Oxford.

On June 9 Dr and Mrs Henderson planned to give dinner to the Old Rhodian executive in London, organized by an Old Rhodian, Jane Dickson (1958).

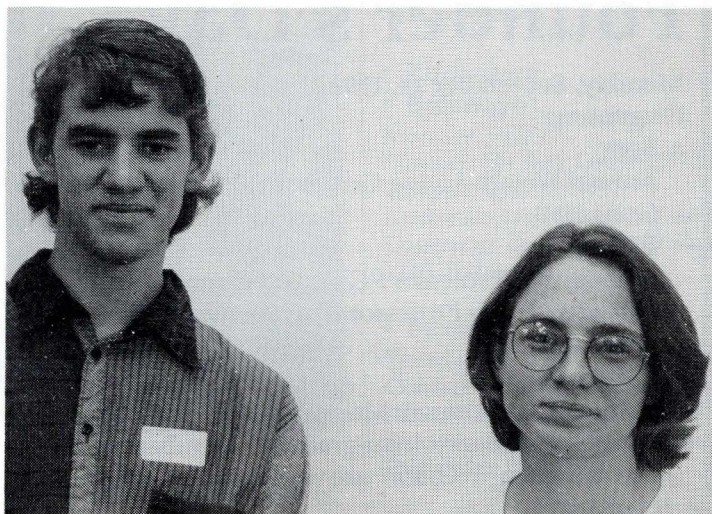
From June 11 the Hendersons were to be guests of the Bernard Von Leer Foundation in Amsterdam for three days, and then to spend three days in Bonn as guests of the South Africa Foundation.

Before returning to South Africa on June 27 they planned to spend some time in Switzerland, well deserved after nearly five weeks of rigorous travelling.



At a reception held at Rhodes to greet Peter Kirsten on his return from the World Cup, Peter shows us where his heart is! Peter is a member of staff of the University's East London Division.

The Rhodes First XI cricket team played against an Old Rhodian Invitation XI in Johannesburg on Friday, December 29 at the Pirates Cricket Club. The match was arranged by Vernon Cresswell (1980) in preparation for the Universities' Cricket Week held in Pretoria the following week. The following nine players in the Invitation side were Old Rhodians: Vernon Cresswell, Peter Andrew (1982), Phil Jones (1977), Greg Joseph (1980), Mark Bishop (1986), Blair Hutchings (1985), Kevin Milne (1983), Jeremy Weatherall (1982), Des Harrison (1967). The match was narrowly won by the Rhodes Firsts who scored 222 in their allotted 45 overs to which the ORs replied with 218 for 9. The players all enjoyed a social evening at the Pirates Club where nostalgia ruled the day!



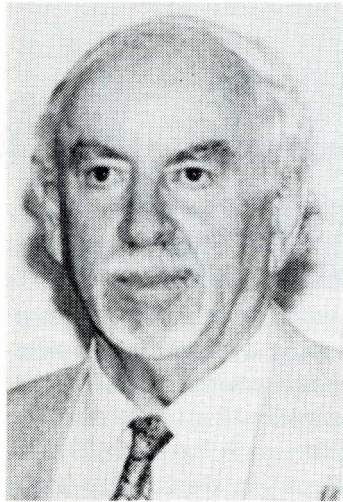
United Kingdom Old Rhodian Bursaries

The first UK OR bursaries were awarded this January to Miss Susan McCausland and Mr Robert van Hille. Susan is studying for a BA degree while Robert is studying for a BSc. Old Rhodians in the UK are hoping to raise sufficient funds to allow at least one bursary to be awarded each year.

Talks between OR Union and Convocation
There is nothing to report at the present time
but discussions are still taking place.

Politics Prof retires

by Peter Vale (Staff 1972)



The retirement of Professor Terence Beard (Staff 1960) ends the formal career of one of the country's most esteemed teachers of Politics. From 1971, he was Head of the University's Department of Political Studies and from 1990, Dean of the Faculty of Social Science until December 1991. He also served a four-year term as Chairman of the Board of the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER).

Professor Beard's lasting contribution to South Africa's academic life lies not in the volume of his publications of which there are a few scattered pieces here and there. It abides, rather, in the passion which he brought to

the single most important obligation of the University teacher - the inspiration of students with ideas and ideals.

In Terence Beard's case the former flowed from his profound understanding of (and commitment to) Political Philosophy. No student, he argued, should graduate in Politics without a thorough grounding in philosophy.

His methodology course - a compulsory hurdle in the final lap of the degree - was, according to his students, both rigorous and riveting. Small wonder then that Prof Beard's demanding standards and exacting logic, were considered a priceless bounty; one which Rhodes graduates have carried to the corners of the earth.

But ideals, too, were important for Terence as the example of his own life so powerfully demonstrated. Committed to liberal values, he never for a moment wavered: even in the mid-1960s when he found himself on the wrong side of the then Minister of Justice. Banned for three years, he was permitted only to continue his classroom activities.

That particular brush with the tightening noose of apartheid, was really Terence's

second. His first had been at Fort Hare where, after the passing of the 1959 Universities Extension Act, he found himself without a job. It was then that he moved to Rhodes to begin his thirty-year association with the University.

It was at Fort Hare that his work touched the lives of many, like Chris Hani, who were destined to leave South Africa to continue in their chosen way the struggle against apartheid. He inspired, at Rhodes, generation upon generation of student activists: some became leaders of NUSAS, others thought working for apartheid was a more reasonable way of solving the country's problems.

Recently, I asked Terence about his students and what had happened to them. He paused. Then said, "Gosh, they have ended up everywhere but it is nice that the many who were imprisoned for their political beliefs have now been released".

Fortunately the Senior Common Room has not lost

Terence's distinctive contribution to its own work and life. As an Honorary Fellow of the ISER, he will continue his animated (at times, inspiring) charge at the joint effort to solve *The Times* crossword.

Perhaps, too, he will find time to enthrall his colleagues, as he once did me, with his repertoire of FE Smith - later, of course, Lord Birkenhead - stories.

As they listen, they should look out carefully for the insight which these yarns reveal of Terence Beard's own impish self. Like the time in the mid-Sixties when he took his December vacation abroad. On the Sunday after his arrival in London, Terence found himself in the social pages of *The Observer*. Their African correspondent had proved a better sleuth than the entire South African police force. The future Professor Beard had slipped the vindictive bonds of his banning, and was hoping for snow on Christmas Day!



The Old Rhodian Union has awarded 22 bursaries and two prizes to present students. The executive committee of the Union recently held a party to meet the recipients of the awards. Seen at the party were Mr Robert Wicks (left) and Professor Chris Hummel, President of the Old Rhodian Union.



Seen at the St Mary Hall Jubilee teaparty were Mrs Val Cloete, the first senior student of the Hall, and her husband, the Hon Mr Justice Dante Cloete

Hobson House Coffee Mugs

To commemorate the 25th anniversary of Hobson House, coffee mugs are available from the Warden, Mrs Phillipa Callaghan, telephone 0461 - 2 2023 extension 137/578. They cost R10 each.

OLD RHODIAN NEWS

1920s

Colville Clarke (1927) writes to tell us that the friendship formed in 1929 between himself and John 'Jacko' Jackson (1927) is still going strong - over 60 years later! After leaving Rhodes, Jacko joined the Rhodesian Public Service, eventually becoming the Chief Magistrate of Salisbury. Colville went into the teaching profession until war broke out when he enlisted and was trained as a cipher officer and drafted north. After the war he was promoted to a post as Inspector of Schools. Jacko now lives in Cape Town, is remarkably fit for his age and still plays tennis and golf in his early 80s. Colville is 86 years old and lives with his wife on a beautiful farm on the northern slopes of the Magaliesberg near Hartbeespoortdam.

Jock Pugh (1923) lives in Tasmania with his son, John (Staff 1986) and daughter-in-law, Liz (Hawkrigde 1958). He was recently visited by Harry Hall (1939). Jock was one of only 400 students at Rhodes University College where he played rugby for Rhodes. He also played hockey, tennis and enjoyed boxing and marathon running. He remembers Geology Professor Schwartz and his successor, Prof Eddie Mountain.

1930s

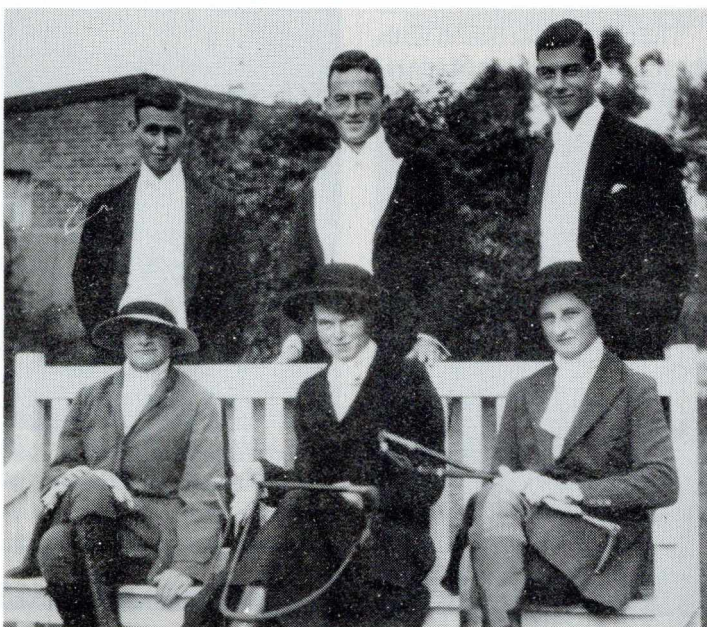
Colleen Roebuck (Vaughan 1935) writes from McGregor

in the Cape to reflect upon the many material changes which have taken place at Rhodes. The women's residences were Oriel, Jameson and a wing of Beit, the last being built during her period at Rhodes. For the official 'opening' by a distinguished guest, the students tidied their rooms, the domestics swept and polished (almost with violence) and the doors were locked, ready for the VIP to unlock. Unfortunately one domestic, Jane, was locked in and when the door was unlocked she emerged in style, flourishing a yellow duster, and bestowing greetings on everyone.

1940s

Peter Hinchliff (1946) has been appointed by the Queen to the Regius Chair of Ecclesiastical History at Oxford. The Honourable Mr Justice D D V Kannemeyer (1941) retired as Judge President of the Eastern Cape Division in

January - one day before his 70th birthday. Judge Kannemeyer was a Rhodes Scholar in 1946. He took silk in July 1962 and was appointed to the Bench of the Eastern Cape Division in February 1967. In March 1985, he was appointed chairman and sole member of a Commission of Inquiry to look into the shootings at Langa, Uitenhage. Appointed Judge President on May 1, 1988, Judge Kannemeyer served from October 1990 until September 1991 on the panel appointed to consider certain death sentences and, as such, was appointed Acting Judge of Appeal. Apart from his involvement in the South African judicial system, Judge Kannemeyer has been a member of the Council of the SA Library for the Blind since 1950. He has served as chairman of the organization since 1965 until his retirement in May this year. He has also served as Chairman of St Andrew's College for 25 years.



Noel Palmer (Howel Jones) very kindly sent us this photograph of some of the cast of the 1931 play, *Young Ideas*. Back row (left) Cyril Hone, Binks Ingham, Gordon Key. Seated (left) Margot Morris, Margery Barrett, Noel Howel Jones.

1950s

Robert Apps (1959) is working with a European Community law firm in Brussels with the intention of developing a consulting or advisory service for SA companies trading or operating in Europe in the post 1992 era. Prof J W de Gruchy (1957) (Religious Studies) and Prof Cliff Moran (1956) (Dean of Science) have been elected as Fellows of the University of Cape Town.

DL Gillespie (1958) remembers Professor Lydia Baumbach and has requested that the following short Post Scriptum tribute be added to her obituary: 'Being one of the fortunate students in the Classics Department of the 60s era under Professor White and, for too short a time, Rollo, I was also lucky to be under Lydia Baumbach's spell. Her lectures were inspiring, her enthusiasm was magnetic and her encouragement was warmly received. Surely, my contemporaries would agree? When I was secretary and chairman of the Rhodes Classics Society, her guidance was greatly appreciated. "Licet tempus obstruat mors, Memoria certe manet!" (An adaptation of an OVIDIAN text!)

Eve Horwitz (Gray 1959) returned to South Africa in 1982 after many years spent in Europe. She lectured in English at the University of the Witwatersrand from 1984 - 1988 and has been publisher of the Wits University Press since 1989.



Peter Joubert (1950) has been appointed as a non-executive director of Delta Motor Corporation. In November 1991 Peter, a well-known industrialist and the chairman and managing director of African Oxygen Ltd (Afrox) was recognized by the Business Times as one of their top five South African businessmen. He is a governor of the Urban Foundation, a trustee of the South Africa Foundation and an executive member of the South Africa Britain Trade Association (SABRITA). His interests in education are reflected in his chairmanship of Roedean School (SA) and membership of the Council of Medunsa. He also chairs the Maths Centre for Primary Teachers which is a trust he founded. He and his wife, Cliffie, have three daughters.

Anthony Law (1959) has been appointed headmaster of St Andrew's School in Welkom.

Chris Murray (1954) taught at Grey High School and was a PR manager of General Motors before becoming a stockbroker. He is currently chairman of DSG in Grahamstown, president of the Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee, president of the Old Andean Club, vice-chairman of Fidelity Bank and a director of Delswa Ltd and Jade Ltd.

Sally Sampson (1951) recently celebrated 25 years in Grahamstown at a luncheon at St George's Hall. Among the number of close friends

who attended was Jeanette Eve (van der Riet 1952), probably Sally's oldest friend present - they were at school together at DSG, Pretoria and later at Rhodes.

1960s

Peter Barrowman (1960) was headmaster of Komga Secondary School for the past 15 years. In 1992 the school was reclassified as a primary school in line with the government's policy of rationalization. Peter took the option of early retirement and has settled in his home town of Port Elizabeth. He returned to Rhodes as a full-time student during 1988 to complete a BEd and learnt what it was like to be a 'mature student'. He and his wife, Marion, have a daughter, Brigitte, who teaches speech and hearing defective children in Port Elizabeth and a son, Craig, who recently completed his Honours degree in Industrial Relations at the University of Port Elizabeth.

Tom Cloete (1966) was appointed a Judge in the Transvaal Provincial Division in Johannesburg in December 1991. He married Janet Ritchie and has two sons, Robert and David.

'Bob' Cloete (1968) has been appointed as a Counsellor on the staff of the South African Ambassador in London. Bob is married to Sheryl Bunyard and has two children, David and Ingrid, who both attend schools in London. Tom and Bob were admitted to the Bar together as advocates on January 23, 1975, by their father, The Honourable Mr Justice J D Cloete (1935), a former Judge President of the Eastern Cape Division of the Supreme Court.

Daphne ffolliott (1961) is the new principal of Pearson High School in Port Elizabeth. Daphne is the first female principal of a co-educational Cape Education Department high school. She has been at Pearson for the last seven years and has also been head of the Department of English (first language).

Jennifer (Marks 1969) and **Brian Human (1968)** live at 7-9 Russell Street, Surrey Hills, Melbourne, 3127, Australia with their three children aged 7, 6 and 2. They recently moved to Australia after having lived in Thailand for five years and in Hong Kong for two years. They would love to hear from Old Rhodian friends.

Lynn Schroeder (1962) took up the position of managing director of BMW City in East London in October 1991.

After graduating he taught at Kingswood College before moving to Port Elizabeth where he spent 10 years with Ford Motor Company. Before being appointed to his present position, he was the managing director of BMW Finanz, the vehicle financing arm of BMW South Africa. His experience includes a four-year stint as managing director of BMW's South East Asia operations in Singapore, returning to South Africa at the end of 1989, and foreign assignments in Venezuela and Australia while he was with Ford Motor Company in the 1970s.

John Sinclair (1967) has been appointed to succeed **Len van Zyl (1960)** as executive chairman of Lindsay Smithers FCB. Financial control of the company is in the capable hands of **David du Plessis (1959)**.

Rolf Stokhuyzen (1963) lives with his wife and three children in Calgary, Alberta. He is employed as a senior instructor at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology in the Chemical Technologies Department. He is also responsible for business and industry activity promoting hazardous material management training.

'Tubby' Welch (1960) was recently appointed as vice-principal at Norkem Park High School. Prior to his appointment at Norkem he was head of department (humanities) at Sutherland High School. He is heavily involved in pupil leadership development and was the 1990/91 team leader at the Transvaal English School head prefects' symposium. He is married to Anne, who is also a teacher, and has two sons, Graham (21) and Christopher (19).

'Bob' Wynne (1961) has taken up a partnership with a law firm in Durban.



St Mary Hall recently celebrated its 50th Anniversary. Seen at the Jubilee teaparty were Miss Maureen Pyott, a former student in John Kotzé House and Dr Eily Gledhill, a former sub-warden in Phelps House.

1970s

Carole Allardice (1971) was appointed managing director of a subscription agency in London in January.

Sonia Berman (Rondot 1976) recently obtained a Doctorate in Computer Science at the University of Cape Town.

Antony Clark (1975) has been appointed as the headmaster of St Joseph's College in Rondebosch.

Jeffrey Brill (1971) recently left the University of Missouri where he had been doing research at the Center for Radiopharmaceutical Research to take up a position as a Project Leader at BP Research in Cleveland. Jeffrey's research is now in method development and routine analysis in the field of oil/gasoline chemistry, as well as BP's other major processes, namely acrylonitrile and acetonitrile production.

David Bristow (1977) writes to tell us that since graduating in 1981 he has worked as a reporter, as a sub-editor on *The Star*, then as sub-editor on *The Sowetan*, before joining a technical publishing company in Johannesburg as group editor in 1983. In 1982 he accompanied the SA Texan Challenge mountaineering team to the Himalayas to climb Jugal Peak. In 1984 he quit work to write the book *Mountains of Southern Africa* with photographer friend, Clive Ward. He then went to Cape Town to do a MA in Environmental Sciences. Since then he has freelanced as a writer-photographer, having written about 20 books on topics as varied as mountaineering and hiking, social issues and cycling and has contributed to several travel books. He recently launched a small publishing company, Pachyderm Press, in partnership with Jane-

Anne Rayner (Hobbs 1981). He is married to Tracey and has two small children.

Mike Gahagan (1972) has been appointed as managing director for Barlow Motor Holdings Limited.

Ian Maclean (1977) married Jennifer Berenson in November 1991. The service was led by the Revds Prof Harvey Cox and Richard Carlson at the Chapel of the Harvard Divinity School.

John McCormick (1974) is an assistant professor in political science at the Indianapolis campus of Indiana University. Most of his research is on environmental policy and the European Community. He has just published his fifth book on environmental policy in Britain during the Thatcher administration. John is about to start a university cricket club with players from South Africa, Britain, India, Pakistan, Australia, Nigeria and even a few Americans.

Graham Mitchell (1979) has been appointed marketing manager of the South African Cement Producers' Association (SACPA). After graduating Graham joined D F Corlett Construction (Pty) Ltd where he was initially involved in the contractual and financial side of the business, before being promoted to contracts manager. In 1989 he joined the Concrete Masonry Association (CMA) as marketing manager of the paving division where he was involved in promoting the use of concrete block paving. He was then promoted to marketing manager of CMA.

Vaughan Murray (1971) is still going strong and is factory manager of Vandenbergh Foods Namibia, where all the cooking oil, margarine and related spreads which are sold in Namibia are produced.

Robert Sharman (1974) taught English at Westering High School from 1979 to

1983, then moved to Wits University where he was production manager in the Performing Arts Administration until 1989 when he moved into the main stream of university administration. He is at present senior assistant registrar and has been chairman of the University Cricket Club since 1987.

Ken Vernon (1979) has been appointed deputy-editor of the *Saturday Star*. Ken was formerly with the Argus Africa News Service where for the past five years he has specialized in African political developments. Born and schooled in Australia, he began his work in journalism after a varied career which included working as an electrician, engineer, barman, salesman, grape-picker and itinerant surfer at large as well as part-time reporter in the PR Division at Rhodes. After graduating he worked for the *Evening Post* in Port Elizabeth before joining the Argus company. He rose to head the Argus Bureau in Port Elizabeth for five years before moving to the Argus Africa News Service. Ken is married to Sandra and they have two children.

1980s

Claire Allen (1988) married Ross Purdon in February this year. They will live at Glenton in the Martindale area, on a farm which originally belonged to Ross's great-grandfather.

John Ashworth (1982) is on the staff of *The Times* in London.

Kylie Baylis (1986) has been appointed new Public Relations Manager of the Blue Route Mall in Tokai. Since graduating Kylie has tried her hand at both personnel management and shopping centre promotions. She feels that shopping centres win

hands down as the work is challenging, has variety and offers job-satisfaction.

Tania Botha (1985) was recently appointed as an advertising clerk responsible for the display advertisements at the District Mail in Cape Town.

Diane Dann (Miller 1981) married Lothar Dann, a Wits engineering graduate in 1991. **Debby Davidson (1984)** was awarded her Doctorate in Chemistry at the graduation ceremony in April. Debby follows in the footsteps of her father, **Dr Ray Davidson (1951)**, a recipient of the same degree in 1968. Debby is doing Polymer Research at Stellenbosch University.

Mzolisi Diliza (1984), the chairman of the Black Management Forum (BMF), Border region, and Johnson and Johnson's employee and industrial relations manager, has been awarded a British Council Fellowship to study at Oxford University. He is the only recipient of the scholarship in South Africa, and will interact with participants from other countries who include labour administrators, civil servants, community and development officers, trade unionists, managers and administrators.

Fiona Geddes (1980) has completed her Master's degree in Educational Psychology.

Pumla Luhabe (1983) has been appointed as SAA's first black trainee or 'cadet' manager and has been posted to New York. She won the job against fierce competition from 120 applicants. The list was whittled down to eight-four from within SAA's ranks. Pumla was the only black and the only woman among the cadets. She will spend from one to three years in New York until she qualifies as a manager. Then she'll be given her own station at any one of SAA's international offices.

Chris Moody (1986) and **Megan Field (1985)** were married in May 1991 and live in Durban.

Johann Maree (1981) married Leigh West in February. Johann is a legal adviser with the Old Mutual in Johannesburg.

Jonathan McCrindle (1985) is the manager and owner of Johathan McCrindle Pharmacy in George.

Niki Nicolaides (1982) writes from Cape Town to tell us that after completing her HDE (PG Sec) at the University of Cape Town in 1988 she taught for one year at a high school in Cape Town. At the end of 1989 she left the teaching profession

and joined Ster Kinekor as marketing manager. In November 1991 she was appointed as Public Relations manager at the University of Cape Town's Baxter Theatre. Any ORs in Cape Town or travelling through can contact her at The Baxter (021-685 7880). Niki loves Cape Town and would never consider living anywhere else and is in touch with Patsi Weyer (1983), Vicky Bundy (1982), Bridgit Gallow (1983), Kevin Hughes (1981), Dale Kneen (1982), Chris Mitchell (1982), Alan Pritchard (1985) and Dave Papenfus (1984).

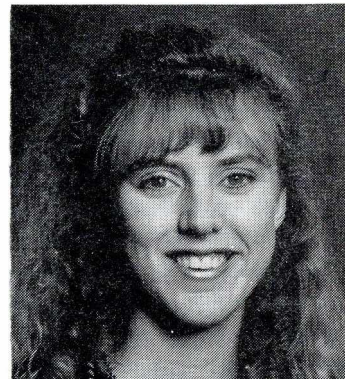
Carol Simon (1988) has been appointed as the collections

manager of the mammal section of the Kaffrarian Museum.

Kathy Sole (1980) is living in Tucson while completing her PhD in Materials Science and Engineering at the University of Arizona. Kathy says it has been a great experience studying in another country, although she has come to realize that undergraduate education in South Africa sets a very high standard.

Keith van Winkel (1986) has been appointed director of the new design and technology centre at St Andrew's College, Grahamstown. The Diocesan School for Girls and St Andrew's have combined to introduce design and tech-

nology as part of their curriculum for standards 6 and 7. The new centre will provide facilities for ceramics, plastic design, photography, video production and electronics.



Susan van Zyl (1985) has been appointed a director of du Plessis Associates.

OBITUARIES

Mr Adrian Anderson (1950) died tragically in a head-on collision south of Umtata in the Transkei on December 5, 1991. Mr Anderson farmed near Howick where he was vice-chairman of the Democratic Party. He leaves his wife, Yvonne, two daughters and a grandson. He was educated at Cordwalles and Michaelhouse before graduating from Rhodes. Mr Anderson retired to Howick in 1988. He was a keen polo player and was active in the Swartberg Farmers' Association. He was godfather to 19 children and will be fondly remembered by his loving family and extended circle of friends.

Mrs Maria Hendrika Beek (1951) died in Nelson, New Zealand in September 1991, from cancer of the lymphnodes. She was born in Amsterdam, Holland where she trained and became a registered nurse. She came to South Africa in 1936 and to Grahamstown in 1946 where her husband had been appointed as an electrician in the maintenance depart-

ment of Rhodes University College. She was 40 years old when she started studying under Professor Irving. She graduated with a degree in Social Science. Under Professor W E G Louw she had also studied Afrikaans en Nederlands. She became Vice-Principal of the Diocesan School for Girls where she taught Afrikaans, homecraft and needlework. She will be remembered as the wardrobe mistress for the Dramatic Society at the Great Hall. In 1960 she and her family emigrated to New Zealand where she taught at Girls' Colleges in Dunedin and Nelson. Later she became Senior Mistress at Ruapehu College in Ohakune and then at Queen Charlotte College in Picton. She retired to Nelson in 1973 where she was well known for her craft and needlework. She is survived by her husband, son and daughter.

Dr Laurence Allison Bushell (1927) in Johannesburg on November 4, 1991. Dr Bushell, a former President of the Chemical, Metal-

lurgical and Mining Society of South Africa, now the South African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, was born in Queenstown on June 20, 1910. He leaves a wife, Sally and four children.

Mr John Beaufort (1958) at Kenton-on-Sea in January 1992 at the age of 52 from a heart attack. John was educated at St Andrew's College, Rhodes University and Oxford, and later became a schoolmaster at King's College, Auckland, New Zealand, in the steps of his father who later, as the Very Rev James Beaufort, became Dean of Grahamstown. John returned to South Africa where he became assistant headmaster of St George's Grammar School, Cape Town, before moving to Kenton and going into business with a lifelong friend, Mr Wally Kitcat. He was an active Round Tabler. He wrote, starred in and directed the *Kenton Capers* show which became a regular feature of Kenton life and which was a huge success at last year's National Festival

of the Arts in Grahamstown. He was also a keen golfer - once men's champion at the Royal Port Alfred Golf Club - and a squash player. He leaves his wife, Flick, his mother, Mrs Hugh Harker, three children, Sandi, Nina and Jimmy and a sister, Mrs Margot Doyle.

Mr John Bowker (1934) in Port Elizabeth in November 1991 after a long illness at the age of 75. Mr Bowker was the eldest son of the late Dr Tom Bowker, a former MP for Albany, and his wife, Gladys. He was born in Grahamstown, spent his early days on the home farm, Glen Ovis and was educated at St Andrew's College where he matriculated in 1933.

He was an above average sportsman, excelling at shooting, cricket, tennis and rugby. In his final year he was champion shottist for which he was awarded colours. In 1934 he went to Rhodes University College taking a BSc Agriculture. He took up athletics and excelled in the javelin event. Mr

Bowker joined the First City Regiment in 1933. In 1939 he was transferred to the Albany Commando but when war broke out he returned to the First City as a Lieutenant. He served in the Intelligence Division of the South African Armoured Division, becoming a Captain in 1943 when the Defence Medal of Africa, the Victory Medal and the Star of Italy were conferred on him. After the war Mr Bowker continued farming at Glen Ovis. He married Miss Pat Stirk. The couple bore three sons, Andrew, David and Christopher. Mr Bowker farmed for 37 years before retiring to Grahamstown. He was very proud of his association with the 1820 Settlers of whom he was a descendant. He was a member of the 1820 Settlers' Foundation from its inception and had a keen interest in Settler history.

After he retired he took a keen interest in building a memorial to honour his father, whose decision it was to build a monument to the Settlers, and his mother. This took meticulous planning as he wanted exceptional quality sneezewood posts and went to great lengths to acquire what he wanted. This memorial was unveiled after his death. He is survived by his wife, Pat, his sons, their wives and six grandchildren.

Mr Stan Edwards (1924) in Port Elizabeth in April 1992 at the age of 85. Mr Edwards retired as headmaster of Grey Junior School in 1966 after 21 years in the post. Educated at Graeme College and Rhodes he started his teaching career at Grey Junior as science master, and after 17 years became head of the school. He was associated with E P athletics throughout his career. The EP and Border Schools Athletics Association, which he served as general secretary, hon-

oured him by inaugurating the S F Edwards Shield for their under-16 competition. Mr Edwards was chairman and later president of the Achilles Athletics Club and was made an honorary life member of the EP Athletics Union. Mr Edwards is survived by his wife, Dorothy, three children, Peter, Helene and Elizabeth, 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Professor Christopher K Goertz (1969) in Iowa City on November 2, 1991. Christopher was the professor of physics and astronomy at the University of Iowa. He was one of four people who were fatally shot by a graduate student who did not receive an award he thought due to him.

Dr John Jenns Grace (1954) in England on December 14, 1990.

Dr Amy Frances May Gordon Jacot Guillarmod (Staff 1958) in Grahamstown on Friday May 7, 1992. 'Dr Jacot', as she was affectionately known, would have celebrated her 81st birthday on May 23, a birthdate she was proud to share with Linnaeus.



She leaves her son, Francois, his wife, Sandra and four grandchildren.

Dr Jacot Guillarmod was born at Hillcrest, Natal in 1911. She spent much of her childhood in Durban and Cape Town. Her mother taught her at home until she was 11, when she began for-

mal schooling in Scotland. She spent the last four years of her schooling at Durban Girls' High School.

She went on to St Andrews University, Scotland, where she read for an MA in English and History. Having completed this, she realized that Science was her natural bent and she read for a BSc in Botany and Zoology. Her DSc was awarded by the same University in the 1960s for her work on the flora of Lesotho.

On her return to South Africa she taught in Durban before becoming a researcher in the Plant Pathology Division of the Department of Agriculture in Pretoria, until her marriage, when she moved to Lesotho.

In 1940 she began a survey of the flora of what was then Basutoland. During the 20 years spent in that country she also lectured at the University College of Basutoland and was, briefly, head of the department of Botany. Her intensive study of the flora of Lesotho culminated, in 1971, in the publication of her definitive work, *Flora of Lesotho*, which has remained a basic reference on montane flora.

In 1958, when her husband joined the staff of the Albany Museum in Grahamstown, Dr Jacot Guillarmod was appointed as a lecturer in the Department of Botany at Rhodes. She later became a Senior Lecturer, and retired in 1973. In 1975 she became a Research Associate in the department of Zoology and Entomology, where she joined the research team in the Institute of Freshwater Studies, concentrating on large water plants. During her time at the Institute, she was co-author of the *Limnological Bibliography for Africa South of the Sahara*.

She was also a researcher in the Albany Museum Herbarium. During her career, Dr Jacot Guillarmod wrote

and co-wrote over 200 papers and collected some 10,000 plant specimens.

The Botanical Research Institute of the Department of Agriculture and Water Supply dedicated Volume 50 of its Journal *The Flowering Plants of Africa* to Dr Jacot Guillarmod in June 1988, in recognition of her immense contribution to southern African Botany.

She was a fellow of the Linnean Society in London and an Honorary Life Member of the Limnological Society of Southern Africa.

"She was one of the genuine botanical pioneers of southern Africa and was also one of those important people who are able to make science intelligible to non-scientists", said Professor Randall Hepburn, head of the department of Zoology and Entomology at Rhodes, on learning of her death.

"She had a giving spirit and was never too busy to help anyone. She was doing research and publishing almost until her death. This tiny little woman was a gentle giant", he said.

Dr Jacot Guillarmod was a woman of great and simple faith and was much-loved as a faithful congregant at Christ Church, Grahamstown.

Dr Leslie Errol Kent (1934) in Pretoria recently. He was born in Pietermaritzburg in August, 1915 and matriculated with a first class pass from Maritzburg College in 1931. After obtaining his Bachelor's degree from Natal University he later studied at Rhodes University College under Professor Edgar Mountain where he obtained a Master's degree. Dr Kent joined the Geological Society of South Africa in 1937 and actively participated in many of its activities. He served on the Society's Council from 1955 until 1974, having been President in 1965. The Society's premier award, the Draper

Medal, was conferred on Dr Kentin 1972 and he was made an Honorary Member in 1985. He was a Fellow of the Geological Society of London and of the Royal Society of South Africa and a member of the SA Archaeological Society. He was a keen photographer and his visits to Marion and Gough islands provided material for his love of landscape portraits. He compiled many books and was a principal contributor in many others, while also publishing 60 papers in scientific journals.

Mrs Daphne Letty (Wannenburg 1936) in Knysna on February 11, 1992. After graduating from Rhodes Daphne taught at the Durban Girls' College. She married Gordon Wright just after the war and had two children, Jeanne and Tim. After the tragic death of her husband, Daphne taught at St Mary's School in Kloof. There she met and married Huwald Letty and became a farmer's wife until they retired to Knysna. Daphne was noted for her love and knowledge of flowers. She was a member of the Knysna Red Cross. She is survived by her son, Tim, daughter, Jeanne, and two sisters, Sheila and Maisie.

Mr Guy Butler Murray (1975) in Umtata on July 29, 1991 aged 37. Guy was at Bishops from 1966 to 1971, matriculating with a first class distinction in History. In post-matriculation he was second prefect, senior student officer, captain of rugby and cricket, and represented Western Province Schools at both sports. After commissioned national service in the South African Navy (during which he captained the combined SADF U20 XV), he graduated with a BCom from Rhodes in 1977 and BCompt at UNISA in 1979, and then completed articles with a firm in Johannesburg. At this time he obtained a pilot's licence

and captained the Pirates 1st XV. He joined the Transkei Mining Corporation in 1986 to manage its financial and personnel portfolios, particularly the milling and packaging of maize. Guy leaves his father, Frans, of Claremont, brother, Matthew, of Newlands and sister, Fuzzy, of New Zealand.

Mrs Rosemary Quadu (1977) in Bloemfontein on January 10, 1992 of cancer. Rosemary was married to **Franco Quadu (Staff)**, who lectured in the Department of French and Italian at Rhodes. She completed a librarianship diploma in 1977. Rosemary leaves her husband, Franco, who is head of the Department of Italian at the University of the Orange Free State in Bloemfontein, and two children, Veronica aged 12 and Alessandro, aged 9.

Miss Vanessa Reich (1985) on July 18, 1991 while on holiday in Athens, Greece.

Mr Reuben 'Rosie' Rosseinsky (1921) in Portsmouth, England in May 1990. While at Rhodes Mr Rosseinsky was senior student of College House and captain of the Rugby Team. He spent most of his adult life as a Latin teacher at Queen's College in Queenstown, where he consolidated the rugby tradition and later became vice-principal after the Second World War in which he served in the SAMC. He and his wife, Valda (TC 1925) moved to England with his son, David (1950), and his daughter in 1975.

Mr Eric E Schaefer (1926) on October 14, 1991 aged 83 years. Until his retirement he worked as a plant pathologist for the Department of Agriculture. He and his wife recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Eric leaves his wife and two sons.

Mr Unus Scheepers (1930) in February 1992 in Cape Town. Mr Scheepers was

educated at Graeme College and Rhodes. After graduation he taught History, English and Latin at three schools before returning to Graeme College as vice-principal. In 1959 he was appointed headmaster of the newly established Milnerton High School. By the time he retired in 1968 he had built the school into a proud establishment. He was a person of integrity and high moral code who at all times endeavoured to instil these attributes into all involved in school activities. He will be remembered for his devotion to the cause of Education.

Mrs Linda Louise Snowball (Prozesky 1967) in Grahamstown on September 24, 1990. The following is an extract from the Eulogy read at the memorial service held in the Rhodes Chapel:

"Linda was born in Johannesburg in 1949, the daughter of Hermann August Prozesky and Mary Elizabeth Poultney. She grew up in Natal, Oudtshoorn and Graaff-Reinet. Her brothers and sisters remember what a soulful, ethereal, funny, fey little girl she was, what a finely, highly strung little person, tuned from an early age to the various musics of our mysterious spheres. The organ in the church made her cry because, she said it was so sad. Yet she had a fine sense of humour. She and a friend invented a private domestic world inhabited by a comical family whose imagined misfortunes kept them in gales of half-suppressed, secretive laughter. Able to win and retain special friends, Linda could nevertheless play engrossing games on her own. Both Linda's parents were teachers, and through them she came to that love of books which shaped her life. She was soon an avid reader and an excellent student, fascinated chiefly by the mystery of the human predicament -

by the great stories of the Bible, of Greek and Roman history and legend. But she was not a mere bookworm or a dreamer. Her practical capabilities and strength of character were noticed early and she was elected head-girl, successively, of both her primary and high schools. In 1967 she began her studies in the Faculty of Arts at Rhodes. These were interrupted after six months when she took up an AFS Scholarship and spent a year in the United States. Upon her return to Rhodes in 1968 she entered one of the happiest periods of her life. An older fellow student in Latin, Greek and English was **Warren Snowball (1968)**, a young man whose interests and temperament matched and complemented hers to a remarkable extent. Together they read for the BA and BA (Hons) degrees. In 1971 they were married and together proceeded to the University of London where, sharing everything as they were to do for the rest of her young life, they obtained their MAS in Classics. They settled in Grahamstown in 1974, the scene of their deeply happy marriage for the next sixteen years. While Warren lectured in the Department of Classics at Rhodes, Linda taught in turn at Victoria Girls' High School, the Diocesan School for Girls, Graeme College and St Andrew's College, and also lectured on various occasions in a temporary capacity at Rhodes. She was a scrupulously conscientious teacher, respected by her colleagues and loved by her students. It is not too much to say that Linda changed Grahamstown. This city - and indeed the world - is a better place for her having lived here. Many people, adults and children, will testify that they have been touched by her kindness to them. But surely she has

moved the hearts of most of all who know her by the devotion which she and Warren have shown to their only child, Brandon. Born in 1977, their little boy was brain-damaged, and the intensive care and specialized teaching he required claimed and absorbed her talents and energies to an extent which less loving people thought foolish. If it is folly to love unquestioningly and hopelessly, then Linda was indeed guilty of foolishness, the same foolishness which is beyond the wisdom of men. It is into the hands of that foolish wisdom of Love that we commend her beautiful, unforgettable spirit."

Mr John Reginald St George Stead (1926) on August 28, 1991 in England. Mr Stead emigrated to England in 1929 where he entered the Royal London Hospital to study medicine and qualified as a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons in 1947. He met his wife, Elizabeth, in 1940 and married in 1944. After the war he practised in the East End of London until his retirement in 1972.

Professor J C 'Doc' van Hille (1941) in Grahamstown on December 30, 1991. The following is an extract from the Eulogy read at the memorial service in the Rhodes Chapel by **Professor Brian Allanson (Staff 1963)**:

"We have come to honour the life and memory of a dear friend and colleague, Professor J C van Hille, known to his friends simply as Bob and to his students as 'Doc'. The shock of Bob's passing and the manner of it has reverberated throughout the land and friends of diverse qualifications - be they musicians, his past students or present colleagues - were stunned by the bitter tragedy. That such a gentle man should have his life ended in such a violent manner is beyond comprehension. Our loss is irrevocable, but we are all sup-

ported by the many memories with which Bob's multifaceted personality has left with us. He served the community of Grahamstown and beyond for over half a century and through this service enriched the lives of so many friends and students. His life's philosophy was firmly based upon the trinity of his family, his work as a university teacher and zoologist, and his music. And permeating all three were his penetrating peacefulness, gentility and humility. Throughout his professional work in South Africa he supported and guided three heads of department who required and were given the riches of Professor Van Hille's experience and wisdom. It has been my privilege to have known and worked with Doc the longest of the three.



Professor van Hille

As the remnants of the staff of the department went their various ways following the resignation of my predecessor, Professor D W Ewer, Doc became the focus of departmental stability around which the few who remained and those who were eventually appointed gathered. I often wonder how frequently we as callow youthful academics gave Doc cause for concern, but he kept his counsel. Perhaps he sought resolution of the despair he must have felt from time to

time by recourse to his well-known crossword puzzle sessions at tea. In this regard Doc and his small team of disciples could have matched the wisdom and erudition of the senior common room across the campus in this particular linguistic endeavour! The end result of Doc's stewardship of the university department was a teaching and research centre in two of the biological sciences which has taken its place among the leading biological groups in the country. It is imperative to appreciate that because I knew the undergraduate teaching was in such capable hands that we were able to penetrate challenging research areas within the freshwater and marine sciences, tick biology, biological control of insect pests and insect systematics to which Professor van Hille contributed so significantly. It is gratifying to know that his research collections have been safely lodged in the Albany Museum.

No teaching and research group within our University could have been better served. This contribution was fittingly recognized by the University in 1967 when Doc was appointed Reader in Zoology and he accepted the associate professorship in 1973. In 1976 he became an honorary research associate in the department and to commemorate his 50 years of service to the University was appointed an Associate Professor Emeritus in 1989. We are all very sensitive of the fact that Bob was the epitome of an educated man. He spoke at least four languages, was widely read in music and literature, and it was in the practice of the former that he made such an overwhelming contribution to the musical life of our community. He made music with his friends and never failed to give generously of this gift - indeed no musical event

would have been complete without Bob and his beloved cello.

Professor van Hille served on the Board of the Albany Museum for 24 years, for nine of which he was its deputy chairman and on his retirement was appointed an honorary research associate of the museum. Once again he contributed to the wider field of museology through his study of the signal towers of the eastern Province which had played a singular role in the Settler, Xhosa confusion of the last century. His authority even here was without question.

I have left one of Bob's most endearing qualities until last - namely his remarkable facility with language. His humorous, cogent, delightful (and often spontaneous) comment upon the current scene was always appreciated by his listeners.

In saying farewell, let us accept the adjuration of Thomas A Kempis who in translation recommends that we 'never be entirely idle; but either be reading, or writing, or meditating, or endeavouring something for the public good', as it succinctly portrays the code which Professor van Hille followed during his rich and varied life."

Please help!

A number of Old Rhodians abroad appear to be "lost" - please write and tell us about any ORs living abroad and give us their current addresses. A special request for details about North American ORs has come from **Warne Boyce (1949)**. Please send information to the Public Relations Division.