

**Old Rhodians** 

# Rhodes Newsletter

# Post-natal nation building

Extracts from a graduation address delivered on April 22, 1995

By Mr Michael R Watermeyer, Chairman of the Molteno Brothers Trust Tt is important for the stakeholders of this University periodically to review the educational structure in this country as it plays such a key role in that process. South Africa is in the throes of a socio-economic metamorphosis.

The fact that these changes should have evolved many years ago is irrelevant. Agonizing over what should have happened is debilitating and obstructive. We should thank God that we now live in a democracy where the rights of all our citizens are entrenched. South Africa has been reborn. In these immediate post-natal days of nation building, emphasis is rightly being placed on reconciliation and on reconstruction and development (R&D). However the cornerstone of the R&D programme must be education, embracing family planning, ecology and health. Any R&D success not based on education will be short lived and cosmetic.

We have, to a great extent, inherited an institutionalised educational system favouring the white tribe. The field that has to be levelled is extensive and very uneven. The education of 42 percent of African adults over 20 years is not higher than standard 5. Four million black adults have received no formal schooling whatsoever. Six million adults in South Africa could be absolutely illiterate. The present structures are clearly not able to educate our children.

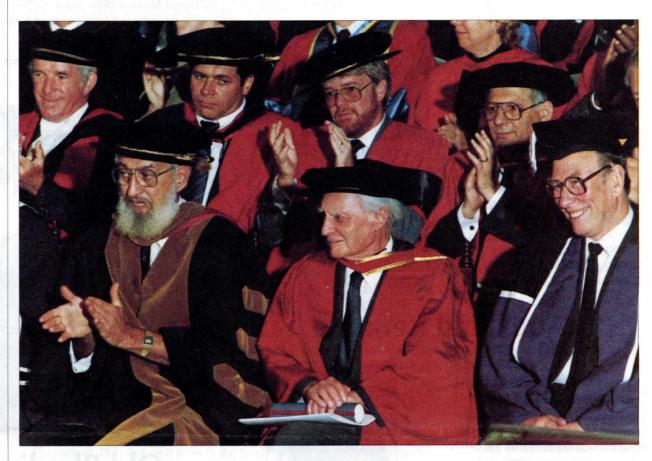
As a second point, the general standard of instruction of many schools especially in the platteland is sub-standard. Many of the teachers are not sufficiently qualified, or trained, to teach at the level expected of them. The third point which has to be addressed is the disturbing decline in students taking Science and Maths. The fourth point is the language of instruction. Recognition of language is a fundamental human right. This has been recognised, and rightly so, in the new Constitution.

The Western way is to move towards a mono-lingual system but this is not the African way. There is sufficient evidence in history that enforced mono-lingualism actually accelerates the gap between the so-called disadvantaged and the ruling elite. In the 1991 census, 80 percent of Africans over 15 considered

themselves literate in their own language, 41 percent literate in English, and 31 percent in Afrikaans. This was a self appraisal which could be very flattering. The project for the study of Alternative Education at UCT calculates that only 30-35 percent of people in South Africa have sufficient English language skills to understand political discourse and news broadcasting in English. It is interesting to note that at Kempton Park negotiations took place in English, and in 1994 87 percent of speeches made in Parliament were in English. This clearly indicates that a working knowledge of English is vital in socio economic activities. The importance of language cannot be over emphasized. Language is part of a community's heritage and culture and must never be denigrated in any way. The fifth point is that at present the school system is constructed in the main to enable pupils to follow an academic path to matric. But a purely academic education is not appropriate for most people. In most cases it is an expensive luxury which no country can

afford. Adult education is another aspect which requires our urgent attention. Anyone who employs labour, and I do not exclude the housewife, has a responsibility to train and enhance the education of his or her employees. The mining groups in this country have been proactive in this area but commerce and industry as a whole has lagged far behind. It is imperative that the business community take action now. A recent survey, commissioned by the National Economic Forum is damning in the extreme. Many industries, they claim, survive only because of protection and subsidy. It slates South African management methods and highlights the low percentage of local workers who work in teams - only 2.5 percent against 71.3 percent of Japanese working in North America. In South African workplaces, unions and employers cannot agree on what participation means. The reason is that the underlying educational standards and cultures are not conducive to participative responsibilities. A climate of mutual trust has to be created. A bad negotiated programme works far better than a good non-negotiated programme. Funding of NGOs, which still have a vital role to play in the new South Africa, is drying up.

# Five Honorary degrees awarded



t the 1995 Graduation ceremonies - there were four held in Grahamstown and one in East London this year -Afive honorary doctorates were awarded. Extracts from the citations and the Graduation addresses are published on pages 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of this newsletter.

Dr Alexander McGregor was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws (honoris causa) on 22 April and was photographed during the ceremony, flanked by Dr Keith Hunt, the retiring Registrar (right) and Prof Randall Hepburn, Dean of the Faculty of Science (above).

Overseas donors and governments prefer to channel their financial support through governmental channels rather than NGOs. It gives them more exposure and relieves them of the responsibilities of having to monitor how it is spent. The bad publicity of unaccounted monies has also not helped the cause of NGOs.

In the apartheid days even with all the constraints and restraints placed on them their contribution was substantial. They have, in most cases, the goodwill of the communities which is so essential and the expertise and the experience to meet their objectives. The Molteno Project, with which I am associated, is just one of the many NGOs deserving of support. My plea to donors, and potential donors, is not to abandon these NGO's which have a proven record of delivering the goods. Such grants are not donations, they are investments in the new SA. The problems which face us in education are indeed daunting, "Prima facie, insurmountable", but we should never underestimate the ingenuity of men and women. I have every confidence that with commitment, we will find the answers. Each and everyone of us should and can become involved in

some way or other.

## **Old Rhodian Bursary Recipients**

E arlier this year winners of Old Rhodian bursaries attended a cocktail party to meet members of the Old Rhodian Union committee.

The United Kingdom Old Rhodian bursary was won by Miss Liesl Williams who is completing her Bachelor of Human Movement Studies degree this year. Liesl is seen here with Trevor Long (1954), headmaster of Victoria Girls' High School, and fellow former VG pupil, Miss Lynda-Fe Croeser, the winner of the Old Rhodian Gold bursary.



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# Reunions; this year and last

Bloemfontein Wednesday 6 September at 7 for 7.30pm Harrison House, St Andrew's

Contact: Roy Gordon (1960) Telephone: 300 436 (H); 477 831 (W)

School

Cape Town
Friday 8 September at 5.30pm
The UCT Graduation School of

Business Function Hall Contact: Dr David Hart (1974) Telephone: 686 3982 (W) (Ask for Dr Hart)

> Johannesburg Kaif Krawl

083 250 7227 (H)

Saturday 16 September Wanderers' Club Contact:Rose Ridgewell at 788 5543

Kimberley Thursday 7 September at 7 for 7.30pm

Kimberley Club Contact: Mark Fletcher (1983) Telephone: 813 221 (W) Port Elizabeth Wednesday 13 September at 6 for 6.30pm

Duckpond Pavilion, St George's Park Contact: Neale Emslie (1978) Telephone: 504 7911 (W) after 11.30am

Zimbabwe

Bulawayo Wednesday 4 October

Contact: Raymond Louw (1974) P. O. Box 1746, Bulawayo

> Harare Friday 6 October

Contact: Kim Wadman (1989) 9 Ridgeway North, Highlands Harare

Telephone: 49 0607 (H) 75 7610 (W)

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Contact: Jean-Ann Caroll (Palmer 1951)

1 Herrick Close Fairbridge Park Telephone: 60 945

## **Auckland Reunion**

Terry Marsh, Dean of Education at Rhodes, addressed Old Rhodians (*right*) at the Auckland reunion held in October 1994. The reunion was organised by **Jill Kayser** (**Stevenson 1979**) and attended by 43 ORs and their partners.

For further information about Auckland reunions please contact Jill at 09 575-9836.



## Eastern Cape Old Rhodian reunion, 9th-10th September 1995

An Old Rhodian reunion intended especially for Old Rhodians living in the Eastern Cape region is being planned for the second weekend in September. We are thinking particularly of the many ORs who live within a few hours driving distance of Grahamstown, but all ORs who can get to Rhodes on Saturday 9 September are invited.

We are planning a day's programme beginning with tours of the campus at 9.00 am. These will be followed by visits to some departments to see new and interesting equipment for teaching and research and a talk by an invited speaker. We hope to arrange for some musical and theatrical entertainment, but time will also be allowed for participants to indulge in their own nostalgic 'walk-abouts'. A lunch and finger

supper will be provided.
Accommodation in a Rhodes hall of residence will be available for those who would like to stay overnight and attend a service which we hope to arrange in the University chapel on Sunday morning. If you are interested in attending this reunion please contact Mrs Jenny Purdon, Public Relations and Development Division, telephone 0461 - 31 8516.

## Law Class of '88 reunion

Professor Desmond Eve,
president of the Old Rhodian
Union, hosted a cocktail party on
Friday 7 April in the Senior
Common Room for the class of '88.
The event was organised by Karen
Muller (Viviers 1983) of Port

Elizabeth. The Class of '88 was joined by members of the Old Rhodian Committee and staff from the Law Department. A successful seminar was held on the Saturday morning and a most enjoyable dinner took place that evening.

# Adelaide (South Australia) Reunion

A belated Founders' Day 'braaibecue' was held at John and Ginny Hussey's house on Sunday 23 October. A very good time was had by all and after a bit of serious eating (boerewors, bobotic etc) and drinking they adjourned to watch the Rhodes video, *On the Frontier of Change*. There was much nostalgia as familiar landmarks were recognised.

The Husseys are moving to live on Thistle Island in the near future. There is a plan afoot to have an Old Rhodian weekend reunion on the Island this year. There are no rabbits, foxes, feral cats, pigs or goats on the Island but there are many rare Australian animals. Also — the fishing is supposed to be wonderful! Some of those who attended the reunion were:

Standing (from left):

Susan Kirsten (Bredenkamp 1967), Linda Keukenmeester, Paul Ensor (1967), Anthony Ilsley (1960), Denise Ilsley, Anthony Smith, Michael Kokkinn (1976), Don Gilbert (1977), Annamarie Gilbert, Ernie Kirsten (1969)

Seated (from left):

Alex, Bev Kokkinn (Charteris 1966), Ginny Hussey (Beatty 1962), Michelle Weber (1989), Emily.

The children are Linda's grandchildren.



# Old Rhodian Reunion - Johannesburg

The Reunion not to be missed is in Johannesburg, where the Old Rhodian Golf Club, ably led by Terry Sutherland and Helene White and her committee, are already hard at work preparing another swinging Kaif Krawl.

It will be held on Saturday, 16 September, at the Wanderers Club. Last year's party was enjoyed by

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Rhodians of all ages. The band played on to the early hours of the morning, and had Old Rhodians of all decades, competing in various hilarious games together with boat races and all. Ask any Rhodian who was there and they will tell you it was the Party of the Year. "The success of the Kaif Krawl",

said Terry, "is that we had ORs

from four different decades, razzling as only ORs can do, and we appeal once again to some serious ORs to put tables together with their mates from their times at Rhodes."

Booking is absolutely essential, preferably in tables of eight or more. Phone Rose at (011) 788 5543



Picture of the Class of '88

Seen at the reunion are, from left, Prof John Grogan; Mr Vuyo Kahla, a member of the Law Students' Council; Ms Karen Muller (Viviers), who coordinated the reunion; and Mr Angus Warner, of East London.

# **UK Old Rhodians**

By the time this newsletter is received, the 1995 reunion will have taken place. The organising committee has arranged **two** gatherings this year – one on 17 June at a completely new venue in Sussex (the Isle of Thorns, an estate run by the University of Sussex), and the other on 29 July at Bob and Maggie Wade's home in Crowthorne, Berkshire, with Prof Terry Marsh, Dean of Education as guest speaker. Your contact in the UK is Fred Castle, the new registrar who took over from Murray Graham last September. His address is: Fred Castle, Tel: (01273) 501770, 199 Surrenden Road, Brighton West Sussex,

BN1 6NN. (When writing, please enclose a s.a.e.)

UK Old Rhodians continue to support the bursary fund, contributing a further £ 500 in 1994, making a grand total of £ 2 300 since the initiative was launched in 1990. The recipient for both 1994 and 1995 is Liesl Williams, who is completing a Bachelor of Human Movement Studies. As Ms Williams did extremely well at the end of last year, the bursary was re-awarded to her this year. Donations to the UK bursary fund should be sent to Fred Castle, making cheques payable to the treasurer "Donald Pearce-Crump (ORU)".

# Rhodes University College Athletic Club – 1946

This photograph has been sent to us by Jim Clarke (1946), of the Blue Mountains Forrest Nursery at Juliasdale.

The names followed by an asterisk are those who returned from active service in World War II, including one woman.

Mr Clarke suggests that this team competed in what was possibly the first ever intervarsity match against Fort Hare. "For their pains", he

remembers, "they were threatened, by the National Associations' Governing Committee, with suspension from all athletic competitions should they again compete against blacks!"

The team members are, from left to right: (back row) P Frost\*, J Knoesen, M Hanley\*, R Joynt, E Gracey\*, (sitting) M Smith\*, D Hasenjager (Vice-Capt), M D Muller (Capt), N Mandy (Hon Sec), J Clarke\*, (front row) D Standen\*, J Mortimer\*, J Wootton and M Peckover

# Centenary Appeal update

There has been an enthusiastic response to the Centenary Appeal. Nearly R 0,5m has been donated with promises of further support over the next nine years leading up to the Rhodes Centenary. The Fund has been boosted by extremely generous donations of R 250 000 from the Molteno Brothers Trust and a substantial contribution from Mrs Marjorie Macintosh. Mrs Macintosh also donated generously to the Department of English at Rhodes. She is the widow of the late Alan Macintosh (1923).

The Fund is endeavouring to raise some R 25 million which will be used to erect a new library and conference hall complex on the Eden Grove site purchased by the University from the Provincial Administration.

It should be noted that donations to Universities qualify for tax relief in terms of Section 18A of the Income Tax Act. Individuals can obtain tax relief on donations of up to 2% of their taxable income, or R 500, whichever is the greater. In the case of companies, these can obtain tax relief on donations of up to 5% of their taxable income. Different regulations apply in other countries. Of the funds received to date, over R 3 000,00 came from Rhodes Alumni in the United States, through the Rhodes Charitable Trust.

# Rhodes University

**Notice** 

Convocation representatives on the Rhodes University Council for the period 1 January 1995 -- 31 December 1998

It is notified for general information that the following candidates were successful in the recent election for three representatives of Convocation on the Rhodes University Council:

- Professor G Butler
- The Hon. Mr Justice R J W Jones
- Senator E K Moorcroft

In terms of the Rhodes University Statute, I declare these candidates duly elected to the Rhodes University Council as representatives of Convocation.

> (Dr) S Fourie Registrar

# Only R 55,00 REUNION per head! Party of the Hear A real Jawl - A Kaif Krawl At: The Wanderers Club. On: Saturday, 16th September. Dress: Smart casual (no jeans or T-shirts please). A swinging band with music for all ages Lots of food to eat and plenty of prizes Booking is essential: Rose at (011) 788 5543

## Notice of Annual Meeting: Convocation and Old Rhodian Union

The Forty-Fifth Annual Meeting of Convocation will be held jointly with the Annual General Meeting of the Old Rhodian Union in the Council Chamber on Tuesday 12 September 1995 at 5:45pm.

#### Agenda

- 1) Notice of Meeting
- Minutes of the Forty-Fourth Annual Meeting of Convocation held on 12 September 1994.
- Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Old Rhodian Union held on 12 September 1994
- 4) Report of the Vice-Chancellor
- 5) Report of the President of the

- Old Rhodian Union
- 6) Financial Statement of the Old Rhodian Union for the year ended 31 December 1994.
- 7) Election of Office Bearers (*Note*: Of the six elected members of the Old Rhodian Union Committee, at least four shall be members of Convocation which together with the President and Secretary of Convocation shall be the Executive of Convocation)

After the meeting, members are invited to attend a cheese and wine party in the Senior Common Room at which the monthly draw of the ORU "150" Club. will take place.

Dr S Fourie Secretary, Convocation. Mr P A T Weldrick Hon. Secretary Old Rhodian Union. 13 June 1995

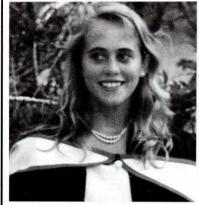
# **Obituaries**

#### **Revd James Clark**

The Revd James Clark (1958) died on 18 May 1995. He established the first Presbyterian Church in Kitwe, Zambia, in 1961. He dedicated his life to helping others and looking after the spiritual welfare of people, and had a great sense of humour. He leaves his wife, Jean, and children Ian, Jennifer and Andrew.

#### **Tracey Anne Gold**

Tracey Anne Gold (1991) (pictured below) was tragically killed in a freak accident on 2 December 1994 in Cape Town, three weeks before her 23rd birthday.



Tracey and a group of friends were holding a Christmas dinner at their flat when her chair collapsed and she fell over the balcony rail and plunged four stories onto the pavement. She was killed instantly. A friend, Rodney Shorten, a Stellenbosch student, fell with her in an attempt to prevent the tragedy. A tree broke his fall but he was badly injured. She was a Rotary Exchange Student at Grants Pass, Oregon in the United States. She came to Rhodes in 1991 and graduated in 1994 with a Bachelor of Arts (Human Movement Studies). Tracey was accepted into the Biomedical Engineering department at the University of Cape Town for an honours degree. Two days before her death she heard that she had been accepted for a Masters degree. Tracey was the youngest of four daughters of ORs, Brian (1957) and Penny Gold (McIntyre 1955). Her sister, Patricia (1988), is also an OR.

#### Peter Humphry Greenwood

**Dr Peter Humphry Greenwood DSc (honoris causa) (1991)** died on Friday 3 March 1995 in England.

The world lost one of its great ichthyologists with his death. Humphry was travelling from the JLB Smith Institute in South Africa, to Bergen in Norway, when he stopped in London to spend a few days with his family and to visit the fish section of the Natural History Museum. While in the Museum he had a stroke which ended his life. The tragedy occurred in the office which had been his for many years.

Humphry Greenwood was more than an outstanding ichthyologist, he was a warm person of generous spirit with a puckish sense of humour and a quick wit. People meant a great deal to him and much of his life was spent helping others. Humphry loved to have fun and to entertain people, which he did in splendid fashion at parties.

His sense of humour was not inhibited by the formality of an occasion. Instead, he seemed to see formality as a challenge to charmingly test the limits of acceptability. So his lectures, even keynote presentations at large international conferences, became events; Humphry was bound to produce superb science, and the unexpected.

His personal warmth, his enthusiasm and zest when coupled with his scientific excellence and humble attitude meant that Humphry was a wonderful role model for students. At heart and in behaviour, Humphry was still a young student, so his death brought with it the stunning realisation that he was not as young as his behaviour suggested. This student was 67 years old when he died.

Humphry insisted that he was expelled from school, ran away to sea and was an able-seaman in the Royal Navy during the second world war. The period at sea made a lasting impression on Humphry and developed in him a deep love of the sea and things nautical.

After the war Humphry registered at the University of Witwatersrand from where he graduated with a BSc in 1950 and a DSc in 1963. His interests blossomed when he was posted to Jinja from 1951 to 1958 to work on the fishes of Lake Victoria. Thereafter he joined the British Museum of Natural History where he remained until his retirement in 1989. He rose through the scientific ranks of the British Museum and ended his career at a level higher than that ever awarded to any other scientist on the basis of merit promotions. In 1984 he visited the JLB Smith Institute of Ichthyology and from that time on made an annual trip to South Africa. After his retirement he bought a house across the road from the Institute and made Grahamstown his home. He became widely known in town, exchanging pleasantries and well-meant banter with anyone who was inclined to match his wit or cheerfulness.

Humphry was active in his research until literally the last moment, and he published hundreds of scientific and popular articles. The media found him a delight to interview as his enthusiasm, charm, encyclopedic knowledge, lovely turn of phrase and wit were always of value.

He has also served on important committees including several in the Zoological Society, in the Linnaean Society and the Royal Society, giving valuable service to all. His period as president of the Linnaean Society from 1976 to 1979 was especially noteworthy. Humphry is best known for his work on cichlid fishes and those of Lake Victoria in particular.

Humphry's love of the arts and encyclopedic knowledge of ballet, painting, music, literature and history were often overlooked by his friends and colleagues. Yet these were exceedingly deep parts of the man. His love of prose was reflected in his daily life as his spoken and written English was always excellent.

#### **Ellen Mary Hilton-Barber**

Ellen Mary Hilton-Barber (St Leger 1923) died on the 17th of October 1994 at the age of 90.

#### Jill Joubert

Jill Joubert (Jennings 1944) died suddenly in Settlers Hospital on 4 May 1995 after a short illness. She had worked as a journalist for the past 45 years, as Editor of the Grocott's Mail for the last 10 years, and was a former correspondent for the EP Herald. She was also a founder member of the Liberal Party and an active Black Sash member. Jill leaves her daughter, Sally and son, James.

#### Eileen Jensen Krige

Eileen Jensen Krige (1976) died in April this year, aged 90. She was a late convert to social anthropology. She will be most remembered for her book, *The Realm of the Rain Queen*.

Prof Krige leaves two sons, their wives and two grandchildren.

#### **Philip Mayer**

Philip Mayer (Staff 1952 - 1964 and 1970 - 1980) and his wife Iona had a home in Grahamstown for over a quarter of a century. From Rhodes Philip launched the comprehensive study of the black suburbs of East London which was published as *The Xhosa In Town* trilogy to which he and his wife contributed the central volume, *Townsmen or Tribesmen*.

Their concern for migrant workers in South Africa led Philip to direct a major study of migrant labour which was completed in the year that he retired from the chair of Anthropology at Rhodes. The seven volumes represent the first major research reports produced by a new generation of anthropologists who flourished under his guidance and was published in summary form as Black Villagers in an Industrial Society. They are remembered for their scholarship and practical concern manifested in such organisations as the Black Sash.

#### **Anton Murray**

Anton Roland Andrew Murray (1945), a former cricketing Springbok and teacher died in Cape Town on Monday 17 April 1995 after a long illness, aged 72. In the 1950s he represented South Africa in 10 cricket tests. He taught at a number of schools and retired in 1982. Anton leaves four daughters and nine grandchildren.

#### **Albert Niesewand**

Albert Niesewand (1935) died of cancer on 8 December 1994, aged 81. He worked for A Nielsen, Withers and van der Want Surveyors from 1931 to 1947 except for the period spent at Rhodes. Albert obtained a Diploma in Land Surveying in 1937. He played Rugby for Rhodes and took part in Athletics, Hockey and Tennis. He married Pat in 1939. He spent the war years in the fourth Battalion of the National Volunteer Brigade. Albert started his own business in 1947 and retired in February 1983.

#### John Richard Nunn

Professor John Richard Nunn (Staff 1962 - 1980), who was appointed the first Professor of Organic Chemistry in 1962 and Head of the Department from 1966 - 1980, died at Betty's Bay on 5 March, 1995.

He completed BSc and MSc degrees at the University of Cape Town. After a short spell at the Leather Industries Research Institute, Grahamstown, he went on active service in North Africa and Italy. After the war he returned to UCT where he obtained a PhD while a junior lecturer.

In 1948 he joined the National Chemical Research Laboratory of the newly established CSIR and was sent to Bristol University, England, for a year to specialize in polysaccharide chemistry. On his return he was put in charge of the Seaweed Unit of the NCRL at UCT. He returned to Pretoria in 1956 as Head of the Organic Chemistry Division of the NCRL.

He published widely on gums and algal polysaccharides and was an acknowledged authority in this field. He became interested in the high incidence of oesophageal cancer in rural communities in the Transkei and showed that this was due to the presence of carcinogenic nitrosamines in food plants.

He was Dean of Science from 1967 to 1969, Senate representative on the Board of LIRI and a Council member of St. Andrews College. He was a faithful and active member of the congregation of the Cathedral of St Michael and St George and served for many years as lay minister and as a parish councillor.

He enjoyed working with his hands, particularly at woodwork, and was an excellent administrator, firm and often outspoken. He leaves his wife Avril and three children Janet, Ruth and Gavin and a widowed wife of Brian, and their families.

#### **Peter Hugo Preston**

Peter Hugo Preston (1946) died on 9 November 1994, aged 71. Peter served as a pilot in the SAAF during World War II. After the war, Peter read for a BCom degree at Rhodes. After graduating, Peter returned to East London, was articled to a firm of chartered accountants, and, on qualifying as a Chartered

Accountant, became a partner in the business. He joined the finance department of Wilson – Rowntree in 1954 and was appointed company secretary in 1960. In 1967 he was appointed Finance Director, and became Managing Director in 1970.

After 14 years as MD, Peter retired in 1984. In 1992 a brain tumour was diagnosed and in November 1994 Peter died in Cape Town. He is survived by his wife, two daughters and a son.

#### James Beaufort 'Beau' Sutherland

**Dr James Beaufort 'Beau' Sutherland (1935)**, chairman of the Rhodes University Board of Governors, died in Johannesburg on Tuesday 13 December 1994 after a short illness, aged 79.

He graduated BCom, in 1937, from Rhodes University College. He qualified as a Chartered Accountant and joined the South African Air Force in 1940. He served as a navigator and instructor and saw active service in Italy.

After World War II Dr Sutherland went into business. In 1957 he became managing director of African Oxygen, a position he held until his retirement in 1980.

Dr Sutherland was a member of the Rhodes University Board of Governors from its inception and was Chairman for over fifteen years. The University conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws [LLD], honoris causa, on him in 1982.

#### **Richie Taitz**

Richie Taitz (Nordin 1979), who graduated from Rhodes at the end of 1981, was tragically killed in a car accident with her young daughter, Tarryn-Lee in November 1993. She leaves her husband, Mike and son, Bradley.

#### Jan Jeremias Moll van Heerden

Jan Jeremias Moll van Heerden (Staff 1977 - 1988) died on 4 October in Grahamstown. He is remembered for the considerable and constructive role he played in architectural practice, both in Zimbabwe and in the Eastern Cape. Jan graduated from the UCT School of Architecture in 1946.

He settled in Harare, then Salisbury, and worked there for 27 years, during which time he made a distinct and distinguished contribution to the profession and to architectural practice in Rhodesia and Malawi.

In 1977, he was appointed Physical Planning Officer of Rhodes University, and, two years later, Resident Architect. The Rhodes work he felt proudest of was the redevelopment of the Quad II and III complex, housing English, Geology and Geography.

Our sympathies go to his wife, Audrey, (Staff 1970 - 1986).

# Graduation

For reasons of space the text of the Graduation Addresses and Citations on this and the next two pages has been edited. Copies of the full texts may be obtained from the Public Relations and Development Division.

# Foreboding became euphoria

Excerpts from the Graduation Address delivered on Friday, April 21, 1995

by Dr Derek S Henderson, Vice-Chancellor

The year since our last I graduation has been one of the most momentous in our history. 1994 started uneasily. This was reflected at Rhodes in a drop of about five percent in student registration. The air of foreboding was transformed into euphoria by the miracle of the election. A frenzy of consultations, workshops and bosberade characterised the remainder of the year. As the weeks went by it dawned on people that government involves more than high flown rhetoric that is long on idealistic principles but short on practical programmes.

A time for the routines of actually governing and managing has arrived. Every time a difficult decision has to be made it is comforting to put the system on hold until every group of stakeholders has appointed representatives, given mandates, and received report backs, before a conclusion is reached. Somebody has to broker decisions in real time, and ensure that they are carried out. Successful organisations are those which allow potential leaders to emerge who possess more imagination, talent and resolution than their fellows. The fellows have sufficient faith in them to follow their lead. Unsuccessful organisations are those which hate to accept that there are people with superior leadership talents, and remain in a mire of inconclusive indecision.

The time has arrived to get on with the job, build houses and clinics, train people, become more competitive. Nowhere is this more necessary than in the universities. Hardly a year of the thirty I have served universities has elapsed without some enthusiasts determined to scrap all existing models and reinvent the university. It has always surprised me that radical surgery should be advocated for an institution that has had more than 900 years of successful existence.

A university exists to expand knowledge, to transmit it, and to render such support to the community in which it is embedded as it is able. The art lies in striking a balance amongst these competing objectives under conditions of increasingly limited resources. Hard decisions and trade-offs have to be reached. Too much perceived to be spent on research arouses the Ivory Tower critics. If teaching is emphasised we are in danger of being branded a mere college, whereas attempting to meet all the proclaimed community needs leads to usurping the roles of social service agencies which are the responsibilities of government. At Rhodes the quality of both our research and teaching is generally recognised, but we are frequently criticised for alleged shortcomings in sympathy for the more disadvantaged sections of the community. It appears not to be recognised that our existence in

Grahamstown is an enormous asset

to the community. The University brings to the city a cash input of more than R 120 million a year or about R 500 000 per working day. We have about 1 200 full-time staff and this, when we apply the multiplier effect, provides a livelihood for 12 000 people, or nearly 15 percent of the population of the city. Our first duty is to remain viable. Unless we continue to provide the environment. academic and residential, that attracts the 90 percent of out-oftown students, who through fees and subsidies contribute most of our income, and the concurrent donor support, we shall go out of business.

Our eight percent of foreign students, together with cross-border contracts, earn South Africa about R 10 million a year in foreign exchange. We do not often think of Rhodes as part of the export business, but we are, and deserving of official encouragement. It is short-sighted to argue that the presence of foreign students keeps South Africans out when those foreign students provide earning power with which to expand. There are scores of Rhodes-initiated projects that directly affect the lives of thousands of disadvantaged members of the community. These range from pre-schools, improved teaching methods for English and Mathematics, feeding schemes, sports facilities, schools for Matric enhancement, adult education, to centres for the aged. Several million rands a year are raised to fund these activities, and their administration has provided jobs for over 150

As far as our teaching programmes and student enrolments are concerned, the change from 1994 to 1995 has been spectacular. Total registrations are up by 430 or over ten percent, restoring our pattern of a sustainable growth of between two-and-a-half to three percent. Black undergraduate figures rose from 620 to 1 129, that is in one year; or 88 percent, with the female component rising by an astonishing 110 percent. White undergraduates fell from 67 to 55 percent of the total. We have increased residence accommodation by 200 places and invested over R 10 million in infrastructure. We have increased our annual Academic Development Programme support to R 600 000 and enhanced bursary and loan funds by R 5 million. We have to a large extent been able to assist every student in financial difficulties. Commerce and Science Foundation programmes have been established. Over 160 in-service primary teachers are undergoing an upgrade programme. The Leather Science Diploma caters for 25 students; a block release programme combined with distance education enhances the training of 200 operatives in the leather industries. We are canvassing the option of establishing an affiliated Community College. Rhodes University has contributed

its share to the RDP effort.

At the root of disagreements about where the focus of university activities should lie is a dilemma which is encapsulated in the slogan of the French Revolution: Liberty, Equality, Fraternity. The problem with unconstrained freedom is that people will inevitably become unequal. No matter from what base we start, there will be those who will achieve more than others. We can only remain exactly equal if forced by law or superior power to be so, and then liberty disappears. The extreme libertarian stands in danger of espousing the doctrine of "Each man for himself and the devil take the hindmost" in an orgy of self-centredness. The extreme egalitarian in a passionate attachment to complete levelling, finds that such a goal is attainable only through compulsion, and he winds up as a Commissar. All of us feel an instinctive attachment to both liberty and equality. How then to resolve the dilemma? There is an answer in the neglected third word of the slogan, Fraternity, which encompasses compassion, tolerance and respect or, more briefly, love. The libertarian must be persuaded to temper his lust for self-advancement by lending a helping hand to those falling behind in the race. The egalitarian, out of respect for the variety of human complexity, must allow room for personal and institutional autonomy and accept less than mathematical equality.

South Africa is becoming a rainbow nation of many cultures peaceably co-existing. If we are to grow together more closely it must be on a voluntary basis. People change amazingly and constructively as long as they do not feel under threat. Overall policies, whether applicable to health, education or land should be sensitively applied. South Africa has twenty-one universities. Let them be a rainbow system of tertiary education in which institutional autonomy is properly respected and no dull uniformity is imposed. Emphases on research, teaching and community service will vary from campus to campus, and students and staff will have the privilege of choice. Cultures borrow freely from each other and evolve over time. If our new authorities can steel themselves not to intervene too insensitively they will be pleasantly surprised at what will emerge. They should be cautious in their approach to those parts of the educational systems which are functioning tolerably well. I am optimistic about Rhodes' future. It will change, as it has done through its history, but it will retain those core characteristics of integrity of purpose, civility, individuality and humanity that have marked its unique position in South Africa's cultural and intellectual life. There will be times when we shall have to defend our values with courage and dignity. Rhodes has always risen to the occasion and it always will.

# Contributed to the making of South Africa

Alastair James Kerr, "emeritus professor, legal scholar, and servant of Rhodes University", was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws (honoris causa) on 21 April 1995

lastair Kerr has been Adescribed as 'one of those happy achievements of human evolution - a South African of Scots descent' and he does indeed represent that tradition of sterling Scottish churchmen, educationists, and lawyers who have contributed so greatly to the making of South

Africa. He was born in Biggar, Scotland, in 1922. His father was awarded an honorary degree by Rhodes University, and Alastair Kerr is only the second honorary graduate in the history of Rhodes

University to be the son of a previous recipient of this distinction.

Alastair grew up in, and in a sense with, the University of Fort Hare, and this may explain why he has had a lifelong interest in what used to be called Native Common Law, nowadays Customary Law, and the reconciliation of such law with South African Roman-Dutch law. From primary school in Alice he went to Grey High School in Port Elizabeth, and from there to Rhodes in 1939. He intended to become a teacher, and in 1941 graduated in History and Geography. He spent his war service in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve, and, after the war his family association with Fort Hare and his desire to work for the betterment of his black fellow South Africans made him want to enter what used to be called the Department of Native Affairs. First, however, he was advised that what the department needed were trained lawyers, so he went to the University of Witwatersrand to obtain his LLB degree, and then joined the Department in 1949. He left the Department of Native Affairs to take up a post at Rhodes in 1954 and was by then assistant magistrate and native commissioner at Keiskammahoek. He had already published his first book on the subject, The Native Common Law of Immovable Property (1953). In due course he would do his master's thesis on

The Native Law of Succession

eventually developed out of these

(1960), and the book which

by Professor Malvern van Wyk Smith, Public Orator two ventures, The Customary Law of Immovable Property and of Succession, now in its third edition, is today the standard work on the subject. He has become an authority on numerous other aspects of South African law. His doctorate was achieved in 1972 and his books and many articles

have all become standard references One of his most recent articles is entitled Customary Law, **Fundamental** Rights, and the Constitution, suggesting that his interest in the

reconciliation of South Africa's two legal systems remains as keen as ever.

In 1954 he returned to Rhodes, as a lecturer in the Department of Law, and here he was to become a key figure in most of the important aspects of university life. Apart from his formal achievements in the Faculty of Law, where he rose to be head of Department and Dean at various times, he was a warden of Graham House for fifteen years, a Senate representative on the University Council for many years, and an acting Vice-Principal on several occasions. As chairman of the university's Constitution Committee over many years he became a walking encyclopedia of all our rules and regulations. He has always been a staunch member of the local Presbyterian session, and has been a commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of South Africa for three decades.

But it is as one of South Africa's leading academic lawyers that Alastair Kerr's reputation will survive, a fact acknowledged in 1993 when he was appointed Senior Counsel by the State President in recognition of his outstanding contribution to legal research. This is a rare honour in the legal world.

His integrity, clearsightedness, and service to the cause of law and justice in South Africa, and his 35 years of academic leadership in this university are recognised in the honorary degree which Rhodes has conferred upon him.

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# Graduation

### Omar H.S. Ebrahim

by Professor Malvern van Wyk Smith, Public Orator "Omar Hajee Suliman Ebrahim, Justice of the Peace, philanthropist, and leader of the community." received the degree of Doctor of Social Science (honoris causa) on 20 April 1995.

A 2: verse 177, 'righteous is he who believeth in Allah ... and giveth his wealth, for love of Him, to kinsfolk and to orphans and the needy and the wayfarer and to those who ask ... and observeth proper worship and payeth the poor-due.' If these injunctions provide a measure of the full and proper life of a Muslim, then Omar Ebrahim is an outstanding representative of his faith. In addition to being an adherent of Islam, he and his family are members of the Muslim caste of Memons, a small caste of fewer than a million members world-wide who have a special commitment to philanthropy; and in this regard, too, Omar Ebrahim has set an outstanding example. His father came to South Africa just short of a century ago, a 14-year old penniless boy from the small harbour town of Porbandar in Gujarat. Here he started what was to become a successful business career by selling essentials to railway workers building the railway line to Pietersburg. He died a wealthy man, and his son, Omar, born in 1922, along with his brothers, have expanded the Ebrahim enterprise into a business empire, at present carried on by the third generation, including Omar Ebrahim's three sons and three

ccording to Al-Quraan Surah

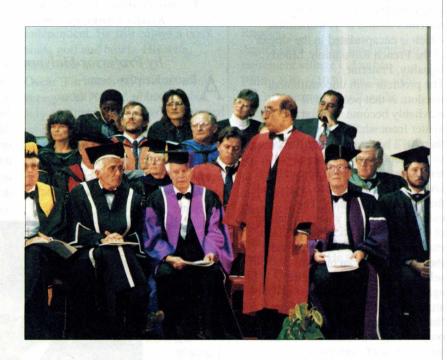
The Ebrahim portfolio of companies is invested in wholesaling and property development, including large-scale township developments throughout South Africa, fish farming in the Eastern Transvaal, crocodile breeding in the Northern Transvaal, pharmaceuticals, ceramics, shopping malls and numerous other areas.

daughters.

The property and township developments are intriguing, for these started up in the days of apartheid, when South Africans of Indian origin could not own or develop property in areas other than their own group areas.

The Ebrahims, however, set up numerous enterprises with white so-called sleeping partners and effectively outwitted the napping masters of apartheid everywhere. Perhaps the fact that in the early 1960s their lawyers were none other than Oliver Tambo and Nelson Mandela had something to do with this.

But in all of this financial success the Ebrahims have never forgotten that they are Muslims and Memons, and parallel to their achievements in business they have established a philanthropic enterprise of similar magnitude. Omar Ebrahim's father took it as his maxim that of every R 1 he made, 20 cents were for himself and the business and the rest was for his family and the



community. His son has continued in this vein with the result that he now presides over a large number of charitable trusts, chief of which are the H S Ebrahim Memorial Trust and the Omar H S Ebrahim Charitable Trust.

It is required of Muslims that they

support the needy not only of their own community, but those of other communities too. Accordingly, the Ebrahim trusts have supported a broad spectrum of activities and people, notably in the area of medicine and the disabled. Almost a hundred doctors have trained on Ebrahim bursaries, and all the major medical schools in the country have been supported. The H S Ebrahim Training Centre for the Mentally Handicapped in Pietermaritzburg, for 120 children, was sponsored in 1979, and in Durban the trust has set up a training centre for the blind. A much bigger enterprise is the Omar H S Ebrahim Nacrod Centre in Durban for the care and rehabilitation of some 500 physically disabled people of all races. The centre caters for everything from sophisticated health care to providing special employment. In Pietermaritzburg a fully equipped science classroom was donated to the Horizon School for the Blind; in Grahamstown a Braille printer was donated to the SA Library for the Blind. There are many sponsored schools and classrooms, donations of books to libraries, gold medals to medical students, computer equipment to schools, electron microscopes to universities, and water wells to remote communities. Omar Ebrahim has become a

trustee of numerous other trusts, and a leading figure in both the Muslim and the wider community. He was appointed Justice of the Peace in 1982, and in 1992 he received the Paul Harris Award. In honouring Omar Ebrahim,

Rhodes University recognises an outstanding South African, and South Africa's Muslim community of which Omar Ebrahim is such a conspicuously successful leader. That which Rhodes has offered to him is, necessarily, small reward, but it comes with the conviction that it goes to someone eminently worthy of our highest acclaim.

# 'An exceptional

"Allan William Buchanan Gray, old-Selbornian, old-Rhodian, financier and benefactor of Rhodes University" was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws (LLD) (honoris causa) in East London on 13 May 1995.

by Professor Malvern van Wyk Smith, Public Orator

Perhaps Britain's most famous 19th century prime minister, Benjamin Disraeli, is supposed to have said: "As a general rule, nobody has money who ought to have it". This was echoed a little more tartly a generation later by Samuel Butler, who remarked: "It has been said that money is the root of all evil. The want of money is so quite as truly."

No one, however, can claim that this honorary graduate is not, like the biblical labourer, worthy of his hire. Allan Gray has been outstandingly successful in the financial world and he has also been generously willing to shoulder the public and social responsibilities which come with such success.

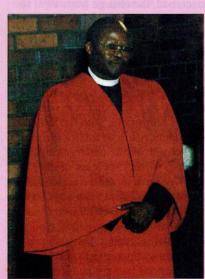
He was born in East London in 1938 and attended Selborne College prior to entering Rhodes University at the youthful age of 16. He was an exceptionally successful student, taking his BCom degree in 1957 with distinctions in Economics and Mercantile Law.

After he graduated, he served his articles with Deloitte, Haskins and Sells in Cape Town, qualifying as a chartered accountant in 1960. By then investment had already become a hobby, and Allan Gray tells me that he soon put to himself the attractive proposition: "If I make my hobby my business, I may never have to work." From 1963 to 1965 he attended the Harvard Business School, where he took his MBA with distinction. He joined Fidelity Management and

Research in Boston, Massachusetts and, by the time he left them eight years later, to return to Cape Town in 1973, he was Portfolio Manager of the \$ 500 million Fidelity Capital Fund. In Cape Town he founded Allan Gray Investment Counsel and, by 1988, when Allan Gray relocated to London, the firm was the top performing investment management firm in South Africa, with R 2,4 billion in its care. Currently it manages R 7,6 billion. H G Wells once remarked: "You can't have money like that and not swell out". But a glance at Allan Gray will reveal that he is about the least swollen out person one can imagine, not only in his appearance but equally in his manner. The character of his company is greatly influenced by Allan Gray's own youthful enthusiasm for investment as a hobby. He believes in making work fun, an infectious policy that has had no small impact on the success of his ventures. Now based in London, he provides investment counsel on a global rather than a national basis. He launched Orbis Investment Advisory Ltd in 1990, and it has quickly risen to a world leader in its field. The Orbis Group of Mutual Funds manages US \$ 530 million at present, and at a rate of return of 17,6% it is now, I gather, the global top performer. It is an outstanding success story, in anyone's language, and for the intellectual and imaginative achievement alone which underpins such an accomplishment, Allan Gray would fully deserve to be honoured as an exceptional Old Rhodian.

# Teaching of English 'the most urgent priority'

It was perhaps inevitable that Someone christened Theocritus would become a teacher of Greek, a bishop, and a doctor of the church. Ndziweni means "What has happened to him?"; a lot, we shall discover. Indeed, Bishop Gqubule's three Christian names, respectively Greek, Hebrew and Xhosa, capture very well the nature, interests and career of the man. Born near Cookhouse in 1928, Simon Gqubule entered the Healdtown Missionary Institution in 1943. He loved the place, he says, and, as he describes his education there, one can not only see why education became so important to him afterwards but also grieve with him for the deterioration in African education since then. He recently said, without hesitation, that the most urgent priority in black education was the teaching of English. He started his teaching career in 1950 in Grahamstown, but being by now equally interested in the church, he soon entered the Methodist ministry. He attended the then



Rhodes degree in 1956. This preceded his chaplaincy at the Indaleni Institution, further study in Geneva, Birmingham and Edinburgh, and the degrees of BD from London, MTh from Edinburgh in 1971, and his PhD from Rhodes in 1978, the first doctorate awarded to a black candidate.

In the meantime he had started, in 1960, to teach at the Lovedale United Theological School in Alice, which in 1963 became part of the newly founded Federal Theological Seminary. Here, for almost thirty

years, he taught Systematic Theology, New Testament Studies, and New Testament Greek, becoming in 1974 the first black principal of John Wesley College and then the first black president of Fed. Sem. (as it was always affectionately known) in 1976. When Fed. Sem. had to move or close down, Simon Gqubule had to oversee the temporary stay at Umtata and then the attempt to re-establish it at Edendale in Natal. Again Gqubule tried, though he was not successful, to negotiate affiliation of the Seminary with Rhodes in the 1980s. In 1991 he became Superintendent of the Mount Coke Circuit of the Methodist Church and in 1993 Methodist Bishop of the Queenstown District.

In 1981 he was elected President of the Methodist Church of Southern Africa, but well before that he had been making the headlines. As early as 1972 he was making the point that South Africa should open her universities to students from all over Africa, for the purpose of liberating not only blacks but whites as well: "By struggling for our freedom we also lovingly struggle for the

University College of Fort Hare,

where he added Greek to his Latin,

and from where he graduated with a

# Old Rhodian'

There are, of course, many people in the world who have made a lot of money. For us ordinary people it's what they do with it that matters. Francis Bacon put it more crudely four centuries ago when he said: "Money is like muck, not good except it be spread." Allan Gray has been generous in letting others share in his



success, not only through his many direct donations to educational and charitable projects, but even more so through making his expertise available to such organizations. Even so, he tells me that it is actually quite hard to give money away in a productive way. He believes firmly in not simply handing out donations but in being involved in the constructive utilization of such funds. Apparently one South African university has seen fit to turn down an offer made in such terms, but more enlightened places such as Rhodes, UCT, and the Harvard Business School, who recognize a genius when they see one, have all appointed him to their Boards of Governors or financial trusts. As we all know, South African universities are going to have to look more and more to the private sector for funding, and Rhodes University can count itself fortunate and honoured to have among its

alumni people of the calibre of Allan

welfare. And not only universities

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have benefitted. The Allan and Gill

Gray Charitable Trust was founded in

donations to a wide range of welfare

Gray to support and guide its financial

A character in Jane Austen's Emma remarks rather ruefully at one point: 'Business, you know, may bring money, but friendship hardly ever does". The relationship between Allan Gray and Rhodes University disproves that; it has been a lasting one. For Rhodes it has brought invaluable expertise, the funding which enabled us to build one of the most attractive residences on campus, namely Allan Gray House, and the esteem arising from providing the seedbed for such financial brilliance. It was particularly fitting, his career having started in East London, that it was in that city that Rhodes had the honour and pleasure of returning the compliment in a fitting manner, by awarding the degree of Doctor of Laws (LLD) (honoris causa) to Allan Gray.

# Graduation

# 'Graduates today are at a watershed'

Allan W B Gray delivered the Graduation Address at the East London ceremony on May 13th.

Mr Gray suggested that graduates today are at a watershed. He told the 99 graduates who were about to be capped that each now stood on the threshold of one of the most exciting and fulfilling parts of life: a career.

"Many of you", he said, "are now becoming independent."

"A career is so integral to life that it is important it is satisfying. The easiest way to ensure this, is to build your career around an interest you have. Most of you, like me, will have chosen to study those subjects you enjoy the most and therefore there is likely to be congruence between your interests and skills. We tend not only to be best at what we enjoy most, but also to enjoy what we do best." Mr Gary urged his listeners to try therefore to align their career with their interests and particular skills and advised them to associate themselves with experts in their chosen field of study. He suggested to them that, as they now enter the workplace, they have much to offer and could expect to be rewarded with a livelihood for your family, greater independence and increased control of their own destinies. "Later you will realise that the most fulfilling part of a successful career is not financial, but rather knowing that you have contributed to the welfare of others", he said.

added. "But with this freedom comes a responsibility to respect the right of others to choose." In his own organisation, Mr Gray told the congregation, "we strive to be sensitive and responsive to the needs of our customers and to anticipate how their needs may evolve in future. It is a great strength of the free market that a job well done is not only rewarding to the individual, but simultaneously benefits society. "Your employer is the 'buyer' of your service or skill. You owe it to yourself to do the best you can. Employers look for people who are effective, honest and committed to excellence. But the responsibility is yours to demonstrate that you are good at what you do." Mr Gray said that the shift that is taking place in spending patterns from products to services has had a marked impact on his career. Demand for computer services, financial services, tourism, medical and other services is growing rapidly and to succeed in these industries requires skilled personal attention to the needs of the customer. This strongly favours small firms as opposed to large corporations. The pace of change in services is particularly rapid, and small firms

which are closely attuned to the needs of their customers find it easier to identify and implement desirable changes. These industries offer great employment opportunities and exciting careers. Service companies have the additional advantage of relatively modest capital needs. Mr Gray said that the breathtaking pace of change typifies the world of today. "Change in technology, change in spending patterns, change in socio-political systems - and no more so than here in South Africa. Today's graduates are major beneficiaries of this change; your formal education has prepared you to be comfortable with change, to be able to identify constructive change and to initiate change." Mr Gary closed his address by paying tribute to President Nelson Mandela, who has, he believes, made a miraculous contribution to South Africa and who is considered by many to be the finest statesman in the world today. "Let each one of us rise to his challenge and dedicate ourselves to making a difference, however small, in keeping South Africa on the path of peace, progress and prosperity", he said.

# 'A canny understanding of economics'

"Theocritus Simon Ndziweni Gqubule theologian, educationist, and campaigner for civil rights" was awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity (honoris causa) on 21 April 1995.

by Professor Malvern van Wyk Smith, Public Orator liberation of whites from the shackles they impose upon themselves", he once

He could be quite controversial and, by 1981, he would go on record as saying that "Jesus Christ would weep for South Africa if he saw how blacks suffered under the country's influx control regulations". In 1983 he really spoke his mind: "We don't have an Auschwitz, we don't use gas chambers - we just remove people en masse. Which is better – the quick death in the gas chamber, or the slow death in the resettlement camp?"

When in 1987 a desperate South African Council of Churches found itself having to recognize the use of force to end apartheid, Simon Gqubule reluctantly concurred, pointing out that "if there is a just war, there must also be a just revolution". In 1988 he was placed under house arrest for two years, and all three of his children have been imprisoned at some time or other as well.

While he must be gratified at the collapse of official apartheid, he must regret that the kind of education he appealed for is not yet in place.

## Plea for reconciliation

A freedom to choose where to live,

where to work, and what to buy has

"broken out" in South Africa, he

Extracts from thegraduation address delivered on 20th April by the Rt Revd. Anthony T B Mdletshe, Bishop Suffragan of Grahamstown

Bishop Anthony reminded the congregation that, in His redeeming work, Jesus has reconciled humanity to God and human beings to one another. Reconciliation cannot be understood in the ivory tower, he said, but in the sphere of human interaction. "You are not expected to agree about everything. We are not expected at all times to be unanimous, nor to have consensus on every conceivable subject. Reconciliation means we refuse to let go of one another. We should agree to disagree, and still continue to love one another, to care for one another, to cherish one another, to wish one another the highest good. It is not uniformity we are seeking. We are seeking unity in diversity."

South Africans believe in a negotiated settlement to our problems, he said; "In conflict situations we should not raise our voices, but rather we should improve our argument."

The Bishop said that Rhodes University is an institution that has produced great people who have made a great contribution to the development of our land and people and one which is faithful in its pursuit of truth and knowledge. Institutions of this kind will be needed for research, because knowledge doubles every two years, he feels.

As an institution of higher learning it should be aware of the changes that have taken place in our country, and in the world at large, he added. "Ours is a brand new country, with a society that is fast becoming a rainbow people. Our changing and open society offers us great opportunities of cross-pollination of ideas as we receive academics and students from all its sectors. The status quo cannot be maintained, he believes. "We are serving a society and a community in transition. Our

school should reflect developments in our society." Bishop Anthony warned that "we become irrelevant if we are not aware of the context in which we operate. We should make a contribution towards the solution to the problems facing our land and people. There is a common saying that if you are not part of the solution to the problem, then you are part of the problem. Let us all try to make South Africa a success story." "We still have a long way to go as a nation", he said. "President Mandela said that all South Africans must now unite and join hands, and say: 'We are one country, one nation, one people, marching together into the future'. After climbing a great hill you will find that there are more hills to climb. For freedom comes with responsibilities. We do not dare linger long, for our walk is not ended."

Bishop Anthony urged all people to take part in the reconstruction and development of the country and the nation, by voting on the 1st of November for local councillors and, by so doing, continuing the process we started in April last year. "In April 1994 we voted for national and provincial government", he reminded his audience, "and on the 1st of November we will vote for local government and put government in the hands of the people. But we should not elect or appoint our leaders and then pull the carpet from under their feet; we should show Ubuntu, humaneness. Let us all work together to make this Rhodes a showpiece in our country by building a community at peace with itself. Let us all work together to make South Africa a great country that will take its place among the nations of the world. Times of hardship are days of opportunity and should be seen as challenging us to get our act together."

Alexander McGregor was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws (honoris causa) on 22 April 1995.

by Professor Malvern van Wyk Smith, Public Orator lexander McGregor was born Ain Rosebank, Cape Town, in 1910, and was educated at the Diocesan College or Bishops as it is more popularly known. Here he not only became Head Prefect of the school but was also a member of both the First XV and the First XI. Characteristically, Alexander McGregor continued to serve Bishops for many years afterwards, including 20 years on its Council and as Treasurer, Chairman, and finally President of the Old Diocesan's Union. From Bishops he went up to Oxford but, unfortunately for the young

From Bishops he went up to Oxford but, unfortunately for the young McGregor, the death of his father in 1930 forced him to come back to South Africa for financial reasons and he never returned to Oxford. A few years later, when registered for a BCom degree at the University of Cape Town, he took the class medal in Economics.

Alexander McGregor has throughout his career revealed a canny understanding of economics and finances. In 1930 he was articled as a clerk in accountancy; his mother had to borrow the fifty pounds to pay for his articles.

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# OLD RHODIAN NEWS

1920s

Robert D'Arcy (1926) recently celebrated his 87th birthday in England by visiting the Greenwich Observatory, the Naval College, the Cutty Sark, the Gypsey Moth and by walking under the Thames to view the observatory from the opposite bank! He writes that he and his wife keep reasonably fit by going for as many walks as they are able to and adhering to a strict diet. Graham Hepburn (1922) joined the Division of Entomology (now the Plant Protection Research Institute) in July 1925 and was stationed at Cedara Agricultural College in Natal where he remained for 14 years. He spent the next 19 years conducting research into a variety of parasites. In 1953, upon the death of Dr F Tooke, he moved to Pretoria to take over his post which involved running laboratories in Durban, Rosebank (Cape Town), Port Elizabeth and Pretoria. He finally retired after 40 years in October 1965 and joined the Wattle Research Institute at the University of Natal where he re-opened the Entomology section. He now lives in a retirement village

Jacob Spilkin (1925) celebrated his 90th birthday in September last year. He is a grandfather of eight and great-grandfather of three. Mr Spilkin founded the law firm of Spilkin and Miltz in Port Elizabeth. In 1921 he won a municipal gold medal for the city's top matric marks. A pupil at Grey High, he won a scholarship to Rhodes and majored in Latin and Greek, passing *cum laude*. He then won a scholarship to Oxford, but his family was unable to pay the boat fare. He stayed in South Africa and studied law. He retired at the age of 80, but remained fiercely independent. He still enjoys a brisk walk, golf and bowls. His wife, Bess, died in 1982.

Oscar Tarboton (1924) was a land surveyor in Pietermaritzburg from July 1930 until 1992. He lives in a retirement village in Howick where he celebrated his 90th birthday in October 1994. Oscar writes that he is still fit and well and raring to go!

1930s

E P Chaplin (1935) and his wife, Audrey (Golightly 1935), recently celebrated 54 years of marriage. They met during their first year at Rhodes and were married a few years later. Audrey served Riebeek College in Uitenhage for many years, both as a teacher and vice-principal. Mr Chaplin retired as financial controller for Firestone, Port Elizabeth over ten years ago, and has since been involved on the financial side of various church and charity organisations.

Peter de Vries (1933) was one of the many who sent us addresses of 'lost' ORs for which we are most grateful. Peter recently met up with North Wells (1933) after a period of 62 years. A wonderful nostalgic reunion took place. Peter said he was horrified to discover that Milner had been converted to a *female* residence as he had many happy memories of his time there and was incredibly sad to leave Rhodes.

Agnes Dick (1932) has moved to a retirement village in Durban.

Philip Kitto (1930) and his wife live in a retirement village in Weltevreden Park.

Ronald Philip (1939) came to Rhodes in 1939 to study for a BA but then changed to a BA Fine Art. In 1942 he joined the Royal Navy and served as a Signalman in the Eastern Fleet and the Persian Gulf. Ronald returned to Rhodes at the end of 1945 and completed his degree in 1946. He then taught Art at the Pretoria Art Centre, Parktown Boys High in Johannesburg and the Johannesburg School of Art. From 1970 until he retired in 1982 Ronald was the director of the School of Art and Design at the Technikon Witwatersrand. He lives in Cape Town where he keeps busy painting portraits and landscapes. Edwin Pons (1932) graduated from Rhodes in 1934 and then completed a Master's degree through UNISA. He will retire from his present

part-time position in the near future

when he and his wife will move to

Port Elizabeth.

He recently published a book entitled *Roots and Fruits*, subtitled *A life-time of a Presbyterian minister in southern Africa*. The book is available at Grocott & Sherry (Grahamstown), Home Industries (Port Alfred) for R 33 or direct from the Revd Pons. His address is P O Box 299, Port Alfred, 6170.

Muriel Watson (Downing 1936) retired from teaching in 1979 and now lives in Walmer.

Rosalie Watt (Pringle 1930)
married Howard who was a
member of the 1937 Springbok
Rugby touring team to New
Zealand and Australia. Their
daughter, Roslyn Alexander (Watt
1961), graduated with a BSc from
Rhodes. Roslyn's son, Colin
Alexander (1991), will graduate
this year. Colin was a member of
the Rhodes rugby team. Rosalie and
Howard live in a retirement village
in Natal.

1940s

Jim (1946) and Mary Clarke (Smyth 1948) live in Juliasdale where Mary has written and illustrated a book, *Nyanga Flowers*, on the local flowers which has been well received. They recently bought a cottage at Bushman's River Mouth and have enjoyed renewing old friendships and paying

nostalgic visits to Grahamstown. **Arthur Davey (1940)** retired as the associate professor of history at the University of Cape Town in 1982. He is at present the vice-chairman of the Van Riebeeck Society in Cape Town and is also vice-president of the Historical Society of Simon's Town. Arthur is married to another historian, Dr Elizabeth van Heyningen. **Oswald 'Ossie' Greenwood** retired

recently after teaching physical education for 42 years at Churchill Boys' High School in Harare. He joined Churchill in 1952, and has been there ever since. The deputy headmaster said that he would be remembered most by the school for his contribution to sports. 'Ossie' went to Kingswood College, followed by Rhodes, where he completed his degree in 1950, specialising in physical education and then went on to do a teachers' diploma. He is married and has four children and one

Robin McGregor (1949) recently bought back the copyright to his book, *Who Owns Whom*, and is happily publishing once again.

David Sampson (1940) retired in 1986 and lives near Pinetown in Kwazulu, Natal.

grandchild.

**Dr E C H Silk (1947)** retired some years ago as senior lecturer in Physics at the University of the Witwatersrand.

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# 'Transformation needs active involvement'

Excerpts from a graduation address by the MEC for Education, Mrs Nosimo Balindlela

I am very much aware that Rhodes is only one of the institutions which is going through a process of transformation in our society. Universities are of great importance to the process of reform at school and college level

So we watch with sympathetic interest and great concern as all the universities in our province struggle to reconstruct and transform themselves.

Transformation cannot be an 'us' and 'them' issue. It needs active involvement and contribution by all. A recipe for its success, I believe, is for all the stakeholders, management, lecturing and administrative staff, parents, and students to engage in a concerted effort to change, not only the structure of the institution, but, first of all, to change themselves, or as the Minister for Education puts it, to make a 'decisive break with the past in order to ensure the relevance of the higher education system for the future.

#### Challenge the curriculum

Of course, that relevance will depend not only on transformation of the institution but of the curriculum itself. We need to begin to challenge the very curriculum and the decisions that inform choices for the curriculum offered by any institution, as we have seen in our country, spells the world view of the institution itself. A truly South African education will be one that enables all its learners, students and scholars to challenge without fear all manifestations of injustice, racism and bias from whatever quarter. I am sure that Rhodes, along with the others, will finally get it right. Meanwhile I hope it will continue to serve as it has done so well in the past.

I see the relationship between the University and the

Provincial Ministry as absolutely vital in solving the education crisis that faces us.

Our new language policy in education will present many challenges in which our university colleagues will be greatly needed. Although this policy still has to be discussed with all the stakeholders, it is obvious that our previously disadvantaged languages, Xhosa, Zulu and Sesotho, will play a much more active and prominent role in the province and therefore in the new curriculum.

#### **Daunting Challenges**

The whole concept of multilingualism offers all of us exciting possibilities and daunting challenges. The universities will have to develop a new language course, to assist with school language curricula, with better teaching and learning methods, and to improve the examinations system.

The whole area of teacher education is also one of our over-riding priorities. How do we make the radical change from the old system of education, the so-called fundamental pedagogics, to a new non-racial and learner-centred curriculum? How do we transform the curricula not only of universities, but teacher colleges and schools? How do we include in this transformation the teachers who are already in service? Teachers who through no fault of their own have suffered the inequities of the past regime? How do we help those teachers?

For the provincial ministry to even consider trying to do so without calling on all the expertise available would be unthinkable. We need the universities, we need Rhodes, we hope you will continue to respond to our call.

#### Alexander McGregor

continued from page seven Alexander McGregor went on to become an outstanding accountant, President of the Cape Society of Accountants and Auditors, President of the National Council of Chartered Accountants of South Africa, and Chairman of the Public Accountants and Auditors Board. By 1959 his skill in inspiring people and organizing the business of business had made him a senior partner in his firm, and a director and in several cases chairman— of a large number of financial institutions. In 1959 he retired from Douglas, MacKelvie, Galbraith and Co. - to which firm he had been articled in 1930 – in order to devote himself to consultancy and the many directorships and trusteeships he had become involved in. This decision would eventually bring him into the horizons of Rhodes University. In 1950 he had been asked to assist in preparing the accounts in the estate of Ted Molteno, one of two brothers who were running a large apple farm, Glen Elgin, in the mountains above Grabouw. Thus began an association with the Molteno Brothers which continues, 45 years later. Alexander McGregor became a good friend of the surviving brother, Harry Molteno, and on his death became an executor in the estate and a trustee in the Molteno Brothers Trust set up by the will. Perhaps the Trust's greatest achievement has been its support of the Molteno Project, pioneered at Rhodes University. Harry

Molteno's will asked for a trust that would support, inter alia, projects for the teaching of English. It was the Molteno Trust, under Alexander McGregor, who in the early 1970s identified the teaching of English in black schools as a disaster area and consequently offered a major grant to any university which would investigate the problem and its causes and propose a remedy. In the proposal put forward by the Institute for the Study of English at Rhodes McGregor saw a viable solution, and instigated the massive support of the project which has been unbroken ever since.

The Molteno Project is currently without question the most successful primary literacy training programme in South Africa, if not in Africa. More than 6 million children have benefited from it, hundreds of teachers have been trained and thousands of classrooms in South Africa are Molteno classrooms. In recent years the programme has also been successfully adapted for adult literacy, it has been exported to other countries, and has in fact become national policy in Namibia. Apart from providing the funding that set up the project in the first place and faithfully supporting it ever since, the Molteno Trust also endowed the H A Molteno Chair of English Second Language at Rhodes. In honouring Alexander McGregor, we pay tribute to both an individual and a trust that history may one day declare to have been responsible for one of the most crucial interventions in South African education.

#### **Old Rhodian News**

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He met and married Dr Mary Jean
Scott while conducting research at
the Harwell Atomic Energy
Research Establishment in Britain,
and they have two sons and a
daughter. Dr Scott is currently a
medical physicist at the
Johannesburg Hospital.
Audrey Turner (Hemans 1944)

whose former married surname was Kloppers, was widowed in 1982. Audrey obtained her BSc (Psych Hons) at the end of 1985. She remarried in 1990. Audrey has been on the Hospice staff as a counsellor for eight years. She still draws pastel portraits and is a lay reader in the Anglican church in Harare. Grace Whitehead (Roberts 1949) retired from the Soweto College of Education where she was a senior lecturer in English Methodology in March 1988. She lives in Cape Town where she is involved in Christian service, St Luke's Hospice and her family. Grace has re-established friendships with Elsabe Burger (1975), Daphne Gillis (Taube 1949) and Lalage Gough (Style 1949).

1950s

Brian Ashley-Cooper (1956) has moved to Australia with his second wife, Wendy, and their two children.

Brian Banwell (1953) retired in 1993 after 8½ years as Principal \ Director of the Theological Education by Extension (TEE) College. He lives in Eshowe, is still active in the church and marks scripts for the TEE College.

scripts for the TEE College.

Reverend Barry Boyd (1957) is presently compiling his thesis for an MA in Church History. He has been the minister at St Luke's Church in Vereeniging for five years. Barry plays league tennis and squash. Barry and his wife, Linda, have two children, a boy and a girl aged four and three. He was recently inducted into the Vereeniging Rotary club.

Dennis Clur (1952) is semi-retired and is an acting technical consultant for a large fertilizer company. His wife, Denise (Barker 1951) was at Rhodes with Chris Salter (Roberts 1951). Dennis remembers Ted Derry

(1951) who used to sit next to him in chemistry class and Vernon Powys (1955), who was in the room next to his in Botha House. Dennis writes that there is no stopping ORs as Vernon is now a Lord! Ernle Young (1956) was at high school with Dennis and has

Peter Gore (1957) retired from the mines and lives in Wilro Park. His daughter, Sandra, is currently a

student at Rhodes.

Deirdre Hansen (1958) presented a Paper in 1991 at the Ethnomusicological Conference at the International Library of African Music (ILAM), at Rhodes. Dr Hansen moved to Johannesburg in 1967 where she was trained in Ethnomusicology by the late John Blacking. In 1969 she began research into the music of the Xhosa-speaking peoples. This entailed doing fieldwork in the former Transkei and Ciskei and the Eastern Cape, and among migrant

workers on the Rand. The research was completed in Dec 1981 and Deirdre was awarded her PhD by the University of the Witwatersrand in May 1982. Since 1982 she has been the senior lecturer in Ethnomusicology at the University of Cape Town, and is also curator of the Kirby Collection, bought by UCT in 1981.

Ron Legg (1958) will be retiring in 1995 after many years as a personnel manager with Unilever in Durban. Ron and his wife, Julie, are regular travellers abroad and after retiring plan to spend a year in London working and travelling. He is still a Comrades and Two Oceans Marathon runner.

Jo Malherbe (1958) has been a widow since 1984 and has three sons ranging in age from 20 - 30. She finished her degree through UNISA 26 years after starting at Rhodes. Jo's happiest memories are of her two years spent at Rhodes. Jo writes that it was a very special experience for her, as being disabled she wondered how she would cope. She remembers with love and admiration, Prof Maxwell, Prof Butler and her especial mentor, Dr David Terry.

Richard Martin (1952) and his wife, Dorothy, moved to Scotland in September 1994 where Richard is the rector of Wick and priest in charge of St Peter's Thurso. He also sails a *mirror* with the Pentland Firth Yacht Club and is chaplain to the Boys Brigade, a world-wide movement older than scouts. Richard writes that they find the scenery very like the OFS except that they are surrounded by the sea. Their four children are at colleges in England.

**Rupert Mayr (Staff 1955 - 1987)** writes from Port Elizabeth to let us know that after a particularly busy period (programme notes for the Music Society, Radio Programmes and two concerts with Ian Smith) he and his wife, Erna, took a short break in Cape Town. They attended a most enjoyable Chamber Choir reunion organised by Gavin Maskell (1978) in his beautiful home. Prof Mayr writes that it is always a tremendous pleasure to see the old faithfuls such as Sue Burton (Gough 1975), Fiona Weir (1978), William Cawood (1976), Barbara Krenzer (Mott 1976), Ruth Allen (1958), Jocelyn Taylor (1977), Garmon Ashby (1977), Sureen Mitchell (Scriven 1967), Meg Durmore (1965), Dave Hicks (1957), Howard (1970) and Jill Nock (Sadler 1970) and Annetjie Joubert (Conradie 1961).

George McGillivray (1952) has been appointed as the new Dean of the Faculty of Science at Unisa. He has been head of the department of chemistry since 1985. George obtained his BSc and BSc (Hons) at Rhodes and a PhD from the University of Liverpool. He was a Research Associate at Princeton University and at Rice University in Texas. He was a lecturer at Rhodes University before joining Unisa.

James Moulder (1959) has resigned from the Chair in Philosophy at the University of Natal (Pietermaritzburg) to take up the position of Director of Public Relations at the University of Durban-Westville.

Philip Todd (1954) has been Headmaster of Falcon College in Zimbabwe since 1984. Jan van S Graver (1958) left Papua New Guinea in 1984 where he was with the Department of Primary Industry. He moved to Australia where he was appointed to the Stored Grain Research Laboratory of the CSIRO Division of Entomology at Canberra. He is presently working on a programme that seeks to find replacements for the fumigant, methyl bromide, in its quarantine applications, particularly for disinfestation of timber and cut flowers. ORs are welcome to look him up when visiting Canberra, however when consulting the telephone directory be warned - Jan has changed the spelling of his name from van Someren Greve to van Someren Graver. Jan's address is Stored Grain Research Laboratory, CSIRO Division of Entomology, GPO Box 1700, Canberra ACT 2601,

Australia.

Margaret Ward-Able (Impey 1954) recently moved to a cluster housing development in Constantia. Margaret has three married daughters and five grandchildren.

John Wegener (1953) obtained his MSc Metallurgical Engineering in 1967 and his DSc Metallurgical Engineering in 1994. He retired in 1991 and is a private consultant.

Harold (1954) and Margaret

Harold (1954) and Margaret Wiseman (Bolton 1956) live in England where both of them have retired from teaching. Harold has his own printing press business and Margaret assists him.

**Isobel Wrench (Scott 1957)** writes that although they have retired from active farming – they are busier than ever.

1960s

Moira Abbott (1966) has been the medical librarian at Grey's Hospital in Pietermaritzburg for 14 years. Bruce Anderson (1966) together with his wife, Heather, moved from Cape Town to Port Alfred last year as the new owners of *The Country Shoppe*.

Christopher Barnes (1965) is the MD at KSM Milling in East London. His daughter is currently in her third year of study towards her BCom at Rhodes East London. Ian Bird (1961) has been the minister of Trinity United Reformed Church in Bromley, Kent, since April 1990.

John Burgess (1969) writes to let us know that his son, Harold, has completed his BCom Law at UPE, his daughter Emily Ann, is in her fourth year of BSocScience (Nursing) at the University of the Orange Free State and his youngest son, Piet, is in his second year of Civil Engineering at the PE Technikon.

"Titch" Cartwright (1968) is the headmaster of Potchefstroom Boys High. Also on the staff are Keith Mansfield (1967), head of the department of English, and Susie Cartwright (Ross 1971), head of the department of Natural Science \ Mathematics.

Gillian Carter (McGillivray
1960) was involved in Speech and
Drama teaching in Grahamstown,
including Rhodes, worked in a
travelling puppet company and then
settled in Knysna where she
received her BBibl (Hons) through

#### 1934 Oriel House Committee

The photograph below has been kindly loaned to us by **Faith Seigel** (**Symons 1932**):



Peggy Percy-Smith (1932), Dorothy Mackenzie (Pegg 1932), Jean Fynn (Farrat 1932), Nel John (1931), Nester Birt (Peter 1931), Miriam Luntz (1931), Imelda Brune (Smith 1934), Jean Leath (1934), Miss Johnstone (Warden), Mary Kitty Richardson (1932) and Mary Currie (Pohl 1932). We seem to have lost contact with Peggy Percy-Smith, Miriam Luntz and Jean Leath

Faith's granddaughter, Amber Seigel, is currently studying third-year pharmacy.

UNISA. For 23 years she has been the Town Librarian and a freelance writer for various publications on the arts, food and wine. A major concern for the past six years has been fostering adult literacy training. Gillian helps promote Adult Basic Education Programmes and works for the local Knysna Education and Literacy Forum. She has been deeply involved in the Anglican Church at Parish, Diocesan and Provincial levels, with a strong affinity for work with teenagers. Gillian is probably best known in Knysna for having organised, through the library, the Olivian Society which has provided locals with a lecture by a visiting expert on various subjects of interest each month for the past 19 years. Old Rhodians who have something really good to say about their own particular field, should contact her at the Town Library in Knysna. She has a son doing Psychology Hons at UPE and a husband who is a retired game warden and author.

Thomas Cloete (1966) was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court of South Africa, Transvaal Provincial Division, in 1991. In 1994 he was appointed one of six Commercial Court Judges, Witwatersrand Local Division, Supreme Court of South Africa. In 1994 he was temporarily seconded as High Court Judge to the Kingdom of Swaziland.

Lynette Deighton (Meter 1963) remarried in 1988. She has four children from her first marriage. Lynette has spent four years on the Inspectorate of Medicines Control Council and three years in production in industry. She is presently the managing director of Pharmacia SA.

Meg Fourie (Miners 1963) teaches in Harare and lives on a small holding with her husband and two younger sons, both of whom are working for an accounting firm and studying through Unisa. Meg's oldest son and daughter live in Johannesburg, where her daughter is a qualified Chartered Accountant. The whole family play squash, the children having represented Zimbabwe. Meg's older sister, Mrs L Anderson (Miners 1949) and her husband, Larry live in Texas. Their two

daughters are both married, one has children and the other is a doctor. Keith Gray (1969) and his wife, Rosheen (Hurford 1968), have been living in New Zealand for seven years. Rosheen teaches Mathematics at a private school on the outskirts of Auckland's North Shore. Keith lectures at the Auckland Institute of Technology in the School of Management in Organisation & Management and Personnel Management. Their eldest son, Cuan (13), is a provincial hockey player. He was selected for a New Zealand under-13 team last year. Their youngest, Claire (8), has vowed never to touch a hockey stick after being dragged to various towns over the past five years to follow the game! Keith has met Ron Abbott (1965) in Auckland and would welcome the opportunity of meeting any other ORs who may live in or be visiting the area. Keith can be contacted at 1B Glenvar Road, Torbay, Auckland 10, New Zealand. Geoff Higgs (1966) spent 11 years until 1982 with the Rhodesian Government as a District Commissioner. He and his wife, Deborah, have two daughters and live in Harare. Geoff recently formed his own company and also does freelance professional hunting. Alan Hofmeyer (1963) is moving to England for four years with his wife and son. His company exports electrical engineering products and he is hoping to expand the business in the UK. Allan "Bob" Holcombe (1960) lives in Edenvale and is studying

Fundraising through Unisa.

Janet Hollingshead (1962) lives in Rondebosch and has worked at the Red Cross Children's Hospital for 20 years, the last five as Chief Social Worker. She has completed 10 years as a volunteer Chairperson of the Western Cape Forum for the Mentally Handicapped. She plays tennis regularly with ORs, Colleen Callanan (Munro 1963) and Val Dovey (1962).

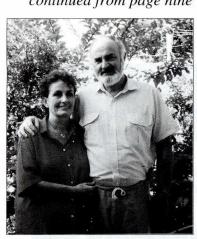
Graham Miller (1960) and his wife, Elizabeth (Dummett 1962), (see picture on next page) are currently based in Cambodia where he is the Country Director of an integrated emergency \ development mission related to the rehabilitation of war victims and general infrastructure.

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Graham Miller (1960) and his wife, Elizabeth (Dummett 1962)

There are over 130 people working on a number of strategically located projects which range from demining (there are over 10 million land mines in Cambodia), road building, public health to HIV \ AIDS interventions. Graham retired from geology over 12 years ago to go farming! They have a macadamia nut farm on the coast of Queensland. Since then he has also worked in many developing countries including Somalia. Angola, Bosnia, China, Ethiopia, Sudan, Kenya etc with the United Nations and Non-Government agencies such as CARE Australia and CARE Canada. They have two daughters, aged 27 and 29, who work in Australia as well as minding the farming interests in

their absence. Lorrie Ming-Sun (Chan-Henry 1961) was the first person of Chinese origin to graduate from Rhodes and also the first qualified and practising social worker in South Africa of Chinese ethnic background. She lives in Toronto where she is the Emergency Planning Coordinator for Metropolitan Toronto. During her three years at Rhodes, she founded the Rhodes University Chinese Students Association, developed its Constitution and was its first Secretary. She left SA in 1967 for Scotland where she married a fellow South African and immigrated to Canada. Her daughter graduated BCom (Hons) from the University of Toronto in 1994 and her son is a student in Commerce at the same university. Lorrie visited Grahamstown in 1993, took photographs of Rhodes and drove around the streets of our beautiful city. Lorrie's father was born at 21 New Street in 1910 and lived in Grahamstown until 1987 when he retired to Port Elizabeth where he still lives.

Johann Neethling (1964) graduated with a BA (Theology) in 1966 and then returned for his BD from 1972 - 1974. The years in between were partly spent at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, California and in Heidelberg, Germany. Johann met Anne-Bita Swart (1963), who was in the Music Department and sang in the Rhodes Choir, one Sunday afternoon in 1966 in the Grahamstown 'location' when she played the piano accordion for the Joy-Joy Sunday School. They were married at the Hollywood Presbyterian Church in California in 1968. They then moved to Germany where Johann did some theological studies at the University of Heidelberg and Anne graduated

with a Nursing degree. The years

1975 - 1986 were spent pastoring churches around South Africa within the Methodist Church of SA. In December 1986 they were transferred to the United Methodist Church in northern Indiana. Johann is completing his third year as Chaplain and Counsellor at McCurdy School - a United Methodist Church-related school in Espanola, New Mexico. The school serves an ethnically diverse community of Hispanic, Anglo, Native American and Black students. Anne is a paediatric intensive care and trauma nurse specialist at the University of New Mexico Hospital in Albuquerque. Johann and Anne would love to hear from any ORs who remember them. Their address is P O Box 127, Espanola, NM 87532, USA. Ken Rice (1960) is the pastoral head and preparatory schools liaison officer at Hampton School in SW London. He has taught at Hampton for 19 years, ten of which as head of the history department. Ken has published two books, one on the history of the Middle East since 1900, and edited another on the memoirs of a young officer who served in the First World War, Garside's Wars, which was reviewed by the London Times on Armistice Day 1993. Ken and his wife, Diana, have two children at a preparatory school, the headmaster of which is Derrick Ott (1967). David Rush (1962) has moved Namibia. He has taken early retirement from the Namibian government service. David

from Windhoek to Swakopmund in remembers his years at Rhodes with much affection and with a sense of deep gratitude - even though it was in the nature of things to not always agree with the professors!

Deryck Schreuder (1960) has been elected Vice-Chancellor and Principal of the University of Western Sydney, a large new Australian University.

Michael Singmin (1966) married Yett Wing (1967) and they have two sons (14 and (16). Michael has worked at the CSIR since 1976 as a statistician and computer scientist for the saw-milling industry. Yett works in Water Technology at the CSIR. Michael left the CSIR at the end of 1994 to start his own business in computer software, graphics, statistics and stock market analysis.

Julienne Streicher (Norden 1969) is the Chief Public Relations Officer at Elsenburg Agricultural Research Institute near Stellenbosch.

David Wilson (1969) is married to Marie with one son Brad (12). They have been in Durban for ten years. David completed his MBA at UCT in 1978 and is co-owner of a specialist construction company. **Brian Taylor (1961)** has been the chief executive of the Rothmans Group Companies in Zambia for five years. His family reside in Pietermaritzburg but do enjoy their holiday visits to Lusaka.

1970s

Louis Ardé (1979) teaches at Chelsea Drive S P School in **Durban North** Trevor Batchelor (1975) is married with a son aged 21 months and twin girls aged 6 months. Trevor writes that he "never studied Biology and Anatomy and now he's paying for it!",

Jenny Bergh (Chapman 1973) is married with two children and lives in Durban where she teaches at Carmel College.

**Margaret Bradshaw (Mullins** 1974) recently celebrated her 21st wedding anniversary and writes that she has come of age! Margaret has two high school children and works with the Daily Bread Charitable Trust in the rehabilitation of street -children. She is responsible for developing Bridging Education Programmes to provide accelerated learning for street -children.

Marc-Louis Cattaneo (1978) is happily married to Cécile Ambrogio and lives in Cannes in the South of France where he runs a publishing and distribution company.

Joel Dorfan (1978) divorced Karen in 1990 and married Barbara Weinberg in May 1994. He recently left SPL after eight years to manage his own business.

Clive Dyer (1974) is a house husband with two daughters. Jeremy Eve (1977) joined Bozell Wilsenach Africa as a copywriter in November 1994, after spending five and a half years at Coole Advertising and Promotions (CAP). Prior to that, he was a primary and high school teacher for four and a half years and a recording engineer for one year.

Natie Finkelstein (1971) has been made a Fellow of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. He holds honorary life membership of Rhodes University Pharmacy Students' Association, Cape Peninsula Pharmacy Students' Association, South African Pharmacy Students' Federation, CWP Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society of South Africa and Fellow of the Institute of Pharmacy Management International. John Frame (1973) left Rhodes at

the end of 1977 and returned to Rhodesia where he joined Price Waterhouse as an Articled Clerk. He qualified as a Chartered Accountant, married Janet and emigrated to Perth in 1981. John worked for two years with Price Waterhouse in Perth and became an Australian Chartered Accountant. In 1984 he joined a multi-national public company based in Perth called The Bell Group Ltd, where he was the Group Management Accountant. In 1985 he became the Financial Executive in a company, Heytesbury Holdings Ltd, where he worked until early 1992. He then joined a company called Sealcorp Holdings Ltd, in April 1992 as General Manager.

Archie Black (1977) also works at Sealcorp as its Information Technology Manager. John and Archie have been friends for over 22 years. Archie worked for John at Heytesbury before joining Sealcorp in late 1991. Archie spent nine months in the UK installing a computerised theatre ticketing system for London's West End Theatres in 1990. John lives in Perth with his wife Janet and their two children, Christopher (10) and Catherine (8). John and Janet sponsored their parents to emigrate to Perth; John's in 1993 and Janet's in 1995. Perth has given them a

Ed Goldberg (1973) writes from Canada that he would be interested to know if any of his classmates are on the internet. You can contact him at agoldber@direct.ca. He has news of other ORs: Benson Jarzyna, who graduated pharmacy with him in 1973, and his wife Barbara (Schwartz 1973) live very close by in North Vancouver. Ed's father, Dr. Isaac Goldberg (1948) lives in Johannesburg and he visits Vancouver fairly often twice last year. Ed has two sisters in Johannesburg - Doreen Traub (Goldberg 1972) and Lorna Baise (Goldberg), who broke tradition and did her BCom at Wits! Ed works in retail pharmacy in three different stores in Vancouver - one in West Vancouver, one in North Vancouver and one in Vancouver. He has been in Canada for 15 and a half years now and has two children - Alon (15 years) and Talia (13 years). His postal address is P.O.Box 93007, Caulfeild Village, West Vancouver, BC V7W 3G4 Canada. ("Yes", he says, "that is the correct spelling for Caulfeild!") Billy Harris (1974) and his wife Lizette were blessed with twinstheir firstborn, Erica and Louis,

born on the 13.09.94 Michael Harrison (1978) married Vanessa Horler in 1990. They have two sons, (4) and (1). He is project manager for Perm Prop, a firm of Stellenbosch Property Developers. Michael eventually obtained his BSc (Quantity Surveying) at UCT. Sheree Harrison (1977) married Laurence Friedman in 1994 Laurence is the son of Gerald Friedman, Judge President of the Cape Provincial Division of the Supreme Court. Sheree freelances Paint Techniques.

Trevor Hastie (1973) spent four years from 1981 to 1984 at Stanford University, California, where he received a PhD in Statistics. He returned to South Africa for a year and worked at the Institute for Biostatistics of the Medical Research Council in Cape Town. He then returned to the USA and worked for AT & T Bell Laboratories in New Jersey as a research statistician for eight years. During that time he co-authored two widely published books in applied mathematics. He returned to Stanford University in 1994 where he is professor in Statistics and Biostatistics. He and is wife, Lynda, (ex Zimbabwe) have two children Samantha (7) and Timothy (5) and love hearing from South Africans. Trevor's address is 90 Peter Coutts Circle, Stanford CA 94305, California, USA.

joined the Perm Bank in Uitenhage as a financial advisor. During the past thirteen years Terry has gained banking experience in the corporate divisions of major banking groups in Johannesburg and Port Elizabeth. Athol (1972) and Beth Hockey (Eales 1985) are very happily married. Beth is head of music at Table View Primary School and Athol is doing his MEd in Environmental Education through Rhodes part-time. Athol is involved in curriculum development with the Science Education Project. Kelvin Hulley (1970) works at the Retail Pharmacy at Anerley on the

Natal South Coast. Kelvin is

from UNISA in 1994.

married with three children. He

obtained a BA in Political Science

Terry Hattingh (1978) recently

Mark (1972) and Jacqui Jackson (Ashton Smith 1973) live in England where Jacqui is the principal of a specialised school run by the National Autistic Society. It is a day and residential school that admits pupils who have been diagnosed as Autistic, Asperger Syndrome and related disorders. The National Autistic Society is one of the world leaders in this field and has access to a vast amount of information. Staff run courses and conferences, undertake research, are involved in the training of professionals throughout the United Kingdom, Europe and the East and have a wide range of publications on aspects of this field. Jacqui wonders whether there are other ORs in a similar field who would like to contact her at The Helen Allison School, Longfield Road, Meopham, Kent DA13 0EW, England.

Arthur (1979) and Cathy Kegel (Watson 1978) live in Durban where they run their own business. They have two children, a boy and a girl.

Lesley Mackellar (Robertson 1974) is the manager of International Compensation for Eli Lilly, a pharmaceutical company. Lesley is based in Indianapolis and works with affiliates around the world on pay and benefits programmes. Lesley married Warren, a research scientist, in April this year.

Kate McCallum (1972) taught English for five years, moved into educational, then general and academic publishing, where she has worked for the past fourteen years. In 1992 Kate was appointed Managing Director of Oxford University Press Southern Africa. Michael McCoy (1972) is on a

four-year contract with the Australian Board of Mission (Anglican) in Sydney, serving as national education and training officer. He recently completed six and a half years as director of mission with the Anglican Church in South Africa.

Carolyn Neville (De Haast 1979) is married with two children. She recently moved from Zimbabwe to Cape Town and is working as a training consultant while completing her BA degree through UNISA.

George Olivier (1975) is a senior lecturer in the Pharmacy Department at Brighton University in the UK. George completed a PhD at Bath where he spent some years. He is married and has two daughters. George would welcome news from old friends and can be contacted at the Department of Pharmacy, Cockcroft Building. University of Brighton, Brighton BN2 4GJ, England or by e-mail gwjo@brighton.ac.uk.

Susan Stewart (Morrell 1977) is married to Gavin, former Professor of Journalism at Rhodes and now Editor of the Daily Dispatch in East London. They have two sons Simon (5) and William (2). Sue and Gavin were invited to the inauguration of President Mandela in Pretoria in May last year which they found an unforgettable experience.

Gill Taylor (Sperinck 1974) received the South African Hockey Association's highest accolade -Hockey Person of the Year. Gill is involved in youth and development and much of her work is done in

wonderful opportunity and lifestyle.

the townships. In 1994 Gill was leader of a delegation to Australia on an exchange with SA Sport and Recreation.

Kate Thielscher (Burgess 1974) is the MD of automatic pool cleaner producer, Barracuda, responsible for SA operations and the development of export business. After nine years at Johnson & Johnson Kate moved from the position of marketing manager of the baby division to executive director of Unigraph Promotions for two years. Her most recent position was sales and marketing director of Blue Ribbon Bakeries, part of the Premier group. Kate is also a provincial dressage champion. Mark Thorpe (1976) works as a senior psychologist in Tauranga, New Zealand. His family are settling well in New Zealand and enjoying the outdoor Kiwi life in the beautiful Bay of Plenty. He recently met up with three other members of the 1979 psychology honours class, all now living in New Zealand:

Peter Bath (1971) clinical psychologist at Masterton Hospital, his wife Leslie (Spruce) was warden of Salisbury House 1980-81; **Rob Moore (1974)** and wife Joanne (Burt 1977) run a computer training business in Tauranga; and Felicity Leech (1974) who lives in Auckland. Mark would welcome any correspondence or visits from ORs. His address is 1 Fairmont Terrace, Otumoetai, Tauranga, New Zealand. Robert Tomlinson (1979) works for CS First Boston, an American investment bank in London, and his wife Diane (Woodend 1982) works for Cadbury Schweppes. They have a daughter, Jessica Clare (18 mths).

Gerald West (1975) (below)
recently won the Vice-Chancellor's
Research Award at the University
of Natal

The award is worth approximately R 60 000 and must be used in a particular field of research. Gerald



is Director of the Institute for the Study of the Bible. He recently returned from Norway where he made a joint presentation on South African Resources and Processes for Contextual Theology at a conference in Oslo. Also present at the conference was the Revd Bev Haddad, an anglican priest from Cape Town. Gerald and Bev were married in December 1994. Barry Zworestine (1972) having lived in Australia, Israel and the UK is now permanently settled with his wife, Sarah, and two children in Noordhoek, Cape Town. Barry works as a clinical psychologist for the United Herzlia Schools. John (1987) and Jenny Allman (Sephton 1988) were married on 26 February 1994.

# 1980s

David Arguile (1984) left Port Elizabeth at the end of 1993 and moved to Cape Town to become senior deputy principal at Pinelands High School.

Greg Beling (1986) and Sandra Aucamp (1988) became engaged in March 1993. Gregory was SRC president in East London from 1987-1989 and Sandra served on the SRC committee from 1988. They were good friends at Rhodes and two years later when their paths crossed again they became more than just friends!

They recently travelled to the UK and also went on a Kontiki Tour of Europe. Sandra works at the Receiver of Revenue in East London as a tax assessor and Greg works in partnership with his father, who has a family accounting business. Greg has just returned from Sydney, Australia, where he attended the World Hockey Cup. He went as the assistant coach of the South African Futures team. Greg coaches the Hamilton Ladies Hockey Club who won the Premier Night League competition in 1994. Jeremy Bolt (1987) qualified as a chartered accountant in 1992 and is presently working for Deloitte Fouch Management Consultants.

Fouch Management Consultants.

Terry-Ann Broomberg (1986)
lives in Oregon, USA with her
husband, Howard Newman, and
2½ year-old daughter, Taj. Terry
has her own business called *Playing Mantis Drama School for Kids*.

Terry writes that she lives a
'simple, ecstatic existence'.

Douglas (1987) and Doris Brown

(Berger 1987) and Doris Brown (Berger 1987) have a baby daughter, Nicole, who was born on 30 November 1994.

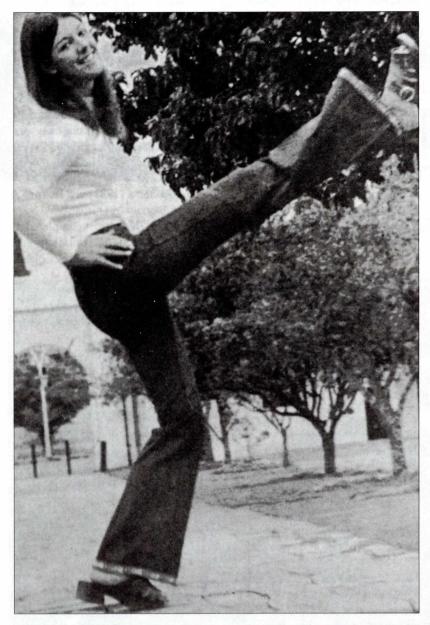
Barry Chapman (1989) lives in Queenstown where he is doing articles for an accounting firm, Charteris and Barnes.

Carolyn Coleman (Mills 1980) has been married for six years and has a 3½ year-old daughter. She travelled round Europe for a while and then settled in Zimbabwe where she worked in retail. Carolyn represented the Zimbabwe Squash Team as the No 1 on tours overseas. She moved to Cape Town and then to Nelspruit. She works part-time in the Promenade Pharmacy and would love to hear from anyone passing through Nelspruit.

Edward (1982) and Trish Cooper (Wilson 1984) live in Glen Austin. Midrand. After teaching for two years Edward became a copywriter and is now creative director at Sherwoods, an ethical pharmaceuticals advertising agency. Trish is a linguistics lecturer at Unisa. They live near Old Rhodians, Dirk Toms (1981), Ant Robinson (1983) and Dean (1983) and Moira Brady. Eddie Correia (1982) lectures in music at the University of the Western Cape and is happily settled in Cape Town. Prior to moving to Cape Town Eddie lectured at the University of the Transkei for almost five years, taught music at a school in Cape Town for two years and completed an HDE (postgraduate) at the University of Cape Town. Eddie and his wife, Amanda (1984) have two children,

James (3) and Teresa (2). Eddie

# 1972 Bird of the Week



This photograph appeared in the **Rhodeo** on 30 March 1972 in the **Bird** of the Week slot. Daphne de Villiers was the drummie leader for 1972. She taught for one year after leaving Rhodes and then married a farmer, George Stretton. They have two children, a son, Rowan, who matriculated from Kingswood College in 1994 and a daughter, Pamela, who is still at Kingswood. They live on a farm in the Sterkstroom district. Daphne plays golf for Border.

recently completed a DMus at Unisa.

Lara Cowley (1988) has joined H Goldin & Company as a Trainee Manager with Clicks in Cape Town. Michael Craig (1988) was promoted in 1994 to Regional Community Developer - Eastern Transvaal (Rural Foundation). He married Penny (de Wet 1986) in 1989 and they have two daughters. Leigh Ann Dickson (1989) married Riko Van Zyl Slabbert in March 1995. Riko is the senior manager for Nandos Chickenland. Leigh is in a partnership doing decorative painting (signage, murals, paint effects etc.) They live in Johannesburg.

Julie-Anne Dickie (1989) married her 'varsity sweetheart', Rodney Bell (1989), on 29 January 1994. Julie does locum work in Harare and Rod is the Director of Marketing at Merctrust Real Estate, Harare.

**Tumi Ditsebe (1986)** works for Coopers & Lybrand (Johannesburg) as a personnel consultant.

**Tom Els (1980)** married Nevilene in February 1993. They have a son Dylan who was born on 12 October 1994.

Linda Epps (1980) lives in Durban and recently returned from a three month Indian Ocean cruise on a yacht. Her sister Carole Heming (Epps 1979) lives in Johannesburg and is married with two children, she works for ABSA as a Product Manager.

Shirley Erwee (Baillie 1989)

married in Seapoint in January
1994 to a perlemoen diver, Riaan,
from Hermanus. They moved to
Hermanus in March 1994 where
they literally built their own home!
Shirley gives aerobics classes
part-time at the local gym.
David Evans (1988) completed a
BA at UCT in history and industrial

psychology after leaving Rhodes. He now works for a Computer Company in Cape Town and is involved in marketing and sales.

Paul Evans (1984) married Amelia van Rensburg (UOVS graduate) in September 1993. He manages a large pharmacy in Kimberley. Paul recently passed the Primary Care Drug Therapy exam and is planning its implementation.

Barry (1989) and Carol Fawthrop (Rousseau 1987) were married in December 1992 and have a daughter, Rebecca Joy, born on 25 April 1994 in King William's Town. Barry is Data Processing Manager at Bisho Municipality and Carol is a full-time mother after teaching Sub B and Std I for three years.

Susan Fayd'Herbe (Saunders 1985) married Beroit, a sugar farmer, and has an 18 month-old son. They live in the south east lowveld of Zimbabwe where Susan works for the family company.

Deborah Fish (1980) lives in Vancouver, Canada, where she has a psychotherapy practice. She also teaches related courses to adults.

Moria FitzPatrick (Brennan 1983) is working as the curator of Arachnids at the Bulawayo Museum. She has a daughter born in August 1993.

Ross Fleming (1981) married Julie on 4 March 1995.

Claire Gael (Parker 1981) left

Rhodes and went to Wits Tech

where she qualified as a Dental

Technician. She worked in Johannesburg for three years before doing Pharmaceutical repping for a year. At the beginning of 1990 she returned to Zimbabwe and started dating Keith Gael (1980). Keith bought a Pharmacy in October 1990. They married in July 1994 and now both work in their Pharmacy, Avondale Pharmacy. Gary Galanti (1983) is married to Michel Greek and lives in Cape Town where he owns his own business. He graduated with a BSc (Chemistry) from Pietermaritzburg. Gary remembers his year at Rhodes as being the transition from boyhood to manhood! Patrick Garratt (1988) is curator

Cape Town.

Linda Godfrey (1989) works at

Ematek at the CSIR in Pretoria as a
Geohydrologist.

of the Two Oceans Aquarium in

Philippa Godfrey (1985) worked as a secretary for two years in South Africa and the UK after graduating with a BMus. She then completed her MMus at the University of Edinburgh. She returned to South Africa at the end of 1992 and now runs her own music studio and does freelance music teaching.

Stuart Herd (1984) lives in Pretoria, is married to Alma and has one daughter, Candice, who is two years old.

Gregory Hill (1988) toured Europe in 1993 and ran into financial difficulties in the Ukraine but fortunately managed to extricate himself! Gregory worked as a warehouse assistant near Hertfordshire and returned to South Africa to do an HDE at UCT in 1994. He teaches English and history.

Deanne Hopking (van Rensburg 1983) spent two years abroad in Israel, America and Europe as an au pair and casual labourer. From 1988-1991 she worked as a social worker in Groote Schuur Hospital Psychiatric Department; firstly in Psychiatric Emergency, then the William Slater Alcohol unit and finally at Valkenberg Hospital. She left social work and Cape Town in May 1991 for Namibia. Deanne married George in June 1992. She bought an established book and art shop. Their daughter was born in July 1993.

Andrew Hunter (1987) taught accounting and typing at Butterworth High School for two years. He now teaches accounting and business economics at Hudson Park High School in East London. He is treasurer of Border School Boys Hockey and on the management committee of Border Schools Hockey.

Chaline James (1989) left Cape Town in 1994 for Gauteng and is currently working at Kaleidoscope Publications as promotions coordinator on *Disney's Kidz World* magazine and King Comics and loves it to bits!

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Nicola Jenvey (1989) works as a financial journalist on Durban's morning paper, *The Natal Mercury*. John (1983) and Inka Kilroe (Trakoshi 1983) are moving to Perth as John has been transferred on a two year contract and will be working in Nickel and Gold Exploration. Inka has had to give up her job as Pharmacy Manager at Springs Parkland Clinic and will have to do some studying in order to re-qualify in Australia! She intends to be a tourist for a while though.

David Knight (1986) qualified as an attorney in October 1994. He works in Cape Town for KPMG Aiken and Peat as a tax consultant. His wife, **Philippa** (Martin 1986), is going to UCT to do an HDE. He recently obtained an HDIP(Tax) from UCT.

Alison Langley (Grenville 1988) works in Pinetown. They bought a house in Westville where Alison's creativity is coming to the fore! Her husband, Haydn, is doing very well at Mondi Paper, Durban and was recently promoted.

Andrew Lee Sun (1985) is still 'happily single'! Andrew moved from East London to Johannesburg at the end of 1991. He now works in the MIS Department of Graphtec Limited, doing computer programming among other things.

programming, among other things. **Lorraine Louw** (1989) was appointed editor of both *Chic* and *Mayfair Magazines* at JT Publishing in Johannesburg in mid-1994. She plans to marry her fiancé, Matthew Kearney, in Ireland in December 1995.

Andrew (1984) and Angela MacPherson (Harraway 1987) live in Claremont where Angela is a school guidance counsellor and Andrew is an attorney.

Johanna Makgalemele (1988) is a trainee accountant at KPMG Aiken and Peat. Johanna is in her first year of articles at an auditing company. A Miss South Africa finalist in 1992, she works as a continuity presenter for M-Net over the weekends. She is presently studying for her CTA from Unisa. Her sister is our current Miss South

Helen Maree (1985) has been teaching English at Cambridge High in East London since January 1990. Her brothers, Johann (1981), who was head student of Founders Hall, is the legal manager of Norwich Life, Sandton; and Anton (1983) teaches at King William's College, Castletown on the Isle of Man. All three are grandchildren of the late Professor JVL and Mrs Rennie.

Ross Marriner (1982) and Angie Henderson (1981) were married in Grahamstown in April this year. Ross works in small business finance and Angie in the smart card business.

Ken (1981) and Fiona Masters (Cameron 1981) were married in December 1994. Ken started in the Computer Centre at UCT in January this year and they live in Fish Hoek.

Peter Maver (1985) married Marcelle (Uren 1985) in September 1992. Peter graduated with a BSc (Med)(Hons) at UCT in 1990. They have twin boys, Richard and Gareth, born in May 1994. They live in Durban where Peter is the regional manager for a medical company and Marcelle teaches at the Pinetown Convent. Nick May (1986) married Roslyn in September 1994. They live in Pretoria where he works as the Clinical Trial Coordinator for Niehaus and Botha Pathologists. Nick is still studying through Unisa for his BCom. Nick sends a big "Howzit to all other Graham House Fire Veterans!".

John Miller (1986) is married and studying part-time through Unisa. Connie Molusi (1985) has been elected president of the South African Union of Journalists. Connie left the City Press in 1991 to join the South African Press Association (SAPA). He is also an executive member of the Freedom of Expression Institute.

John Moorcroft (1980) married Jenni (Hutton 1981) in 1988. He worked as a Geologist on the Witwatersrand and Namibia for five years before returning to Port Elizabeth where he works in the family meat and livestock business. John has two sons aged four and two.

Paul Morgan (1983) is married to Karen and they have two children. They live in Vanderbijlpark where he is head of lubricants research and development at Sasol Oil. Since leaving Rhodes Paul obtained an MSc in Chemical Engineering at Wits and is currently busy with a Master of Business Leadership (MBL) at UNISA.

Craig (1982) and Judy Morris (Kok 1984) were married in 1994 in San Francisco. They live in California where Judy is a pharmacist and Craig is a finance manager for a large Software Manufacturing Company.

Brian Morrow. (1985) moved to England to work for the Dorset National Health Service to broaden his experience. For six years prior to the move he was a clinical psychologist for the Department of Social Services in Cape Town.

**Debbie Lee Mossop (Fletcher** 1983) married in January 1993 and had a beautiful baby girl, Tara, on 6 November 1993. The family live in their new home on the Thames. **David Murray-Smith (1982)** qualified as a chartered accountant in 1986. A few sight years in the

qualified as a chartered accountant in 1986. After eight years in the profession in Johannesburg, London and Cape Town, he moved into banking at the beginning of this year and recently joined Investec as a financial consultant. David's brother **Anthony** (1984) was married in the UK in May 1995. **David Oswald** (1982) married

David Oswald (1982) married
Deborah McHugh from Yorkshire
in 1993. David works for Baldwins
Steel Johannesburg as a Financial
Controller, Operations.

Mike Park (1983) and Sue Allen (1978) were married in 1994 and

live in San Francisco. Sue graduated with a PhD from Berkeley and won a two-year research fellowship to study at the Exploratorium, a well-known hands-on museum. Mike has a successful Internet business, QuakeNet, and works part-time as a software consultant.

Janet Reid (1985) completed her

Masters degree in Education at Cambridge University and recently did fieldwork in Namibia for a PhD. She married in 1993 to Thomas Pedersen who is a mathematician from Denmark. Carl Roberts (1981) is a lecturer at the University of Durban-Westville. He has just completed a Sabbatical spent on exhibitions and lecturing at the University of Natal. Michael Rossouw (1983) is presently coordinator of Extra Curricular Studies and Adult Education at the Sol Plaatjie Centre in Kimberley.

Mosidi Seretlo (1987) was promoted by Unilever in 1994 to Brand Manager, Brut & Impulse Deodorants. In January this year he was seconded to Unilever Arabia in Dubai for nine months and will be back in September.

Angus Sholto Douglas (1988) is responsible for the main camp at Mala Mala, an exclusive private game reserve. After graduating, Angus joined Mala Mala as a game ranger. He was appointed head ranger to the main camp in December 1993 and on 1 June 1994 he took over as camp manager.

Jeremy Sieberhagen (1985) arrived in Uzbekistan (in the former USSR) in late August 1993 and after doing an introductory course in the Uzbek language moved to the Andijon State University, which is in the furthest eastern corner of the country. He, along with an American couple and a British girl, became the first foreigners to study the Uzbek language at the Old university.

Although he is reasonably fluent in the language he will continue studying it while teaching English at the university. He intends teaching business administration, accounting and market economy in Uzbek in the future.

Andrew Sierlis (1988) was appointed an account executive at Matthewman Banks Advertising (MBA) in June 1994. He briefly coached cricket in England before joining MBA.

Nigel Sloane (1983) spent four years teaching in the UK but has now returned to SA and is teaching at St David's College in Inanda.

Kathryn Sole (1980) spent the last five years living in Tucson, USA where she obtained a PhD in Materials Science and Engineering at the University of Arizona. She now works in Randburg, Gauteng.

Maya Soni (Sonne 1982) is married and has a two year-old son. She teaches in Durban and says Hi! to the HDE class of 1989.

Raymond Spires (1989) works for

Raymond Spires (1989) works for CSIR in Stellenbosch and is currently studying for a BCom through Unisa. He is married to Heléne (van As).

Neil Stallaro (1982) married Terry (Condon 1989) at the end of 1989. He has been working at Amatikulu Hatchery since July 1989 and is now a director of this diverse aquaculture venture which is very involved in the upliftment of the rural community in which it is situated. Terry is running a fish farm at home and markets her fish through Amatikulu Hatchery. Martin (1981) and Iveta Steinhobel (Konvica 1984) live and work in Denver, Colorado.

**Deon Stevens** (1982) is a factory accountant at S C Johnson in Rosslyn, Pretoria and is active in the OR Law Soccer Club.

software company.

Iveta is an attorney and Martin is a

professional services manager for a

Tracy Stone (Crankshaw 1989) was married to Bradley in the St Andrew's College Chapel, Grahamstown in August 1993. They live in Queenstown where Tracy teaches English to primary school black children.

**Peter Stone (1983)** is married with one son. He lives in Kokstad and has two businesses.

Jeanne-Ann Stott (1984) left the film/TV industry and is working as an assistant product manager in the marketing department (communications division) at Mobile Telephone Networks (MTN). Two big projects with which she is involved are the internal publications, *Mobile News* and *Making Waves*.

**Deidre Uren (1985)** is a journalist with the SABC and a partner in a media consultancy business. Deidre is co-author of a local guide to the new political structures in the Eastern Cape.

Anton van Noordwyk (1989) is a personnel consultant in Empangeni \ Richards Bay. He enjoys the odd round of golf and a few beers thereafter!

Elizabeth Vekios (1987) obtained her degree in Social Anthropology in 1990. In 1992 she obtained a BA degree in Social Anthropology from the University of the Aegean in Greece and in 1994 she completed a two-year course in order to obtain an MA Degree. Since 1990 she has been working as an English teacher at a Foreign Language Institute on the island of Lesbos, Greece. In October last year she wrote her thesis on Medical Anthropology and was due to write exams at the beginning of this year which would enable her to study English Literature at the Aristotelian University of Salonica. Elizabeth is still single and lives with her parents on the island of Lesbos.

Felix Walraven (1981) is married to Lynne Tasker (1983) and they have three children. He is a technical services manager on a Gold Mine in Banket and Lynne helps out in the office as well as coaching, swimming and teaching in the district.

Stephen (1980) and Fiona Weir (van der Westhuizen 1982) are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Shannon, on 27 February 1995. They have lived in

Johannesburg for the past seven years where Stephen is direct marketing manager for Investec Private Banking and Fiona is clinical trials manager for Eli Lilly (pharmaceutical). They regularly see fellow ORs; Diana Heuser (Mollink 1983); Neville (1981) and Megan Bertram (Sparg 1984) and Rodney (1981) and Fiona Baxter (Glew 1982).

Jarrell (1987) and Lea Whisken (McCormick 1987) have moved to Pretoria where Jarrell works at the CSIR as a GIS "expert" consultant.

1990s

Clare Anderson (1991) works for Reuters International News Agency which involves a lot of travel around the Southern Africa region which she really enjoys.

Jean Black (1990) works as a graphic artist in Johannesburg. She was involved in the decor for the Rolling Stones Concert.

Brendan Black (1991) married Kim and works at FNB as an executive trainee. Brendan and Kim have a baby on the way.

Nazlee Dawson (Mukadam 1991) is married and has a son called Farhaan.

Marie Desuaux De Marigny (1990) has a two year-old daughter called Sophie-Elise, born on 8 February 1993. Marie lives with her sister in Harare and works as a stock broker.

Izak de Vries (1993) married Elma Erasmus, a medical doctor, on 10 December 1994. Izak heads the Bridge Building Encounter Programme of African Enterprise in Pietermaritzburg. These are workshops in diversity management and designed to promote cultural integration. Claire Gebhard (1991) works at

First National Battery in East London. She is studying through IPM for a Personnel Diploma. **Kamini Govender (1992)** is in her second year of study for a BSc at the University of Durban-Westville. She hopes to do post grad studies at Rhodes.

Verity Gudmanz (1990) has completed her Pharmacy internship and is now managing a retail Pharmacy in White River.

Peter Reynolds (1990) works in Bisho, King William's Town as Parliamentary assistant to Eddie Trent MPL (DP) in the East Cape Provincial legislature.

**Derek Watling (1990)** works as a computer support technician for Trade Information Services in Randburg.

Nicholas Young (1991) is working at the Delta Motor Corp in Port Elizabeth.



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