OLD HERSCHELIAN NEWS

2017

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Dates to diarise

Thursday 15th February 2018

- 18h00 OHA Cocktail Party (R40) (acceptances only to oha@herschel.org.za by 5th February 2018)

Friday 16th February 2018

- 11h00 Founders Day Service at St Saviour's (acceptances only to oha@herschel.org.za by 5th February 2018)
- 12h45 AGM in the Dining Room
- 13h00 Lunch in the Mary Jagger Hall (acceptances to oha@herschel.org.za before 5th February 2018)

May 2018

- OHA Winter Dinner (R180) - for all Old Herschelians, Staff and Friends of the school

September 2018

- Golden Girls Tea - for all Old Herschelians who have celebrated their 50 year reunion or more

Reunions to look forward to

1968 50 years

- Pru Crawley prucrawley@gmail.com
- Delia Charton deliacharton@sybaweb.co.za

1978 40 years

- Siobhan Esnouf siobhan.esnouf@gmail.com
- Suzanne Sherman tank@iafrica.com

1988 30 years

- Gabby Raath gabby@gabrielleraaff.com
- Tessa Philips tephillips@mweb.co.za

1993 25 years

- Mary Maurel marymaurelgardens@gmail.com

1998 20 years

- Mary Haw maryhaw@gmail.com
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2008 10 years

- Katherine Thompson thmkat011@myuct.ac.za
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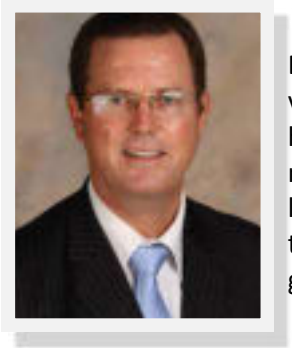
Letter from the Head

Stuart West



Being a teacher in today's world is a compelling, confusing, multifaceted and demanding vocation. More than ever before, we are a profession that deals in the complexities and hopes of tomorrows, without always fully knowing and understanding what that tomorrow may hold – for us as a school, for us as a nation and most certainly for our girls who yearly leave our white walls and manicured hedges. Teachers are needed more than ever before, to help our girls develop the skills, values, knowledge and moral compass necessary to navigate the complexities of their unforeseen tomorrows, successfully.

As we welcome, teach and shape those in our care within Herschel, with its rich foundational tapestry of Anglican, independent, girl-focused and South African educational heritage, we believe we are called to invoke the power of renewal, transformation and hope within the lives of our girls and within the community life of our school.

Hannah Arendt, the German-born American political philosopher and theorist, had this to say in her 1954 essay, *The Crisis in Education*:

Education is the point at which we decide whether we love the world enough to assume responsibility for it… and whether we love our children enough… [not] to strike from their hands their chance of undertaking something new, something unforeseen by us, but to prepare them, in advance, for the task of renewing a common world.

Teachers, like parents, are called to the sacred and noble task to love our world enough to assume the responsibility for training and equipping the next generation to play their part in the renewing of our common world. We believe that teaching at Herschel is much more than curriculum delivery. We believe we are called as teachers to touch and shape lives, to engage with students as real people with desires, fears, ambitions and complex relationships. From the Latin *educare,* to educate means to lead into or draw out. Education is the activity of leading a child into our world as we know it, while ensuring that we never limit the potential of drawing out of her, the desire, the ability and the power to undertake something new, something unforeseen in life after school.

Academically, we remain committed to the National Senior Certificate. We know that our highly professional and dedicated teachers ensure that our girls are exposed to work, thinking skills and academic rigours that far exceed the demands of the NSC curriculum and certainly prepare Herschel leavers, not only for the academic and organisational demands of tertiary life, but more importantly to play their part in undertaking something new, something unforeseen by us. Each year we vigorously assess the currency of the NSC, and its continued ability to place our girls in the universities and faculties of their choice. Currently, our past pupils gain access to the top universities and faculties – both nationally and internationally.

This has certainly been borne out by the selection of Emily van Heerden, an Old Herschelian and previous Head Girl, as the Bishops Rhodes Scholar to attend Oxford University this year. The Rhodes Scholarship is all about young graduates seizing the opportunity, and responsibility, to undertake something new, something unforeseen by us. Emily wants her studies at Oxford to enhance her understanding of constitutional law and, particularly, the protection of the constitutional rights of women and children in South Africa. The unforeseen can be alarming. At the end of 2016, there was a real fear for what 2017 would hold in the educational space in South Africa. The universities were exhausted from more than a year of continual disruption in the #feesmustfall and decolonise education movements. Both last year and this year a number of schools throughout the country had to deal with very public and politicised student engagements, around the areas of race, privilege, assimilation and lack of transformation. It is vitally important that schools like Herschel must, overtly and consciously, initiate processes and policies to deal proactively with issues of diversity, bias and prejudice within the school family.

Under the leadership of Logan Govender, the Herschel Diversity and Transformation Committee has worked tirelessly in the last year to draft and refine a Diversity and Transformation Policy through which we will examine our lived values and procedures and roll out a transformational plan to address those areas of diversity needing a change of heart, a change of perspective, and a change of practice.

J.K. Rowling, renowned author, has this profound statement: *"We do not need magic to change the world, we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already: we have the power to imagine better."*

In the second term, a team of more than twenty girls, largely drawn from the dynamic Social Justice Society, drafted a comprehensive *Memorandum for the Transformation of Herschel*, a student perspective of our school in which they 'imagine better' for Herschel. The Memorandum covers a spectrum of contemporary issues, including race, gender, sexuality, curriculum resources, and mental health, amongst others. It is a deeply respectful, challenging and insightful document that will be used in discussions and planning sessions by staff, next year's student leaders and Council to help us in our transformational journey. We celebrate that Herschel produces girls with the courage, confidence, leadership and power to 'imagine better', girls who choose to engage, constructively, respectfully and maturely, with critical, sensitive and deeply complex issues that will continue to confront schools like Herschel.

This year we continued to give Pastoral Care significant focus, imagining better for our girls. We have structured a move to a House system and vertical tutor groups next year which will improve the care and sense of belonging of our girls. We believe each girl needs to belong to a smaller family of school life, where she feels comfortable to be herself and where she learns to live with girls of other grades, and where the younger girls learn from the older girls, and the older girls become role models and mentors, in turn. Research shows that a vertical house and tutor system plays a significant role in the countering of peer conflict and bullying, as it allows girls time away from their peers, and places them in supportive relationships with girls of all ages.
2017 has been a year of considerable achievement: the Cabaret production in the first term was an expression of song, dance, art and theatre in a fusion of story-telling that celebrated "her story." The cast opened their hearts to tell the stories of those who have come before, those who are here now and those who are yet to come. It was a magnificent celebration of the power of voices at Herschel. The Matric artwork, seen at the annual exhibition, celebrates the sacred spaces within Herschel, where girls can discover their discerning and evocative voices and then create worlds unforeseen by us.

Our music department continues to nurture profound and outstanding musical performances. Anna Grieve recently completed a three-week intensive music conservatory at the Winchester Ingenium Academy in England and was chosen to sing one of only two solos at the public concert in the Winchester Cathedral. Amber De Decker is currently participating in the National Youth Music Competition. Kelsey Brookes has been invited to audition for the 2017 UNISA South African music scholarship where she will be competing against musicians aged 16 to 20.

This year our sports girls have been chosen for a number of national and high-performance squads including national representation in swimming, hockey, netball, tennis, biathle, karate, rock climbing and bouldering, sailing and surfing. On the international stage, Ammaarah Hendriks, who represented South Africa at the recent World Karate Championship in Canada, won a bronze medal. Kayla de Waal was part of the South Africa U19 team that won gold in the World Biathle championships in Spain and Hánim Abrahams won a gold and bronze medal for breaststroke at the Commonwealth Youth Games in the Bahamas. This year our swimming team won the A League gala and our hockey team, won the league for the fifth consecutive year.

On Founder's Day we celebrated our proud legacy of community service at Herschel. It is through community service that we celebrate the power to imagine better, something new, even something unforeseen – both in the lives of our girls, and in the lives of others. Each week, hundreds of our girls are involved in a myriad of community service programmes with partner senior schools, tutoring Maths, Science and English skills and hosting History support classes. Each week they mentor Prep school children in a variety of academic and fun activities, bring joy and smiles to those in neighbouring hospitals as Care Clowns and Big Sisters, host Reach for a Dream events for deserving young girls, and visit children's homes and crèches. This year our Grade 9 girls helped to establish a beautiful, resourced library for St Michaels Primary School in Khayelitsha. Most importantly, community service programmes at Herschel provide a vital opportunity for our girls to learn the skills, confidence and social competence to "make a difference" while they develop an increased sense of social responsibility and a more realistic view of their Cape Town society.

It has always a wonderful opportunity to meet many Old Herschelians who pop in to visit their school and revisit many memories. Please know that you are very welcome at any stage to visit and see the school that undoubtedly played a significant role in your lives and to marvel at some of the recent developments.

As the year hurtles to an end, it is right and fitting to reflect on and appreciate all the magic and wonder that has been generated on the Herschel campus this year and applaud the staff for their profound investment and creative leadership. It is a remarkable school.

Joyanne and I wish you and your families a most blessed festive season and a New Year full of happiness and love.

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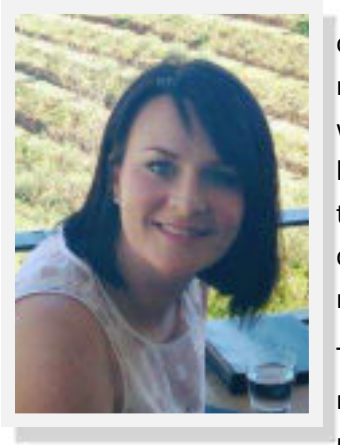
Stuart West

Report from Chairman of the OHA



The Old Herschelian year started off with the Cocktail Party and Founders Day where outgoing Chairman Pru Crawley was thanked for the years of dedicated service and the matriculants of 2016 were welcomed to the Old Herschelian Association. Once again we had wonderful warm weather and both events were well attended with much delight and excitement from the reunion years represented. The 89th AGM was held on the matric lawn, and marked the official handover of chairman duties. The agenda included updates on the Archives restoration, preparations for the Centenary and current fundraising activities.

The lunch was held in the Mary Jagger Hall where Stuart West welcomed everyone and representatives from the reunion years reminisced on behalf of their years. The 1977 reunion took place the week before the Founders Day lunch due to scheduling clashes and I attended this, accompanied by the head Stuart West and OHA Secretary Lucy Bailey.

Reunions represented at the Founders Day lunch included classes celebrating their 10, 20, 25, 30, 40 and 60 year reunions. There was many a laugh heard at stories from the 'old days' and cherished memories of those no longer with us to celebrate the passing years.

In March, the Old Diocesans Union extended an invitation to the OHA to their annual ODU event that both Pru Crawley and I attended. Thuli Madonsela was the guest speaker and the evening was spent catching up with old friends from school days.

This year's OHA Winter Dinner was held in May where Suzanne Ackermann- Berman was welcomed as our guest speaker. Suzanne spoke about her life at Herschel and her life since then and played a short video showcasing her work with the Pick n Pay Foundation and BBBEE programmes bearing fruit throughout South Africa's poor communities.

The OHA and circle secretaries have been involved in the on-going Archives restoration project where the materials are being inventoried and digitised, ensuring they are preserved for future years as well as in the run up to the Centenary in 2022.

Countless Saturdays have been spent with flasks of coffee, digging in archive boxes on the floor of what was Mrs Duff's house while she was headmistress at Herschel. There are plans in place for 2018 to ensure that there will be a dedicated person in the archives for a few hours a week to ensure momentum is maintained and the archives is 'complete' as soon as possible so that the historical material can be used for the compilation of a Centenary book. Original prints and all VHS, cassettes, Cine 8 film and photo slides have been digitised to date and inventory work and sorting continues when OHA members are available to help.

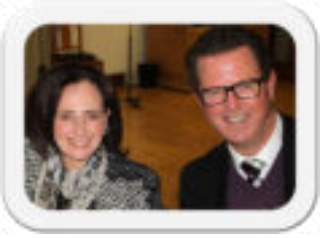
The museum (Mrs Duff's former house) has been converted into much needed offices for the OHA Secretary, marketing and admissions staff members, but the archives have been cleared and is now solely for use by the OHA for its intended purpose.

We are enthusiastic about our continued service to the Old Herschelians and the school and supporting the work required for the Centenary a few short years away.

Kristina Miller—OHA Chairman

FOUNDER'S DAY 2017

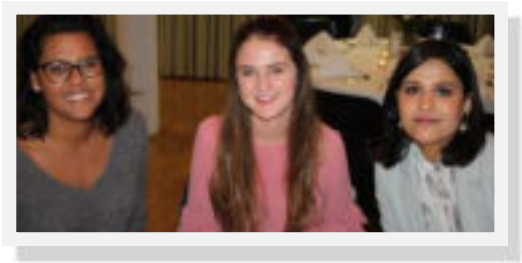
Winter Dinner

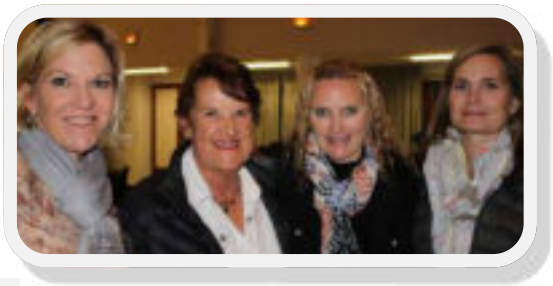


The annual winter dinner was held on Wednesday 10 May in the Mary Jagger Hall. Our Old Herschelian speaker was Suzanne Ackerman-Berman (matriculated in 1980), daughter of Raymond Ackerman. Suzanne is Transformation Director at Pick n Pay, South Africa. She graduated from UCT with a BA in French and Politics. Whilst a student, she was the first woman to chair the University Students Fundraising Rag committee in 1984, and was elected vice-chair of SHAWCO. (Students Community Welfare Programs). After university, Suzanne received extensive training in supermarkets in France and UK. She settled in France where she ran her own businesses in restaurants and nightclubs in a French Ski resort for 7 years. On her return to South Africa, she joined the family Supermarket business, Pick n Pay, as a trainee manager in fresh foods. She has worked in various positions in the business during her 20 years in the Company, starting from Floor management and buying, to General Manager of Corporate Affairs and Social Responsibility. In 2007 she founded the Small Business Incubator that seeks to address the social and economic inequalities of the past created by the apartheid era, by providing access to the formal market for small and previously disadvantaged entrepreneurs. Suzanne has a passionate proponent for equality, job creation and skills development, and assists many new entrepreneurs in all aspects of business and life skills through a detailed mentorship programme. This helps ensure their sustainability as suppliers to the broader economy.

Suzanne began her presentation with a video showing the background into the establishment of Pick n Pay and the community outreach programmes that Pick n Pay participates in. The video showed ways in which we can uplift and change the lives of communities and families and how the key to freedom in South Africa is entrepreneurial development. She spoke about “labels” and the danger associated with labelling people – Suzanne drew on her Jewish legacy, sharing how this taught her the importance of diversity and tolerance , especially being in an Anglican church school. Her message to us was to “never forget our label and where we come from.” She shared a poignant and heart- warming account of overcoming obstacles in one’s life and in working out “what is real in life, and what is urgent”? Her take -home message to us was that the most urgent thing in our life is our health.

The dinner was attended by 60 people, including former headmistress, Pamela Duff, current Chairman of council, Alex Watson and new chairman of the Old Herschelian Association, Kris Miller. It is one of the highlights on the Old Herschelian calendar, and is a relaxed occasion where Old Herschelians can socialise and reminisce whilst having the opportunity to hear the message from an inspirational Old Herschelian who has made a difference in the lives of others.





WINTER DINNER

Reunion Reports

1957 -60 years

Liz Witchell (Welsh), Tania Kramer, Robud de Waal (Robb), Anne Templeton (Kipps). Audrey Hoyle (Williams) pictured below at their 60th class reunion at Founder's Day lunch.

1967 – 50 years

It was wonderful contacting everyone ahead of our reunion and there was a large group of us who met for the annual cocktail party and Founder's Day luncheon held at school. We continued our get -together the following day at Constantia Glen, where we enjoyed catching up with one another over lunch in a beautiful setting. On Sunday we met for breakfast, together with our spouses, at Monkey Valley in Noordhoek. Patsy Louw (Brailey), Jenni Du Preez (Emslie), Ros Ovenstone, Sue Terrapon (Simpson), Ginger Jackson (Galbraith) with her husband Franck, Hilary Walden (Burns) and Helen Henderson attended four out of the five events organised over the Founder's Day celebrations. It was wonderful to also connect with Jeanne Rawden (De Wet), Paula Price (Leach), Sue Oosthuizen (Welch) Lynne Jacobs (Harris), Annie Kemp (Lomax), Mattie Holmes (Linda Townsend) and Cheryl Neave (Wale) at the school events. We had a great time reminiscing over our school days and there was much fun, laughter and plenty of good food and wine. A special thank you to the school for keeping the tradition of inviting classes back every ten years.

Report by Helen Henderson

Left to right: Hilary Walden (Burns), Jeanne Rawden (De Wet), Ros Ovenstone ,Jenni du Preez (Emslie), Patsy Louw (Brailey), Paula Price(Leach), Ginger Jackson (Galbraith), Helen Henderson.

Left to right: Sue Welch (Oosthuizen), Helen Henderson, Sue Terrapon (Simpson), Patsy Louw (Brailey), Ginger Jackson (Galbraith), Jenni du Preez (Emslie), Hilary Walden (Burns), Ros Ovenstone

Left to right: Patsy Louw (Brailey),Ros Ovenstone, Jenni du Preez (Emslie), Mattie Holmes (Townsend), Ginger Jackson (Galbraith), Franck Jackson, Sue Terrapon (Simpson), Cheryl Neave (Wale), Helen Henderson, Hilary Walden (Burns)

Helen Henderson's recollections of Herschel

"I am not sure how I was chosen to speak on behalf of the 1967 class today as I have had very little contact with Herschel for many years, having lived out of town for over 40 of them. The last time I visited Herschel was ten years ago, for our 40th reunion.

That said, I am delighted to say a few words. It is wonderful that the school provides a more formal occasion around Founders day for each class to come back every ten years. Thank you to those at the school who helped to make this happen for our class. I know what it takes as I worked in higher education for 30 years and alumni relations is very time-consuming and is rarely a school's priority with little recognition even when alumni relations are going well. Let me say that it is important to invite us back. So often we like to see places and institutions stay the same as they were for us. Yet with all the change around us as the only constant, ongoing progress is achieved if there is planned transformation. So today you have allowed us to step out of our comfortable memories and see for ourselves what has been achieved at Herschel through the years. We were not prepared for professional careers in our time. Here we are today and you have allowed us to see for ourselves what incredible changes have been made at the school under the succession of several leaders with different ambitions for the school.

There were only 26 of us in our class and we were not divided into two streams. At least a third of us were boarders and we remember the fear of being caught at a midnight feast, studying by torch light in the bathrooms and having races to see which table could order the most plates of bread when it was peanut butter instead of jam at supper.

For our reunions, we dig deep and we invite the girls who were with us for a large part of our Herschel journey, but were not with us in the last year. We have a total of 34 on our list and remember those from our year who have passed away - Mary Michener, Sandra Verster and Carlotta Vaughan.

We have shared memories from school, life stories, laughed together and have enjoyed each other's company. We realise the bonds we made whilst at Herschel are still there. Thank you to Ginger Galbraith and Hilary Burns for making a special trip from the UK .I also want to personally thank Patsy Low who has liaised with the school and been a star in making sure everything went off according to plan, ably assisted by Jenni du Preez.

I am sure I speak for the others in the class who are here today in congratulating everyone who has contributed to making Herschel what it is today, 50 years later. "

1977- 40 years

We celebrated a successful 40th Reunion over the weekend of 10th February 2017. On the Friday morning, we attended a moving service at St Saviours Church which was led by the school chaplain, Rev Sue Taylor. We were privileged to have Miss Cynthia Sweet, our music teacher, play the organ at this service. We were also delighted that our physical education teacher, Miss Lyndsay Kable, was able to join us in celebrating our reunion. We enjoyed a delicious lunch at school that was held on what we knew as the "Cabbage Patch." We marvelled at the changes and improvements to the school when we were kindly taken around by the Head and Vice-Head girls. On Saturday 11 February 2017, 25 of us (out of a class of 43 girls) enjoyed a wonderful Tapas- style lunch at La Parada. There was much chattering and reconnecting as we shared our memories and there was a great feeling of camaraderie and reawakening of friendships. A group of 18 of us met on Sunday morning at the Brass Bell in Kalk Bay, where we enjoyed a walk to Muizenberg and back, after which we had lunch. We are delighted that our database has been updated and we have a Herschel Class of 1977 Facebook page.

Those who attended from overseas: Clare Stirzaker (nee Gawith) and Bridgit Hannaford (nee Sandell) from Australia, and Susan Boni (nee Louw) from Dubai.

Others who travelled: Nicky Green (nee Kohler) Winterton, KZN, Fiona Adams, East London, Vivienne Beyers (nee Malherbe), Stellenbosch, Jean Kuiper (nee Bergh) Elgin, Erica Levanon (nee Alderman) Piketberg and Rose Bishop (nee Meynell) Johannesburg.

Those who attended from Cape Town: were Veronique Winter (nee Batchelor), Mary Silberbauer (nee Bettison), Vicky Farquhar, Chloe Huxter (nee Fouche), Louise Watling (nee Gottgens), Doune Berold (nee Hannay-Robertson), Serena Salmon (nee Herbert), Barbara Stephenson (nee Jearey) Di Loria, Helen Roberts (nee Manning) Lucy Quinan, Mandy Goldstone (nee Rose) Peta Murie (nee Simpson) Linda Swanepoel, Sue Burden (nee Ward-Able) and Kathy Robins (Ackerman).

Report by Rose Bishop

40 year reunion

1982 - 35 years

Kathy Tripp writes:" 35 years on from leaving Herschel (1981), Nici Price (Deal), Georgie Gebers (Hart), Sue Lanfear, Anne Blumer (Meynell), and I decided to meet in India! Ann Meynell and I flew from Australia and met the Cape Town girls in Delhi! What a holiday we had! I think perhaps the Claridges Hotel in Delhi is still recovering from the squeals of delight when we saw each other! We had a fabulous guide throughout our trip, Nirmal, who took us to some of the most glorious sites in India. Starting in Delhi, we went on to Jaipur, Jodhpur, Narlai and Udaipur. We went to the beautiful forts in each place, scoured the markets, zip-lined from the Jodhpur Fort, walked up mountains to see the sun rise, and of course, Nici had done all her research on where to eat. We ate like kings and for once, Georgie, being a vegetarian, was delighted with the huge choice of food at restaurants! We had so many laughs during our ten days, reminiscing about the good old days at Herschel, and enjoying the beautiful country we were in. We plan to do this again….."

1987 – 30 years

There was great excitement as we started off the celebrations at the annual Old Herschelians' cocktail party at Herschel the evening before Founder's Day. There was a small group of us who attended the cocktail party and we had much to catch up on, especially as some of us had not been in touch, nor back to school in the intervening years. We marvelled at the developments and wonderful new buildings that have transformed the school campus.
The Founder's Day service at St Saviours the following day was a moving experience. Time seemed to have stood still when we found ourselves sitting in the wooden pews again and at times, it was still hard to stifle the whispering and giggling amongst ourselves. Nothing had changed in 30 years! To hear the choir singing 'God Be In My Head' so many years down the line was a highlight. After the service we reassembled at school and watched everyone sing the school song which is a fairly new tradition. The girls' school spirit and pride was palpable and heartening for us to see. We enjoyed a delicious lunch afterwards in the Mary Jagger Hall. The only element missing in being back at school, was our teachers - the old classrooms were not the same without them.
After lunch, we went on a tour of the school - the wonderful new buildings and facilities centred around the atrium made us realise just how far education has come in a generation. The school seems less an institution and more a dynamic organisation catering to individuals. We loved the new 'chill room', The Hub, which is a quiet space in the heart of the school. The culmination of our celebrations took place over lunch at The Clubhouse (Claremont Cricket Club) in Constantia, on the Saturday. Approximately 35 of our year attended, with many others who were not able to be there sending messages and keeping abreast of the festivities via social media. We were all struck by how little any of us seemed to have changed in 30 years.
A measure of the success of the reunion was everybody's vow not to miss the next one in 10 years' time! We all extended our thanks to Lucy Bailey and Christie Thornton for their tireless work over the last 30 years in keeping track of us all, and for organising the reunion.

Report by Caroline Hamilton -Russell.

30 year reunion

Other get-togethers for the class of 1987

London

Mary-Ann Palmer (Wheeler), Karen de Klerk (Snyders), Gail Musson (Fitzpatrick) and Tineke Vrind (Pelt) met for lunch at Mary-Ann's house in Twickenham, London on Saturday 1st April 2017. They enjoyed catching up on their news and sharing their UK experiences.

Cape Town

There was a fun get-together at Forrester's Arms, Newlands, when Tessa Hannafin (nee Gurney) visited Cape Town from Ireland.

1992- 25 years

There was great excitement as 14 members of the Class of 1992 gathered on the school lawn to walk to St Saviours Church. The service brought back many happy memories and the choir sang beautifully. We found the tradition of putting a rose in the cross very moving.

After the service we met for lunch in the Mary Jagger Hall. Each reunion year had a representative who spoke for their year and Tamlyn Prevost (Mckeag) spoke on our behalf. She emphasized the importance and values of the education we received at Herschel. We later went on a tour of the school and were impressed with the changes that had taken place over the last 25 years. Susan Fleming (Issa) attended our reunion from the USA and added a unique flair to Founder's Day 2017 with an original Herschel manicure!
Kirsten Stafford (Thaning) also travelled from afar, (UK) and it was as if it was yesterday that she was leading the school in many swimming victories.

23 of us met that evening at Candice Noakes-Dobson's house for a cocktail party. Leanne Gordon-Meyers (Gordon) travelled from Johannesburg to attend this event. Candice's father, Prof Tim Noakes, also attended our gathering and shared with us what he felt were valuable lessons he had learnt in his life. The evening was full of laughter and learning about the different lives everybody is living. It is interesting to note the amount of service our classmates do to enrich other people's lives which is a great testament to the education and school we were so fortunate to attend.

25 year reunion

1997 – *20 years*

We had an amazing 20 year reunion and celebrated in true Herschel style!

So many people made the effort to be there and it was just wonderful catching up and chatting for an entire weekend. We started off the festivities on Thursday at the Herschel Cocktail party, followed by the Founder's Day service at St Saviours, and a delicious lunch in the Mary Jagger Hall. We enjoyed a tour around the school and were amazed at all the developments and changes. The Friday evening was spent at Peddlars, where 40 of our class members were present. We had a fun- filled night, with delicious snacks and wine and endless talking until the early hours of the morning. We had a family get together the next day at Kirstenbosch, where husbands, partners and children joined in to indulge in picnics and fresh air. It was a lovely way to end a busy weekend of catching up with friends. We realised that although we have not seen each other for a long time, we had so much in common and lots to chat about. Nothing had changed and we thank Herschel for giving us such a wonderful schooling career and amazing friendships that we know will last a lifetime.

Report by Tamaryn Scarterfield

2007- 10 years

It was wonderful to celebrate our ten year reunion on Founder's Day. So many special memories came flooding back as we attended the service at St Saviours followed by the rendition of the school song on the lawn at Herschel. There are so many from our year who are living and working abroad (testament to our great education and the confidence that Herschel instilled in us), that there were only a few of us who were able to attend but it was wonderful to be back at school after 10 years. Thank you to all those who work hard to make these events possible –we look forward to the next reunion.

Report by Sarah Waterfield

Lady Herschel : December 1916 – October 2017

2017 has been another great year for fun, networking, meeting new friends and cementing friendships. From the Mount Nelson to the Cellars, we have made some great memories. Although many of our overseas friends cannot join us often, they all respond to emails and visit when they come to town.

Caroline Sylvester (1999) and her husband, Charlie Maddock, came from New York in March and we were able to meet for lunch at Cellars-Hohenhort. (pictured right)

One of our members says that, in the past, when she attended the Founders' Day cocktail parties, she found that she did not know too many people; but now, thanks to Lady Herschel she finds that she has a new group of 'friends'. This is heart-warming as it is what the group is all about: friendships that span decades - and networking. One of our aims is to introduce 'girls' from across the years, who would otherwise never have met.

Ex-Staff: Margaret Westgate, Helen Burnett, Sheila Abert and Kerry Sapseid are all in frequent contact and send good wishes.

Lady Herschel would like to extend a warm welcome to all prospective new members and their guests. It is our Club and open to all.

NEWS

ADLARD, Kirsten (2013) is doing her Honours degree in Logistics at Stellenbosch University having completed a BCom in Business Management.

ALLEN, Tamara (2015) is in her second year at Stellenbosch University where she is studying Mechatronics.

ALLENBROOK, Jenna (2011) is studying law at the University of London.

ARENDSE, Zulfa (2013) is studying a Bachelor of Business Science, Finance, at UCT.

BEELE, Sue (nee Bothner, 1963) writes, "I travelled to Tauranga, New Zealand for 6 weeks in February to see my daughter and her family. The highlights were a few precious days together on Waiheke Island (just off Auckland), the day Spa in Rotorua, and the South Island where I spent a week. My grandson, Guy Roberts, was part of the Worlds' Age Group Underwater Hockey in Hobart in July where their U\19 team gained a Bronze: and my son Wade from the UK, climbed Damavand in Iran. These are my happy and memorable events for the year!" (pictured left at Frans Joseph Glacier).

BEYERS, Zoë (2000) has been appointed by the English String Orchestra as their new Leader (concertmaster). Zoë has been associate leader of the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra and works regularly as guest leader with the Philharmonia, BBC and Scottish Chamber Orchestra.

BRADLEY, Chloe (2012) has been accepted to attend a design school in London having completed her under graduate and post graduate degree at UCT.

BROADHURST, Janet (nee Millar,1979) writes : "I have recently returned to the UK having spent 4 years living in CT which gave me an opportunity to re-establish my contacts with Herschel. I was amazed at how the school has grown and what a nurturing environment it provides encouraging young girls to thrive. I met both the Headmaster, Stuart West, as well as the new Chairman of the OHA, Kristina Miller, who are both passionate about Herschel. It struck me how fortunate I had been to have attended Herschel for most of my schooling and what an effect it has had on my life. I attended an event where a former OH, Katie Christie, spoke about her work as a midwife in Africa, transforming the lives of women affected by lack of medical intervention. This made me think that other former pupils may also be interested in meeting up and hearing about former pupils and their lives in UK.

Herschel is keen to build relationships with former pupils and for them to attend Old Herschelian events. I would like to hear from any Old Herschelian's living in the UK who would be interested in joining this networking group to build relationships with each other and to hear more about what is happening at Herschel.

I can be contacted on janetbroadhurst@aol.com or 07956 423 223."

BROOKS, Emma (2014) is studying Business Science at UCT.

BURNETT, Chippy (nee Schipper, 1966) writes, "A whole new chapter has begun in my life, as my husband and I have moved into a retirement village temporarily while we are building a home in a security estate. This stress-free lifestyle should give us time for family and friends and to pursue our hobbies".

BURNS, Sue (1980) lives in Dubai where, after living in Johannesburg for 21 years, she is head of Marketing for the Middle East countries for Bayer Health. She is there on a 3 year assignment. She met up with Suzanne Ackerman-Berman (1980) for dinner whilst Suzanne was visiting Dubai.

CHETTY, Lerisha (2010) and Olivia **DE KLERK** (2010) have both graduated as medical doctors and are currently completing their internships at Tygerberg and Groote Schuur Hospitals respectively.

CHILD-VILLIERS, Tegan (nee Effting, 2008) is doing an MBChB at UCT having completed a Business Science degree in Finance and Accounting in 2012.

CHITTENDEN, Tessa (2014) is in her final year at UCT where she is studying a Bachelor of Social Science degree in PPE.

CLARK, Chantel (2009) writes: "While attaining my MFA in Film Directing at Columbia University, New York, I received the prestigious Katharina Otto-Bernstein Award - this is a film production grant which will allow me to shoot my thesis film "*Our Albertinia"* in South Africa in November 2017. The script was shortlisted for a ScreenCraft Film Fund grant together with another script I wrote - "*You,The Ocean".* This is directed by Filipino director, Bianca Catbagan and will be shown in Manila in January 2018. I have also been a teaching assistant to renowned educator and film theorist Annette Insdorf who included a contribution from one of my papers in her new book—published in May this year - *Intimations: The Cinema of Wojciech Has."*

CLEGG, Alice (2011) is doing her Honours degree at UCT having completed a Bachelor of Music.

CLEGG, Nicola (1993) is the Research Project Manager at Novartis Institute for Biomedical Research in California where she has been investigating molecular pathways leading to hormone-refractory prostate cancer.

COLES, Taryn (2013) is studying a Bachelor of Science in Property Studies at UCT.

DEANE, Tessa (nee Eadie, 2001) graduated cum laude from Rhodes University with a Masters degree in Clinical Psychology and won the class medal. She completed her degree in 2016 and graduated in April this year. She is completing her community service at Steve Biko Academic Hospital in Pretoria.

DE BEYER, Leigh (2009) completed a Bachelor of Science degree and Masters in Geoinformatics at Stellenbosch University.

DE COSTA, Eva (2016) is studying a Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting and Law at UCT.

DE DECKER, Nicola (2011) is studying a Bachelor of Arts in design at Inscape Design College.

ECKSTEIN, Jill (nee Philip, 1963) and her husband Paul, travelled with their daughters Nicky Eckstein (1986) and Dee Blackie and their families to the Etosha National Park to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at Mushara Lodge. The celebration was held in the bush on a private airfield and was a wonderful occasion.

Jill also writes that a group from their year met at Café Roux, Noordhoek on 23 September to celebrate Suzy Raath's (1964) 70th birthday. Suzy was in fine form joined by a number of her friends, school mates, and her sister Penny.

EDDY, Nicole (2010) is ranked 30th in the "Top 100 Travel YouTube Channels for Travel Enthusiasts" with over

60 000 YouTube subscribers.

EFFENDI, Nilufer (2014) is in her 3rd year at UCT where she is majoring in Finance and Accounting.

ERASMUS, Chanel (2011) graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre in 2015 and is now doing her Master of Arts in Public Policy at Trinity College.

ESACK, Ilhaam (2013) is studying Medicine at UCT.

GARISCH, Dawn (1975) is a doctor and writer and has just published her 6th novel, ***Accident***. She has also had a collection of poetry, non-fiction work and a memoir published. She has been described as boldly imaginative and thought provoking in her novel which deals with important social issues and is

a story of a mother and son relationship and the difficulties parents face when their children make decisions that appear incomprehensible. Dawn is interested in trans-disciplinary work in science and art, and between different art forms. She teaches life -writing and creative method courses in addition to being a practising medical doctor.

GORDON, Olivia (2012) is completing her final year of Business Science in finance and accounting at UCT. She will be doing post graduate study in Chartered Accounting in the UK next year.

GORIS, Sue- Rae (Newman) (Exchange Student) writes to the Class of 1971, "I had the good fortune to be the AFS exchange student at Herschel in 1971 where I lived with the Weinlig family (9 months) and with the Whittaker family (3 months). Vanessa became my dear "sister" and closest friend during this time and although Mary was a boarder and I only saw her at school, we had a special friendship.

Back home in Colorado USA, I had a marvellous reunion with Fiona, who was an exchange student in New Mexico after which I went to Trinity University, San Antonio (Texas) where I spent 4 years. Following that, I had short careers in advertising and the restaurant business before deciding to take my Montessori degree in Toronto. I accepted a Montessori teaching position in Cleveland, Ohio, where I met my husband. I left city life and we moved to the small community of Alliance, Ohio, where Brad and I have lived for 30 years. We own two businesses and work together. We are recently retired from our insurance business, and we are actively working our other business - Goris Properties - a property development and management company. We do not have children, and though our respective families all live far away from us, we do have many "families" in our little university town. We are both involved with the University of Mount Union and I am a trustee on its board. In 2008, I received the Athena Leadership Award which recognizes professional excellence and community service in women.

Brad and I are avid travellers and try to get away frequently. We are both licensed (small aircraft) pilots and have flown ourselves to many destinations in the U.S., Canada and the Bahamas. Travels on the big commercial airlines include trips to Alaska, South America and Europe, of which Croatia was our most recent adventure. My return to South Africa is still at the top of my list. I truly hope I get to see many of you again one of these days! A few years ago, after retiring from our insurance business and finding myself with more time, I decided to try to find some of the year of 1971 via Google search. I managed to find Binky's Design Afrika website, and emailed her, and that began my reconnection to Herschel ! That was shortly after the 40th reunion and I was keenly disappointed to have missed it, yet also so delighted that Blainie emailed to me the "Class of '71" biography booklet. I delighted in reading about everyone's lives since we said goodbye so long ago. In re-reading the booklet now, I am struck with the deep close friendships that all of you had developed over the many years together. Yet all of you welcomed me, a newcomer in your midst, with open arms and open hearts for that one year. I am more grateful than you could ever know.
I would love to hear from you!"
Please note my new email address: sue@gorisprops.com

GOVENDER, Desania (2011) is doing a Masters in Chemical Engineering at UP having completed her undergraduate and Honours degrees at UCT.

GUBANGXA, Sive (2010) (pictured right) has a role in the Christmas special on the popular British television show, "Call the Midwife".

HALLER, Nicola (2016) is studying a Bachelor of Commerce in Management Sciences at Stellenbosch University.

HALLER, Tamara (2014) is doing a Bachelor of Arts in Human Resources at Stellenbosch University.

HANNAFORD, Bridget (nee Sandell, 1977) writes: "I've been living in South Australia for 16 years and got remarried 2 years ago to Max, who is a cattle farmer in Charleston in Adelaide and also a lay minister. He has 3 grown up children and 6 grandchildren. We live in an old farmhouse that was built in 1852 which we are busy renovating. We love country life and all the wineries and beautiful places nearby. I am still working as a child health nurse for the south Australian government as well as doing post graduate studies in counselling. I have 3 daughters - Sarah Coppin (25) who is studying Theology at Cambridge University and enjoys living in England. Nikki (23) lives in Brisbane and works for Apple whilst completing a degree in business and marketing. She belongs to the toast masters club

and enjoys public speaking as well as yoga and fitness. Hannah (21) is studying Development Studies and French at Adelaide university with an interest in politics, global health and refugee issues. She volunteers for the Australian Refugee association where she mentors young students on a weekly basis .We love seeing our friends and are always happy to host friends at our home ,when we are not travelling to Cape Town or the UK."

HODGSON, Lisa (2013) is in her final year at UCT where she is completing a Bachelor of Science in Marine Biology.

HODGSON, Tanya (2009) graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering in 2015.

HOWIE, Sarah (nee Cross, 1984) writes: "Our family moved to Cape Town in January 2016 after my husband got a new job here. We had lived in Pretoria for 26 years. Our girls, Caitlin (Grade 8) and Rachel (Grade 6) were welcomed into Herschel Prep in 2016 and had a very exciting year being exposed to so many new opportunities. They are playing for the school in hockey, netball, basketball and squash with both chosen to represent WP for squash.

I was appointed Professor and Director of the Africa Centre for Scholarship at the University of Stellenbosch in July 2017, having worked at the University of Pretoria for 16 years. I am looking forward to the new challenges and am thrilled to be back in the Cape".

HUBNER, Jade (2010) is a successful TV personality and recently released her single "Just let me".

ISMAIL, Athraa (2016) is studying a Bachelor of Commerce at UCT, after which she will do her PGCE. She plans to become a high school Mathematics and Accounting teacher once she has completed her degree.

KOMENI, Zodwa (2008) qualified as a doctor in 2014 and is doing her community service at Wesfleur Hospital, Atlantis.

LATEGAN, Carina Lategan (2015) is in her second year at UCT where she is studying Medicine.

LAUDIEN, Chéri (2016) is studying Medicine at UCT.

LEAF-WRIGHT, Paige (2015) is studying at the Royal Central School of Speech and Drama.

LEES, Adrienne (2011) did a PPE and Honours in Economics at UCT. She is now doing her Masters in Economics at Oxford University.

LIN, Claire (2015) is studying at the University of Cape Town and awaiting application results from Hong Kong University 2017.

LUBBE, Melissa (2008) has recently completed a Masters in Economics at UCT, after doing a Bachelor of Commerce, Honours and post graduate degree in Education at Stellenbosch University.

MADDEN, Victoria (2002) graduated with a PhD degree after completing her thesis in pain management and research. Her research focused on the perception of pain, particularly in the acute phase of injury. The role of conditioning of patients to perceive pain was studied and she demonstrated that such classical conditioning to pain can influence the perceptual bias of an experience being painful. It confirmed this could influence pain management especially in acute injuries. Her work won the Ian Davey prize for the most outstanding UNISA PhD research thesis. She plans to further her research at UCT.

MAFANYA, Ilana (nee Johnson, 2001) is an obstetrician at Origin Maternity Hospital in Panorama. She has admission rights for high-risk patients who may need intensive care at a neighbouring hospital as well as to the neonatal intensive care unit at the same hospital.

MISZEWSKI, Alexandra (2016) is studying Business Science Finance at UCT.

MROXISO, Vuyo (2010) has passed her final accounting board exam, and will soon be qualified as a Chartered

Accountant of South Africa.

MULLIGAN, Ciara (2007) is a staff nurse in the bone marrow transplant unit in Great Ormond Street Hospital in London.

NICHOLAS, Samantha (2011) completed her Bachelor of Education through UNISA for Intermediate and Senior Phase at the end of 2016.

MPONDA, Nontokozo (2014) is studying medicine at Stellenbosch University.

NAIDOO, Layla (2012) is doing a PGDA at UCT having completed a Bachelor of Business Science degree in finance and accounting at UCT last year.

NEILSON, Derryn (2015) is studying Engineering at Stellenbosch University.

NEWTON-KING, Nicola (1985, pictured right) is Chief Executive Officer of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange Limited. She also serves as a member of the Financial Markets Advisory Board. Nicky previously served as Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange. She was one of the primary drafters of the Insider Trading Act, a world leader of its kind.

NICHOLAS, Samantha (2011) completed her Bachelor of Education through UNISA for Intermediate and Senior Phase at the end of 2016.

NOLUVUYO, Lamani (2013) is studying an honours degree in Brand Strategic Communications at Vega School of Brand Leadership.

OELZ, Emma (2014) is studying a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in Equestrian Studies, at the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD) in Savannah, Georgia (USA).

OLIVER, Sarah (2010) graduated with an Honours Degree in Social Anthropology having completed her under-graduate degree in Anthropology, Music and International Relations at UCT.

PARRY, Lara (nee Hundermark, 2008) is a physiotherapist, and is doing post graduate studies in physiotherapy at UCT.

PENTZ, Jamie (2015) is studying Business and Management at the University of Glasgow.

PETIT, Kirsty (2016) is studying Architecture at UCT.

PITCHER, Amber (2005) is studying a three year course at “Friends of Design”, an accredited design academy in Cape Town.

POTOCNIK, Caron (1978) has written some music over the years and one of her compositions was nominated as a finalist by the Professional Judging Panel in the USA Global Peace Song Awards - Folk Song Category.

PROTTI, Michaela (2014) is studying History of Art at Bristol University in the UK, having spent a gap year study-ing art in Florence, Italy.

PSILLOS, Alexa (2014) is studying Business Science in Actuarial Science at UCT.

RAINE, Helen (2003) runs a production company , Motion City Films, and has directed work for brands such as Elle, Kia, Adidas, Sprite, Volkswagen and Jameson. She is using her directing skills to raise the profile of women in the industry –she says there are many chal-lenges that come with being a female director in a male -dominated industry so a lot of her work focuses on furthering the womens agenda. She collaborates with female film-makers whenever she can and last year made a video called “Voice Notes from South African Women”.

Becoming a filmmaker was not initially on her agenda as she studied law and politics for a career in international relations. However, she missed the drama she had taken as an elective subject and so enrolled at AFDA to study acting and scriptwriting. She began her company with a colleague in 2010 and they have won several awards.

Helen says that she believes brands are feeling more responsible for the messages they put out because consumers do not want to be spoken *at*, they want to be spoken *to*.

RANGER, Tamsin (2001) co-produced two feature-length films which premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival in September 2017.

RAZZAK, Zaahidah (2016**)** is studying Medicine at UCT.

REED, Melissa (2010) has recently opened a beauty salon.

RIST, Inge (2012) graduated with a chemical engineering degree at Stellenbosch University and is now doing her Masters.

ROTHSCHILD, Hannah (2011) graduated from UCT in 2014 with a Bachelor of Commerce (PPE) degree and a keen interest in urbanisation and the challenges that cities face to provide innovative, eco-friendly services to citizens. She secured an Internship at the New Cities Foundation (NCF) in Paris after graduating. NCF is a NPO with a mission 'to make cities more inclusive, connected, healthy and vibrant through events, research and urban innovation projects'. https://newcities.org/
While she was there she was awarded the Emile, Boutmy/MIEM scholarship to do a Masters degree in Governing the large metropolis' at SciencePo university in Paris. SciencePo is one of Europe's top social sciences universities which, according to the institution has over the past century 'played a major role in the education of economic, political and social leaders worldwide'. Many of France's Presidents are Alumni of SciencePo including the recently elected incumbent Emmanuel Macron.
Hannah is currently doing an Internship at OECD the French equivalent of UNESCO. She graduates in June.
She has, with the university's permission ,to finish her Masters early, as she has accepted her first job at ICLEI in Bonn, Germany. ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability - is the leading global network of over 1 500 cities, towns and regions committed to building a sustainable future. Her designation in the organisation is Officer: City-Business Collaboration.

ROWAND, Emma (2016) is studying a Bachelor of Science at Stellenbosch University.

RUTHERFORD, Kayleigh (2010) completed a Masters degree in Bioinformatics at Boston University (Massachussetts, USA) having done a Bachelor of Science in Genetics and Computer Science, and Honours in Medical Science at UCT.

SAMPSON, Therese (nee Bradley, 1987) is setting up a haven for abused and neglected children in Hankey, Eastern Cape.

SHAPCOTT, Bonnie Shapcott (2014) is doing a Bachelor of Arts at Stellenbosch University, majoring in Mandarin.

SILVESTER, Christina (2013) is in her final year at the University of Miami in Florida where she is studying neuroscience and psychology. She will be doing her masters in clinical psychology at New York University next August.

STALLARD, Julia (1984) writes “Ilse Richter, Lerisse Maisel and I met for lunch recently in between Lerisse's global gallivanting and several of us have celebrated our milestone birthdays (50) this year - what a shock to the system! As one may recall, school groups were divided from July to July back in the day, so our year has had their 50th's pretty well spread out over 2016 and 2017. Facebook keeps a large percentage of us linked, however tenuously, and it will be very handy in starting to prepare for our 35th reunion, coming up in 2019 . We are planning to start early next year in the hopes we can fit in dates that match girls who live overseas and come home for an annual visit.”

STIRZAKER, Clare (nee Gawith, 1977) completed her Bachelor of Science in Molecular Biology, at the University of Cape Town, before completing her PhD at Macquarie University, Sydney. Clare became fascinated by Epigenetics and has worked in this field for the past 20 years. Clare is a Senior Research Scientist at the Garvan Institute of Medical Research in Sydney. She is Group Leader of Epigenetic Deregulation in Cancer, this being a key area of research in prevention of cancer. Clare has played a major role in delivery of many of the milestones in cancer research areas and has noteworthy publications in Nature Cell Biology, Nature Communications and Cancer Cell.

TAYLOR, Kathleen (2007) graduated with a Bachelor of Business Science degree followed by an LLB Law Degree. She then attended the Musician's Institute in Hollywood, California, USA and graduated with an Associate of Arts in Music. After working as a singer and talk show host for a year, she commenced her Masters in Law (LLM) specialising in International Human Rights Law at the University of California, Los Angeles. She has recently graduated and is now preparing to write the California Bar Exam in order to be admitted as an attorney in California.

TIMMER, Nadine (2011) completed a Masters of Science in Management at the University of Edinburgh Business School in August, and has joined the Barclays graduate programme in London.

THOMSON, Charne (2011) is studying for her Masters degree at Cambridge, having completed her undergraduate and honours at Stellenbosch University.

THORNTON, Christie (nee Peters, 1987) writes: "Bruce and I had a wonderful few days visiting Kim Kramer (nee Donnelly, 1987) and her family in Somerset in August this year. It was special to spend time with old friends again and we had a fun time laughing and reminiscing about our school days! We were in England to watch our son, David, who was on a St Stithians cricket tour."

VAN DEN AARDWEG, Kate (2011) is studying Medicine at Stellenbosch University.

VAN BULOW, Jenna (2016) is studying Business Science in Finance with Accounting at UCT.

VAN HEERDEN, Emily (2010) was awarded the Rhodes scholarship and is studying in Oxford. She recently visited Herschel and spoke to the girls.

VAN HEERDEN, Georgina (2016) is studying at the Stellenbosch Academy of Design and Photography.

VAN NIEKERK, Marike (2013) is studying Chemical Engineering at Stellenbosch University. She also completed a semester at Northwestern University in USA.

VAN NIEKERK, Mikaela (2015) is studying Chemical Engineering at Stellenbosch University.

VAN NIEKERK Stefane (2012) graduated with a Bachelor of Science of Business Administration at Youngstown State University, OH USA.

VERSTER, Sarah (2010) is teaching having completed a BSC and PGCE at UCT.

WALL, Laura (nee Siegers, 1997) lives in Greece where she runs yoga retreats. (www.lunabluescapes.com)

WEAVER, Caran (2006) is studying for a post graduate diploma through the University of the Free State, after completing a Bachelor of Commerce at Stellenbosch (2010) and an Honours degree at UCT (2014).

WITHINGTON, Joanne (nee Kirkby, 2001) lives in Wandsworth, London where she works as a salaried NHS general practioner. She recently completed her Diploma in Child Health. She and her husband, Thomas, had their second child, Lucy, sister to Grace (nearly 3), on the 7 September 2017 at Chelsea Westminster Hospital.

YOUNG, Lauren (2012) graduated with Bachelor of Commerce in marketing and management from the University of Western Australia.

Rhodes Scholar - Emily van Heerden

Emily van Heerden, Rhodes Scholar and 2010 Head Girl, addressed the girls with an inspiring talk at Assembly as part of Women's Week Celebrations:

"It is a great honour to be here today as the first Herschel "Bishops" Rhodes Scholar, seven years after I matriculated from this special school at which I spent fourteen very happy years of my life!
The reason I am here today is because I have been awarded the Rhodes Scholarship to further my studies at Oxford University in Englandy Masters in Law. Today I am here to speak to you about the opportunity that each one of you, as a Herschel girl, has waiting on your doorstep, if you are prepared to use the skills, strength and integrity that Herschel has equipped you with to work hard and become the best South African woman that you can be.

Let me start with some background information about the Scholarship.
The Rhodes Scholarship is a scholarship awarded to roughly one hundred students from over sixty countries from around the world. From South Africa, normally eight scholarships are given each year – four South-African-at-Large scholarships and then one from each of the four named-schools and their partner schools: these are Bishops (along with Herschel, St Cyprians, St George's Grammar School and LEAP School); Paul Roos (along with Rhenish and Bloemhof); SACS (along with San Souci and Rustenburg Girls) and St Andrews along with DSG in Grahamstown.
The Rhodes Scholarship is awarded to:
"Young persons of outstanding intellect, character, leadership and commitment to serve."
he selection criteria is therefore based on four pillars:

- Academic excellence,
- Energy to use one's talents to the full – this is shown through achievement in areas such as sports, music, debate, dance, theatre and artistic pursuits,
- Dedication to your community shown through devotion to duty, unselfishness and fellowship, and
- Leadership and moral force of character.

The Rhodes Scholarship pays for students to further their studies at a graduate level at Oxford University so that these students may obtain the knowledge and skills needed to make a change in their home countries.
Whenever I read the selection criteria for a Rhodes Scholarship, I immediately think of the values of Herschel. The slogan of *"Learning to make a difference"* that Herschel embodies is in line with the mission of the Rhodes Trust to "identify and develop leaders to achieve the public good."
As Herschel girls - past, present and those to come - we are given a head-start for the future by obtaining a world-class high-school education. We are taught to think for ourselves, to think out of the box, to question what is going on around us, and to work as hard as possible to achieve our goals. We are passionate about giving back to our community and to helping those around us in whatever way we can. From day 1, Herschel girls are encouraged to use our privileged education to make a change for the better.
I urge you to make the most of your five years in this special school. Be present in each moment that you have here: try not to switch off in class or go home straight after school at 3pm, actively participate in every-thing that you do, engage with your teachers and your friends, challenge each other's thinking, TRY, TRY and TRY again at as many things as possible, sign up for that extra outreach activity or sport, and interact with people from other walks of life.
Our education at Herschel prepares our girls well for the outside world – and I mean education in the all-rounded sense of the word, because education is so much more than exam results. The transition from school to university is tough for most but the work ethic and focus that Herschel girls are taught at school prepares us well for excelling academically at university, whilst still making new friends, playing sport, signing up for a variety of clubs and socie

ties and having lots of fun. Most importantly, however, when you do head off to university, never forget the fortunate position you have come from, and the responsibility you have to continue giving back to your community in whatever way you can.

I believe that every person has a unique contribution to make to society. As young South African women, we have a responsibility to make the world around us a little bit better each and every day. We live in a country that is filled with hope and potential with an energetic and passionate youth. As members of that youth, we have the responsibility to help South Africa reach her greatest heights.

My personal passion is the Constitution and my goal is to make a difference in South Africa through the law and the Constitutional Court. Our Constitution is ground-breaking and inspiring, but the reality for many South Africans is that constitutional rights and freedoms have made little change to their daily lives and many rights exist more in form than in substance. My intention is to become a constitutional lawyer in order to fight for constitutional rights and freedoms to be enjoyed by all South Africans. This was a dream that I have had since we visited the Constitutional Court whilst on a Herschel History tour to Johannesburg in my Grade 9 year. Knowing what I wanted, I worked hard at university to learn the law as best I could and to become top of my class. My passion for my dream and my hard work enabled me to get the Rhodes Scholarship and be selected to further my studies on comparative constitutional law and human rights in the best law-masters course in the world at Oxford.

I owe gratitude to Herschel for instilling in me the values of hard work and determination, for encouraging me to stand up for my beliefs, and to be a leader to my peers. Herschel taught me the importance of social responsibility and gave me the courage to take on any challenge and overcome any obstacle in my way.

My wish is for all five hundred of you girls sitting here to embrace your passion. To hold on to whatever fire you have burning inside you and to have the courage and the confidence to reach for your dreams, all the while remembering the responsibility you have as a Herschel girl to make the world a slightly better place wherever you go and whatever you do.

This week is Women's Week. It is a week to reflect on the impact and change that so many women around the world have made and the effect that so much sacrifice, hard work and strength has had on our society. Each of us has our own female-inspiration: whether she is a historical figure, a teacher, a politi-cian, sportswoman, actress, your sister, your mother, your best friend or someone in your community. I encourage you all to give some thought over this week as to why this woman, or these women, inspire you and have your respect. Then have a look at yourself and who you are today. *Admire* yourself for who you are and how far you have come in your own personal struggles and then consider how you can *change* to become the woman you wish to be: a woman who has courage and integrity in all that she does; a woman of moral force of character with a devotion to fellowship, unselfishness and honour; a woman who is someone else's heroine.

The opportunity the Rhodes Scholarship offers to students who wish to pursue overseas graduate studies in order to learn to make a difference is an incredible one, and one that is open to Herschel girls as a part-ner-school to the Bishops scholarship.

It doesn't feel very long ago that I was sitting exactly where you are today and if anyone had told me then that I could get a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford, I likely would have rolled my eyes at them. But I want to tell you today that it is something that *is* attainable and that *is* within your reach.

If you work very hard at university, excel in your field of study, fill your extra time with all types of extra-murals and give as much of your time and energy to the community and to uplifting those around you, this scholarship is something that any one of you sitting here can get.

Having said that, however, the values of a Rhodes scholar and the selection criteria do not form part of a checklist to be ticked off – you need to have a true passion for what you do, a dedication to serving others and to wanting to make a difference. The Rhodes Scholarship is not an achievement to aspire to. It is an opportunity to go to the top university in the world and obtain the skills and knowledge that you need to serve others and to make a difference in your society.

I hope that as you all progress throughout school and university, you keep what I have told you in the back of your mind and work hard to make opportunities like this one become a reality for you.

Thank you for having me here today, back at this beautiful school, and thank you for listening.

It is always an honour to stand on this stage.

Engagements

Leigh **de Beyer** (2009) to Werner Lotter, 7 October 2017.

Olivia **de Klerk** (2010) to Rimon Du Plessis.

Natasha **Krumbock** (2012) to Matthew Schenck, 24 February 2017.

Raina **Nathoo** (2010) to Laurent Lamarlere

Jayne **Rogerson** (2001) to Carla Gontier, 30 June 2017.

Vanessa **Scott** (2001) to Chris Green, 12 July 2017.

Tayba **Vaughn** (2009) to Jared Lipschitz.

Marriages

Sarah **Armstrong** (2007) to Matthew Devine, 17 December 2016.

Bronwyn **Bijl** (2007) to Seamus King, 15 December 2016.

Lilian **Bolus** (2010) to Waldo Groenewald, 20 August 2016.

Martine **du Preez** (2007) to David Mandler, 24 March 2017.

Tegan **Effting** (2008) to Frederick Child-Villiers, 10 December 2016.

Kelsey **Gibbs** (2010) to Zack Beukman, 21 September 2017.

Janet **Louw** (2003) to Adam Davey, 6 January 2017.

Diana **Prosser** (1997) to Dave Wibberley, July 2017.

Paige **Richards** (2007) to Arthur Eley, 16 December 2016.

Nabilah **Varachhia** (2010) on 29 January 2017.

Vesna **Vasiljevic** (2007) to Luka Obradovic, 5 August 2017.

Tiffany **Vos** (2003) to Justin Thane, 11 February 2017.

Births

To Tammy **Erdal** (nee Harvie, 1997) and Nick, a son Angus Harvie, 22 Sept 2016.

To Alice **Herselman** (nee Johnson, 2002) and Ryan, a son Andrew, brother to Rebecca, 4 July 2017.

To Georgina **Johnston** (née Cumming, 2004) and Austen,a daughter, Sophia, 13 June 2017.

To Beth **Lindop** (nee Housdon, 2002) and Walter, a son Daniel Alexander, 29 May 2017.

To Tarryn **Moore** (nee Golding, 1999) and Lloyd, a son Jaimie Richard, 19 October 2017.

To Camilla **Owen-Jones** (nee Tait, 2004) and Andrew, a son, Finn, 31 January 2017.

To Jill **Pruett** (nee van Aswegen, 2003) and Michael, a daughter, Isabella Lily, 19 January 2017.

To Tamaryn **Scarterfield** (nee Fowler, 1997) and Craig, a son, Jett Michael, 26 June 2017.

To Jacqui **Van Altena** (nee Pickup,2003) and JJ, a daughter, Alexia, sister to Stella, 1 March 2017.

To Cindy **Weiner** (nee Lloyd, 1997) and Mark, a son, Nathan Barry, 5 June 2017.

To Joanne **Withington** (nee Kirkby, 2001) and Thomas, a daughter Lucy, sister to Grace, 7 September 2017.

Deaths

BONNER, Denise (nee White, 1962), 9 March 2017.

COETZEE, Heather (nee Whiting, 1954), 9 October 2017.

DAVIS, Diana (nee Struben, 1938), 28 April 2017.

JEFFREY, Kate (staff) 3 March 2017

KABLE, Lyndsay (staff), July 2017.

LISTER, Myrtle (Miss Herbst, Staff) 1954. 10 May 2017.

STRAW, Helen (nee Jones), 13 July 2017.

TSHMIE, Sisiwe (2009), 28 April 2017

WARREN, Carol (nee Hyde, 1958)

Obituaries

BONNER, Denise (nee White, 1962)

It is with profound sadness that we report the untimely passing of our recent SAMA Past-President, and much respected colleague, Professor Denise White. She died peacefully in the Royal Trinity Hospice in London, surrounded by her family, on 9 March. True to her nature, Denise demonstrated extraordinary courage in the last few months after a diagnosis of metastatic carcinoma in October 2016, very shortly after completing her term of office as SAMA President. Denise was born in New Zealand and moved to South Africa at a young age. She completed her under and postgraduate medical training at UCT and Groote Schuur. Her professional life as a Psychiatrist was dedicated to the public sector – both professionally and academically – having worked at Groote Schuur and Lentegeur Hospital. Professor Dan Stein, Head of Psychiatry at UCT, notes her seminal academic contribution included work on the link between catatonia and neuroleptic malignant syndrome in describing and hypothesizing a causal link between the two conditions. The work she was part of had very important treatment implications given that patients often responded to neuroleptic discontinuation and benzodiazepine introduction, rather than other therapies.

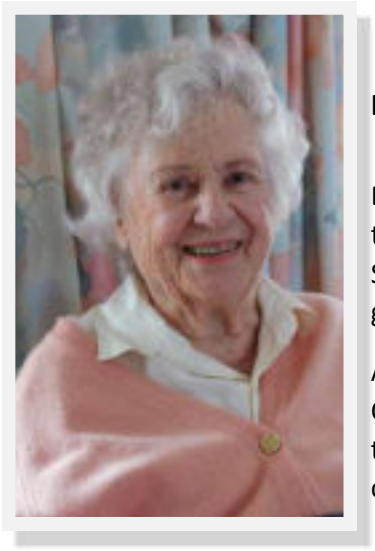
She mentored many students and registrars and was a shoulder to lean on and sounding board to many of her colleagues when they had issues of concern. Her calm demeanour and her positive feedback as well as her offer of ongoing support, will be missed by many.

Professionally, Denise played a massive role in representing doctors and professional matters on a local, national and international level. Her role and contribution to the Medical Association is unsurpassed. She chaired the Academic Doctors Association and later the Public Sector Doctors Committee of SAMA. During this tenure she led the Public Sector into its affiliation with COSATU - a relationship that lasts till today. She ultimately became the Vice-Chairperson of SAMA and served a year as Chairperson, notably within the period of the first ever national doctor's strike in South Africa. Her commitment to local matters was always present and she served doctor's issues within Groote Schuur and beyond whilst remaining a steadfast member of the local branch of SAMA. Denise's approach was simple, she was never loud or populist, and her approach reflected the very essence of who she was: humble, principled, quiet, yet determined and unshakeable in her beliefs and views. She always did what was right – not what was expedient. She was given the honour by the National Council of SAMA and elected to serve as SAMA President for 2015/2016. Her tenure as President was very capably completed, fully understanding the titular role of the position and always offering wise counsel. Her timing, as usual was perfect, given her availability as a sounding board for advice and expertise for the Public Sector structures of SAMA.

Denise served the profession, her colleagues, doctors and patient interests with equal zest. She did so with dedication and commitment. She was a true example of what it really means to serve. SAMA honoured her with the 2016

Gold Medal Award of the year for her loyal dedication in service to the profession and SAMA - an award she was justly worthy of receiving. Denise was a much admired and loved colleague and held in high affection by her friends and family. Denise White was 72. She leaves behind two daughters, a son and three grandchildren.

(Tribute from the South African Medical Association Journal)



DAVIS, Diana Bingham (nee Struben, 1937)

Di, or Didi as family and friend called her, started Herschel in Kindergarten and matriculated in 1937 at the age of 16. There were a total of 75 students in the school. She rode a horse to school everyday from Talana Road with her sister Angie, and the groom ran behind them with their satchels to take the horses home afterwards.

After matric, she went to Finishing school in Paris and England, and was presented in Court in 1939. She returned to Cape Town just prior to the outbreak of WW11 in September 1939 and was on board the SS Ceramic on September 3rd when war was declared.

On her return to Cape Town she met up with Bill Davis, an old OD friend, and they got married in 1943. She lived in Cape Town until he returned from North Africa in 1945, after which they lived in Johannesburg, Durban and Port Elizabeth while he worked for Joko Tea. While living in Port Elizabeth she became involved in the Black Sash through Bill's aunt, Ruth Foley. Di campaigned for free school books for every South African child. She helped establish a creche in the Walmer location for the children of working mothers which to this day is called the Diana Davis Creche.

Always a voracious reader, she had a prodigious memory which drove the residents of Norfolk House crazy as she would always win the quiz. Di also loved trees of all kinds. While living in the Natal Midlands from 1976 to 1987 they established a garden and planted hundreds of trees on the 50 acres. Having taken care of their carbon footprint, they returned to Cape Town in 1987 and they enjoyed being back amongst their friends. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and great grandmother and was funny, loving, clever, brave and fair. Many of our friends who visited Cape Town made it a point to visit Di. She made a speech at her 95th birthday without using notes, in her strong voice that she had until she died.

Family and friends have dedicated a bench to Diana in The Arderne Gardens Arboretum under the Morton Bay Fig tree which was a sapling brought from Australia for Mr Arderne. It was her favourite place in the gardens with a view over Herschel. There is also a water storage tank in the gardens which has been established in her name.

We will all miss her more than words can say and hope that you will visit her bench under the giant fig in Arderne Gardens where you are sure to feel her spirit in the trees.

Tribute by her daughters, Susi Weijburg (1965) and Gilly Gibbs (1961)

KABLE, Lyndsay (staff member)

3 January 1944 – 24 July 2017

Miss Lyndsay Kable was so much more than a teacher. She was a leg end. She touched many lives with her positivity and dedication and made her pupils believe in themselves. She was appointed Physical Education teacher at Herschel Senior from 1973 – 1979.

Miss Kable/ Kabes/ Able Kable/Mabel was principled, loyal and sincere, fun to be with and a fair disciplinarian – a quality which many pupils remember and thank her for. She enjoyed being involved with her pupils, drilling us on the hockey field, tennis court, swimming pool and only ever wanted the best for everyone, whether you were sporty or not. She was a stickler for being on time, neatness and used to check us for our blue hair ribbons, length of dresses and hymn books on the way to assembly! Miss Kable made us very aware of litter and one couldn't walk past anything without picking it up and putting it in a bin. She would not be described as one who dressed fashionably but she was always very conscious of covering up against the sun and wearing sunscreen and hats.

She was passionate about hockey and for many years made a most valuable contribution as coach and selector to Western Province Schools and UCT Hockey, and also served on the SA Schools Selection Committee for 9 years. Lyndsay was very keen on the outdoors and she loved to hike in the mountains. She organized memorable hiking tours including the Otter, Outeniqua and Tstiskamma Trails and her meticulous menu plans would always include nuts and raisins, provitas and cheese and Smash!

In 1980, Lyndsay took up the position of Head of Sport at St Cyprian's School and then Boarding House matron where she gave of herself unselfishly for well over 20 years. It was a privilege to have my first teaching post with her at St Cyprians.

Ten years ago, Lyndsay was diagnosed with cancer – a battle which she fought so bravely, courageously and with such dignity, without ever complaining. She moved from the Cape to Kwazulu Natal South Coast to look after her aging mother but enjoyed returning to the Cape to visit her friends. In July 2017, Lyndsay eventually lost her fight against cancer and passed away peacefully surrounded by family and close friends. She is survived by her two brothers and their families and will also be missed by her godchildren and her special friends.

Lyndsay was much loved, respected and admired by us all. St Cyprian's School held a beautiful service celebrating her life which was devoted to others. May her soul rest in peace.

Obituary by Rose Bishop (nee Meynell)

TSHUME,Siviwe

It was with great sadness that we heard of the passing on of Siviwe Tshume, a student at Herschel from 2005 to 2009. Siviwe was a particularly strong academic. This was reflected in her choice of career path of Aeronautical Engineering, where she was in her third year. While at Herschel she was involved in the Afritwin programme and also attended the Global Young Leaders' Conference in the United States. Siviwe was known for her broad smile, lovely sense of humour, outgoing and spontaneous personality, as well as her unfailing courtesy. She will be sorely missed by all at Herschel.

Obituary by Alison Bodenstein.

The Caroline Herschel Award

The **Caroline Herschel Award** was instigated in 2017, in the run up to the School's centenary year, 2022, to celebrate the extraordinary impact that Old Herschelians have made in South Africa and the world beyond. It seeks to recognise and celebrate the valued, lasting contributions of alumni in making a significant difference in a community, arena of life or field of study.

The **Caroline Herschel Award** will take into account the following criteria:

- The candidate must be a living Old Herschelian, nominated by a fellow Old Herschelian for the award.
- The candidate must have contributed extraordinarily to her community, industry, field of study or other arena in life in such a way as to leave a lasting impact.

Details:

- The Caroline Herschel Award may only be awarded to an Old Herschelian once in her lifetime.
- An Old Herschelian may be nominated more than once and in different years, provided that she has not already been awarded the Caroline Herschel Award.
- Nominations will be requested between June and November of each year, with selection of the recipient being made in December of that same year.
- The Caroline Herschel Award Committee will consist of the Old Herschelian Association Committee and the current school Head. If so required, the committee may request additional information where required from the nominated Old Herschelian and/or call on outside expertise to assist in the evaluation of prospective recipients.
- The Committee will select the recipient of the Caroline Herschel Award each year based on the criteria: "The candidate must have contributed extraordinarily to her community, industry, field of study or other arena in life in such a way as to leave a lasting impact."
- The recipient will be informed of her selection as soon as the committee has made its selection in early December, to allow the recipient time to make travel arrangements (if required) to receive the award at the following Founders Day.

The **recipient** of the award will be required to:

- Make herself available to receive the award at Founders Day (February) in the year after she is named recipient of the award. The school will cover all travel costs for the recipient to receive the award.
- Make herself available to present an acceptance address to the school and at Founders Day Old Herschelian luncheon.

Who was Caroline Herschel?

Caroline Lucretia Herschel *(1750-1848)* was the first woman to receive full recognition in the field of astronomy. Born in Hanover, Germany, Caroline Herschel was the eighth child of a rural German family. When she was 10 years old she fell ill with typhus, which stunted her growth and left her scarred. She never grew taller than four feet three inches.

She moved to England to join her brother, William Herschel, in Bath when she was 22. She began to train as a singer, and sang as a soprano in many performances. In 1781 William discovered the planet Uranus. Following this major discovery, he was knighted and appointed to the position of King's Astronomer for George III. In her early thirties, Caroline joined William as a scientific assistant, helping him with his observations and to grind and polish the mirrors for his telescopes. Whole nights through, she and William observed the heavens, noting the positions of the stars from the giant telescope which they had built.

Inspired by her brother's success, Caroline began her own astronomical research, specializing in the search for comets. Between 1786 and 1797 she discovered eight new comets. She evaluated the nocturnal notations and recalculated them, wrote treatises for Philosophical Transactions, discovered fourteen nebulae, calculated hundreds more, and began a catalogue for star clusters and nebular patches. In addition, she compiled a supplemental catalogue to Flamsteeds Atlas which included 561 stars, as well as a comprehensive index to it. The moon crater C. Herschel was named after her, as was the asteroid 281 Lucretia - her second given name.

In recognition of her work as William's assistant, King George III started paying Caroline an annual salary. This made her the first woman to be paid for her contribution to science. In 1828, at the age of 75, the Royal Astronomical Society awarded Caroline Herschel a gold medal for her monumental works in science. The next woman to win the Gold Medal Award was Vera Rubin in 1996. Ten years later, she was made an honorary member of the Royal Astronomical Society. She received a similar honor from the Royal Irish Academy. On her 96th birthday, Herschel was awarded the gold medal of science by the King of Prussia.

Caroline remained modest throughout her remarkable career. She loved literature and art and had eight unpublished novels. She once remarked: "*As much as we need a prosperous economy, we also need a prosperity of kindness and decency.*"

What a truly remarkable woman.

“ GIVING BACK “ - Herschel needs your help!

Herschel Girls School is a world class school and strives to provide facilities and an education to its girls that reflects this. The school has therefore created a vision up to and beyond its Centenary. Initially the school will be embarking on an improvement project called “The Atrium Extension “ which is anticipated to commence in April 2018, and will cost approximately R36 million (including professional fees) to build. This project involves the establishment of a new state of the art Music School and additional classrooms.

Unfortunately the site for this project is where the existing Archives are, however the school has committed to create a new designated space in a follow up project for Old Herschelians as both a 'mini museum' and heritage display area. The Old Herschelian Association will manage this space and ensure that displays are changed regularly in line with school events, reunions, Founder’s Day celebrations and other special occasions.
We envisage that the space will have a live display and photo reel in place as well as heritage items. Additionally we would like an environmentally appropriate space to be created for the correct storage of archive items which are in the process of being inventoried and digitised where possible. This will be a first for the school!

Should you as an Old Herschelian want to personally contribute or challenge your matric year to a fundraising activity in support of these upgrades, it would be greatly appreciated.

Banking details are as follows:

Bank:	First National Bank, Claremont
Account No:	50151103336
Branch Code:	200109
Account Name:	Herschel Association

Please use your name preceded by OH (for Old Herschelian) and UG (for Upgrades) as a reference. Eg: **OHUG Joan Bloggs**

The School and Old Herschelians thank you for any support you are able to extend to help achieve the success of this project.

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Herschel Bursary Fund Auction and Dinner Dance

The Herschel Bursary Fund Auction and Dinner Dance takes place next year in March. It takes place the night after the Herschel Matric Dance, using the same beautiful decor and delicious dinner menu. The Dinner Dance is the flagship fundraiser for the Herschel Bursary fund and is a much anticipated and enjoyable evening. Please join our efforts to offer as many girls as we can an opportunity to access the education that Herschel can offer them.

Recipients of the Herschel Bursary Fund are learners entering Grade 8 who have the academic potential, character, interests and talents to benefit from a Herschel education but whose families require financial assistance to make this a reality. In addition to direct bursaries, Herschel also partners with “Students for a Better Future” which places 7 learners in the school each year. There are currently 50 bursary students in the Senior School and our aim is to make bursaries available to 14 girls annually.

We encourage Old Herschelians to get involved in this fundraising event, either through attending the dance, or through donating prizes for auction. The top 14 items donated will be auctioned live at the event, and smaller items will be auctioned via a 'silent on line auction' leading up to, and after, the event.

Here is how you can help:

- Rally your graduating class and book a table of 10 for the Dinner-Dance;

- Donate or source an item to be auctioned - both large and small items are so appreciated. Items such as oriental carpets, quality wines, jewellery, artworks, holidays (overseas and local) and wildlife safaris, have proven popular and fetched high bids. Smaller items are equally important for the online auction.

Your support in any way would be greatly appreciated and we hope many of you will join in the evening's festivities. Tickets for the evening will go on sale next year, and you will be notified. If you would like to contribute towards the Auction, please contact Michele Leach-Lewis on michele@mllmarketingevents.com

The school song

We are assembled here in love,
We are united, we care for one another.
The greatest lesson of all is the one
That teaches us to live together, together.

Everyone's a spark and in the night
Together we make a light, a fire burning bright
Ad Dei gloriam; Inkosi mayibongwe:
To the glory of our God: this is what we believe.

In times of trouble we support
Our fellows; we are taught to be there for our friends.
And all around us, there will be
That special unity, that binds us all together.

If we come back after many years,
We will think fondly of the things that we remember,
And the friends that we made then,
These will be friends forever, forever.

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Old Herschelian Bursary

Applications are now open for

Grade 8 2019

The successful applicant must be the daughter of an Old Herschelian.

The family will not be in a financial position to afford the full Herschel fees.

She should be supportive of Herschel's ideals and proud of its heritage.

She must have academic merit and make sound progress each year.

She must contribute to the ethos of the school and observe the school's code of conduct.

The donors will receive regular progress reports and have contact with the recipient herself.

The bursary will cover a percentage of the normal fees from Grade 8 to 12.

For further details and an application form, please contact the Admissions Secretary on 021 670 7500

Thank you to Old Herschelians and the Circle Secretaries who have contributed information to this newsletter.