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Dear Old Rhodians and Friends

Here we are at the end of another year. We wish to thank you for all your support during 2012 and wish you a relaxing holiday season. Our next e-newsletter will be in February 2013. Kind regards - your Alumni Relations Team

Rhodes Mourns the Passing of our Chancellor

Rhodes University mourns the passing of Prof Gert Johannes (Jakes) Gerwel who died on Wednesday (November 28 2012). Prof Gerwel served as the Chancellor of Rhodes University for over 13 years. As a tribute, a <u>web page</u> which contains a photo gallery as well as tributes and news articles on Prof Gerwel's life, has been launched in his honour. The University and South African flags at Rhodes will fly at half-mast until after the funeral for Prof Gerwel.

Old Rhodian Bursary Awards and MySchool

Old Rhodians wishing to apply for these bursaries for their children should contact our office. Applications close on 15 March 2013. The awards are made possible through generous donations from alumni through our Annual Fund and are also supported by our MySchool programme. This year MySchool membership has increased by 51% and contributions by 53%. This means that we will be able to give out one extra bursary in 2013. If you are resident in South Africa please consider joining MySchool – it costs you nothing and every swipe counts. Click on the MySchool icon further down on the left hand side.

Alumni in the News

Just a few snippets of the available news – check out the web site for more.

Paul van Zyl (1977) Old Rhodian's Short Film Wins 21 Awards

ELEGY FOR A REVOLUTIONARY (<u>www.elegy-movie.com</u>) a true narrative short film based on the African Resistance Movement in South Africa has won eleven best short awards.....read more

Lisa MacLeod (1991) nominated for Business Woman of the Year

Currently an assistant editor at the *Financial Times* Lisa has been involved in most of the strategic newsroom integration projects at the FT over the past nine years, and been part of the senior management team for the past few years.....read more.

Old Rhodians in the Mail & Guardian Top 200 Young South Africans 2012

Six Old Rhodians were nominated for the *Mail & Guardian 200 Young South Africans 2012*. Bailey Snyman, Michael Markovina, Daniel Friedman, Lindile Mpanza, Melini Moses and Angus Powers*read more*.

Purple Thursdays

Every Thursday is "Purple Thursday" – students, staff and Old Rhodians are asked to show their purple spirit by wearing a touch of purple every Thursday wherever they are in the world. To read more and view pictures from around the world <u>click here</u>.

Give5 - Fundraising by Students for Students

Student Raising a whopping R44 000 this year for Rhodes students who rely on financial aid, the Give5 campaign is growing from strength to strength as it almost doubled previous campaign totals. *Read more.*

MySchool Card

Supporting Old Rhodian Bursary Funds Click logo below to apply



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2012 Reunions, Get-togethers, Luncheons and Dinners

For pictures from our 2012 events <u>click here</u>. If you know an Old Rhodian who did not receive an invitation, please encourage them to update their contact details by e-mailing <u>alumni@ru.ac.za</u>

Thank you for supporting the Annual Fund and "Keeping the Legacy Alive"

Rhodes University's Annual Fund Appeal is all about Old Rhodians assisting the brightest and the best students to obtain the same high quality Degree and study-experience as they enjoyed. My year as the Annual Fund Co-ordinator was such a great year and I enjoyed it tremendously. To all who contributed, on behalf of the University and students; "Thank you! From the bottom of our hearts".

Exam time has arrived at Rhodes and I've been thinking about those students who have worked really hard during their 3 or 4 years of study, overcoming incredible odds, both financial as well as many other difficulties and are now on the brink of their new lives as Rhodes University Graduates... For some all this hard work is in jeopardy as outstanding fee balances may prevent the release of their results. As you prepare for your Christmas break think about these individuals, the future leaders of our Country and our fellow Rhodians and ask yourself "What can I do?"

The answer is not as difficult as you would imagine. We have 45 000 Old Rhodians worldwide and if each of us were to donate just R10.00 per month to the Annual Fund we would have R5 400 000.00 each year at our disposal to assist these students. R10.00 is not even the cost of a beer or a hamburger!

Now imagine how you'll feel knowing that you've secured the future for the next generation of young Rhodents. Why not sign up now and play your part.

Regards, Annie

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Latest Books in our Old Rhodian Bookcase

Written a book? Please donate a copy to the Old Rhodian Bookcase and we will draw attention to it by listing it on our web page and mentioning it in e-news. - <u>click here</u>

Appeal from our Career Centre

At the Rhodes University Career Centre, we are often asked by both students and aspiring scholars what career path they can follow with various degrees. We have some of these answers, but are lacking in the interesting and inspiring career development stories that we know are out there. We would love to hear from past students about what they have done and are currently doing in terms of their career, however long that may be and no matter how that may have changed at various times. We would like to include this information as a profile of Rhodes Graduates from various faculties in our annual Graduate Recruitment Programme Booklet. We would like to include a photo if possible and would provide you with an outline to follow to present your career profile/story.

If you are interested and willing to share your experience or have any questions, please e-mail the Manager of the Career Centre - Sarah Green at s. Click here for the Career Centre webpage.