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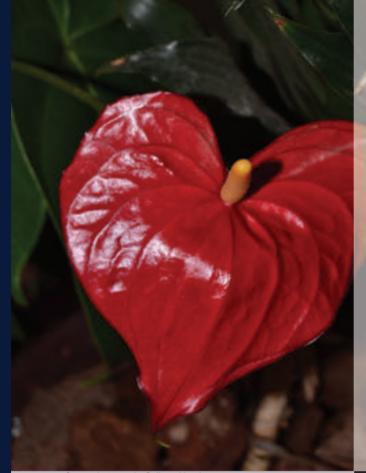


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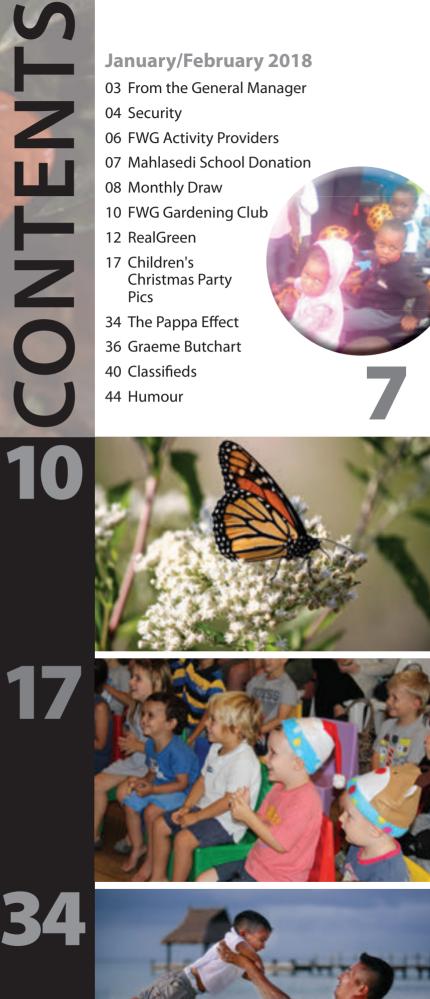
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# Out With The Old. In With The New.

Whether you're looking to close the door on a home you're selling or hoping to open the door of your dream home in 2018, our agents are ready to help you ring in the changes for the year ahead.

Pam Golding Properties and all our agents would like to wish you a prosperous and successful year ahead.



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# MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

elcome to 2018, and another great year to be fortunate to be a resident in our family orientated lifestyle estate. I trust that you have all had a wonderful festive season and a fantastic start to the New Year. I sincerely hope that 2018 will be a good year and that all your dreams and aspirations will all come true.

Your HOA management team will be focused on keeping you engaged in the events in FWG, with January will be a busy month!

Once again Elmine Durandt has a full complement of activities you'll want to explore during 2018. Several are already available right now on the HOA event calendar. For those residents who have not previously been to any events or functions, this is your opportunity to come and join in, and to learn about other activities, or just mingle with others at the Clubhouse.

Just a reminder that on Wednesday, 21 February 2018, and we encourage all owners to attend the AGM.

### Be Engaged-Be Informed-Be Heard

### HOA GOALS FOR 2018 Be Engaged

Provide a variety of engaging social activity events for the residents

### **Be Informed**

Provide timely, relevant information on issues affecting residents

### **Be Heard**

Feel free to offer suggestions and comments regarding issues, ideas and concerns on matters that impact on the lifestyle quality at FWG

### MORE ESTATES AND HOMEOWNERS ARE 'GETTING OFF THE GRID'. DRILLING A BOREHOLE IS A GOOD START.

The world is clearly getting warmer – 2016 was recorded as the hottest year since records have been kept, and experts say this trend is likely to continue over the years to come. As the world heats up, the availability of water supplies to meet water needs is coming under pressure. Currently, large parts of South Africa face drought conditions, and the scarcity of water means we are limited – sometimes severely – in our ability to water plants, take baths and showers, do the laundry, wash up and maintain swimming pools.

Enter the borehole, which is becoming a strong trend among property owners all over South Africa.

The success rate of finding water is between 60% and 85% in ideal conditions, which preclude difficult geological terrain and heavy urban infrastructure such as electrical cables and pipelines, which make drilling difficult. The ultimate cost of drilling a borehole depends on the depth to the water-bearing geological formation, and the amount of loose or weathered material that needs to be cased off.

The average drilling cost is around R600 a metre, according to the Borehole Water Association of Southern Africa (BWA). Once drilling is done and groundwater has been found, there's another outlay for installing a pump – about R25 000 to R30 000 – and then about R12 000 for the laboratory water tests. The BWA advises that before you get a quote, find out from neighbours what it cost to install their boreholes so that you can get a sense of how much it could cost you.

Drilling is a disruption but only for a short period of time, as high-pressure air compressors are used for drilling. One can expect some noise whilst operating, and mud and water coming from the borehole. Borehole companies don't test the quality of the water found, but will recommend that you take a test sample to a laboratory close to you. You will get the results within about three days.

### Is it worth it?

Speak to a homeowner who is using borehole water to maintain their lawn and service household needs, and you'll find that the expense was worth it. "I use only borehole water for my garden, and I invested in a filtration system so that it can be used for the household as well. It has made a huge difference to my municipal services bill, and I save about R3 000 a month on my water bill. Water independence from municipal sources is one of the biggest reasons behind the popularity of boreholes in South Africa."

So yes, if you're planning to settle down for a long stretch of time, or you're looking for a good return on investment, a borehole is not only a green conscious choice, but a sound investment too.

If you have any queries regarding installing a borehole or renovations at your home, please feel free to contact me at the office.

Gary Haynes

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Security

On behalf of the Fourways Gardens Estate Security Team, we wish you compliments for the New Year. May it be a great year for everybody.

# The festive season

There were more than 37 registered holiday home inspections conducted over the festive season. These homes were checked by the on-site reaction teams on an ongoing basis during the time the residents were away, and we are happy that there were no reported incidents.

There were also no major incidents reported in other aspects of the Estate.

# A few important reminders

Please ensure that any employee within your employ for more than three months is required to be registered on the Biometric Access Control System which can be done at the Estate Office with Margaret from Monday to Friday, 08h00 – 16h00.

We kindly request that residents residing on the perimeter regularly cut back the vegetation, overgrown trees, foliage as these can cause false fence activations, and is a waste of important resources.

Please report any security matters to the FWG Security Control Room without delay. Reporting security matters immediately, no matter how small, will enable the managers to deal with the matter there and then. (Time delayed is time wasted!)

- FWG Security Control Room contact details: 011 465 5466/5465/2302
- Site Manager Patrick Bhebhe: 071 222 7037, sitemgrfge@24-7security.co.za
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Please do not call the gates to obtain information, please contact the Control Room on 011 465 5466/5465/2302 to better assist you with your query.



# Documentation requirements for all persons conducting any form of work at your premises

- Valid South African ID or drivers licence
- Valid passport with a valid work permit (Foreign Nationals)
- Valid asylum documents (Foreign Nationals)
- Any copies of the above documents must be clear copies and must be certified by the South African Police Service
- Certified copies older than 7 months will not be accepted (South Africans)
- Certified copies older than 3 months will not be accepted (Foreign Nationals)
- If a person has lost his/her documents, they will need to provide an affidavit from the South African Police Service, stamped and signed
- If a person has applied for their documents, a certified copy of the receipt of application must be provided together with an affidavit from the South African Police Services, stamped and signed

# Some good news

The tender for the Estate CCTV camera system upgrade has been approved in principle and it will not be long before the commencement of the upgrade.

The new/upgraded CCTV camera system will see:

- The addition of cameras around the entire perimeter of the Estate.
- The upgrade of the monitoring software and other related equipment.
- Upgrade/repositioning/addition of CCTV cameras at the gates and the Bushwillow Circle.

We ask for your patience and understanding during this time - dates of commencement will be communicated.



Please remember security starts at home, with yourself and is a collective effort!

24/7 Security Officers, going the extra mile, captured a Hyrax/Dassie that was invading a resident's garden. The Hyrax/Dassie was not harmed in any way during the process of capture and was safely released into the nature reserve.

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# Stay in touch

We look forward to suggestions and recommendations via the General Manager, Gary Haynes, which we will address accordingly.





# FWG ACTIVITY PROVIDERS

TIME	SUNDAY	MON	IDAY	TUES	SDAY	WEDNESDAY	THUR	SDAY	FRIDAY
08:00		Outdoor			-	Outdoor Fitness Classes			Outdoor Fitness Classes
08:30		Fitness Classes		Pilates - Trace	ey (8:30-9:30)	(8-10)	Pilates	- Tracey	(8-10)
09:00		(8-10) Rhona Williams 083	Yoga - Wendy (9-10:15)	082 89	4 6096	Rhona Williams 083 600 1868	•	-9:30) 94 6096	Rhona Williams 083 600 1868
09:30	Yoga with Virusha Gowrie 072 500 7215 virusha.gowrie@gmail. com	600 1868	011 465 7155 083 400 6211						
10:00						Cristina (10:00-11:00)	Nunu's an	id Nannies	
10:30						Flamenco Dance 076 521 8750	079 18	Vanjee Smith 800 330	
11:00							vanjeeleigh	@gmail.com	
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14:30								072 2388 063 3@gmail.com	
15:00						Helen O'Grady Drama			
15h30		Debbie (1	5:45-16:45)			Academy (15:00-18:00)			Yogabats (15:30-16:30)
16:00		Jazz - 082 425 6098				Kerry Holbrook 083 410 2940 www.dramaafrica.com			Desley White 011 465 1939 / 084 465 1939
16:30				Goju-Ryu (16:30-19:30)			Goju-Ryu (16:30-19:30)		
17:00		Cristina (1	7:00-18:00)	Stef and			Stef and		
17:30		Flamenco Dano	ce 076 521 8750	Roberta 083 384 3026 /			Roberta 083 384 3026 /		
18:00		Yoga - Wendy (18-19:15)		083 309 5352	FWG Running	FOR HOA	083 309 5352	FWG Running	
18:30		011 465 7155	/ 083 400 6211		Club secretary@	AND AGM MEETINGS		Club secretary@	
19:00					frra.co.za	MEETINGS		frra.co.za	
19:30					Mandy 083 462 2725			Mandy 083 462 2725	
20:00									

Clubhouse

Phase 2 Outside

Phase 2 Soccer Nets All fees and times to be confirmed with the activity provider concerned.

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# **MAHLASEDI SCHOOL DONATION**

Last year at our Mandela Day Potjiekos competition, the residents of Fourways Gardens Estate managed to raise R9,000! This money was used to assist the Mahlasedi School in Diepsloot with much needed stationary and toys for the new school year. We took the principal, Lucy Raphela shopping and were able to purchase all necessary goods for their year ahead! Thanks to each and every resident who participated and donated towards this very worthy cause!















Thank you letter from Mahlasedi,

"Dear Elmine

On behalf of Mahlasedi Day Care, I would like to say thank you for the educational and entertainment toys Fourways Gardens Estate residents have bought for the school. Your support helps us to make a difference in a child's future.

The generous support of individuals such as yourselves enables our school to exist and help in the development of a child.

Thank you very much for your support!

Yours sincerely, Lucy Raphela"

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# Monthly Draw – the last for 2017

Lucky draw prize winners were: 1st Dave Chalilar – 6 Celtis Cr 2nd Stephen Jack – 19 Camdeboo Rd 3rd Gillian Dwyer – 33 Buffalo Thorn Rd

Cash pot draw was for stand 1515, 128 Camdeboo Road, but Mr Ouzman was not in attendance. The next draw will take place on the last Friday of January 2018 and will be for R5 000. Anyone in attendance stands a chance to win the lucky draw prizes! Our cash prize is for homeowners only and all owners in good standing are automatically entered into the draw. You have to be in attendance on the night to claim your prize. If not, Century 21 will donate another R1,000 that rolls over to the next month!

# Remember, you have to be there to win!

The Monthly Draw takes place on the last Friday of every month in the Clubhouse at 19h00!





Rules for the monthly draw: Anyone in attendance stands a chance to win one of the lucky draw prizes. Simply complete your details on an entry form and you can win one of three beautiful lucky draw prizes.



# Find your Dream Home!

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### SALE: R5 295 000

# Web Ref: 21DN-2441

### WELL APPOINTED FAMILY HOME!

Immaculate double story family home situated close to the park & clubhouse in the sought after estate of Fourways Gardens. Double volume entrance, formal dining room, spacious family room, covered patio with a built-in braai, sparkling pool & a private landscaped garden. Lovely eat-in kitchen & scullery, 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms (2 en suite), upstairs lounge with a wood fireplace, guest cloakroom, study & garaging for 3 cars.



# SALE: R3 795 000

Web Ref: 21DN-2438

### **UNIQUE FEATURES ON LARGE STAND!**

Thatch roofed home situated on a 1500sqm stand with entrance hall, guest cloakroom and study or 5th bedroom. Open plan formal lounge on split level with wood fireplace, dining room and large family room adjacent to a spacious eat-in kitchen with scullery. Stacking doors lead to a large garden. Three bedrooms upstairs with 3 bathrooms, (2 en suite). Covered patio with built-in braai overlooking the swimming pool. Bachelor flat. Staff accommodation and double garages. Close to the park in Phase 1.

If you are considering selling or renting your property contact Century 21 Lifestyle Team for a qualified evaluation. We welcome your call and will be pleased to discuss your property needs at any time. Our experienced team will provide you with the best professional service.

# SMARTER. BOLDER. FASTER!

Tania Heurtaux 082 550 2222

**Joep Rijntjes** 083 462 2756

# FWG Gardening Club

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THE FOURWAYS GARDENS GARDENING CLUB is looking forward to our 6th year of operation, bringing our members more information, education and interest in the magical world of gardening!

# In 2017 we arranged for our members leading speakers on the following topics:

HOW TO BEAUTIFY YOUR VERGE

GROWING ALL TYPES OF IRISES

WATER SECURITY SYSTEM – MUNICIPAL WATER BACKUP

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# 2018 is a brand new Year!

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Francesca is a most professional and respectful estate agent. She knows the property market extremely well and has a solid reputation in the industry. We have sold both our homes, both within our asking price and timeframes due to her extensive knowledge and honest advice of today's property market.

We thank Francesca from the bottom of our hearts for her dedication and support and highly recommend her services in both the purchasing and selling of your home. Robyn Kohler. 2017















# Estate News





# FOURWAYS GARDENS Residential Estate

# **Planting** Your Own **Edible** Garden

There are countless reasons to grow some of your own food: to be more selfsufficient; to teach your children a powerful skill that is also a great joy; or simply to tuck into an honest salad whenever your heart desires. Here are some tips and guidance for beginner gardeners.

### Steps you'll take before planting a single seed

The three most important—and very basic-things you'll give your garden are good soil, enough sun and plentiful (but not overly plentiful) water. When you're choosing where to plant your garden, think carefully about all three. You'll need a spot that gets plenty of sun throughout the day, has rich soil, and is close enough to the water supply that you'll be able to water freely without a big hassle.

## Get Sunny

Most edibles want "full sun", or about six hours per day of good quality sunlight. (There are exceptions, like lettuces, which do well in shade. But it's easier to create shade where necessary than to create sun). Spots with southern exposure do well.

Try to choose a spot that is somewhat protected from wind. If you're very restricted in space and sunlight



(gardening on an urban balcony, for example), don't despair. There are plenty of online resources to help you choose the right plants for your conditions.



Get Grounded As for soil, there are three primary options: use the ground you've got, plant in raised beds, or plant in containers. If you're considering

planting in the ground, learn a bit

about your soil conditions.

Do you have clay soil or loamy (sandy) soil? An easy way to find out is to wet some dirt and press it between your fingers. If it's sticky or slimy, it's clay. If it's gritty and dries quickly, it's sand. Knowing which type of soil you have will help you decide how to amend itwhat to add to make it closer to plants' ideal growing medium.

If it's your first go at a garden, start small. You'd be surprised how much you can grow in a handful of square feet.

About two to three weeks before you're ready to plant, clear any grass and weeds with a sod cutter. Turn your soil with a roto-tiller or a good oldfashioned shovel. Finally, add lots of organic compost.

If you're not happy with the quality of

your soil or just want a beautiful, accessible garden, another great option is to plant in raised beds. You'll build (or purchase) a structure in which to place goodquality topsoil and plant your seeds or starters there.

If you're planting in an urban environment, want to keep the garden close to the house, or just want to start small, planting in containers is the way to go. You will be surprised to learn what a tremendous variety of edibles can grow well in pots. Don't overlook this convenient option for herbs, fruits, and vegetables alike.



Get Hungry Think closely about what you'd like to eat this summer.

It helps to know which hardiness zone you're in so you'll know what grows easily in your area and when to plant it, but beyond that, what to grow comes down largely to personal preference.

Are you a salad fan, or do you prefer roasted veggies even in the hot weather? How much fruit do you like to eat compared to vegetables? Which herbs do you gravitate toward? It's a good idea to plant mostly foods you already know and love, with maybe one or two less familiar foods thrown in to keep it interesting.

If you'll be planting some of your crops from seed, either to start indoors or in the ground as the weather warms up, now is the time to order.

# So why not give it a try!





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# THE 2018 LIFESTYLE GARDEN DESIGN SHOW

Be prepared for a journey through a horticultural cosmos of networked paths that is fully assimilated yet changes seamlessly from one garden to another as distinctive garden spaces, and spaces within spaces, fuse together in perfect harmony; at the annual Lifestyle Garden Design Show.

Advertorial

urated for visitors by Lifestyle College and Lifestyle Home Garden, the 2018 Lifestyle Garden Design Show once again shifts up a gear, and the stage is set for a show that is innovative, fresh and brimming with creative gardening and design ideas to suit a wide range of tastes and preferences.

Stretching the collective creative imagination to see gardens as three dimensional entities that surround us from the bottom, top and sides means that we have created a spirit of embrace and comfortable enclosure in a spatial kaleidoscope of patterns, levels, colours and textures. At the height of the growing season, the Garden Design Show is designed to inspire, excite and inform sharing of ideas, products and beautiful plants. It is another leg on the ongoing voyage of pleasure, discovery and creative spirit that epitomises this event which has become a much-awaited affair on the gardening calendar for the past 21 years.

This year boasts a new layout that allows for more public interaction and choice of journey; a main path through the show space is connected on both ends by hubs or nodes that both incorporate central features. Secondary paths that branch off from the main walkway are treated as "designer" strips that relate to the garden spaces through which they pass – these are also fully accessible to public pedestrian flow. The interconnecting paths have allowed for small islands to be punctuated along the journey that in themselves are features of the show.

Traditional spirit embraces contemporary styling, low-key minimalism links playfully with youthful frivolity, arid and ecological endorse refined vogue, and utility flirts with designer chic in a dramatic interplay of craft and substance. With integration aforethought and living space paramount, the gardens showcase harmony – both in our own relationship with outdoor living space and the seamless unity of home and garden.

Gardens vary from safe to avant-garde, utilitarian to modish, and feature complete gardens as well as elements within gardens that can offer ideas aplenty and oodles of inspiration. Visit the Lifestyle Garden Design Show – open to public with free entry from 10 February 2018 - and be inspired by the 9 fully integrated gardens that not only take visitors on a gardening journey, but also showcase pertinent and innovative garden designs which can easily be replicated in your home and garden!

Where: Lifestyle Home Garden Cnr. Beyers Naude Dr & Ysterhout Ave Randpark Ridge Find out more at www.lifestyle.co.za





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# 2018 GARDEN DESIGN SHOW

Get inspired by the 9 fully integrated gardens which take visitors on a gardening journey, that showcases pertinent and innovative garden designs easily replicated in your home and garden.

When: 10 February to end May 2018 Where: Lifestyle Home Garden

Free entry, pre-arranged guided tours and interesting talks and events accompany the show.



# Dance

Arthur Murray first started teaching people to dance in 1912 and founded his first studio in 1923. From a "Learn by Mail" business, we now have over 260 studios in 21 countries across the globe.













Il courses at Arthur Murray consist of individual lessons, social evenings and monthly parties. Because all our lessons are based on individual tuition, you will progress at your own pace and only up to the level you want. Although Arthur Murray is a SOCIAL dance studio, we offer varied levels of dancing which can be reached by means of our "Medal System". Arthur Murray dance studio Fourways is also registered with the SADTA Social Faculty, which gives our students the opportunity to compete if they wish to do so.

# How do I start lessons? We would firstly like to invite you for a FREE half hour lesson at the studio.

After the free lesson, we can offer you our Introductory Course consisting of 4 x half hour individual lessons, four socials and two party evenings. During your four lessons, the Specialist Instructor will teach you some of the basic patterns in the most popular dances and at the same time analyse your progress, in order to pre-plan a personalised dance program to suit your specific needs and desires. Some of the dances you will learn:

East Coast Swing, Foxtrot, Waltz, Tango, Rumba, Samba, Cha-Cha, Mambo, Salsa, Line Dances, in fact all dances needed for modern day social dancing.

### What are Socials and Parties?

We hold scheduled practice socials and parties, which form a vital role in your dancing progress. As these functions are only for our members you are sure to meet some new friends and put into practice all you have learned on your lessons, as your prepare yourself to dance at ANY outside function.

At Arthur Murray's we have a lot of single women and single men as well as many couples. Because all our lessons are based on individual tuition, your teacher will look after you on your lesson and will ensure that you get to dance with many other students, so that you are assured of a good time at all the socials and parties.

### Learn to dance for your Wedding

Learning to dance for your wedding is a special gift, which the prospective Bride and Groom can give to each other. Feeling confident and poised when you dance together will ensure that your very first dance as husband and wife will be a memory you will cherish forever.

# What can I expect from dancing at Arthur Murray?

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# **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Our annual Children's Christmas Party for our little ones was once again a big hit!

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he little ones were entertained by Darin the Magician, who had them in stitches. The parents at times seemed to have enjoyed the show even more than the kids...

This was followed by a visit from Father Christmas. The children had a turn to sit on his lap, tell him if they were good throughout the year and what they really wanted for Christmas. Each child also received a Christmas stocking, generously sponsored by Trish and Michele from Seeff!

We also wish to thank the children who brought stationery, balls and hula hoops for the Mahlasedi School. Unfortunately, the donations were sparse this year, but we are sure you will remember to give to those less fortunate in 2018!

It is evident from the photos that this is definitely a big favourite with our young residents. If your little one attended, try and find him or her in the photos!









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COMPETITION



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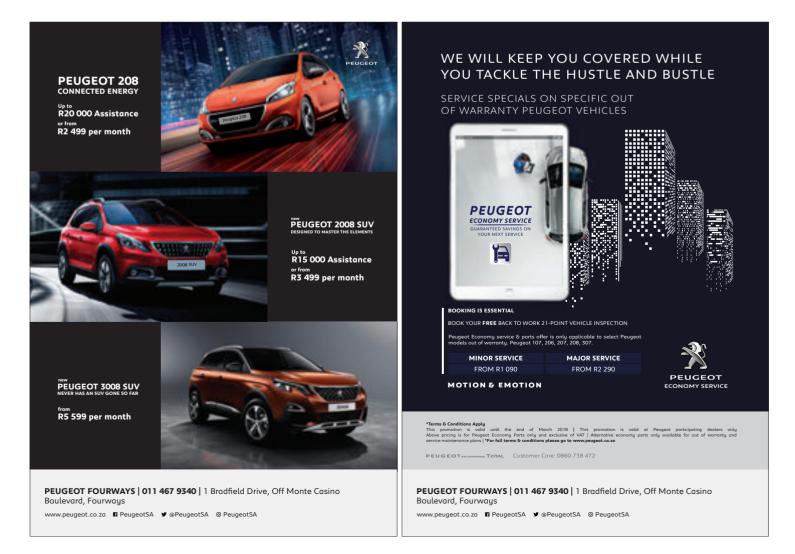
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# Unit Unit

The Matric Retreat - the Grade 12s' last school camp

ainfern College is celebrating their matric class of 2017 who achieved a 100% pass and 100% access to tertiary studies. This is the 17th consecutive year that the Grade 12s at Dainfern College have achieved these milestones, since their first matric class wrote the National Senior Certificate in 2001. Top students Christopher Giannopoulos and Sandee Oster each achieved seven distinctions, and 67 of the 72 students achieved a degree pass.

Dainfern College's Principal Matthew Davies commented: "We are extremely proud of these results, which are a testament to the dedication of the students who demonstrated a strong and disciplined work ethic. Our thanks go to the fantastic teachers who have taught, mentored and supported these young men and women through their journey at Dainfern College. Our further thanks and congratulations to the families who have walked this journey with them."

Dainfern College has always focused on teaching the skills required for success in the 21st Century and has an established reputation for excellence, not only in its academic results, but



Christopher Giannopoulos

in its holistic approach to education. The College firmly believes that every student has the potential for success and that excellence in education is not only about academic results but about the individual as a whole.

Cheryl Coetzee, the Deputy Principal for Pastoral Care, comments: "At Dainfern College we strive to produce wellrounded, balanced and compassionate individuals with the confidence to



Sandee Oster

become leaders. We have a structured leadership programme in place and teach leadership skills in every grade.

"We also believe that excellence in education cannot occur in isolation and that we need to understand each child's story so that they can achieve to their full potential. In addition to our learner support centre for academic and pastoral support of our students, we also have a well-established mentorship

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The Matric Walk - the last day of school

programme in place for all new students and have seen particular success with our vertical tutor group system, which places High School students in small groups of students from Grade 8 to 12." The Dainfern College motto is 'A world of education... an education for the world'. The myriad opportunities on offer at the College, the strong pastoral care structures in place as well as the excellent academic offer ensure that students are given every opportunity to prepare for the 21st Century and face the future with confidence.



The Class of 2017



### Scholarships for Grade 8 2019

Current Grade 7 students interested in applying for academic, sporting, cultural or all-rounder scholarships to attend Dainfern College High School from 2019 are invited to contact marketing manager Mrs Deidré Proxenos on 011 469 0635 or dproxenos@dainferncollege.co.za before 21 February 2018.

# We celebrate our Matric **Class of 2017**

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### **7** Distinctions



Christopher Giannopoulos

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**7** Distinctions



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### **5** Distinctions



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## **3** Distinctions



Khwezi Ndlovu





Zoe Browne

## **4** Distinctions



Brandon Robinson Andile Ndlovu

## **3** Distinctions



Kelsey Blanchard

### **5** Distinctions



Waldo Buitendag

### **3** Distinctions



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Dainfern College's legacy of Academic Excellence continues!



# Broadacres Academy nurtures Natural Learning

Enjoying physical activity in a natural environment.

hen owners André de Coning and Dylan Cavanagh took the bold step to open Broadacres Academy at the beginning of 2016, they undertook the process of formalising their brand to ensure that it encapsulated the essence of what underpins their educational philosophy. The brand strategy exercise gave birth to the slogan that expressed what they wanted their school to be

 a place "Where Children Learn, Naturally."

When that love for learning fades ... So, what is 'natural learning'? Does natural learning not take place in all standardised schools anyway?

With Dylan and André both being well qualified and visionary educationalists; and having studied and applied various learning theories in their teaching, they increasingly found that standardised schooling flies in the face of natural learning.

They noticed that children arrived in the Foundation Phase of schooling, loving school and learning – and watched how that love faded as children progressed into the higher



Co-owner Dylan Cavanagh



grades, where their natural learning pattern was turned on its head.

In the Intermediate Phase of schooling, subjects, bells, homework projects, tests and exams seemed to turn learning into a managerial convenience. The joy of learning often faded as children were faced with marks and averages; being pitted against their fellow learners in a battle for the best prize at the annual prize giving.

### A dream is realised

Broadacres Academy was born of a desire to create a place of learning where children could continue to learn naturally without fear, and maintain the natural love of learning throughout their school years and beyond.



Head of Jnr Preparatory Tammy Letcher



Principal of Preschool Lee-Ann Bruce

Acquiring the well-known Broadacres Farm Nursery School at the beginning of 2016 was an opportunity to build on the school's ethos of developing children naturally in a relaxed, rural environment.

Watching toddlers make sense of their world, loving every new learning experience without a test or exam, confirmed for André and Dylan the path they will pave for children to walk their path of learning at Broadacres Academy.

# Broadacres Academy moves towards Vision 2020

So far, the school has grown organically and as such, they have implemented the Natural Learning environment they believe in; one

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Prep classes









Farm Nursery School -nurturing curiositv.

where children will not lose their love of learning and will strive to become life-long learners.

In partnership with Skye Education, the school facilities will be completely re-developed to accommodate up to Grade 7 by 2020. The new buildings will encapsulate the unique look and feel of Broadacres Academy. They will be purpose built to facilitate the constructivist learning philosophy implemented at the school. Plans have been submitted for approval and construction is imminent. They plan to have their first phase completed by September 2018, which will include all classroom facilities up to Grade 5.

Dynamic and experienced, Lee-Anne Bruce is the principal who leads the team of dedicated staff at the Preschool. Tammy Letcher joins the School Management Team in 2018 to head up the Junior Preparatory Department. The team ensures that each child has their individual journey

Learning naturally

of learning at Broadacres Academy.

### **Broadacres Academy offers the** community a

- Crèche for children aged 9 18 months:
- Farm Nursery School (preschool) for children aged 2 to 5 years old;
- Junior Preparatory School for children in Grade 0 - 3 (up to Grade 7 by 2020) and a
- · Tutor Centre for registered homeschoolers from Grade 6 -Grade 12.

(As children in Grade 6 and 7 progress into higher grades, these two grades will be phased out and incorporated into the Preparatory School, leaving Grade 8 to Grade 12 in the Tutor Centre.)

Throughout the classes offered at Broadacres Academy – from the Crèche to the Tutor Centre, the guiding ethos is one that provides an enabling educational environment one "Where children learn, naturally'.



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Kittens enjoy interaction with the farm animals

If it's your desire for your child to love learning and stay curious in a nurturing environment, then visit Broadacres Academy today and experience the joy of a natural learning community!



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# Happy New Year! Here are our Top 4 Resolutions for Happier, Healthier Pets.

t's that time of the year when we all hit the gym, resolving to eat healthier, work off those Festive Season lovehandles, visit our doctor, swallow our vitamins, meditate and generally do all we can to transform into super-human versions of our former selves. But what resolutions have we made to ensure the health and well-being of our furry family members in the coming year? Twisted Whiskers staff have put together their top 4 Pet Resolutions for 2018 to provide some inspiration.

# **Resolution #1**

I will plan ahead for my pets' health
 expenses. All pets require annual
 check-ups and vaccinations to ensure



that they're in good health and protected against contagious diseases, but what about those unforeseen medical expenses? Make it a priority this year to research pet health insurance options so that, in the unfortunate event of an accident or emergency, you can give your pet every opportunity to recover, without having to make heartrending decisions based purely on finances. There are also pet health plans which help with routine expenses like vaccinations, blood tests and dental procedures. And what about putting together a budget to cover top-quality nutrition, grooming and regular outings and activities for your pet? A dedicated savings account for pet expenses is also a great option.

# **Resolution #2**

- I will ensure that my pet is at his ideal body weight and on a healthy diet. Pet obesity is fast following human trends with 2 out of every 3 pets falling into the overweight or obese categories! Carrying extra weight predisposes pets to a number of debilitating and even life-threatening conditions like diabetes, heart disease, urinary tract infections, breathing difficulties and joint pain, as well



as increased anaesthetic risk. Discuss weight management with your yet or a Twisted Whiskers team member - we stock an extensive range of 'light' and weight-reduction diets, and we run the Hills Pet Slimmer Programme at all of our branches. Our trained staff will happily assist with a tailored diet and exercise plan to get your flabby furball back in shape. Get the whole family on board (including the chief culprits that sabotage our efforts to slim down Humongous Harriet or Chubby Charlie by sneaking them treats!). Each person in the home can help to increase the pet's activity level and metabolic rate. Your combined efforts will be both fun and rewarding: soon your roly-poly, 'lay-about' will be transformed into a lean 'n' mean toy-demolishingmachine!

# **Resolution #3**

- I will prioritise the care of my pet's skin and coat. Parents of longhaired dogs and cats understand just how stressful it can be to manage an unruly coat that seems to experience



spontaneous matting when their pet merely contemplates a jaunt in the garden. All dogs and cats should be brushed regularly at home (daily for long-haired breeds, and twice weekly for short-hairs) for a healthy coat and to avoid excessive shedding and painful matting. Those breeds requiring specialised grooming need to visit the parlour, on average, once every 4 to 6 weeks at least, or more often to constantly look their best. Pop into Twisted Whiskers for advice on maintaining the health of your pet's skin and coat - we'll recommend the best tools and products for the job and demonstrate the correct techniques for detangling and brushing coats out effectively. And why not take advantage of our repeat booking system to pre-book your dog or cat's grooming appointments for the year? This way, you'll always have the time slot you prefer and, with our courtesy sms reminders, there's no chance that your pets will miss their visit. Remember that we also offer a collection and delivery service - pets travel in style in our fully airconditioned, compartmentalised Pet Limo!

# **Resolution #4**

 I will interact more with my pets and provide stimulation for them. As much as we adore our furkids, when life gets hectic, they sometimes become peripheral to our other responsibilities. We need to bear in mind that while we have all these other distractions to keep us busy, WE are literally the very centre of our pets' world. They dread the moment we leave for work or school in the morning and they live for the moment when we return.
 While pets need to be socialised properly to be able to cope with these comings and goings, it's also vital that we provide an environment that is stimulating enough to support them in this. Ensure that your pets have plenty of interactive toys/activities to keep them busy and engaged in your absence (think toys stuffed with treats, durable chews, designated digging areas or water features to play in, or specially designed 'cat furniture' to provide indoor kitties with aerial entertainment). Consider signing your pooch up for Doggy Day Care a couple of times a week, so that he can socialise with other dogs and participate in a host of exciting games and activities, designed to enhance his mental well-being. Reputable dog walkers can also help exercise your dogs.

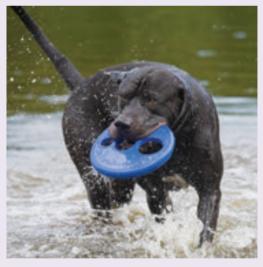
And take your pets along with you on as many adventures as you can. Whether it's an outdoor ramble at your local park, Emmarentia Dam or Walkhaven, or a trip with you in the car to buy the newspaper or drop off the kids at school, dogs thrive on any opportunity to share activities with you and experience new things through all their senses.

Indulge your cat's hunting instinct by engaging her in a game of chase before her dinner (feather toys or laser pointers are perfect for this). Or ask your vet or behaviourist for advice on harnesstraining cats, so that your cat can safely accompany you on short walks around the Estate.

Pet New Year's Resolutions are a super way for the family to get together and brainstorm ideas on how each member will make life more fun, fulfilling and healthy for their furbabies this year. They give us so much unconditional love (and the odd grey hair) and their wellbeing deserves to be prioritised before the general mayhem of the New Year intrudes.









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The Peugeot dealership that is similarly intent on making a name for itself is Peugeot Fourways located close to Montecasino, overlooking Witkoppen Road. This dealership has recently been revamped, heralding a new era of service excellence for motorists in Johannesburg's northern suburbs.

At the helm is Dealer Principal, Gary Bakos, who has 33 years' experience in the motor industry. By his side, with another 24 years' experience in the industry is General Sales Manager, Ashleigh Venter, who manages the new and pre-owned vehicle sales. Equally knowledgeable and experienced, Sheldon Spykerman, who heads up the state-of-the-art Service Department, and Uraj Tewary, their Parts Manager, make up the rest of the management team.

"Some of our staff at Peugeot Fourways have been here for many years. Others left for a while and have now come back," Gary Bakos comments. "With the revamped premises and the re-organised staff structure, we have injected renewed vigour into the branch, so customers can expect a whole new experience when they come here."

"In the first few months of 2018, we will be inviting our past customers to come in and renew their relationship with the brand and the dealership," adds Ashleigh Venter. "We're offering new vehicle trade assistance and we'll be having a number of specials throughout the year. On the pre-owned side, we are in a position to offer cash and buy vehicles outright – this facility is not brand-specific, we'll

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consider all makes of vehicles and we pay top prices. We also invite people to come in for a free evaluation if they are considering either selling or trading in their vehicles."

"On the servicing side, we are inviting all owners of Peugeots that are out of warranty to bring their vehicle in for an economy service," says Sheldon Spykerman of the Service facility. "You can book your service online and we have a shuttle to get you back home or to work, provided it's within 20 km radius of the dealership." Uraj Tewary adds that his parts facility carries a substantial range of stock to ensure speedy turnaround time for their valued clients.

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# THE 'PAPPA EFFECT'

"Always, and in every moment, strive to be a celebration and example of positive human connection and respect, and believe in your child."

ow dads 'are' with their children has a massive influence on how they will value and respect themselves down the line. I call this the 'Pappa Effect'. I've used the term Pappa as an acronym below for some effective fathering characteristics:



### **P......Present:** This means emotional and physical presence and being really 'in the moment' when you are with your kids.

Actually, many dads do this better than mums because dads are not quite as good at multitasking. The upside is that when they are with their kids they are often more focused. If you don't live with your children you need to maximise the time you do have with them and find telephonic or virtual ways to continue the connection.

# **A......Available:** Don't be so busy that your kids think you don't care.

I always remember the heart-wrenching Chicken Soup for the Soul story of the boy who found out how much his dad's time was worth per hour at work, and saved up enough to buy an hour of his dad's time.





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## **P......Proud:** Teach kids to value themselves by valuing and believing in them.

Show pride in both their achievements and their journey in getting there, even if it is a place in the D team! And please, please don't live vicariously through your children. It is an unfair burden to expect them to perform so that you feel good about yourself. If your attention and affection is performance-based you are not loving them for who they are but for what they do. Your children are not you and may never become a clone of you. Love them for who they are, not what you expect them to be or do and this is what will grow their confidence and self-belief.



#### **P......Protective:** Dads are a symbol of physical and emotional security and they are often less easy to manipulate than mums when it comes to implementing boundaries.

While you may be the family 'fixer' on many levels because you get things sorted, your role is also to teach your children to become resourceful and resilient in themselves, to learn independence little by little. These are the tools they will use to create their own happiness and success one day.



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# **A.....Attentive:** Pay attention. Listen. Talk and share.

Do things together – dates with your daughters and adventures with your sons. Dads have a huge influence on how their daughters will allow themselves to be treated by men; how their sons will treat women, and on the healthy expression of emotions. Always, and in every moment, strive to be a celebration and example of positive human connection and respect, and believe in your child.

Dads, may you always be celebrated, honoured and adored for your positive 'Pappa Effect'.

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# THE CURIOSITY CLASS

With schools back in action again, kids once more aligned to the routines and the associated activities of being educated, I paused to reflect on my own school journey, one more time.

### Wondering, as I imagine many of us do, what was it all about?

Although a great deal of that is fairly blurry, there are some key memories that once I call on them, become pretty clearly.

One of these is...

At primary school I made it my objective to sit as far back from the front of the class as I possibly could, and whenever I could, next to a window. Even through my surname, beginning with 'B', had me marked to be sitting in the front of the class, I was happiest when at the back, looking out a window.

I could say gazing, or even contemplating – out the window, which I will expand on shortly – because I realise now that it was more than just looking.

To succeed in this preferred seating arrangement, I had to be just a little earlier back in the class than the other kids, so as to avoid any challenges to my choice of seat.

It didn't always work out the way I wanted it. Yet, I do recall I was able to bag my window preference more often, than not.

One key disrupter was the awful English spelling class, where we all had to endure the pain of an open spelling challenge. I found these very stressful, most likely because I wasn't very accomplished as a speller – as some of you may have noticed in my ramblings thus far. I have also long suspected, that I suffer from a mild form of dyslexia, which back in the last mid-century wasn't that well known – so it wasn't a condition that you could claim as a get-out-of-jailcard for poor spelling.

The spelling test would always

proceed in the alphabetical order of surnames, which completely messed with my preferred seating arrangements.

The awful process would begin with me in the third seat from the teacher's right hand side, front row. Being the second 'B' surname in the class, this was always my starting position.

The teacher would read out a word to each student. We would then have to stand and recite back our answer.



Should the student get the wrong answer, they would move down a seat. If they got it right they stayed where they were, so after the first round, I would move from third seat to fourth seat. You get the picture.

Usually, by the end of this awful experience, I would find myself somewhere toward the back of the class, but not always near a window. If I were, it wouldn't be long before I was on the move again. Truly awful. Fortunately, for most of the other tedious subjects I endured, I was able to secure my preferred seat toward the back, next to a window.

I was more than content, to ponder, gazing out into the open spaces on the other side of the glass window, allowing the monotonous droning of the teacher to become some white noise that fizzed in the background, hardly noticeable like a harmless mosquito. My classroom behaviour wasn't, as I suspect many of you may be thinking, a dislike of teachers or the subjects they taught, so much as it was my fulfilling a deep curiosity.

It is hardly surprising then, that I didn't do particularly well at school.

But the time wasn't wasted either.

I believe those years of gazing out of classroom windows, into grey skies full

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of rain or snow, or big white fluffy clouds floating on hazy blues, deepened and strengthened my curiosity drive.

I wasn't aware then, but I was using those contemplative classroom sessions to ask all sorts of questions. I wasn't simply 'daydreaming'; I was actively engaged in imaginative scenario creations.

I would entertain ideas like...

If I could fly like a bird, how long would it take me to swoop down from the windowsill of the classroom, across the playground, over the hedges and trees at the school boundary, through and over the hills at the end of the village, and then down again along the length of the river Chess to the bridge that I would sit at watching the river flow by, beneath my feet.

As I entertained the idea – I would become the bird, watching as the landscapes flew past below me, and conscious of the time it took for me to get to the bridge, observing all the smaller details along the way. I would then fly back to the windowsill, for a different perspective.

There were many more imaginative scenarios that I would build...

Often in winter, ice would build up on the outside of the classroom windows overnight. When the classrooms started to warm up once we were inside, these static ice sheets became active. I would concentrate with deep focus on a particular spot, throwing my entire mind behind an intention to cause that particular spot to melt and move. I was rarely disappointed, with a mind like a laser the exact spot of ice would move on my command. Again I would set time lines as to when whole sections of ice would shift and slide. I would anticipate and predict which piece would move next and so on. I would sculpt the ice into shapes from the relative comfort of a classroom chair.

As I reflect on those long ago days, I recognise that the habit of gazing hasn't left me at all. The schoolyards have, but my deep yearning to question and imagine has remained.

Do we even need to question and raise the what, why, where and how – any longer?

Surely with the swipe of a fingertip Google provides?

After all, we do have so much more at our fingertips today, don't we?

A last thought...

From time to time I am asked to facilitate on creativity at business schools. I have what I call my magic bag. It looks just like a magician's bag, full of sparkles, stars, half moons and bright coloured fabrics. In the bag is a wide collection of everyday objects. Things like, a piece of string, a kitchen plug, a spring, a paperclip and so on, there are over fifty different pieces. I use this tool when helping leadership groups develop alternative creative ideas for the serious challenges they are confronting.

It works like this...

We see things for what they are, a tea strainer is a tea strainer, yet take a moment and consider – with a little applied curiosity – that same tea strainer can become the sieve that separates the good practices of business from the unwanted, the unethical. The tea strainer becomes the visual representation of an action that our business maybe missing.

Curiosity is a valuable asset.

An active curiosity may well be the most important attribute we need and certainly one that our children shouldn't leave behind at school.

Till next time, stay curious.

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somewhere deep inside. Did you?

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HOUSE AND PET SITTING: Going away for a few days or on holiday? There is no need to be concerned about your beloved pets. Entrust them to us, a mature about your beloved pets. Entrust them to us, a mature couple. We will love and care for them in the security of your home. Our years of home and pet sitting will provide you with peace of mind. We will also care for the pool and garden if you wish. Please call Henry 082 565 9317 or call Deldre on 082 335 5096 deidredevine89@gmail.com References available on request.

HOUSE / PET SITTING: Don't put your pets behind bars when you go away! As a mature woman with many year's experience, I will feed, walk and keep them company in their own home, even living in, call Nicky on 072 129 0698.

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TREE CARE: Tree felling, stump removal, rubble & garden refuse removal, palm trimming & irrigation maintenance & installation, contact Frank on 076 669 1918.

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Elizabeth: Looking for part time domestic work on a Tues & Wed, she is reliable, diligent and a hard worker – runs the house very effectively, also great with animals, please call her directly on 073 630 2298 or Nikki for a reference on 082 496 3593.

Sihle: We are emigrating and our housekeeper is looking for work on Mon, Wed & Fri, she is honest, kind \ hardworking, trustworthy & reliable, has a valid Zimbabwean work permit, she is fantastic with kids, if interested please contact Sihle on 061 947 4576 or Maxiewe 092 2024 4200 for conferences Monique 082 321 4239 for a reference.

Kate: Our helper is looking for full time work as a domestic, reliable, hard worker and good with kids, call Kate on 062 442 9901 or for a reference call Lee on 063 415 1747.

Janet: Has been a live in helper and nanny for me in FWG, we are relocating and she will be missed, she is honest, kind and hardworking, very good cook and can follow instructions, call her on 073 452 3345 or Sylvie 073 203 0721, available immediately.

Lindiwe: Looking for full / part time work, she is good with animals and children, excellent at domestic work, she is always happy, she also has CPR Certificate, call her on 072 677 0696, for a reference call Caroline on 076 527 1313.

Rebecca: Has worked for me for 20 years, she is honest, pleasant, hardworking and reliable, she is looking for 2 days' work, Tues & Wed or Tues & Thurs, call her on 083 483 6751 or John 011 465 2323 for a reference.

Christina: Looking for work as a health worker, she has a certificate and experience in taking care of patients: bed, bath, general hygiene, mobilizing and feeding patients, for a recommendation call 083 889 9444 or call Christina on 072 698 8380, she is a hard worker, honest, communicates fluently and is time conscious.

Babalwa: Looking for part time work for Mon, Tues & Thurs, for a reference call Mrs Muirs 082 412 4177.

Nomusa: Due to relocation, Nomusa is looking for full time work, can cook and bake and is very good with children, please call her on 083 643 5492 or for a reference call Sara on 079 808 5167.

Loveness: Hardworking Zimbabwean with valid work permit seeks domestic work, for a reference call Dorah on 079 285 9191.

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Thokozile: Seeks part / full time work as a domestic from Mon to Fri, she is totally honest, very hard working and meticulous, call her on 073 687 9372 or call Liz on 083 280 6400 for a reference.

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Beauty: Our precious Zimbabwean domestic worker is looking for a job as we are leaving soon. NB: Beauty does not leave your house until all work is done! She does ironing, laundry, cleaning the house until it's all bright and shiny, very good with kids and pets, reliable and responsible with humour and kindness. You will Love her! Available on Tues & Thurs, for references call Jessica 082 343 5913 / Gill 079 477 8306 or Beauty on 083 952 4713.

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Fedilia: Wonderful maid available from 1st March 2018, has worked with me for the last 13 years, I am relocating and m very sad to part with her as she is part of the family, looking for live in full time, with a more mature family, keeps home spotless, good cook, 100%honest and lovely demeanour. Call Dereck on 082 562 9068 or Fedilia on 078 771 2764.

Annah: Zimbabwean lady with a work permit, looking for part time or full time employment, live in or out. Annah is hardworking 7 reliable, her integrity and honesty is beyond question, for reference call Allyson 082 461 5893 or Annah 078 195 1638.

**Pretty:** Hardworking, honest and reliable is looking for part time work on Mon, Wed & Fri, call Pretty on 078 572 5363, for a reference call Ash on 074 558 4796.

Lindwe: Looking for full time domestic work Mon – Fri, she can clean very well, she is reliable, honest & trustworthy, she is also good with children, call her on 073 816 0691, for a reference call 073 073 6241.

Flora: Has been working part time for me for 4 years, she is honest and reliable, looking for additional work from Mon to Thurs, call 078 528 6066 or Sue on 082 427 8295 for a reference.

#### **GARDENERS:**

Weston: Malawian seeks part time work on Thurs & Sun, 10 year's experience, hardworking and reliable, call Weston on 071 997 1250 or for a reference call Laura 083 703 5066 / Rudolf 076 990 6450.

Isaac: Malawian seeks part time garden work on Mon & Fri, he is honest, very hardworking and meticulous, quiet and punctual, for reference call Bernard on 082 497 0897 or call Isaac on 073 785 4339.

**Gentry:** Looking for a great gardener!! Call Gentry 073 471 6592, he has worked for us for several years, he is trustworthy and reliable.

**Jonathan:** Our wonderful Zimbabwean gardener is looking for additional gardening and/or painting work on Mon, Wed & Sat, he is hardworking, reliable, trustworthy and takes initiative. For references please call Juana 083 923 6981 or Jonathan directly on 061 227 0829.

Sangwani: Looking for gardening work on Mon, Wed & Sat, he has worked for us for 14 Years and is reliable and trustworthy, kindly call him directly on 072 515 0546.

Thabo: Looking for employment as a Driver, Handyman or a Gardener, has valid Code 10 License, call him on 083 953 0350 or for a reference call Mary Jane on 076 480 5881.

**Mastone:** Malawian seeks part time work as a gardener on Mon, Wed, & Sat, he is honest and reliable, works well without supervision, highly recommended, for a reference call 083 212 6048 or Mastone on 071 941 2022.

Gerald: Malawian gardener is looking for additional work on Thurs & Sat, he is very hardworking and honest, for references call Lara on 072 673 3714 or call Gerald on 061 798 7332.

**Makhosini:** My fantastic gardener is looking for work on Mon or Tues, call Mandy on 083 627 7799 for a reference.

Richard: Our hardworking gardener and handyman of 10 years is looking for work on Tues, Fri & Sat, he can also do painting, he lives in FWG, he is honest, reliable and hardworking, call Richard on 076 745 0576 or call Jan 082 900 7235 for a reference.

Simon: Looking for part time work on Mon, Wed, Thurs as a gardener, painter & driver, honest & hardworking, call Simon on 074 405 6004 or for a reference call Christina on 083 660 8944.

**Gardener / Handyman:** Looking for accommodation to rent in FWG or surrounding area. Tanka 062 810 2843 or Vanessa 082 826 6446.

**Geoffrey:** Looking for work on Wed, has 5 years gardening experience, honest and reliable, call him on 074 781 6466 or call Andrea on 082 889 1232 for a reference.

### Reader's Letters K56 CLEAN UP

#### Dear Mrs Durandt

Thank you so much for allowing me to clean up the K56 area, organizing the new trees for planting and making the necessary arrangements with security. Five other scouts assisted me on Saturday where we planted four trees around the first picnic bench and the other six in proximity to the further picnic bench. We have composted and watered the plants, however they will require a regular watering as to allow the roots to grow.

I was not able to do as much work as I would have liked to, so I came back with two other scouts on Sunday to finish off the job. I made arrangements with security on duty who kindly allowed me access. On Sunday we removed some of the lantana and bugweed. This will need to be burnt and not composted so as to prevent the spreading of seeds. Based on discussion with security, I was advised to place the cuttings in a pile in the nursery.

Although we removed some invasive plants there are a lot more, including a number of mature alien trees.

Photos will be sent soon.

Thank you so much for all your support and encouragement. We had fun and we learnt a lot.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely Jonathan Pienaar





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**JANUARY 1.** 

### Dear Diary, this is me again, Selwyn!

his year I have resolved to write something EVERY NIGHT ALL YEAR!!! because I know that "every day is a precious gift", as Shakespeare said, or was it Bles Bridges? Today, for instance, I got up (11am) after a heavy night welcoming in the New Year and blowing a whistle (quite loudly). Mabel Larkin smiled at me last night in a meaningful way. Went home and went to bed in my new Christmas pyjamas with little red devils on them.

Humour

This morning phoned mother to wish her happy New Year and she asked, "Who's this?" I said it's your son, Selwyn, and she said "What do you want THIS time?"

Had some cold chicken for lunch and watched telly. After last night, have resolved to give up drinking forever.

January 2. Dear diary, Got up and went to work. Nothing much happened except Petrus in Accounts who wanted to go to Mussina for Christmas caught a taxi going to Umtata by mistake but says he still had a good time. Peter Lloyd in Customer Care met a girl at Ballito Bay. He said she's cool and Gladys asked HOW cool? And Peter said

"Never you mind," in a meaningful sort of way.

Ate Nando's, watched telly and went to bed.

January 3. Got up and couldn't find toothbrush. Office still very quiet. Peter has a date tonight with Beryl, that's her name. The computers went down so we just sat around talking about cricket and Zuma except Peter who was talking on the phone in a very low voice to Beryl who is quite high up in toiletries at the local Clicks.



Went home, ate take-away lasagna (very good); watched soccer on the box. Went to bed.

January 4. Got up. Peter was wearing dark glasses today. He said it's because of the glare but Gladys said he was hiding a black eye. She asked him: "Didn't you click?" (She is very witty sometimes.) Peter said he and Beryl got on fine thank you very much but he said it in a meaningful sort of way. The tea lady didn't turn up.

Gladys said "TGIF!" which she said means "Thank God it's Friday". Isn't that clever? Had the rest of the lasagna for dinner tonight and two beers. This is not meaningful drinking so I haven't really broken my New Year resolution.

January 5. Got up. Nothing meaningful happened.

January 6. Got up. Made scrambled egg for breakfast.

January 7. Got up. Went to work. Said "TGIM" to everybody but nobody knew what I was talking about. Mr Beasley came back from leave and said he had been fined R1000 near Beaufort West for doing 141km/h! He said Beaufort West employs thin cops so they can hide behind telephone poles on those Karoo highways. He is still angry about what Jackson did to the rubber plant at the office party last month. I can't tell you, dear diary, because it was DISGUSTING. The plant died. Mr Beasley said that the rubber plant had been the only intelligent thing in the office. Mabel, his secretary, gave him a meaningful look so he said he was only joking and that quite a few of us were more intelligent than the rubber plant. asked "WHO?" but he wouldn't tell.

"How about me?" asked Wayne who is BIG and has huge muscles and even Mr Beasley wouldn't dare call him stupid.

Mr Beasley said, "Wayne you are as strong as an ox and twice as smart!"

Wayne was all smiles after this.

January 8. Got up went to work. January 9. Got up



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