

Dear Eunice Old Girls

Welcome to our second edition of the old girls newsletter, what a fantastic response we have had to our first one, so many of you got in touch and let us know what you are up to – it is wonderfully refreshing to read your emails and have a giggle, reminiscing about what we did way back then!

Since our last issue, we have been busy at school. We have attended the High School Closing Function on the 19th September where we handed over a book bursary to Nicole Heyns. Nicole is a grade 12 girl who has excelled academically and who's mother (Denise Harris matric 1982) is an old girl. The elegant function once again highlighted the achievements of the girls on a local, national and international level.

At the beginning of October the Valedictory was held and as usual the farewell of the Grade 12's was an emotional affair with the head girls bidding the school farewell with well thought out speeches and thought provoking words. I am always amazed at the maturity with which the girls speak. Needless to say the tears were many and the 177 girls left on a high note. We handed out St Christopher's to each girl and 44 medals to girls that have been at Eunice since Grade 1. I wish each and every girl well and good luck for the final exams.

## Birthday Celebrations

Our 132nd birthday celebrations were held in June, as usual with great enthusiasm and lots of laughs. 120 old girls attended the function held at the Adele de Jager Hall.

Please remember that it is up to individual classes to organize their reunions, the Reunie Committee is not responsible for individual classes.

If you are planning a big reunion next year now is the time to start finding everyone. For those from 1958, 1968, 1978, 1988, 1998 and 2003 please let us know in time if you have a big group wanting to attend.

Please feel free to email Sharon Nelson at the school should you need contact addresses.

## Facebook

A new development for the Reunie Committee is the Eunice Page on Facebook.

It is an internet site that connects people and is an incredible way of finding old friends. I thank Nadine Grönum (van Zijl – 1978) who started the page for us, it currently has over 400 girls registered and is growing all the time. If you can take a look and register on [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and type in 'Eunice Girls School' in the search box.

## Old girl news

In response to the last newsletter I received numerous emails from girls, here are just a couple of them.

Barbara Solomon (now Gillman) – “I was from a little dorpie in the Free State called Springfontein. I was a boarder in about 1965, Mrs Tennant was the person in charge of the boarding school. I am now based in Waverley, Johannesburg, where I have a Speech and Drama studio. I am married, with three adult children.”

Contact – bgillman@iafrica.com

Heidi Jacobs (now Fry) – “I matriculated in 1980 and am married with 5 children (two sets of twins). I never really became involved in Eunice when I left school as I had boys – then behold a set of twin girls (surprise babies!) who are now in Grade 3 at Eunice. My fields of “expertise” are porcelain doll making, roses and kids!!!

Contact – 0833788346 or dmn@georgiou.co.za

Kim Venetia Snyman (now Huxley)– “Matric 1995. Now in the UK.”

Contact - HUXLEYS@sky.com

#### Eunice Website

Please take a look if you have not yet at the Eunice website on [www.eunice.co.za](http://www.eunice.co.za). There are lists of old girls, recent news and photographs of the 2007 birthday luncheon.

#### Reunie Branches

The Reunie has branches in other areas of the country too. To get involved, contact the branch nearest you.

#### Gauteng

Tania Else (Van Zijl – 1981) - 082 782 0804

Kwa Zulu Natal

Anne Grunow (1948) – 031 702 4028

Western Cape

Glyn Morris (Muir – 1977) – 021 794 6514

Secretary - Sheryl Gelderbloem (1976) - 083 261 3918

We are always on the look out for representatives in other areas so if you are keen on gathering a group together and keeping in touch with us, please let me know.

Old Girls Tea

We are busy planning the old girls tea for the 10th October which we hold every year for our over 60's girls who live in Bloemfontein. We are expecting 37 to attend and will report on it in the next newsletter.

Should you be in Bloemfontein and not get an invitation please contact me on the number below to be included in the mailing list.

Contact Us

Please contact us if you have any news or ideas for the newsletter or if you would like to have your name included on our mailing list, we look forward to hearing from you. Contact me on [ailsa@silverrocket.co.za](mailto:ailsa@silverrocket.co.za) or 072 4464620 or Sharon Nelson on [sharon@ehs.co.za](mailto:sharon@ehs.co.za) or 051 444 1765

I thank everyone for their support during the year and wish you a wonderful holiday season. We look forward to a busy 2008 for the Reunie

Committee.

Best wishes, till next time

Ailsa Uys

Reunie President.