

**RHODES UNIVERSITY** 

STAFF NEWSLETTER RHODO

# Exuberance a fitting memorial

t a short but moving ceremony held at the Rhodes Day Care Centre recently, new playground equipment dedicated to the memory of Rashika and Leela Narshai was inaugurated.

The equipment represents the result of some active fund rasing on the part of the parents' committee, especially by Mrs Nimitta Masilela, who arranged a Thai food evening earlier this year. Over 100 people bought the food on the day and took it home to eat.

Mrs Narshai, who was Chairperson of the Parents' Committee and a tireless fund raiser, died together with her enchanting three-year old daughter Rashika in a tragic car accident in May this year.

The new equipment, erected by the Estates Division, is already proving immensely popular with the 30 or so children who attend the Centre on a daily basis.

During the ceremony, which Mrs Masilela was unable to attend on account of serious illness, a basket of flowers was accepted on her behalf by her husband, Dr Temba Masilela, from one of the children.



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Its 'sboes off' time (above and left) at the Day Care Centre for the children who wasted no time clambering on the new equipment and feeling clean beach sand between their toes.

Dr Temba Masilela (right) accepts a basket of flowers on behalf of his wife, Nimitta, who was largely responsible for raising the money needed to re-equip the Centre's playground area.



## Rhodes Examination results available through the internet

Revealed to students through the technology of the World Wide Web (WWW), from the middle of next month. A degree of confidentiality will be maintained in that students wishing to obtain their results will have to enter their student numbers before a response will appear on the computer screen.

The WWW results facility will, from 16 December, be accessible through the Rhodes University home page situated at

http://www.ru.ac.za. Any student, from an internet-connected computer anywhere in the world, will be able to call up his or her results, by 'clicking' on the "results" option and responding to the prompt which will ask for the student number.

In addition, the results will, as usual, be posted on notice boards outside the Arts Major Lecture theatre in Grahamstown, at the East London campus (50 Church Street) and at Rhodes'

# There's money in your spare mattress

Researchers from the Department of Economics and Economic History have presented some preliminary results from their ongoing survey into the economic impact of the National Arts Festival on Grahamstown.

These show clearly that the provision of accommodation to the influx of visitors to the Festival each year remains one of the best ways of making money during this annual event and also that it is under-exploited by residents.

Some 14,4% of overnight visitors surveyed gave the lack of accommodation in the town as the reason for not attending previously and it seems that Grahamstonians could be taking more advantage of this than is currently the case.

Many local residents and institutions are already making money out of the accommodation business. Over 50% of visitors rent accommodation through the university, local schools, bed and breakfasts, houses and flats, but there are a large number of visitors who do not pay for their accommodation — 29% of the survey sample cited their staying with friends as the reason for this.

The researchers found that the Festival seems to

have doubled since 1987, with roughly 25 000 visitors attending this year's event. According to their results, the total average expenditure of each is just more than R 1 000, giving a figure of almost R 26 million to the amount brought into the city.

They believe that much of this money comes from English-speaking females under the age of 35. The survey sample gauged 63% of visitors to be female, and 60% under 35. These figures seem to follow international trends for festival visitors with both the Edinburgh and Melbourne festivals attracting people within this age bracket.

The perceived threat to the Festival by competitive events such as the Oudtshoorn Festival was not significant, as the two cater to different markets, the survey shows. Grahamstown's Festival has a much higher percentage of English visitors than the Klein Karoo National Arts Festival and also attracts a higher percentage of foreign visitors — 11%.

The survey further indicates that there is potential for growth, through identifying 38% of the respondents as first-time visitors in 1996. A further 85% of those in the sample intend to repeat their visits and it is thus apparent that Grahamstown will have to gear itself to providing for even greater numbers of visitors in the future.

This could prompt a need for a traffic study which looks to providing more facilities for cars -75% of those attending the Festival drive their own vehicles - as well as the expansion of the accommodation market into Grahamstown East. At present, very few people stay in this part of the town, with 70% of those questioned putting security risks, poor quality of accommodation and the greater distances they would have to travel to Festival venues as the reasons behind this decision.

This research is the first phase of a project commissioned by the Grahamstown Foundation and undertaken by a research team of staff and students from the Departments of Economics and Economic History, and Journalism and Media Studies at Rhodes. It aims to increase public understanding of the impact of the Festival on Grahamstown and to help in future planning. Additional related research may be expected to continue during the next few years.

### Results on the 'Net

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new offices in Johannesburg.

Results will also be posted to all students at the addresses held in the Student records Office.

A further service offered to the students this year will allow them to obtain their results telephonically. The only telephone number which may be used for this purpose is (0461) 31 8212 and this will be answered from 08:30 to 12:45 and 14:00 to 16:30 on weekdays, from 16 December.

The Registrar of the University, Dr Stephen Fourie, has advised, however, that the only *official* notification is that which will be mailed to individual students by the University.

## Corporate identity manual released

Rhodes' new corporate identity manual has been released to staff with its guidelines on the usage of the new visual identity elements and their implications for stationery, signage and livery.

Copies have been sent to all Heads of Department, but should anyone who has not seer one wish to do so, he or she should contact Mary Burnett in the Marketing and Communications Division.

In a covering letter published with the document, the Vice-Chancellor, Dr David Woods, says that he supports the Corporate Identity programme and urges all staff to do the same.

"Rhodes University must convey an image of excellence", he writes. "A consistent visual identity reinforces our strong reputation and assists in attracting the best students and staff. It also assists in winning private and corporate support."

Main objectives Dr Woods described the Corporate Identity Programme as having two main objectives. "We need to develop a bold, easily identifiable and contemporary symbol that illustrates the ethos of the university and we should use th new graphic identity to present clear and consistent image of Rhodes to our varying audience

The publication has example of letterheads, personal stationery and publications. It is designed to accommodate further information, concerning signage and livery, for instance, as this is made available.

Constructive comments concerning the brochure are welcome and should be directed to Mary Burnett by e-mail to adbb@warthog.ru.ac.za (ext 8517) at Marketing and Communications.

# CBE students spin their Web

Specially invited guests, amongst them Mr Mike Ambler of IBM, Mr Peterson of the Trust Bank and Professor Philip van der Watt, Dean of Commerce, witnessed the celebration of work completed during 1996, by staff and students of the Computer Based Education Unit, at a cocktail party and multimedia display.

The venue was the teaching laboratory, decorated for the occasion by various graphics on each computer monitor and the multimedia work was displayed in the adjacent multimedia laboratory. The principal works on show were the Commerce Foundation Web Page Project and CBE Honours Practical applications. Staff projects on display included Mathematics of Finance revision exercises on Calnet, Theory of Music lessons and a Fish Identification Resource feasibility demo.

The Commerce Foundation Web Page Project itself was inspired by Brenda Mallinson's attendance at a pre-conference workshop during ED-MEDIA/ ED-TELECOM 96 in Boston, USA. The workshop on World Wide Web publishing for Educators: HTML authoring and bryond was presented by Roger Yin and Dan Norris of University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, USA.

The creation of a WWW home page for the Commerce Foundation Programme, which may be visited at http://



Prof Philip van der Watt and Mrs Estè Coetzee are shown the BComF Web page by Thando Yose, a member of the development team.

www.ru.ac.za/cbe/webteam.htm l, was thought to be an excellent extension and enhancement to the traditional computer literacy curriculum. The coordinator of the BComf Programme, Mrs Estê, was immediately enthusiastic about the idea and all the staff concerned with the programme provided information concerning their respective disciplines. The collaborative project initially involved eight selected students from the Commerce Foundation Programme, in the expectation that three or four would keep up with the tutorials and workshops. Great interest and commitment was displayed by

the students, resulting in a final group of ten!

Their only prior computing experience was a short, DOS-based Computer Studies course, but, after the members had participated in a series of HTML workshops with Brenda, and had completed a tutorial (remotely) at Case Western Reserve University (CWRU), USA, they acquired the necessary skills very quickly, and went about the task enthusiastically, with increasing understanding of the new concepts.

At this point Barry Burdis, a 2nd year Information Systems student joined in and facilitated the programming and development of the text and graphics into the final product.

The result of the project is an informative electronic document displayed on the World Wide Web. comprising several screens concerning the Commerce Foundation Web Programme and illustrated by photographs portraying work as well as leisure activities. It is hoped, through participation in this project, that the students have acquired a new understanding of information technology and its potential and that it will inspire them to be confident in making use of available technology in the future.

## **CBE Honours Practical Work**

This year, the Computer Based Education Honours Module option was reinstated in the Computer Science Honours curriculum. A total of 8 students completed the module which covered Computer Based Instruction Methodologies, Design Principles, Multimedia Application Development Systems, and the creation of an Interactive Multimedia Application. Practical work recently on display included *Mozart*, by Luis Casseneuva, *A Fugal study lesson*, by Adrian Smith, All about Africa, by Roy Hobson, *The Human*  Body, by Jackie Dunn, Wby Japan does not go to War, by Charles Boamah-Abu and Rock History, by Natalie de Bruyn. The applications were developed in Podium, a hypermedia programme developed for instructional purposes at the University of Delaware.

Senate recently resolved to make certain of its minutes available to a wider public, in the interests of Transparency and Democracy. Transparency versus opacity! Having seen what has been kept confidential all these years, one is left wondering at the wisdom of this decision. Perhaps all these goings on should have remained secret after all

### INCONSEQUENTIAL S/EC 96.09 **RHODES UNIVERSITY** EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 32 OCTOBER 1996 AT 17:00 IN THE CHAMBER

### 96.9.01 PRESENT

Professor Despaire (Chair), Professors Biercan, Passall and Schutem (Senate representatives), Dr Robertson (Examinations invigilator), 957809, 96P1234 (SRC representatives), Mr Parkinson (Law Faculty), Mr Peter Principle (Local Chamber of Commerce).

### 96.9.02 IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Cook (Examinations Officer), Ms Botilwashe (NEHAWU) 96.9.03 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence was granted to Professors Seine and Despaire.

## CLASS A UNRESTRICTED

### 96.9.04 LIOUOR DURING EXAMINATION WEEK

The Committee considered the recommendation from the meeting of the Orientation Week Committee on 4th October that had been referred to it by Senate, viz:

"It was also agreed that Dr Robertson, who in his capacity as invigilator of the supplementary examinations would be in contact with all those students who had returned for these examinations, would emphasise to them the consequences of getting another student drunk and warn them not to influence the new students to drink excessively."

Concern was expressed by Dr Robertson as to the accuracy and practicality of this recommendation. He pointed out that he was unaware that his post had been upgraded from that of Commissioner (where he was required to be in attendance only at the start and end of each session) to being Invigilator (where he would have to be in attendance throughout). The Chair confirmed that the original minute was correct; in view of his impressive publication record in the local press, the Staffing Committee had thought it fitting to recognise Dr Robertson in this way. Professor Schutem was of the opinion that official University policy on leading students astray should be incorporated into the Calendar and Mission Statement, and not left to dissemination at a time when students' comprehension was deemed to be badly impaired as a result of unfamiliarity with such policy. He asked whether the SRC could be asked to get students to sign the Pledge; it was pointed out that SRC elections were, however, normally secret.

Dr Robertson pointed out that he was not normally given to outbursts of oratory, and doubted whether he could find polysyllables suited to the majesty of the occasion. An extensive debate followed, in which the student representatives stressed inter alia and ad nauseam that in the interests of democracy, transparency, non-sexism and non-homophobia it would be necessary to make the announcement in all eleven official languages. The Committee were of the unanimous opinion that this would lengthen the pre-examination period well beyond the current twenty minutes. Mr Principle could not support this, as this would curtail the time the candidates might otherwise have spent in the local public houses. In the end the matter of the exact wording was delegated to a sub-committee consisting of

The Chancellor of Globania

The Ministers of Tourism, Health and Industry

5 Student representatives

4 Representatives of local hostelries

### TOILET FACILITIES 96.9.05

Concern was expressed that the toilet facilities during the Supplementary examination period were proving to be inadequate, and that it had become impossible to enforce the rule that only one student be absent from the hall at any one instant; a steady stream seemed to be the present norm. It was RECOMMENDED that the Estates Division be requested to investigate whether a set of purple-and-white "PortaLoos" could be installed on the Great Hall verandah for a trial period in 1997. If found suitable, these might become a permanent part of the decor, subject to the matter being referred to the Aesthetics Committee for final approval and recommendation to Senate.

#### 96.9.06 FIRST AID

Mr Cook expressed concern that funding for the Sanatorium had now been cut back to the pont where supplies of sal volatile and aspirins in examination venues had reached a dangerously low level, while supplies of Guronsan-C® had apparently dried up altogether. It was RECOMMENDED that the Registrar (Finance) be approached to make an ad hoc grant, and that Mr Cook be encouraged to seek external sources of funding for 1998.

### 96.9.07 AEGROTAT EXAMINATIONS

The Committee NOTED that an abnormally high number of requests for aegrotat examinations had been received recently from Microbiology students who claimed that their practical work in brewing had caused their vision and concentration to be impaired. It was pointed out that such practicals formed an integral part of the course. Concern was expressed that such practicals might be in conflict with Rule 7 of the Student Disciplinary Code, which states that "Liquor may not be taken into or consumed on any part of the University property without the permission of the Principal". Professor Biercan assured the Committee that he was careful always to invite the Vice Chancellor to the last practical of each course.

#### 96.9.08 REFRESHMENTS

Professor Passall raised the issue of refreshments provided to invigilators. While having serious misgivings himself of the need for examinations to be invigilated, or even held at all, he felt that the present cups of tea and dry sandwiches did not provide the correct incentive for invigilators to attend. He suggested that something stronger might be welcome. Mr Cook drew attention to the fact that at Cambridge, where he had once been an undergraduate, it was rumoured to be the case that students in statu pupillari were entitled to a tankard of ale half way through a session. He supported Professor Passall's proposal, and suggested that staff-student relations could be enhanced beyond measure if the entire session were to enjoy this privilege together. 69P1234, however, noted that it was not stakeholder policy to support anything that might be construed as showing solidarity with prolonging the image of Rhodes University as "Oxbridge in the Veld". The matter was referred to the Senate/Student Liaison Committee.

#### 96.9.09 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned to Settler's Inn at 17:30.

# Contributions to publications sought

The Cbronicle of Higher Education is looking for story ideas for a fortnightly feature on academic

projects outside the USA. They are looking for human interest stories, somewhat offbeat or pieces that simply have "sparkle", from foreign academics and their projects.

## Free advice to students

Praxis Network intends publishing a journal aimed at final year students, which will be circulated free. It aims to advise, educate and guide students in the fundamentals of business ethics and practice.

They are keen to hear from anyon who has articles or comments which could be of use to the publication. If anyone has any ideas which m

the bill, please contact Mary Burnet ext 8517 or e-mail her at adbb@warthog.ru.ac.za

# Interesting presentations of high standard



Some 28 Psychology Honours students recently took part in the annual Honours Colloquium presentation.

Head of Department Prof Chris Stones said that the work was of a high standard. When it was all over, the students gathered outside the Department for this team photograph and then adjourned for some wellearned refreshments.

Amongst the presentations were those dealing with abortion, affirmative action and its perceived psychological effects, the meaning and experience of work, student usage of marijuana and the juvenile detention experience, among several others.

# Rhodes could be the Energy-base for Neuroscience

Rhodes is the base from which to "energise neuroscience throughout Africa", according to Prof Costa, Chairman of the United States National Committee for the International Brain Research Organisation (IBRO).

Speaking at the Federation of Asian Oceanic Neurosciences Conference in Thailand in October, Prof Costa was speaking from experience, as he had attended a neuroscience conference at Rhodes earlier this year.

Most delegates attending the Thailand conference were from developing countries —90% of them from Asia and enjoy a great deal of support from countries such as Japan and Australia. Africa on the other hand, finds itself geographically isolated from these countries and, although the continent has a sizeable population of neuroscientists, a lack of facilities and close interaction are inhibiting progress in the field.

Unlike the United States which devotes US\$410 billion per year to the research and treatment of these disorders, there is very little support for neuroscience in our country, despite the large number of people who suffer from neurological disorders, and this has caused several neuroscience units to close down.

In the interests of building neuroscience on the African continent, Rhodes' Professor Santy Daya has been asked to compile a register of neuroscience facilities throughout Africa. This research will be funded by the IBRO.

Prof Daya attended the conference in Thailand with his colleague Prof Chris Whitely and each presented papers typical of the type of research conducted at Rhodes which explores the discipline at a basic neural level. Their research differs from that undertaken at other neuroscience centres in South Africa which tends to focus more on psychiatry.

Prof Daya is a member of the organising committee charged with arranging the second regional IBRO conference, to be held in Cape Town in April next year.

## Rhodes graduates for Scholarship selections

The late Rex Welsh, for many years the much respected General Secretary to the Rhodes Scholarships in South Africa, was concluding his briefing to a scholarship selection committee: " — in other words", he said, in his legal drawl, "we are to look for a perfect blend of Ghengis Khan and Mother Teresa".

At the 1996 selection meeting of the Free State, Eastern Cape and Lesotho committee of the Rhodes Scholarships in Southern Africa, three candidates were sent forward to the Southern Africa-at-large selections which take place in Cape Town early in December. Two are Rhodes Graduates. Tanya Accone, a Rhodes journalism graduate and Fulbright scholar, is currently working for the Washington Post and wants to read Politics, Philosophy and Economics at Oxford. Jeremy Ashton, Springbok rower and former Rhodes Sportsman of the Year (1994) is completing an Honours degree in English at Rhodes this year. We wish both of them good luck in the next round.

Recorrespondence on matters of concern to the University community which will indicate the wide spectrum of views held and will promote further discussion.

A pseudonym is acceptable, but the writer must supply his or her full name and residential address to the editor, who will respect confidentiality.

# New postgraduate accommodation under discussion

n exciting new concept which could significantly upgrade and extend the post-graduate accommodation offered by Rhodes to its students is currently in the conceptual stage.

The Vice-Principal, Dr Michael Smout, addressed a meeting recently, which was attended by Hall Wardens, some postgraduate students and other interested parties, and shared with them some of the thinking and ideas behind the concept. It is at an early stage, he stressed, and he is seeking feedback.

Dr Smout said that there had been indications that Rhodes could be less attractive to postgraduates because our current standards of accommodation were being overtaken by competitive institutions. "There have been many suggestions of better postgrad accommodation and we have noted this pressure", he said. "It seems that some form of self catering residential unit would make sense and prove attractive to future students."

The concept currently under discussion allows for clusters of eight "flatlets" to be built around common areas such as a kitchen and common room area. Each would have its own shower and toilet facilities, working and sleeping areas and some might even be able to accommodate couples. Dr Smout mentioned that there is a measurable demand for accommodation from married students and it is not impossible, he said, that young staff members may also find the concept of merit. The 8-person units could be built in blocks housing 24 people, he said

Each resident would also have a small balcony.

Dr Smout explained that the financial constraints were strict, with building costs running at more than R 2 000/m<sup>2</sup> these days, and had had great influence in the decision to consider the figure of eight people per cluster of rooms.

The site being evaluated for such a development is ideal, Dr Smout said. Bordered by African, Croft and South Streets, it is close to the campus and all sports facilities and it is an easy walk from High Street.

Financially, an avenue being explored by the University is that of "selling" usage to individuals, families or even companies as well as to academic departments at Rhodes. The Vice-Principal said that he is aware that many parents invest in houses in Grahamstown for the period of their children's studies at Rhodes and then sell. Such investment could be directed at PG accommodation, he feels, to beneficial effect and, probably, good financial return.

Comments from the audience were favourable, in

the main, although the students present felt that eight people were too many. Dr Smout noted this but mentioned that he had seen similar residential facilities catering for up to two dozen students while overseas recently.

"The ideal situation is not always the affordable option", he said. "Clearly we must consult widely and seek opinions from a range of people."

He said that there was an element of risk which needed careful evaluation before any embarkation on such a project would be contemplated. "Obviously the University will not proceed with this idea until we are pretty sure that we have ended up with aconcept which is both workable and acceptable and which will find favour with potential users, residents and investors" he assured his listeners.

## Avoiding the national road

recent demonstration, attended by the Vice-Chancellor, Vice-Principal and other interested people showed how the people at the University's two campuses may soon be able to hold meetings without travelling the highway between Grahamstown and East London.

Granamstown and East London.

Prof Peter Clayton demonstrated the video-conferencing pilot project to an audience in the Arts Major lecture theatre, with the assistance of senior students.

Initially the Grahamstown end of the system, when its teething problems have been addressed, will operate from a room in the Administration block, to which users will have to go. Ultimately, however, it will be able to be used from individuals' own offices and desks, should they be equipped with the necessary cameras and software.

The system could save a great deal of time and money in the long run. Voice transmissions, graphics and text may all be utilised and it is possible, although the disk space requirements are currently extensive, to capture the "minutes" of such encounters for later follow-up and archiving.

Prof Clayton believes that initial applications will include executive meetings and small classes. The quality of the picture, while very good when viewed on a PC's monitor, is inadequate when projected onto a big surface through a video projector, this would be needed for larger audiences.

## Not Without Honour . . .

drienne Whisson has been appointed to the Board of the State President's Fund, whose purpose is to render appropriate assistance to the victims of terrorism.

This is addition to her reappointment as a temporary, part-time junior lecturer in the Social Work Department for 1997 and her appointment as Pensioner's Friend by the provincial government. This is as an adjunct to her work with GADRA — dealing with dozens of technical queries which are often a matter of life or death for the would-be beneficiaries.

No stranger to this type of activity, Mrs Whisson was, with the institution of the Eastern Cape Provincial government, invited to sit on the Strategic Planning Committee for Health and Welfare where she gave advice to the selection committees involved in re-structuring that department.

Her position in the Social Work Department will allow the Social Work I students to continue to receive their practical insights into the real world.

## GADRA project to close

he Grahamstown Area Distress Relief Association's (GADRA) Primary English Project has regretfully been obliged to close its doors, says GADRA Chairman Mrs Thelma Henderson.

"After 30 months, declining interest on the part of the community has forced this move upon us", Mrs Henderson said.

She said that the children who had attended were finding that they had little additional time with their schools now increasing the level of afternoon activities in which they participated. She also felt that many parents had misinterpreted the Project as being a means of access to Model C schools, which was never the intention.

She paid tribute to the "wonderfully dedicated teachers" who had worked with the hundreds of children "who enjoyed their classes and benefitted from them."

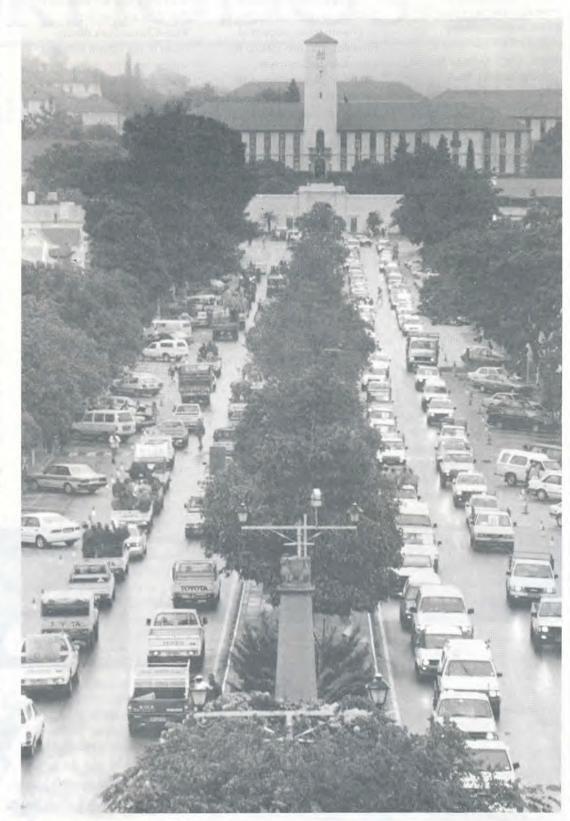
Mrs Henderson said that the work of the project had been fully monitored and, should the need arise again, it could be resurrected at short notice. The equipment initially purchased for the Project is to be sold and the proceeds will accrue to the main GADRA Education account.

## Chain letters

There have been several recent complaints concerning the use of Rhodes' internal mailing service for the distribution of chain letters.

This is not permitted under any circumstances and the Registrar has advised that, should the University be able to identify any of the culprits, action will be taken against them.

# Farmers and supporters came to protest against crime



I undreds of farmers, their families and friends were joined by many supporters including several from the Rhodes community, when they held their protest in Grahamstown recently.

This photograph was taken from the Cathedral and shows the procession of vehicles on its way to the Supreme Court where a petition protesting against the current lawlessnes was handed over.

# Smalls

### ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE

From mid-Dec to 1 Jan 1997. Room in simplex (very central). To share with 2 others. Only room to furnish (exl. cupboards). Rent R 400/month. Preferably working person or postgraduate/mature student (22yrs plus). Contact Nicky at ext 8390(w), 2 5269(h) or nicky@croc.ru.ac.za. Please contact me before 12th December. Thanks!

### ACCOMMODATION OFFERED

Refurbished bachelor flats available in African Lodge, African Street. Close to campus with good security. R 550,00 per month, excluding water and lights. Contact Andrè Botha (Physics Department) or phone 2 6044 (h) or ext 8455 (w).

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## OLD MUSEUM JARS

Once again the JLB Smith Institute is offering a selection of ground-glass stoppered museum jars (pre-1940s) for sale. Apothecary-style, mould-blown jars range in volume from 1,5 to 5,0 litres and are priced from R 35,00 to R 70,00 (cheap). Excellent gift for the impossible-toshop-for. See or call Dr Eric Anderson at 31 1002, 09:00 to 17:00 daily.

### BED and BREAKFAST ACCCMMODATION

Self-contained flatlet — twin beds, bathroom-en-suite, kitchenette, B+B or selfcatering, braai and pool facility, private entrance. R 55,00 per person per night. Apply: Sheryl-Anne Drennan Tel: ext 8298/9 (mornings) or 2 7189 (a.h.).

### FOR SALE

Ford Bantam bakkie, 1600 Leisure with canopy. 1989 model: 70 000 km. R 20 000. Contact: Peter Phillipson, bopp@rhobot.ru.ac.za or ext 8598 (office) 2 5351 (home)

## AFTER-WORK DRINKS

Staff members are reminded that the cash bar in the Vice-Chancellor's dining room in the Union building will be open for drinks after work, for the last time this year, from 17:00 this evening. Dr and Mrs Woods remind all staff, and their spouses and partners, that they are welcome to drop in on their way home to socialise and chat informally with one another.

### FOR SALE

Girls 26 inch, 10-speed bicycle. Like new, hardly used. R 400. Contact Dr J Wells, on ext 8332 or 8330, or 2 4413. e-mail: hijw@kudu.ru.ac.za.

### ACCOMMODATION AVAILABLE

Detached garden room with own cooking and shower, R 350/month includes water and electricity. Contact Dr J Wells, on ext 8332 or 8330, or 2 4413. e-mail: hijw@kudu. ru.ac.za.

# Situation vacant

pplications are invited from suitably qualified candidates, irrespective of race, gender or creed, for the post of Senior Accounts Clerk in the Finance Division from 1 January 1997 or as soon as possible thereafter.

The successful candidate, who should have organisational and administrative skills, will be responsible for the operation and management of a computerised meal booking system for the residences. The incumbent will further be required to perform various clerical functions relating to the residence system and to assist with the student fees office. Computer literacy is essential.

Application forms, salary and further particulars may be obtained from Miss X K Wakashe in the Personnel Division (ext 8115) to whom completed applications should be returned by 5 December 1996.

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