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You make UJ GREAT!

It has been a cold but exciting winter. Each season brings its own prospects, challenges and great achievements. As the year progresses, we learn new things and we have the opportunity - every day of the week – to twig and sift through our duties in order to become better in what we do.

At UJ this winter, we have seen great developments among academic and support staff. Each and every UJ staff member performs their role – diligently I believe – to keep the University moving in one direction and a position that elevates us together to an international locale on which we can all take pride in saying: “That is my University!”

This winter edition sees so much come alive at UJ: Prominent graduations, the life-changing research conducted by our academics, staff connecting on a human level at the annual Staff Day and International Mandela Day, and the award-winning sport stories. We can surely say: “That is my University!” because it is about YOU the staff member at UJ (U@UJ).

On behalf of all UJ staff, the team at Strategic Communication, Advancement, thanks the great leadership of the University for inspiring us to do great. A big thank you to our hardworking contributors from the University’s esteemed departments and most importantly the readers of this publication.

It has been a great year thus far. Let us wrap what is left of 2014 with more energy, great results and that unique UJ par excellence – the world is watching! From the UJ Garden Services to the International visits and collaborations, we move this University forward.

You make UJ GREAT because you do a stunning job. Enjoy the U@UJ winter edition.

Colleen



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UJ staff members play sitting volleyball during Staff Day
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Excellence

UJ extends its teaching and learning facilities for global excellence

Work is underway at UJ while some building and refurbishment projects are completed.



During the past six years, the University has been extending and continues to improve its infrastructure to enhance the quality of teaching and learning facilities in support of its goal to achieve global excellence and stature. Some of the major building projects which the University has undertaken included the following:

UPGRADING OF THE DOORNFONTEIN CAMPUS (DFC) AND THE ADJACENT PERSKOR BUILDING

In November 2010, UJ asked the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) to approve the acquisition and refurbishment of the Perskor Building which is directly adjacent to the Doornfontein Campus. The Minister approved this request and the University started with this project by appointing consultants to draft a master plan for the extended Campus to inform the future long term vision and design of the Campus as a “world class” facility. The Campus Master Plan provided for:

- ▣ The refurbishment and reconfiguring of the Perskor building;
- ▣ The reconfiguration and optimisation of current faculty facilities within the John Orr Building, as well as the Library;
- ▣ The reconfiguration and refurbishment of the Kodak Building, Synagogue, Clinic and Administration Building;
- ▣ External works including new roadways, landscaping, parking, a sky bridge, new public spaces including a new arrival space and new gatehouses;
- ▣ The consolidation of the Faculty of Health Sciences on the Campus and the upgrading of the facilities for the Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment.

The project started in October 2012 and has for all practical purposes been completed successfully.

CONSTRUCTION OF A SECOND STUDENT RESIDENCE AT THE SOWETO CAMPUS (SWC)

In June 2010, the University upgraded and extended the building facilities on the Soweto Campus with a joint Department of Higher

Education and Training (DHET)-University investment of about R436m. This upgrading of the Campus included sports facilities and the construction of the Hector Pietersen student residence on the Campus with 313 beds, the latter completed by the end of 2010. This provided some student accommodation on Campus but by far not enough to meet the demand. The University again applied for state funding to build another student residence which was approved by the Minister of Higher Education in October 2012. This second student residence is currently under construction on the Soweto Campus adjacent to the Hector Pietersen Residence and will be similar in design. It will contain 288 single student units, is three storeys high and will share the main community hall in the Hector Pietersen residence. This residence is expected to be completed by June 2015.

CONSTRUCTION OF CLASSROOMS FOR THE FUNDA UJABULE SCHOOL AND LECTURE VENUES ON THE SOWETO CAMPUS

In 2010, the Faculty of Education, which is based on the Soweto Campus, established the UJ Institute for Childhood Education with the Funda UJabule School at its core. This was done in terms of a collaborative project between UJ and the Gauteng Education Department. The Institute promotes and coordinates research and practice in childhood learning and development. At about the same time, the Faculty also started with a Foundation Phase teacher education programme and the Funda UJabule School serves as a teaching school for the Foundation Phase Education degree programme in the Faculty. The students in this programme all do either Sotho or Zulu as language. Thus, the Foundation Phase programme explicitly addresses the need for African-language Foundation Phase Teachers. Students regularly observe practice in the school and they also participate in micro-lesson activities →



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New on-campus residence at Soweto Campus

Classrooms for the Funda UJabule School and lecture venue at the Soweto Campus

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at the School. The School also serves as a teaching facility for the Intermediate Phase Education degree programme which was introduced in 2013. Additional classrooms for the School have just been completed. Additional lecture venues for all students on the Campus are also in the process of construction and this project is expected to be completed by the end of the year (2014).

CONSTRUCTION OF TWO 750-SEATER AUDITORIUMS ON THE AUCKLAND PARK KINGSWAY CAMPUS (APK)

The two new auditoriums currently under construction intend to provide the University with highly valuable large teaching venues, as a response to the growing demand for large lecturing venues. The facility completes one of the last important pieces in the configuration of 'ring' buildings on the

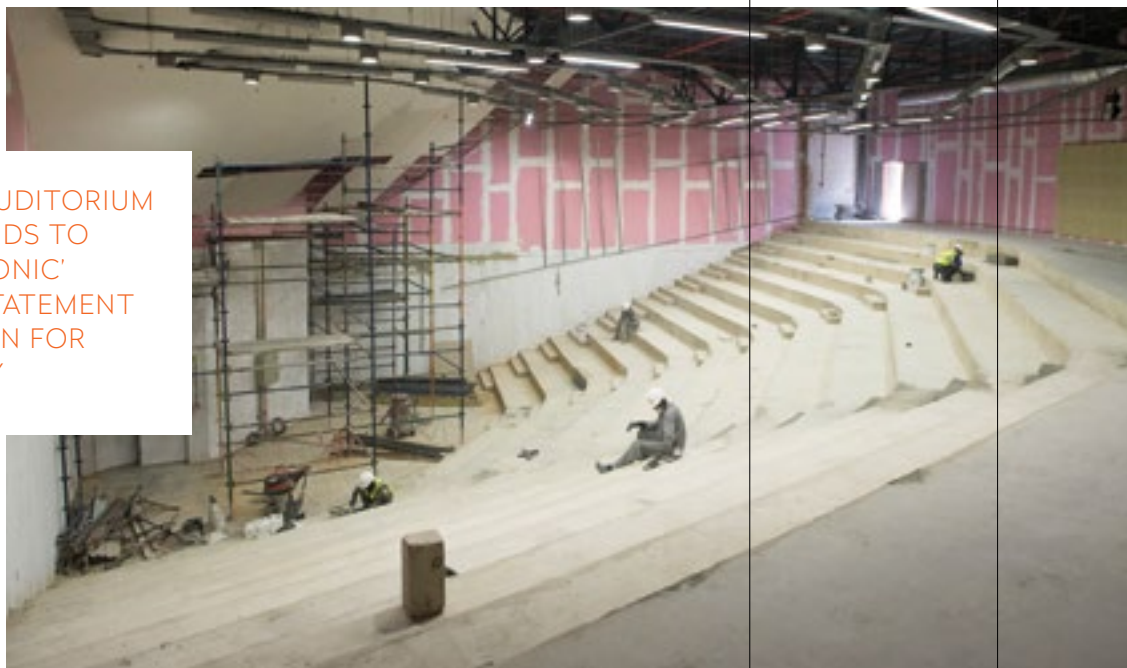
Campus and offers the opportunity to create a new signature building for the University. The two new 750-seat auditorium style venues sit together in the landscape under a flying roof either side of a public courtyard, and provide new connectivity into the adjacent A-Ring building. Ablution facilities will be designed to concurrently service the new building, supplement the existing A-Ring circulation routes and will be accessible from external study areas on the popular Wi-Fi lawn. Energy efficiency will be an important feature in the design of the facility. Above all, the new building intends to provide an 'iconic' symbol and statement of progression for the University, and will enhance the ability of the University to deliver on quality teaching thus contributing to excellence in higher education. This project is expected to be completed by October 2014. ❖



BELOW

New lecture Hall on Kingsway Campus
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER

THE NEW APK AUDITORIUM BUILDING INTENDS TO PROVIDE AN 'ICONIC' SYMBOL AND STATEMENT OF PROGRESSION FOR THE UNIVERSITY



UJ legal expert elected as Secretary-General of the IAC



RIGHT
Prof David Bilchitz
PHOTO: YANDISA MONAKALI

DAVID BILCHITZ, A Professor and Director at the South African Institute for Advanced Constitutional, Public, Human Rights and International Law (SAIFAC) – a leading South African research centre within the Faculty of Law at UJ – has been elected to the position of Secretary-General of the International Association of Constitutional Law (IACL).

The overriding objective of IACL, which has a longstanding relationship with SAIFAC, is to provide a forum where constitutionalists from all parts of the world can network and understand each other's systems, explain and reflect on their own, and engage in fruitful comparison, for a variety of purposes.

The Secretary-General, one of the most important positions in the Association, and an internationally respected academic in the field of constitutional law, is responsible for ensuring the efficient organisation and running of the Association i.e. efficient administration of its activities.

Prof Bilchitz has previously been the African Regional Co-ordinator of the IACL project on Socio-Economic rights, and has to this end organised and functioned as a constitutional expert in two workshops held for legal profession in Kenya on socio-economic rights provisions in the new Constitution in light of comparative

constitutional law. He also supervised a joint project and research with the Socio-Economic Rights Institute on possible litigation relating to the right to food.

Prof Bilchitz holds a BA (Hons) LLB cum laude from Wits University. In 2001, he graduated with an MPhil in Philosophy from St John's College, University of Cambridge and with a PhD in law (and political philosophy) from the same university in 2004.

He worked as law clerk to Chief Justice Puis Langa of the Constitutional Court in 2000 (who was then Deputy Judge-President). From August 2004 until 2006, he worked at Ross Kriel Attorneys, a law firm dealing with public sector law. He was also a Senior Research Associate at the University of Pretoria, where he lectured on the LLM programme and worked in the PhD programme, and a Visiting Senior Research Fellow at the University of the Witwatersrand, where he lectured jurisprudence for five years.

Prof Bilchitz is widely published in a range of fields relating to fundamental rights including proportionality and fundamental rights, socio-economic rights, business and human rights, gay and lesbian rights, religious rights and animal rights. He has also presented at numerous conferences both in South Africa and internationally.



African Institute for Advanced Constitutional
Public, Human Rights & International Law



PROF BILCHITZ WAS ONE OF THE KEY DRIVERS IN THE CAMPAIGN FOR CIVIL MARRIAGE FOR SAME-SEX COUPLES IN SA



As a committed activist working towards social reform with his involvement in feminist, gay rights, poverty and animal rights issues, Prof Bilchitz was one of the key drivers in the campaign for civil marriage for same-sex couples in South Africa and acted as legal adviser to the Joint Working Group, a coalition of 17 lesbian and gay organisations, in 2006. He also campaigned for shelters for the homeless, taught literacy and numeracy skills to street children, and was involved in a campaign to prevent the culling of elephants. ❖



UJ research study on the mentally ill, homeless link

ooo The number of homeless people in the City of Johannesburg is increasing, which has left policy makers, healthcare providers, social workers and charity organisations investigating the factors behind the increase.

UJ'S CENTRE FOR Social Development in Africa (CSDA) released its research findings on a study conducted on homelessness and mental health in Hillbrow, South Africa, as well as the research findings on poverty and disability in South Africa on 11 June 2014.

Says Prof Leila Patel, the Director of the CSDA and former Director General of the Department of Social Development (UJ): "Among the homeless are those with a mental illness. Very little is known about the reasons for mentally ill people becoming homeless, their life on the streets and their survival strategies."

She added that the research focused on six homeless people, six homeless people with mental illness and six service providers who work with homeless people.

The research findings are addressing aspects such as policies contributing to homelessness in South Africa, reasons for individuals becoming homeless, life on the streets including

health and exposure to violence and strategies for survival. Furthermore, the research explored the services provided to homeless people with a mental illness, user perceptions of service delivery and service providers and the challenges experienced by service providers.

SOME KEY FINDINGS OF THE HOMELESSNESS AND MENTAL HEALTH IN HILLBROW, SOUTH AFRICA:

Reasons for homelessness - Family breakdown was the most frequent reason for homelessness in the case of both the homeless and homeless mentally ill groups. Other reasons included substance abuse, poverty, seeking employment or adventure, mental illness, peer pressure and the desire to evade apprehension by the police for criminal activities in which they had been involved.

Conclusion – Results reflect the failure of housing, welfare, education and health care policies and need to be viewed against the backdrop of poverty, unemployment and violence in South Africa. In order to improve the



HOMELESS MENTALLY ILL PERSONS APPEARED TO BE MORE VULNERABLE AND MORE DEPENDENT ON OTHER HOMELESS PERSONS FOR THEIR PROTECTION AND SURVIVAL



quality of life of homeless persons and homeless people with mental illness, it is imperative that the Department of Social Development revisit its funding model for outreach services and provide further subsidised residential facilities for homeless persons; and that all stakeholders work together to address the causes and manifestations of homelessness through prevention, education and treatment.

Health and exposure to violence – Their health was compromised and they had all experienced violent assaults.

Relations between homeless and homeless mentally ill persons – Findings suggested that both the homeless and homeless mentally ill groups related well to one another and shared a common sense of identity. However, the homeless mentally ill persons appeared to be more vulnerable and more dependent on other homeless persons for their protection and survival.

Survival strategies – Despite adverse living conditions, they revealed a sense of urgency and resilience

by developing different survival strategies. Ways of coping included engaging in activities such as washing, parking and guarding cars; use of alcohol and drugs to de-stress; deriving support from relationships with partners; compliance with treatment and medication; and reliance on spiritual beliefs. ❖



ABOVE
Homeless and mentally ill subjects of the study in Hillbrow
PHOTO: COLLEN MAEPA



Making history: UJ book that illustrates the story of the University

UJ has achieved a great deal in the near-decade of its existence. A new coffee table book, *UJ Perspectives*, highlights the University's story of self-belief and UJ's phenomenal rise to the top 4% of universities globally.

LAUNCHED BY PROF Ihron Rensburg, Vice-Chancellor and Principal, UJ, and Prof Roy Marcus, Chair of UJ Council at the UJ Alumni and Convocation Day on, 29 May 2014, *UJ Perspectives* illustrates to its stakeholders UJ's commitment to higher education fueled by constant innovation. The first two signed copies were given to Adv. Thuli Madonsela and well-known South

African broadcast personality Leanne Manas, who engaged UJ Alumni during the first of UJ's new series of Exceptional Talks by Extraordinary People.

In the book's foreword, Prof Njabulo Ndebele, Chancellor of UJ, stated that the University has forged itself an identity unique among South African and international universities.

Prof Ndebele cited: "In its development as a successful post-apartheid institution, UJ has created, and held open a space for individuals of many diverse cultures and languages to grow into a single well-integrated, multi-campus university community.

"The cultivation of this new kind of South African society is an organic process. While rules or regulations can contribute significantly to its creation, they are by no means decisive. Wise leadership never decrees that it will be achieved, but rather creates the complex, sensitive conditions that stimulates and nurture it. It is unity not just proclaimed but deeply experienced. From great diversity has become a great university. UJ's powerful Vision states unequivocally that it will be an international university of choice anchored in Africa, dynamically shaping the future.

"The decades ahead hold enormous promise for UJ. It could not be otherwise for the University named after the city that attracts to it the entire continent, and much of the world." ❖



ABOVE (FROM LEFT)

Prof Ihron Rensburg, Leanne Manas, Adv. Thuli Madonsela, Prof Roy Marcus

PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



UJ brand, once again, one of the coolest in SA!

UJ has, once again, taken a strong lead as one of the coolest university brands in the Sunday Times Generation Next youth brand-preference survey, the largest preferred brand survey conducted in South Africa.

THE SUNDAY TIMES Generation Next 2014 youth brand-preference survey has given UJ the thumbs-up, placing it firmly in the limelight. UJ was rated second coolest university in South Africa. This is the fifth consecutive year that UJ was voted as one of the country's coolest higher education brands, after the University of Cape Town.

UJ, with its previous, sometimes tongue-in-cheek advertising

campaigns promoted the University's status as a leader in tertiary education.

In its tenth year, the Sunday Times Generation Next Survey polled almost 6 000 young urban South Africans between the ages of 8 and 23.

The results of the survey give definitive and, at times, surprising insight into how young South Africans perceive and respond to consumer and corporate brands.

The breakdown in Generation Next Universities and Colleges category results is as follows:

1. University of Cape Town
2. University of Johannesburg
3. University of the Witwatersrand
4. University of South Africa
5. Rhodes University
6. University of Stellenbosch
7. University of Pretoria
8. Durban University of Technology
9. Boston College
10. University of Kwa-Zulu Natal

"The University is being recognised for everything universities stand for: academic excellence, cultural diversity, global credibility, stature, and freedom. In essence the UJ brand illustrates the holistic educational experience afforded by UJ and it seems that the kids, teens and young adults agree," says Ms Lesmarie Bentley-Steyn, Senior Manager: Marketing and Brand Management, UJ.

The University's new brand positioning – Art of Accomplishment, was launched earlier this year. The new marketing drive is set to once again up the ante and promote the University's status as a leader in tertiary education, building its reputation through storytelling and a more distinguished look and feel for excellence globally.

Ms Bentley-Steyn concludes:

"The youth has become experts in dissecting brands and determining where they fit and what they stand for. With the kind of tools available to them in the form of the Internet, and global search and social networks through which they connect and communicate, every aspect of a brand – including that of UJ - can be, and often is, taken apart and analysed." ❖



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 A large, stylized blue and white graphic of the word 'Art' in a cursive font, set against a background of a grey concrete wall with a single hole. Below the word 'Art' is the word 'ACCOMPLISHMENT' in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

OF
ACCOMPLISHMENT

UJ wins Best International Print Advert at 4th QS-MAPLE Creative Awards

UJ WAS AWARDED Gold for the Best International Print Advertisement, in recognition of the University's new Art of Accomplishment campaign, at the recent 4th QS-MAPLE Creative Awards which were recently held in the United Arab Emirates.

The competition recognises the importance of creative and compelling designs in effective marketing, communication and brand building.

While UJ received the top prize, the Silver was awarded to The University

of Newcastle (Australia) with Bronze going to Nanyang Technological University – Corporate (Singapore). Other categories included Most Creative Corporate Institution Video, Best International Student Recruitment Brochure and Best International Website Page.

Mr Tshidiso Konese, Senior Manager: International Student Recruitment, Admissions and Welfare at the UJ, accepted the award during the 4th QS-Maple Creative Awards. ❖



ABOVE
The winning Art of Accomplishment advert
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UJ and KPMG team up with IntelliLAB to launch anti-corruption hotline

UJ's finance department has recently teamed up with auditing powerhouse KPMG to implement ethical and anti-corruption practice in the workplace.

THE UNIVERSITY SAW it fit to launch the campaign parallel to their annual Staff Day in May 2014 at one of the University's sports grounds. To add a creative twist to the campaign, UJ turned to creative house, IntelliLAB, to come up with something extraordinary.

KPMG and UJ's finance department have created a hotline where people can turn to anonymously if they suspect any fowl play in the workplace. The question, however, was "How do we get staff to be interested in this?"

IntelliLAB, which comprises of a variation of creative minds from television directors to graphic designers, to communication and marketing experts, came up with an angle to make ethical practice in the workplace an appealing topic to the masses.

To draw the crowds nearer, IntelliLAB set up a red carpet area where people were required to take a selfie and upload it to any social media platform of their choice, using the hashtag #EthicsSelfie and in turn, stand a chance to win one of two iPads. That's not all though - while people were queuing up to take their selfies, various banners were present, communicating all the details about the Ethics Hotline as well as a video entitled 'Mr. Clean'. The video shows a man who has engaged in a variety of unethical practices ranging from embezzlement of tuition fees to unethical spending of overseas travel allowances. The hotline number was also displayed in the background of the

selfie-taking section. This way, people have the number even if they did not save it on their cellular phones.

"Participation in a message is important in changing behaviour and communicating effectively", says Lynette Oelschig, strategist at IntelliLAB.

Producer, DuPreez Strauss explains more on the production behind the scenes on the day: "We wanted to create a fun and engaging environment in which every staff member of UJ could become a star in the campaign. Adding a touch of glamour to the day's proceedings was what we wanted to achieve, and I think all our elements came together beautifully: From the plush red carpet to the beautifully designed interior of the tent and our slick and informative video that looped inside the tent all day. Everyone certainly remembered their visit to the Ethics Stall."

Feedback from KPMG with regard to the usage of the ethics line was received with reports that there has already been response with people using the line. Furthermore, the general sentiment from the staff at the staff day was positive and they are very pleased to have a tool to report unethical behaviour at UJ anonymously. ❖

0800 204 975



A HOTLINE HAS BEEN CREATED WHERE PEOPLE CAN TURN TO ANONYMOUSLY IF THEY SUSPECT ANY FOWL PLAY





UJ Council announces new terms of office for management

Following UJ's Council meeting on 12 June 2014, the UJ Council resolved to extend and offer terms of office for management.

THE CURRENT TERMS of office of the Vice-Chancellor and Principal, Prof Ihron Rensburg, and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (DVC): Academic, Prof Angina Parekh, expire on 31 March 2016 and 31 August 2016, respectively. Having followed the processes prescribed in the Statute of the University and the applicable Council policies, Council resolved to offer Prof Rensburg and Prof Parekh further and final terms of offices.

The University is pleased to announce that Prof Rensburg will hold the office of Vice-Chancellor until 31 January 2020. Prof Parekh will hold the office of Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Academic until 31 August 2021.

In addition, the University is pleased to announce that Chairperson of Council, Prof Roy Marcus, was elected as Chairperson of Council for a period of five years, starting from 1 July 2014.

Similarly, the University's Council also elected Mr Mike Teke as Vice-Chairperson of Council for a period of five years, commencing on 1 August 2014.

Prof Marcus was serving as Chairperson of Council whilst Mr Teke is still



serving as Chairperson of Council's Human Resources Committee.

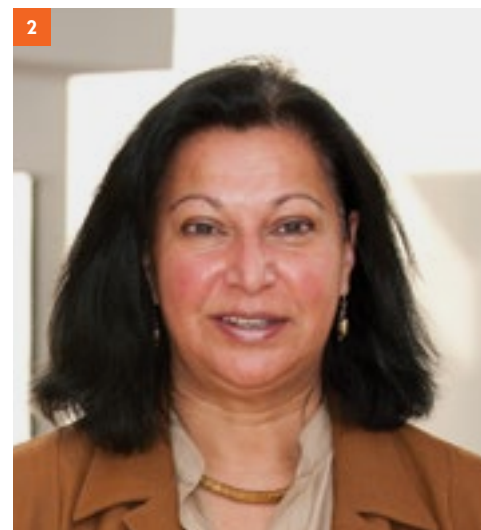
CONVOCATION

Ms Trix Coetzer's term of office as Convocation representative on Council as well as her term of office as President of the Convocation expires on 30 June 2014. During the UJ Convocation, held on 29 May 2014, Ms Totsie Memela-Khambule was elected as Convocation representative on Council. Her five-year term started on 1 July 2014.

Mr Mbali Mkhonto was elected as President of the Convocation. His three-year term of office also started on 1 July 2014. The University welcomes Ms Memela-Khambule, currently serving as CEO of Eduloan, and Mr Mkhonto, a young entrepreneur, respectively as the new Convocation representative on Council and the new President of the UJ Convocation.

NEW APPOINTMENT TO THE MEC

Ms Tumi Mketi has been appointed into the Chief of Staff and Executive Director position in the Vice-Chancellor's Office on a five year contract, commencing on 1 September 2014. Ms Mketi is currently a Deputy Director General in the Presidency, responsible for Institutional Performance



Monitoring and Evaluation. Her current portfolio entails the assessment of operational efficiency and effectiveness within national and provincial departments using the Management Performance Assessment tool (MPAT), the monitoring of service delivery at different government facilities, and the overall Monitoring and Evaluation Capacity Development in the Public Service.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEW SRC

The SRC elections, which were postponed from 2013, are completed. The UJ Council has approved the elections and endorsed the results. The term of the SRC will expire on 31 December 2014.

UJ is particularly pleased to welcome the first female SRC President, Ms Nikkie Mboweni. Ms Mboweni is a final year student, completing a National Diploma in Human Resource Management. ❖



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Prof Ihron Rensburg,
Vice-Chancellor and Principal
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2
Prof Angina Parekh, Deputy
Vice-Chancellor: Academic
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3
Prof Roy Marcus,
Chairperson: Council
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4
Ms Nikkie Mboweni,
President: UJ SRC
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Mr Mike Teke,
Vice-Chairperson: Council
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6
Mr Mbali Mkhonto,
President: Convocation
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Ms Totsie Memela-Khambule,
Convocation Representative:
Council
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



Digital pioneer Prof Immink inspires UJ engineering graduates

Engineers have the power to change our world. New environments present new opportunities, driving innovation and a call for change.

THIS WAS THE message from Prof Kornelis (Kees) Antonie Schouhamer Immink that inspired graduates at UJ on 10 June 2014.

Prof Immink, one of the most prolific inventors of the 20th century in consumer electronics, accepted an honorary doctoral degree – Doctor Honoris Causa for Technical and Scientific Research during the University's second graduation series. UJ's Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment conferred the honorary doctoral degree on Prof Immink as acknowledgement for his instrumental role in the development of digital audio, video and data recording systems, and for the profound impact his contributions and inventions has made in today's digital society.

In his address, Prof Immink expressed his gratitude for receiving an honorary doctorate from the University and spoke about his passion for science and engineering, saying: "I am an engineer because I have a sincere passion for science and engineering. I've had this passion since I was a young boy. I have always loved everything that moves - from steam engines, to bicycles and locomotives, to sailing boats and planes." Prof Immink added that "I would have loved to work side-by-side with James Watt on the design of a new steam engine. Or to have worked with Michael Faraday on developing the first electrical motor. These are fascinating inventions by pioneering engineers."

He emphasised that engineers have throughout history changed the world

we live in. "Book printing, gunpowder and even the industrial revolution are the results of engineering. Steve Jobs hired John Sculley from PepsiCo with the legendary pitch, 'Do you want to sell sugared water for the rest of your life? Or, do you want to come with me and change the world?' Sculley went on to join Apple, one of the world's biggest technology companies. The results were evident. So, yes, 'Engineers do change the world'."

Prof Immink concluded: "An engineer must be creative and be able to solve technical problems. To be an inventive engineer, you have to be willing to live with the bipolar feeling that either the problem at hand is too complicated or that you are just too dumb to solve it. An engineer must have an excellent education. To achieve excellence in engineering requires good governance in our academic institutions and beyond, and the freedom to conduct independent research. To the new engineers and scientists gathered together in this room, I'd like to say 'Spread out over the world, and change it to a better one'. You can do it; your fellow engineers and scientists of the past have paved your way."

This was the second honorary doctorate the University awarded this year. An honorary doctoral degree - Doctor Legum (Doctor of Laws) honoris causa was awarded on US President Barack Hussein Obama in acknowledgement of his social and intellectual achievements that strengthen international diplomacy in May 2014. US Ambassador to South-Africa, Ambassador Patrick Gaspard accepted the honorary doctorate on behalf of US President Obama. ❖

→ Link to story and videos:
www.uj.ac.za/EN/Newsroom/News/Pages/Digital-pioneer-Prof-Immink-inspires-UJ-engineering-graduates.aspx



BELOW

Ambassador Patrick Gaspard

PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER

USA Ambassador asks UJ graduates: What do you have in your hands?

"WHAT IS IN your hands graduates? Surely you have more power in your hands. You are the most powerful generation that this world has ever known." These inspiring words from US Ambassador to South Africa, Ambassador Patrick Gaspard, infused a standing ovation from Graduates at UJ on 22 May 2014.

Ambassador Patrick Gaspard accepted the honorary doctoral degree - Doctor Legum (Doctor of Laws) honoris causa – on behalf of President Barack Hussein Obama. UJ's Faculty of Law conferred the honorary doctoral degree on President Obama in acknowledgement of his social and intellectual achievements that strengthen international diplomacy during the second graduation series, scheduled from 22 May to 11 June 2014.

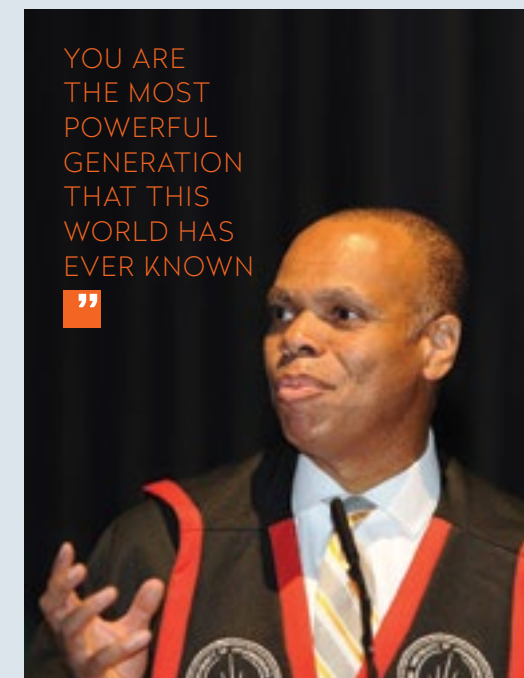
In his frank and inspiring address to the audience, Ambassador Gaspard spoke about the fire of his righteous anger, saying: "I'm angry that too many of our brothers and sisters will never have the opportunity that you and I have had to pursue excellence. I'm angry that some of you will be turned away from meaningful employment because you don't have the right relatives. I'm angry that there's a radius of hunger from Detroit to Diepsloot."

He urged the young graduates to use their degrees for the good of their communities and to roll up their sleeves to make a marked difference in the lives of those around them.

He highlighted the power that our youth possess in a technologically advanced society. He said; "In one hand, you have degrees that say that you are indeed brilliant and beautiful. In your other hand many are even as I speak scrolling through your smartphones which concentrate more human capital in your hands than has ever been deployed in recorded history. What is in your hands? You could use your data to stream and watch yet again the attack Beyonce's sister launched on Jay Z. You could go down that rabbit hole again. Or you might combine that law degree and smartphone and create a tool that completely changes the interface and accountability between civil society and government. What is in your hands?" ❖

YOU ARE
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ABOVE (FROM LEFT)

Prof Njabulo Ndebele, Prof Kees Immink, Prof Ihron Rensburg at Prof Kees Immink's doctoral conferral

PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



Commemoration June 16 with 1976 stalwarts

ooo The UJ Soweto Campus hosted the 1976 Soweto Uprising stalwarts who organised the historic march. The stalwarts were invited to the talk on June 16, 2014 at UJ, to inspire the current youth to do better and build South Africa's economy with the opportunities presented to the youth of today.

ON, 16 JUNE 2014, young and old from around Johannesburg gathered at the UJ Soweto Campus to commemorate Youth Day in an Open Conversation lecture. The lecture, flanked by former brave Naledi High School students Ms Eunice Molefe, Ms Zanele Mthembu, Mr Enos Ngutshane, Ms Hazel Hlabanyane, Mr Kenny Mavatulana, and Mr Seth Mazibuko, was motivational.

The stalwarts' messages to the youth were mainly about young people's responsibility to build the South African economy through entrepreneurship, becoming less dependent on government handouts. To the 1976 youth - now grandparents and regarded veterans - their struggle was for freedom and democracy, they said. They urged young people to seize the opportunities and educate themselves.

"When our parents had given up hope back in 1976, we, the young ones, took on the responsibility to restore faith and dignity in our communities and

school yards. Today, we are passing on the baton to you to build the economy and prepare a better future for the next generations. It is through today's youth's responsible actions, that this country will move forward," said Mr Enos Ngutshane, the man who wrote a letter to the then Minister of Education, opposing the use of Afrikaans as a medium of instruction in schools.

Ms Mthembu addressed the young women in particular, saying they needed to educate themselves in order to lead successful and responsible lifestyles. She said that teenage pregnancies and child social grants hindered women's professional and academic development.

Dr Joe Manyaka, UJ Soweto Campus Director, opened the floor for discussions at the University. Dr Manyaka echoed the role of UJ's contribution to society in meaningful ways. "The University embarked on an infrastructure upgrade a few years



BELOW

20:20 Project SRC members
with 1976 stalwarts
PHOTOS: COLLEN MAEPA



LEFT

Mr Seth Mazibuko encourages
young people to look after
themselves



BELOW (DOWN)

Ms Zanele Mthembu remarking
that education is the key to
success

UJ students and learners from
Soweto schools listening to the
1976 stalwarts' messages

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ago not only to have state-of-the-art structures, but to improve the quality of education here. We visited schools around Soweto, and the same upgrades need to happen there to ensure that we produce the best students. UJ also has a school near the Campus, this school will, in future, serve as a feeder school to the University through the good quality of education resources we have invested there," he said.

Also present at the lecture were the newly elected Student Representative Council (SRC) that will resemble the leadership of the 1976 march organisers from Soweto schools. The

SRC, now part of the 20:20 Project, comprises of learners from Soweto schools and one UJ student, Precious Zama Qwabe, who will steer the learners into leadership excellence. Project 20:20 was founded by Mr Seth Mazibuko, with the sole purpose of providing leadership that will reflect on the 20 years of democracy and the next 20 years of building South Africa.

Mazibuko urged young people to look after themselves amidst the challenges such as HIV and AIDS, substance abuse and vulnerability to socio-economic pressures.

The SRC, together with people celebrating Youth Day, started a march from Morris Isaacson High School to Phefeni Senior Secondary School before heading to UJ for a final Youth Day engagement. Poetry and songs resounded the day, providing a philanthropic feeling and meaning to the fallen heroes and heroines of 1976. ❖





AUC chairperson celebrates as niece graduates from UJ

LUSANDA NJENGE, THE niece of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, and more than 180 fellow graduating students shared the stage with one of the most prolific inventors of the 20th century in consumer electronics during a graduation session of UJ's on 10 June 2014.

Njenge graduated Cum Laude with a Master's degree in Philosophy (MPhil) Engineering Management. Her academic achievement at UJ prompted her aunt, Dr Dlamini-Zuma, to attend the graduation session in celebration of her and other graduates as they reach a milestone that marks a new beginning for the future engineers.

Her minor dissertation, entitled "Total quality management and performance in process engineering design firms in South Africa," explored various aspects of the engineering field. Njenge was guided under the supervision of UJ's Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment, Prof J Pretorius and Dr A Vermeulen.

Says Njenge: "I am grateful for the University to have been able

to stand at the podium and to be acknowledged for what I have achieved. It has been an interesting academic journey filled with challenges, lots of work and long but rewarding days and nights. It would not have been possible if it was not for the exceptional lecturing staff at UJ and all the support I received from the University throughout my studies. This day is not only important to me, but also my family. I am proud to be associated with a prestigious university such as UJ."

The University also awarded an honorary doctorate on Prof Kornelis (Kees) Antonie Schouhamer Immink, one of the most prolific inventors of the 20th century in consumer electronics, during the graduation session. The Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment conferred the Doctor Honoris Causa for Technical and Scientific Research, on Prof Immink, who was instrumental in the development of virtually all digital audio, video and data recording systems. This honorary doctorate was in recognition of the profound impact his contributions and inventions made in today's society. ❖

UJ confers honorary degree on US President Barack Obama

USA Ambassador to South-Africa, Ambassador Patrick Gaspard, accepted the honorary doctoral degree – Doctor Legum (Doctor of Laws) honoris causa – on behalf of President Barack Hussein Obama.

UJ'S FACULTY OF Law conferred the honorary doctoral degree on President Obama in acknowledgement of his social and intellectual achievements that strengthen international diplomacy on 22 May 2014.

Ambassador Gaspard accepted the honorary doctorate during the first session of this year's second graduation series of the University. More than 2100 students received recognition for their academic achievements during this second graduation series, from 22 May to 11 June 2014.

In 2013, UJ announced that President Obama accepted the University's award on him of the honorary doctorate when he visited South Africa. UJ Soweto Campus was the proud host of President Obama for his Young African Leader town hall engagement on 29 June 2013.

During his engagement, President Obama announced the launch of the Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders. The fellowship will see 46 young South Africans join a total of 500 emerging leaders, screened from 50,000 applicants across the continent for a 6 week training programme in some of the finest US universities to enhance their skills in entrepreneurship, public management,

and civic engagement. Tebogo Ditshego, an UJ Alumnus and voted one of Forbes Magazine's top 30 African Entrepreneurs Under 30 for 2014, was selected as one of the exceptional recipients of the fellowship.

In his speech, Ambassador Gaspard said, "I recognize what has been built in this institution and in your lives because my orientation in struggle and self-liberation is informed by L'Ouverture and Lumumba. As a pilgrim for democracy who traveled to your country a quarter of a century ago when places not far from here like Boipatong Township were filled with the specter of revolution and death, I know that your achievements here are nearly miraculous and are to be guarded like precious treasure."

Ambassador Gaspard further highlighted the achievements of the bilateral partnership between the US and South-Africa. He sighted the joint accomplishments on healthcare where through the US PEPFAR programme the rate of HIV transmissions were significantly reduced and vulnerable children are protected, as well as the capacitation of lasting healthcare infrastructure in even the most rural parts of the country.

He further highlighted the prospects that a new demographic South Africa holds for international development by saying; "Through the African Growth and Opportunity Act, South Africa was able to export over \$2 billion dollars of duty free goods to US markets last year alone. Over 600 American companies have planted roots here and are contributing more than 150,000 good jobs to the economy. All of this is occurring as global investors get more deeply engaged in Africa as a target rich environment with a young and hungry workforce and increasingly more democratic structures."



RIGHT
Ambassador Patrick Gaspard
with Prof Ihron Rensburg
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



Prof Ihron Rensburg, the Vice-Chancellor and Principal of UJ said: "The University's vision is to be an international university of choice, anchored in Africa, dynamically shaping the future. Its mission to support this vision is to inspire its community to transform and serve humanity through innovation and the collaborative pursuit of knowledge. The values which underpin this vision and mission are: imagination, conversation, regeneration and an ethical foundation. President Obama has demonstrated distinguished social and intellectual achievement related to the University's vision, mission, values and strategic goals and is thus a worthy recipient of the degree Doctor Legum (Doctor of Laws), honoris causa."

Prof Patrick O'Brian, Executive Dean of the Faculty of Law, UJ echoed Prof Rensburg's sentiments, highlighting that: "President Obama's acceptance of the honorary doctorate further gives credit to UJ's reputation for innovation, achievement, excellence and community service in our strive to become the Pan-African epicentre of critical inquiry." ❖

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The first info-packed and inspirational UJ Alumni Day in ten years



ABOVE

Many UJ students and alumni flocked to the UJ Arts Centre to be inspired on UJ Alumni Day

PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



Did you know that once one has graduated from a higher education institution, one becomes a part of that institution for life? In an effort to reconnect with its lifelong legacy of alumni, UJ held its first ever Alumni Day on 29 May 2014, which saw various nationally and internationally acclaimed personalities grace the event.

THE DAY-LONG SEGMENTED event was categorised with successful professional industry leaders and entrepreneurs, some of whom studied at the University. More than 700 UJ alumni attended the event, mesmerized in 24 affinity groups, seven purpose-focused inspirational talks, and a launch of the UJ Perspective book that tells the UJ success story.

The first quarter of the day started with the affinity group talks over breakfast. During the morning, the University's Centre for Small Business Development (CSBD) engaged young aspiring business owners, while the engineers also shared their stories on the importance of contribution to society. Also forming part of the morning segment of the event was the initiative that sought to fight and raise awareness on child abuse – a collaborated initiative between UJ academics, students and a non-governmental organisation called Matla A Bana.

By mid-day, the UJ Alumni Day was gaining oomph as UJ third year and postgraduate students engaged in conversations with Prof Ihron Rensburg, UJ Vice-Chancellor and Principal, on the importance of keeping the legacy of the University alive. The students also received personalised

notebooks with inspirational quotes from illustrious UJ alumni.

Also in the mid-day sessions, UJ students were inspired with good career guidance to establish themselves as well-grounded graduates through the power of networking. Setlogane Manchidi led the talk on “career advancement through networking”, while Lucky Litelu steered the “energy renewal” topic for the Search for Top 20 Entrepreneurial Ideas for incubation. During the energy talk, it was mentioned that three percent of South Africa's water is drinkable.

UJ STUDENTS WERE URGED TO VENTURE INTO BUSINESS OWNERSHIP AND TO EXPLORE DIFFERENT SECTORS THAT EMERGING ENTREPRENEURS SHOULD TAP INTO



The mid-day session continued to wow the UJ student community as Brenden van Staden discussed the “top trends in entrepreneurship in South Africa”. Van Staden urged young UJ students aspiring to venture into business ownership to explore different sectors that emerging entrepreneurs should tap into instead of following the already existing business ideas and markets. →



TOP [DOWN]

Adv. Thuli Madonsela with Ms. Suzan Hlahane

Ms. Thabiso Maletle sharing insights with an attendee

PHOTOS: JAN POTGIETER



Immediately after lunch into the late afternoon, the UJ Alumni Network embarked on a convocation education, aiming to raise awareness on the importance of alumni's continued and constant involvement in the

"THE EVENT'S SUCCESS HAS CONFIRMED THE INCLINATION OF ALUMNI, THEIR RECOGNITION, APPRECIATION AS WELL AS THE IMPORTANCE OF THEIR SUPPORT AND ROLE IN FORMING PART OF UJ'S GENERATIONS OF ACCOMPLISHMENT"

MS NANDI MADADASANA
HEAD: UJ ALUMNI RELATIONS

University's Alumni Network. Artistic rhythms echoed the Arts Centre building before the corporate session started in the evening.

An internationally acclaimed and feisty Advocate Thuli Madonsela, who was listed in Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People in April this year, took to the UJ Arts Centre stage with SABC's Leanne Manas. Adv. Madonsela engaged the UJ community with her sentiments on the value of good corporate governance and the implications of non-compliance.

The UJ Alumni Network also launched the first of its kind Alumni Newsletter called The Generations of Accomplishment. ❖



ABOVE

UJ attendees viewing the *Deconstructing Dogma* exhibition at the UJ Gallery
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



ABOVE

X-ray of a human knee isolated
PHOTO: SHUTTERSTOCK

Out with the old, in with the new – Radiography Department name change and new courses

UJ RECENTLY INTRODUCED four new approved four-year qualifications (professional degrees) following the implementation of goals of the National Plan for Higher Education in South Africa. Due to the introduction of these new qualifications, a departmental name change became necessary.

The Department of Radiography is now called the Department of Medical Imaging and Radiation Sciences (MIRS). The department is located at the Doornfontein Campus on the 6th floor of the John Orr Building, on the West wing.

The approval and the planned offering of these new qualifications is aligned to the University's strategic objectives for the period 2014-2025 which have the primary goal of achieving global excellence and stature.

The National Plan for Higher Education in South Africa's goals, among others, is to "build new institutional and organisational forms and new institutional identities and cultures as integral components of a single coordinated national higher education system." This goal includes two outcomes, increased programme and infrastructural collaboration and restructuring the institutional landscape of higher education (CHE, 2009). In line with this, the department embarked on

obtaining the approval of offering new professional degrees and has obtained the approval to start offering these new qualifications.

The naming of the new qualifications no longer embraces the term Radiography as a common denominator, but expresses the core function of each qualification individually.

There was a general agreement that the former name of the Department only fitted the Bachelor of Diagnostic Radiography qualification and thus by implication excludes the other three qualifications. Therefore, the Department decided on the new name in order to sufficiently embrace all the programmes offered in the department while ensuring that the department follows the national and international trends of the discipline.

The B. Technology and the N. Diploma programmes will be phased out and replaced by the four new professional degrees. The M. and D. Technology degrees will also be phased out in future to be replaced by the Master's Degree in Radiography and the Doctoral Degree in Radiography, respectively.

The effective date of change of the department name is 01 January 2015 as approved in the Senate meeting of 12 September 2013. The implementation

of the new professional degrees will be effective from 01 January 2016. ❖

→ For further enquiries, contact Mr Sibusiso Mdletshe, Head: MIRS, on 011 559 6066 [telephone] or 011 559 6778 [fax] or email him at sibusisom@uj.ac.za.

THE NEW QUALIFICATIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT WILL BE DESIGNATED AS FOLLOWS

- Bachelor of Diagnostic Radiography
- Bachelor of Diagnostic Ultrasound
- Bachelor of Nuclear Medicine Technology
- Bachelor of Radiation Therapy

PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN THE DEPARTMENT

- N. Diploma in Radiography: Diagnostics.
- N. Diploma in Radiography: Radiation Therapy.
- B. Technology in Radiography: Diagnostics.
- B. Technology in Radiography: Ultrasound.
- B. Technology in Radiography: Nuclear Medicine.
- B. Technology in Radiography: Radiation Therapy.
- M. Technology: Radiography
- D. Technology: Radiography



Staff celebrate each other and the University at 2014 UJ Staff Day

More than 1500 UJ staff members of UJ converged at the AW Muller stadium on the Bunting Road Campus on 30 May 2014, for a fun-filled casual day of celebrating each other's achievements.

THE EVENT, WHICH is a highlight on the University's annual staff calendar, features competitive sports activities that bring UJ employees together, creating a loving and fun atmosphere of the sea of orange.

UJ employees began the day with registration at the stadium entrance where they received goodie bags. Faculties, divisions, departments and units showcased the UJ culture and achievements at their stalls which lined the huge marquee in the stadium vicinity. Staff members were given challenges to visit each stall, fill in a questionnaire to stand in line to win a prize – one of the exciting ways to get to know their colleagues and the work they do at the University.

Buses ferried employees from the four UJ campuses to the stadium, where the employees took to the grounds to showcase their strengths and talents in sport activities. As always, UJ Sport marshalled the sport games that included tug of war, sitting volley ball, and six-a-side soccer spectaculars. Amid all the

excitement at the stalls and the action on the field, staff also had an opportunity to enjoy lunch, courtesy of the University.

UJ Vice-Chancellor and Principal, Prof Ihron Rensburg also shared words of encouragement and acknowledged the staff for keeping the University in motion and steering it in a positive direction towards its achievements. "Colleagues, each and every one of us – from Finance, Sport, Residences, Gardens, Advancement, to Protection Services, Library, Human Resources – and all the UJ avenues, we are gathered here today to celebrate the work we do. We are continuously building this Institution to be what it is and where it is going. I thank all of you, and encourage you to continue the good work," said Prof Rensburg.

Employees also received at the event a copy of the U@UJ, the internal UJ staff magazine. Creative and eye-grabbing stall exhibitors, as well as employees that showed character in the sport games, walked away with prizes at the end of the event. ❖

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UJ staff taking 'selfies' in the Ethics marquee
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



LEFT
Ms Ingrid Waldeck with Mr Tshidiso Konese
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



WINNERS OF THE DAY

Winning Team (overall)
UJ Sport

1st Runner-up Team
Auxiliary Sports Grounds APB (Peter Leshaba)

2nd Runner-up Team
Gardens and Grounds APK (Richard Atkinson)

Stalls (Faculty and/or Division)

Winning Stall
Finance: Expenditure (Nicolette Hayes)

1st Runner-up
Faculty of Engineering and the Built Environment (FEBE)

2nd Runner-up
Faculty of Law



ABOVE
Staff playing football
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



ABOVE
Finance Department staff
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



ABOVE
Staff competing in tug-of-war
PHOTO: JAN POTGIETER



THE UNIVERSITY VALUES – IMAGINATION, CONVERSATION, REGENERATION AND ETHICAL FOUNDATION – WERE INSPIRED BY NONE OTHER THAN NELSON MANDELA



Mandela legacy lives on at UJ

“Who is Nelson Mandela to us? The answer will not come from words, but rather from our actions and what we do.”

THIS MESSAGE INSPIRED UJ staff, students and alumni to honour the legacy of Madiba by pledging time for community outreach initiatives, in commemoration of Mandela’s birthday on 18 July 2014.

Speaking at the official UJ opening of Mandela Day, Prof Tinyiko Maluleke, Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Internationalisation, Institutional Advancement and Student Affairs, highlighted that the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela personifies UJ’s values.

“The University values – Imagination, Conversation, Regeneration and Ethical Foundation – were inspired by none other than Nelson Mandela. Madiba inspired South Africans to imagine a better future. He taught us that conversation is powerful and that people can accomplish more by conversing with each other. Regeneration reinforces the belief that there can be growth and our value of Ethical Foundation speaks to the life that Tata Madiba lived,” he said.

Every year, UJ students and staff volunteer at least 67 minutes of their time to communities surrounding the University in a commitment to better the lives of others. This year was no

exception, as the UJ community, under the theme How to Serve – Inspired by Nelson Mandela: Living the UJ Values, joined millions across the globe to honour Madiba through altruistic deeds.

Some UJ staff and students cleaned-up around Westdene Dam in Melville, while others dedicated their time to wash windows, scrub cots and toilets, mop floors and do general maintenance work in and around the Chris Hani (Soweto), the Helen Joseph and the Charlotte Maxeke (Johannesburg General) hospitals. UJ volunteers also visited the hospitals to read books to, and comfort young patients.

Children’s reading books, non-perishable and prepared food were also collected and donated to the Mandela Libraries Initiative at various schools, hospitals and orphanages.

Lastly, in celebration of Mandela’s dedication to transformation, the Transformation Unit at the University embarked on a tree-planting ceremony on all four of its campuses. The 2014 tree of the year, the Heretopyxis (Lavender Tree), was planted to remind future generations of Mandela’s legacy. ❖



BELOW

Prof Tinyiko Maluleke

PHOTO: YANDISA MONAKALI



ABOVE

A UJ staff member and student scrub walls at Helen Joseph Hospital

PHOTO: YANDISA MONAKALI



RIGHT

Prof Danie Coetsee

PHOTO: YANDISA MONAKALI



Good news never ceases to halt at UJ!

PROF DANIE COETSEE has been appointed as chairperson of The South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA)’s Accounting Practices Committee (APC).

The purpose of the APC is to be the leading African financial reporting technical body for stakeholders in the areas that affect financial reporting, with a view to improving the financial reporting in South Africa, Africa and globally.

In order to fulfil its purpose, the APC intends to play a leadership and influential role by keeping informed of developing trends, and developing guidance where necessary. Also APC is responsible for making proactive and reactive submissions on all relevant pronouncements and legislation that affect financial reporting, communicating to and educating SAICA members

and business leaders. The APC members are working with relevant stakeholders to address financial reporting issues worldwide.

The APC seeks to attract the most technical and committed members (in terms of professional competence, proactivity and management of relationships) by meeting and exceeding their expectations with regards to development and influence, leading and learning, and also insight and gratification into the Accountancy profession. The APC will undertake from time to time, surveys of stakeholders with a view to assessing stakeholder needs and satisfaction levels. This will provide a basis for areas that need improvements. ❖

→ Read more about APC: www.saica.co.za/Portals/0/about/Committees/APC_TOR.pdf



SEEN AT UJ



Patrick Gaspard – USA Ambassador to South Africa

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Sol Kerzner

“Hard work, ambition, commitment, teamwork and a passion for the industry are pillars important for success”. This was the message from one of South Africa’s most respected hoteliers, Sol Kerzner, that inspired students at UJ’s

School of Tourism and Hospitality (STH) on 15 July 2014. Sol Kerzner, one of the school’s patrons, shared some of the secrets to his success when he sat down for a lunch, organised, catered and served by STH’s students.



Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma

Dr Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, Chairperson: African Union Commission (AUC), graced one of the University’s winter graduations with her presence, as her niece and more than 180 fellow graduating students

shared the stage with one of the most prolific inventors of the 20th century in consumer electronics, Prof Kees Immink, during a graduation session of UJ’s on 10 June 2014.



Leanne Manas

SABC’s Morning Live news anchor Leanne Manas, was the host of the UJ Alumni Day and Convocation in the evening session on 29 May 2014. She interviewed Adv. Thuli Madonsela, South

Africa’s Public Protector, on the conduct of public figures on good governance and ethics. Manas is one of South Africa’s most loved and popular news presenters of the national broadcaster.



Prof Kees Immink

Prof Immink, one of the most prolific inventors of the 20th century in consumer electronics, accepted an honorary doctoral degree – Doctor Honoris Causa – for Technical and Scientific Research during the University’s second graduation series. UJ’s Faculty of Engineering and the

Built Environment (FEBE) conferred the honorary doctoral degree on Prof Immink, as acknowledgement for his instrumental role in the development of digital audio, video and data recording systems, and for the profound impact his contributions and inventions has made in today’s digital society.



Advocate Vusi Pikoli

In July 2014, reflecting on ethical leadership, the gains South Africa made, and the constraints and challenges the country is currently facing, Advocate Vusi Pikoli encouraged the audience to become active citizens in an effort to promote good ethical leadership. He went on to acknowledge citizens’ role in helping the country resolve these problems.



Adv. Thuli Madonsela

In the first half of 2014, Adv. Thuli Madonsela was a regular visitor at UJ, following her engagement with UJ staff and students on the debate around good governance and ethics in public offices. Adv. Madonsela graced the UJ Alumni Day and Convocation evening session as the main guest speaker on 29 May 2014.



Minister Naledi Pandor

Naledi Pandor, Minister of Science and Technology, addressed more than 490 physicists from around the world including the Americas, Europe and Asia, at the opening of the 2014 South African Institute of Physics (SAIP) annual four-day conference hosted by the Faculty of Science at UJ on 7 July 2014.



ABOVE
Ruswahl Samaai
PHOTO: SUPPLIED

UJ's impact at the 2014 Commonwealth Games

Eight University of Johannesburg (UJ) students, club athletes and staff members took part in this year's Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, Scotland, as part of Team South Africa.

UJ'S PRESENCE AT the Games – which took place from 23 July until 3 August 2014 – was bolstered even further with three alumni sports stars who joined more than 150 of the country's top athletes who competed in 16 sporting codes.

Before jetting off, the University's coaches and sport managers were hopeful that the chances looked good for these sportsmen and women to bring home a few medals.

"Looking at our ranking list and the current performances of some of our athletes, UJ stands a good chance of bringing back at least three medals," said Francois Fouché, Senior Sport Manager: UJ.

The athletics team that went to the Commonwealth Games included 25-year-old Transport Management student Zarck Visser who will be participating in the long jump event. In early July, Visser was ranked first in South Africa and Africa, second in the Commonwealth and sixth in the world.

He was joined by fellow Transport Management student, 24-year-old Ruswahl Samaai, who lies second in the national rankings, fifth in the Commonwealth and 15th worldwide.

Olympic silver medallist and UJ club member, Godfrey Mokoena, rounded out the university's athletics contingent. The 29-year-old triple jumper, before heading to the Commonwealth Games, occupied the number one spot nationally and was number five in the Commonwealth rankings.

Temporary UJ staff member Emmarie Fouché, one of the highest qualified jumps coaches in SA, joined the team as the national jumps coach. Emmarie, who said it was an honour to be able to "live out her passion at the highest level", played a vital role during the competition. "The coach has to look after all the jumps participants, making sure that they know exactly where and when they need to practice. Then also of course provide help and feedback during the competition."

UJ was also the force to be reckoned with on the hockey field, with 24-year-old chiropractic student Bernadette Coston, who has 100 caps for South Africa, making the women's team. Clinton Panther joined the men's side.

Club player, Lilian du Plessis, joined Coston in the women's line-up, while staff member, Adrian Carolan, filled the role of video analyst.

"It's always an honour, not only for the players but also for UJ hockey, to have a presence in a national team," said UJ hockey manager Elize le Roux. "As a University, we feel we had a hand in their inclusion. It's a feather in our cap and confirmation that we are utilising the right system in coaching our players." Le Roux added that hockey development was still relatively new to UJ.



UJ alumna, Lisa-Marie Deetlefs and Marsha Cox, once again showed up in the women's team, while Erasmus Pieterse was included in the men's squad.

Springbok rugby star Bryan Habana, who attended the former RAU, took to the field as part of the rugby sevens team.

According to Francois Fouché, UJ is a generous contributor of talent for national and international teams.

"On a junior level, athletes like Monique Stander (800m) and Lizelle Jordaan (shot-put) will represent South Africa at the world junior athletic championships later this year," said Fouché

"Earlier this year, Anelle Oosthuizen and her coach Carl Meyer, represented the country at the world race walking championships, while Emmarie, Zarck, Jaco Engelbrecht (shot-put) and Pierre Blignaut (national throwing coach) took part in the world indoor champs."

He added that the University strives to create a supportive high performance environment to develop talent and provide a platform for athletes to perform at the highest level.

"It means the world to us to have athletes in the Commonwealth Games team, especially in our attempt to make our mark as a club and University on a global playing field.

"These quality performances by our athletes cement our spot as the preferred sporting University locally and internationally."

Team SA raked in a total of 13 gold, 10 silver and 11 bronze medals, finishing in seventh position on the medals table in Scotland. SA was number one in Africa in the competition. ❖

→ Visit www.uj.ac.za to read more sport news on UJ athletes, follow @UJ_Sport on Twitter or find UJ Sport on Facebook to stay to keep track of our developments in sports.



UJ Sport dominated the 2014 Gauteng Sport Awards

UJ received their fair share of bragging rights at the recent Gauteng Sport Awards when they were the biggest winners of the night.

UJFM 95.4'S THE Sport Network with Andrew Hope scooped the Sport Programme of the Year award – beating Metro FM's 083 Sports @ 6 with Robert Marawa and SABC's Sport @ 10, hosted by Thomas Mlambo.

The Awards ceremony took place on 11 July 2014 at the Monte Casino in Fourways, Johannesburg.

UJ won in six categories, including the coveted Sportswoman of the Year and Sportsman of the Year titles, awarded to Hockey players Pietie Coetzee and Clinton Panther, respectively.

Notably, UJ also scooped the Sportswoman of the Year with a Disability and Sportsman of the Year with a Disability, when Kgothatso Montjane and Lucas Sithole were announced the winners. Sithole became the first African to win a US Open Quad Grand Slam last year September, beating world number one, David Wagner, in the finals.

Andrew Hope, who was up against sport journalists from ANN7, Daily Sun and Power FM, was the winner in the category for the Sport Journalist of the Year – making UJ the winner of both the awards for which UJFM was nominated for.

RIGHT
Coach Holger Losch
PHOTO: SUPPLIED



Since its launch, the Gauteng Sport Awards have seen tremendous growth, with the number of nominations submitted having doubled in 2013.

In keeping with the '20 years of democracy' theme, which has seen the nation pause to celebrate the dawn of democracy in South Africa through various activities, this year's Gauteng Sport Awards celebrated the province's contribution towards building South Africa's social cohesion through sport.

In the same vein, the Awards also commemorated Gauteng's 20 years of excellence as the leading sporting province. ❖



ABOVE
Lucas Sithole
PHOTO: SUPPLIED

GAUTENG SPORT AWARDS WINNERS

Sports Journalist of the year

Andrew Hope

Sports Programme of the Year

The Sports Network with Andrew Hope

Sportswoman with a disability

Kgothatso Montjane (student)

Sports team of the year with a disability

Para rowing coxed four (three students in the team)

Sportsman of the year with a disability

Lucas Sithole (WTSA)

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Sports woman of the year

Pietie Coetzee – hockey (Alumnus)

Sports man of the year

Clinton Panther – hockey (student)

Panther seals varsity title en route to World Cup

UJ'S HOCKEY ACE, Clinton Panther, had much to celebrate as he scored one of the winning goals in the Varsity Hockey tournament final against Maties.

The 23-year-old midfielder has not only been a stalwart in UJ's campaign, but also formed a vital part of the South African attack during the Rabobank Hockey World Cup in the Netherlands from 31 May until 15 June 2014.

The Varsity Cup final was a hard-fought affair that ended in a penalty shootout after the teams finished on two goals apiece after normal time. Panther was one of the UJ players who found the net in the sudden death phase.

"There was great unity in the team and we were all motivated and driven to achieve a common goal," he said about the team's success. "I worked hard during the tournament and I hope there are many more games to follow."

He added that the series gave many university players an opportunity to perform and show their skills. "I believe this tournament is a great positive for the future of hockey," he said.

The Finance student was part of the UJ side for the past five years – a journey he believes gave him a sturdy foundation. "I really enjoy the tempo and combinations our team play with.

"We follow a tough fitness regime, which I believe has contributed a huge amount to my performance. It has given me a strong base to work from."

Panther's hard work on and off the field paid off when he was selected for the national senior men's team that will contest the World Cup.

"I'm over the moon to be able to represent South Africa at the Rabobank World Cup. It's a major tournament and a prestigious event for any professional sportsman.

As one of the latter, the utility player, who matriculated from Michaelhouse in KwaZulu-Natal, hopes to be a role model for his teammates by playing every game with "heart and determination". ❖

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UJ hockey star Clinton Panther
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