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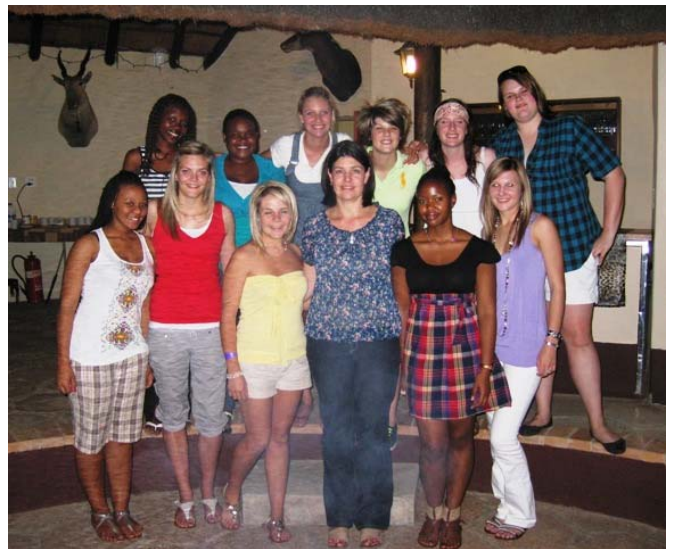


## MEET THE 2011 EC

Magrietjie's new Executive Committee was appointed in August after more than 80% of the house cast their votes. The newly elected EC took office on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September after they had the opportunity to attend two training camps. The first training camp was the external camp where all the Executive Committees of Tuks' residences gathered. The theme of the camp was "creating living and learning communities".

The next *GrietGriet* appears in March 2011. *GrietGriet* is ook in Afrikaans beskikbaar - kontak ons gerus indien ons jou kopie in Afrikaans moet stuur.

The second training camp was Magrietjie's internal camp, where the EC members as well as the house parents escaped into the bush to plan for the year ahead. The camp commenced with personality profiling by Anine van Zyl, a psychologist and old Magrietjie. Anine analysed each EC member's profile free of charge. This helped the ladies to understand themselves as well as their fellow EC members better. The other fun weekend activities included clay pigeon shooting, the entertaining performances of the food teams when introducing dinner, game drives, and a game of Mags-Pictionary which clearly showed that although the new EC were not artists, they had more than enough imagination. The camp was a huge success and the ladies bonded with each other.



Anine van Zyl (front row: 4<sup>th</sup> from left) with the EC



Magrietjie Primaria 2011  
Zarése van Dyk

## MAGS PRESTIGE

At Magrietjie's Internal Prestige event held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2010 Portia Mmenu was selected as our Magrietjie of the Year and Elmien Steyn as our Spikkel of the Year (photos left).

Magrietjie also received several awards at the University's External Prestige event which was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of October at the Rembrandt hall.

The following achievements were awarded to Magrietjie:

- Best Sports residence of the Year (88%)
- Best Culture evening of the year (theme: Music Mania)
- Best Culture EC member of the year (Jaide Schempers - photo right)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in Culture Internal
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in Culture Evenings
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in RAG Fundraising, fun and promotions, short term projects and long term projects
- 3<sup>rd</sup> in RAG Community Service
- 3<sup>rd</sup> best RAG Residence of the Year (91.08%)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> best Culture Residence the Year (83.17%)
- Overall 3<sup>rd</sup> place as Residence of the Year



Magrietjie of the Year  
Portia Mmenu



Spikkel of the Year  
Elmien Steyn



Jaide Schempers  
Culture EC of the Year





## MAGS IN SERENADE FINALS

The Serenade ladies' theme this year was scholar patrol girls. The prelims took place from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup> of August in the Aula and Magrietjie was one of the five ladies residences selected for the finals. The Magrietjie nightingales put on an impressive performance and although we did not win, we are still very proud of these amazing 19 ladies.



Magrietjie Serenade at the finals

## GROOT JA

This year, our new Rag ECs decided to continue the Zoep week tradition with Groot JA celebrations. If you have not heard... Magrietjie will be ragging with the best day house at Tuks, namely Vividus! Our Rag name as Rag partners for 2011 is "Magsidus". Back to the story on Groot JA... Frances and Steph went all out, inviting an awesome band as part of the celebrations. With precision every Spikkel was organised to switch their room lights on at the exact right moment to spell the word "JA" across the residence. The Vividus men were overwhelmed, especially when the Spikkels started dancing in the windows. Well done girls - Groot JA laid the necessary foundation for a successful RAG year to come!

## POT & PONS

Zoep week ended on a high with Pot & Pons at the Rag farm. The theme for Pot & Pons was "Ladder 69": think fire trucks, fire extinguishers and Vividus men on fire in their fireman suits (yumm). With lots of fun while making our potjie, it was a fantastic day (without any rain like last year). At the end of the day Magsidus got placed a "not so bad" 6<sup>th</sup>



overall.

Magsidus at Pot & Pons

## ARCHIVE OPENING

The Archive opening was held on 20 September 2010 with many curious Magrietjies anxious to take a trip down memory lane. The highlight of the evening was the glimpse of the lives of all the previous Magrietjies - what an honour!



## PRE-SPRING AT MAGS

Men's residences have an annual pre-spring event. This year Magrietjie decided that girls can also have fun by arranging a pre-spring volleyball tournament between the ladies residences. The day was a huge success with Magrietjie being crowned as champions of the volleyball tournament. And all the girls agree... who needs men to have fun!





## Did you know?

The University cares for students' safety by investing in central access control, alarms, closed circuit television (CCTV), a green route on campus as well as a 24 hour crisis centre. There is even a camera on Madelief's roof to monitor activities from a control room in Hatfield.

Magrietjie turns 30 in only 2 years and we have to get our database updated!!

What do you think about these ideas?

- Join the Magrietjie Alumni facebook group and invite 4 old Mags friends to join.
- Start an interactive web page dividing ladies into year groups.
- Advertise old-Magrietjies' businesses and services in our Spikkel book.
- Place an advertisement for old Magrietjies in YOU magazine.
- Identify a leader for each year group to search for Magrietjies in that year.

## In the next GrietGriet

- About our new Spikkels
- What about Maxie?

Hi everyone! I'm Tintswalo Mkansi, your brand new editor, hot off the press. Here to bring you all the news and exciting updates from the Pink Palace. I hope you enjoyed this edition. Till next time. Pink Love.



Editor:  
Tintswalo Mkansi

## MAGRIETJIE SINGS FOR PRESIDENT

It's amazing at how far back Magrietjie has shown success. From winning the Serenade finals in 1982, to having the opportunity to sing for the President (Mr Marais Viljoen) at his home. We are sure that must have been the best day of the President's term in



office - seeing that it is not every day that beautiful young ladies sing for you personally. The picture (left) was taken in 1982 and published in the newspaper on 4 November 1982. If there are any old Magrietjies who can remember this event - please let us know.

## REUNION

Please accept our apologies for the cancelled reunion. Unfortunately only a few ladies showed interest, but we are determined to extend our database. Thank you to those who showed interest in the reunion and kindly sponsored their reunion contribution to Magrietjie instead. There were a few "rebellious" old Magrietjies who decided to arrange their own mini-reunion. Word got out and our then Primaria, Eliz-Mari Prinsloo, dropped by to say hello!! Among these ladies were Poenie van den Berg (née Leen), all the way from Namibia, who started the "Bond van oud Magrietjies". Following the non-reunion, Madeleen Wienand, an old Magrietjie from the 1980s indicated that action had to be taken to reach Magrietjies. Sy believes (and we agree wholeheartedly) that old Magrietjies are interested in a reunion, but that interest seemed low because very few were actually aware of the reunion. Read more (see info to left) for ideas (inspired by Madeleen) on how to reach old Magrietjies. Please send us your ideas and/or willingness to get involved in searching for old Magrietjies via email to magrietjie@up.ac.za.



## FROM OUR TREASURE CHEST

Mariette Fourie (née Kallmeyer) shared a few interesting stories from her years (1985) in Magrietjie: "Kollege came to raid us. I just locked my door to go to bed... when Mr Kollege pulled on my door. I reacted by grabbing a broom, unlocking the door and chased him 8 floors down in my cotton pajamas. So much endorfins! It was fantastic. They opened all the taps and flooded the hall. Sonop brought us rowing boats. After so many rag years with Sonop, it is no wonder that I married a Sonop man - 21 years to date."

Carla van Niekerk wrote that she and her residence friends of the 1990s have many special memories of Magrietjie and they are still very good friends.

Till we meet again in *GrietGriet* March 2011...

