



BISHOPS ODU NEWS

25th November 2016

Dear ODs

175 CAMPAIGN

On Monday the 21st November, the Bishops Trust launched the *175 Campaign* at the Woodlands Pavilion. The evening began with a welcome from the Chairman of Council, Mike Bosman (1978O). This was followed with a presentation by the Chairman of the Trust, Andrew Selby who discussed the school's financial position. Principal, Guy Pearson, then presented an overview of the school's most urgent needs and spoke about the priority projects for the next few years. Mike Bosman then announced that Mr Raymond Ackerman (1948S) and his wife, Mrs Wendy Ackerman, would be taking the lead in the 175 Campaign with a donation of R20 million. In paying tribute to Mr and Mrs Ackerman, Mike Bosman spoke of their incredible journey and the many hurdles they faced to achieve their success. The Ackerman's have always fought against injustice, prejudice and discrimination and their many philanthropic endeavours have impacted on many South Africans from different walks of life. This incredible donation is another display of their unbelievable generosity which will have a significant impact on the Bishops Community. Mike summed it up wonderfully when he said, "*Raymond's story is a great Bishops story and one that resonates with many of us personally.*"

Please see Mike Bosman's full tribute and pics attached and you can find more information about this campaign online using this link [175 Campaign](#)

OD DINNER - BANK THIS DATE!

You do NOT want to miss the OD Union Annual Dinner next year on the 16th March! We have an extraordinary guest speaker lined up and the new audio-visual clip will be a revelation of the kind of men Bishops produces. A formal invitation will be sent out shortly.

THE TIES THAT BIND

Richard Bottger (1993S) is a portfolio manager for various equity hedge funds for Tower Capital Management. He does bi-monthly market commentary at noon on CNBC Africa Channel 410 on DSTV and is asked to provide market insights. Richard was asked to speak at the SRP's Africa Structured Products and Alternative Investments Conference in Johannesburg last week, where he donned his very prestigious OD tie (which was only purchased the week before)! Incidentally he bumped into his fellow OD Chad Fichardt (1994O) who was covering the event. Now that he has his tie, he promises to sport it at all events. *You need some OD socks Richard, for when you sit up there crossing your legs!*

MENTORING PROGRAMME

The OD Mentoring Programme is continuing apace and equal counterparts, Mentor and Mentee, are proving to be fruitful. Click on the link and sign up now <https://form.jotformeu.com/61863512428356>

NP ODs

A reminder that the Northern Province ODs are meeting for drinks tonight 25th November at the

Giles Pub & Restaurant, 9 Grafton Avenue, Craighall Park from 17H00 to 20H00. Please join this Branch's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/934097203377157/>

'TIS THE SEASON

16th December

Christmas Carols with Richard Cock (1967O) takes place on Friday 16th December in the Memorial Chapel at 18H00. Don't miss out! Book your tickets at

http://online.computicket.com/web/event/christmas_carols_with_richard_cock/1075370625/0/75325410

25th December

The Christmas Day Eucharist Service will be held in the Memorial Chapel at 08H30. All are welcome.

SPORT

Where is the Best School Sports Arena?

Why – Bishops of course!

By popular demand SA Schools are going to host a poll to determine where the Best School Sports Arena in South Africa is for 2016. The truly magnificent Frank Reid has been added to the elective ballot. [Click here](#) to vote or go to <http://college.bishops.org.za/news/Article.aspx?id=2831>

Position

Andre De Decker (2008G) is lying at 12th at The Royal Cape on the Sunshine Tour - Lion of Africa Cape Town Open. He is on the Pro Circuit after playing golf in the USA on a Scholarship. Follow his progress at

http://sunshinetour.com/?page_id=25983&tourn=CTOP&report=http://sunshinetour.info/tic/tmscores.cgi?tourn=CTOP~season=216S~params=P*2ESC02~

OD International Sporting Achievements

A reminder to please send me your international sporting achievement as soon as possible dorourke@bishops.org.za

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Attached is an updated list of all College rugby fixtures for next year.

All current sports fixtures can be seen at <http://college.bishops.org.za/sport/Fixtures.aspx>

"You don't get paid for the hour. You get paid for the value you bring to the hour" – Jim Rohn

Have a productive weekend.

Best regards,

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