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Robert Kennedy in his affirmation day speech at UCT in 1966, said: "Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centres of energy and daring, those ripples build a current which can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance." As I hear from Abe Bursars of all genders and years, and read about the impact many of you are making in your circles of influence, I sense that the ripples you set off fulfil something of the dream that inspired Abe Bailey to establish the Travel Bursary project.

I greet you all very warmly, and pay tribute to each Abe who is making a positive difference to the lives and communities where you serve. Reports below from the 2018 bursars, and pen-pictures of the successful 2019 bursars, reflect similar commitments to use leadership and service skills constructively in the spaces in which they move.

1 THE ABES OF 2019

Congratulations to the new Abe Bailey Bursars whom we welcome into our Fellowship, of well over 900 Fellows. From 22 of the 25 residential universities, 57 nominations were submitted to the Trust, who selected 18 Travel Bursars from 17 universities. They are:

CAPE PENINSULA (CPUT)

Ms Lauren van Niekerk is studying for the National Diploma in Office Management and Technology. She has been active in a number of community service projects in schools and a library, and was part of a team of students who undertook a successful *Red Cross Live* project.

CAPE TOWN (UCT)

Ms Leago Sebesho is studying for the MBChB degree. She is Deputy Head of Student Development for SHAWCO at UCT, Convener of the UCT Student Parliament, and Deputy Head of the Health Sciences Student Council. She is a facilitator and mentor at an annual summer camp for Eastern Cape rural children.

CENTRAL (CUT)

Mr Gareth Gericke holds the BTech Electrical Engineering degree and is now busy with the Master's degree in Engineering. He spent an exchange year at university in Ulm, Germany. He was part of a student team to build a solar powered vehicle placed 7th out of 22 international teams. He assists pupils at township schools with their Eskom Expo projects.

DURBAN (DUT)

Ms Izanne Jacobs is studying for the MTech in Chiropractic, having gained the BTech degree, and previously a BSc in Human Movement Sciences at NWU. She attended the World Congress of Chiropractic. She completed ironman 70.3, the MiWay Ultra Triathlon and was selected for the KZN Duathlon to compete in the SA Championships. She is a member of the Golden Key Honour Society.

FREE STATE (UFS)

Ms Shannon Arnold holds a BA, BA(Hons) in Political and International Studies *cum laude*, and is now reading for the MPhil in African and Gender Studies. She represented Eastern Province in Women's Hockey, and was the Free State Head Co-ordinator of #Total Shutdown Movement against Gender Based Violence.

FREE STATE (UFS)

Mr Samkezi Mbalane holds a BA in Political Sciences and Sociology, and is reading for the Honours degree in Political Sciences. He serves as the President of the Golden Key UFS Chapter, and was Secretary General of the Student Parliament. He is active in the

Institute for Reconciliation and Social Justice, and in *Enactus* UFS.

FORT HARE (UFH)

Mr Yonga Madikizela is studying for the LLB degree. He was Deputy Chairman of Students for Law and Social Justice, Co-Founder of *Open Access* which provides community development projects and entrepreneurial training in the rural Eastern Cape, and he presented a paper at the Toastmasters' International Year-End Conference.

KWAZULU-NATAL (UKZN)

Mr Kapil Narain is studying for the MBChB degree. He is National Chairperson of the SA Medical Students' Association and headed the delegation to the IFMSA General Assembly. He is the Country Ambassador for *The Ubuntu Project*, and founded the Students' Research Network. Founding Chairperson of *Amnesty International Nelson R Mandela School of Medicine*, he is also President of the Golden Key Honour Society at UKZN.

LIMPOPO (UL)

Mr Morobadi Seanego holds the BA and BA(Hons) in English Studies, and is now reading for the Master's in this discipline. He served as a Student Assistant Residence Administrator, and as a Librarian and Editor in the Students' Christian Organisation.

NELSON MANDELA (NMU)

Mr Luan Staphorst holds three *cum laude* degrees: the BA in Media, Communication and Culture, the BA(Hons) in Afrikaans and Dutch, and the BA(Hons) in Applied Language Studies, and is currently reading for two Master's degrees: an MA (Philosophy) with UWC, and an MA (Applied Language Studies) at NMU. He is a lecturer at the *Pearson Institute of Higher Education*, and a Research Assistant in two university departments. He has published a number of peer-reviewed papers, and presented at international and national conferences. He is Chairperson and Choir Manager of the NMU Choir, and organises outreach performances and workshops in PE townships.

NORTH-WEST (NWU)

Ms Thandi Hlotshana is pursuing the BA degree in Industrial Psychology and Labour Relations. She is a peer helper in Student Counselling and Development, assists in wellness programmes at orphanages and homes for the elderly and serves as Treasurer of the Industrial Psychology Forum. She is a member of the Golden Key Honour Society.

PRETORIA(UP)

Ms Michelle Oelofse holds the BCom Law degree, *cum laude*, and is now reading for the LLB degree. She was an Exchange Student at Leiden University. She is a member of the Golden Key Honour Society, serves on the Executive of the UP Afrikaans Debating Society, and represented UP in the SA National Debating Championships. She presented her research at the Humanities National Student Symposium. She co-founded an Afrikaans Poetry podcast and edits the opinion site *Diskoers*. She founded the TUKS Leadership and Individual Program which works among learners in Mamelodi.

RHODES (RU)

Ms Siphesihle Ndaba obtained her BSocSci degree and is now reading for the BA(Hons) in Drama: Applied Theatre, Acting and Physical Performance. She wrote and directed her own production for the National Arts Festival. She has been a volunteer tutor for school learners, and a motivational speaker for high school students. She is a member of the Golden Key Honour Society.

SEFAKO MAKGATHO HEALTH SCIENCES (SMHSU)

Mr Romeo Drabile is studying for the MBChB degree. He is President of the International Federation of Medical Students' Associations, and serves on the Editorial Committee of the International Surgical Society's African Chapter. He founded a Wound Clinic which offers free primary health care services to homeless peoples and disadvantaged communities.

STELLENBOSCH (US)

Mr Sergio Alves is pursuing the MBChB degree. He is a member of both the Tygerberg and the Stellenbosch Prim Committees, and Vice-Chairman of the Q-Tygerberg Undergraduate Society. He is involved in a variety of community service projects in schools and a hospital, as well as health clinics and services across numerous communities. He is a member of the Golden Key Honour Society.

TSHWANE (TUT)

Ms Anne-marie Mailovich is studying for the National Diploma in Vocal Art:Performance. She is an Academic and Student Mentor, and a member of the TUT Vocal Chorus. She has been active in her home community through a range of services, and served as a

Councillor and as Deputy Chairperson (Administration) in the Democratic Alliance.

VENDA(UV)

Ms Muano Nemavhidi is reading for the LLB degree. She is Chairperson of the Univen Moot Court Club and also of the School of Law Council. She serves as a PR Officer in the Univen Buddy Programme, a trainer in the National Schools' Moot Competition, and as a volunteer tutor in her university. She represented the university in the International Humanitarian Law Moot Competition in India.

WITWATERSRAND (WITS)

Ms Mikaela Oosthuizen was awarded both the BA and BSc(Hons) in Media Communications and Culture degrees at NMU, *cum laude*, and is currently reading for the Master's degree in this discipline at Wits. A Mandela Rhodes Scholar, her research has been published, and she spoke at *TED X* on her work in women's rights. She was the founding Chairperson of the Business Women's Association Student Chapter at NMU. She was a Radio Presenter on a number of radio shows.

2. WELCOME TO THE 2019 ABE BAILEY BURSARS IN LONDON

All Old Abes in the UK are warmly invited to join the 2019 travel bursars for the Welcome Reception at Goodenough College in Mecklenburg Square on **MONDAY 2nd December at 6.30 for 7 p.m.** Director **Ms Rebecca Matthews** will be the host. In October the College will send out email invitations with details about the event. Please send your name, tour year and e-mail address to the Director's P.A., *Ms Amanda Streeter*, at <u>amanda.streeter@goodenough.ac.uk</u> so that she can send you the official invitation. It will be a pleasure to have you meet the bursars at that function.



3. THE 2018 ABES REFLECT ON THEIR TOUR EXPERIENCES

"The visit to the AU was inspiring. It was my first time engaging on such high level issues of national government. I got the opportunity to understand how the AU operates and its jurisdiction on Country issues. Besides AU, my whole perspective of Ethiopia as a country changed...I have learnt a lot from the tour. It has positively contributed to my professional career. All the ups and downs I had with my team have taught me a lot." Anele Gebenga [Cape Peninsula University of Technology]

"Cape Town when we all met...I knew my life will never be the same, the potential, the knowledge, experiences, willingness to learn...beginning of mind triggering experiences ...went beyond my expectations: unity, interactions, overcoming social disparities, facing fears, accepting challenges, learning from others, understanding differences, sharing experiences, acknowledging others...potential was unlocked...change is in anyone's hands" Confidence Ndlovu [University of Mpumulanga]

"My peers engaged me when I did not understand Shakespeare. I was of the notion that Shakespeare is irrelevant in our education system. However, due to the drive that I picked up throughout the tour, I learned that Shakespeare is not of a specific world and people can reflect from his work in other countries to write their own African poems and history. This scholarship offered me an opportunity to learn about diversity...and I learned to accept people unconditionally" Frans Matlakala [University of Limpopo]

"We've interacted with the top academic institutions in the world and saw the birthplace of Shakespeare, we've networked in the African Union and dined in the British parliament, we sang struggle songs on Robben Island and have been mesmerised by West End theatre. The most valuable investment from the trip was the interaction with the other bursars. Particularly the robust discussions on issues such as race, politics, the existence of God, brain-drain and artificial intelligence, just to name a few. Discussing issues at such a high level of academic thought and social implication has been a phenomenal and mind-expanding experience."



"Leadership development towards nation building has certainly been at the heart of this experience. Through interactions with fellow bursars and individuals in Ethiopia, England and Scotland we were able to engage in a manner that transcended our cultural and social differences. One realises that despite our diversity, by working together in a spirit of mutual respect and co-operation we can provide a united effort to tackle some of the most challenging political, social and economic issues that face us as a global nation. This opportunity has transformed my life and allowed my mind to expand and tap into mental horizons that I have never explored before."

> Robert Thema [Durban University of Technology]

AT THE AFRICAN UNION HEADQUARTERS

"At every stage during the tour, I couldn't help but compare South Africa to the UK. There are some similarities and there are also huge differences. The one theme that kept coming up, from all the bursars, is that we want South Africa to be recognised as a contributor to the world. We have history and culture, we are hard at work developing systems of our own that can be good for everyone involved and we know that we are capable of achieving greatness in the world."

Oduetse Nthetse [University of the Witwatersrand]

"The tour has allowed me to break down so many walls. It has taught me to be confident in my opinion as unpopular as it may be without the fear of being judged. Simultaneously, it has taught me to be open to new ideas and opinions that I do not necessarily agree with. It has served as a platform for active listening and critical engagement using the values of respect, tolerance and truth. The tour has allowed me to travel the world with a new set of eyes...I was able to immerse myself in the history of the United Kingdom, dissect the influences it has had on Africa and in doing so I have envisioned who I want to be in the realm of global citizenship. This opportunity allowed me to meet people whose conversations challenged me, inspired me and stimulated new ideas, thought processes and dreams far bigger than I ever imagined." **Tevarus Naicker [University of Stellenbosch]**

"From arrival in Cape Town, I knew that the tour would be an incredible journey. The warmth and kindness of John Gibbon, and the comfortable space he facilitated amongst a group of strangers, made us all feel welcomed and provided a solid platform in which we were able to get to know one another. I had never thought that I would be going on an adventure of a lifetime with such a unique group of people, each with their own fascinating life stories and diverse range of interests. I am profoundly appreciative and sincerely grateful to the Trustees, Keith, John and everyone we met along the way for their impact."

Cayla Zukiswa Jack [University of Cape Town]

"The Abe Bailey Tour indeed...provided me with the platform for uncomfortable debate and challenging environments whilst challenging the versions of truths we are told. At times our truth, often formed by our own narratives and interruptive frameworks, creates a form of bias. The tour provided an essential platform for me to not only undo my own bias but also immerse myself in a diverse environment amongst student leaders from different backgrounds."

Sibongakonke Kheswa [University of Johannesburg]

"I think many Afrikaners fall into the trap of feeling unwelcome in South Africa, partially out of guilt and partially because of the thoughtless remarks and actions of politicians and the like. They either retaliate with extreme conservatism, or they tend to remove themselves from the debate entirely. This tour made it clear to me that neither of these approaches is correct. All South Africans have the responsibility to share their stories and perspectives, without which we will never be able to build a collective understanding of our past, present and future. I have a place in the collective future of South Africa and the world, and I will only be able to fill that place if I stay true to my roots. Sincerely sharing my story and empathetically listening to the stories of others, emerges to me as the foremost way to heal our country."

"I believe that the value of the tour is to facilitate critical thinking, learning and conversations that are meaningful...the most significant experience was being able to sit with a group of such extraordinary young minds and confidently share my personal views and ideas about basic education in South Africa. I do not think there is any experience that could ever compare to the Abe Bailey tour. It exposed me to uncomfortable conversation that got me to think critically about my own actions and the role that I play in society. I believe I now have so much more potential to make an impact in my immediate community and South Africa as a whole."

Annelize Morgan [University of Pretoria]

"My time as an Abe Bailey Scholar has been a life-changing journey to say the least. How can I describe being in 30 places, 19 cities and 3 countries? I travelled 58,730 km-that's 1.4 times around the world! A transformed woman from the rural areas of Butterworth in the Eastern Cape, who through the opportunity made available to me, has developed a pronounced passion for the arts, history and theatre. These are things I have never thought in my wildest dreams I would be able to attain."

Abongile Nkamisa [Walter Sisulu University]

"For me this tour was a special time to learn, but most importantly UNLEARN certain traits, and characteristics that I always believed were the right way to go. After the Abe Bailey Tour I believe to be a global citizen and to fully function in a developing world you must change your mind about certain things, and this doesn't suggest you are weak, it simply suggests that you are an individual who's willing to grow from everyone and everything else other than yourself."

Faith Makhubele [Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University]

"This programme has removed me from the bubble that I previously lived in and allowed me to see different views on life, understand peoples' different experiences, empathise with the fights that other people face and simply gain a broader perspective on understanding the world we live in. I am now challenging myself to leave my comfort zone...to pursue a Master's overseas which will build a solid foundation for my long term development and bring me back to South Africa a more ambitious, conscious, strong and refined leader. The tour invoked the confidence in my ability, ambitions, values and most importantly in the contribution that I want to make to society. It sparked my passion for education, social innovation, and social justice."

Riedwaan Fakier [University of the Western Cape]

"The places we visited, and the sites that we were so privileged to see in both Ethiopia and the UK were indeed extraordinary, but it was the people we met at those places, and the discussions we had that were the true learning experience. At Cambridge and Edinburgh universities we met students who inspired us to believe that pursuing our masters and doctorates is possible, that

setbacks such as a lack of financial resources could be overcome. Each Abe had big dreams before embarking on this prestigious bursary, but we are leaving with so much more than just a big dream. We are leaving with the courage and confidence to realise those dreams." Tuscany Parkin [Rhodes University]

"Being selected for the Abe Bailey has been a life changing experience. Coming from a community where black girls don't win, I am winning on behalf of all black girls in my community. I am thankful for the warm reception and acceptance from the send-off dinner to the final dinner at Goodenough College. I am thankful to Mnumzane Keith for not only being a light and guide but for also being a father to us - for his validation, support and encouragement, for giving us free space to express our ideas and accept alternative ideas beyond our own."

"...how passionate the British and Scottish nationals are about their culture and history. It taught me how fundamental it is for us as South Africans to celebrate our very diverse and unique cultures. It made me realise how we cannot erase history; we certainly cannot change the past, but we can use the valuable lessons of the past to plan a future that is favourable for us all. The greatest lesson that I learnt from this tour was that I need to dream beyond the borders of Africa, for a world of opportunity awaits not only in Africa but beyond. Thank you to the Abe Bailey Trustees for a once in a lifetime opportunity; lessons I have obtained from this tour will reverberate in my heart forever."

4. TOUR MANAGER KEITH RICHARDSON REPORTS ON THE 2018 TOUR

"Every person on the tour contributed in some way and no-one let the side down. They were positive throughout, receptive to advice, vibrant and engaging with others and always open to new ideas. Ideal Bursars."

"Each Bursar had at least one chance of being 'DODO' of the day (Director of Daily Operations). This entailed ensuring that everyone knew the arrangements for the day, arrived punctually at meeting points, didn't get lost, were given reminders if they were giving briefings, handled the lunch menu with restaurants where necessary and looked after entrance tickets. I would love to say it all went smoothly, but we had some hilarious moments such as one who left the Shakespeare Museum tickets in his hotel room in Stratford and had to sprint back while the rest of us retired for hot chocolate."

Some of the new features in the programme were:

* A bus tour on the first Sunday instead of a walking tour. This enabled us to see more of London and could hop off at points of interest. It also allowed us on to a river boat after we had been to the Tower of London. We finished up that tour by listening to an organ recital in Westminster Abbey.



LUNCH IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS

- * A full day in the Houses of Parliament with chats from members of all parties. After a lunch in the House of Lords, attended by members of all parties all of whom spoke we were given the opportunity of spending the afternoon in the House of Lords and in the House of Commons listening to debates on Brexit.
- * We went to Solent University in Southampton where Professor Tansy Jessop really wowed the group about the potential of a wellendowed technical university.
- * Speakers were arranged on various topics throughout the tour Andrew Feinstein on the SA Political situation / Professor Rene Weiss on Shakespeare / Professor William Beinart on Rhodes/ David Turner on the Role of the British Army today. These provoked considerable debate.
- * A work shadow experience with all the bursars reporting that they had a worthwhile experience. A past Abe, Professor David Katz (UCT 1967) who took three 'medical Abes' round various hospitals, said: "They are refreshing smart, caring, engaged a privilege to spend time with them".

5. ABE FELLOWS AT THE 2018 FAREWELL DINNER HAVE THEIR SAY

Nearly 100 guests attended the Farewell Dinner at the Waterfront as the 2018 bursars embarked on the 67th tour to the UK. Old Abes represented 18 universities and 23 different tour years. Trust Chairman **Professor Brian Figaji** welcomed everyone and charged the new bursars to enjoy an exciting tour and to fulfil their responsibility as young leaders and Abe Bailey Fellows. **Roger Crawford** (**Natal 1968**), one of the 6 present half-centurions who were celebrating their 50th tour anniversary, and **Lise-Mari Doubell (US 2017)** from the previous year's bursar team, recounted their tour memories, and shared how the Abe Bailey Travel Bursary experience had made an impact on their life journeys. The new Bursars introduced each other to the gathering. Feedback subsequently came from a number of guests:

"The event last night was fabulous! Thank you so much for having us there with the Abes." Riaan de Lange [UPE 1990]

"This is just a short note to thank you all for a wonderful evening. Apart from being thoroughly enjoyable it was also super to renew old friendships and make some really new ones." **Tony Frost (UN 1969)**

"It was an honour to speak to everyone at the dinner. Thank you for the opportunity. I thoroughly enjoyed meeting the new Abes and sharing stories with the former (not old) Abes." Lize-Mari Doubell [US 2017]

"Carike and I really enjoyed yesterday, the morning and midday get together and the evening function and dinner. Thanks John, thanks Roger for bringing us together and thanks John and Don for the half centurion arrangements, including the excellent slide show afterwards. It was more than worthwhile. It was a privilege." **Olaus van Zyl [UP 1968]**

"May I add my warm appreciation for making our half centurion celebration something to remember! Karina and I enjoyed every moment." **Pieter van Huyssteen [US 1968]**

"It was such an affirmation of where South Africa and - to its great credit, the AB - have come to contrast the variety of the new gang with our white male dozen of 1968. But I realise that I was equally moved to reconnect with bursars who have made so much of their opportunities to make SA a better place, and are still so full of faith in the future." Mark Orkin [Wits 1968]

2018 NEW ABES EVALUATE THE FAREWELL DINNER: "The stories from the previous Abes were both hilarious and inspiring...I feel like I am now part of the Abe family...It was great to get to know fellow Abe's from various years...I am grateful for this opportunity and I enjoyed engaging with and listening to the stories of Old Abe's... It was good to network with past bursars, hear their stories and just build relationships with a powerful network...This has been a fantastic experience...Meeting Old Abes and understanding the tour from their perspective has certainly brought a lot of depth to the experience of the tour...It was also an honour to meet the Trustees...I really liked how everyone was interacting and the old Abes were very awesome... It was fantastic!...I met such amazing people and my expectation of being a room full of "upper echelon" people was completely shattered...I met such humble, inspiring and thought-provoking individuals...The sense of humour around my table made my night...Loved this-words can't express my feelings...What a dynamic room of powerful individuals, I always say, to give power you must receive it and boy am I empowered, hearing from the former Abe's from 1956 to 2017...their advice and their reminder to make sure to make networks and participate fully so that we are well-equipped leaders."

6. TRIBUTES TO COLIN STREET

Colin Street who was our Abe tour Blue Badge guide in London and Oxford and on the trip to Bath, for almost 20 years, died unexpectedly on 28th February this year. He did an outstanding job, took a special interest in each group of bursars, and formed very warm links with many of you across two decades. In response to the note about his passing, in the March Official Contact List, the following tributes were received:

"Sad news indeed, my deepest condolences go out to Louise." Athi Ndita (CPUT 2017)

"Very sad news indeed. He was a dedicated man, who took time to know us and did an excellent job. Made it a point that we understood everything and learnt a lot. I personally had some side talks with him and I can say that he was the greatest. Kindly pass my heartfelt condolences to his family. These are tough times, I am with them spiritually." Kat Mashego (TUT 2017)



"Oh my, how sad to learn of Colin Street's passing, indeed the London tours won't be the same." Annah Chuene (UL 2016)

"Thank you for sharing this with us. I remember Colin and his exuberance with great fondness. He will be missed by the Abes." Cyan Brown (IP 2015)

"I am shocked to hear of Colin's passing and sends my best wishes to Louise." (Andrew Ritchie, former Director of Goodenough College.)

"This was a very sad email to receive, but I am grateful for you passing this onto me. My thoughts are with Louise and the wider family." Amanda Streeter (P.A. to the Director)

"John has always spoken very highly of the service Colin provided as the all-important Tour guide for London, Oxford and Bath. I remember many bursars mentioning the valuable information provided by this well informed and charming person in Colin Street. Many of the bursars also developed a strong affinity with Colin that went far beyond his role as Tour guide and we have always been very indebted to him for this special role.

On behalf of the Trustees of the Abe Bailey Trust please accept our condolences."

Brian Figaji (Chairman of Abe Bailey Trust)

"I am terribly sad to hear the news about Colin Street. Not only a terrible loss for the organisation, but to so many individuals whose time abroad was made magical by his steady hand and illuminating guidance through London. I am sure I speak for many Abes in saying that this is very sad news and that our thoughts are with his family and friends. Indeed, you are included in that category given the many years with which you would have worked with him. I am sorry for your loss." **Kameel Premhid (UKZN 2012)**

"This is sad news indeed. I keep his wife and family and friends in prayer." Simphiwe Duze (Rhodes 2015)

"Such sad news about Colin. Remember him well!" Aidan Kingwill (UFS 2008)

"I am very saddened by the news of Colin's passing. What sad news. I am thankful to God for your life and pray that he continues to keep you with us for many more years." Palesa Nqambaza (UJ 2015)

"I am saddened by the news of the passing of Colin Street. I saw London on the news six days ago when you sent this email and was reminded of the enthusiastic manner in which he helped us navigate the streets." **Curwyn Mapaling (NMMU 2014)**

"It is with great sadness to hear that Colin Street passed away, a man with such passion for his job and his country!" Tiaan Oosthuizen (TUT 2014)

7. NEWS FROM ABES AROUND THE GLOBE

With sincere sympathy we record the deaths, some in earlier years, of: Ds T J de Clercq (US 1951), Thomas Langley (UP 1955), J C Lotter (UP 1955), Chris Murray(Rhodes 1957), Tjaart van derWalt (Potchefstroom 1957), J J DeWet Kruger (Potchefstroom), David Gordon (Natal 1961), C vH Brand (US 1962), Arrie Hattingh (OFS 1966), Willie Coetzee (Potchefstroom 1966), Gerald Stoffberg (UWC 1977) and Euvette Taylor (DUT 2013). The Fellowship offers its sincere condolences to their families and fellow bursars.

Gys Steyn (US 1956) wrote: "Thank you for your e-mail and the Official Address list. To assist you in keeping your list up to date I thought I should advise you that **Ds T J de Clercq (US 1951)** passed away some time ago - 2 or 3 years ago as far as I can remember." Thanks Gys - Ds de Clercq was a member of the very first Abe Bailey tour of 6 students from UCT, UP and US to the UK. A bursar with whom I shared the 1959 tour, Saul Bastomsky (Wits 1959) wrote from Australia: "I have now been retired as Head of Classics and Archaeology from Monash University for some 21 years. As to our tour - it was just over 60 years ago that we embarked from Cape Town on the Winchester Castle to begin our Abe Bailey adventure!! I must say that I was surprised to find that you were still Secretary/Organiser of the Fellowship. I thought that you had retired - or can they just not keep a good man down? Warmest regards."

Richard Goldstone (Wits 1960) was in touch: "Thank you for the latest address list and the date of this year's dinner. Noleen and I do hope to make up for missing the 2018 dinner." We look forward very much to seeing you again, Richard. Van NCJ Brayshaw (UP 1962): "Ek het 'n jaar gelede verhuis na 'n aftree oord in Pretoria." Geniet aangename en rustige dae.

Boet Coetzee (Natal 1967) wrote: "Many thanks for the latest Contact List. We appreciate your efforts in keeping it current and sharing it with us." Thanks Boet.

Ben de Klerk (Potchefstroom 1968) kindly informed the Fellowship that "Dr Tjaart van der Walt (Potchefstroom1957) passed away on 23rd February 2019...also ds JJ de Wet Kruger (Potchefstroom 1960)." Thank you, Ben. Much appreciated.

From **Sid Rogers (Natal 1969)** in Queensland, Australia, with whom we have happily re-established contact: "What a kind effort **Nigel Desebrock (UCT 1969)** made in tracking me down! I'm not sure how we lost contact but wonderful to be reconnected. Most unfortunately I cannot come over for the dinner. However, I am catching up with Nigel in Perth next month so it's a small consolation. At least we will be able to be in touch fairly regularly now. I do admire you good people for continuing to organise this legacy and thank you all from the bottom of my heart for your service to humanity....because that is what you do. It is not just the individual Abe's who benefit but all those touched on the subsequent journey these Bursars take. Eternally grateful and assure you that if I am ever in CT I'll contact you. If you are over our way, make sure you contact us too please. Every good wish to you all."

Tyding van Paul Moller (1970): "Hartlik dank en groot waardering vir die adreslys. Hartseer om van die afsterwe van Paul Theron

(UCT 1970) te verneem. Groete en seenwense."

Japie Engelbrecht (UPE 1972) wrote: "I had a quick look at our group, and wondered what happened to MG Erasmus (OVS 1970). Hope someone can track him down! After retirement, I have only spent one year NOT lecturing my favourite course: Mechanics for 1st year students. Our department has now appointed one lecturer in place of the three of us that retired, so this year and in future I will not be lecturing. Now I can finally start enjoying my research, and other matters that I am still involved in. A lot less stressful. I keep on dreaming of one day attending the Farewell Dinner. Who knows, perhaps this year? Kind regards, and thank you for your hard work for us as Abes!" Sounds a busy retirement! Enjoy.

Fika van Rensburg (Potchefstroom 1973) kindly informed us: "I am sad to share the news that **Tjaart van der Walt** (**Potchefstroom 1957)** passed away a few days after his 85th birthday - after a couple of years of being physically not well - although his mind remained sharp to the end. The funeral was on 4 March, 2019." Thanks Fika.

I contacted **Pieter Mulder (Potchefstroom1974)** to locate his daughters, both of whom were Abe Bailey bursars. He kindly gave me the needed information: "Heleen Coetzee/Mulder (Potchefstroom 2001) is at present a senior lecturer at the North West University and Suzanne Mulder (UniVen 2002) is a medical doctor in Potchefstroom."

Lloyd Smuts (UPE 1982) sent greetings and a report on his VULA educational programme in KZN. Enormously encouraging results from the Maths and Science Projects that he directs: "These teachers undergo a life-changing experience: they return to their schools renewed, invigorated, enabled and empowered. They are able to make a difference in the lives of their students, in the lives of their communities and so thousands of people are reached...this programme is reaching under-resourced schools and disadvantaged communities." Congratulations to you and your team on the extensive and invaluable contribution you are making to schools and communities.

Good to hear from **Michael Joubert (UP 1988)**: "As always it is lovely to receive Abe Bailey news. Thank you! Update from my side is that dad, **Piet Joubert (UP1960)** turned 82 and is now frail and not able to do any admin anymore. I have taken over his correspondence and look forward to sharing Abe news with him. He always speaks fondly of their tour in 1960." **Gertrud Tönsing (Natal 1989)** updated her news: "I got my doctorate a couple of years ago, and moved to Pretoria, where I am now a lecturer on contract with UNISA. I still treasure the memory of that tour, and have kept in touch with one of the people on the list - Jan Lubbe (OFS 1989)".

From an email sent by Jaco Cilliers (UPE 1991), I note that he continues as Chief Regional Policy and Planning - Asia Pacific in the UN Development Programme, and is based in Bangkok Metropolitan Area, Thailand. **De la Rey Venter (Potchefstroom 1992)** wrote: "It's a pleasure as ever to receive your email. We are now domiciled in Houston, Texas since about 3 years ago. Thank you John, for keeping up the good work." **Samantha Walbrugh-Parsadh (US 1994)** who is Head of International Affairs at the University of Stellenbosch Business School, wrote: "Thank you very much for your message and the latest official address list of the Abes. I trust that you are keeping well. I hope to attend the dinner this year." Will be very good to have you with us at the new venue. Prospective good news from **Eugene Owen (UPE 1995)**:"I have found **Roelf Alberts (OFS 1995)** on Facebook -I will get his contact details." Will be good to reconnect after we've been without his details for some time.

Sharlene Khan (UDW 1998) sent an interesting update: "I moved back to South Africa from London after completing my doctorate in Visual Arts at Goldsmiths in 2015 - it was my dream to live at Goodenough College again and I had a wonderful 2½ year stay there. On my return I lectured at Rhodes University in Art History and Visual Culture, and in January 2019 took up an Associate Professor position at Wits School of the Arts. I still make art, I run the NRF Thutuka-funded research project Art on our Mind research group, the Decolonial AestheSis Creative Lab, the Black Feminist Killjoy Reading Group and co-started a bursary initiative, Canon Collins Thekgo Bursary Fund. I have received many awards including the National Institute for Humanities and Social Sciences Award for Visuals Arts in 2018, the American Learned Council Post-Doctoral Award in 2017 and others, but I still remember that first award that placed faith in me and that great group of people I interacted with during the Abe Bailey tour in 1998. At Rhodes I connected with a fellow Abe, almost 20 years later - the ever brilliant Prof **Emmanuel Mgqwashu (UDW 1998)** still doing the most amazing decolonial work in the field of education."

Eusebius McKaiser (Rhodes 2001) wrote: "One of the best experiences of my life - as invaluable as any other bursary and scholarship, including the Rhodes to Oxford, that I had the privilege to enjoy. Fond memories, lifelong bonds, and deep educational foundations laid, based on the powerful pedagogical value of travel." **Jennifer Ndhlovu (UP 2003)**: "It is amazing how many years have now passed! I still treasure my Abe Bailey experience. Always will."

Now Director General / Chief Executive Officer of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis in Laxenburg, Austria, **Albert van Jaarsveld (UP 1984)** was in touch with new details: "Thank you for the information about electronic newsletters. Would you be so kind as to update my details." **Alexandra Gazendam-Schulze (US 1997)** sent greetings: "Thank you and warm regards from Germany."

On social media I came across this: *Marike Groenewald (US 2004)* is the founder of ANEW, a leadership development consultancy based in Cape Town. Until May 2016, she was employed by the Democratic Alliance as Executive Director of Development and Learning...including serving for 8 years as the DA's Director of the Young Leaders' Programme, the party's flagship year-long leadership development course and the only programme of its kind in the world. Marike works with leaders, start-ups, think tanks, political parties, NGO's and companies around the world in places as varied as the Philippines, the United Kingdom, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Georgia, Bulgaria, Germany, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Israel and Russia.

Jonathan Dicks (UPE 2004) wrote: "Thank you so much for the electronic copy, and much better to get the news this way than waiting in hope for the post [©]. I've moved house and you can update my address. Thank you for your continued efforts to keep us all up to date with news of the Abes." From Tshepo Moloi (UZ 2006): "What a pleasure to hear from you after all these years. I am presently at UJ in Johannesburg after a tenure at Stellenbosch University." Aidan Kingwill (UFS 2008) was in touch: "I started a PhD at Oxford after completing a two year fellowship in Intensive Care Medicine. I look forward to catching up with ABES, present and past, at the welcome dinner in London at the end of the year! Would be very happy to meet the Abes in Oxford."

On Linked-In I noticed that a number of Abe Fellows have moved into new positions: Adèle Croucamp (NW U2009) as Head Tutor-Women in Leadership at *Get Smarter*, Garreth Bloor (UCT 2009) as President at *The Canada Africa Chamber of Business*, Jan Greyling (US 2011) as Junior Lecturer in Agricultural Production Economics at Stellenbosch University, and Ryan Lamb (UFS 2011) as Business Consultant at *Altius* in the UK. Congratulations to all of you and best wishes in your new leadership roles. I also came across news of Vera Argyle (NWU 2011) who is an MBA candidate at Saïd Business School, University of Oxford. Strength to you in this challenge, Vera.

Nida Jooste (UFS 2011) wrote: "I found out this morning that an Abe Bailey website has been launched. I am thrilled to finally have a space where I can escape to at the click of a button to reminisce about, and be thankful for, the life-changing opportunity the tour offered me. I relocated to South-Korea in 2012 to teach English for 18 months. I enjoyed the entry into a different cultural space immensely and loved every second of teaching. I joined a firm of Attorneys in Pietermaritzburg upon my return to South Africa. This is where I still practise as an associate in their litigation department. I am also a boarder mistress at St. Anne's Diocesan College in the misty village of Hilton. This tends to keeps me sane from the daily demands of being a litigation attorney and the lush surrounds of the Midlands is a big improvement from my childhood years in the dry Free State. Upon reading through one of the older Newsletters, I realised that my first residence in Pietermaritzburg was a mere two houses up the road from **Gertrud Tönsing** (née Wittenberg), one of the **1989 (Natal)** bursars! I still have contact with fellow Abes, **Ann-Maree Tippoo (UCT 2011)** and **Ryan Lamb (UFS 2011)**; however, I enjoy following the careers and adventures of my other 2011 contemporaries online. Thank you for your massive contribution to this life-changing program! I hope to attend one of the farewell events in the near future." Certainly will be a pleasure to see you again. You will be interested to know that **Ann-Maree Tippoo** serves as an Abe Bailey Trustee.

Jessica Standish-White (UCT 2012) started a new position as Divisional Manager for International Health at Discovery Limited, according to social media. We heard from Donett Havenga (NWU 2013): "Colin Street's passing comes at a sad time, as you might have heard Euvette who was my Winter partner on tour also passed away. I am so glad to hear that both you and your wife are in good health and doing well. You remain one of the people who made a lasting impact on my life. It was a privilege to travel with you. After the tour I obtained my Master's degree in Environmental Law focusing on Spatial Planning and Land Management, and started working with Attorneys in Rustenburg. Since my admission I have been working exclusively for, and with, Mining houses as a consultant. I enjoy my work immensely and get to interact with amazing people and communities."

Tiaan Oosthuizen (TUT 2014) wrote: "I am off to Paris again for a month this year in June/July, and should be finalising my PhD there by the end of the year or early 2020, exciting times!" Great strength to you in the final lap, Tiaan.

Very sad news from **Simphiwe Khumalo (DUT 2015)**: "I write this email to inform you of the passing of our fellow ABE, Dr **Euvette Taylor (DUT 2013)**. He left this earth on the 9th of February 2019 after being brutally attacked. I will appreciate it if you could let the ABE Fellows know, especially those who shared moments with him." Our deepest sympathy to the 2013 bursars, to others who knew him and to his family.

A fascinating update came from **Cyan Brown (UP 2015)**: "One of the most exciting nights of my life last night! I am humbled and thrilled to have been selected by Mail and Guardian as one of the Top 200 Young South Africans for 2019." Warmest congratulations, Cyan-we are very proud of you!

Comment about her in the M&G: "A medical doctor with passion for making healthcare access more equitable. She was also the only South African selected from 25 000 applicants world-wide for the Programme 2019, an incubation hub that creates an environment where teams of young people from around the world create innovative start-ups to help contribute to sustainable development goals."

Cyan also wrote: "I've had an interesting year and a bit. When I was due to commence internship last year January, the government was in a funding crisis for new health staff and I didn't get a job. So instead I did some backpacking around the world for a few months. My favourite country was by far Japan. What a fascinating place! After that I came back and was diagnosed with hip dysplasia, so I have been having operations continuously since then but God's provision in this season has been wonderful. I've started a Master's in Public Health online through King's College London, have recently been selected for a fellowship through Atlantic Fellows for Health Equity by The Tekano Institute - a year-long fellowship in the public health space to make health care more equitable, and am busy building an online health business with a program called Young Sustainable Impact that helps young people from all over the world create start-ups to build a more sustainable future. I've loved learning all these new skills and having time to read and spend time with loved ones. Hopefully I will be back to work next year!"

We honour you for your achievements and for your positive initiatives, Cyan.

Palesa Nqambaza (UJ 2015) wrote: "So lovely to hear from you. I am very saddened by the news of Colin Street's passing. I am thankful to God for your life and pray that he continues to keep you with us for many more years. In fact, I think I should start saving up to make the farewell dinner this year. It would be great to see you again."



This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Abe Tour of 1969.

Back: Rex Van Olst, Callie Coetzee, Piet Hancke, Rick Buwalds, Thys Smith, Nigel Desebrock, Sid Rogers, Wimcar Cilliers Front: Phil van der Merwe, Henk Badenhorst, Johan Mostert, Tony Frost

Tony Frost (Natal) [Psychology]

"50 years is a long a time. It is difficult to comprehend that so much has happened in the world in that time. Apartheid ended; so did the cold war; and the war in Vietnam. The Berlin Wall came down and the Twin Towers in New York were flattened. Britain was still pretty much at the epi-centre of things and today it is on the brink of willingly opting out of the European Union. These are just some of the Big things that have happened. It is a world of dramatic and often discontinuous change.

So where does the Abe Bailey experience fit in with this?

With the advantage of hind-sight we probably look like a fairly homogeneous group. We didn't think so at the time and we had the inevitable tensions and discussions around our perceived difference of opinion and standpoint. Pre-eminently our tour taught us that we are all first and foremost human and that in our humanity we can find the common threads that tie us together. Built into this common thread is the knowledge that diversity is not the problem we so often think it is. Indeed it is the source of our greatest strength - the ability of people of goodwill to work together to find new and better ways of dealing with old vexations.

Spending that time together, first two glorious weeks on the RMS Windsor Castle, and then at London House, the Burn and other "homes" during our tour taught us so much, and arguably most about ourselves. It opened my eyes to the opportunities of the world and gave me self-confidence to go anywhere knowing that being a South African is something to be proud of!

Professionally, exciting years have been in Human Resources, Strategy and Conservation, but I am still exploring new ideas and new horizons"

Sid Rogers (Natal) [Theology]

"I am a part of all that I have met; yet all experience is an arch wherethro' gleams that untravell'd world whose margin fades for ever and forever when I move." (Tennyson - Ulysses). Abe Bailey made this quote a reality for me. The experiences of travelling to places only dreamed of, initiated a lifelong journey of exploration. Though now 50 years ago, I still have vivid memories of so many of those experiences. Having prejudices challenged and jettisoned, allowing fresh vistas to emerge of possibilities never before conceived, was transformative.

Eternally grateful to the Abe Bailey team that made, and continue to make, such unimaginable possibilities a reality. I am indeed a part of all those Abe's who shared their lives with me, and, hopefully, I with them. I have not forgotten you. Best wishes to the Abe's of

2019...prepare to change!!!

Some brief history: married my wife Shelagh in 1970 in Zimbabwe and still married!!; taught at CBC Pretoria 8 years - HOD Biology; played hockey for Transvaal and the Springboks; Lincoln Anglican Theological College 1978-1980; ministries in Parishes, Schools and Hospitals in Zimbabwe {5 years}, New Zealand {12 years} and Australia {22 years}. Currently retired since 2014, with three children and 6 grandchildren all on the Gold Coast, Queensland."

Nigel Desebrock (UCT) [Gold Industry]

"The tour gave me a hugely privileged introduction to Britain, and friendships with bursars that have lasted fifty years. After the tour, I spent nine months at UCT's Graduate School of Business before reading English Literature at Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.

I was associated with the gold industry for 35 years, based in the UK, South Africa and Australia. My work included the marketing of gold for the Chamber of Mines of South Africa (1980-86) and GoldCorp Australia (1986-89). Over the next 25 years, working closely with the World Gold Council, Brigida and I supported the promotion of gold worldwide through our own research and consultancy company.

In 1993, as a joint-project with Rothschild in Australia, we established The Industry Collection of Gold Bars Worldwide, which became the largest collection of its kind (1,000 different bars acquired over 20 years), used to educate the industry and stage exhibitions around the world. In 2011, the London Bullion Market Association (LBMA) included four of my books in a "crème de la crème list of important books" relating to precious metals. Brigida and I live in Western Australia. We have two children, based in Australia and the UK."

Callie Coetzee (Potchefstroom) [Theology]

"The Abe Bailey tour of 1969 was indeed one of the best and most enriching experiences in my life. It included the boat trip on the Windsor Castle, all the new friends, especially English speaking friends, the stay in London House, and the whole programme. It was an experience I will never forget and look forward so much to our reunion at this year's Farewell Dinner for the 2019 Abes.

I finished my Master's degree in 1972 and my ThD in 1980. I ministered in several congregations of the Reformed Churches in South Africa before being called to fill the post of Professor in Dogmatics at our Theological School and the Potchefstroom University for Christian Higher Education. Although semi-retired, I am still working as extraordinary professor, and also serve as editor of our Church journal.

Susan and I have three children and three grandchildren, who give us so much pleasure."

Ricky Buwalda (Rhodes) [Education]

"The 1969 tour was a rare privilege and serendipitous experience. Such an unexpected, pleasant, happy, educational and socialising opportunity that came my way. I often had to pinch myself to believe that I was actually part of this prestigious group and tour. The quality and standing of our 1969 Abes and the many people we met across the board on our travels were quite outstanding. These people, many of them academics, were articulate, challenging, thought-provoking, hospitable and warmly friendly in so many ways - a really high quality smorgasbord of humanity. These impressive interactions assisted my personal growth, self-confidence and self-development in the years that lay ahead.

Prior to the tour, I thought Rhodes and Grahamstown were the centre of the universe! I soon discovered that there was a huge, big, exciting world out there with an amazing history, filled with impressive first world citizens, efficiencies, qualities and competence.

I have been involved in education throughout my professional life but a big break came my way when I was asked to manage the Standard Bank's Business Education Division in Johannesburg, which included promoting an external Financial Literacy programme that spread throughout schools in South Africa. I also lectured to students at the Johannesburg College of Education, Wits University and the University of Johannesburg. There is no doubt that my Abe Bailey credentials and network assisted me, especially in the private sector, and many important contacts and growth opportunities came my way as a result of my earlier Abe Bailey privilege."

Rex van Olst (Wits) [Electrical and Information Engineering]

"The 50th Anniversary of our Abe Bailey Group is a fitting event to share our experiences from the tour. Perhaps the longest lasting reminisce I had was how I became an Arsenal Football team supporter! Some of the Abes may remember a gentleman introducing himself at our breakfast table on the first Saturday at London House. He asked whether anyone would like to accompany him to the Arsenal football match at Highbury, North London. It happened that he was the team doctor. I was the only Abe to show interest and I spent the whole day at Highbury stadium with the team themselves. Impressive observation of the team training prior to heading onto the field, plush grandstand seats with all the Arsenal shareholders, and a post-game cocktail party! I have been a loyal Arsenal supporter since that impromptu visit.

The Abe Bailey tour was a life changing experience in every way for me. I recently retired as an Associate Professor at the School of Electrical and Information Engineering at Witwatersrand University, which I returned to (after 25 years in the IT industry) in 2002. I headed up the Telecommunications Research Group and also lectured some of our post graduate Software Engineering courses. Shortly after I re-joined Wits, I noted a gap in the education market, that of a programme to teach and coach Chief Information Officers. With a few colleagues from a variety of Schools and Faculties at Wits, we developed a multidisciplinary programme on CIO Practice, and which ran successfully since 2005! Finally, my wife and I have settled in Nottingham Road, KZN."

Wimcar Cilliers (Pretoria) [Engineering]

As I think back to fifty years ago the memories have partly disappeared. I do recall however the very pleasant times we had together and also the fact that we were all white South Africans. I must confess that the absence of the knowledge of what was going on in South Africa at that time, is now a disappointment but it does gets nurtured by my positive feeling about the new South Africa since 1994. I maintain a very high level of gratitude for being alive and well in this wonderful country. Soon after our trip I started working as a Consulting Engineer in Pretoria for three years. Thereafter I left for Nelspruit where I became involved in trout farming developments. This led to me developing a stop-over facility called Milly's close to the present Machadodorp on the N4. At present I am still involved with Milly's.

I lost my wife Milly in 2012 but enjoy the pleasure of two daughters and six grandchildren and remarried in 2019 to Nellie which added another four grandchildren to my family.

Johan Mostert (OFS) [Political Science]

"The Abe Bailey' tour of 1969 opened new vistas for me, coming from the deep platteland with very little exposure to big cities and no previous first-hand experience of foreign cultures. I developed a lasting appreciation for the rich British heritage and the commitment of the people to preserve age old traditions. Looking back over the years, I am thankful for the opportunity to have broadened my outlook on life which stood me in good stead in my career. I am also thankful for the opportunity to have met tour companions from the different universities. My father unexpectedly passed away while we were still on the Union Castle liner en route to the UK. I received wonderful support from bursars and all connected with the tour.

After graduating in Political Science, I became a journalist at Volksblad, a Bloemfontein daily newspaper. At the end of 1970 I joined the Bureau for State Security and retired as Secretary of the State Security Council in 1994. I was then requested by the new Deputy Minister for Intelligence to join the new intelligence structures where I served until retirement in 2005. After formal retirement I was contracted by the State Security Agency as an adviser until 2015.

I am married to Alta. We have a daughter who is a publishing manager with Macmillan in the UK and a son in Johannesburg who is working as an IT specialist.

Thank you Abe Bailey for a major contribution to my personal development."

9 FAREWELL FOR THE 2019 ABES: <u>Tuesday 26th November 2019</u>

Join us to give the new Abes a good send-off at our new venue, THE PARK INN by Radisson in Newlands, Cape Town. An invitation to the Farewell Dinner with relevant details, directions and free parking information is attached, or enclosed if you live in or near Cape Town and receive the Newsletter by surface post. We would be delighted to enjoy your company as guests of the Trust. A <u>special invitation</u> is given to the **2018 bursars** to share in the send-off to their successors, and to the **Abes of 1969** to mark the 50th anniversary of their tour, by attending the dinner as a group.

Please let me know if you and your partner will attend, preferably by e-mail or by way of the enclosed/attached reply slip, so that we can make accurate catering arrangements.

10. ABE CONTACT DETAILS

Old Abes with whom we had lost contact have been traced by fellow Abes or have reconnected with the Fellowship. Welcome back! If you know details of any bursars listed as 'unknown' in the March 2019 Official Contact List, or of Fellows who have passed away, please let me know.

11. NEWSLETTERS BY E-MAIL

Be reminded that as <u>from this year</u> all Abes, old and new, receive this annual Newsletter and the March Official Contact List by e-mail, unless we have no e-mail address for you. In these few cases, they are sent by post-and, unfortunately, take a long time to reach you. If you are in this category, please send me your e-mail address so that we can update our records. Be sure to inform me of any changes in your e-mail details.

12. OUR APPRECIATION:

- To all who sent in news, contributions and up-dated contact details.
- To Chairman Brian Figaji and the Abe Bailey Trustees for their commitment to the annual travel bursary programme and for the careful work they do in selecting the bursars.
- To Ms Lynnsay Jones, Trust Officer, for her administrative work for the selection process, and for the extensive arrangements she makes for the Tour to Addis Ababa and the UK.
- To Tour Manager, **Keith Richardson**, for creatively planning the tour programme, for his personal contact with new bursars in preparation for the forthcoming tour, and for so successfully leading the 2018 tour.
- To Goodenough Director, Ms Rebecca Matthews, for her valuable role in receiving and interacting with the new bursars.
- To Amanda Streeter, Alan McCormack, David Turner and their teams who co-ordinate arrangements in the UK, and host each year's bursars so generously.

Warm good wishes to you all

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