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Congratulations to Elmiën Steyn, Primaria of 2013, on becoming Mrs van Staden on 17 October 2015. We wish you and Wian many years of joy and happiness!



Photo: Wedding couple, Wian and Elmiën with Magrietjie's house parents, André and Yolanda Jordaan

“MARRIAGE IS GRAND, BUT DIVORCE IS A HUNDRED GRAND”

On 19 October the quote “marriage is grand, but divorce is a hundred grand” announced the zef divorce for 2015. All good things come to an end, don't they? Like any good divorcee, Magrietjie knows that after GOOD comes BETTER. So we dressed appropriately: not in black to show mourning, but as “pool boys and cougars” to test the waters (or the pools) for the last time. Watching Mopanie's Serrie and them receiving the Res of the year award kept Magrietjie in the honeymoon phase for a while longer. Our hearts burst with pink pride, of course, but while this harmonious Rag relationship was going according to plan we fell in love with another man.

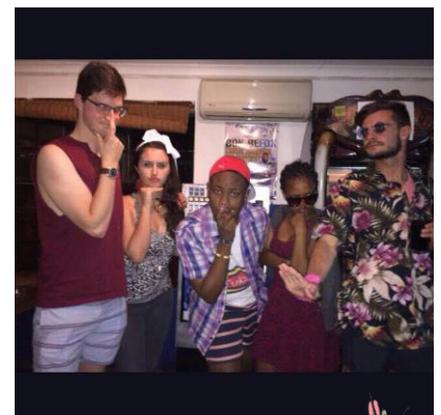


Liani Louw, First Year Guardian for 2016, set the scene on arrival at Livingstones with a scarf and sunglasses (see photo on left). Such a disguise could mean many things, but a cougar never wears her heart on her sleeve. Michéle Uys, 2015

Primaria, read the vows that made the bridesmaids and the pink congregation weep with joy. No word was left unspoken. On the contrary, Mopanie's vows were surprisingly subtle. Speedos and insults probably don't go well together. Wait, were there Speedos...!? Didn't Michéle say she wanted “a real man” for Magrietjie next year.

The end of a blossoming marriage brings with it the sound of new beginnings. Magrietjie allured the pool boys one last time, raised a glass to the many good times, promised to remain “friends” and to share the dog. BUT Mopanie knows that Magrietjie negotiates up to a point and then starts threatening, SO Rommel stays with us, we all know that. When we miss “Magtorro”, because we will, we will confide in Maroela. When Magrietjie asks for the credit card or absolutely anything else, Maroela replies “Ons Mag Mar”.

Watch this space for Magrietjie and Maroela in their “Ons Mag Mar” rag partnership in 2016!



WELCOME SPIKKELS OF 2016!



On Saturday, 17 October 2015, Magrietjie hosted its annual First Year Information Day. On this pink-filled day, the HK and the house parents met the Spikkels of 2016. The HK prepared for this special day from the moment they got elected and the day proved to be a huge success.

The day kicked-off with a meet-and-greet session in the recreational hall, where the HK introduced themselves and their portfolios to the parents and Spikkels.

Thereafter the Spikkel group was divided into three smaller groups. These groups visited three stations.



Firstly, the future Spikkels and their parents had a session in the hall. Here the first year guardian, Liani Louw, and the house parents told them more about Magrietjie and what it means to be a Spikkel. Every Spikkel also received a Spikkel book.

The second station was the clothing station. Here Spikkels could fit and order their Magrietjie house clothing.

Last, but not least, the facilities. Spikkels and their parents had the opportunity to explore the beautiful Magrietjie from corner to corner - including a peak into what their rooms will look like next year.

After meeting the prospective Spikkels, the HK feels extremely excited and are looking forward to what could only be an exceptional year.

TUKSRES AWARDS

The annual External Prestige TuksRes Award ceremony was held on 13 October 2015 in the Rembrandt Hall. The Magrietjie ladies showed their PINK PRIDE by wearing their house shirts and supporting the residence at this special event.



Magrietjie received the following awards:

Sport:

- Netball Residence Award
- Sport Residence of the Year (3rd)

Culture:

- Internal Residence of the Year (1st)
- External Residence of the Year (2nd)
- Culture Residence of the Year (2nd)

Overall:

- Residence of the Year (2nd)

Thank you HK 2014/2015 for your hard work and dedication. It was all worth it. We are proud of you!



Magrietjie of the Year:
Liani Louw



Spikkel of the Year:
Ayabonga Sithole



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We look forward to hearing from you!

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“LIGHTS...CAMERA... PRESTIGE”

On the 24th of August 2015, Magrietjie hosted its annual Internal Prestige event to celebrate Magrietjie’s top achievers in: sports, culture, rag, academics and last, but by no means least, the Magrietjie of the Year and Spikkel of the Year for 2015 (see photos of our 2 very special ladies on the left).

The evening was a cocktail event supporting a ‘vintage movie cinema’ theme. All the attendees, especially the top achievers, had the opportunity to dress accordingly. There were delicious snacks to enjoy before the award ceremony and the ladies had an opportunity to take photographs with props at the photo booth.

Like always, it was a pleasure to see how passionate the ladies are about Magrietjie and how far they are willing to go, irrespective of their studies, to ensure that their beautiful residence flourishes. The highlight of this spectacular evening was the announcement of the new House Committee (or HK) and their respective portfolios. The old HK had the opportunity to bid farewell to the house.



Internal Prestige is a very glamorous and highly regarded event. The House Committee and House Parents have this one opportunity to give thanks and recognition to the dynamic and ambitious group of ladies in Magrietjie and in 2015, it was no exception.

And cut; that’s a wrap on 2015 Internal Prestige.

BONDING IN PRIDE - MESSAGE FROM THE NEW HK

In the movie “Alice in Wonderland”, Alice asks the Cat: “Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?” The Cat replies: “That depends a good deal on where you want to get to.” When Alice answers that she doesn’t really mind, the Cat says: “Then it doesn’t matter which way you go.”

To be successful you need to know where you’re heading, you need to set a goal. Andy Stanley defines a goal as: “A mental picture of what **could** be, fuelled by a passion of what **should** be”. At the HK training weekend, the value of PRIDE was identified as the focus for Magrietjie for 2016.



As a HK we hope to instill a culture of pride in the residence. We want to consistently strive towards greatness, while still remaining humble. We want each lady to be proud of her residence, proud of her fellow Magrietjies, proud of her HK and most of all, proud of herself.

This is our goal, our mental picture of what **could** be and we promise to keep the passion of what **should** be until we reach it!

Christél Muller
Primaria 2015/2016

