



# FOCUS

THE PRIVATE HOTEL SCHOOL

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## Our focus is on ... ACTION!

We are nearing the end of 2013. It has been a year full of activity and achievement. We are thankful for the achievements of 2013 and look forward to embrace 2014 with enthusiasm.



Spotlight on  
PHS Alumni  
Klaries Boshoff

Ms Klaries Boshoff is currently completing her Diploma in International Hospitality Management. She is on her internship with the Caledon Casino Hotel and Spa. Klaries says "I am loving every moment, even when I have to deal with difficult guests or complaints. PHS really prepared me for the industry and I don't think I would have enjoyed it as much if I was not so well equipped". We wish Klaries well with her internship.

Ms Kate Murphy, the Regional Learning & Talent Development Manager (Africa and Indian Ocean region), Hilton Worldwide visited PHS during December. She was joined by Ms Tracy De Beer, Training Officer of the Hilton Cape Town, City Centre. Ms Murphy and the management team of PHS were engaged in discussions and debated matters regarding hospitality education in general.

During the week of 13 – 17 January the PHS campus was bustling with new entrants to the hospitality industry. Ms Susina Jooste, Director and Owner of PHS, together with the management team and staff welcomed the new entrants to the hospitality industry and to the PHS campus.

Hospitality is hard work but can also be fun. As part of their orientation week, the new first semesters explored the City of Cape Town. They visited Table Bay Hotel and One & Only Hotel. Some interesting food combinations were tested and tried at the Eastern Food Bazaar. As with PHS tradition during orientation each new student participated in a fun filled "A-maize-ing Rys" through the town of Stellenbosch. Activities and festivities were concluded with a delicious nougat and wine pairing at JC le Roux.

Two of the PHS second semester students, Mr Martin Smuts and Ms Yolani Abrahams were invited to a Radio interview with RGS during January. They carried the flame of PHS high and made us really proud. Thank you Martin and Yolani.

PHS congratulates the following students with outstanding achievement. They worked very hard during 2013 and are examples of dedication to their studies and preparing for their future careers. Ms Johanne Loubser achieved an overall score of 79% in her first semester and also received the Service Management Award with a total score of 78%. Ms Yolani Abrahams, first semester achieved an overall score of 75%. The following second semesters excelled above average; Ms Suné De Wet achieving 80.8%, Ms Lizzi Kotze achieving 81.3%, Ms Samantha Weston and Ms Tayla Swanepoel both achieving scores of 83.5%.



Industry visits the PHS Campus



PHS welcomes new faces



An action filled orientation



Action over the radio



Johanne  
Loubser

Yolani  
Abrahams

Suné  
De Wet

Lizzi  
Kotze

Samantha  
Weston

Tayla  
Swanepoel

*"Embrace opportunity and be thankful and remember your history does not determine your destiny"*



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