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THE PRIVATE HOTEL SCHOOL
Celebrating 10 Years of Excellence

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TPHS Stars

TPHS recently participated in the One&Only Reach for the Young Starts Competition. The Celebrity Press Lunch took place on 5 November at Reuben's at the One&Only, Victoria and Alfred Waterfront, Cape Town. TPHS competed against five other top hospitality and culinary establishments. Our duo of Chef's category was represented by Carmen Eksteen and Peter Duncan. The Wine Steward category was represented by Kudzie Mushure. Carmen and Peter took second place in the Duo of Chef's category. Kudzie took the third place in the Wine Steward category. We are grateful to Antonij Rupert Wines who supported Kudzie during this event. TPHS is extremely proud of the achievements of our young stars. We wish them the best with their future endeavours.



Celebration Event

TPHS is in its 10th year of operation and a special celebration event to mark this occasion was held on 30 October 2015. The event was organized by the second semester students of TPHS under the guidance of Ms Elni Le Roux, Lecturer for Event Planning. Industry guests, staff and Alumni of TPHS attended this special celebration. Mr Jeff Rosenberg, General Manager of the Tsogo Sun Waterfront Hotel, Vice Chairperson of FEDHASA Cape and the Chairperson of FEDHASA Cape Hotels segment, delivered the keynote address for the evening. He focused on "Leadership as a Journey". He advised current and future leaders that your people in the organization are most important and he urged all to develop their own leadership style.



HotelRhino Event

TPHS in association with FEDHASA and The Wilderness Foundation hosted an event for FEDHASA members. The event was organized by the second semester students of TPHS under the guidance of Ms Elni Le Roux, Lecturer for Event Planning. The HotelRhino Event recognised the importance of sustaining global resources and was aimed at taking the awareness of saving Rhino's further as well as to engage local stakeholders to commit to the project. Mr Matthew Norval, Chief Operations Officer of the Wilderness Foundation, Africa shared alarming statistics regarding Rhino poaching and informed the audience that in 2015 over 1200 Rhino's were slaughtered for their horns, which works an average of three Rhino's per day being killed. Mr Chris Godenir, General Manager of the Peninsula All Suite Hotel and FEDHASA Cape Board Member shared how they are making a difference through their hotel in combating Rhino poaching. The event was inspiring and provided insight how hospitality professionals can make a difference in saving the key tourism resources of South Africa.



EuroCHRIE Conference, Manchester, United Kingdom

Dr. Deborah Johnson, Vice Dean Innovation and Development at TPHS, recently attended the 33rd EuroCHRIE conference held in Manchester, United Kingdom. The conference "Experience EuroCHRIE 2015", held 15 - 17 October 2015, focused on hospitality and tourism as an experience economy. Dr. Deborah Johnson serves on the management board of EuroCHRIE (the federation chapter of the International Council of Tourism and Hospitality Educators, ICHRIE). Dr. Johnson attended the board meeting of EuroCHRIE and presented a paper at the conference, focusing on "Spectator Attendance at Sport Events: A South African Experience". The presentation introduced local home grown sport events as attracting high-yield visitors, in particular repeat visitors and that these types of events generate a favourable image of the destination which again can lead to the development of new infrastructure and ensure long term sustainable local economic benefits due to generating income.

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