



GROVE TALK

8 JUNE 2011

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

The following children who were selected to represent Western Province at the South Zone gymnastics competition to be held in Oudtshoorn on 23rd/24th June:

Level 2: Tessa van Heerden, Michaela Boardman

Level 3: Jordan Louis, Erin McCallum, Grace Sonneman



MUSIC DEPARTMENT - ST BARNABAS CONCERT

On Thursday evening The Grove Music Department presented a varied programme of music for soloists, ensembles, and the Senior Choir at St Barnabas Church, in the City Bowl.

The atmosphere, created by effective lighting, perfect acoustics and a capacity crowd lent itself to what can be described as an awesome experience. Our musicians did Grove proud, and it is indeed inspiring to know that they can perform anywhere. It was the first time the gentle sounds of the Kalimba filled the church, followed by the vibrant strains of the Marimba Band.

A newly established flute choir performed Te Deum as a perfect entree, the recorder consort with its medieval melodies could be a perfect accompaniment to any Shakespearian play. Our Senior Choir had one hanging onto every word they were singing, with their perfect diction and angelic harmonies. Watch their space! The Orchestra is indeed hitting a high note with the strings and woodwind section. We look forward to introducing the mellow sounds of a French horn, along with the strident sounds of a trumpet!

Choir Festival:

Next **TUESDAY 14 JUNE**, Grove is hosting a choir festival, in the school Hall at **19h00**. Our guest choirs are WESTERFORD, WYNBERG MADRIGAL, UCT COLLEGE of MUSIC, and a UNIVERSITY CHORALE from the UNITED STATES of AMERICA.

What a privilege to have these wonderful voices. You are most welcome to attend this choral experience!

THE GROVE SOCIAL CLUB FEEDBACK

Letter from a volunteer for The Grove Social Club:

“I just wanted to let you know that I thoroughly enjoyed assisting with the transport last night. I’ve always heard so many wonderful things about the social club dinners, but I also felt that I’m involved in so many other committees, that I simply cannot extend myself further.

Well, I want to mention that I felt so overwhelmed as I drove towards the Grove’s drop off point with my passengers – the elation that my passengers expressed when they saw our children (all looking dashing) standing there eagerly waiting to open the car doors and help them out, quite frankly makes me feel quite emotional. All my passengers wanted to know which one of the children was my son and I felt so proud of him and the way that he and all the other learners so gently helped to unfasten seatbelts, carefully help the folk out of the cars and slowly walk towards the hall all the while easily chatting to them! I stood watching and taking all of this in for quite a while!

I am sure that you have seen and experienced this process many times, but because it was my first, I felt that I had to share how thoroughly rewarding it was for me even though I played such a small role. All of my passengers gushed about the fantastic time they had and how extremely well mannered all of the children were.

To the social club committee and parents who help with the dinner in any way, thank you for doing what you do! Shaye loved helping last night and I loved lifting all the ladies! I will gladly assist with transport next time. Please enlist me as a transport provider – I wouldn’t mind lifting the same ladies again. They seem to like to have the same person lifting them.”

The Social Club committee wishes to thank all those involved in the dinner last month!



S.P.C.A COLLECTION



The Grade One children are learning about pets at the moment and would like everyone to help! The S.P.C.A is in desperate need of old towels, blankets, dog and cat food. We are asking you to assist us by donating at least one tin of food. You are more than welcome to ask family, friends and neighbours to join in with this drive to help these animals. Please send all items to Grade 1b by 8am on **Monday, 13 June 2011**. Thank you for all your support.

SHARING GROVE

The Grove Primary School has been offered an exciting incentive to all members of The Grove community.

All home loans that are successfully registered with NEDBANK will attract a commission fee for the School. This money will be paid into a designated Donor Trust account, administered by The Grove trustees. All funds generated in this way will be used to fund target projects at The Grove.

For more information, please phone **Heidi Jee, Project Co-ordinator, on 082 8309291.**

Wonderbags™ are excellent heat-retention/insulation cookers. They are cooking bags which require pots to be just 5-10 minutes on the stove before inserting the pot into the bag and leaving it to cook on its own.

The Wonderbag™ is ideal for hard working families. They are a great way to reduce the escalating electricity charges and a way of producing slowly cooked nutritious meals. (See attached brochure for more information.)

Contact Mrs White-Phillips if you would like to buy one; they are R170 each. See the Wonderbag sample on display in the office.

LOST PROPERTY

- ❖ All items will be displayed **every FRIDAY from 10h30 to 13h30** outside the tuckshop area
- ❖ To reclaim items during the week, please send a note to reception, for attention "Lost Property"
- ❖ **PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL QUERIES.**

Thank you!



READATHON 2011

Well done to all The Grove readers for doing themselves proud during 'The Secret Garden' Readathon. It is especially wonderful to see how many books were read by the Grade 1s with their parents! A big thank you goes to The Grove family for sponsoring your children. More than **R70 000** was raised. Thank you to the parents who helped to count money and pages read. Readathon winners will be announced on 15th June.



Our annual Khayelitsha Ministries **SOUP AND JERSEY COLLECTION** will take place over the next 2 weeks. Please send packets of powder soup, second-hand jerseys, jackets or clothing to the office.

GROVE ADS

KARATE DOJO TOURNAMENT on Youth Day, 16 June. Fundraising for Sibabalwe de Wet to represent South Africa at the Commonwealth Games. To be held at Pinelands North Primary School hall, Richmond Avenue, Pinelands, from 4 – 6pm. R80 adults; R50 children. **Contact Jacques for tickets on 079 4842638.**

WINTER WARMERS AT BEAUTY ON DEAN. Specials for June and July.

30min back massage	R150
Express manicure & deluxe pedicure	R240
30min massage, RegimA facial treatment and express manicure	R540

Call Beauty on Dean on 021 6895126 for a booking.
43 Dean Street Newlands (in the Sureslim Clinic)

JUNE PARENTING WORKSHOP – “THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF RESILIENCE”. Join Stephanie Maurel of Family Wellness Consulting to explore Maggie Dent’s 10 essential blocks that help children build resilience and self-esteem in our modern chaotic world. Tuesday 14 June, 7.30pm – 9pm or Wednesday, 15 June, 10.00am – 11.30am at Family Wellness Consulting, 51D Belvedere Square, Claremont, R100 p/p. Booking essential. **Phone Stephanie on 083 5675572 or email: steph@familywellnessconsulting.co.za**

JOHN KAVALA, a member of The Grove support staff, is looking to rent a room in the Claremont/Newlands area or nearest surrounds to the school. If you have a room to rent out please **contact John on 078 8721009.** For a reference, please contact **Roger Davis,** estate manager at The Grove on **072 659 6363.**

TO RENT: ARNISTON SEASIDE COTTAGE.

Winter specials. Sleeps 12. Great for two families sharing. 2 mins. from Roman beach. Fully equipped. **Contact Felicity on 073 4587054 or 021 7624221;**
seevarkie_arniston@yahoo.fr

TEEN FOCUSED WORKSHOPS (for 13 – 17 year olds) every Saturday afternoon till 25th June at The Pretty Network Studios in Green Point. Hands-on sessions with experts include showing teens how to look after their skins and apply make-up; fashion sense; body image, confidence, deportment, body language and self-respect. Open discussions with a panel of experts on eating disorders, drinking and drugs, etc. Entrance fee R130 per person per session. **Contact Cathy :**
cathysteed@mweb.co.za