

Wishing you and your loved ones a wonderful time over the festive season - with gifts of love and joy, good health, good cheer and much laughter! We look forward to seeing you again in the new year.

### Looking Back on 2011

As we prepare for a short break over the festive season, we reflect on the activities at Pincus Matz & Marquard over the past twelve months.

Without a doubt, the year will be remembered as a year of change. Most notably, the change of office decor will remind us just how refreshing change can be. After months of 'organised chaos', we can now be proud of our lovely new working environment.

We made bold and exciting decisions this year and look forward to sharing more about that with you in 2012.

Early on in the year we attended a workshop on 'Embracing Change' with Gary Simons. We must have liked what Gary taught us!

One thing that has not changed, is our passion for our work. And this year two staff members achieved their 20 year service with the firm. Dalene and Vincent, your dedication is an inspiration to us all. So too, is the guidance of Les Masterson, our senior partner who turned 65 this year.

Our passion for people extended into a drive to collect Easter eggs and clothing for the children of in the paediatric ward in the Zithulele Hospital in the Eastern Cape. The items were well received by Les's daughter and her husband - both doctors - who founded and run the Jabulani Rural Health Foundation there. We were delighted when clients, readers of our newsletter, added to our collection of goodies for the children. Thank you.

Talking about Collections ... our Collections Department hosted a talk on the Collections Process at the Barnard Gallery in Newlands. The evening was a great success and it was wonderful to see so many of you there.

We also enjoyed seeing familiar faces at the Business Women's Showcase Expo. This year saw Pincus Matz & Marquard taking a stand. Our marketing team had great fun planning and setting up the display - ready for us to meet and greet both old and new friends.

Our firm is proud of the relationships we have built over the years. We value the contacts we have and consider ourselves as a big happy family.

Kirstenbosch Gardens was the venue for our end of year staff function. Here we had the opportunity to connect with each other over a relaxed picnic.

We have enjoyed getting together with colleagues and attorneys from other firms, building and strengthening those relationships.

With change, comes the opportunity to develop new relationships. And that is what we did when it was time to change and upgrade our computer systems and equipment.

Thank you to all of you who have been patient with us as we have bashed and painted, dusted and rearranged. Thank you for bearing with us while we change the things that need changing.

Thank you for being a part of our family in 2011.

We take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and peaceful time over the festive season.

To our Christian readers we wish you a Blessed Christmas.

From all of us at Pincus Matz & Marquard



### Recess Period over the Festive Season

High Court closed 19 Dec - 23 January.

Third Division (Motion Court) still operates on Tuesdays for commercial matters and on Wednesdays for divorces.

Magistrates Court closed 15 Dec - 16 January.

Small Claims Court closed 8 Dec - 16 January.

Criminal courts will hear matters and matters of domestic/family violence will also continue to be heard.

There will be no registrations at the Deeds office from Christmas to 3 January.

Pincus Matz closed from 23 Dec - 3 January.



### A Whole New Look



We are delighted with the new look offices. After several months of renovations taking place all around us, we are at last able to appreciate all the changes. We are planning to hold an Open Day in the new year, so look out for your invitation. We'd love to show you around.

### Breakfast at the Bistro



We were recently invited by Meredith Harrington to a breakfast at The Bistro, Steenberg Wine Estate. L-R: Matina Angeliniadis, Desiree Goodwin, Alison Tooley, Aggie Rudy and Pascale Butcher.

### Anna's School Project



Anna Angeliniadis Gr4, showing off her school project on Pincus Matz & Marquard.

### Celebrating Birthdays



We celebrated our birthdays in December and enjoyed a great time together at Kirstenbosch Gardens: Matina, Colleen and Melissa.

We celebrated our November birthdays at a Black and White Function held in our boardroom: Dalene, Jeanette, Vincent and Karen.

