

SA Ubuntu breakfast

Matina Angeliniadis, our marketing expert, with Tina Koyounoglou at the SA Ubuntu breakfast, where two new logo designs for the foundation were presented. Guests were asked to vote for their preferred design, to help the foundation choose their new identity.



Pincus Matz – Top Performer

Pincus Matz featured on ABSA's Top Performers for May 2016, again scoring an impressive 100%. Well done to our property department for this excellent achievement.

The Greatest Little Birthday Club in Town



In May our Birthday Club hosted a lovely breakfast and the opportunity to connect at The Cellars Hohenort Constantia. Visit our Facebook page for more photos.



Remembering our youth



Every child has the right to a name and a nationality from birth; to family care or parental care, or to appropriate alternative care when removed from the family environment; to basic nutrition, shelter, basic health care services and social services; to be protected from maltreatment, neglect, abuse or degradation. Section 28 of the South African Constitution

Under South African law, you are a 'child' or 'minor' until you turn 18. But you still have certain legal rights as a teenager.

What can you do when you turn 14?

- You can be a witness to someone else's will;
- You can consent to your own medical treatment;
- You can consent to donating blood;
- You are considered to have criminal capacity and can be prosecuted.

What can you do when you turn 15?

- You can be employed;
- You can leave school;
- You can enter into a civil law marriage with the consent of parents or guardians. If under 15, you need the consent of the Minister of Home Affairs as well.

What can you do when you turn 16?

- You can open a bank account but you will have all the legal obligations of adult clients;
- You can make a valid will;
- You can buy and sell cigarettes or any other tobacco products;
- You can drive a motorcycle;
- You can register as a voter but can only vote when 18;
- You can be served papers by the court of law;
- You can consent to sex;
- You can agree to donate your own body organs (after death);

- You can consent to being circumcised and to have virginity testing;
- You can apply for a Child Support Grant for your own child or younger siblings if you are the primary caregiver;
- You can be considered the head of a household and bear rights and responsibilities as a caregiver;
- You can work underground in a mine as part of a vocational training program (but you may NOT be employed at an underground mine until 18).

What happens if you have a baby?

- A minor who is pregnant (or recently gave birth) can continue to depend on her parents or legal guardians for financial support;
- If the minor is not married, her parents or guardians can become the legal guardians of the baby and claim parental responsibilities. But only the High Court can grant full guardianship and only if they believe it is in the best interest of the child.
- If the minor is legally married at the time of the baby's birth, then they have full parental rights and responsibilities;
- A minor may terminate their own pregnancy at any age.

HIV Testing/Contraceptives

Although the legal age of sexual consent is 16, children over 12 have the right to access contra-ceptives and undergo HIV testing. At age 12, a child may also consent to disclose his or her HIV status.

<http://www.blacksash.org.za>

Pincus Matz birthdays

We shared a very special occasion recently when Les Masterson celebrated his 70th birthday with us at a lunch at the Ocean Basket. Congratulations Les - we wish you health and happiness in the years ahead. We also wish Laverne Nolan, who celebrated her birthday on 17 May, Rachenda Smith who celebrated on 6 June and Vanessa Joshua on 20 June, everything of the very best.



Snippets



We have spent recent months assessing some of Africa's most competitive, cutting-edge and inventive law firms to establish those most deserving of one of our prestigious awards and Pincus Matz Attorneys has been named one of the 'Most Innovative Law Firms 2016, South Africa'. Jack Clarke (Acquisition International Magazine)



Thankyou for breakfast on Wednesday. I was a happy occasion and the the food most delicious. Tom Fair

So lovely to be remembered on our birthdays. We really appreciate the invitation and we feel privileged to be part of the best Birthday Club one could belong to. Delicious breakfast and interesting people. Marian Arenhold

Facebook

We are delighted with the increased activity on our Facebook page. Thank you for your comments, your views, and your 'likes'.

Thank you so much for a wonderful breakfast last Wednesday morning - always such a beautiful venue, and good to catch up with you. Angela Gilbert