

January 2006

2005 was a hugely successful first year for The Pebbles Project, due to all the amazing support we received from such a wide range of people.

2006 looks to be equally, if not more, exciting, as our plans to grow and develop become reality. We kicked off 2006 with the hand-over of a cheque for R20,000 from an auction at 96 Winery Road Restaurant - what a great way to begin the year!!

We would like to use this newsletter to let you all know of our plans for the year ahead and to thank everyone who has helped us reach our goals so far.

The Year Ahead

2006 has a lot in store for us and through our fundraising efforts and generous donations we will be able to take on another special needs trainer, set up an office and training room, employ an Early Childhood Development specialist and extend our training programme to another five wine farm crèches. Our training programmes for the crèche workers will directly affect the lives of up to 150 children, many of whom need intensive input if they are to cope when starting school in the future. We will be working in partnership with The Dopstop Association on the Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder programme.

New Office and Training Room

We are excited to announce our move into a new office and training room space at MANUKA on Main Road, Somerset West. We hope to be settled there by the middle of February and can then start our crèche worker group training sessions. Please come and visit us, and make the most of the wonderful Manuka coffee shop, wine store and garden while you are there! Our postal address and contact phone numbers remain the same.

Lwandle Project

We have also raised funds to begin our project in Lwandle township and have identified a number of crèches needing our support. An update on our progress will be in the next newsletter.

Sponsor A Child

Our Sponsor A Child programme will also be developed during 2006, offering Pebbles supporters the opportunity to donate regularly to support a particular child with learning difficulties and his or her crèche. For more information on Sponsor A Child please contact Anna at sophia@pebblesproject.co.za.

Hands-On Days

Wines of South Africa (WOSA) held a very successful Hands-On day, renovating one of the crèches in which we work - we are now planning another renovation day for the wonderful wine.co.za team to completely transform an existing crèche into a stimulating, clean and fresh learning environment.

Pebbles Events for 2006

- **January** - cheque hand-over celebration at 96 Winery Road Restaurant
- **February** - Valentines jazz brunch at Lourensford Wine Estate. Sunday 12th February at 10h30 to 13h00. Tickets R150. Book online at www.pebblesproject.co.za or at Lourensford / Winedesk at the Waterfront.

Book your place at the
**Pebbles Valentine Jazz Brunch
 & Charity Auction**
 hosted by Lourensford Wine Estate

Some of the auction items for your loved one include: Rovos Rail trip, portrait photo session, restaurant meals, Robbie Williams tickets, beauty treatments, wine collections and much more ...

Date: Sunday 12 February 2006
 Time: 10:30 - 13:00
 Venue: Lourensford Wine Estate, Somerset West
 Ticket price: R150 per person or R1000 for a table of 8.
 Price includes brunch menu and sparkling wine.

TO BOOK YOUR TICKET
 visit www.pebblesproject.co.za or visit Lourensford Wine Estate tasting room or call 072 472 2797

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- **April** - Cape Wine 2006 on 5th and 6th at the Convention Centre. Thanks to WOSA for allocating us a stand at this event.

We'll keep an eye out for you

Don't miss the *The Tank Party of the year*, at the Aquarium,
 V&A Waterfront, Cape Town.

Cape Wine 2006, Wine Industry Networking Party
 April 6th 2006, 7pm – 2am, The Aquarium, Waterfront, Cape Town

Drinks, Food, Dancing & Fabulous Auction
 Proceeds to The Pebbles Project, Sponsored by JF Hillebrand.

Tickets R275 pp on sales 1st Dec 2005. To register interest please visit
www.pebblesproject.co.za or email info@pebblesproject.co.za

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- **April** - TANK party on the 6th - wine industry party to celebrate the end of the show, in the shark tank area of the aquarium in Cape Town. Sparking wine, oyster shots, foot massages, chocolate fountains and a stunning array of auction items, including Robbie Williams tickets, helicopter flights, weekends away, plus much more. To book tickets please see the Events page on our website. Numbers are limited.
- **October** - Sponsored Skydiving - as if the abseiling last year was not bad enough, we take to the skies this year to see if we can beat the R107,000 raised at the abseil in 2005. If you are interested in joining us, please contact sophia@pebblesproject.co.za.
- **December** - Crèche Christmas party - for all the children in the crèches in which we work, to celebrate the end of the year.

If you or your company would like to get involved in any way - fundraising, hands-on days or with a donation, please contact us at sophia@pebblesproject.co.za.

Thank you to:

- The Dopstop Association for all your support and guidance, particularly Chantel Mazok.
- The Nose Wine Bar for our website and the post-abseiling party.
- Cape Classics for your donations and support.
- JF Hillebrand for your donation and abseiling participation, plus the sponsorship of our TANK party at the Aquarium in April 2006.
- Thierry's for continual fundraising though all means possible.
- Penny Verberg from Luddite farm for all the donations.
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- Haumann Smal for our logo design and brochure, and all the other design work you have done for us.
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- Lourensford Wine Estate for hosting our Valentines Jazz Brunch in February 2006.
- Wegmans USA for your donation.
- The Gastronomats food club for the donation of Christmas presents for the wine farm children.
- Wines of South Africa (WOSA) for continued support and the Hands-on Day renovating one of our crèches, plus all the gifts of clothes and toys for the children.
- Wine.co.za for our newsletters, support with the abseiling and ceaseless interest and support in all our efforts.
- 96 Winery Road restaurant for funds raised at your auction and abseiling pledges.
- NB Publishers for your donation of story books for the farm crèches.
- Virgin Active for donations of auction prizes.
- Villiera Wines for hosting our launch, your continued support and sponsoring the Fizz at our Charity Auction in April.
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It would take forever to mention all the individuals who have supported us this last year by raising money through sponsored cycle rides, casino nights, London Marathon runs, donating auction prizes, pledging for abseilers, or just giving cash – without you we would not have got where we are already.