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Regardless of where you are when you read this newsletter - whether it is from a humble shack to the biggest house; on a phone, tablet or a computer - it is a special privilege for me to reach you. Greetings to you all.

What an extraordinary time this is for us to meet! Fortunately, we are still able to connect virtually irrespective of Covid-19. As a member of Golden Key International Honour Society, you still have access to our various social media platforms to connect with like-minded students and like-minded performers, not just in South Africa, but across the world.

I want to reiterate our pillars to assist you in realizing your potential by connecting individual achievement with service and lifelong opportunity.

Think about your membership like this: academics, leadership and community service.

As a scholar you must ask yourself, with serious intent, how can my academic and leadership qualities help build a better post-Corona world? As for Golden Key, we want to help you with each of those pillars:

- *academically: by recognising successes*
- *leadership: by offering opportunities to be there, to connect, to listen, to guide, and organise,*
- *community services: to share, to serve, to lend a hand.*

We hope that you will be active in each dimension. And of course, your learning, leadership and community-orientation never stop. GKSA espouses the idea of continuing professional development. Wherever you are, see yourself on a lifelong journey of development towards becoming the best you can be at your scope of work, your skills and your community change throughout your lifetime.

Many brilliant inventions came from South Africa. Among a long list of world-changing inventions there was Pratley Putty (used in the Apollo space missions), Q20 lubricant, the CT scan, the first heart transplant. As I'm sure you'll know, these came from South Africa.

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Just think, for a moment, about the following African inventions:

1. Mathematics

We know that Egyptians had mathematic textbooks over 35 000 years ago. The oldest known mathematical object, the Lebombo bone, discovered here in our mountains, is 44 000 years old. It has counting marks to keep track of the lunar cycle. It comes from Africa.

2. Medicine

We have records of surgery being performed in north Africa from around 5000 years ago. Much, much earlier than anywhere else on earth. Medicine comes from Africa.

3. Mining of Metals and Minerals

In eSwatini (previously Swaziland), mining began at least 43 000 years ago. We have exquisite gold artefacts, such as the Golden Rhinoceros of Mapungubwe, dating from an era that Europeans refer to as medieval times. Mining and metallurgy comes from Africa.

I could go on: writing, navigation at sea, cartography, the calendar (long before the people of South America), even law and philosophy, all comes from Africa.

This is why the ancient Romans used to say, “ex Africa semper aliquid novi”, which means “out of Africa always comes something new.” In other words - Africa is always full of inventions.

My point is: African inventions are still continuing today, and they are still leading the world. Whether it is a foetal heart rate monitor with a wind-up power supply developed in Cape Town, or analogue circuitry for mobile phones developed in Egypt, or the world’s first mobile money service, which was developed in Kenya. Or any of the developments Elon Musk in getting up to.

It should be a wake-up call to us all. Stop regarding Africa as trailing behind the rest of the world. There is always something new coming out of Africa. We should acknowledge Ubuntu, our adaptability, and our continent’s capacity to lead and invent.

Local inventions developed by local scholars are here for you to discover and to use in your own academic field.

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Even in the social sciences the idea of Theory from the South exists, which means that most Western theories have roots in southern theory. We bring the change. It comes from Africa.

I thank our excellent leadership in the various chapters. You will find the names of the international and national leaders elsewhere in this newsletter.

Take care, stay safe and lead

Dr Elmie Castleman
Director
Golden Key Southern Africa

Introducing the GKSA Team

Meet the four members of the GKSA team. We are based in Pretoria, Gauteng, from where we provide support and services to all our members and alumni, co-ordinate activities nationwide and liaise with the chapters and Golden Key International community.

Dr Elmie Castleman, Director, GKSA



I am Elmie Castleman. I joined Golden Key South Africa in 2018 as Director Southern Africa Golden Key International Honour Society, tasked with growing the organisation's brand value and expanding the opportunities to the benefit of our members.

It is a task that I am passionate to fulfil. It is very rewarding to be trusted to apply my experience in strategic leadership and organisational development, accumulated over more than 20 years across a wide range of institutional and cultural contexts, to Golden Key South Africa.

As a health care professional (nursing) and an experienced C-suite executive with a Ph.D. (UFS), I have a high regard for the academic sector's role in preparing South Africa's youth to pick up the baton of leadership. However, the responsibility of leadership development does not end with academia, but rests on the shoulders of every Golden Key member to pursue and develop in their professional lives and in their communities. I am committed to assist them with that process.

I am loyal to our country and proud of our unique brand. In collaboration with our partners and sponsors from the corporate sector, I am excited and inspired to be a part of Golden Key South Africa.

Gillian Cloete, Associate Director, GKSA



I am Gillian Cloete the Associate Director of Golden Key in southern Africa. I am a young, assertive, versatile, analytical and entrepreneurial person who enjoys working with others in activities that require ingenuity and unusual resourcefulness. I am driven and enthusiastic about opportunities that give meaning and purpose to people's lives.

I have completed my Masters in Labour Relations and will finish my PhD in the years to follow. My journey with Golden Key South Africa started in my second year when I was selected to become a member of this prestigious society. I have served as sub-committee member, Executive Committee Member, Graduate Advisor and Council of Students Member, where I represented Golden Key South Africa at international level. I have worked in multiple industries, including consulting and fitness. I have been in Golden Key employment for four years and have never experienced this amount of support, passion and drive. My dream for this organisation is that members truly see the value of membership and the value that they can add to society in general.

Natasha Maharaj, Membership Manager



I am Natasha Maharaj, Membership Manager. I have worked for GK for 13 years and counting. I studied Human Resources at the University of KwaZulu-Natal many moons ago. My responsibilities include membership coordination as well as managing the executive committees at all our respective chapters.

I am passionate about the youth; hence I enjoy working and providing guidance to our members. I consider myself highly privileged to attend the member recognition ceremonies around the country, as these serve a true celebration of students who have worked hard academically and those who are making a remarkable difference in their communities.

It gives me a great sense of pride to be continuously working with such a stellar calibre of students; it truly makes the job all the more worthwhile. I am a friendly, empathetic, compassionate, loyal and highly dedicated individual who works well under pressure to ensure that all deadlines are met, and that southern Africa's operations continue to function to the best of its ability.

Maryke Bain, Office Administrator



Hi, I'm Maryke Bain. I am the Office Administrator for Golden Key International Honour Society, Southern Africa. I have been working at Golden Key for a year. My main responsibilities encompass responding to member queries, handling merchandise orders and managing the administration of the office. I am the glue that keep us together!

I am an accurate, flexible, innovative person and most importantly have a high level of integrity. I pride myself on being able to apply all these qualities to provide you, the member, and my colleagues with the best possible service.

Currently, I'm doing a Higher Certificate in Economic and Management Sciences at UNISA and plan next to pursue a BCom in Business Management.

One of the many reasons I enjoy working at GKIHS is that I am part of a society that simply cares about empowering and helping their members.

COVID-19 challenges us to demonstrate our character as caring human beings

Golden Key community in Southern Africa

We are now entering an unprecedented time in global history. Over the next weeks, and well beyond this, life might well be changing quite radically for all of us.

My message to you is simple: in this tough time ahead, you must recognise the fact that, as a member of this society, you are an academic performer, and someone who knows that you can influence the course of your life, and the course of history. Now is the time that your character will show. You have a responsibility to use your time, your intellect, and leadership capacity to help you household, your community (geographic and virtual), and in that way, our country.

As leaders, we must:

- *educate people about the necessary precautions (such as washing hands and social distancing), and reiterate the government's message around the movement lockdown; - show discernment by calling out fake news, and prevent the distribution of rumours and fear-mongering messages;*
- *show support and kindness to vulnerable people and households;*
- *document your experiences in your community by writing it down, recording it and sharing it;*
- *help the world in generating a mass of data about how different households are '#CopingWithCorona'. Let's get it trending!*

This is a global challenge, but it will be weathered only by individual discipline, mutual support, community solidarity, and when ordinary people like us, focus on the things that matter. I have received a wonderfully kind message from our global head, Melissa Leitzell, as well as many university and business leaders.

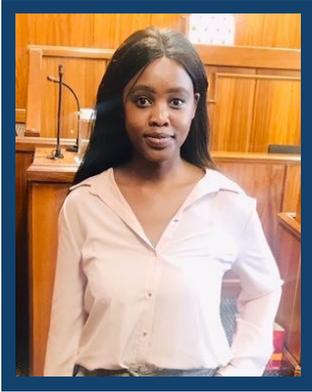
My prayers and warmest wishes go with each of you.

Elmie and the GKSA Team
Dr. E Castleman



Golden Key SA members act responsibly during Covid-19 lockdown

Golden Key members were invited to share their views on South Africa's response to the Corona virus. Below are extracts from 15 contributions GKSA received. It offers an interesting mix of practical advice, insights, encouragements and tips on coping with boredom while adhering to the lockdown restrictions.

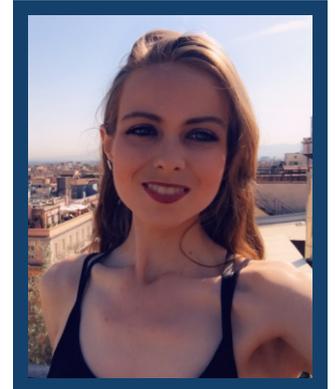


Mandisa Gala studies law at Nelson Mandela University.

"In my community, there are measures to stop the spreading of the Corona virus. I live in an underprivileged community, where everyone knows that they must wash their hands at all times and avoid overcrowded places. These are trying times for the country and although the poor and underprivileged will be negatively affected, it seems like everyone is following the government's instructions."

Katelyn-Mae Carter lives with her parents in Benoni.

"My father started an online indoor training routine with both my brothers who no longer live with us. I video call my quarantined grandmothers every second day and do the easier chair exercise to keep them in shape. My mom recently recovered from a double mastectomy. To protect her from exposure to the virus (and cure my cabin fever and claustrophobia) I volunteered to do the shopping. We adhere to social distancing in public and practise strict hygiene in the household."



Aaliyah Shah in Pietermaritzburg studies Geography and Environmental Science and hopes to be chosen for an honours degree in 2021. The impact of the Corona virus forced her family to shut down their family business that has been running for 30 years.

"The economic impact is severe. The positive side is that we spend more time together as a family, taking care of each other's daily needs; experimenting with new recipes; and use the extra time to focus on my studies. I applaud our government for acting decisively with the lockdown."

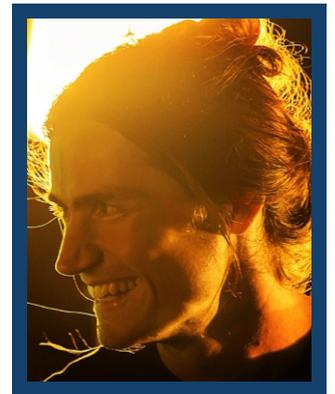


Shandukani is a nursing student at the University of Limpopo.

“People in my community are trying hard to stop and prevent the spread of the virus. I am dealing with my anxiety about the situation, by writing as a form of therapy. I hope we will overcome this pandemic and rise up again like the dawning of a new day.”

Damien Tomaselli is the founder of a multimedia community, Cauldron that specialises in immersive reading.

“We publish a comic recently, called ‘Don’t Panic’ that aims to help children understand the current situation and dealing with the pandemic. It is already available in 8 languages, with 15 more pending.”



Shazlynn Juelle Pillay from Pietermaritzburg is a 3rd year student at UKZN, majoring in English and Geography.

“I am in lockdown with my parents and brother. My mother works for a pharmacy and still goes to work everyday, which means that we exercise extra caution to stay virus free. I spend my time between studying, catching up on my favourite series, connecting with friends and family on social media. The more people listen, the quicker the lockdown will end.”



Resegofaditswe Thaganyane is from Vryburg and studies at NWU.

"I am glad to see that the people in the Vryburg community are adhering to the advice to keep a safe distance and protect themselves. I'm using the time to revise some work before classes resume. I love to go to the gym, but now exercise in the yard. I do believe we can flatten the curve of Covid-19 together"

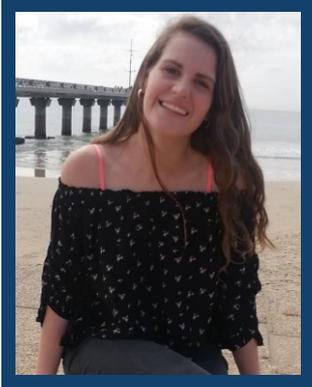
Natacha Goërtz final year law student at Unisa expressed her emotions during this challenging time.

"Communities are coming together and supporting each other with love, kindness, compassion and care. I have felt the love and support from business owners, I encourage you to check up on your loved ones and to stay connected. Also take care of yourself. When people support each other, incredible things happen"



Tebogo Ramafoko, general secretary of the UJ chapter, shares some valuable tips on getting through the lockdown and using the time optimally.

"Maintain a steady routine combining academic activities, domestic chores, stay informed about the virus through credible sources; maintain proper hygiene; practise self-care; engage in relaxing activities; and keep in touch with loved ones."



Kirsten Smith, a 3rd year student in Psychology at NMMU.
“The Corona virus pandemic affected each and everyone, directly and indirectly. It has been a humble experience to witness everyone standing together in the fight against the virus. The most important lesson that I have learnt, is to never take anything for granted, even the smallest of things. Together we are stronger and can beat this!”

Serole Kgolane, service director of UJ Chapter.
“Try to understand the virus and how to prevent the spread; avoid fake news; follow the guidelines to stay safe. Staying in touch with friends and family far away, will bring us peace of mind and give us comfort. As youth leaders, it is important to provide accurate information to help those around us. We must use the resources we have (social media platforms) to network and seek help for those in need, whether it is fellow students with their studies by e.g. creating online study groups, or vulnerable people in our communities.”



Dipthego Tau, Fundraiser at UJ Chapter.
“I acknowledge the frustration to be stuck in the same place for a long time, but there are ways to use the time constructively, e.g. learn a new language; do yoga to stay in shape and meditate; catch up on school work; read; play board games with your family; paint; create a vision board of life goals; pamper yourself with a home spa; knit a scarf for the winter; and rearrange the furniture in your home for a fresh look.”

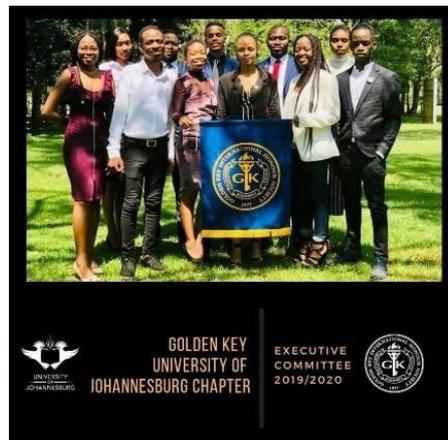


Ntshadi Chokoe, Director of Professional Development at UJ Chapter.

“If you are not infected, you are still affected. Become an active citizen and act accordingly. Respect the regulations of social distancing and hygiene; keep busy and develop new skills; seek support if you feel you cannot cope; be mindful about sharing information about the pandemic on social media that has not been verified as truthful; and use the time to relax and take your mind off matters that might overwhelm you.”

Ziphozonke Ntshangase, Treasurer UJ Chapter.

“Avail yourself of the facts of the Corona virus and inform others that do not have access to media; conduct constructive conversations with older and younger people in a language they can understand; consider the needs of others from different socio-economic backgrounds and be empathetic to their circumstances; lead by example; and practise what you preach.”



The Executive Committee of the UJ Chapter expressed their concerns about the impact on the pandemic and the lockdown on the academic year and on chapter activities. The March to May graduations ceremonies have been postponed. The Committee congratulated all the graduating students and offered to publish their achievements on social media platforms. It also called on students to play their part in their communities to ensure that we flatten the curve.

Travel bursary winners attend leadership summit in Brisbane, Australia

Eleven GKSA members enjoyed the privilege to travel to Brisbane in Australia in February 2020, to attend the Golden Key Asia Pacific International Leadership Conference. The theme of the Summit was *Networking in the Digital Age*, which focused on turning online connections into meaningful offline relationships in the changing landscape of the digital age.

The students benefited from Golden Key travel grants to attend the Summit, while one student paid her own expenses. Each student captured their experiences and highlights in short reports that they submitted to GKSA. Read [A Summary Report](#) on the GKSA delegation's experience.



If you are interested in reading more about the Brisbane Summit,
please click the link:
<http://goldenkey.org.za/sites/default/files/Brisbane%20Brochure.pdf>



Chrizaan Pretorius, University of Pretoria (Self-paying member)

BA General degree with majors Sepedi and International Relations

Self-paying member that attended the 2020 APAC summit in Brisbane



Muhammed Ebrahim Patel is one of our travel grant winners. Congratulations!!! He matriculated in 2017 and in 2020 he will be a third year BCom student at UKZN.

"I have a passion for cricket, business and spending time with my family and grandparents. The Golden Key generous scholarship is affording me an opportunity that many just dream of. I hope to gain insight, strategies and experiences from leader in their field that will assist me to contribute to my professional and personal communities. I feel very privileged to be associated with the Golden Key academy and I am extremely grateful."

You are one of our winners of a travel grant to Brisbane - congratulations **Samantha Funeka Msipa**. Final year LLB (law) at Nelson Mandela University.

"It is such a privilege to have been awarded the travel grant. Golden Key has granted me the opportunity of a lifetime! I am looking forward to harnessing the information provided at the summit. I especially look forward to experiencing and meeting individuals from diverse backgrounds."



Congratulations to **Vongai Lee-Ann Mafongoya** one of our 10 winners. She is 3rd year, Bachelor of Social Science, Psychology Double Major. University of KwaZulu-Natal.

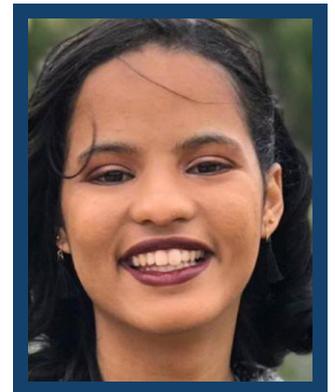
"I anticipate the 2020 Asia Pacific Leadership summit to be nothing less of phenomenal. I'm forever indebted to the Society for allowing me an opportunity to attend such a academically and socially rich event. Selection as a travel grant recipient is something I will always carry with honour and pride! I look forward to this opportunity to broaden my horizons, foster new friendships and expand my professional growth. This will help me to become a better leader and servant to my community, continuing to push barriers, thrive and unlock my potential! Thank you Golden Key!"



One of the 10 Winners. Ntombifuthi Dhladhla who is studying at the North West University, Mafikeng campus. Honours in Logistics management / Transport economics.

"Firstly I would like to thank Golden Key for such a wonderful opportunity to be part of the recipients of the Brisbane Travel grant. It is such an honor and a blessing to be one of the travelers. One of the privileges of attending would be to learn, sharpen my leadership skills as well as to connect and network. I'm looking forward to representing my chapter as well as Golden Key South Africa as a whole."

Meghan Petri Smith, one of our 10 winners. In 2020 she will be a third year medical student at Stellenbosch University.
"When I applied for this travel grant, I never in a million years expected to actually get it. It's a childhood dream come true and I can't thank Golden Key enough for the opportunity. I look forward to learning and developing as a leader and to bring back the knowledge I gained to benefit our chapter as well as our community."



Congratulations to **Tshiamo Molefe** one of our 10 winners who is the recipient of the 2020 Asia-Pacific Travel Grant. Studying at North West University, Mafikeng Campus. BCom Financial Accountancy, 3rd year.

"It is a honour and privilege to be one of the recipients of the 2020 Asia-Pacific Travel Grant. I am excited and look forward to travelling, learning, networking and developing. I cannot wait to share what I will learn at the summit with those that could not attend. I thank the Golden Key Society for this great opportunity."



Congratulations **Thuli Princess Chauke**, one of 10 winners going to the 2020 APAC summit in Brisbane. Studying a BA Honors in Psychology at Nelson Mandela University

"It is a great honour to be one of the recipients who were privileged to get the Golden Key Travel Grant. This is an opportunity for me to expand my skills and knowledge and also equip myself with the professional capacity in being a great leader."

One of our winners who will be attending the 2020 APAC summit in Brisbane **Obriel Takunda Maposa** of North West University, Mafikeng Campus. First year Masters in Marketing Management (2020).

"I feel honoured and blessed to be a winner of the Asia-Pacific Travel Grant. I'm really grateful for the opportunity to be an ambassador for Golden Key South African and my chapter. I look forward to learning and developing as a leader, share and network with individuals from across the globe."



Congratulations to Sinethemba Shabalala a third year student studying Ba Language Practice at the University of Johannesburg. BCom Financial Accountancy, 3rd year.

"I am si grateful to be one of the recipients because travelling has always been my dream. Attending the summit is a chance for me to learn to be a better leader. It's a chance for me to gain knowledge that I can come back and share with other people. I can't wait to represent UJ."



Congratulations **Ricardo Virgill Smart**, one of 10 winners going to the 2020 APAC summit in Brisbane.

Second year Ph.D candidate in Wine Biotechnology at Stellenbosch University.

“Being one of the recipients of the Golden Key Travel Grant is a dream come true. Words cannot express how much this opportunity means to me. I am excited to attend the 2020 Golden Key Asia Pacific Leadership Summit and to represent South Africa.”



Chapter Advisors and Chapter Leadership

Dedicated GKSA member at all chapters devote their time to support activities at campuses and in their communities. There are various portfolios in which members can serve to apply their strong leadership qualities and develop these attributes further. These portfolios include:

Advisor

Advisor portfolios include advisor, co-advisor, graduate advisor. They serve as Golden Key ambassadors on campus; support chapter leaderships; ensure successful membership drives; assist with planning the new member recognition ceremonies and receptions; and attend to chapter finances. If available advisors attend annual Golden Key summits with student delegates.

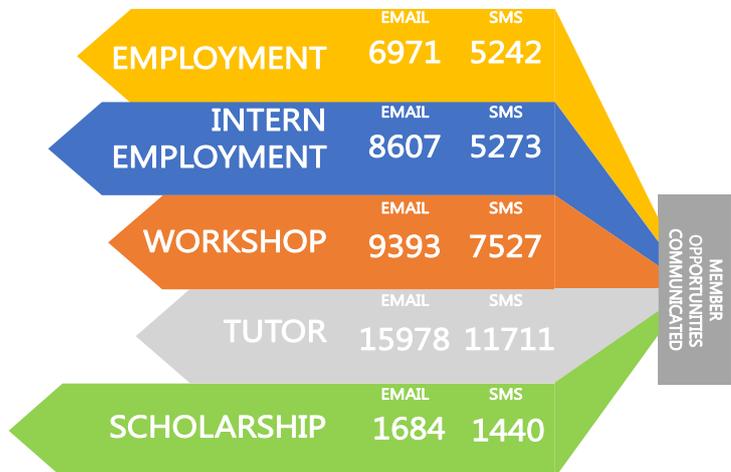
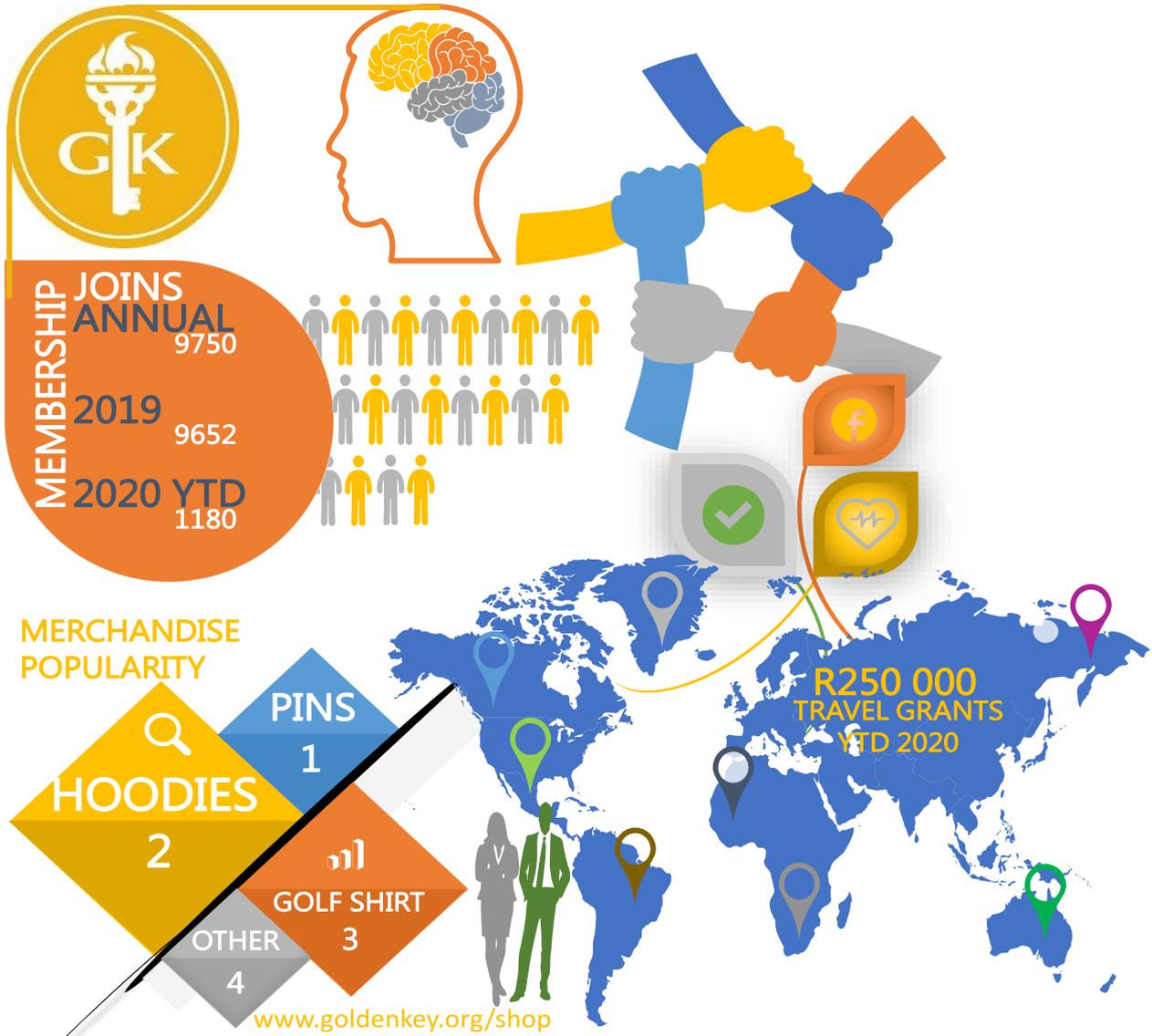
Chapter Leadership

An individual student or alumni can serve as a Golden Key ambassador on campus responsible for membership drives; organising chapter events, community service initiatives, new member recognition ceremonies; manage chapter finances; and attend annual Golden Key summits with student delegates.

Each Chapter offers portfolios with specific responsibilities to assist the smooth running of activities. These include a president, vice president, treasurer, secretary, and positions that take responsibility for membership recruitment, service delivery, campus and community outreach, public relations, fundraising, professional development and general affairs.

- [Chapter Advisors](#)
- [Chapter Members](#)

Quantifying benefits and Information



GKSA in the Media

Golden Key SA receives regular media coverage about student and alumni members published in mainstream media, online platforms, corporate and university news media. Since January 2020, the following Golden Key alumni and students were featured. They also share inspirational messages as encouragement to fellow students.

Luciano Heneke of Paarl featured in an article in [Die Son](#), where he shared his academic studies towards achieving two law degrees from UWC. Luciano wants to make a difference in his community. Although he described himself as a lazy person that did not perform well at first, he changed his attitude and worked himself up as an A student and GKSA membership. He believes that with a good balance in your life, you can achieve your dream. “I encourage other students to face the challenges and not to allow unfavourable personal circumstances to determine their future.”

Alexandro Daniels from Hillview in Lavender Hill, featured in [VK News](#). He enrolled for a law degree at UFS in 2013, but did not do well and lost his bursary. He changed to Language Practice, which he passed with flying colours, and had his bursary reinstated. In 2017, Alexandro passed his degree Cum Laude, and his honours a year later, specialising in English. From 2017 and 2018, he went from GKIHS member to executive committee member and later co-advisor at the GKIHS. In 2019, he started his Masters’ dissertation that focused on the lives of coloured people in the Cape. He hopes to complete his Masters by 2021 and continue with his PhD in 2024. His dream is to become a lecturer in Literature and Linguistics and to open a department of Coloured Studies at the university.

“When being given a set of cards, you have to make the most of it. There are no role models in the neighbourhoods I grew up in. You must always work hard despite the challenges and the circumstances you grew up in. My story is a realistic example of what you can achieve despite where you come from.”

Jamie Adams featured in an article in the UCT News page. Jamie has an Honours degree in organisational psychology. She lost her right leg in a motorbike accident in 2013. Navigating the campus was quite a challenge for Jamie, who was supposed to have graduated now in March, but the ceremony has been suspended due to Corona virus outbreak and lockdown. She shared her gratitude for the support from her fellow students and UTC’s disability service. Although she is disappointed about missing out on the graduation ceremony, her message to others is to “know that your peers are with you in acknowledging the hard times, the lack of social life, the sheer determination to achieve their academic goal to graduate.”

Sihle Bolani a Golden Key alumnus featured on www.workingwhileblack.co.za

Sihle is the author of the book, *We are the Ones We Need*. A review of the book describes it as a memoir style account that looks into the challenges faced by black professionals in South Africa’s corporate environment.

To join your Telegram group reach out to southafrica@goldenkey.org

International Leadership Council (ILC)

Leadership development is one of the main purposes of the Golden Key Society. Specific structures have been established to advise and guide individuals involved in the various activities at Golden Key chapters worldwide. It will also adjudicate disciplinary matters that might arise at chapters or between students and advisors.

The International Leadership Council (ILC) is the focal point for advisors, student members and alumni in accordance with the Society's bylaws, policies and Board of Directors' Mandates. The Council comprises a President, Vice President, Secretary, one student member and one alumni member.

GKSA member, ***Nkateko Mathebula*** from Pretoria fills the portfolio as Alumni representative on the Council. The ILC's services include:

1. mentoring and training
2. serving as a communication channel among advisors, student members, the international staff and Board of Directors;
3. managing the approval process for chartering petitioning chapters;
4. overseeing the implementation of chapter standards, awards and service programmes;
5. reporting to the Board of Directors through the International Leadership Council President and International Leadership Council Students Member on the work, progress and performance of chapter;
6. adjusting disciplinary matters of any chapter, advisor, chapter officer or member; and
7. advising the international staff on specific initiatives to improve the recruitment and retention of members, as well as education-based service and diversity initiatives.

International Council of Advisors

The Council of Advisors is an advisory body that also serves as a communication channel to the ILC and international staff regarding advisor, member and chapter-related matters. ***Natasha Kitchin*** from the University of Stellenbosch serves as an advisor on the International Council.

Other tasks include:

1. providing members to serve on ad hoc work groups and task forces to address important matters;
2. mentoring new advisors and providing a source of institutional knowledge to the advisors they represent;
3. assisting the international staff in the implementation of specific programmes and initiatives in their geographic areas of responsibility;
4. establishing communication system with all advisors to ensure routine and effective communication of success and knowledge management; and
5. advising international staff on scholarship selection.

International Council of Student Leaders

The primary purpose of the Council of Student Members is to serve as a resource on a variety of society issues, ideas and initiatives at international level. It is an additional communication channel for chapter leaders and student members. It also serves on ad hoc work groups and task teams to address important matters with regard to student member benefits and services, conference/event planning, partner or alumni development, and provides input to strategic planning.

Election of members on the Council of Students is conducted in collaboration with the ILC and the Board of Directors. **Sahil Maharaj** of UKZN is one of eight student leaders on the International Council of Student Leaders.

Read [more](#) about the ILC and the International Council of Advisors and International Council of Students.

HFM Assessment Offer

GKSA collaborated with HFMtalentindex to provide one free online talent assessment worth R800 to Golden Key members that subscribe to a set of three assessments. HFM assessments assist individuals in gaining a better understanding of their strengths that enable them to be successful in their tasks and careers.

The first HFM assessment is a personality test that gives the members their top five competencies which include sensitivity, integrity, devotion to quality, ability to analyse people's motivations, and service-orientation.

The Future Me assessment shows which field suits them according to their competencies, while the Learning Agility is a report that gives guidance on developing one's potential. It includes agility to learning; people skills; adaptability; goal orientation; mental stamina; and self-awareness.

An awareness of one's skills and abilities can be very useful when making decisions about study and career options in a competitive workplace where multiple skills and versatility can give one the edge to more opportunities.

Contact ecastleman@goldenkey.org for more information about this opportunity offered by HFM Talentindex.

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