

RONDEBOSCH UNITED CHURCH

Creating Circles of Dignity



The Hinge between Faith and Action

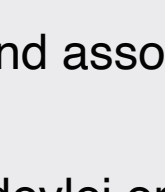
RUC NEWSLETTER

Cape Town, Sunday 23 August 2026

Sunday Service
with Holy Circus (Sunday School)
9:30am to 10:45am

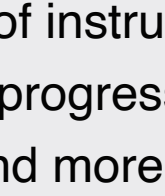
Please diarise:

Friday 28 August - Cape Town Concert Brass
Sunday 6 September - Plant Bring and Share
Sunday 20 September - Sustainable Brunch
Sunday 4 October - St Francis Sunday
Sunday 11 October - Thrift Stall



Please click below for this week's online sermon.

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Action



False Bay Nature Reserve walk and talk:

Rondevlei, Zeekoewlei and associated seasonal wetlands

Saturday 29 August: 09h30 at Rondevlei or 09h00 at St Thomas for car-pooling

Join us as we explore parts of False Bay Nature Reserve (FBNR) – Cape Town's only Ramsar wetland site and the only urban wetland site in South Africa!



Some Good News - A Call For More Volunteers

For a number of years retired teachers have been teaching grade 6 Maths at Mokone Primary School in Lange. The medium of instruction has been IsiXhosa for most of their school career. However, as the children progress through the grades they are exposed to more and more English.

English is now the language of the exams they have to write. In June it became very obvious that the children did not understand the questions. It was decided to expand our work and offer assisted English classes to those learners who are struggling. We had our first classes on Friday. It was a great success.

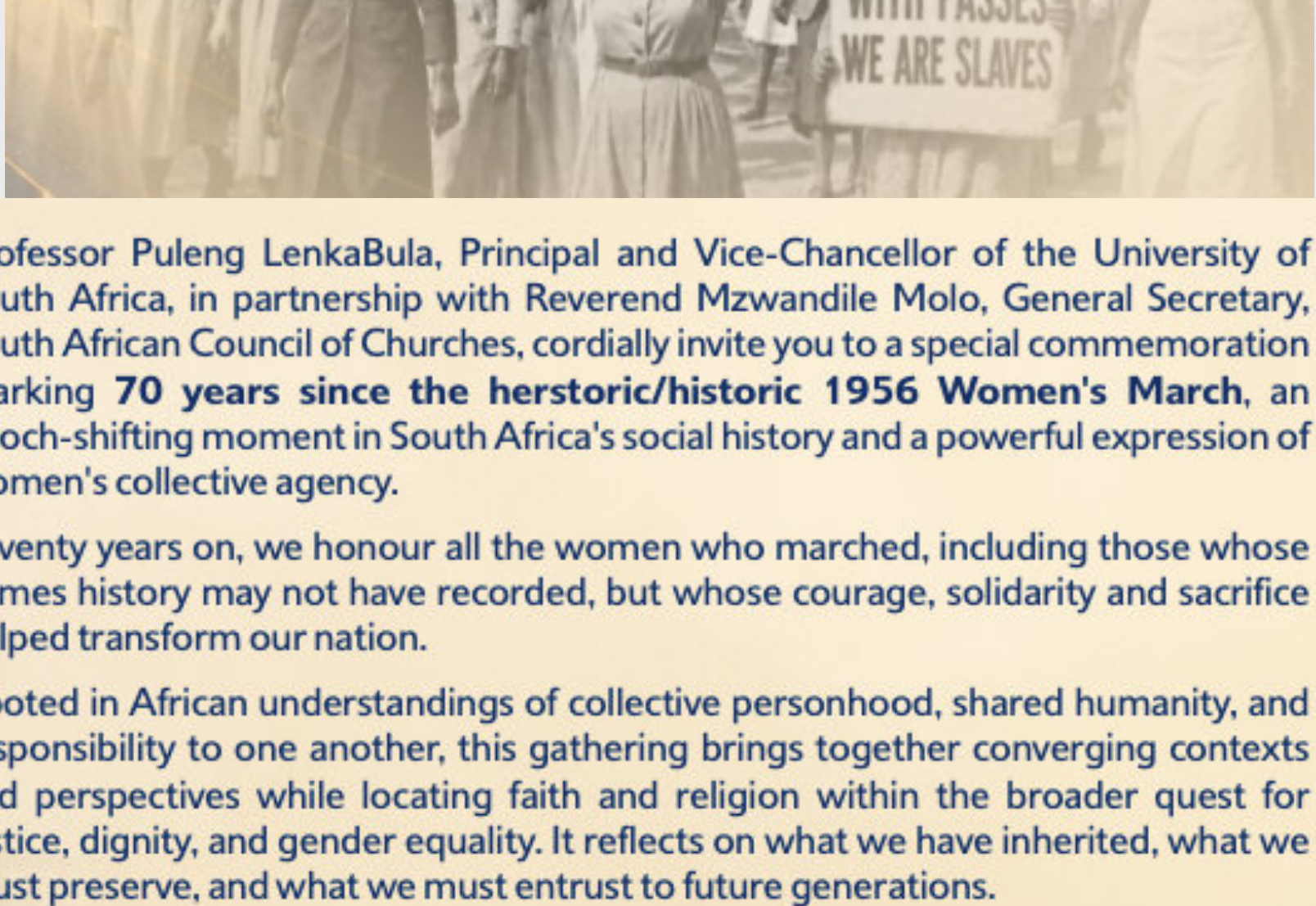
We need to expand our classes so that we can offer assistance to more children. If you know of anyone or feel moved to join us please let us know.

Joy, Pamela and Ross (0722091675)



70 YEARS OF COURAGE, COLLECTIVE ACTION & HERSTORY REMEMBERING THE WOMEN WHO MARCHED

Passing the Baton



Professor Puleg LenkaBula, Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University of South Africa, in partnership with Reverend Mzwandile Molo, General Secretary, South African Council of Churches, cordially invite you to a special commemoration marking **70 years since the herstorical/historic 1956 Women's March**, an epoch-shifting moment in South Africa's social history and a powerful expression of women's collective agency.

Seventy years on, we honour all the women who marched, including those whose names history may not have recorded, but whose courage, solidarity and sacrifice helped transform our nation.

Rooted in African understandings of collective personhood, shared humanity, and responsibility to one another, this gathering brings together converging contexts and perspectives while locating faith and religion within the broader quest for justice, dignity, and gender equality. It reflects on what we have inherited, what we must preserve, and what we must entrust to future generations.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Dr Sophia Theresa Williams-De Bruyn
Pioneering anti-apartheid activist, trade unionist and last surviving leader of the 1956 Women's March

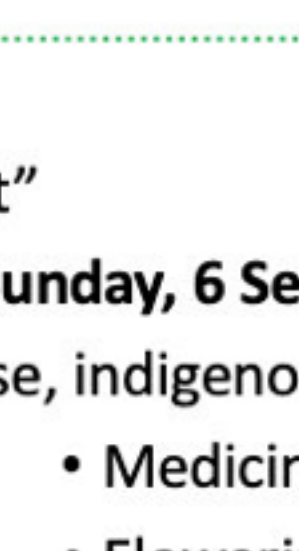
As a living custodian of this herstory, Dr De Bruyn connects the memory of those who marched with the aspirations of those who lead today. Her presence invites an intergenerational conversation and symbolises the **passing of the baton** to future leaders.

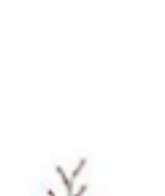
Thursday, 27 August 2026 | Time: 09:30 for 10:00
**ZK Mathews Great Hall, 2nd Floor, Winnie Madikizela-Mandela Building,
1 Preller Street, Muckleneuk Ridge, Pretoria**

Seventy years on, the march continues, not only as memory, but as a responsibility we carry forward together.

Dress code: Religious/ traditional/ formal attire

Please [click here](#) or scan the **QR Code** to RSVP by 21 August 2026.





Plant Bring and Share

"Bring if you have, take if you want"

• After church on **Sunday, 6 September**

• Waterwise, indigenous plants

• Medicinal plants

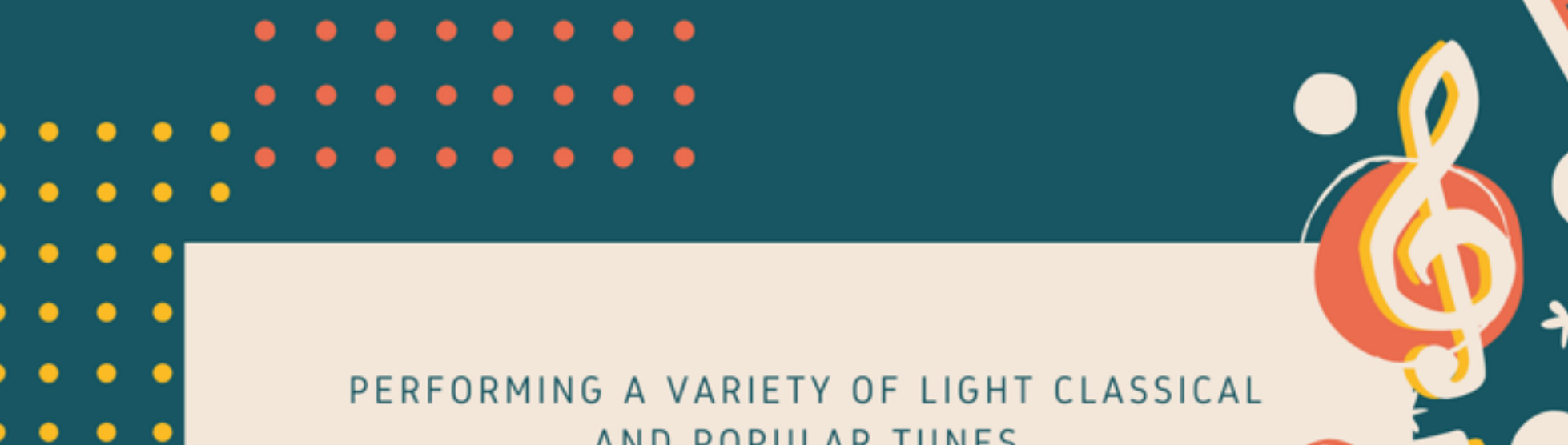
• Flowering plants

• Vegetable plants

• Spekboom

• Herbs

• Seeds



Source: Facebook.com/vyboisley

To join the whatsapp group to coordinate, speak to Nicky



PERFORMING A VARIETY OF LIGHT CLASSICAL
AND POPULAR TUNES

CAPE TOWN CONCERT BRASS

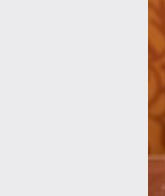
FRIDAY 28 AUGUST AT 7PM

RONDEBOSCH UNITED CHURCH
18 BELMONT ROAD, RONDEBOSCH

TICKETS R150 ADULTS / R50 STUDENTS
TICKET SALES AT THE DOOR



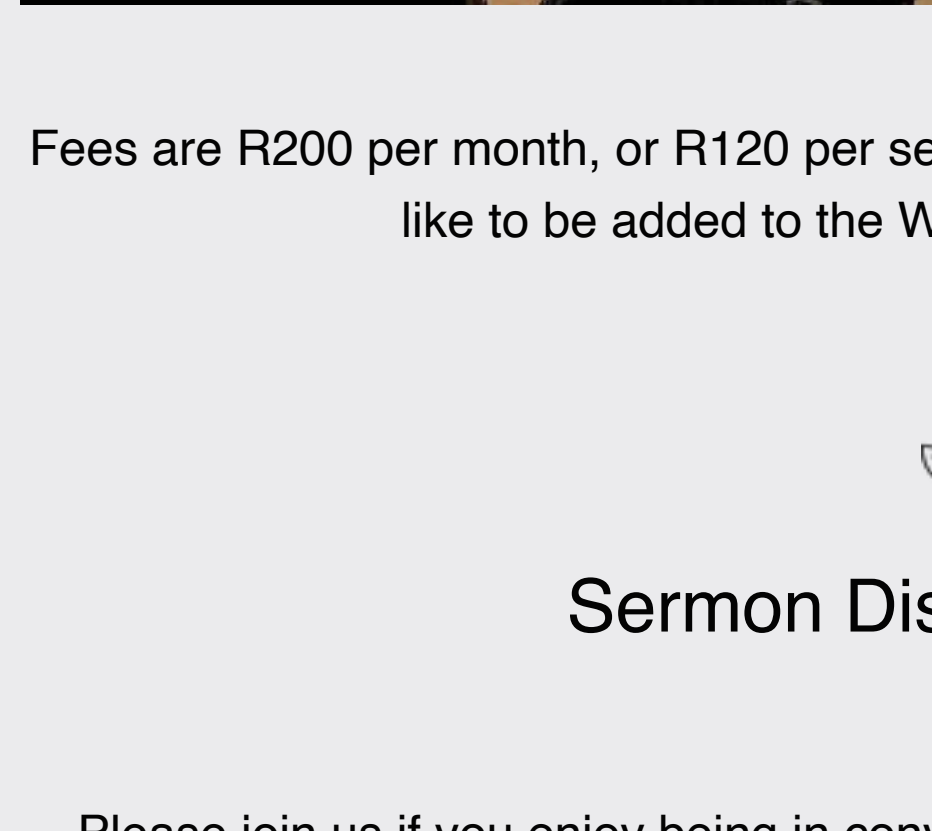
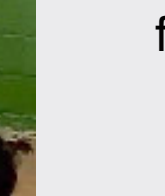
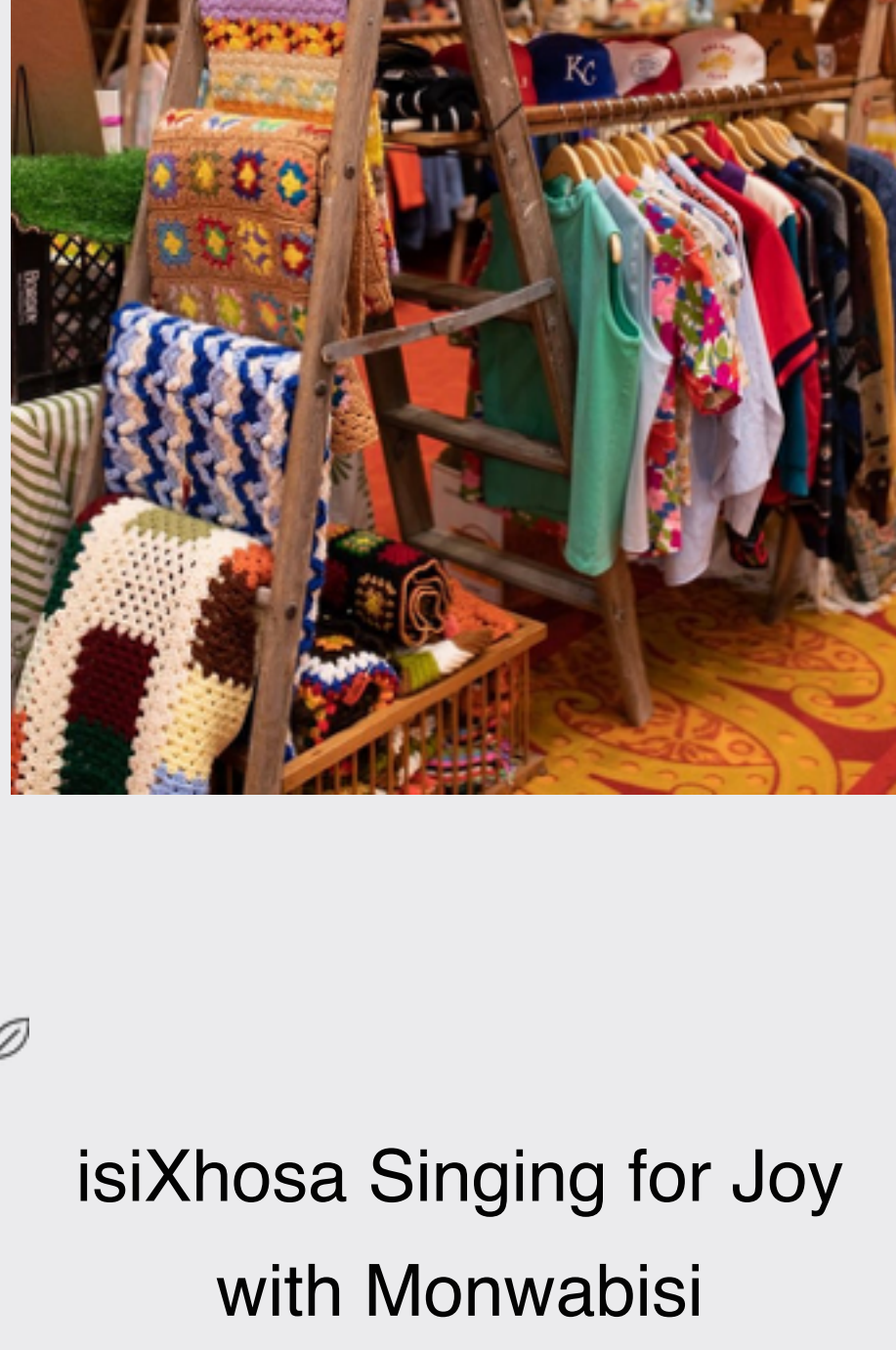
Ticket sales also at the door after Sunday services in August.



RUC Creation Care Thrift Stall

Sunday 11 October 2026

The Creation Care team is calling for donations of gently used second hand items for our thrift stall. If you have any, please bring to church with you on Sundays and drop in the donation box available from next week. Please ensure items are washed, in good condition. Accessories also welcome but no undergarments please. Thank you! Please speak to Amy Irlam for more information.

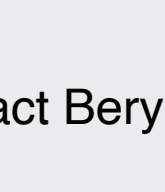


isiXhosa Singing for Joy with Monwabisi

Please join us every first and third
Wednesday of the month
from 7pm to 8pm in our church sanctuary.

We start in August.

Fees are R200 per month, or R120 per session. Please message Monwabisi if you would like to be added to the WhatsApp group: 071 250 0586



Sermon Discussion Group

Please join us if you enjoy being in conversation with others about Sunday's sermon.

Everyone brings their own questions, interests, and stories to the discussion.

And together we hope to make meaningful connections to our daily lives.

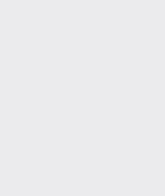
Every second Tuesday of the month at someone's home.

-Facilitated by Beryl Botman

Every third Sunday of the month after the service in the upstairs room of our church hall.

-Facilitated by Barbara Centurier-Harris.

If you wish to join, please contact Beryl at beryl.botman60@gmail.com



Yoga Classes at RUC

Mondays at 6:30pm in the Church Hall.

Please contact Erika, if you would like to join: lencses.e@gmail.com

HEAR HOLD LOVE ENFOLD

Alastair Rodger, Lyne McLennan, Wendy Cheek, Jennifer Roeleveld, Christine Snyders, Margaret Reid, Douglas Bax, and Chris Rodseth.

Rondebosch Police Station, SmilingOne, Outliers, U-Turn, "Grow Great" Campaign, Masazane Soup Kitchen, and Thembi's Soup Kitchen.

TABLE OF REMEMBRANCE IN AUGUST

1st Ronel and Kristian Falls; 16th Gavin Lloyd; 20th Chris Loedolff and Pat Collis; 30th Ronald Low.

HAPPY RETURNS IN AUGUST

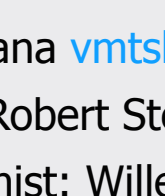
Kindly let us know if your birthday is not listed.

2nd Clive Warner; 3rd Donaville Nduwimana; 4th Vivan Nel and Sharon George; 6th Jean van Willingham; 7th Lucky Levitt; 8th Daniel Adams and Moira Irlam; 9th Kume Muloiwa; 10th Timothy Gaunt and Cynthia Ndayizeye; 13th Lydia van Niekerk; 16th Paul Duff and Lawrence Williams; 17th Geraldine McPherson and George Kane-Smith; 20th Victoria Baranyizigiye and Carolyn Rodger; 21st Erin Chase; 24th Lizzy Malaka; and Faustine Ndayizeye; 26th Carolyn Butler; Marouk McPherson; 27th Melanie Murugen; 28th Howard Pearce; 29th Nicholas Baigrie.

ANNIVERSARIES IN AUGUST

Please email us, if you would like to add a special anniversary.

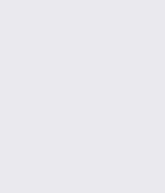
10th Heidi Segal and Darroch Fought; 24th Judy and Julian Cooke (1963).



LGBT+ NETWORK AT RUC: IN@RUC
Please go to our website for more information:
<https://www.rondeboschunited.org/lgbt-network-at-ruc>

WEEKLY DISCUSSION GROUPS ON ZOOM
For more information please go to our website:
<https://www.rondeboschunited.org/weekly-bible-studies>

MONTHLY LIESBEEK RIVER CLEAN-UPS
For more information please go to our website:
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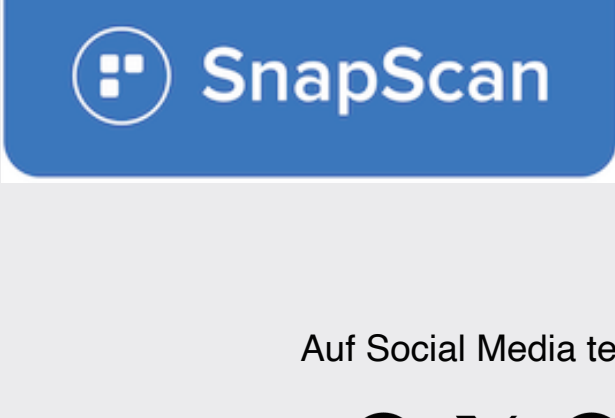
Treasurer: Roy Kempster royk@unibase.co.za

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