

## Shaunagh Emanuel

(Class of 1985)



Born in '67, inhabitant of the planet for 40 years.

Farmers' daughter from the Midlands.

Fortunate to receive a scholarship to attend Epworth.

5 happy years of challenge and sisterhood.

Head girl in 1985.

Off to UCT to study Medicine.

Met Trevor Versfeld in 3rd year...

Spent a year with him working and traveling in England.

Returned to S.A. to continue studies.

Married in 5th year in Mooi River.

Much work, little sleep and some travel followed for a few years until Ruby was born in '96.

Josie and Robert followed soon after.

Six years of pregnancy and breastfeeding passed in a toddlerish blur.

I worked in general practice.

The children are growing up, as they do.

Robert is already in Grade one, and Ruby is a 'tween'.

We have a Bull Terrier called Roxi who eats everything.

I work in allergies and asthma at the UCT Lung institute.

I am fortunate to be able to limit my hours to fit in with the school terms and times. It is a privilege to be able to work and be a mother, but it is a constant juggle and a challenge not to drop any balls!

I illustrate PowerPoint presentations for members of the medical profession as a creative outlet.

The school affords me plenty of creative stimulation too, with the painting of sets for plays and arts and culture projects.

I love kick boxing and still run a bit. I also help with coaching school sport.

Trevor is a partner in an architectural firm in Cape Town and a Karate enthusiast.

We live in Newlands, at the base of Table Mountain where we walk regularly.

One day we will renovate our house.

We love the beach. Wet suit for me. These are icy waters. The children remain unperturbed.

And that is about it in 2007.

I'll write again, God willing, in 20 years from now.

I wonder what will have become of all of us by then.