

## SAWIP goes to the “White House” A Discussion on African Issues

By Sabeeha Mansoor SAWIP Class 2010

There was a tangible sense of excitement and anticipation amongst the SAWIP team. This was the meeting of meetings, a chance to discuss issues relating to Africa – development, identity and growth - with influential people who actually work on African issues and American public engagement with Africa for the US government.

Our meeting was held in the historic and visually impressive Eisenhower Executive Office Building which houses most of the White House staff and is situated directly next to the West Wing. It might not have been the actual White House, but it is an impressive and auspicious venue nonetheless!

Karen Richardson, Naima Green and Michael Strautmanis who are members of the Public Liaison and Intergovernmental Affairs team and Nicole Wilett of the National Security Council for Sub-Saharan Africa hosted our meeting.

From the outset, we were greeted with enthusiasm and interest. The fact that some of them had accompanied the US Vice President Joseph Biden to South Africa for the opening of the 2010 Soccer World Cup (a vuvuzela appeared at some stage of the meeting!) and were excited about their SA experiences was reassuring and heartening.

The SAWIP team asked insightful questions about the role of the new administration in Africa and the stance that this administration would be taking. African identity and the role of youth in this process was also raised, and was an interesting point of discussion in the light of the role the Obama administration sees for young African leaders in making a change.

I was immensely proud to have been afforded such an incredible opportunity. To be in a place that has seen Presidents, politicians and eminent world leaders walk its halls and voice their opinions and be able to do the same was inspiring and left me awe-struck. The SAWIP team illustrated in this meeting that we are able to hold perceptive and intellectual discussions about our country and continent. The level of commitment and passion for change resonated in every question, statement or opinion that was made by the team. I left the meeting feeling proud to have been in the company of not only White House staff members, but also in the company of such inspiring SAWIP team members.



SAWIP Team 2010 at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building

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## SAWIP Announces New US Program Manager

By Kevin Sullivan SAWIP US Board Chairman

Washington, DC – Amy Millican has been named the new Program Manager for the United States arm of The South Africa-Washington Internship Program (SAWIP).



Amy will lead SAWIP (US) as it enters a new phase of expansion and development, continuing its growth from the Washington Ireland Program.

Amy has worked with secondary and higher educational institutions as well as other nonprofits. “I am looking forward to working with SAWIP, especially during this exciting time of growth. I am honored to be a part of helping bring reconciliation, transformation and prosperity to South Africa through the education and leadership development of young people.”

In addition, Amy has facilitated numerous workshops on peacebuilding and conflict resolution.

“My favorite part about facilitating these types of discussions is when you see someone begin to realize the role they have in the process. It’s amazing to help facilitate the discovery that we all have a role in assisting in post-conflict environments. This idea of helping develop new generations of leaders is what attracted me to SAWIP. I believe in SAWIP’s multi-prong approach of leadership development, curriculum dedicated to its transformation challenges and the emphasis on experiential, shared and reflective learning. Add to this the energy and enthusiasm of the Alumni, and it is an exciting opportunity to work with this wonderful organization.”

Amy received her undergraduate degree from Sweet Briar College and a Master of Humanities from the University of Richmond. She holds a Nonprofit Management Executive Certificate from Georgetown University’s Center for Public and Nonprofit Leadership.

Through out this newsletter you will find articles about the Class of 2010 experience in Washington, D.C. this summer. Hopefully, these articles will give you some sense of energy and intensity of class experience. And it was intense. Over the course of the five short weeks that we had the students we made every effort to expose them to a wide variety of speakers and experts who could encourage them to think in new ways about the role of South Africa in the world.

Whether they were speaking before members of Congress or visiting with President Obama’s African experts at the White House we sought to give these brilliant young students the opportunity to interact with American policy makers at the highest level possible. We also attempted to expose them to other parts of the American experience from visiting and singing at the Mount Lebanon Baptist Church to having a dinner discussion about race relations in the United States at a local African-American restaurant. At times, I am sure, that the students wondered how they would survive the 12 hour days but in the end I think they gained from their experience including the many friendships they developed with the Irish students who were part of the Washington Ireland Program.

A special thanks is owed to the American host families who are so central to making the SAWIP experience unique and to the members of the SAWIP-USA Board who made every extra effort to make the summer so special. The students were wonderful Ambassadors of the new South Africa.

## WBHO Construction (Pty) Ltd Builds a Relationship with SAWIP

CSI Department -WBHO Construction (Pty) Limited

SAWIP is proud to welcome WBHO, a leader in the construction sector, as a partner in its mission to develop young leaders for South Africa.



Moses Mabhida Stadium Durban KwaZulu-Natal & Cape Town Stadium Built by WBHO

### Message from WBHO:

“This year was the first year that WBHO Construction (Pty) Ltd assisted in the funding of SAWIP. After our initial introduction to SAWIP by Brian Currin we realized that we were becoming part of a very special community initiative. We were invited to SAWIP’s annual dinner in August this year and had the opportunity of meeting a number of the alumni of SAWIP. These young leaders are truly enlightened and passionate about their achievements and how SAWIP had positively affected their careers. Not only did we meet the SAWIP young leaders, but we were fortunate enough to be part of a gathering of some really experienced leaders from all sectors of our community from business to entertainment. So without dropping names which would make this paragraph into a chapter it is really a privilege to be part of this initiative. Our company would really like to meet the candidate leaders going forward and as we encourage our staff to take part in all our community initiatives we would like to investigate how WBHO can help in assisting this very worthwhile cause.”

## SAWIP TEAM OF 2010 IN THE USA

### Leadership Development

#### New York City! Exposure to Global Business and United Nations

By Sibusiso Xaba SAWIP Class 2010

Wall Street, Fifth Avenue, Time Square, The Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty, these were just some of the places that we could not wait to see on our four day trip to New York. For most of the SAWIP and WIP teams it was our first time in the Big Apple. The next few days would prove to be an adventure of a life time.

We stayed in a residence of the New York University of Manhattan and were hosted by the Permanent Mission of South Africa to the U.N and Standard Bank. Their presentations gave us a great deal to think about regarding South Africa and its position in the development of Africa both politically and economically.



SAWIP Team at the SA Consulate In NY with the Consul General Ms. Fikie Magubane

Organized tours of the New York Stock Exchange and the U.N headquarters were highlights.

Because of the short time we had in New York, we were determined to see all we could. In our free time groups split into smaller groups and went sight seeing. Judging from the photographs that were taken, we must have covered all of New York as a team!



SAWIP Team with Mr. Crowley of the Permanent Mission of SA to the United Nations

#### Outdoor adventure with purpose

By Ziyanda Stuurman (SAWIP MT 2010)

It was a hot, sunny day when the SAWIP and WIP classes of 2010 arrived at the Hemlock Outdoor Adventure Course in the middle of the state of Virginia. Hemlock promised to be a physical, tangible foretaste of the three weeks that still lay ahead for both teams.

The afternoon would be about pushing past boundaries, encouraging teammates to face their fears and ultimately, forming personal bonds with people one knew only as members of the Class of 2010. Whether it was better understanding someone else's communication style or the importance of supporting one's teammate when he/she needed one most, the message was driven home in a profound and heartfelt way.

A lot of fun was had, memories were created and connections formed that remained and grew over the summer. If the lesson learned from Hemlock was teamwork, then the message taken home by both SAWIP and WIP interns was that where there is the capacity for teamwork, there is hope for friendships, there is potential for change and therein lie the seeds for the future.



SAWIP & WIP teambuilding at Hemlock

#### Youth Day: a call to be Agents for Positive Change

Melvyn Lubega SAWIP Class 2010

The Reception for the SAWIP Class of 2010 at the South African Embassy in Washington D.C was the first time we had been back on South African soil since we had departed on the 11<sup>th</sup> June. This warm celebration was part of our grounding as South African agents of change in Washington DC.

The event was opened with an address by the Deputy Chief of Mission in Washington, Mr Johnny Moloto, which gave an overview of Youth Day. Banele Lukhele, a member of our team, also spoke and she contextualised Youth Day from the perspective of a South African youth today. Congressman Donald Payne, known as "Mr Africa" in Washington D.C., spoke to the importance of Programs like SAWIP.

One of the groups with which we had the opportunity to interact at the event was the Washington Inter-Governmental Professional Group (WIGPG), an organisation comprised of high-ranking officials within Washington D.C.

Interacting and engaging with people of this nature would soon become a hallmark of our Washington D.C experience.

Youth Day at the embassy marked the first time we sang the South African National Anthem as a team in Washington D.C, further instilling in us the realisation that we are representatives of our Rainbow Nation.

## Linking Business and Development

By Nomfundo Magudulela SAWIP Class 2010

The importance of service and giving back to the community is one that is highly stressed by SAWIP. However, when one thinks of service, one often forgets to see the ways in which corporates and big business can also participate in community development.

It was interesting then, to be able to meet with successful businesswomen and men who have been able to use their acumen, business skills and expertise to better lives for others. Our meeting with Susan Lund (the Director of research at **McKinsey**) allowed us the opportunity to delve into the enormous amount of potential in Africa and provided us with an analysis of the growth and development that has been occurring on the continent over the past number of years. It also alerted us to the opportunity that is available in Africa and the important role that investing in Africa and its people can play in its overall upliftment.

Our time with Jonathan Cahn (Principal at **Baker & McKenzie**) was then a further step into this, providing us with an opportunity to meet with an individual who has seen the potential in investing in Africa. His work in the African region and his insightful approach to Venture Capital and development taught us much about the possibilities for development in Africa. Jonathan Cahn raised \$225 million in private capital for UhuruNet in order to lay a 17,000 km undersea fibre optic cable from France to Cape Town so that Africa can be wireless in a few short years. Such initiatives are the driving force behind an organization like the **Grassroots Business Fund** which hosted us for a meeting covering the work that they do in assisting small businesses in developing countries.

Our time spent with these various individuals and organisations afforded us the opportunity to begin thinking about the practical aspects of development and the numerous actors involved in this process.

## The Congressional Forum

By Tara Dales SAWIP Class 2010

The SAWIP Congressional Forum was the perfect finale event to an unbelievable experience in Washington DC. Taking place on Capitol Hill, our last Thursday night felt symbolic; firstly given that the Capitol represents both Washington DC as well as American politics but also its symbolism captures the vast array of business and community leaders that we have been exposed to during the program.

The Forum afforded five of our team members the opportunity for their leadership moment. Each gave a speech which showcased their personal life story, their profound strength and insight into the experience that is SAWIP and our diversity as a team (see student blogs [www.sawip.org](http://www.sawip.org)). It also allowed us as a team to reflect on how well we had gotten to know each other and how important each member's perspective and presence had been to our time in DC.

Revered guests included Congressman John Conyers and Congressman Donald Payne. As a Patron of SAWIP, Congressman Donald Payne showed his support through not only attending many of our events but also through taking a SAWIP intern into his office for the summer. Many members of the South African Embassy also attended exemplifying the interest and support they had given to us throughout our stay in DC, as well as many of the host families. All in all, our Congressional Forum was a wonderful culmination to an experience which has not only challenged and grown us but will have a major impact on our choices on how we will lead our lives and future careers.



Congressman Donald Payne giving his address



Back row R-L: Gillion Bosman, Ms. A. Kellman (SAWIP US Board), Tara Dales, Melvyn Lubega, Mattheus Wessels, Bryony Matthee, Mr. Frank Cantrel (SAWIP US Board), Masana Mulaudzi, Uhuru Malebo. Middle row R-L: Sibusiso Xaba, Banele Luhkele, Nomfundo Magudulela, Sabeeha Mansoor, Ziyanda Stuurman, Kim Williams, Khaya Mayile. Seated: Pricilla Clapp (SAWIP US Board) Holly Hassett (SAWIP US Board) Kevin Sullivan (SAWIP US Board), Declan Heery (SAWIP US Board).

## SAWIP TEAM OF 2010 IN THE USA

### Interrogating Global Issues

#### SAWIP Grapples with the Media's Role in Shaping Our Societies

Gillion Bosman SAWIP Class 2010

In Washington DC SAWIP and WIP Interns had the opportunity to participate in a media panel discussion and put the journalists from various media houses in the "hot seat". The esteemed media panel of Craig Gordon, from Politico, Dick Keil, from Purple Strategies and White House correspondent Chip Ried of CBS News, shared some of the tough moments of being a White House reporter.



Craig Gordon, Dick Keil and Chip Ried fielding questions

As young leaders we were eager to understand the role these reporters play in presenting the truth especially in an environment where big media houses endorse specific candidates and political parties. One of the key drivers for this discussion was the role of the media in shaping the political agenda.

The SAWIP Team also met Mike McCurry, former Press Secretary to Bill Clinton during the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal. Mike was open, honest and frank. He spoke openly about his experiences as a spokesperson for the White House and also how government tries to control stories and also adds spin to some of the controversial stories.



Dick Keil, Craig Gordon and Chip Ried

This discussion raised many questions and proved to be a relevant discussion considering the new Media Bill under consideration in South Africa.

#### On the Future of History

#### A meeting with Dr. Joseph Duffy hosted by the World Affairs Council

By Masana Mulaudzi SAWIP Class of 2010

Almost one hundred students gathered in a conference room to hear Dr. Duffy speak – we all represented different walks of life, faiths, educations and backgrounds but we there we were in the sweltering heat of Washington D.C., in our suits and ties gathered as the future leaders of our countries. We hung onto his every word and its relevance for Asia, Africa, Ireland and America, in fact the whole world.

In trying to learn lessons from history he began by posing the question: "What if?" What if colonialism had never taken place? What if the nuclear bomb had never been dropped on Hiroshima?



Melvyn Lubega, Sisusiso Xaba, Rikus Wessels & Jake Wright Intern from World Affairs Council

What if the Berlin wall never fell or Apartheid never ended? Slowly he began to unpack the relevance of asking such questions and the challenges they pose to the future. What could we learn from history? He challenged us to explore our emotions more deeply because they affect our behaviour as decision-makers - more than they are given credit for.

As he went through the lessons of history a seed was planted in each of us: a desire to make decisions now informed by our vision for the future; a desire to write history through our conversations of hope and our actions of integrity. He left us with a saying from Mark Twain: "history does not repeat itself, but it rhymes." We have the opportunity to write a better version.



Dr. Joseph Duffy

## SAWIP TEAM OF 2010 IN THE USA Internships

*The SAWIP Internships provide the individual team members with practical and experiential work experiences in the USA. Internships for 2010 were housed at various businesses and organisations such as; C-Span, Africa Action, Grassroots Business Fund, Congressman Payne's office, Human Rights Watch, Vital Voices, Council for a Community of Democracies, Robert F. Kennedy Centre for Justice & Human Rights, World Affairs Council, Corporate Council on Africa, U.S. African Development Foundation & The International Finance Corporation*

### Africa Action

Bryony Matthee SAWIP Class 2010

Under the guidance of Mr. Gerald Lemelle, I have learnt to look at Africa through new lenses - lenses of hope rather than despair. His knowledge on Africa and wisdom on life has made me realize that we are all responsible for the human beings by our sides.

Something I can say is that my experience at Africa Action has taught me that ignorance is one of the biggest downfalls of man. I was ignorant of my brothers and sisters on the other side of the fence and thus realized that I cannot truly call myself African if I do not decide to share their burden. This internship experience has helped me to take a new stance in life and given me clarity on what I want to accomplish in my future. It has given me a new framework to follow and new lenses to look through not only at Africa, but at the world as a whole. As I began here at Africa Action, I will continue to learn and become less ignorant of the world around me not only as an African, but also as human being.

Never did I think that I'd learn so much about Africa in an office in the middle of Washington DC - I have learnt more about my continent in those 5 weeks than I have my entire life living in South Africa.



Bryony Matthee

### Internship Experiences

By Khaya Mayile SAWIP Class 2010

We carried out our internships in Washington DC with a great sense of mission informed by our values of open-mindedness, integrity and humility. We exchanged ideas with great thinkers like Professor Francis Fukuyama who wrote the seminal book titled '*The end of History*' and we rubbed shoulders with professionals from different walks of life.

The internship experience of the SAWIP 2010 class marked a giant step towards attaining the need to develop leaders with an international perspective. The experience taught us how to apply both the science and art of leadership in the context of the work environment.

Part of the internship experience was the enhancement of practical and technical skills so as to take on the challenges of Africa: corruption, entrenched poverty and under-development. Among other things we observed and tried to emulate were a different work ethic and sense of urgency needed to address the challenges that we face back home.

The environment in which we were working communicated a strong message to the interns about the importance of the leadership principle of service.

The experience afforded us the opportunity for action learning and to demonstrate leadership, commitment and unbridled enthusiasm for public service. It impressed on us the ideals of democracy, justice and development.

It is my firm conviction that although experience is often a stone rejected by conventional builders, our internship experience in the United States of America is a stone upon which every intern can lay a firm foundation for future leadership prospects.



Khaya Mayile

## SAWIP TEAM OF 2010 IN THE USA

### Community Service & Cultural Exposure

#### IN THE SHADOW OF CAPITOL HILL, SOME CONTINUES

By Banele Lukhele SAWIP Class 2010



The SAWIP Class of 2010 carried out their community service with SOME, So Others Might Eat. SOME is an organisation, just behind Capitol Hill, which provides various services for the surrounding community: three meals a day, medical treatment, housing, rehabilitation and retreats amongst other things.

We helped with preparing packages for a retreat that was organized for the elderly members of the program, helped around the kitchen and generally made ourselves useful.

After speaking to the other volunteers and employees in the office our group realised what a difference our small deeds had made in all their lives.

If I were to pick one thing that stuck out for me it would be the joy that filled the people working there and their sense of appreciation.



Thousands gather on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial waiting for the fireworks to begin

#### 4<sup>th</sup> of July

By Rikus Wessels Class 2010



Invited guests relaxing on the deck at Mr. & Mrs. Lynch's house

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July was one of the SAWIP 2010 highlights. We were honoured to celebrate democracy in the "world capital of democracy" and experience American patriotism, the good old BBQ, fireworks, American hospitality and even cupcakes in red, white and blue.

We walked the streets with hundreds of Washingtonians to join thousands more on the Mall for the climax of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations. Sitting on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, even the SAWIPers were waving flags and some even had red, white and blue painted on their faces. The food portions in the US tend to be bigger than usual, and so were the fireworks! Bigger than imagined; and soul filling. This was not only a celebration of democracy but of patriotism and team spirit.



South Africa-Washington Internship Programme, Washington Ireland Programme and The New Story Leadership group photo at the 4th July BBQ



## SAWIP TEAM OF 2010 IN THE USA Community Service & Cultural Exposure

### Mount Lebanon - A True African Experience and Meditation on Identity

By Lungelo Gumede SAWIP 2010

The Mount Lebanon experience gave us the chance to, not only witness the vivacious vibe of the church, but to also connect with our fellow African American brothers and sisters. It also gave us the opportunity to reflect on our African identity which was extremely well articulated by Uhuru during a conversation at the church. Uhuru posed a question: "What does it really mean to be an African? Are the Black Americans, here, less African than us because they have been filtered through so many generations of American culture?" I could not answer the question but he seemed to have an insight that I had not considered. Hearing the Americans sing made him feel as though they possessed an element that actually made them more African than him. This led to the insight that: it is not the land that we were born in that makes us African, instead, it is the way we express ourselves: the way we dance, sing and smile even though life presents us with so many harsh realities. Once an African always an African. There is no distance or generation gap that can drain the blood that is pumped by our African hearts through our African veins.



Masana Mulaudzi reciting a poem



Banele Lukhele and Nomfundo Magudulela singing a traditional African song

### Food for Thought

By Kim Williams SAWIP SA Program Manager



SAWIP Team with Ms. Phyllis Slade Martin

One of the highlights for the SAWIP Team 2010 was their dinner meeting at Rey's the Steaks in Anacostia, a historic neighbourhood in Washington DC. Anacostia is home to predominantly African American residents and

Rey's the Steaks is Anacostia's first sit-down restaurant serving traditional "Southern Food" such as "Pulled Beef and Collard Greens".

Rey's the Steaks set the scene, food for nourishment and food for thought. The SAWIP Team of 15, host parents Mary Anne Sullivan & Larry Petro along with Cormac Managan of the Washington Ireland Program and the guest speaker Ms. Phyllis Slade Martin almost filled the restaurant. The aim of the meeting was to understand and learn more about the historic and present day race relations in the United States of America. Ms. Phyllis Slade Martin had a wealth of knowledge and experience to impart to the group about the USA, Anacostia as well as making links to our South Africa history.

The food for thought from Ms. Slade Martin and the food for nourishment from Rey's the Steaks made the Washington DC experience richer as we all learnt and reflected on the importance of knowing the past to understand the present and had a good taste of traditional Southern Food.

### Fundraising & Fellowship - Ramzy & the Newscasters

By Uhuru Malebo SAWIP Class 2010

The Fundraiser event with Ramzy and the Newscasters was a wonderful opportunity to enjoy song and dance with host families, board members, Washington Ireland Program interns and fellow SAWIPers. Ramzy and the Newscasters provided great music that set a perfect ambience for a night to remember.

The night was made special by the performance of Banele and Nomfundo fellow SAWIPers with Ramzy and the Newscasters. The ladies truly did SAWIP proud by showing the talent, depth and diversity within the team.

Tara delivered a beautiful speech about how music contributes to reconciliation, nation building and social change. She reminded us that music is a universal language that has played a pivotal role in the liberation struggle. The singing of the national anthem reinforced our pride in South Africa and reminded us about the opportunities that lie within our great nation.

I was given the privilege to promote Ramzy and the Newscasters' CD. The fact that the CD's were sold out that night was a testament to the quality entertainment provided by the band and our two SAWIPers.



Ramzy, Nomfundo Magudulela & Banele Lukhele

## SAWIP TEAM OF 2010 IN THE USA

### Reflection on the DC Experience

#### THE AFTERMATH OF WASHINGTON, DC

By Banele Lukhele SAWIP Class 2010

I've always been told that America is the land of dreams but never in my wildest imagination did I think I would be given an opportunity like this.



Banele Lukhele

The first memory of this journey is of me standing in the airport queue, staring at myself in the white floor tiles and wondering how many people like me have walked over these tiles and how they were when they returned home. When greeted by all the host families with their cameras and "welcome to DC" boards I knew that this was going to be one of the greatest experiences of my life.

Looking back on the five weeks I find that the little things made this trip such a life altering adventure: meeting the WIP students and watching the World Cup soccer games together; trying to decipher their instructions on how to use the metro; the forging of life long friendships. The Leadership Mondays were central and I ended every Friday after work having a slightly shifted mind set.

A few nights before we departed for South Africa I asked myself what was different about me and it was very clear that I had grown as an individual; I had become a more assertive leader; I had fallen in love with my passion for music and I realised that there is a world out there that is waiting to be conquered. I have become more confident and strong in the five weeks I was in DC; looking back on it I wouldn't trade it for anything but I wish that everyone could have this experience.

Washington changed my thought, my speech and my life and best of all it taught me how to play it forward.

#### We felt it, Over There

Ziyanda Stuurman (SAWIP MT 2010)

As thousands of soccer fans flocked to South Africa to watch 'the beautiful game' in its finest moment and on the African continent for the first time, 13 young South Africans left their homes and families to experience their own once-in-a-lifetime moment. Much like the players in the Spanish, French, Algerian, and Ghanaian squads, the time had arrived for the SAWIP class of 2010 to make the most of what would potentially be the beginning of the rest of their lives.

Being in a foreign country while the whole world literally had its eyes set on one's home country made for an incredibly interesting experience. Many, many times and especially on USA match days, the citizens of the American capital could not hold back their excitement and amazement at meeting a South African who had travelled to be in their country during one of the most historic moments in South African history. Every single one of the occasions where we were watching a game, usually at 9am or 2pm DC time, we were greeted with warmth and a shower of congratulations at hosting such an amazing tournament. Enthusiastic soccer fans, one after the other, praised the organisation of the tournament, commiserated with us when Bafana Bafana were knocked out and celebrated with us when the tournament ended with an all too exciting final game between the Netherlands and Spain.



SAWIP 2010 Team

As national pride was at an all-time high at home, so too was the spirit, pride and patriotism in the hearts of the class of 2010. Looking back over the experience, one could argue that we were sad to say that we weren't there in the stadiums, the fan-parks and at home with our loved ones but we would say, we were there: we felt the energy, love for our fellow South Africans and pride perhaps even more than we could ever have imagined.

## Alumni News

**Nicholas Crosby**, SAWIP Alumnus 2009, was one of three students from Africa to be awarded the Goldman Sachs Global Markets Internship which was held over 10 weeks in their London office.

**Sabelo Mcinziba**, SAWIP Alumnus 2009, has gained an internship in the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa serving in the International Relations Unit, Africa Desk.

**Ziyanda Stuurman**, SAWIP Alumnus 2009, has been elected Primaria of Erica Women's Residence (Head of Residence), the first black woman to fill this position at the University of Stellenbosch.



SAWIP host families 2010



SAWIP Class 2010 with Mrs. and Mr. Cantrel

### SAWIP Calendar of Events

**19th October**  
University Advisory Committee meeting

**28th October**  
SAWIP SA Board Meeting  
SAWIP SA Evaluation and Planning Meeting

**6th November**  
Washington DC Fundraiser:  
Ireland vs South Africa Rugby Match

**25th November**  
SAWIP Cocktail Party: South African High Commission  
in London. Speaker John Carlin  
talking on Invictus and 16th Man

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