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## NEWS BRIEF – 032 – HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NATAL

*A year ago the SA National Society circulated a request from Prof Bill Guest asking former alumni of the University to provide information which would enable him to finish his second work covering the period from 1949 to 2003.*

*The Society has now received the following from Prof Guest which should prove of great interest to anyone with a connection to the University and anyone able to provide additional input.*

Dear Contributor or Prospective Contributor

I am pleased to advise you that the first volume of my proposed History of the University, completed in December 2012, has at last been published.

The publication details are:

Bill Guest '*Stella Aurorae* The History of a South African University Volume 1 Natal University College (1909-1949)' (Pietermaritzburg, Natal Society Foundation, 2015) 391 pages, ISBN 978-0-9921766-2-4.

I understand that the book is available at:-

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The second volume (University of Natal 1949-1976) has been completed and I am currently working on the third volume (University of Natal 1976-2003). It is still possible to include your contribution / further contribution to these volumes by way of personal reminiscences relating to your student days and/or staff experience in either centre.

Any recollections concerning campus life, fellow students, the staff members who taught/supervised you and/or staff colleagues would greatly assist in adding a human dimension to the narrative which, unavoidably, is heavily dependent upon official records that do not tell the whole story.

Please include the dates of your student/staff period on campus and let me either have your contribution or further contribution by the end of January 2016. This would be greatly appreciated.

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