



Prestigious appointment for Capespan chairman

Capespan chairman Dr Paul Clüver has been appointed chairman of the Stellenbosch University (SU) council. SU rector professor Russel Botman said, “His academic knowledge, experience and exposure of world markets and his passion for Stellenbosch University make him an ideal leader of the council and the university in general.”

Reacting to the announcement, Clüver said, “It’s an interesting challenge and I’ll certainly try to add value to the council. However, to give this position the time it deserves, it might be necessary to scale down my other activities.”

Clüver has been chairman of Capespan since deregulation in 1999 and as an apple, pear and plum producer on the family farm De Rust, his close association with the company dates back many years.

Apart from being an entrepreneur in the wine and fruit industries, Clüver (67) also is a neurosurgeon. He completed both his MB ChB (1965) and his PhD Med (1973) degrees at Stellenbosch University. His MD degree (summa cum laude) he received in 1969 in Germany. He also obtained his ChM degree in 1977 from the University of Cape Town. In 2000, Dr Clüver was awarded an honorary doctorate, PhD (Agric), by Stellenbosch University. Until 1995 he was a senior consultant in neurosurgery, first at the University of Cape Town and then at Stellenbosch University’s faculty of health sciences.

He has served as a member of the university council for the past eight years. In addition to chairing the Capespan board, Dr Clüver also serves on the boards of De Rust Estate and Company of Wine People.

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