In memoriam: Alan Robert Barrable
20 April 1936-9 November 2014

Dear Member

It is with regret that we advise of the passing of Alan Robert Barrable, a former Chief Executive of the Institute. Alan was born on 20 April 1936 and died on 9 November 2014 at the age of 78.

Alan Barrable was educated in Benoni where he matriculated in 1953. Even then he was displaying natural leadership as a prefect and head boy of Benoni West. He was a national president of the Association of South African Round Tables in 1974 and world president of the World Council of Young Men’s Service Clubs in 1976. In his working life, he soon saw that self-employment was the right outlet for his relentless drive. Together with his father he established SA Mining Supplies, a company which he sold in 1982.

After his appointment as Chief Executive of the Institute in 1986, he worked tirelessly to reposition the Institute as the premier Institute for those engaged in Business Administration. He moved the Institute from an old building in town to Sable Centre, Braamfontein to be in the thick of student activity. Alan left the Institute in 1999 after 13 years at the helm.

He persuaded major corporations that a proportion of their social investment budget belonged with the Mentor trust, which provided business-related studies to deserving students whose progress was limited by educational shortcomings. Alan was a former Mayor of Benoni. Some will remember the mayoral vehicle coming to collect him at Sable Centre, Braamfontein to attend various mayoral ceremonies.

Our condolences and sympathy are extended to all of his family and friends in their time of bereavement.

Regards,
Stephen Sadie
(MBA, M. Ed)
Chief Executive Officer