



Oom Gert's new home

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Oom Gert

When the Student Development Division moved from Tukkiewerf to Roosmaryn, the statue of the legendary Oom Gert was also relocated.

He is very happy with his new home in the Roosmaryn Courtyard.

Oom Gert has been with the University since 1929. Over the years, he has made a couple of surprise appearances at some UP events. From time to time, individual residences have tried to kidnap Oom Gert to make him a permanent feature in their residences. In the 1950s, he was even kidnapped by students from Wits who kept him for a while before releasing him back to the University of Pretoria.

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