

Retrace Madiba's steps

The Parktown & Westcliff Heritage Trust is hosting a tour to commemorate Nelson Mandela's 90th birthday on July 12, 19 and 26.

It starts at Sunnyside Park Hotel in Parktown at 8.30am and will cover some of the highlights of Madiba's stay in Johannesburg. He arrived on the Reef in 1941.

Participants will visit a room in Alexandra where he stayed, paying a monthly rent of 13-shillings and fourpence a month. From Alex, the tour will continue down London Road to Rivonia, ending up at Liliesleaf Farm, which became the headquarters of the high command

of Umkhonto we Sizwe.

It will then proceed to the Johannesburg Fort on Constitutional Hill. Here in 1956, 156 people opposed to apartheid, including Mandela, were incarcerated.

From the fort, the bus will head through the city centre, passing some Madiba landmarks before heading to Vilakazi Street in Soweto, the only street in the world that can boast to have had two Nobel Peace Prize winners as it's residents, Mandela and Desmond Tutu.

● Details: Bookings at www.computicket.com or 011-340-8000.