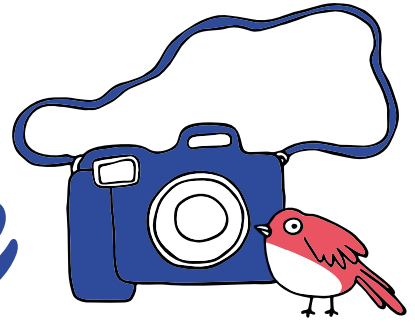


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As Chief Operating Officer at South 32, Paul Harvey (80) is an advocate of the mining industry and the positive impact it has on our lives and future. This is made salient in his role as a father and as a grandfather to his two young grandchildren.

“As social awareness of our impact on the planet grows, I look forward to being a proud advocate of the resources industry. Mining provides our society with the materials to fly us to our holiday destinations, to keep our beer and wine cold, to make our cars and fridges and electric toothbrushes, and to power our digital world,” Paul said.

After leaving Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School, Paul studied at the WA School of Mines in Kalgoorlie. He moved to South Africa as a young graduate and joined the South African mining industry during a turbulent period when the country operated under apartheid sanctions.

Paul considers himself lucky to be part of the resources industry, which has enabled international travel, the opportunity to live in different cultures, see amazing places and meet people. He attributes any successes in the industry to hard work and education.

“Education creates opportunity and BCGS gave me the perfect start. It has enabled me to play a role in a vibrant and dynamic industry,” he said.

According to Paul, the value of doing small things right was instilled during his time at the School, and he appreciated the caring and supportive environment. Lasting friendships are still valued by Paul and his friends from school are some of his greatest inspirations; friends who have built their own businesses, fly for international airlines and manage state-wide farming enterprises.

“I have been inspired by great role models. By people who chase what they believe in, do what they love and work hard. I learnt patience and care from my mum, and integrity and loyalty from my dad,” he said.

Away from work, Paul is a passionate photographer who enjoys sailing and hiking in the mountains. Patagonia, Milford and Kilimanjaro are some of his favourites and he is looking forward to the next opportunity, off the beaten track with his family and partner.

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