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Limkokwing recommends October 5 for graduation

By Sabelo Majola
Mbabane

OCTOBER is normally the graduation month in Eswatini.

Limkokwing University of Creative Technology class of 2018 is expected to get their tertiary qualifications on October 5.

This will be the fifth crop of students to graduate at the University which had its first graduation ceremony back in 2014.

Although the date remains a recommendation from the institution, they are waiting for the ministry of education to give a green light but the venue will be Mavuso Exhibition Centre, as revealed by the University's Communication

office.

"We have proposed to the ministry that the graduation ceremony be held on October 5 and we are still waiting for feedback from them to say whether it is suitable or not. Of course that would be determined by schedules on national events slated for the same month," they said.

The number of students who will be

graduating is not known yet as the students are still getting their results and declaring if they will be part of the ceremony or not whilst some are still owing tuition fees and don't qualify to graduate.

Registration

The school has already commenced with classes for this year as students were engaged in the regis-

tration process the past week.

Last year's graduation, which was held at Mavuso on October 13, saw 828 students get their qualifications and the event was graced by His Majesty King Mswati III, Limkokwing University's Founder and President, Tan Sri Dato' Sri Paduka Dr. Lim Kok Wing, Prime Minister Sibusiso Dlamini, members of the royal family, ambassadors and industry representatives.

TEMPERS FLARE AS GAYS, LESBIANS MEET PASTORS

Stories by Sifiso Nhlabatsi
Manzini

TEMPERS flared yesterday when members of the LGBTI community met with pastors during a Religious and Intercultural dialogue that culminated into a clash of opinions.

The meeting that was held at the George Hotel saw over 20 pastors attending and to discuss issues affecting the LGBTI community.

LGBTI is short for Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex.

Temper flared after one of the LGBTI members said they needed to be allowed space in the church and be properly welcomed instead of being discussed behind their backs. The member said if pastors fail to accept them, there are many religions and would not mind leaving that specific church to pray on their own.

The speaker said it was hard to go to a church where one is discriminated against.

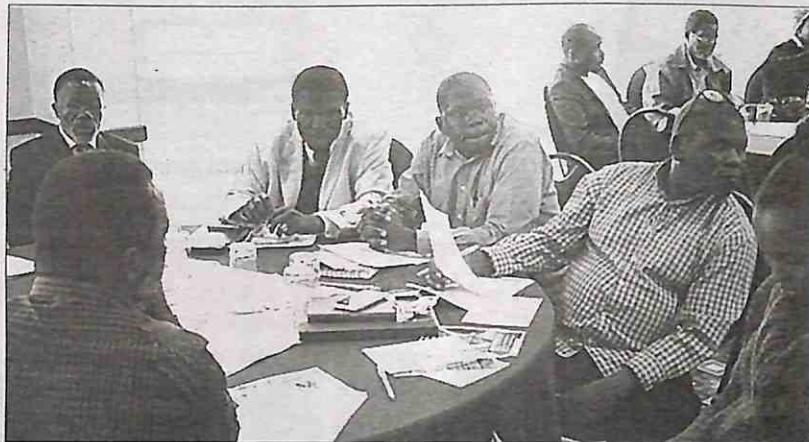
The LGBTI member further stated that their issues must be discussed in churches instead of being shunned.

Soon after the speaker made the submission, a pastor who made his submissions after him minced no words when he said the meeting was getting out of hand.

"Kukhona lokungasahambi kahle la" he stated in vernacular. Meaning something was amiss.

He said as pastors they are grounded in the Christianity religion and if one feels like they are not getting the help they desire from them as pastors of the Christian faith they are free to go and join other religions.

The pastor added that if some of them knew what the agenda of yesterday's meeting was they wouldn't have attended at



ALL EARS: Pastors listening attentively during the presentations. (Pics: Sifiso Nhlabatsi)

all. This created tension.

Reverend Bhekinhlani Dlamini made a suggestion that since most church leaders had not attended the meeting it would be wise that another be convened whereby the church leaders would discuss the ideas with the leaders of the various organisations and there after take a stand as a Christian fraternity in the country on the issue.

Afraid

The pastors who were present said they were afraid that what they had said during the meeting might come out as something that represents the view of the church in the country as a whole while it is not the case.

They said this might cause division.

Another thing that caused tension during the meeting was when Rev Bhekinhlani quoted a verse from the Bible which talks about killing gay people.

The verse **Leviticus 20:13** reads; "And if a man has sex relations with a man, the two of them have done a disgusting thing: let them be put to death; their blood will be on them".

This caused uproar as some pastors said

the Bible must not be misused and people must be advised that before quoting the Bible they must consult with those who are well versed when it comes to such matters. Another pastor added fuel to the palpable tension in the meeting when he submitted that the sexual orientation of LGBTIs shows that something went wrong during manufacturing.

The pastor likened the situation to deformed babies saying some babies are born with extra limbs and this is because there is something wrong with the genes.

Members of LGBTIs made murmurs of disapproval as they took offence to the comment.

Melusi Simelane of Rock of Hope who was officiating during the discussions quickly whisked the microphone away from the pastor and called him to order saying that it would seem like he was now directing his speech towards disabled people. The pastor ended up not finishing his speech. The discussions got heated up every time pastors made comments that did not go down well with the LGBTIs as they would make murmurs of disapproval.

Pastors have done nothing to show support – LGBTIs

MEMBERS of the LGBTI community feel church leaders in the country are not doing enough to help the situation instead they are just judging them for their sexual orientation.

Zinhle* said pastors have not called them to any platform to hear their side of the story.

She said it was their idea to invite pastors to sensitise them about the LGBTI issues. Pastors acknowledged that indeed they were in the dark about these issues and after yesterday's dialogue they did get

some bit of knowledge. Pastor Shongwe from God's Amazing Grace at Ludzeldzwe apologised on behalf of the pastors who were present.

She said when they first heard about this as pastors they became too judgemental and back then they were not exposed to such things because information was disseminated slowly.

Shongwe said due to globalisation the world has become a small place and the younger generation has been exposed to a lot of things

Is the church willing to be a safe haven for LGBTIs?

THIS question sparked a lot of debate.

During the dialogue it was asked if the church was a safe place for LGBTIs to run to.

However, there was a counter question from the pastors of 'naba coshwa yini' meaning what would they (LGBTIs) be escaping from.

Melusi Simelane once again had to explain that as LGBTIs they tend to face situations whereby members of the society discriminate against them.

He said families, parents, the community at large and even the law enforcers (police officers) discriminate against them and now the church was their last hope.

Pastors said they never have a problem with people coming to them as the church is for everyone. They said however the problem was that some people just want special attention.

"Labanye bafuna kubukwa" said one pastor.

The pastor said one must just take his Bible and go to church, sit down and listen to the Word of God.

The pastor said people must not promote their agendas in church. He added that it must be understood



THE ROCK: Rock of Hope Communications Officer Melusi Simelane.

that the church just like any other institution and has set rules and principles which must be followed.

The LGBTIs argued that they do not rub their sexual orientation in anyone's face but people just take a glance at them in church and start talking behind their backs making snide comments.

A lesbian added, she is comfortable wearing trousers and has never been comfortable in skirts hence she cannot go to church wearing a skirt and because pastors say they must be who they are and not pretend she would like to go to church dressed in sneakers and trousers.

Notable quotes from the LGBTI, pastors meeting

■ I started kissing girls when I was 12 years old. I tried to commit suicide eight times – Lesbian

■ "Let us be careful of what we quote in the Bible."

■ When Christ comes into your body, there is no freedom to do what you want but you must do the will of God – Pastor

■ We love everyone but above all we are left with a responsibility to preach the Word – Pastor

■ There are many gay people in Eswatini some of them are in church committees – Gay LGBTI member

■ My father chucked me out of his church because I was gay – Pastor's son

■ It's not easy being a transgender.

People always think you'll outgrow it and you also hope you will outgrow it – Transgender

■ I am a mother of a gay son and I am also a pastor's wife. I accepted that my son is gay when he was doing Form Five – Pastor's wife

■ Church was split because others couldn't accept and were of the notion that the pastor's wife gave birth to a demon – Pastor's wife

■ Some of these people are fighting what they grew up with (referring to the church) because they got tired of it (church) – Pastor

■ God loves everyone – Pastor Mavimbela

How are we going to officiate your marriages? – Reverend

APOLOGY

IN an article published in the Sunday Observer, Eswatini Posts and Telecommunications Corporation (EPTC) Corporate Communications Manager Nqobile Magagula was quoted having said one of the reasons for the delay in paying elderly grants last week was a shortage of money at the Central Bank of Eswatini. Magagula has since clarified that the delay was not caused by Central Bank or shortage of funds, but other unforeseen circumstances. We would like to retract the statement and further unreservedly apologise to EPTC and the Central Bank of Eswatini for the regrettable error.

REVEREND Jabulane Yende from Faith In Christ rubbed members of the LGBTI community the wrong way when he asked how gays would be bound in matrimony.

This did not go down well with

LGBTIs as they quickly pointed out that Yende was out of order because that was a subject for another day.

Melusi Simelane from Rock of Hope said if it called for Yende to be challenged that could be done.



HOW?: Some of the pastors who attended the meeting.

VICTOR'S WIDOW WANTS DNA TESTS

COVER STORY

Stories by Sisho Magagula
High Court

YOU are his daughter? Prove it!

This basically sums up what the widow of murdered business magnate Victor 'Maradona' Gamedze is saying to his alleged daughter born out of wedlock.

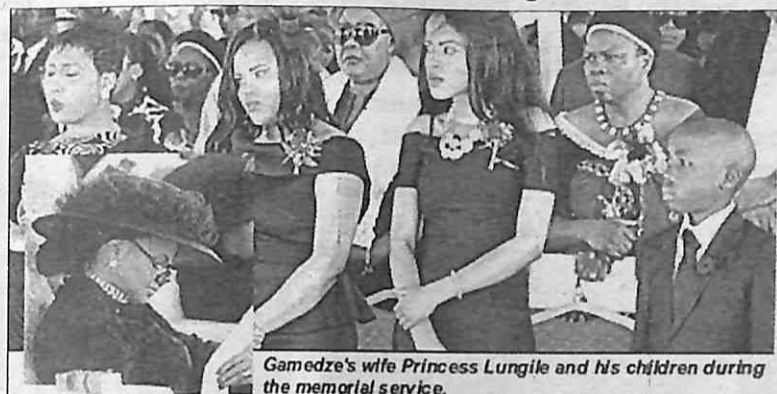
The widow, Princess Lungile Hotencia Gamedze has approached the High Court, seeking an order compelling Victor's alleged daughter Nosipho Gamedze to undergo a paternity test at Ermelo Provincial Hospital in Mpumalanga, South Africa.

In her notice of motion, which has been filed by her attorney Mlungisi Khumalo from Khumalo Attorneys in Mbabane, Princess Lungile wants the court to order Nosipho to undergo the test within 10 days from the date of the court order.

Her two biological daughters whom she sired with the late Gamedze, Tiyaanza and Temalungelo, have been cited as second and third applicants in the matter, respectively.

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Gamedze's wife Princess Lungile and his children during the memorial service.

children are not unduly prejudiced and disadvantaged in relation to the quantum that they are due to derive from the estate of the late Gamedze in the event that the paternity test definitively shows that Nosipho is not Gamedze's biological child.

"Similarly and more importantly, the application equally ensures that the first respondent (Nosipho) is treated even handedly as an heiress or bene-

ficiary of the said estate, in the event the paternity test yields a positive result. Suffice to say that the applicants are presently uncertain of the paternity of the first respondent, one way or the other," she said.

Princess Lungile said as a prelude to the present application, a written request was made to Nosipho in a letter dated July 20, 2018, asking her to undergo the test and she refused.

'Victor never mentioned Nosipho to me'

DECEASED businessman and soccer administrator Victor Gamedze never at any stage during his lifetime mention to his wife that he had a child out of wedlock named Nosipho.

This is according to his widow Princess Lungile. In papers filed at the High Court, she said Gamedze never mentioned Nosipho to her at all.

"I respectfully submit that I have never met Nosipho in my entire life and my late husband never mentioned her at all. Further, even my two children born from the marriage do not know Nosipho," she said.

She further stated that a minor child by the name of Wandile Zyne Littler, who also filed a claim against the estate of her late husband, has undertaken a paternity test at Ermelo Provincial Hospital in South Africa. The test was undertaken on July 27, 2018.

According to court documents, the consent for young Zyne to undergo the test was granted by her mother Chantel Littler through a letter dated July 24.

Baby mama doubts Lancet laboratories

CHANTEL Littler, the alleged baby mama of deceased businessman Victor Gamedze, says she doubts the independent autonomy of Lancet Laboratories at the Mbabane Clinic.

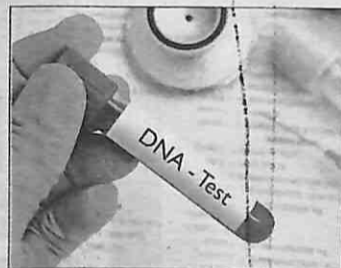
Lancet is a well-known local facility where DNA tests are undertaken.

Littler is the mother to a minor named Wandile Zyne Littler, who is alleged to be Victor Gamedze's love child.

Gamedze's widow, Princess Lungile, through her lawyers, wrote to Littler requesting for permission to have the child undergo a paternity test to prove that he is Gamedze's child.

This was after Littler had also filed a claim against Gamedze's estate, demanding that her child should benefit from it.

In her response to the request that her minor child should undergo the test, Littler agreed that the test be undertaken but expressed doubts about Lancet. The response



was through her lawyers.

"We, however, doubt the independent autonomy of Lancet Laboratories, Mbabane Clinic. We do not know if they do DNA tests without the father, but most of it, we recall two cases in Eswatini (one which reached the Supreme Court) where perceived interception of samples were allegedly tempered with. Our client prefers any lab outside the borders of Eswatini which can be arranged by the parties' attorneys. We would also propose that the executive dative be a part to this process so that the costs be borne by the late estate as necessary expenses," wrote Littler's attorneys.

Magistrate Phathaphatha's daughter killed in SA car crash

By Sisho Magagula
Mbabane

MANIZNI Senior Magistrate Phathaphatha Mdluli's daughter has been tragically killed in a horror car crash in the Republic of South Africa.

Teyise Baphetsile Mdluli (20), a final year Actuarial Science student at the University of Pretoria (UP), died on the spot when the vehicle she was travelling in with six other campus friends was involved in a freak accident last Friday.

According to information gathered, the presiding officer's daughter was seated at the back of the van when the accident occurred. At this stage, it is not too clear how the accident occurred but Mdluli was the only fatality, while the six other students survived with minor injuries. Mdluli was thrown out of the vehicle and she crashed on the tarmac during the crash.

The students were from a campus outing to celebrate the arrival of new students when the accident happened a few kilometres away from campus on an off-ramp on the N4 highway.

When traffic police officers from the South African Police Service (SAPS) arrived at the scene, just a few minutes after the accident, Mdluli had already died and transported her body to the mortuary.

Interviewed yesterday, a distraught Magistrate Mdluli confirmed his daughter's sudden death.

Mdluli said he was still struggling to come to terms with what had befallen his family, especially because he had last spoken to his daughter on the same day she died.

"On Friday evening, around 6pm, she sent me a text message and said she was attending a university outing with her friends. She also sent me pictures because she wanted me to see what she was wearing. Little did I know that this would be the last event she was to ever attend. When I checked my phone the following



RIP: Teyise Baphetsile Mdluli.

morning, I discovered missed calls from the university. They had been trying to call me the whole night. They called again at 10am and informed me that my daughter had been involved in an accident," he said.

Mdluli said he and his wife travelled to South Africa on Sunday morning where they were taken to the mortuary to confirm her identity.

"I am currently in Pretoria to finalise the process of repatriating my daughter's body back home. What a tedious process it is but I am happy that we are almost done," he said.

A memorial service in Teyise's honour will be held at the University of Pretoria this morning before she is transported back home by the Mbabane Burial Society.

Another service will be held at the John Wesley Methodist Church in Mbabane before she is laid to rest at her parental home in Emakhwane, Ekupheleni, outside Mbabane on Saturday morning.

"She was a brilliant star that shone so bright and so fast. She finished her life race much quicker than we anticipated and she still shines in heaven, quietly, gracefully and peacefully. The Lord, 20 years ago, lent us. The Lord, 20 years later, has taken back what is His. May His name be praised, Amen," said the shattered magistrate yesterday.

Teyise was his third born daughter.

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Temperatures to drop to 13 Degrees

By Nozipho Sibiba
Mbabane

TEMPERATURES are expected to drop drastically today and tomorrow.

A cold front is expected to sweep across the country,

forcing temperatures to drop to 13 Degrees today.

They will go down further to 12 Degrees tomorrow.

"It will be cold, especially in the Highveld," said a forecaster.

A cold weather front is a change over, where a cold air

mass is replacing a warmer air mass.

"Cold weather fronts usually move from northwest to southeast. The air behind a cold front is colder and drier than the air in front. When a cold front passes through, temperatures can drastically

drop," said the forecaster.

The forecasters said today there would be morning fog with drizzles at places.

"Otherwise, it will be cloudy with sunny episodes and cold becoming mild in the Lowveld," said the forecaster.

4 PICTURES

INKHOSIKATI LAMATSEBULA AT AUTISM AWARENESS DRIVE



ME AND MY QUEEN: Inkhosikati LaMatsebula with Nogugu Dlamini upon her arrival to officially open the Autism Spectrum Disorder conference at the Convention Centre yesterday. (Pics: Mduzuzi Mngomezulu)



GRATITUDE: Inkhosikati LaMatsebula receives a gift from Autism Spectrum Disorder Founding Director Tryphinah Mvubu.



WOMEN POWER: Ministers Sibongile Simelane, Princess Tsandzile and Lindiwe Dlamini awaiting the arrival of Inkhosikati LaMatsebula.

GUESTS: Some of the invited guests who attended the conference yesterday.



THE FUTURE: Some of the pupils from St Joseph's School who attended the event.

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GOVT, UNIONS SALARY TALKS **RESUME** TODAY

By Mbono Mdluli
Mbabane

THE public sector unions and government are meeting again today to engage in the cost of living adjustment (COLA) negotiations.

The meeting on the negotiations is set to take place at the ministry of public service offices in Mbabane.

Trade Union Congress of Swaziland (TUCOSWA) Deputy Secretary General Muzi Mhlanga confirmed today's meeting.

He said they would have sufficient information this afternoon after the negotiations.

Swaziland National Association of Teachers (SNAT) Secretary General Zweli Mndzebele also confirmed that the meeting would take place today. He also hoped that by this afternoon, they would have something concrete on the negotiations.

This comes after this newspaper reported last Friday that civil servants could not get an inflation adjustment on their salaries.

This was concluded after Cabinet allegedly rejected a proposal from the ministry of public service. The public service ministry wanted to get a mandate from Cabinet to add a cost of living adjustment on the salaries of civil servants. Cabinet cited lack of financial resources to implement this.

No per cent was discussed during the proposal as the ministry was only asking if it could be given a mandate to start the negotiations. This means that civil servants might not get cost of living adjustment on their salaries.

TUCOSWA would hear none of this.

They are of the view that it was not true that



TODAY: TUCOSWA Deputy Secretary General Muzi Mhlanga.

money was not there. They cited incidents where there were recruitments and promotions made within the security forces.

They found it unfair for Cabinet not to take the civil servants as serious as the workers from the security services.

Most of the public sector unions, who are in the negotiations, are affiliated to TUCOSWA.

However, it must be noted that government does not recognise them as public sector unions, but public sector associations.

The associations include Swaziland Association of Civil Servants (SNACS), Swaziland Association of Teachers (SNAT), and Swaziland Nurses Association (SNA). As unions, the organisations are known as National Public Service and Allied Workers Union (NAPSAWU), and Swaziland Democratic Nurses Union (SWADNU). SNAT has remained unchanged. Swaziland National Association of Government Accounting Personnel (SNAGAP) is also part of the negotiations.



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 - Continuous infrastructure Development with physical planning and maintenance.
- liaison with external bodies or organizations or institutions on behalf of the University;
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Siteki

AN Asian factory manager at JS Clothing PTY (LTD) is accused of insulting workers with the 'F' word.

JS Clothing PTY (LTD) is a textile factory which recently started operating under premises which were previously occupied by liquidated Kang-Fa Knitwear in Siteki. Hardly four months after operations had started, workers at the factory have already downed tools on two occasions as they protest over a factory manager who is alleged to be abusive towards them.

The workers, who are mostly women, had to be forced out of the factory on Friday and Monday after engaging in a sit-in strike as they complained of harassment by the manager.

Employee

Information gathered is that the manager would often shout at any employee who happens to make even the slightest mistake. According to sources who claimed to have witnessed the abuse, the manager would label any employee stupid and further use the 'F' word.

This would unfold in full view of other workers.

The sources said the manager would threaten to dismiss an employee at the slightest mistake.

At some instances, an employee would be harassed and insulted for failing to pick up a heavy load.

Some employees who attempted to respond to the verbal harassment would be dismissed immediately.

Last Friday, the workers are said to have felt that they could take no more



PROTEST AREA: The entrance point of JS Clothing PTY (LTD) where workers protested over an abusive Asian factory manager.

of the abuse and resolved to engage in a strike.

The workers halted operations and started singing protest songs while inside the factory building.

Violence

The workers are said to have started showing potential of violence when the same manager attempted to address them. Police had to be called just before noon, upon which the workers were ordered to vacate the premises.

It was the same situation on Monday when the workers returned to work. They are said to have engaged in a sit-in strike action after their arrival. This time, the workers are said to have added another

grievance as they complained of an unexplained deduction of money from their salaries.

Again, the management called the police to drive the workers out of the factory premises as they argued that their action was unlawful.

When this publication visited the factory yesterday, the management was reported to be locked in a meeting. In the meantime, workers were said to have returned to work while the management discussed their grievances. Attempts to reach the management for a comment proved futile as they kept our new crew waiting at the gate for over two hours as they reported to be in a meeting.

Man (41) admitted to E500 bail for sex with minor

By Wonderboy Dlamini
Siteki

A 41-year-old man has been granted bail fixed at E500 for allegedly sexually abusing a 13-year-old girl.

Sabelo Ndzimandze appeared before the Magistrate's Court where he faced a charge of contravening Section 3(1) of the Girls and Women Protection Act 39 of 1920.

The accused person allegedly wrongfully and unlawfully had sexual intercourse with the said girl who is regarded as a minor by law.

Incident

The incident reportedly happened at a lodge in the Lubombo region.

The accused person's arrest came after he was reported by the minor's parents to the police.

Information gathered was that the accused person claimed to be in a love relationship with the young girl. Even though he has not yet pleaded to the charge, the accused person is said to have admitted having gone to a lodge with the girl.

Sources close to the matter disclosed that the accused was also a regular at the lodge as he would visit during weekends.

When he was informed of his rights to legal representation, Ndzimandze elected to conduct his own defence. He further filed an application to be admitted to bail



which was accordingly granted at E500 as the crown did not oppose the application.

The matter is set to commence trial on August 10.

Meanwhile, in the same court, Mphikeleli Shongwe (32) of KaNdangu faced a charge of rape. He was said to have wrongfully and unlawfully had canal connection with a woman without her consent.

The matter was accompanied with aggravating factors which included that the accused inflicted physical and mental trauma to the complainant by forcing her to the act. He is said to have exposed the complaint to sexually transmitted infections.

When the charge sheet was read to him, the accused pleaded guilty to the charge. The Crown then filed an application to record a statement of agreed facts with the accused. Meanwhile, the matter was postponed to tomorrow.

DJ Tira shifts starting time to his party

Stories by Samkelisiwe Khoza
Mbabane

SOUTH African DJ Tira has encouraged his local fans to attend the primary elections on August 25 without fail.

He had slated his birthday party for August 25, starting at 1800 hours, however, owing to the primary elections in the country, he has since shifted commencement time to 1900 hours.

Yesterday, the DJ took to social media where he posted that he was in full support of the Eswatini elections.

His birthday party will be staged Big Bend, Mayaluka Stadium.

DJ Tira, through his post, insinuated that local voters would start by casting their votes, and then proceed to his show as it would now start an hour later than



**SPECIAL DAY: EBC
Chairman Chief Gija.**

the initial time.

"I fully support Eswatini elections. My event starts at 1900 hours when voting is finished," reads his post in part.

The post follows an uproar by fans that

the event will interfere with the elections and that most members of the youth might not participate on the primary elections but would attend DJ Tira's birthday party.

Consequently, the Elections and Boundaries Commission (EBC) banned all activities that were slated for August 24 and during the day of August 25.

EBC Chairman, Chief Gija said August 25 is reserved for primary elections. Organisers of all events that were scheduled for August 25 (during the day) were advised to cancel them.

Events of the eve of August 24 were also banned, as according to the EBC chairman, they had a tendency to spillover to the next day.

Meanwhile, the DJ, through his post, encouraged Emaswati to vote first before attending his birthday party later.

"Let's go vote, then party with malume later!" he said.

Wedding officers urged to respect primary elections

MINISTRY of Home Affairs Principal Secretary, Anthony Masilela, has advised Eswatini wedding officers against officiating any wedding on August 25, which is the day for the national primary elections.

"Emaswati should respect this day, elections are important, it is a way of improving our nation," Masilela said.

Masilela said it was unfortunate that the wedding officers had control over the

wedding forms expected to be signed by the newlyweds on the day of their wedding.

"Bantfu labadzala sebakhulumile bekamene. Wedding officers should respect the elections and not avail themselves for any weddings because by doing so, they will be disrespecting orders from authorities," he said.

He said it would be a disgrace to have Emaswati disrupt the national elections

which are aimed at improving the country. Meanwhile, all football activities slated for August 25 have also been suspended. During the Premier League of Eswatini (PLE) AGM last Thursday, it was announced that no football activity would take place during primary elections weekend. As a result, the 2018/19 MTN Premier League and National First Division will only get underway in September.

Ntfonjeni farmers complain of new farming arrangements

By Mbono Mdluli
Mbabane

FARMERS at Ntfonjeni in the Northern Hhohho are worried that they are now lagging behind in terms of preparing for ploughing.

The farmers are complaining of the new way of providing them with inputs introduced by the ministry of agriculture.

The ministry roped in the National Maize Corporation (NMC) to distribute agricultural input subsidies to farmers in preparation for the ploughing season.

Farmers

Masonyosonyo Zulu, one of the farmers at Lomshiyo, next to Ntfonjeni, said they were worried with this new system, adding that they were still expecting NMC to talk to them and guide them on what to do.

He said they were waiting on the corporation for advice on what to do as regards getting their farm inputs.

He said at this time of the year, they would have sold their maize by now and would have generated money to place an order for a

tractor to plough for them when the time was right. He said the new method was becoming costly to them in terms of time. It seemed to them, as Ntfonjeni farmers, the new way was taking them backwards.

Tractors

Zulu said NMC was supposed to go to Ntfonjeni RDA and issue electronic cards to farmers. These cards would only be issued to farmers who have paid for tractors and input subsidies. With the cards, they would be able to approach the SwaziBank so they could deposit the money to the NMC account held at Swazi Bank.

The bank would then buy the subsidies for the farmers from certain hardware outlets in Pigg's Peak and the farmers would pick their belongings from there. Tractors would also be paid for in the same way. Zulu urged NMC to speed up the process so that they could start preparing for the ploughing season because they could find themselves in danger because they were already lagging behind.

NMC spokesperson Nokwanda Dlamini-Masuku could not be reached for comment. Her phone could not be answered.



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PARENTS APPEAL TO COUNCIL: PLEASE HELP US ENSURE OUR CHILDREN ARE INDOORS BY 7PM

...Ward 1 IDP stakeholder submissions meeting reveals youth alcohol and drug abuse a thorny issue for parents

It is true that the provision of world standard infrastructure such as surfaced roads and a well lit city is the desire of many a resident in the urban communities. The same is true for the community of Zakhele, Two Sticks and Old Zakhele (Ward 1).

However, during a ward meeting that was held last Saturday at the Zakhele Community Hall, whose purpose was to allow residents and all other stakeholders an opportunity to make development submissions and influence the City of Manzini's next five-year Integrated Development Plan (IDP) it became apparent that there was a new elephant in the room and parents were troubled it was threatening to rip apart the moral fibre that existed in their community. This cancer, so said the residents, is alcohol and drug abuse by the youth.

One of the residents, who stood up to make a submission, even suggested that a regulation be developed that would put in place a 7pm dusk-to-dawn curfew for the youth.

"I would like to appeal to Council to lobby Parliament towards

development of laws and regulations that will ensure the youth is indoors by 7pm. The extent of alcohol and drug abuse in our community is alarming. I know these are our children but, if truth be told, we are no longer able to manage them as parents. They are out of control.

This is a huge challenge in our community and it needs to be given priority. Both girls and boys are equally hooked into this cancer. We desperately need assistance as parents. 'Blessers' (old men and women who are into dating the youth) are taking advantage of the situation. You find an old man sitting with a young girl in his car in an intimate manner and you wonder if the man is okay mentally. These 'blessers' buy our children drugs so they can take advantage of them", the resident said.

Another resident called on Council to keep a close eye on recreational parks. Specifically, he cited the Pendray Park in Trelawney Park which he said was a haven for all forms of illicit behavior by the youth, including school going children. He suggested that security personnel be deployed at the park and proper signage that would spell out the

acceptable behavior in the facility put in place.

Another resident appealed that Council stops allowing the establishment of drinking halls and churches within residential areas.

"We no longer enjoy the peace and quiet in our communities. The noise that emanates from bars and churches is unbearable. In fact, I wonder why Council allows these establishments in our neighbourhoods in the first place", another resident stated. On another note, a resident submitted for establishment of strict regulations against littering.

"It is time we started effecting fines against littering. Council has done a lot in terms of sensitizing members of the public against littering but it doesn't seem it will stop anytime soon.

The best solution at this point is to introduce littering fines in our city", he submitted.



LET'S DEVELOP MANZINI TOGETHER...Manzini CEO Lungile Dlamini making some remarks whilst Intersol Consulting Director Thulasizwe Dlodlu and Ward 1 Councillor Sandile Bhembe listen.

...OTHER STAKEHOLDER SUBMISSIONS

"Please construct fitness centres for the elderly so that they keep active, fit and healthy. Also develop more recreational facilities in our vibrant city"

"Please rehabilitate Zakhele Township's Nxumalo street"

"Please develop a regulation that will compel property owners to develop their vacant plots within a

certain period of time. This will put to an end the issues of overgrowth on undeveloped plots"

"Please upgrade the Old Zakhele informal settlement"

"Please find a way of addressing the issue of abandoned structures in our community. Some houses have been left unoccupied for a long time and they end up becoming a nest for

criminal activities"

"Please provide the necessary furniture in our recreational park. Also consider constructing a swimming pool"

"Please construct a footbridge that will link Zakhele and Two Sticks with the Nazarene Mission. It used to exist back in the days"

...NEXT IDP MEETING ON THE 18TH AUGUST

...Woodmasters residents urged to attend in their numbers

The next Manzini Integrated Development Plan (IDP) stakeholder submissions meeting is scheduled for Saturday, 18th August 2018, 2pm at the Bahai Centre in Woodmasters.

Ward 6 residents, the business sector and all other stakeholders are urged not to miss out on this important meeting. This is the time for stakeholders to make their service delivery needs known to the local government and to influence the next five-year Manzini Integrated Development Plan.

Please remember; only projects and programmes that form part of the IDP will be delivered in the next five years up to 2023. Therefore, it is important that all residents, property owners and

tenants, attend these meetings in their numbers so to make their voices heard.

The bigger the attendance, the higher the chances of your ward's development needs making it into the new IDP. The following is a schedule of the remaining IDP stakeholder submissions meetings...

Please rehabilitate Zakhele Township's Nxumalo street



EMPHASISING A POINT...A resident of Ward 1 making her submission during the meeting.



THANK YOU FOR BEING SO PEACEFUL MANZINI COUNCIL...This ratepayer, amongst other issues, thanked Manzini Councillors for maintaining peace within the Local Government.



LET'S NOT LOSE SIGHT OF VISION 2022... This resident emphasised it is important that Zakhele, Two Sticks and Old Zakhele meet the Vision 2022 standard by the end of the new IDP's 5-year period.



GOOD ATTENDANCE...Residents of Zakhele, Two Sticks and Old Zakhele came in their numbers to make submissions into the 2018-2023 Manzini Integrated Development Plan.

DATE	WARD	TOWNSHIPS	VENUE	TIME
18 th August 2018	6	Woodmasters	Bahai Centre	2pm
26 th August 2018	4	Ngwane Park Township, Ngwane Park Extension, Ndumbu Township, Sihlahleni & Ticanweni	Ngwane Park High School	7:30am
12 th September 2018	10	Coates Valley	Old Enjabulweni	5:30pm
16 th September 2018	3	Fairview North, Fairview South & Helemisi	St Paul's Primary School	2pm
19 th September 2018	8	Madonsa, Thomasdale & Extension 6	Living Waters School Hall	5:30pm
29 th September 2018	7	Sterkstroom, Mangwaneni and the area around Manzini Central School	St Micheal's School Hall	2pm
07 th October 2018	5	Sikhunyana, Murray Camp, Ntunja & the area around William Pitcher	Murray Camp Social Centre	07:30am
13 th October 2018	2	Trelawney Park & the area around Sobhuza Clinic	Inkhanyeti School	2pm
20 th October 2018	11	Extension 7/ William Park & the light industrial area below Tanbergen	Old Enjabulweni	2pm
24 th October 2018	12	City Centre	Council Chamber	7:30am
27 th October 2018	9	Moleni, Mashweni and Inyoni Park	Mqweni F.E.A	7:30am



THANK YOU ESWATINI

The Board, Management and Staff of Eswatini Posts & Telecommunications Corporation (EPTC) herewith pass their utmost gratitude to Their Majesties, The Government of Eswatini and the entire Swati Nation on successfully hosting the annual Eswatini Charity Cup Tournament at Somhlolo National Stadium on Sunday the 5th August 2018.

The success of this event over the years is through the unwavering participation and support of the Swati Nation and their belief on the good causes of the tournament namely poverty alleviation through charitable causes geared towards uplifting the daily life of the most vulnerable of our Society.

The collaboration between EPTC, Premier League of Eswatini and the Football Association has been a mutually beneficial relationship that has served the Swati Nation well over the years. The proceeds of the Charity Cup tournament go to various Swati beneficiaries which have wide coverage of deserving Swati people ranging from the disabled, orphaned, vulnerable and economically disadvantaged people.

Last, but not least, we thank our internal stakeholders - our employees and the organising Committee - for a job very well done. It is humbling knowing that Their Majesties and the entire Swati Nation is rallying behind EPTC and with this support, will soar up high in the postal and telecommunications space.

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INKHOSIKATI LAMATSEBULA CALLS FOR REMOVAL OF MYTHS SURROUNDING AUTISM

Stories by Samkelisiwe Khoza
Ezulwini

AUTISM is hardly known in the Kingdom of Eswatini, hence a person who suffers from it is often wrongly referred to as being mentally retarded.

During an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) conference aimed at empowering the nation on the condition, Inkhosikati LaMatsebula said the lack of autism awareness resulted in people with autism not accessing medical, psychological and physiological services that help with mental development.

She said after the conference, government ministries would be expected to take action and empower Emaswati on Autism.

"The biggest challenge is the lack of awareness which often results in people with autism being excluded from social services and kept away from the public by their parents in fear of embarrassment," she said, during the conference held at the Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre yesterday.

She said in some cases, parents refused to accept children with autism as it is considered to be a bad omen.

"In some cases, children are locked in the house day in and day out so they are not seen by members of the community. They are often stigmatised to an extent that in some cases, they are not even counted as members of the family. We are, therefore, here to remove all these

myths in our minds and share our experiences with the rest of the populace," she said.

Inkhosikati said contemporary statistics shown growth in the number of autistic challenged children.

She said Eswatini schools had confirmed these findings in a way.

"These developments render it highly essential that government and the nation act accordingly to alleviate or try to understand autism disorder to be of great help to the autistic children," she said.

She added that it was critical that the nation supported government's effort in dealing with autism. Inkhosikati said the fact that government was helpless without cooperation and support of the nation should be appreciated.

"Autism is not a curse but a condition that is manageable when armed with the right information," she said.

Inkhosikati said having a challenged child is not a joke; it is a difficult task for every parent.

She added that it comes with its own stresses to both the parent and the officials, especially in school.

"It is never too late to do the right thing, with the knowledge that autism is a condition, Eswatini government has the responsibility to attend to it by arming the nation through such conferences as well as doing community visits. *Emagundwane ataw' phelelwa ngumgodzi* and I feel sorry for government because there will be no hiding space, *sihlomisa Emaswati nge Autism*," she said.

Autism Swaziland happy with Inkhosikati's involvement

AUTISM Swaziland Executive Director Tryphinah Mvubu, has applauded Inkhosikati LaMatsebula on supporting them in empowering the nation on autism.

"The royalty's involvement is greatly appreciated," she said.

She said empowering Emaswati on autism was a great encouragement to their organisation.

Mvubu said they would work tirelessly in

making sure that every Liswati has a better improved knowledge on autism.

She added that Autism Swaziland's desire was to empower Emaswati with the condition of autism, just like it had happened with the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV).

She added that they would help work hard in ensuring that the *imigodzi yemagundwane* mentioned by the Inkhosikati were minimised and destroyed.



FOR MY QUEEN: Vierah Hlatshwayo from the DPM's office presents Inkhosikati LaMatsebula with an Eagle sculpture as a token of appreciation. This was during the official opening of the Autism Spectrum Disorder conference at the Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre yesterday. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

Vacancies

1. Insika Project Manager
2. Case Management Officers (three positions)
3. Finance Officer

SWAGAA has partnered with PACT to implement the Swaziland Ready, Resourceful and Risk Aware Project (Triple R) (locally named the Insika ya Kusasa). The goal of the project is to prevent new HIV infections and reduce vulnerability among OVC, AG, and YW in Swaziland.

To facilitate effective implementation of the project, SWAGAA is extending an invitation to individuals interested in applying for the following positions, to forward an application

1. Insika Project Manager

Reports to: The Programmes Manager

Primary responsibilities
To provide direct oversight and coordination to the implementation of the GBV/VAC Case Management aspects of the Insika ya Kusasa project including planning, managing, supervision, and communication of program activities. Furthermore, to provide direct coordination and management support for programme implementation and reporting, quality management, supervision and monitoring of the Case Management Team and service provision. The Project Manager will also work collaboratively with the Monitoring and Evaluation Officer to ensure consistency in tracking of target reach, accuracy and consistency in reporting and monitoring. Collaboration with partner organizations, Government Departments and the PACT Program Team will be conducted by the project manager.

Other Responsibilities include:

- Provide leadership in the development of the annual operational plans and annual budgets.
- Develop logical framework for the project in collaboration with M&E team.
- Provide leadership and guidance to implementing partners on case management
- Provide direct oversight and management of cases reported to SWAGAA ensuring proper follow up, monitoring and closure.
- Monitor implementation of the workplan and budget and institutional strengthening plans

Required Qualifications

- Post Graduate Degree in Social Sciences, Social Development, Social Work, Public Health or any other related field
- Minimum 3 years program management experience in Gender or HIV/AIDS field
- Minimum 2 years' experience in Donor grants management. Experience in USAID funded projects is an added advantage
- Excellent understanding of the Case Management system approach
- Clear understanding of Eswatini legal framework pertaining to children and child protection
- Good networking skills

2. Case Management Officers (Three positions available)

Reports to: The Project Manager

Primary responsibility
Conduct Case management activities through provision of comprehensive care and support services to GBV/VAC survivors and their families. This will include counselling, facilitating access to medical care, collaborating with DSW in facilitating emergency placement, access to police, legal counselling, legal aid, case follow up, family therapy and reintegration into the community when required, facilitate access to court preparation services for survivors and their families. Case Managers will also facilitate group GBV/VAC prevention sessions and family GBV Prevention sensitization.

Qualifications:

- Minimum requirement: Bachelor's Degree or Diploma in Social Sciences, Social Work, Psychology or any other related field
- Minimum 3 years' experience in working with survivors of sexual abuse and gender based violence
- Strong Competence in use of MS Office
- Experience in stakeholder engagement
- Excellent understanding of case management approach
- Good understanding of the country's legal framework
- Experience in using a family centred approach in case management
- Minimum 3 years as a licensed driver

3. Finance Officer

Reports to: Finance and Administration Manager

Primary Responsibility: Implementation of Insika ya Kusasa Finance and Administration activities: financial systems application and support provision to project staff. Grant budgeting, reporting and tracking. The officer is required to work in collaboration with the Project Manager and team. Additionally, the officer is required to conduct financial management and monitoring of the grant resources and assets.

Qualifications:

- Bachelor Degree in Accounting or equivalent qualification
- 3 years' experience with donor funded projects (USG funded projects preferred)
- Strong knowledge and experience with an accounting software package, payroll software, and Microsoft Excel
- Strong analytical skills to perform financial reviews
- Experience facilitating statutory audits
- 2 years valid driver's license

Detailed Job Descriptions are available upon request from the SWAGAA Finance and Administration Office.

Applications: Interested candidates must submit applications by **12 noon on Thursday 9th August 2018** to:

The Executive Director,
Swaziland Action Group Against Abuse
(SWAGAA)
Lot 261 Esser Street, Manzini (Opposite Council of Swaziland Churches Building)

OR Email to SWAGAA Communications Officer at communications@swagaa.org.sz and copy to swagaa@swagaa.org.sz

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10 NATIONAL NEWS

Vetting process on elections nominees ongoing

By Nozipho Sibiya
Mbabane

THE Elections and Boundaries Commission (EBC) will issue a list of all the nominees who qualify to stand for the coming elections when the vetting process is complete.

EBC Communications Officer Mbonisi Bhembe, said the EBC disciplinary committee is yet to vet qualifying nominees.

Tax compliance certificates and police clearance are requirements for all nominees whether one has been nominated for bucopho, Member of Parliament, and indvuna yenkhundla. Primary elec-

tions for aspiring candidates are scheduled for August 25.

"The findings and final list of the candidates who will be eligible to stand for the coming elections will be released in the media and will be made available as soon as the vetting process is complete," he said.

It is an obligation that all nominees who have been elected to stand for the coming elections submit tax compliance certificates and copy of fingerprints, among other things, to the returning officer.

According to Section 96 of the constitution, a person qualifies to be appointed, elected or nominated, as a senator

or a member of the House if that person is a citizen of Eswatini and has attained the age of 18.

He or she must also be a registered voter, and has paid all taxes or made arrangements satisfactory to the commissioner of taxes. The constitution also states that he or she must be registered as a voter in the Inkhundla in which that person is a candidate in the case of elected members.

Notwithstanding, is that the provisions of Section 96 state that a person does not qualify to be appointed, elected or nominated as the case may be, a senator or member of the House if that person has been adjudged or otherwise



IT'S ON: EBC Communications Officer Mbonisi Bhembe.

declared insolvent under any law

and has not been rehabilitated, or to be of unsound mind.

The nominee also stands to be disqualified if he or she is under sentence of death or of imprisonment for more than six months for an act which is a criminal offence in Eswatini and if he or she is a member of the armed forces of Eswatini.

"Or is holding or acting in any public office and has not been granted leave of absence for the duration of Parliament and is not qualified to be a voter under any provision of this Constitution," reads the section of the law.

TSC INVESTIGATES CASANOVA TEACHER

...This request was made two days after the incident occurred, then on Monday afternoon the pupil's friends also delivered their letters to a certain individual who then forwarded them to the investigations team

By Sizwe Dlamini
Pigg's Peak

OFFICERS from the Teaching Service Commission (TSC) have been sent to Mhlatane High School to investigate allegations surrounding a male teacher accused of having sex with a female pupil.

It is said the sex happened at the teachers' quarters in the accused's house.

The teacher implicated in the matter has not reported for duty at Mhlatane High since July 28, when the incident became public knowledge to most people in the small town of Pigg's Peak.

For now, the teacher's name has been withheld.

Speaking to this publication, sources at Mhlatane High School said a special team of investigators were collecting

written letters from all individuals involved in the incident.

"The matter is being investigated by TSC officials who asked for a written statement about the incident from the female pupil.

"This request was made two days after the incident occurred, then on Monday afternoon the pupil's friends also delivered their letters to a certain individual who then forwarded them to the investigations team.

The reason why some pupils were asked to submit their letters was because the female pupil, who is at the centre of the issue is a boarder at the school and her friends were with her after the ordeal," said the source.

They added that others who were expected to write such letters were teachers and school Principal Dr Mandla Dlamini.



NO COMMENT: TSC Chairman Simanga Mamba.

It was expected that after all the letters had been collected, then criminal proceedings could be instituted against the accused teacher.

"Similarly, if the letters are inconclusive and cannot be used as evidence, then the accused teacher will be back to work as soon as possible. It is very important to note that the teacher is being assumed as innocent unless proven guilty," they added.

On that note, when reached for comment, TSC Chairman Simanga Mamba said he could not comment about the matter.

Man fined E500 for assaulting lover

By Mncedisi Dlamini
Mbabane

A 42-year-old man has been fined E500 for assaulting his lover.

Zwelthini Ngwenyama of Nkhamba area under Chief Bhekimphi, was arrested for a common assault charge.

Ngwenyama assaulted Nomsa Norah Shabangu with open fists several times in the face and further banged her head against a wall, thus causing her pain and injuries.

Shabangu then reported the matter to the police as she claimed to have suffered from unbearable pain due to the injuries sustained during the scuffle with the accused.

Appearing before Court President Chief Lembelele Dlamini, Ngwenyama pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Taking to the witness stand, Shabangu first identified the accused person as her lover. She narrated the events leading to the incident by stating that Ngwenyama had promised that he would ferry her to his parental homestead where

she would be formally introduced to his family as their bride to be.

She said everything had been going according to plan, but on the day they had agreed on, Ngwenyama could not be reached as his phone was not available.

Noting that something was amiss, Shabangu then visited Ngwenyama in his rental homestead only to find that another woman was enjoying the comfort of his sheets.

Shabangu forcefully gained entry into the house to attack the woman who had since taken her position.

All hell broke loose as the accused sided with Shabangu's love rival and started assaulting her (Shabangu).

In mitigation, Ngwenyama apologised before the court and pleaded for leniency.

He refuted ever assaulting the complainant. Chief Lembelele advised Ngwenyama to set his priorities straight and further get his house in order.

He was then sentenced to five months imprisonment or alternatively pay a fine of E500 to be liberated.

No diarrhoea outbreak yet - Ministry

By Nozipho Sibiya
Mbabane

FOLOWING the outbreak of diarrhoea in Mpumalanga, South Africa, the ministry of health will today call a press conference to address such an issue.

Director of Health Services Dr Vusi Magagula, said though they were recording cases of diarrhoea in the country, there were no signs of an outbreak yet.

"We have registered some cases, but we cannot say it's an outbreak thus far," he said, further adding that a press conference would be called today to address the concerns of the outbreak in Mpumalanga, South Africa. Meanwhile, the Mpumalanga provincial government has expressed a serious concern, as transmission of the infection seems to be moving from one area to another.

According to a statement sourced from News 24 yesterday, over 1 300 cases of diarrhoea had been reported in health facilities, especially within Mbombela



NOT YET: Director of Health Services Dr Vusi Magagula.

Municipality.

"While the source of this alarming diarrhoea outbreak has not yet been identified, water tests are continuously being conducted by Ehlanzeni District Municipality, Department of Water and Sanitation as well as the City of Mbombela (Sembcorp Silulumanzi) repetitively on a daily basis," said Zibonele Mncwango, spokesperson for the premier of Mpumalanga.

She said the provincial government

was not too sure where the germ seemed to be coming from, citizens were, therefore, encouraged to exercise caution by continuously washing their hands with soap before eating and after using the toilet.

"Wash hands after changing baby nappies, and after throwing away rubbish," said Mncwango.

Further, citizens were encouraged to prepare safe food by constantly washing or peeling fruit and vegetables, cook food thoroughly, especially meat, and store food in a clean and cool place.

"They must continue to exercise precaution before drinking water by pouring a teaspoon of bleach into 25 litres of water, mix well and wait for at least 30 minutes or boil the water at least three minutes.

The provincial government is further encouraging citizens to go to the nearest health facility immediately if they suspect that they are experiencing diarrhoea which is mainly in the form of passing loose stools, feeling waves of nausea and vomiting as well as feeling stomach cramps," Mncwango added.



GENIUS: A lady goes through her notebook as she walks past the Betta Parts Building towards the Fourways traffic lights yesterday. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)

I have never driven a car in my whole life - drunk-driver

By Mncedisi Dlamini
Mbabane

A 34-year-old man who was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol stunned the court yesterday when he told the magistrate that he had never driven a motor vehicle in his life.

Thabo Khumalo of Makhokholo area was arrested and charged by the police for occupying the driver's seat of a truck whilst under the influence of alcohol.

The accused person stood before Principal Magistrate Fikile Nhlabatsi, at the Magistrate's Court in Mbabane.

He was charged with two counts, the second one being that of resisting arrest.

Khumalo was at first in denial but eventually pleaded guilty to both counts.

Clarified

This was after the crown that was represented by Sakhile Khoza clarified to Khumalo that occupying the driver's seat of a motor vehicle whilst under the influence of alcohol is an offence, irrespective of whether the vehicle is in motion or not.

The accused is also said to have been involved in a scuffle with the police and tried to evade arrest when he was apprehended.

Content

When a breathalyser was used to dictate the content of alcohol in the accused person system it read 0.44mlg, which is above the legal limit.

In mitigation Khumalo, who led his own defence pleaded the court's leniency and further claimed that

he did not know that his conduct was unlawful.

Khumalo added that he had no driver's licence and had never driven a car in his life.

The principal magistrate told the accused that people learn from their mistakes and advised Khumalo to consider the sentence as a learning curve.

Nhlabatsi sentenced Khumalo to two years imprisonment with an option to pay a E2 000 fine on the first count and eight months or E800 fine on the second count.

UNESWA OPENS ON AUGUST 20

By Lungelo Nkambule
Mbabane

THE winter break for students of the University of Eswatini comes to an end this month as lectures are set to begin at the institution on August 20.

Having been closed for the past two months for the end of the 2017/18 academic year the institution will resume lectures for the 2018/19 academic year on Monday August 20.

This announcement was made by the registrar of the institution Dr Salebona Simelane. As per institution procedure students who reside on campus will only be allowed to move back on campus a day before lectures resume (August 19).

Register

Simelane further stated that all students would be expected to register before the lectures resume.

He said students would get the schedule for when they would be expected to register on the institution website.

"Registration of students will begin on August 13 and end August 17. The schedule is available on the university website," he said.

Students pursuing their Master of Business Administration (MBA) will also register on August 13 to allow for their first Block-Release Session to start on August 14.



LEVELS: Inside the Emfuleni Lifestyle Boutique Hotel.



EXCITED: STA Product Development Officer Siphon Simelane makes his remarks.

STA lauds new Emfuleni Lifestyle Boutique Hotel

Stories by Sabelo Majola
Mbabane

THE hospitality industry in the country continues to be on the growth trajectory, as Emfuleni Lifestyle has officially unveiled a state-of-the-art accommodation facility.

The 16-room establishment is aptly called Emfuleni Lifestyle Boutique Hotel.

Speaking at the roof-wetting party held last Friday evening at the venue, Eswatini Tourism Authority (STA) Product Development Officer Siphon Simelane, said the hospitality sector was among the best performing in the tourism industry.

He lauded the directors of Emfuleni for building the accommodation facility, stating that it was important to establish relations with other similar facilities in the vicinity for mutual benefit.

Simelane also stated that the opening of the hotel perfectly coincided with the STA finally rolling out the voluntary grading exercise, applications for which opened on August 1.

The grading exercise, said Simelane, was aimed at star-rating all accommodation facilities in the country on a



BOSS' REMARKS: Emfuleni Lifestyle director Daladi Dlamini (right) makes his remarks while programme director Mthimbawawa Xaba looks on.

voluntary basis.

"While registration for hospitality accommodation facilities in the country is compulsory, grading will be done on a voluntary basis, and on a first-come-first-serve basis, so we look forward to seeing Emfuleni also applying for the latter," said Simelane.

Support

In his address, the Director of Emfuleni Lifestyle Daladi Dlamini, said the support the establishment was getting from both locals and visitors had been hum-

bling and hoped the new accommodation facility that they have added at the site would enjoy similar support.

He said the opening of new business ventures run by *emaSwati* was in line with His Majesty King Mswati III's Vision 2022, which foretells a developed state by the year 2022.

The roof-wetting ceremony last Friday was also attended and/or sponsored by officials and staff from Mhlabi Group, Nedbank Swaziland, and Eswatini Tourism Authority, among others.

...ABOUT EMFULENI LIFESTYLE BOUTIQUE HOTEL

SITUATED in the mountains, the boutique hotel is a bed and breakfast facility which is 4.8kms from Ezulwini Valley and 10km from Mbabane.

Along with a restaurant, this smoke-

free bed and breakfast has an outdoor pool and a bar/lounge. Free buffet breakfast is provided, as well as free WiFi in public areas, free self-parking, and a free manager's reception. Other amenities include a coffee shop/café, a snack

bar/deli, and coffee/tea in a common area. All 16 rooms boast deep soaking tubs and offer free WiFi and flat-screen TVs. Other amenities available to guests include refrigerators, room service, and separate bathtubs and showers.

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UK'S ST HELEN AND ST KATHARINE PUPILS SUPPORT MHLUMENI DREAM

By Nozipho Sibiya
Mhlumeni

IT has taken a group of about 16 pupils from St Helen and St Katharine High School of the United Kingdom (UK) to shine the proverbial light at the end of the tunnel for hundreds of EmaSwati children and young people who reside in the remote community of Mhlumeni, in the Lubombo region, in the latter's quest to have their first ever high school.

Currently, children from the area travel by foot and some hitchhike to Siteki, about 20 kilometres away, to attend high school.

The community's dream of establishing a high school, which has been ongoing for a while now, received a shot in the arm when the UK pupils donated E60 000 cash towards the project.

The pupils, who were in the country for four weeks as volunteer tourists, courtesy of Sense Africa, were touched by the plight of the community, and hit the ground running in their very first week in the country.

"The pupils initiated the whole process of making bricks, and they had fun as they had not done anything like this back in the UK.



DREAM COME TRUE: Girls from St Helen and St Katharine High School pose in front of a pre-school they helped revamp at Mhlumeni. (Courtesy pics)

What made the whole experience more worthwhile was the community's involvement, as locals came out in their numbers to work on this long overdue dream. A high school for Mhlumeni community is no longer a pipedream, but a reality," explained Sense Africa Director, Jenny Bowen.

Bowen was quick, however, to decry the slow processes by local and regional authorities mandated by government to help the community

build a high school. She expressed her concern on the bureaucratic processes that were seemingly stalling the project, and said such aggravated the circumstances that the children and pupils from Mhlumeni faced.

She, however, was hopeful that the project would eventually succeed, given that it has since been initiated albeit painfully slow.

Meanwhile, the UK pupils also revamped the local pre-school: rebuilding the chairs and tables; repainting the blackboard; and painting some education murals on the walls.

"Again, the dedication of the community was noticeable and totally humbling. The UK volunteers took with them long lasting memories that they will cherish for a long time," said

Bowen. Student leader (a role that was rotated on a daily basis) Helen Brain, said the girls were enthralled to have travelled all the way from the UK, most of them for the first time, to impact young lives.

"This trip has been life-changing in more ways than one. Most of us had no idea what Africa looked like, and were sincerely overwhelmed by discovering how friendly and welcoming people here are.

We have enjoyed doing all the menial work here, and the community was quite helpful. We can't wait to share with our friends and families back home how precious this experience has been.

We can only but hope that our peers from Mhlumeni will eventually get the high school they so much yearn for, so as to be afforded the same opportunities that other children from elsewhere get," said Brain.

Meanwhile, STA Marketing Manager Bongani Dlamini extended his organisation's appreciation to Sense Africa, as well as to St Helen and St Katherine High School for the great humanitarian work the UK pupils embarked on while in Eswatini. There were three different groups from the same school, and they worked at different areas in the Lubombo and Shiselweni regions. The fourth group worked in Nhlanguano.



HEART OF GOLD: Sense Africa Director Jenny Bowen poses with student leader at Mhlumeni.



NOTICE OF INTENT

Swaziland Standards Authority informs all interested stakeholders of the intention to develop or adopt the following Standards:

1. CD-K-044-2010 Fresh broccoli-Specification
2. CD-K-059-2010 Fresh lettuce and endives-Specification
3. CD-K-067-2010 Fresh spinach-Specification
4. KS 1544: 2016 Cauliflower
5. Standard for Green/yellow/red pepper
6. Standard for Patty pans (yellow and green)
7. Food Outlets Grading Guidelines
8. SADC SARA HT 89: 2017 Railway safety management - General
9. SADC SARA HT: 91: 2017 Technical requirements for engineering and operational standards-Track, civil and electrical infrastructure
10. SADC SARA HT: 93: 2017 Railway safety Management Part 4: Human factors management
11. SADC SARA HT 90: 2017 Technical Requirements for engineering and operational standards-General
12. SADC SARA HT: 92: 2017 Technical requirements for engineering and operational standards - Rolling Stock
13. SADC SARA HT: 94: 2017 Technical requirements for engineering and operational standards -Track, civil and electrical infrastructure-Level crossing
14. SZNS ISO 5667-1:2006Water quality-Sampling-Part 1: Guidance on the design of sampling programs and sampling techniques
15. SZNS ISO 5667-3: 2012Water quality - Sampling -Part 3:Guidance on the preservation and handling of water samples-
16. ISO 5567-4:2016Water quality -Sampling -Part 4: Guidance on sampling from lakes, natural and man-made
17. SZNS ISO 5667-6 2014Water quality - Sampling -Part 6:Guidance on sampling of rivers and streams-
18. ISO6658:2018 Sensory analysis -Methodology general guidance
19. ISO 45001:2017 Occupational Health and Safety
20. ISO 22000: 2018 Food Safety Management System- Requirements for any organization in the food chain

All interested parties are requested to register to be part of the technical committees that will deliberate on the standards. Kindly attach your CVs and direct to:

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Sale of Vehicles and Tractors

The University of Eswatini will be having a public auction of its assets which includes vehicles, tractors and scrap materials on the 10th August 2018, at Luyengo Campus, Workshop and Transport Department. The starting time will be 10.00am.

Viewing of vehicles will be on 9th August 2018 at Luyengo Campus of University of Eswatini

	Description	Model Year
1	Toyota Corolla 1.6 GLE	2003
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3	Toyota Corolla 1.6 GLE	2004
4	Toyota Avensis 2.0 D	2008
5	Toyota Hilux 2.4D4D	2006
6	Toyota Hilux 2.0 SR	2004
7	Toyota Hilux 2.0 SR	2004
8	Toyota Hiace Super 16	2003
9	Toyota Hiace Super 16	2004
10	BMW 325i	2006
11	Mercedes Benz C200	2013
12	John Deree 2251	1990
13	Massey Ferguson 375	1996
14	Miscellaneous Scrap Materials	N/A

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PREMIER ESWATINI BAKERY COLLECT A BREAD PLASTIC BAG SCHOOLS COMPETITION



HARD WORKERS: Teachers from the six schools receiving E2 000 each for reaching the target. (Courtesy pics)



CHEQUE: Thamsanqa Masilela, a teacher from Ngwenya Central Primary School, receiving a cheque of E10 000 they won as first prize.



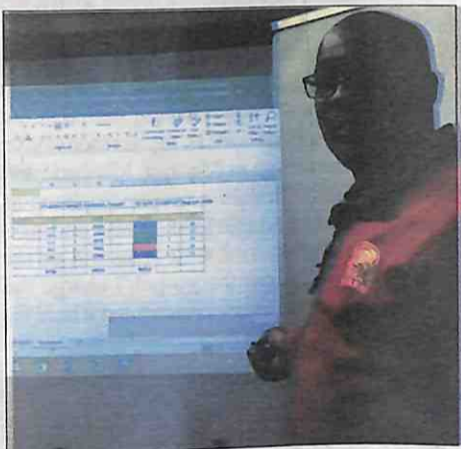
THEY SHALL GROW: Pupils listening to the presentation.



WATCHING: Premier staff who played a role in running the competition.




PRESENT: A section of those who attended the presentation ceremony last Friday.



THE RESULTS ARE: Premier Eswatini Bakery Sales and Marketing Manager Mthunzi Mthethwa delivering the results of the competition.



THANK YOU: A pupil from Manzini Practising receiving a gift from Thami Sithole.



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PROOF OF LIFE VERIFICATION

Pensioners and Dependants under the Public Service Pensions Fund (PSPF) are requested to undergo the annual proof of life verification for them to continue receiving their monthly pension payment from the Fund. The verification will be done through the Biometrics System in which members are only required to submit fingerprints for capture.

They are requested to visit the underlisted places and are required to bring along their National Identity Cards (IDs) and Pension Cards on the given dates below:

- 13 to 17 August 2018 Mbabane, Ingcamu Building
- 20 to 24 August 2018 Manzini, Manzini National Library (Venue is only for these dates)
- 27 to 31 August 2018 Nhlengano, Nhlengano National Library (Venue is only for these dates)
- 03 to 04 September 2018 Siteki, Evukuzenzele Building
- 05 & 07 September 2018 Piggs Peak, Piggs Peak Red Cross (Venue is only for these dates)

Dependants above 16 years of age should furnish their IDs, while those below this age should bring with them valid passports or IDs for parents/guardians.

The Fund wishes to advise that ALL Pensioners and Dependants should ensure they have undergone this verification process not later than **31st OCTOBER 2018**, failing which their monthly pension payment shall be suspended as from **1st NOVEMBER 2018**.

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- 27 kuya ku 31 Ingci 2018 Nhlengano, eNhlengano eMtapani (kulamalanga labekiwe kuphela)
- 03 kuya ku 04 Inyoni 2018 Siteki, esakhiweni seVukuzenzele
- 05 Inyoni na 07 Inyoni 2018 Sipiki, emahhovisini eBaphalali (kulamalanga labekiwe kuphela).

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Sizwe DlaminiFORMER SBIS ACCOUNTANT
NOMINATED FOR MP

Former, long serving Swaziland Broadcasting Services (SBIS) accountant David 'Party' Dlamini has been nominated to be the next Ntfontjeni Member of Parliament (MP).

Dlamini who is now at the Ministry of Finance under the Internal Audit Department was nominated at Hhlehhele chiefdom.

Dlamini's nomination was followed by a round of applause which signified that many voters were for his nomination.

Dlamini was nominated along with five others.

Speaking to this publication on

Monday, supporters of Dlamini who came to this publication's office in a kombi said they wanted Dlamini to win the Parliament seat to help farmers of Ntfontjeni.

Experience

"Dlamini is unique amongst the other candidates at Ntfontjeni because he comes with vast experience in the public sector, as we have already said, Dlamini has been working as a civil servant for a massive 25 years, what makes this achievement even more sophisticated is that Dlamini has been working around the government of Eswatini's most valuable resource being money, if Dlamini was not

trustworthy at his job then he would have been long fired. Dlamini is trustworthy and we believe that he will be the perfect person to hold the Ntfontjeni MP seat," they said.

"Also Dlamini is well known by the communities of Hhlehhele, Phophonyane and Mshingishini, where he works closely with farmers and continues to introduce them to the value chain form of farming.

Dlamini is also focused on the introduction of the Local Economic Development (LED) programme in all the seven chiefdoms under the Ntfontjeni constituency.



NOMINATED: Former Swaziland Broadcasting Services accountant, David 'Party' Dlamini.

Street pastor
upgrades portable
sound equipment

Street Pastor Nelson Majola (65) from Ndzingeni has spent E3 000 to upgrade his already famous portable sound equipment.

Majola who was first interviewed by this publication in December 2017 after he had purchased his first portable speaker system made a promise then that he would soon upgrade to a better portable sound system with the grace God.

Now almost seven months later Majola has fulfilled that promise and has purchased a new expensive microphone and portable speaker system that is louder and more portable than his first sound system.

The innovative Majola bought the new sound equipment so that his sermons could be overheard by the residents of Pigg's Peak whilst he preaches at the Pigg's Peak bus rank.

Speaking to this publication yesterday Majola said the idea of using a portable speaker to preach the gospel came to him in a dream.

"All true Christians know that we are currently living in the last days. The book of Revelations says that during the last days the Angels will be flying in the sky preaching the gospel and asking people to turn to God or face death, so as a pastor I believe that it is my duty to preach the gospel no matter my location, the sound system idea came in a dream so that the Word of God can be heard by everyone and that is why I used donations that I received to purchase the system," he said. "I have been preaching for 40 years, having started at the age of 25 in Pigg's Peak my sermons have allowed me to live in Manzini, Mbabane and Pigg's Peak, I bought a new microphone as well as a new portable loud speaker and auxiliary cable in Manzini, these items will aid me in the preaching of the gospel, I charge the portable speaker every evening and it lasts for 12 hours," he added.



PROMISE FULFILLED: Street Pastor Nelson Majola.

MSUMPE YOUTH CLUB TO HELP ELDERLY
START CRUSHED PEANUTS BUSINESS

GREAT Dollar Christian Youth club based at Msumpe wants to help 150 senior citizens enter the crushed peanuts business.

Chairperson of the Great Dollar Christian Youth Club Siboniso Dlamini said his organisation that consists of 129 members wants to help 150 elderly people by purchasing a peanut crushing machine to supply crushed peanuts to businesses or sell to individuals.

Speaking to this publication on Monday after buying the necessary products for the elderly to start their business, he said the youth club aims to empower the elderly people.

Sustainable

Dlamini said that the youth club that was formed in 2011 had already managed to donate food, clothing as well as blankets to the 150 senior citizens around the Msumpe area but these donations were not enough as the elders were unemployed and were in need of a sustainable source of income.

"As a Christian Youth Club we have noticed that donations of food and clothing provide temporal assistance to the people we visit, these donations cannot always improve a person's well-being.

That is why we felt it was important for us as a Youth Club to create sustainable sources of income for the elders, our first idea was to



purchase vegetables that the 150 elders could then sell at markets at and round Msumpe, this market idea will allow the seniors to have some sort of financial freedom, it is important to mention that some of the elders take care of their grandchildren so it is very important that the elders have a steady source of income "he said.

Purchase

"We have been successful in purchasing the vegetables for the elders

to sell and we are trying to find suitable places for the business, currently we have managed to purchase onions, carrots, green peppers as well as Tomatoes, then last week I was privileged enough to travel to South Africa where I was introduced to the crushed peanut business, I then took a few of my club members to the workshops where we were educated on how to operate a peanut crushing machine, this then gave me the idea of pur-

chasing a peanut crushing machine for the elders of Msumpe to use.

The machine costs about E60 000 and will help a great deal in crushing peanuts that can be sold at different markets. I have invited Msumpe residents to join me over the weekend to discuss this idea and hope that in the next few weeks we will be able to purchase the machine so that the elders can start their business as soon as possible" he added.

HELPING HAND:
Chairperson of the Msumpe Great Dollar Youth Christian Club Siboniso Dlamini with one of the elders that they assist.

LULAKENI BUCOPHO NOMINEE THREATENED

By Starsky Mkhonta
Nhlangano

SICELO Ndzabandzaba, who has been nominated for Bucopho at Lulakeni, claimed to have been threatened two weeks before his nomination.

Ndzabandzaba said he received a call and was advised not take part in the nominations as that would place him in danger. He was not sure who issued the threats because the number was privatised.

He tried unsuccessfully to trace

the individual concerned and later decided to ignore the threats. According to close allies of Ndzabandzaba who he spoke to about the threats, he decided that he wasn't going to entertain the threats and he was thereafter nominated at his chiefdom.

"He told us that someone called him and advised him not to join the race as Bucopho of the area as that would place his life in danger.

This, he told us, happened two weeks before the day of the nominations. However, he was not bothered as he proceeded to the polling

centre and was nominated," they said. When approached, Ndzabandzaba confirmed that he had indeed been threatened days before the nomination.

"The caller advised me not to stand for the elections as something was going to happen to me.

He threatened me with death should I not heed the advice. When I tried to find out who he

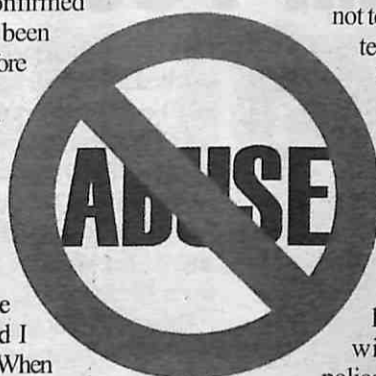
was, he only referred to himself as Ntshangase.

I did not recognise the voice but I could tell that this person knew me from the way he addressed me," he said.

Ndzabandzaba said he tried to seek help from Swazi MTN in tracing the number but was advised that the company could only assist him once the matter was reported to the police. "I decided

not to pursue the matter as I told myself they were just trying to scare me.

I was nominated days later and to date I haven't received another call and if it happens again, I will inform the police," he said.



Ex-mine workers start receiving E91 million 'dvuladvula'

By Starsky Mkhonta
Nhlangano

OVER 1 000 former mineworkers and relatives queued for their Provident Fund at the Shiselweni Regional Health Centre yesterday where some smiled all the way to the bank whilst others returned home empty handed.

The ministry of labour and social security, in collaboration with the Mineworkers Provident Fund, has called on all members of the Fund to come forward and claim benefits to the tune of E91 million.

The beneficiaries must have worked in any mine between 1989 and 2018 and had stopped working for whatever reason.

Douglas Dlamini, who is the focal person in the ministry of labour and social security when it comes to issues of mineworkers, said this was an exercise meant to see all Emaswati who worked in the mines and were members of the Mineworkers Provident Fund get their benefits.

He said the Mineworkers Provident Fund roadshows across the kingdom were mainly to assist the former mine workers who did not claim the benefits which they rightly deserved.

The mineworkers that are considered in the exercise include those who worked in South African coal, gold or platinum mines. "We have

been dispatched by the ministry's authorities to assist in seeing that the people are assisted in getting their benefits. Emaswati who stand to benefit are those who worked in these mines from 1989 to date," said Dlamini.

Dlamini said the personnel from the Mineworkers Provident Fund were there to assist in identifying all those that were in the list as all the information was there and as long as all the requirements were met, it was easy to assist anyone deserving.

"It should be clear that this programme is strictly for this Provident Fund and nothing else.

It's not for other claims that mineworkers are entitled to but this one is for those who did not claim their benefits from 1989 and this is for the members who have all the details that they worked in these mines and were members under this Fund," said Dlamini.

Dlamini went on to explain that there were no charges for anyone who needed any information regarding whether they qualify to forward the claim.

"No one is expected to pay anything, whether you wish to confirm if you qualify or not. It's all done for free," said Dlamini.

At hand were personnel from bank institutions as well as TEBA who were assisting those that wanted to open bank accounts where their money could be deposited.

Three 10th Parly MPs not standing for elections in Shiselweni constituencies

By Starsky Mkhonta
Nhlangano

AT least three out of the 14 former Members of Parliament (MPs) from the Shiselweni region who served in the 10th Parliament have abstained from this year's election.

Richard Simelane, who was Mtsambama Member of Parliament, Dumisani Ndlangamandla, who was MP of Ngudzeni, and Mthokozisi Kunene under Shiselweni II, are the three former MPs who have not joined the race as they are not in the list of nominees in their chiefdoms.

There is also something common with all three in that they are from the teaching profession. Simelane long hinted that he was not interested in a second term, citing several reasons. Simelane joined politics after retirement. He lived up to his word as he didn't avail himself during the nomination at his *umphakatsi*, whose polling centre was Ebenezer.

Ndlangamandla, whose chiefdom is Ndushulweni, was also nowhere to be seen on nomination day. Before joining politics, he was a lecturer at Ngwane Teacher's Training College and he had hinted that he wouldn't mind going back to his teaching job if he doesn't make it back to Parliament. At the college, he was a social studies lecturer. Kunene, who was one of the youngest MPs in the 10th Parliament, was a teacher at Nhlangano Central High School before joining politics.

His chiefdom is Mbangweni where he was nominated when he won the 2013 elections, causing a major upset by defeating Benedict Xaba who served in the 9th Parliament. On the other hand, Xaba was nominated at his chiefdom, Mahlalini, to stand for the 2018 elections.

The region's former MPs who served in the 10th Parliament:

Shiselweni I - Mandla Nxumalo
Shiselweni II - Mthokozisi Kunene
Mtsambama - Richard Mphaya Simelane
Sandleni - Jameson Simelane
Ngudzeni - Dumisani Ndlangamandla
Sigwe - David 'Cruiser' Ngcamphalala
Somntongo - Sandile Nxumalo
Hosea - Thulani Masuku
Matsanjani South - Sikiza Edward Mhlungu
Maseyisini - Mduduzi 'Small Joe' Dlamini
Nkwene - Sikhumbuzo Dlamini
Gege - Mbongiseni Malinga
Kubuta - Njabulo Mabuza
Zombodze Emuva - Titus Thwala

NOT STANDING FOR THE 11TH PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS

Shiselweni II - Mthokozisi Kunene
Mtsambama - Richard Mphaya Simelane
Engudzeni - Dumisani Ndlangamandla.



HOST: Pastor Khabo Dlamini of God's Leading International Ministries.

PASTOR KHUMBU DLAMINI

PASTOR NSIKI MASEKO

Arise women and dig new wells

By Observer Reporter
Mbabane

NOW is the time for women to maximise on their potential.

This is according to Pastor Khabo Dlamini of God's Leading International Ministries. Speaking about the women conference that will take place tomorrow, the pastor said it was time that women unleashed their potential. "I believe the time has come for women to use their God given potential in them for the benefit of the Kingdom of God. God ordained us so we need to come out from every cave that the enemy has put us into and start functioning out in the open. There are so many things that have hindered women from releasing that which God has

put in them; low self-esteem being one of them. We need to believe in who God says we are because He is the one who has called us.

Our confidence is not in us but in God.

I believe we have what it takes to fulfil God's agenda on earth. May God help us not to focus on what we are facing, instead to focus on Him who is the author and the finisher of our faith. God has entrusted us with this generation. Our generation is sick, barren and miscarrying as a result of polluted water; it is time we give ourselves to digging new wells of healing and revival.

I invite all women to a Purpose Driven Conference which will be on the 9th August (tomorrow) at 8:30 am at Swedish Free Church Manzini," she said.



WRONG DIRECTION

DOWN BUT NOT OUT: Two women walk past a fallen billboard at the entrance of the University of Eswatini Faculty of Health Sciences Campus yesterday. The board needs to be attended to as soon as possible. (Pic: Mduduzi Mngomezulu)



ELECTION NOMINATIONS 2018



PRINCE'S SON CONTESTING FOR KWALUSENI MP POSITION

By Fortune Ndlangamandla
Kwaluseni

MALAMLELA Dlamini who is the son of the late Prince Mfanasibili is eyeing the position of Kwaluseni Member of Parliament (MP).

Dlamini was nominated at Kwaluseni Umphakatsi last Sunday during the nominations. He is set to compete with former MP Sibusiso 'Mabhanisi' Dlamini, Purin Bhembe and founder and leader of Police Gospel Messengers Zakhele Ginindza among others.

As reported by the Swazi Observer, many residents had their hands up when it was time to elect nominees. A total of 18 MP candidates were chosen which led to the event finishing late.



IN RACE: Kwaluseni aspirant MP Malamlela Dlamini.

When nominated, there was a posi-

tive reaction from the electorates which resulted in over 40 supporters instead of 10 coming to second the nominator. Dlamini is contesting for the elections for the first time.

Dlamini was the Secretary General (SG) of the Swaziland Communications and Allied Workers Union (SCWU) from 1999 to 2002.

This union unionised Eswatini Posts and Telecommunications Corporation (EPTC) workers.

He was also the human resources manager at Stefanutti Stocks Construction Company from 2010 to 2012. Last year he was also in the Executive of Manzini Football Association.

The late Prince Mfanasibili was a very influential figure in the 1980s.



Ndlavela Dlamini for Mbabane West MP. (R) Nhlanhla Mamba For Mbabane West MP.



S'mangele Simelane for Mbabane West MP. (R) Sydney Mdluli for Mbabane West MP.



SWACAA partner eyes Lobamba MP position



HELPFUL: Lobamba MP aspirant Sandile Magongo.

SWAZILAND Civil Aviation Authority (SWACAA) partner Sandile Magongo is set to battle for the position of Lobamba Member of Parliament (MP).

Notably, Magongo was nominated by a woman at Elangeni. When his name was called, he was a hit among the youth as well as seniors. He was born and raised in Mbabane, he resides at his homestead in Elangeni.

He was nominated in 2013, two years after being resident at Elangeni. Five years later, the people of Elangeni have again nominated him to be amongst those that will battle it out for the

Parliament seat.

Should he win the primary elections scheduled for August 18, 2018, Magongo will compete with renowned Pastor Buddy Msibi, who was a head-turner at the Ezulwini Royal Kraal during the nominations and former Lobamba MP Michael Masilela who received a huge applause after being nominated for another term at Nkhanini chiefdom.

Magongo is a businessman involved in construction, multimedia and currently in the oil and aviation industry. He is involved in the return of the September 8 first air show to be hosted at KM III International Airport.



1. Bongani Mdluli nominated for Member of Parliament at Madlangemphisi Inkhundla. 2. Buyelaphi Masuku nominated for Mbabane West MP. 3. Cyril Skhumbuzo Dlamini for Mbabane West MP. 4. Funani Sibandze for bucophu. 5. Gabsile Siyaya for Mbabane West MP. 6. Gcina Shebeleza Dlamini. Nominated for MP post at Mayiwane. 7. Lewis Shiba from Zone 5 nominated for Bucophu. 8. Musa Zwane for Mbabane West MP. 9. Nathi Nkonyane for Bucophu at Tincancweni.

Inkhundla cleaner for Bucophu at Mbabane West

By Sabelo Majola
Mbabane

FORMER cleaner Sabelo Phiri of Mahwalala Zone 6 has been nominated for Bucophu at Nkwilini which falls under Mbabane West constituency.

The 33-year-old Phiri was an employee at the Mbabane West Inkhundla situated closer to the Royal Eswatini Police Service (REPS) as a cleaner but has since submitted his letter of leave of absence to the Elections and Boundaries Commission (EBC).

Phiri is no stranger to politics as he was nominated for the same position back in 2013 but he lost out to former



RISING: Sabelo Mzamo Phiri from Zone 6 nominated for bucophu.

Bucophu Bhekithemba Dlamini, in a fierce contest that saw him coming second after the secondary elections. He will be contesting again against Dlamini

who was also nominated. Others for Bucophu in Mbabane West include Makhosonke Maduna and Dumisani Dlodlu.

Phiri is also active in youth development projects at Mahwalala and is chairing a youth association that is aimed at enhancing the youth on business developments.

Other nominees from Mahwalala include current Mbabane Mayor Zephaniah Nkambule who was nominated for MP and he will be contesting against businessman Musa Zwane, and Zone leaders in Thandi Mkhonta and Ndlavela Dlamini. Simon Ndwandwe and Boy Dlamini are some of the candidates who were nominated for Indvuna Yenkhundla.



Nonhlanhla Khumalo nominated for Bucophu under Mhlume Inkhundla. (R) Sipho Nhlabatsi nominated for Member of Parliament under Ngwempisi Inkhundla.



Bhekumusa Lukhele, Kwaluseni - Bucophu. (R) Paddon Mabuza for Hosea MP from KaLiba umphakatsi.



Thembi Shabangu nominated for Bucophu at Mayiwane. (R) Zanele Chibi nominated for Bucophu at Mkhweni Inkhundla.



Thandi Mkhonta for Mbabane West MP. (R) Vusi Silindza for Mbabane West MP.





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A thought on leadership

1 BILLION RISING REVOLUTION

WE left off our article in the last edition with, a discussion of a few types of leaders that we can find or may have been exposed to.

We talked about what we described as leaders who are happy to do absolutely nothing in order to avoid criticism, those with a 'shack' mentality in that they do the bare minimum just in order to have a little something to show for their time in power; and the 'mall minded' type of leaders who have big dreams, see things that are not in existence and ask, why not, as opposed to seeing as they are and asking, why?

The last category or type of leaders described, needless to say, are the type of leaders our societies need as of yesterday.

Undesirable

Other than going to town on the traits of the undesirable types of leaders, there is value in delving more today on the good traits that a leader should possess so that we can hopefully help readers to know these leaders and identify these traits when an opportunity, such as the national elections, avails for them to repose their trust on them or better still, work on acquiring these traits being the alternative themselves.

Among writers on leadership, there has always been the discussion of whether (good leaders) are born or made. I come from the school of thought that leadership is a skill, a talent.

Others may be born with it, and oth-

ers learn to be good leaders. Some leaders born with natural ability to lead people may, if they do not continually invest in their talent, lose their effectiveness as leaders. Greed, corruption and pride may turn born leaders into bad leaders.

This is consistent with my belief that good leaders can be made. If people learn and master the art of leadership and continually invest in themselves, they can turn out to be fantastic leaders.

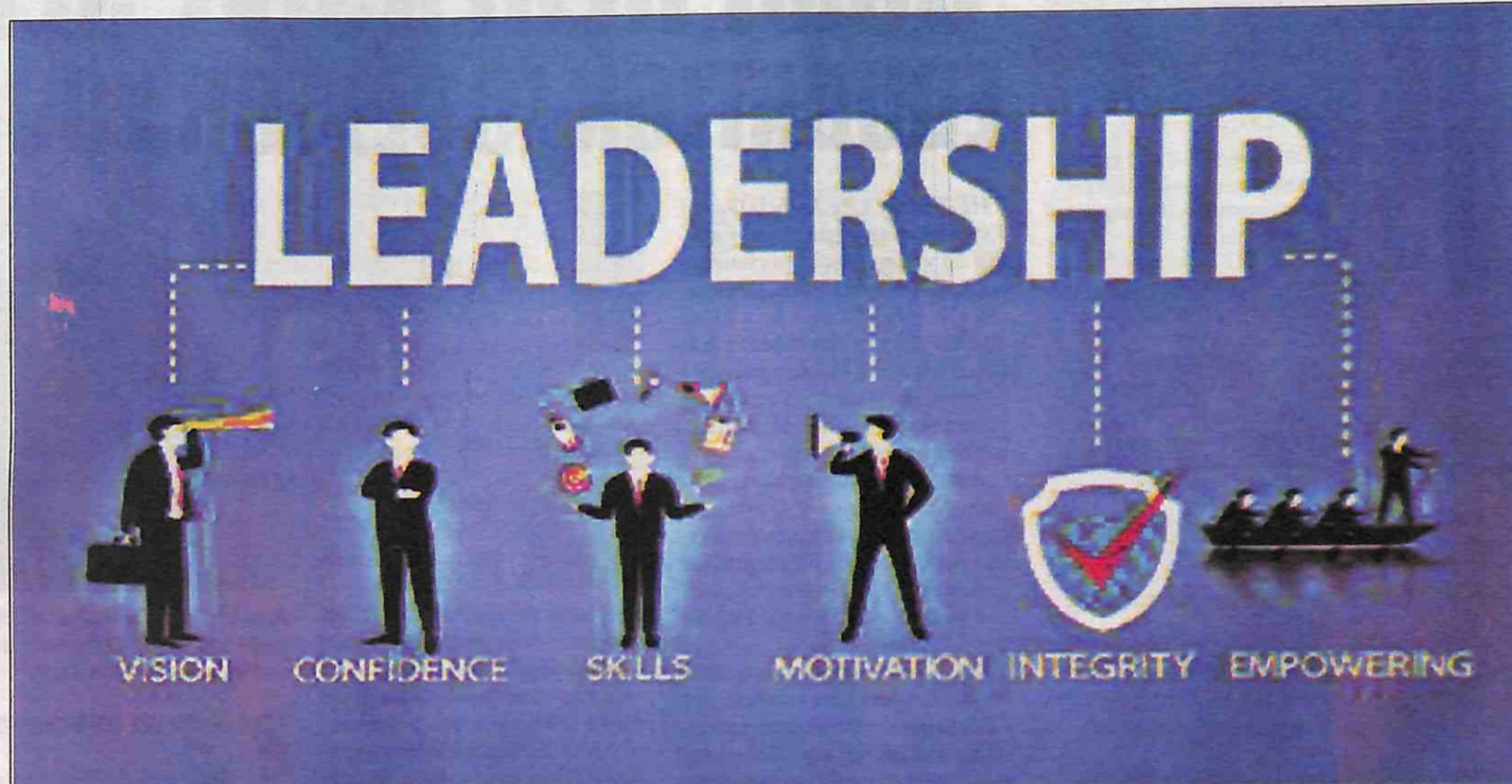
A leader who succeeds in making a difference in the lives of the masses is one who realises that the people he leads, are at the centre of his/her office. He/she knows that failure to change their lives fundamentally is a failure in his/her

duties.

This leader realises that in the process of acquiring power, especially in the political arena, enmity can result, especially with competitors.

The next important step is for the leader to then surround himself/ herself with a nucleus of people who will play the critical role of giving criticism and praise where it is due

regardless of the sides pre-election/ appointment, as the case may be. There is only one thing that brings unity at this stage; a shared vision.



A good leader therefore, must take cognisance of the fact that in as much as he/she may have plans and dreams for the people she leads, she can never claim to possess the ultimate blueprint of the people's aspirations and the best roadmap to achieve them.

Knowledge of that therefore, is an act of humility in itself and will drive the good leader to engage, meaningfully, with the led people to articulate the vision he/she may have and in the same process check if it is in sync with the wishes of the led.

This is a process that requires this leader to both be malleable and be persuasive.

Malleable because he/she may need to adjust what he/she had in mind as a vision if reasonably convinced that it will work and persuasive because persuasion is an art that every good leader must possess in order to sell his/her vision to the led.

Once a common vision has been

reached; the leader must not put himself/herself in a position where he/she becomes the sole custodian, implementer and evaluator of the vision. The led must always be made to understand that they too have a role to play and their role must clearly defined by them.

The vision must be achievable and be separated into milestones that will allow for a process of evaluation and celebration of all small and big successes towards the attainment of the bigger goal.

The next important step is for the leader to then surround himself/ herself with a nucleus of people who will play the critical role of giving criticism and praise where it is due.

These people are drawn from the led and they represent the diverse dynamics of the masses.

They act as feelers and signposts of the journey towards attainment of the vision.

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... AUGUST 8

1356 - Edward "the Black Prince" began a raid north from Aquitaine.

1815 - Napoleon Bonaparte set sail for St. Helena, in the South Atlantic. The remainder of his life was spent there in exile.

1844 - After the killing of Joseph Smith on June 27, Brigham Young was chosen to lead the Mormons.

1876 - Thomas Edison received a patent for the mimeograph. The mimeograph was a "method of preparing autographic stencils for printing."

1899 - The refrigerator was patented by A.T. Marshall.

1900 - In Boston, the first Davis Cup series began. The US team defeated Great Britain three matches to zero.

1911 - The number of representatives in the U.S. House of Representatives was established at 435. There was one member of Congress for every 211 877 residents.

1940 - The German Luftwaffe began a series of daylight air raids on Great Britain.

1945 - The United Nations Charter was signed by US President Truman.

1945 - During World War II, the Soviet Union declared war on Japan.

1950 - Whataburger opened its restaurant in Corpus Christi, TX.

1953 - The US and South Korea initiated a mutual security pact.

1956 - Japan launched an oil tanker that was 780 feet long and weighed 84 730 tons. It was the largest oil tanker in the world.

1966 - Michael DeBakey became the first surgeon to install an artificial heart pump in a patient.

1974 - US President Nixon announced that he would resign the following day.

1978 - The US launched Pioneer Venus II, which carried scientific probes to study the atmosphere of Venus.

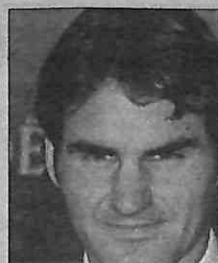
1988 - It was announced that a cease-fire between Iraq and Iran had begun.

1989 - The space shuttle Columbia took off from Cape Canaveral, FL. The trip was said to be a secret five-day military mission.

1990 - American forces began positioning in Saudi Arabia.

1991 - John McCarthy, a British TV producer, was released by his Lebanese kidnappers. He had been held captive for more than five years. A rival group abducted Jerome Leyraud in retaliation and threatened to kill him if any more hostages were released.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



ROGER FEDERER (Tennis Player) - August 8, 1981 (37 years)



MEAGAN GOOD (Movie Actress) - August 8, 1981, (37 years old)



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COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION (CSE) FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

THE Family Life Association of Eswatini, as an organisation focusing on young people to champion access to quality and non-discriminatory SRHR information and services in the country has taken a leading role in providing Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) and HIV information to young people.

Actually, the Association is targeting to reach over 80 000 young people who would have completed a quality assured CSE programme delivered by FLAS volunteers, staff and partners in its Strategic Plan for 2016-2020.

The Association intends to have 85 per cent of those reached with CSE programme to demonstrate increased SRHR knowledge and ability to exercise their sexual rights by December 2020.

The Association has reached a total of 16 939 people with CSE and HIV information (stepping stones) between January and June 2018. 13 202 (78 per cent) of the people trained were aged 10-24 years and 3 737 (22 per cent) were 25 years and older.

This is in line with the associations commitment and endeavour to increase SRHR knowledge and the ability for young people to exercise their sexual rights.

The Association works in 20 Tinkhundla centres and 149 communities in the Kingdom of Eswatini to provide accurate information on SRHR and HIV. Comprehensive Sexuality Education and Stepping stone sessions are conducted in these communities combined with integrated SRHR and HIV services for young people.

The Association strives to eliminate all new HIV infections among adolescent and young people aged 10-24 years, to reduce early pregnancies among young people, eliminate Gender Based Violence and eliminate child marriages in the communities we are working on. Hence the essence of providing Comprehensive Sexuality Education and HIV information to young people

WHAT IS COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION (CSE)?

Youth are constantly at the receiving end of contradictory messages about sex and sexuality. On the



other hand, they are told sex is bad, associated with guilt, fear, moral weakness and disease.

On the other hand, through the media and friends, sex is depicted as positive, fun, desirable and indication of power and status. Making sense of these conflicting, value laden messages can be a significant challenge- especially when they are delivered where accurate information is scarce, gender roles are strongly enforced and human rights are not well understood.

That is where CSE comes in. CSE aims to firstly equip young people

with accurate information about human rights, sex and sexuality and, secondly to provide opportunities for the development of self-esteem and life skills that encourage critical thinking, clear communication, responsible decision making and respectful behaviour.

According to the United Nations, "evidence is clear; CSE leads to improved sexual and reproductive health, resulting in reduction of sexually transmitted infections (STIs), HIV and unintended pregnancy. It has demonstrated impact in terms of improving knowledge and self-esteem, changing attitudes, gender and social norms and building self-efficacy. Evidence has confirmed that sexuality education does not hasten sexual activity but has a pos-

itive impact on safe sexual behaviours and can delay sexual debut and increase condom use".

THE SEVEN KEY COMPONENTS OF CSE

According to the International Planned Parenthood Federation, there are seven key components to CSE. These seven components form the cornerstone of Integrated Comprehensive Sexuality Education to be delivered to young people.

1. Gender component looks at the differences between gender and sex, exploring gender roles and attributes, understanding perceptions of masculinity and femininity within the family and across the life cycle as well as changing norms and values; manifestation and consequences of gender bias.

2. Sexual and Reproductive Health – topics include sexuality and life cycle (i.e. puberty, stigma, sexual problems); understanding Sexually Transmitted Infections and how to use condoms and other forms of contraception, it further looks at faithfulness, sexual response, social expectations, respect for body, myths and stereotypes.

This component also looks at pregnancy options and information, legal and safe abortion as well as unsafe abortion

3. Sexual Rights and Sexual Citizenship focuses on the knowledge of international human rights and national policies, laws and structures that relate to people's sexuality; rights based approach to sexual and reproductive health (SRH).

4. Pleasure focus on being positive about young people's sexuality, understanding that sex should be enjoyed and not forced and that it is much more than just sexual intercourse.

5. Violence component explores the various types of violence towards men and women and how they manifest, particularly gender based violence, non-consensual sex and understanding what is unacceptable, rights and laws as well as support options available for victims of GBV.

6. Diversity component focuses on recognising and understanding the range of diversity in our lives (e.g., faith, culture, ethnicity, socio economic status, ability/disability, HIV status and sexual orientation). This looks into the positive view of diversity, recognising discrimination, its damaging effects and being able to deal with it and supporting young people to move beyond just tolerance.

7. Relationships component includes the different types of relationships, how they are constantly changing, emotions and intimacy. It further explores rights, responsibilities, power dynamics, recognising healthy and unhealthy relationships.

In conclusion, every young person will one day have life-changing decisions to make about their sexual and reproductive health. Yet research shows that the majority of adolescents lack the knowledge required to make those decisions responsibly, leaving them vulnerable to coercion, sexually transmitted infections and unintended pregnancy.

Hence, Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) enables young people to protect their health, well-being and dignity. And because these programmes are based on human rights principles, they advance gender equality and the rights and empowerment of young people.

HOW KENYA MANAGING SECURITY 20 YEARS AFTER BLAST

NAIROBI - It's been 20 years since the attack on the US embassy in Kenya's capital Nairobi.

A suicide bomber detonated two truck bombs killing 200 people. A simultaneous attack happened in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Terrorist attacks in Kenya date back to 1975. Prior to the country's military intervention in Somalia in 2011, they had claimed about 300 lives. In the post-Somalia intervention period - 2011 to 2016 - attacks led to over 800 deaths, and more than 1 200 injured. Approximately 75 per cent of the attacks were conducted by the Somalia-based Al-Shabaab terrorist group.

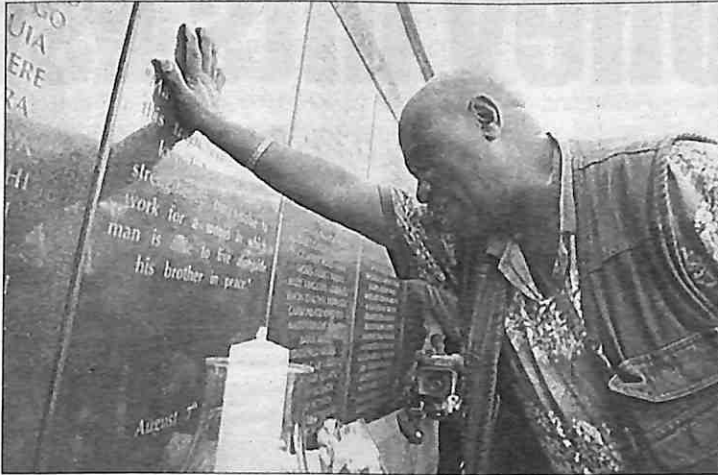
My research shows that several factors have contributed to Al-Shabaab's attacks in Kenya. These include the country's proximity to Somalia, the visibility of US and Israeli interests, and Kenya's role in the US-led global war on terrorism.

But most notable is Kenya's military intervention in Somalia aimed at reducing the threat posed by Al-Shabaab.

The frequency and intensity of Al-Shabaab's attacks prompted Kenya to prioritise the development of counter-terrorism policies and strategies. These hinged on several elements including legislation, law enforcement and border security. Efforts were also stepped up to counter the financing of terrorism and extremism. And there was added focus on international and regional cooperation.

But are all these efforts working?

Kenya still has a long way to go before it fully manages the threat of terrorism. Despite the strategies it's put in place, the country's counter-terrorism efforts have been hampered by three key interrelated factors. These are a lack of cooperation between agencies, corruption and the radicalisation of Somalis.



GRIEVING: Simon Kingori, a survivor of the 1998 bomb blast at the US embassy in Nairobi, prays at the Memorial Park in the city.

Counter-terrorism measures

Before 2010, Kenya's efforts were hampered by the absence of a legal framework to prosecute acts of terrorism. Since then, it's passed several new laws. These include the Prevention of Terrorism Act, Proceeds of Crime and Anti-Money Laundering Act and Prevention of Organised Crime Act.

In 2014, the Security Laws (Amendment) Act changed 20 existing laws to strengthen Kenya's anti-terror legislative framework. The new law created agencies to deal specifically with the terror threat. These included the anti-terrorism police unit, a bomb disposal unit and a cyber forensics investigative unit. The Kenya Defence Forces - army, air force, and navy - are now also legislated to be involved. Previously weren't actively involved in transnational counter-terrorism efforts.

The act also strengthened the mandates of the Kenya Defence Forces and the National Intelligence Service. These security agencies now have the constitutional and legislative man-

date to take counter-terrorism measures to safeguard national security. Some are repressive and punitive. For example, the Anti-Terrorism Police Unit has been accused of using excessive force.

Terrorist screening watch lists, biographic and biometric screening, and other measures, are also in place at Kenya's main ports of entry. But screening procedures are sometimes inconsistently or minimally applied. This is particularly true at smaller border posts and airports.

To counter the financing of terrorism, Kenya joined the Eastern and Southern Africa Anti-Money Laundering Group.

This is a financial action task force whose objectives are to set standards and promote the implementation of suitable measures to combat money laundering, terrorist financing and other threats to the international financial system. The government also implements the relevant UN Security Council resolutions on money laundering and terror financing.

Kenya's financial intelligence unit - the Financial Reporting Centre -

continues to build its capacity to monitor the formal financial system. All non-governmental organisations are required to report suspicious transactions to the centre.

Two years ago, the government launched the National Strategy to Counter Violent Extremism. The aim was to step up efforts to counter violent extremism by dealing with the radicalisation of young people. It was also designed to encourage efforts to rehabilitate, repatriate, and reintegrate foreign terrorist returnees. A number of civil society organisations, such as Haki Africa, are now addressing radicalisation and violent extremism in the country.

Kenya is also involved in international and regional cooperation. It's an active member of the African Union and a member of its Peace and Security Committee. The country also contributes troops to the AU's mission in Somalia. Kenya also remains engaged with the Intergovernmental Authority on Development and is a member of the Partnership for Regional East African Counter-terrorism.

Most of Kenya's international counter-terrorism assistance and cooperation comes from the US, UK and Denmark.

Slow progress

To make serious progress, Kenya must urgently address the three big issues: a lack of cooperation between agencies, corruption and the radicalisation of Somalis.

The lack of collaboration was evident in the Westgate Mall attack in 2013.

The counter-terrorism offensive was lacking, thanks to inter-agency conflict. This blurred the lines between command and control. There was a breakdown in intelligence sharing, and patchy communication between the security forces and the public during particular stages of the siege.

The Conversation

Tribute to Winston Ntshona: pioneer of storytelling, activism in South Africa



captures a vital ephemeral moment which has become as iconic as the three names superimposed above: Athol Fugard, John Kani and Winston Ntshona.

These names pronounce a genesis of South African theatre-making founded on creative partnership and

collaborative authorship. Together and individually, they represent a paradigm for collective action that fuses storytelling with political activism.

Alphabetical ordering might account for the sequence of surnames, but the image composition contradicts Ntshona's being named last of the

trio. His prominence is asserted through sheer physical presence and position. It is he who is seated in the foreground in a relaxed, expansive pose, elbow resting on the table in the role of the eponymous Sizwe Banzi.

Arresting

Behind the table, the beam of Kani's gleaming smile is as arresting as his appearance in dapper bow-tie and crisp white dust coat. Ntshona's role was invariably to be the foil to Kani's more urbane, eloquent and flamboyant personae.

The two bodies declare what words cannot capture: an extraordinary complementary relationship between two very different individual performers and storytellers.

They share an outward orientation of their bodies and gestures in a reciprocal acknowledgement of each other and simultaneously offer this interaction to an audience. *The Conversation*

Wit and Wisdom

● "She was my dream. She made me who I am, and holding her in my arms was more natural to me than my own heartbeat. I think about her all the time. Even now, when I'm sitting here, I think about her. There could never have been another."

— *Nicholas Sparks, The Notebook*

● "Afterward, I had the last laugh. I made an air bubble at the bottom of the lake. Our friends kept waiting for us to come up, but hey-when you are the son of Poseidon, you don't have to hurry. And it was pretty much the best underwater kiss of all time."

— *Rick Riordan*

● "If you can love someone with your whole heart, even one person, then there's salvation in life. Even if you can't get together with that person."

— *Haruki Murakami, 1Q84*

● "Anxiety is love's greatest killer. It makes others feel as you might when a drowning man holds on to you. You want to save him, but you know he will strangle you with his panic."

— *Anais Nin*

● "Yours is the light by which my spirit's born: you are my sun, my moon, and all my stars."

— *E.E. Cummings*

● "Let yourself be drawn by the stronger pull of that which you truly love."

— *Rumi*

● "People like to say love is unconditional, but it's not, and even if it was unconditional, it's still never free. There's always an expectation attached. They always want something in return. Like they want you to be happy or whatever and that makes you automatically responsible for their happiness because they won't be happy unless you are ... I just don't want that responsibility."

— *Katja Millay, The Sea of Tranquility*

● "True love is not so much a matter of romance as it is a matter of anxious concern for the well-being of one's companion."

— *Gordon B. Hinckley, Stand a Little Taller*

● "Sometimes God allows what He hates to accomplish what He loves."

— *Joni Eareckson Tada, The God I Love*

● "I have feelings too. I am still human. All I want is to be loved, for myself and for my talent."

— *Marilyn Monroe*

● "Making love with a woman and sleeping with a woman are two separate passions, not merely different but opposite. Love does not make itself felt in the desire for copulation (a desire that extends to an infinite number of women) but in the desire for shared sleep (a desire limited to one woman)."

— *Milan Kundera, The Unbearable Lightness of Being*

● "Catherine Earnshaw, may you not rest as long as I am living. You said I killed you-haunt me then. The murdered do haunt their murderers. I believe-I know that ghosts have wandered the earth. Be with me always-take any form-drive me mad. Only do not leave me in this abyss, where I cannot find you! Oh, God! It is unutterable! I cannot live without my life! I cannot live without my soul!"

— *Emily Brontë, Wuthering Heights*

● "It's hard being left behind. (...) It's hard to be the one who stays."

— *Audrey Niffenegger, The Time Traveler's Wife*

● "In youth, it was a way I had, To do my best to please. And change, with every passing lad To suit his theories."

— *Dorothy Parker, The Complete Poems of Dorothy Parker*

● But now I know the things I know And do the things I do, And if you do not like me so, To hell, my love, with you."

— *Dorothy Parker, The Complete Poems of Dorothy Parker*

SOUTH AFRICA - A slim, well-thumbed paperback volume occupies a special place on my bookshelf.

Its spine is torn and barely legible, but such is its familiarity that I can dispense with such necessities.

I can find 'Statements: Three Plays' instantly. The plays were 'Sizwe Banzi is Dead', 'The Island' and 'Statements After an Arrest Under the Immorality Act'.

Today, I turn to the volume seeking guidance and as a means of paying homage to a remarkable man, Winston Ntshona, who passed away on last Thursday. Not a man that I knew personally, but one whose impact resonates in so many different ways.

This publication in itself - an Oxford University Press edition - preserves much of what Ntshona represents in the legacy of theatre-making and theatre-going in South Africa and the world.

A black and white photograph from the Royal Court Theatre production (1974) dominates the front cover. It shows two men and a camera on a tripod in the foreground. The image

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VITALS

Prime Rate	10.50%
First National Bank	
Inflation Rate	4.9%
Central Statistical Office	
Mortgage Rate	10.25%
Swaziland Building Society	
Bank Rate	7.0%
Central Bank	
Petrol (u)	E13.30 per litre
Replacement	E13.35 per litre
Diesel	E13.30 per litre
Paraffin	E 9.65 per litre
Engen Garage	

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Correct as at 7 AUG 2018

CURRENCY	BUY	SELL
US Dollar / SZL	13.3541	13.4041
British Pound/SZL	17.3122	17.3770
Japanese Yen/SZL	8.3005	8.3301
Swiss France/SZL	13.4171	13.4660
Botswana Pula/SZL	1.2873	1.3042
Australian Dollar/SZL	9.9034	9.9471
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Fake honey hits Eswatini

By Majaha Nkonyane

...Adulterated honey a health hazard due to excessively high sugar levels

FAKE honey purported to be coming from South Africa has hit the country's shelves.

Consumers have been cautioned of this fake product which is made from sugar, water and syrup, a concoction which could cause serious health complications for diabetics.

This was disclosed by one of the participants in the inaugural Luju Lifestyle and Food Festival held at the House on Fire on Saturday.

"What is truly alarming is that people who are eating honey because of its lower glycemic index, may be inadvertently consuming huge amounts of sugar," the source cautioned on condition of anonymity because she is one of the players in the beekeeping industry.

The good news, however, is that it is quite easy to spot fake honey as it does not crystallise when mixed with real honey.

The source explained that when



mixed with real honey, fake honey settles on the top of a container and the real honey crystallises on the bottom.

She described fake honey as being dangerous to the human body because it is stripped off the true health benefits of honey.

Several South African publications also cautioned consumers on the proliferation of fake honey in that country. Business Insider cautioned:

"There is a high likelihood that South Africans may be unwittingly eating 'natural honey' which in fact has been mixed with syrup".

This publication suggested that fake and adulterated honey was becoming the norm in South Africa.

"The product that is sold as honey is actually a mix of sugar, water, and - if consumers are lucky - some honey".

The production of fake honey was denounced as downright fraud as it places consumers' health at risk, whilst also undermining the authentic beekeeping industry.

Times Live, on the other hand, described honey adulteration as fraud on a grand scale.

"It threatens the health of diabetics, who can tolerate small amounts of pure honey but not sugar."



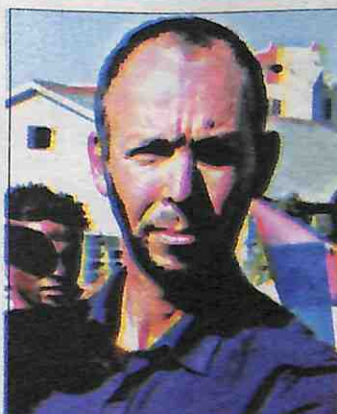
Bushfire Festival contributes E500 million to economy

By Hlengiwe Ndlovu

OVER the last 12 years, the MTN Bushfire Festival has generated over E500 million to the broader creative economy.

These figures are contained in the MTN Eswatini 20-year commemorative publication which was distributed last week when the company celebrated its two decade anniversary.

His Majesty King Mswati III was guest of honour in this event. MTN Eswatini has, for the past 12 years, been the title sponsor for the Bushfire festival which now attracts about 30 000 people from over 50 coun-



BRAND: House on Fire Director Jiggs Thorne.

tries. House on Fire Director Jiggs Thorne is quoted in this publica-

tion stating that during the 12 years, the festival has been growing from strength to strength.

"The festival has become an internationally recognised brand, placing the Kingdom of Eswatini on the map as a cultural tourism destination. For instance, the festival has been dubbed by CNN as one of the seven African musical festivals you really have to see," said Thorne.

Between 2011 and 2016, MTN pumped over sponsorship in excess of E4 million for the annual Bushfire festival, which lately includes a schools festival catering for both high and primary school pupils.

"Through this generous support,

MTN has, therefore, not only helped develop the festival in general, but they have also supported exponential growth and development of the festival. The investment has great spin-offs to the broader creative economy in Eswatini of over E500 million in the past 12 years," said Thorne in MTN's commemorative magazine.

More recently, MTN has supported the development and exposure of local artists via the Firefly programme and stage, established in 2017.

This programme which runs throughout the year sees local DJs and performers competing for the chance to perform at the festival.

KING IMPLORES SERVICE PROVIDERS TO REDUCE TELECOMMUNICATION COSTS

By Hlengiwe Ndlovu

HIS Majesty King Mswati III has implored telecommunication companies to contain the cost of communication in the country.

Speaking on Friday during MTN Eswatini's 20th anniversary celebrations held at the company's headquarters, the King noted telecommunication costs as being one of the key issues adversely affecting consumers. "We hope all service providers will work towards ensuring that the cost per unit remains affordable in the kingdom," he said, explaining that this would contribute towards making the country competitive as an investor destination.

In another matter, the King noted how

MTN had grown since the company was established in 1998.

"When Eswatini MTN started out in 1998, the primary focus was largely connecting Emaswati through mobile telecommunications. Over time, we are glad to see that Eswatini MTN has grown in leaps and bounds to provide broader ICT services, the latest of which is fixed wireless and broadband services," he said.

Network

Nevertheless, the company states in its 20th anniversary publication that the Kingdom of Eswatini was the last country in the SADC region to switch on to the cellphone network.

"Even though experts had predicted that the cellular business would never succeed, government had decided that it was necessary as means of attracting

investment and to keep Eswatini at par with world trends at the time. Never was the impact and success of a business project so underestimated as that of Eswatini MTN".

During the company's launch, Eswatini MTN appointed Noel Meier as Chief Executive Officer. "He hit the ground running determined to find traction in the market for cellular phones and use the monopoly they had been given to the fullest," the publication states.

"During those early days, CEO Meier said he wanted to paint Eswatini yellow with MTN's colours. This bold initiative forced marketing executives in other areas of corporate Eswatini, particularly the banking sector, to go back to the drawing board and re-learn their functions".

Customer service excellence awards provoke mixed feelings

Stories by Hlengiwe Ndlovu

EVEN though the annual customer service excellence awards were created in good faith of building a customer-centric culture, the initiative seems to have provoked mixed feelings in different quotas.

This was disclosed by Oliver Museka, who championed these awards in 2016. Speaking on Saturday during the annual Entretchship Summit held at the Mountain Inn, Museka, who is also Executive Director of the Institute of Research and Development said: "The awards were clearly received with mixed feelings as some people showed excitement whilst others threatened me". Museka explained that some institutions make the

mistake of thinking they would ace winning scores by favour and not merit hence the sour reactions when they eventually do not make it to the final list of winners.

"Unfortunately, it is the public which determines the awards and not institutions or the organisers," he explained. Final winners are determined through a rigorous process which begins with an online survey in which the public nominates institutions which they feel provide best customer service.

It does not end there as after the people nominate their preferred candidates, the nominated institutions are engaged in a bid to ascertain whether what was said by people is true. Museka explained that thereafter, mystery shoppers are unleashed to record customer experiences on the ground.

As they conduct this all important fact-finding mission, the mystery shoppers are equipped with recorders which provide a solid backing for the collected evidence to be water-tight.

After the mystery shopping fact-finding mission, nominees are required to provide a write-up for their customer service policy. The final stage entails the assembling of a five-member panel of adjudicators who take the final decision of the winners.

Museka explained that the adjudicators consist of two locals selected on a rotational basis and three internationals. "Eswatini is a small country, so the chances of favouritism in these awards are very high which is why the majority of our adjudicators are not from the country," Museka said.

...Next awards in first week of October

THE 2018 edition of the customer service excellence awards will be held in the first week of October, organiser Oliver Museka announced on Saturday at the Mountain Inn.

The actual awards event will be preceded by a customer service march which will be held in Mbabane on September 28.

The minister of commerce, industry

and trade is expected to address this march, while different companies will also be allowed to exhibit their products and services.

Awards

After the awards, a two-day customer service experience conference will be held on the 10th to the 11th of October.

The conference will bring together local and international speakers who

will all give presentations on how government and private entities can raise the bar to make the country a customer-centric one.

Explained

Museka explained that the customer service awards are in line with the commemoration of the international customer service week which begins on October 1 and ends on October 5.



Ethiopian Coffee breaking new local ground

By Majaha Nkonyane

ETHIOPIAN entrepreneur Selam Shari has introduced to the Eswatini market coffee made in the horn of Africa.

Shari showcased this coffee at the inaugural Luju Food and Lifestyle Festival that was held at House on Fire on Saturday. The Ethiopian grown coffee, according to Shari, is grind by the hand, thus greatly preserving its natural state from farm to table.

It is sold raw and pure with no additives, thus making it aromatic and tasty. It is also raw and pure.

The local market seems to greatly appreciate this coffee as Shari said they had received an impressive reception from Emaswati.

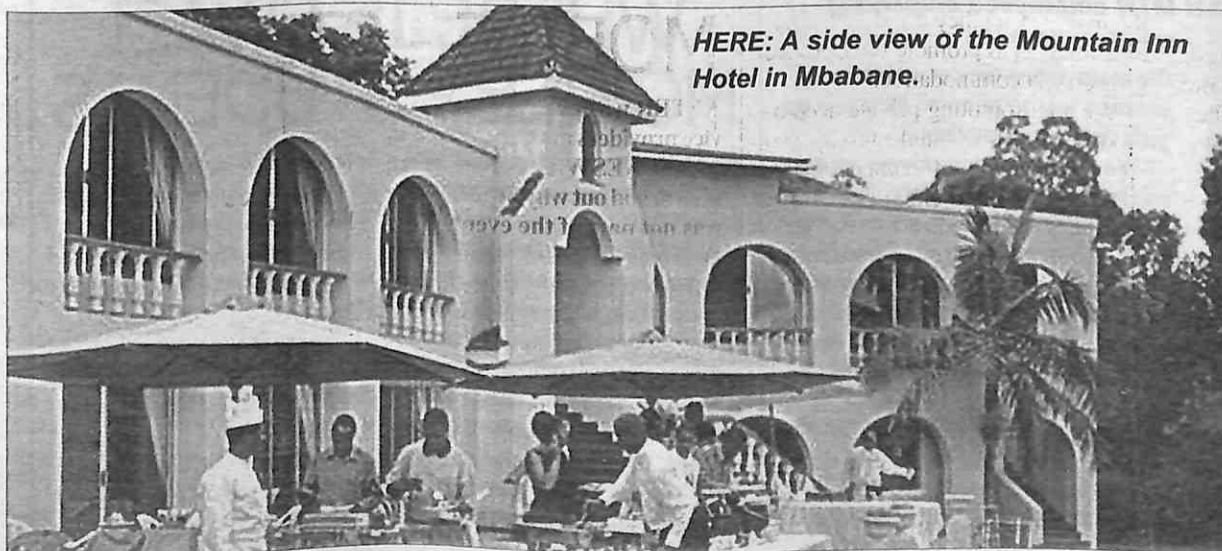
The coffee is picked in southern Ethiopia and goes through a process of drying, washing up, grinding to separate the seeds from the cover and sold as fresh coffee seeds. No

machine is used when preparing it so as to give the gastronomically inclined a natural feel. She also sold this product in Namibia for the past three and a half years, whose people fell in love with it. The Ethiopian born entrepreneur is also involved in the catering business and serves Ethiopian dishes at different functions locally. The catering business, according to Selam,

has been operating for eight months now and had also exhibited at the M T N Bushfire Festival.

Most of the time, she spends time making gluten free flat bread (injera), chicken stew (doro wet), beef stew (tibes), green beans with carrots (fosalia) and yellow split peas (kik).

Shari's menu is a representation of the Ethiopian culture which she so wishes to share with the rest of the world. Shari is currently looking for partners especially in the fast food business to grow this business.



HERE: A side view of the Mountain Inn Hotel in Mbabane.

MTN invests heavily in staff training

By Hlengiwe Ndlovu

THE global benchmark for education assistance in companies is pegged at about seven per cent. MTN Eswatini has, however, pushed this limit by investing about 13 per cent towards the financing of staff training which is almost twice as much as what other companies do.

This was disclosed by the company's Chief Executive Officer Ambrose Dlamini in the MTN 20th anniversary publication which was distributed on Friday during the company's two-decade celebration. "Against a global benchmark of four per cent, Swazi MTN invests eight per cent of payroll in learning and development. The total investment in learning and development translates to two per cent of the company's total operating expenditure," he said.

Other notable milestones reached

by MTN, in its 20 years of existence, include contribution to the promotion of financial inclusion in the country through Mobile Money which was introduced to the local market in 2011. Mobile Money currently circulates over E100 million daily. Through corporate social investment, MTN has invested over E40 million through different projects which cover education, health, enterprise development, cultural initiatives and national priorities.

The CEO added: "We have stimulated the economy through promotion of innovation, developing new products and solutions, and creating employment opportunities through formal and informal employment for our staff and partners".

MTN Eswatini's 20th anniversary was attended by representatives from a broad cross section of society. The guest of honour was His Majesty King Mswati III.

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GALP'S NATIONAL MARKET HITS 40%

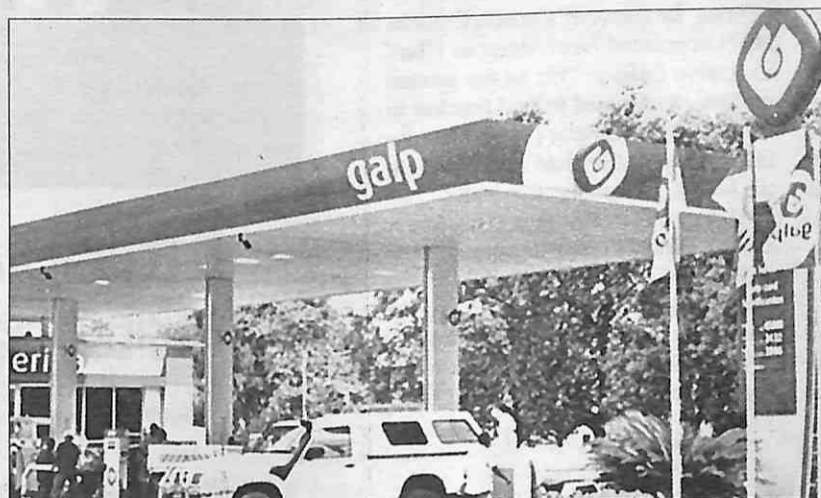
By Majaha Nkonyane

WELL-KNOWN filling station brand, Galp, has achieved a 40 per cent national market share since breaking into the local market in 2008.

This was confirmed by Galp Eswatini Managing Director Francisco Ferreira.

He told Africa Outlook that the business is still growing, with the national share being at around 30 per cent when the brand first entered the country.

According to Ferreira, Galp is growing and consolidating its presence in the country. He also registered Galp's commitment to developing a logistics hub in Mozambique to serve the wider regional market. Galp's initial presence in the country comprised 22 service stations and all business to business customers were taken over from Shell. To date, according to Ferreira, Galp has since become the leading oil company in the overall market. Ferreira was quoted in the same publication stating that



three new service stations had been recently commissioned while all others have been refurbished. From an innovation perspective, the company has introduced new LPG regulators that come with the highest global standards of safety and they also offer a range of high-quality lubricants. Meanwhile, the introduction of Galp's Tangerina con-

venience stores, and new point of sales (POS) systems, have been compounded by a recent upgrade to the company's depot facility "We have recently been awarded an ISO 9001 Quality Management certification, Galp being one of the first companies in Eswatini to achieve such accreditation, and the only one within the oil industry".

Local entrepreneur shines at SAYLA seminar

By Majaha Nkonyane

AS the country breeds a generation of young entrepreneurs, the fruits are starting to show as young local entrepreneur Londiwe Magagula, who is the CEO of Lukhozi Construction and Diamond 3 Longrich, shone at the South African Young Leaders Assembly (SAYLA) business seminar.

The business seminar was held last Friday in Newtown, South Africa, to empower and encourage young people to open their own businesses. This is according to reports from Black excellence network, an online events web page.

Magagula was making a presentation at the seminar where she spoke about the importance of ensuring that businesses operated by entrepreneurs benefit the people. Magagula also emphasised the importance of supporting each other in business.

In addition, Magagula touched on challenges she faces in running a construction business in a field dominated by men.

"I always say that my calling is to help people," she said. According to the report, Magagula also ventured into other businesses such as joining Longrich. Longrich is a health product manufactured in China which is exported to South Africa. It is used for health reasons and is taken as a shake which can be used as a substitute for food. It could also be good for weight loss.

The businesswoman said this product was a good strategy for business because it teaches sales and marketing as vendors are involved in buying and selling the product to the people. She also mentioned that it was good for those who want quick money as members are paid weekly. Members of the Yongama Leverte and Ntando Sangoni Foundation were in attendance and guest speakers included the likes of Nqabayomzi Kwakwa, MP and AfriPAHR Chairperson, Yongaba KaZigebe, President of YLNS Foundation and Sisanda Qwabe-Coutaud, Founder of Black Excellence Network (BEN).

Companies cram UNESWA orientation

Stories by Mhlengi Magongo

NOWADAYS, it is not just those with formal employment or businesses targeted by banks as university students have become a prime market too.

This was witnessed yesterday when over 1 000 University of Eswatini (UNESWA) new students crammed the Sports Emporium to participate in the two week orientation traditionally held at the beginning of each academic year.

The orientation attracted several banks and companies which showcased different products and services to the students.

Nedbank was one of those financial institutions which had visibility at the orientation. Matsapha Branch Manager Nelson Mkhonta, said they were primarily promoting their student account which he described as suitable for learners.

"The bank is offering its student account to new and old students. This account is reasonable and affordable to students as it has less banks charges compared to the current account which the working class normally uses," he said.

SwaziBank Client Assistant Thembumenzi Mamba, said they were offering the best banking solution to learners. With its current ongoing debit cards promotion, the bank introduced Umlolongi account to students.

According to Mamba, students who register for this account would have lesser ATM charges. This means if the student uses the card to withdraw money in SwaziBank ATMs, there will be no charges unless a foreign bank is used.

Liberty insurance brokers were also present and they basically taught stu-



SEE MONEY DIFFERENTLY: Nedbank Matsapha Branch Manager Nelson Mkhonta ready to serve the students.



EVERYWHERE YOU GO: Swazi MTN employees displaying freebies.

dents about how to save money. Queen Mashaba of Liberty Swaziland highlighted that they were there to promote education savings products which they think can be of great help to the students. "We are promoting our education savings which we think can be a great solution to the learners financial situation. We think its best that they are introduced to saving methods while they are still at school to get ready for the period when they join the working class," she said.

Sesimla Group, a company specialising in accommodation, was also present. Client Assistant Lisa Nhapi, said

the main reason they attended the orientation was to promote their private girls only accommodation.

"We are promoting private accommodation for female students only who are planning to live off-campus and we think our services will be of good help to students simply because we offer prices affordable to everyone," she said.

Swazi MTN could not be left out as the company conducted its ongoing SIM card registration initiative, thus registering hundreds of people. In celebration of their 20th anniversary, the company had a 'spin a wheel' quest which was much loved by the students.



THE BANK WITH A HEART: SwaziBank was also represented during the orientation.



CREATING WEALTH FOR YOU: Swaziland Building Society also had representatives that promoted their products.

WHERE IS SWAZI MOBILE - STUDENTS

AFTER witnessing several service providers at the orientation, some UNESWA students were keen to find out why Swazi Mobile was not part of the event.

Some of the learners were seen asking security personnel if the company was part of those exhibiting. They were told only of the presence of Swazi MTN at the orientation, which was surprising to most learners as they expected it to be part of those promoting their

services. The company last year gave free data to students from colleges and universities.

One of the students said they had hoped to also get similar deals this year.

"We thought Swazi Mobile would be here as well to delight us with their packages. I am from ENI where we don't have service providers so I thought Swazi Mobile would be here so that I get to know more about their services."

SOUTH AFRICANS GET FIRST DIBS ON SAFCOIN

JOHANNESBURG - Blockchain company FHM (Pty) Ltd has launched the Initial Coin Offering (ICO) for SAFCOIN, an exclusive African cryptocurrency that aims to make digital currency investment easy and understandable for everyone in Africa.

A total of 500 000 SAFCOIN tokens will be made available exclusively to South Africa during the ICO. This gives South Africans an opportunity to invest in SAFCOIN during the lucrative start-up phase, before the remaining five million crypto coins are listed on an exclusive exchange, as well as on African and global cryptocurrency exchanges, in October. At the same time, tokens purchased during the ICO will be migrated to coins.

Transactions will be facilitated by the i-Pay secure payment gateway, through SAFCOIN's official blockchain website, www.safcoin.co.za. i-Pay allows investors to purchase tokens directly from their South African bank accounts.

"Blockchain cryptocurrency is a confusing and unfamiliar concept to many Africans, which is preventing widespread adoption," says Neil Ferreira, Director and co-founder at



LAUNCHED: SAFCOIN is an exclusive African cryptocurrency that aims to make digital currency investment easy and understandable for everyone on the continent.

FHM. "With SAFCOIN, we hope to educate more people about the benefits of cryptocurrency and help them understand how and where to trade, so that they can be part of the global digital currency revolution and Africa's cryptocurrency history."

SAFCOIN ICO Token investors will be issued with a unique referral link that they can share with others. For each sale made using their link, they will earn five per cent commission, which can be used to purchase additional tokens. For every 20 tokens

sold using their link, investors will earn one token in commission.

All tokens will be stored in a blockchain wallet, which will be secured by public and private keys. Tokens will be migrated to the SAFCOIN cryptocurrency when it opens for global trading. The lack of cryptocurrency knowledge in Africa meant Africans lost out on opportunities to invest in start-up currencies like Bitcoin when the electronic money rush started in 2010.

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Yes you can get a criminal record for failure to do your tax return

CAPE TOWN - Not filing your tax return is a crime and yes you can get a criminal record or failing to comply with the SA Revenue Service (SARS).

Just last month SARS released the names of 10 offenders who did not pay their tax returns. The move was largely seen as a way to "name and shame" individuals who did not comply, but according to SARS it was also a warning to ordinary citizens that this could happen to you.

SARS has always had the right to do this, but in the past has chosen to rather fine individuals, Darren Britz, a tax attorney at Tax Consulting South Africa told Fin24.

"We have a new type of taxpayer, guys who over the last 10 years who felt morally righteous about not paying their taxes," Britz was quoted as saying.

"All SARS is saying let's make a media campaign about this and let's prove to taxpayers if they do not comply we will prosecute them criminally. Nothing has changed in terms of the (Tax Administration) Act, they have always been able to do this," he explained.

"In other countries around the world, this is commonplace. If you do not pay your taxes you get criminally prosecuted."

South Africans should be aware that any taxpayer can be called to submit to an audit. If SARS find that you have evaded SARS, you

may be required to pay a fine and pay the tax that is owed.

Britz said that "depending on how bad your behaviour is, your penalty essentially goes up".

You could pay as much as 200 per cent of the tax owed as a penalty or fine.

SARS terms the following under the non-compliance:

Not filing returns

Not paying taxes

Failing to complete your tax return correctly

Making false or erroneous statements

Not registering with Sars

Can SARS send you to jail? The answer is yes according to tax consultant Vincent Radebe. SARS has the option to send an offender to jail for a period of up to two years.

Radebe advised all South Africans to keep the keep the taxman aware of all updates in your financial life. Also, it is vital that you get a professional to check your tax calculations to minimise errors.

The 2018 tax filing season started on July 1 and you have until September 21 to file in tax returns manually or via post.

If you are a provisional taxpayer (a person who earns an income other than just your salary) and you are using SARS e-filing system you then have until January 31.

Non-provisional taxpayers who use e-filing have until October 31 to file. *Business Report Online*



CIS industry assets racing to R2.5 trillion

JOHANNESBURG - Investors ploughed R26 billion in net inflows to the local Collective Investment Schemes (CIS) industry in the second quarter of the year, with the combined value of assets in the sector racing towards R2.5 trillion at the end of June.

The CIS industry statistics for the quarter ended June yesterday showed that the growth net inflows pushed total net inflows for the year ended June to R96bn.

"At the end of June 2018, SA Multi-Asset portfolios held 50 per cent of assets, SA Interest Bearing portfolios 26 per cent, SA Equity portfolios 20 per cent and SA Real Estate four per cent," Sunette Mulder, Senior Policy

Adviser at Association for Savings and Investment South Africa (ASISA) said.

Released "At the end of June last year, assets stood at R2.1trn, compared to the R2.3trn at the end of the second quarter this year". The figures, which were released yesterday, showed that 29 per cent of the inflows into the CIS industry in the 12 months to the end of June came directly from investors.

Intermediaries contributed 32 per cent of new inflows; institutional investors like pension and provident funds contributed 18 per cent and Linked investment services providers generated 21 per cent of sales.

Business Report

House price growth likely to be slower - FNB

JOHANNESBURG - The average house price growth is likely to be slower than anticipated for this calendar year, with FNB forecasting another year of decline in house prices after taking in account the impact of inflation.

FNB is forecasting an average house price growth of 3.5 per cent on the basis of house price data available for the first seven months of the year.

John Loos, a household and property sector analyst at FNB, said this was based on a gross domestic product forecast of 1.3 per cent for this year, which

was unchanged from last year.

Loos said that FirstRand expected slightly faster economic growth next year at about 1.6 per cent, which would translate into a slightly faster average house price growth forecast of 3.7 per cent.

He said the consistently negative real house price growth since early-2016 led FirstRand to believe that economic growth rates of 1 percent to 1.5 per cent, along with little interest rate stimulus, were not be sufficient to create the level of housing demand that could mop up oversupplies, balance the market and

lead to positive real house price growth.

Loos added that the longer-run performance of FNB's repeat sales house price index in real terms was at relatively expensive levels and 91 per cent higher than the January 2001 pre-boom index levels despite the significant cumulative "post bubble correction".

The "bubble" refers to the pre-2008 housing bubble. Loos said the "post bubble correction" to date had come in two phases, with the first a sharp decline in real house prices of -21.2 per cent from the all-time high in August 2007 to July 2009. *Business Report*

Nedbank reports jump in profit

JOHANNESBURG - Nedbank has reported a 26 per cent jump in half-year profit to R6,7 billion.

It was helped by a recovery in its west African associate, Ecobank.

Nedbank owns about 16 per cent of Ecobank Transnational Incorporated (ETI).

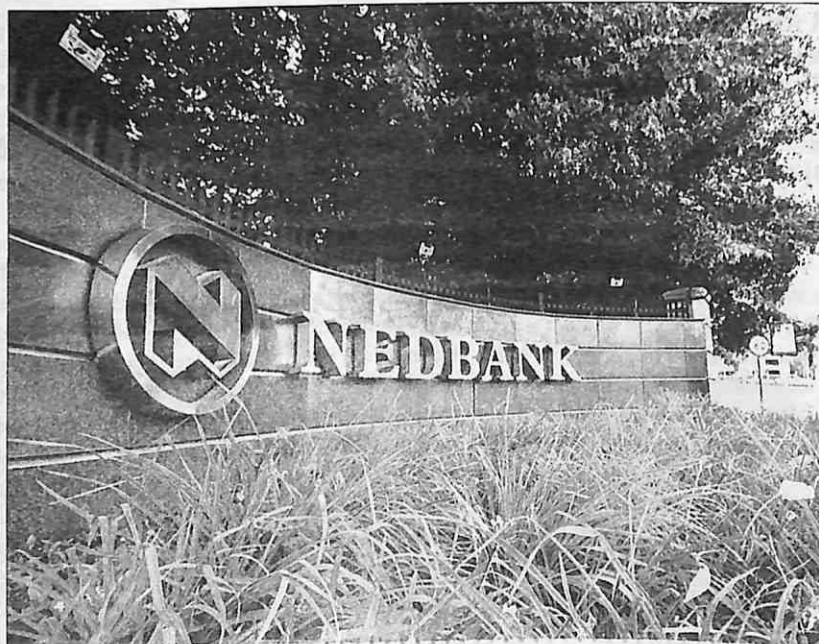
Nedbank's corporate and investment banking arm is its biggest business.

That's a contrast to its competitors, whose retail and business banking divisions are their largest profit centres.

Corporate and investment banking contributed 49 per cent of the group's headline earnings, followed by 39 per cent for retail and business banking.

Nedbank raised its interim dividend by 14 percent, to R6.95 per share, from R6.10 last year.

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Well, this is awks! Former campaign advisor compares Trump to Madiba

NEW YORK - Carter Page, a former advisor to the Trump campaign, who is currently under investigation by the FBI on whether he colluded with Russia to undermine the 2016 US presidential election, has likened the Russia-Trump investigation to what former South African President Nelson Mandela went through during apartheid.

In a documentary aired on Sky News, Page said that Trump has been under "tremendous constraints, pressures and abuses."

"In a lot of ways he reminds me of Nelson Mandela. A lot of people were using the intelligence appa-

ratus to go after him in illicit ways. There's significant things that he's (Trump) persevered through."

The Washington Post reported that recent documents filed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in the US show that a fund set up to help pay legal costs incurred by aides to Trump who are part of the Russian investigation had so far raised around \$2 000 000.

On Sunday Trump admitted in a tweet that his son had a meeting in 2016 with a Kremlin-connected lawyer to get information about his then political opponent, Hillary Clinton.

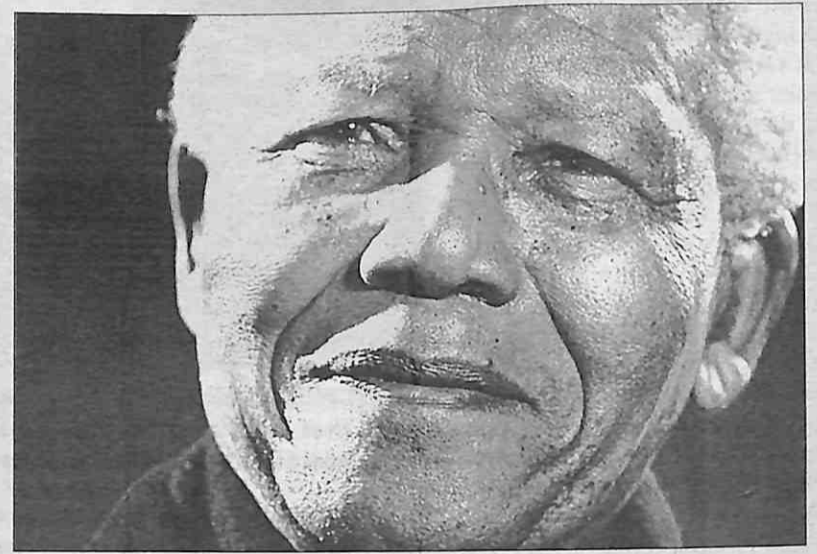
The confirmation of the meeting has been labelled a u-turn by many

with The Chicago Tribune reporting that 13 months ago Trump released a statement explaining that the meeting was to discuss a programme about the adoption of Russian children.

The comment from Page about Trump and Mandela has since gone viral and raised the ire of many on social media.

Page has called the investigation into his activities "absolutely ridiculous" and said he has "never been asked to do anything illegal, immoral or unethical through the 25 years I've been looking into Russia and spending time there."

Reuters



Man accused of flirting with Zuma's rape accuser

JOHANNESBURG - Two significant controversies stain the former crime intelligence boss' track record.

Deputy President David Mabuza has been having a tough week. The New York Times wrote a damning article about the politician, accusing him of corruption and maladministration. Now he has come under fire for his controversial choice of Mulani Mphego as special adviser.

Mphego's past as a crime intelligence boss has been marked by two significant controversies.

He was accused of interfering with witnesses during late former police commissioner Jackie Selebi's corruption case. He was also mentioned in Redi Tlhabi's book *Khwezi* as having flirted with Fezekile Khuzwayo, Jacob Zuma's rape accuser, while she was under police protection. Mphego has denied this.

The book details how Mphego asked Khuzwayo to sit on his lap,

ACCUSED: Mulani Mphego.



later attempting to use the incident to portray her as a "loose woman" who had initiated sex with Zuma.

Mabuza's spokesperson Thami Ngwenya confirmed Mphego's

appointment to News24.

According to Ngwenya, Mphego's role will involve liaising with "stakeholders that the deputy president deals with in the execution of his responsibilities, especially

in priority programmes assigned to him that include HIV/Aids, land reform and engagement with traditional leadership".

Ngwenya said Mphego would not be a political adviser, instead advising on "priority programmes".

Asked about Mphego's past, Ngwenya said: "Nothing untoward that would undermine his contribution to the work of building a prosperous nation has been brought to the attention of the office of the deputy president."

"As things stand, we are looking forward to him joining and bolstering the team of the office of the deputy president, and we are confident that he will make the work of government effective," he continued. A Saturday feature in major US publication The New York Times (NYT) was scathing of Deputy President David Mabuza, "a former math teacher" who has "become one of the most powerful figures in the African National Congress". *Citizen*

UDM welcomes 200 members from ANC, EFF and NFP in KZN

JOHANNESBURG - The United Democratic Movement (UDM) has welcomed more than 200 people in KwaZulu-Natal from other political parties, the party said on Monday.

The UDM said the new members left parties such as the Economic Freedom Fighters (EFF), African National Congress (ANC), and the National Freedom Front (NFP) and hailed from districts such as Amajuba, eThekweni, iLembe, kwaMhlabayalingana, Mzinyathi, and Uthukela.

"As we welcome these like-minded individuals into the fold, we remind South Africans that political emancipation does not mean we have stopped in our quest for enduring freedom," the UDM said in a statement.

"The UDM has for 21 years worked towards uniting South Africans from all communities in a political home for all, built on the foundation of the principles and ideals of our national Constitution. To this end, we aim to address poverty and imbalances in our society, inspired by our unifying love of our country and its people."

African News Agency

New political party's xenophobia call condemned

DURBAN - Political and human rights organisations have come out strongly against a political party that wants foreigners to leave the country at the end of 2018.

A meeting in uMlazi, on Sunday, became tense as community members debated whether foreign nationals should leave the country.

The meeting, held at uMlazi's Vukosi community hall, was called by the African Basic Movement (ABM) - a party that has been registered with the Independent Electoral Commission. It intends to participate in next year's elections.

Lieutenant-Colonel Zwane, a police spokesperson, said they condemned the call for foreign nationals to leave

the country. He said such actions could lead to xenophobic violence which would strain police resources.

Zwane urged people who felt they were intimidated to report the matter to the police. The best option was to work together to solve any differences people might have, he added.

Yasmeen Rajah, Director of the NGO Refugee Social Services, said it should be noted that there were people who came to the country as visitors, asylum seekers and people who migrated for economic reasons and it was difficult to differentiate between the various groups.

Rajah said asylum seekers had a right to be in the country. She said this could be a case of ABM manip-

ulating people's sentiments as they knew that foreign nationals did not have a vote in the country.

Unchecked

"If left unchecked, South Africa could end up being like the United States, where there is strong anti-foreigner sentiment. We are flirting with some serious issues," she said. Rajah added that some of the most successful societies were in fact very cosmopolitan in nature and that South Africans could learn from foreign nationals as they came with a wealth of knowledge.

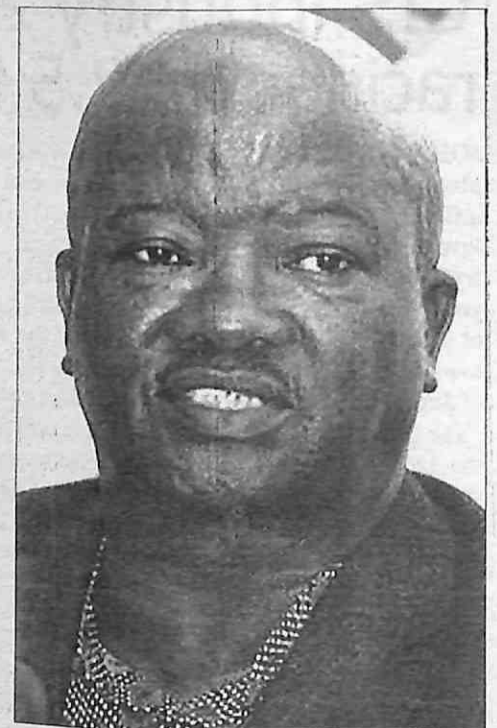
Thembelani Ngubane, General Secretary of the African Basic Movement, said he wanted to ensure there was job creation and that South Africa was not an importer and

exporter of raw goods. He said jobs were created by making sure that imported goods were processed locally. He called on all foreign nationals to leave the country by the end of the year and said only those who could make economic contributions to the country should be able to stay.

At the meeting a community member, who did not want to be named, claimed foreign nationals were arriving with diseases and were taking away employment opportunities.

"It is hard to make even R50 here in South Africa, and when you do make it, you can hardly buy anything with it. It is very difficult to live in South Africa," he said.

Daily News



LEADER: Bantu Holomisa.

SA STUDENT KILLS HERSELF AFTER RAPE AT UNIVERSITY

JOHANNESBURG - A law student is believed to have taken her own life months after she was allegedly raped at university.

Khensani Maseko, 23, left a final Instagram post with her date of birth, alongside Friday's date, the day she died.

She accompanied it with the caption: 'No one deserves to be raped'.

The student politician's death has left Rhodes University in Grahamstown, South Africa, in full academic shutdown as the country reels in shock and anger and flags on campus were lowered to half-mast.

Fellow students demanded the University to shut down to allow them to mourn Maseko and demonstrate against rape culture at the university. The third year BA student claimed she had been raped there in May.

She was the campus Miss Varsity and was elected to the Rhodes Student Representative Council.

She died on Friday afternoon at her family home in Johannesburg, about 600 miles north of her University campus. The council which she once sat on lobbied the University for the shutdown.

In a statement, they said her final Instagram post was a "haunting suggestion" that her 'suicide' was tied to her "sexual assault". The University has



RIP: Khensani Maseko, 23, a Bachelor of Arts student at Rhodes University in Grahamstown who committed suicide last Friday after being raped in May at the University. (Sowetan Live)

asked police and South Africa's National Prosecuting Authority to launch an inquest into the student's death, Vice-Chancellor Sizwe Mabizela said.

In an email to students, the University said: "As the Rhodes University community, we would like to extend our sincerest condolences to her family, loved ones, and everyone that knew her." Nhlakanipho Mahlangu, Rhodes Student Representative Council, president said in a statement: "We know the

amount of promise she had to offer us all, I mean to offer the entire country.

"We're very shaken, it's a very difficult time for us as the SRC and we wish her family all the strength and support that we can." Her funeral is due to be held tomorrow, the country's national Women's Day and the 62nd anniversary of a 20 000-strong women's march on August 9, 1956 in protest against the extension of laws to make black South African women carry a 'pass book'.

'Khensani's death a reflection of how bad things are for SA women'

DEPUTY Higher Education Minister Buti Manamela said on Monday that the tragic events that led to the death of Rhodes student Khensani Maseko was a reflection of how bad things were for South African woman.

Maseko was a Rhodes University student who reportedly committed suicide at the weekend, allegedly after a rape ordeal.

"This terrible tragedy outlines that this is now a crisis, a two-fold crisis: on the one hand, the persistence of unrelenting incidents of GBV [gender-based violence] on our campuses and on the other, a dire need for psycho-social support for survivors of GBV. "Mental illness should be tackled in the same breath as GBV, as one causes the other," Buti said.

He was quoted in a statement issued by the Higher Education and Training Health Wellness and Development Centre (HEAIDS). Manamela observed a minute of silence for the student at the Tshwane North College, where



STRESSES A POINT: Deputy Higher Education Minister Buti Manamela.

an imbizo aimed at addressing sexual and gender-based violence on university campuses was held.

He said the imbizo was meant to get to the root cause of gender-based violence. "We are determined to learn from these discussions in order for us to bring about a sector-wide strategy which we can align with national legislation, both within and outside of the higher education and training system," Manamela said.

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He said a comprehensive gender-based violence policy framework would be issued for public comment, after a year of research and consultations with the education institutions, experts working in the field and other relevant parties.

Manamela said South Africa had a way to go before being fully transformed.

Rhodes University asks education to deal with sex pests

THE issue of sexual consent will be discussed in a series of talks at Grahamstown's Rhodes University, following the death of third-year Bachelor of Arts student Khensani Maseko.

Maseko allegedly committed suicide on Friday after reporting, on July 30, that she had been raped in May. Vice

Chancellor, Dr Sizwe Mabizela, lowered the university flag on Monday morning in commemoration of Maseko. The flag will fly at half-mast until her funeral. In a statement, the university said that after she reported the rape, it contacted her family, who travelled from Johannesburg to Grahamstown for a meeting.

The family elected to take Maseko home for a while. It was also agreed at the meeting that Rhodes University would follow up on the matter. Maseko was due to return to the University for a meeting with the support and investigation team on Monday. The University said it was pushing for an inquest into Maseko's death. **Sowetan Live**

- Khensani Maseko left an Instagram post with her birth and death date, on Friday
- She captioned it 'No one deserves to be raped' and was found in Johannesburg
- Fellow students demanded the University to shut down to allow them to mourn Maseko and demonstrate against rape culture at the university

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Civilians killed, thousands displaced

ADDIS - Fighting in Ethiopia's volatile eastern Somali region over the weekend has left an unknown number of civilians dead and thousands displaced, the patriarch of Ethiopia's Orthodox church told state media. It was unclear what sparked the clashes in Ethiopia's second-largest region, but it appeared to start after the arrival of troops in the regional capital Jijiga. *AFP*

'Ignore shutdown messages'

PRETORIA - Law enforcement agencies and armed forces in Zimbabwe on Monday rubbished several messages circulating on social media, urging Zimbabweans "to go into the streets" in the wake of disputed presidential election results. In a joint statement, the Zimbabwe Republic Police (ZRP) and the Zimbabwe Defence Forces (ZDF) warned the populace against the "falsehoods" being circulated on social media, in messages purportedly from the country's security forces. *ANA*



AU issues call to uphold rights

KINSHASA - The African Union called for the "rights and freedoms of all Congolese" to be upheld, amid mounting tensions over the country's presidential race. Candidates must submit their applications to run in the Democratic Republic of Congo's (DRC) long-delayed election, due on December 23, by this evening. "At this crucial stage of the electoral process, the Chairperson of the Commission (Moussa Faki Mahamat) reiterates the need for all stakeholders... to ensure peaceful, transparent and truly inclusive elections are held," the AU said in a statement. *Reuters*

US to probe data of disputed Zim election

HARARE - The United States says it will continue to review data collected by its own observation teams, other international missions, and local observers before it can make a complete assessment of the disputed Zimbabwe election. The MDC Alliance led by 40-year-old Nelson Chamisa is disputing the outcome of the polls alleging that they were rigged to the point of having more votes than registered voters. *ANA*

Govt opposition leaders sign peace agreement

SOUTH SUDAN - South Sudan President Salva Kiir and key South Sudanese opposition leaders have signed an agreement on governance despite their concerns over power sharing and number of states, the Sudan Tribune reported. Despite strong reservations between the parties on outstanding issues, it is believed that threats of sanctions following a meeting with regional leaders pushed those who were reluctant to sign the agreement to cooperate. The signing ceremony was attended by Presidents Omer Al Bashir of Sudan, Yoweri Museveni of Uganda, Uhuru Kenyatta of Kenya, Ismail Omar Guelleh of Djibouti, Somali Prime Minister Hassan Ali Kheire and Ethiopian Deputy Prime Minister, Demeke Mekonnen. *African News Agency*



ZIM'S CHAMISA APPOINTS LEGAL TEAM TO CHALLENGE ELECTION RESULTS

HARARE - MDC-Alliance presidential candidate Nelson Chamisa, who insists that Zimbabwe's presidential results were flawed, has appointed a team of legal practitioners in his quest to overturn Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) Chairperson Justice Priscilla Chigumba's declared result.

Emmerson Mnangagwa was declared the winner by the electoral management body against the will of the people, a spokesperson said.

Spokesperson Nkululeko Sibanda told a media briefing in Harare that Chamisa intended to challenge the announced results.

"We do not intend to challenge the presidential results. We know that president Chamisa won.

We seek to overturn the announced results so that the people of Zimbabwe get the president they voted for.



CHALLENGED: Zimbabwe President Emmerson Mnangagwa.

Chamisa is the president-elect and [Emmerson] Mnangagwa is the president-declared," he said, adding that Mnangagwa was declared the winner by the electoral management body against the will of the people.

"The people were decisive in this election. Our simple task is that of overturning the declaration by Chigumba." He said Chamisa "is, at the

moment, working with different structures in the party and outside the party" to protect the majority vote.

The MDC-Alliance said it had gathered enough evidence to challenge electoral results in 20 constituencies, as the opposition sought to overturn ZANU-PF and Mnangagwa's victory in the July 30 elections.

African News Agency

Harare's street vendors accuse Mnangagwa of political retribution

HARARE - Zimbabwe's anti-riot police have been clearing informal traders off the streets of the capital in a move many of them see as President Emmerson Mnangagwa's revenge for vendors voting for the opposition in last week's national elections.

Since Friday last week, soldiers together with the municipal police have been knock-

ing down market stalls.

On Monday, vendors at the busy 4th Street Bus Terminus were busy removing their products from their stalls, under the watchful eye of municipal police and the military. In the first elections since Robert Mugabe was deposed late last year, the majority of voters in Harare gave their support to opposition presidential candidate and MDC-Alliance

leader, Nelson Chamisa and the street traders think this angered Mnangagwa who came to campaign amongst them in the run-up to the poll. At the time, the leader of the local vendors' association Stan Zvorwadza expressed a measure of support for the ZANU-PF leader, possibly leading Mnangagwa to think the vendors would vote for him.

African News Agency

'Mugabe's involvement with MDC causes cracks within party'

HARARE - Former Zimbabwean president Robert Mugabe's alleged involvement with the Movement for Democratic Change (MDC) Alliance has reportedly caused divisions within the opposition party

- a few days after it was defeated in a disputed election last week.

Mugabe held a surprise press conference at his home - just a day before elections kicked off - at which he stunned observers, and called for voters to reject ZANU-PF party, his former party, reported AFP.

He even hinted that he could vote for opposition leader Nelson Chamisa.

But, according to the state-owned Herald newspaper, the last minutes endorsement of Chamisa by the former president caused serious tensions within the MDC Alliance, as some senior party leaders described the nonagenarian's involvement with the party as the "kiss of death".

The Secretary General in the Chamisa led MDC, Douglas Mwonzora, reportedly said he was against the former president's involvement even before the contested July 30 elections. "My opposition to Mugabe is known in the party. I did not like Mugabe. I have opposed working with him. I think Mugabe is a kiss of death. I still maintain that," Mwonzora was quoted as saying.

Mwonzora reportedly said that due to the former president's advanced age, Mugabe should just rest and not be involved in politics. Meanwhile, political tensions remained high in Zimbabwe one week after the disputed poll that returned President Emmerson Mnangagwa to power for another five years, Britain's Sunday Times reported.

The MDC Alliance was this week likely to file a petition against Mnangagwa's victory in the Constitutional Court, a move that could delay his inauguration.

News24

IVORY COAST LEADER ANNOUNCES AMNESTY FOR GBAGBO, 800 OTHERS

ABIDJAN - Ivory Coast President Alassane Ouattara on Monday announced amnesties for around 800 people, including former first lady Simone Gbagbo who is currently behind bars, in the name of national reconciliation.

Last week, Ivory Coast's Supreme Court overturned an earlier acquittal granted to Gbagbo for crimes against humanity.

The wife of former president Laurent Gbagbo, in power from 2000 to 2010, will "soon be freed," Ouattara said during a televised address to the West African nation on the eve of the country's inde-



ACCUSED: Ivory Coast's former first lady Simone Gbagbo (r), who is accused of crimes against humanity and war crimes for her alleged role in a 2011 civil war, arrives in a domestic court in Abidjan, Ivory Coast. (AFP)

pendence day.

The Ivory Coast was plunged into political violence in the aftermath

of a bitterly contested presidential election that pitted Gbagbo against Ouattara, who eventually won out.

Simone Gbagbo has been serving a 20-year sentence handed to her in 2015 for "endangering state security" for her role in the political violence.

She had been accused of implication in the 2011 shelling of a market in a district of the capital Abidjan that supported Ouattara and for being a member of a "crisis cell" that allegedly coordinated attacks by the armed forces and militias in support of her husband.

Laurent Gbagbo has been in detention at the International Criminal Court (ICC) at The Hague for seven years. *AFP*



World News

MEXICO'S NEW LEADER: 'NOBODY WILL THREATEN US' WITH WALL

MEXICO - Mexico's President-elect Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador vowed on Monday his country would not be threatened by a wall, in a thinly veiled rebuke to US President Donald Trump's jabs across the border.

"Mexico is going to become a power - and will change the balance of power. Nobody will threaten us that our borders will be closed or militarised," warned Lopez Obrador, who takes office on December 1.

"This will be possible because the country will grow and there will be jobs."

Trump has cited Mexico's record number of homicides last year as one of many reasons the US needs

VOWED: Mexico's President-elect Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador.



a more secure border.

The reality star turned president campaigned on a promise to deport undocumented immigrants and build a new border wall with Mexico -

which he said would be paid by America's southern neighbour - to prevent arrivals of undocumented migrants, whom he has described as criminals.

Trump's explosive remarks cost him business contracts and fuelled the worst diplomatic crisis in decades between the US and Mexico.

On May 14, a senior US delegation led by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo met with Lopez Obrador in Mexico City.

But the issue of the wall was not addressed then or in letters that the Mexican president-elect later exchanged with Trump.

Official Mexican government statistics counted 28 711 murders in 2017, the highest since records began in 1997.

The situation has worsened, with another 15 973 murders over the first half of this year alone.

AFP

Iranians feel the pinch as US unilateral sanctions comes into effect

WASHINGTON - The United States re-imposed a wave of tough, unilateral sanctions against Iran yesterday, bringing back into effect harsh penalties that had been lifted under a historic, multi-party nuclear agreement that President Donald Trump abandoned in May.

The first of two rounds of US sanctions kicked in at 12:01 am (0431 GMT), targeting Iran's access to US banknotes and key industries, including cars and carpets.

Iranians are already seeing the effects of the sanctions, with Iran's rial currency losing around half its value since Trump announced the US would withdraw from the 2015 nuclear accord.

Trump's contempt for the nuclear deal dates back to his time as presidential candidate and on May 8, he made good on a pledge to pull America out of the international agreement.

He blasted the agreement yet again Monday, calling it a "horrible, one-sided deal (that) failed to achieve the fundamental objective of blocking all paths to an Iranian nuclear bomb." The unilateral withdrawal came despite other parties to the agreement -- Britain, China, France, Germany, Russia and the EU pleading with Trump not to abandon the pact aimed at blocking Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon, and highlights the US leader's go-it-alone style and his distaste for multilateral agreements.

In an executive order Monday, Trump said the sanctions seek to pile financial pressure on Tehran to force a "comprehensive and lasting solution" to Iranian threats, including its development of missiles and regional "malign" activities. **AFP**

Trump nemesis, Broadway stars join protest at White House

WASHINGTON - Singing show tunes and America the Beautiful next to letters spelling "TREASON" in front of the White House, several Broadway stars lent their voices on Monday to the latest protest against Donald Trump's presidency.

Actress, comedian and TV personality Rosie O'Donnell, who has had a decade-long feud with Trump, joined about 30 singers and musicians in rousing renditions of stage staples including Everybody Rejoice, from The Wiz, and songs from Les Miserables and other productions.

The presence of Emmy Award winner O'Donnell, 56, lent star quality to the series of protests outside the mansion's gates, where resisters to Trump's presidency have gathered for more than three straight weeks of rowdy night-



US President Donald Trump.

ly demonstrations.

"We are so thrilled to finally be here at the 'Kremlin annex' on night 22," O'Donnell told the crowd, which responded with a cheer. "Let the president know in no uncertain terms that we are alive, awake, and we are woke. We are not going away!" The president was not at the White House

during the protest, vacationing instead at his golf club in Bedminster, New Jersey. His job approval rating has consistently been underwater since he took office in January 2017. On Sunday, about three weeks after his widely panned Helsinki summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin, his disapproval rating stood at 54 per cent, versus 41 per cent approval.

Jessie Harris, a 16-year-old from Herndon, Virginia, is too young to vote, but she said she came to the White House - draped in a Trump puppet costume - to express her dismay about the administration's actions on immigration. "I'm upset and angry at the way he's treated people... and I think this is the place to say your grievances and get it all out," she said. **AFP**

Trump to host Kenyatta at White House

WASHINGTON - US President Donald Trump will meet with Kenyan leader Uhuru Kenyatta in Washington later this month to discuss security and trade, the White House announced Monday.

"Kenya is a vital partner of the United States, and President Trump looks forward to discussing ways to broaden the

strategic partnership based on our shared democratic values and mutual interests," the White House said in a statement.

Kenyatta's visit is set for August 27. He would only be the third African leader to come to the White House under Trump, after Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi visited last year and Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari came in

April.

"President Trump and President Kenyatta will explore ways to bolster trade and investment between the two countries, while strengthening security cooperation," the statement read. Kenyatta won re-election last year in a drawn-out poll that divided the nation and left at least 92 dead, according to rights groups. **AFP**

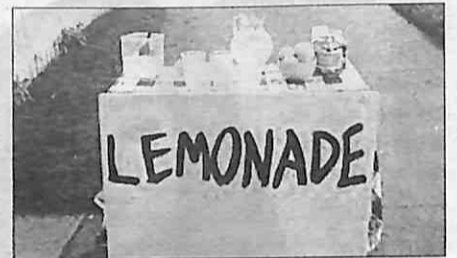
BRIEFS

Moms found at Mexico compound arrested

MEXICO - Authorities say they've arrested three women believed to be the mothers of 11 children found living in filth in a makeshift compound in rural northern New Mexico. Taos County, New Mexico, Sheriff Jerry Hogrefe said on Monday that the women and two men who were arrested over the weekend face charges of child abuse. He says 35-year-old Jany Leveille, 38-year-old Hujrah Wahhaj and 35-year-old Subhannah Wahha were arrested without incident in the town of Taos and booked into jail. **AP**

US man was cold-case suspect

NEW YORK - A man who jumped out of a freezer and threatened employees with a knife at a New York City brunch spot and then died was a suspected cold-case killer who had just been released from jail in Boston, authorities revealed. Carlton Henderson screamed "Away from me, Satan!" as he rushed out of the walk-in freezer at Sarabeth's on Manhattan's Upper West Side Sunday morning, police said. Kitchen employees stripped away the knife and took him to the floor, police said, and he went into cardiac arrest. **AP**



Minor selling lemonade robbed at gunpoint

NORTH CAROLINA - A US child selling lemonade at a stand he had set up near his home was robbed of \$17 at gunpoint. Police in the US state of North Carolina are investigating the armed robbery of a nine-year-old boy who had set up a lemonade stand in his neighbourhood, Newsweek has reported. While selling the lemonade, he was approached by a teenage suspect wearing a camo hat and black shirt, armed with a BB gun, according to police. The suspect then hit the boy in the stomach with the gun before demanding his money and fleeing the scene. **Reuters**

Volcano eruption slows to halt

HAWAII - The destructive lava eruption at the foot of Kilauea Volcano on the Big Island of Hawaii has slowed to a virtual halt in recent days for the first time in over three months, geologists said on Monday, although it was too soon to tell what might happen next. The lone volcanic fissure that was still active last week has dwindled from a fountain of molten rock to a bubbling pond of lava no longer spilling out of the blackened cone surrounding it, said Tina Neal, Chief Scientist at the US Geological Survey's Hawaiian Volcano Observatory. **Reuters**

11 killed, nearly 70 wounded in shootings

CHICAGO - At least 11 people were shot and killed and about 70 others were wounded over the weekend in Chicago, in a spasm of gun violence that police attributed mostly to gangs and that the president's lawyer, Rudy Giuliani, used to criticise the city's Democratic leadership. The violence peaked early on Sunday, including one shooting on the city's South Side that wounded eight people. By comparison, at least seven people were killed and 32 were wounded during the long Memorial Day weekend, which is often one of the most violent weekends of the year for the city, the Chicago Tribune reported. **AP**



ZAMO, KHOLE CLASH OVER SAME SONG CONCEPT

By Nomfundo Sifundza

THE 'great minds think alike' phenomenon has proved true.

Two of the country's songbirds Khole and Zamo have coincidentally written the same song concept and fans of both singers are mumbling under the blankets.

Zamo's song 'Cabhocabhozi' was released as part of her new album 'Inhlanyelo.' Khole on the other hand also owns a single; hers is titled 'Cabhocabhoti' and the songstress said she was particular about the end consonant.

"My song is called 'Cabhocabhoti' because well, the country is rebranding to Eswatini and thus the diction of the 'ti' was of outmost importance," she

explained.

Khole performed her song on Saturday at the Standard Bank Luju Food and Lifestyle Festival where some music conscious revellers noticed the similarities in the songs.

Addressing her side of the story Zamo said it was purely a coincidence in music, noting that; "well, if people write songs with the same title, it simply means they think alike."

Written

Zamo's song was written in studio with the award winning producer Subjamz.

She said it only took 20 minutes to write the lyrics and later change the title of the song from 'nostalgia' to 'Cabhocabhozi.' However, Khole feels it was her who popularised the 'Cabhocabhoti' concept hence she was entirely surprised when her fellow sister in music released a song with the same title.

"I wrote my song in November last year and have been chanting 'cabhocabhoti' ever since. It is even on my Whatsapp status update, has been for some time now

and then here comes a song with that title," she said.

The jazz musician later stated that she was not accusing Zamo of stealing her idea but merely surprised at the coincidence, which she termed 'lousy.'

Zamo stated that she had respect for Khole as an artist and also informed that countless artists worldwide have the same song concept and even lyrics, up to titles.

This the singer said with reference to gospel musician Nothando Hlophe's 'Impilo yami' which is the same as Zahara's, Joyous Celebration, Nathi Mankayi and Zakwe to mention just a few.

Khole shared Zamo's sentiments and said "I will officially release my song also and I guess the more the merrier."



COINCIDENCE?: Songbirds Zamo and Khole.

SOLANIS CONFIRMS CULOLAM DEPARTURE

Stories by Nokwanda Sibandze

FOLLOWING DJ Culolam's speculated departure from Solanis, Nkosinathi 'KK' Khanyile confirmed that Culolam submitted his resignation letter and left the company.

Khanyile said they tried to convince him to stay but he had made up his mind

and they could not convince him otherwise. "We tried to make him stay for a couple of days, which is why we couldn't confirm his departure but he did leave and we are in good terms," said Khanyile.

Manager

DJ Culolam had served as the company's entertainment manager for two years, six months.

Khanyile also revealed that no one had taken over the post after Culolam and they were not looking into filling the post as yet as they have people who are going to be communicating with all relevant parties.

"We are still available, nothing has changed, the office will continue to operate normally and everything is under control," said Khanyile.

...Solanis introduces 'Sunday Sin' sessions

SOLANIS' employee Nkosinathi Khanyile revealed that the entertainment house would be introducing 'Solani's Sin Sundays' a one of a kind event which will be held one Sunday each month.

During these Sundays, Solani's will sell every product at half price. "We are introducing this because

we want to thank our customers, who leave their houses to come enjoy with us mostly on weekends, their support has been tremendous and this one is just for them," said Khanyile.

"This though does not mean every Sunday will be Sin Sunday, the company will randomly select one

Sunday each month and will only announce on the day, we urge our customers to follow our social media pages in order to see the announcement," he said.

He said both Solani's Nkandla and Solani's Lounge will offer the special.

SA's DJ ARCH JNR FOR MEGASOUND PICNIC

By Nokwanda Sibandze

THE world's youngest spinner DJ Arch Junior will be in the country for the MegaSound Picnic.

The six-year-old DJ will be taking over the children's corner on the day of the picnic set for October 27 at Malkens Country Club.

The MegaSound Picnic line-up seems to be getting better by the day as the youngster will be joining the likes of 'Amablessor' singer Mlindo the vocalist, DJ Tenderness, Tibo Dw, Khole and the stables director DJ Zulu D.

DJ Arch Jnr shot to fame when he won the South African talent show 'SA's Got Talent' back in 2015 when he was just three years

of age. He made the Guinness Book of Records last year as the World's youngest club DJ. The previous record holder was Japan's six-year-old Itsuki Morita.

DJ Arch has shared the stage with DJ Black Coffee and DJ Christos at the Back to the Old Skool concert, he has also performed all over South Africa and some parts of Africa as well.

Received

The DJ has received a thumbs up from international artists such as Ludacris and has been sponsored by Beats by Dr Dre.

Bow Wow, Keri Hilson, The Game and Missy Elliot are among some of the international super stars who have recognised star quality in the DJ.

The youngster will be performing in the country for the first time.

SbuNoah, Ayanda Ntanzu for Linda's launch

By Nokwanda Sibandze

JOYOUS Celebration's Sibusiso 'SbuNoah' Mthembu and Ayanda Ntanzu of 'Baba Siyabonga' fame will be performing at Linda Dlamini's album launch on October 26.

The album contains the song on every gospel music lover's lips 'Lona ngumnyaka wetfu'. Dlamini expects to fill the 3 000 sinner venue with gospel music lovers as he will also be bringing South African acts for this particular show.

He expressed his joy for the support he has been getting from his local fans and that all his accomplishments were nothing short of the Glory of God and the support from his fans. The event will be held at the Mbabane Alliance Church (MBAC) premises.

Sibusiso Mthembu famously known as 'SbuNoah' was groomed at his church where he served as a worship leader for years. He has also established himself as a song writer, penning down songs for the likes of Joyous Celebration, Nothando Hlophe (Women In Praise) just to name a few.

SbuNoah has also done MCing for major events inside and outside the country. He has also done motivational speaking in schools and communities.

Ayanda Ntanzu is a 23-year-old known for giving the Life Bible Church worshippers goose bumps with his singing. The Durban born singer unsuccessfully auditioned for a spot on Joyous Celebration in 2012, but he realised that maybe it was not God's will for him to enter the industry at the time.

Urged

Linda Dlamini urged everyone to come witness greatness at his show as the show will be on fire.

"I promise the show will not disappoint, I am bringing in big guns from the South African gospel

music scene and it will be thunder and lightning, no one should miss this one," said the singer.

Tickets cost E150 for general entry and E250 for VIP. Tickets will be available at Ocean Basket outlets in Mbabane, Gables and Manzini.

COMING:
Ayanda
Ntanzu.



PRINCE KAYBEE FOR SWAZI RALLY

By Nokwanda Sibandze

DANCING shoes better be ready.

Hit maker Prince Kaybee has been confirmed for the annual Swazi Rally. Celebrating 25 years this year, the showcase is doing everything bigger and better.

Besides the church service that will be held on the last day of the rally, the 'Club controller' hit maker is set to do what he does best behind the decks on Eswatini soil.

This was revealed by Banele Dlamini of Rider's Ranch. "Prince Kaybee will be one of the main acts during the Swazi Rally and more acts are still to be revealed," he said.

The Rally is slated for August 31 to September 2.

"He will be performing in Eswatini for the very first time and so he promised his fans a splendid set so people must



COMING: Prince Kaybee.

get their tickets on time," Dlamini added.

Prince Kaybee first made it to the screens when he auditioned and made it onto popular DJ talent search show, 1 s' and 2 s'. He made it to the music industry when he released his first song 'Better days' in 2015.

He is now famous for songs such as 'Charlotte', 'Wajjelwa' and 'Club Controller'. He has collaborated with artists such as Zanda Zakuza, Destruction Boys, Ziyon, Zakuza, Bucie, Mpumi, Ziyon, Nokwazi and Naak MusiQ, to mention a few.



ON FIRE: Nduduzo Matse.

Nduduzo Matse headlines Cape Town Gospel Festival

By Simon Shabangu

NDUDUZO Matse thrilled gospel music lovers at the Unity Music Festival which took place at Athlone Stadium in the 'Mother City,' Cape Town, last Saturday.

Matse was part of 25 other gospel groups, five bands and a number of gospel artists. Some of the notable acts that joined Matse on stage were the likes of Jonathan Rubain, Veronica Mayer, Don Veno Prins, Cherise Van Wyk, Destiny and Elwira Standile.

As the 'Best of Africa' award winner, Matse ensured that revellers were eating from the palm of his hand as he thrilled, rendering his hit song 'Gelekece.'



Matse said he felt honoured to be counted among the great artists from South Africa. He said this was evident that God is at work as he is taking the

Nduduzo Matse brand to the people. Matse also mentioned that things were falling into place in his music career, noting that his ultimate dream is to grace even bigger stages overseas and minister before multitudes.

Matse does not take such invites lightly as they can only work to promote his career.

Matse has been one of the busiest artists ever since he won the Best of Africa award last year November. He has been receiving international invites, mainly from South Africa, where he has performed in almost all the nine provinces, with the KZN being his main playing field.

'Gcwalisa Mogambo' tickets now available

By Andile Dlamini

TICKETS to the second instalment of Illa Penboy's 'Gcwalisa Mogambo' are now out.

This was revealed by the rapper Illa Penboy, who emphasised that the tickets can only be purchased via Swazi MTN's Mobile Money platform. The tickets are selling at E150 for gen-

eral and E350 for VIP. Interested fun lovers can dial *007*3*12# and follow the prompts.

Incentives

Purchasing the tickets comes with incentives; the general comes with 150 Megabytes of data whilst the VIP comes with 350 megabytes of data.

The show has artists such as rapper Lyrikal Busta and Afro soul artist Lomasoul who are slated to perform at

the event on September 1.

This year will mark the third time where the ambitious rapper attempts to fill up a venue.

Attempt

His first attempt was not successful but he refused to give up on his mission.

He came back with the same mission last year as a number of fun lovers attended the show.

KINGDOM TALES PRESENTS
SANDS
Emawoza

Sands 'Emawoza' out on Friday

By Andile Dlamini

SANDS' long awaited winter single will finally be out on Friday.

This was confirmed by the star who assured his fans that the single would first be released on radio stations locally and internationally.

The single titled 'Emawoza' has been much anticipated by Sands fans who have reckoned the star needed to give them new music to dance to.

Sands shot to stardom after the massive success of his debut album 'Sands of Time' which contains the one song that received billion impressions on African music charts 'Tigi.'

Describing the much anticipated single, Sands said it was another happy song to unite people from all walks of life just as 'Tigi' did, if not better.

Sands also revealed that the single was inspired by the tradition 'Swazi song that is usually sung at the annual Reed Dance.

After its official release, the single will then be made available for sale on all online music platforms, including but not limited to Goggle play store and iTunes. This is the first official single

released under Kingdom Tales, a company owned by the singer. This is not to say that the stable has not done any work for the artist though as he collaborated and released a single with the legendary Loyiso Bala and released some of his music videos under the Kingdom Tales banner.

"I would like to thank the team at Kingdom Tales, without them this wouldn't have been possible," said an excited Sands.

According to the artist, the song, although inspired by a Swazi song, is not limited to just the Swazi people but he wanted it to accommodate all types of people, even non-Swazis, young and old alike.

Sands is by far one of the best musical exports from the country, as the multi-award winning star has broken records and performed at high profile places internationally.

Sands has also been to a number of South African television and radio stations. The star has also conducted tours for his debut album in South Africa.

Even though Sands was coy to reveal whether he was working on a new album, he simply urged music lovers to buy his single and together dance and celebrate the gift of life through music.

Mrs Eswatini application forms now available

By Ayanda Dlamini

MRS Eswatini application forms for interested candidates are now available at E100 joining fee for interested candidates.

This was revealed by the newly appointed Mrs Eswatini Coordinator Mncedisi Hussein.

Hussein said applications were available at the Eswatini National Council of Arts and Culture offices and Malkerns Shopping Complex; Shop number 17.

"Applications are now available at our offices. Interested

candidates can now visit our offices for applications forms at E100 joining fee," said Hussein.

The coordinator urged interested married women to get the applications forms quickly as the deadline would be next month, with the date yet to be announced.

This beauty pageant is strictly for married women aged from 26 years and above with two years of marriage experience.

Contest

This beauty contest would bring married women together and annually selects a woman to be a beauty ambassador, empower other women and aspiring ladies to marriage, motivate and encourage them to maintain their beauty in marriage while keeping their values as married individuals.

According to the coordinator of the event, the country would also benefit a lot from this beauty pageant as it would reduce the rate of marriage break-ups, rate of pre-marital sex, reduce prevalence rate of HIV/AIDS in the country and women will come together to share their marriage problems and solutions.

The crowning event is expected to be held next year



International
Celebrity News

Beyonce talks forgiving Jay Z

LOS ANGELES - Beyonce has revealed she underwent an emergency Caesarean section when she welcomed her twins in June 2017.

The 36-year-old Grammy winner wrote a personal essay for the September issue of *Vogue* where she opens up about her two pregnancies, her relationship with husband Jay Z, learning to love her body and exploring her ancestry. 'I was 218 pounds the day I gave birth to Rumi and Sir. I was swollen from toxemia and had been on bed rest for over a month. My health

**FORGIVENESS: Beyonce.**

and my babies' health were in danger, so I had an emergency C-section,' she wrote. *Mail Online*

Leona Lewis engaged

LOS ANGELES - Leona Lewis has revealed she's engaged to long-term love Dennis Jauch after eight years of dating.

The *Bleeding Love* hitmaker, 33, took to her Instagram story to flash an eye-catching diamond ring in several photos and clips during her romantic holiday to San Juan, Puerto Rico with her choreographer beau.

In one snap, the *X Factor* winner posed in her floral embroidered denim two-piece, which accentuated her slender frame, while her ring-clad hand clutched onto her skirt.

While Dennis didn't appear in the

**ENGAGED: Leona Lewis and Fiancee Dennis Jauch**

shots, Leona looked incredibly happy as she roamed the Central American city alongside a black and white cat, before signing off her story by blowing a kiss. *Daily Mail*

Mel B, Stephen Belafonte reach custody agreement

LONDON - Mel B and Stephen Belafonte have dropped restraining orders against one another and agreed to share custody of their daughter Madison.

The former couple - who split in March 2017 amid accusations the producer had been abusive - will share custody of the six-year-old daughter and agreed to stay 200 yards apart from one another, following three days of negotiations between their lawyers and a judge in Los Angeles.

Mel was ordered to pay her ex-husband \$350 000 in legal fees, and

**AGREEMENT: Mel B and Stephen Belafonte.**

both the Spice Girls star and her former spouse were told to set aside \$550 000 each when they sell their old marital home in order to pay their outstanding tax bills.

Ewn

Kelly Clarkson bags own daytime talk show

LONDON - Kelly Clarkson has inked a deal with NBC for her own daytime talk show.

The *Since U Been Gone* hitmaker has reportedly inked a deal with NBC Entertainment to front her own programme and, although nothing has been announced as of yet, it's believed she's already started filming a pilot.

It's believed the show - which is currently untitled - will debut in autumn 2019 providing the pilot is a success but all other details, including who else is attached to the project, are being kept under wraps for now, according to *The Hollywood Reporter*.

Clarkson's new television gig comes

**TALK SHOW: US singer Kelly Clarkson.**

just months after she revealed her 40lb weight loss.

TMZ

SA Celebrity News

Isibaya's Ayanda Borotho shades tithing

JOHANNESBURG - Actress Ayanda Borotho has sparked sharp debate after questioning why people pay tithing at church when they are so hesitant to give to the needy.

The Isibaya star posted a picture of a child crying under a caption about everything happening for a reason. She didn't hold back in the caption, taking aim at those who give money to God but not to those they pass on the street. We get into our expensive cars, to go to our state of the art churches, in our designer clothes, with hard cash or credit cards (churches have

**REBUKES: Ayanda Borotho.**

card machines nowadays) so we can give God money God doesn't need. *Tshisa Live*

Inside Lungile Radu's baecation in Havana

**BAECATION: Lungile Radu and his wife Bobo.**

HAVANA - After finding your soul-mate, travelling the world with them should be the next thing on your bucket list.

Luckily for Lungile Radu and his wife, Bobo, those two things have

already been ticked off their lists. The couple, who have been married for almost four years, are enjoying some time off in Havana, Cuba - and judging from their Instagram posts they couldn't be happier. *Drum*

Brickz: Musically, I'm untouchable now

JOHANNESBURG - Convicted rapist and kwaito star Sipho "Brickz"

Ndlovu says that his behind bars allowed him to work on new material and made him musically untouchable. Brickz was earlier this year found guilty of raping his 17-year-old relative in 2013, and was sentenced to 15 years in prison. In April Brickz was released on R80 000 bail pending the appeal against his rape conviction. Speaking to *TshisaLive* about his new music and projects, Brickz said he was in an incredible space and working on material that

**STRONGER: Brickz.**

was honest and personal. *Sowetan*

I'm tired of being told that time heals - Zoleka Mandela

JOHANNESBURG - Zoleka Mandela recently opened up about how she is still struggling to come to terms with the loss of her grandmother Winnie Mandela, in a series of Instagram posts. It's been almost four-months since Mzansi learnt that the mother of the nation Winnie Madikizela-Mandela was no more.

As tributes in honour of the late struggle stalwart continue to pour in, her granddaughter Zoleka Mandela detailed in lengthy Instagram posts how difficult it has been and still is for her to accept the pain that has come with Mam' Winnie's death.

**OPENING UP: Zoleka Mandela.**

"I don't even know what that means exactly, how can anyone say how long you get over grief? I don't think I ever will," Zoleka captioned a picture of herself. *Drum*

WEEKLY SOAPIE DIGEST

ISIBAYA

TODAY

**PLAN: Mkabayi.**

All hell breaks loose when Sunday surprises the capture party with his own plans. Lillian expects an apology from Beauty. Mkabayi works out a plan to replace Ngwenya's taxis.

ISIDINGO

TODAY

**AFFAIR: Kgothalo.**

Ben and Sechaba's friendship is tested as the miners' strike threatens HD. Kgothalo and Ntando keep their affair going while a war brews in the background. A suspicious Clive starts to show interest in Zandre and Seline's relationship.

Muvhango

TODAY

**CONVINCED: Hangwani.**

Tenda's revelation startles Livhuwani. Moliehi tries to talk Hangwani into firing Thobile. The nerves get the better of Vho-Mukondeleli.

RHYTHM CITY

TODAY

**LOYALTY: David.**

David asks Toolkit where his loyalties lie as he plans his next attack on the Ndlovus. Fats is sad to leave everything he knows behind.

PICTURE OF THE DAY

How they dress
girls todayHow they
dressed me

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE

Capricorn

December 22 - January 19

Make a playlist heavy on the Al Green and John Legend today, as the fiery Sun and flirty Mercury seduce each other in your eighth house of sex, merged energies and deep bonding. If you've been dancing around the obvious, this could be the day you finally cop to a crush—and hopefully host a steamy after-party with the object of your affections.



Aquarius

January 20 - February 18

Time for honest dialogue? Today's conjunction of the Sun and expressive Mercury in your interpersonal zone sets the stage for a clarifying conversation that might take some courage to initiate.



Pisces

February 19 - March 20

Fun and fitness overlap today with the Sun and social Mercury uniting in your wellness wheelhouse. Slip off to do laps in the saltwater pool or some Vinyasa flow during your lunch break. You could get more than endorphins out of a group workout. How about organizing an evening bike ride and potluck picnic? Any sort of brainstorming will be off the chains today. Gather the hive mind and see what creative solutions you can drum up together!



Aries

March 21 - April 19

A wild Wednesday may be in store as the "party like a rock star" Sun flashes glib Mercury in your flamboyant fifth house. Can you play hooky, Aries? There's no time like the present to don your sleek swimwear by day and hit the clubs by night. No matter your Google Earth coordinates, flaunt your fabulousness. You'll attract new friends and admirers everywhere you go. If a love interest is among that batch, make sure one of your besties doesn't already have an eye on them.



Taurus

April 20 - May 20

Julia Child said that life is all about enjoying things like "getting together to have something good to eat at least once a day." That's a noble goal that you could aspire to today, as the Sun and social Mercury snuggle up in your domestic quarters. With little to no nudging, your inner Julia will be shucking corn and pouring glasses of chilled rose. Invite your crew over for a summery after-work feast or deliver a cool treat to a family member—and stay to enjoy some together while you catch up under the stars.



Gemini

May 21 - June 21

You know better than most people that a little celebration never hurt anybody—so get ready to be the life of the party as the Sun rhumbas with chatty Mercury today. Take advantage of your soaring social status to organize an impromptu gathering. Throw down the picnic blanket or head to the beach for an after-work bonfire. Encourage friends to invite friends. Don't be surprised if you feel a flirty frisson with a wild card guest who pops up as a pal's plus-one! Enjoy, but keep expectations low.



Cancer June 22 - July 22

Get a move on those goals! You could be up and at 'em early today, as an industrious conjunction between the Sun and nimble Mercury puts you in productive spirits. No one can tick items off a to-do list like a Cancer on a mission, so ride the wave! You could easily button up all your maintenance and planning today. Step out for a few luxuriating treats to keep yourself motivated. A kale salad with wild-caught salmon (paired with a glass of perfectly chilled rose, perhaps?) can be fuel in the productivity tanks.



Leo July 23 - August 22

Today, rapturous Venus strides into Libra and your communication corner until September 9, cranking up your magnetism to immeasurable levels. Self-expression is the theme of these next few weeks. Set your GPS for whatever you'd like to accomplish. Got a big pitch to make to clients? Want to update your social media feeds? Have a webinar you'd love to get off the ground? Yes, yes and YES to all the above! Keep an open mind when it comes to dating and forming new friendships. Some very different types could spark your interest—and surprising synergy.



Virgo August 23 - September 22

While you can't believe EVERYTHING the little voice in your head has to say, some of those downloads are worth taking seriously. Tune in to intuitive hits today, as the illuminating Sun mashes up with messenger Mercury in your psychic twelfth house. Even if these daydreams are just clues instead of the whole picture, tug at that thread and see what unravels.



Libra September 23 - October 23

There's always room for one more friend, Libra. Get ready, because your social circumference could widen even more today as the Sun meets genial Mercury in your eleventh house of community.



Scorpio October 24 - November 21

All work and no play? No work and all play? You could drive yourself crazy today figuring out just what you want as the radiant Sun and genial Mercury link up in your tenth house of achievements, boundaries and discipline. Determine which task on your to-do list turns you on most, then bring an element of play to it.



Sagittarius Nov 22 - Dec 21

You're a social ambassador, Sagittarius, and today you could easily flow from one group to the next as the Sun and outgoing Mercury sync up in your nomadic ninth house. Instead of splitting your personality into five different subcategories, see what happens if you try uniting the diverse crews you roll with under one roof.



BABY BLUES



BUCKLES



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



PUZZLE CHOICE

Can you find the fifty words in the list below containing the letter Z? They may be horizontal, vertical, diagonal, forwards or backwards.

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ABBREVIATED, ABRIDGED, AGES, BRIEF, CEASELESS, COMPRESSED, CONDENSED, CUT BACK, DECREASED, DIMINISHED, ENDLESS, EPHEMERAL, ETERNAL, EXTENDED, FLEETING, INCESSANT, INCREASED, INTERMINABLE,

LENGTHY, LESSEN, LITTLE, LONG, MOMENTARY, PERPETUAL, PRECIS, PROLONGED, PROTRACTED, REDUCED, SHORT, TRUNCATED

LOL

Laughing out Loud

NOT THAT

One day, during a lesson on proper grammar, the teacher asked for a show of hands for who could use the word "beautiful" in the same sentence twice.

First, she called on little Suzie, who responded with, "My father bought my mother a beautiful dress and she looked beautiful in it."

"Very good, Suzie," replied the

teacher. She then called on little Michael.

"My mommy planned a beautiful banquet and it turned out beautifully," he said. "Excellent, Michael!"

Then, the teacher called on little Johnny.

"Last night, at the dinner table, my sister told my father that she was pregnant, and he said, 'Beautiful, f...ing beautiful!'"

USELESS FACTS

1. A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.
2. A duck's quack doesn't echo, and no one knows why.
3. Cats urine glows under a black light.
4. In every episode of Seinfeld

there is a Superman somewhere.

5. Lorne Greene had one of his nipples bitten off by an alligator while he was host of "Lorne Greene's Wild Kingdom."

BRAinteasers
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Yesterday's brain-teasers

1. Take off my skin, I won't cry, but you will. What am I?

Answer: An onion.

2. What do you fill with empty hands?

Answer: Gloves.

Today's brainteasers

1. What do you serve that you can't eat?
2. What do you throw out when you want to use it but take in when you don't want to use it?



DStv
Feel every moment

NEWS



WHY THE BRAXTON SISTERS ARE GOALS

THE Braxton sisters continue to prove that family comes first.

No matter how busy they are in their private lives, Toni, Traci, Towanda, Trina, and Tamar know that they can always count on each other.

Just like any other siblings, they fight, face challenges and have their differences. However, we've seen them on countless occasions proving that their love and support for one another trumps any conflict.

They're each other's cheerleaders

When her sister Towanda hosted an event, Toni couldn't hide how proud she was of her. It's always good to know that you've got genuine people, who truly care about you and your success, in your corner.

Singing runs in the family

Toni is probably one of the most famous Braxton sisters. She has been in the music business for decades, and seven Grammy awards later, the singer is still going strong.

They always have a blast together!

Forget the Kardashians, the Braxton siblings are the ultimate sister goals!



All the funerals, plus Diamond, his prayer women squad... is a lot

SJOE. We know that women's day is just a few sleeps away in SA but can we please have the whole week off to deal with all the drama on The Queen? It's too much!

Ever since the show returned for its third season last week, we have attended more funerals than an undertaker at Avbob.

Like, we were still dealing with the death of Roy when suddenly Brutus' funeral is on ice because two women claim to be his wives. Yassss. Drama.

Meanwhile, everyone is still looking for the man responsible for the explosion that killed Brutus and Roy.

Especially, Gracious who wants Diamond's head on a silver platter.

But Diamond is fighting back with the help of Abomama and the praying squad.

FIFA under 20 Women's World Cup

JUST weeks after the conclusion of Russia 2018, World Cup football kicks off again on the World of Champions with all 32 matches of the 2018 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup to be broadcast live on DStv and across SuperSport's online and digital platforms.

The bi-annual tournament kicked off on Sunday, giving hosts France a unique opportunity to celebrate a

second world football title in the space of two months following the men's victory in Russia in July.

Installment

Germany, in 2014, are the only nation to have pulled this off.

Home advantage and a runners-up finish in the last installment of the tournament makes French team, Les Bleuettes genuine title contenders. Once again, the continent's



hopes rest with Nigeria and Ghana. The Falconets and Black Princesses have been Africa's representatives

in the last four tournaments with the Falconets finishing as runners-up twice, in 2010 and 2014.

THE HERD: A WITCHFUL MOTHER!

NOW that Muzi knows his mother is a witch, will he stay by her side and keep her secrets?

Sibling rivalry has been around since the beginning of time but nowhere is it more rife than on #TheHerdMzansi! Just when you thought you'd seen it all, enter a father who openly belittles his children in preference of another and a mother who moonlights as a witch to get control of the family's wealth! Pheeww! Issa lot fam, but you're here for it!

Who is she? Firstborn and apple of her father's eye and marked to take over the family business (by her father at least)

Udume ngani? She is educated and armed with an MBA, quick to think

on her feet and adores her father.

On paper, Kayise is the obvious choice to take over the family business. He has studied at some of the best institutions paid for by her father who was grooming her for this very purpose. However, she is not really a farm girl and she has bigger dreams of travelling the world and working with all kinds of people.

Here comes the drama! Her father is pushing her to take the lead and everyone else in the family is less than happy! It would make sense for her father to love her so much, considering he killed her mother when she was just a baby.

Name: Muzi

Who is he? One of Buki's sons with



MaMngadi and the one who bears the cold brunt of his father's disapproval.

Udume ngani? He is a farm boy through and through. He knows the workings of his father's farm and was

hoping the reigns would be handed over to him but alas his father had other plans. Nonetheless, his mother has concocted a plan to make sure he is the rightful heir to the throne.

However, she will achieve this through unfair and dark magical means. Will Bheki fall in line or will he out his mother and risk losing the farm to Kayise?

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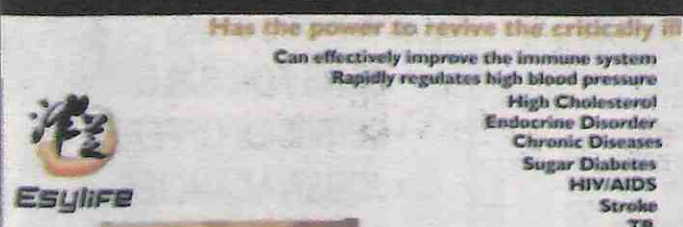
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Bahle Daniel Sibandze



Funeral: 11/08/2018
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Relatives and friends of Bahle Daniel Sibandze are notified of his death. Funeral on Saturday 10/08/18 at Nsingizini, Hluthi, after a vigil on Friday 10/08/18. Announcement by Family.

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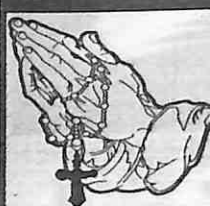


Funeral: 11/08/2018
Vigil: 10/08/2018
Place: Makhwane

Family, relatives and friends of Teyise Baphetsile Mdluli also known as Gci are notified of her sudden death and untimely death in a car accident in Pretoria on Friday 03 August 2018. There will be a memorial service at John Wesley Church in Msunduzi on Friday 10 August 2018 at 12 noon. She will be laid to rest at her parental home at Makhwane eKupheleni at 5am after a night vigil. Announcement by her loving father Phathaphatha Mdluli.

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PAOLO MALDINI IS BACK AT AC MILAN

MILAN - Football was coming home three weeks ago.

Or so we hoped, as England reached the World Cup semi-final. But now, 600 miles away in northern Italy, he's coming home.

Mr AC Milan, aka Paolo Maldini, is back at the club he loves after an awkward nine-year absence.

New club owners Elliott, an American hedge fund, have been appointing staff at remarkable speed. The Maldini news mutated from rumour to fact in the space of two days over the weekend.

On Sunday afternoon Milan released

... but there were nine years of ill feeling, clashes with Ultras, a financial mess and even a stint in pro tennis before he was convinced to return 'home'

a statement which announced the former captain as the club's first 'sporting strategy and development director'.

At his unveiling press conference on Monday afternoon, during the grandly hashtagged #MaldiniDay, the one club man said, "I will be working with the first team, the youth teams, on transfers and with the first team coach."

He also confessed that there were still a few details to be ironed out, but promised

that he, head coach Gennaro Gattuso and new Chief Executive Leonardo would be 'in charge of all on pitch activity.' The fact he is back in the fold is a feather in Elliott's cap. The five-time Champions League winner had become an increasingly detached figure, and his lack of involvement with the team he served for 25 years was a painful, at times mystifying situation.

Daily Mail

Essam El Hadary retires from Egypt national team

MOSCOW - Egypt's goalkeeper Essam El Hadary says he's retiring from the national team after making history and becoming the oldest player to play in a World Cup match during the tournament in Russia.

The 45-year-old posted on Facebook late on Monday: "After 22 years, four months and 12 days, I saw it as the best moment to hang up my gloves." El Hadary debuted for the Pharaohs in 1996 and says he's 'very proud' after playing in 159 international matches.

He played in Egypt's final group game in Russia, saving a penalty in the Pharaohs' 2-1 defeat by Saudi Arabia.

El Hadary will remain goalkeeper for Egypt's Ismaili team, at which he is enjoying a third spell after returning from Saudi Arabian side Al-Taawoun.

He's a celebrity at home since Egypt won three straight African Cup titles with him as keeper between 2006 and 2010.

Daily Mail



IT'S TIME: Egypt national team goalkeeper Essam El Hadary.

PSG welcome SWC winners back to training

PARIS - France's Soccer World Cup winners Kylian Mbappe, Presnel Kimpembe and Alphonse Areola returned to training with Paris Saint-Germain yesterday after an extended break.

The trio underwent routine medical tests on Monday with others who took part in Russia, where Mbappe was named

the best young player after scoring four goals as France won the title for a second time.

The 19-year-old will wear the number 7 shirt this season, moving up from the number 29 jersey he was given last term in his first campaign with the club.

"The number gives an indication of your ambitions, the player that you want

to be. It's a new beginning," Mbappe said in a video posted by the club on social media.

PSG, who beat Monaco 4-0 in the Champions Trophy in China at the weekend, kick off their quest for a sixth French title in seven years at home to Caen on Sunday.

AFP

Bolt to train with A-League side Central Coast Mariners

LONDON - Olympic sprint champion Usain Bolt will train with Australia's Central Coast Mariners as he continues his quest to become a professional soccer player, the A-League team said yesterday.

Bolt won eight Olympic golds and since retiring from athletics has trained with Germany's Borussia Dortmund, South Africa's Mamelodi Sundowns and Norway's Stromsgodset.

He will link up with the Australian side later this month.

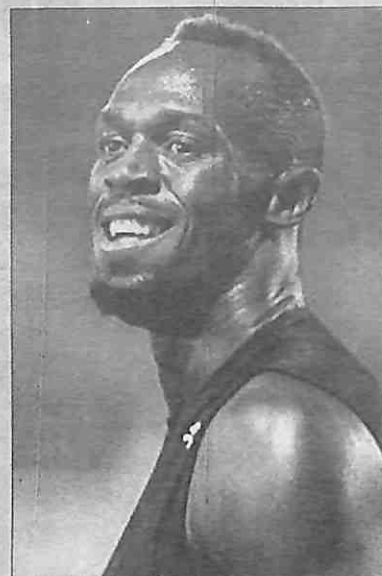
"I am very excited about coming to Australia and would like to thank the owner and management of the Central Coast Mariners for giving me this opportunity," the 31-year-old Jamaican said.

"It has been my dream to play profes-

sional football and I know it will involve a lot of hard work and training to get to the level required to play and make an impact in the A-League."

Mariners said the deal did not guarantee a professional playing contract with them. "Having Usain Bolt come to the club to train and hopefully develop into a professional football player is perfectly aligned to this part of the club's philosophy," Mariners CEO Shaun Mielekamp said.

"It is important that we don't get too caught up in the hype of possibilities, but the reality is that Usain Bolt has placed his faith in the Central Coast Mariners to accelerate his football journey." Manchester United fan Bolt has previously stated his desire to play for the



STILL TRYING: Olympic sprint champion Usain Bolt.

Premier League champions.
Reuters

Luka Modric to tell Real Madrid he wants to leave

MILAN - Luka Modric will return to Real Madrid today and will reportedly tell club chiefs that he wants to quit.

The Croatian midfielder, 32, was due back at the club on Monday but only arrived in the Spanish capital yesterday.

He is due to hold showdown talks with Real president Florentino Perez today, according to Gazzetta dello Sport. Reports in Italy have

linked the World Cup runner-up with a move to Inter but Perez said last week that he would not allow the player to leave for less than €750million (£670m).

According to Gazzetta, Inter's current Croatian contingent - Ivan Perisic, Marcelo Brozovic and Sime Vrsaljko - have told the club Modric wants to join them in Milan.

His departure from the Bernabeu would leave

Real short in midfield with Mateo

Kovacic set to join Chelsea on a season-long loan deal.

Real had made Eden Hazard their top transfer target but have struggled to negotiate with Chelsea.

The Spanish giants are also interested in Hazard's teammate Thibaut Courtois who went AWOL earlier this week in a bid to force through a move.

The goalkeeper will return to west London today where he is expected to reiterate his desire to return to Madrid where his two children live.

Mirror



WANTS OUT: Luka Modric.



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Chelsea want Butland as keeper goes AWOL

LONDON - Chelsea are weighing up a £25m bid for Jack Butland after Thibaut Courtois failed to show up for crunch talks with Maurizio Sarri.

Courtois was due in for training on Monday afternoon but went AWOL instead - despite Sarri wanting to quiz him about his future.

That left Chelsea frantically stepping up the search for a replacement, with Real Madrid confident they will complete a £31m deal for the Belgium No.1 in the next few days.

The Blues already had at least five names on their shortlist, including Stoke keeper Butland and Leicester's Kasper

Schmeichel.

But they have now begun to widen the search, with AC Milan keeper Pepe Reina and Sevilla's Sergio Rico emerging as realistic alternatives.

Sarri knows former Liverpool keeper Reina from their time together at Napoli, but Chelsea want a younger keeper, and Butland has long had many admirers at Stamford Bridge.

Willing

The Blues would be willing to meet Stoke's £25m price tag for Butland and while the two clubs have not been in contact about him for several days, that looks set to change.

England No.1 Jordan Pickford is also a candidate but Everton

have so far stood firm in saying he is not for sale.

Chelsea could still hold Courtois to the final year of his contract, but he is now expected to leave before the Spanish transfer window closes at the end of the month.

The 26-year-old wants to return to Madrid to be closer to his two children and has already been house hunting in the city, with a five-year deal waiting for him at Real.

Good

There was some good news for Chelsea though with the return to training of Eden Hazard, who has given up on a move to Real this summer.

Daily Star

Man Utd agree Alderweireld deal

MANCHESTER - Manchester United have an agreement in place with Tottenham for the signing of Toby Alderweireld, but Spurs have refused to complete the deal until they have brought in a replacement for the Belgium international.

And, with United nervous as to Spurs' motives, their search for an alternative centre-back will continue to cover for the

eventuality that the north London outfit will pull out of the deal at the last minute ahead of tomorrow's transfer deadline.

Pursuing

United have been pursuing the 29-year-old throughout the summer but have widened the net in recent times after the initial failure to agree a fee with Spurs Chairman Daniel Levy.

That led to increased interest

in Leicester City's England defender Harry Maguire, but a similar £75 million (\$97m) price tag to that pinned to Alderweireld put United off.

But Goal understands that a compromise was finally reached between Spurs and United last week, on the condition that Spurs can cover for the loss of the defender.

Goal

Willian hammers Conte for selling Costa

...You don't lose a player like that

LONDON - Chelsea star Willian has criticised Antonio Conte's decision to force Diego Costa out of the club last year.

The Spain international spent three seasons at Stamford Bridge, winning two Premier League titles before he was ruled surplus to requirements by Conte.

The Italian coach sent the forward a text telling him that he did not need him in the squad, which Costa described as "a moment of madness" before sealing his return to Atletico Madrid last September, even though he was not eligible to play until January this year because of the Spanish side's transfer ban.

And Willian feels the decision was a mistake from Conte, revealing that he had a few issues with the figures in the dressing room.

"He also had problems with David Luiz and Costa," Willian told ESPN. "With Diego, I remember it was after the season. I was in Australia with Brazil and Diego texted me."

"He said: 'I'm leaving, Conte said he doesn't need me anymore'. I said: 'What do you mean?' And he said: 'He texted



VICTORY: Diego Costa and Willian.

me saying that he doesn't need me on the team anymore and I'm not supposed to go back'.

"You don't lose a player like Diego Costa. It was a difficult situation."

Costa scored 58 goals in 120 appearances for the English side before returning to the Rojiblancos, where he had previously won La Liga and the Europa League, and reached the Champions League final in a successful four-year spell.

Willian is not the first player to regret Chelsea's loss of Costa,

as club legend Frank Lampard said in May that the English top flight is not the same without his presence.

"The English game has missed him this season after he rejoined Atletico from Chelsea," he said.

"He is a big player, a big character. Love him or hate him, you have to appreciate that kind of player."

"Chelsea have certainly not looked the same without Costa. Not only is he a big physical presence, he has great quality to score goals." *Goal*

FERDINAND URGES UNITED NOT TO SELL PAUL POGBA

LONDON - Former Manchester United defender Rio Ferdinand has warned the club not to sell France World Cup star Paul Pogba and instead to focus on strengthening the squad.

Speculation about the midfielder's future is rife, with reports of interest from Barcelona, but Ferdinand has told Executive Vice-Chairman Ed Woodward he must keep hold of the 25-year-old.

Manager Jose Mourinho has already predicted a "difficult season" if United do not do more business before the Premier

League transfer window shuts tomorrow. Ferdinand, who made more than 450 appearances for the club, wants Pogba to stay and Spurs defender Toby Alderweireld to come in.

Referring to reports that Pogba's agent, Mino Raiola, is looking at the Camp Nou as a possible new home for his player, Ferdinand said: "Don't you dare allow this ED... #MUFC is Pogba's home!! Silence these rumours ASAP & get @AlderweireldTob through the door." United start their Premier League campaign on Friday at home to Leicester and, speak-

ing on Sunday, Mourinho told MUTV: "My CEO knows what I want and I still have a few days to wait and see what happens."

"The other clubs who compete with us are really strong and already have fantastic teams. Or they are investing massively like Liverpool, who are buying everything and everybody."

United's build-up to the new campaign has been dominated by Mourinho's clear frustration over transfers, which has brought his relationship with Woodward into the spotlight. The only arrivals at Old Trafford this summer have been Brazilian midfielder Fred, teenage full-back Diogo Dalot and back-up goalkeeper Lee Grant.

AFP

HART SIGNS FOR BURNLEY

LONDON - Former England goalkeeper Joe Hart has signed for Burnley from Manchester City, with City Chairman Khaldoon Al Mubarak hailing his enormous contribution to the success of the Premier League champions.

The 31-year-old, who failed to make the England squad for the World Cup, has signed a two-year contract with Burnley for an undisclosed fee, the club said yesterday.

The arrival of Hart strengthens Burnley's impressive goalkeeping ranks following a dislocated shoulder sustained by Nick Pope at Aberdeen that will keep him on the sidelines for a time.

Hart will be competing with Tom Heaton and Anders Lindegaard for a starting spot under manager Sean

Dyche, with a Europa League qualifier looming against Istanbul Basaksehir tomorrow and a Premier League match with Southampton on Sunday.

Both Pope and Heaton are also England internationals.

Hart was at City for 12 years but Pep Guardiola made clear he would no longer be number one when he took over in 2016. "Joe Hart's contribution to Manchester City cannot be overstated," Al Mubarak said in a statement on Manchester City's website.

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Arrows set to sign former Chiefs player

JOHANNESBURG - Golden Arrows are set to sign former Kaizer Chiefs and KS Eupen player Phakamani Mngadi. The 23-year-old player is now a free agent after his contract at Belgian side ended and he opted to not renew. Mngadi spent one season at Amakhosi on loan from Eupen in 2014 and is said to be keen on joining a local team.

"He is training with Arrows and could be signed this week. He has been doing well and has impressed coach Clinton (Larsen) who is looking for one more midfielder to strengthen his side," said a source. Maritzburg United are meanwhile now unlikely to sign former Baroka striker Robin Ngalande after landing former Mamelodi Sundowns's Yanick Zakri. *Citizen*

Chiefs fans set to wait longer to see Dax

JOHANNESBURG - While Kaizer Chiefs are happy to have Madagascan midfielder star Andrianarimanana at Naturena, they are not going to rush to field him in their upcoming matches. This was revealed Chiefs communications manager Vina Maphosa to Phakaaathi yesterday. "Dax is going through the processes of his transfer to Kaizer Chiefs. He is busy with medicals and it will be taken step by step to other things to complete his transfer to Chiefs," Maphosa told Phakaaathi. Andrianarimanana arrived in South Africa on Monday to complete his transfer to Amakhosi. "He has arrived... he is in the country. He has been to the club house, he has met the players and is busy with medicals. We will make further announcements to inform the fans and media."

Citizen

SA teen spotted training at German club

BERLIN - A 17-year-old South African youth international, Bradley Cross, could be the next big star in Mzansi, and he's been spotted playing for Schalke 04 in Germany. The teenager is in possession of a European passport, meaning that he does not need to worry about visa or work permit issues in Europe, and he's made his way onto Schalke's radar.

Cross, a product of the esteemed Black Aces youth setup, was seen playing for the German side's U19 side last week as they won a youth tournament that included the likes of Barcelona, Inter Milan and Tottenham Hotspur among others.

The youngster, who will turn 18 in January, can be seen celebrating his side's trophy win after they beat Inter Milan in the final, and was also named on the club's official website as a guest player two weekends ago as they beat Werder Bremen 4-2 in a friendly. Cross joined Bidvest Wits on a permanent move not so long ago, following a successful loan spell with the club, but if he manages to impress in Germany then he could potentially be on the move once again.

Soccer Laduma

SAFA dropped the ball on development - Koumantarakis

JOHANNESBURG - Former AmaZulu and Manning Rangers striker George Koumantarakis says the South African Football Association (SAFA) has not done enough to improve development structures in the country. In an interview with Phakaaathi, the former FC Basel striker added that very little was done to set up proper development ranks that can yield good results. "SAFA has dropped the ball in the past 10, 20 years in respect to development," Koumantarakis told Phakaaathi.

"They keep on talking about development but they do nothing. And when they do something it is really not geared how it should be. We were lucky to go through the right structures and play regular football, where you played 30 games a season at amateur level, playing structured games with referees and linesmen. It was regular football under the right conditions."

Phakathi

BENNI EXPLAINS PATOSI'S ABSENCE FROM HIS SQUAD

CAPE TOWN - Cape Town City coach Benni McCarthy has opened up about Ayanda Patosi's absence from his matchday squad against SuperSport United.

City beat SuperSport 2-0 at the Cape Town Stadium last Saturday.

Patosi's absence from the match squad raised some eyebrows.

"It was just a technical decision, we've got a lot of players," McCarthy told the media.

"Everybody has been pushing really hard and this game needed a high-pressured player and I think Patosi is our luxury player," he explained.

"He makes us play, scores goals, but I think with the pressing we've seen from SuperSport and how they press us, I think he would have (fallen) a bit short, so that's why we went for someone like Thabo Nodada at 10 which is not his natural position.

"But he gives us that in front when we want to counter-attack and when we win, it is straight in to the Norodien's and that, and Patosi doesn't give us that, he makes us play," McCarthy added.

"So, we just felt that we've got Gift, we've got Katterega, we've got Craig Martin on the bench and it is like for like, you take Nodada out, you bring in



OPENS UP: Cape Town City coach Benni McCarthy.

Martin he gives you the same high pressing," he said.

McCarthy hinted that Patosi could return to the squad when City visit Baroka at the Peter Mokaba Stadium.

"The circumstances of the game calls for quick players and Patosi isn't blessed with pace. But today it is a completely different team to SuperSport," he concluded. *Citizen*

Sundowns let go of Mukumela, Hamren

PRETORIA - The 20-year-old Mukumela has joined Ajax Cape Town, while Hamren, will be taking over as head coach of Iceland

A week after securing the services of Musa Lebusa and goalkeeper Reyaad Pieterse, Mamelodi Sundowns have parted ways with young defender Thendo Mukumela, who has joined Natioal First Division side Ajax Cape Town on a permanent deal.

The Urban Warriors confirmed the arrival of Mukumela yesterday morning as they look to strengthen their defence and replace their former captain Lebusa.

The South Africa international was promoted from the Sundowns reserve side to the first team along with Keletso Makgalwa in August last year after catching the attention of coach Pitso Mosimane.

However, he struggled for game time as Mosimane relied heavily on his experienced players in a campaign which saw the Brazilians win the league title.

The writing was always on the wall for the 20-year-old defend-

er after Mosimane signed centre back Tristan Moses from Kaizer Chiefs and Lebusa to add to his already strong Sundowns backline.

Mukumela is a talented and versatile footballer who can play as a centre-back, right-back and as a central midfielder.

He has represented

South Africa in two FIFA World Cup finals at the junior level. Mukumela will hope to take his football career to another level in the NFD and return to the

PSL probably with Ajax, who accepted their fate and took their place in the lower division a few days before the start of the current campaign. *Goal*

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SOCCER RETURNS TO SABC RADIO

JOHANNESBURG - The department of communications has announced that the SABC will resume broadcasting Premier Soccer League games on radio.

The announcement comes following an urgent meeting between Communications Minister Nomvula Mokonyane, Sports and Recreation Minister Tokozile Xasa and the SABC board about the matter.

A statement issued on Monday evening reveals that the politicians then later met with the Premier Soccer League where it was decided that the PSL would commence a process with the SABC to finalise all pertinent issues relating to agreements that govern relationship between the parties.

The SABC announced last Friday that it had been advised that it would not be allowed to broadcast league matches on radio following unsuccessful negotiations with the PSL.

"At this stage, the SABC will only broadcast PSL soccer matches on its television platform," the broadcaster said in a statement at the time. Here is the full statement issued on Monday evening by the department of communications: **SABC TO RESUME WITH BROADCASTING OF PSL MATCHES WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT** Johannesburg, Monday, 06 August 2018 - The Minister of the Department of Communication (DOC), Honorable, Nomvula Mokonyane and the Minister of Sport, Honourable Tokozile Xasa convened a meeting with the Board of Directors and Executive Management



of the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC).

This meeting follows the urgent need to align on some outstanding issues on the existing contract between the SABC and Premier Soccer League (PSL).

The SABC briefed both the ministers in order to provide an in depth understanding of the events that led to this unfortunate situation, the liquidity issues affecting the SABC and the acquisition of sport rights in general.

Both ministers are concerned with the situation that the SABC finds itself in and

have pledged to support the public broadcaster in delivering on its mandate around the delivery of sport content.

Both ministers' are treating this matter with the utmost importance as their primary concern is to ensure that the South African public is adequately served by the SABC. To this end, the ministers also held a meeting with the Premier Soccer League (PSL) represented by its Chairperson, Dr. Irvin Khoza, accompanied by member of the PSL Board, Mr Kaizer Motaung and the Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Mato Madlala. *SowetanLive*



UNIMPRESSED: Dennis Mumble (CEO of SAFA) during the Special Announcement by SAFA President, Dr Danny Jordaan at SAFA House.

Unimpressed Safa blames cash-strapped SABC for expected financial losses

JOHANNESBURG - The South African Football Association (Safa) expects to incur losses of around R20-million in the financial year ended June 30 and the unimpressed organisation has laid the blame at the door of the cash-strapped SABC.

Between 60 and 70 percent of Safa's revenue is generated from their partnership with the SABC and the public broadcaster is supposed to pay about R10-million a month for the right to broadcast Bafana Bafana, Banyana Banyana, SAB League National Championship, junior national team and ABC Motsepe League matches as per the terms of a contractual agreement that ended in April.

But according to Safa, the broke public broadcaster has failed to honour its financial obligations

for several months now and the SABC owes them over R50-million from the previous agreement. A new contract is yet to be signed because the SABC "wants to reduce the amount significantly before signing."

Safa chief financial officer Gronie Hluyo told SowetanLIVE that the SABC's financial woes have had a devastating effect on the football governing body's cashflow and they have their backs against the wall. "Every quarter, which is basically every three months, the SABC is supposed to pay us R27,5-million," said Hluyo. "So every three months that is R27,5-million cash that is supposed to come in but we are not getting now. So for the year ended June 30 there is an impact on our financial statement."

SowetanLive

Agreement as Arsenal nears private ownership

LONDON - Arsenal's majority shareholder Stan Kroenke has had his €1.8-billion offer to take full ownership of the club accepted by Alisher Usmanov.

The American's company, Kroenke Sports and Entertainment, currently owns 67 per cent of the Gunners and has offered to purchase the 30 per cent held by Usmanov's Red and White Securities firm. In a statement published on the London Stock Exchange, Kroenke said: "We at KSE are moving forward with this offer leading to 100 per cent ownership of the club."

"We appreciate Mr Usmanov's dedication to the Arsenal Football Club and the storied ethos and history the club represents." KSE says it has received an "irrevocable undertaking" from Red and White Securities to accept the offer as soon as possible, and in any event by 3pm yesterday.

In October last year KSE offered around £525million to buy the 18 695 shares held by Usmanov. Kroenke believes taking the north London club into private ownership will increase their chances of success in the future. The statement continued: "The successful implementation of the offer will result in the opening of a new chapter in the history of the club in bringing 100 per cent private ownership by KSE. "KSE believes moving to private ownership will bring the benefits of a single owner better able to move quickly in furtherance of the club's strategy and ambitions. KSE is a committed, long-term owner of the club." *Team Talk*

Arsenal ordered to secure £89m deal before transfer deadline

LONDON - Premier League side Arsenal will make a last-minute move for Barcelona forward Ousmane Dembele, according to reports.

The France international has been heavily linked with a move away from the Camp Nou this summer with Arsenal credited with recent interest.

A photo on Instagram emerged over the last week on Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang's page of Dembele having a meal with the Gunners striker and other players from the north London side. Emery is reportedly a big fan of Dembele and Mundo Deportivo claims that the new head coach has convinced Arsenal's hierarchy to hunt a deal for the forward.

The report continues by saying that Arsenal will look to tie up an initial loan move with an £8.9million fee, before committing to a mandatory clause that cements an £80.3million full transfer in the summer. Dembele is understood to be unconvinced that Ernesto Valverde has full faith in him despite Barca president Josep Maria Bartomeu trying to reassure him of his future at the club. *Team Talk*



TRADING PLACES: Percy Tau.

Tau touches down in Belgium

JOHANNESBURG - Percy Tau may well be edging closer to finding out where he could be playing his football in 2018/19, and it is thought that he has now arrived in Belgium.

The 24-year-old Bafana Bafana international recently completed a big-money move to Brighton & Hove Albion in the English Premier League, however, is being sent out on loan due to the fact that he is unable to obtain a work permit to play in England. It was previously reported that Belgian second division outfit, Royale Union Saint-Gilloise, were interested in signing him on a loan basis for the season and that their attempts could be aided by the fact that both RUSG and Brighton have the same owner, Tony Bloom.

According to Siya sources, the former Mamelodi Sundowns man touched down in Europe in the last few days after obtaining his Schengen visa and is currently taking a look around the facilities at RUSG in Brussels as he considers making the move.

The club is eager to try and seal promotion into the Belgian top flight this season, and see Tau as the perfect player to come on board and help them in their quest to do so.

With around three weeks left until the Belgian transfer window shuts, RUSG have time to try and make the deal happen, although it remains to be seen if the player and his representatives will be happy with the reigning ABSA Premiership Footballer of the Season heading into Belgium's second tier. *Soccer Laduma*



HOT PROPERTY: Barcelona forward Ousmane Dembele.

CAF BANS 8 GHANAIAI REFEREES AFTER GRAFT REVELATIONS

Cairo - The Confederation of African Football (CAF) yesterday announced it had banned eight Ghanaian match officials from the game after explosive bribe-taking revelations.

Hidden camera footage from undercover Ghanaian journalist Anas Aremeyaw Anas released in June purportedly laid bare a culture of corruption in African football.

Continental governing body CAF

said it had banned one Ghanaian assistant referee for life and three referees, three assistant referees and a technical instructor for 10 years.

The bans covered "all CAF related football activities", a statement said.

Fourteen more match officials from across Africa



were suspended pending their appearance in front of the disciplinary board, it said.

The graft uncovered by Anas rocked football authorities and fans in Ghana and throughout Africa.

CAF earlier banned 11 referees and assistant

referees from across the continent on July 7 over the scandal.

Those sanctioned included Kenya's Aden Range Marwa, who was initially supposed to officiate at the World Cup in Russia.

In Ghana the revelations claimed the scalp of Football Association President Kwesi Nyantakyi and led the government to shut down the country's football authorities.

AFP

Guardiola could use Stones in midfield

MANCHESTER - Manchester City Manager Pep Guardiola says he may consider deploying John Stones as a holding midfielder if he doesn't play regularly at centre-back.

The England international moved into midfield late into the 2-0 win over Chelsea in the Community Shield on Sunday, when Vincent Kompany came off the bench, and Guardiola is now toying with the idea of playing Stones there more often.

The City boss admitted that Stones may find it difficult to take either Kompany or Nicolas Otamendi's respective spots at centre-back this season, but added that he could occasionally be used in midfield. "John made an excellent World Cup and showed again his personality," Guardiola told the press.

"I was happy to see him in the last 10 or 15 minutes like a holding midfielder. John may be able to play there. "We will see what's going on in the future. In the Premier League there are a huge



VERSATILE: Manchester City defender John Stones.

amount of games and everybody will be involved."

Asked if Stones would feature regularly at centre-back, the former Barcelona manager added: "John has to know he has to play at a good level because Vincent and Nico [Nicolas Otamendi] are there, and they are going to play."

"Then, they have to play good. In the higher teams in the top tier, when they play in all competitions, you need this kind of competition."

City open the defence of their Premier League title against Arsenal on Sunday, August 12.

Kick-off is at 17:00 (SA time).

Sport24

Russia striker Dzyuba becomes voice on popular navigation app

Moscow - Russia's international striker Artem Dzyuba, who became a national hero for his 2018 Soccer World Cup performance in the country last month, is now the voice of a popular Yandex navigation service.

"We also watched the World Cup and also supported our team," Russian company Yandex said in a statement Monday. "We are happy to inform that the voice of Artem Dzyuba, the Russian national team's striker, has appeared at Yandex. Navigator," it added. The company said Dzyuba recorded more than 120 phrases for the service that is used by 16 million motorists a month. Users will now be able to hear the footballer giving them directions and warnings on Russia's roads. "I decided to support you on the road," said 29-year Dzyuba, who scored three goals in five World Cup matches and helped the Russian team reach the quarter-finals. "Wherever you travel to, I will be with you."

AFP



DETERMINED: Tottenham Hotspur manager Mauricio Pochettino.

No new signings but Pochettino still wants silverware

LONDON - Tottenham Hotspur Manager Mauricio Pochettino insists he remains determined to win trophies despite the club's lack of transfer activity this window.

Spurs have not signed any new players in the off-season, in stark contrast to one of their top-four rivals Liverpool, who have spent around £177 million. The north London outfit are still in search of their first piece of silverware under Pochettino, and the Argentine admits he may not have the players to challenge for trophies but he will keep fighting in every competition.

"If some people believe the manager of Tottenham doesn't want to win they are not right in their minds," he told the Daily Mail.

"I'm here to win. The reality is to win and to have the argument about whether you have the tools to win is a different matter. We have had massive success at the club, getting (to the) Champions League for a third year in a row."

"But maybe that is not enough and maybe we need to change certain things because for me it is not enough. I want to challenge and fight to win things until the end, that moment when my Chairman Daniel Levy says to me, 'Mauricio go home and find another project'."

"Winning is my concern and I feel responsible for this after four years with the club to try to achieve this. "Maybe our history and the reality is different, but the players are fighting and working so hard and we are there with them."

Sport24

There's no crisis at SuperSport United, says new coach Kaitano Tembo

PRETORIA - SuperSport United's new coach Kaitano Tembo believes any crisis there might have been at the club is long gone and even though many might disagree, feels the side did not have a particularly bad last season.

Although the threat of relegation hung over the team, and coach Eric Tinkler left after chemistry with his players did not gel, his replacement Tembo said the team had won the MTN8, reached the final of the African Confederation Cup and in the end finished in seventh place, after they were awarded points in the Ajax Cape Town 'Ndorogate' saga. That, he said, would make for a good season in anyone's books.

"Towards the end of last season, we only lost one out of seven and for me we haven't been doing badly," he said.

"If we can build from the last few games of last season, then we can get off to a good start." But there will be concern it could be another bumpy ride again after SuperSport lost their opening game of the new campaign in Cape Town at the weekend and now face AmaZulu in Atteridgeville tonight.

Tembo, who was only last week handed a two-year contract to be head coach, claimed his side "gave a good performance" and created good chances and "with a little bit of luck, could have taken the game"

at Cape Town City on Saturday, where they lost 2-0.

"We were not effective in some areas although we managed to get behind their defence on occasion. Maybe the decision-making let us down."

"But I was happy with the overall performance of the guys, we played well, considering we were playing away from home."

Success against AmaZulu will be vital for Tembo to get a win under his belt and halt any possible slide back into the angst of the last campaign and the ex-Zimbabwe international feels he can deal with it.

"With our jobs there is also pres-

sure.

"I've been in charge for the last seven months and already I've had to deal with pressure because we might have been relegated."

"For me, it's pressure all the way, it doesn't matter where we are," he said.

"But at least now we are starting with a clean slate, where we can always try and bounce back whereas from last season it was a little bit difficult as the games were running out, we needed points, we couldn't get points."

"But we came out in the end."

"This game is always about pressure and I can take it."

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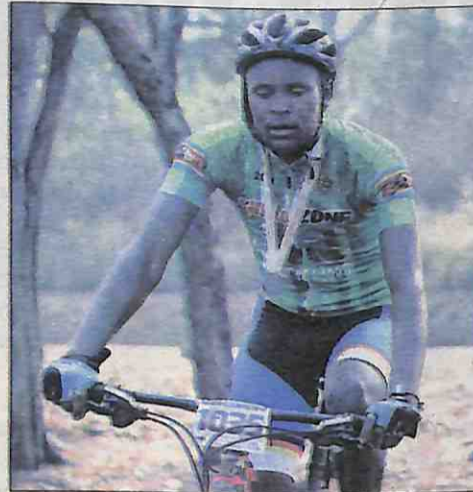


ALL IS WELL: SuperSport United's new coach Kaitano Tembo.

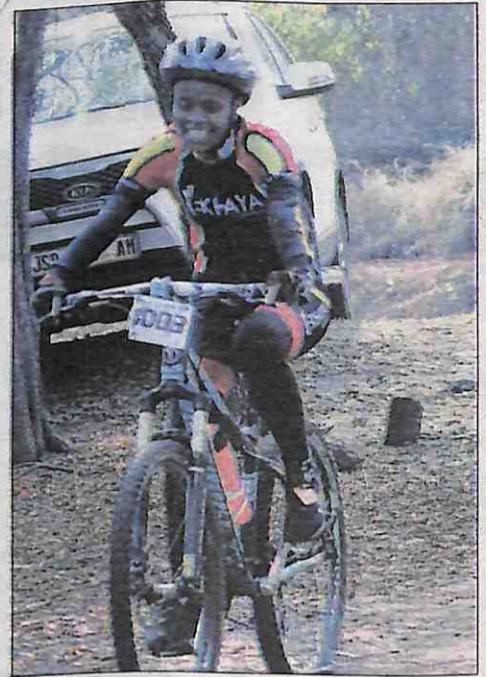
INYATSI G2G RACE AT NKONYENI



ON YOUR MARKS: Cyclists, including Minister of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs David Ngcamphalala getting ready for the 35km race during the Inyatsi G2G race held at Nkonyeni on Saturday. (Pics: Sibusiso Masilela)



FINISH LINE: 35km race champion Ayanda Dlamini from 4Ever Cycling Club crossing the finishing line.



KEEPING FIT: Ekhaya Cycling Club member and football official Phephile Matsenjwa in action.



FOLLOW ME: 35km race cyclists riding through Nkonyeni bushes.



PEDAL TO THE METAL: Cyclists battling it out during the 35km race.



VOTE OF THANKS: Inyatsi Construction Managing Director Derrick Shiba delivering his speech.



INSPECTION: 65km runner-up Muzi Shabangu reacting after an accident soon after crossing the finish line.



CATCH THEM YOUNG: Girls Under-10 top three winners Yenzo Shiba, Elisma Venter and Bermice Kimber posing with the dignitaries that included Minister David Ngcamphalala and Cycling Association President Sihlangu Nhlabatsi.



CONGRATULATIONS: 35km top three winners Sihle Dlamini, Ayanda Dlamini and Mduduzi Zwane posing with the invited guests.

LONG ROAD: A cyclist crossing the Usuthu River.



GRATEFUL: Minister ngcamphalala also had something to say on the day.



WINNER: 65km champion Thulani Gule appreciating his E1 000 voucher from Galp Eswatini Managing Director Francisco Ferreira whilst Minister Ngcamphalala and Shiba look on.



WHAT WE LEARNT FROM CHARITY CUP FINALS

By Sibongiseni Zondi

SOCCER - THE 2018 Eswatini Telecom

Charity Cup has come to pass with Mbabane Swallows emerging as champions yet again.

This being the first tournament of the new season, we got to see a lot of things from the

teams and below we look at four key talking points from yet another spectacular day at Somhlolo National Stadium.



Mbabane Highlanders supporters a total disgrace

RIVALRY is good, it fires up football and the one between Mbabane Highlanders and Mbabane Swallows is certainly a fierce one.

Banter too is part and parcel of being a football supporter, there is nothing wrong with it. However, what Highlanders supporters did ahead of their final meeting with Swallows was a total disgrace. As Swallows supporters sang, "Woza

sikhulume makhelwane," a perfectly good banter song, Highlanders supporters replied with a song whose lyrics cannot be typed because of their incredibly disgusting nature.

Unpleasant

In a nutshell, they were singing about the late Swallows boss Victor Gamedze in a very unpleasant way. Those Highlanders supporters disgraced themselves (not all of them

sang the song). This should never happen again. Manzini Wanderers supporters also embarrassed themselves by throwing objects onto the pitch. Such things have no place in football. Stop it!

Irrepressible Birds are still the team to beat

SO much had been said about the fall of Mbabane Swallows ahead of the Charity Cup.

But as the dust settled at Somhlolo on Sunday evening, a familiar face went up the stage to collect the trophy from His Majesty King Mswati III. His name: Tony Tsabedze, the peerless Swallows captain who had delivered a masterclass performance in the final win over Highlanders as Swallows silenced their detractors in stylish fashion. Swallows came into Sunday's games without five

key players from last season's triumphant treble winning campaign. Without almost half the team from last season, Swallows hardly struggled and instead new heroes emerged, the likes of Richard McCreesh and Xolani 'Papi' Sikhondze.

Beaten

Having also beaten Young Buffaloes in the semi-finals, Swallows had the most difficult route to glory and still came out tops. On the evidence of Sunday's results, Swallows will once again be the team to beat in 2018/19.

ZUNGU AND CO WILL LIFT MBABANE HIGHLANDERS

THEY might have lost the final in such cruel fashion but something good is on the horizon for Mbabane Highlanders.

Mlungisi 'Professor' Ngubane unleashed his new signings on Sunday and Highlanders looked a different animal.

Khanyakweze Shabalala was a picture of calmness and assurance in goal just like Jimmoh Moses in centre back. Sabelo 'Sawa' Gamedze was a constant menace down the left side while Menzi Mamba provided steel in mid-

field. However, the best of the debutants was the South African midfield powerhouse Vusumuzi Zungu, who was classy, especially in their first game against Manzini Wanderers.

Zungu and the new boys make Highlanders one of the favourites going into the new season and rightly so. They should be given time to click together and once they do, many will find it difficult to stop them. Watch out for Mbabane Highlanders this season.

MANZINI WANDERERS ARE REGRESSING

MANZINI Wanderers spent much more time in court and in the media fighting over Kola Aladeon more than preparing for the Charity Cup and on

Sunday it showed.

Without a proper number nine and having to start with the diminutive winger Sicelo 'Junior' Simelane as a focal point, Wanderers were doomed to fail from the start. Wanderers are paying for a poor pre-season and by Sunday's performance, matching last season's impressive fourth place finish in the league will be a difficult task.

The 'Weslians' are regressing and unless they get some quality players in, they will struggle in 2018/19.





● Manchester United midfielder Paul Pogba's agent, Mino Raiola, is trying to engineer the 25-year-old France international a move to Barcelona. **(Mail)**

● Chelsea will pay the £89m release clause in Jan Oblak's Atletico Madrid contract to sign the 25-year-old Slovenia goalkeeper as a replacement for 26-year-old Belgium international Thibaut Courtois, who is set to join Real Madrid. **(Mundo Deportivo - in Spanish)**



● Alternatively, Chelsea will look to sign Stoke's 25-year-old England goalkeeper Jack Butland if Courtois leaves. **(Sky Sports)**

● Birmingham City are set for 20 per cent of the profit if Stoke sell the English goalkeeper this summer. **(Birmingham Mail)**

● Tottenham and Kenya midfielder Victor Wanyama, 27, is a target for Roma. **(La Repubblica, via Mirror)**

● Fulham want to sign 27-year-old Belgium defender Dedryk Boyata, but Celtic are reluctant to sell. **(Mail)**

● West Ham are interested in Fiorentina's 32-year-old Colombia midfielder Carlos Sanchez, who used to play for Aston Villa. **(Mirror)**

● Arsenal are open to offers for 27-year-old England forward Danny Welbeck. **(Evening Standard)**



● Croatia midfielder Luka Modric, 32, is seriously considering leaving Real Madrid because he is tempted by a lucrative offer from Inter Milan. **(La Sexta - in Spanish)**

● Lyon President Jean-Michel Aulas says 23-year-old Barcelona defender Yerry Mina is "still very interested" in a move to the French club, despite reports suggesting the Colombia international is set to join Everton. **(Liverpool Echo)**

● Everton are set to sign 25-year-old Brazil winger Bernard on a free transfer. **(Mail)**

● Manchester United are preparing a 'huge' bid for Lazio's 23-year-old Serbia midfielder Sergej Milinkovic-Savic. **(Calciomercato)**

● Fulham's signing of Ivory Coast midfielder Jean Michael Seri, 27, is 'a steal', says former Cottagers manager Rene Meulensteen. **(BBC Radio 5 live)**

CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR'S E26 000 SPONSORED SHOOTING TOURNEY THIS SUNDAY

By Sibusiso Dlamini

SHOOTING – CENTRAL Bank of Eswatini Governor Majozi Sithole is sponsoring this year's shooting tourney to a tune of E26 000.

The event will be held on Saturday.

This was announced by the Eswatini Rifle Association (ERA) Secretary General (SG) Sifiso Mtsefwa yesterday. Last year's sponsorship from the governor was E25 000, meaning this year's package has been increased by E1 000. Mtsefwa thanked the governor for his continued contribution towards the development of the sport and added that the tournament would be played at the Nokwane Shooting Range.

"We would like to thank the governor for his continued support to the sport. He is one of our

very first core sponsors and has contributed immensely towards the development of the sport in the country. Our venue for this tournament is the Nokwane Shooting Range," he said.

This will be the third edition of the tournament which in the past two years has been dominated by the Royal Eswatini Police Service (REPS) and should they win this year's title, the team will take it for keeps.

Mtsefwa further urged teams to keep time because they wanted to ensure that all proceedings were done by 1pm.

"I would like to plead with all teams to be punctual. 9am to 10am is registration and we are having our first shoot at 9:30am. We must all keep time because there are a lot of other activities scheduled to happen at the venue," he said.



SUPPORT: Central Bank of Eswatini Governor Majozi Sithole.

Botswana competition for local taekwondo athletes

By Sibusiso Masilela

TAEKWONDO – LOCAL taekwondo athletes are expected to compete in the Botswana International Open tournament to be held in October in Gaborone.

The local association is expected to send a team of 25 athletes to the international competition to also feature several regional countries.

The competition will come after the annual Tshwane Open Competition to take place on August 26 in South Africa.

Swaziland Taekwondo Association (STA) President Zakhele Dlamini confirmed their participation in the upcoming tournament.

"We have received an invitation from Botswana for their international tournament and we are planning to send a strong team of 25 athletes. We will soon select and announce the team for the tournament as we want to give our athletes the necessary international exposure.

"We are very grateful to Botswana for inviting us to the competition which we believe would help improve the standard of the sport in the region," he said. The STA is currently hosting South Korean demonstrators in the country, who were expected to conduct an open session at the Royal Swazi Spa Convention Centre last night.

The delegation of 22 experts arrived in the country on Sunday afternoon via the Oshoek Border Gate.

Way Inn extend lead in Dixies League

By Sibusiso Masilela

POOL – GIANTS Way Inn have extended their lead at the summit of the ongoing Dixies International E20 000 league log following their 19-6 victory over rivals Nicks on Saturday afternoon.

The victory has seen the Malkerns based side maintain its top spot with 39 points, three points ahead of title rivals Garrison, who are second with 36 points.

The army side Garrison was not in action over the past weekend. The other weekend encounter saw Mankayane beat bottom of the table Correctional 14-11 to consolidate their third spot with 30 points. The 10-team league sanctioned by the Manzini Regional Pool Association (MRPA) is expected to continue this coming weekend at various venues.

RESULTS

Nicks	6	Way Inn	19
Mankayane	14	Correctional	11

The log standings:

	P	W	L	FF	FA	FD	PTS
1. Way Inn	13	11	2	200	131	69	39
2. Garrison	12	10	2	189	111	78	36
3. Mankayane	13	9	4	164	156	8	30
4. Figaredo	12	8	4	160	140	20	29
5. Bhunya	12	6	6	153	147	6	24
6. Anka Eagles	12	6	6	139	161	-22	22
7. Nicks	13	4	9	142	186	-44	18
8. Macembe	12	3	9	132	168	-36	16
9. Figaredo5	12	3	9	130	170	-40	16
10. Correctional	13	3	10	139	186	-47	16

Correctional maintain lead in Nedbank VB League

By Sibongiseni Zondi

VOLLEYBALL – CORRECTIONAL remain unmoved in the latest Nedbank Volleyball League log standings after Saturday's round of matches.

The past weekend's games were hosted by Bob Ladies at the Bosco Skills Centre in Manzini. In the males section, leaders Correctional didn't play as their clash against Customs was postponed due to poor lighting. However, Correctional remain in pole position on 27 points, one ahead of RSP who beat UEDF 3-0 on Saturday.

Meanwhile, Mshinande lost both their games, first losing 0-3 to Customs and then being beaten 2-3 by Ludzeludze in the last match. It is the



same in the females section with Correctional also in first place on 27 points after their 3-0 victory over Bob Ladies on Saturday. Bob Ladies had beaten UEDF 3-0 in the first match while UEDF then went on to win the second match 3-1 against Chilly Babes.

NEDBANK VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE RESULTS:

Males:				
Customs	3-0	Mshinande		
UEDF	0-3	RSP		
Ludzeludze	3-2	Mshinande		

Customs vs Correctional (postponed due to poor lighting)

Females:				
Bob Ladies	3-0	UEDF		
Chilly Babes	1-3	UEDF		
Correctional	3-0	Bob Ladies		

Females log						
Team	played	win	loss	pts	sets	against
1. Correctional	9	9	0	27	27	6
2. RSP	8	7	1	23	23	4

3. Zakhele	8	6	2	19	19	8
4. Bob Ladies	8	4	4	15	15	13
5. UEDF	10	2	4	12	12	22
6. Chilly Babes	9	1	7	7	7	25
7. RSCC	10	1	9	5	5	27

Males log						
Team	played	win	loss	pts	sets	against
1. Correctional	9	9	0	27	27	2
2. RSP	9	8	1	26	26	3
3. Customs	8	6	2	18	18	18
4. RSCC	11	4	7	18	18	12
5. UEDF	9	4	4	14	14	9
6. Ludzeludze	8	2	5	13	13	8
7. Mshinande	11	3	8	12	12	6
8. Mshinande	11	1	8	12	12	13



ERIKAH SEYAMA FOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Sibusiso Masilela

ATHLETICS – LOCAL star Erikah Seyama will now compete in the World Intercontinental Championships to be held on the weekend of September 8-9 at Ostrava, Czech Republic.

This comes following Tshwane based athlete's heroics in the recently ended African Championships where she won a gold medal in high jump at Asaba, Nigeria.

Seyama further became the first Liswati to win a gold medal at the continental competition, where she finished ahead of Egyptian and Ethiopian athletes, who came second and third, respectively.

Athletics Association of Swaziland (AAS) Secretary Thoba Mazibuko confirmed the developments when contacted yesterday.

"Erikah will now compete in the World Championships to be held in September in Czech Republic and we now wish her the best of luck in her next event. We will try and give her the

necessary practice as she prepares for the upcoming competition," he said.

Seyama said she would work hard in the upcoming intercontinental championships when reached for comment yesterday.

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"I will continue working hard in the World Championships where I will try and get the highest podium finish following my success in the African championships. Hard work and perseverance helped me to do well in Nigeria as I was working hard at training. I used to wake up at 6am for training and it really helped me a lot," she said.

Seyama further thanked the local athletics fraternity for supporting and guiding her throughout her career.

"I would like to thank the Athletics Association of Eswatini, coach Muzi Mabuza and my national teammates for supporting and believing in me since I started athletics. They have been behind me and I am very grateful for what they have been doing for me," she further said. Seyama and the entire Eswatini team are expected to return home this afternoon from Johannesburg.



READY FOR WORLD STAGE: Star Erikah Seyama.

'Weslians missed Kola'

By Sibongiseni Zondi

SOCCER – MANZINI Wanderers missed departed Nigerian striker Kola Aladeon in their 1-2 defeat to rivals Mbabane Highlanders in the Eswatini Telecom Charity Cup semi-finals on Sunday at Somhlolo National Stadium.

This is according to former Highlanders and Moneni Pirates coach Ernest Mavuso. Without Aladeon, who joined Mbabane Swallows, Wanderers started without a recognised number nine and rarely troubled the Highlanders defence on the way to a 1-2 defeat.

Interviewed yesterday, former Highlanders coach Mavuso said Wanderers were short of a focal point on Sunday.

"Collectively Wanderers are a good team. However, Kola's absence was quick to show and they struggled without his presence up front. They missed that focal point. In summary however, all the teams did well and the matches were of high standards. Swallows in particular were flowing, no wonder they won the trophy. I think the four coaches did a good job and all the four teams have recruited well," Mavuso said.

Former Midas City coach Artwell Dladu meanwhile said Wanderers had wasted too much time fighting over Aladeon's ownership.

"The teams on the day performed well except for Wanderers who I think were far below par. Mike Dombu was the only livewire. I think they have spent too much time concentrating on the Kola issue instead of focusing on the present players," Dladu said.

Current Midas City coach Isaiah 'Ice' Magagula meanwhile said Wanderers lacked a commanding player on Sunday.

"The teams, in terms of fitness, were not up to scratch but that is understandable. That is why in these early season matches, it is important to 'steal' wins with early goals. However, this will get better with time because the season is only beginning. I was disappointed with Wanderers. They had no commanding player," Magagula said.

Musa Manyatsi is new 'Buffs' goalkeeper coach

By Sibusiso Dlamini

SOCCER – FORMER Manzini Sundowns assistant coach Musa Manyatsi has been appointed as the new Young Buffaloes goalkeeper coach.

This was revealed by the army side's Chief Executive Officer

(CEO) Sandile Gwebu yesterday. Manyatsi, who replaces the team's long-serving goalkeeper coach Themba Dlamini, has been involved in the team's activities ever since pre-season started.

He was spotted during the Eswatini Telecom Charity Cup play-offs with the Young Buffaloes crew and was also at the grand finale

this past Sunday.

Gwebu said Manyatsi joined the team at the beginning of their pre-season camp and they hoped he would help the team achieve all its goals for the upcoming season. "He has been with us for quite a while. We would like to welcome him to the family with open hands. He replaces Themba and we

know he is a knowledgeable person when it comes to the game. Also, he is a passionate person and we can only align that with greatness," he said.

Manyatsi will work with the talented duo of Sihlangu SeMnikati first choice goalie Nhlanhla Gwebu and former Mbabane Highlanders Phumlani Ngobese.



Sitsebe already in camp for COSAFA

By Sibusiso Dlamini

SOCCER – THE country's soccer National team Sitsebe saMkhlekazi is already in camp in preparation for the upcoming COSAFA Women's Championship scheduled for neighbouring South Africa.

This was revealed by the Eswatini Football Association (EFA) mouthpiece Muzie Radebe yesterday.

Radebe revealed that the team started their intense preparations last week,

stating that they were hoping the team would prepare thoroughly and work on competing effectively for the title.

"The girls are already in camp with the technical bench to prepare for the COSAFA tournament and we can only wish them the best. The tournament will be held in neighbouring South Africa, so the weather conditions aren't that bad. We can only hope we will use our experience from the past tournament to make sure we perform well," he said.

The team will be led by former Mbabane

Swallows goal-poacher Fisiwe Hlophe and will be looking to better last year's record in Zimbabwe where they were knocked out in the group stages – under the mentorship of Mduduzi 'Sikhalo' Nxumalo where Hlophe was assistant coach.

Worth noting is that the National Women's League is currently dysfunctional as teams have lodged a protest against the executive. The exact dates of the COSAFA Women's Championship are still to be determined.

Goshen training with Tambuti

By Sibusiso Masilela

SOCCER – FORMER Mbabane Highlanders midfielder Gabriel Goshen is on the verge of making an emotional return to former side Tambuti FC.

The Sierra Leonean midfielder is currently training with the Lubombo based side ahead of the 2018/19 MTN Premier League season kick-off. Goshen left Tambuti for Highlanders at the beginning of last season where he had an unsuccessful stint before he was sent packing at the end of the previous campaign. A source close to the matter revealed that the player was now hoping to rejoin his former side. "The player is now training with Tambuti after spending few weeks at Moneni Pirates and a decision over his future would be taken next week," the source said.

Tambuti Public Relations Officer (PRO) Nathie Dlamini said they were yet to give an update about the team when contacted yesterday. "We are still working on administrative issues of the team and we hope to conclude everything before next week," he said. Goshen was with his former Tambuti coach Alou Badara at Highlanders but spent



BACK TO WHERE IT STARTED: Former Mbabane Highlanders midfielder Gabriel Goshen.

the better part of the past season on the wilderness following the arrival of current coach Mlungisi 'Proffesor' Ngubane. He was shown the exit door at Highlanders together with the likes of Sibusiso Mkhonta, Allen Mabuza, Thame Zulu and Bhikinkhosi Mlota.

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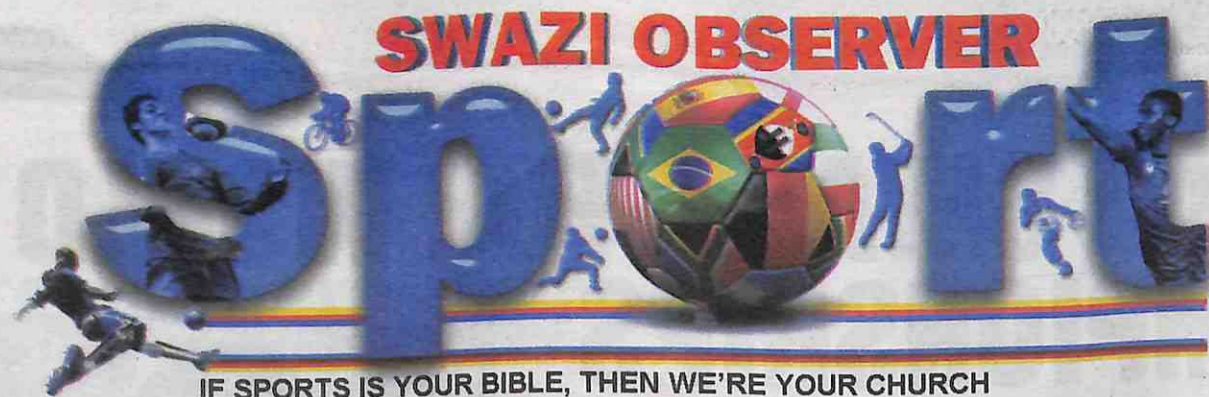
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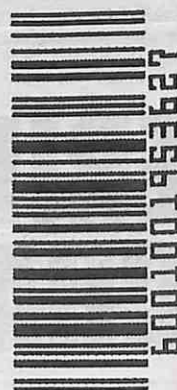
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19:30	Golden Arrows	vs	Bloemfontein Celtic
19:30	Chippa United	vs	Orlando Pirates



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'PLE is run unprofessionally'

By Sibusiso Dlamini

SOCCER - LOCAL football legend, now Jomo Cosmos assistant coach Siza 'King Pele' Dlamini, says the local league is run unprofessionally which is why fewer players will make the grade in the money-spinning Premier Soccer League (PSL).

The former international star, who was well known for his exploits of rattling the net for both his team and country, said administration was an important part of the sport, stating that if it was run in an amateur manner, then there was no way scouts would be interested or the players even playing to the impressive standard.

The Premier Soccer League (PSL) is one of the most cosmopolitan leagues on the continent, with players coming from as far as Egypt and New Zealand. However, at the moment, the PSL seems to be a difficult place for nations closer to SA - Eswatini and Lesotho. This is a major surprise, given that in the past, players from these neighbouring countries used to frequent it. The Kingdom of Eswatini had Tony Tsabedze, Siza Dlamini and Dennis Masina in SA. However, it now seems difficult for the country to export players to South Africa. Recently, we saw former Mbabane Swallows players Banele 'Pupu' Sikhondze joining Polokwane City while Felix 'Fela' Badenhorst and Sandile 'Nkomishi' Ginindza have joined NFD side, Mbombela United.

Talent

"The talent is there, there's no question about that, but because of the poor league standard, people opt to find proper jobs for a living. There are no monthly grants given to clubs, the league is run unprofessionally and these all turn scouts off or in fact work against a player's development," he said. Dlamini further added that the lack of local players competing in international tournaments affected the national's team performance. "Any national team that plays with only locally-based players will not go far in tournaments. There's no two-ways about it. Until the league is run professionally and is able to export their best players, who will bring their knowledge and experience, thus forming a competitive national team," noted Dlamini when interviewed by popular South African newspaper Sowetan Live. When sought for comment, Premier League of Eswatini (PLE) Chief Operations Officer (COO) Pat Vilakati, said it was unfortunate that Dlamini would make such comments about the very league when he was a product of. "It is very unfortunate that Siza would make such comments about the very league that produced him. It really doesn't make sense, I'm just disappointed. I don't have much to say because I didn't get the opportunity to see the whole interview, maybe I could make a proper comment then," he said.

McCREESH IS CHARITY CUP'S BEST - COACHES

- Local coaches give Swallows youngster thumbs up
- McCreesh played every single minute as Birds won Charity Cup
- Special mention for Tony, Zungu

By Sibongiseni Zondi

SOCCER - LOCAL coaches have picked Mbabane Swallows midfielder Richard McCreesh as the best player of the 2018 Eswatini Telecom Charity Cup.

McCreesh shone as Swallows defended their Charity Cup crown on Sunday at Somhlolo National Stadium. The 22-year-old midfielder played every single minute as Swallows first beat Young Buffaloes in the semi-final and then edged rivals Mbabane Highlanders 2-1 in the final in front of a packed Somhlolo.

Speaking during various interviews yesterday, most coaches picked McCreesh as the Charity Cup's best player.

"For Mbabane Swallows, the stand-out player was Richard McCreesh. Sandile Hlatshwako also played well just like Kola Aladeon. For Mbabane



PROMISING: Richard McCreesh who played very well in the tournament with the team's fitness coach Siyabonga Bhembe.

Highlanders, 'Mlaba' (Mlamuli Nkambule) and 'Sawa' (Sabelo Gamedze) also did well," Sihlangu coach Anthony Mdluli said.

The Sihlangu coach's words were

echoed by former Moneni Pirates and Highlanders mentor Ernest Mavuso, who also gave special mention to Swallows debutant Xolani 'Papi' Sikhondze. "McCreesh played very

well and so did 'Papi' for Swallows. For Highlanders, Vusumuzi Zungu did well. He brings character to the team while I expected Sandile Gamedze to do much better for Young Buffaloes. He (Gamedze) played okay but he didn't reach the standard I was expecting from him," Mavuso said.

Former Midas City coach Artwell Dlodlu said McCreesh was unlucky not to be named man of the match in the win over Buffaloes. Swallows captain Tony Tsabedze was named that match's best player.

"McCreesh, in my opinion, should have been named man of the match in the first game. He has improved his game. He deserved the man of the match award. Tony played well too in both games as did Sandanezwe Mathabela. I think Tony showed his experience, especially in the final. Vusumuzi Zungu for Highlanders also did well," Dlodlu said.

Meanwhile, veteran Midas City coach Isaiah 'Ice' Dlamini picked Tsabedze as his standout performer in the Charity Cup. "The performances of the players were not at the required level because obviously they are still from pre-season so physically they are not yet 100 per cent ready. However, there were a few standout performers. Tony showed his experience especially in the final. He kept on pushing and trying. 'Papi' Sikhondze also played well but he needs to work on things like his tactical discipline. For Highlanders, I was really impressed with (Simphiwe) Manana. He played well at the back," Dlamini said. The Charity Cup's best player will be crowned during the tournament's prize giving ceremony on a day yet to be confirmed.

SNSRC HAILS 'GOLDEN' SEYAMA

By Sibusiso Dlamini

ATHLETICS - THE Swaziland National Sport and Recreation Council (SNSRC) has hailed high jumper Erika Seyama for her outstanding performance in the 2018 African Championships staged in Asaba, Nigeria.

Seyama is the only local athlete that secured a podium finish in the Championships and the SNSRC has hailed her performance, noting that this could be the start of great things to come for the country.

Speaking through the council's Media Officer Dumisani Ntiwane, the SNSRC yesterday said the organisation launched the Podium Performance Programme and they were not surprised Seyama had won gold against some of the best athletes in the continent. "Obviously, we are excited and very proud of such a feat. On behalf of the Minister

of Sports, Culture and Youth Affairs, David 'Cruiser' Ngcamphalala, the SNSRC Board of Directors Chairman Lawrence 'Lolo' Mthethwa, his entire board, the SNSRC CEO, Darius Dloomo, the SNSRC staff and indeed the entire sports movement in the Kingdom of Eswatini, we would like to heartily congratulate Seyama for her achievement.

Good things

"We have every reason to believe that this is a start of good things to come for the country. Her performance is a true reflection of our aspirations as the SNSRC. There is nothing we would like more than to see local athletes securing podium finishes during such high profile events. She is obviously an inspiration and we do hope that she will not only inspire high jumpers but the rest of the local athletes in their respective fields," Ntiwane said. He warned the athlete against relaxing now that she has won gold in the continental com-



HAILED: Local athlete Erika Seyama with her Egyptian and Ethiopian counterparts after winning a gold medal in high jump during the African championships in Asaba, Nigeria. (Courtesy pic)

petition. Ntiwane said he would personally meet with the athlete to discuss a number of issues that would benefit other athletes, especially high jumpers. "Seyama is a role model and as I stated earlier, she is an inspiration, who will inspire a number of

up and coming athletes, especially students. We will have to devise an effective strategy that will see her conduct clinics in high jump because she has shown the world that Eswatini as a country can produce athletes of high quality," said Ntiwane.