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### Vision statement

"We the Bafokeng Nation, the Supreme Council and Kgosi, are determined to develop ourselves to be a self-sufficient Nation by the second decade of the 21st century."

### Mission statement

"We give our full and relentless commitment to provide our nation with all basic human needs. To provide continued promotion of respect and enhancement of our culture and economic self-sufficiency. In all these endeavours we shall not falter in holding our respect to our Kgosi and the Nation, and hold dear our land."





Kgwedi ya Phatwe ke e kgethegileng, ka fa e tlotlomatsa seabe se basadi ba nnileng le sona go tokafatsa setšhaba le gona go tswelala go kgaratlhela ditshwanelo tsa bona. Ngwaga le ngwaga ka 9 Phatwe, baagi ka ditso, dipuo le mebala e e farologaneng ba a kopana go keteka letsatsi la bosetšhaba la basadi.

Le ke letsatsi la boikhutso leo le re gopotsang ditiragalo tsa dingwaga di le 56, moo basadi ba neng ba gwanta go ipelaetsa kगतलhanong le tsamaiso ya tlhaolele.

Jaaka re itse, mo nakong e e fetileng basadi ba ne ba sa fiwe tlotlo e e ba tshwanetseng, mme ba lwa ka thata go tlisa diphetogo. Gompieno basadi ba matlafetse le go tlhaloganya ditshwanelo tsa bona, e leng seo se amogetsweng ke setšhaba. Dipetogo tse di bonala mo mefameng e mentsi jaaka thuto, dipolotiki le ditshono tsa ditiro le tse dingwe. Bontsi jwa bona bo setse bo ikemetse, bo kgona go itirela ka bo bona. Buisa ka bangwe ba basadi ba mo tsebeng ya bo 6 le ya bo 10.

Le fa gona go na le diphetogo ka seemo sa basadi, bangwe ba bona ba sa ntse ba kopana le mathata a tshotlakako, dipetelelo, lehuma le tse dingwe. Mme go rulaganya meletlo ya go keteka letsatsi le ngwaga le ngwaga, ga se tšhono ya go itumelela diphitlhelelo fela, mme ke tšhono ya go ntshetsa mo pepeneneng dingwe tsa dikgwetlho tseo bangwe ba basadi ba sa ntseng ba kopana natso.

Tsaya karolo, o lebelele mo tikologong ya gago, mme o tlise diphetogo. Mosadi yo o maatlametlo o dira ka lerato go kgalema, go godisa le go tlhokomela setšhaba ka boipelo.

Ditebogo go botlhe bao ba nnileng le seabe gore letsatsi le le nne gona, itsose le wena o tsenele meletlo eo e tla bong e tshwerwe go ralala naga, go keteka diphitlhelelo tsa basadi go fitlha ga jaana.

*Happy Women's Month!*

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# Record number of voters at 2012 Traditional Council Elections

**C**ommunity members across all villages turned out in great numbers to elect seven council members who will serve in the Bafokeng Traditional Council. The elections held on 21 July, were highly contested, attracting even more young people from the community.



Chief Electoral Officer, Molefi Kgokong, was impressed with the elections saying voting at all stations went well with no major disruptions or disturbances.

“I think the elections went well under the circumstances and whatever incidents we encountered were not uncharacteristic of typical behaviour and conduct which usually prevails around the elections,” he explained.

Turnout was reported to be high compared to the previous elections with 14097 casting their ballots.

“This turnout is impressive given the high number of youth who took part. I think more people are starting to gain interest in the running of the affairs of Morafe and feel that they too can also make a contribution”, Kgokong said. About 70% of the voters were reported to be young people who also showed interest in becoming councillors.

The process started off with nominations of candidates at 37 nomination meetings held across

the Bafokeng regions. Every village participated in the process with candidates being drawn from each village. A total of 67 candidates were nominated, however, three candidates were disqualified. One was found to have a criminal record, another has a full time employment while the other is married and lives outside Bafokeng area.

Kgokong said the final list of winning candidates could not be released until the objections received have been addressed. It is alleged that some candidates voted more than once in different voting stations while others were reported to be non-Bafokeng. He added that according to the electoral code, candidates can be disqualified if they have a criminal record, not bona fide members of the Bafokeng, being involved as an office bearer in a political party, having been dismissed from their employment, or being employed elsewhere.

As the new council starts with its work in August, each region will

be represented by the candidates of their choice. Capital and North Regions will each have 2 Councillors, due to the areas being highly populated; North East Region, Central Region and South East Region will each have 1 Councillor. The other eleven members will be appointed by Kgosi Leruo Molotlegi to bring the total number of council members to 18.

“We take this opportunity to thank all people who assisted in the election process, in particular all elections staff, RBA staff, Dikgosana and Bannakgotla, candidates and the RBN in general”, concluded Kgokong.

**The total turn out per Region during the elections are as follows:**

|            |       |
|------------|-------|
| Capital A  | = 18% |
| Capital B  | = 11% |
| North A    | = 8%  |
| North B    | = 16% |
| North East | = 20% |
| Central    | = 16% |
| South East | = 12% |



# Bringing light to the life of communities



**A**fter a long wait of nearly three years, hundreds of homes in eighteen villages are at last getting power supply. The RBA electrification project is underway with planned completion towards the end of the year.

Initiated in September 2011, the project brought relief to many families that had been without electricity for a long time. While the first three villages were completed in December 2011, more than fifteen other villages will have electricity once the project is completed in November this year.

According to the Project Manager, Lucain Paulik, this forms part of an effort to address the ever increasing demand for electricity in villages.

“Most villages we are currently supplying with power are new developments, which unfortunately had to wait for some time before we could start

connecting electricity to their areas”.

“We usually wait until we have approximately 50% occupation. This is merely done as a security measure to help prevent copper cable theft which is a huge problem in our area and the country at large”, he added.

The electrification project came with several benefits for the residents of these villages, among them, the generation of temporary jobs for the local people and improvement of their quality of life. Presently more than fifty individuals have benefitted from the project through temporary employment in their villages. Many more people stand to benefit when the project starts in the few remaining villages.

A local company, Tutuka Electrical Contractors was appointed to install the main infrastructure while Ernest Zanele Trading Enterprise, another local

company, was sub-contracted to carry out all house connections including the installation of prepaid meters.



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"Our construction and maintenance activities rely on the involvement of the local community to ensure upliftment and skills development of our local companies. In addition, this is also done to get our work done efficiently and economically," said Paulik.

The cost to supply power to all the families in these villages amounts to nearly nine million rand. Once the project is complete, the community will be able to enjoy a much better quality of life.



**2010/2011 project:**

|                   |                        |                            |
|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Kanana         | 127 stands electrified | (42 occupied and 85 empty) |
| 2. Lefaragatlhe   | 73 stands electrified  | (62 occupied and 11 empty) |
| 3. Mafenya        | 57 Stands electrified  | (all 57 occupied)          |
| 4. Maile Diepkuil | 69 stands electrified  | (0 occupied and 69 empty)  |

**2011/2012 project:**

|                                |                       |                            |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 5. Luka (1/2 Rathibedi/ ½ Tau) | 91 stands electrified | (1 occupied and 92 empty)  |
| 6. Luka Rathibedi              | 82 stands electrified | (42 occupied and 40 empty) |
| 7. Luka Tlaseng                | 61 stands electrified | (13 occupied and 48 empty) |
| 8. Mogono North                | 18 stands electrified | (0 occupied and 18 empty)  |
| 9. Mogono Ralesobesobe         | 17 stands electrified | (5 occupied and 12 empty)  |
| 10. Tsitsing                   | 32 stands electrified | (25 occupied and 7 empty)  |
| 11. Lemenong                   | 35 stands electrified | (32 occupied and 3 empty)  |
| 12. Lenatong Ext               | 12 stands electrified | (4 occupied and 8 empty)   |
| 13. Maile Ext                  | 60 stands electrified | (0 occupied and 60 empty)  |
| 14. Maile Roodekraal           | 74 stands electrified | (11 occupied and 63 empty) |
| 15. Thekwane                   | 71 stands electrified | (6 occupied and 65 empty)  |
| 16. Chaneng Blagori            | 9 stands electrified  | (7 occupied and 2 empty)   |
| 17. Chaneng Ramagotsi          | 37 stands electrified | (12 occupied and 25 empty) |
| 18. Mafenya                    | 8 stands electrified  | 5 occupied and 3 empty)    |



# Celebrating women

**T**he 09 August marks a remembrance of 1956 where a large group of South African women began a campaign to bring an end to pass laws enforced by the government of the time.

This annual public holiday commemorates an eventful day in South Africa's history. It also celebrates the freedom and equality that women have acquired throughout the years. Women have always been at the back seat of the economy, and have been deemed by the society to be appropriate for caring for children and housework.

As we celebrate this day, we commemorate women who have made a difference within our communities, and are showing success in their business. Women who have proved to us that "when you teach a woman you teach a generation". These women have been dedicated to their businesses and to the community.

Meet Ntebo Sedikwe, a woman of great calibre! She is a founder of the Chaneng Association of the Blind and one of those women who have shown passion in caring for her community's development. Mrs Sedikwe was brave enough to resign from her job at Sun City in 2002, and applied for computer and Braille courses at Optima in Pretoria in 2003. Sadly, her application was only responded to in 2005.

In the meantime she was patient and determined to do something about her life. Despite her deteriorating eyesight, she started a backyard vegetable garden and also attended a workshop with Marang



*Ntebo Sedikwe*

Women in Agriculture for bee keeping and honey production.

When she eventually went to Optima to get started with her courses she was told that she had

optic nerve and could not study computer courses as she could permanently lose her eyesight. This seemed like a dead end for her but she did not let the report get to her until she was introduced to Michael Mokgoba of South African Association of the Blind.

After discussions with Mokgoba she gathered all the people who had impaired vision in Chaneng, and through persuasion she managed to get 20 people and 19 members decided to start business and have a second chance in life.

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The Chaneng Association was formed out of passion, love and economic development for blind individuals. It was established on 8 June 2005 and since then it has grown by leaps and bounds. The centre produces a variety of vegetables which it supplies to Sun City and to markets outside Rustenburg. It also produces honey and good quality cleaning chemicals. Sedikwe cannot only fend for her family but she has managed to help others too.

The project has been extended and they have implemented a hydroponics system of producing vegetables. They are advised and technically supported by Umtali Consulting and Food and Trees for Africa with vegetables. They are funded by Fraser Alexander, Royal Bafokeng Platinum and Royal Bafokeng Administration who also offers capacity training and development through Siyakhula Trust. Sedikwe's vision is to assist blind



people within her community to change their lives for the better and make them aware of the opportunities and resources available to them. "There are challenges with being blind and running a business and getting a person who can see to assist them will not take them where they want to be."

Sedikwe said that the sky is the limit for them as an organisation and she desires to see the centre sustainable and in future being in control of young people with visual impairments. The journey has been literally been of a blind leading a blind, and they used each other's strength and ability to see to

manoeuvre in the garden to plant their vegetables and herbs.

Being disabled does not stop anyone from achieving their goals not even lack of eyesight can stop you from living life for yourself and others. Sedikwe has three awards under her belt for the sterling work she does in her community. She was awarded the community builder of the year in 2009-2010 by North West Health and Social development. She was also recognised in 2008 at the Royal Bafokeng Excellence awards.

"I wish to encourage families who are sighted not to keep their visually impaired relatives in the house; the government has many programmes for such people which can be explored and change their lives for the better. I have learnt from a young age not to be depended on anyone but to use my God-given talent to make a living" said Sedikwe.

## Lebone II – College of the Royal Bafokeng Presents Tom Stoppard's

When:

Thursday 13th, Friday 14th and Saturday 15th September 2012

Where:

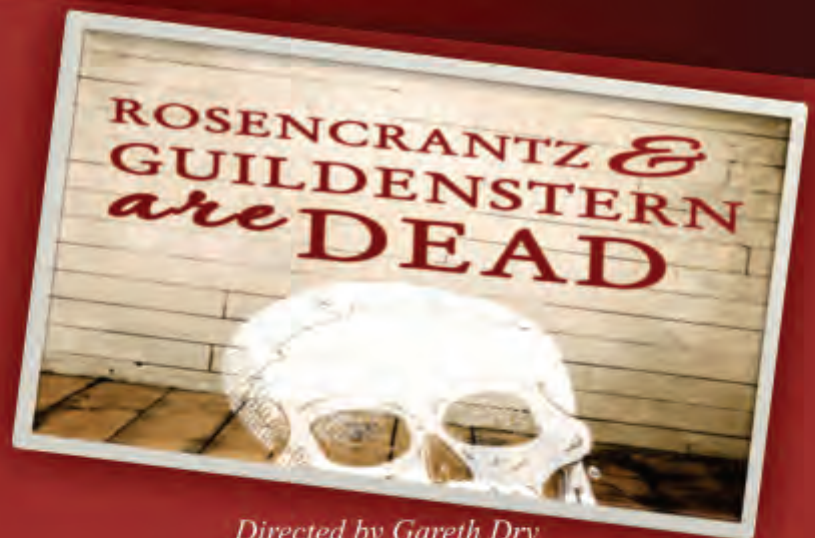
The Lebone II Black Box Theatre

Time:

7pm

Tickets:

R50 Adults and R30 Scholars



*Directed by Gareth Dry*

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# 13th Year Programme promises student success

**T**he 13th Year Programme is now in its third year and has provided many students around Bafokeng with an opportunity to be part of a one year full-time study and participation programme at Lebone II – College of the Royal Bafokeng

This programme is an exposure and experiential year designed to enrich, extend and assist students to be successful University under-graduates. It will enable them to make suitable degree choices, so they can return to RBN as graduates who can make meaningful contributions to the Royal Bafokeng Vision.

Recruitment for the project is done via application for RBI's Bafokeng Student Loan Programme. All successful applicants are required to join and complete the 13th Year programme at Lebone II before commencing with their approved University degrees.

Currently the programme has 14 learners from different high schools. Three from Thethe High, two from Bafokeng High, and one each from Sekete High, Mangope High, Hoërskool Rustenburg, Grenville High, Boitekong Secondary, St Anne's High, Rauwane High, Manape High, and Motlhaputsweng High in Tlokweg.

The Segogoe team visited the 13th year project programme students at the Lebone College campus to learn more about what



*Kgotso Genge*



*Darius Modisane*



*Kgosi Setshedi*

they do. This is what the learners had to say about the programme.

## **Kgotso Genge, Rauwane High School**

Initial interaction amongst us was not easy since we were from different schools with different cultures. Language was also a barrier, as we were not all used to communicating in English. In the first month of the project we attended a week's leadership camp focusing on the aims of the project. It helped us feel more at ease with each other, to adapt to different characters within the group and to open ourselves up to new experiences.

## **Boitumelo Chenepe, St Anne's High school**

As 13th year students we can now confidently say that we are ready to adapt to any situation that we are placed in, whether social or academic. We know who we are and what we are capable of.

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Being part of the 13th year programme helped me determine my abilities, I am more decisive, ready to go to university and understand why I really want to follow the career that I have chosen. I now know my strengths and weaknesses.

**Darius Modisane, Boitekong Secondary**

Since I became part of the project I have learnt many new things, such as computer skills. I participate in sports that I was not exposed to at my previous school. I want to become a teacher and what I have learnt has given me confidence that I have not made a wrong career choice for myself.

**Kgosi Setshedi, Grenville High School**

I have grown as a person, I am responsible and accountable. The programme has assisted me with handling pressure. I wish that it was compulsory in all high schools.

**Othusitse Molamu, Thethe High School.**

It was difficult when we started, I used to be at school from 7h30 to 14h00 and now it's from 7h00 to 16h00. The workload is also more than what I was used to. We used to do 300 word assignments and it has now jumped to 700 words, which I have not yet achieved. My English has improved and I wish the teachers at high school could increase the workload so that the students could get used to it.

**Obakeng Khunou, Hoërskool Rustenburg**

We have developed new skills,



*Othusitse Molamu*



*Obakeng Khunou*



*Lesego Mabokachaba*

better communication and time management, and have learnt to be responsible for our lives. I have a better grasp of my potential and

I will do more than one career. After the 13th year I will follow medicine and probably do teaching afterwards. I can now take ownership of my life.

**Lesego Mabokachaba, Mangope Tech High School**

The best part is when we do community service. Even though it can be quite touching and not easy to deal with the situations that our beneficiaries live in, I have learnt to be humble and to embrace "botho".

The programme appears to be a wonderful experience that really helps to give students some extra time to strengthen their academic skills and a little extra time to mature both physically and emotionally. All the students agreed that the programme has inculcated a culture of reading, has taught business skills, time management, writing skills, has strengthened their thinking abilities, the importance of interaction, and self-confidence. They are now responsible, cooperative, independent, proactive, participative and adaptive to change.





# Smart Wash business makes waves



*"Some people dream of great accomplishments, while others stay awake and do them."*

In the words of Vidal Sassoon, "the only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary." The latest success story is living testament that combining hard work and dedication, whilst keeping focused on your goal, reaps the greatest rewards.

The Business Place Phokeng boasts a tool they call, Business on the Move(Success story), which continues to document and measure the impact they have on their clients; and they are proud to showcase the success story of Monica Mafatshe, and her Business – Smart Wash Laundry.



*Monica Mafatshe*

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## **VICTIM EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMME**

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Monica Mafatshe is a woman with a dream, and having been with The Business Place Phokeng for almost a year, she is one of their successful clients who have been impacted by their turnkey services.

Exploring the options of sourcing income to sustain her family, Monica originally approached The Business Place Phokeng for funding in order to start a small Business; but after consulting with a Navigator, she realized that funding is only a small segment of building a business.

She now operates a successful Laundromat, Smart Wash Laundry, from Impala Mine Shaft No.6, which is where she secured the first of five contracts, within five months. Monica is an inspiration to her community. She built this business from scratch, with the continual



*employee of Smart Wash Laundry*

support and services of The Business Place Phokeng.

In addition, she acquired four more contracts Boitekong, Phokeng, Mogwase and Rustenburg Police station, as well as Rustenburg Municipality.

Monica is a woman who is not afraid of hard work, and who is

committed to improving her quality of life and building a solid foundation for the future of her family. She is a living proof that if you want things to change, you have to change, and if you want things to become better, you have to become better; and this possibility has been amplified by The Business Place, Phokeng.

## A Lentswe la Gago le Utlwale!

Lekwalo dikgang la gago; Segoagoe le go laletsa go romela dikakanyo le ditshwaelo dingwe le dingwe tse o ka tswang o na le tsona go [patience@bafokeng.com](mailto:patience@bafokeng.com) kgotsa wa di tliisa ka namana kwa Bafokeng Civic Centre.

Ditshwaelo di letleletswe go fitlha labotlhano wa bobedi wa kgwedi ngwe le ngwe. Mokwadi o rotloediwa go kwala bokana ka mafoko a le 400, e seng go feta.

Ditshwaelo ka puo ya Setswana le ya Sekgoa di amogelesegile. O gakololwa go akaretse leina la gago, dinomoro tsa mogala, le lefelo la bonno mo lekwalong la gago.

ELA TLHOKO: Botsamaisi bo nale thata ya go tlopha makwalo a a siametseng go phasaladiwa.

## Make Your Voice Heard-Share Your Views!

Segoagoe invites members of the community to forward their suggestions, comments and views about any issue that matters to them, to [patience@bafokeng.com](mailto:patience@bafokeng.com) or they can be hand delivered to Bafokeng Civic Center, every second Tuesday of the month.

Letters should not exceed 400 words and may be written in Setswana or English.

Every letter should bear the name, telephone numbers and area of residence of the writer.

NB: The editorial team reserves the right to determine the appropriateness of articles submitted for publication.



# Barutwana ba keteka Mandela Day



**B**aithuti le barutabana ba sekolo sa poraemari sa Matlhwane kwa Phokeng, ba ne mo malobeng le bona ba nna karolo ya baagi go ralala naga ka go ithaopa go direla setšhaba. Se e ne e le karolo ya go keteka letsatsi la botsalo la mogaka Nelson Mandela.

Botlhe ba neelane ka metsotso e le 67 le go feta, go tlisa boitumelo le tshepo mo lelapeng la ntate Buki Nameng, yo o fufetseng morago ga go tshelwa ke dikhemikhale mo matlhong le go kgaolwa leoto ka ntlha ya bolwetse jwa kankere. Botlhe ba ne ba tlhantihela ba phepafatsa ntlo le segotlo, ba tlhatswa digaretene, matlhabaphefo, le gona go ntshafatsa mabota ka go a penta.

Motlatsa mogokgo wa sekolo, Rre Powane, a re ka gale fa batho ba keteka letsatsi le tshwana le le, ba gopola fela disenthara di tshwana le tsa dikhutsana mme ba le bale gore le mo malapeng mangwe go na le bao ba tlhokang thuso. A re ke ka moo sekolo se ileng sa tsaya tshwetso ya go etela lelapa la Nameng.

Morutabana Sibongile Mmeko, le ene o ne a itumeletse letsatsi le. O umakile fa ba kopane e le sekolo go thusa fao ba kgonang teng, e ka nna thuso ya go tlhokomela bagodi kgotsa go kgobokanyana matlole go thusa bana ba ba tswang mo malapeng a a dikobo dikhutswane ka diaparo le madi a sekolo. A re thuso ya mofuta o, e thusa go katisa bana go nna le maikarabelo le go nna baeteledipele ba ba tlhwalhwa ba kamoso.

O tswelletse ka gore " thuso ya rona ga se ya gompieno fela, re tla tswelela go thusa ntate Nameng ka tse a di tlhokang, le fa e ka nna gona go bua le badiredi loago go mo thusa gongwe ka go mo isa kwa senthareng ya tlhokomelo ya bagodi".

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## Help Us to Help You – Pay for Your Services!

### Water Meter Readings

Water meters are read from the 25th to the 30th of each month but the billing for that month is only distributed the following month.

If you do not receive your bill, which is distributed every month when meters are read, please contact the Rates Office at Bafokeng Plaza.

### How to pay your bill

Non-payment of bills is taken very seriously. If you are having difficulty paying your bill, please speak to us as soon as possible as we may be able to help.

- All payments are made at the RBA Rates Office at Bafokeng Plaza.
- Cash payments or bank guaranteed cheques are welcome.

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  - Traffic accidents
  - Fire to buildings
  - Crime
- Land invasion (squatting)
  - Storms
  - Veld fires
- Emergencies at schools

Should you experience any of the above, please call, Toll-free number: 0800 56 2020 or e-mail to [callcentre@bafokeng.com](mailto:callcentre@bafokeng.com)



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Mongwe wa barutwana Malebo Ruele, are go tsaya karolo ga gagwe, go mo gopotsa seo a ithutileng sona ka ga aparteiti. Mme se se mo rotloetsa go thusa ba bangwe jaaka Nelson Mandela a ka rata.

Mowa e ene e le o o edileng kwa lapeng la ga ntate Nameng, botlhe ba semeletse, mongwe le mongwe a batla go bona a tsenya letsogo go dira sengwe. Gareng ga bona go ne go na le baruti ba dikereke tse di farologaneng. Moruti Herman Ngolwane go tswa kwa Punodung, a re o itumeletse go nna karolo ya letsema. A re go bona bana ba semeletse, go bontsha fa go na le diphetogo mo botshelong, moo batho ba sa tlholeng ba itebelela ba le nosi, mme ba bontsha tirisano mmogo le lerato ka go thusa ba bangwe.

Go wetsa tiro e ntle ya letsatsi, sekolo se tlogetse diphuthelwana tseo ba di kgobokantseng go thusa ntate Nameng go iphedisa. E rile fa a ntsha maikutlo a gagwe, ntate Nameng a re "Go a intumedisa gore batho ba bo ba ithaopile go tla go nthusa. Ke ikutlwa ke fodile mo moweng le fa gona ke sa bone e bile ke sena leoto. Matshwenyego a me fela ke ona matlho a, mme ke rapela gore o ka re Modimo a ka nthusa a busetsa pono ya me gape".

Maikaelelo magolo a Mandela Day, ke go rotloetsa batho botlhe go tsaya karolo mo go thuseng go fetola lefatshe go nna lefelo le le botoka gammogo le go thusa go matlafatsa batho gotlhe mo lefatsheng. Mandela o ne a tshwara dingwaga di le 94.



## RBA CALL CENTRE

The Royal Bafokeng Administration has set up a Call Centre to receive the emergency reports on the following:

- Water pipe bursts
- Sewer blockages
- Electricity faults
- Damage to the road infrastructure (hazardous to traffic)
- Traffic accidents
- Fire to buildings
- Crime
- Land invasion (squatting)
- Storms
- Veld fires
- Emergencies at schools

Should you experience any of the above, please call,

**Toll-free number: 0800 56 2020 or  
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# Tshekatsheko ya Motse wa Serutube

**M**otse o ke mongwe wa metse e mentye ya Bafokeng, go dipego di tshalosang fa baagi ba ona ba tswa ba le kwa motseng wa Luka. Gatwe baagi ba fudugetse mo motseng o ka ntlha ya masimo. Ba fitlhile ba itirela mekgoro mme ka go natefelelwa ke go nna fa, ba nna ba aga go fitlha motse o gola. Motse o, o dikilometara di le 15,6 botlhaba jwa Phokeng, mme o bogolo ba dihektara di le 101 ka matlo a balelwa go feta 280 fa o kopane le wa Mafika.

Motse o wa Serutube o ka fa tlase ga boeteledipele jwa ga Kgosana Daniel Rabyang mo kutleng ya ga Tau.

## Ditirelo

Mo go tsa thuto, motse ono o dirisa dikolo tse di akaretsang se se potlana sa Serutube le tse di gaufi tsa St. Gerald le sa Matsukubanye kwa Kanana. Baagi ba dirisa kliniki ya Kanana e e gaufi go bona thuso ka tsa pholo, eo e okediwang gape ke mobile clinic eo e etelang motse kgwedi le kgwedi. Ditirelo tse di botlhokwa tsa metsi le motlakase le tsona di teng. Ditsela tseo di tsenang mo motseng le tsona di adilwe sentle.

## Ikonomi

Go iphedisa, baagi ba dira mo meepong e e gaufi le motse o, fa ba bangwe bona ba le mo temothuong. Bangwe ba bomme ba ipopile ngatana go aga setlhophha se se maatla sa go lema merogo. Ba dirile se ka go simolola tshingwana ya merogo eo e tlamelang bana ba dikhutsana le sekolo sa Serutube se se potlana ka



merogo. Ka projeke ya bona ba kgona go dira lotseno ka go rekisetša dikolo tse di gaufi merogo ya tshingwana ya bona.

Ka tshwaragano le lefapha la tshabololo ya loago, setlhophha se se dira ditiro tse di farologaneng tseo di akaretsang tlhokomelo ya bagodi le bana ba dikhutsana. Ba fiwa gape tshono ya go tsenela katiso ya botlhokwa go ba kgontsha go dira tiro e ka botlalo.

Nngwe gape ya diprojeke tse di kgalhisang mo motseng o, ke ya go rua dikolobe, eo e eteletsweng pele ke Rre Herman Rakgokong. Ene ke mongwe wa baagi bao ba emeng ka maoto go itirela ka matsogo, mme gape a thusa le bao ba dirang go tshola lefelo leo le le phepa. Ka dikolobe tsa bona, ba kgona go tlamela lefelo le go tlabelwang kwa go lona kwa Ziniaville ntle le matsapa.

Le mo temong, bomme ba motse o, ba tlhagelela ka magetla. Ba tlhalosa fa ba simolotse go lema ka ngwaga wa 2009, ka kgolagano le setlhophha sa Nkanyiso, seo se ba

rulaganyetsang katiso ya mefuta e e farologaneng.

## Dikgwetlho

Le fa gona ditsela tseo di tsenang mo motseng di adilwe e bile di lebege, go santse go na le di le mmalwa mo gare ga motse tseo baagi bareng di bafa bothata fa dipula di na. Baagi ba ngongorega gape ka tlhokego ya mabone a mebila ao bareng, fa a ka nna teng, a ka tokafatsa pabalesego ya bona segolobogolo bosigo.





# Bafokeng Student Loan Application



RBI/CE/Student Loan/220612

Prospective students are invited to apply for Bafokeng Student Loan funding in the following fields of study:

- BEd Tech/BEd (Foundation/Intermediate Phase); Agriculture (Crop/Plant and Animal Science) at North West University
- Medicine and Dental Studies at University of Free State
- Oral Hygiene and other BSc related studies at the University of Pretoria
- Diesel Mechanics; Boilermaker; Electrician; Fitter & Turner; Rigging; Instrumental; Nursing; Community House Building; and Hospitality studies at Bafokeng Plaza
- Other Engineering related courses at Vaal University of Technology

All successful applicants who wish to follow University programmes will have to join the 13th Year programme offered at Lebone II College for a period of a year.

Application forms are available at Royal Bafokeng Institute (RBI) offices next to Legato.

**Enquiries: 014 566 1400**



***Apply before  
30 September 2012***



# Michael Mabule is a Platinum Star

**R**ising star Michael Mabule is delighted about his elevation to the Platinum Stars first team from the academy structures. The 20-year-old is the first player to graduate from the new academy set-up at the Bafokeng Sports Campus and is determined to take his chance. The right-back is realistic about his first-team chances in the coming season and said he is ready to learn from incumbent Vuyo Mere.

"I am really excited and thankful to coach Cavin Johnson for believing in me," Mabule says.

"This is the biggest thing that has happened in my life and I really want to succeed. I will bide my time and continue to work hard and learn as much as I can and hopefully I get my chance. I know I must be patient and that I am still learning. This is a big step up for me," he says.

Mabule hails from Kanana village, one of the 29 villages of the Bafokeng in the Central region. He said he attended trials at the Academy without knowing if he was good enough.

"I just tried my luck, I thought,

'why not go for it'. Luckily it paid off and here I am now with a PSL squad. It is a dream come true." Mabule says he is the first in his family to play professionally and counts Barcelona's Brazilian right-back Dani Alves and Mere as his role-model.

Alves is almost the complete right-back, he is so attacking and exciting to watch. Working with Vuyo here, I have already learnt a lot from him and I hope that I can have as successful a career as he has," he concludes.



## Kitsiso go maloko a Lekgotla La Malla

Maloko otlhe a kgotla ya Malla a itsiwe fa dikopano tsa lekgotla di fetotswe. Dikopano tsa lekgotla jaanong di tla simolola go tsena ka beke ya bobedi ya kgwedi nngwe le nngwe.

Diphetogo tse di tla tsena tirisong go simolola ka sontaga, 14 Diphlane 2012

Se se dirwa go netefatsa gore lekgotla le kgone go bega ka nako

dikgang tsa kgotlakgolo(Supreme Council).

*Molaetsa ka:  
Kgosana Matlakala Segoe*



# Dikwena unveils new kit

**O**n Monday 23 July 2012 Platinum Stars and Umbro SA officially unveiled the new Dikwena playing kit for the 2012/13 Premier Soccer League (PSL) at the Bafokeng Plaza.

The new kit takes its inspiration from the colours of the Bafokeng Nation, with a unique style that gives Platinum Stars its own identity and signature look. The Umbro design team used the 'Platinum' green and dark navy colours to accentuate the heritage of the team and the Bafokeng Nation, adding in a modern look and feel that makes it a must-have fashion item too.

Umbro also took great care to ensure that the kit was unique to Dikwena, and that supporters who purchased their replica kits would be proud to wear a garment that is perfectly tailored and is iconic to the club.

Donovan Bell, Sales Manager at Umbro SA, said they are delighted to partner with Platinum Stars.

"We are very proud to be associated with Platinum Stars, an ambitious Premier Soccer League club who we believe have the potential to be one of the biggest in the country. At Umbro SA we pride ourselves on quality and excellence, and we choose partners who we believe will also embody those principles. We certainly believe we have found such a club in Platinum Stars and we look forward to seeing them in PSL stadia across the country in their Umbro kit," Bell said.

Platinum Stars and Umbro

announced their partnership for the next two seasons at a signing ceremony in March 2012. The two parties already had a prior connection.

The world-class design and manufacture of the new Platinum

Stars kit will serve as a major motivator to the players as they head into the new season knowing that they are backed by a global sportswear giant in Umbro.





# On the seat with Cavin Johnson

**P**latinum Stars recently appointed Cavin Johnson as head coach of Platinum Stars following his role as the caretaker along with Allan Freese during the last season. He talks to the Platinum Stars website about the challenges ahead and his ambitions for the club in the coming campaign.

**How do you feel about the appointment as head coach?**

For me, if you look at my career, it is something that is overdue in terms of the clubs that I have worked for in an assistant or development role. This is the natural next step for me, and I am very excited about the challenge. Obviously to be given this opportunity at such a well-established and ambitious club as Platinum Stars is a huge honour.

**You are now just a week into pre-season. How are things looking so far?**

Very good, most of the players have come back in good shape following the training programmes we gave them in the off-season. And I have been very impressed with the attitude and eagerness to work among the guys. The atmosphere at the camp is very positive and we are setting our goals.

**Do you have any plans to make major changes to the playing squad?**

New signings have taken place, as you have seen already with the likes of Patrick Malokase, Benson Mhlongo and Mogakolodi Ngele, but we wanted to retain the core of last year's squad as well because we



Cavin Johnson

believe in the ability they have to take us further up the table. I think we showed in the final few months of last season that we can be a match for anybody, and it is now about finding consistency in our performances to make sure we give our best performance.

**Are you excited about the players who have come in?**

Definitely! I think another important thing to add is that we are very keen to put the best possible product out there on the field of play. We want to play exciting football that will attract people to the stadium.

**Are you pleased to be working with your assistants, Allan Freese and Willem Jackson?**

Absolutely! I think it brings great continuity to the technical team, and to me it is important. It means the players know all of us and our expectations, and they are used to

working with us. Both Allan and Willem are excellent coaches and I am very happy to have them in my technical team.

**What are your goals for the coming campaign?**

If you ask me that question now, then I would say my goal is to win the League. Everybody starts the season with zero points and so everybody is on an even footing. Our ambition has to be to win the Championship. If you ask me that question again 10 matches from now then I might have a different answer for you based on how we have gone. But right now we want to win every trophy on offer for us and we have to believe we can.

**Your previous role was obviously as Head of Development at Platinum Stars. Are you excited about the talent that came through the junior ranks at the club?**

For sure, the Academy is doing very well and I believe that there are some players in there who can go on to have very successful careers if they continue to develop and have the drive to do so.

**The first game of the season is at home to Moroka Swallows on the weekend of August 10/11. Is it too far off to start thinking of that game?**

Not at all! We are already planning for it and I think it will be some sort of a revenge game for us because it was Swallows who ended our hopes of a top eight finish last season.



# Dikwena Under-19 gets promoted

**T**he Platinum Stars (Dikwena) Under-19 side have been promoted to the SAB Regional League where they will begin their campaign from September. The Dikwena youngsters won all five of their qualification matches to take their place in the fourth tier of South African Football Association, where they will take part in the Central Region of the SAB Regional League.

"We have a very good balance and young team, even by Under-19 standards," says Platinum Stars Youth Development Manager, Moss Ramatja.

"We have one player of 19, but the rest are just 16 or 17 years old, so they will get experience in the SAB Regional League next season.

"As a club we are delighted to have our young stars of tomorrow competing at high level and that will certainly help their development as players."

The SAB Regional League is the fourth tier of South African Football Association after the Absa Premiership, National First Division and Vodacom League.



*From left to right standing :*

Pheko Rankoko, Boitumelo Maraole, Bokang Moilwa, Lucky Mathe, Ofentse Lodewyk, Thapelo Tlabakwe

*From left to right seated :*

Modise Ruele, Lucky Matlala, Mwenya Chibwe, Letlhogonolo Lekoro, Ofentse Moleleki, Mosimanegape Climate



# Platinum Stars unveils new signings

**P**latinum Stars (Dikwena) unveiled their new signings at an open media day held at the Royal Bafokeng Campus on Tuesday, 10 July. The Dikwena squad for the 2012/13 PSL season has taken shape with coach Cavin Johnson thrilled with the caliber of players brought on board. There are 11 new names for the coming campaign, including the promotion of young rising star Michael Mabule, the first product of the Platinum Stars Academy.

The incoming players are defenders Mabule, Tshepo Gumede (ex-SuperSport United), Obert Moyo (CAPS United, Zimbabwe) and Tintswelo Tshabalala (Black Leopards), midfielders Benson Mhlongo and Patrick Malokase (both Orlando Pirates), Mogakolodi Ngele (Township Rollers, Botswana), Bongani Nyathi (Free State Stars), Roger Majafa (Mpumalanga Black

Aces), and strikers Thabani Mthembu (Young Mates) and Joshua Sauls (Chippa United).

“It is no secret that we had a disappointing first half of last season, when we got to the Christmas recess we were in a relegation battle and our haul of 13 points was very disappointing,” Raine says.

“But in the second half we had a change in fortune and we started to see the results we believe this team is capable of. In the end we were unfortunate not to finish in the top eight.”

“The comeback in the second half of the campaign speaks volumes about the players and the new coaching staff. This season we are confident of taking revival to the next level.”

Coach Johnson is pleased with the players who have been brought on board.

“Going forward, for me as an individual, it is not about 'me', it is about the team and 'us'. It is about everyone, the cleaner, the players, the management staff. I honestly believe this team can be future giants. We have developed this kind of attitude in the academy and that is why they are winning.

“We would also like to put a better product on the field of play, and we have assembled a good team. We want a team on the field that is going to attract the people of the North West to come and watch football.

“As far as winning the League and finishing in the top eight, where we are now, I will tell you we will win the League. We all have zero points and so we are all even, but after the first five games and I may tell you something else,” concluded the coach.

