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City to play leading role at COP17 gathering



More than 20 000 delegates from 194 countries will meet at the Inkosi Albert Luthuli International Convention Centre and the Durban Exhibition Centre from 28 November to 9 December 2011 to attend the 17th Conference of the Parties (COP17) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

Phalane Motale

The City of Tshwane will also be there to showcase its successful and progressive greening projects, some of which are firsts for Africa. Representatives from all the 278 municipalities in South Africa will also attend.

Executive Mayor, Cllr Kgosientso Ramokgopa, will add another feather to his cap when he leads the South African Local Government Association (SALGA) delegation at the conference.

The UNFCCC is an international treaty arising from the UN's Conference on Environment and Development. It is aimed at stabilising greenhouse gas emissions so as to minimise their impact on the earth's climate.

COP is the governing body of the Convention. Since 1995, it has advanced the implementation of the Convention through its decisions which are taken at annual meetings. In 1997, the Kyoto Protocol was introduced with binding obligations for developed countries to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.

The role of local government in South Africa's climate change agenda is critical because municipalities are the window for the coordination of implementation in communities. The local sphere is a better place to create public

awareness and assist communities with building a better and more sustainable environment.

The City of Tshwane is a world leader in its programmatic approach to the clean development mechanism (CDM). With COP17 being staged in South Africa, the City has a unique opportunity to draw international attention.

During the conference, the City of Tshwane aims to showcase itself to investors and businesses as an innovative municipality with vision. It also aims to attract tourists.

The City will also highlight its commitment to addressing climate change through various innovative methods implemented in Tshwane, and position itself as an institution contributing towards a clean and green earth.

The City of Tshwane and dozens of South African municipalities will showcase what they are doing to mitigate and adapt to climate change effects in the local government pavilion of the SA Expo.

Through their exhibits, they will practically demonstrate interventions and projects that have been implemented in different communities. These will range from mitigation to adaptation projects.

The Expo will also be used as a platform to promote dialogue on environmental issues by the public and private sector as well as non-governmental organisations.

The City of Tshwane's exhibition stand will showcase the Municipality's strategic planning and achievements around clean and green issues and build its international reputation as a leading institution on these issues.

With hundreds of exhibitors at the Expo, dozens of meetings, private functions and several local events, the City of Tshwane wants to achieve its objectives, stand out and be taken note of.

To achieve this, the City is going to use multimedia tools and models. It will drive a solid public relations plan so as to get coverage in COP publications and media, including international news, and secure meetings with potential investors.

It will also demonstrate the successes of the City and the residents by displaying a range of CDM projects. Representatives will be on hand to explain how each project has benefited the people and Tshwane.

The City of Tshwane will also use the stand as an opportunity to forge links with potential funders and cities or countries abroad.

Heatwave hits Tshwane

Kgomotso Ratsounyane

Tshwane residents have been warned to take precautions to avoid heatstroke as the season's first heatwave hit the City in recent days. Temperatures have already reached 37°C in some parts of the City during the past week, while the South African Weather Service said that the heatwave is expected to continue for several days.

A heatwave occurs when maximum temperatures for three days or more are 5°C hotter than the average maximum temperatures of the hottest month.

Residents have been warned to stay out of direct sunlight and to drink plenty of water. The heatwave could affect the Tshwane area in varying degrees during the coming weeks, building up to January, which has an average maximum temperature of 29°C. It is important that everyone takes precautions to keep safe. Tips to stay cool and healthy during a scorching heatwave are:

- Stay indoors. Whenever possible, stay inside. If you have to venture out, slow down and avoid strenuous exercise during the hottest part of the day. Postpone outdoor games and activities.
- Stay hydrated. Drink plenty of fluids, even if you do not feel thirsty. Avoid drinks with caffeine or alcohol. Eat small meals and eat more often.
- Avoid outdoor work. Take frequent breaks if you must work outdoors, and use a buddy system when working in excessive heat.
- Dress appropriately. Unless your job calls for it, don't wear jeans and a long-sleeved shirt. Instead, opt for loose-fitting breathable fabrics like cotton and linen in light colours. Avoid dark colours because they absorb heat.
- Wear sunscreen. Sunburn will dehydrate you more than normal. If you do have to be outside, make sure you put on plenty of sunscreen and reapply often.
- Protect the children. Children and the elderly are at even greater risk of being affected by the heat. Give them lots of cold water, let them wear light clothing and keep them indoors whenever possible. Never leave your children unattended in a hot car.
- Air conditioning. Check on family, friends and neighbours who do not have air conditioning, who spend much of their time alone, or who are more likely to be affected by the heat.
- Don't forget your pets. Because of their fur and size, pets can overheat in a very short period of time. During extreme heat, bring your pets indoors and make sure they also have plenty of water to drink. Never leave children or pets alone in enclosed vehicles.

Tshwane Emergency Services can be contacted on 10177, 012 310 6300 or 012 310 6400



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Thumbs-up for Mayoral Imbizo



Executive Mayor, Cllr Kgosientso Ramokgopa



Photos: Muntu Nogobese

Members of the public have their blood pressure and sugar levels tested at the Health and Social Development Department's exhibition stand at the Imbizo in Zithobeni.

Phalane Motale

Residents from all walks of Region 7 (Kungwini Region) converged on the Zithobeni Stadium outside Bronkhorstspuit to interact with the Executive Mayor of Tshwane, Cllr Kgosientso Ramokgopa, during the Mayoral Imbizo on Saturday, 12 November.

Under the theme "City of Tshwane at Work", the event, which was also attended by all MMCs, councillors based in the region, the City Manager and senior officials of the City of Tshwane as well as traditional leaders, was a huge success.

"We'll consult with traditional leaders to develop these areas because we respect and treasure the institution of traditional leaders," Ramokgopa said. The City's departments also exhibited their services, and officials explained to young and old residents their role in enhancing service delivery.

The imbizo was enlightening, as ordinary people got a chance to engage directly with the Executive Mayor and his team, who had rolled up their sleeves to help clean the area around the stadium earlier the day. The City Manager, Jason Ngobeni, and senior managers of the Municipality joined them.

Cllr Ramokgopa was delighted by the enthusiasm shown by the community and applauded a commitment made by them to work closely with the Municipality.

He committed the Municipality to improve the provision of basic services such as water, electricity and, most importantly, housing delivery. The Municipality would also address the lack of tarred roads in the area and would implement a turnaround programme to better the lives of residents.

"We have plans and the budget to eradicate informal settlements and improve the lives of our people in the former Metsweding area.

"We have bought land in the Cullinan/Refilwe area two months ago and will develop it so that residents are not far from their places of employment," he said. Some of the developments to benefit Region 7 in 2012 include:

- Incomplete hostels to be renovated;
- Services to be brought to informal settlements and a contractor to be appointed for Extension 5 by January 2012;
- A private developer has already been appointed to build 3 685 houses in Sections F and H of Ward 104;
- By July 2012, a new cemetery will be available in Ekandustria;
- About 8 000 Dark City residents will have flushing toilets;
- R2 million has been set aside for 15 high-mast street lights;

- All old asbestos pipes in the area are to be replaced;
- By February 2012, 3 000 employment opportunities are to be created to keep the City of Tshwane clean, with at least 400 jobs specifically for locals, who will earn about R2 000 a month;
- A contractor will be appointed to plant lawn and renovate the Zithobeni Stadium; and
- R18 million has been set aside to write off indigent debt in the former Kungwini and Nokeng areas.

Ramokgopa said follow-up meetings would be convened to provide feedback on specific issues raised, such as rates bills that affect households that qualify for the City's indigent policy.

On Saturday, 19 November the Mayor and his team are expected to travel to Hammanskraal for the next phase of the Mayoral Imbizo.

Residents living in this area are encouraged to attend the meeting so that they can air some of their problems and challenges.

Home Affairs HQ to move

Staff Reporter

The Department of Home Affairs is set to relocate its headquarters back to the city centre, director-general Mkuseli Apleni announced during a media briefing.

"We will soon be relocating from Waltloo to the Hallmark Building in the city," he said.

Apleni said that the location of the new building, in the city centre, would make the department's head office more accessible.

The building has been leased for the next seven years, and the rental fee is the same that the department is paying at present.

"Plans for the move have been finalised and it will take place in phases, from 17 November to 22 December. Arrangements are in place to minimise disruption of service."

The move forms part of the City of Tshwane's renewal plans for the central business district and surrounding areas in order to benefit from the huge government presence in the city centre.

The Department of Public Works has a programme to create a better working environment for public servants. It entails an investment of about R22 billion in the city centre.

Bogus solar water heater installers

Staff Reporter

The City of Tshwane warns residents to be cautious about certain suppliers on Eskom's solar water heating (SWH) programme.

This warning comes after several cases of fraud have been reported. The suppliers concerned demanded full payment upfront for the installation of solar water heating systems, which caused many residents to pay more than is necessary because they were ill informed.

A customer's contribution depends on the total cost of the installation minus the rebate that the SWH installer/supplier receives from Eskom. The current rebate for a low-pressure system ranges from R3 282 to R4 233 (including VAT), depending on the size of the system. However, if the Eskom

rebate covers the total cost of installation, customers should not pay anything.

The Municipality condemns the behaviour of the bogus installers and advises residents to verify the accreditation of the installers or suppliers. This can be done by contacting the nearest Eskom walk-in centre.

Residents who have been defrauded in any manner by a supplier on the programme are advised to open a police case against the supplier and take legal action.

The City of Tshwane, together with Eskom, has installed more than 12 000 solar water heaters in Ga-Rankuwa, Mabopane, Botshabelo, Winterveld and Nellmapius in the

last two financial years.

The aim is to reduce the negative impact of energy use on the environment. Currently, no SWH projects are being run. As soon as a project is ready for roll-out, customers/beneficiaries will be informed by the relevant regional electricity distribution (RED) company and ward councillor.

The SWH programme is aimed at ensuring that one million systems are installed in South Africa by 2014. By installing solar water heaters, residents will not only benefit economically in the long term, but also contribute to sustain the environment.

The solar water heating help desk can be contacted at 011 800 4744.

Mayor returns from South Korea with renewed enthusiasm

The Executive Mayor of Tshwane, Cllr Kgositso Ramokgopa, is back from South Korea where he attended the Korea-Africa Industry Cooperation Forum, which was held in Seoul. He also used this opportunity to interact with potential investors of South Korea.

Staff Reporter

With the City of Tshwane showing such a keen interest in sustainable energy projects, Cllr Ramokgopa and the MMC for Economic Development and Planning, Cllr Subesh Pillay, were invited by the South Korean Minister of Knowledge Economy, Choi Joong Kyung, to attend their 2011 cooperation forum from 24 to 29 October 2011. The event was attended by ministers, high-ranking officials and CEOs of global energy and industrial companies with a specific focus on Africa.

The trip showed the City of Tshwane's commitment to attracting strategic investments in the green economic sector. It facilitated access to valuable information about South Korea's domestic CDM (clean development mechanism) projects which focus on emission reduction in the waste sector. Examples are the Daegu Bangcheon-Ri Landfill Gas Project which generates 404 872 ton CO₂ per year and the Sudokwon Landfill Gas Electricity Generation Project (50 MW) which generates 1 210 342 ton CO₂ per year.

Process management is being changed in a number of sectors. For instance, sewage treatments are being changed to ensure methane recovery, and solar farms are being used to

generate electricity. These green projects are directly linked to those of the City and will enable it to do targeted investment attraction as per the approved Tshwane Strategic Investment Attraction, Development, Facilitation and Aftercare Plan. South Korea has a global competitive edge in areas such as waste emission reduction, sewage treatment and solar farms. By exploring the opportunities presented at this conference, the City will be able to get a better insight into its own greening projects, such as waste-to-energy projects and solar car parks, amongst others. These projects will be staged at the UNFCCC's COP17 Conference in Durban.

The visit also enabled the City to present its investment potential to two of South Korea's largest companies. By attracting investments in renewable and sustainable energy solutions, the automotive and electronic sector will take the City closer to its target of creating 38 000 jobs in the 2011/12 financial year. The intention was also to visit Hyundai and Samsung, who recently showed an investment interest in manufacturing plants outside South Korea.

The overall purpose and approach of the mission to South Korea included, but was not limited to –

- promoting Tshwane as a preferred green investment destination by presenting catalytic investment projects in the city aimed at reaching the annual investment target of R500 million;
- investigating the possibility of signing an agreement of friendship and cooperation with the City of Seoul;
- exploring finance and investment opportunities presented by strategic South Korean infrastructure-funding institutions;
- providing a platform for our Executive Mayor to interact with global energy players and strategic business stakeholders;
- providing the Executive Mayor and senior managers with an opportunity to share experiences, challenges and innovative greening solutions with the energy industry;
- meeting with the senior management of potential investor companies to explore the possibility of their setting up offshore operations in Tshwane; and
- identifying strategic companies to invite to the International Trade and Industry Investment Conference in the city next year.

On 31 March 2011, Council approved the Tshwane Strategic Investment Attraction, Facilitation and Aftercare Plan (2011-2016). The plan is aimed at



actively attracting, facilitating and retaining investments in Tshwane in a concerted effort that focuses on positioning the City of Tshwane to be responsive to the needs of investors.

The plan commits the City of Tshwane to undertake major investment attraction and technical cooperation drives in order to solicit investments from strategic countries and partners.

The City of Tshwane aims to attract a minimum of R500 million per annum in foreign direct investments through collaboration and partnership with strategic project sponsors and developers.

City trains youths to prepare for disasters



Andile Tshona

About 40 unemployed youths benefited from the Tshwane Emergency Services' Basic Life and Safety Awareness Campaign. The campaign was aimed at preparing communities for unexpected disasters as the rainy season approaches.

Basic Life and Safety Awareness covers first-aid and firefighting training respectively.

Nomvula Mkhabela (26) and Given Thinamufhi (20) of Refilwe and Pienaarspoort were part of the group that received the week-long training.

Mkhabela said that this training has helped her a lot and she is committed to helping her community and saving people's lives where she can.

"I am grateful to the City of Tshwane for offering me this opportunity. It won't only help me, but my family and the community at large," she said.

Thinamufhi has already applied his first-aid knowledge by helping a few people who have fainted because of the heat in his area. He added that during community meetings he advises people on how to stay safe in their shacks.

"We were taught about the dangers of paraffin and how we must, at all times, keep it away from children. People take things for granted and their ignorance ends up affecting other people," he said.



Photos: Tshwane Emergency Services

He thanked the Municipality for its efforts to equip them with these skills and said that he couldn't wait to receive his certificate.

The Basic Life and Safety Awareness campaign is aimed at training and educating vulnerable communities about basic life safety, the dangers of fire, flood awareness and how to act during various emergencies.

Johan Pieterse, an official of the Emergency Services Department, said that over the years the Gauteng Public Information, Education and Relations (PIER) working group has been

instrumental in reducing the loss of lives.

This has been done through proactive fire and life safety activities, including the Pre-Winter Fire Awareness Week, Post-Winter Fire Awareness Week and International Fire Awareness Week.

"In the past, joint provincial awareness campaigns and risk reduction, as well as the education of vulnerable communities have proven successful.

These measures have increased the concept of interdepartmental cooperation in Gauteng and its neighbouring provinces," he said.

More homes receive wheeled bins

Staff Reporter

The City of Tshwane's Waste Management Division is expanding its footprint to deliver 85-l and 240-l wheeled bins to households across the greater municipality.

In the next phase of the project 600 dustbins will be distributed to the residents of Region 7 Kungwini (Bronkhorstspuit area) in Rethabiseng on 15 November.

The project provided jobs to 125 field workers, who undertook the distribution.

The Executive Mayor, Cllr Kgosientso Ramokgopa, officially handed over 100 (85-l) bins to unproclaimed but formal Rethabiseng RDP households as well as 500 (240-l) bins to proclaimed and formal Rethabiseng households at the local community hall. About 24 000 bins were to have been delivered at the end of the project.

The project has been completed in Hammanskraal and will soon be extended to Region 5 Nokeng (the Rayton, Cullinan and Refilwe areas).



Photo: Muntu Ngobese

The City's wheeled bin roll-out is in line with the newly published National Policy for the Provision of Basic Refuse Removal Services to Indigent Households of the National Department of Environmental Affairs. The purpose of the policy is to ensure that indigent households have access to at least basic refuse removal services.

Over the past few years, the City has introduced wheeled bins to most parts of Tshwane. In addition to increasing recycling, the wheeled bins also protect rubbish bags from attack by dogs and have resulted in cleaner streets. The wheeled bins are also convenient and popular with residents.

The project is not only creating temporary employment and giving relevant experience to unemployed youths in the areas concerned, but also assists the Municipality to identify the number of household in those areas.

Ward councillors	Estimates as per report approved by Council	Ward	Job opportunities created
Ms Elizabeth Molefe	1 500	8	12
Mr Alfred Phahlane	4 000	13	12
Mr Joseph Morake	5 000	14	12
Mr Jacob Makgodu	1 500	73	12
Mr Jonathan Baloyi	7 000	76	26
Mr Aaron Maluleke	2 000	95	12
Mr Lazarus Mashabela	1 118	27	12
Ms Fikile Nkosi	892	29	12
Ms Phumzile Hlatswayo	846	25	12

Appeal to dispose of needles safely

Staff Reporter



The Municipality is appealing to all residents who make use of needles to safely dispose of them either in a 500-ml or 1-l plastic bottle so as not to endanger the health of refuse staff in the City's Waste Management Division.

Due to needle accidents that occur during the collection of refuse, municipal employees have had to be put on a course of anti-retroviral medication.

Needles are used by many people, whether they are diabetics who inject themselves with insulin, sports people who inject steroids or people seeking an energy boost by injecting Vitamin B.

However, if these needles are not properly disposed of they could expose employees to HIV/AIDS and hepatitis.

The City appeals to the public to be more careful in this regard.

Xikombelo xo cukumeta tinereta hi vuhlayiseki

VuhundzuUxi hi Tinyiko C. Manyange

Masipala wu kombela vaaki hinkwavo lava tirhisaka tinereta ku va va ticukumeta hi vuhlayiseki eka bodlhela ra pulasitiki ra 500 ml kumbe ra 1 l leswaku ti nga veki rihanyo ra vatrhi va le ka Rhavi ra Mafambiselo ya Thyaka ra Dorobankulu lava cukumetaka thyaka enghozini.

Hikokwalaho ka timhangu leti humeleleke hi nkarhi wo teka thyaka, vatrhi va masipala va nyikiwe murhi wo huhwata HIV.

Tinereta ti tirhisiwa hi vanhu vo tala, hambi ku ri leswaku hi lava va vuvabyi bya chukele lava titlhavaka hi voxo hi xilawula chukele, vanhu va mintlangu lava tlhavaka khemikhali yo antswisa vurhena kumbe vanhu lava lavaka ku engeteleriwa matimba hi ku va va titlhava hi Whitamini B.

Hambiswiritano, loko tinereta leti ti nga cukumetwi kahle ti nga ha endla leswaku vatrhi va va na HIV/AIDS na vuvabyi bya xivindzi.

Dorobankulu ri kombela vaaki ku va na vukheta swinene eka mhaka leyi.



Warning against fraudsters

All suppliers are hereby forewarned that fraudsters create their own requests for quotations, also print their own requests for quotations and then print their own "copy and paste" purchase orders.

The Municipality's supply chain process is as follows:

1. Below R30 000: An official buyer of the Municipality can phone and request a quote. The buyer will phone from a PABX and the number will start with 012 358.

2. Above R30 000 but below R200 000: Any request for a quotation above R30 000 must be placed on the official notice board and published on the official website: www.tshwane.gov.za/business/pages/quotations.aspx.

3. Above R200 000: Any request above R200 000 must be placed on the official notice board, advertised in the local press and published on the official website: www.tshwane.gov.za/business/pages/tenders.aspx.

A copy of an official order can be obtained from the buying office at C de Wet West Building, 175 DF Malan Drive, Pretoria West.

The orders will mention the unique vendor number allocated to you. If the vendor number is not correct, you may obtain official confirmation of your order by phoning the buyers mentioned on the right of the official order.

No work must be done without an official purchase order.

City welcomes R355m Menlyn office development

Correspondent

First National Bank (FNB) recently broke ground on a R355 million office development in Menlyn.

According to Engineering News, the complex will become the regional head office for FNB, Rand Merchant Bank and other divisions scattered in buildings across the city, many of which have been leased up to this point.

The development will be owned under sectional title by FNB and Growthpoint. It will have two separate office blocks of 15 080 m² and 9 880 m² respectively. The complex will comprise a super basement with four levels, a ground level and five levels of office space – accommodating 840 people.

Tshwane's Executive Mayor, Cllr Kgosientso Ramokgopa, who participated in the sod turning, said that the City had identified the Menlyn precinct as an economic hub.

"With the rolling out of a bus rapid transit system from the Pretoria train station to Menlyn, we will soon have a functional economic area, accessible to everybody," he said.

FNB Gauteng chairperson, Howard Arrand, said that FNB believes in the economic growth potential of Tshwane.

"The building of the Menlyn office complex is part of our continued investment into the city.



Stad verwelkom R355m Menlyn-kantoor-kompleks-ontwikkeling

Korrespondent, vertaal deur Ina Stahmer

Eerste Nasionale Bank (ENB) het onlangs begin met die fondasiewerk vir 'n kantoor-kompleks-ontwikkeling van R355 miljoen in Menlyn.

Volgens Engineering News gaan die kompleks die streekhoofkantoor word van ENB, Rand Aksepbank en ander afdelings wat tans oor die stad versprei is, in verskeie gevalle in gehuurde geboue.

Die ontwikkeling sal in deeltitelbesit deur ENB en Growthpoint gehou word. Dit bestaan uit twee afsonderlike kantoorblokke met 'n oppervlakte van 15 080 m² en 9 880 m².

Die kompleks bestaan uit 'n superkelder met vier vlakke, 'n grondverdieping en vyf kantoorverdiepings wat plek vir 840 mense het.

Tshwane se Uitvoerende Burgemeester, Rdsl Kgosientso Ramokgopa, wat aan die sooispitseremonie deelgeneem het, sê die Stad Tshwane het Menlyn as 'n ekonomiese spilgebied geïdentifiseer.

Volgens hom sal die inbedryfstelling van die bussnelstelsel vanaf die Pretoria-stasie na Menlyn daartoe bydra dat dit binnekort 'n funksionele ekonomiese gebied word wat vir almal

toeganklik is. Die voorsitter van ENB Gauteng, Howard Arrand, sê dat ENB in die ekonomiese groeipotensiaal van Tshwane glo.

"Die bou van die Menlyn-kantoor-kompleks maak deel van ons voortgesette belegging in die stad uit.

"Afgesien daarvan dat Tshwane as die setel van die land se regering belangrik is, is dit ook die besigheidspoort tot die opkomende mynbedrywigheede noord van die stad, en die groeiende handelsverkeer na Zimbabwe en ander Afrika-lande moet ook nie uit die oog verloor word nie. Opgeknapte lughawens, nuwe seslaandeurpaaie tussen Johannesburg en Pretoria, en die nuwe Gautrain is infrastruktuur wat groei moontlik maak en 'n aanwyser is vir Tshwane se lewendige ekonomiese toekoms. Ons wil bydra tot en deel wees van Tshwane se groeiverhaal," het Arrand bygevoeg.

Volgens Arrand gaan die projek werksgeleenthede in Gauteng skep, veral in die plaaslike boubedryf.

ENB beoog om in Februarie 2013 die gebou te betrek.

"Tshwane, apart from its importance as seat of government for the country, finds itself at the business gateway to the new wave of mining activity just north of the city, not to mention the growing business traffic to Zimbabwe and beyond.

Revamped airports, new six-lane motorways between Johannesburg and Tshwane and the recently commissioned Gautrain are some of the infrastructure now pointing to much growth potential and a buoyant future for Tshwane. We want to contribute to and be part of Tshwane's growth story," Arrand added.

He said that the project would contribute to job creation in Gauteng, specifically in the local construction industry.

FNB will take occupation of the building in February 2013.

Tshwane – investment opportunities in the home of SA's automotive sector

Staff Reporter

Tshwane is home to five of the nine original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and more than 200 suppliers in the automotive sector operating in South Africa. This sector employs close to 35 000 people in Tshwane.

The City of Tshwane plays an important role in nurturing and supporting the local automotive sector, and significant investments have been made here by Ford, BMW, KLT India, Mothersons and Volkswagen over the last two years.

The national Motor Industry Development Programme implemented in 1995, and its replacement, the Automotive Production Development Programme, which comes into effect in 2013, have given rise to important investments in the automotive sector. The Automotive Production Development Programme comprises the following elements:

- The Automotive Investment Scheme of 2009, which involves cash grants paid over to OEMs and component manufacturers over a three-year period.
- Tariffs: A percentage of import duties on vehicles and components is frozen at 2012 levels until 2020.
- A vehicle assembly allowance in the form of duty-free import credits issued to vehicle assemblers for certain categories of vehicle produced domestically from 2013.
- Production incentives in the form of duty-free credits as from 2013, starting at 55% and reducing progressively to 50% of value added.

These incentives have stabilised the industry, allowed OEMs to follow a more aggressive export strategy, and have opened doors for investment opportunities to OEM suppliers.

The City of Tshwane has taken steps to streamline the process, enabling investors to become operational in the shortest time possible. For applications that comply with certain strategy objectives, red tape has been reduced and the process shortened to only 34 working days.

The majority of the OEMs and mainstream suppliers in Tshwane are situated in the Rosslyn and Waltloo industrial estates, leading to the establishment of the Automotive Supplier Park to the west of Rosslyn. This park has about 80 ha of open space available for purpose-related development. Besides the Automotive Supplier Park, a number of other industrial estates are also close to established OEMs. South Africa in general, and Tshwane in particular, offers the following:

- world-class logistics to trade globally;
- excellent infrastructure;
- a large labour force;
- a first-world business sector;
- internationally competitive sector-orientated incentives;
- sought-after living standards; and
- established access to export markets.

Tshwane is also home to the Department of Trade and Industry (which manages the national incentives mentioned above), the Automotive Industry Export Council and the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers of South Africa. This makes it the destination of choice for investments in the automotive sector.

The Executive Mayor, Cllr Kgosientso Ramokgopa, is committed to ensuring that the City of Tshwane takes up its rightful place in the international market and that it remains constantly in dialogue with influential stakeholders in the Tshwane automotive sector.

To support its trade and investment drive, the City of Tshwane continuously engages with international and local investors, and it also hosts a biannual Tshwane International Trade and Infrastructure Investment Conference. The next conference is scheduled to take place at the internationally acclaimed Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Conference Centre from 23 to 25 May 2012. For details on the event, visit www.titiic.co.za.

Together, we can act against all forms of abuse

The City of Tshwane will be launching its annual 16 Days of Activism for No Violence Against Women and Children campaign in Soshanguve on 25 November.

This campaign aims to make people aware of the negative impact of violence on women and children and to encourage them to act against abuse.

The campaign will be hosted jointly by the City's Health and Social Development, Community Safety, and Sport, Recreation, Arts and Culture Departments.

The 16 Days of Activism campaign is an international initiative that takes place every year from 25 November (International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women) to 10 December (International Human Rights Day). This period includes Universal Children's Day and World Aids Day.

The City of Tshwane is firmly committed to lead a coordinated effort to sustain the campaign into its third decade.

The focus of the launch is the following:

- Creating awareness of the brutal crimes children fall prey to;
- Empowering parents and community

members with information on preventative measures and services available for victims of social crimes;

- Strengthening cohesion and cooperation in the community in addressing violent crimes against children; and
- Reassuring communities of protection under the law when reporting violent crimes against women and children.

Activities for the day include a door-to-door campaign, the distribution of pamphlets and marching with posters and banners.

A prayer session and candle-lighting ceremony in memory of the victims of violent crimes will also be held.

The event is expected to be held at the KT Motubatse Hall in Soshanguve Ext 4 between 08:00 and 14:00.

The City's top brass and various community leaders and activists are expected to attend.

A wife and mother tells of her experience in an abusive relationship

Staff Reporter

Ten years after my divorce, and I finally have the courage to go public with my abusive married life. I hope that it helps save another sister's life.

Have you ever noticed how, when you first marry, your in-laws and their relatives are all loving and welcoming.

Yet, when there's trouble in your marriage everybody gangs up against you, blaming the daughter-in-law for whatever her husband does wrong.

That is what I experienced in my marriage – in-laws who backed my husband's infidelity and abusive behaviour. They blamed me for his alcohol abuse and offensive manner.



Most bones in my body have been broken at least once. My face has been burned with a cigarette butt until I could actually smell my own flesh cooking. My head has been smashed into my brain with a can, requiring 12 stitches. A bruised face weekly, black eyes daily ... my pain cannot be expressed in a few words.

In fact, a lifetime is not enough to forgive and forget, yet I endured the abuse

How to get out of an abusive relationship

Staff Reporter

The first step in getting out of an abusive relationship is to realise that you have the right to be treated with respect and not to be physically or emotionally harmed by another person.

While getting out of any relationship can be extremely difficult, ending an abusive relationship involves even more anxiety, worry and sleepless nights.

Will you be able to manage on your own? What if your partner threatens you and your relatives if you leave? What is the best way to handle the situation without getting hurt?

The problem is even more complicated if you are married and have children with an abusive partner. Thinking of your children will always guide your decisions, regardless of the circumstances.

How can you leave an abusive relationship? The answer is never simple. If you are certain that you need to do it, here is what you have to undertake in order to escape successfully.

Rely on your friends and relatives

Never attempt to leave an abusive relationship solely on your own. Make sure that the people you love the most know what you are going through.

Your friends and relatives can help you organise the escape. It will be good to have a shoulder to lean on when trying to escape from an abusive relationship.

Police and specialised help

If your partner threatens to hurt you or your relatives if you leave, contact the police immediately.

You might need specialised help and

counselling to overcome the trauma and to be certain of the decision that you have made. Seek professional advice. This is the best way to understand what is going on and to convince you that leaving the relationship is the only way to go.

Stop waiting for a better future

Many people stay in an abusive relationship, hoping that things will get better in the future. It never works like this.

If a partner has abused you physically or psychologically, do your best to leave as soon as possible. Never trust your partner's declarations of love. If you decide to stay, you will continue being abused.

Save money

If you are certain that you want to leave, take care of the material aspects of your escape. Have a car ready and try to save some money. You might need funds in order to make it on your own in the beginning.

Leaving an abusive marriage?

The situation becomes more complicated if your spouse is an abusive person. What if you have children?

Leaving an abusive spouse is the best decision you can make in terms of your children's safety.

Leaving an abusive relationship will require strength and will. Rely on the people close to you. You will never have to go through it all alone. Do not wait for change – you will only prolong your suffering. Although it is difficult to leave, it is the only viable solution.

Source: www.helium.com

without making an effort to seek help. I blamed myself and attempted suicide several times.

Today, I can finally look back and thank my three children for giving me a reason to survive against all odds. With no support from my husband's family, my children and I were all alone. They have always been there – victims of an abusive father who is drunk every weekend, wielding forceful energy and lashing out at us, his family.

Realisation

I finally realised that he would eventually kill me and the children if I did not make the effort to save us. Years of torture, months of pain, days of tears – this was my chosen destiny.

So many women live my life daily. People are guilty of judging divorced

women without knowing what horrors they may have experienced. As women, we should be ashamed of putting other women down.

Let us join hands as abused and divorced women worldwide and pass on the will to survive from sister to sister. If we don't do that for each other, we shouldn't expect our mothers-in-law to turn from failing our husbands as mothers and their wives as mothers-in-law.

Feel free to email me at sisterhood911@gmail.com. On a positive note, remember that we are all on earth on borrowed time. One day the God Almighty will pass judgement on those who have misjudged you. Stay strong and remember that we reap the good that we have sown.

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PUBLIC NOTICE: INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP) INPUTS

SERVICE DELIVERY ISSUES AS INPUT TO THE FIRST REVIEW OF THE 2011 – 2016 TSHWANE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (IDP)

According to Section 25(1)(c) of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act (Act 32 of 2000) the IDP forms the policy framework and general basis on which annual budgets must be based. According to Chapter 5 of the MSA the municipality must consult the local community on its development needs and priorities. Therefore, the City of Tshwane Municipality requests the community to contact their respective Ward Councillor in order to submit priority service delivery issues by no later than 25 November 2011.

All inputs by community stakeholders of service delivery issues must be submitted via Ward Councillors. The contact details of Ward Councillors can be found in the list below.

WARD	SUBURB, TOWNSHIP	COUNCILLOR	CONTACT NUMBER	WARD	SUBURB, TOWNSHIP	COUNCILLOR	CONTACT NUMBER
1	Daspoort, Hercules, Hermanstad, Mountain View	John Willem Barendrecht	082 685 6039	54	Magalies Berg Conservation, Mayville, Rietfontein (north of Beyers), Villieria, Wonderboom South	Elmarie Linde	082 327 1561
2	Florauna, Ninapark, Pretoria North	Daniel Gabriel Wannenburg	082 442 3400	55	Andeon, Booyens, Claremont, Danville, Kirkney, Lady Selbourne, Pretoria Gardens, Suiderberg	Petrus Johannes Fourie	083 656 8595
3	Atteridgeville, Kwaggasrand, Proklamasieheuwel	Daniel Jacobus Swanepoel	082 417 6338	56	Blackmoor, Brooklyn (west of Rupert), Bryntirion, Colbyn, Hatfield, Hillcrest, Muckleneuk, New Muckleneuk	Catharina Dorethea Prinsloo	083 458 5324
4	Amandasig, Chantelle, Karenpark, Rosslyn, The Orchards	Masindi G R Morudu	082 496 6320	57	Die Hoewes, Lyttelton, Lyttelton Manor	Clive John Napier	082 827 5578
5	Magalieskruin, Montana, Sinoville	Albertus Martinus Van Niekerk	082 770 4247	58	Arcadia, Asiatic Bazaar, Phillip Nel Park, Pretoria Central, Prinshof, Proklamasieheuwel	Sam Moimane	082 260 9611
6	Mamelodi (east)	Joyce Ngazimbe Sibanyoni	083 3532 137	59	Groenkloof, Lukasrand, Muckleneuk, Sunnyside East (East of Leyds street to Johnstone Street), Monument Golf Estate	Gertruida Magdalena Erasmus	081 465 0522 079 520 1154
7	Broederstroom, Cheetah Park, Laudium, Uitzicht AH, Schurverberg, Elandsfontein (Farm), Mulderia AH	Molateloo Samuel Mashola	076 168 5759	60	Pretoria CBD, Pretoria Show Grounds, Pretoria Townlands, Pretoria West, Salvokop	Maid Joyce Mabena	073 456 9764
8	Dilupye Kudube Zone 8 (Tamba), Suurman Sekampaneng	Elizabeth Motsei Molefe	071 987 0940	61	Claudius, Erasmia, Hoekplaats, Laudium, Lochner, Mooiplaats	Mahomed Essop	082 416 9207
9	Winterveld AH X 1 (south)	Sophie Thembi Sithole	082 780 5426	62	Atteridgeville Central/South	Selopi Peter Tlomsane	082 826 4361
10	Mahube Valley (Mamelodi)	Nkabutsana P Mogoboya	072 207 4050	63	Saulsville, J Manyabile, SP Kwaka	John Ntuli	082 500 0589
11	Soshanguve HH, Soshanguve LP, Soshanguve PP	Nontobeko Joyce Komani	073 961 4572	64	Rooihuiskraal and The Reeds	Casper Nicolaas Mc Donald	082 563 4570
12	Soshanguve E, Soshanguve N, Winterveld (Central)	Pearl Lucy Majeng	083 218 7067	65	Doringkloof and Irene	Johanna Christina Spoelstra	082 880 5300
13	Tswaing Nature Reserve, Tswaing Village (Soutpan)	Alfred Khala Phahlane	083 950 1239	66	General Kemp Heuwel, Glen Lauriston, Thaba Tshwane, Valhalla	Catharina Elizabeth Strydom	082 473 8008
14	New Eersterust, Stinkwater	Joseph Morake Mogale	072 439 7940	67	Mamelodi Sun Valley North	Dorcas Mathe	083 481 8529
15	Mamelodi (far north-east)	Mmina TS Marishane	072 474 1966	68	Atteridgeville North, Saulsville (west of Makhubela, Hlakola)	Tshililo Victor Rambau	083 947 8831
16	Mamelodi (east)	Johannah Hlangani Matentjie	083 743 0541	69	Eldoraigne, Rooihuiskraal North	Magrietha Aucamp	082 887 3888
17	Mahube Valley (Mamelodi)	Absalom Setumo Boroto	084 340 9014	70	Celtisdal, Heuweloord, Monavoni, Raslow, Sunderland Ridge	Marika Elizabeth Kruger Muller	082 334 3559
18	Mamelodi (far south-east)	Funny Nathaniel Joshua Mbele	082 427 3454	71	Atteridgeville (Jeffsville, Pumolong, Concern and Vergenoeg	Makopo Arrow Makola	072 707 6137
19	Winterveld (south)	Lenda Hunadi Kwenda	073 801 4150	72	Atteridgeville (south of Ramokgopa), Saulsville (south of Ramokgopa), Saulsville AD (Section Saulsville Matlesjwana)	Lobisa Pretty Moganedi	079 236 6149
20	Kopanong (Mabopane), Mabopane Block U	Resemate William Baloyi	083 761 3808	73	Blesbokfontein, Haakdoornfontein, Hartbeestfontein, Klipdrift, Murrayhill, Pienaarsrivier, Wallmannsthal	Makgodu Jacob Aphone	073 659 2443
21	Mabopane Central	Joel Malebogo Sindane	083 404 8753	74	Babelegi South, Kudube, Kudube Unit 1, Kudube Unit 9, Marokolong South	Joseph Sibaya	084 211 2281
22	Mabopane Block M, R, T, Odinsburg Gardens	Refiloe Hellen Motsepe	074 357 3927	75	Babelegi North, Kudube D, Kudube Unit 10, Kudube Unit 11 (East), Kudube Unit 2 and 3, 6 and 7	Jane Tébogo Makgatho	082 685 8124
23	Mamelodi (Rethabile)	Tembie Alexia Sebata	082 827 5576	76	Boplaas West, Majaneng, Mashemong	Jonathan Kleinbooi Baloyi	083 761 3808
24	Winterveld AH, AH X 1 (north)	Amos Matome Mampheko	083 580 4379	77	Kosmosdal, Mnandi AH, Olivehoutbosch, Rua Vista	Daddy Cedrick Tsele	082 410 6490
25	Soshanguve Block V, Soshanguve Block W	Phumzile Brian Hlatshwayo	072 432 1163	78	Bronberrik, Clubview and Hennospark	Peter Sutton	082 468 4895
26	Soshanguve Block BB, KK, R, S	Martha Senwelo Mareme	073 286 5816	79	Kloofsig, Lyttelton Manor, Pierre van Ryneveld, Rietvalleirand	Victoria Ann Bosch	082 4433 861
27	Soshanguve Block X, Y	Seretse Lazarus Mashabela	078 722 4179	80	Pretoria Central (east of Andries), Sunnyside (west of Leyds)	Livhواني Norman Nemuthenga	072 470 5146
28	Moretele View (Mamelodi-South)	Percy S Malome Tebella	072 266 4009	81	Arcadia (West of Hamilton), Sunnyside South (East of Mears) & Trevenna (North of Jorison & Padnoller)	Maligana Edward Musehane	078 627 3373
29	Mabopane BB, CV, EE, IA, NN	Fikile Emily Nkosi	072 218 1742	82	Alphenpark, Ashlea Gardens, Hazelwood, Koedoespoort, Lynnwood, Maroelana, Menlo Park, Persequor (west of Meiring Naudé), Waterkloof (east of Premier)	Siobhan Muller	082 454 9244
30	Ga-Rakuwa Unit 15, 16, 17, 20, 23, 24, 25, 4, 5 (north)	Jabulani Paulus Rammushi	072 871 6041	83	Erasmusfontein, Moreleta Park (North from Rubinstein), Newlands	Chris Francois Bekker	073 0876 999
31	Ga-Rankuwa Unit 1, 2, 3	Audrey Winifred Morakane	072 174 1658	84	Brummeria, East Lynne, Kilnerpark, Lydiana (north of M16), Queenswood, Silverton/Dale, Weavingpark (west of Cresswell)	Roelof Petrus Fourie	082 578 9839
32	Ga-Rankuwa Unit 10, 21, 22, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, Ga-Rankuwa X 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20	Magate Daniel Sekonya	072 454 4721	85	Die Wilgers, Equestria, La Montagne, Wapadrand, Willow Park Manor (south of Trollope)	Elsabé Louw	082 970 0388
33	Soshanguve Block AA, CC & G	Dolly Caroline Ledwaba	073 323 9495	86	Nellmapius, Samcor Park, Willow Brae AH, Willow Park AH, Willow Park Manor	Letlotlo Precious Marole	078 362 7182
34	Soshanguve Block F, H X 1, L X 1	Marubini Rosemary Ngobeni	082 934 0530	87	Derdepoort AH, Eersterust (west of Hans Coverdale), Jan Niemandpark, Kameeldrift East AH, Montana Park/Gardens	Christian Hendrik Boshoff	082 413 1986
35	Soshanguve Block M & K	Poppy Letty Maseko	073 758 6335	88	Soshanguve Block AA, DD, P, SS, X 5 and 8	Tsakane Margaret Khoza	083 431 1728
36	Soshanguve Block K, L and X 1	Elsie Shibe Tshabalala	071 170 7673	89	Soshanguve Block TT, UU, WW, X 3	Lucas Martins Ngobeni	083 384 8035
37	Soshanguve South X10, 12, 14, 19, 20, 22, 23, 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42 and 43	Sephehiwe Phillip Monthla	071 274 5036	90	Soshanguve East Block A, B, VV, XX, X 4-8	Maribishi Simon Marotola	078 840 3543
38	Mamelodi Sun Valley, X 13 and X 14	Magdeline Pretty Sebotsane	078 323 1158	91	Country View Estate, Mooikloof Estate/ Ridge, Moreletapark (East of M31), Pretorius Park, Rietveld Heights (North of Nature Reserve Entrance Road, The Hills	Alexander Willem Frederik Middelberg	083 627 3713
39	Hebron, Soshanguve South X 11, 2, 1, 13, 18, 2, 21, 24, 25, 26, 29, 3, 4, 8 and 9	Naome Salphina Katakata	076 977 8111	92	Arcadia, Eastwood, Killberry, Lidoqan Park Riviera (east of Union Buildings), Sunnyside	Juanita Du Plooy	082 322 7497
40	Heatherley, Mamelodi Green View, Mamelodi X 6, Nellmapius X 8	Joel Kgomotso Masiela	083 435 8770	93	Derdepoort AH, Kameeldrift, Malaka Mamelodi (north of Sibande, Ncube, Modise, Ndebele, Ringa), Vlakfontein	Nathaniel Rabasotho Masupha	084 797 5679
41	Bellevue, Meyerspark, Murrayfield, Salieshoek, Silverton, Val de Grace	Barend William Chapman	078 394 9962	94	Soshanguve FF (Tiamoko Primary), Soshanguve GG	Manakedi Elisa Mlotshwa	073 126 6454
42	Erasmus Park, Erasmus Rand, Monument Park, Waterkloof Heights, Waterkloof Park and Waterkloof Ridge	Bronwynn Anne Engelbrecht	082 376 1022	95	New Stinkwater, Marotola PS, Apostolic Church Jerusalem	Aaron Mokgale Maluleka	083 665 6855
43	Dispatch, Eersterust, Silverton (north of Pretoria Avenue), Silvertondale and Walltoo	Ingle Singh	076 354 7690	96	Amalinda, Cynthia Vale AH (North of Airport Road), Doornpoort, Klerksoord AH, Onderstepoort, Rooiwal, Wonderboom AH	Johannes Jacobus Coetzee	072 538 6246
44	Die Wilgers X 14, 54, 60, 68, 70, 79, 83-85, Faerie Glen X 1-3, 7, 8, 15, 18, 44, 46, 47, 49, 50-52, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 67, 69, 73 and 81, Garstfontein X 1, 8 and 15	Karen Meyer	082 373 7662	97	Mamelodi (Legora Primary School, Meetse A Bophelo, Open Ground X 11 Block (TVS), Barak Education Foundation)	Nkele Doreen Malapane	072 015 3083
45	Constancia Park X 1-3, 10, 16, 29, 32, 34, Garstfontein X 2-7, 12, 14-17	Nicolaas Cornelius Pascoe	083 589 2393	98	Clarina, Dorandia, Eldorette, Heather Vale AH, Heather View, Hesteapark, Klerksoord, Theresa Park, Wolmer	Marnette Sutherland	082 786 3385
46	De Beers, Die Wilgers (West Zorba, Laver, Janine, Mary, Lynnwood Glen/Manor/Park/Ridge, Menlyn, Newlands, Murrayfield, Val de Grace (south of the N4), Waterkloof Glen	Duncan Charles Baker	082 714 5185	99	Beynespoort, Boekenhoutskloof, Boschfontein, De Wagendrift, Doornfontein, Harthebeestfontein, Kameelfontein, Leeuwfontein	Thobats Peter Matsela	072 495 3205
47	Elardus Park X 1, 4, 22, 27, Moreleta Park X 2, 4, 5, 7 17, 19, 20, 23, 27 and 28, Wingate Park X 1 and 30	Maria Gertruida Wilhelmina Aucamp	083 629 0315	100	Brandbach, Cullinan, De Haven East, De Tweedespruit, Ellison AH, Jacaranda Park, Pienaarspoort, Rayton, Refilwe	Christopher Mantual Mahlase	083 744 9139
48	Atteridgeville Informal (Brazzaville Siyahlala), Gerhardsville, Laezonia, Peach Tree, Timsrand, Vlakplaats	Mamosa Betty Ringane	072 982 4796	101	Boschkop, Dorsfontein, Elandsvalley, Klein Zonder Hou, Klipkop, Mooiplaats, Silverlakes, Tiegertpoort, Witpoort	Phillipus Andries Van Der Walt	083 462 5928
49	Bullfontein, Grootvlei, Hammanskraal, Klipdrift, Lusthof, Kudube, West, Hammanskraal, Hennops Rive, Inderminne Kromdraai, Mandela Village	Mfana Abram Marobane	076 861 0711	102	Bronkhorstbaai, Bronkhorstspuit, Vleiland, Kungwini Country Estate, Schietpoort, Vaalbank, Vlakfontein, Zithobei Heights	Solomon Bongani Phiri	072 373 2388
50	Annilin, Annilin West, Sinoville, Wonderboom, Wonderboom AH, Wonderboom Airport	Benjamin Jacobus Wannenburg	082 460 2644	103	Ekangala B, - C, - D (Bawezi), Kungwini Jobarne/ - Lunsriem/ - Rietriem/ - Witblits, Rethabiseng Ext 1 & 2	April Daniel Mabona	073 978 2408
51	Atteridgeville Central (South of Ramokgopa), Itireleng	Francina Maredi	083 568 1910	104	Ekangala Block A, F, Block F X 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Victor Phitsi Mabelane	072 364 9300
52	Bergtuin, Koedoespoort Industrial, Morigloed, Villieria (south of Haarhoff, north of railway line), Waverley	Adriana Maria Randall	083 263 8667	105	Bella Vista, Grootspuit, Heuningsnest, Kortfontein, Zorgvliet, Modderfontein, Oude Zwaanskraal, Rustfontein, Spitskop	John Buti Masombuka	083 947 9009
53	Eloffsdal, Gezina and Les Marais	Hendrik Frederik Fourie	083 283 7482				

CALL FOR DESIGNS ON THE NEW CITY OF TSHWANE COAT OF ARMS

The Heritage Management Unit of the City of Tshwane is responsible for conserving, promoting and managing the heritage resources of Tshwane.

Members of the public are invited to provide designs for the new Tshwane Coat of Arms that will represent and become a signature insignia for the city's unique identity. The designs will be approved by Council and standardised by the National Heraldry Services.

To ensure that proper guidance on the envisaged design is given to the public, the following brief, giving guidance on the scope and objectives of the design, is proposed:

The design must, in its unique features –

- reflect the unique diverse cultural heritage of Tshwane;
- give recognition to the natural and cultural features of the city;
- promote and recognise the city as a capital city status;
- refer to the importance of national symbols;
- position Tshwane as a cultural capital city of excellence;

- enhance the image of the city as the administrative capital of the country;
- recognise the city's natural and built landmarks;
- not promote a political party, religious or cultural group or a company brand;
- subscribe to the general protocols regulating national symbols; and
- not duplicate or attempt to duplicate existing designs.

Please note that designers must be South African citizens. A R50 000 cash prize will be awarded to the final winning and selected design.

Design submissions must be forwarded to Es'kia Mphahlele Library, Sammy Marks Square, Cnr Van Der Walt and Vermeulen Streets, Pretoria, room L1024 or L1026, or by fax to 0862414559 or 0865349695. For any enquiries kindly contact Ishmael Mbhokodo at ishmaelmb@tshwane.gov.za or Hendrina Viljoen at 012 358 8711 / hendrinav@tshwane.gov.za.

The closing date for the design submissions is 30 November 2011.

Our photographer gets international recognition



City of Tshwane photographer Helenus Kruger's photo of the Tshwane Market was one of the 13 winning photographs selected for inclusion in the 2012 calendar of the World Union of Wholesale Markets (WUWM) under the caption "Early Morning Tshwane". More than 200 photographs from 19 countries were considered. The 13 winning photos were selected using a criterion that incorporated quality, interest, geographical location and market type. The WUWM's 2012 calendar was distributed during the WUWM Conference held in Shenzhen, China from 18 to 21 October 2011.

Inculcating a reading culture in Tshwane

Tsakani Shipalana

It is now commonly accepted that there is a deep crisis regarding the "culture of reading" in South Africa. Only a very small portion of the South African public reads and buys books, and there is a near collapse of library services. Sadly, publishing in the African languages continues to struggle even 17 years after democracy.

The City of Tshwane, through its Library Services and Language Services, is committed to promoting multilingualism, inculcating a culture of reading among Tshwane's residents and highlighting the importance of literacy in ensuring the well-being of a modern nation.

In an endeavour to develop a reading culture, the City of Tshwane's libraries have started reading clubs in 14 libraries, namely those in Mamelodi West, Akasia, VT Sefora, Temba, Rethabiseng, Ekangala Section F, Hercules, E'skia Mphahlele, Irene, Olievenhoutbosch, Waverly, Stanza Bopape and Glenstantia.

The reading clubs are grouped according to age and they accommodate children from the age of five, teens and adults. Various topics, stories and books are read and discussed in any of the 11 official languages, based on the needs of the reading clubs. The reading clubs meet once a week or once a month. Membership of these reading clubs is free of charge.

The City of Tshwane has 86 community libraries that serve as the custodians of literary works and centres of information for you to explore. There are also libraries attached to the tertiary institutions in Tshwane. These have vast resources in the African languages.

The more you read, the more you learn. So visit your nearest library today to uncover the wealth of knowledge. But reading does not only sharpen one's mind; it also helps learners to perform much better at school. So, during these summer holidays, grab a book from your nearest library and sit under a tree and enjoy summer reading or, better yet, visit your library to join fellow avid readers in their reading clubs.

Save energy, save money

Staff Reporter

As part of its goal to become a greener and more ecologically conscious municipality, the City of Tshwane is encouraging communities to continue replacing standard incandescent light bulbs with energy-saving compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs), and to consider installing solar water heaters instead of normal geysers.

By reducing the amount of energy consumed in the home you will also be saving money. Knowing where the main areas of energy consumption are in your home, and what you can do to minimise consumption can help you reduce operational and environmental costs.

Answer the questions below in order to measure how energy efficient you are in your home.

1. Do you check your monthly electricity bill?

- a. Yes, always
- b. Sometimes
- c. No

2. Do you know how much you pay for your monthly electricity bill?

- a. Yes
- b. More or less
- c. No

3. Have you implemented any energy efficiency measures in your home?

- a. Yes
- b. Don't know
- c. No

4. Do you shower instead of taking a bath?

- a. Yes
- b. Sometimes
- c. No

5. Do you buy energy-saving or compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs)?

- a. Yes
- b. Don't know what they are
- c. No

6. Is your geyser turned down to 60 °Celsius?

- a. Yes
- b. Don't know
- c. No

7. List what you do to save energy when cooking (mark all applicable).

- a. Use a slow cooker
- b. Use a microwave oven instead of a conventional oven
- c. Match the size of the pot to the size of the plate
- d. Don't know about energy-saving measures
- e. Don't care about energy-saving measures



8. If you make yourself a cup of tea, do you boil enough water for only one cup or do you boil more?

- a. Enough for one or two cups
- b. Several cups
- c. Fill the kettle completely

9. Indicate how you save water and energy in your home (mark all applicable).

- a. Use cold water to wash hands
- b. Have a low-flow showerhead
- c. Insulate geyser pipes
- d. Cover the geyser with a blanket
- e. Some of these
- f. None of these

10. Mark the most appropriate reason why you think one should save energy.

- a. To save energy for future generations and save the environment
- b. To save money for myself
- c. To join the swing towards energy consciousness

11. Do you have insulation in the ceiling of your home?

- a. Total house
- b. Part of the house
- c. Nothing

How did you score?

Mostly As: Congratulations! You are an energy-efficient electricity user. You study your electricity account, save where possible, mostly buy energy-saving lights and are an asset to the economy, environment and society.

Mostly Bs: You are neither hot nor cold when it comes to energy usage. Your electricity account is much higher than it should be, and you can benefit through buying energy-saving products as well as taking note of tips on how to save electricity.

Mostly Cs: You should immediately consult all available literature on energy-saving measures and apply these measures.

Source: <http://www.southafricaonline.info> and <http://dsm.eskom.co.za>

Are you an environmental criminal?

Vanessa B de Sousa

Many laws in South Africa protect the environment. However, an environmental criminal can harm or even kill the people, plants and animals that depend on the environment for survival.

Because our health and well-being depend on the environment, protecting it is not only about saving plants and animals, but also about protecting people's lives and livelihood.

Environmental crime can impact socially and economically on people's daily lives. The pollution of groundwater may cause cancer, while overfishing may cause dwindling numbers of fish and lead to loss of jobs for fishermen.

Environmental crime can –

- be harmful to health;
- contribute to diseases like asthma and cancer;
- destroy natural resources and habitats by wiping out wilderness areas and rare species;
- compromise our natural heritage and the ecological integrity of the planet; and
- contribute to general criminal activity and its negative social consequences.

Our environment includes everything surrounding us: wetlands, mountains, plains, oceans and coastlines that all contain a rich and varied selection of life forms. South Africa ranks third as the most biologically diverse country in the world, and is the only country to have an entire plant kingdom within its national boundaries.

Environmental crimes usually result from calculated business decisions to make or save money. Offenders are often middle-class and educated and their crimes are viewed as "white collar" and are therefore neither important nor life-threatening. However, these crimes can not only threaten life, but can also cost our country billions of rand each year.

Not all activities that impact the environment are criminal. However, if they negatively affect human health and well-being or damage ecosystems, they can be classified as environmental crimes.

A few examples of environmental criminal offences are –

- operating waste disposal sites without permits;
- emitting an offensive odour from premises;
- commencing property development without environmental authorisation;
- hunting or gathering a listed threatened or protected species without a permit;
- mining in a protected area;
- fishing of certain species without a permit; and
- driving on a beach without a permit.

In addition to jail terms and fines for committing such crimes, conviction of an environmental crime may result in a civil judgement against the offender for any loss or damage caused – including the cost of rehabilitating the environment. The offender money will also lose the money made by committing the crime and have to pay for the cost of the investigation and prosecution.

Employers whose employees commit environmental crimes as well as directors of companies that do the same can also be criminally charged for these crimes.

A person convicted of an environmental crime may have his/her permits withdrawn and be disqualified from obtaining permits for up to five years. Any item used to commit an environmental crime may be forfeited to the state, including motor vehicles, boats and aircraft.

Did you know?

If a person assists in bringing an environmental criminal to justice, the court imposing the fine may order that an amount of up to a quarter of the fine be paid to the person whose evidence led to the conviction. (Section 34B of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998)



Mamelodi group wants recognition

Andile B Tshona

"If you are going to invite us to your event and pay for our services with food and T-shirts, telling us that you are giving us exposure, just forget it because we are not interested."

This bold statement was made by the leader of the Mamelodi Ubuntu Theatre Organisation, Themba Ndimande (37).

Ndimande said that this has been happening since 1997 when he and Calvin Ngcaku established their enterprising group. He complained that they no longer find joy in showing off their talent when they are invited by various organisations.

"People don't want to give us money; they only give us food and T-shirts and say they are doing us a favour by giving us exposure. We have now reached a stage where we feel that enough is enough – we will not be abused, especially by our own people.

Government departments are supposed to uplift our communities by using skills such as ours. Instead they are using us. So now we are taking a stand," he stressed.

He asks: "How are we supposed to sustain this group if we are being given food as payment?"

This award-winning group specialises in dance, drama and poetry. They have performed on big stages in South Africa and Europe. Their major achievement was a drama award they received at the Grahamstown National Arts Festival in 2004.



The Mamelodi Ubuntu Theatre Organisation

Photo: Helenus Kruger

"In June this year, we were invited to perform at the Afrikaans-Netherlands Festival. We performed a socio-political comedy called Dít sal die dag wees. We were treated like kings over there, unlike here at home where we are nothing. The trip did not cost us a cent and we were paid on top of that," he added.

He lamented people with connections, saying that they don't get us anywhere as a country. "They are invited to events and paid good money while their production is very poor. We offer a first-class production and are given food and T-shirts as payment," Ndimande said angrily.

Among other things, this 45-member group performs their art using isiXhosa, isiZulu, Xitsonga and Sepedi

traditions.

They teach group members about the dangers of unprotected sex, teenage pregnancy and crime.

"We start recruiting members from the age of six and most of them are still in school. They attend training after school. They do not have time to fool around because we teach them discipline," he added.

He appealed to businesses to come on board and sponsor the group, as they want to make a meaningful change in society.

"If we can be recognised and appreciated by people outside our country, and looked down upon by our own people, what does this say about us?"

Iqembu laseMamelodi lifuna ukukhokhelwa ngemisebenzi eliyihlinzekayo

Ihunyushwe ngu Goodman Biyela

"Uma uzosimemela emcimbini futhi usikhokhekhele nemisebenzi esiyihlinzekayo ngokudla nangezikhobha, usitshele ukuthi usinikeza udumo, kungcono ukhohlwe ngoba asinantshisekelo."

Lesi yisititimende esiqinile senziwa nguMholi Wenhlangano Yemidlalo Yeshashalazi iMamelodi Ubuntu, uThemba Ndimande (37). UNdimande uthe lokhu kwaqala ukwenzeka ngonyaka we-1997 ngesikhathi yena noCalvin Ngcaku beqala iqembu labo lokuzisebenza.

Ukhalaze ngokuthi abasakuthokozeli ukukhombisa ngekho labo uma bemenywa yizinhlangano ezihlukahlukene.

"Abantu abafuni ukusinikeza imali, basinikeza ukudla nezikhobha kuphela futhi bathi bayasisiza ngokuthi basenze sidume. Manje sithi sekwanele- ngeke sisahlukunyezwa, kakhulukazi ngabantu bethu.

Iminyango kahulumeni kufanele ngabe ifukula imiphakathi yethu ngokusebenzisa amakhono afana nawethu. Kunalokho, bayasixhaphaza. Manje siyazilwela" wacizelela.

Wabuza wathi: "Kulindleke ukuthi silingcine kanjani leli qembu uma sibongwa ngokudla njengenkohelo?"



Ugxeke kakhulu abantu abaziwayo, wathi abasinikezi inqubekela phambili njengezwe. "Bamenyelwa imicimbi futhi bakhokhelwe imali njengemali ekubeni umsebenzi wabo awumuhle. Thina senza umsebenzi omuhle bese sinikezwa ukudla nezikhobha njengenkohelo," kusho uNdimande ngokudinwa.

Phakathi kwezinye izinto, leli qembu lamalungu angama-45 lenza ubuciko balo lusebenzisa isintu sesiXhosa, isiZulu, isiTsonga kanye nesiSepedi. Bafundisa amalungu eqembu

Leli qembu eliwine indondo lenza imidanso, idrama kanye nezinkondlo. Sebedlale kuziteji zaseNingizimu Afrika naseYurophu. Impumelelo enkulu ababe nayo kube ukuhlomula ngendondo ye-drama abayithole kuFestivali Kazwelonke Yezobuciko eGrahamstown ngonyaka we-2004.

"Ngonhlangulana kulo nyaka, samenywa ukuthi sizodlala kuFestivali ye- Afrikaans-Netherlands.

Sadlala umdlalo wamahlanya omayelana nezenhlalakahle kanye nezepolitiki obizwa ngokuthi Dít sal die dag wees. Basiphatha njengamakhosi lapha, akufani nala ekhaya la esingelutho khona. Asizange silukhokhele uhambo futhi phezu kwalokho sakhokhelwa," wongeza.

ngobungozi bokwenza ucansi olungavikelekile, ukukhulelwa kwamantombazane asemancane kanye nobugebengu.

"Siqala ukunxena amalungu eseneminyaka eyisithupha yobudala futhi iningi lawo lisafunda. Abanaso isikhathi sokuganga ngoba sibafundisa ngenhlonipho" wongeza.

Unxuse amabhizinisi ukuthi axhase leli qembu, kwazise lifuna ukwenza ushintsho olubonakalayo emphakathini.

"Uma singabongwa futhi sithandwe ngabantu bangaphandle kwezwe lethu, kodwa sibukelwe phansi ngabantu bezwe lethu, lokhu kusho ukuthini ngathi?"

A festive line-up of entertainment

Staff Reporter

The annual Mzansi Fela Festival will take place again this year at the South African State Theatre from 28 November to 11 December 2011 – celebrating the spirit of Mzansi.

The fun, exciting and entertaining arts extravaganza event of the year is back – bigger and better than before. Since the festival's inception in 2007, it is regarded as a training ground for upcoming artists as well as a platform for established ones.

The Mzansi Fela Festival is getting stronger every year, and is testimony to the festive spirit in Tshwane. It features music, dance, drama, poetry and comedy performed only by local artists.

The two-week-long festival will kick off on 1 December 2011 with a march from the Union Buildings to the State Theatre, where the official opening will take place, with various free performances afterwards at Lillian Ngoyi Square.

The following South African superstars will perform:

THE PARLOTONES



Opera, 2 December 2011, 20:00

The Parlotones is a rock band based in Johannesburg, and they have achieved multi-platinum status in South Africa. The band experiment with their sound and utilise various structures in their songs, incorporating typical doo-wop cycles or traditional folk structures into their rock sound. The Parlotones are well known for the face make-up worn

by lead singer Kahn Morbee.

Ticket Prices: R150, R180 and R220

THANDISWA

Opera, 3 December 2011, 20:00

Thandiswa joined kwaito group Bongo Maffin in 1997 as lead singer. They released five albums and have performed all over the world.

Thandiswa released her first album, *Zabalaza*, while she was still with the group in 2004. This album won the 2004 Kora Award for Best Female Artist and the 2005 South African Music Award for both Best Contemporary Album and the Best Female Artist.

Ticket Prices: R80, R120 and R150

JUDITH SEPHUMA and MATHAPELO MASILELA



4 December 2011, 14:00

Judith Sephuma is a South African jazz and Afropop singer who shot to stardom with her debut album in 2001, the critically acclaimed *A Cry, A Smile, A Dance*. She was one of the celebrity contestants on the fifth season of the SABC2 reality dance competition *Strictly Come Dancing*, from September to October 2008. Her professional dance partner was Eksteen Traut.

Mathapelo Masilela is fast becoming one of the most popular musicians in South Africa. She has also performed in European countries like Germany and

Hungary. Her music is a mix between Afro-jazz and Afro-pop, and her debut album *Sthandwa Sami* sold over 15 000 copies, with sales expected to increase this festive season.

Ticket Prices: R100

LIRA

Opera, 9 and 10 December 2011, 20:00

Lira is a multi-platinum-selling and award-winning Afro-soul vocalist who refers to her music as "a fusion of soul, funk, and elements of jazz and African". She became a best-selling singer in South Africa when her second album, *Feel Good*, was released in 2007 and awarded Best Jazz Album 2007 at the Metro FM Awards.

At the 2009 South African Music Awards (SAMA), she caused a sensation when she was nominated for six awards and won four. She is currently considered the foremost adult contemporary female solo artist in South Africa.

Ticket Prices: R80, R120 and R150

WINNIE MASHABA and BAFANA BA SEBESHO

Drama, 11 December 2011, 14:00

Winnie Mashaba has quietly earned the adoration of thousands of gospel music fans in South Africa and neighbouring countries over the past five years, and her nominations for a 2005 Kora Music Award and the thirteenth SAMA Awards recognise her enormous singing and song-writing gifts.

Bafana Ba Sebesho is a group consisting of about 25 young males who sing a capella gospel music. This Atteridgeville-based group was formed about eight years ago. Their traditional gospel music, although **influence by the Zion Christian Church**, is created in a style and rhythm that transcend all boundaries of race and religion, and appeals equally to young and old.

Ticket Prices: R100

Pedestrian Paintings (2006–2011)

Staff Reporter

Andries Gouws's travelling exhibition, *Pedestrian Paintings (2006–2011)*, will be on show at the Pretoria Art Museum from 8 December 2011 to 29 February 2012. The exhibition will be officially opened on Thursday, 8 December at 18:30.

The exhibition combines the interiors and still lifes known from Gouws's previous shows with a series of paintings of feet on which he has been working since 2006.

Living in Holland for 16 years after having studied art in Cape Town (at Michaelis), Italy, Düsseldorf and finally Amsterdam, he started off painting "big, colourful, gestural abstract" paintings in acrylics before moving on to graphics.

In Holland, Gouws missed the South African landscape. On his return, and having sold his treasured 500 kg Artel etching press and returned to oils, he hoped to paint the yearned-for landscape, as well as the nude figure – which are, according to him, subjects that "grabbed my gut most directly".

Surprisingly though, he started painting interiors and still lifes that were unexpectedly connected to a Dutch tradition he had felt he did not belong to while still living in Holland. Arguably, his feet paintings remain in the tradition of

his interiors and still lifes, but with a different intensity.

"These feet do not have the same meditative quality as my still lifes and interiors. They are more confrontational; engaging with feet disconcerts me – they look back at me in a way objects in a still life or interior don't."

His earlier work, he says, "often suggested that Vermeer and Piero were the artists I had looked at closely". The current paintings "suggest other triggers: El Greco, Grünewald, Caravaggio even". For his wife, the novelist and artist Ingrid Winterbach, his paintings of feet have a "Baroque religiosity".

Young, pretty feet are not the subject of Gouws's focus – he does not conceal or hide the battering that his subject matter has endured. A clue to his choice of rendering the most abused parts of the body in the rich texture of oils lies in his description of his immediate Durban environment as an area comprising "attractively ugly industrial areas".



Feet Painting by Andries Gouws

To experience these delicate and intimate artworks, visit this exhibition at the Pretoria Art Museum from 8 December 2011 to 29 February 2012.

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Attitude, chemistry lift Matsatsantsa

Staff Reporter

A change of mindset and selecting the right team are big factors behind SuperSport United's flying start to the season. This is according to Matsatsantsa midfielder and Botswana international, Dipsy Selolwane.

The Tshwane side is flying high in the Absa Premiership – 24 points from ten games sees SuperSport top of the log. They have yet to be beaten in the league this season.

SuperSport United played their tenth league match at Lucas Moripe Stadium on 1 November 2011. They managed three points at the expense of Santos (1-0). Matsatsantsa's solitary strike came from forward, Ashley Hartog, in the 57th minute of the second half.

So far, the Tshwane-based team has collected 15 points at home and managed nine points on the road.

Matsatsantsa, who are currently on top of the table, have increased their points from 21 to 24 after their last league match, which puts them four points clear of the chasing pack.

The log leaders will play their next league match against Ajax Cape Town, away, on 18 November

2011. This will be an opportunity for Matsatsantsa to settle the score after losing to Ajax in their first match of the season at the MTN 8 Cup quarterfinal in Cape Town.

Selolwane says there have been no major changes, but rather a case of things clicking into gear.

"The attitude and the vibe were different when we came back for the new season. We basically had the same bunch of players as the last time and we were determined not to struggle again this season.

"This time things have gelled nicely – the chemistry and attitude are there. Some of the young players are coming through nicely – they are stepping up to the plate.

"The coach has a lot of in-form players to choose from – I know that I am not guaranteed to start every game and if you look at the nine matches, we have used a lot of different players.

"I think this helps keep everyone on their toes and makes them work harder to earn their place in the starting ten," said the former Ajax and Santos player.

have helped it reach the finals. I wake up every day praying to stay fit and healthy so that I can participate next year."

Meanwhile, SuperSport Tottenham Hotspur Academy was called to participate in the national under-20 squad (Amajita) camp that kicked off this year on 4 November and ended on 13 November.

The four players selected were goalkeeper Njabulo Kubheka, Snethemba Ngidi, Gino Moeketsi and Brandon Joshua.

The ten-day training camp is preparation for the annual Cosafa Under-20 Youth Championships scheduled to take place in Botswana from 1 to 10 December 2011.

Amajita has been grouped with the two-time reigning champions, Zambia. Other than Zambia, South Africa has been drawn in Group C along with Mauritius and Tanzania.

Other competing nations at the tournament are Botswana (the hosts), Angola, the Comoros, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, Swaziland and Zimbabwe.

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Dipsy Selolwane

Botha scoops junior award

Staff Reporter



Photo: www.thebulls.co.za
Arno Botha

Vodacom Blue Bulls player, Arno Botha, is the South African under-20 Player of the Year.

Botha, who also captained the side, was given this honour at a glittering function in Johannesburg earlier this month. This comes after some

sterling performances at the Junior World Championships in Italy this year.

Former Western Province player, Lionel Cronjé, was named the Vodacom Cup Player of the Year. Cronjé has since signed with the Vodacom Blue Bulls.

Also rewarded was Jan Serfontein who was voted Schoolboy Player of the Year. Serfontein has already signed with the Vodacom Blue Bulls.

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Hoërskool Centurion's cricket team is Ayoba!

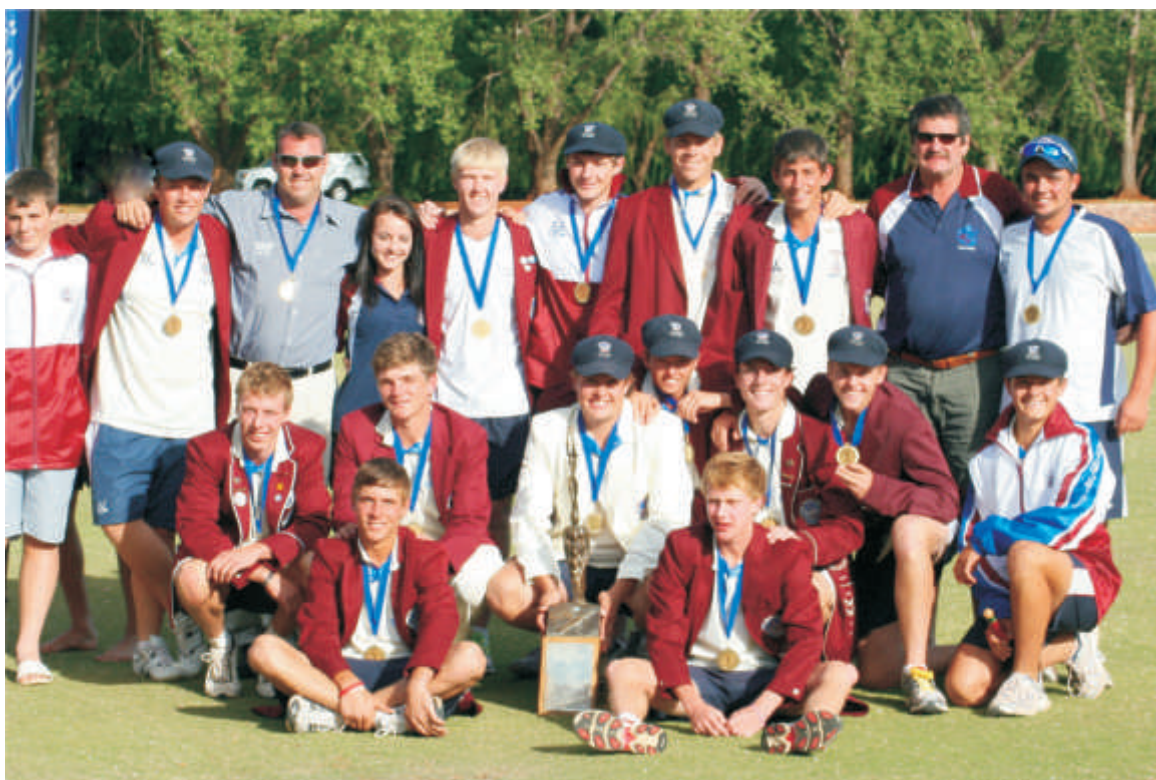
Antoinette Mostert

Hoërskool Centurion's first cricket team is living the city's assertion of being a City of Champions.

The team has won the Noordvaal Championship and soon the Director's Trophy will be displayed in the school's trophy cabinet for the third time since the championship began in 1923. Winning this prestigious trophy came as a result of the

team beating Hoërskool Nelspruit by four wickets.

The team has had a busy cricketing season and it was also crowned the best team in Tshwane when they won the Gauteng North League Trophy. According to the coach, Johan Cloete, the team's success lies in great teamwork.



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