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Madiba shapes another life

A STUDENT LUCKY enough to have been selected for the first Mandela-Rhodes Foundation (MRF) scholarship and to meet Madiba says that the future belongs to those who empower themselves with knowledge.

Allison Cooper

Struggle icon former President Nelson Mandela said, "Education is the great engine of personal development. It is through education that the daughter of a peasant can become a doctor, the son of a mine worker can become head of the mine and the child of a farm worker can become the president of a great nation".

Dr Buntu Godongwana (35), one of eight students to receive an inaugural MRF scholarship in 2005, is proof of this.

"Our progression from humble beginnings in Guguletu, Cape Town, to sharing ideas on international platforms, with world leaders in our discipline, is living testimony of Madiba's words," he said.

Dr Godongwana, now a lecturer at the Department of Chemical Engineering at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT), said the scholarship is a special award.

"Being selected in the inaugural cohort will always be a highlight of my aca-

ademic career. It's more than a monetary award, it served as affirmation of our values and recognition of our leadership potential.

"It came with the responsibility of setting the tone and benchmark for future scholars; living the principles of leadership, as embodied by patron Mandela; and giving substance and form to his vision of building exceptional leadership capacity in Africa. I was truly humbled and honoured to be a part of this great vision."

Born in Guguletu in 1983, Dr Godong-

wana matriculated from Fezeka Senior Secondary School as the best academic achiever in 2000. He completed his undergraduate studies in Chemical Engineering in 2004 and, along with being awarded the scholarship, was named the Learning Cape Festival Icon by the Western Cape



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"A good head and good heart are always a formidable combination. But when you add to that a literate tongue or pen, then you have something very special."

Nelson Mandela



Setjhaba se keteka tumellano ya R21 milione ya mobu

TUMELLANO YA TEFELLO ya mobu haufi le Alice Kapa Botjhabela ke letshwao la seabo se tomanyana sa batho ba batsho lekaleng la tsa bohahlaudi.



Setjhaba sa Double Drift se nyakalletse ka ho ba beng ba serapa sa diphoofole.

Siya Miti

Setjhaba sa Kapa Botjhabela se lebelletswe ho wela ka lehlakoreng la tse hlaha kamora ho fuwa tjelele ya mmuso ho hlophisa lenaneo la bookamedi la

diphoofole tse hlaha, le etelletsweng pele ke setjhaba.

Sebaka sa Double Drift haufi le Grahamstown se na le batho ba 1 500 ba tswang malapeng a 264. Ba ne ba tloswe mobung wa bona ke mmuso wa Ciskei ka 1991,

ba suthela serapa sa diphoofole tse hlaha seo e neng e le sa ba basweu.

Setjhaba se sa tswa fuma-na mangolo a boithuelo ba mobu oo, o buseditsweng ho sona ho ya ka lenaneo la kabobotjha ya mobu.

Ho ya ka Tonakgolo ya Kapa Botjhabela, Phumulo Masualle, R21 milione e se e beilwe ka mahlelo tumellanong ya tefello ya mobu, mme e tla neelanwa ka mekgahlelo.

“Ena ke kgato ya bohlokwa ho ya ka polokelo ya naha le diphetofo tse beng ba naha.

Serapa sena se ntse se ntshe-tswa pele hore se kgone ho gothisana lehlokwa hantle le dirapa tse ding tsa diphoofole tse hlaha mme mmuso o tshehetsa setjhaba ka ho se fa tjelele, ho nyehela ka diphoofole tse hlaha esita le thupello,” ho itsalo Masualle.

Setjhaba sena, se tsamaisang serapa sa diphoofole ka kopanelo le Lekgotla la

Kapa Botjhabela la Dipaka le Bohahlaudi (ECPTA) katlasa bodisa ba Mokgatlo wa Thepa e Kopanetsweng ke Setjhaba ya Likhaya-lethu (LCPA), se amohetse R6 milione Lefapheng la Merero ya Tikoloho ho ntshe-tsapele projeke ya moruo wa diphoofole tse hlaha polasing ya diphoofole tse hlaha ya boholo ba dihekthara tse 1 400, eo se ileng sa e rekelwa ke Lefapha la Ntshetsopele ya Mahae le Tlhabollo ya Mobu.

Modulasetulo wa LCPA, Mxolisi Ngesi, o itse setjhaba se kentse tseko ya sona ka 1998. Ka 2012, ditho tsa setjhaba di ile tsa fuwa mobu wa boholo ba dihekthara tse 23 500 o ileng wa thusetswa ka keketso ya serapa sa diphoofole tse hlaha sa boholo ba dihekthara tse 1 400.

“Re nyakalletse haholo hobane qetellong re fumane ntho tsohle tseo re neng re di batla. Mmuso o re file tjelele ya meralo ya motheo. Re na le diphoofole tse hlaha, tse akgang diqwaha tsa thaba tse 10, mabele a 15 le diphofu tse 10,” o itsalo Ngesi, a eke-

tse ka ho re dinare le diphala di tla fumanwa haufinyane.

O ile a eketsa le ka hore setjhaba se fumana thupello ya ho tsamaisa dirapa tsa diphoofole tse hlaha ho ECPTA.

“Morero ke ho aha dilotje tse pedi mme hajwale re aha ditsi tsa direnjara tsa serapa le seotlwana sa ho laollela diphoofole,” ho itsalo Ngesi.

“Ka ho kenngwa ha terata ya bolelele ba dikilomitara tse 10 esita le kgoro ya ho kena, ho se ho theetswe setjhaba menyetla e 61 ya mesebetsi,” ho itsalo Letona la Merero ya Tikoloho Edna Molewa ha a ne a neelana semmuso ka serapa sena. **V**

On twitter

Reaction to the story of a domestic worker who is now Dr Pamela Phumzile Sithole:

Laura (@AbesVan)
I admire your brave struggles and your amazing achievements.

Dithandis (@thandiwetwala03)
Indeed Sky is not the limit 🙌🙌🙌

Marhumekani @God_be_with_yal she was like a big sister to students at school big ups Pamela leadership!!!

msimelelo @msimza_boss
Woow wonderful sister, that is what Hector Peterson and others fought for, may it shall be even to others. Freedom came yesterday

Youth Month

Facebook

Sindi Tshabalala
Young Lions Day of South Africa

Chippas Tshepo Makou
Government and private sectors must provide capital for YOUTH MONTH

Amanda Gawe
That day made me cry when I watched the movie ...its so painful that most of our youth are doing bad think like getting drunk and all that instead of making an event and do speeches poems , drama and all the amazing things.

On twitter

Lusanda Sima @LusandaSima
Many student died in Soweto Is popular known as the Soweto uprising or June 16 the uprisings tragically ended with hundreds of young people killed by the apartheid government when they protested against the imposition of Afrikaans as medium instruction

New bee saving buzz

WESTERN CAPE environmentalists swarm to the rescue of the humble honeybee.

Like water, land and air, the honeybee is vital to agriculture.

According to the South African National Biodiversity Institute more than 50 different crops in South Africa are reliant on the insect for pollination.

This is why the Western Cape Department of Agriculture and the Western Cape Bee Industry Association have developed a new strategy aimed at ensuring the sustainability of the bee population in the province.

The strategy comes after the bee industry identified several problems affecting bees. These include insufficient food, theft and vandalism, disease,

environmental hazards such as pollution, and exposure to external factors such as fires and drought.

According to the Department of Agriculture, the single largest concern is that there will not be enough food for bees in the Western Cape. South Africa's honeybee species rely on both indigenous and exotic species like eucalyptus, flowering crops and suburban plants to provide year-round food sources.

However, as an alien invasive plant, six species of eucalyptus have been targeted for removal explains the provincial Department of Agriculture.

The strategy proposes that a Bee Forage Commission be

established, which will be composed of players from various provincial and national government departments as well as universities and representatives from the bee industry.

Among the projects this commission will undertake are the development of a book exploring bee-friendly plants, a campaign with nurseries to mark plants as 'bee friendly' in much the same way some species are being marketed as 'water friendly' and exploring the possibilities of a mass bee food planting project.

The Western Cape MEC for Economic Opportunities Alan Winde said the report shows that South Africa has imported 2 000 tonnes of honey annually since 2010. "This is an agri-processing opportunity to produce local honey and honey-related products, right here in the Western Cape," he said.

The chairman of the Western Cape Bee Industry Association, Dr Tlou Masehela, said the industry at large must pull together and make the initiative work. **V**



Boradiindasteri ba dikhemikhale ba batho ba batsho ba Freistata ba thea mesebetsi

SEKEMA SA BORADIINDASTERI ba Batho ba Batsho (BIS) se tsheheditse *Kevali Chemicals* hore e fumane metjhine le disebedisuwa tsa ho thakgola kgwebo.

More Matshediso

Khamphane ya tlhahiso ya dikhemikhale ya tikoloho eo e a thusetsa twantshong ya leqeme la mesebetsi ka ho thea mesebetsi e tsi-tsi-seng e ka bang 70 Harri-smith, Freistata.

Kevali Chemicals ke ya pele eo e leng ya batho ba batsho Freistata ya bohlahisi ba lethathama la dikhemikhale tsa ditharollo tsa tlhwekiso ya metsi, tsa bophelo bo botle le bohleweki esita le dikgomaretsi.

Khamphane ena e theilwe ka 2014 ke metswalle e mehlano e nang le tsebo e batsi di-indastering tsa dikhemikhale, thepeng e rekwang ka potlako, ntshetsopeleng ya dihlahiswa esita le dikgomaretsing.

Mookamedi e Moholo wa Phethahatso wa *Kevali Chemi-*



cals, Funeka Khumalo, o re BIS e tsheheditse khamphane ya hae hore e fumane metjhine le disebedisuwa tsa ho thakgola mothati wa tlhahiso bakeng sa tlhwekiso ya metsi, tlhwekiso le polao ya dikokwanahloko esita le dikgomaretsi.

"Tshimolohong re ile ra tshwanela ho ikotla pokotho hore re thakgole kgwebo, empa kgabareng re ile ra fumana tjehele e tswang Lefapheng la Kgwebisano le

Indasteri (dti) ka BIS esita le Koporasi ya Ntshetsopele ya Diindasteri (IDC)," o ekeditse ka ho rialo.

Sekema sena ke lenaneo la dithuso tsa ditjehele tsa Leano la Boradiindasteri ba Batho ba Batsho, le habileng ho utolla bokgoni ho bora-diindasteri ba batho ba batsho ba sebetsang moruong wa Aforika Borwa ka bokenadipakeng bo hlokolo-tsi, bo tobileng ebile e le bo

hlalositsweng ka bokgabane ho tsa ditjehele esita le tseo e seng tsa ditjehele.

Khumalo o itse ho sebedis-tswe tjehele e ka bang R18 milione ho thakgola kgwebo yaba ho nka dikgwe-di tse ka bang 11 ho qala ho etsa phaello.

Khamphane e anetsa dihlahiswa tsa yona Aforika Borwa ka bophara esita le Uganda, Namibia le Tanzania.

Khumalo o itse molemo oo khamphane e nang le wona maphelong a badudi ba tikoloho eo, o feta tlhahiso ya mesebetsi ka boyona.

"Ho fetafeta moo tlhahisong ya mesebetsi bakeng sa badudi ba tikoloho eo, re na le lenaneo la botsetedi setjhabeng, leo ka lona re thusang basadi ba makeisheneng le ba ma-haeng ho qala dikgwebo tse nyenyane tse ipabolang ka tlhahiso ya disebediswa tsa

malapeng tsa bophelo bo botle le bohleweki," o itsalo.

O ile a re batjha ba bahwebi ba tshwanela ho tseba hore ho qala kgwebo ha se potele, ebile ha ba a tshwanela ho nyahama kaha ba tla fola molemo hamamora.

Motlatsi wa Letona la dti, Bulelani Magwanishe, o itse Kevali e na le tlotla ya ho ba khamphane ya pele ya hore e ananelwe e ipabolang ka lekala la dikhemikhale, meriana ka mefuta ya yona esita le dipolaseteke, haesale ho ne ho thehwe Lenaneo la Boradi-indasteri ba Batho ba Batsho ka 2016.

"Khamphane e tla fana ka menyetla e hlokehang haholo ya mesebetsi dibakeng tse mathokong a Harrismith tse thefutsweng ke ho tota ha leqeme la mesebetsi," ho itsalo Motlatsi wa Letona Magwanishe. **V**

Corks pop for KZN community winery

A KZN COMMUNITY is seeing grapes with new eyes, thanks to a community winery that is empowering people and creating jobs.

Hlengiwe Ngobese

Wine vineyards and the Cape are intertwined but a KwaZulu-Natal (KZN) co-operative winery hopes to break this perception with the introduction of a fine coastal wine made with grapes grown in rural vineyards.

The 12 hectares of vineyards are spread across the Ilembe District Municipality in the rural areas of Mandeni, Ndwedwe and Maphumulo. The project is run by a local Ilembe co-operative and supported by the KZN Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, which has injected R19,5 million into the development of the vineyards and processing facility.

Named Seventeen 87 (the year in which Zulu King Shaka was born), the wine not only

pays tribute to one of the province's most legendary leaders but is a proudly KZN product, with all processes done locally.

Mandeni, Nyoni Ilembe Co-operative supervisor Siphon Gumede who is a member of the cooperative that is producing the wine said the business has changed the lives of people in Mandeni.

"We were sitting at home hopeless without jobs but now we are able to take care of our families. To hold this bottle of wine makes me emotional and proud at the same time since this is something I was part of from scratch."

"I now know how to plant, nurture and spray the crops. I am able to pass this knowledge to someone else. I did know about the varieties of grapes but being here I am able to differentiate them," said Gumede.

He said what he enjoys most



Induna Siphon Gumede with the first harvest of grapes in Mandeni.

about the project is that he is working with members of his community and they are building a business that belongs to them.

Seventeen 87 was introduced at Africa's Travel Indaba held in Durban recently.

The vineyards in the Mandeni

and Maphumulo local municipalities saw their first harvest in February, with the testing of the winery equipment conducted by a viticulturist in the same month.

In the three months that followed, eight tons of grapes were processed and 8 000 litres

of wine produced.

Winemaker Daniel Maerkl who was teaching the cooperative how to cultivate the wine explained that the community owns the project and will be empowered to eventually manage all the winery's processes on their own. **V**

Ho thea mesebetsi bakeng sa batjha ba KwaZulu-Natal

SELEKANE SA SETJHABA le ba poraefete se tla etsa hore batjha ba fuwe tsebo tlhahisong ya makoloi.

Hlengiwe Ngobese

Batjha ba KwaZulu-Natal ba kaho-dimo ho 20 ba tlo fola molemo femeng e ntjha ya Mahindra ya bole-ng ba R95 milione e tla hla-hisa lethathama le letjha la divene tsa di-double cab tse bitswang *Pik Up* lebatoweng la Durban.

Batjha ba 25 ba KwaZulu-Natal ba rupelletswe ba ba ba fumana mesebetsi ka ho bulwa ha Feme e ntjha ya Mahindra.

Basebetsi ba fumane thupello ka lebaka la selekane le *global Mahindra* le *Mahindra group* hammo-ho le *AIH logistics*. Ba tla romelwa India bakeng sa thupello enngwe hape, moo ho hlokehang.

Tlhahiso ya pulama-diboho e se ntse e le motjheng ka makoloi a hakanyetswang ho 2 000 a reretsweng ho hlahiswa ka

selemo, ebe kgabareng ho hahamallwa makoloing a 4 000 a kgobokanngwang ka selemo.

"Botsetedi bona bo botle bakeng sa boitshepo kgwebong. Bo tswelapele ho bontsha hore KwaZulu-Natal ke sebaka se setle sa batsetedi. Bo boetse bo romela molaetsa ho bao ba dulang ba ntse ba le lekgonono ho amohela hore Durban ke sebaka se ka nkelwang hloohong ho tsa botsetedi," ho itsalo Setho sa Lekgotla la Phethahatso (MEC) sa Merero ya Ntshetsopele ya Moruo, Bohahlaudi le Tikoloho, Sihle Zikalala nakong ya kgakolo ya lenaneo lena.

O itse menyetla ya sethathong ya kgiro e hlahisitsweng kgwebong ena e tla thusa ho atolla motheo wa tsebo profenseng.

E mong wa basebetsi ke morutehi ya nang le mangolo a injiniering Sthembiso Mthembu ya itseng o

motlotlo haholo ka ho fumana mesebetsi ona.

"Ke ne ke dutse feela lapeng selemo kaofela ke sa fumane mesebetsi. Monyetla ona o nthusitse hore ke itlhokomele le lelapa la heso. Leha ke na le kgerata ya *mechanical engineering*, ke ne ke sa tsebe hakaalo ka ho kgobokanya koloi.

Thupello eo ba re fileng yona e re thusitse hore re be le boitshepo makgabaneng ao," o itsalo.

Mookamedi e Moholo wa Ditshebetso tsa Matjhaba tsa Mahindra, Arvind Matthew, o itse khamphane e habile ho fumana 40% ya disebedisuwa tsa yona tsa vene ya *Pik Up* ho barekisi ba kwano lapeng.

"Ho kgobokanngwa ha *Pik Up* ke kgato ya pele morerong wa rona wa nako e telele, o tla etsa hore re eketse mesebetsi le ho rekwa ha dihlahiswa tsa kwano KwaZulu-Natal," o itsalo. **V**



Sithembiso Mthembu, ya hirilweng Femeng ya Mahindra Durban, a dumedisa MEC wa Merero ya Ntshetsopele ya Moruo, Bohahlaudi le Tikoloho nakong ya ho kgakolwa ha lenaneo lena.

Pig farmer brings home the bacon

A FEMALE FARMER is making a go of it in the agriculture sector which she believes is a great driver of food security, poverty alleviation, job creation and economic growth.

Betty Nyambi cannot believe that she is a successful pig farmer with 150 sows on her Bronkhorstspuit far in Gauteng.

"I am so proud of myself because I am able to contribute to the economy and employ people on my farm. That I am a successful woman in a man's world makes me even prouder."

Nyambi, who has named her farming business Sincobile Trading and Agriculture Piggery, owns 173 hectares of land that she acquired through the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform to start her farming business.

She employs four people and is able to send about 100 pigs to the local abattoir each month.

"I have always had an interest in farming. After completing matric I decid-



Betty Nyambi believes that every South African must play their part in food security.



ed to study agriculture at the Tshwane University of Technology. I proceeded to work on different farms to get practical experience. Anything that involves the soil and nature excites me."

Nyambi started her business with only six pigs in 2015. The business took off when the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD) provided her with 26 pigs.

Currently, she has 150 sows and two boars. She also uses artificial insemination as part of her farming method.

"There is no reason why South Africans should not farm. Even if it's a small

garden in your backyard, your family will never go hungry. I enjoy my piggery and it has given me a chance to provide for my family and my community."

Nyambi adds that she received accolades for her hard work when she was the first runner-up in the Female Entrepreneur Farmer of the Year Awards in 2016. Despite her success she believes that her business has room to grow.

She has dispelled misconceptions that farming is for old people and encourages young women to enter the agriculture sector.

"I cannot stress enough the reasons why women and young people should follow the farming route. This field is easy especially once you get to understand it. I really encourage other South Africans to join me." **V**