

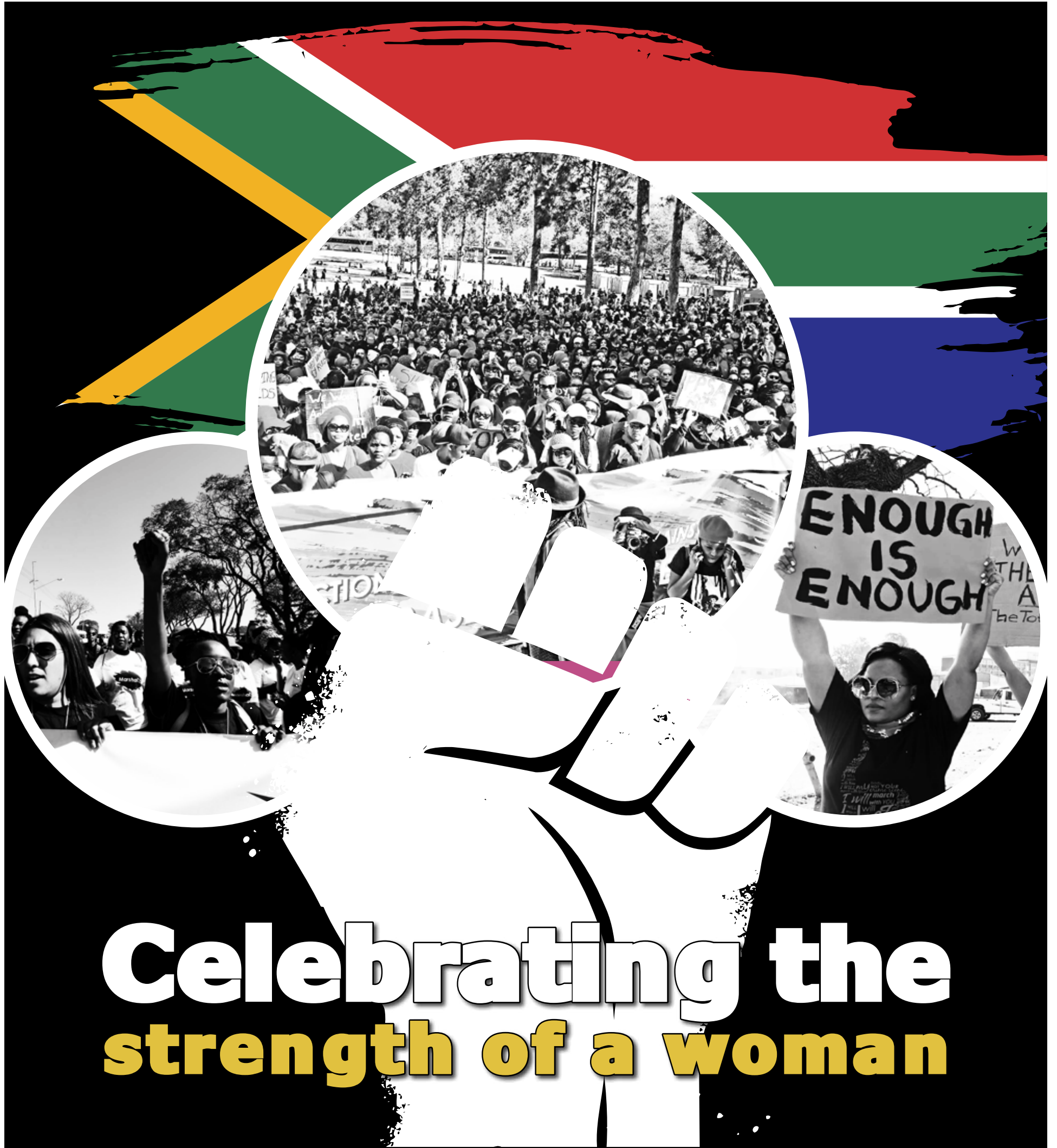
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UYolisa uphila ngokuthengisa izinto ezihonjiswe ngeentsimbi

UKUTHANDA imisebenzi yobugcisa kuncede uFuma waziqalela ishishini eliqhuba kakuhle kakhulu.

Dale Hes

UYolisa Fuma usuka kude kakhulu. Sele esuka ekuthwaxweni yintsokolo nendlala eMpuma Koloni, waya wazibona ukuba uyayithanda imisebenzi yobugcisa nezandla kungoku nje uneshishini lakhe apho aphuhlisa abanye oomama abangasebenziyo ngezakhono.

UFuma wazalelwa kwilokishi engaseKomani eMpuma Koloni, ehlala endlini encinci nabantu bakowabo abali-15.

"Abantu basekhaya babengenamali yaneleyo yokundifundisa. Ngenxa yokuba ndandingafundanga, kwaye kwanyanzeleka ukuba ndenze amanye amacebo okuzenzela imali," utshilo uFuma.

Wachitha ixesha lakhe elininzi efunda ukunitha waza waya kuhlala nodawe wabo eKapa. UFuma waye wazi-

fundisa ukuhlolohla iintsimbi, waze walishiya iKapa waya eMbekweni ePaarl eyokufuna amadlelo aluhlaza.

"Baninzi abantu ababendibuza ngomsebenzi weentsimbi. Ndaye ndakhangela zonke izinto ezihonjiswe ngeentsimbi ndaza ndaziqhaqha kuba ndifuna ukuzibona ukuba zenziwe njani. Ndaye ndazifundisa ukwenziza ezam izinto ezihonjiswe ngeentsimbi ndaqalisa ukuzithengisa eKwezi Centre ePaarl.

UFuma wayengomnye woosomashishini abasakhasayo abenza izinto ezihonjiswe ngeentsimbi owakhethwa nguMasipala weNgingqi waseDrakenstein ukunye neDrakenstein Local Tourism Association (i-DLTA) ukuba aye kwizifundo zoqeqesho ezaziqhutywa yi-Craft and Design Institute (i-CDI).

Ezi zifundo zifundisa oosomashishini iindlela

zokwenza imizekelo yezi-nto ezinokuthengiseka lula kubathengi ukunceda amagcisa emisebenzi yezandla ukuba aziqalale awawo amashishini.

Ngethuba sithatha inxaxheba kweza zifundo sifundiswe indlela yokubhala isicwangciso seshishini. Ndilibulelela kakhulu elithuba, njengoko ndiza kukwazi ukukhulisa ishishini lam," uFuma ucaciswe watho.

Izinto zakhe ezihonjiswe ngeentsimbi nezinithiweyo ngoku zithengwa ngabantu abasuka phesheya kwezilwandle, emazweni afana neGermany neSweden.

"Kunzima ngamanye amaxesha, kodwa inkxaso endiyifumene kwi-CDI nakumasipala, indincedile ndatsho ndenza imali yokondla abantwana bam abane. Amaphupha amamaninzi azalisekile," utshilo uFuma.



■ Imisebenzi yobugcisa kaYolisa Fuma ithengiswa emazweni afana neGermany neSweden.

UYolisa wagqiba kweloku-ba naye ufuna ukufundisa nabanye oomama abangasebenziyo kulo mmandla olu lwazi kunye nezakhono anazo, ukuze nabo bakwazi ukuzenzela imali yokondla iintsapho zabo.

"Ngoku ndiqhuba izifundo zoqeqesho endlwini yam apho ndifundisa abanye oomama abathathu abangaphangeliyo. Ndinethemba lokuba ndiza kukwazi ukubaqasha kweli lam ishishini," utshilo uFuma. ■

Aviation now flying high in a Gauteng school

More Matshediso

Learners who have aspirations to join the aviation industry will soon be able to start acquiring suitable skills from as early as Grade 10 in Gauteng.

This is made possible by the Gauteng Department of Education as it has launched the Rhodesfield Engineering School of Specialisation with a focus on aviation.

The department's MEC Panyaza Lesufi said he was pleased to unveil another ground-breaking school of specialisation, which is situated close to the OR Tambo International Airport in Kempton Park.

"The school is one of 29 schools of specialisation, which have been redesigned



■ Rhodesfield aviation school is one of 29 schools of specialisation, which have been redesigned to address skills shortage to meet economic demands of the province.

to address skills shortages to meet the economic demands of Gauteng Cities," said the MEC.

The school, which was previously known Rhodesfield Technical High School, offers compulsory subjects that include pure mathemat-

ics, pure physical science, Engineering, Graphics and Design. It will soon include aviation to its list.

Some of the subjects that the learners at the school enjoy include Mechanical Engineering and Electrical Engineering (power sys-

tems).

The Acting Principal of the school, Ansie Ras, said she was excited about the launch as the school will make a huge contribution to South Africa's aviation industry.

"We will be able to supply

the aviation industry with learners who are skilled in aviation and who are in a better position to choose careers in aviation," she said.

"We have partnered with a couple of airlines so that we will be able to take our learners to their technical sites for them to get the experience of the technical aspects of aviation," she explained.

At the moment the school teaches about 938 learners from Grade 8 to 12, but it has the capacity to teach about 1 300 learners per year.

Ras said admissions into the school for the Grade 8 class is controlled by the Provincial Department of Education through the online application process. Applicants have to be good in mathematics and natural science. ■

UNgaleka uyaxhamla ngenxa yothando lokulima

Hlengiwe Ngobese

Ngethuba uNtombifikile Ngaleka eqala ukulima imifuno eyadini yakhe wayengazi ukuba ngenye iminuza kuba ngumlimi ongusomashishini othengisela iivenkile zasekuhlaleni kunye nezikolo.

UNgaleka (oneminyaka yobudala engama-67) ngowaKwaXolo ePort Shepstone, kwiphondo laKwaZulu-Natal.

Ulima isipinatshi, ikhaphetshu, umnqathe, iitumata, itswele, iimbotyi kunye neebhanana. Ishishini lakhe laphumelela imbasa yokuba ngumvelisi obagqwese bonke ngowama-2016 ngethuba kubanjwe umsitho weembasa zeSebe lezoLimo laKwaZulu-Natal, i-Female Entrepreneurs Awards.

UNgaleka uthi ngethuba eqalisa ukulima imifuno, wayefuna ukunceda usapho lwakhe ukuba lufumana imifuno kodwa kwathi kuba enothando lwamashishini

waphela sele eneshishini. Ukwaqashe nabanye oomama basekuhlaleni kule fama yakhe.

"Ngokwangoku ndilima imifuno yam kumhlaba ozihektare ezimbini kodwa awanelanga. Abantu bafuna imifuno yam kuba andisebenzisi machiza aneekhemikhali ndisebenzisa umgquba endiwuthatha ebuhlanti.

UNgaleka, owayengutitshala ngaphambili, uthi ukulima wayekuthanda esengutitshala esebenza eGcili Primary.

"Ndandiqhele ukuthi xandibuya esikolweni ndiye emasimini. Ndandingakufuni ukutya okungenasondlo nokungayi egazini. Ngethuba kufika ixesha lokuthatha umhlalaphantsi inye into endandiyifuna yayikukulima ngexesha endinalo.

"Ndaqala ngesipinatshi, ikhaphetshu kunye nebitruthi ndizithengisa kule klinikhi yalapha. Yonke imihla ndandibuya iphelile imifuno yam, ithengwe yo-



■ UNtombifikile Ngaleka uthengisela abantu basekuhlaleni imifuno.

nke. Oku kwandikhuthaza kakhulu," utshilo.

UNgaleka uyacacisa ukuba ukulima imifuno akululanga.

"Ukulima imifuno akuthandwa kakhulu ngamafama amaninzi kuba imozulu kufuneka ikulungele ukutyalala imifuno. Akufuneki kubande okanye kutshise kakhulu," utshilo.

Ngemali ayenzileyo ngeli shishini lakhe uNgaleka sele ethenge omnye umhlaba ozihektare ezintathu apho aza kulima imithi yeti khona.

"Sele ndiyibonile nendawo endiza kuthengisa kuyo le mithi yeti. Imithi yeti yenza amayeza anceda ukulwa iingxaki zolusu ezifana nerhatshalala.

UNgaleka ukhuthaza oomama ukuba bayizame into yokuba ngabalimi kuba eli khondo linamathuba amaninzi.

"Ungasebenzisa iyadi yakho uze uyandise ngokuhamba kwexesha. Maninzi amathuba oomama kule mihla." ■

Fresh mind producing farming success

SAMBO WAS was motivated to be part of the family business when she realised that youth unemployment was a serious challenge in the country.

More Matshediso

At just 25, Sinethemba Sambo has managed to turn her parent's farm into a booming business.

The business, which is called Siyavuya Co-operative Limited, has livestock, crop production and aquaculture and operates on 20 hectares of land in Steenbok in Mpumalanga.

"My parents have decades of experience in farming, but they needed a young mind to take their family business to greater heights," said Sambo.

In 2012, she was appointed the Managing Director of Siyavuya Co-operative Limited

after completing her matric.

"My parents started the farm casually in 1989 and it has been the source of income for their household for as long as I can remember. When I joined the family business I wanted to make sure that it was more profitable."

She said she was motivated to be part of the family business when she realised that youth unemployment was a serious challenge in the country.

Sambo is also studying towards a Diploma in Business Administration and believes her new skills will help the business to improve over the years.

The business has assets that include 102 head of cattle, 354

sheep and goats, 34 pigs, 13 poultry houses, 54 beehives, 563 mango trees and five dams for fishing.

Venturing into aquaculture

After venturing into aquaculture in 2012, Siyavuya Co-operative Limited recently won the Fisheries Recognition Award in the small scale category during the Youth in Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (YAFF) Awards.

Sambo said winning the award only motivated the company to do better and to increase their footprint in the fisheries market.

"The four of our five dams are very large and have the capacity to accommodate



■ Sinethemba Sambo has brought a new approach to farming.

about two million fishes each. We produce three types of fish, including catfish, tilapias and kappas."

"We have recently signed a deal with one of the local butchers that sells meat to many communities in Mpu-

malanga, and we also sell our fish to the locals. Our business is doing well," she said.

Sambo said the cooperative has so far created employment for 15 permanent workers who rotate in all enterprises on the farm. ■