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## Women in beige take time off from the road to lend a helping hand

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**ALBERTINA SISULU**  
*Centenary*  
**2018**



**"Together we move Bokone Bophirima Province forward"**

## EDITOR'S NOTE



**Mr Thabo Sematle**  
**Director: Communication Services**

The September Month, is our Heritage Month punctuated by the Heritage Day celebration on the 24th of September. This month's is dedicated towards the celebration of our culture and tradition.

Africans, in particular are endowed with a rich cultural heritage which can easily be displayed by wearing traditional attires, foot wear and adornments resembling various cultures, tribes and ethnicity.

Different foodstuff, make ups, decorations, colours, arts and craft work are also on the display. This heritage is gladly more pronounced on the African soil than anywhere else in the world.

On the same breath, September is nature's way of saying rebuild, restore, rejuvenate, remake and re-grow. It is in this month that Nature confirms its ability to self-start, self-correct and self-sustain. Rains could start falling, the cold winter disappear, the dust literally start settling. The African year begins in earnest during this period, the autumn season, the beginning of life. This is the month that ushers in good news, good stuffs and good life. We all must cheer and ready ourselves for the African year ahead.

In a true sense of the notion of celebration, the department has had quite a fair share of activities and events that marked the month accordingly. Whilst on the other hand the participation of the department in the International week long program, the Trans Kalahari Corridor Joint Law Enforcement Operation, aka TKC JLEO, that took place in Namibia was the flagship venture that was not only very successful but also placed the efficiency of the department to execute its mandate on the global terrain.

The tone was thus set for the African year ahead, the October month which is dubbed the October Transport Month, aka OTM, is surely expected to be a hive of activities and events whose intention is to heighten awareness campaigns on Road Safety and adherence to Traffic rules.

This begins an important milestone in the transport sector that will guarantee that necessary lessons ahead of the festive season reaches our motorists, road users, passengers, drivers, livestock owners and ensures that interested parties are fully prepared and geared up.

In the same breath October month also marks a centenary of one of the late South African icon Mama Albertina Sisulu whom the nation will celebrate her 100 years on 19 October 2018. She is the one of the South African stalwart that fought for freedom along with other South African's icons, and as the department we continue celebrate her selfless and great person she was.



## Women in beige take time off the road to lend a helping hand in- Vryburg



It was an emotional day but full of joy when recently the female law enforcement officials from Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti district gathered in Vryburg station and visit Maggie's Soup Kitchen in Vryburg, Coldridge location. The founder of the Soup Kitchen Maggie Losper said she has been doing the charity work for 44 years without a proper sponsor but with the help of the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti female law enforcement officials and other helpers in the community is what motivates her and keeps her going to do what she loves the most to feed the needy school children and the community members three times a day.

Traffic officials donated sanitary towels and toiletry packs to 70 female learners from Floridene Primary School at Maggie's Soup Kitchen place. Kebone Shibane a grade 7 learner from Floridene Primary School said she was very happy to benefit from this initiative because most of the times disadvantaged female learners skipped school and left behind with educational progress when they are on period days and that affects their school progress a lot, and causing others to fail their grades at the end of the year. Kedibone also recited a moving poem praising women for their bravery to raise children in difficult situations.

"We do these donations every year to different charity homes in the district, and this year is in a four year running and we often request donations from fellow male counterparts as well because we do this voluntarily and we are always thankful for their support. This year we have identified Maggie's Soup Kitchen, and donate sanitary towels and toiletry packs to female learners she supports in order to boost their confidence in class and help Maggie's because she is a woman like us and she is doing a tremendous job under a difficult situation and furthermore I have to thank all ladies present here from the department for their kind support to do difference in the society we are living in", said Chief Provincial Inspector, Esther Keetile from Vryburg traffic station.

64 years old Maggie Losper thanked the ladies in beige for their love and support they have shown to her and her assistances at the Maggie's Soup Kitchen, and give them her blessings to continue to help others in the district.

Later on during that day female traffic officials gathered at one of the lodge in Vryburg to be motivated and encouraged with issues that affecting ladies at home and work place and how to continue to support their families and maintain good relationship in their working place to reach a common goal from the invited speakers.



## Lady driver skills program enhances the driving skills



The department of community safety and transport management recently embarked on a lady driver skills in order to celebrate women's month and a month program started at Potchefstroom, Vryburg, Mahikeng and ended at Hammanskraal, in the North West Province.

The lady driver skills aim at sharpening the ladies behind the wheels, skills and confidence in their daily driving routines. According to statistics ladies are considered to be "safer" drivers but often been socially classified as "bad drivers".

During the campaign ladies were given the opportunity to test their driving skills, by using side mirrors while driving, parking and reversing and they were given marks according to their skills displayed. Top three winners received grocery voucher and all participants received participatory certificates and road safety packs.

"I am over the moon to be one of the winner's of this interesting program, I did not expect to win because I was thinking that my driving skills were just average but I see that I have improved from previous programs and I'm happy. I will encourage other ladies to come and participate next year." Said one of the winner Mmabatho Bogodile from Kagisano Molopo Local Municipality in Ganyesa.

Ms Motshabi Tshukudu, Director of Road Safety Management encouraged ladies to continue to sharpen their driving skills and confidence. She further said ladies participated must encourage fellow lady drivers to attend the events of this nature in the future because this skills will benefit ladies to promote road safety and reduce accidents on the roads.



## Departmental Women's Month Celebration 2018



This year the country also celebrates the centenary of one of the great daughters of the soil Mama Albertina Sisulu, who dedicated her life to fight emancipation of women and liberation of South Africa. The Department celebrated the day in style as women were dressed in 1950's vintage clothing at Rio Tusk in Klerksdorp. Women were empowered spiritually by Chaplain Cynthia Reetseng. Mr. Pholo HIV/AIDS activist who have been living with HIV for twenty years reflected on the disease. He urged women to test for HIV/AIDS and also encourage their partners to do so. Pholo said it is pivotal to know your status.

Furthermore women were motivated by different speakers touching on different socio-economic aspects of life evolving around women. Speakers vehemently expressed that women are faced with huge challenges in the society, home and work places, they need to support, embrace and appreciate each other to create a conducive working environment. The occasion was graced by the presence of a female ex-offender who touched on the tendency of women who capitulate to the abusive marriage for the sake of lavish life style or afraid of what people will say about them. She shared her terrifying experience in an abusive marriages unfortunately she ended up murdering her husband. She advised women to step out of the abusive relationships before is too late, your own sanity and happiness comes first.

A career woman, Reflexologies (a practitioner of manipulative reflexology, massage to relief tension and illness) recommended healthy living style, be cautious of our diet "you are what you eat" . She encouraged women to know their blood group in order to eat right so to keep a healthy living.

Head of Department Ms Bothale Mofokeng in her closing remarks expressed how overwhelmed and thrilled she was by the immense and positive energy that engulfed the event from start to finish. She recalled acts of selflessness and powerful women such as Mama Winnie Madikizela-Mandela, Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti and Albertina Sisulu and others who stood together during difficult times of apartheid era, they kept moving even if it felt like it would be easier to just lie down and give up, and indeed nothing can take the place of persistence.

"As department particularly women employees we can , there is overwhelming evidence that investing in women is the most effective way to build families, communities, work spheres and the country concluded Ms Bothale.



## Participatory Education Technique program enrich the learners



Recently seven schools from four districts of the province of North West gathered in Mahikeng to compete on Participatory Education Technique (PET). Learners had the chance to present their road safety models 'displays' and give a moving debate on their daily experience regarding road safety and provide solutions to innovate the existing systems.

PET competition is a tool used to challenge learners in Grade 10 and 11 to pinpoint road safety hazards in the communities they are residing in and give them the opportunity to do a thorough research for the department to improve the road safety structures.

Before provincial PET competition to take place the department of community safety and transport management with department of education, sports development are conducting the district's schools debate competition in all four districts of the North West Province and the winners compete in the provincial level in urban and rural category stage. In the national competition the school managed to win in the provincial level will represent the province in national level where they will compete with other schools from other 8 provinces with their displayed models, debate on the research made and solutions to improve in the road safety and all teams are led by road safety coordinators through their research and presentations.

Mmamoratwa Combined School from Ottosdal in Ngaka Modiri Molema got 1<sup>st</sup> position in rural category and received R8 000 voucher, Promosa Secondary School from Potchefstroom in Dr Kenneth Kaunda got 2<sup>nd</sup> position in urban category and received R6 000 voucher and Kgaphamadi Secondary School from Bosplaas in Bojanala got 3<sup>rd</sup> position and received R4000. With these vouchers schools will be able to buy school related items.

"The purpose of this activity is to ensure that learner's are fully equipped with road safety measures through research and presentations in three levels such as district, provincial and national level and for them to improve road safety as they are the ambassadors of road safety in their communities" said Ms Motshabi Tshukudu, Director of Road Safety Management.

She further extend her gratitude to all stakeholders made the event success and congratulate schools participated in the competition and wish Promosa Secondary School and Mmamoratwa Combined School best of luck to represent the province at the national level.

## Secretaries' day celebration



Every year, the department organizes a special event for office managers and secretaries who often manage the lives of important people in the workplace. What better way to show appreciation for the professionals who contribute so much to the success of the departmental achievement than sending them to an appreciation event where their skills and knowledge are continuously sharpened. This day also recognizes and celebrates the work of secretaries for their contributions to the workplace. This year it was celebrated on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September at Parys.

Speakers of the day gave an insight of what, when and why this day was established. "The name of the day has since been changed from Secretaries' Day to Administrative Professionals' Day to better represent the full range of clerical positions and duties and is celebrated on the first Wednesday of September in South Africa every year." says Ms Segwai

Ms Mogoerane presented a brief background that in 1952 through the work of Harry F. Klemfuss, who wanted to highlight the value and importance of the secretarial role within a company established this day.

"It has been celebrated internationally throughout the years. All organizational secretaries should be valued and appreciated they are by not only you, but by the entire world. Personal assistants, secretaries or administrative assistants act as the organization's second pair of eyes and ears and keep everything together; we'd be quite lost without them" said Mogoerane.

She further indicated that many people still have the notion in their heads that, as a secretary, you are just required to answer the telephone, take down a few notes, and make tea when asked. This description is very outdated! There are many reasons why today's secretaries are much more than just secretaries.

**Inspirational speaker** – Heart touching, mind transforming and life changing talks at both personal and corporate level, Motivational speaker Sir Max honored this prestigious event with a message "**A Gold Standard**". He encouraged them that they should focus on turning the organization into a gold performance through the magic of happiness. He said they should not look for external resources for happiness. "Self-love first, innovation, and creativity comes through happiness", said Sir Max.

Furthermore he encouraged them that they should focus on improving few disciplines every day, after all we become successful because we are happy and pointing out that the world would be saved by happy leaders. If you are in this incredible position, they must take notice of their contribution and give themselves the credit they deserve by embracing the frontline approach.

*"Own your talents. Take the time to recognize how adaptable and flexible you truly are. Daily interruptions are handled with care, and touchy subjects are handled with grace. Stop focusing on what isn't getting done and start noticing how every year you're capable of doing more with less. Choose to serve a cause or purpose that is greater than yourself, when you are happy you enjoy to serve" Sir Max*

## Three Member States converge in Namibia to improve efficiency along the Trans Kalahari Corridor

Deepening regional integration, removing non-tariff barriers and improvements on road safety remain key elements for the Three Member State; Botswana, Namibia and South Africa to attract investors to utilise the Trans Kalahari Corridor (TKC).

On the second phase of the week-long operation which started with information sharing workshop where the Member States delegates shared policies and regulations with aims of harmonising processes, procedures and regulations so as to improve trade and transit facilitation with the corridor.

In his keynote address on behalf on the Minister of Works and Transport during the official opening of the operation, the Namibian Permanent Secretary, Mr Willem Goeiemann emphasised the need to deepen regional integration (economic, social and political) and improve safety and security along the Corridor.

Goeieman said the transport sector is the backbone of the economy of any country therefore it is vital to invest more on the transport infrastructure.

"It is critical to ensure that the TKC is not only a transport corridor but should be upgraded to a developmental and economic corridor.

Our people living along this corridor should be able to make a living out of the spin offs from the TKC," said Goeiemann.

The Permanent Secretary further emphasised some of the ill activities associated within the corridor development such as road accidents, human trafficking and transportation of illegal substances.

Speaking on behalf of Botswana, The Director of Road Transport and Safety, Mr Bokhutlo Modukanele, said the good working relations between the Member States have started accruing benefits for the three countries, as there are continuous infrastructure developments along the TKC.

Modukanele announced that Botswana is working towards improving communication along its corridor to improve efficiency.

From the South African Embassy, Mr Modiba Choshane said the continuous working relations will improve investor confidence which will result in economic growth of the Member States. Since the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), by the Three Member States in 2003, the Member States continuously work together to improve efficiencies along the TKC through the harmonisation of Cross-Border Transactions and Customs Procedures.

The relations have further contributed to and promoted trade facilitation through transport and border efficiencies by simplifying and harmonizing the requirements and controls governing the movement of goods and persons with a view to reduce transportation costs and transit times.

The TKC is a road network spanning approximately 1900 kilometres across the territories of Botswana, Namibia and South Africa.



# TKC joint law enforcement operation in Swakopmund—Namibia



Co-chairs of TKC and Executive Director



South African delegates at TKC



HOD Bothale Mofokeng interacting South African delegates



## NEWSREC Tournament-“wellness, a key to healthy lifestyle”



**Golf team**



**Volley ball team**

During the exhilarating opening of the recently held 2018 National Employee Wellness, Sports and Recreation tournament NEWSREC, officials from four corners of South Africa were filled with excitement and can't wait to start with the tournament. Tournament consists of two departments Department of community safety and Transport Management or public safety and department of public works and roads or infrastructure depending on the province.

NEWSREC tournament started with 10km run and 5km fun walk in early hours of the morning, where the runners and walkers enjoyed the morning breeze of Thaba Tshwane Military Base in Pretoria where the tournament was held. Lorato Jood a law enforcement officer in the Department attached to Klerksdorp station, took 4<sup>th</sup> position in 10km fun run in ladies category and Godfrey Modibedi attached to Communication Services in head office also emerged position 4<sup>th</sup> in 5km fun walk and they were both honored with a medals. Officials participating in other sporting codes also extremely performed well.

“The standard of the NEWSREC tournament is improving every year, and that excite me as the chairman of this committee and it clearly shows that our organizing committee does really care for the wellbeing of officials and is continuing to raise the bar of the tournament each year. The tournament has been running for the 15 years and we receive positive response every year, to guide us to improve in some certain elements and the aim of the tournament is to encourage officials to exercise regularly and live a healthy lifestyle to be productive on their daily activities with no ailment such as obesity and hypertension that could be avoided by exercising. And I do encourage managers of various departments to be part of the teams and play in those teams in order to lead by example” Said Mr Montwedi Nonjala NEWSREC national chairman.

“I'm very impressed with the performance of our teams in the NEWSREC tournament and they have shown that, they came prepared to show what they have been prepared for during the pre-tournament practice sessions. Other teams from the other provinces came prepared as well and that is why there was tough competition, but competition of improving our wellbeing and promoting healthy lifestyle of exercising regularly and being fit as the tournament promotes that. ” said Michale Magobye, open soccer team coach.

2019 NEWSREC will be hosted in Western Cape – Cape Town in 2019 and the organizing committee have promised that its going to be lit and all the teams must prepare themselves for the tough competition from the Cape Townians.

## PROFILE CORNER: MRS GADIFELE NOGE



Ms Gadifele Elizabeth Noge is one of the loyal employees in the department of community safety and transport management and she is attached to unit of Human Resource Management.

"I have worked for two departments in my life. I have started at department of Health in the North West province in 1978 as a trainee nurse then later lost the interest in nursing and joined the administration section and went through the ranks.

Currently in the department of community safety and transport management 'm working as an assistant director, responsible for recruitment and selection and staff services within the department.

Mandoza as affectionately known to her colleagues, she is armed with degree in public administration and honors degree in human resource management from North West University, Mahikeng campus. Ms Noge said she likes reading a lot of books and newspapers to keep herself abreast and to enrich her knowledge. The book that has changed her life is, "The seven of highly effective people," by Stephen R. Covey and she recommended it to her fellow colleagues as it could change their lives too.

Recently Ms Gadifele Noge celebrated her 63 year birthday with her fellow officials and shared her secret that keeps her disciplined and moving on in life. "My advice to young youth is, they should do their work passionately and always strive for excellence. My personal values are, respect authority, being obedience, being honest to yourself, serve with integrity, diligence and loyalty while enjoying your work.

Mandoza said, her plans after retirement are still confidential and will be unfolded in the future.





The community were came in numbers and work together in one spirit to cut trees and bushes that were turned out to be the nest of criminals in ward 12 Madibogo village. The windy weather did not defeat volunteers from the community to make sure that this letsema continuing to take place as planned.

MEC Dr Mpho Motlhabane led the Letsema by cutting trees and plants that formed the bushes. 'I am pleased to see the community members and volunteer of Madibogo responded positively to our call to come to do the de-bushing in this area, and this ward will be visible and decrease criminal activities.

“We condemn all the cases and activities took place in this area and that has left many hurt, house braking and people lost their belongings but SAPS will keep the close watch in that area, said MEC Motlhabane.



## National Debate and PET competition for South African learners



The Month of October is declared Transport Month thus we saw almost 300 learners from nine provinces converging at Benoni in Gauteng province for the National Road Safety Debate and Participatory Educational Technique Programmes that was held recently.

This is an Annual Competition organised by Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) through the assistance of Department such as Public Safety and Transport Management and Department of Education in all nine provinces.

The aim of the competition is to allow participants to exchange ideas amongst themselves and to learn from each other as peers about road safety issues which are prevailing in the country. In this competition Mafikeng High School and Tigerkloof Secondary school from the North West Province went through all elimination stages and reached the finals. Mafikeng High School got 2nd position in Urban Category and Tigerkloof Secondary School got 3rd position in Rural Category in the Road Safety Debate.

In his keynote address the Minister for Transport Dr Blade Nzimande said that all participants involved in the competition are all winners and today's engagements by young people send a clear message that the future of our country is indeed in a good hands. It gives us a hope that South Africa will decrease statistics of serious injuries and fatalities on the national and rural roads caused by reckless driving of motorists and pedestrians because this learners will continue to preach road safety in their provinces."

"It is important that you embrace those competencies and continue to be road safety ambassadors in your communities". Said the Minister Nzimande.

"I'm so delighted to reach the national level on the Road Safety Debate but is through the hard work of our school team and our road safety mentors to guide us throughout the preparation time. And I'm going to share this high class information with my school mates to promote road safety everyday and I have learned a lot from other learners participated in this competition". Said Rumbidzashe Chifiya Grade 11 learner from Mafikeng Secondary School.



## STAFF MOVEMENT: SEPTEMBER 2018

### NEW APPOINTMENTS 01 SEPTEMBER 2018 SURNAME INITIALS JOB TITLE

GOVERNMENT MOTOR FLEET SERVICES	NKOSI	MNP	DRIVER HEAVY DUTY
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT SUPPORT STAFF	NGWANG	LC	REGISTRY CLERK
INTERNAL FINANCIAL CONTROL	MAGOR	NO	STATE ACCOUNTANT
GOVERNMENT MOTOR FLEET SERVICES	RAMOOKHO	I	ARTISAN PRODUCTION GRADE B
TRANSPORT REGULATIONS	THABETHA	KA	COMMERCIAL CLEANER
MEC SUPPORT STAFF	MOHOLO	GP	DIRECTOR: MEC SUPPORT
<b>PROMOTIONS EFFECTIVE 01 SEPTEMBER</b>			
GOVERNMENT MOTOR FLEET SERVICES	MOGOGANE	ME	AD LOGSHEET ADMIN
TRANSPORT REGULATIONS	MOLELEKWA	KA	PROV INSP PRINC
GOVERNMENT MOTOR FLEET SERVICES	LESEJANE	TD	AD GOV FLEET ADMIN
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT	MAKHUNGA	AS	ADMIN OFFICE SNR
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT	MAFURA	KG	AD TRANSP MANAGEMENT
<b>RESIGNATIONS 30 SEPTEMBER 2018</b>			
TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATION AND LICENCING	TSWANA	MP	ASSISTANT DIRECTOR EXTERNAL REGESTERING AUTHORITY
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT	JASSON	KK	SUPPLY CHAIN PRACTITIONER
HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	MATSHOGO	LG	DRIVER/ MESSENGER
<b>TRANSFER OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT 30 SEPTEMBER 2018</b>			
HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	MOHLALA	GA	HR CLERK
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	MOILOA	BL	STATE ACCOUNT
TRANSPORT ADMIN AND LICENCING	MOKGETHI	TE	CALL CENRE AGENT
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	SELEBANO	T	ACCOUNTING CLERK
<b>TRANSFER INTO THE DEPARTMENT 01 SEPTEMBER 2018</b>			
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT	MAFURA	KG	AD TRANSP MANAGEMENT
SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT	MAKHUNGA	AS	ADMIN OFFICER SNR



# SECURITY CORNER

## PHYSICAL SECURITY AWARENESS

Colleagues are once more reminded to take note of the below given office security measures.

### 10 POINTS TO REMEMBER

1. Never leave handbags on desks or wallets in coat (jackets etc) in your absence. Take them with you or lock them away.
2. Always keep money in a safe place; never leave it in an unlocked drawer during the day. At night put it in a safe or remove it from the building altogether
3. Be careful with keys. Always put them in a safe place and don't put spare keys for safes etc in a desk or drawer.
4. Fasten windows in your absence. It is easy to forget, particularly in summer. Thieves can commit crime and go in a couple of minutes.
5. Never assume a stranger wandering in the building is a member of staff. Challenge him "Can I help u" will often deter the dishonest.  
Don't just accept that a stranger is authorized to be in a building just because he says so.  
Check with someone in authority, someone in your office will know.
6. Never allow anyone to remove office equipments without authorization.
7. Don't be intimidated/ impressed by callers, even if he does want to see the Managing Director. Make sure he is known and expected.
8. Never leave callers alone in your office. Use telephone to enquire whether someone can see him
9. Don't disclose confidential information to a stranger. No matter how important he may seem, always report any such request to your employer.
10. Don't assume all staff are as honest as you. Take care of your property and that of your employer

# ACTIVITIES OF THE MONTH





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<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>	<b>018 200 8011/8401/2</b>
<b>CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICE</b>	<b>018 200 8024/26</b>
<b>CORPORATE SERVICES</b>	<b>018 200 8022/23</b>
<b>HUMAN RESOURCE</b>	<b>018 200 8056/8261</b>
<b>CIVILIAN SECRETARAIT</b>	<b>018 200 8031</b>
<b>TRANSPORT OPERATIONS</b>	<b>018 200 8028/29</b>
<b>TRANSPORT REGULATIONS</b>	<b>018 381 9104</b>
<b>MAFIKENG AIRPORT</b>	<b>018 385 2111/1030</b>
<b>PILANESBURG AIRPORT</b>	<b>014 552 1261</b>
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