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Vision statement

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

Mission statement

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



Khumo Molobyé

Just last month, we celebrated women and commemorated the role they played in the community. This month, we are celebrating yet another important facet, our heritage and our culture. Happy Heritage Month! Like the rest of the country, we acknowledge our past, and consider it a constant source of inspiration and guidance.

We celebrate our cultural heritage of language, cuisine, dress and arts while also using the fruits of tradition to assist us in matters like conflict resolution. An old Russian proverb says "If you ignore history, you lose one eye; if you dwell on history, you lose both eyes". The idea is not to dwell, but to scour lessons and values as we forge ahead to excellence in the present-day life.

The Research and Knowledge Management department is implementing a 'memory of our world', by implementing the Bafokeng Digital Archive (to be referred to as BDA). This website archiving our past will be launched this year, and be linked to www.bafokeng.com, with the goal of building indigenous social capital in an online world.

The BDA will house a collection of photos, letters, official documents, newspapers, journal articles, books, posters, art works, virtual representations of heritage sites, audio and visual recordings that depict the history and heritage of the Royal Bafokeng Nation.

Setswana sa re "thubisi ga e bonwe, e bonwa ke motsogapele". Basically, this refers to seizing the opportunity of bridging the digital divide.

The South African government has emphasised the "right to information" as one of the basic human rights; this initiative will ensure that every individual with an interest to know more about the RBN can easily access, by the click of a button, rich cultural data and get a chance "go latihela la motla pitsong" on our blog section. We therefore urge morafe to support this initiative and be involved on this project.

A di tsale, di ate...

Happy Heritage Month!

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Maloko a maša a khansele a simolola tiro

Kgwedi morago ga ditlhopho tsa khansele ya setso ya Bafokeng, maloko a maša a ne aikanisiwa go simolola ka tiro ya ona. Tiro ya go ikanisa le go amogela maloko a masha a, e ne e tshwerwe ka Labotlhano 24 Phatwe kwa Phokeng.

Ditlhopho tseo di neng di tshwerwe ka di 21 Phukwi, e ne e le tsa go tlhophisa maloko a le supa go tswa mo dikgaolong tsotlhe di le tlhanotsa Bafokeng. Maloko a mangwea le some-nngwe, a tla tlhophiwa ke Kgosi Leruo Molotlegi go tswa mo morafeng.

Fa pele ga maloko a kgotlakgolo, maloko a masha a ne ka bongwe ka bongwe, a tsaya maikano le go netefatsa fa ba tla direla morafe ka botswapelo mo sebakeng se ba se filweng sa dingwaga di le tlhano.

Khansele e ntsha e, e lebanwe ke tiro e kgolo ya go thusa go tsamaisa merero ya morafe. Gareng ga tiro ya bona, ke maikarabelo a boeteledipele, go emela batlhophi le go tiisa dikgolagano fa gare ga morafe le khansele.

Jaaka maloko a kgotlakgolo, bona mmogo le khansele ya

Dikgosana ba tshwanelwa ke go dira mmogo, go netefatsa fa morafe o bona tswelolepele. Tiro ya bona e akaretsa gareng ga tse dingwe, go tsaya ditshwetso mo boemong jwa morafe le gona go sekaseka le go swetsa ka tekanyetso kabo ya ngwaga le ngwaga, eo e tla netefatsang fa ditlhokego tsa morafe di fitlhelwa sentle.

Dikgaolo tsotlhe di le tlhano tsa Bafokeng e leng North, North East, South East, Central le Capital di tla nna le baemedi mo khanseleng. Go tsamaisana le molao wa go nna le maloko a le supa a a tlhophilweng a khansele, tshwetso e ne ya tsewa gore dikgaolo tsa Central le Capital di nne le baemedi ba le babedi mo khanseleng. Se se dirilwe kantlha ya bogolo ba dikgaolo tse.

Maloko a mangwe a a lesome-nngwe a tla tlhophiwa ke Kgosi Molotlegi. Ga jaana go tlhalosiwa fa Kgosi a setse a dirile kopo kwa makgotleng otlhe, go tlhophisa baemedi ba le babedi lekgotla lengwe le lengwe, bao a tla swetsang gore o tlhophisa mang magareng a bona. Go solofetswe fa ba tla thapiwa mo bokhutlong jwa kgwedi e tlang.



Mme Mammie Modisane



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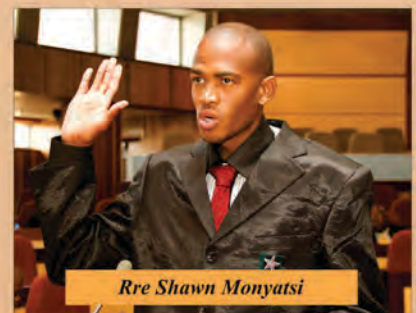
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Rre Johannes Mokgotlhoe



Rre Shawn Monyatsi

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Region	Villages	Councillor
CAPITAL A	Kgale, Lefaragatlha, Bobuanja, Lenatong	Cllr. Mammie Modisane
CAPITAL B	<i>Phokeng Central including:</i> Salema, Saron, Tshwara, Masosobane, Dithabaneng, Greenside, Windsor, Lemenong, Malla, Ntsweng, Mosetlha, Radiala, Rafredi	Cllr. Vincent Diale
NORTH A	Luka, Mogono	Cllr. Victor Montsho
NORTH B	Rasimone, Chaneng, Robega, Mafenya	Cllr. Reneilwe Masilo
NORTH EAST	Tantanana & Motsitle, Maile Diepkuil, Rooikraal & Kopman, Tsitsing, Maile Ext, Tlaseng & Mogajane	Cllr. Bafedi Ramotswatlhaba
CENTRAL	Mosenthal, Marakana, Lesung, Kanana, Serutube & Mafika	Cllr. Johannes Mokgotlhoe
SOUTH EAST	Photsaneng, Thekwana, Mfidikwe, Tlapa & Mabitse	Cllr. Shawn Monyatsi

A Lentswe la Gago le Utlwale!

Lekwalo dikgang la gago; Segogoe le go laletsa go romela dikakanyo le ditshwaelo dingwe le dingwe tse o ka tswang o na le tsona go segogoe@bafokeng.com kgotsa wa di tlisa ka namana kwa Bafokeng Civic Centre.

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

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

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

Make Your Voice Heard-Share Your Views!

Segogoe invites members of the community to forward their suggestions, comments and views about any issue that matters to them, to segogoe@bafokeng.com or they can be hand delivered to Bafokeng Civic Centre, every second Tuesday of the month.

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

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

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

Installation of street lights is underway

In the next four months, streets in 13 villages of Bafokeng will be much safer and easy to walk on at night. Thanks to a multi-million rand project that will see

up to 800 street-lights being installed in various villages.

This project was handed over to the community in July this year and is

scheduled to be completed at the end of 2012.

“With the installation of street lighting on roads, we are also helping to improve road safety for both drivers and pedestrians as well as to provide a more secure environment for our residents,” said Lucain Paulik, Project Manager in the Infrastructure Company.

Paulik added that the project aims to also improve visibility on the roads.

He explained that installing the lights required building stand boundary fences in order to close the roads in some areas, while in others they will have to move fences to install the cabling and light-poles.

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Villages	No of Roads	No of Lights
Madubu	1	21
Masosobane	2	50
Lenatong	1	21
Lefaragatlha	4	93
Kgale	1	8
Kanana	4	122
Serutube, Mafika	3	37
Marakana	1	31
Lesung	1	68
Mabitse	1	30
Thekwana	3	60
Diepkuil	2	40
Motsitle	2	51

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He appealed to the residents to work with them and ensure the project is completed within the planned time frames.

Infrastructure Company is responsible for planning and implementation of all infrastructure development, maintenance of assets and rendering services in all Bafokeng villages. Services such as roads, sanitation and storm water drainage system were some of the continuing demands of the community provided in line with the RBN Master Plan.

Masedi Electrical and Daphol Electrical CC were two local SMME's that have been awarded the contract to install the street lights. With the value amounting to R 13,327,596, the project is expected to create at least ten temporary jobs per village.



Pay for Your Services!

Water Meter Readings

Water meters are read from the 25th to the 30th of each month but the billing for that month is only distributed the following month. If you do not receive your bill, which is distributed every month when meters are read, please contact the Rates Office at Bafokeng Plaza.

How to pay your bill

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

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

CONTACT US

Rates Office Opening Hours:
Monday to Friday between 8h00 to 17h00.

Contact Number: 014 566 4366



A Call for All Bafokeng Graduates and Professionals

Royal Bafokeng Nation invites all Bafokeng graduates and professionals to attend the first colloquium to be held as follows:

Date: 27 October 2012

Venue: Bafokeng Civic Centre

Time: 10h00

The purpose of the colloquium is to establish advisory and consultative clusters that will ensure the RBN is positioned as an intellectual hub and innovative community towards Plan'35.

Clusters include but not limited to:

Health and Social Development, Education, Economic Development, Sports, Environment, Agriculture, Safety and Security, Infrastructure, History and Heritage.

Please confirm your attendance by contacting

Lekgetho Matlhaga, 014 566 1333 or Lekgetho@bafokeng.com by 19 October 2012

Healthy marriages breed happy families, happy families make strong communities

All over the world, healthier and happier families lead to strong and solid communities. This was the message to the community of Kanana, Central Region, who had attended a marriage seminar recently.

The seminar was organized by the Health and Social Development Services, as part of their family care programme which aims at educating communities about the importance of healthy marriages and to equip couples with skills to build strong marriages.

“The issues come from couples who have challenges in their relationship. We believe that if they are empowered to manage their relationship or marriage, they are



Pastor Elijah Selemela

able to positively influence their children, family, relatives and eventually the entire community,” explained Kabaro Neswiswa, a social worker in the department.

“By having seminars like these, we hope to restore the beauty of marriage and its original purpose as we offer couples a platform to raise issues affecting their marriages, share experiences and learn new skills on how to enrich their marriages,” said Neswiswa.

This seminar addressed important issues ranging from components of marriage; the effects of domestic violence in the marriage and family; the importance of communication, forgiveness and spending quality time in marriage.



A member of the Bafokeng Ministers Fraternal, Pastor Elijah Selemela, laid it all out about what the bible says about marriage. The seminar did not only target couples in marriages but all people in relationships including those that are thinking about marriage.

“We want to equip them to understand family values and the importance of preserving families. This knowledge will then assist them to start off on the right foot when the time comes,” added Neswiswa.

A similar event was held in the North region last year in conjunction with the Bafokeng Ministers Fraternal and many more are planned for other regions in the future.

“Based on the positive feedback we get from the participants and the family issues brought to us, we saw the need to host these seminars in all regions at least once a year,” said Neswiswa.

New recruits join RBN Safety and Security

Eighteen new recruits have been added to the RBN's Reaction Force team to improve crime-fighting efforts in the area.

According to Boikie Tapala, training coordinator, the new officers will assist in reducing criminal activities in the villages.

"Reducing alcohol related violence, theft and tracking down break-in offenders across the villages are just some of the tasks they will perform. I believe they will find their job rewarding as they are going to learn a lot about community policing," said Tapala.

The recruits had to go through a three-day intense physical selection training which saw more than 200 people quitting on the first day. By the third day, only 26 remained and 18 members were selected to join the force.

The other six members failed to meet the minimum standard required but where however, awarded certificates for



successfully completing the training course.

Fitness trainer, Pule Morobane, was confident about the new recruits. "Our training is very demanding and if you can withstand it, then we know you are up for a challenge," he said.

Morobane added that dealing with criminals is not an easy job,

thus require men and women who have the skills, commitment, and physical strength to fight even the most dangerous criminals.

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Tips to help prevent burglaries:

- Have an approved alarm system installed
- Don't leave valuables, like laptops and TVs, where people can see them through windows
- Consider leaving important documents and valuable items with other family members or a bank or lock them in a safe
- Don't forget to lock all external doors and windows
- Always inform a neighbor when you leave house for some time
- Ask your helper to stay away from strangers
- Never allow passing hawkers to enter your house

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Dineo Senne from Phokeng is one of the only two women who stood up the challenge to become part of the Reaction Force. She said joining the Reaction Force is a dream come true for her.



“My contribution will be in assisting the team fight domestic violence which seems to be a serious problem in our region,” said Senne.

Another new member, Fanele Jack, said he was following the positive stories he heard about the Reaction Force.

“My experience coupled with what I have learned since joining the team, will help me add value to the whole team and the community at large,” said Jack.

Like the rest of the country, Bafokeng villages are hit by various crimes and violence especially in homes; domestic violence, rape, theft, and robbery. These are just a few of the common criminal acts committed in the area.

According to the report by RBN Safety and Security, the department is inundated with calls from community members regarding these crimes. A total of 4099 calls were received from community members during the past year. A large number of these were attended by the Reaction Force members and where this was not possible; cases were referred to the local SAPS.

Reaction Force has established itself as a reliable service provider and known for its



Dineo Senne



Fanele Jack

prompt response to community calls.

“We even get calls for help from community members in neighbouring villages” said Tapala.

To report crime to Reaction Force please call: 014 566 1302 or 014 566 1301

RBA CALL CENTRE

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

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

Should you experience any of the above, please call,
Toll-free number: 0800 56 2020 or 014 566 1200
e-mail: callcentre@bafokeng.com



Community learns life saving techniques

With the ever increasing number of accidents, the role of first aid training is even more important. In view of this, the Emergency Medical Rescue Services (EMRS) under the Health and Social Services has for the past two years been investing in life saving training courses.

The training is aimed at equipping the community with the necessary basic first aid skills and is said to enable participants to act accordingly in emergencies without panicking. More than 220 people including, community members, RBN employees, sport coaches and soccer players have been trained.

Another group of people from Lefaragatlha recently took part in this life saving training that equipped them to give immediate treatment to sports injuries and reduce further injuries during



Eager community members getting practical training on first-aid lessons

sporting activities.

The training included important aspects such as principles of first aid, safety and emergency scene

management. A demonstration was also carried out on how to resuscitate a person using Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)-this was done for both adults and children.

“I acquired a skill with which I can help anyone at home or in my community. I have learned how to do CPR for both adults and children. Even when a child can choke I know what to do”, said Goodwill Sibanda, one of the trainees.

“I have learned how to save people lives during an emergency situation. I now know that first Aid is not just for paramedics, but that I can also make a difference. It is really important to acquire skill of first aid as it can help you even at home in case of emergency, I want to see myself completing the next level,” said Lesego Malatsi.



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Head of EMRS, Michel Kops said first aid training is a life-saving technique which could easily be utilized without any equipment by anyone.

“Everyone should be trained on basics of first aid and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) in order to effectively respond to emergency situations like heart attacks, bleeding, drowning, choking, poisoning, burns etc,” explained Kops.

He added that their aim was to enskill as many people possible to render first aid assistance when required at any given time and place.

When calling for help, Kops said the most important thing to remember is to provide detailed information of the incident and provide your contact numbers. Information like the exact address or location, street name and number and village will



Burns like this can be attended to at home whilst waiting for professional care

also help to speed up the reaction.

Knowing what to do in the event of an injury or emergency will help you stay calm and take the proper actions and precautions to help the victim have the best chances of a full recovery. Thapelo Mosito, an HSDS paramedic urged every community member to take part in First Aid training saying it will help them to save lives.



Kitsiso go maloko a Lekgotla La Malla

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

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

Se se dirwa go netefatsa gore lekgotla le kgone go bega ka nako dikgang tsa kgotlakgolo (Supreme Council).

*Molaetsa ka:
Kgosana Matlakala Segoe*

Getting help

To access emergency assistance in the first instance, call 112 from any cellphone.





Kgosi Leruo Molotlegi

o laletsa Morafe otlhe wa Bafokeng, ba ba dingwaga di le 18 le go feta, go tla pitsong ya

Kgotha-Kgothe

Mo kopanong e, maloko otlhe a Morafe a tla amogela pegelo ya matlole a a runilweng a ngwaga wa 2011 ao a akaretsang ditheo tsothe tsa Morafe.

Pitso e tshwarwa ka tsela e e latelang :

Letlha: Lamatthatso 17 Ngwanatsele 2012
Lefelo: Bafokeng Civic Centre,
Nako: 10h00

Dibese di rulagantswe mo metseng yotlhe ya Sefokeng, go rwalela Morafe kwa pitsong. Dibese di tla tloga kwa mafelong a tlwaelo go simolola ka 07h30 mo mesong.

Tshedimosetso ka botlalo e ka bonwa go:
Minah Huma, 014 566 1200



Borre ba keteka letsatsi la basadi

Fa naga e ne e keteka letsatsi la basadi, banna mo kgaolong ya Bafokeng le bona ba bontshitse tshegetso ka go tsaya karolo mo mogwantong wa go keteka letsatsi le. Moletlo o oneng o rulagantswe ke Bafokeng Women's Club ka tshwaragano le Thuto Thebe Education Fund, o ne o tshwaretswe kwa Royal Marang Hotel ka fa ntlenyana fela ga Phokeng.

Maikaelelo magolo e ne e le go lemosa borre ka dikgwetlho le mathata a basadi ba itemogelang ona letsatsi le letsatsi, le go ba lemosa go ka tlhaloganya matsapa a, gammogo le seabe sa basadi mo setshabeng.

Sebuisegolo kwa moletlong oo, Dr Motlatla, o ne a rotloetsa basadi go itshimololela dikgwebo le go golagana le batho ba bangwe go godisa dikgwebo tsa bona. A re basadi ka tlhago ba na le bokgoni mme ba tshwanelwa ke go lemoga se, gore ba kgonego itirela jaaka gona go tsadisa dikgwebo tsa bona.

Ezzy Seabelo, go tswa kwa setheong sa metshameko sa RBS, ene o rotloeditse basadi go tsaya karolo mo metshamekong, e leng seo a kayang fa se tshwanetse boitekanelo jwa bona. A re basadi le bona ba tshwanelwa ke go netefatsa fa ba itshidila ka metlha go thusa mebele le ditlhaloganyo tsa bona go dira ka tshwanelo.

Barulaganyi ba moletlo o, ba re ba solofela fa letsatsi le tshwana le le, le tla lemosa banna bothokwa jwa bona jwa go tshegetsa basadi ka metlha. Ba re ba solofela fa ba tla kgona go simolola dipuisano tse ka tsona basadi le bona ba tla kgonang go bua ka phuthologo ka matsapa a bona ntle le go boifa sepe, mme se, se kgone go thusa go rarabolola mathata ao a ba aparetseng. Barulaganyi ba tswetse ka gore, ba



keteka gape matsatsi a tshwana le a, go kokoanya matlole go thusa disentharatse di tlhokomelang basadi bao ba sotliwang ga mmogo le loeto la basadi go ya khonferenseng ya mokgatlho wa basadi wa lefatshe kwa India mo ngwageng o o tlang eo Mmemogolo Semane Molotlegi, e leng Mopresidente wa yona, o mo kgaolong ya borwa jwa Afrika.

Kwa bokhutlong, Mmemogolo Semane Molotlegi, o ikuetse mo basading go dira mmogo go tlisa pharologanyo. O ba rotloeditse gape go ema ka maoto go itirela ka go se ope yo o tla dirang jalo mo boemong jwa bona. "Bomme, lo tlhoka gape go ikokoanyetsa kitso, ka gonne go tlhoka kitso ga go kitla go lo isa gope. Fa motho a sena kitso, le fa o ka mo neela tshelete, ga a kitla a itse go e dirisa sentle, ka jalo ithuteng, mme lo tle lo bone le kgona go itirela".

Bafenyi ba neetswe dimedale ka go farologana mme ba lebogelwa seabe sa bona mo letsatsing la basadi. Baetleetsi ba moletlo le bona e leng Old Mutual, Kelgran, RoyalBafokeng Sports, Royal Marang Hotel, le Life Line le bona ba lebogilwe thata go netefatsa fa moletlo o, o nna teng.

Tshekatsheko ya motse wa Marakana

Marakana ke mongwe wa metse e e fitlhelwang mo kgaolong ya Bogareng, e leng nngwe ya dikgaolo di le tlhano tsa Bafokeng. Motse o, o bokgakal jwa dikilomitara di feta some-a-mabedi fela go leba kwa botlhaba jwa Phokeng. Bogolo jwa ona bo balelwa go dihektara di ka nna 190 mme karolo e nngwe ya lefatshe le, e dirisediwa yona temothuo.

Tsamaiso ya morafe

Jaaka metse yotlhe ya Bafokeng, motse ono le ona o ka fa tlase ga tsamaiso ya setso ya morafe. Kgosana Boiki Modisakeng ke ene a eteletseng pele motse ono, mme baagi ba ona ba wela ka fa tlase ga kutle e le nngwe ya ga Mmatsie.

Ditirelo

Ditirelo mo motseng o di akaretsa tsa thuto, tsa loago le tsona tsa pholo. Baagi ba kgona go fitlhelela ditirelo tse ka bogautshwane mo motseng wa bona. Sekolo se segolwane sa Leruthware, se dirisiwa gape jaaka lefelo leo bagodi ba amogelang madi a bona a bogodi teng.

Dingwe gape tsa ditirelo mo motseng o ke tlanelo ya metsi le ya motlakase, e leng ditirelo tse di botlhokwa tseo di tokafatsang botshelo. O santse o fitlhela gape mafelo a le mmalwa ao baagi ba a dirisetsang ditiro tse di farologaneng jaaka tsona dikopano tsa morafe.

Go nna teng ga tirisano mmogo ya lefapha la RBN la tshireletso le pabalesego ya baagi le la sepodisi



Bomme ba motse ba iphedisa ka dikgwebo potlana tse di farologaneng

di netefatsa tshireletso ya baagi. Sengwe se se kgalhisang ke go bona bangwe ba bomme ba tshwaragane go leka go iphedisa. Ka tirisano mmogo ya bona, ba kgonne go ipopa ngatana go tswetsa tiro ya go roka eo e kgonang go phedisa malapa a bona.

Bomme ba, go tswa mo metseng ya Marakana, Mosenthal le Lesung, ba itsege ka leina la Lebone la Bafokeng. Ka didiriswa tsa go roka tse ba nang le tsona, ba setse ba kgonne go rokela meepo e tshwana le ya Kelgran diaparo tsa tiro. Dikolo tse di gauifi le tsona di kgona go bona diaparo tsa sekolo go tswa mo go bona.

Motse wa Marakana ga o farologane thata le metse se mengwe, ka fa le ona ikonomi ya ona e ikaegile thata mo go tsa meepo. Mo motseng o, bangwe ba baagi ba dira mo meepong eo e ntshang matlapa a kerenaete. Matlapa a tshwana le a dirisediwa dilo di le dintsi jaka matlapa a mabitla le tsona dithaele tsa mo ntlong.

Dikgwetlho

Fela jaaka naga ka bophara, baagi ba lela selelo se le sengwe sa botlhoka tiro jo bo tswelolang. Le fa gona ba na le setlhopha seo se dirisanang le sa tshireletso le sa pabalesego go thibela bosenyi, baagi ba sa ntse ba itemogela bosenyi mo motseng wa bona.

Bafokeng Student Loan Application



RBI/CE/Student Loan/220612

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

- BEd Tech/BEd (Foundation/Intermediate Phase); Agriculture (Crop/Plant and Animal Science) at North West University

- Medicine and Dental Studies at University of Free State

- Oral Hygiene and other BSc related studies at the University of Pretoria

- Diesel Mechanics; Boilermaker; Electrician; Fitter & Turner; Rigging; Instrumental; Nursing; Community House Building; and Hospitality studies at Bafokeng Plaza

- Other Engineering related courses at Vaal University of Technology

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

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

Enquiries: 014 566 1400



*Apply before
30 September 2012*

RBS netball nets gold

The Bafokeng Netball Team were in August crowned the Spar National Netball Champions. The tournament was held in Johannesburg and attracted teams from many parts of the country.

The team crashed their opponents in all the games they played.

The Spar National Netball Championships is the biggest netball tournament in South Africa. Teams from all over SA come together and compete for the top spot for that year.

The B Section team beat their opponent and proceeded to the finals where they played the defending champions, the Gauteng North.

The finals took place on 11 August where parents, Media houses and the President of Netball SA, Mimi Mthethwa who



was flown from London were present.

At final whistle, RBS B section was leading 40-39 and was declared winners of the 2012 Spar National Netball Championships.

"I would really like to thank sister Mpho Sello, for introducing us to the tournament. To the

management of RBS, thank you for allowing us the opportunity to be a part of this magnificent tournament where, after ten intense games, we emerged as winners. Also, the support from our Commercial Department is amazing, I am really humbled," said Ezzy Seabelo, Director of Elite Sports at RBS.

The netball team started the game by beating Vhembe 40-38 in a challenging game. The C section also won against Ugu District Municipality and scored an impressive 53-9.

Players such as Cindy, Rosemary and Eileen are amongst the chosen players to be part of the South African Junior Teams in East London.

Congratulations to the teams for bringing back the Gold Medal home. The Bafokeng might be hosting the tournament in the next year.



TAG Rugby tournament, a first timer...

Rugby is making inroads in our local schools. The sport got a boost when young learners took part in the Tag Rugby Tournament held on 20 July.

The event was organised by the RBS's Sport in Schools Unit.

All primary Schools of the Bafokeng Nation were a part of this tournament including Lebone College, where at the end of the final whistle, Matlware Primary School got position 1 on the Under 13 Section. Ramotse Primary School managed to secure themselves position 1 on the Under 11 section.



More than 900 kids participated, which makes 30 primary schools of the Bafokeng Primary schools.

"We are happy to have been the

hosts of such a big tournament. All thanks to RBS management, for giving our kids an opportunity to be exposed to games such as Tag Rugby. They enjoyed every second of every game. Mmemogolo, your support will always remain close to our hearts", said Gerald McPherson of SA Tag Rugby.

The tournament was held at the Bafokeng Sports Campus with the support of Carnivore, SA Rugby, Tag and the Bafokeng Rugby Union. Mmemogolo Semane Molotlegi, graced the event to witness the passion in our kids' efforts to play the sport that is regarded as 'strange' to most African communities.

PLATINUM STARS

v/s

ORLANDO PIRATES



15 September 2012 (SAT)

Kick-Off: 15H00

Royal Bafokeng Sports Palace

R40-00 Adults | R20-00 Children

Tickets on sale @:

- Compu-tickets, Shoprite Checkers nationwide
- Tlhabane Foro Spar
- Mickey Geo, Rtb
- Lucky's Pub, Phokeng
- Mogwase Caltex
- PH Network Cafe, Phokeng

Platinum Stars Academy, a good place for grooming

Platinum Stars Football FC Academy is beginning to bear fruits. The Academy is gradually producing quality players who are ear-marked for the PSL outfit. Based at the Bafokeng Sports Campus, the Academy caters for young players who are selected every year.

Utlwang spent a day with Moss Ramatja, who looks after the youngsters while at the Academy.

When & how was the Academy started?

The Academy was started in 2010, by Moss Ramatja, Cavin Johnson and Sam Mbatha. We started doing open trials, for talent identification. We used school's tournaments and went to different villages to scout for talent. In September 2010, we had inter regional trials where we selected 22 players who joined the Academy in 2011.

What has been your highlight?

Yes! We will now be playing in the SAB League and we are all looking forward to that. It is an opportunity for the boys to show their mettle.

How do you feel about one of your boys who has graduated to the senior team?

That is an huge achievement. We are delighted by the signing of Michael and wish him all the best with senior team.

What is your selection process?

We conduct family visits to observe the living conditions, and also to get family background. We instil self-respect and respect for others regardless of their background. Discipline is also paramount. Agreements are signed between parents and the Academy.

What are the benefits?

The Academy pays for their school fees, books, uniforms, and other necessities they would get at home. They also get the best diet. They also get extra classes during the holidays.

Please take me through their day?

A typical day starts with a shower, breakfast and then transport takes them to school. After school, they grab a snack and get ready for training. Training starts in the afternoon.



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'Olympic' fever on our doorstep

The 2012 Olympics have come and gone, but the other Olympic with a different taste are set to hit the locals.

The Special Olympics, a non-governmental organization that uses sports as a platform to change the way individuals with intellectual disabilities are perceived and treated, will hold their inaugural African Regional Tournament. Hosted by Royal Bafokeng Sports (RBS), the Special Olympics Africa Unity Cup 2012 will take place from 3-6 October 2012 at Lebone II College.

This event will feature 19 Unified® football teams, comprising of athletes with and without intellectual disabilities, from fourteen African countries. Teams will be competing for a qualifying place in an international event, the Special Olympics Unified Cup Rio 2013.

"One thinks of other parts of the country, which may have been considered possible venues and candidates, yet we were ahead of everyone else. It is a humbling experience not only for our athletes and participants, but for the country to have reputable representatives at Rio De Janeiro next year," shared Floyd Mbele, Managing Director of RBS."

Trials for the South African team took place on the 21st July at the Bafokeng Sports Campus. Almost 200 youth from the Bafokeng Nation and nearby areas,



including Luka, Moraleng, Phokeng, Kanana, and Tsitsing, tried out for a chance to represent South Africa in the Special Olympics Africa Unity Cup. Fourteen players qualified for both the male and female teams. Two final teams of ten players will be selected through team practices.

In an effort to involve Bafokeng youth in the tournament and in supporting Special Olympics, a "Special Olympics - So Get Into It Youth Clubs" have been formed at Thethe High School, Charora High School, and Lebone II College.

In the past two months, youth have met weekly to learn about inclusion, tolerance, acceptance, and volunteerism through hands-on activities and discussions. The Thethe Youth Club got into it by teaming up with learners from Kutlwanong Resurce School for 67 minutes of service in honour of Nelson Mandela's birthday. They painted motivational words inspired by quotes from Nelson Mandela on bricks to decorate Kutlwanong.

Special Olympics also organized a talent show to select acts to perform at the African Unity Cup Opening Ceremony; talent was scouted during auditions held in each of the five Bafokeng regions.

The Special Olympics Africa Unity Cup 2012 will also feature a celebrity basketball clinic and a celebrity football match, where professional footballers, basketballers, and other VIPs including Lucas Radebe, Desiree Ellis and Dikembe Mutombo will play with Special Olympics athletes. A Family Health Forum for families of persons with intellectual disabilities is also happening as part of the Tournament activities.

Entrance to the Special Olympics Africa Unity Cup is absolutely FREE. Be sure to add the Special Olympics Africa Unity Cup to your diaries and come out and support team South Africa. To receive updates about the Africa Unity Cup follow "Special Olympics South Africa" on Facebook or Twitter or contact 011.706.3323 with any questions.

Upcoming Events – Platinum Stars League Fixtures for September/ October

15 September	PS v/s Orlando Pirates	15h00 at Royal Bafokeng Sports Palace
25 September	PS v/s Tuks	
29 September	PS v/s Amazulu	15h00 at Royal Bafokeng Sports Palace
06 October	PS v/s Sundowns	20h00 at Lucas Masterpieces Moripe

