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The Zanemvula housing project launched in 2006. It is an informal settlement upgrading and human settlement project in Nelson Mandela Bay. The project is located in the Chatty, Joe Slovo West, Soweto-on-Sea and Veeplaas areas and involves the relocation of residents from the floodplains of the Chatty River, backyard dwellings and other stressed areas around Nelson Mandela Bay to decent human settlements. The project will deliver 13 500 houses.

Construction of 3563 houses kicks in

HDA has kick started the awarding of contracts to various contractors, both established and upcoming SMMEs around the Metro.

This drive is aimed at boosting smaller business and doing away with the roster system by giving all business an opportunity to compete. The timeline for all the projects awarded is one year.

In Ward 41 Joe Slovo West 14 established contractors have each been allocated 100 houses to build, while 30 SMME's have been allocated 20 houses each. In Chatty 1060 seven established contractors are building about 100 houses each while 16 SMME's are building 20 houses each. In Sisulu Hlalani Project one SMME will construct 18 houses. 491 houses have been awarded to the Cooperative of Military Veterans in Chatty 491 project. Contractors are expected to employ 70% of labour from within the community and all Community Liaison Officers are to come from within the local community. The idea behind this is to boost the local economy and to facilitate a skills development program for locals.

The established contractors awarded 100 house are expected to sub contract 20% of the value of their work to local sub- contractors. 3563 beneficiary families will benefit from this Housing Settlement projects.



A community meeting during the awarding of contracts to prospective SMME's and established contractors .

Voting registration continues at IEC offices

Haven't registered yet or need to update your address on the voters' roll? Do not worry registration continues at local IEC offices until the election has been proclaimed by Minister of Corporate Governance and Traditional Affairs, Honourable David van Rooyen so hurry to your IEC office during office hours. The President of the Republic of South Africa Honourable Gedl'eyihlekisa Jacob Zuma announced the dates for the 2016 Municipal Elections as the 3rd of August 2016.

Municipal elections are held every five years to elect councillors who will be responsible for governing a municipality for the next five years. The current term of office of municipal councils ends on 18 May 2016. The councillors will serve on the town, city, metropolitan or district councils that ensure services

that impact the daily lives of citizens in their areas including water, electricity, housing and sanitation. For registration visit your nearest IEC offices in Cape Road 122 Millpark and for further enquiries you can phone (041) 373 8604. To register you should bring in your:
-green, bar-coded ID book
-smartcard ID; or
-valid Temporary Identity Certificate (TIC).

So get ready to have your say in the 2016 Municipal Elections. Your vote is your voice, use it wisely.



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A great day for Animals

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The traffic circle at Soweto-on -sea is a very busy market square. Mama Mamgqwathi occupies the one corner with her qadidi (cow's head cooked meat) and in the other is Bra Steve, selling his vegetables.

Every Wednesday the square serves the four-legged occupants of the community when the Animal Welfare truck arrives to provide health services for the dogs and cats. There are squeaking puppies and barking amongst countless wagging tails. Throngs of kids and adults with dogs on leashes descend to the square for the health and well-being of their best friends. Not to mention the ladies and their cats in baskets.

Benjamin Selikane, a worker for this non profit organisation provides a huge basin and dip is poured. Immediately everyone washes their dogs and Benjamin says, "We provide some services like the dip for free and we give advice on how to take care of your animal." The animals are also injected and if need surgery or any other serious ailment a veterinary surgeon is referred.

Khotso Mosi a resident from Veeplas says, "I come here almost every month. Sometimes my dogs need injections for mange (a skin infection where the dog scratches and loses hair) which is much cheaper here than going to the vet clinic."

Ritsa Creeth from the Animal Anti -Cruelty Campgain is very proud of their initiative. "The services provided by the welfare



Each man with his dog: Animal owners dip their animals to prevent diseases.

truck is brought to people from Joe Slovo to Veeplas. Contact us to find out when we are close to your area whether you want to donate to the NPO, or bring your animal you are welcome".

The number is **041 456 1776** to get free advice for your animal.

One-on-One

Every month Zanemvula introduces you to a person who you might not know, but who has an impact your on life.

Who is Nazliey Stanley?

Nazliey is a single mother of one daughter, and a devout Muslim born and bred in PE. I am a transparent person. What you see is what you get inside and out. My smile is not my weakness but my strength. In the office I am friends with everybody.

How did you end up working at HDA?

I studied administration and I was a receptionist for a company for a few years. I saw this post on the paper and I applied. I started in November after four months of waiting.

How does it feel to work at HDA?

It is something different. The pace is high. Everyday there is a new experience. That means you learn everyday. You deal with contractors, beneficiaries and various stakeholders. The opportunities are immense and there is a lot of different things to do.

How does it feel to part of a team that helps change people's lives?

I am very proud to be part of a collective that helps make change. You feel the spirit and you realize that you not only helping the needy but you also helping yourself to become a better person.



"My smile is not my weakness", says Nazliey Stanley

What do you do in your spare time?

I watch movies with my daughter and we go to the Mosque. On the side I do my hobbies of photography and graphic designing. I also volunteer for a non-profit organisation that helps with disadvantaged people.

Thank you Nazliey

Pleasure is mine.

Freedom Day celebrations



Portia Mintoor
Freedom means to be myself and do what I want.



Nondumiso Mbusi, 43
Inkululeko kum ithetha ukuba ndinendlu yam endihlala kuyo emva kokuhla ebobosini iminyaka. Nangona kunjalo ndiqwenela abantwana bam bafune umsebenzi.



Sindiswa Konole and Thandeka Lucas
Blacks were always discriminated against. Education was low. Now I can take my children anywhere for education. We were not allowed to vote. With my freedom I can choose whoever I want to represent me.

Freedom Day commemorates the first democratic elections held in South Africa on 27 April 1994. It is an occasion for the country to remember and celebrate struggle icons and honour those who continue to be committed to transformation and to building a better life for all of us.

On 27 April 1994, the nation finally cast its vote in the first democratic election in the country. The ANC was voted into power, and Nelson Mandela was inaugurated as the President of South Africa on May 10.

Freedom Day therefore serves as a reminder to us that the guarantee of our freedom requires us to remain permanently vigilant against corruption and the erosion of the values of freedom and to build an active citizenry that will work towards wiping out the legacy of racism, inequality and the promotion of the rights embodied in our constitution.

We went out to the streets of Joe Slovo and spoke to people about what this day means to them.

Project Updates:

Soweto-on-Sea Rectification

- To date, 2039 of 2500 houses have been rectified

Chatty 1380

- 1273 houses are complete and have Final Unit Reports issued by the NHBRC
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Joe Slovo West 4040 (Services)

- All 4040 sites were serviced and the last Completion Certificates were issued on 03 September 2014

Soweto-on-Sea/Veeplaas 500 Unbuilt Sites

- 2 Established Contractors and 4 SMMEs appointed
- 4 show-houses have been completed in Wards 27 & 30.
- 20 new houses completed
- New houses are built in accordance with the new specification which is in line with the new National Building Regulations and SANS 10400 Part XA (Energy Efficiency).

Walmer Q Phase 3 189

- 1 Established Contractor appointed
- 5 SMMEs appointed as Nominated Sub-contractors
- 112 Houses have been completed and handed over to beneficiaries
- New houses are built in accordance with the new specification which is in line with the new National Building Regulations and SANS 10400 Part XA (Energy Efficiency).

Chatty 491 – Military Veterans

- Project has been approved by Province
- Principal Agent in place
- Designs have been approved by the Municipality
- 1 Showhouse has been completed and handed over to beneficiary
- Houses will be of 50m2 in size
- HDA has appointed a CBO to construct the project and entered into an SLA with it

Chatty 1060, JSW 2000 (Top Structures) and Sisulu Hlalani Village (18)

- Projects are in the construction stage
- Contractors have established site camps
- Health and safety files are being completed prior construction commencement.
- Contractors have been introduced to the community
- Procurement process for Principal Agents has been completed.
- Designs in line with new Building Regulations and SANS 10400 Part XA (Energy Efficiency) approved by the Municipality

Chatty MPC

- Construction being disrupted by numerous stoppages linked to SMME issues
- The HDA is in talks with the contractor who submitted a termination notice due to continuous work stoppages
- At the time of termination, only 38% of the project had been completed

Six ways to position your child as a strong student

There is a Xhosa saying that goes: "Bagotywa besebatsha meaning,"Teach them in their infancy as they are easy to bend". The following few tips will help you grow a child that will excel at school and be contribute positively to their community.

1. Teach values to your child

The way children learn values, simply put, is by observing what you do, and drawing conclusions about what you think is important in life. Regardless of what you consciously teach them, your children will emerge from childhood with clear views on what their parents really value, and with a well developed value system of their own.

2. It is very important to create a culture of literacy in your family. With strong reading and a good vocabulary your child will be able to learn in the classroom. Shirley Brice-Heath says parents should read to their children every night for 15 minutes while they are in bed preparing to sleep. This starts their interest in reading and gets their imagination working. Ask your children to read the text around them, like road signs, cereal boxes, etc.

3. Be involved in your child's schooling. Their teacher must know you personally. Everyday your child must present his or her homework or school work to you. This will ensure they work consistently and you will be able to

help or arrange assistance for them.

4. Television is very destructive to your child's learning. Not only does it lack morals, but it just entertains, making our children have short attention spans. It is important to monitor and regulate what your children watch. Children should not watch more than 2 hours of TV per day. Also, age restrictions on films are there for a purpose, protect your child's innocence and comply.

5. Regulate your child's intake of sugar. Sugar is very dangerous. Not only does it stop the body from absorbing important vitamins, but it also shortens the child's attention span, making it difficult to concentrate at school.

6. Encourage sport and community togetherness like in libraries and community centres. This helps your child to surround themselves with like-minded friends.

Send your tips for a raising strong students to warafana@gmail.com and we will publish it in next month's issue.



Soweto-on-Sea Community Centre

Do-It-Yourself: Recycling rubber tyres

Each and every year thousands of rubber tyres are thrown away. Many are dumped everywhere in our backyard making our homes look untidy and harming the environment. Here are some interesting ways to turn those old tyres into features that will beautify our homes, and maybe even make us some money!



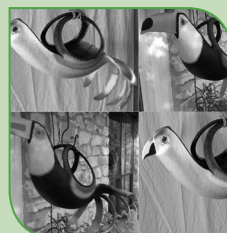
Sofas and Furniture



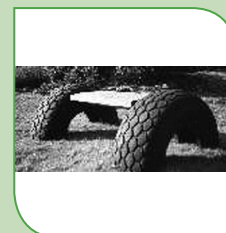
Pot Planters



Swing for Kids



Decorations



Garden benches

Many of the materials to make these interesting items can be found in our back yards and could easily be the start of a new business. It just takes a bit of creativity and hard work. Have you got what it takes?

Useful contact numbers

The Housing Development Agency: 041 393 2600

Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality:

Customer Care (All hours): 041 506 5555

Service Delivery Centre (All hours for water, sanitation and all other services): 0800 205 050

Human Settlements Eastern Cape: 043 711 9500

Emergencies: (From cell phone): 112

Childline: 08000 55 555

Eskom Customer Care: 0860 037 566

Land Invasion:

Macdonald: 082 410 5066

Hlela: 079 490 0531

Fire: 041 585 2311 / 041 508 5505

Water leaks, Power outages etc.: 0800 205 050

General Emergencies: 041 506 2735

Clinics

Chatty Clinic in Dullisear Street: 041 506 3070

Veeplaas Clinic in Kani Street: 041 506 1183

Zwide Clinic in Johnson Street: 041 506 7410

Soweto-on-Sea Clinic in Mbanga Street:

041 506 1191

Booyens Park Clinic 2 in Booyens Park Drive:

041 483 1590

Police Stations

Bethelsdorp Police Station:

041 404 3000/4/5

071 475 1938

Kwazakele Police Station:

041 408 7720

KwaDwezi Police Station:

041 459 0213

KwaDwezi Police Station:

041 405 4712



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