



KWA SANI VIEW POINT

Warm greetings to Kwa Sani Citizens, this is another week granted to us by the almighty above, South Africa as a country has come a long way, 20 years of democracy is a milestone achievement and indeed the country has managed to achieve a lot in changing the lives of the people for better.

On the 14th of March 2014 the Kwa Sani Municipality will be hosting a Youth and Adult dialogue in celebration of the 20 years of democracy, this event will be organised by the Harry Gwala district municipality and the invitation is extended to all the community members and stakeholders of Kwa Sani.

On the 10th of March 2014 the Underberg Farmers Association (UFA) in partnership with Kwa Sani Municipality embarked on a journey where they visited all the communal owned land and farms, the purpose of this visit was to identify the potential land that can be utilised for the benefit of the communities, there will be a Private Public Partnerships (PPP) established that will see the development of Kwa Sani.

The small town rehabilitation programme is underway, it aims to upgrade and uplift our small towns, and one of the things that will be done is the upgrading of the street lights of Underberg, the service provider who will be undertaking this task has been appointed, this project will see the creation of job opportunities for the local people. The sidewalks will be constructed on the old main road and this project will benefit the Underberg school children, these are one of the few strides that the municipality will be doing to upgrade and uplift the town.

The Municipality is aware of the poor drainage system of Underberg and the conditions of our roads; however the municipality is still waiting for the Department of Transport who have promised to sort those issues as they are currently waiting for their new financial year to commence soon. The project of

constructing a welcoming sign to Underberg has begun and will be finalised soon, this will allow people who are visiting or passing by the town to feel welcomed and at home. On Sunday the 16 of March 2014 Kwa Sani will be hosting a Mayoral cup, the venues will be Enhlanhleni sports field and Underberg, the prizes will be awarded to the victors on the day, and hence this tournament will be used as a build-up or selection for the upcoming provincial Salga Games 2014.

KWASANI MUNICIPALITY TOURISM AMBASSADORS EMPOWERMENT MEETING

KwaSani municipality recently held a meeting with tourism ambassadorship programme graduates to discuss challenges they are facing such as unemployment and to come up with ways that we can directly respond to their challenges such as tourism entrepreneurship skills development and tourism empowerment programmes.

In this meeting the municipality committed to the following:

To provide ongoing support working together with other government institutions and private sector in empowering tourism ambassadors with necessary skills that will enable them to contribute meaningfully to the tourism industry through entrepreneurship and also benefit from government empowerment programmes.

To provide a networking platform and exposure of tourism ambassadors to premier tourism shows and exhibitions such as Tourism Indaba and Agricultural Royal Show as well as local events such as KwaSani Culture and Food Tasting Expo as well as Splashy Fen Music Festival .

The support will be provided in the development of tourism ambassador's formal structure arrangement. This structure will provide them with a voice and meaningful participation in tourism bodies, such as Southern Drakensberg Community Tourism Organisation and the KwaSani Local Tourism Forum. On the other hand Tourism ambassadors committed to avail themselves when and where necessary if required so, to comply and abide by the rules of industry good governance principles that are applicable to the industry to play an active role in in organising themselves into formidable structures. Both parties are looking forward to fruitful, developmental and beneficial partnership to promote our local tourism industry.

Until next time, stay blessed...