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DRUM Ed's Note

BEHIND THE DISGUISE

HE times we're living in are truly terrifying. Places we used to feel safe in have become a hub of crime and men of the cloth have proven to be wolves in sheep's clothing.

It seems a week can't go by without another pastor being accused of abusing congregants financially, physically and emotionally. Places of prayer have been turned into money-making businesses by fake pastors who stop at nothing to get what they want.

Nana Masheya is the latest person to come forward with allegations against a church leader. She speaks candidly about what she saw and did at the "prophet's" bidding – and it makes for shocking reading (see page 18).

On a positive note, get to know Tsonga rapper Sho Madjozi, whose resolve pushed her to succeed despite being told she wouldn't make it if she rapped in her mother tongue (see page 90).

Until next week, THE DRUM TEAM

We would love to hear your thoughts on matters close to your heart. Email us at letters@drum.co.za to also share what you think of the articles in this issue.

WE LOVE DRUM PUZZLES

DRUM Puzzles is a very nice magazine! More crosswords and arrow crosswords would be appreciated, though. And please keep the easier crosswords too. Many thanks for the mag and hopefully there'll be many more.

M MORAN, EMAIL

* Please could you let me know when the next issue of DRUM Puzzles will be out? I have one issue so far. Is there some way I could subscribe to your puzzle issue? TRACEY OYSTON, EMAIL

It's always great to get positive feedback from our readers on our new publications. A second edition could be on the horizon soon and DRUM will keep readers informed about this on our various platforms.

THE DRUM TEAM

DOCTOR KNOWS BEST

In many of our families we have someone who always complains about stomach

DON'T GIVE UP

LETTER OF THE WEEK

OST people despair when they're rejected after an interview with a prospective employer. Don't let failure paralyse your thinking.

Instead you should use rejection to fuel your passion to come back and convince them – or other employers - that you're suitable for that particular job. Don't let

one failed interview knock you down.

Keep believing in yourself and never give up. What you believe in shouldn't be stopped by difficult times. Be strong because whatever happens in your life doesn't mean you don't deserve success. Fight for what belongs to you until you prosper and remember that confidence is key.

VINCENT SOKANA, EMAIL

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pains, earache, tonsillitis, etc. We become accustomed to them complaining and often rely on over-the-counter medication to treat their ailments.

After a month or so the symptoms often recur because we're using the wrong medication. The dread diseases that take many people's lives can be avoided if we consult doctors and allow them to diagnose and treat symptoms.

Self-medicating is dangerous because people respond differently to medication. Only professional doctors can prescribe the right medicine. Some of the illnesses we're suffering from are caused by the food we eat and our lifestyles.

When a doctor says you must cut down on red meat and eat vegetables, do as they say and live a healthy life. Prevention is better than cure.

MATOME KUBU, EMAIL

BE SAFE ON THE ROADS

Owning a car is many people's dream but it could prove fatal as the number of road deaths seems to increase all the time.

Many fatalities on our roads are caused by dangerous, reckless and drunken driving. Cellphones are also to blame as we drive and talk while on our gadgets. Will we ever learn that all these things are a danger to our lives and others?

Let's stop being selfish and we can prevent lives from being unnecessarily lost. Adhering to the rules of the road isn't difficult, is it? The Easter and Christmas holidays give us a chance to be with our friends, families and loved ones but I'm becoming increasingly reluctant to travel

long distances because of the many crashes on our roads over these periods.

Putting more traffic officers on the roads won't solve the problem - we need motorists to be more considerate and responsible too.

MCDIVETT KHUMBULANI TSHEHLA, EMAIL



DEADLY JOB

A police officer is a parent to his or her kids. They're someone's brother or sister. They're also mentors to youngsters. A police officer is a protector of law-abiding citizens. Above all, a policeman or -woman is a human being.

The number of police officers who are being killed is sky-high and drastic measures need to be taken (Life in 'cult' of death, 8 March). This job has become so dangerous youngsters won't easily go into policing. If our cops are being killed like this, ordinary people are even less safe in the eyes of criminals.

GODFREY MALIBE, ACORNHOEK

EDUCATION CONUNDRUM

This idea of decolonised education has caught the imagination of many people.



Students and political activists, parents and teachers, journalists and writers, academics and priests - we're all trying to understand what it means.

The #FeesMustFall movement involved the most democratic discussions we've had about education in South Africa. I believe its main aim was to improve education for all. The curriculum must be altered because it's essential our young people are inspired by a whole range of ideas and experiences emanating from global struggles against "difference".

TERRY MSOMI, EMAIL

BEWARE OF FAKE PASTORS

When will people use their brains before joining these so-called "churches of God"? Money is the root of evil! There are many fake pastors who live in luxury while their followers, who support their lifestyles with meagre earnings, live in poverty.

KHATHI DENIS, EMAIL

MALEMA FOR PRESIDENT

The EFF isn't in power but looking at the decisions made by the ANC one can see Julius Malema is in charge of our country.

Almost every decision taken by the ANC recently has been something that was raised and demanded by the EFF. I've realised this young man, Malema, has great ideas and is a powerful leader.

He loved the ANC once and even though he says he won't rejoin the party, his blood is green, yellow and gold. I wouldn't be surprised if he does go back to the ruling party as his biggest enemy is no longer the president.

LETLADI WA GA-MPHAHLE, MARALALENG

JUST SAY NO

Peer pressure is one of the reasons many people start adulthood on the wrong foot. Many adults who are alcoholics experimented with their first drop of alcohol when they were teenagers just to please their peers. Today they abuse alcohol and do bad things. The people they were trying to impress are no longer there to help them drink responsibly.

When a high-school learner takes the first pull of a cigarette, it isn't because they find nicotine delicious. A cigarette tastes bitter and makes you drowsy when you begin smoking.

Despite that beginners persevere until they become addicted and often only later realise their mistake. It's the same with drug addicts. But once they're addicted no one hangs around to help them. It's easy to get addicted to nicotine, drugs and alcohol but difficult to quit. Stop gambling with your life to please others.

M SEREPO, EMAIL

LEAVE IT TO THE LAW

Society has to fight crime but we need to do it properly. It's disturbing that we have residents who still believe in taking the law into their own hands. That will never be a solution because we can't combat crime by committing more crime.

It's understandable that we're boiling with anger and frustration but we must let the law take its course. It's astonishing how people decide to be the judges in their own cases.

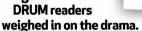
What happened to a suspect being innocent until proven guilty? There are many wrongful arrests as people easily finger an innocent person who they hate as a culprit and get a mob to kill him. Only later will they realise they've killed an innocent soul.

Communities must just do the honourable thing and hand suspects over to the cops. We can only win the fight against crime when law-abiding citizens work together and we can start by not becoming criminals ourselves.

EPHENIA KUBU, EMAIL

facebook YOUR OPINIONS

Marah Louw guit The Queen claiming the show's producers, Ferguson Films, treated her "like trash". Co-producer Connie Ferguson has denied the allegation.



Marah did nothing for the show anyway ...Let's move on now.

KHOLIWE MTSHALI

Continue to work hard for your legacy, Connie. Some people are just not grateful. No one wanted to work with her [Marah].

MARCIA MADONSELA

Let [Marah] start her own shows as she's the older one...

MANTSEBO MPITI

I wonder who's telling the truth here, but Marah should be the one doing the hiring – she has nearly 50 years in the industry. She must be the bigger person about this and let the kids do what they want with their company.

VUYI MAHOLA VETYEKA

Grandmother Marah lacks inner peace. **BULELWA NGWANE**

She can't have issues with just everybody. She really needs to talk to someone.

BARUTI PORCHY

Drama queen! **OSKIDO UDZZ SIYA**



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S one of Mzansi's leading comedians she's used to making people laugh and seeing the lighter side of the most serious subjects.

But after the drama she endured last year Tumi Morake was left battered and bruised – both in body and soul.

A backlash from the public after an onair discussion with her co-host, a head-on collision that could have wiped out her family and some ugly name-calling on social media took their toll on the queen of stand-up comedy. It forced her to take stock of her life, get out of the fast lane and devote herself to her loved ones.

Tumi (36) recently hung up her mic after seven months on Jacaranda FM and is looking forward to the next chapter.

"I've overworked myself and didn't make time for my family," she says.

Tumi's life was jam-packed. Along with hosting her own talk show, #WTFTUMI, she had a stint as a presenter on Mzansi Magic's Our Perfect Wedding, was doing regular stand-up gigs and juggling her breakfast slot on Jacaranda.

"I was feeling a heavy load on my shoulders," she admits.

Her time on Jacaranda will probably be best known for the race row – dubbed Tumigate – that saw her being hauled to the Broadcasting Complaints Commission of South Africa (BCCSA) after riled-up listeners accused her of hate speech.

Although Tumi and her co-host, Martin Bester, were acquitted, the BCCSA advised the pair to tread carefully when discussing racially sensitive topics.

The trouble started when Tumi and Martin discussed South African history and she compared apartheid to bullying.

"Apartheid is like a bully who forceful-



ly took a child's bicycle and then made the child share it," she said.

Twitter erupted with some listeners saying her words incited violence. A Pretoria-based advertiser threatened to pull advertising if she didn't apologise – but Tumi tells DRUM she has no intention of saying sorry.

"I didn't sit and plan what I said – the comment came naturally and I meant it.

"Some people felt offended because they personalised it and thought I was speaking to them directly."

Tumi says the incident spurred on her decision to leave Jacaranda. The fallout was ugly, with haters defiling her fan pages on social media with statements such as, "Go back to the bush" and "You black South Africans mess up everything in our beautiful land".

But at the heart of her decision to leave was the crash that made her realise how precious life is.

All her energy had been focused on chasing the next job and she neglected the important things, such as visiting family more frequently and being handson at home. "The entertainment industry is unpredictable and you can be famous one day and forgotten the next. I knew this was my time and I started taking every job that came my way.

"Then the accident slowed me down. After I got home from hospital I walked into the house and broke down.

"My children and my husband were there and I couldn't believe I could have died before enjoying the house I worked so hard to build."

HE crash happened so quickly and unexpectedly. Tumi's husband, Mpho Osei-Tutu (36), was at the wheel of their sponsored Jaguar F-PACE on that fateful day last December.

After renovating their Kensington home in Johannesburg, the couple took a well-deserved family holiday with their kids, Bonsu (9), Lesedi (5) and Althea (4).

They were on their way to Sun City when their car was involved in a head-on collision with another vehicle.

The occupants of both cars had a narrow escape, sustaining minor injuries and needing treatment for shock.

Mpho and the kids were checked out at the hospital and discharged but Tumi, who had hurt her back, was admitted.

"I discharged myself after one night. I was worried about my family and the trauma they had endured."

Unaware of how badly her back was hurt, Tumi has been in and out of her doctor's surgery and is still being treated for her injuries.

"I didn't think I was hurt. I just wanted to make sure my children were okay."

But again social media turned on Tumi. Reports emerged she hadn't bothered to contact the other crash victims and she was laid into for being seen laughing at the hospital.

Tumi is dumbfounded. "People say I don't care because they saw me laughing. We all deal with shock differently – even when I was hijacked in 2003 I laughed. That's how my body reacted.

"There was absolutely nothing funny about the accident and I was as much a victim as the next person."

She says an occupant of the other vehicle shared an ambulance with her.

"I was hurt, no one stood up for me – even the person I had driven with in the ambulance kept quiet."

She endured more backlash when some Jacaranda listeners said the crash was karma. But that's behind her now. The future is what matters, not the past.

UMI believes everything happens for a reason. "God, the higher power or the universe, wanted me to slow me down. The accident was a wake-up call for me to slow down and focus on my family."

And she's heeding the call. Although she's still hosting #WTFTUMI, she's making a point of spending time with family and enjoying their refurbished home.

Tumi and Mpho renovated their large two-storey home complete with a large garden and a pool for their kids to enjoy.

"When we first moved in here the house was tiny and it was a dump with a big hole on the roof," Tumi tells us.

The crash also taught her to be more appreciative of what she has, she says.

"I used to celebrate the smallest things when I started out, like how my mother used to call me every time she saw me on TV or in the newspapers."

Tumi takes a trip down memory lane as she speaks of her mother, Tebogo, who passed away in 2011.

Tebogo helped mould the woman she is today, she adds. "She made me fall in love with books. She was a nurse for 20 years and she loved her craft. She taught me to always do what I love and not focus too much on the money."

Before the crash Tumi lost track of her mom's advice and was too intent on getting work. Now she's more selective about the jobs she does – without neglecting her love of stand-up.

She's gearing up for a new comedy show, Married... But Not to Each Other, with fellow comedian Ndumiso Lindi which they'll perform at the Lyric Theatre at Gold Reef City next month.

Until then, Tumi plans to spend as much quality time with her family as possible.■



Tumi has slowed down her work pace so she can spend time with Mpho and their children, Althea, Lesedi and Bonsu.



E'S been called everything from a dangerous operator to a corrupt scoundrel who had a hand in political assassinations.

He caused a storm when he was flown to Russia for medical treatment on the Gupta family's private jet after being poisoned. And he's widely believed to have convinced President Cyril Ramaphosa to make him his deputy instead of his chosen No 2, Naledi Pandor.

David "DD" Mabuza (57) holds so much sway in the echelons of power he's been nicknamed The Kingmaker - and if his move from the Mpumalanga premier's office to the Union Buildings in Pretoria is controversial, well, so be it.

He's an old master at surviving storms. In fact, he's even nicknamed himself The Cat because of it.

We find David in his soon-to-be-vacated premier's mansion in Nelspruit, sipping vegetable juice on the veranda.

He's come a long way. He was born in a village in Brondal in Mpumalanga to Anna Nkambule, a housekeeper, and William Cetshwayo Mabuza, a railway station guard.

As a kid he and his 11 siblings had to fetch water from the river, collect wood and take the cattle out to graze before setting off for school.

His parents separated when he was in Grade 10 and his father left the family home.

"I tried to understand," he says. "I was close to my father but he couldn't tell me what happened."

His friends and his love of soccer kept him going - and before long he was sucked into the turbulence of the times.

David became politicised following the Soweto school uprising of 16 June 1976 and became determined to fight against the injustices of apartheid.

'Things were tough," he says. "The chances of a young person succeeding were zero."

Despite regular boycotts he passed matric at Khumbula High School and got a bursary to study teaching at Mngwenya College of Education in Nelspruit.

It was at college where David really became embroiled in politics. He was expelled in his final year after organising a student strike and arrested soon after.

"I was kept in a local police station and tortured," he says, adding he was allowed to write his exams after his release and got his diploma.

"That was a hectic period."

His mother, who had cancer, suffered a great deal. "The police would come looking for me and harass everyone at

"She didn't like the kind of life I was leading. According to my parents if you were wanted by police it meant you weren't a good person. I tried to explain I'd done nothing wrong and we were fighting against the system."

Anna passed away in 1987 "a very unhappy woman".

David went on to work underground as a teacher. "I'd help ferry weapons or documents or whatever was ANC-related."

He served as principal of Lungisani Secondary School in Nelspruit from 1989 to 1993 until he was made MEC for education in Mpumalanga in 1994.

"It was a nightmare," he says. "I battled to understand what to do. But I survived."

While there the ministry combined nine separate departments to create a single department of education – but his time there wasn't without scandal.

He was accused of inflating matric results but doesn't want to dwell on that. He believes the department taught him a lot "including negotiation skills and patience".



She says her most important role now is raising their 13-year-old daughter, who's in high school.



David played a key role in backing Jacob Zuma at the ANC's Polokwane conference in 2007 and in 2009 was made premier of Mpumalanga.

He was accused of playing the unity card at the ANC elective conference in December last year, when he tried to mobilise branches to abstain from choosing candidates, instead going with "unity".

He believes he acted in the best interests of the party. The turning point for him, he explains, was the 2007 Polokwane conference which left a bitter taste in his mouth.

"I saw comrades I admired, such as Mbhazima Shilowa and Mosiuoa Lekota, take a different path and leave the ANC."

He also had to watch as Julius Malema "who used to come and visit me in this house" walked away from the party.

Going into last year's conference he foresaw yet another split and didn't think the ANC would survive it.

"It could've been the end of this journey, all these dreams. I just got frustrated."

His unity efforts fell on deaf ears but he's fine with it, he says. "I'm happy with the outcome. The ANC is alive. People on the ground are happy."

O HOW does The Cat feel

about being linked to tender corruption, the Guptas and political killings? The trouble started when he was made Mpumalanga premier and "contested the chairpersonship of this province", he says.

"The contest was fierce among comrades I knew and I never thought they would hate me this way."

Articles that he was corrupt "and what not" started to surface but there "wasn't a piece of evidence", he says.

He also denies involvement in the murders of provincial officials Jimmy Mohlala and Sammy Mpatlanyane,

who uncovered the tender corruption of the 2010 Fifa World Cup.

David says the process was finalised around 2007, two years before he became premier.

"When I came in as premier people started saving I had an interest in the stadium. The speaker of the municipality was shot. So the allegation was I was part of the shooting. Why should I arrange for the speaker to be killed? What did I stand to gain? Nothing."

And the trip to Russia on the Gupta jet? David tells us how he was left fighting for his life in 2015 after being poisoned during a birthday bash in which he organised a funfair for kids as part of a fundraising drive for schools in Bushbuckridge.

"I drank coffee – that was all I had that morning."

He started sweating and feeling weak soon afterwards and the next day he was so ill his wife, Nonhlanhla Patience Mnisi, rushed him to hospital.

"I couldn't eat or drink. At some point I couldn't speak."

Then-president Zuma came to see him after he'd been in hospital for a month.

"I was in a terrible condition. After he left he sent some doctors to check on me and they said, 'the situation is so dire we

must try to arrange to get you to Russia to get treatment".

He was taken aboard a jet where he saw Zuma's son, Duduzane, who said his father had asked him to help.

"I didn't even know whose plane it was. I only realised later it was a Gupta plane."

He's never had anything to do with the Guptas, he says. "If people have proof, they must go to the police or public protector."

The government needs to fight corruption "with all its might", he adds. "It's like a cancer that will kill all of us."

AVID is eager to get stuck into his new role even though it means sacrificing family time - something he's done a lot over the years. "All my children have

grown up without me," the father of seven says. "I've tried to pay for school and every other thing but it's not enough."

Nonhlanhla (45), whom he's been married to for 15 years, smiles. "To us, he's very special," she says.

Home for the family is a 25-hectare farm in Barberton where David watches soccer on TV and goes fishing.

His eldest daughter, Innocentia (38), says her dad has always been strict.

"He has that teacher thing going on. He's fun but he throws the best tantrum

when you make him angry."

So does The Cat hope to be president one day?

"If I could pass, it would be fine," he says. "I didn't have any desire to be here but here I am. It's not always about me and where I want to go."



David backed former president Jacob Zuma at the ANC conference in Polokwane in 2007.

DRUM News

IT'S MADE ME STRONGER

Actress Shoki Sebotsane has moved on after ending her unhappy and allegedly abusive marriage and is looking forward to a brighter future with her daughters

BY OHAMA DAYILE

HE once felt so unsafe she used to sleep with a knife under her pillow every night - but since calling it quits on her abusive 10year marriage she's found a new lease of life and an untapped well of confidence to draw from.

Reshoketswe "Shoki" Sebotsane is living life on her terms and well on the road to healing and learning to love herself, she says. And she's finding an unending source of joy in her two young children.

DRUM is catching up with the petite actress exactly a year after she first opened up about the shocking abuse she allegedly endured at the hands of her husband, actor Sello Sebotsane ('He beat me to a pulp', 16 March 2017).

The woman here today is worlds away from the distraught actress who was traumatised about walking out of her marriage and worried about how her daughters, now aged 10 and nine, were going to adjust.

But things are going so much better now, she says. Seeing her kids happy and unafraid makes her a better mother, Shoki adds.

"I have always been a hands-on mother, I read to my kids, we play and if they want me to roll on the floor and act like a dead cat I will. Nothing has changed since Sello left us except that we're safe and don't live in fear anymore."

It feels good not to be afraid, she shares. "My girls are now safe and they attend The Teddy Bear Clinic, a foundation that helps kids who have either been abused or seen abuse. I got out of my marriage when I realised my children's lives were on the line."

The Skeem Saam star left her husband in 2016 and the pair once the golden couple of Mzansi entertainment - is in the process of getting a divorce.

I have gained inner strength and my feet are firmly on the ground," Shoki says. "I know what I like and what I don't like and I laugh more and my kids and I speak about everything.

"I want them to grow up loving themselves and never to doubt their strength."

AKING the decision to leave her marriage wasn't easy. She and Sello were a couple who seemed to have it all - fame, looks, success and a fairytale romance.

But it was all a lie, she told us in her no-holds-barred interview last year. Shoki (40) finally decided to put her life and her children first and had Sello escorted out of their home by police in June 2016.

'My neighbours were all there on the day he left. He'd beaten me up so badly I realised if I continued living this way I would die," she says.





LEFT: Shoki Sebotsane broke down last year in an exclusive interview with DRUM. RIGHT: She plays MaKunutu on Skeem Saam alongside Dieketseng Mnisi. The actress says she relates to her character because. like her, Shoki wants the best for her children.



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"I sent a message to our neighbourhood WhatsApp group asking them to call the police."

Her neighbours knew about the abuse as they would often hear her crying so when she sent the message they knew what was happening.

"They would hear me scream and hear the beatings and knew my children were being shoved around."

She hasn't regretted her decision to leave her husband and no longer gets upset when she sees Sello on TV.

"I stayed too long in the relationship," she says.

Shoki hasn't seen much of Sello since he was escorted out of the house and only catches glimpses of him during court appearances - she opened a case of assault against him in 2016 which is still ongoing.

"When I go to court I put my heart on ice and refuse to break down," she says.

The abuse has made her realise her inner strength, she adds.

"I don't know how I managed to put myself on hold and focus on work because at home I was going through turmoil."

Yet she always showed up at work despite the abuse except for the one time she was so badly beaten in the early hours of the morning she woke up with a swollen face and couldn't go on set.

Sello, who currently plays the role of Ace (a ruthless father of two who brings trouble for the family) on eExtra drama series Broken Vows, told DRUM last year he wasn't interested in talking about

his personal business and has still steadfastly refused to comment on the abuse claims.

'There is a case I'm dealing with," he says. "This matter is deep and there are other things going on. I also have kids to think about and I just want to stay away Sello and Shoki Sebotsane looked like the perfect couple and few knew about the abuse she says took place behind

. closed doors.

from discussing this."

Despite everything that's happened Shoki would hate to see the father of her children go to jail - although she does believe he needs to be punished in some way.

"If the court wants him to go to prison, then that will be their decision."

HE isn't ready to start dating yet but when she is she knows 'I laugh exactly the kind more now

of man she'll look for.

"I want a loving, caring man who listens to me and who will be able to hear my stories. I want someone who will encourage my potential and not be intimidated by

my achievements in life - a man who won't feel threatened by me."

A lot of women approached her after

she shared her story, she says, and asked her to assist with their marriages. "There are women who want to come out and say their husbands abuse them but they are scared."

She gives advice where she can and tells women where they can go for help.

Celebrities who are abused are often afraid of being judged so they keep quiet, often to their detriment, and Shoki

hopes by speaking out she's set a good example.

"I don't want this to ruin my 25 years of hard work as an actress and be known as just a victim of abuse but I do want to help other women.

"I mourned my relationship, I cried and I turned my broken ankle into a dance and didn't allow it to come in

the way of being a great actress."

Being an actress is another escape for the spunky mom. On SABC1's Skeem Saam Shoki plays Celia "MaKunutu" Kunutu, a poor township mother who is strong and outspoken.

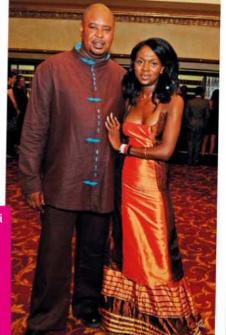
She can relate to her, she says. "Ma-Kunutu is brave, her character has grown so much. Like me, she's taken a 360 turn and she's tired of living in poverty and wants to make ends meet."

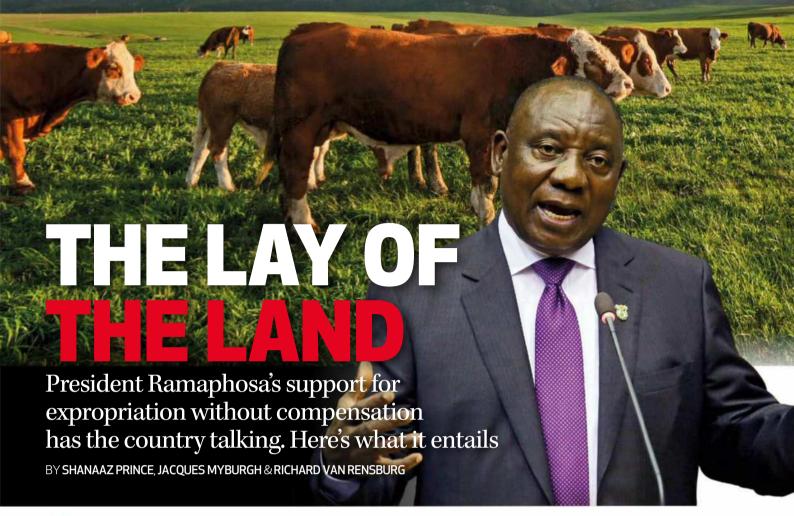
Shoki loves her character because like her she's well-rooted and wants a better life for her children. "She surprises me every time," she says.

She feels MaKunutu represents the women of her life, which is why the role comes naturally to her. "MaKunutu is a survivor like my grandmother who had eight children and managed to clothe and feed them all with her R100 salary as a domestic worker."

Like MaKunutu, Shoki is ready for new adventures and can't wait to see what her 40s has in store.

She's been through the worst, she says, and nothing can get her down anymore.





S it really going to happen? Will the government actually fast-track land redistribution - or is it going to be a case of yet another promise unfulfilled?

Calls for land restitution have left millions of South Africans either feeling nervous or excited.

The issue is bound to be the driving force of political party campaigns in the run up to next year's elections, with the ANC and the EFF both claiming ownership of it.

Land grabs won't be allowed, the government has stated, but what does this mean? How will they go about implementing the policies, now that the wheels have started turning in parliament to make land expropriation without compensation a reality?

Some experts have welcomed the move, saying it's long overdue, while others have called for caution. But everyone is in agreement about one thing: more clarity is needed on how it's all going to be carried out. We try to make sense of this burning issue.

WHY NOW?

Land reform has been on the agenda since 1994 and yet decades down the line little has been done to redress the imbalance of agricultural land ownership brought about by apartheid.

Working on the model of a willing buyer, willing seller (with the government helping the new owner to buy the land) change has happened at a snail's pace.

In terms of official targets, by 2014 more than 30% of farmland should have been transferred to new owners - but according to government figures only roughly 8% changed hands.

Little wonder people are angry. At the ANC's elective conference in December things got so heated when the issue was debated it almost led to fisticuffs among delegates.

To restore unity and prevent the total collapse of the conference, which saw Cyril Ramaphosa voted in as ANC president, the party resolved to accept the principle of land expropriation without compensation, with the qualification that it shouldn't negatively impact food security in South Africa.

In his closing address to the conference Ramaphosa promised to lead the implementation of the policy. But there's speculation he was strong-armed into adopting the controversial decision.

"I think he has a reserved opinion about it but the fact of the matter is his party supports the constitution being changed," says Dr Piet Croucamp, an independent political analyst.

Now Ramaphosa is under real pressure. If he fails to deliver on land reform it could count against him at the ANC's next elective conference in 2022. But in all his statements on the subject he seems to be bending over backwards to appease all sides.

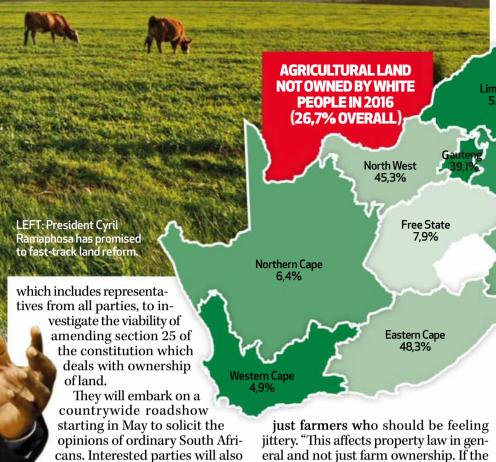
"There's no need for anyone to panic and to start beating war drums," he said recently. "Farming activities must continue as normal and investment in land and farming must continue. There will be no smash and grab of land in our country. That we will not allow."

WHAT NEXT?

For better or worse, the wheel has started turning. While Ramaphosa was still finding his feet as president, EFF leader Julius Malema tabled a motion to kickstart the process that might pave the way for expropriation of land without compensation.

When it was put to a vote in parliament, MPs from both the ANC and EFF and a few other parties voted overwhelmingly in favour of the motion, ensuring it was easily approved.

It will now fall to a 24-member joint committee on constitutional review,



eral and not just farm ownership. If the [property protection] clause is removed from the constitution, no property in SA would be safe."

THE RISKS

Although Ramaphosa has given the assurance land reform won't harm food security, many experts have their doubts.

"It might not be impossible but it will be difficult," Croucamp says.

Food insecurity is already at unacceptable levels due to drought, extreme weather conditions and rapid population growth, Sihlobo says, and land expropriation could make things worse.

However, Croucamp believes the mega farmers who supply the bulk of our produce will probably be safe - it's the smallscale operators who might be vulnerable.

"They might be left out in the cold if big farmers manage to go into an agreement with government about their businesses and they are safeguarded because they are responsible for food security."

the national assembly must vote for a proposed amendment – that means 267 MPs. In addition six of the nine provinces in the national council of provinces must also support it. According to Agbiz (Agricultural

be able to give written submissions.

The committee is due to report

back to parliament on 30 August. If people are dead set against changing the

constitution this will be included in their

feedback but if there's strong support for

the move it will be up to the committee

to present parliament with the draft

Even then it isn't a done deal. To

amend the constitution, two-thirds of

Business Chamber) economist Wandile

Agri SA's head of land affairs, says it's not

amendment.

Sihlobo, section 25 of the constitution states that property may be expropriated only for "a public purpose or in the public interest" and "subject to compensation". Annelize Crosby, a legal expert and

But David Masondo, a member of the ANC's economic transformation committee, says the government only intends taking away land if it's not being 'productively utilised".

Vews DRUM

"It includes vacant land, unused land and land used for speculative purposes," he explained. 'Use it or lose it – even if you're black."

But for now everything is up in the air and nobody is sure how land will be earmarked and how it will be decided who benefits. All these thorny issues will need to be thrashed out once the joint committee on constitutional review offers its feedback.

KwaZulu-Natal

73,5%

Dr Jakkie Cilliers, who chairs the board of the Institute for Security Studies, believes decisions would be made on a 'case-by-case basis".

'We're not talking large-scale expropriation but a selective process."

LAND TRANSFORMATION SO FAR

Between 1996 and 2016 government embarked on five different land reform programmes, savs Johann Bornman, chair of ADS agricultural development consultants. Although R46 billion was spent, it met with very little success.

'It was often expected of people who might not have wanted to become largescale farmers to do just that, without the necessary financial support," says Professor Elmien du Plessis, land reform and property law expert at North-West University. "In some cases large productive farms were turned over to people who had no desire to farm the land."

Experts say for land distribution to work this needs to be addressed and new farmers need to be given proper training, access to finance and constant support.

Ramaphosa recently revealed many of the farms that have changed hands since 1994 are now standing "derelict".

He made it clear that while a shake-up of land ownership is desperately needed, it must be done correctly so people can really benefit from it.

"I am going to order a study to be made on all the returned agricultural land and what we can do," he added.

Let us work this land. Let us demonstrate to ourselves to start with that we can actually work the land."

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OR years she was the church leader's right-hand woman, helping him run the church hundreds of congregants flocked to every week.

But Nana Masheya claims she witnessed and was subjected to so much abuse she could no longer keep quiet - and the lid has been lifted on yet another scandal involving a holy man in Mzansi.

Not only does Nana claim to be a victim of abuse, she says she was also used by the self-styled "prophet" to lure female congregants for sex under the pretence

of prayer and counselling sessions – for which the women had to pay.

And devotees who hoped that the church-supplied holy water and anointed oils would improve their lot in life were also disappointed to discover they were really just paying for supermarket olive oil and tap water.

Nana (36), who worked as Bishop Tefo Jonas Pitso's personal assistant for 10 years, alleges she was also "raped several times" by him.

"I asked him if he had forgotten that a bishop is someone near the holiness of Jesus Christ's heart and he told me he has a human body and can be tempted."



He faces 12 charges of rape and sexual assault on women now aged between 22 and 36. One of the rape survivors claims she was infected with HIV after she was raped when she was a teenager.

North West police spokesperson lieutenant colonel Adele Myburgh confirms eight women have opened cases against the bishop at the Klerksdorp police station. Pitso (49) handed himself over to the police, Myburgh adds.

> ANA is tall and slender and wears designer clothes. The divorced mother of a 10-year-old girl is also streetwise and a persuasive speaker.

DRUM meets her at her home in Jouberton after she spilt the beans on community radio station Star FM and on social media, levelling shocking allegations against the bishop.

Part of her duties as his PA was to attract young people to the church, she says, and to "pimp" young women to the bishop.

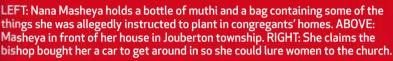
She sold "anointed oil" to young women who wanted help with marital and other relationship problems, work opportunities and financial matters.

A small bottle of the oil was sold for R100 but it was really olive oil bought at a supermarket and decanted into a small bottle with the church logo stuck

"And the holy water we sold came from the tap. We also put it in bottles, stuck a label on it and sold the water to township people," she tells DRUM.

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"Many young women trusted me. They came to my house for help. We prayed together and I rubbed the anointed oil on their private parts. This is what the bishop instructed me to do.

"I then took pictures of their private parts and forwarded them to the bishop's smartphone. He told me he became powerful after he slept with young women or saw pictures of their private parts," she says.

Nana alleges the bishop would call these women in for prayer and counselling sessions where he allegedly demanded sex from them.

The women paid R200 for a prayer

To convince his congregation he was a prophet, Nana says, the bishop would travel around the country and to Botswana to collect information on his flock.

This information would be used as "prophecies from God" during church services and helped convince congregants that he was indeed a prophet.

"He instructed me to plant muthi, snake skins and dead lizards in people's yards so he could claim the property was cursed. Then he would offer to get rid of the bad spirit for a fee," Nana alleges.

She says she fell under the bishop's thrall more than 10 years ago when he prayed for her and saved her from landing up in jail or an early grave. She used to belong to a gang, Nana says, but Pitso helped her realise the error of her ways.

To be honest, he changed my life and for that I give him credit. My family used to worship at the Assemblies of God but after I met Bishop Pitso we joined his church," she recalls.

It was only after Nana started working for the bishop that she started to see a dark side to him.

She finally had enough when her grandmother, Grace Mpisi, was humiliated in front of the church's congregants.

Nana alleges one of the bishop's followers planted a chameleon in her gogo's bag and Pitso confronted her during the service, accusing her of bringing an evil spirit to church.

He searched her bag, found the animal and then started calling her a witch. A few days later she suffered a heart attack and passed away. It was after this incident, Nana says, that she realised she needed to do something about what was going on.

> RUM spoke to the bishop in his office next to his corrugated iron church before he handed himself over to the police.

"I don't talk much, especially about my life. I know about the rape charges and allegations that I infected a young woman with HIV," he says, his hands steepled in a confident manner.

Pitso says he's done a lot of good in the community, buying groceries for poor families and paying school fees for chil-

dren from impoverished homes. But all this has been overshadowed by the allegations against him.

"Even Jesus was accused and the people he prayed for and helped turned against him. I helped Nana who was a tsotsi involved in criminal activities before I prayed for her and saved her soul.

"I turned her life around. I helped her get a house and bought her a car. Now she's turned against me. I don't know what made her change [her mind] after all the good things I've done for her. I work for Jesus and she wants to destroy what I do."

Church spokesperson Pastor Joseph Pitso, who is not related to the bishop, dismisses the allegations as a smear campaign started by Nana who, he says, was trying to extort money from the church leader.

He said she was "spreading lies" about the bishop because she wanted a new car and between R40 000 and R50 000 a month from him.

"She's an evil woman. She's trying to destroy our bishop," he adds.

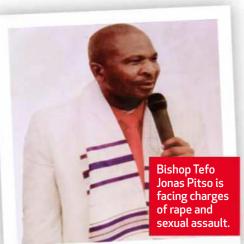
Pastor Pitso was also arrested on rape charges last year in his hometown of Virginia in the Free State. "Yes, I can confirm that I was arrested for raping a minor last year but the charges were withdrawn in December," he says.

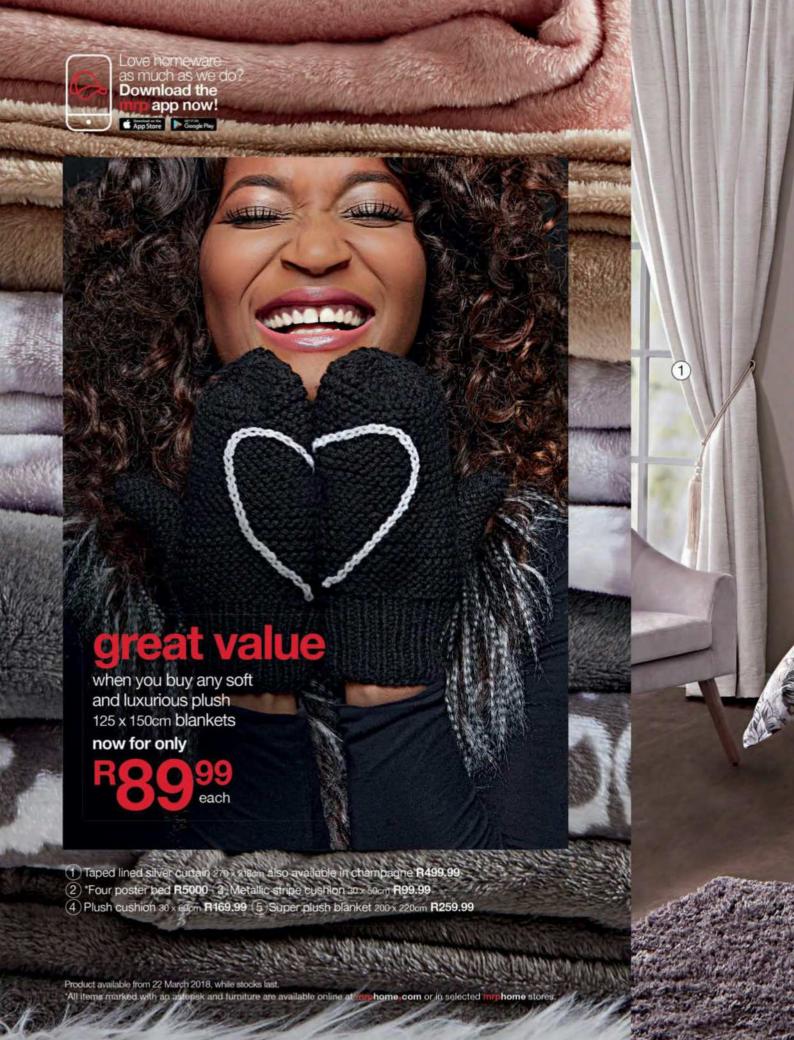
Bishop Pitso, meanwhile, will remain behind bars until next month. He appeared in the Klerksdorp magistrates court but his bail application failed.

He will be back in court on 7 May.

As for Nana, she may be called as a state witness during the trial, Myburgh says. Although Nana also benefited financially from the scams Pitso allegedly ran, she claims she had no choice.

"I was desperate for money," she says. "I didn't know where else to turn." 🗖



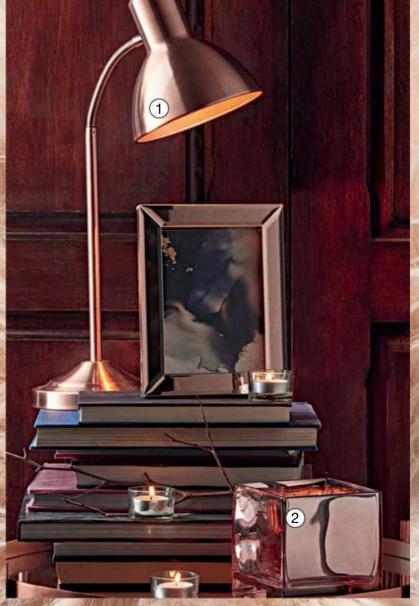






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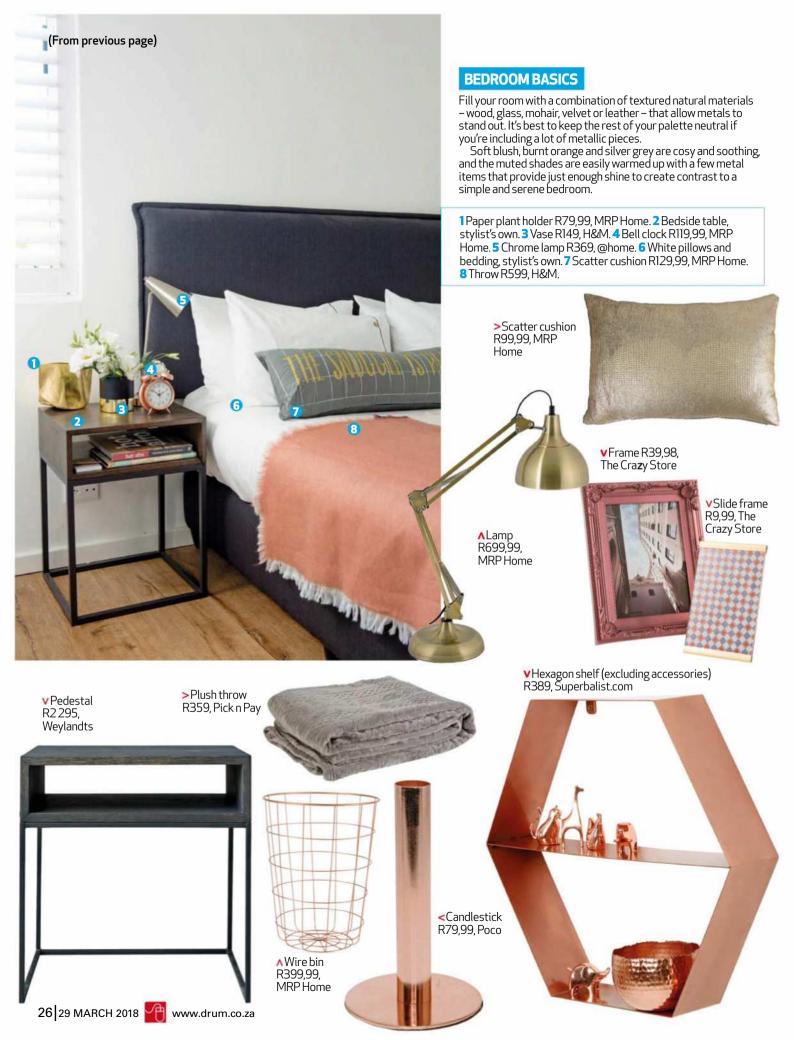
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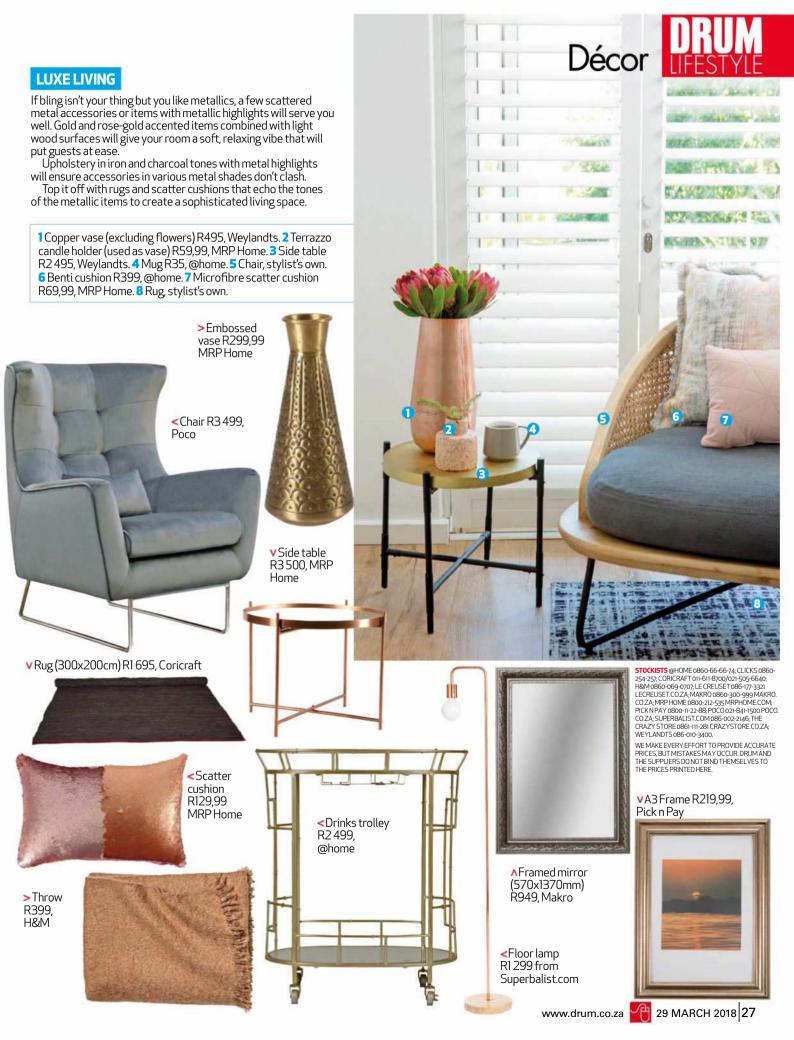
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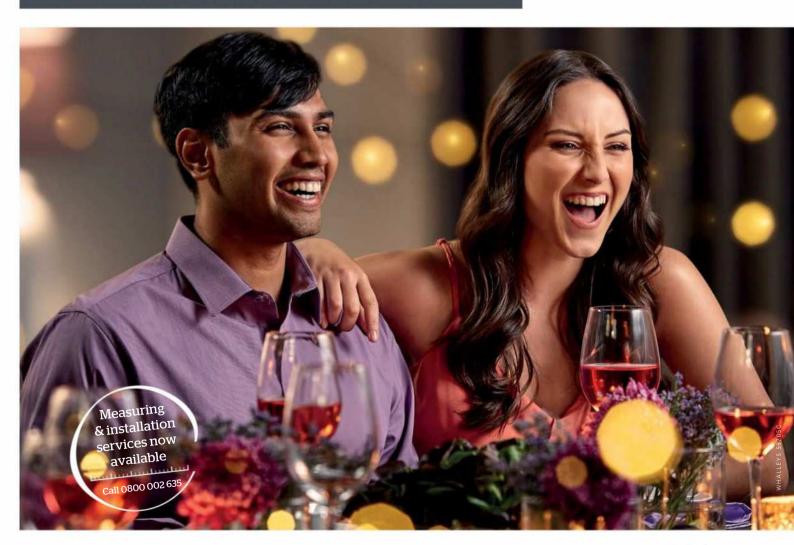




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GIZZARD STEW WITH PAP

SERVES 4 PREPARATION: **10 MIN COOKING: 1 HR**

600-800g chicken gizzards salt and freshly ground pepper 30ml (2T) oil 2 onions, sliced 4 garlic cloves, crushed 1 chilli, chopped 5ml (1t) cumin seeds 2,5ml (1/2t) each ground coriander and cumin 30ml (2T) roasted masala 30ml (2T) tomato paste 500ml (2c) chicken stock 4 carrots, grated 1 can (410g) whole-

kernel corn, drained **TO SERVE**

cooked mealie pap fresh coriander

- 1 Clean the gizzards and rinse well. Pat dry and season with salt and freshly ground pepper.
- 2 Heat the oil in a pressure cooker and fry the gizzards in batches until golden brown. Remove and set aside.
- 3 Fry the onions in the same pot until golden brown. Add the garlic and chilli and stir-fry for another minute. 4 Add the spices

and stir-fry until

- fragrant. Stir in the tomato paste and add the chicken stock. Heat until simmering.
- 5 Return the gizzards to the pot, secure the lid and cook under pressure for 40 minutes or until the gizzards are tender.
- 6 Remove the lid and add the carrots and corn kernels. Add a little water if the stew is too dry. Simmer for 10 minutes. Season with salt and pepper.
- 7 TO SERVE Serve the gizzard stew on mealie pap and garnish with fresh coriander.

BACON AND CHICKEN LIVER PÂTÉ

Seal the pâté with a layer of melted butter so it stays fresh in the fridge for longer.

MAKES 625ML (2½C) PÂTÉ PREPARATION: **15 MIN COOKING: 20 MIN SETTING: 2 HR OR OVERNIGHT IN THE FRIDGE**

500g chicken livers 15ml (1T) olive oil 1 onion, chopped 2 garlic cloves, crushed 200g bacon rashers, chopped 2 bay leaves 30ml (2T) brandy 60ml (1/4c) fresh cream salt and freshly ground pepper **TOPPING**

fresh herb leaves

60ml (1/4c) butter, melted **TO SERVE** toast

- 1 Clean the chicken livers and rinse well. Pat dry and set aside. 2 Heat the olive oil in a deep saucepan and fry the onion and garlic until softened. Add the diced bacon and bay leaves and stir-fry for another 5 minutes.
- 3 Add the brandy and stir through. Add the chicken livers and stir-frv over moderate heat for 5-10 minutes. Remove from the pan and set aside to cool for at least 15 minutes. Remove the bay leaves. 4 Pulse the liver mixture in a food processor until smooth. Add the cream and season the pâté with salt and

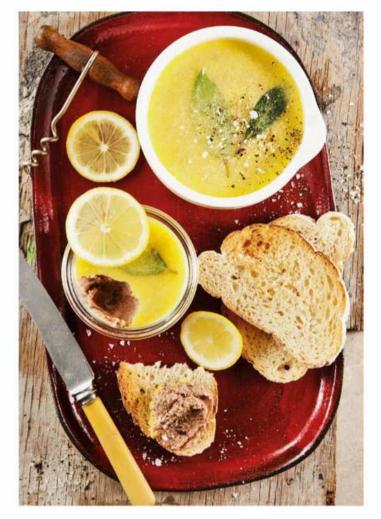
pepper. Mix well.

- **5 TOPPING** Spoon the liver pâté into small dishes or ramekins. Top with a herb leaf or two and pour the melted butter over. Allow to chill completely in the fridge.
- **6 TO SERVE** Serve with slices of toast or crackers of your choice.



Vary the flavour of the pâté by adding the grated zest of 1 lemon and a handful of fresh chopped parsley.

(Turn over)



t-teaspoon/s T-tablespoon/s c-cup/s



MAKES ABOUT 125ML (1/2C) **BUTTER PREPARATION: 15 MIN COOKING: 45 MIN**

4-6 large marrowbone pieces $\frac{1}{2}$ garlic bulb 15ml (1T) olive oil salt and freshly ground pepper 100g soft butter grated zest of 1 lemon handful of fresh parsley, chopped

2,5ml (1/2t) sea salt flakes

TO SERVE

4 mealies, cooked and kept hot extra parsley (optional) extra sea salt flakes

Preheat the oven to 180°C. 1 Place a sheet of foil (double the size of a baking sheet) on a baking sheet. Put the marrowbones the foil. Drizzle the oil over and season the marrowbones with salt and pepper. Fold the foil over the marrowbones and garlic and seal the edges.

2 Roast for 45 minutes or until the marrow and garlic are soft.

3 Remove the marrow from the bones and put it in a mixing bowl. Press the garlic flesh from the cloves and add to the marrow in the

bowl. Allow to cool completely.

4 Add the butter, lemon zest, chopped parsley and salt to the marrow and garlic and mix well. Cover well and chill in the fridge until needed. **5 TO SERVE** Spread

the butter over the hot mealies, sprinkle parsley over (if using) and serve with the extra sea salt.



SERVES 4 PREPARATION: 15 MIN CHILLING: 30 MIN COOKING: 15-20 MIN

500g lamb liver salt and freshly ground pepper flour for coating 2 eggs 60ml (1/4c) milk 250ml (1c) breadcrumbs oil for shallow-frying

TO SERVE

300g carrot and cabbage mix handful of fresh coriander 30ml (2T) mayonnaise 60ml (1/4c) yoghurt salt lemon wedges fresh rocket

1 Clean the liver and rinse well. Pat dry. 2 Slice the liver into portions and season well with salt and pepper. Roll each piece in the flour and shake off the excess.

3 Whisk the eggs and milk together. Dip the liver in the

mixture and roll in the crumbs to coat. Repeat. Transfer to a plate and chill in the fridge for at least 30 minutes.

4 Heat enough oil in a pan for shallowfrying. Fry the liver in batches over medium heat until golden brown and cooked to your liking - about 2-3 minutes a side. Drain on paper towels.

5 TO SERVE

Mix the carrot and cabbage, coriander, mayonnaise and yoghurt and season with salt. Serve the liver with the coleslaw, lemon wedges and rocket.



To give the liver a slight tang, season the flour with 5ml (1t) cayenne pepper and 15ml (1T) dried mixed herbs.

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HEALTH BREAD

I found this delicious recipe among my earliest collections and I'm making it quite often again these days. This bread also freezes well.

MAKES 3 LOAVES PREPARATION: **30 MIN BAKING: 11/4 HR**

900g (7 x 250ml) stoneground wholewheat flour (can include 200g stoneground rye) 120g (4 x 250ml) bran 320g (4 x 250ml) oats 500ml (2c) sunflower seeds, toasted well 60ml (½c) brown sugar 10ml (2t) salt 20ml (4t) bicarbonate of soda 20ml (4t) baking power 150g raisins 4 x 250ml (4c) buttermilk 750ml (3c) water or milk sunflower, sesame and poppy seeds for sprinkling

Preheat the oven to 180°C. Grease three medium loaf tins with nonstick spray.

- 1 Mix all the dry ingredients well and add the raisins.
- 2 Mix the buttermilk and water or milk and add the dry ingredients. Mix well and spoon into the prepared baking tins. 3 Sprinkle the seeds over and bake for about 11/4 hours or until the bread makes a hollow sound when you knock against it. Cover the loaves for
- they're getting too dark on top. 4 Turn the bread out on a wire rack and leave to cool

completely.

the last 20 minutes if

sliced a little olive oil if preferred 180ml (34c) white wine 375ml (1½c) bulgur or pearl wheat About 750ml (3c) veaetable stock

50g feta cheese with black pepper 60ml (1/4c) each chopped coriander and rocket zest and juice of 1/2 a

lemon **TO FINISH**

- 1 butternut, diced and roasted
- 2-3 rounds extra feta cheese with black pepper

olive oil extra rocket and coriander or micro herbs to finish

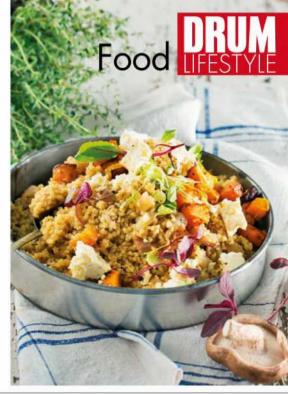
- 1 Fry the onions, bacon, garlic and mushrooms in a little olive oil until the bacon is done and slightly crispy and the onion and mushrooms are soft.
- 2 Add half the white wine and heat until absorbed.
- 3 Add the bulgur, stock and rest of the white wine. Allow to simmer for about 10 minutes on high or

until the wheat is done and most of the liquid has been absorbed (for pearl wheat you might need more stock and it will take much longer to cook).

4 Remove from the heat and stir in the cheese, chopped herbs, lemon zest and juice.

5 TO FINISH

Dish into bowls and add the butternut. Crumble the feta over, drizzle olive oil over and garnish with extra herbs and coriander or micro herbs. Serve immediately.



BAKED PUMPKIN WITH FRAGRANT QUINOA OR SORGHUM **FILLING**

SERVES 4-6 PREPARATION: **10 MIN BAKING:** 50-60 MIN

1 pumpkin, cut in four salt and freshly ground pepper cinnamon olive oil

STUFFING

1 onion, chopped 3 sweet peppers, seeds removed and chopped olive oil 2 garlic cloves, crushed big handful of chopped parsley

and coriander handful of toasted sunflower and pumpkin seeds handful of sultanas pinch of cumin grated zest of 1 lemon 750ml (3c) quinoa or sorghum, cooked

TOPPING 250ml (1c) natural yoghurt 5ml (1t) crushed garlic 5ml (1t) mustard powder 250ml (1c) finely grated Cheddar

micro herbs to garnish

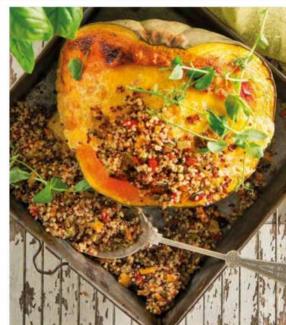
Preheat the oven to 220°C.

1 Scoop out the pips and put the pumpkin pieces on a baking sheet with the pips beside them. Season with salt, pepper and cinnamon and drizzle a little olive oil over. Roast the pumpkin for about 30 minutes until softened and done and the pips are puffed out.

2 STUFFING Fry the onion and sweet peppers in a little olive oil until soft and stir in the garlic, herbs, seeds and sultanas.

Season with cumin and lemon zest.

- 3 Add the sweet pepper mixture to the cooked quinoa or sorghum.
- 4 Dish some of the mixture into each of the pumpkin pieces.
- 5 TOPPING Mix all the ingredients except for the micro herbs and spoon carefully over the stuffing in the pumpkin pieces. Bake for about 20-30 minutes or until the topping is set and done. Garnish with micro herbs and the pumpkin seeds.



CHOCOLATE SORGHUM BISCOTTI

This tasty biscotti is made with cocoa and mabele (sorghum flour).

MAKES ABOUT 16-20 PIECES PREPARATION: **20 MIN BAKING: 50 MIN COOLING: 15 MIN**

100-180g mabele 5ml (1t) psyllium husks 45g cocoa 5ml (1t) baking powder 2 large eggs 100g brown sugar

grated zest of 1 orange and 60ml ($\frac{1}{4}c$) orange juice 80g sultanas 100g pecan, cashew or Brazil nuts

Preheat the oven to 180°C. Line a baking sheet with baking paper.

- 1 Mix the mabele. psyllium husks, cocoa and baking powder
- 2 Whisk the eggs and sugar until light and

thickened.

3 Add the orange zest and juice.

4 Add the sultanas and nuts to the mabele mixture.

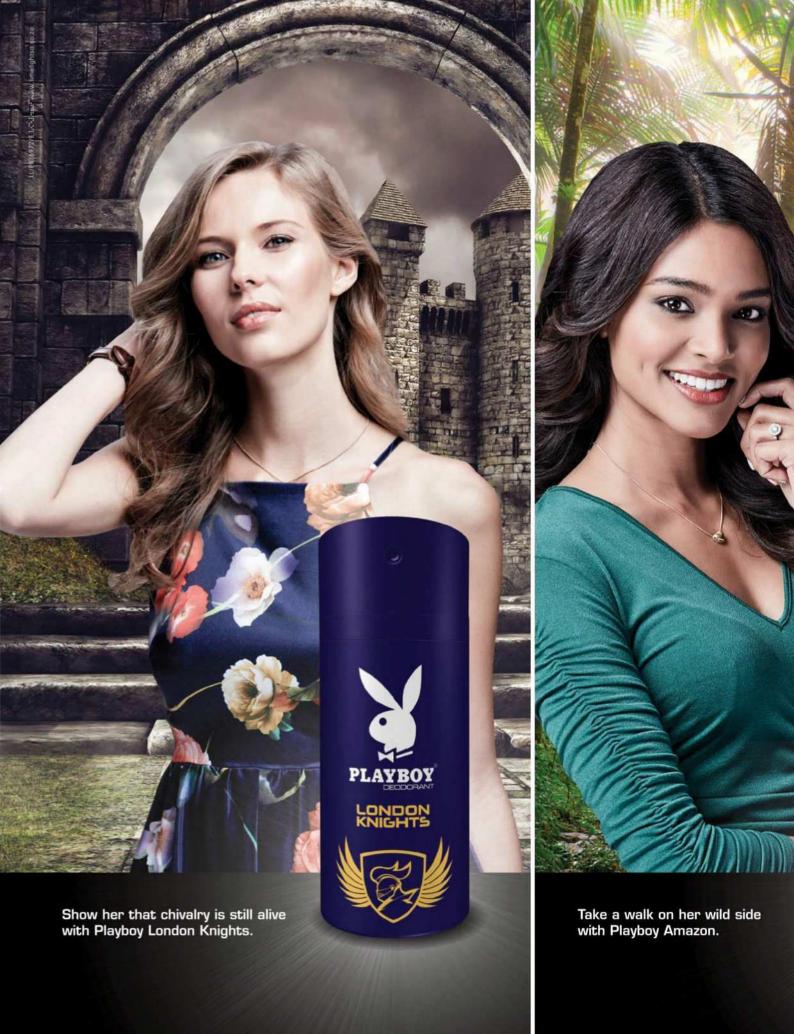
- 5 Fold into the egg mixture and mix well to form a soft dough (add more mabele as needed).
- 6 Shape the dough into a long oval loaf. **7** Put the loaf on the

prepared baking sheet and bake for about 25-30 minutes or until done.

8 Remove from the oven and allow to cool for 15 minutes. Cut into thin slices, about 16 in total.

- **9** Put the slices in a single layer on the baking sheet and bake for 10 minutes, turn over and bake for another 10 minutes until dried.
- 10 Cool and store in
- an airtight container. 11 Serve with coffee or ice cream.







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ANKLE-DEEP



By Jada R379,

TOP TIPS

- Boots can be quite costly, but remember a quality pair will last much longer than an inexpensive one.

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SOFT TOUCH

Transform your skin tone with the right shades of blush applied in the right places for your face shape

BY NTHABISENG MAKHOKHA



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When you have light skin, you need a blush with a cool undertone such as a light pink or rose colour with a faint hint of purple or blue. Soft peach with a yellow undertone also works well. Dark or bright colours may be too harsh against lighter skin tones. To contour using a blush, find a neutral matte shade that's one shade darker than your skin tone and blend along your jawline.



MEDIUM



Medium skin tones look good with colour, so find something bright or rich like apricot or guava with an orange undertone to add a flattering warmth. Anything too light will make the skin look washed out. Try a darker blush such as a deep tan to contour, and then go over it with a warm and brighter blush.



DARK



Deep-coloured blushes such as raisin and mauve work well on dark skin tones. They soften contours and add a warm glow to the face. Colours that are too bright may give too much contrast and lighter ones may make the skin look grey.



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Beauty (From page 44)

FIND YOUR SHAPE



Apply blush according to your face shape

HEART

A heart-shaped face has a wide forehead and a pointy chin. Apply blush on your cheekbones to put less emphasis on your chin, and a little above your brows to narrow your forehead.



OVAL

Someone with an oval-shaped face has a forehead that's wider than the chin area. Apply a highlighting blush on your cheekbones and a darker contour in the hollows.



OBLONG

An oblong face looks like a vertical rectangle. To make the face seem shorter, apply blush to the apple of your cheeks and a little on each side of your forehead.



SQUARE

A square-shaped face has rigid lines. You can use blush to soften these lines by applying it to your cheekbones and towards the apple of your cheeks, as well as a little on either side of your forehead.



ROUND

A round face has fuller cheeks and few obvious lines. Apply a little blush at both ends of your eyebrows and on your cheekbones towards the apple of your cheeks to make them stand out and add a bit of depth to the sides of your forehead.





- Opt for cream blush if you have dry skin and powder blush if you have oily skin.
- It's easier to apply cream blush using your fingertips.
- Blush brushes can also be used to apply bronzer and highlighter.
- You can use both your highlighter and blush at the same time.
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This popular curry spice isn't only good for flavour and fragrance, it has incredible health benefits too compiled by wendy stelzmann

T'S said to be good for so many things that this humble spice has recently been called the most effective nutritional supplement in existence.

So what's the fuss about turmeric? We break it down for you.

WHAT IS IT?

Turmeric spice is the dried and ground root of a plant belonging to the ginger family. It looks similar to ginger except for its yellow-orange colour.

It's been used in India for millennia as both a culinary spice (it gives curry its yellow colour) and a medicinal herb.

THE GOOD STUFF

Curcuminoids are the beneficial compounds in turmeric. The most important of these is curcumin, the main active ingredient that gives turmeric its antiinflammatory and antioxidant effects.

But you need quite a lot of turmeric to get a good amount as the curcumin content is fairly low – about 3% by weight. Most studies done on the spice use curcumin in doses exceeding 1g a day, which wouldn't be easy to get from food.

Using the spice in your food is good for you, but to get the full benefits men-

tioned in the studies you'd need to take curcumin in supplement form. This is available from pharmacies and health food stores.

EAT IT WITH PEPPER

Curcumin is poorly absorbed into the bloodstream but researchers found eating it with black pepper helps. Pepper contains piperine, which boosts the absorption of curcumin by 2 000%.

Curcumin is a fat-soluble compound, so it's absorbed better if eaten with fat.

IT CUTS DEMENTIA RISK

A recent study found subjects given curcumin showed significant memory improvement. The 18-month study looked at participants aged between 50 and 90 with no signs of dementia.

Scans showed subjects given curcumin had decreased tau and amyloid proteins in the brain. Both are linked to dementia.

IT FIGHTS CANCER

Studies show that curcumin can reduce the growth of new blood vessels in tumours, reducing the spread of cancer.

There's evidence it may help to prevent cancer in the first place, particularly of the digestive system. In one study of 44 men with potentially cancerous lesions in the colon, a dose of 4g of curcumin daily for 30 days reduced the lesions by 40%.

IT HELPS FOR DEPRESSION

Curcumin has been effective in the treatment of depression. A small study split subjects into three groups. One took the antidepressant Prozac, another took a gram of curcumin and the third took both. The curcumin proved as effective as Prozac. The group that took both fared best.

SPICE UP YOUR LIFE

Turmeric goes well with eggs, so add it to scrambled eggs and omelettes. You can also make turmeric tea or sprinkle it into a smoothie. Add half a teaspoon to soups and casseroles or make spicy rice – dice and fry an onion and two bell peppers, add a teaspoon each of turmeric and cumin and two cups of cooked rice.

A WORD OF WARNING

Too much curcumin can upset your stomach. It also thins the blood, so those on blood-thinning meds should avoid it. It's also not recommended for pregnant women.

SOURCES: HEALTHLINE.COM, MIAMIHERALD.COM, MINDBODYGREEN.COM, TUMERICFORHEALTH.COM



CUT THE CLUTTER

We've all had the urge to hold on to pieces of paper for later use or for sentimental reasons. Here's how to minimise the mess

APER is one of the worst kinds of clutter because it often represents a pile of important tasks you haven't got round to doing - such as bills to be paid or forms to be filled out. Use these quickand-easy DIY projects to rid your home of paper clutter and the stress and anxiety it causes.



A PAPER-SORTING STATION

According to Kayla Kitts, DIY expert and editor of US home-improvement network HGTV, the key to clearing clutter and maintaining an organised home is to deal with paper you receive right away, no matter what it is. This includes everything from school schedules and bills to bank statements and party invites.

"It's easy to walk into the house, throw the mail on the

kitchen counter and vow to put it away later, but often the stack of mail continues to grow," she says.

Revamp a few old clipboards to create an attractive paper-sorting area in your home. Assign one to each member of the family and make sure each child knows which clipboard is theirs – they can even write their names on them. Then when they get home from school they can place any school notices or party invitations on it. On the boards for Mom and Dad you can post any bills or forms

that need your attention.

YOU NEED Old clipboards, wrapping paper, decoupage glue and scissors (your kids can even take things further and decorate their boards with old photos, washi tape, stickers

STEP 1 Cut a sheet of wrapping paper and spread decoupage glue on the back of it

STEP 2 Use it to cover the clipboard, wrapping the excess paper over the sides of the board.

STEP 3 Once the glue has dried, hang the clipboards up in a place where your family often congregates, such as the

KIDS' ART DISPLAY

Having your little ones bring their artistic masterpieces home from school every other day can be bittersweet for moms and dads looking to avoid paper clutter. This simple DIY project allows you to store and display your kids' artwork in an adorable way that also brightens up their bedroom.

YOU NEED Two nails, a hammer, string, scissors, pegs and your child's drawings

STEP 1 Measure out how long you'd like the display area to be and cut the string to that length.

STEP 2 Knock the nails into the wall and tie each end of the string to

STEP 3 Use pegs to attach the pages to the string. To make the display extra pretty, use white string and paint the pegs and nails various colours.



ADORABLE LETTER HOLDER

No time to open the letters you find in the mailbox in the morning? Simply stuff them into this cute munchkin of a letter holder until you have time to read through them and file them away.

YOÚ NEED An old tennis ball, stickon eyes, a suction cup, glue, a box cutter and a screwdriver

STEP 1 Use the box cutter to cut the tennis ball's "smile".

STEP 2 Paste on the two stick-on eyes above the slit to make the face.

STEP 3 Use the screwdriver to make a hole on the other side of the ball (opposite the slit).

STEP 4 Use the glue to secure the suction cup inside the hole. Allow the glue to dry and mount your paper holder to the wall. If you don't have a suction cup you can always mount the tennis ball with double-sided bonding tape.

SCAN AND SAVE

It's hard to throw away papers, even once you've dealt with them. A simple solution is your smartphone. With a document scanner app all you need to do is open the app on

your phone and point your camera at the document. The app searches for a sheet of paper, automatically focusing the shot and taking a photo. You can even combine multipage documents. Try CamScanner (free in

Google Play and Apple's App Store) or Evernote Scannable (App Store only). Save space and store the documents on an online server such as Google Photos or Google Drive (free in Google Play and Apple's App Store).







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IWAS RAPED AT 15

I'm 23 years old and was involved with a 25-year-old guy. Between July 2016 and May 2017 he went to study in America and during that time I slept with seven different guys.

I honestly don't know why I did it but I was raped when I was 15 so I'm wondering if that is what's making me behave like this? Lately I find that I'm thinking more and more about what happened on that night.

I've had sex with over 20 guys since, and when my boyfriend found out about it he broke up with me. Now he's threatening to tell my dad about it and I would hate that as I'm his golden girl.

I went to see a traditional healer who gave me muthi to give to my boyfriend, but what do you think I should do?

CONFUSED, EMAIL

You experienced trauma at a young age and should have received counselling to deal with it and help you through the healing process.

It seems you've supressed the rape incident and the negative consequences are only manifesting now. It's possible they could be triggered by the fact that you're sexually active.

Your father should have been your first point of support after your ordeal. If you'd told him what happened he could have ensured you received the necessary help.

Having slept with many guys is not the biggest concern right now. What you need to do is tell your father about the rape.

Then you should visit a rape crisis centre where you can receive counselling, figure out coping skills and find a way to move forward.

Only once you've done this can you think about having another relationship.

I'M IN LOVE WITH A FRIEND BUT **SHE JUST IGNORES ME**

I'm a 22-year-old guy and I've known this wonderful lady friend for three years. She's 20 and we talk about everything and know a lot about each other.

Two years ago I told her I loved her but she ignored me and we carried on as friends.

I haven't said anything since because I don't want to lose the friendship we have. She seems happy with our relationship as it is but I'm pretending – I want more but I don't know what to do about it. I even dated one of her friends she set me up with to keep her happy. The girl is very nice but I don't love her, and I don't seem to be able to move on from the love I feel for my friend. UNHAPPY, EMAIL

The greatest of romances often start as friendships but it does seem as

if you're banging your head against a wall with this friend.

Her reaction when you professed your love for her and the fact that she's tried to hook you up with someone else might be for one of two reasons - she might just be testing to see if you really love her, or she's really not that into you.

It's clear that you love her so I would suggest you don't give up just yet. You've put yourself out there before - now it's time to try again.

Make a plan to take her out and talk to her seriously about how you feel. You might be pleasantly surprised and get a different answer this time.

But if she's adamant that she does not reciprocate those feelings then you'll have to accept it and be open to the possibility of finding love with

'To handle yourself use your head; to handle others use your heart'

- ELEANOR ROOSEVELT, FORMER FIRST LADY OF US

SHOULD I GIVE HIM SOME SPACE?

I'm a 23-year-old lady dating a 27-year-old guy and we have a son together. He is cheating on me but I do love him and for the sake of our child I'm thinking of giving him some space. Do you think this is a good idea? TW, SMS

I'm trying to understand what space it is you think you will give him - he seems to have all the freedom he needs to be unfaithful to you.

If you mean time apart, then it needs to be more beneficial to you than to him. Use it to think about whether you truly want to be with someone who treats you the way he does.

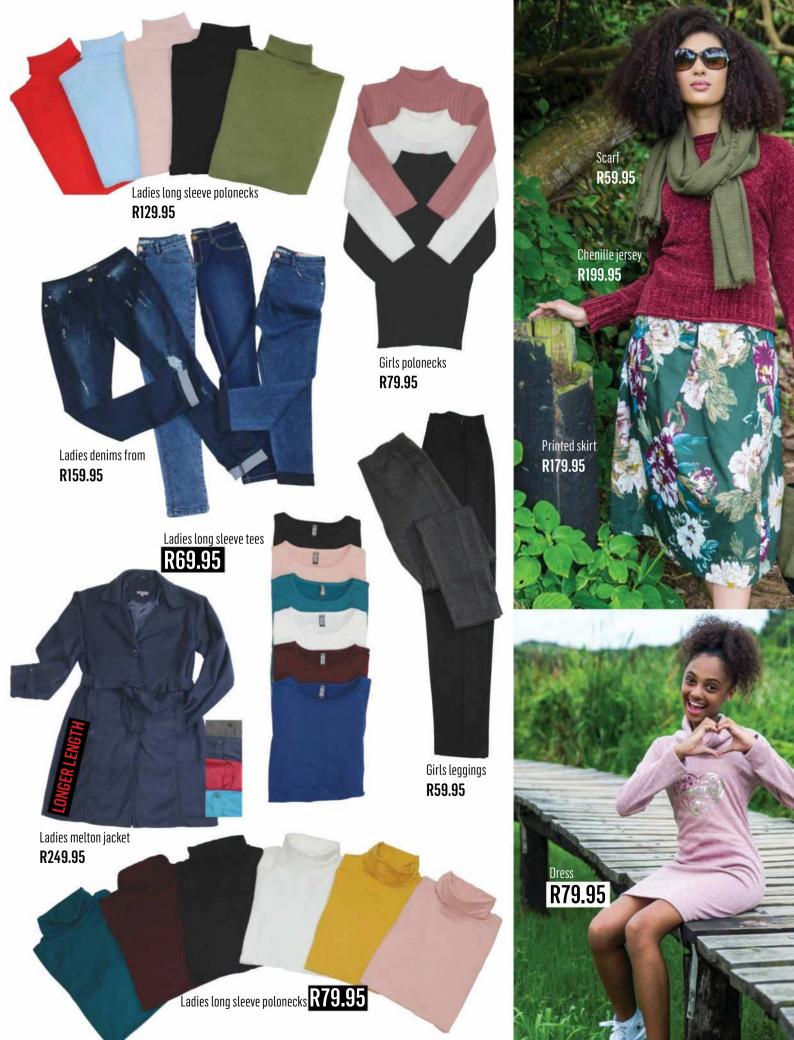
Your son deserves to have a mother who's content so he can grow up in a happy environment - you're certainly not doing him any favours by staying in an unhappy relationship.

And you're far too young to sacrifice yourself like that.

Remember that if you decide to leave your baby daddy he's obliged to support the child financially. Also, you'll have a responsibility to make sure he's part of the child's life. If you do break up, start working on this by drawing up a co-parenting plan with a mediator.









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LOVE IS BLIND

You've probably been warned never to do business with family or friends – there are good reasons for this

S MUCH as you may be in love right now, it's a fact that some romances end badly – and some people find themselves left with a mountain of debt.

There's also the danger of wanting to give your kids the very best, even though you can't afford it.

Here are five debt traps to look out for when it comes to loved ones – and how to avoid them



SIGNING SURETY

This is when your partner borrows money – whether a cash or home loan – and you agree in writing to be their guarantor.

That means if they default on the loan you're responsible for the unpaid debt. And you remain responsible, even if the relationship ends. Your name is on the contract and if the other person doesn't pay their instalments, creditors will come knocking on your door.

The fine print might even stipulate that the creditor can seize your assets immediately upon default, without even trying to get the money from the other party.

Make sure you understand the contract. For example, if it contains Latin phrases make sure you understand what they mean

There's no easy way out of surety apart from costly legal processes, says Matthys Potgieter of DebtSafe.

Rather play it safe and avoid signing surety for anyone or any of their businesses.



MARRYING IN COMMUNITY OF PROPERTY

If you're married in community of property, it means you and your spouse are jointly responsible for any debt either of you incur for the duration of the marriage. That means if your spouse is unable to pay their debt, creditors can claim it from you.

This could happen even after a divorce, provided the debt was incurred while you were still married. A debt collector will get a court order to recoup the debt from you.

But if you we're married out of community of property you're not automatically liable for your spouse's debt. Even if you're married out of community of property but with accrual, it's likely creditors won't hold you liable for the debt.



BUYING FOR YOUR PARTNER*

This is a common problem debt counsellors come across, Potgieter says. It happens when for example you go into credit-card debt by buying expensive gifts like perfume, furniture or electronics.

Love may leave but you'll be stuck with credit-card debt. If you struggle to pay off this debt your credit record will also suffer.

Remember, you can end some credit agreements in writing because you have the right to return certain expensive items (such as furniture or a car) if you can no longer afford the monthly repayments.

But returning such an item doesn't necessarily mean you're suddenly free of debt, as the credit provider must then resell it. If the reselling price is less than the amount you still owe, you still have to pay the credit provider the difference.

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DEBT FOR YOUR CHILD

You can apply for a student loan on your child's behalf. You can be the guarantor and pay the interest and service fees while your child is studying, which will mean they'll have less debt when they graduate.

Though this may seem like a noble thing to do, it can backfire. If your child decides to quit before graduating you might be expected to repay the interest and the full loan amount immediately. This is because the child is probably unemployed and can't pay it back, which makes you as the guarantor liable.

If you decide to apply for a student loan, both you and your child need to understand how much it's for as well as who's responsible for what payments.

TIP

If you're struggling to cope with debt it's wise to seek help from a financial adviser or debt counsellor.

Counsellors can do free debt assessments to base recommendations on.

They're only allowed to charge for their services once you're officially under debt review.

56%

of married or cohabiting couples plan their finances together

R1,73 trillion

The total outstanding consumer credit in SA at the end of September last year

SOURCES: OLD MUTUAL SAVINGS AND INVESTMENT MONITOR 2017; CONSUMER CREDIT MARKET REPORT: SEPTEMBER 2017

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CONTRACTS ON BEHALF OF SOMEONE ELSE

It's possible to take out cellphone or gym contracts, for example, where you're responsible for payments even though someone else is using the contract. Strictly speaking this isn't debt, but it is another way in which you can be held responsible for someone else's spending.

It's possible to cancel these contracts, but it's not easy – strict cancellation fees are charged because the contract usually stretches over a longer period, like 24 months.

*In these cases both of you are liable for the debt if you are or were married in community of property.

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TAURUS

20 Apr - 20 May Your planet, Venus, moves into your sign this week bringing good tidings for life in general. You should be able to cruise through the week whether you want to attract material wealth or good health. If someone's causing a flutter in your heart you'll probably also feel quite comfortable to make your intentions known because Lady Luck, Jupiter, is in your love horoscope.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS 30, 4, 10, 33, 27, 51

GEMINI

21 May - 20 Jun Your planet, Mercury, has made a U-turn and is in retrograde motion, which may cause a glitch or two. It's wise to have an alternative plan up your sleeve - whether in terms of a business meeting, a personal appointment or a travel arrangement. On the upside it's a good time to reassess your goals and review your plans.

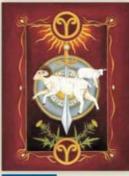
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CANCER

21 Jun – 21 Jul Mercury, master of commerce, is in reverse gear in your career horoscope, which may throw a spanner in the works of your professional progress. It's a time to re-examine documents and double-check when signing contracts. Relationships on all levels might feel like hard work, but professional liaisons in particular could be troubled so tread gently. YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS 51, 20, 21, 31, 28, 22

LEO

22 Jul – 22 Aug Venus, planet of attraction, moves into your professional horoscope this week. It's a time when you might have a pull on influential people who could be



ARIES

21 MAR - 19 APR

Mercury, master of speech, is currently going backwards through your sign. This may cause communication problems, especially for a feisty Aries, so it's advisable to reconsider your answers and edit your comments. Although this applies to all areas of your life it seems it's in your professional life in particular where you'll have to count your words.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

51, 50, 34, 52, 47, 49

FAMOUS ARIES



BASETSANA KUMALO 29 MARCH

HASHIM AMLA 31 MARCH

THANDISWA MAZWAI 31 MARCH

DAVID OYELOWO 1 APRIL

OUAVO 2 APRIL

EDDIE MURPHY 3 APRIL

DO'S AND DON'TS

- *Don't make impatient Aries wait.
- *Do allow Aries to be the leader of the pack.
- *Don't expect Aries to be cooperative and give way.
- *Do allow Aries to fight his/her own battles.
- Don't deprive Aries of an opportunity to compete.
- Do allow Aries to be fast . . . and furious.
- Don't underestimate the Ram's courage and bravery.

instrumental in furthering your goals. Being a money magnet at present you can also attract lucrative professional transactions. Social interaction forms part of the deal, so make sure you're the centre of attention at functions. YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

35, 3, 19, 40, 44, 51

VIRGO

23 Aug - 22 Sep Your planet, Mercury, is in retrograde motion making it a good time to review and reorganise. You may want to re-examine your budget, rearrange your cupboards or reschedule your daily routine. On the downside, delays and plans going awry can be frustrating. Though it's a time when all may not be perfect, worrying about it won't make any difference. YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

LIBRA

15, 9, 41, 52, 12, 7

23 Sep - 22 Oct **Communicating Mercury** is in reverse gear in your love horoscope, which may cause difficulties in your relationship and misunderstandings can upset the peace. At best it's a good time for you and your partner to re-evaluate certain aspects of your relationship.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

25, 45, 29, 32, 15, 52

SCORPIO

23 Oct - 21 Nov Venus moves into your love horoscope, making it the right time to focus on matters of the heart. Show your partner you appreciate them. Say it with roses, a candlelit dinner or even a weekend escape. If you have someone new in the eye, it's a good time to let him/ her know about your desires.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

to be taking first prize this

7, 14, 24, 18, 1, 48

SAGITTARIUS

22 Nov - 20 Dec Leisure and pleasure seem week. You may want to go on an adventure, pack your bags and travel or play or spend time on a hobby. If you have itchy feet it's wise to allow for changes in travel arrangements. It's not a good time to be too slapdash about these things.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

12, 23, 11, 46, 30, 37

CAPRICORN

21 Dec - 20 Jan Venus, diva of love, moves into a compatible earth sign, which should make you feel more comfortable in putting out feelers to attract a partner. With brave Mars currently in your sign, the courage to ask him/her out will probably not fail you. It's not only in the sphere of romance that your knowhow is favoured, though. You'll probably also be able to attract moneyspinning projects and make profitable business connections.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

36, 16, 5, 47, 28, 44

AQUARIUS

21 Jan – 18 Feb It's a week where words, both written and spoken, play a significant role in your life. While it's a time where you can pen a book or canvass for a cause with great success, you need to take note of the pitfalls. Mercury, the cosmic scribe and messenger, is in reverse gear, which could result in errors and oversights. Thoroughness is the key.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

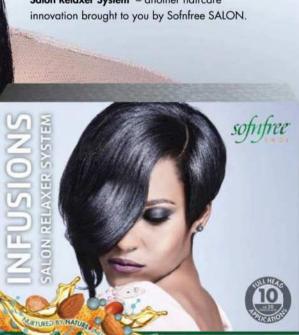
50, 42, 8, 49, 52, 32

PISCES

19 Feb - 20 Mar Mercury, the lord of trade, is currently going backwards through your money horoscope which could have negative effects if you're not too cautious. It's also time to review your budget and restructure your financial portfolio. Double-check deals and read the small print before closing a deal.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBERS

38, 17, 13, 43, 18, 46







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GENERATIONS: THE LEGACY

Zoe meets with Peter to hear about the Morokas. Smanga (MOOPI MOTHIBELI) is faced with a tough choice. Pam realises Michael is slowly unravelling. Fana lays into Namhla for destroying his life. Smanga realisés stepping over the line is easier the second time. Wandile's plan to fix things goes horribly wrong.



ISIDINGO

Sechaba (MOTLATSI MAFATSHE) warns Ofentse not to take his mother for aranted. The Moloi land title deeds arrive. Kgothalo opens up to MmaKgosi about being shot. Gabriel plots to get what he believes is owed to him. Sechaba resigns from Nzinga. Kgothalo and MmaKgosi fight about



SCANDAL!

Someone decides to go behind their family's back in the name of love. A young woman tries to expose a criminal but is blindsided when she hears he's already confessed. Phindile (PRETTY NCAYIYANA) sneaks someone into the Ngema house and a neighbour walks in. A man gets concrete proof about who his real enemy is.



BOLD & BEAUTIFUL

Wanting to ensure Spectra Fashions' debut is a flop, **Bill (DON DIAMONT)** assigns a reluctant reporter to cover the event. Thomas stands in support of Sally while she waits to hear whether her company will be a success or not. Sally uses her friendship with Thomas to request he interviews Coco for an internship position.

RHYTHM CITY Bongi finally confesses her big secret. Puleng (TEBOGO KHALO) feels bad about the way she's treated her mother. Rene gets drawn into the spider's lair. Bash tries to work out who's telling the truth. Cuba's new obsession makes her neglect her responsibilities. Bongi tries to silence Bash but only makes the situation worse.

🖸 - Repeat 🔯 - Afrikaans 🖂 - Multilingual 🔯 - Nguni 😇 - Sesotho/Setswana/Sepedi 🔯 - isiXhosa 💆 - isiXulu A - Suitable for all ages L - Language N - Nudity PG - Parental guidance S - Sex V - Violence

11:00 🖸 Isidingo

13:00 News

14:15 Zoom In

11:30 D Muvhango

12:00 C Relic Hunter

13:30 Africa News Update

14:00 Hollywood News

14:30 TRustic Chakula

15:30 ♥ #WTFTUMI

15:00
☐ The Hostess with

16:30 Afternoon Express

17:30 Bold & Beautiful

18:00 News Highlights

19:30 C Thula's Vine

20:30 ☐ The Scoop

21:30 #WTFTUMI

cheek show is hosted by

Local talk show. This tongue-in-

comedienne Tumi Morake and

features some of South Africa's

hottest celebs and influencers.

19:00 Isidingo

21:00 News

22:30 Base 3

18:02 Real Talk with Anele

Lorna Maseko

Housewife 10:30 MasterChef

12:00 ☐ Young Sheldon 12:30 ☐ Close Up with the

13:30 Carte Blanche 14:30 ☐ Chicago Med

Tomorrow

17:45 MasterChef Australia 19:00 NCIS: Los Angeles

Action series. The team investigates a ransom-ware attack that's taken out the whole power grid in

20:00 SWAT Action series.

Crimes series. Season 1 ends. 23:00 Lonamire

James Corden

12:00 ☐ Ring of Lies

13:00 D The Queen

13:30 ☐ Isithembiso

14:00 Lokshin Bioskop:

Payback

15:30 The Doctors

12:30 ☐ Isibaya

SABC1 E.TV SABC3 MZANSI 09:00 🏻 🕽 Muvhanao 09:00 Parliament 09:00 D Real Talk with 09:00 🖸 The Flash 09:30 □ Isibaya 09:30 ☐ Skeem Saam 09:30 Dinosaur Train Anele 10:00 American 10:00 ☼ The Queen Broken Angel 10:00 To be announced 10:00 □ Leihlo La Sechaba 10:00
☐ Bold & Beautiful 10:30 ☐ Isithembiso 10:30 🖾 🖸 7de Laan 11:00 ☐ The Doctors

09:00 Bin Kuch Kahe 09:30 Santa Diabla aka 10:30 □ Days of Our Lives 11:30 D Rhythm City 12:00 ☐ Scandal! 12:30 ☐ Broken Vows 13:00 eNews 13:30 House 14:30 2 Hands

14:35 Cool Catz 15:00 Monchhichi

15:15 Alvin and the Chipmunks 15:30 Regal Academy

15:55 Craz-e World Live 16:25 Just for Laughs 16:50 Judge Judy

17:15 Days of Our Lives 18:00 Unusual Suspects 19:00 Rhythm City 19:30 ☐ Scandal!

20:00 eNews 20:30 Limitless 22:40 Meeting Evil 00:30 Limitless 02:25 Meeting Evil

04:05 ☐ Action Zone 04:35 Planet's Funniest **Animals**

10:30 Daily Thetha

11:30 D Fanbase 12:00 ☐ Sport

13:00 Lunchtime News 13:30 YoTV

14:00 To be announced 14:30 Teenggers on a Mission

15:00 ☐ My Perfect Family 15:30 YoTV

16:30 Daily Thetha 17:30 □ News 18:00 Mi Kasi Su Kasi 18:30 Skeem Saam

Local drama series. Kwaito worries about his future. 19:00 □ News

19:30 Throwback Thursday 20:00 Generations: The Legacy

20:30 Uzalo Local drama series. Nkunzi gets his crew ready for one of the biggest heists he's worked on.

21:00 One Day Leaders 22:00 🛘 Yilungelo Lakho 23:00 Daily Thetha

SABC2

10:30 Grand Masters

11:00 🖸 It's for Life 11:30 ☐ Keeping Score Double bill.

12:30 Mara: The Only One 13:00 🖾 🖸 7de Laan

13:30 🖸 Uzalo 14:00 ☐ Skeem Saam

14:30

Muvhango

15:00 Doc McStuffins 15:30 Words and Numbers 16:00 Hectic Nine-9

17:00 Naruto 17:30 D News

18:00 🛭 7de Laan 18:30 A News

19:00 A Musiek Roulette 20:00 M News

20:30 Ngula Ya Vutivi/ Zwa Maramani 21:00 🗆 Muvhango

21:30 Speak Out 22:00 When Duty Calls 22:30 Snapped: Killer

Couples Double bill 00:00 SABC News

Australia 11:30 □ Big Bang Theory

Hollywood Reporter

15:25 ☐ The Brave 16:15 ☐ Superior Donuts 16:45 DC's Legends of

western Los Angeles.

21:00 Suits 22:00 Snatch

00:10 Late Late Show with 01:10 C Homeland

16:30 Hot Bench 17:00 The Talk 18:00 Lokshin Bioskop: Transit

19:00 Ring of Lies Local drama series. KB turns down help to defend Gugu's honour.

19:30 Isithembiso Local drama series. Banzi is again crowned king.

20:00 Uthando Nes'thembu

20:30 Isibaya Local drama series. Ngwebedla

grows increasingly unhinged by the perceived injustice committed against him

21:00 The Queen 21:30 Ultimate House Party 23:30 ♥ The Talk



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

THROWBACK THURSDAY (SABC1 19:30) Local variety talk show that keeps viewers updated on what's trending on social media. Hosted by Skhumba Hlophe.

THE QUEEN (MZANSI 21:00) Local drama series. Tebogo and Kagiso make peace. Harriet suspects not all is rosy between Kea and Tebogo. Gracious asks Goodness to commit a crime.



E.TV 09:00 Bin Kuch Kahe 09:30 Santa Diabla aka Broken Angel 10:30 ☐ Days of Our Lives 11:30 ☐ Rhythm City 12:00 ☐ Scandal! 12:30 ☐ Broken Vows 13:00 eNews 13:30 House 14:30 Dr Dolittle: Million **Dollar Mutts** Some Noise

16:15 Frenzy 16:25 Club 808: Make 16:50 Judge Judy 17:15 Days of Our Lives 18:00 Unusual Suspects 19:00 Ahythm City 19:30 ☐ Scandal! 20:00 eNews 20:30 Superman Returns 23:40 Ghosts of Mars Sci-fi. A mining operation uncovers

a civilisation of Martians who can take over the bodies of humans. Ice Cube, Jason Statham. 98 min. 2001. 16VL

01:40 Olympus has Fallen 04:00 Planet's Funniest **Animals** 04:30 ☐ Action Zone

SABC1

09:00 🗆 🖸 Muvhango

09:30 ☐ Skeem Saam

11:00 🖸 Throwback

10:30 ☐ Big Up

10:00 To be announced

Thursday 11:30 ☐ Live Amp 12:00 🖸 Imizwilili 13:00 Lunchtime News

13:30 YoTV 14:00 C Selimathunzi 14:30 Teenagers on a Mission

15:00 ☐ My Perfect Family 15:30 YoTV 16:30 To be announced

17:30 🗆 News 18:00 Stumbo Stomp 18:30 Skeem Saam 19:30 Live Amp

20:00 Generations: The Legacy 20:30 Uzalo

Local drama series. Although it seems like Nkunzi has completed another successful heist MaNacobo keeps a close eye on him.

21:00 🖸 Shakespeare in Mzansi: Dreamworld 22:00 D End Game 23:00 🛘 Mzansi Insider

09:00 Good Friday Special

09:30 Dinosaur Train 10:00 ☐ Speak Out 10:30 Raisina Babies 101 11:30 C Afro Café

SABC2

Local music variety show. 12:30 Mara: The Only One 13:00 🖾 🖸 7de Laan 13:30 🖸 Uzalo

14:00 ♥ Skeem Saam 14:30 D D Muyhango 15:00 Doc McStuffins 15:30 ☐ Cave Quest 16:00 Hectic Nine-9

17:00 Disney's Ant Farm Teen comedy series. Chyna can't stand that Fletcher's girlfriend Kennedy doesn't like her. 17:30 D News

18:00 M 7de Laan Local drama series. Rickus misses a very important phone call. Xander tries to get to the truth.

18:30 A News 19:00 Red Cake: Not the **Cooking Show** 20:00 3 News

20:30 Botho 21:00 Muyhanao 21:30 Boxing Magazine 00:00 SABC News

06:30 Expresso

Local breakfast show. Covers a wide range of topics, including green living, fashion, entertainment, food, tech and travel

SABC3

09:00 ☐ Isidingo 09:30 Cricket (build-up) 10:00 Cricket: 4th Test Day 1. South Africa vs Australia.

17:30 Bold & Beautiful Soapie. Bill provides his resentful employee with specific instructions regarding the assignment on the Spectra debut

18:00 News Highlights 18:02 Real Talk with Anele

Local talk show. Features social commentary on current affairs and cultural and lifestyle topics, as well as interviews with South African and international celebrities

19:00 Isidingo 19:30 Eish! Saan 20:00 Is That a Fact? 21:00 News 21:30 De-Lovely

Biography. Composer Cole Porter thinks back on his life and career. Kevin Kline, Ashley Judd. 125 min. 2004 PG13

23:30 Base 3

M-NET

09:00 ☐ DC'S Legends of Tomorrow 10:00 ☐ MasterChef Australia 11:05 ☑ NCIS: Los Angeles

12:05 C SWAT 13:30
☐ Dancing with the

Stars South Africa 15:25 □ The Brave

16:15 🖸 Angie Tribeca 16:45 Once Upon a Time 17:45 MasterChef Australia 19:00 The Voice 21:00 Nashville

Musical drama series, Damien returns with grand plans for Scarlett and her baby.

22:00 Divorce

Comedy series Frances finds out about Robert's new woman so she enlists Diane and Dallas to get information on her before Lila's 13th birthday party. 22:30 Loudermilk

23:10 Trial & Frror 23:40 Mike Judge Presents: Tales from the Tour Bus 00:10 Late Late Show with

James Corden 01:20 C Snatch 02:10 ☐ Longmire

08:00 Lokshin Bioskop Forget About It

MZANSI

10:00 ☐ The Queen 10:30 ☐ Isithembiso 11:00 C The Doctors 12:00 ☐ Ring of Lies 12:30 ☐ Isibaya 13:00 ☐ The Queen 13:30 ☐ Isithembiso 14:00 Lokshin Bioskop Stepfather se Voet

15:30 The Doctors 16:30 Hot Bench 17:00 The Talk 18:00 C Yim'le 18:30 WWE Raw 19:30 Lokshin Bioskop: Ville Masondo

20:30 Isibaya

Local drama series. Siphokazi helps Mpiyakhe make a tough decision regarding her health.

21:00 The Queen

Local drama series Goodness locates Kaizer and Jomo's hideout. Tebogo announces a wedding date.

21:30 Massive Music 22:00 ☐ Ultimate House Party 23:00 🖸 Nkululeko

00:00 C Hot Bench 00:30 ☐ The Doctors



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

RED CAKE: NOT THE COOKING SHOW (SABC2 19:00) Local comedy variety game show. Includes games, quizzes, celebrity appearances and audience interaction.

SUPERMAN RETURNS (E.TV 20:30) Fantasy action. Superman comes home after years - just in time to stop Lex Luthor's latest scheme. Brandon Routh, Kate Bosworth. 154 min. 2006. PG13V.

09:30 □ □ Scandal!

11:20 ☐ Broken Vows

14:15 Dr Dolittle: Million

18:05 GWR: Smashed

19:30 Despicable Me 2

21:30 A Million Ways to Die

in the West

Comedy. A wimpy farmer must

find the courage to go up against

the gun-toting outlaw husband of

lane, Charlize Theron, 116 min.

the woman he loves. Seth MacFar-

Horror. A hunter travels to Thailand

to track a man-eating crocodile. Michael Madsen, Elizabeth

Healey. 100 min. 2007. 16.

01:45 A Million Ways to Die

in the West

Dollar Mutts

13:30 eShibobo

16:05 Zapped

18:00 aNows

19:00 eNews

2014. 16SL.

23:55 Croc

Omnibus

Omnibus.

09:00 Marvel's Hulk and the

Agents of Smash

00:00 🖸 Imizwilili

things.

Omnibus

13:30 Soccer 411

15:30 Laduma

19:00 □ News

19:30 Real Goboza

23:30 🖸 Zaziwa

00:00 Koze Kuse

favourite celebs.

17:30 Roots

14:30 The Road to Russia

15:00 Soccer (build-up)

18:00 Friends Like These

Local game show. Each week an

all-male team of friends competes

against an all-female group of

friends to win a dream holiday.

20:00 To be announced

22:30 ☐ One Day Leaders

Local talk show. Gives viewers a

chance to know more about their

10:00 Mzansi Insider

Local breakfast show. The show

SABC2 SABC1

06:00 Old Mutual Two Oceans Marathon 13:30 □ □ Muvhango Omnibus.

reflects on home-grown talent, 16:00 Ribbit from celebrities to professionals to Animation. The tale of a confused shining the spotlight on ordinary South Africans doing extraordinary frog in the Amazon rainforest who has always felt different to other 11:00 □ □ Generations: frogs. Voices of Sean Astin, Tim Curry. 88 min. 2014. PG. The Leaacy

18:00 Mehlomadala 18:30 A News 19:00 American Ninja Warrior

Sports competition. Competitors attempt to complete a series of obstacle courses of increasing

difficulty. 20:00 B News 20:30 □ □ Moferefere Lenyalong

20:56 Lotto Draw: Live 21:00 Slow Burn

Drama. A district attorney, who is running for mayor, finds himself in a tricky position when his lover is implicated in murder. Ray Liotta, LL Cool J. 93 min. 2005. 16VL.

23:00 🖾 🖸 Swartwater 00:00 SABC News

SABC3

08:00 Ycellerate

Extreme sports show. Follows kids from all over the country as they prepare for and compete in their national, provincial and local competitions.

08:30 I Am a Work of Art Double bill

09:00 Disney's Jonas

Teen comedy series. Joe is harassed by a struggling young actress who's pretending to have a relationship with him to further her career.

09:30 Cricket (build-up) 10:00 Cricket: 4th Test Day 2. South Africa vs Australia. 17:30 Cricket (wrap-up) 18:00 News Highlights 18:02 Top Billing

19:00 I'll See You in My Dreams

Comedy. A widow decides to embrace new experiences and unexpectedly finds love. Blythe Danner, Martin Starr, 92 min. 2015 PG13

21:00 News 21:30 EFC Live Match 00:30 Base 3

Urban music show

M-NET

09:35 ☐ Once Upon a Time 10:30 ☐ Supergirl 11:30 D Arrow

12:30 ☐ The Flash 13:30 ☐ DC's Legends

of Tomorrow 14:30 DC Super Hero Girls:

Intergalactic Games 16:00 Man with a Plan 16:30 Speechless

17:00 The Middle 17:30 American Housewife 18:00 Close Up with the

Hollywood Reporter 19:00 The Voice 20:00 Riverdale

Teen drama series. Betty is thrust into the burgeoning mystery surrounding The Sugarman.

21:00 Collide

Action. An American backpacker becomes a driver for a drugsmugaling ring but soon winds up on the run from his employers. Nicholas Hoult, Felicity Jones. 99 min. 2016. PG13VL.

22:45 Gomorrah Crime series. Season 2 starts. 23:50 ☐ Divorce

00:30 ☐ Loudermilk

MZANSI 09:30 Lokshin Bioskop

The Wedding Dress Drama. An uptight businesswoman is forced to re-evaluate her priorities when her younger sister gets

engaged 11:00 ☐ The Queen

Omnibus. 13:30 ☐ Ring of Lies

Omnibus 15:30 Lokshin Bioskop: Transit

16:30 ☐ Our Perfect Wedding 17:30 □ Uthando Nes'thembu 18:00 WWE Smacksown

Professional wrestling. Featuring World Wrestling Entertainment superstars

19:00 Uyang'thanda Na? Local reality series. Helps people confront their fears by telling their crushes how they really feel.

19:30 Lokshin Bioskop: Itshitshi

20:30 Jumping the Broom 22:20 Massive Music 23:00 Lokshin Bioskop:

Confidence 00:30 Lokshin Bioskop:

The Wedding Dress 02:00 D The Talk

03:30 eShibobo

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

DESPICABLE ME 2 (E.TV 19:30) Animation. Ex-supervillain Gru is recruited by The Anti-Villain League. Voices of Steve Carell, Kristen Wiig. 98 min. 2013. PG.

JUMPING THE BROOM (MZANSI 20:30) Comedy. Two families from different backgrounds come together for a wedding. Paula Patton, Angela Bassett. 112 min. 2011. PG13.



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E.TV

09:00 Al Football GGO 09:30 ShizLive 10:00 ☐ Rhythm City

Omnibus 12:00 Backchat

Local talk show 12:35 Just for Laughs 13:00 Despicable Me 2

14:55 Rise of the Guardians 16:50 Singwe 72 Local home makeover show.

17:00 Biggest Loser USA Reality series.

18:00 eNews 18:05 Mayday: Air Disaster 19:00 eNews 19:30 Black-ish

Comedy series. Dre is exhausted after wrestling with a lot of stress at work. At home he drifts to sleep watching a TV marathon of Good Times – cue the dream sequence.

20:00 World War Z Action, A United Nations employee races against time to stop a zombie outbreak from

infecting the world. Brad Pitt, Fana Mokoena. 116 min. 2013. PG13. 22:25 Kingdom of Heaven 01:20 World War Z

03:30 To be announced

SABC1

09:00 Gospel Avenue 10:00 Mzansi Insider 11:00 ☐ Blue Couch 11:30 Imvelo 12:00 □ Uzalo

Omnibus. 14:30 The Road to Russia 15:00 Soccer (build-up) 15:30 Laduma

17:30 Kulcha Kwest Local docu-reality series. Young South Africans go on personal iournevs to experience and

understand their cultures 18:00 Friends Like These Local game show. An all-male

team of friends competes against an all-female group of friends to win a dream holiday.

19:00 □ News 19:30 Ingozi

Local drama series. Sizwe takes his frustrations out on Nobuhle, while Mongezi begrudgingly relents to a request from Angela. No one likes Thabana except Zikhona.

20:00 Tjovitjo 20:30 D Hlala Kwabafileyo 21:00 Joyous Celebration 23:00 Gospel Avenue 00:00 Koze Kuse

09:00 Issues of Faith 10:00 ☐ Songs of Praise 10:30 Psalted

SABC2

Local Christian magazine show that combines the latest videos from the world of contemporary Christian music with profiles of the biggest local and international Christian artists. Hosted by Jolene Martin

11:00 Die Woord Erediens 11:30 🖾 🖸 Geure Uit die Vallei

12:00 Sport 13:00 E Botho 13:30 🖾 🖸 7de Laan Omnibus.

16:00 To be announced 18:00 A Fokus 18:30 A News 19:00 Voetspore

20:30 Abo Mzala Local comedy series. Ella isn't a very good spy, and Thuli gets ready for the French life.

20:00 🖾 News

21:00 Gospel Classics 22:00 To be announced 23:00 ☐ Teen Wolf 00:00 ♥ Teen Wolf 00:00 SABC News

08:00 Made In SA

Local teen reality series that profiles and follows hip-and-happening young people on their journeys to fulfilling their dreams.

SABC3

08:30 Make It Pop

Teen show. Three girls with different personalities come together in a K-pop band while trying to balance their schoolwork and other relationships.

09:00 Draker Kids 09:30 Cricket (build-up) 10:00 Cricket: 4th Test Day 3. SA vs Australia.

18:00 News Highlights 18:02 ☐ Eish! Saan 18:30 Wildlife Rescue

Local documentary series. Follow wildlife veterinarian Doctor Douw Grobler and top game ranger JJ Van Altena as they risk their lives to save the continent's most dangerous animals

19:30 Moments in Time 20:30 Frankly Speaking with JJ Tabane

21:00 News 21:30 Special Assignment 22:00 EFC 00:00 Base 3

09:00 ☐ The Voice

Double bill.

11:45 ☐ Close up with the Hollywood Reporter

M-NET

13:00 ☐ Speechless 13:30 Finding Dory

15:30 ☐ American Housewife 16:00 Kevin can Wait

16:30 Man with a Plan 17:00 Dancing with the Stars South Africa

19:00 Carte Blanche 20:00 Dancing with the Stars South Africa

Live results show.

20:30 Sleepless 22:10 Last Week Tonight

with John Oliver 22:50 Silence

Adventure. Two 17th-century priests

travel to Japan to find their mentor. Andrew Garfield, Adam Driver. 161 min. 2016. 16VL. 01:25 C Riverdale

02:10 D Gomorrah 03:10 Pixi Post and the Gift **Bringers**

04:38 Aurora Teagarden **Mystery: Real** Murders

09:00 Lokshin Bioskop:

MZANSI

10:00 🏻 Isibaya Omnibus.

12:30 Lokshin Bioskop: Wash Bowl

13:30 ☐ Homeground 14:00 ☐ Something's Cooking 14:30 D Mzansi Comedy Nights

15:00 ☐ Isithembiso Omnibus.

17:00 □ Uvana′thanda Na? Local reality show

17:30 ♥ Uthando Nes'thembu 18:00 Date My Family

Local reality show that helps singletons find love by sending them on dates with their potential partners' families

19:00 Our Perfect Wedding Local reality show. Each week one

enagged couple takes viewers on their journey to the altar

MZANSI

09:30 🖸 Isibaya

10:00 The Queen

10:30 ☐ Isithembiso

11:00 ☐ The Doctors

12:00 ☐ Ring of Lies

13:00 ☐ The Queen

13:30 ☐ Isithembiso

14:00 Lokshin Bioskop:

Luthando

Reality series. A panel of three judges

hears court cases, argue the merits of

18:00 Lokshin Bioskop: Tango

the cases and render a verdict.

15:30 The Doctors

16:30 Hot Bench

17:00 The Talk

19:00 Ring of Lies

19:30 Isithembiso

21:00 The Queen

20:00 iKhaya

20:30 Isibaya

12:30 □ Isibaya

20:00 Nkululeko 21:00 iKhaya 21:30 The Young Messiah

23:30 ☐ The Doctors Omnibus

04:30 ♥ Hot Bench 05:00 ☐ Icilongo



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

09:00 🗆 🖸 Muyhanao

TJOVITJO (SABC1 20:00) Local drama series. Maskhozi (LEBO TSOARI) is turning 21 and her friends plan a surprise celebration for her. Mafred seeks forgiveness from Koko but it might be too late. SLEEPLESS (M-NET 20:30) Action. A cop with a connection to the criminal underworld goes looking for his kidnapped son. Jamie Foxx, Michelle Monaghan. 95 min. 2017. 16VL.

E.TV

09:30 Santa Diabla aka

11:30 D Rhythm City

12:30 ☐ Broken Vows

15:00 Angelina Ballerina

Rescue 15:30 Al Football GGO

16:25 Just for Laughs

17:15 Days of Our Lives

18:00 Unusual Suspects

19:00 ☐ Rhythm City

20:30 Shades of Blue

disappearance of the heist's

21:30 eKasi: Our Stories

22:30 Beyond the Lights

00:45 To be announced

Crime series. Harlee and Wozniak

must face the consequences of the

19:30 □ Scandal!

20:00 eNews

16:50 Judge Judy

15:15 Jungle Bunch to the

12:00 C Scandall

13:00 eNews

13:30 House

14:30 2 Hands

14:35 Cool Catz

Broken Angel

10:30 □ Days of Our Lives

00:00 C e-Shibobo

SABC2 **SABC1**

> 09:30 ☐ Skeem Saam Laugh 10:00 To be announced

10:30 Daily Thetha 11:30 C Real Goboza 10:00 □ □ Stokvel 12:00 ☐ Yilungelo Lakho

13:00 Lunchtime News 13:30 YoTV

14:00 Making Moves 15:00 Degrassi: The Next

Generation 15:30 YoTV

16:30 ☐ My World 17:30 D News

18:00 Now or Never 18:30 Skeem Saam

Local drama series. Sphola is in a compromised position.

19:00 D News 19:30 Single Galz

Local comedy series. Mimi and Molefi are forced to deal with their kiss when they find themselves locked in the apartment.

20:00 Generations:

The Legacy 20:30 Uzalo 21:00 SoccerZone 22:00 Freedom is Not Free 23:00 ☐ Making Moves

09:00 It Only Hurts When I

09:30 ☐ The Magical World of Luna-Belle

10:30 Back from Zero

11:30
☐ Voetspore 12:30 Mara: The Only One

13:00 🖾 🖸 7de Laan 13:30 🗆 🖸 Uzalo

14:00 ♥ Skeem Saam 14:30 🗆 🖸 Muvhango

15:00 Doc McStuffins 15:30 ☑ Wired Up

16:00 Hectic Nine-9 17:00 Naruto

17:30 D News

18:00 🖸 7de Laan 18:30 A News

19:00
☐ The Wright Stuff

20:00 M News

21:00 Muvhango

22:00 🗆 Relate 23:30 Breaking New

19:30 A Kliphard 20:30 🗆 Leihlo La Sechaba

21:30 Keeping Score

Ground 23:00 Teen Wolf 00:00 SABC News

SABC3

09:30 Cricket (build-up) 10:00 Cricket: 4th Test Day 4. SA vs Australia.

17:30 Bold & Beautiful

Soapie. Thomas stands in support of Sally while she awaits word on whether her company will be a success, or goes bust before it even

started. 18:00 News Highlights 18:02 Real Talk With Anele Local talk show.

19:00 Isidingo 19:30 Tropika Island of Treasure: Maldives

Local reality game show. This week the points slate is wiped clean as another elimination cycle begins. The contestants play three exciting challenges and need to bring their A-game if they want to get a step closer to getting their hands on that shared R1-million grand prize!

20:30 The Mavericks 21:00 News 21:30 Trending SA 22:30 Base 3

Urban music show. 03:30 ☐ The Rookies 04:30 Deutsche Welle News 09:00 ☐ Once Upon a Time 10:00 ☐ MasterChef Australia

M-NET

11:00 □ Nashville Musical drama series.

12:00 🖸 Carte Blanche 13:05 ☐ Dancing with the Stars South Africa

15:25 ☐ The Brave 16:15 🖸 Angie Tibeca

Comedy series 16:45 Supergirl 17:45 MasterChef Australia

19:00 Grey's Anatomy Medical drama series 20:00 This is Us

Drama series. Kevin helps Randall and Beth with a project. 21:00 Here and Now

Drama series 22:00 Close Up with the **Hollywood Reporter** 23:00 American Horror

Story: Cult Drama series. 00:00 Late Late Show With

01:00 Silence 03:45 ☐ Vice Documentary.

04:30 Ballerina

James Corden

21:30 Mzansi Magic Music **Specials** 22:00 Book of Eli

00:00 ☐ The Doctors 01:00 □ The Talk

02:00 Lokshin Bioskop: Nazo 03:30 Lokshin Bioskop: Luthando



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

GREY'S ANATOMY (M-NET 19:00) Drama series. Firefighters rescue two boys from a house fire. Amelia (CATERINA SCORŠONE) brings Tom Koracick in to consult on her and Alex's patient.

UZALO SABC1 (20:30) Local drama series. MaNgcobo finally gets her hands on her money, but Nkunzi enters. When the landlord threatens to hurt Zekhethelo, she turns to Mxolisi.



E.TV 09:00 Bin Kuch Kahe Comedy series. 09:30 Santa Diabla aka Broken Angel 10:30 □ Days Our Lives 11:30 ☐ Rhythm City 12:00 ☐ Scandal! 12:30 ☐ Broken Vows 13:00 eNews 13:30 Umlilo 14:30 2 Hands 14:35 Cool Catz 15:00 Bo on the Go 15:30 Pokémon 15:55 Frenzy 16:25 Just for Laughs 16:50 Judge Judy 17:15 Days of Our Lives 18:00 Unusual Suspects 19:00 Rhythm City 19:30 ☐ Scandal! 20:00 eNews 20:30 Chicago PD Action series. Voight enlists his former cellmate to help take down a major cocaine supplier.

09:00 □ ☑ Muvhango 09:30 ☐ Skeem Saam 10:00 To be announced 10:30 Daily Thetha 11:30 D Mi Kasi Su Kasi 12:00 ☐ SoccerZone 13:00 Lunchtime News 13:30 YoTV 14:00 Ispani 15:00 Degrassi: The Next Generation 15:30 YoTV 16:30 Daily Thetha 17:30 D News 18:00 Nyan'Nyan 18:30 Skeem Saam Local drama series. Sphola learns a harsh lesson about driving under the influence. Rachel knows all about Nimza's shenaniaans. 19:00 D News 19:30 🗆 Selimathunzi 20:00 Generations: The Legacy 20:30 Uzalo 21:00 Expressions 21:30 Cutting Edge 22:00 The Chatroom 22:30 □ Identity 23:00 Daily Thetha 00:00 Koze Kuse

SABC1

SABC2 09:00 It Only Hurts When I Laugh 09:30 Dinosaur Train 10:00 ☐ ☐ Stokvel 10:30 Talk SA 11:00 At My Age 11:30 Bophelong 12:00 ☐ Our Moments 12:30 Mara: The Only One 13:00 A C 7de Laan 13:30 C Uzalo 14:00 ☐ Skeem Saam 14:30 🖸 🗆 Muvhango 15:00 Doc McStuffins 15:30 ☐ How Do They Do That? 16:00 Hectic Nine-9 17:00 Naruto 17:30 D News 18:00 M 7de Laan 18:30 A News 19:00 🛭 Swartwater 20:00 M News 20:30 □ Nhlalala Ya Rixaka 20:56 Vodacom Millionaires 21:00 Muvhango 21:30 ☐ Keeping Score Local drama series. 22:00 ☐ Gospel Classics 23:00 ☐ Mara: The Only

SABC3 06:30 Expresso Local breakfast show. Covers a wide range of topics, including green living, fashion, entertainment, food, tech and travel 09:00 ☐ Isidingo 09:30 Cricket (build-up) 10:00 Cricket: 4th Test Day 5. South Africa vs Australia. 17:30 Bold & Beautiful Soapie. A defeated Sally and Shirley confer about what to do with Spectra Fashions following a scathing review. An unexpected visitor gives the Spectra group a fresh perspective on their future. 18:00 News Highlights 18:02 Real Talk with Anele 19:00 Isidingo 19:30 ☐ Top Chef SA 20:30 Rustic Chakula

Local lifestyle cooking show. Chef Sizo Henna prepares barbecue chicken wings with a range of salads for guest Taryn Louch and goes shopping at a local market. 21:00 News 21:30 Trending SA 22:30 Base 3 03:30 The Rookies 04:30 Deutsche Welle News 09:00
☐ Supergirl 10:00 ☐ Kevin can Wait 10:30 ☐ MasterChef

M-NET

Australia 11:30 ☐ Grey's Anatomy 12:30 This is Us 13:40 ☐ The Voice 15:25 ☐ The Brave

16:15 🖸 Angie Tribeca 16:45 Arrow

Fantasy action series. Cayden James launches an attack on the team when he uncovers a secret about the Green Arrow that pushes him over the edge

17:45 MasterChef Australia 19:00 Chicago Fire 20:00 Chicago PD 21:00 Chicago Med

Drama series. Natalie and Will try to diagnose a young girl with sudden paralysis.

22:00 Counterpart Drama series Howard must work with his counterpart 23:00 Chance

00:00 Late Late Show with James Corden 01:00 ☐ Here and Now 02:00 C Vice 02:35 Get Out

MZANSI no:30 🖸 Isibaya 10:00 ☐ The Queen

10:30 ☐ Isithembiso 11:00 ☐ The Doctors 12:00 ☐ Ring of Lies 12:30 🖸 Isibaya

13:00 ☐ The Queen 13:30 ☐ Isithembiso

16:30 Hot Bench Reality courtroom series. A panel

19:30 Isithembiso 20:00 Yim'lo

Dineo Ranaka helps various people their double lives.

20:30 Isibaya 21:30 🖸 Isikizi

00:00 ☐ The Doctors 01:00 🖸 The Talk

02:00 Lokshin Bioskon: The Knight 03:30 Lokshin Bioskop: Zolile



21:25 Sinawe 21:30 Case Closed

22:00 CheckPoint

22:30 For Richer or Poorer

00:40 To be announced

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

CHICAGO FIRE (M-NET 19:00) Drama series. Boden (EAMONN WALKER) becomes emotional following the rescue of a famous

TRENDING SA (SABC3 21:30) Local talk show. Join Pabi Moloi, Kuli Roberts, Nina Hastie and Musa Mthombeni as they tackle some of the biggest trending topics on social media.

blues player from a burning apartment building.

SABC2 SABC3 E.TV **SABC1** M-NET MZANSI

00:00 Rin Kuch Kaha 09:30 Santa Diabla aka Broken Angel 10:30 □ Days of Our Lives 11:30 D Rhythm City 12:00 C Scandall 12:30 ☐ Broken Vows 13:00 eNews 13:30 House 14:30 Peppa Pig 14:35 Cool Catz 15:00 Mister Maker Comes to Town 15:30 Supa Strikas 15:55 Shizlive

16:25 Just for Laughs 16:50 Judge Judy 17:15 Days of Our Lives 18:00 Unusual Suspects 19:00 ☐ Rhythm City 19:30 ☐ Scandal! 20:00 eNews

20:30 The Blacklist Drama series. The team investigates when a polygamous cult leader vanishes.

21:30 How to Get Away with Murder 22:30 Mom's Day Away 00:10 To be announced

09:00 🏻 🕽 Muyhanao 09:30 ☐ Skeem Saam 10:00 To be announced 10:30 Daily Thetha 11:30 🖸 Zaziwa 12:00 C Chatroom 12:30 ☐ Identity 13:00 Lunchtime News 13:30 YoTV 14:00 ☐ Khumbul'ekhaya 15:00 Degrassi: The Next

Generation 15:30 YoTV 16:30 Daily Thetha 17:30 M News 18:00 Reno Race 18:30 Skeem Saam

Local drama series. Kwaito makes a painful discovery. Meikie is surprised and puzzled by the priest's decision.

19:00 D News 19:30 Zaziwa 20:00 Generations: The Legacy 20:30 Uzalo 21:00 Khumbul'ekhaya 22:00 Sport 23:00 Soccer (delayed) 01:00 Soccer (delayed)

09:00 It Only Hurts When I Laugh 09:30 Dinosaur Train 10:00 ☐ Radical Rasdien:

The Joey Rasdien Show 10:30 🛭 🖸 Kliphard

11:00 Ladies Club 11:30 Health Talk 12:30 Mara: The Only One 13:00 A C 7de Laan

13:30 C Uzalo 14:00 ☐ Skeem Saam 14:30 ☐ Muvhango 15:00 Doc McStuffins

15:30 ☐ Huga Tree 16:00 Hectic Nine-9 17:00 Naruto 17:30 D News

18:00 🛭 7de Laan 18:30 A News 19:00 🛭 Geure Uit die Vallei

19:30 🛭 Pasella 20:00 🖾 News

20:30 Motswako 20:56 Lotto Draw: Live 21:00 Muvhango 21:30 Guilt 22:00 Afro Café 23:00 Mara: The Only One 00:00 C Peal Talk with Anele

10:00 ☐ Bold & Beautiful 10:30 🖾 🖸 7de Laan 11:00 □ Isidingo 11:30 🗆 🖸 Muvhango

12:00 C Relic Hunter 13:00 News 13:30 Africa News Update

14:00 Close Up 14:30 C Eish! Saan 15:00
☐ The Mavericks

15:30 ☐ #WTFTUMI 16:30 Afternoon Express 17:30 Bold & Beautiful

18:00 News Highlights 18:02 Real Talk with Anele 19:00 Isidingo 19:30 The Amazina Race

Reality competition series, Teams are in Palermo, Sicily, with racers up against the clock in a highoctane go-kart race through the mountains.

20:00 The Hostess with Lorna Maseko 21:00 News 21:30 #WTFTUMI 22:30 Base 3 03:30 ☐ The Rookies

09:00 E Arrow

10:00 ☐ The Middle 10:30 ☐ MasterChef Australia 11:40 Chicago Fire

12:30 C Chicago PD 13:30 D The Voice 14:25 ☐ Close Up with the

Hollywood Reporter 15:25 ☐ The Brave 16:15 🖸 Angie Tribeca

16:45 The Flash 17:45 MasterChef Australia 19:00 Big Bang Theory

Comedy series. Bernadette asks Raj to investigate her suspicions that Ruchi is attempting to sabotage her iob.

19:30 Young Sheldon Comedy series. The three Cooper men plan a road trip to see the space launcher, but it doesn't go as planned.

20:00 Blue Bloods 21:00 Homeland 22:00 Philip K Dick's Electric

Dreams 23:00 Lucifer 00:00 Late Late Show with James Corden 01:00 ☐ Chicago Med

14:00 Lokshin Bioskop: Zolile 15:30 The Doctors of three judges hears cases. 17:00 The Talk 18:00 ☐ Date My Family 19:00 Ring of Lies

Local reality series. TV personality come clean to their loved ones about

21:00 The Queen

22:00 Jumping the Broom

08:00 Lokshin Bioskop: **Something About Busi**

10:00 ☐ The Queen 10:30 ☐ Isithembiso 11:00 ☐ The Doctors 12:00 ☐ Ring of Lies 12:30 🖸 Isibaya 13:00 ☐ The Queen 13:30 ☐ Isithembiso 14:00 Lokshin Bioskop:

Never Say Goodbye 15:30 The Doctors

16:30 Hot Bench 17:00 The Talk 18:00
☐ Our Perfect Wedding Reality series. 19:00 Ring of Lies 19:30 Isithembiso

20:00 Uyana'thanda Na? 20:30 Isibaya 21:00 The Queen 21:30 Mzansi Comedy Nights Stand-up comedy show. Hosted by

Tol Ass Mo. 22:00 ☐ iNumber Number 23:00 Mahala Gazi 00:00
☐ The Doctors

01:00 🗅 The Talk 02:00 Lokshin Bioskop: **Something About Busi**



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

THE HOSTESS WITH LORNA MASEKO (SABC3 20:00) Cooking and lifestyle reality series. Media personality LORNA MASEKO creates personalised culinary experiences for celeb guests.

HOW TO GET AWAY WITH MURDER (E.TV 21:30) Drama series. When a teenager is found murdered in the woods Annalise and her team are hired to represent an unlikely suspect named in the case.





WHAT DO YOU KNOW? TAKE OUR QUICK QUIZ

1 The capital of Benin

is...?

A. Kinshasa

B. Asmara

C. Libreville

D. Porto-Novo

2 Who won the 2018 Oscar for actor in a leading role?

A. Daniel Day-Lewis

B. Daniel Kaluuya

C. Gary Oldman

D. Denzel Washington is called a ...?

3 Which deadly outbreak recently caused hysteria in South Africa?

A. Ebola

B. Mumps C. Listeriosis

D. Cholera

4 What would you be studying if you were a pharmacologist?

A. Drugs

B. Speech defects

C. Stamps

D. Lighthouses

5 Which inspirational British scientist recently passed

away?

A. Carolyn Porco

B. Stephen Hawking

C. Lynn Margulis

D. Ayanna Howard

6 A group of swallows is called a . . .?

A. Flight B. Swoop

C. Flash

D. Dance

7 How many bones are there in a human

foot?

A. 20 B. 24

C. 26 D. 30

8 A baby ant is called

an ...?

A. Antling

B. Auntie C. Angle

D. Anti

9 Which Proteas fast bowler was recently banned for two

matches?
A. Lungi Ngidi

B. Vernon Philander

C. Kagiso Rabada D. Imran Tahir

10 Which US singer announced she'd cloned her dog?

A. Katy Perry

B. Taylor Swift

C. Barbra Streisand
D. Selena Gomez

11 If you suffered from kinemortophobia what would you be

afraid of?
A. Zombies

B. Cinemas

C. Death

D. Photographs

12 Which food is the best source of vitamin D?

A. Salmon

B. Spinach

C. Strawberries

D. Salt

13 Which former soccer star was recently in Joburg for the launch of Haig

Club whisky? A. Ronaldo

B. Pelé

C. Thierry Henry

D. David Beckham

14 What currency is used in Thailand?

A. Peso

B. Baht

C. Franc

D. Dollar



Champion sprinter Usain
Bolt joined which local
soccer team during
training when he was in

the country in January?

A. Bidvest Wits

B. Orlando Pirates

C. Kaizer Chiefs

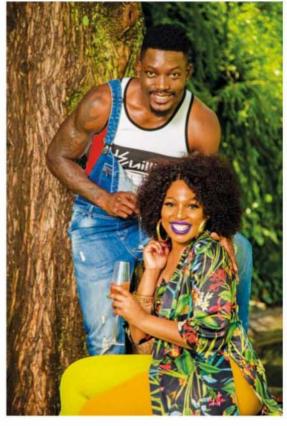
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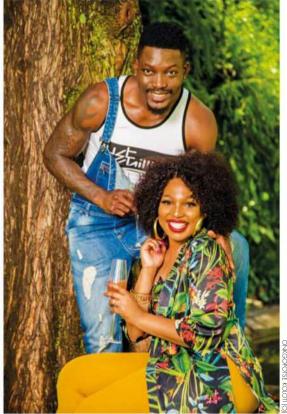
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SPOTTERENCE

HOW TO PLAY

There are seven differences between these two pictures of Armando Ngandu and Phindile Gwala. Can you find all of them?





Good Laughs DRUM

I EAVING

A MARK Last night | dreamt |

went for a walk on a

beautiful, sandy beach.

At least that explains

the footprints I found

in the cat litter box

this morning.

SOUP-ER

While having supper with his family a boy asks his father, "Dad, are bugs good to eat?"

"That's disgusting," his dad replies. "Don't talk about things like that at the dinner table."

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the dinner table."

After dinner the
father says, "Now, son,
what did you want to ask me
earlier?"

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"Oh, nothing," the boy says. "There was a bug in your soup but it's gone now."

TEATIME

A father is impressed when his threeyear-old daughter offers to bring him a cup of tea while his wife is out shopping.

When his wife arrives home her husband says, "Watch this!"

The little girl serves her dad tea again.

"Thanks, dear," he says, before taking a sip.

Then the wife says to him, "Did it occur to you that the only place she can reach to get water is the toilet?"

MOSTLY TRUE

A couple has four sons. They're all tall and have red hair and light skin, except the youngest son who's short and has black hair and dark eyes.

Then the father falls ill and is laying on his deathbed.

He turns to his wife and says, "Honey, before I die, be completely honest with me. Is our youngest son my child?"

His wife replies, "My dear, I swear on everything that's holy he is indeed your son."

With that he passes away at peace. "Thank goodness he didn't ask about the other three," the wife mutters.

LITTLE BROTHER

When I was a small boy I had a disease that required me to eat mud three times a day to survive.

It's a good thing my older brother told me about it.

SURPRISE!

"Since it's your birthday,"
a husband tells his wife,
"remember that brightyellow Lamborghini
you really wanted?"

His wife can't contain herself and starts to cry tears of joy.

Well," her husband says, "I got you this toothbrush in the same colour."

RIGHT UP THERE

My parents won't say which of their six kids they love the most, but they've told me I finished just out of the top five.

MINOR SUCCESS

A married couple is celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. At the party everybody wants to know how they've managed to stay married so long.

"Well," the husband says, "when we got married we came to an agreement: I'd make all the major decisions while my wife would make all the minor ones. And so far we've never needed to make a major decision."

NEVER TOO OLD

A police car pulls up at an elderly couple's home. The old lady is surprised to see her husband getting out. The police officer explains that the old-timer told them he was lost and couldn't find his way home.

"Why, dear," the old lady says to her hubby, "you've been going for a walk in the park for more than 30 years! How could you get lost?"

He leans in close and whispers in her ear, "I wasn't really lost, I just didn't feel like walking home."

HELP!

A man is walking down the street when he sees a sign in a shop window that reads, "Help wanted".

So he runs into the shop and shouts, "What's wrong?"

PIECE OF CAKE

Why did the Grade 4 learners eat their homework?

Because their teacher told them it was a piece of cake. ■





ANDLA gathered his wallet, ID book and ever-present black laptop bag. The bag contained copies of his CV and various qualifications. He didn't need them for today's interview, but he was always ready to hand them to potential employers if the opportunity arose.

He walked around to the head of the bed and placed a soft kiss on his sleeping wife's face. On the piece of scrap paper next to her, he scribbled the words "Thank you" below her message that read "Good luck".

I'm doing this for you, he whispered in his wife's ear. She was his pillar of strength. If it wasn't for her, he might have quit this job hunt long ago. He might even have quit on life itself. Being unemployed for over a year when you have advanced degrees was not child's play.

Walking towards the door he centred his tie and levelled his jacket so it didn't droop too much at the shoulders and

reveal the excessive weight loss he'd suffered in the last few months. He flicked the lights off and tip-toed down the passage towards the front door.

The low-watt, energy-efficient light bulb illuminated only a narrow area around the front door. Casting his eye some six meters towards the garage, Mandla saw tiny rain drops meandering in oblique lines to the ground. Although it was just a drizzle and would probably fizzle out rather than intensify, he decided to be cautious. He went into the kitchen and found a black rubbish bag, made three holes in it and put it over his head as a makeshift raincoat.

Mandla walked to the garage and picked up the weed eater. He pulled the starter cord as a final check - it buzzed into life at the first pull.

He smiled to himself. It's amazing what you can do when you have to. Yesterday the weed eater just groaned and wouldn't start, but he needed it today so he could sell it at the pawn shop for the taxi fare to go to this important job interview in the city. Cleaning the carburetor and spark

plug had done the trick, thankfully. He placed the strap over his shoulder, making sure his tie was neatly tucked underneath. He laughed at himself – he looked like a gardener in a suit. Whatever it takes, he thought, whatever it takes.

N THERE," Nancy, the young receptionist, pointed Mandla towards conference room B.

He entered a spacious room with three round tables, two people sitting at each. A larger rectangular table in front of the room sat five.

"You must be Mandla?" the lady that approached him asked. "If you would please join that table, we have started."

"Apologies for being late," Mandla said. "I will catch up as we go along."

The clock on the wall read 8.35am - he was a full 20 minutes late. He couldn't help but think that he'd blown his chances. Being this late for such an important interview was inexcusable. It was the second and final interview for the role of general manager, reporting directly to the CEO.

As he sat down in front of the name tag bearing his name, he nodded to the other occupant of the table. Thabang Pule, the tag read.

Thabang was on his feet, all the attention focused on him. He was telling a story and sounded very eloquent, charming and confident. He was the sort of guy that outshone most others in this kind of setup where people come together as a group.

Even the people at the front table, which included the CEO and some board members, seemed to be savouring every word that Thabang uttered.

Throwing his hands in the air, Thabang concluded, "Well, that was my morning. But the highlight was how I managed to keep calm and chose to be the bigger man." He smiled and sat down as applause rang out from every corner of the room.

Mandla couldn't help but like this guy too – there was something familiar about him. He was all charm as he reassured him they'd only just begun. He said they'd been given some problems to solve as a team, while the board and CEO observed. And he explained that the candidates had been asked to share what their day had been like so far, just to break the ice.

"But we all know," Thabang whispered, "that was more than about breaking the ice. They wanted to see who would take the lead. And man, I think they know a thing or two about me now."

"True," Mandla nodded, still trying to work out why he thought he knew this man.

> VER the course of the day Mandla and Thabang forged a friendship, as they were made to complete various tasks together.

At 5pm the interviewers announced that the proceedings had come to an end and they would be revealing who had got the job. The room fell into silence as the CEO approached the microphone stand.

Thabang was rubbing his hands with glee, clearly feeling he'd done enough to take the crown. Mandla next to him knew he'd done well, but perhaps not as well as his new friend and the other candidates who were all punctual.

"Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for

being here today and for your efforts in the challenges we gave you," the CEO began. "As you know, sadly we cannot hire all six of you. Thabang Pule, please come and join me."

This earned a victory dance from the charismatic Thabang. Seeing his new friend beaming with happiness next to the CEO, Mandla could only concede that Thabang deserved it. As much as Mandla and his family needed this job, and as crushing as it felt to be sitting and watching the successful candidate, he had to accept it.

Amidst the cheering and gloating from Thabang, the door opened and Nancy the receptionist sneaked in. She placed Mandla's weed eater near the door and motioned to him that she was leaving for the day. Mandla gave her a thumbs-up and whispered, "Thank you."

Caught up in the activities of the day, Mandla had forgotten about the weed eater and the troubles waiting for him outside the room. The weed eater shouldn't have been there, but when he'd arrived at Solly's pawn shop that morning he discovered it only opened at 9am. He was left with no option but to walk the rest of the distance to the city – and this was why he'd been late.

And then there'd been the altercation with a man driving a Range Rover who'd swerved and nearly run Mandla over. The car came so close that the weed eater had scratched it. Not a nasty scratch, but enough to make the man hit his breaks. Mandla thought the angry driver was about to get out of the car and get physical with him, but to his credit he managed to control himself and drove off leaving only verbal insults in his wake.

Now the outcome of all this effort was clear, reality hit home. Mandla still needed to sell the weed eater, but at this time of day all the shops would be closed. His fate was sealed – he'd be walking back home and the weed eater would be coming with him.

ANDLA Sithole, please come forward."

Mandla's thoughts were

interrupted by the CEO. He obliged and approached the front table feeling confused. But the CEO extended his hand and shook it with obvious excitement.

Without letting go, the CEO announced, "Ladies and gentlemen, meet the new GM of operations, Mr Mandla Sithole."

Mandla's whole being wanted to erupt into song. This was the moment he'd been

'He couldn't

help but

think that

he'd blown his

chances.

waiting for. It had been long overdue, but he now had a job. He, Mandla Sithole, was now employed again.

But he couldn't hide the confusion on his face.

"Let me explain," the CEO continued. "You

have all been interviewed for the GM role, but the role of senior manager reporting to the GM subsequently became open as well.

"The board decided that this role would be given to the next candidate in line – if they want it. In a few years, the GM role and beyond will of course be a possibility for this candidate.

"You have impressed us very much, Thabang," the CEO said turning towards the younger man. "And we would like to offer you the senior manager role. We would be honoured if you'd accept."

Hiding his disappointment, Thabang pulled himself together to congratulate his new friend on securing the top position.

As they walked out together, Thabang stopped Mandla at the door.

"You know," he said, "I could swear this was the weed eater that scratched my car this morning."

Mandla smiled as he slung the machine over his shoulder.

"Well, my apologies, young man. But the good news is that I'll be able to fix that scratch of yours very soon." ■

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FILM

Monster mash

John Boyega fights giant alien monsters in supersized sci-fi sequel Pacific Rim Uprising

Idris Elba memorably cancelled the apocalypse in Pacific Rim (2013), the cartoonish but glorious story of men and women piloting skyscrapersized robot suits and battling monsters from another dimension.

If you missed it, it was a bit like Transformers – only smarter, funnier and directed by now newly minted Oscar winner Guillermo del Toro.

In the sequel Star Wars' John Boyega plays Jake Pentecost, the son of Idris' character, who was conveniently not mentioned or shown in the previous film as they'd fallen out. Jake abandoned his giant robot pilot training and slunk off to make a living in the underworld selling black-market goods.

Now the world is threatened by even more giant alien monsters and it's up to Jake to reluctantly suit up and save it – just like his dad did last time.

John, who is also a producer on the sequel and CEO of his own production company, plans to make lots of different kinds of movies.

"I have plans... I did Kathryn Bigelow's Detroit riot movie last year [Detroit]; Imperial Dreams [in 2014] about a young poet living on the street with his kids; Watership Down [an animated miniseries] in which I play a rabbit. I'm literally going into all genres to make my mark," he told website Collider. - DENNIS CAVERNELIS

I LIKE BIG BOTS AND I CANNOT LIE

If you're in the mood for giant robot and/or giant monster movies, try these:

TRANSFORMERS

Come for the giant roboton-robot action but be sure to stick around to hear living legend and Oscar winner Sir Anthony Hopkins call Mark Wahlberg "dude" in 2017's The Last Knight.

THE IRON GIANT (1999)

A pre-Fast and Furious Vin Diesel lends his gravelly tones to this animated classic about a young boy who befriends a really big robot that nasty government agents want to capture (BELOW).



X-MEN: DAYS OF FUTURE PAST (2014)

Giant robots designed to hunt the mutant superheroes meet their match when they face the metalmanipulating might of Magneto (Michael Fassbender).

★DVDS

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HORROR. 129 MIN. 2017. 16 HLV.

In the small town of Derry seven young teens band together to battle a demonic force, Pennywise the Clown (**BILL SKARSGÅRD**), which emerges at 27-year intervals to abduct and eat the town's children.

The young, mostly unknown cast is uniformly excellent. But the film's real strength is not the horror, it's how capably the cast and filmmakers capture a genuine sense of the unease, loneliness and fear which often accompanies the adolescent years. - DENNIS CAVERNELIS



THOR: RAGNAROK **** SCI-FI ACTION. 130 MIN. 2017. 13LV.

Marvel's resident space Viking sheds any pretence of seriousness in this action comedy that has Thor and Hulk teaming up with Valkyrie (**TESSA THOMPSON**) to save the thunder god's home world.

The plot is similar to Black Panther:

The plot is similar to Black Panther: the ruler of an advanced society dies and as his son prepares to lead, an old enemy returns. New Zealand-born director Taika Waititi blends offbeat humour and action to deliver a movie that revels in being a live-action comic book.

- DENNIS CAVERNELIS





Ain't no fool

Rapper G-Eazy is flying high with his hit tracks, No Limit and Him & I

G-Eazy's fourth studio album. The Beautiful & Damned, went to No 1 on Billboard's top R&B/hip-hop album chart in January.

It's named after F Scott Fitzgerald's classic book about a couple's obsession with decadence, which leads to their moral decline.

The rapper says it took him six years of living the sex, drugs and rock 'n roll lifestyle to realise he was doing the same. "[This album is about] the yin and yang of my personality," he said.

He started rapping at 15 and later studied music at university. He got his big

break when he released his mixtape, The Endless Summer, in 2011 - which earned him the chance to go on tour with Drake and Lil Wayne.

The 28-year-old is a huge fan of Bodak Yellow singer Cardi B who features on No Limit along with ASAP Rocky. "She represents where music is today - it's real, it's raw, it's not contrived or overly thought-out. It's just what the youth are reacting to"

His girlfriend, Halsey, features on his track Him & I. He says she relates to him "on almost every single level". - NICI DE WET

★CD

MANIA *** **FALL OUT BOY**

The seventh album from the poppunk rockers is probably their most experimental to date. They've decided to explore other genrés – there's EDM (Young and Menace), reggae (they rope in Burna Boy on Sunshine Riptide) and even gospel vibes (Church).

Pete Wentz's crunching guitar riffs are still there, as is vocalist Patrick Stump's operatic-style screaming and angst-filled lyrics. A fun, eclectic listening experience. - NICI DE WET





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IF I DIE BEFORE I WAKE **EMILY KOCH** (PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE)

Imagine spending almost two years in a coma hearing the pain of your loved ones as they try to make sense of the tragedy. Everyone thinking you're in a vegetative state when you can hear and feel just about everything.

That's the story of Alex, a man who has an accident while climbing and is suffering from locked-in syndrome as his family debates withdrawing life

However, Alex begins to suspect the accident wasn't really an accident. The perpetrator is still out there and he isn't the only one in danger.

The novel follows the frustrations, hopes and failures Alex goes through as he tries to get everyone to notice he's cognisant.

Top of his mind is this: will he be able to solve his own "murder" in time to save his girlfriend who he believes is in danger?

- THULANI GQIRANA

JOJO MOYES (PENGUIN RANDOM HOUSE) R239*

It's a brave new world for Jojo Moves' heroine, Louisa Clark, who starred in her previous bestsellers, Me Before You and After You.

Lou is in search of an adventure. Ready for a new beginning, she sets off for New York leaving her boyfriend, Sam, in London. She's pretty sure the miles won't stand in the way of their relationship. She throws herself into her new job working for mega-rich Leonard Gopnik and his young wife, Agnes.

But Lou's life is about to be turned upside down. After meeting Joshua Ryan her whole world is shaken as he reminds her of a man in her past – and the memories sting. She's forced to go on a journey of self-discovery and figure out how her life became what it is now.

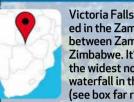
Before long she'll have to make a few tough choices as she discovers who the real Louisa Clark is.

- THULANI GQIRANA

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Whether big or small, they are something to behold. We take a look at some spectacular examples in Southern Africa and beyond

VICTORIA FALLS. ZAMBIA AND ZIMBABWE



Victoria Falls is situated in the Zambezi River between Zambia and Zimbabwe. It's neither the widest nor highest waterfall in the world (see box far right), but

it's called the largest because it takes up the most space if you multiply the maximum height (108m) by the breadth (about 1700m). But this is only in the rainy season, from February to May, when the Zambezi is in flood. In the dry season the waterfall is much smaller.

The waterfall was named by British explorer David Livingstone, who was probably the first European to see it. He came across it in 1855 and named it after Queen Victoria, the British monarch at the time. A statue of Livingstone can be seen on both the Zimbabwean and Zambian sides of the falls.

But long before Livingstone arrived the locals had named the falls Mosi-oa-Tunya, a far more descriptive name meaning "the smoke that thunders". This refers to the water's spray that looks like smoke and can be seen from afar, and the thundering noise that volume of falling water makes.

Victoria Falls is a world-famous tourist attraction. In the wet season visitors have to wear raincoats when they view the falls because the spray is almost like rain. Helicopter and microlight rides are available to see the falls from above, or adventurous types can bungee jump from the bridge.

The truly daring sometimes take a dip in Devil's Pool on the Zambian side - a pool right at the edge of the waterfall. This can only be done when the river's not in flood, otherwise you'll be swept over the edge.

SEVEN WONDERS

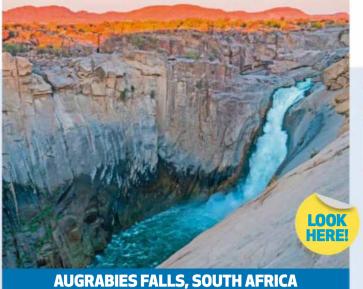
In 1997 US TV station CNN compiled a list of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World: Victoria Falls & Grand Canyon *Mount Everest *Northern lights * Great Barrier Reef Bay of Rio de Janeiro *Parícutin volcano

◀On the Zimbabwean side of the Victoria Falls a rainforest, which supports a rich and diverse ecology of flora and fauna, has grown up naturally due to the constant spray of water from the waterfall.

▼ An adventurous holidaymaker bathes in Devil's Pool on the edge of Victoria Falls.

To see what Victoria Falls looks like in the dry and rainy seasons go to: bit.ly/2GmJ7KE





In the Classroom **DRUM**



When the Orange river is in flood the Augrabies Falls can be quite scary – as this 2011 video shows:

bit.ly/2FC3B0s

This landmark in the Northern Cape is among the world's largest cataract waterfalls – ones categorised by a high volume of water flowing over a cliff in a big, powerful fall rather than a small, single stream.

The Augrabies Falls National Park is about 120km west of Upington and about 30km north of Kakamas. Over thousands of years the Orange River has carved a deep gorge in the granite rock – this is a good example of water erosion.

The water drops down 56m and enters an 18km-long gorge with steep, slippery rock walls. It's especially impressive when the Orange River is in full flood after the rains. That much water makes a lot of noise and this is where the falls gets its name –

the Khoi people called it "Aukoerebis", which means "place of great noise". Decks have been constructed as lookout points from where visitors can view the falls.

The park is also home to many wild animals including giraffe, springbok, gemsbok, kudu and klipspringer (a kind of antelope). There are predators too, including jackals, leopards and caracals (a type of wild cat). There are even otters in the river.

Visitors can camp in the park or stay in self-catering chalets and enjoy the many hiking trails. There's a cottage near one of the waterfall's lookout points with a view of the falls as well. You can also take a trip to the park as a day visitor to have a picnic or enjoy a meal at the restaurant.

WATERFALLS IN THE AMERICAS

NIAGARA FALLS Natural sciences



Niagara Falls in North America is one of the world's best-known waterfalls – about 12 million people visit it each year. It's situated on the border between the province of Ontario in Canada and the state of New York in America.

It's made up of three separate waterfalls: the Horseshoe (ABOVE), the Bridal Veil and the American.

ANGEL FALLS



At 979m, Angel Falls in Venezuela, South America, is the highest uninterrupted waterfall on Earth. It was named after Jimmie Angel, a US pilot who was the first person to fly over the falls, in 1933. It's also called *Kerepakupai Vená* by the indigenous Pemon people, which means "waterfall of the deepest place".

Tugela Falls in the Drakensberg, South Africa, is the second-highest waterfall in the world, but its 948m is made up of five different falls.

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MALETSUNYANE FALLS, LESOTHO

This is one of Lesotho's most popular tourist attractions. It's 192m high and one of the waterfalls with the longest continuous drops in the southern hemisphere. The stream into which the waterfall drops runs into the Senqu River – the Sotho name for the Orange River.

The town nearest the falls is Semonkong, Sesotho for "place of smoke" – the fall's spray looks like smoke. It's located about 130km from the Maseru border post with South Africa.

If you're not afraid of heights you can abseil down the cliff next to the waterfall – it's 204m from top to bottom and holds the Guinness World Record as the highest commercial (where you pay to do it) abseil.

Tourists also ride ponies, walk or mountainbike in the area – Lesotho is called the Mountain Kingdom for good reason.







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HUMANFO

It's so easy to just put your leftovers in the dog's bowl, but some of the foods we enjoy are really bad for pooches – and certain ones can even be fatal

SAY NO TO THIS ...

MACADAMIA NUTS



They can damage a dog's kidneys causing your beloved pet to become extremely ill or even die. Grapes and raisins are bad for dogs



your dog's red blood cells, causing anaemia. This makes your dog feel exhausted and **struggle to breathe**. Its organs life-threatening but will upset a dog's stomach. might also be damaged. Eating chillies isn't <u>Garlic and onions can deg</u>

vomit and struggle to breathe, and it can result in paralysis of its hind legs. Your pet

can also become depressed.

=ating these nuts can make your pet weak and shaky. It can also cause your dog to



to give your dog coffee, it's important to know the caffeine in this hot drink can lead to shaking and seizures and can be fatal. Although you're unlikely ever



Alcohol or food that contains a dog to breathe and can cause diarrhoea.



give your dog cake – it will pick up weight, which can lead to diabetes and arthritis. And never give it anything containing Theobromine – a substance found in cocoa, which is used to dog's heart, kidneys and central nervous system. Also, don't make chocolate – isn't harmful to people but can damage a artificial sweeteners as this can cause liver failure.

MILK AND OTHER DAIRY

made from cow's milk. Giving your dog dairy products can lead to diarrhoea and trigger Dogs aren't good at digesting products allergies to other foods.

FERMENTED FOOD

CAT FOOD

BONES



Fermented foods such as pickles, olives and sauerkraut will give your dog an upset stomach and make it fart.

In the Classroom **DRUM**



damage its intestines.



A dog gnawing on a bone is something you often see in cartoons, but bones can splinter and get stuck in a dog's throat or

Cat food is high in protein and fat and is often too much for a dog's digestive system to handle.

BUT YES TO THIS

VEGETABLES

Brussels sprouts, pumpkin and spinach contain lots of vitamins that dog's heart, immune system and energy levels. Pumpkin is good for a dog's digestive system, and Brussels to a wide-ranging diet. Veggies like Spinach, for example, is good for a sprouts help with blood circulation. Dogs prefer meat but can adapt are good for humans and dogs.









<u>Cooked fish such as salmon is good</u>

MEAT AND FISH

for your dog because it contains (bones removed, of course) and

Omega-3 fatty acids. Chicken

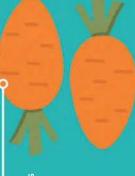
beef contain healthy fats as well as protein. But always make sure the meat is well cooked before feeding

it to your dog, as raw meat can contain harmful bacteria.

CARROTS

snack for any dog. Chewing on this vegetable helps clean your dog's A piece of raw carrot is a good teeth and gums. It's also low in calories but contains lots of fibre and vitamins.





This fruit is good for your dog BANANAS

bananas are so soft you can easily mix because it contains fibre, potassium, them with other dog food, or feed them to your dog as a snack. Just don't give it too much at once, as your dog can get an upset tummy. SOURCES: THEROVER.COM, IHEARTDOGS.COM, MNN.COM, ASPCA.ORG, DOGTIME.COM, VETS-NOW.COM,CANINEJOURNAL.COM, THEVETERINARYEXPERT.COM, PETMD.COM

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MARVELLOUS MOKALA

SANParks' Mokala National Park has a rich history, wildlife galore and is a truly unforgettable African experience BY SHANAAZ PRINCE PICTURES: LUBABALO LESOLLE

ET just 70km south of Kimberley, the Mokala National Park is the perfect getaway if you're looking for an escape from the hustle and bustle of city life. The idyllic retreat offers a relaxing breakaway, with an array of outdoor activities for the adventurous at heart. If summer is your season, then visiting Mokala during the warmer months would be perfect for you – just be sure to carry your sunscreen and a hat because some days can be scorchers.

A stretch of gravel road leads you to Mokala's entrance gates. In true Northern Cape style, a friendly guard will direct you on to the reception and accommodation area at the Mosu Lodge, where we have the opportunity to experience all the sights and sounds during an unforgettable two-night stay.

The spacious, self-catering chalets include either a double or two single beds decked out with white linen, a bathroom with a shower, and an open-plan lounge and kitchen area kitted out with crockery, cutlery and essential appliances.

The park does offer Wi-Fi, but it's advisable to take the opportunity to just go off the grid for a bit. If you need to stay connected it might be worth carrying a router, as the network in the area can sometimes be weak – but the point is to become one with nature, after all.

Just a few metres from the rooms lies the entertainment area with a bar, swimming pool and dining setup. The menu includes daily breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a variety of meals to choose from. You can soak up the park experience with a selection of mouth-watering meals, including their famous homemade secret recipe venison pies, curries, stir-fries and even kiddies' meals can be found on their à la carte menu.

Special menu requests for functions and events like weddings, gala dinners or even an intimate candle-lit engagement can be made.













IDDEN between hills and lush greenery, this is SANParks' youngest park – it's only 10 years old. Mokala spans an area of 30 000 hectares and boasts a number of plant and animal species, including black and white rhinos, black wildebeests, zebras and the Cape buffalo.

Mokala is named after the thorn tree that seems almost like a national treasure in the area, covering a vast expanse of the park. Hanging from the tops of many of the trees, you'll find cleverly built and unique nests made by little brown birds known as sociable weavers. Although tiny in stature, these creatures come together in masses to create incredible nests – some able to house over 700 of their kind.

We spotted elegant giraffes towering above the trees and various species of antelope, including blesbok and gemsbok, running freely between them.

As part of the experience we enjoyed dayand night-guided game drives with local game ranger, Desigan Naidoo. During a day drive he took us through a restricted area for employees at Mokala where we viewed some beautiful rock art drawings done by the Khoisan. The sight has become iconic and marks the cultural heritage of the area. Viewing the original rock art drawings, including depictions of rhino, ostrich and gemsbok, instilled great emotion in us as we felt we were stepping back into a completely different and simpler time.

Due to our time constraints sadly we weren't able to do many activities, but the Mosu Lodge boasts an array for guests to enjoy – although booking in advance is essential.

The lodge also has a number of picnic spots for visitors to make use of during the day. The Matopi picnic area allows guests to picnic or braai surrounded by unspoilt nature, and the Kameeldoring spot – situated in the new day-visitors' picnic area that was opened in December 2012 – is set among kameeldoring trees.

If you're a birding enthusiast, you can enjoy birdwatching at the Stofdam bird hide overlooking Stofdam. And if you're lucky, you might catch a glimpse of the crimson breasted shrikes and kingfishers in action.

For fishing fans, the Lilydale Rest Camp on the Riet River hosts some beautiful flyfishing spots with catch-and-release flyfishing on offer. But do note that the fishing spots of De Krans and Kleinbek are only accessible via 4x4 or high-clearance vehicles because of the nature of the roads.

Make the most of the outdoors with a choice of bush dining experiences. You can opt to enjoy a bush braai with a minimum of

five guests, or start the day off just right with a hearty breakfast under a 400-year-old camel thorn tree. Be sure to plan ahead as bookings for the bush braais and breakfasts need to be made two weeks in advance.

For more information about these and other activities contact the Mosu Lodge info desk about pricing and availability.

Ultimately Mokala National Park is a treat for the entire family and it's the perfect escape from that crazy rush called life. ■

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BUNNY MAZE



On which path will you collect the most eggs?

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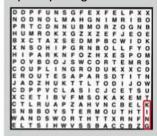
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HOW TO DO IT

Find a word, circle its letters and cross it off the list. Words might be forwards, backwards, up, down or diagonal but are in a straight line, never skipping letters. Some letters are used more than once.

Tick the small box next to a word as you find it in the jumble. A diagonal line between words indicates they can be found separately in the grid.



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- **□STEAM**
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1 The capital of Benin

is...?

A. Kinshasa

B. Asmara

C. Libreville

D. Porto-Novo

2 Who won the 2018 Oscar for actor in a leading role?

A. Daniel Day-Lewis

B. Daniel Kaluuya

C. Gary Oldman

D. Denzel Washington is called a ...?

3 Which deadly outbreak recently caused hysteria in

South Africa? A. Ebola

B. Mumps C. Listeriosis

D. Cholera

4 What would you be studying if you were a pharmacologist?

A. Drugs

B. Speech defects

C. Stamps

D. Lighthouses

5 Which inspirational British scientist recently passed

away?

A. Carolyn Porco

B. Stephen Hawking

C. Lynn Margulis

D. Ayanna Howard 6 A group of swallows

A. Flight

B. Swoop

C. Flash D. Dance

7 How many bones are there in a human

foot?

A. 20 **B.** 24

C. 26 D. 30

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B. Taylor Swift

C. Barbra Streisand D. Selena Gomez

11 If you suffered from kinemortophobia what would you be

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C. Death

D. Photographs

12 Which food is the best source of vitamin D?

A. Salmon

B. Spinach

C. Strawberries

D. Salt

13 Which former soccer star was recently in Joburg for

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A. Ronaldo

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C. Thierry Henry

D. David Beckham

14 What currency is used in Thailand?

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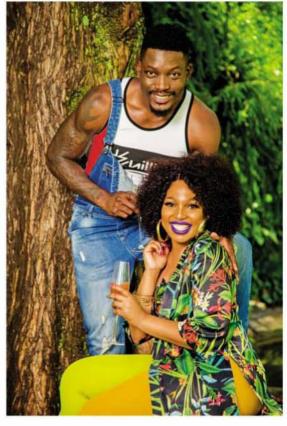
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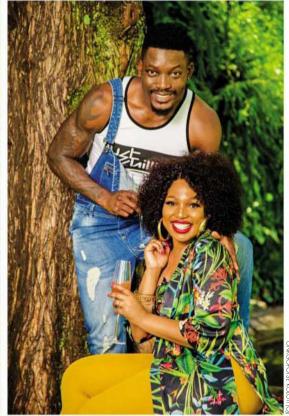
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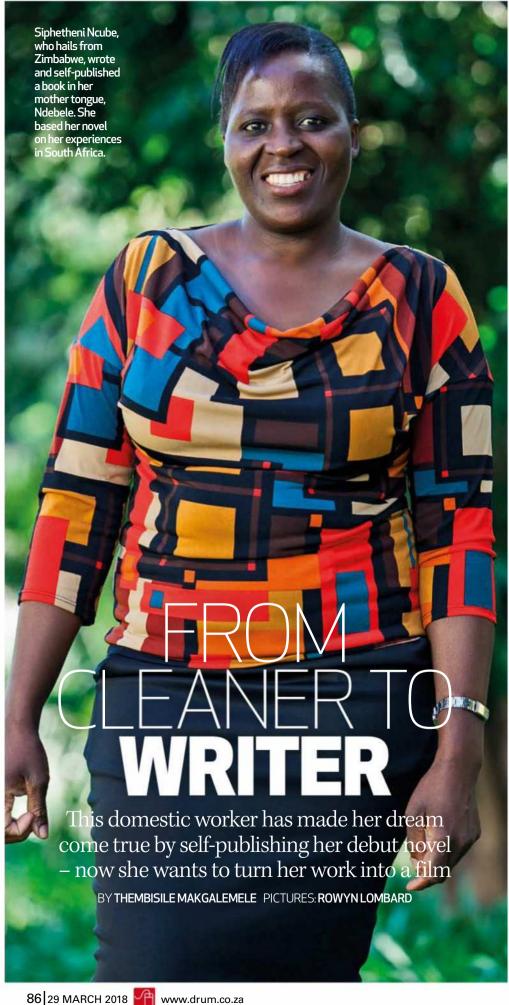


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S A child growing up in Zimbabwe she dreamt of becoming a doctor, stethoscope snaked around her neck, crisp white coat in place, all set to heal the sick.

But Siphetheni Ncube's dream was quickly dashed after the passing of her beloved grandmother, Anne Ncube.

Suddenly orphaned, the young girl was forced to drop out of high school in her first year so she could help feed her younger siblings.

Yet Siphetheni (40), who now works as a domestic worker in Johannesburg's posh suburbs, is more than content with her lot in life.

"God has been good to me," she says. Siphetheni recently created a buzz on

Twitter after her boss, Selimathunzi presenter Siphesihle Vazi, took to the social media site to share a copy of a book she's written.

When Siphetheni started working for Siphesihle two years ago she told him she was penning a novel. But "Sphe", as she fondly calls him, didn't believe her.

"She's full of jokes," he says with a smile. She's also full of surprises: Siphesible was shocked when Siphetheni shyly handed him a hard copy of Ngoneni (which means What Have I Done in Ndebele) in February.

The book is loosely based on Siphetheni and other Zimbabwean women's experiences in South Africa, and Siphesihle couldn't wait to share it with his social media followers.

"I immediately posted the book but I wasn't thinking about promoting it," he says. "I was just too happy for her."

Siphesihle's more than 15 000 Twitter followers quickly showed an interest in the novel, sharing his post far and wide.

"We've sold 50 books in one month," Siphesihle beams.

Siphetheni is so grateful to her TVpresenter boss for the hype he's helped create around her book she insists he tag along to all her interviews.

'I'm happy," she says of her self-published debut novel. "I'm also happy I have Sphe."

Siphesihle, who also holds a marketing communications degree from the University of Johannesburg, says there's a big demand for Siphetheni's book, which she wrote in her mother tongue because of the lack of availability of indigenous writing.

"We'd be selling more if we didn't have distribution challenges," he says. "I just wish for her to get a national distributor because a lot of people have enquired about it."

S MUCH as he'd hate to lose her stellar cleaning services, Siphesihle is committed to helping Siphetheni promote the book. "This has to be successful." he says with steely determination.

"She can't be a domestic worker forever."

She's always enjoyed writing, Siphetheni says. "I was 11 when I started writing but every time I wrote something I crumpled the papers and threw them away."

Growing up in rural Shino, about 98 kilometres from Bulawayo, Siphetheni had a tough childhood.

Her mother died when she was a child and she's never known her father. Her maternal grandmother, Anne, raised her and her five siblings and they were "a big, happy family" but Siphetheni says everything changed when she started high school. "My grandmother died and life was hard," she says.

Siphetheni hated seeing her siblings go to bed hungry so she dropped out of school and went in search of a job.

"I found work as a domestic worker so I could take care of my youngest sibling, Bekezela, while my older sister, Immaculate, got a job so she could provide for the others.

"We had to feed them and pay their school fees. Those were painful times."

Siphetheni says Zimbabwe's economic challenges didn't help. "I wanted to come to South Africa but I couldn't because I had no relatives here. I didn't know anyone and I wouldn't have had a place to stav."

It was only after her boyfriend moved to Johannesburg that she was able to come to South Africa and the couple settled in Hillbrow in early 2000.

Yet even in the City of Gold life was hard for Siphetheni. "I found a job as a domestic worker but only worked for two days."

When she wasn't working, she wrote. Even on the days she worked Siphetheni says she found time to write - after she'd



ABOVE: Siphetheni with her employer, Selimathunzi presenter Siphesihle Vazi, RIGHT: Her self-published debut novel.

cleaned the house and cooked dinner for her em-

"When I sit to write I know what I'm going to write about and stop when I'm tired."

She often used to work until after midnight, leaving just a few hours before she had to be up at 4am to prepare for work.

All day she'd itch to return to her writ-

ing – although she kept all the stories she penned as an adult in South Africa, Siphetheni never dreamt she'd one day publish a book about her experiences.

> T WAS only after she heard about Izimpande Zomdabuko, a Hillbrow club that helps edit, proof-

read and publish aspiring authors' work, that she started dreaming of getting a book out there.

"Meeting other women at Izimpande Zomdabuko encouraged me to work," she says. "After I joined the club last year

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it took me three months to get Ngoneni published."

Izimpande Zomdabuko charged Siphetheni R1 800 for six copies of the book, and she proudly gifted one precious copy to Siphesible.

Like Siphesihle, Siphetheni says she hopes readers will be inspired by the novel "and maybe feel better about their painful experiences, knowing other people have been where they are."

Now that she's a published author fielding orders from the Eastern Cape to Zimbabwe, Siphetheni can't wait to put pen to paper for her second offering to the literary world.

She and a few women writers from Izimpande Zomdabuko are working on a new book, which they hope to

publish soon.

Titled Izigagaba Zomhlaba (The Challenges of Life), the new novel is a compilation of short stories written by different authors.

Siphetheni already has a title for her contribution: Ubulawo Ngowakhu - a sinister story about two sisters, jealousy and murder.

The ink has barely dried on her short story yet Siphetheni is chasing

another dream.

She and the members of the Izimpande Zomdabuko club also plan to have their short stories turned into a movie.

"We are performing these stories as

stage dramas in Hillbrow in late March to raise funds so we can make a film, which we'd like to shoot in Zimbabwe."

The mom of three - who also dreams of being a film star one day - certainly has a lot to be proud of.

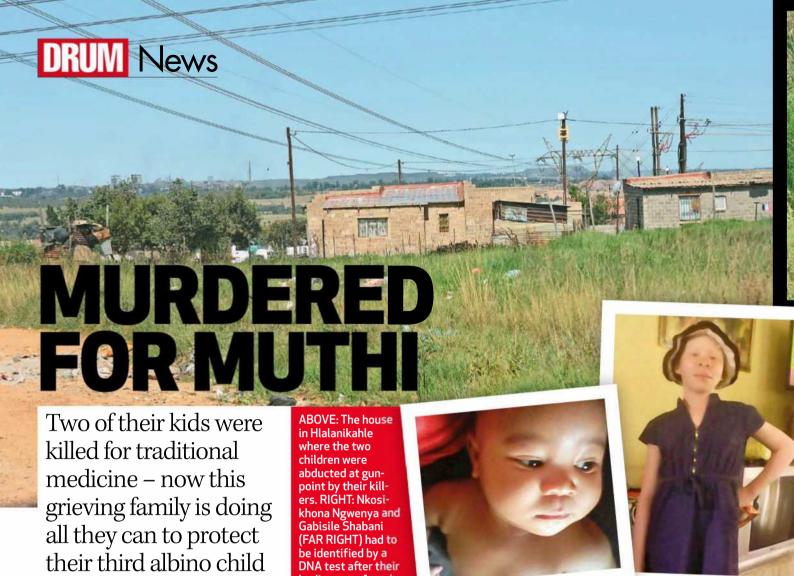
She's been flooded with flattering comments about

Ngoneni but Siphetheni says it's her children who are her biggest fans.

"My seven-year-old son, who lives with me, and my two girls, who live in Zimbabwe, are happy for me.

"They say 'Mama, you've made it'."■

'I know what I'm going to write about and stop when I'm tired'



BY KAIZER NGWENYA

weeks. Every night she lay awake in bed, replaying the night her world fell apart. On 28 January Anna Shabani was woken by the sound of glass shattering when three armed men broke into her house in Hlalanikahle township near Witbank and snatched her teenage daughter, Gabisile, and her toddler grandson, Nkosikhona Ngwenya.

HE couldn't sleep for

Helpless, Anna (50) looked on in horror as one of the men pointed a pistol at her while the others grabbed the terrified children from the warm beds they were sleeping in and vanished into the night.

"It's the worst thing that could ever have happened to us," Anna says.

Nkosikhona's mother, Shirley Ngwenya, is still too distraught to talk to us when we visit the family but her mother believes the kidnappers mistook

bodies were found. 15-month-old Nkosikhona for her other grandson, Mkhulu, who also lives in the house.

Mkhulu (19 months) and Gabisile (13) were both born with albinism - a rare genetic condition that results in little or no pigmentation in the skin, hair and

Anna had always been protective of the pale-skinned pair. Allowing them simple pleasures like taking public transport to school or taking a stroll to the corner shop carried an unimaginable risk of kidnapping, death and dismemberment because people with albinism are considered targets for muthi murders.

'I was hoping for a miracle – that the children would be found alive," Anna says of the manhunt police launched following the kidnappings.

But her hope turned into devastation when police discovered the bodies of two children in different locations along the N4 highway nearly a month after

they were taken.

A DNA test later confirmed the mutilated and beheaded body buried in a shallow grave in Cullinan, east of Pretoria, was Gabisile. On the same day little Nkosikhona's badly decomposed body was found dumped in a swamp along the N4.

The Shabani family is still reeling from the double tragedy. "It was stressful after they were kidnapped," Anna says. "And now we have to deal with the loss of the children.

"It's still very hard and difficult living without the children we loved. The worst thing is that it could happen to any family."

> ER daughter was a brilliant learner who achieved five distinctions last year when she passed Grade 7, Anna

"She was loved by her teachers and friends at school because



ABOVE LEFT: Police discovered the bodies of the two children in separate locations near Cullinan. Gabisile was found beheaded and mutilated, and little Nkosikhona's body was found in a nearby swamp. ABOVE RIGHT: The missing persons poster that was distributed after the kidnappings.

she was a bright child but now, I don't know . . . it's so sad," she says, choking

The grief-stricken mother says Gabisile's twin sister, Khanyisile, who wasn't born with albinism, hasn't stopped crying since the kidnapping.

I had read stories about muthi killings of albino children who were abducted and dissected for body parts. But I never knew we were going to experience the horrific ordeal."

Gabisile, however, was aware of the dangers she faced as a person living with albinism, particularly after a 19-year-old boy living with albinism vanished without a trace from the township in 2014.

"My daughter used to tell me some people she met on the street joked about her condition and told her they were going to sell her," Anna recalls.

"One time a person joked she was worth thousands of rands. She was hurt by the remarks that a price tag could be put on her."

Anna says her "brave" daughter didn't live in fear she would be hurt even though she knew there are people who believe people with albinism have magical powers and their body parts can fetch a lot of money as ingredients for concoctions to bring users wealth and good luck.

Now Anna's worst nightmare has come true and Gabisile's gruesome murder has panicked the community. Anna, who attends the local Zion Christian Church, says a fellow churchgoer has three children living with albinism, and

is now on tenterhooks.

"People can be cruel to those who live with albinism," she says. "People with albinism don't feel safe to go to certain places. We live in fear."

> HE Shabani family have now taken extra safety measures to protect little Mkhulu.

When DRUM visited the family, relatives of the murdered children and neighbours were busy removing old corrugated iron roof sheets and replacing them with new ones to prevent anyone entering the house from the roof.

The pain of losing my child and grandchild is in my thoughts every day."

Anna and her daughter, Chantal (22), are both unemployed while Shirley (18) and Gabisile's twin, Khanyisile (13), attend school.

"We're struggling to put food on the table. Life is very challenging, but thank God neighbours have rallied around us and have been generous with their help since this tragedy befell us," she says.

Concerned neighbours and relatives also installed new burglar bars on the inside and outside of all the bedrooms while Chantal keeps a watchful eye on her son, Mkhulu.

"It's painful to think something like this can still happen - innocent children getting killed," says Anna, as she watches little Mkhulu running around the house, oblivious to the potential dangers he faces.

'More is needed to educate people about albinism," Anna says. Following the horrific double murder, Anna welcomed officials from the Albinism Society of South Africa to help educate the community.

"It's a daily struggle for people living with albinism and we need to explain it to people again and again because there is still vast ignorance about this condition.

"People with albinism must be guaranteed their right to life and security like all who are living in this beautiful country. There is nothing different about people who have the condition," she insists.

Meanwhile, Brigadier Leonard Hlathi told media that Thulani Thobela (26), Donie Cavin Boshielo (22), Mthobisi Brilliant Mkhize (26) and Thokozani Msibi (32) were arrested in connection with Gabisile and Nkosikhona's murders. Msibi, believed to be a traditional healer, and one of his co-accused, Mkhize, have both been denied bail.

Yet it's little comfort for Anna, who is struggling to forgive the killers. "I'm a Christian. God expects me to forgive," she says. "But the law doesn't expect the people who killed my daughter and grandson not to be punished."

MORE ON MUTHI MURDERS

Close to 200 killings and more than 500 attacks on people with albinism have been reported in 27 sub-Saharan African countries in the past decade, reports the The Conversation Africa website

Hair, bones, genitals and thumbs of people with albinism are said to possess distinct powers believed to bring wealth or success.

In some cases, the graves of people with albinism are sealed with concrete to stop grave robbers.

However, Dr Veli Mkhize, spokesperson for the Traditional Healers Association of South Africa says one can never get luck by killing another human being.

'It is stupid and very dangerous to

believe that a human's body parts can bring you luck. That is why we teach our members about umsamo, which means your past, present and future. We teach about humanity and how one should treat other human beings

"Izinyanga (traditional healers) must teach people that those with albinism are also human beings and that there is no luck or prosperity they could bring if we kill them for their body parts.

"If people want luck or the good things in life they must work hard. Killing another human being is wrong, and is a criminal act."

For more information on albinism awareness, contact the Albinism Society of South Africa on 011-838-6529.



HE once had dreams of working for the African Union and even went to Senegal for a while to polish up her French.

But after numerous rejections and years of trying to find her passion she finally found her calling at home – and her growing fan base is delighted she did.

Sho Madjozi (real name Maya Wegerif) is dazzling South Africans and followers abroad with her funky Tsonga rap and her signature plaited hair and colourful traditional wear. Her success in the field has led to many other things too, including a role in the popular show Isithembiso.

We met up with this first lady of Tsonga hip-hop at her home in Joburg to find out more about her.

THE BEGINNING

Two years ago the Limpopo-born artist was still in Senegal, struggling to make ends meet. To put food on the table she sold clothes at a market and designed machangani – Tsonga-themed bags – while applying for writing jobs.

Sho Madjozi (25) has been independent since she was 18 and decided to start making things happen for herself.

She approached rapper Okmalum-koolkat and asked if she could write for him. She sent him some material and he loved what he saw so much he featured her on his Gqi track, which gained popularity last year.

This gave her enough confidence to start working on her own music and





LEFT: Trendsetting rapper Sho Madjozi at home with sister, Zora

even go so far as rap only in Tsonga.

"I was told it would never work but I did it anyway," she says.

And now it has become her signature. To top it all off she's just released her new single, Huku, in Swahili. Because yes, Swahili is one of her languages too.

LOVE OF THE WRITTEN WORD

She's named after the late poet and author Maya Angelou and always thought she was destined to be a writer.

"I grew up reading all kinds of books," she says. "I have a degree in creative writing and African studies from Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts in the USA where I studied on a scholarship."

Her love for writing was evident in her two travel blogs, #DakarSoFar and Rural

City, which she's since shut down as she doesn't get a chance to travel as much.

Sho Madjozi is also a skilled linguist and can switch between isiZulu, Tsonga, Sepedi and English with ease.

She also speaks French and Swahili, which she learnt when she was staying in Tanzania with her dad, Marc Wegerif (49), who's now a post-doctoral fellow at the Human Economy Programme at the University of Pretoria.

RAP CAME A-CALLING

She didn't find hip-hop, Sho Madjozi

says, it found her. "It was never my dream so maybe it was just meant to be."

The creative and smooth delivery of her Tsonga lyrics has made this pioneer so popular that old and young have embraced her in a way she never expected.

"When I go back to visit my mother in Shirley Village [in Limpopo] people are so excited to see me. They hug me and others cry and thank me for making them appreciate that they're Tsonga," she says.

Her new Swahili song is making waves too and proving she isn't a one-language wonder. She likes breaking boundaries even if she isn't sure if people are ready to hear a Swahili rap song.

But, she reasons, she was told people weren't ready for Tsonga rap either and just look what's happened there.

IF THE SKIRT FITS . . .

Despite her success, being on stage doesn't come easily to the rapper. She may have impressed US audiences with her poems, which include Floetry and Why You

Talk So White?, yet she still has to psych herself up to perform.

Which is why she had to find a way to get into the spirit of things - and this is where her signature Tsonga gear comes in. "It makes me feel like I'm not alone and I come from a long line of women who didn't fail," she says.

The Xibelani skirt is also a symbol of

her youngest Wegerif.

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her identity and a sign her culture isn't stagnant. "I've been shunned for wearing an outdated Xibelani but for me culture isn't static and to have young people embrace it, it has to be made relevant or be used in a way that's comfortable for them," she says.

She's now working on a documentary to showcase the history of the Xibelani.

It's going to be a challenge, she admits, but Sho Madjozi has never been one to shy away from anything.

She learnt to stand her ground from a young age, she says. "As a learner at St Mary's DSG in Pretoria I was constantly getting into trouble because of my hair. I was one of two people who kept their natural hair and I would often be asked why I didn't cut it. And I always answered, 'Why must I cut what is naturally coming out of my scalp?"

JOBS, JOBS, JOBS

Now that she's embraced her new creative path she has jobs falling into her lap.

Besides wowing audiences with her rap, she also plays feisty university student and activist Tsakane Mboweni on Mzansi Magic's Isithembiso.

She landed the job after TV producer Kutlwano Ditsele saw her blowing up on social media and asked her to audition for the role.

She's also the host of Nhlalala Ya Rixaka on SABC2 and as if that's not enough, she's currently selling T-shirts with her face on them and is thinking about revisiting her bag-making project.

Sho Madjozi also features in a short Ghanaian film, Africa is on Fire, about a post-apocalyptic Africa with five superheroes – and the rain queen is played by this talented Tsonga star.

HOME SWEET HOME

When her schedule allows Sho Madjozi spends time with her baby sister Zora Wegerif (16), who lives with their dad in Joburg, and they watch cartoons.

She often visits her mother, Rosemary Phaweni (50), in Limpopo where she also spends time with her shopping-mad sister Khani Manganye (18), and brother, Xongi Shidzinga (28), who is studying mechanical engineering in Giyani. She also has an older brother, Musa Shidzinga (30), who owns a printing business.

Yet with everything going on there isn't much downtime for the A Mi Ku Yini (What are They Sayin') singer - and something tells us the awards aren't far away.



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outspoken Tsonga rapper loves her culture and is working on a documentary about the history of the Xibelani skirt.

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HE struggles up the stairs to her flat, feeling each step carefully before hauling herself up - a painstaking journey that leaves her exhausted.

Going up and down the stairs is such an ordeal she leaves home only when she absolutely has to, preferring to spend her days in her tiny flat where she watches her favourite TV shows.

Charlene Moses of Hout Bay, Cape Town, used to enjoy going out with friends and family but today her world has shrunk to these four walls.

Being alone is better than being mocked, laughed at or stared at in the street, she says.

Charlene has lymphatic filariasis or elephantiasis, a debilitating condition that can cause unsightly swelling in the legs, arms and genitalia (see box below right).

At 125kg she's twice the weight she should be for her height of about 1,6m and every day is a battle.

"I'm 45 years old but I feel as if I'm 80 or 90," she says. "You don't want to know what it's like to live with this."

Although her condition is ultimately incurable, surgery can help relieve the symptoms – and Charlene was recently given a glimmer of hope. A Cape Town doctor heard about her condition and has offered to perform an operation on her at Groote Schuur Hospital free of charge. During the procedure, scheduled to take place later this month, the

Charlene Moses in front of her home in Hout Bay. Cape Town, which she seldom leaves. She'll never lead a normal life due to her condition, but now surgery offers Charlene a

 $\operatorname{glimmer}\operatorname{ofhope}$ by kim abrahams pictures: misha jordaan i



Her limbs, hands and feet began swelling considerably six years ago, making it increasingly difficult for her to get around. Doctors say her legs are likely to be even bigger 10 years from now.



surgeon will remove excess fluid that has collected in Charlene's feet and legs in the hope of improving their appearance and giving her more mobility.

"I'm scared," Charlene says. "But I'm quite excited too."

> OUT Bay has always been home for Charlene - it's where she grew up with her parents and nine siblings.

During the week she

lives alone and for the most part takes care of herself until her sister, Veronica, returns for the weekend.

Veronica works as an au pair in Franschhoek, 80 km from Cape Town, so she can support herself and Charlene. The sisters both live in the flat, which they took over when their parents died.

"It's painful getting by when Veronica isn't here," Charlene says.

Other family members living nearby pop in when they can, buying her clothes or cooking her meals.

But Charlene's health has deteriorated so dramatically recently she really needs around-the-clock care and struggles to do even the most basic tasks, such as washing herself or using the toilet. Even getting from one room to another is an

"I can't get into the bath anymore because I struggle to get up again," she says. And household chores are next to im-

possible because she can't stand for too long.

Charlene has had health problems all her life and it was clear from birth there was something wrong.

The right side of her body including her brain - was considerably larger than the left,

possibly because she was born with an abnormal lymphatic system.

Her parents, Arthur and Maria, were warned their daughter might never be

"Prayers went out in the community when my parents got the news from the doctors. They never stopped believing," she says.

And their prayers were eventually answered when Charlene learnt to walk at the age of four.

Although she was a slow learner Charlene functioned well and started attending Sentinel Intermediate School in Hout Bay - but going there was close to torture for her.

"Primary school was terrible," she recalls. "Kids used to make fun of me."

The two sides of Charlene's body grew at different rates and her right arm and leg were considerably longer than her left.

When she was 12 she had her first operation to halt the growth of her leg.

Charlene indicates her scars, pinpointing exactly where the surgery was done, and stretches out her arms to show us the significant difference in arm length



and hand size.

After primary school she moved on to Hout Bay Secondary School but left in Grade 9.

"I couldn't handle it any longer. Children made fun of me all the time and I begged my father to let me drop out."

She went to work in the kitchen of Suikerbossie Restaurant, a chic local eatery, but was forced to quit because of the increasing pain in her legs.

> Eventually she found another job, as a cashier at the local Spar supermarket, but even that proved too much.

> The pain and discomfort left her with no choice but to quit and Charlene, then 19, applied for a disability grant, which she's depended on

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At the age of 30 she had a daughter, Andrea, with her boyfriend at the time. But because she struggled to care even for herself Charlene decided to put her in the care of her brother, Joseph, and his wife, Arlene.

Joseph has since died and Arlene and Andrea (now 15) live across the road from Charlene so she sees her often.

It wasn't until two years ago that doctors finally put a name to Charlene's condition - her symptoms had been increasing rapidly and she was getting more and more desperate for help.

It's a constant struggle to meet the medical costs of easing her suffering and she often needs antibiotics to treat infections, she says.

ER condition is a source of torment for the soft-spoken woman, who asked that her nieces, Gaynor (36) and Chelsea August (25), join us for our chat.

She's grateful for the support she gets from her family, who do as much as they can for her when they're able to.

"I can't remember the last time I wore heels and I can't wear sneakers," she says.

Whenever we buy her shoes we have to break them in first to stretch them," Chelsea says.

Charlene laughs wryly when we ask if she's looking for love.

She's had a few relationships and spent time on dating sites but says that dating is simply not for her.

"I don't think my personality allows for me to be in a relationship."

Charlene says she tries her best to be strong and isn't looking for sympathy, but she becomes scared when she thinks of the years ahead.

"Doctors say my legs will be bigger 10 years from now and that scares me. I don't think I can face that."

She's hoping the upcoming surgery will make a difference. Nervous as she is, she's grateful to the doctor who's agreed to do it at no cost. She could never have afforded it, she says.

Perhaps after the operation she'll be able to go outside more - and that staircase won't seem like an insurmountable obstacle.

MORE ON ELEPHANTIASIS

The disease is usually caused by the bite of a worm-like parasite, says Professor Elmin Steyn, head of surgery at Stellenbosch University.

'The parasite is transmitted by mosquitoes and is commonly found in countries in tropical parts of the world.

When someone is infected the small lymph drainage channels in the body are blocked, causing severely swollen limbs.

"There is a multitude of other possible causes, such as inborn abnormalities of the lymph system, recurring soft tissue infections, injury, radiotherapy, surgery and even malignancy affecting the lymph glands," she adds.

There's little effective treatment although surgery can alleviate some of the symptoms, albeit temporarily, Steyn says.



THE SOUL

WILL LIVE ON

Moses Ngwenya, the last original member of Soul Brothers, talks about losing his bandmates, a new book and album, and going on tour again

BY KAIZER NGWENYA PICTURE: PAPI MORAKE

HE Soul Brothers, Mzansi's kings of mbaqanga, ought by now to have been a footnote in our musical history - their memorable hits reserved for nostalgic Sunday afternoons. After all, only one member of the original band is still with us: Moses Ngwenya (60).

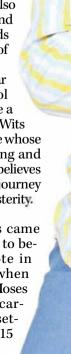
But there's plenty of life left in Moses yet - and in the group he's refused to allow to slip off into oblivion. After David Masondo, the lead singer, died in 2015 Moses saw it not as the end of an era and the death of mbaganga but a new beginning.

He recruited new band members including David's son, Sphamandla, as well as Thokozani Hadebe, Thami Xulu and Sibusiso Duma - and the band is now set to tour the country. They also feature in a new book, The Life and Times: Soul Brothers, which records the extraordinary history of one of Mzansi's most-beloved bands.

Moses was approached last year by Soul Brothers fan and school teacher Sydney Maluleke to write a book about the group. Sydney is a Wits University master of arts graduate whose primary interest is in researching and writing African music history. He believes it will be a travesty if the musical journey of the group isn't recorded for posterity.

> HE Soul Brothers came dangerously close to becoming a footnote in musical history when keyboard wizard Moses was attacked by carjackers at his Rosettenville home in 2015

Soul Brothers' Moses Ngwenya with Sydney Maluleke (right), author of the book about the band. Sydney is a huge fan and wanted to record the group's story for future generations.







ABOVE: Moses and David Masondo of Soul Brothers with African Kings Awards founders Sipho Ngidi (left) and Sifiso Falala (far right). ABOVE RIGHT: David, who died three years ago. RIGHT: David and Moses were lifelong friends and led the band for more than 40 years.

and shot twice in his right hand before his Audi A4 was stolen.

The thugs also took a computer worth R15 000, an iPad and two cellphones worth R10 000 each. This happened in the same street where his friend, muso Lucky Dube, was gunned down in 2007 and he's angry about the violence that left him traumatised for months.

"You work hard for many years and thugs come and demand your car, wallet and cellphone at gunpoint," he says bitterly. "And you're lucky if they don't kill you."

Three months after his ordeal tragedy struck when David (67) died at Garden City Hospital in Johannesburg after complaining of fatigue.

Moses and David were lifelong friends, leaders of the band for more than 40 years and the brains behind 35 gold and platinum albums.

Now the story of this remarkable band - which goes all the way back to the Groovy Boys, a 1970s band formed in Hammarsdale in KwaZulu-Natal - is being thrust into the limelight again.

The Groovy Boys didn't last long and David, who started as a drummer along with bassist Zenzele Mchunu and lead guitarist Tuza Mthethwa, moved to Joburg in search of fame and fortune. They played sessions and accompanied other bands while working on their own sound and started calling themselves Soul Brothers.

The turning point came when Moses joined, playing a Hammond B3 organ, and rhythm guitarist Themba American Zulu also came into the fold. Suddenly the chemistry was perfect and their songs Mshoza Wami and Mama Ka Sibongile became huge hits in 1976 and 1977.

They were flying high until tragedy struck and Tuza died in a car crash in 1979. Themba quit in 1982 to pursue a business in the taxi industry, but was shot and killed in 1992. The band played on and released another monster hit, Isiphiwo, in 1982.

Then in 1984 Bra Hugh Masekela, who had settled in Gaborone, Botswana, sent an SOS to Priority Records' managing director Stan Nkosi.

He wanted to record a new album, produced by his American friend Stewart Levine, and wanted the best southern-African musicians to work with him. A mobile recording studio was shipped from California to a resort outside

'Nothing is impossible. I know

that now

Gaborone, where Hugh recorded the album Techno-Bush with Moses on keyboards, Zenzele Mchunu on bass guitar, drummer Bongani Nxele, Botswana guitarist John Selolwane and vocalists Stella Khumalo, Mandisa

Dlanga and Tshepo Tshola who came from Lesotho.

Bad luck and misfortune were never far away, though. After signing with Priority Records and releasing the hit album Isicelo in 1983, Zenzele died in a car crash in 1984 - burnt beyond recognition in his brand-new BMW 535.

For a while it seemed the band would fold but Moses and David decided to continue, drafting in lead guitarist Maxwell Mngadi and bass player Sicelo Ndlela.

As the only surviving original Soul Brothers member, Moses has had to bury so many friends it's left him numb.

"I saw a lot of bandmates die," he says. "It's painful but life must go on. Now I have these young people I'm working with and we want to show what we can do."



OT only is the band among the last performing survivors from the now long-vanished heyday of mbaganga, they still have a huge fan base and remain one of the few who can truly claim

to be a South African institution.

Moses says they've worked hard and to stay relevant in the changing music world is indeed an accomplishment.

"Publishing the book has been a glorious moment. As the lone founding mem-

> ber left, I'm grateful to Sydney for persuading me to sit down with him and write a book."

He says the book is one of the most precious projects he's done. "When this young man came to me and told me we must sit down to write a book I thought it was going to be hard."

Sydney says he convinced Moses by telling him Nigerian writer Chinua Achebe spoke of the danger of not having your own story in an interview in 1994. "Achebe said, 'Until the lions have their own historians, the history of the hunt will always glorify the hunter".

Initially Moses said the history of the band was too painful to write down, but the young teacher again quoted Achebe.

Soul Brothers is now on a revival tour of the country, supported by the department of arts and culture, and the book is being translated to isiZulu.

A new album is also on the way, titled Uphelile Umdeni Wam, and is a tribute to the fallen Soul Brothers.

"Nothing is impossible," Moses says. "I know that now."■



RENING IN RABADA

Hot-headed or just fired up? Cricket fans and experts are divided on star bowler Kagiso Rabada's recent two-match ban

BY KHATIJA NXEDLANA

E SHOULD have been on top of the world. An 11-wicket haul, man of the match and back at the top of the Test bowling rankings.

Things don't get much better than that.

But in the aftermath of the second Test against Australia, Kagiso Rabada's cracking performance was largely forgotten – instead everybody's been talking about his fiery temper and a certain shouldering incident.

The Aussies cried foul after a pumpedup KG bumped into skipper Steve Smith after taking his wicket in the thrilling Port Elizabeth encounter.

The incident was caught on camera – and match authorities didn't waste time slapping the 22-year-old fast-bowling sensation with a two-match ban.

Rabada appealed, hoping to be allowed to play in the third

Test at Newlands. By the time of going to print the outcome was still unknown – but whether KG beat his temperament

or lost it remains an issue.

This is of course not the first time his antics have landed him in trouble (see box) but he really ramped things up in PE. Not only did he give Smith the shoulder, he also screamed in batsman David Warner's face after dismissing him.

Is he too much of a hothead – or is it just part and parcel of the game that has a long history of provocation and sledging your opponent? We take a look.

WAS IT REALLY SO BAD?

While some pundits say Rabada was out of line others insist the incident was blown out of proportion.

"It was literally a brush," Proteas bowling legend Fanie de Villiers says. "We also shouted and screamed. As a fast bowler you want to get under the skin of a batsman because that's when he starts changing his game and that's when you get your wickets. I find it surprising that people think Rabada is too aggressive. It's nothing compared to what happened in the past."

Former Proteas fast bowler Roger Telemachus agrees. "I think it [the punishment] was a bit harsh," he says. "You're taking away a bit of aggression from fast bowling, a bit of feistiness."

Proteas paceman Dale Steyn, who's currently sidelined with a heel injury, says Rabada's age needs to be taken into account. "We all make stupid mistakes when we're 22," he said in an interview with the Cape Times.

"Maybe this needed to happen for him to learn a bit quicker. I did stupid things when I was younger too."

But SA bowling legend Shaun Pollock says looking at Rabada's history, the ban was warranted.

"It's the accumulation of points, it's not an isolated event," he told Australian website Wide World of Sports.

South Africa's outings against the Australians have always been tough but this one has been particularly brutal.

In the first Test in Durban Aussie opening batsman David Warner narrowly escaped a ban after he lashed out at SA's Quinton De Kock outside the dressing room during the afternoon tea break.

It's been reported that after Warner insulted De Kock's surname the Protea wicketkeeper retaliated by making a lewd comment about Warner's wife, Candice.



ABOVE and RIGHT: Kagiso's over-the-top celebration when he got the wicket of Aussie captain Steve Smith led to the International Cricket Council banning him – because he'd accumulated eight demerit points in two years.



Apparently the comment related to an infamous public toilet tryst between her and New Zealand rugby star Sonny Bill Williams in Sydney.

In 2007 a photo showing the two in a compromising position made headlines around the world. It was taken by someone who'd reached under the toilet door with a cellphone.

De Kock's taunt had his opponent seeing red. The ensuing altercation resulted in Warner receiving three demerit points and forfeiting 75% of his match fee while De Kock received one demerit for provocation.

Meanwhile, in the second Test in PE Aussie all-rounder Mitchell Marsh earned himself a demerit for hurling a string of obscenities at Rabada after losing his wicket to the paceman.

HOW TO REIN IN RABADA

Rabada himself has conceded that his on-field conduct needs to change.

"It's going to have to stop, I can't keep doing this because I'm letting the team down and I'm letting myself down," he said in a post-match interview.

But some experts say reining him in isn't going to be easy because he uses sledging to get himself fired up. "It's very difficult for a coach when a player is as successful as Rabada. You don't want to take the dog out of a fast bowler because if you do that you have a puppy on your hands," says freelance sports writer Luke Alfred.

Lunga Biyela, managing editor of SA Cricket magazine, says SA skipper Faf Du Plessis should intervene when his star bowler risks overstepping the mark.

"He should call him aside and say, 'You're doing great,

just try to dial it down a little".

IS THE SYSTEM UNFAIR?

Rabada's ban triggered a backlash from fans on Twitter.

They argued double standards were at play, asking how Marsh could get away with one demerit for personal insults to a bowler while Rabada's shouldering, which caused no harm, attracted three demerits.

Sports24 chief writer Rob Houwing says the Aussies are known for giving as good as they get so he finds it ironic Rabada is being punished for an incident that was "relatively trivial".

He maintains heavy-handed action by officials risks robbing the game of its "entertainment" value.

"I think the ICC [International Cricket Council] has got a bit too nit-picky about perceived breaches of behaviour. You've got to let young, exciting cricketers express themselves."

There's also talk players on both sides try to provoke opponents who have demerits to push them closer to getting a ban.

However, Houwing believes officials have a duty to step in when sledging turns personal – in his view this is far worse than what Rabada did in PE.

"When it starts to involve family, fathers, mothers, wives, girlfriends then it becomes a little less than savoury and there should be action."

Houwing says some believe the ICC disciplinary structures have it in for South Africa.

"Maybe it's not even the fault of the players – maybe some sort of conflict at an administrative level, personality clashes at boardroom level. Even a few ex-Australian players have come out pretty sympathetically towards the Proteas," he says.

He believes the "big three [England, India and Australia]" carry a lot of clout. "We've seen a lot of cases of double standards," he says.

But Biyela disagrees. It's Rabada's record that counts against him, he says. "I'm pretty sure the ICC would act the same way against a player from the 'big three' should they have a similar record."

RABADA'S ROAD TO SUSPENSION

In terms of the International Cricket Council's rules when a player accumulates eight demerits in 24 months it results in an automatic two-match ban.

February 2017: Rabada receives three demerit points after making "inappropriate and deliberate physical contact" with Sri Lanka's opening batsman, Niroshan Dickwella, in a One-Day International (ODI) in Cape Town.

International (ODI) in Cape Town.

July 2017: Swearing at England's Ben Stokes at
Lord's in London earns him another demerit. With
four strikes against his name he's forced to sit out
the next match in the series.

February 2018: Rabada is fined 15% of his match fee and receives one demerit point after swearing at India's Shikhar Dhawan in the fifth ODI in Port Elizabeth.

March 2018: Three demerit points for inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with Steve Smith during the Test against Australia in PE. One demerit point for screaming in David Warner's face.





UST a few months ago he was rubbing shoulders with the world's top sport stars - toasting his nomination in one of soccer's most prestigious competitions in the world, the Fifa Puskás award, for the most beautiful goal of the year.

Goalie Oscarine Masuluke's goal - scored in a Premier Soccer League match against Orlando Pirates last year – was a stunning overhead delivery that defied gravity and put him up there with the best of the best.

His phenomenal bicyclekick goal even earned him a fan in soccer icon Cristiano Ronaldo.

"I have to give credit to the goalkeeper," the Real Madrid star said of Masuluke at the time. "He never goes forward and he scored an amazing goal too."

Despite losing out to then-Arsenal striker Olivier Giroud, Masuluke was at the height of his game and had been thrust into the world spotlight.

"People were recognising me everywhere I went in London," he said at the time. "They'd grab me and ask for pictures."

But just six months after those heady days of making headlines, the 24-yearold's career is in jeopardy.

After recently being sacked from Baroka FC, the goalie with the golden boot is now without a club.

E'S not the only player Baroka FC has dropped. Head coach Kgoloko Thobejane and team captain Olaleng Shaku were also shown the door following accusations the trio had been drinking on the team bus after losing 2-0 to Free State Stars in

early February.

Bakgaga chairman Khurishi Mphahlele, however, won't be drawn in on the allegations. "We had to release them, but I can't tell you why.

If I tell you they won't be able to find work."

Despite repeated reveal' calls Masuluke could not be reached for comment at

> the time of going to print. But when asked if fame was to blame for Masuluke's recent sacking, Baroka's PR and marketing officer, Richard Mashabane, admits the attention "affected his field performances as well".

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"There were personal problems with the team that we can't reveal," Mashabane tells DRUM.

He adds it was

"very hard" for the club to let Masuluke go. "But the team and the sponsors felt they needed to terminate his contract."

Having played for the team since 2014 it was a sad ending to Masuluke's last season there. He only played one league game in 2017/18 and lost his place in the starting line-up due to his lacklustre performances on the pitch.

Born in Nwa-Mankena in Giyani, Limpopo, Masuluke started playing soccer when he was six - turning professional after former Tuks captain-turned-soccer scout Tebogo Monyai recruited him.

He's the first South African to make it to the final three for the Puskás award but is now said to be leaving home soil.

"He's doing very well now," Mashabane says. "There's a rumour he might go to [Accra] Hearts of Oak SC in Ghana.

> "He's a good boy it's just that the team didn't have a choice but to let him go."■

> > Goalkeeper Oscarine Masuluke is without a club after he, the coach and the captain of were shown the door.

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It's turning out to be quite a year already for CASTER SEMENYA. Not only did she recently graduate with a diploma in sports science at North-West University in Potchefstroom, she continues to dominate on the track. The fleet-footed 27-year-old ran her fastest time on South African soil in the 800m at the SA Track and Field Championships at Tuks Stadium recently. She crossed the line in 1:57:80 beating Gena Lofstrand (2:05:82) and Lee-Anne Blake (2:07:73). After the race Semenya said she hoped to continue her momentum and take it to the next tournament in Paarl, Western Cape. I work very hard to be consistent, she said. "I've been running the 800m for



It was bound to happen: with golden boy Wayde van Niekerk out of action it was only a matter of time before a challenger for his 200m South African record came along – and did it ever.

CLARENCE MUNYAI shat-

tered it at the SA Track and Field Championships at Tuks Stadium, stopping the clock at a jaw-dropping 19,69 secs – the 10th fastest time in the world. In the process he knocked

0.15 secs off the 19.84 mark Van Niekerk set last year.

The 20-year-old sprinter was as shocked at his achievement as his peers. He wasn't expecting to go that fast, Munyai

"I thought I had a 19,80 in my legs. I knew the conditions were going to be good and I saw people running really fast times. I told myself to put on a

And he did just that.

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Liverpool walked all over Watford, thanks largely to Mohamed Salah's four-goal spree.

It was a good start for new Chippa United coach Vladislav Herić when his charges beat Free State Stars at Sisa Dukashe Stadium near East London.

Bidvest Wits was knocked out of the Caf Champions League when they were defeated on penalties by Angolan champions Primeiro de Agosto.

KOMPHELA'S FRUSTARATION

Another game, another draw for embattled Kaizer Chiefs. The team left the field with the scoreboard on 0-0 following the clash with AmaZulu at FNB Stadium, Soweto - making this their 12th draw of the season.

Frustrated Chiefs coach STEVE KOMPHELA bemoaned his charges' chances of walking away with a title

"We're tired of draws," he told SuperSport. "But what can you do? It does dent your chances and give hope to the ones above you though. It's very frustrating.





Springbok scrumhalf RUDY PAIGE has parted ways with his home team, the Bulls. "We would like to take this

opportunity to express our sincere gratitude for his loyalty and services over the last six years," read a statement released by the Bulls.

"He has been a true ambassador for our brand, both on and off the field, with his lively and lovable personality."

Paige was omitted from the Bulls squad for the current
Super Rugby season.
It's been confirmed Paige will join the

Cheetahs for three months while they ntinue their Pro14 campaign.

MODISE EXTENDS CT CITY STAY It looks like TEKO MODISE is still

going to be around for a while. The soccer icon's contract with Cape Town City has been renewed, as well as those of Sage Stephens and Ebrahim Seedat.

In an interview with Independent Media, Cape Town City chairman John Comitis outlined the decisions behind the renewals.

"We had options and we decided to take them. We had to do those types of contracts.

The guys have stepped up and got counted. It is important for us to respect that. If I can keep Teko there forever, I will," Comitis said.



DRUM Out and About BYLAVERN DE VRIES

REAKOUT S

HE'S making waves as the young rebel who refuses to be silenced and roll over when her family members become casualties of greed in The River.

And fans of the popular 1 Magic telenova can't get enough of Itumeleng Mokoena's feisty character - played to perfection by talented newcomer LARONA MOÁGI.

We caught up with the 21-year-old and discovered these five things you probably didn't know about her.

THIS IS HER FIRST BIG TV ROLE

"I found out about the auditions last year, and because I've always had a passion for the dramatic arts - I did drama in high school – I decided to try out for it.

To prepare for the role I did some research and watched movies that have similar characters and tuned into that energy. It's difficult because afterwards I need to snap out of it, but I'm enjoying every moment."

2 SHE'S A FINAL TEAM FOR STUDENT AT WITS UNIVERSITY **SHE'S A FINAL-YEAR LAW**

"Growing up I had two passions, law and drama, so I decided to do law first. There are a couple of lawyers in my family and I've always looked up

3 SHE'S FAMILY-ORIENTED "My family is very supportive and they love the show. Their love and appreciation for what I'm doing is so heart-warming."

SHE DOESN'T FEEL FAMOUS

"It's the weirdest thing because now people are recognising me a lot more than when I first started on the show in January.

I was getting food the other day when someone stopped me and asked 'How does it feel to be famous?' I really didn't know how

New girl Larona Moagi is making a splash playing kind-hearted Itumeleng Mokoena on 1Magic's The River.

to answer that!"

SHE'S STAR-STRUCK

It's so exciting to have people I'd been watching – such as Sindi Dlathu, Moshidi Motshegwa and Presley Chweneyagae – as my onscreen

"I treasure their support because they've been in the game for longer than I have."



E OUT WITH THAND

E ALWAYS knew **THANDO MANANA** was a gentle giant! The former Springbok was recently spotted at a rugby match enjoying a daddy-daughter date with his little girl, **THANDOLWETHU** (10). The former Bok is making up for the time he missed with his family while filming Dancing with the Stars (DWTS).

Thando was recently booted off the show along with his dance partner, **MICHELLE OPPENSHAW**, and he may have hung up his dancing shoes but Thando says he's become a huge fan of DWTS – and of dance.

Thando recaps his time on the hit TV show.

l lost ...

14kg over eight weeks of very intense dance lessons!

When I first entered the competition . . .

I didn't know what to expect. But after doing some research on the show, I accepted the challenge. I'm glad I did because today I have huge respect for the dance fraternity.

A highlight of the show for me was . . .

When [model and actor] Eden Classens said this about me: "This isn't just a competition, it's a place where friendships are formed. This big guy has become just that, a great friend and a great inspiration. I'm going to miss him."

My advice for celebrity dancers is ...

Nothing is guaranteed on the dance floor so just be yourself and do your best. The judges' scores don't define you.

I think DWTS will be won by

[Actress] Zola Nombona. She has all the attributes required to win. I just hope she remains positive and can focus on all the techniques required by the esteemed judges. However, people must vote!





Stars with dance partner Michelle Oppenshaw (LEFT) Thando Manana was 14kg heavier (ABOVE LEFT). The former Springbok says he's in better shape than he's been in a long time. ABOVE: Thando and his daughter, Thandolwethu, bumped into his former teammate, Victor Matfield, at a recent rugby match.

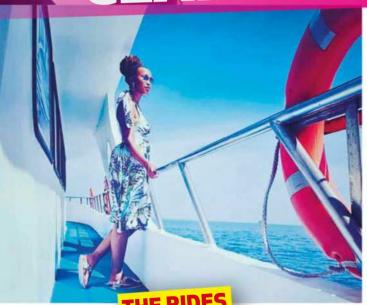






LEFT: Claire Mawisa and her BFFs (ABOVE LEFT) were on top of the world when they visited one of the highest rooftop bars on the planet, Bangkok's Sky Bar, about 200m above the ground. ABOVE RIGHT: "Those power rangers though?!" she captioned this snap of her superhero squad.

LAIRE'S GIRL'S TRIP



T WAS good to see **CLAIRE MAWISA** letting her luscious long locks down recently.
The Carte Blanche presenter looked completely relaxed while on holiday with her girlfriends in Thailand.
From shopping up a storm at the island's many markets to swimming in the crystal-blue sea, Claire and her squad certainly had fun in the sun.

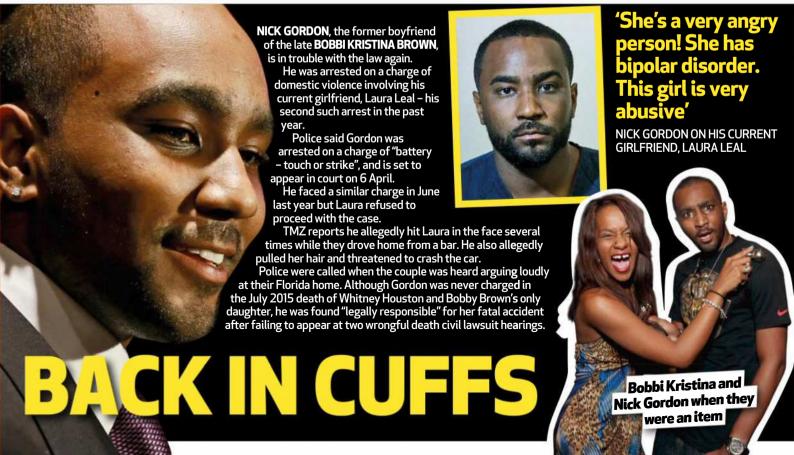
BELOW LEFT: Claire jetted around Thailand in a´ tuk-tuk like a local and hopped on a sleek boat (LĖFT) to see the sights. RIGHT: The former model looked stunning as she posed for pics and frolicked in the water (BELOW).

















Bow Wow's Tyrese moment

HAVING disembarked from the private plane he was never in to beefing with **CHRIS BROWN** over a fight they never had, it seems **BOW WOW** is deep in his private Tyrese Gibson-style meltdown moment...or something.

On his new track, Drunk Off Ciroc, Bow raps about his relationship with Breezy and how he desperately wants to mend the rift between them: "It kill me when we in public and we ain't speaking to each other/ This sh*t crazy/ Oh my fault, Brown, this sh*t brazy/ We grown men, let's turn this sh*t around."

Like the rest of everyone who cared enough to examine the lyrics, the Privacy hitmaker was mystified and posted a message on social media saying he was "confused" by the lyrics and asking Bow Wow if he was okay.

Unexpectedly the rapper said he was fine and proceeded to deny there was ever "A BEEF W MY BRO!" in an Insta post. Seems it was a deliberate tactic to provoke a conversation, Bow said. "I knew this song would have y'all talking," he wrote. "That's what you get for being real on a record. That's what music pose to do [sic]." Hmm, okay then...

'I knew this song would have y'all talking'



It turns out rumours about her sexuality are a consequence of being one of the only members of her famous family who isn't particularly big on PDAs. Or she's the only one who hasn't been able to get her 15 minutes in the limelight this month.

Speaking to

Vogue magazine, she says the gossip about her being gay is a result of her not being as keen to display her latest bae as her sisters are.

"I don't think I have a bisexual or gay bone in my body, but I don't know! Who knows? I'm all down for experience. I think it's because I'm not like all my other sisters who are like, 'Here's me and my boyfriend!' So it was a thing for a minute because no one ever saw me with a guy. I would always go that extra mile to be low-key with guys, sneaking around all the time. You don't want to look crazy."

So there you have it – straight (so far) and definitely not looking for attention.











■Belgium-born blogger Aysha Sow sizzled in a jumpsuit with plunging neckline at the Pandora Jewelry Shine Collection Launch with Ciara in New York City. A Wrinkle in Time director Ava DuVernay (in Prada) and her mom, Darlene Maye, at the movie's London premiere.





A Wrinkle in Time star Storm Reid was pretty in Prada pink at the flick's European premiere.
Oprah Winfrey also stars in the science fantasy adventure film. She showed off

Oprah Winfrey also stars in the science fantasy adventure film. She showed off her slimmeddown figure in a Brunello Cucinelli outfit and simple make-up and accessories.





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