

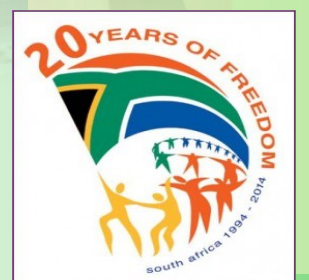


**UMZIMVUBU**  
LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

# Iindaba zoMzimvubu

## Okuqulethwe ngaphakathi:

- Kuyaqhutyekwa nokwenziwa kwendlela kwidolophu yase Mount Frere
- Ibhiozelwe ngomahluko inyanga yamanina eMzimvubu
- Avulwe ngokusesikweni amaholo asekuhlaleni
- Inkqubo yokusiwa komntwana oyintombazana emsebenzini



## Editor's Note



Simthembele Kulu

Umphathi: Kwezonzibelewano

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zoMzimvubu

lekile ukuba njengabantu abathi bathabathe inxaxheba elonyulweni luka Rhulumente sithi gqolo ukunazisa ngomqela, iimpumelelo kwakunye nako konke okuthe kwenziwa ukuzama uphucula iimpilo zabahlali. Njengoko sisazi ukuba loMasipala ungophuhliso kumntu wonke, siqwenela ukuba sisoloko siniphathela indaba ezingophuhliso kuwo lo mqulu.

Umqulu woMgaqo Siseko welizwe lethu, uMzantsi Afrika uyakubalula ukubaluleka kolwazi ingakumbi oluchaphazela abemi beli nethi iphinde ibelilungelo abamele kulixhamla.

Iinkqubo zophuhliso loluntu aziyomfihlo, kungako ke sikumema mlesi woluhlelo ukuba uzikise ukucinga ngokuqulethwe apha, ze ukonwabele ukufunda okungaphakathi.

abathembakeleyo. Kusoloko kuluvuyo kum ukunamkela koluhlelo nesithi silisebenzise njenge qonga lokuzisa kuni okuthe kwenziwa ngu Rhulumente wenu wasekuhlaleni kwezinyanga zibalwa zidlulile nesicingela ukuba kubaluleki ukuba naziswe ngako. Kubalul-

Phakathi kwamanye amaqonga afane neWebsite, ikhasi lika-facebook, isitishi sika nomathotholo sasekuhlaleni (iAlfred Nzo Community Radio) kwakunye namaphepha ndaba asekuhlaleni, siyazingca ngokumana siniphakela ezi ndaba ngalencwadi.

Ndiyabulela.

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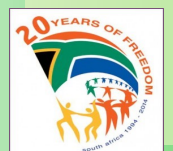
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*"Life, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness"-Martin Luther King Jr.*



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- \* uMasipala woMzimvubu unenkonziso zisimahla azinikezela ebantwini abangathathi ntweni? (Free Basic Services).
- \* Kunikezwa ikhaya okanye umzi onemali ngeniso engaphantsi kwe-R2400 ngenyanga (Imirholo yabantu abangaphezulu kweminyaka eyi-18 bebonke kulomzi).
- \* Umzi: yindawo enomnikazi okanye enentloko enebango lawo nenoxanduva kuwo.

### **Yintoni i-FBS??**

- iFBS yinkqubo athi uMasipalaancedise ngayo, ngokuhlangabezana neemfuno zabahlali baloMasipala abangathathi ntweni nabadinga iinkonziso ezingundoqo zokuqhuba iimpilo zabo imihla ngemihla.

### **Ngubani oselungelweni??**

- \* Umzi onengeniso engaphantsi kwe-R2400 yabo bonke abantu abaphangelayo idityanisiwe.
- \* Yimizi ethe yabhalisela le nkqubo, yaze yaphumelela ukungena kolul uhlu eyothi ixhamle kule nkqubo.
- \* Uhlelo lwababhalisi lwenziwa ngokoMgaqo Sisekelo wale nkqubo ngokugunyaziswa ngumthetho.
- \* Kuthatha inyanga ezili-12 ukuba kulomqulu wabaxhamli ze kufuneke ukuba uphinde uvuselele emveni koko.

### **Ngenkcukacha???**

Qhagamshelana no-Mnu. uDiba Nkume kuloMasipala.

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# “UPHULISO KUMNTU WONKE”

## VISION

To be the best run Municipality in South Africa.

## MISSION

To properly plan and deliver quality and sustainable Services to improve the socio-economic status within the Broader Umzimvubu Community.

## VALUES

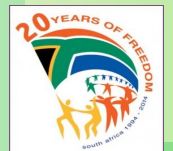
**P-Passion**

**A-Accountability**

**C-Competitiveness**

**D-Diversity**

**“We are PACD for you”**





**Councillor K.S. Phangwa**

**Mayor**

Let me take this opportunity to welcome you to our ever interesting publication of the Umzimvubu News. Let's journey together through you will see activities such as Take a Girl Child to Workday as well as a conference dedicate to unlock- ing the economical doors for ULM women. This is a selected range of success stories that our municipali- ty has accomplished but not an exhaustive list. Bring- ing services to the people and being a caring govern- tion of the ment is at the top of our intentions. Our mission is to be the best run municipality in South Africa. For us to achieve this mission, we depend on you, the commu- nity we serve. Your needs are in our best interest.

this publication which has its main purpose to inform the community of Umzimvubu Local Municipality. It bears developmental programmes that the munic- ipality initiates and carries out, that are solely de- signed for the betterment of community's lives. Dur- ing the past quarter, which was the beginning of a new financial year (2014/15), focus has been made on women empowerment. Within this publication

That is why we have such communication platforms, in which we encourage two-way asymmetric links between you and your government. Your feedback is very important to us as it becomes a measuring tool for our work. We pride ourselves to be serving you and invest your confidence in us.

I thank you!

## “UPHURLISO KUMNTU WONKE”

### WIPHOLD/NEDBANK TIGHTENS PARTNERSHIP WITH ULM

In a quest to develop women and youth of South Africa, Wiphold/Nedbank has a corporate Social Investment programme which is designed to support empowerment initia- tives.

Through this programme, they make grants and donations to organisation that empower women and youth.

Umzimvubu Local Municipality benefited in this programme with a number of projects being funded in order to get them off the ground and operate effectively.

Five SMME's from Umzimvubu have received donations are as follows: -

1. Khushi Poultry Project from Dangwana Location received R40 000.00
2. Kwa-Manci Mzamomhle Poultry Project from Mphemba A/A received R40 000.00.
3. Masibambisane Bricks and Blocks from Ward 17 received R40 520.00
4. Ubuntu Development Multi-purpose Co-op received R50 000.00
5. Zifunge Trading Design from Lubhacweni received R60 000.00

As a gesture of goodwill, Mr Andile Mtukushe who has been the Project Manager in the Alfred Nzo Region introduced his successor Mr. Mncedi Mkabeni to the Mayor, Cllr K.S. Phangwa.

Mr Mtukushe is now serving the Lusikisiki Region.



L-R: Sibusiso Mqulo, Mayor Phangwa, Andile Mntukutshe and Mncedi Mkabeni (New Regional Manage)





## Umzimvubu Ratepayer's Award Ceremony 2014

*"Seasons come to pass and every wave is bound to diminish"*

By: Diba Nkume

Umzimvubu Local Municipality hosts its second annual Ratepayer's Awards Ceremony on Thursday, 26 June 2014. At an elegant and classy event, the red carpet phenomenon took centre stage with Ratepayers from Mount Frere and Mount Ayliff towns dressed to kill; an atmosphere of tranquillity and a pronouncement of good relations was declared. This incentive program is primarily designed to recognise, encourage and reward ratepayers who continuously ensure that their bills for rates and services are paid in full and in good time. The proceedings started at 18H00 where the likes of Thobile Melani and Mr. Daka, Chairpersons in Mount Frere and Mount Ayliff respectively were seen making way into the stylish feel of Mount Frere Town Hall where the ceremony was held.

Umzimvubu's Budget and Treasury Office introduced this innovative concept last year as the first of its kind in the municipality and most probably in the entire Province. We have seen the Municipality run programmes of a similar nature and introducing new approaches in building and maintaining relations but this time around, the idea definitely deserves an applaud.



*Ms. Dubhayi, recipient of cleanest household in Mount Frere receiving her prize, Lawn Mower, brooms and rake.*

Just over a year and a half ago, the Municipality had very hostile relations with its ratepayers where a situation of holding each other by the scruff of the neck and being at loggerheads was experienced. Petitions and Legal filings were the order of the day between the municipality and ratepayers. It is now a thing of the past, yesterday is gone and tomorrow forever.

Different Categories such as Consistent Ratepayer Award, Debt Cleaner Award, Progressive Business Award, Debt Fighter, Sustainably Run Business Award, Cleanest Household Award and Environmental Stewardship Award were the categories which were competed on. Environmental Stewardship (Adopt a Spot) was awarded to Ms. Maqashalala from Sophia Park, Cleanest Household to Ms. Dubhayi and The Ntshobane Family in Mt Ayliff. Prizes such as GPS Navigators, Tablets, Gas Heaters, Trophies and Certificates were amongst other gifts given to the winners.

This initiative was greatly commended by the guest speaker, Ms. Nombasa Nkomana, Senior Manager for Special Programmes Unit at the Provincial Local Government and Traditional Affairs Ministry. She was cited in her speech congratulating Umzimvubu Ratepayers for their accomplishment and finding was to renew their spirits in for sustainable efforts, managed relations between them and their elected leaders.



A spirit of harmony was then declared by a representative of

*Middle: Ms. Maqashalala, Sophia Park Resident receiving two brush-cutters-Adopt a Spot Initiative recipient.*

the Ratepayer's Executive Committee Mrs. Nothemba Mpti in her reply speech where she reminded the audience at the ceremony of the strides taken in resolving tensions between the municipality and their structure. She further applauded the ULM Chief Finance Officer Mrs. Xoliswa Venn for her humbleness, professionalism and her dedication to her work. Her zeal and strategy of resolving cases and queries individually is one of the strategies that brought the understanding. Ratepayers form part of the key stakeholders of a Municipality as their contributions through rates paying result to the municipality's growth.



Cllr. Lisa Nkula, Acting Mayor of the day in a jovial mood during her welcome speech



## Kubhiyozelwe usuku luka Tata Mandela

“Lubhiyozelwe usuku luka Madiba okokuqala engasekho”

Ibungumbo nomxesibe kwidolophu zoMzimvubu iMount Frere neMount Ayliff ngethuba Kubhiyozelwa usuku lokuzalwa kuka Tata uMadiba, uYem-yem, uNgqolomsila nongasekhoyo owasishiya kunyaka odlulileyo. Olusuku kuthiwe gqolo ukuluhlonipha kwakunye nokulibhiyozela. Umasipala ubambisene nejelo losasazo Umhlobo Wenene FM baqhuba inkqubo yokucoca iidolophu eyakwaBhaca neyaseMaxesibini. Umongameli welizwe uTata uJacob Zuma kwinq



*uCeba wakwa ward 3, uManene Nkqayi ngethuba etyala umthi kumhlaba we ofisi zase Mount Ayliff*



*uSodolophu waseMzimvubu uMama uPhangwa, ephahlwe ngabasebenzi besikhululo sasasazo uMhlobo Wenene kwakunye nosekela mphathi kwicandelo lwezonzibelelwano ngethuba bechoca.*

tetho yakhe yobume

besizwe uthe wabeka umxholo wokucoca nokugcina indalo yethu ikhathalelekile. Isigqeba sebhunga lekhanisile yalomasipala ekuquka kuwo amlungu ekomiti (Exco) aphume ngobungako bawo abonakala enxibe iimpahla zokusebenza echola amaphepha ngokunokwawo. Le nkqubo ibikhokhelwe ngusodolophu walomasipala uCllr. Khulukazi Phangwa ibiphelekwe nayinzalelwane yodumo yakwaBhaca uSaba Mbixane no yintshatsheli iminyaka ilandelelana yem-

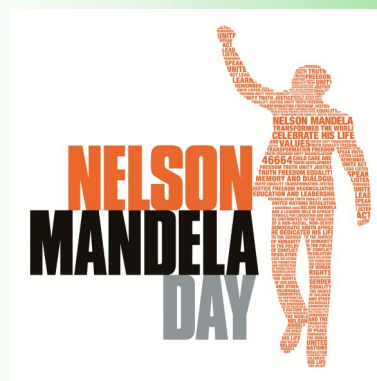
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Ukucocwa kwendalo kubandakanya nokutyalwa kwe-mithi, nethi incedise ekucceni umoya lo esiwuphefumlayo. Kutyalwe imithi emihlanu kwidolophu nganye yezi ziphantsi koMzimvubu. Igqiza ebelikhokhelwe nguSomlomo weBhunga uCllr. Zolisani Sisilana liqhuba ngempumelelo nalo ukucoca eyakwaBhaca idolophu.

Abasazi boMhlobo Wenene abaquka uNomonde Vakalisa noqhuba inkqubo yenkonzo, uLuckeez oqhuba inkqubo ye reggae, uSibongile James wenkqubo yezemfundo bebephakathi kwamaqela ebecoca ezidolophu esonwabisa abahlali balengingqi. Le nkqubo ibisekelezelwe ekunikeleni ngemizuzu engamashumi amathandathu anesixhenxe okwenza okuhle ukuhlonipha usuku lokuzalwa kwegqala lomzabalazo wase Mzantsi Afrika nowathi wabangumongameli wokuqala omnyama weli lizwe.





## Mount Frere Internal Streets surfacing continues

**P**hases 03 & 04 of Mount Frere Street surfacing is underway as some streets have been tarred. The town is no longer a dusty scene as it used to be with gravel roads on the streets that conjoin main routes and other streets within the town area. Most importantly to the construction of these streets is the relief it brings on the N2 route and Mount Frere main street which is known for fatal truck crashes. Travellers who need to by-



pass the CBD can now do so by taking a left turn just before the Shoprite Centre, into Ward 16, behind the mall. This road passes by the library then joins Canca Street over Mngcisane road which leads you to an exit at the end by Speedy; where you then re-join the N2 exit point towards Mount Ayliff. Amongst other streets surfaced are Mduetyana, Makaula, Nomtsheketshe in Sophia residence, Sihlali and Dabula streets. An amount of more than R8 million rands has been invested in this project. Phases 5 & 6 are still to come in both towns, which will further address road infrastructure in the town peripherals.

### Kuvulwe amaholo ngokusesikweni, anikezelwa eluntwini

Lo ngomnye womasipala abathe abahamba phambili ekuphuculeni iimpilo zabantu. Kwiphulo lokuziswa kwenkonzo ebantwini usodolophu uMam' uPhangwa uthe gqolo etyhutyha-tyhutyha ezi-wardini ehamba enikezela ekwavula ngokusesikweni amaholo okhelwe uluntu. Eli lelinye lamalungelo omhlali ngamnye waseMzantsi Afrika, nanjengoko kuthi kubekhona iimfuno zokuba abahlali badibane ukuquluqa imiba yasekuhlaleni.

Umzimvubu uchithe izigidi zeeRandi kulo nyaka-mali esiphuma kuwo (2013/14) ekokheni la maholo:

#### Dukuza kaDabula Community Hall

Le yiholo yase Mbodleni kwa-Ward 27 nexabisa R1 580 634, 63 ivulwe ngokusesikweni ngomhla we 10/03/2014. Abahlali base Mbodleni bathe bavumelana ukuba leholo ibizwe ngokuba yi Dukuza ka Dabula Community Hall. uDukuza kaDabula lelinye lamaqhawe alendawo nawathi azibonakalisa kwisizwe saMaBhaca.

#### Bhetshwana Community Hall

Ngomhla we 07/03/2014 usodolophu uthe wanikezela ngehlo yaseBhetshwana (Ward 04). Le holo nexabisa iR 1, 3 million ivelise amathuba emisebenzi alishumi elinanye (11) exabisa ama-R68 500, 00, nalapho kuxhamle abasetyhini abahlanu(05) kunye namadoda amathandathu(06).

#### Laduma Community Hall

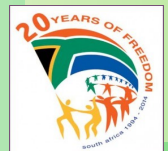
uLaduma ubelona gama eliyelabonwa njengelikulungeleyo ukuthiya iholo yoluntu yaseSigidini, Ward 04 nanjengoko wayefudula eyiNkosi yalendawo.

#### Lugelweni Community Hall

Ngomhla we 02/05/2014 usodolophu uvule ngokusesikweni iholo yase Lugelweni, ward 08. Le holo exabisa i-R 1, 496 078.46 idale amathuba emisebenzi eyi16 axabisa i-R 78 750.00 nalapho kuthe kwaxhamla amakhosikazi alishumi (10) kwakunye namadoda amathandathu (06).

#### Masimini Community Hall

iMasimini yiholo yaseDutyini kwa-Ward 08, ithe yavulwa ngokusesikweni ngomhla wama-22/08/2014. Incitho yeliholo ixabisa i-R1 461 395, 97 nalapho i-R 73 069, 79 ithe yabekwa bucala ukudala amathuba emisebenzi angamashumi amabini anesihlanu (25) aquka amakhosikazi alishumi elinesibini (12), amadoda asixhenxe (07), abantu abatsha abathandathu (06).





# Imifanekiso iyabalisa



*Umzimvubu SP & Communications Staff and Management during the hall opening*



*ULM Mayor Cllr. Phangwa cutting the ribbon during the official opening at Masimini Community Hall*



*Community members of Dutyini Community Hall at the hall opening*



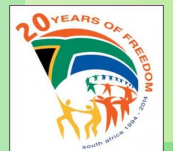
*Community member entertaining during the ceremony*



*Sigidini Community Members showing some appreciation for the development*



*A view of the Community Hall name board*



# Women’s Month Conference held in Mount Ayliff Town Hall

By: Diba Nkume

Umzimvubu Local Municipality held an engagement session with women representatives from different women structures within the municipality. This engagement was held in the form of a one day conference in Mount Ayliff Town Hall. As part of women’s month, the municipality’s Special Programmes and Communication hosted this convergence which focused on the challenges facing women with regards to economic empowerment as well as a retrospective view into the distance that has been covered in empowering women. This is also in the light of having had our democracy for the past 20 years.



*Women seated at round tables during the session, listening attentively to the Speakers*

The question is whether enough has been done to equip women and assist them in gaining the independence momentum as they were previously disadvantaged. The conference also sought to identify women’s best successful moments during the democratic era in South Africa, with specific focus to women of Umzimvubu. Mayor Councillor Phangwa encouraged women to be strong and take charge for their lives. She placed emphasis on the opportunities that are there for women in the form of business opportunities. “Women need to exploit the opportunities that institutions such as

SEDA and Development Corporations offer. The time for waiting for husbands to provide for them is gone, it is old fashioned. Women are very strong these days and they are successful.” she said.

Lumka Mninzi presented elements of a woman



*Guest Speaker: Lumka Mninzi during her motivation as a woman with experience and substance*

with substance. With her boldness and confidence, she shared her anecdotes of success and her journey to it. With an inspiring face and convincing smile, Mninzi spoke of the hardships she had gone through as a young lady which prepared her for being a courageous woman. Her will and desire to share this knowledge with the rest of ULM women was appreciated as you could tell from the cheerful crowd she was addressing. Breakaway sessions were held and different empowerment topics explored.



*Chief Nonyaniso Fikeni, member of the Imbumba Yamakhosikazi Akomkhulu at the ceremony*





## Take a girl child to work day

Umzimvubu Local Municipality embraces the future of our young girls. Through the Cell C initiative of taking a girl child to work, the municipality's Corporate Services Department, led by the manager Mrs. Novuko Kubone took part in this programme.



*Ms. Lindiswa Madlanga (Demand Management Officer) during a job shadowing session with one of the learners*

Targeted at girl learners within the grades 10-12, this National activity takes place on May 29 each year. Its aim is to remind these girls that they have the power to make their greatest dreams come true by believing in themselves. Partnered with Cell C, the municipality invited 40 secondary schooling girls from local high schools in Mount Frere and Mount Ayliff to part-take in this programme. Girl pupils from schools such as Mount Frere High School, Mount Ayliff High School, Daluhlanga, Saint Georges, Dangwana and others were seen listening attentively to speeches during a lunch session at the Sophia Recreational Park in Mount Frere.

A job shadowing process took place at the municipality offices where in the girls were distributed evenly within the municipal departments according to their areas of interest.

Some were seen shadowing the institution's Chief Finance Officer. The girls had interest in a vast number of study and career fields such as Engineering, Tourism, Human Resources, Chartered Accountancy and more. As much as the girls are from rural schools, their interest in scarce skills such as piloting and the field of science was interesting.

With a very anecdotal presentation, Mrs. Kubone became their hero as she narrated the story of her life, success and trying times that led her to the senior position she is holding today. With it having begun when she had a dream to become a nurse at first because she had been inspired by a few family members; trailing through other career fields and even deciding on dropping-out of some was a normal confusion. She placed emphasis on being focused and living for a clearly defined dream.



*Mrs. Novuko Kubone (Corporate Services Manager) during her presentation*

"This will lead you to a destination of your choice," she said.

**"Dream, Believe and Achieve"**





## Inkampani yoMbane uEskom iqhuba inkqubo yolwazi ngokusetyenziswa kombane kwa Wadi 12

Emveni kokufumanisa ukuba kukhona ukungasetyenziswa kakuhle kombane kwezinye ze Wadi zaseMzimvubu kwakunye nokwebiwa kwawo: amagosa ale arhente aqhube inkqubo yokwazisa uluntu ngobungozi boku. Kwilali yase Qhankqu kuqhutywe lenkqubo nalapho iholo lesikolo samabanga aphantsi belizele lime ngembambo abahlali bezokuziphula phulela abakuphathele ngu Eskom. Ulwazi oluphangaleleyo ngokusetyenziswa kombane ngendlela ekhuselekileyo kusindisa iimpilo zabantu. Baxhotyiseiwe abahlali ngemiba efana nokutsala umbane ngokungekho semthethweni, ukuwuba

(ukutsweba) umbane kwakunye nokwenza ezinye izenzo ezithi zibeke ubomi babanye abantu emngciphekweni. Utsho esithi uEskom amanyathelo azakuthathwa angqingwa kwabo bathe bafunyanwa besiba umbana okanye bezifakela ngokungekho semthethweni.



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## Pictures that tell a Story



*Community Safety Unit Launches New uniform for ULM Traffic Officers*



