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### GREATER KOKSTAD RECIEVES A BLANKET OF SNOW.



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Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of July 2011 was the most beautiful day for Greater Kokstad and the surrounding area. While the snow made life so difficult for motorists people of Kokstad enjoyed playing with the snow that fell the whole day from 10 am in Monday until 8 am in Tuesday. E.G. Usher Memorial was covered by the snow and the staff had fun when playing with the snow. It was unbelievable how mother nature can unite people. Some of the staff members have never experienced snow and were so jubilant about that experience.

The Public Relations Office asked some of the staff members about the experience of the day. Unathi Mbele who is doing experiential training enjoyed the day. "Its very amazing to see the snow for the first time. I called my friends in Johannesburg and put profile pic on my face book account about the weather. It is one of the unforgettable memories" she said. Mr Zwane from stores department also shares Miss Mbele's sentiments about the weather of the day. "I couldn't imagine the feeling of seeing snow from the first time at my age. I will never forget this day. It is one the best memories I will have about Kokstad" he said. While few damages occurred in the hospital like fallen gutters the whole day was magnificent.

## GREATER KOKSTAD FILLED WITH ON THE MANDELA DAY



E.G. and Usher Memorial Hospital partnered with Greater Kokstad Municipality and all other government departments within the Greater Kokstad sub district to celebrate the Mandela Day on the 18th of July 2011. This day is the birthday of the South African icon Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela, the first democratic president in South Africa.

Her worship the Mayor of Greater Kokstad Cllr Nosisa Jojozi led the visitors that included the members of National Parliament Mr Mandlenkosi Mbili, Ukhozi FM DeeJay Sbu Buthelezi, Deputy Mayor of Kokstad Cllr Bheki Mtolo, The Speaker of Greater Kokstad Cllr Zolani Mhlongo and other

dignitaries. The event started at Horseshoe where the sod was turned to build the house for child headed family on the courtesy by Sbu Buthelezi and his business friends including Boxer Cash and Carry. It proceeded to Thuntulwane Community Hall where the member of Parliament Mr Mbili donated 80 blankets to the elders and then to Peter Piers orphanage where Greater Kokstad Municipality donated soccer kit and gardening tools.

Birthday song was sang for Mandela and the big cake was cut by the Mayor of Kokstad. The day was very successful and hopefully next year it will be more.

## MANDELA DAY SIYIXOXA NGEZITHOMBE



1. Ukhozi FM DJ Sbu Buthelezi is mobbed by his supporters. 2. Member of Parliament Mr Mbili was amongst the dignitaries. 3. Her Worship the Mayor of Kokstad Cllr Jojozi addressing the community of Horseshoe. Turning the sod is Mayor Jojozi, The Speaker of GKM Cllr Zolani Mhlongo and Sub Buthelezi.

## MEDICAL MALE CIRCUMCISION HELD AT E.G. AND USHER

E.G. and Usher Memorial Hospital held its medical male circumcision camp on the 9th and 10th July 2011. The camp was held at the hospital premises during the above mentioned weekend. Doctors, Nurses, Lay Counselors and Admin staff forgot about the excitements of the weekend in Kokstad and join forces with the hospital. When welcoming the boys and staff Mrs Thekiso, the CEO of the institution applauded the boys for taking such a decision that will prove to be a powerful ammunition in fighting HIV AIDS. She also applauded the staff for taking time during busy weekend and join forces to make the day a success.

The camp co-coordinator Dr Onanuga who is also our Medical Manager also thanked the staff for their dedication. " All the 22 boys we did, the staff was cooperative and I am motivated to host another camp before the end of the year" he said. The following people are thanked, Ms Zikolo( Social Worker), Thembeke Mzimba and Nomhlophe Nciki (Lay Counselors), Mr Nqala and Mr Zikolo( Professional Nurses), Dr Afolabi, Dr Rose (Doctors), Matron Mazwana (Management), Mrs Ntanzi( Infection Control) and all others who made the day a success.

## MMC IN FLASH LIGHT



DR AFOLABI, PN ZIKOLO, PN MGOLOMBANA(ST APOLLINARIS), PN NQALA BUSY WITH ONE OF THE BOYS DURING MMC CAMP AT E.G. USHER MEMORIAL HOSPI-

## QUOTES

- *"The Greatest discovery " of any generation is that a human being unlike an animal can alter his life by altering his attitude" William James in changing attitudes.*

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### EGUM BID FAREWELL TO MR BHODWENI OF ASSETS DEPARTMENT

E.G and Usher Memorial farewell bid of Mr Vuyisile Bhodweni (POT), last Friday the 29<sup>th</sup> of July 2011. The fare farewell was held at the board room hospital for the above mentioned staff member, Who was having a long service at this hospital, He was working at the Assets Department. He is now leaving the hospital for Port Shepstone hospital.

Some of the staff members were sad while others were congratulating him on his promotion.

Mrs. Thekiso the hospital manager said it was a great pleasure to have him at the E.G and Usher Memorial Hospital and she is hoping that he is going to do his work more than what he was doing at E.G and Memorial Hospital.

### BHODWENI'S FAREWELL IN PICTURES



Finance Manager Mrs Siqwayi(left) and Mrs Thekiso(CEO, Right) handing a certificate of appreciation to Mr Bhodweni.  
Top Management attended the farewell

KODWA SIZO-  
BAPHATHA KAN-  
JANI LABANTU?  
HOLA  
TOP MANAGEMENT

### USHER MEMORIAL GRACED BY CELEBRITIES DURING LOCAL AIDS COUNCIL MEETING ON THE 27TH OF JULY 2011



NOXOLO " NOXEE" MAQHASHALALA WHO ACTS FOR SABC 1 INTERSEXION AND TSHA TSHA. ALSO PRESENT WAS SABC SPORT FORMER PRESENTER CYNTHIA TSHAKA AND ZITHULELE SINQE(COMRADE MARATHON RUNNER)

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### TAKING SERVICES TO THE PEOPLE

E.G. and Usher took a bold step by taking services to the needy people of Lalamanzi in Swartberg on Friday the 5th of August 2011. What a way of celebrating the women's month by taking care of the needy. The hospital collaborated with other departments and the Greater Kokstad Municipality to provide services to the community. President of the RSA Jacob Zuma emphasized in his State of the Nation Address when he called for the government to go to the people.

While speaking to the Public Relations Office Mr Shozi representing the ward councilor applauded the move by the hospital and all government departments. "People are very needy of the services from government and it is their rights to get them. Kokstad departments have been doing this for a while now and we are encouraging it to continue" he said. The CEO of the institution Mrs Ntombifike Thekiso also echoed Mr Shozi's words and praised E.G. and Usher staff for their dedication in ensuring that services go to the people. "The National Department has pumped a lot of money in PHC to take of the load to the hospitals and also prevent diseases. The hospital is willing to heed this call. This is the first step and many more is going to come. Places like kwaPakkies, Kraansdraai and many others around Kokstad will benefit from these outreach" she said.

The hospital is expressing the Primary Health Care Manager Mr Ndlebe and his staff, Hospital Management and staff, All departments, Greater Kokstad Municipality, TB Care and Community Health Workers for contribution they made to ensure the success of the day.

### LALAMANZI OUTREACH IN FLASH LIGHT.....



1. Community queuing for services at Lalamanzi. 2. Dr Onanuga (Medical Manager) checking eyes for the patient.

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### LALAMANZI NGEZITHOMBE



1. "Ayigugi lengoma", Mrs Ntanzu and Matron Mazwana consulting. 2. Mr Nkosi from DCS educating the people about DCS. 3. Lead by example, CEO Mrs Thekiso busy with patient card, "usakhumbula mama". 4. Mr Ndlebe of PHC explaining some procedures. Old horse can still gallop, Matrom Miya (Nursing Manager) doing vital signs.

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### WATHINTA ABAFAZI, WATHINT' IMBOKODO

On Monday the 8th of August 2011, E.G & Usher Memorial Hospital, hosted a "bring a school girl to work" event. This initiative was to educate, orientate & prepare them for womanhood. This event transcended because it then became fused with a women's day commemoration after all it doesn't take a mother to be a woman.

Ironically the program director of the day was Mr Z Dotyeni who in turn was not intimidated by the fact that he was in the room filled with (Rocks) women. The event was culturally opened by prayer by the staff member Mrs. Pitoyi who is a pastor's wife.

The guests & the employers were welcomed by Mrs. Mazwi who, when standing up, uplifted and rejuvenated the room filled with women in song. The women appreciated to have this day because it was an initiative for them. When the social worker Mrs. N Zikolo & Dr Ntshalintshali informed them of financial, emotional, health and social challenges that are faced by women in society, it aroused curiosity amongst the ladies who then started asking questions and giving advice to one another.

The students that attended the event (Sanelisiwe Ndindibala from Mount Currie High School and Amkelekiwe Nomsobo from Carl Malcomess High School) were career advised by Mr Z Dotyeni and motivated both biblically and socially by the experienced Ms Mkolokoto.

Vote of thanks was done by Mr A Dube. Initiatives like this are always good for the work place because they make employers feel appreciated, welcomed and motivated, thus such initiatives boost staff morale and as a wise woman once said, "Home is where the heart is and a house is not a home without a woman." **By Bongeka Xhaya**

### WOMEN'S DAY NGEZITHOMBE



EGUM STAFF LISTENS ATTENTIVELY TO THE SPEECHES FROM MRS ZIKOLO (SOCIAL WORKER)

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### KITCHEN CORNER ,AMAPAPA BABA !!!!!

On this edition we look how to prepare the rack of the LAMB!!

- 1 kg rack of lamb, French trimmed
- 15ml sunflower oil
- Salt and Pepper to taste
- African spice blend : 30mls sunflower oil, 15 ml, white wine vinegar, 15ml fresh coriander, 15ml finely chopped red pepper, half onion finely chopped, 30 ml lamb spice, 15ml cumin, 15ml paprika.

#### METHOD

- **Pre– Heat the oven to 200 degrees.**
- **Heat an oven proof pan to a high heat. Add oil and seal the lamb on all sides so it has a nice golden brown colour. Season the lamb with salt and pepper and place it in the pre-heated hot oven.**
- **Cook for 15 minutes and after 10 minutes of resting it put all African spice blend explained above and cook for 5 minutes and serve it.**  
(taken from True Love Magazine)



RACK OF THE LAMB

### STAFF UNITY CAN BRING SUCCESS, WORKSHOP DEPARTMENT HAS DONE SO

The Maintenance Department under Thami Hlophe ( Artisan Superintendent) has proved that **“unity we stand, divided we fall”** Since the arrival of Mr Hlophe the workshop staff have started team building exercises. All staff is contributing some money to buy the presents for the birthday staff bese kusha inyama.

This has created unity amongst the workshop staff and it is evident even when you pass by.

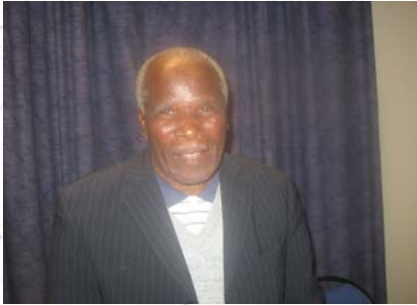
Mr Hlophe came to the less motivated and divided staff and has tried to instill unity and motivation to them. All departments should follow what has been done by workshop staff. WE SALUTE YOU ALL MAINTANANCE DEPARTMENT.



MAINTANANCE DEPARTMENT STAFF

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### MEET THE HOSPITAL BOARD MEMBERS



MR CS MOMOTI CHAIR)



CLLR F.A. RODGERS (DEPUTY CHAIR)



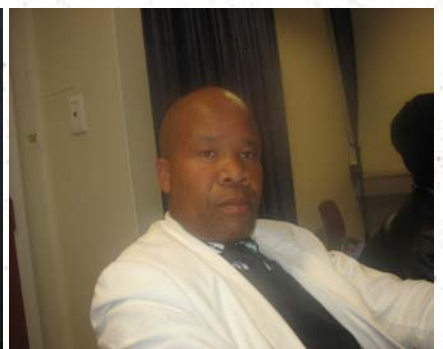
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## EDITORIAL NOTES

Here is another issue presented to you EGUM staff and other fellow stakeholders for this quarter. Colds in Kokstad seems to fading away and it good. Recently we have facing snow and environmentally it was very entertaining however it was very cold.

May I please introduce Ms Bongeka Xhaya who is doing her in-service training in Public Relations. She has contributed a lot in compiling this issue. I hope her stay will add some value to the institution while she is still learning. Thanks , Sabelo Ncwane



PR INSERVICE TRAINEE BONGEKA  
XHAYA



**Congratulations**

## PROMOTIONS

1. MR VUYISILE BODWENI FROM USHER TO PORTSHEPSTONE HOSPITAL
2. SR NTSHOBANE FROM USHER TO ST MAGARETH HOSPITAL
3. SR MGOLOMBANA FROM USHER TO ST APOLLINARIS



**Death Notices**

E.G. AND USHER MEMORIAL IS MOANING THE LOSS OF THE FOLLOWING

1. SR MAGABUKO(NURSING)
2. MR NTSIE (WORKSHOP)
3. EN MBILI( NURSING)

**MAY THEIR SOULS REST IN PEACE**