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Giving the youth a fighting chance

The Youth Advisory Centre (YAC) in Robertson offers a variety of services to assist the youth within the Langeberg Municipal area.

The purpose of the YAC is to uplift the Langeberg community by giving the youth free career guidance. Furthermore, the YAC provides guidance on HIV/Aids awareness and prevention. Parents are also welcome to use this centre to give guidance to their children.

The centre – at 12 Piet Retief Street, Robertson – is manned by three officials: Andile Shibili, Shandre Abrahams and Judi Maflika. The well-trained counsellor there can assist the youth with career guidance, applications for bursaries, guidance in drafting a curriculum vitae (CV) and application letters, and preparations for an interview. The career centre can also assist with psychometric testing.

In addition, the centre is informed of bursaries and learnership opportunities by other governmental departments.

The career guidance process includes:

- assessment of needs, interests, values, aptitudes and personality characteristics
- clarification of academic and career goals
- how to choose the correct career according to unique personality traits and needs
- development of a realistic plan of action

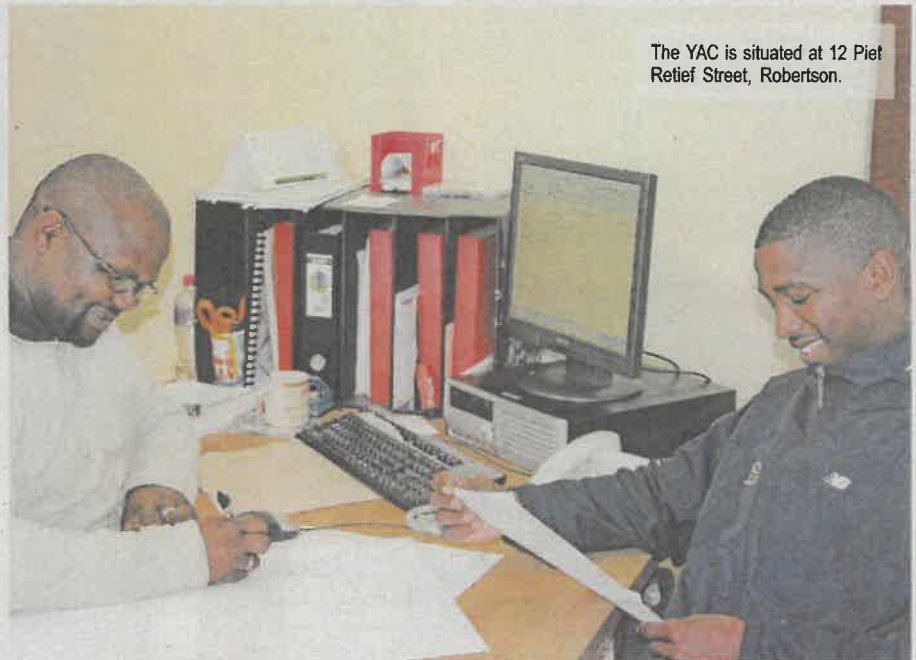
The YAC also offers:

- guidance on how to compile an application letter and curriculum vitae
- help in getting ready for an interview (etiquette, questions to expect, how to dress, and so on)
- study information
- various application forms and the brochures of study institutions

- online university applications
- information on new employment opportunities

The YAC office provides:

- youth development training
- HIV/Aids awareness programmes



The YAC is situated at 12 Piet Retief Street, Robertson.

- career guidance
- information on learnerships and new employment in the Langeberg area
- information on study courses and institutions
- application forms for various further training institutions
- free computer use for typing assignments, letters and CVs
- information on various bursaries and study loans

All services offered by the YAC are free of charge. The YAC is the ideal facility at which to gather information and get the right assistance to achieve your goals. Services are also offered on Wednesdays at the McGregor municipal office and on Thursdays at the Happy Valley library in Bonnievale. Should you require any further information, you can get in touch with the Youth Advisory Centre on 023 626 6713.



*Happy Women's Day
to all women!*

*Executive Mayor,
Alderman Diana Gagiano*

Business boost for Langeberg

Twenty-four new companies were registered recently through an SMME development programme spearheaded by the Langeberg Municipality's Local Economic Development (LED) Department in association with Andiswa Mabhoko Trading, an SMME development consulting company.

The programme, a six-month mentorship, assists potential business owners with registering their businesses, opening a bank account, registering at SARS for tax purposes, obtaining a BBBEE certificate, writing a business plan, and applying for and managing their funding. Eventually, the programme helps the new companies market their products.

"In the first phase of the programme we've reached out to the communities of the Langeberg area and we've identified individuals who have shown potential to open and run a business successfully," said Winile Mabhoko, product manager for Andiswa Mabhoko Trading.

"There were no criteria when we initiated this programme. We assessed the needs of each individual and then developed our programme according to what their needs were.

"We reached out to the communities of the Langeberg area and identified 127 people within the area. We streamlined the process further, and today we are happy to announce that 24 companies have been registered.

"Twelve of these companies are Pty Ltd companies, six are cooperatives, and the remaining six are non-profit organisations."

Langeberg Municipality's LED manager, Peter Salman, reminded the new company owners of the dire state the global economy is currently in. "The Eurozone crisis will influence our local market, and SMMEs will be hit the hardest," Salman said.

"It will not be easy, but I urge you to not give up."

Mabhoko said they would also explore registering the new companies under the municipality's supply chain management policy, which will enable them to apply for tenders.

Standard Bank also attended the launch of the businesses and assisted business owners with opening new business accounts.



Councillor Eva Turner is seen here with new business owner Alserina Julius – who has just registered her company, ALJ Tuck Shop and Catering Services – and Andiswa Mabhoko.



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COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SESSIONS



Gemeenskap terugvoering



Postponed Unqumamiso Lwentlanganiso Uitgestel

Date	Wardia	Town	Venue	Time
13 Aug 12	3	Robertson North	Community Hall	18:00
14 Aug 12	1	Robertson	Town Hall	18:00
15 Aug 12	5	McGregor	Community Hall	18:00
16 Aug 12	6	Rooiberg	Mediba Hall	18:00

New Schedule Uhlenzanglengiso Olutsha Nuwe Skedule

Date	Wardia	Town	Venue	Time
20 Aug 12	8	Bonnievale	Chris v Zyl Hall	18:00
21 Aug 12	4	Bonnievale	Happy Valley Hall	18:00
23 Aug 12	11	Ashton	Ashton Town hall	18:00
27 Aug 12	1	Robertson	Town Hall	18:00
28 Aug 12	3	Robertson North	Community Hall	18:00
29 Aug 12	6	Rooiberg	Mediba Hall	18:00
05 Sept 12	5	McGregor	Community Hall	18:00
06 Sept 12	2	Nkqubela	Community Hall	18:00



INGENELO KUBAHLALI



The Municipality assisted the Department of Community Safety in training pupils with training in preparation for their learner licence exams.



Straatkunstenaars kom opdollie

Langeberg-munisipaliteit kry 'n beroemde straatkunstenaar om hoog en vreugde op huise en in harte te kom verf. Die munisipaliteit vat hande met The Valleys and Mountains Development Foundation in Bonnievale om Happy Valley, Mountain View en die plakkerskamp se voorkoms op te gradeer en sodoende deure na nuwe geleenthede oop te maak.

Die Stigting is reeds vir byna 'n jaar besig om te onderhandel met Ricky-Lee Gordon, 'n wêreldbekende kunstenaar wat daarin spesialiseer om onaantreklike omgewings te verander deur hele geboue in massiewe skilderye te omskep. Die skilderye het almal 'n gemeenskapstema met die doel om die inwoners te bemoedig en te inspireer tot 'n beter toekoms vir almal.

Ricky-Lee kom die gemeenskapsverfprojek doen oor die naweek van 12 tot 15 Oktober 2012.

Hy bring ook sy fasiliteerders en van sy span buitelandse kunstenaars saam om soveel moontlik kinders, jongmense en ander lede van die gemeenskap tydens dié naweek by die verwey te betrek sodat hulle lang termyn met die projek kan aangaan.

Die idee is om al die huise en strate so gou moontlik skoon en aantreklik te kry sodat daar 'n roete vir toeriste deur die woongebiede oopgestel kan word. Daar sal binnekort 'n skoonmaakprogram en -kompetisie van stapel gestuur word. Die munisipaliteit beoog om hierdie projek ook mettertyd in ander dorpe bekend te stel.

World famous artist to kickstart Life Art Route Alive

But who is Ricky-Lee Gordon? When confronted with the challenge to bring an element into the various communities of the Langeberg Municipality's region that would appeal to everyone, make an immediate difference to their quality of life, as well as inspire and stimulate them to take long-term ownership of the project to change their communities, all roads led to world-famous South African street artist Ricky-Lee Gordon.

Ricky-Lee Gordon, who as a street artist is known by the name Freddy Sam, is the founder and curator of A Word of Art, which is dedicated to celebrating new art and emerging young artists, as well as inspiring social change through creativity and art. Ricky-Lee believes that you and I can create the change we need to see in society through creative and artistic inspiration, as colour has a positive effect on the environment and the mind. The aim is, with colour, to rejuvenate environments (landscape and architecture) that have become dilapidated and depressing through decay, and thereby inspire communities with a positive energy. A Word of Art is a platform for artists to create the change they wish to see.

The social challenges and issues in our communities are close to Ricky-Lee's heart. In 2011 he launched a project to bring some colour to Woodstock, Cape Town. His goal: to rid the neighbourhood of its bad reputation by highlighting its history and community through art. Since then, over



Street artist Ricky-Lee Gordon is set to make a colourful and uplifting mark in the Langeberg municipal area.

a dozen houses have been painted by local and international artists. In a place where the shadow of apartheid lingers, many chose to paint messages of peace and tolerance.

A Word of Art also organises workshops for special profile groups. Through one of these workshops, local orphans painted the walls of the orphanage in which they live.



Councillor Eric Scheffers at one of the garden sites the Langeberg Municipality has established to beautify the area.

Bringing beauty to Langeberg

The Langeberg Municipality recently took up the task of beautifying previously disadvantaged areas.

Among the sites they prettied up were the garden at the entrance to Droëheuwel in Robertson, and the entrance to Ashbury in Montagu.

"We specifically targeted areas that were used as landfill sites where people littered, and used these sites to develop and landscape the gardens," said Zouwe Lesia, Langeberg Municipality's parks and recreational facilities manager in Robertson.

At least seven illegal dumping sites were identified in Montagu for this type of garden. "We focused on getting plants like cactuses, which retain water and don't need

lots of maintenance and watering during dry seasons, said Montagu parks supervisor Stone Mouries. "Most of the resources used in this project were from around this area, including the rocks, which we took from the river.

Said Lesia, "We have put a lot of effort and hard work into this project – and we need people's help in the upkeep of these gardens."

Councillor Eric Scheffers reiterated that this initiative was launched to instil a sense of ownership within the community. "We'd like to urge people to look after this project and treat it as their own," Scheffers said.

"Projects like these can only be successful if the community assists us," he added.

Bonnievale-jeug gaan aan program in Paarl deelneem

DIE wyksraadlid van wyk 4, rdl. Roger Kortje, in samewerking met Bonnievale Primêre Skool en Valley and Mountains Development Foundation, sal einde Augustus op 'n opvoedkundige uitstappie na die Paarl gaan.

"Ons het die behoefte onder ons jeugdige geïdentifiseer en dit het my aangespoor om ondersoek in te stel rondom die programme wat in die Paarl aangebied word," vertel rdl. Kortje.

Altesaam 30 jeugdige met maatskaplike probleme is geïdentifiseer om hierdie uitstappie mee te maak. Vyftien van hierdie seuns is tans in die skool, terwyl die ander vyftien nie skool gaan nie.

Die jeugkamp wat onder meer 'n misdaadvoorkomingsprojek is, sluit in aktiwiteite soos die voorkoming van alkohol- en dwelmmisbruik en die gevolge daarvan. Motiveringspraatjies sal ook aangebied word waarvan een van die sprekers 'n gerehabiliteerde oortreder is.

"Ons het geweldige ondersteuning vanaf Bonnievale-polisie, sowel as mnr. H. Marthinus, skoolhoof van Bonnievale Primêr ontvang," sê rdl. Kortje. "Baie van ons mense het verval in alkohol- en dwelmmisbruik en ons probeer regtig om hulle die strate af te hou."

Die kamp vind plaas vanaf 31 Augustus tot 2 September 2012. Persone wat verdere inligting benodig of wat betrokke wil raak by die projek kan rdl. Kortje bel by 023 616 8000.



In die foto: Min Ivan Meyer, Rdl Roger Kortje en saam met n jeugdige tydens n besoek aan die instansie vroeër vanjaar.



Raadslid De Koker by die Cogmans-kloof-sportterrein.



Werkers is tans besig met die opgradering van spreiligte by Cogmanskloof-sportterrein.

Betaalpunte Pay points

Kaartbetaling-fasiliteite is onlangs by sekere van die betaalpunte van die Langeberg-munisipaliteit installeer.

Die betaalpunte wat oor hierdie fasiliteit beskikbaar is:

McGregor munisipale kantoor
 Bonnievale munisipale kantoor
 Ashton munisipale kantoor.

Die verkeersdepartement te Ashton en Robertson beskikbaar ook tans oor hierdie fasiliteite.

Ons maak graag ook van hierdie geleentheid gebruik om u te herinner aan ons buite-betaalpunte waar munisipale rekenings vereffen kan word, asook koopkrag gekoop kan word.

Card payment facilities have recently been installed at some of our municipal pay points.

The pay points that now offer this service are:

McGregor Municipal Office
 Bonnievale Municipal Office
 Ashton Municipal Office

The traffic offices in Ashton and Robertson have also been equipped with this facility. We would also like to remind you of our outside pay points where you can pay your municipal account or buy pre-paid electricity.

Area	Tenderer	Address
Robertson		
Nkqubela	Elsie Skisazana	Burwana Street
Central Business	Arcadia Café	30 Church Street
Robertson North	Panorama Fruits	27 Watsonia Street
Robertson North	Dorpsig Fruits	3 Bergsig Street
Robertson Moreson, Sonskyn, etc	Protea Kafee	1 Wesley Street
McGregor		
Mid town	Welcome Café	37 Kantoor Street
Bonnievale		
Central Business	Bella Vista	104 Main Road
Happy Valley	Mountain View	Almeria Avenue
Happy Valley	Gum Grove Superette	1 Milner Street
Ashton		
Cogmanskloof	Ashton Multisave	1 Middle Street
Cogmanskloof	Ashton Minimark	1 Karee Avenue
Zolani	Freddie Hlapezule	DG214, Mbeka Avenue
Montagu		
Central Business	Seven Eleven	75 Bad Street
Ashbury	Ashbury Superette	48 Eike Avenue
Ashbury	Timmy's Shop	13 Mimosa Avenue



Municipality invests in roads

The Langeberg Municipality has become the proud owner of three new rollers and trailers. The road compaction equipment is valued at R592 857, and was part of the municipality's capital expenditure project.

A road roller, sometimes called a roller-compactor, is an engineering vehicle used to compact soil, gravel or concrete in the construction of roads and foundations.

There has been a great need for road

compaction equipment as the municipality has been struggling to maintain the roads within the municipal area. Large-scale floods have contributed to the poor road conditions, and have increased the need for this equipment.

The new sit-on rollers will replace the now-obsolete walk-behind roller the municipality used before. The rollers weigh around 1,3 tonnes each, and were purchased from Wacker Neuson.

Madiba knit-a-thon for a warmer winter

Six municipal employees participated in a knit-a-thon for former President Nelson Mandela's 94th birthday.

They spent their 67 minutes knitting 20 squares of 20 cm each, then joined them to make a blanket for someone less fortunate. The group were in high spirits, and

said they were excited to make a contribution to this special day. "We don't believe that making a financial contribution would have been worth as much a donating our time," the municipal members said.

Speaker Davin Hull popped in and kept an eye on the ladies' knitting abilities.



Seen here are (back row, from left) Councillor Eva Turner, Michelle Hucksby, Speaker Davin Hull, Frieda Hugo; (front) Maricia Goliath, Anya Cloete and Heather Jeneke.



Seen here are Langeberg municipal employees Anya Cloete (left) and Heather Jeneke with pieces of knitting material.

Christmas in July by Breederivier-hospies

Rdl. Van Eeden, W Marais, S Posthumus en rdl. Van Zyl het Woensdag 25 Julie die Breederivier-hospies se Christmas in July bygewoon. Indien enigeen die hospies wil besoek om meer te wete te kom oor die dienste wat die hospies lewer of oor hoe om by te dra tot die versorging wat hul bied, kan hul vir sr. Jane Phillips bel by 023 626 5710 of die webwerf of Facebook-blad besoek by www.hospice-breederivier.org.za

