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Dissecting issues of women and children abuse

THIS morning (27 March 2018), the University of Zululand will host the Beyers Naudé Memorial Lecture during which former SA Public Protector, Professor Thuli Madonsela, will deliver a highly anticipated keynote address.

A partnership between Kagiso Trust and the University of Zululand, the 2018 Beyers Naudé Memorial Lecture is set to be one of three annual lectures to be hosted by the University. Dr Beyers Naudé is Kagiso Trust's founding trustee, alongside the likes of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Dr Max Coleman, Reverend Frank Chi-

kane, Prof Jakes Gerwel and others.

Kagiso Trust is one of South Africa's leading development agencies working toward a prosperous, peaceful, equitable and just society. The agency works to overcome poverty by creating and implementing sustainable development programmes in the areas of education, capacity building, socio-economic development, fundraising and investment as well as through special projects. Over the past 30 years, Kagiso Trust has invested over R2 billion in development and implemented over 1,831 programmes.

Annual Lecture

The first Annual Lecture was hosted at the University of Pretoria in 2003, with Archbishop Emeritus Tutu as the guest speaker. The lecture is hosted with different Universities on a three-year cycle so as to reach a wider and diverse audience and encourage the participation of a wider soci-

ety in dialogue.

Previous university partners include Stellenbosch University as well as the University of the Free State whilst previous speakers include former South African President Thabo Mbeki as well as current Higher Education and Training Minister, Naledi Pandor.

Now Chair in Social Justice in the Faculty of Law at the University of Stellenbosch, Prof Madonsela will deliver her keynote address under the theme: The Evil in our midst: Women and child abuse in present South Africa. A human rights lawyer

and equality expert, Prof Madonsela – in her current position – focuses on issues of social justice, including Administrative Justice. As part of her remit, Prof Madonsela not only engages in teaching and research but also remains involved in civil society initiatives.

The event will also feature a panel discussion to include high profile panellists such as Commissioner Mbuyiselo Botha.

The event will be held at UNIZULU's iconic King Bhhekuzulu Hall starting from 11h00 and is expected to attract a wide-ranging list of prominent guests.



Deputy Chief Justice Raymond Zondo takes up mantle as UNIZULU Chancellor

THE University of Zululand (UNIZULU) has appointed the Deputy Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa, Raymond Mnyamezeli Mlungisi Zondo, as its new Chancellor, a position that the Justice has accepted wholeheartedly with pride and humility.

The appointment was made by the UNIZULU Council on February 24 and will be valid for a five-year renewable term.

"I am deeply honoured and privileged to have been appointed Chancellor of the University of Zululand," said Justice Zondo.

"It gives one a deep sense of contentment and encouragement to be recognised in this manner by one's very own alma mater. It is at this university that I was introduced to law and encouraged to critically analyse the legal issues in the community, and it is there that I was introduced to the power of law to shape a community.

"UNIZULU has produced some of the finest legal minds in the country and I am thankful that I now have the opportunity to contribute in guiding it to greater heights and future successes," he said.

In his new role as Chancellor, Justice Zondo will act as the titular head of the university with no executive powers and his formal responsibilities include, among others, as set out in Section 6 of the UNIZULU Statute, the conferment of degrees during graduation ceremonies.

Also, the Chancellor will have an important ambassadorial role, by being an advocate of the university in working to raise its profile and advance its



interests nationally and internationally.

Justice Zondo was born on May 4, 1960 in Ixopo, southern KwaZulu-Natal, where he completed his basic education. He has a B Juris from the University of Zululand, an LLB from the University of Natal (now University of KwaZulu-Natal), an LLM (cum laude) in Labour Law, an LLM with specialisation in Commercial Law as well as a LLM in Patent Law, all from Unisa.

In 1991 and 1992, he served in two committees of the Commission of Inquiry on the Prevention of Public Violence and Intimidation (widely known as the Goldstone Commission), which investigated violence in South Africa during the early 1990s.

In 1994, he was appointed as a member of the Ministerial Task Team that was tasked with producing a draft Labour Relations Bill for a post-apartheid South Africa. With certain amendments, the Bill was passed into the Labour Relations Act in 1995.

In 1996, he was appointed as the first Chairman of the Gov-

erning Body of the Commission for Conciliation, Mediation and Arbitration (CCMA).

In May 2000, Justice Zondo was appointed as Judge President of the Labour and Labour Appeal Court for a 10-year tenure.

On June 1, 2017, he was appointed Deputy Chief Justice of the Republic of South Africa. With effect from September 1, 2012, he was appointed as a Judge of the Constitutional Court.

In January 2018, he was appointed by former President Jacob Zuma as the Chairperson of the Commission of Inquiry into allegations of State Capture, Corruption and Fraud in the Public Sector including organs of the State.

"I hereby wish to congratulate Deputy Chief Justice Zondo on his appointment and wish him all the best in his five-year tenure," said Dewald Van Rensburg, UNIZULU Secretary to Council and Registrar.

"The university is privileged to have a Chancellor of Justice Zondo's stature and we look forward to having him on board," he added.

JSE and UNIZULU impart financial management skills to youth

A BETTER understanding of the JSE investment strategies and financial management are key lessons learners in nine high schools surrounding the University of Zululand (UNIZULU) learnt following their participation in the 2017 JSE Investment Challenge in which UNIZULU participated.

"Participating in the JSE project was very beneficial for our learners as it enlightened them on how JSE trading functions, while also exposing them to an alternative method of investing money," said Bongani Dube, a teacher from Ongoye High School, one of the competing schools.

"As a supervising teacher, I also gained invaluable knowledge through my involvement," he added.

Ongoye High School and eight other high schools were identified by UNIZULU's Accounting and Auditing Department, which took part in the JSE Adopt-A-School programme. The programme is an extension of the JSE Investment Challenge which encourages businesses and individuals to sponsor schools from previously disadvantaged communities with a R2 500 fee that will enable them to compete with learners from more privileged schools.

UNIZULU selected Dlangenzwa, Ongoye, Qantayi, Muntunokudla, Sibhakuzza, Isikhalasenkosi, Iniwé, Mevamlhlope and Matamzana High schools.

"The overall objective of the project was to empower our previously disadvantaged learners on financial management principles on how to invest for income purposes, equity growth, as well as the benefits of banking cash rather than keeping it



JSE project Student Mentor Anele Khumalo with her Dlangenzwa High School proteges. Khumalo (middle) received an award from the JSE for being the most active mentor of all participating universities.

in a safe at home where it does not accumulate any interest," said Qondeni Khumalo, a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Accounting and Auditing.

The project targeted learners between grades 10 and 12, and schools were at liberty to choose which of the three grades would participate. Once established, the participating grade was then grouped into two teams that competed against other teams around the country.

"I would say the objective of the project was met because learners understood the Top 40

performing companies, as listed on the JSE, and the impact they had on their chosen investments. They had to then make a choice on whether to invest in shares, sell already invested shares or keep their money at the bank to generate interest," said Khumalo.

At the end of the project, a cash prize was given to the best performing team per school.

There was also a grand prize for the school that excelled at its trading exploits. Dlangenzwa High School scooped the prize.

The Adopt-A-School spon-

sors are also motivated to mentor and support the competing schools throughout the competition. UNIZULU had 10 mentors (second- and third-year student mentors from the Accounting and Auditing Department, who had an interest in becoming project mentors). The mentors underwent training on JSE trading before the commencement of the schools' challenge.

According to Khumalo, the role played by the student mentors was immense. She added that she was especially proud

of third-year BCom Accounting Science student Anele Khumalo who received an award from the JSE for being the most active mentor among all mentors from other universities.

Other mentors were Mphileseni Sithole (Ongoye), Scina Nonelelo (Muntunokudla), Zithulele Nzama (Mevamlhlope), Samukelisiwe Nyoka (Isibhakuzza), Lindokuhle Khumalo (Qantayi), Njabulo Zuke (Qantayi), Andiswa Ngonyama (Iniwé), Sandile Dlamini (Matamzana) and Hloniphile Buthelezi (Isikhalasenkosi).

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