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## Ramadan Kareem

### Dear Community of Lenasia South LSMA

As we approach the blessed month of Ramadaan, **GLOBE POST** joins the Lenasia South Muslim Association (LSMA) to extend warm greetings and heartfelt wishes to each and every one of you. Ramadaan is a time of

reflection, prayer and togetherness, where we embrace the values of compassion, charity and spiritual growth. This month encourages us to strengthen our bonds with one another and to support those in need.

May this Ramadaan bring those that are fasting peace, joy and countless blessings.

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### Lenasia South residents demand answers as service delivery on verge of crashing!

The ongoing water crisis has left residents Lenasia South Ward 120 residents frustrated, as stable supply barely exists while also experiencing ongoing power outages in other areas.

With some only having water in their taps between 3.30am and 10am daily, residents are calling for long-term solutions to ensure reliable water access for all. The newly built R48-million reservoir, meant to provide relief, has instead left residents questioning its effectiveness, where supply is actually going to and why it's immediate footprint lacks supply? Many feel abandoned by Region G leadership, whom they deem incompetent and committed only to serving the ANC's political agenda.

**Community members voiced their concerns on the GLOBE POST WhatsApp chat:**  
 "R48-million could've been used to provide JoJo tanks for every household, at least that would have helped."  
 "It's sad that we've had to accept poor service delivery. We pay for water, yet our councillor has failed to ensure we get what we're entitled to. The City has had since 2017 to fix this issue, but nothing has changed."  
 "What was the point of building a reservoir if things have only worsened?"

"Government should focus on building township infrastructure for the new settlements instead of neglecting established communities."

"This is sabotage, that's what it is. Politicians here are doing jack s\*&t as long as pockets are being filled."  
 "The councillor gets paid to do specific tasks, it seems she does not want to engage with the community..."

In her response, Ward 120's Cllr Puseletso Nzimande, told **GLOBE POST**: "I am aware of these challenges and have raised them with the City of Joburg. Water shortages affect us all, and I have been working tirelessly to find solutions. When I took over as councillor, there was already an influx of residents, but that's no excuse - I must ensure service delivery happens. The reservoir was originally designed to supply a limited number of areas, but as more feeder areas were added, demand increased. To address this, Joburg Mayor Dada Morero disconnected illegal supply to informal settlements. Last week, Rand Water conducted maintenance, which usually improves water flow, but this time, the issue persisted. They have committed to investigating the cause. I communicate updates with residents through block leaders in a group I created. I can't be in all groups, I have proof of public meetings hosted I have called with our residents."

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**SASSA extends deadline to 20 March for swap to black Postbank cards**



**OLD → NEW**  
 SASSA card to the black Postbank card has been extended to 20 March 2025. This extension follows widespread concerns and frustrations from social grant beneficiaries who were finding it challenging to meet the original deadline of 28 February 2025. "We understand the concerns of our beneficiaries and have extended the deadline to ensure that everyone has enough time to make the transition," read the statement.  
 The government is urging beneficiaries to swap their gold SASSA cards for the black Postbank card as soon as possible to avoid congestion at Postbank sites closer to the deadline.  
**IMPORTANT NOTE FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT MEET THIS EXTENDED**

**DEADLINE BY 20 MARCH:**  
 1. You will need to visit their nearest Post Office branch to access their funds.  
 2. The gold SASSA cards will become inactive after 20 March 2025;  
 3. You will still be able to apply for and receive, the black Postbank card.  
**One recipient shares her experience with GLOBE POST:**  
 "It was a bad experience, I had to go to Boxer in Lenasia, then I was sent to the Post Office and later to Trade Route Mall on the 10th of February which was also not successful journey due to the long queues. Fortunately, we ended up getting assistance at Easy Pay in Rosebank. It was such a nightmare for old people to go through, especially travelling with taxis," Mrs K said.

**Mel Jay & Iron Sharpens Iron host transformative women's empowerment conference in Ennerdale**



This event united life coaches and professionals to empower women with valuable tools for personal growth

**Late last month, Mel Jay & Iron Sharpens Iron successfully hosted their annual Women's Empowerment Conference at the Ennerdale Ext 9 Hall.** This event was hosted by Mel Jay, an award-winning author, speaker, life coach, paralegal and serial entrepreneur. Passionate about uplifting women, she continuously strives to pay it forward, acknowledging that her own success is built upon the support of other women. Iron Sharpens Iron is a network and platform for local entrepreneurs, designed to help them introduce their services and products to various communities. It also provides individuals access to exclusive discounts and opportunities for economic growth.

The conference focused on work-life balance, providing actionable strategies to help women manage their careers, families and self-care effectively. Through networking opportunities, attendees engaged with like-minded individuals, fostering collaboration and support within the community. A key theme throughout the event was upskilling and financial security. Women were encouraged to embrace continuous learning and professional development. Thought-provoking discussions emphasized the importance of having a registered business and securing their financial future, including planning for assets and drafting wills to protect loved ones. The conference's timing, held in January, was intentional-setting the tone for a year of growth, empowerment, and transformation.  
 The conference featured a remarkable lineup of women who are making a difference in various fields: Lady S - Born in Alexandra and raised in Hartswater, Northern Cape, Lady S has built a fulfilling life centered around faith, education and leadership. She has been married for 27 years to Pastor Denver Johnny Vorster and together they lead the Restoration Worship Centre. She is also an Academic Coordinator at the University of Johannesburg and a part-time lecturer at Stadio Higher Education. A Certified Transformational Life & Leadership Coach, she has dedicated herself to motivating women to pursue their dreams. In 2023,

she completed her MBA and is set to embark on her PhD in 2025. Desiree "Coach Dee" Nicholls - A passionate Gender-Based Violence (GBV) life coach and the director of the Sisterhood Foundation SA, Coach Dee has committed her life to empowering survivors of GBV. Through her Circles of Support initiative, she provides safe spaces for women to heal, rebuild and thrive. Recognized as a Living Legend in Eldorado Park, her influence extends far beyond her community, offering hope and resilience to countless women across South Africa. Raylene Martin-A High-Performance Coach, Motivational Speaker and Mentoring Expert, Raylene is dedicated to transforming lives. As co-founder of Operation Hope Child, she works to provide early intervention programmes for youth. Through her Getto Girls workshops, she inspires young girls to realize their potential. She also co-directs Solutions by A&R, a business she runs with her husband, proving that resilience and faith can break barriers. Her life philosophy is anchored in Habakkuk 2:3 (KJV): "For the vision is yet for an appointed time... though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come."  
 toward their goals. Each speaker delivered messages that resonated deeply, emphasizing the power of education, self-care and goal-setting. The event also rewarded proactive attendees with coaching vouchers to help them become the best versions of themselves in 2025.

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# Southview bids farewell to two legendary educators



Images: Southview High  
Madam EJ Manganyi



Madam Annatjie van Zyl

After decades of dedicated service, Madam EJ Manganyi and Madam Annatjie van Zyl bid farewell to Southview High, leaving behind legacies that will continue to inspire.

Madam Manganyi, who began her career in 1998, was a beloved educator who taught English, Afrikaans and Life Orientation before taking on Arts & Culture. She served as Head of Department for Tourism and Arts & Culture, promoting cultural activities and supporting needy learners with school uniforms and emotional guidance. Throughout her 27-year career, she was deeply committed to her students and as she retires, she expresses gratitude to all

those she has helped along the way. Similarly, Madam Annatjie van Zyl's 38-year career spanned teaching Biology, Afrikaans and Natural Science. She spent 30 years at Southview, becoming Head of Department for Natural, Life and Physical Sciences in 1998. Her leadership and dedication shaped generations of students. After a brief break in 1990, she returned to teaching and made her mark on Southview, mentoring colleagues and guiding students. Both educators leave an indelible mark on the school, having shaped young minds and contributed immensely to the community. Their retirement marks the end of an era, and their legacies will live on.

## Savoury Iftaar Chicken Breadrolls

- Filling:**  
 2 chicken breast fillets, diced small  
 1 green pepper, diced  
 1 onion sliced thinly  
 salt and pepper  
 garlic and herb seasoning  
 1 tsp garlic paste  
 1 green chilli chopped  
 White sauce  
 1tbs butter  
 1tbs plain flour  
 1 cup milk  
 salt and white pepper



- Method:**  
 \* Melt the butter in a small saucepan.  
 \* Stir in the flour and cook for 1-2 minutes.  
 \* Take the pan off the heat and gradually stir

- in the milk to get a smooth sauce. Return to the heat and, stirring all the time, bring to the boil.  
 \* Simmer gently for 8-10 minutes and season with salt and white pepper.  
 \* Assemble 1 and half loaf of white or brown bread, crust removed.  
 \* Flatten each slice with a rolling pin so it is slightly wider and longer than before.  
 \* Put a tsp of filling on one end and roll up, tucking the sides in as you go.  
 \* Dab a little water on the end of the slice in order to seal the roll.  
 \* Roll in egg and then in breadcrumbs.  
 \* Fry in hot oil and serve with a sauce of your choice.  
 Recipe credit: Hungry for Halaal

## New shoes, new hope: Glenryck SA & Speaker Mthembu uplift Ennerdale's Spectrum Primary learners



Images credit: Speaker Nobuhle Mthembu's X page

On 10 February, Glenryck SA and the Office of the Speaker brought the Back To School campaign to Spectrum Primary in Ennerdale, donating much-needed school shoes to learners in need.

In her speech, Speaker Nobuhle Mthembu emphasised that the goal is to ensure learners step into class with confidence.

Many of the beneficiaries had been wearing torn shoes, old sneakers or sandals. Thanks to strong corporate and government partnerships, these young learners now have the support they need. With brand-new school shoes and words of encouragement from Speaker Mthembu, Spectrum Primary learners are stepping into 2025 with dignity and confidence!

## Thaipusam Kavady celebrated at Eeswarar Kovil Temple



Story and pics: Preyalan Pillay

On 11 and 16 February, devotees gathered at the Eeswarar Kovil Temple in Lenasia South Ext 4 to observe the sacred festival of Thaipusam Kavady. The festival was a resounding success, with the community coming together to celebrate their faith and heritage. As we continue to

observe the sacred festivals of the Hindu calendar, we invite you to join us for the upcoming Shivaratri celebration. All are welcome to participate in the festivities and seek the blessings of Lord Shiva. The event will take place on 26 February at Eeswarar Kovil Temple, Lenasia South Ext 4.

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# Migson Manor's Austin Moyo launches Tafri to connect African talent with opportunities



Austin Moyo at work

On 10 February, this local entrepreneur - dedicated to leveraging technology for economic empowerment in Africa - launched Tafri, a groundbreaking freelancing marketplace designed to connect skilled professionals with businesses seeking talent.

With a background in business development and digital solutions, Moyo, has long recognized the challenges faced by many African professionals in securing consistent work opportunities.

He told **GLOBE POST**: "Africa has an abundance of skilled professionals, but many struggle to find consistent work. Tafri was born to bridge this gap by providing a secure and efficient freelancing marketplace where individuals can showcase their talents and businesses can easily find skilled professionals." The platform, whose name stands for "Talented Africa," aims to unlock the vast potential of the continent's workforce. Unlike traditional freelancing platforms that

focus predominantly on tech-driven jobs, Tafri extends its reach to include workers in the informal sector, such as artisans, farmers and technicians. By doing so, it provides opportunities to a broader segment of the population, ensuring that professionals across industries can connect with potential employers. Tafri operates as an online marketplace where businesses post jobs and freelancers apply for work. For more information, visit [www.tafri.co.za](http://www.tafri.co.za) or [connect@tafri.co.za](mailto:connect@tafri.co.za)

## GOD'S THOUGHTS ABOUT US

When a woman is expecting a baby, her thoughts for that child is always good, loving, caring and healthy and prosperous. Do you know that God's thoughts for you, is for you to be safe; to be happy and healthy and to bring you to a place of prosperity?

He doesn't have evil, ugly thoughts of you or thoughts to harm you or to see bad things happen to you. He always has good thoughts for you and about you (**Jeremiah 29:11**). Even if you make terrible mistakes, He will not treat you according to those mistakes and sins. When Jesus was on the Cross, He said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do" (**Luke 23:34**). He provided a way out for you. Because of what Jesus has done, He will never have curse thoughts about you. What are YOUR thoughts about YOU? Is it thoughts of 'I am good for nothing,' 'I am a

failure' or 'I am so poor?' God doesn't want these thoughts to rule your future. Get rid of them. God's thoughts are always directed towards your future, how you will end up. He knows the end from the beginning. He created you, remember! Therefore, He is always working with you to bring you to that end plan. In fact, His thoughts are so precious and numerous that if we try to count it, it is more in number than the sand (**Psalms 139:17-18**). Oh my God, this is unfathomable! So, if God's thoughts are for your future to be surrounded with peace and prosperity; a future filled with hope and not of suffering or disaster, can HE now be blamed for that death, accident, loss of job, failure? He is not to be blamed. It makes us to be blamed and the big bad devil. Why then did the Israelites go into exile almost a 1500 years ago? Simply because they broke Covenant with God by turning to idolatry.

In the Old Covenant, God had blessings and curses in place (In the New Covenant, Jesus went to the Cross, gave His life for ALL and for curses to be destroyed). After many Warnings through major and minor Prophets, Israel went into exile, but God brought them back to the land of Promise. He is a God of His Word! God's thoughts are very deep. We have to search the scriptures to find His thoughts. You will find thoughts of comfort to calm you down and feel secure if you are anxious. Jesus knows our thoughts. Sometimes they are evil and unkind. But He doesn't condemn us but give us wisdom through His Words to help us get rid of them. At times, we must give God permission to search our hearts and allow us to see our secret faults. His thoughts are higher. If you want to do better business, work with Him. His thoughts are to give us an blessed, hopeful future.



By Ps Radha Moodley  
Faith Bible College

## Hanumanji 41-Day fast during Saturn's major shift: Strength & spiritual renewal



By Pandita Lucy Sigaban - SA Hindus

Devotees around the world will embark on the sacred 41-day fast in honour of Hanumanji, commencing on 3 March and culminating on Hanuman Jayanthi 12 April.

This revered fast, observed for over 400 years, continues to gain global recognition as a powerful spiritual practice to invoke Hanuman's blessings, the Dispeller of Distress. Some of the benefits of the 41-day fast include warding off evil and negativity, serving as a perfect remedy for a negative effect by any planet, promoting physical, mental and emotional healing, invoking Hanuman's presence, aiding in recovery from illness, calming the mind and awakening consciousness. This year, during the fast we witness a major shift as Saturn enters Pisces on 29 March, bringing significant karmic changes. This transition influences emotions, discipline and perseverance. Chanting the Hanuman Chalisa together with "Om Sham Shanishcharaya Namah" can mitigate Saturn's malefic effects, promoting stability and inner peace. The Hanuman Chalisa is particularly potent during this time, providing resilience and clarity. During this sacred period of the 41-day fast, we also observe Masi Magham, Holika Dahan, NauGraha Shanti Fast, Ugadhi (Telugu New Year), Chaitra Navratri, Ram Naumi, Panguni Uthiram and culminating with Hanuman Jayanthi. With Saturn in mind, SA Hindus will embark on the yearly 888 Hamper drive from 29 March to 28 November. We turn to you once again for your support to help us reach people in need. Contributions can be made to SA Hindus NPC, Nedbank - Strijdom Park, Account - 1220599212 Ref: 888/Your cell number. SA Hindus will also continue with the Hanuman Chalisa distribution, last year we managed to distribute 150 000 copies. Should you wish to assist us with distribution. Kindly connect with us on WhatsApp. As this revered tradition continues, devotees are urged to participate wholeheartedly, embracing Hanumanji's divine energy. Jai Hanuman!

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**Ramadan Kareem**

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## Let's get Livahn to Durb's pool championships!

Support his fundraiser concert this Saturday...



Image: Kubashnee Moodley

Livahn Moodley is looking forward to the SA National Blackball Championship in KZN

In a heartwarming wave of support, our local community is rallying behind 15-year-old Livahn Moodley - a Grade 10 learner at Lotus School of Excellence, in his quest to represent Gauteng at the South African National Blackball Championship in Durban, KZN.

More local artists have joined an excellent lineup of musicians to support Livahn's journey this coming Saturday, 1 March, at Lotus School of Excellence.

This Eastern Extravaganza aims to raise funds for his participation in the national tournament and promises a night filled with top-tier entertainment.

Join in and be part of Livahn's inspiring journey to the top! Tickets are available at Spears Restaurant on Sheffield Street, Lenasia South.

His journey of excellence has seen him shine in multiple disciplines, proving his dedication and talent. In 2022, Livahn

claimed the title of Grade 7 Johannesburg District and Gauteng Provincial Technology Olympiad Champion.

His academic brilliance continued in 2024 when he secured 1st place in the Grade 9 District Technology Quiz and emerged as the top Grade 9 performer.

Beyond the classroom, Livahn is a passionate athlete. He is a Level 2 swimmer with Atlantis Swimming Club and a Gauteng Blackball Junior Pool Player.

His prowess in blackball pool was on full display when he won the Under-15 Gauteng Blackball Singles Tournament, earning his provincial colours.

Determined to push his limits, Livahn took on an even greater challenge this year, competing in the Under-23 Gauteng Blackball Pool Trials.

For more information, call Livahn's mother, Kubashnee Moodley, on 082 499 3185. See you there!

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Want to join? Contact: Lameez: 079 602 5279 or Nazeem on 082 760 9110