



Tsogo High School Alumni Society

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TSOGO ALUMNI



3rd Annual Careers Expo

Saturday, 26th September 2009

Tsogo Secondary School - Mmakau Village



A word from the Executive Committee



Dear Friends of Tsogo,

We are very excited to give you a report-back on the careers expo we held at the school on Saturday September 26th, 2009. We firstly wish to thank all presenters, alumni, donors, represented institutions and companies, the school and teachers and all learners who attended the event.

The day kicked off with welcoming addresses by Mrs. Rapodile (school guidance teacher) who spoke on behalf of the school. Mr. Pono Mogoera (alumni society deputy chairperson) spoke on behalf of the alumni society. In his address, Mr. Mogoera urged the students to keep their focus and use the resources provided to them by alumni. He stressed the importance of 'time' and urged learners to use theirs wisely.

The special welcoming address was delivered by Sr. Colmcille (Tsogo's former principal) who spoke firmly to the learners and urged them to keep disciplined. She went on to thank all the learners present for sacrificing their Saturday to attend the expo. She told the learners that each one of them had the potential to achieve the very best in their disciplines and that it was never too late to work hard to achieve their best in 2009.

The alumni society was however disappointed by the lower than expected learner turnout (especially Grade 11 and 12) but firmly believe that those who attended got the best from the expo.

Following the welcoming addresses, the event promptly kicked off with presentations from academic institutions. The learners were split into groups and attended the various informative talks and presentations. These were followed after tea / coffee break by career and company talks which went on throughout the day until 15h30.

We wish to thank all academic institutions, companies and their representatives, donors, alumni, teachers, vice principal, guidance teacher, Sr. Colmcille and the school, learners and all who assisted in the careers expo. You all sacrificed time out of your Saturday to spend the day imparting your knowledge to the learners of Tsogo Secondary School – we thank you!

There is a proverb that says that **“the best time to plant a tree was twenty years ago... the next best time is now!”** We hope we have planted some trees of knowledge in the learners who attended the expo.

Thank you to all donors, supporters, online & social networking team, alumni society executive members and all involved in putting this event together.

We hope you'll enjoy the pictures presented to you in this report-back. You can also visit the website and 'Tsogo Past & Present' Facebook page for more pictures and comments.

Thank you once again for your care, interest and support.

Tsogo Alumni Society Executive

Thank you to the following participating institutions, companies and presenters:

Academic Institutions:

- **University of Pretoria** (Admissions Office) – represented by **Mr. Rirhandzu Golele**
- **University of Pretoria** (Faculty of Law) - represented by **Mr. Realeboga Tshetlo**
- **University of Limpopo** (MEDUNSA campus) – represented by **Mr. Collins Mangena**
- **CTI Education Group** – represented by **Mr. Errol Makwe**
- **Learn 3D Digital Media Academy** – represented by **Mr. Gustavo Edward de Mûelenaere Corrêa**
- Material support and information packs from **Universities of Cape Town, Johannesburg and Rhodes**

Companies and other Institutions:

- **Rand Merchant Bank** (Investment Banking) – represented by **Ms. Isabella Monene**
- **Pebble Bed Modular Reactor** (Engineering) – represented by **Messrs Andre Le Roux, Guy Richards and Pono Mogoera**
- **Stanlib Asset Management** (Investment Management) – represented by **Mr. Thabo Ncalo**
- **Pretoria News** (Media & Journalism) - represented by **Mr. Jos Charle**
- **SAP** (Information Systems & Technology) – represented by **Mr. Moses Mokgoko**
- **Gijima Ast** (Information Systems & Technology) - represented by **Ms. Motlalepula Phakedi**





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Companies and other Institutions:

- **Stats S.A.** (Statistics) – represented by **Mr. Kevin Parry**
- **CSIR** (Procurement) – represented by **Mr. Prince Kotu**
- **Outsurance** (Insurance & Customer Service) – represented by **Mr. Prince Kotu**
- **Boitech** (Entrepreneurship) represented by founder **Mr. Botshelo Letswalo**
- **Department of Home Affairs** (Government/Public Service) – represented by **Mr. Rametsi**
- All other Tsogo alumni who came and shared personal academic and professional experiences.

Financial donations and material support:

- **Class of 1987 Alumni** for a large donation of R5,000– represented by **Messrs Vincent.Kganyago, Derrick Letebele, Amos Hlabioa, Billy Sikwane, Moshabi Pitsoane** and many others. Thank you all!
- **Mrs. Didintle Motloung (sponsored 4 Expo seats)**
- **Alumni Executive members for financial and other donations**
- All represented companies for brochures, booklets, banners, gifts and other material support

Morning Welcome Addresses

Mrs. Rapodile (School Guidance teacher)

Mr. Pono Mogoera (Alumni Society – Dep. Chairperson)

Special address: Sr. Colmcille (Former Principal & SGB Member)



Academic & Study Presentations



Study options and Admission Requirements – Mr. Rirhandzu Golele (Senior Student Advisor)



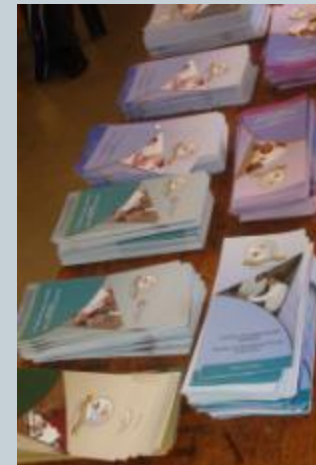
University of Pretoria (Faculty of Law)

Study options & Careers in Law - Mr. Realeboga Tshetlo (Final year LLB student)



University of Limpopo (MEDUNSA Campus)

Study options in the School of Medicine – Mr. Collins Mangena (Marketing & Communications: Schools Liaison)



CTI Education Group

Mr. Errol Makwe (Student Advisor)



CTI offers
quality, career-
orientated
qualifications in
the fields of:

IT
Commerce
Creative Arts &
Communication
Law & Social
Sciences

throughout its 12
campuses



Learn 3D Digital Media Academy

Study options & Careers in Graphic Design

Mr. Gustavo Edward de Mûelenaere Corrêa (Autodesk Certified Instructor & Evaluator)



Career Presentations



Rand Merchant Bank (RMB)

Careers in Investment Banking – Ms. Isabella Monene

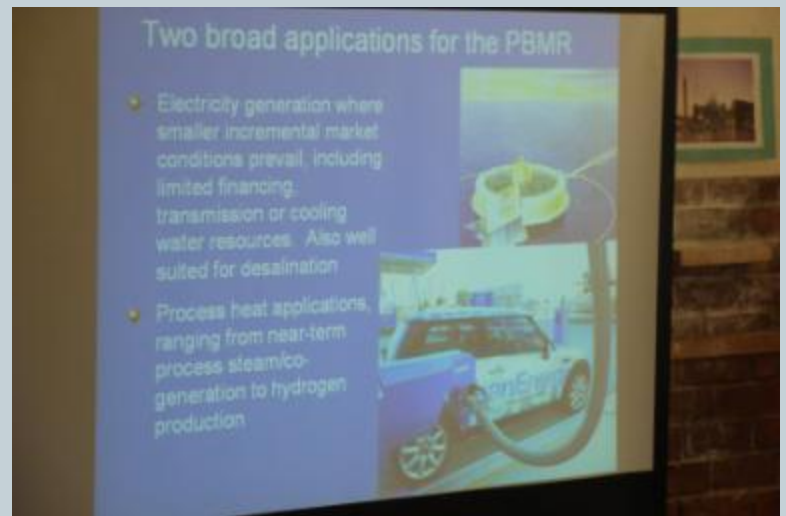




Pebble Bed Modular Reactor (PBMR)

Careers in Engineering and Nuclear Science

Messrs Andre Le Roux, Guy Richards and Pono Mogoera



STANLIB Asset Management

Careers in Investment / Asset Management – Mr. Thabo Ncalo (Investment Analyst)



Pretoria News

Careers in Media and Journalism – Mr. Jos Charle (Executive Editor)



The learners at Tsogo were fortunate to learn about Journalism and careers in Media from Mr. Jos Charle, a career newsman who has worked as News Editor on the Pretoria News and as Pretoria Bureau Chief for the Sowetan.

In May of this year Mr. Jos Charle, currently Executive Editor of the Pretoria News was elected as the deputy chairperson of the National Press Club – Pretoria.

SAP

Careers in Information Systems & Technology – Mr. Moses Mokgoko



Mr. Mokgoko is a Class of 1998 alumnus and an active member of the alumni society. He presented on careers in IT but also spent a lot of time talking to learners about life experiences at university and in the workplace.

SAP also supplied chocolates to the learners which were very quickly taken up.

Gijima AST

Careers in Information Systems & Technology – Ms. Motlalepula Phakedi



Statistics S.A.

Careers in Statistics – Mr. Kevin Parry (Marketing Division)



Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)

Careers in Procurement – Mr. Prince Kotu



Mr. Prince Kotu (Class of 1997 alumnus and alumni society executive member) presented to learners on careers in Procurement and Supply Chain Management. Mr. Kotu currently works for the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research.

The CSIR was kind enough to prepare gift and information packs for the learners containing:

- 4 booklets (Research and Development, Science Interest, Supply Chain Management: Procurement and the CSIR Career Field brochure)
- A Notepad; A Pouch(to put pens, cash etc.)
- A CD detailing different careers , both within CSIR and across most professional fields of study, and
- A lever arch file.

OUTSURANCE

Careers in Short-term Insurance & Customer Service – Mr. Kabelo Modikwe



Mr. Kabelo Modikwe (Class of 1997 alumnus and society exec. member) presented on careers in short-term insurance and client service.

Mr. Modikwe has vast client service experience having worked both in South Africa and the United Kingdom.

BOITECH

Entrepreneurship – Mr. Botshelo Letswalo



Mr. Botshelo Letswalo (Class of 1997 alumnus and society executive member) who runs his own telecommunications business presented to learners about experiences starting and running a business. Mr. Letswalo had a good response from the groups of learners he presented to and spoke and answered questions for close to two hours with one group.

Mr. Letswalo interacted at length with a young Tsogo entrepreneur who was very interesting in learning more about business and electronics engineering. Our young entrepreneur currently runs a small electronics repairs outfit over weekends to generate some extra money and will receive some guidance and advice from Mr. Letswalo going forward.

Lighter Moments...



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