

GALA DINNER- WOMEN PROFESSIONAL



This year's World International Women's day celebration was an elegant event held at the popular Harry Gwala Multi-purpose center, in Zamdela Sasolburg.

The event attracted well renowned individuals which included the Minister of Basic Education, Me Angie Motshekga, MEC of COGTA, Me Olly Mlamleli, Mec Social Development, Me Sisi Ntombela, HOD Social Development , Me Matilda Gasela as well as Mayors from all District Municipalities.

The purpose of the day was to encourage women to rise above their circumstances and to keep pushing forward. The MEC Me Sisi Ntombela wished all women happy International women's Day. She told the 200 guests in attendance that the event was hosted as a symbol of appreciation for all the hard work they do. She also stressed that the time had come for all women to stand together and support each other through holding hands and pulling together. She also made reference to the men's dialogue which was held later that day, in which she informed the guests of the pledge the man had made to "never abuse women again and to always respect women"

The hall was graced by women professionals from all walks of life, who are passionate and committed to their jobs. These are women who serve their communities with diligence and true compassion.

The packed guest list included the Honourable Minister Ms. Angie Motsega who advised women to look after their 'happiness, growth and overall well-being'. The other important element she raised was the importance of knowing ourselves as well as to identify things that are wrong in our lives so as to not develop bad personalities. Her token of appreciation was further extended to hardworking women in uniform for their relentless efforts in keeping the country safe.

Women of all professions were given a standing ovation, applauding them for consistently rising above their situations, working hard to provide a life for their families.



Performances for the evening included the beautiful Ms. Telenki who gave a powerful rendition of Pavarotti's you raised me up 'which had most women in tears. The song came from an emotional place which touched many hearts. The rainbow tenors also sang their own rendition of 'nessundorma' which gave them a standing ovation from everyone.