

## Maqheku a ya tsoteliwa

Boqheku ha se nako ya ho itlohella feela le ho dula o ntse o touta, o ngongorehile hape o bolawa ke bodutu. Sena se bontshitswe ke mokgatlo wa Mmokeng wa Maqheku o leng Zamdela, Sasolburg. Mokgatlo ona o bokelletse mmoho maqheku kahare ho motse ho ntshana seinong le ho iketsetsa mesebetsi e mengata eo ba ka iphedisang ka yona le ho intsha bodutu.

Mmokeng wa Maqheku e maikemisetsong a ho hahamella pele le ho fihlella ditabatabelong tsa ona le morerong wa wona wa ho kopanya maqheku, ho a hlokomela le ho a ntshetsa pele hammoho le ho a bona a bolokehile. Mokgatlo ona o thehilwe sebakeng sa Harry Gwala hona moo Zamdela ka selemo sa 2010 ke Mieta Mpholo ka baka la tjheseho eo a bileng le yona ya ho kopanya maqheku, kamora ho elellwa hore bongata ba bona ba dutse



fela malapeng e leng seo hangata se ba tlisetsang ho ingamangana le ho touta boholo ba nako, ka baka la maemo ao ba iphumanang ba le ho ona.

Mokgatlo ona o boetse o matlafatsa maqheku ka tsebo le ho ba kgothalletsa ho iketsetsa mesebetsi ya matsoho le e meng e mengata. Hara mesebetsi eo mokgatlo ona o iketsetsang yona ke ho roka diaparo ka motjhini le ka matsoho, ho jala mefutafuta ya dijalo tshingwaneng ya bona, ekasitana le ho etsa dijo tsa makanekane tsa dijalo, jeme le tse ding.

Molaodi le Motsamaisi wa mokgatlo ona Moruti Ben Msimanga o hlalositse ha mokgatlo ona o ikemiseditse ho finyella tse kgolo tabatabelong ena ya ona ya ho kopanya maqheku. "Mokgatlo o lakatsa ho bona maqheku ka boholo ba ona a kopane mmoho ka kutlwano le lerato ho iketsetsa mesebetsi eo ba ka kgonang ho etsa ka bo bona. Mokgatlo o labalabela ho ipona o ahile sebaka sa maqheku, moo ho tla thuswang maqheku a hlokang le a hlekefetswang" ho rialo Mosemanga. Mokgatlo ona o boetse o thusa maqheku ka ho ba tsholela dijo habedi ka letsatsi. Ha jwale mokgatlo ona o na le maloko a 133 kahara motse wa Zamdela, mme o ipeletsa ho maqheku ohle ho tla inwesa ka nkgo tse etsahalang mokgatlong ona. - Tlaleho ka Ouma Mabaso.

## Rapist slapped with life imprisonment

**h**e Kroonstad Regional Court 27-yearsentenced old Lehlohonolo Deeu to life imprisonment for a rape he committed on 10 September 2019. It is alleged that the suspect was hired to transport kids to a nearby holiday resort for the holidays. While at the resort, he pursued the 13-year-old romantically, which she refused. Upon departure, the suspect ensured that he transported all the kids to their homes, leaving the 13-year-old behind in the vehicle while he went inside a tavern.

The victim, whom he left in the car, requested that the suspect take her home as she wanted to use the restrooms. Furthermore, he told the victim to go inside the tavern to use the bathroom and he followed her. He then grabbed the opportunity and raped the suspect in one of the toilets at the tavern, whereupon he took her home.

Upon arrival at home, the 13-yearold victim told her mother about the series of events. They went to the police and and opened a case of rape against the suspect.

The Investigating Officer Sergeant Sellwane Moodisa of the Kroonstad Family Violence, Child Protection and Sexual Offenses (FCS) Unit worked relentlessly to ensure that Lehlohonolo Deeu was brought to book for the act he committed. The might of the law caught up with his deeds and on Tuesday 23 May 2023 he was sentenced to life imprisonment for rape by the Kroonstad Regional Court.



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## Government mourns passing of veteran journalist



The Government Communication and Information System (GCIS) has passed its sincere condolences to the family, friends and colleagues of broadcaster, writer and political commentator Eusebius McKaiser who passed away on last Tuesday. "This is a deeply sad moment for the communications sector in our country, including government communicators with whom Eusebius McKaiser interacted on many platforms," said GCIS Acting Director-General Michael Currin. Currin said McKaiser's untimely death has robbed his family and his audiences of someone who lived life large and who was a forthright public voice against discrimination, inequality, prejudice and corruption. "He was passionate about changing the lives of people, and leveraged every communication channel at his disposal to have his fearless say on matters of public interest and to create spaces where fellow citizens could express themselves.

"Eusebius was a close and critical student of our socio-political landscape and his contribution to our understanding of society will be missed," Currin said.

McKaiser, who was a regular contributor to TimesLIVE, was born in Makhanda to a family of little means. He first enrolled at Rhodes University in 1997 to study towards a BA in law and philosophy.

An honours and then a masters in philosophy, both with distinction, followed before he was selected for a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford University.

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