

# INCREDIBLE

2<sup>nd</sup> Edition



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## About us

Management Leadership Talent Search (MALTAS) is a student club operating under the University of Namibia (UNAM) as an umbrella body. MALTAS was founded in 2011 by Dr. Wilfred Isak April and Mr. Petrus Stephanus Erwee.

## Vision

We aspire to provide a leadership foundation for our students to work independently and become confident, aware and engaging citizens.

## Mission

The mission of this esteemed club is to promote academic excellence. In its nature as a leadership club, it aims at achieving the following:

- o Promoting, improving and developing the interest in management / business/ entrepreneurial spirit in the UNAM community.
- o Enforcing a better understanding about business in the African cultural context in the UNAM community.
- o Identifying, motivating, and promoting students with the finest talent at the University of Namibia.
- o To support the group activities of the University of Namibia.

## Core values/ MALTAS culture

- o Commitment, honesty, integrity, Reliability and Accountability in all our dealings.
- o Respect and cultural diversity of each country presented in the UNAM community.
- o Safe and friendly working environment for our members to interact within.
- o To overcome adversities that we may encounter within our surrounding.

## MALTAS 2013 CALENDAR

|                                                                      |                  |                               |                  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Announcement of 2013 Nominees<br>(60 students compete for 25 places) | 15-December-2012 | Capetown (Stellenbosch)       | July 2013        |
| 2013 Nominee Training Month                                          | Jan/Feb 2013     | Mandela Week                  | August 2013      |
| Registration MALTAS table (Official Opening)                         | Jan/Feb 2013     | 2014 Talent Search            | 9 September 2013 |
| Interviews of 2013 Nominees                                          | 15 February 2013 | Keetmanshoop (Cancer Run)     | 10-15 Sept. 2013 |
| Cancer Party                                                         | 1 March 2013     | Skorpion Zinc Leadership Week | October 2013     |
| Award ceremony (2013 Members take office)                            | 13 March 2013    | Visit Patron (Nangolo Mbumba) | October 2013     |
| Sossesvlei Trip                                                      | 15 March 2013    | Gala Dinner                   | October 2013     |
| Oshikango-Solar Stove                                                | April 2013       | Announcement of 2014 Nominees | 15 December 2013 |
| Spitzkoppe (School Donation)                                         | April 2013       | International Trip            | Jan/Feb 2014     |
|                                                                      |                  | -Brazil/Italy/Germany         |                  |

NB: Monthly Cancer ward visits are compulsory for all 2013 members !



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Skorpion Zinc is situated 25km outside Rosh Pinah and approximately 800 kmv from the capital city, Windhoek.

In a dynamic and globalized world the only sustainable advantage is consistent innovation. Our strategy is to continuously raise the bar and push our achievements in every facet of our operations.

This we do by maintaining our values and committing to sustainable development as our guiding principle. This is in line with our mission that states that we would like to be the producer, employer and partner of choice, as well as a leading producer for the global zinc market.

Over the past year, we have taken Skorpion Zinc closer to the people by embracing the principles of transparency and corporate governance, as well as increasing our corporate social responsibility spending. We believe in giving back to our communities and changing lives across Namibia.

Our CSR vision is to enhance the quality of life and economic well-being of communities around our operation with a focus on:

- Health, Education, Livelihood and Agriculture
- An integrated rural development programme
- Infrastructure development

Education is one of the most important methods of alleviating poverty. Therefore a significant percentage of Skorpion Zinc's CSR resources is spent on educational projects at all levels. Giving people and communities the tools to stand on their own feet and make a living, providing education opportunities and bursaries, allows us to make a real difference where it matters most.

For this reason, we are excited to announce that Skorpion Zinc will continue their partnership with the UNAM MALTAS Club in 2013, for the 3rd consecutive year. We believe in the ideals of promoting and developing the leadership potentials and entrepreneurial opportunities of young Namibians. Besides this Newsletter that we are sponsoring, Skorpion Zinc has in the past sponsored and will in 2013 sponsor activities such as the leadership workshop and the Skorpion Zinc Maltas Distinguished Leadership Award.

We would also like to use this opportunity to congratulate MALTAS on their achievements in 2012 and most especially for being awarded the Best Overall Society Award of 2012 at the University of Namibia.

We wish all the MALTAS leaders and members another year of success !

## FOREWORD

Once again it is my honor and privilege to introduce the second edition of the annual MALTAS Magazine titled "Incredible".

I am Nangolo Mbumba the Official Friend of the UNAM MALTAS Club 2013. It is titled incredible because I strongly believe that our young people at the University of Namibia have excelled in all spheres of their lives, be it academically or through community service.

The MALTAS Magazine is designed to honor and recognize the efforts and the leadership potential of young students at the University of Namibia. MALTAS Magazine 2012/3 is officially sponsored by Skorpion Zinc Ltd. We believe that the content of this magazine is much about the future as it is also about the recent past.

Everything in here affects you in some way, because everything we do is aimed at meeting your needs.

This issue covers a broad range of topics, but one event that stood out the most was our students visit to the Mauritius Island where they were impacting lives positively through a three week community service.

MALTAS is about continuously improving the lives of our young students, while enhancing their leadership potential at the same time.

What is good enough today will certainly not be good enough tomorrow.

I am particularly pleased to tell you that the **2012 Maltas Team** has been awarded the **best overall society of the academic year** at the University of Namibia. These awards have a special distinction for us.

Please tell us what you think about this edition, by filling out the short questionnaire. Enjoy a quiet but exhilarating read through this issue of "Incredible".

We wish you a fruitful and productive 2013.

Warm Regards,

Nangolo Mbumba  
SWAPO Secretary-General  
MSc Microbiology  
MALTAS Official Friend 2013



## SUCCEEDING AGAINST THE ODDS

a message from Stellenbosch University

Dr. Leslie van Rooi

Deputy Director: Centre for Student Affairs

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Stellenbosch University



Universities are interesting spaces. They are spaces where students have the opportunity to grow and develop as part of their journey to become graduates in service of society. They are places where students have the opportunity to meet new people, where they can jump at new opportunities and explore different avenues.

They are places where thinkers shape each other and where the talk of the town is new ideas and fresh opportunities.

Or at least this is what it ought to be...

At the particular age of their lives, it is safe to say that parents/guardians entrust their children to universities to further their development. In Student Affairs one becomes acutely aware of the personal development of students when you interact with them and their parents/guardians about personal matters.

Conversations around death of family members, personal crisis, health issues and financial needs almost always connect you directly with the living world of students and make you realise that we cannot but stand in relation with each other. For this reason universities have an obligation to link with the living world of students as part of our role and responsibility to provide a platform for their development.

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In the sometimes very difficult and personal conversations with students and parents, it often becomes clear that the success of students - an academic, social and emotional level - sometimes happen against the odds, and this is true of many if not all universities...

At Stellenbosch University we annually award specific bursaries to deserving students who are successful despite the fact their personal circumstances dictate that they should fail. When reading through the motivational letters of these inspiring students, one becomes acutely aware of the fact that all of them are guided by an internal drive to succeed.

They push themselves through personal motivation to rise above their circumstances to achieve.

Students would do well to discover and develop their internal motivation themselves. Too often our students do not believe in themselves. They struggle to find what motivates them and to connect that to their performance, development and Success at university. This leads not only to a lack of personal motivation and self-belief, but also to the overwhelming inability to overcome life challenges and personal difficulties. In those cases the odds then succeed and not the individual.

We cannot deny that many of our students face enormous challenges and that these challenges have a huge impact on their lives and thus also on their studies at university. All of us have different ways of dealing with challenges. Even though universities increasingly provide support for students to succeed, both inside and outside of the classroom, the onus and responsibility for growth and success to a large degree still depend on the response of the individual to challenges.

Lessons learnt from students that succeed against the odds are clear: personal drive and motivation stand central in experiences linked to either success or failure. Let us therefore continue to be inspired by stories of success against the odds.



# “Dare to Dream”

By: Wilfred Isak April  
PhD. Entrepreneurship



Without question being part of MALTAS 2012, is these young students passport to infinite possibilities. When I think about sixty (60) students from across all faculties of the University of Namibia, who were competing to be part of MALTAS 2012, I know the selected 25 (twenty five) students for 2012, feels truly blessed. I must thank each one of my students for their quiet strength, determination, drive to svucceed and for simply believing in the vision and aspirations which the MALTAS Club strives to achieve.

As we approached the last few days of MALTAS 2012 in office and prepare for the 2013 team to take office, I would love each one of my brilliant students to take a few minutes and look around – ahead, beside and behind. Each of these views demands something from you. In your one year in MALTAS, you must have experience enormous change in your understanding of leadership. MALTAS is not the end but the beginning of learning and change. I have realized that people who succeed most in their careers are those who can constantly transform themselves. Transformation is not so much a process, as a deep seated desire to change ourselves, circumstances and environment. Based on my personal reflections and experiences from those whom I learned daily, I would like to share with you how to make

continuous transformation possible. I hope each one of my readers find this advice useful. You should dare to dream, define what you stand for, never lose zest and curiosity, always strive for excellence, build self-confidence, have a broader social vision and never let success go to your head. **First, you have got to have a dream.** Dreams are powerful internal motivators, because great achievements are created twice - First in your own mind and then in concrete form. I cannot think of a single transformation or achievement, be it individual or social that did not begin with a dream. Dreams do not only enable us in seeing before they happen, but they also give us the passion and the energy to make them reality.

**Second, stay on course even if you stumble.** When everything seems to go wrong, you can either give up or you can let misfortune transform you into something stronger.



The difference between great achievement and mediocrity is not extraordinary talent or intelligence, but preaseverance. In fact, dreams, preaseverance, persistence and patience make a winning combination. If we would like to see ourselves as heroes we must have the ability to walk the extra mile, and as long as we are able to do just that, you can never be defeated.

**Finally contribute in every situation.** The only way to keep learning is by contributing. You do not need to be a leader all the time. When a formation of birds flies across long distances, each bird gets the chance to be a leader.

This ensures that no bird gets too tired, yet the formation keeps moving. It really does not matter whether you are the President or an ordinary member or citizen; you are still part of the team. Leadership is not about exercising power as much as it is about contributing. This can only happen when you realize that leadership is not a privilege but a responsibility.

My dear readers, the love we have for others and first ourselves, truly shows what a great institution of learning we have to call our own. The MALTAS 2012 team has plenty to be proud of; amongst many others the **Overall Best UNAM Society for 2012!** Well Done !!!



Today these young people will walk away with memories they will forever cherish and working with international organizations such as the Mauritius Family Planing and Welfare Organization, to working closely with the Cancer Association of Namibia, impacting lives positively. Sponsors, parents and friends I can assure you that the time of your children has been well spend, and their knowledge about Africa, has indeed given these young people the power and determination

to face challenges head on. At their inauguration last year the 2012 team assured us that we do not know what we have led ourselves into by choosing them, and now I can say this opportunity gave our young people to be examples of change, not only at the UNAM Campus, but broader **World**.



The following organizations are most heartfelt to mention: Dinapama Manufacturing and Supplies, Wimpy Namibia, UNAM, O'Portuga Restaurant, Skorpion Zinc, Cancer Association of Namibia, Digital Foto Center, Ster Kinekor, Shoprite Checkers Groups, Parents of the 2012 Maltas Members for opening this window of Opportunity and always accepting our students with open arms.

Now you know their story, so you know their glory !!

**Dream, Dare & Achieve !**

Dr. Wilfred Isak April  
PhD Entrepreneurship

# “My Life after Maltas-Presidency”

By: Lawrence Nguvu



Life after MALTAS has been quite interesting journey for me ever since I handed over my Presidency in 2012 at the second Maltas Award ceremony to current President Mr. James Chimoto. Being a part of the esteemed club is indeed a passport to infinite possibilities. As I closed one important chapter in my life, I am pretty sure that it paved way for another.

It is because of MALTAS that I am what I am today. There are various life changing lessons that I have carried with me from my time in MALTAS 2011 and these see me through every day of my life.

It has always been my wish as the founding President of MALTAS 2011 to see the club grow further and achieve greater things in the realm of academic excellence and leadership, I must say that I am proud to see MALTAS reaching greater heights every day, changing lives of people not only at UNAM but troughoutout the country by extraordinary work.

It is very motivating to wake up in the morning and see MALTAS in the newspaper being honored for their work. It came as no surprise to me this year to hear that MALTAS won best society of the year 2012 at UNAM - CONGRATULATIONS ! There are moments in life when we all think back and say to ourselves: “if only I could go back in time and re-live that moment, I would do better, I would ran faster, I would pass that exam”.

This is living proof that what we accomplish in life is only a tip of the iceberg of things we are capable of doing !

I further extend my gratitude and thanks to Dr. April, Mr. Erwee, MALTAS sponsors, University of Namibia and the community at large for your never ending support.

I wish you all nothing but the very best.

# “I know, I’m blessed”

By: Davis Tokoda



Every selfless leader wants to make a positive impact and leave knowing he gave his mantle to Elisha and hoped that a double portion of his spirit would fall upon him.

My journey as Vice President of MALTAS 2011 came with a lot of selfless sacrifice for the good of the Club and also in finding joy in watching others shine.

When the time came to pass on the leadership to the presidency of 2012, I thought of the goodbye between Elijah and Elisha. I had fought a good fight and my biggest hope was that the team of 2012 would do morethan we had done.

After leaving office, life was a bit uneasy. They say you don’t really know what you have until it leaves you. Well it’s true. MALTAS kept me busy and brought the best out of me.

It made a difference in my life. It changed my destiny forever. Especially the Skorpion Zinc Leadership Weekend of 2011, I was inspired by our trainer Mr. Saayman.

## "A Soldier at War"

By: James Chimoto  
President 2012



His words to live by are simple, what is impossible, nothing. He believes that people that told you it was impossible lied to you. I thought to myself how many times people had told me it was impossible and I believed them.

I belived their lies. When one believes then that means they don't grow or move towards whatever they seek. When you take the courage to believe it is the truth, then your mind will be opened to the door of possibility.

**That is what MALTAS is about possibility. It gives a refreshing perception of being more than you can be. It makes you reach far and beyond.**

It's also about making a difference in whatever you do, big or small even when people don't believe in you. My term may have ended but every day i wake up with that feeling and belief and I am inspired to take on the world. Nothing is impossible when you apply yourself.

I thank Dr. April and Mr. Erwee for the wonderful opportunity they gave me.

I also thank all our sponsors for all their support. To the MALTAS team of 2011 for their hard work and dedication, I am eternally grateful. "I know I am truly blessed !"

I especially appreciate the President of 2011 Lawrence Nguvu for a sensational partnership.

I wish for a double portion of blessings for all the work we did to the MALTAS team of 2012.

You know where you want to be, but you have no clue how to get there. Perhaps your vision in unclear, your purpose still stands undefined.

On top of it all your relationships are failing, be it school relationships or associating with others. If these scenarios feel familiar then you are immediately in the middle of war.

Your mother and father, with all their good intentions did not prepare you for the meantime. It's not because they didn't want, but they could not. No one can prepare you to help you find what are looking for as they say in MALTAS CLUB "it's a personal journey, and you can only walk it alone because you know what you want".

What you need are keys and guidelines to join the army, and then battle through and stand up in the end to say "I did it, an no one can stop me" just like the way the famous saying goes, "if you got it, flaunt it".

The question is what are the keys exactly? Every living being wants to experience the light of success. The trouble is what windows of our hearts and minds are streaked with past tough experiences, fear and self-doubt to move on as we avoid disappointments. What we must do, is fight and expect better results each time.

We must mop and sheap away the stuff that trips us up, keeps us confused and makes the mean time miserable.

The war I'm talking about does not mean physical brutalization but a war of "challenges" one faces in life, be it love, school, family, keeping up with MALTAS, you name it.

Take with the keys or armament detailed below about a soldier at war and you will be able to open many doors and reach the light.

**> Like a soldier at war, never leave your weapon behind**

Be well equipped when you go for a battle, if it's an examination, carry with, your pen, and calculator and pencil so that you don't end up asking other people for weapons to attack your own battles.

**> Like a soldier at war, never let the opponent walk away**

Opportunities come once in a life time. If you get the chance to be in school, why waste time on the wrong things, fight and graduate because there are others who want such opportunities to destroy the opponent and get the victory. Know that victory lies in your hands and it's up to you to grab it.

**> Like a soldier at war, never leave your team-mates behind**

In life, never aim to work alone because you never know what you might get from someone else. If you go to a war alone, you will definitely loose. A man alone cannot fight a thousand of other man.

There are other people who are in the same war with you. It's best to assist each other and work as a team.

**"A friend in need is a friend indeed."**

## A GREAT SUCESS - MALTAS AWARDS 2012

Glitz and glamour was the order of the day, bow tie and waistcoat was the gentlemen's dress code at this year' MALTAS AWARDS which coincided with the Clubs first birthday anniversary since its inception on 16 March 2011.

This exclusive club showcases the leadership talent of young UNAM students from across all nations around the world. The main speech was conducted by

Mr. Stephan Terblanche from Oxford University Publishers in South Africa, where he highlighted that with good education you are preparing yourself for world's opportunities that lies ahead.



Mr. Taimi Nangombe a B. Chartered Accounting student walked away with the SkorpionZinc Distinguished Leadership Award. At this ceremony Taimi received a Lenovo Laptop and a crystal trophy to keep. In addition she was elected as the Vice-President for MALTAS 2012

James Chimoto from Zimbabwe was elected as President and was also the Winner of the most disciplined and committed MALTAS 2011 Award.



Chanta Daka a Zambian student took the best Business Mathematics Award, while Bongile Oarum from Southern Namibia was the best student in Principles of Management Award.

Talitha Ekandjo a Part-Time Student, and also an employee of the Bank of Namibia scoop the best Management Student Award for 2012 which is sponsored by NatureFriend Safaris.

Dr. April and Mr. Erwee would like to express gratitude to the following organizations that are instrumental to see MALTAS succeed:

First National Bank of Namibia, Mondjila Safari Camp, Shoprite Checkers Group, Wimpy Namibia, Digital Foto Centre, Ster Kinekor, Oxford Press Publishers, NatureFriends Safaris, Sanlam Namibia, O'Portuga Restaurant, SkorpionZinc Namibia, Dinaama Manufacturing and Supplies and he University of Namibia.

The next awards will be held on 13 March 2013 under the theme "MALTAS Triple Three" Golden Globes.



# Professor Odada bids Farewell

by Chanda Doka and Daniel Nkabila

## Full Names:

John Ernest Odada

## Educational History:

1970-University of Nairobi, 1973-1st degree in Economics and math, 1975-masters in Economics, 1983-PHD in Economics

## Job History:

Junior lecturer at University of Nairobi-assistant lecturer after obtaining PHD  
-Senior lecturer - associate Professor  
I taught in Kenya from 1975 to 1995, 1995 at the University of Botswana to 1998. Came to Namibia at the beginning of 1999 until now at the University of Namibia.  
I have been teaching for 38 years.

## Languages spoken:

Luo (2nd largest in Kenya), Kiswahili, English

## Sir, what were your best achievements:

Passing O'levels well enough to enter A'levels and passing 1st degree so well to qualify for automatic continuation in masters.

## And your most memorable moments ?

It's not very easy to tell when you have worked for 38 years. All my life has been memorable; my success in teaching at the University level is what I consider memorable when I look back to my history as a lecturer at University level.

## Best Authors:

John Maynard Keynes, Kenneth Arrow and Professor Alvin Fisher

## What are your thoughts on leadership ?

Leadership is an ability to guide others through the process of achieving set goals, objectives.

A good leader should be one who listens to the people that he leads so that leadership becomes participatory and ideas come from the people. This allows people to accept to be led because they feel they are playing an active role in the organization.

## Points for MALTAS:

We need good leaders, change comes through leaders. Not just at a national level.  
Good leadership always promotes productivity.

## Message for MALTAS:

This is a very good initiative. I commend Dr. April and Mr. Erwee for starting something like this. Go on with MALTAS more committedly. Expand your horizon to industry. Your magazine should be more informative on business in Namibia well enough to educate people.

## One last question sir, after retirement, what's next ?

There are so many things I can do. I can go back to Nairobi and teach at a University. I can do farming, continue with my farm because it's something I can do at my own pace. Furthermore, I can also do consultancy in government and private sector. The possibility of joining politics is also there, but immediately I want to have a few months of to vent.



# Skorpion Zinc Maltas Leadership Week 2012



The UNAM Maltas Club 2012 students once again got a lifetime opportunity to attend a fully sponsored workshop by Skorpion Zinc in Rosh Pinah recently. This five day long training workshop took place at the Obib Training Centre.

As was promised in 2011, Mr. Tjiho Gebhardht noted that their organization is happy to give positive support. This training intervention at Rosh Pinah is designed to help students develop their leadership potential through a series of workshops and experiential learning.

The leadership workshop was organized around six key themes namely; conditioning, personality, self-awareness, self-discipline, values and intercultural communication. The participants conveyed on how they have been equipped with skills that have changed their insight of life and hope to positively influence other students on campus and beyond with their new set of skills. In addition the workshop aims to provide a foundation for students to work independently, become confident and citizens who are fully aware and engaged in the development initiatives of their respective nations.

The workshops certainly enhanced the skills and the abilities of the participants not forgetting the team development training they undertook as well.



*goes Glam*

**If you think we are a bunch of boring Students just talking about Study and University - THINK AGAIN !**  
**And due the fact that Pictures tell you more then words - we organized a PhotoShoot !**



Raymond Lorenzo Cloete  
Member  
BBA



Priscilla Mtisi  
Member  
BBA



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here we  
come !!

Chanda Daka  
Member  
BECN



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IT-Manager  
BSC



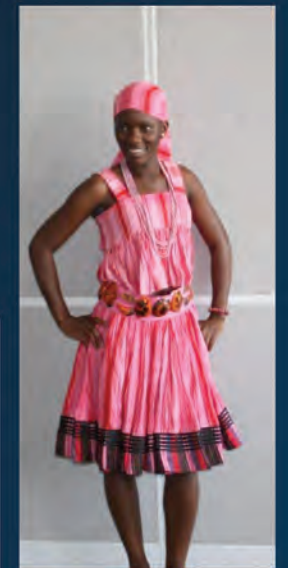
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### Did You Know???

- MALTAS is the most active club on campus, and is incorporated with well over eight sponsors.
- Maltas won Best Society UNAM Overall Society 2012
- You don't know actually how emotionally stable you are, until you have been a part of MALTAS.
- Miss Chanda Daka won the 2011 Mathematics award, and just guess which club ended up snatching her..... M.A.L.T.A.S (Knew you would get it ☺)
- Only selecting 25 members a year, out of well over sixteen thousand possible students.
- It is actually more challenging to stay in MALTAS than to get in.
- When on trips, singing in the showers is a serious MALTAS offence.
- 60% of all UNAM graduates have to be retrained, when they get employed.
- Only YOU can set your own boundaries/limits and NOBODY else, as NOBODY knows YOU and what you're capable of better than YOU. **\*Think about this one\***

# Maltas attend Mandela Week in Stellenbosch



In commemoration of the Mandela Week, the UNAM Maltas Club 2012 got the life changing opportunity to be part of the celebrations at the University of Stellenbosch (US) in Cape Town: South Africa.

As we all might be aware the Mandela Day is a global call to action that celebrates the idea that each individual person has the power to transform the world, the ability to make an impact.

The purpose of the visit was twofold: to celebrate Madiba's birthday with other universities in the SADC region and also to prepare and educate our Namibian students about how the difference in terms of the education and cultural systems outside our own borders.

In addition, we all would like to our students to become change agents and make this global impact Madiba is passionate about in many years to come.

Prof Mohammad Karaan, Dean of Agricultural Sciences at US and a member of the National Planning Commission in South Africa made it clear in his keynote address that **"We have become a society of job takers, and not job makers"**. Karaan noted that: When asking a student, what they plan to do after graduation, most of them respond "find a job". This is a serious problem facing most of our African graduates.



Empathetically Prof. Karaan also said that "leadership does not only come from top politicians in the country, but rather leadership comes from everybody who takes responsibility".

According to the founder of the UNAM Maltas Club Dr. Wilfred Isak April, this could become an annual educational visit as we suggested by the Dean of Students of the University of Stellenbosch: Dr. Leslie van Rooi.

Other student's representatives at the festivities were the University of Western Cape and University of Cape Town.

Apart from the formalities our students also got their first lecture on the basic principles of Wine Tasting and the major destinations for South African wine imports and exports.

# Maltas impacting lives positively in Mauritius

Without question Maltas 2012 has been a passport to infinite possibilities for a number of young students at the University of Namibia. Maltas Club scooped the best overall society for the 2012 academic year at the University of Namibia.

For these youngsters to dream is easy said than done, but to achieve their dreams required them to be disciplined, persistent, determined and persevered at all times. Maltas 2012 embarked upon a three week holiday in Mauritius from 29 November to 19 December 2012.



In Mauritius the club worked with the Mauritius Family Planning and Welfare Association; under the Youth Action Movement, with the guidance of Ms. Charan as the Director.

This working holiday enabled our young Students to learn leadership skills beyond cultural borders, to install a sense of discipline and responsibility amongst our students, and values such as honesty, humbleness and gratefulness, respect and sincerity which are some virtues our students can learn from this working holiday, which cannot be taught in a lecture hall setting alone. The students volunteered at shelter homes, soup kitchens, HIV/AIDS Organizations and they will celebrate a pre-Christmas party with the Flaq community in the outskirts of Mauritius.

Raymond Cloete (Maltas Member from Keetmanshoop) noted that this trip was by far the most memorable event in his life, and he believes that the club has achieved things some people will only dream about.

He further noted that this is one of the biggest projects the club has achieved, since its inception in 2011. Raymond Cloete noted that change starts with you. In order to inspire others you must have a very positive attitude that can inspire those around you. Finally to bring about change one should closely work with your community.



University of Namibia for opening this window of opportunity and leaving lasting memories we will cherish forever. You all have sacrificed so much to see us succeed. Start working on your dream now, and we can assure you, it will come true, just like ours did a few weeks ago. To Maltas 2013 we know that you intend to do your working holiday in Brazil or Puerto Rico; work hard and follow your dreams and it will come true, just like it did, for Maltas 2012. To the Namibia community and world at large if you think 2012, was the best year for Maltas, wait and see what 2013 has in store

The following organizations and individuals are most heartfelt to mention; Dinapama Manufacturing and Supplies, O'Portuga Restaurant, Mbumba Family, The Parents and extended family of the 2012 Maltas Members and the staff and students of the.



**"I Raymond Lorenzo Cloete will bring back the taste of success to UNAM Campus".**



**Thank you for your Support!**

