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HALLO and welcome to this second edition of The Journalist. At the onset, let me express our profound delight with the overwhelming feedback from the first edition of the newsletter. The feedback has spurred us to build on the strength and weaknesses of the first edition to gratify the curiosity of you, the esteemed reader. The key objective of this newsletter is to provide a leisure company to every reader, be it at home, travelling, at office, at school or whatever place you could be, to relax the mind. However, above that, we found it critically crucial to prepare the students with essential life-skills that are often required or even demanded on the highly competitive job-market out there. We think we have the obligation to produce and avail ‘complete products’ to the job market so that our graduates edge others in competing for the scarce jobs. So, your support towards this project is extremely invaluable. As alluded to earlier, our expectation is that our news content is as light as possible. We will endeavor to maintain a style that forever brings out news with a tremendous impact on society, presented in such a humane way that even for those who hardy smile, they certainly would involuntarily! We will go an extra mile to be relevant through the stories that we shall publish. This will include engaging in conversations on extremely important national issues. For example, this month of December has two particular global themes that affect billions of people. The commemoration of World Aids Day, falling on December 1 and the celebration of the Birth of Jesus Christ by the Christian global community on December 25. It is our expectation that you, our esteem reader, will take time to deeply reflect on the effects HIV and Aids has had on our families. We all have been infected and affected in one way or another and we ought to seriously take steps in supporting efforts to curb further spread of the virus. The academic community has not been spared the wrath of the virus and the disease as recent research studies reveal not so good prevalence statistics coming out of tertiary institutions, including ours. For the Christian community, it is exceedingly significant to celebrate Christmas with purpose.

Let us revisit our spiritual being and cast a deeper reflection on it. Let’s be thoughtful of others, especially the underprivileged, as is the spirit of true Christianity during Christmas. We must refrain from indulging in acts that expose us to consequences of shame or regret. Enjoy the read and do not forget to critique this edition and feedback us, for we take pride in knowing our weaknesses to help us become better, best and stronger. Thank you.
By Omega Nkhandwe

The staff and students of Soche Technical college organised a farewell party on November 29th, 2019 in the college hall for the retiring Principal Mr. Evance Stover Mlelemba.

The function started at exactly 03:00pm with a marching in of the retiring Principal flocked by balloon carrying dancing Kings and Queens comprising of the staff of the college.

Inside, the function continued with the welcome address from the Director of Ceremonies Mr. John Khofi who branded the function as a “Double Celebration” considering the fact that the retiring Principal was born on the same day he was retiring.

As part of celebrating his birthday, the retiring Principal was called to go and cut a birthday cake, after cutting the birthday cake, the smiling 60-year-old nicknamed “Mbuyanga” by his successor was entertained through drama by students and staff, the drama manly depicted the life of the retiring Principal. As the drama group was performing, drinks and cake were being served.

First to deliver a farewell speech was the Human Resources Officer Mrs. Christina Ntwana, in her speech, she gave a little professional background of the retiring Principal in which she said, “he did advanced plumbing and later did Bachelors in Technical Education. In 2005, he was promoted to Principal and has served in different Technical colleges such Lilongwe, Namitete and Nasawa”.

Next to the podium was the Deputy Principal Mr. Yusuf Josaya speaking in vernacular, Josaya said Mr. Mlelemba has been a great teacher to the young ones and that he treated every person the same, “Simunali bwana ozikonda komanso kuzikuza pogwira nthchito”.

He finished by asking the outgoing Principal to welcome each and person who might go to him to seek guidance.

Taking his turn to the podium as the third speaker was the incoming Principal for Soche Technical College Mr. Dhuya Ntawali, who started by thanking members of staff for welcoming him to the family. Turning to his predecessor he said “Inuntu ndikutichani Mbuyanga” tikati Mbuyanga pa Chilohwe ndiye kuti tampatsa munthu ulemu wa pa mapeto”.

He continued by saying the number of people available at his farewell party is a clear indication that Mlelemba was a peoples’ man. He advised his predecessor to continue serving, saying the fact that he has retired does not mean he should stop serving his society “mukhonza kukatumikira kumpingo, tikazaona kuti Mbuyanga ndi Church Elder muzationa ife tili mwee, magweru onse pa mtunda”.

“Mbuyanga ife tikukunyadiirmi kwabasi pamene mukusintha dzina, tinkangoti Mr. Evance Stover Mlelemba, basi full stop khaa, lero tikunena Mr. Evance Stover Mlelemba kumapetoko kumai ko Retired Officer) kumapeto kunso mkuzaika Senior Citizen”.

It was now time for the man of the moment, the Principal himself. In his usual jovial mood, he advised Soche family to keep on loving one another and to support the new Principal as they have supported him. 

After his speech, it was time for members to showcase their dancing skills dancing to songs like “Bob Marley’s One Love” and the now famous “Finally by Yo Maps.

According to the college bursar, retired Principal Evance Stover Mlelemba was born on 29th November 1959 and his first appointment was on 1st February 1990 taking with him 29 years of sweet memories.

The function was graced by high profile guests such as Regional Labour officer, Mr. Daiton, Chief Trade Testing Officer, Mr.Chilapondwa, Senior Superintendent Khondiwa representing the Commandant and other representatives from Forest and National parks Departments.

The function ended with a closing prayer.
As a way of celebrating the four years they have been at the college, Soche Technical College 2016 Tevet Students organised a farewell party. The Party which was scheduled to start at 09:00hrs, started almost 6 hours late due to logistical problems that the organising committee faced. At exactly 15:00hrs, 2016 graduating students marched into the college hall to the jubilation of few invited members of staff and students. Marching to the now trending Jerusalema song by Master KG, the graduating class showcased their dancing skills.

In his opening speech, chairman of the organising committee, Kazembe Rashid, said the farewell party has come at the right time for students who are graduating this year to interact among themselves and to simply have funny after a stressful four years of studies.

“it is a viable platform for students to showcase how the four years has changed them and to strengthen their relationships while at the same showcasing their dance moves on the dance floor” said Kazembe. Kazembe said it would be a great idea if the farewell party was to be happening annually, sometime before the National graduation ceremony, to give students an opportunity to know each other.

“This should be a stepping stone but it would be good if the farewell could continue so that those students graduating next year and so on should also have the same opportunity as others “he added.

Incumbent student union President Lovemore Josiah said that the farewell party is beneficial to students as it offers a platform to interact and enjoy.

“We as 2016 Tevet students have been here for four years, and the farewell is here to strengthen the bond among us and at the same time we want to convey our heartfelt gratitude to the management and staff at this college for being with us all the way. The college management was in full agreement with what Josiah said, speaking on behalf of the management, the College Registrar Greystone Mabveka, who also thanked 2016 students for being exemplary during the four years they have been at the college.

Mabveka urged the students to continue being models in the industry as their behaviour will reflect on the college and asked them to remember where they are coming from “You should know that forever you shall be part of the college, whenever your college need you, open up and assist in whatever way you can “.

As a way of celebrating the day, graduating students received testimonials and seven of them were awarded in different categories ranging Best Student to Leadership.

One of the participant, Ahmed Kazembe, a plumbing student, said he was happy with the initiative because it has helped him make friends whom he might need in the competitive industry.

As a way of spicing up the event, T-shirts designed by Elijah Blessings a Painting and Decoration student were worn by the finales on the day.
Student Union concerned with campus sanitation

By Geoffrey M'bawa

Representative of Soche student union council has expressed concern over college's sanitation.

Student Union's Welfare Director Cynthia Mkwinja raised the concern during an interview with The Journalist newsletter.

“Our sanitation leaves a lot to be desired, for example toilets in our hostels have not been working since 2018 and the pit latrines we have are in a dilapidated state to the extent that some of the latrines at the boys hostels do not even have doors”

According to Mkwinja, it is the student's responsibility to make sure their surrounding is up to college standard and at the same time the responsibility of the management to make sure that the cleaners are provided with all necessary tools.

Asked how she thinks sanitation can be improved at the college, Mkwinja said "if the college is to have competition among hostels and the winner gets awarded it would really change the face of the college because students will know they have a lot to lose if their hostel is untidy”.

Taking turn, Clerical Officer (Human Resources) Eban Kamwendo, agreed with the union that sanitation is not as one would expect but as the college they are trying their best to make sure that the campus is always kept to college standard by employing more ground labourers and buying more materials to be used within the hostels and outside.

On the broken toilets Kamwendo said “the college has fixed the toilets for a number of times but it's the students who always vandalise these things, the students lack sense of ownership, if indeed you are a journalist, sensitise your fellow students on the need to protect the college because if this college is destroyed then the younger brothers and sisters will find the college in a dilapidated state”.

Soche Technical College is one of the oldest colleges in the country and at the moment it has over a thousand students with the majority being under the continuing education program (CEP).

Students concerned with Library Low Lighting

By Sharon Sajiwa

The low lighting of the Soche Technical College's new library is a major concern to students. The Library which relies its lighting from natural light has posed serious challenges to students using the library.

The library is dark in ways that not every student can be able to read. The starting of the rainy season adds salt to the current situation as the library tends to be very dark and students end up using flashlights for reading.

Resorting to other means of studying outside the library or classrooms becomes a problem as a result of the noise emanating from cars, by-passers from a road close to the vicinity of the college's campus.
Women are increasingly breaking into careers that have traditionally been dominated by men. “The Journalist’s “VUmazhilrhe Veer Musuma (VVM) had a talk with Darlene Masangwi (DM) a lecturer in Electrical Installation section to know more about her and her profession.

(VVM) Who is Darlene Masangwi?
(DM) Am Malawian lady aged 25 and married. Holder of Diploma in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (City and Guilds) and Grade 1 Certificate in Electrical Installation (Trade Test). Lecturer in Electrical Installation and Electronics at Soche Technical College, Electrical Technician and a qualified First Aider.

(VVM) How did you end up in Electrical Installation, a male dominated profession, was it your target to become an electrician?

(DM) Not by chance I call it but by choice it happened, in fact, at first, my goal was to become a doctor but after I wrote my MSCE I thought of doing something different, yeah something which will help me earn money on my own (whether employed or not), a field with more men than women which will make me standout as a role model among other ladies(girls). Electrical Engineering suited my choices and preferences.

(VVM) Who is your mentor in your field?
(DM) Firstly, I should mention my uncle ‘Mr James Stock Dimba’ an Electrical and Electronics Engineer who has worked for Carlsberg Malawi for 31 years and has just retired who also stands as a Manager of Kaombe Electrical Contractors. Secondly is my dad ‘Mr Wyson Masangwi’ a Civil Engineer who had worked for 7 years with Mobil, 5 years with Total and quitted to operate Yacco Traders and Engineering Contractors. In fact, through his sponsorships, advices, encouragements and hard works I was encouraged and inspired which contributed to my goals and achievements. Lastly I should mention my Soche Technical lecturers, Mr Nyenyema (Electrical & Electronics Engineering lecturer) and Mr Gawani (Electrical Installation lecturer) who gave me full supports in every information I wanted, encouraged me in my downfalls and everything which motivated me in my career.

(VVM) How has this profession changed your life?
(DM) Ever since I became an Electrical Technician my life has changed a lot from a dependent to an independent person in finance, it has made me a bread winner in my family. Personally the profession has taught me the power of Team Works and hard work. I have changed to a self-confident lady who can carry out electrical maintenance works, electrical installation, fix electronic gadgets, supervising other Technicians, sharing information to both male and female Technicians etc. at any place and anytime provided duty calls.

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(VVM) Apart from you being an electrician, you are also a lecturer, tell us more about it?
(DM) Indeed, apart from being an Electrician, I am an instructor at Soche Technical College in Electrical Installation and Electronics.
Becoming a lecturer, has boosted my career that I am thinking of upgrading my certificates to Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering and even something more than that.

(VVM) How do you manage all these tasks, family, being a lecturer and an electrician?
(DM) A scheduled life is what I live and I always ensure that one of the tasks should not negatively affect the other. I split my time for my normal duties at work, time for my piece works as a Technician and above all I recognise my family needs me most as well (indeed no matter how busy we are or we seem to be, family time deserves to be considered).

(VVM) Has it always been easy for you as a woman in a male dominated profession?
(DM) Being underrated and discouraged by some of the people (relatives, friends, work mates, bosses) about the profession I selected was the most challenge I had passed through but due to my hard works and achievements they turned out with congratulations.

(VVM) Where do you see yourself in the next say five years?
(DM) I see myself as a Masters Degree holder in Electrical and Electronics Engineering, living in my own built house and driving a good car.
I see my lecturing profession upgraded hence holding a Masters. I see myself with my own registered company as an electrical contractor and I believe that I will succeed since I have already started the progress.

(VVM) What advice can you give to young women who are afraid of joining professions that have been dominated by men?
(DM) What a man can do, a woman does it better, no profession was made for men only and remove that kind of negative belief.

(VVM) Your parting words?
(DM) Am very grateful that among all female technicians and achievers you know, you considered me.
To the people who supported me in the past and those who are still supporting me am humbled and may you continue giving me full support whereever necessary.
Our Team

Evance Matola level 6
Prisca Maeni level 5
Geofray M’bawa Level 5
Jack M’manya level 5
Omega Nkhandwe level 5
Lightwell Ng’oma Level 5
Marvin Masangano Level 5
Sharon Sajiwa level 6
Paul Chitimbe Level 5
Comrades, you do not have to visit a hotel to enjoy a hotel standard meal!
As students and employees of SOTECO, you have the privilege of getting recipes and cookery tips and tricks from the well qualified and experienced hotel and resort Chef. For the first edition of our cookery section, the ingenious Chef Sydney Phiri (Lecturer in Food Production) shares some recipes from his heart.

“GRILLED CHICKEN BALLOTINE”

**INGREDIENTS**
- ¼ Chicken
- Cooking oil
- Paprika
- Butter
- 1 Lemon
- Green pepper
- 1 Tomato
- 1 Carrot
- Salt
- Garlic chopped
- Ginger chopped
- Onions chopped
- Aromat Seasoning
- Leafy vegetable

**METHOD**
Prepare the chicken by washing it and deboning without separating the fresh from the thigh and the leg. Remove the thigh bone. Scrape the fresh off the bone of the drumstick towards the claw joint. Cut off a drumstick bone, leaving approx. 2-3 cm at the claw joint end.
Mix paprika, oil, ginger, garlic, onions and aromat and a pinch of salt in a medium bowl.
Marinate/mix the chicken into the mixture in the bowl.
Place the chicken on preheated greased grill bars or on barbecue or flat baking tray under a salamander.
Brush frequently with melted butter or fat during cooking for at least 15 to 20 mins each side.
Taste if cooked by piercing the drumstick with a skewer, there should be no sign of blood.
Dress the chicken neatly on a flat dish.
Melt 2 tbsp butter add lemon juice and add strips of peeled cucumbers, green pepper, onions and carrots and stir fry very quickly.
Arrange the vegetables artistically over the chicken ballotine.
Serve with fried rice, garnish with sprig of parsley, or pickled watercress and a suitable sauce.

By Sydney Phiri ~ Lecturer in Food Production
Brothers and sisters, as we are approaching Christmas, I come to you with the message of peace, love and sharing to the needy. December 25th is the day when Christians around the globe celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.
For years, the spirit of Christmas has been characterised by love, sharing and peace. Jesus Christ was born to preach the message of peace and love.

It is for this reason that I urge you all followers of Jesus to celebrate the festive season while reflecting on the values of giving. Jesus Christ our Lord and saviour was born in Bethlehem, the town of David in a Manger. The Shepherds with the spirit of angels were the first to know of Christ's birth, first to see Jesus as a baby because they were viewed as sinners in the society as they were spending most of their time in the fields tending to their flocks.

According to Luke 2 verse 6-7 "While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a Manger, because there was no room for them in the inn". The question to you my brothers and sisters is, "are you going to give Jesus the room in your heart?".

My plea to you all my brothers and sisters during this festive season is to open your hearts for Jesus to come in. If you place Jesus in your heart you will never go astray for Jesus is the way, the truth and the light.

In whatever we do as Christians be it in our studies, work or business, as long as Jesus is in our hearts we shall forever flourish in his love.

As it is written in John 10 verse 10 "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy, I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

As seen, it's only Jesus who can save us from all the troubles in this world, as such as we celebrate his birth, let's with Christ in our hearts. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a prosperous new year.
Up Close

Mr. President, is what we have always called him for almost 4 years but just as a good song, his term has come to an end as he is finishing his studies to join the industry. To find out more about what it has been like being a President of the Student Union, our reporter Evance Matola(EM) had a chat with President Lovemore Josiah(LJ).

(EM) Can you briefly tell us about yourself?
(LJ) My name is Lovemore Josiah, President of Soche Student Union and a finale in Textile and fashion designing, at soche Technical College.

(EM) How does the student union you first come to know compare to that which you are leaving behind?
(LJ) It was in 2016, when I was selected by my fellow students to be the President of student union, by then, I found the Union basking in many problems for example, poor sanitation in student's hostels, unhygienic toilets and poor relationship between the management and the students which led to frequent student demonstration.

(EM) Are there any projects pursued during your administration that you wish you could have improved?
(LJ) Yes, we have tried to have the management repair our hostel but has proved impossible, it might be as a result of low funding. So to answer your question, it would have been great to see toilets repaired.

(EM) Following up on the previous question, are there any projects that you believe should not have been by student union?
(LJ) yes, I think the project we had as Union, where we bought mops and buckets and distributed them to the students in the hostels, I think this was out of union's role.

(EM) As student union President, what has been your greatest success?
(LJ) I have managed to bring back a good relationship between TEVET and parallel students. Before my administration, there were quarrels among these two groups of students. I have also managed to bring contact and dialogue relationship between students and the management to the table, for before my administration, students resorted to demonstrating whenever there were disagreements.

(EM) What has been your failure as student Union President?
(LJ) To be honest, I have failed to bring decent toilets and bathrooms in our hostels. As a President, I have been trying to convince the management to deploy plumbers to at least maintain the old toilets which were blocked, but as am talking now, nothing has been done.

(EM) What advice do you have for the future Union President and student union as a whole?
(LJ) My advice to the future Union President is that a President should be meek and humble, honest and loving. To the Union as a whole, in togetherness there is strength so be united as Union.

(EM) What next for Lovemore Josiah? What are your plans after graduation.
(LJ) After my graduation, it is my desire and plan to open my own textile and fashion designing company, so as to serve people and at the same time creating employment for my fellow designers.

(EM) Do you think you will ever run for public office in the future?
(LJ) To be a leader, is a special and unique gift from God, which means it is my hope to run again if God will grant me that chance.

(EM) Thank you for your time.
(LJ) Welcome
We live in a world where people are judged by their external appearance. It is a world where what you wear determines who you are. Some time back, while out shopping, I happened to overhear a conversation. “Is this good on me? Does it make me look cool enough?” That is what inspired me to write this article. Fashion is an ever changing trend that will be completely different from the year before. With such changes, the whole concept and people’s mindset regarding fashion will move to a whole new level. Hence it is pointless to compare the previous generation’s and our generation’s attitude towards fashion. It’s obvious that such changes happen. Of course, taking care of one’s appearance and wanting to look good is very much appreciable and it does upgrade our confidence. However not all dress to please oneself. Majority of us use fashion as an excuse to blend in with the cool crowd. The following are some of the interesting assumptions present nowadays. “If you aren’t wearing the happening clothes nor have the right accessories, you are not cool. “If you don’t have a good sense of fashion, you obviously must not be rich. Thus you aren’t part of the “It” crowd.” Students are judged simply by what they wear, all the way down to how they act. Once such a presumption is made, there is really nothing that can be done to change it. Many struggle with finding themselves because of this. Some go through several makeovers and personality changes just to see where they can fit in and who will like them. It’s this constant yearning for popularity that more than 90% students strive for. Though it is a nice feeling to have, many approach or go about it in wrong ways thereby diminishing their confidence, not realising that they are trying to be mediocre copies of someone else when they can be themselves and be accepted for it. They wonder who they are, what their purpose is in life and where they belong. Such can ruin and scar their young lives. “You will have a more interesting life, if you wear impressive clothes” - Vivienne Westwood

This system where we classify and relate people to a social class by the way they look or dress invites hostility, ignorance and hatred. The sad reality is that there is nothing we can do to stop people from thinking, judging or stereotyping others. As a human being, it’s something all of us would have done at least once at some point in our lives. We can’t change everything, however we can control the things we do and say, and that make a huge difference. Think twice before you judge someone, think how you would feel, if it was you in their place. Next time before you do such a thing, ask yourself this question. How would you feel to be in his or her shoes? Nobody is perfect; hence we don’t have the right to judge anyone. Moreover, we don’t need to change ourselves to be accepted by the society. Always remember, “In a world where you can be anything, be yourself.
World AIDS Day offers an important platform to highlight the role of communities at a time when reduced funding and a shrinking space for civil society are putting the sustainability of services and advocacy efforts jeopardy. Greater mobilization of communities is urgently required to address the barriers that stop communities delivering services, including restrictions on registration and an absence of social contracting modalities. The strong advocacy role played by communities is needed more than ever to ensure that AIDS remains on the political agenda, that human rights are respected and that decision-makers and implementers are held accountable.

Compiled by UNAIDS
Hope Gawani studied Electrical installations at Soche Technical College, currently he is working with Egenco as assistant plant operations technician. His advice to students currently at the college is to put God first and work hard towards achieving your goals.
Members of Staff showcasing their dancing skills during a farewell party organised for the outgoing Principal Mr. Evance Stover Mlelemba as he retired after years of service.
Born in Chikwawa 22 years ago, Successor Galero is one of the college's recording artists who has taken his musical career to the whole different level. Born on 28 April, 1997, at Chikwawa hospital, Successor primary school journey saw him attend 5 primary schools in his life with Mitale primary school as the school where he sat for his Primary school leaving certificate (PSLC) where he was selected to Ngabu Secondary School where he did his Form 1 to 4. Straight from secondary school, he joined Soche Technical College to pursue a diploma in Journalism and Media Studies under ABMA.

But even though he was doing all the schooling, Galero was also working on his musical passion, different from most artists whose career can be traced back to church choir, Successor's story is different, his story starts from the love of the likes of Mafunyeta, Vybay and Stonebwooy and later while in Form 2 he had friends who had in-house studios where he could go and record some of his earlier songs. The breakthrough came when he recorded “Ndikadulitse” his first song with a professional producer, it was the feedback that this song got that encouraged him as he got the news that his song was used in roadshows encouraging men to go for circumcision.

His second track saw him record “Please Call Me” with Mafo a track he recorded at Warge Records in Lilongwe, it was this song that he believes made other artists accept him as an artist and it also improved his fan base.

Currently Successor has fifteen songs, nine videos and six audios with “Amen” standing out as his favourite track for simple reason that it is a gospel track.

Among his songs, “Mimba si Yanga” is the song so dear to him, “the song is so special to me because it's this song that made most of my audience realise of my existence and again it's because at one of the Presidential Functions at Sanjika Palace it was played twice and for that simple reason am proud of it”. Contrary to most people's belief that the song is based on what happened to me, Mimba si Yanga is a production based on what has happened, is happening and will continue to happen. Mainly this is a story about some men who after making someone pregnant they refuse to accept responsibility. The song got over 5 thousand downloads on the internet.

Currently Successor has more than 20 unreleased tracks that he plans to release in the year 2020, a year he has branded as “promised year”. “come 2nd January 2020 I will be releasing my new track titled Hule ndi Hule”.

“2019 has been a quiet year for me as I did not release any track but I was mainly planning for the year 2020”.

As for where the artist wants to see himself in the near future, Galero said he want to see himself do music on an international platform and has an international Afrocentric artist “Stonebwooy” as his Icon.

Successor is a Journalism and media studies student and attributes his understanding of his audience and urges talented students on campus to follow their dreams but if they can't balance school and talent then school should be number one priority.
POEMS
IT TOOK ME YEARS
Poet: Victor Chikwi

I saw it in her eyes, printed and duplicated
Colourfully, like an Amazon based chameleon
It was indeed there
On her pretty forehead, were a nice story written
In every language on earth
It was more like a way of life to her
Bestowed during her early ages.
Through her mirrored face, I could see the reflection
of every step
I took in her absence.
The intimacy built on our love territory
Widened my eyes, I could see my future on hers.
It took me dozens of years
Understanding the real meaning of the white spots
I saw in the corners of her life.
A no debate, if being a wife were corporation,
She would have been a CEO.
Her inception in my heart
Introduced me to the God-worshipping world
I didn't know the serpent stood akimbo watching us
with a fierce heart
Dragged her six feet down the ground,
She's a worms' meat now
It took me years to regain my consciousness
Death will die one day too.

Congratulations to Mr. Ahmed Kazembe, our first winner of “Answer and Win completion”. We would like to thank everyone who took time to enter. We really appreciate the support you have shown us.
Mr. Ahmed Kazembe, went away with K5,000 cash and “The Journalist” branded T-shirt.

Check our new competition and win yourself K5,000 cash.
Pictorial Focus
Principal’s Farewell Party in Pictures

Dancing kings & queens, dancing their way into the hall

Braai misters, “The team behind the braii stand”

The Big 3, “Ntawali, Mlelemba & Josaya

Cake Time! “Mlelemba being assisted cutting cake”

Mlelemba receives his going away gift from the College
It was a far-fetched dream but now it’s true, Soche Technical College management has now bought a new football team uniform for the College’s football team. The kit comprises of shirt, short and stockings.

Speaking to “The Journalist” assistant sports master, Sydney Phiri, said “getting the football kit was not a one-day job but am is glad that the kit is finally home”.

Asked if they are any plans to buy jerseys for volleyball and netball teams, Phiri said “yes, the plans are there and we are just waiting for next term funding, our priority was the football jersey because it is expensive compared to Netball and volleyball jerseys which are relatively cheap”.

As part of the security measure put in place, the jersey will not be left in the custody of the students but will be given to them whenever they want to use it, so as to avoid what happened to the previous kit, and once the jersey has been released to students for a game, sports prefects and the team captains will be in charge of the jersey.

Some college team players believe this jersey will be in safe hands, “It is quite possible because the last jersey was just given to the player who was to use it, but this time around it will not be the same since the team’s captain has been put in charge of the uniform”.

“We are very grateful to the administration for purchasing this beautiful jersey for our college team, it was embarrassing when we used to be play football without jersey “lamented Chisangalalo Banda a painting player.

On top of that, both football and netball teams received brand new balls to boost their performance. The purchase of the jersey is regarded as a Christmas gift from the management of Soche Technical College to the College Football team. Thumbs up to the Management, keep it up.
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