Classes at Northern Bahamas Campus

Classes at the Northern Bahamas Campus in Grand Bahama are scheduled to resume tomorrow (October 30th, 2012) following Hurricane Sandy. Classes at the Oakes Field and Grosvenor Close campuses resumed today.

Halloween Trick or Treat

Residence Life and the Housing Department will be hosting a Halloween Trick or Treat on Wednesday 31st October, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the dorms. For more information contact 302-4433 or e-mail csaunder@cob.edu.bs or npratt@cob.edu.bs.

New Student Newspaper Recruiting Now

The Spectrum is recruiting for all editorial positions. Students interested in working on the newspaper should email their resumes to the publication’s staff advisor, Raymond Kongwa, at rkongwa@cob.edu.bs

Focus on Enrollment Management

Registrar, Dr. Danny Davis chairs a newly appointed Enrollment Management Committee broadly focused on shaping enrollment, student success and meeting COB’s strategic objectives. The College community is invited to contribute to the process. For more information log onto www.cob.edu.bs.

College Council Chairman to Address AFRICSEA 2012

College Council Chairman and Managing Partner of Sears & Co., Mr. Alfred Sears, and two other Bahamians have been invited to address AFRICSEA 2012 (Africa and Southeast Asia Business Forum) in Johannesburg, South Africa, at the Sandton Convention Centre on November 1-2, 2012. Mr. Sears will join Mr. Anthony Kikivarakis, Chairman of the Bahamas Maritime Authority and Chairman and CEO of Kikivarakis & Co, a financial advisory and consulting services company, and Dr. Brenda Cleare, President of the LJM Maritime Academy of The Bahamas, in sharing best practices of The Bahamas in the maritime industry, commercial law, education and human capital development. While in South Africa, Mr. Sears will participate on the panel “Investing in Human Capital”. He will also be a panelist along with Dr. Brenda Cleare on the panel entitled “Maritime, Shipping, Transportation & Logistics” which will be chaired by Mr. Anthony Kikivarakis.

Ruth Gardiner Elected to CTO Board

In a move that speaks volumes about its commitment to education in the further development of the tourism product in the region, Assistant Professor in the Culinary and Hospitality Management Institute (CHMI), Ms. Ruth Gardiner has been elected to serve on the CTO Board of Directors. This is a profound accomplishment to have a representative of higher education at the decision making level of the CTO. The election took place at the CTO State of the Industry Conference held in St. Kitts, October 10-12. The College congratulates Ms. Gardiner on this stellar achievement and extends best wishes as she helps to bring continuing leadership to the organization.
Science Week Activities

The College of The Bahamas’ School of Chemistry, Environmental and Life Sciences is celebrating its Science Week under the theme Science in Society.

Activities include: the Opening Ceremony of Science Week on Monday, October 29th at noon in the Performing Arts Centre; Opening Ceremony of “Celebrating 30 Years of the Flora of The Bahamas” on Tuesday, October 30th at 9:00 a.m., Auditorium, Harry C. Moore Library and Information Centre; Science Seminars on Wednesday, October 31st at 10:00 a.m. in the Harry C. Moore Library and Information Centre; and a Science Competition, Blood Drive, Health Screening and Food Drive at 10:00 a.m. on Independence Park.

Calls for Abstracts

A call for abstracts has been issued for The Bahamas at 40: Reflecting on the Past, Envisioning the Future, a conference scheduled for June 12th -14th, 2013 to examine the context and construction of the Bahamian nation; investigate the challenges emerging in the post-independence period and explore future prospects for nation building and development. The deadline for abstracts is 1st January, 2013. (250 words). For full details visit: www.cob.edu.bs.

In observance of the 38th Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) a call for abstracts has been issued and scholars, activists, practitioners, allied professionals and commentators are invited to interrogate the notion of “development”. The Conference sets the stage for a re-examination of varied disciplinary philosophical frameworks, and dissecting past practices of developmental approaches . Abstracts for panels should not exceed 500 words; those for papers should not exceed 250 words. In order to obtain the appropriate forms, please go to the following website:

www.caribbeanstudiesassociation.org

Discussion on Statelessness

On Wednesday, October 24th, 2012, The College of The Bahamas’ Schools of Social Sciences and English Studies hosted a discussion on statelessness featuring research findings on trafficking in The Bahamas. Moderated by Associate Professor in The School of English Studies, Dr. Ian Bethell-Bennett presentations included “Slave or Jezebel: 21st Century Trafficking in The Bahamas”, “Responding to Victims of Trafficking”, “Mules or Men: Haitian Migrants, Identity, Citizenship and Security” and “Stateless and Stranded in The Bahamas.”

University Transition in Action

The University Transition Secretariat (UTS) continues to broaden and deepen its consultation in fulfillment of its mandate to envision the character of the University of The Bahamas and to draft a roadmap for The College to make that transition.

The newest of the Working Groups that are guiding and facilitating this consultation within the college community is College Operations – Personnel Matters. That group is being led by Mrs. Charliese Bevans, and has begun focusing on staff-related issues that will smooth and speed the transition.

The UTS also welcomes home the Eleuthera team, who ended their environmental scan one day early and got home just ahead of Hurricane Sandy on Wednesday. Led by Assistant Professor Rubie Nottage, UTS Legal Advisor, the team included Wendy Poitier-Albury and Haldane Chase. Mrs. Nottage assures that despite the impending storm, the team on the ground and the UTS team spared no effort to maximize the impact of the visit.

To keep up-to-date with the work of the UTS, search for “COB University Transition Secretariat” on Facebook and like their page or join their LinkedIn discussion group.

New Trial Business Databases

The library has established a trial to the following Business databases: ABI Inform and ABI Global. The trial is effective October 26 - 25 November. Faculty and students should contact the Reference desk at each campus library for the access code and should share feedback about the trial with Holly Morganelli, Reference Librarian(hmorganelli@cob.edu.bs) or Elsie Bain (ebain@cob.edu.bs), Acquisition Librarian by 30 November, 2012.

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