On December 14, President Betsy Boze and Executive Vice President/Vice President, Academic Affairs Dr. Earla Carey-Baines paid an official visit to the Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (NUIST) in China. They met with Prof. Li Lianshui, President of NUIST; Prof. Guan Zhaoyong, Vice President of NUIST; Prof. Zheng Youfei, Director of International Affairs Office of NUIST; Prof. Wang Suchun, Dean of School of International Education of NUIST, and Prof. Li Zhongming, Dean of School of Languages and Cultures of NUIST. President Boze signed the Implementation Agreement for the Confucius Institute and both sides discussed expanding further exchanges and cooperation. President Boze and Dr. Carey-Baines also met with COB students studying in China.

THE COLLEGE OF THE BAHAMAS

Monday, March 4th, 2013

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In Memory of former College Council Chairman, Mr. Timothy Baswell Donaldson

The College family is deeply saddened by the passing of former Council Chairman Mr. Timothy Baswell Donaldson on Wednesday, February 27th. Mr. Donaldson’s contributions to The College of The Bahamas and the country made him a towering figure who will forever be remembered for promoting the development of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas. He was appointed Chairman of the College of The Bahamas Council in 2007, a position he held until 2012. Under his purposeful leadership, The College enjoyed a tremendous period of growth and development. He is survived by his wife Yolande Parchment-Donaldson and his children: Dwight, Kevin and Tatiana. There are thousands more in The College of The Bahamas family of faculty, staff, students, alumni and friends of COB, as well as in the wider country who grieve his passing.

Guidance Counsellors Day at The College

The Admissions Department hosted its 3rd Annual Guidance Counsellor’s Day on Wednesday, February 27th in the Harry C. Moore Library and Information Centre, Auditorium. Counsellors from New Providence and several family islands gathered for a full day of networking and informational sessions which included updates from University Transition Secretariat, Admissions, Academic Affairs, Registrar, and Student Affairs department. The group also enjoyed lunch at Choices Restaurant and a campus tour.

Admissions relocating to old Library

Please be advised that the Office of Admissions will be closed beginning March 5th until March 9th to accommodate its move to the Student Services Centre, (old library). The Admissions office will reopen on Monday, March 11th, 2013.
Upcoming Events

Bahamas National Natural History Conference
The College of The Bahamas in collaboration with the Bahamas National Trust will host The Bahamas National Natural History Conference highlighting the importance of research, conservation and environmental stewardship. The conference will be held Tuesday, March 5th – 8th at the Harry C. Moore Library and Information Centre, Auditorium.

Documentary Film Womanish Ways
Thursday, March 7 that 2:00 p.m., The School of English Studies proudly presents Womanish Ways, Freedom, Human Rights and Democracy: The Women’s Suffrage Movement in The Bahamas: 1948-1962, a documentary by filmmaker Marion Bethel. Film showing in the Performing Arts Centre.

Meet the Writer
Meet the Writer will feature Dr. Nicolette Bethel and Mr. Obediah Michael Smith. Works by both writers will be on sale at the event. Thursday, March 7th 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Upstairs in Chapter One Bookstore.

Critical Caribbean Symposium: Community Conversations
The Native Show Then and Now
Thursday, March 7th, 2013
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Akhepran International Academy - KEM EN HET HERITAGE CENTER
#1 Bernard Road and Grant Street, Fox Hill

An inter-generational, multi-genre, productive conversation with local musical legend Peanuts Taylor, Chris Justilien as well as new talents Jah Doctrine, Rapp Quel, Kay Geni and others.

The College’s Annual Careers and Job Fair
Thursday, March 14th
10:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Independence Park

The Foreign Languages Department’s 9th Annual Foreign Languages Day
Thursday, March 21st
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Independence Park

The National Society of Leadership and Success Presents 18 Minutes: Find Your Focus, Master Distraction and Get Things Done Right
Tuesday, March 19th
6:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Michael Eldon Boardroom

SES Collaborates with Ministry of Education for Workshop
February 26th-27th, the School of English Studies in collaboration with the Ministry of Education hosted various workshops for senior high English within the public and private school systems. The teachers’ objectives of the workshops were to promote awareness and understanding of the School of English Studies, in particular the work required by first year students in English classes at COB as well as to bridge the gap between high school and college level English lecturers.

UTS Quality Assurance Convocation
The convocation will be held on Friday, March 8th at 10:00 a.m. in Choices Restaurant, at CHMI. Participants will engage in an overview of local quality assurance mechanisms, an examination of regional quality assurance mechanisms and a survey of what exists now at COB. They will also look at quality assurance regimes in other aspirant institutions, and engage in open discussions on proposed or suggested quality assurance mechanisms for the national university of The Bahamas.

UTS College Operations Staff Survey
The UTS Working Group is conducting a survey to solicit staff members (non mid-managers) opinions regarding College Operations. The manual survey will be delivered to each department and participation is greatly appreciated.

Financial Aid Letters Ready for Collection
Students are advised that Financial Aid letters for Spring 2013 are ready for collection. The deadline for collection and bill payment is 4:00 p.m., March 8th, 2013.

Intern Scholarship Opportunity at Bahamas Marine EcoCentre
Scholarship opportunity for students interested in Bahamian marine environment and scientific research focused on sharks, ocean conservation, field research and sustainability. As well as a two-month internship offered by Bahamas Marine EcoCentre at the Bimini Biological Field Station.

Contact Barbara Thompson at barbara@tropicbirds.org, application deadline, April 1st, 2013.