COB Athletes make CARIFTA Team

Congratulations to our COB student-athletes who did exceptionally well at the CARIFTA Trials this weekend. While some of them set personal best records, two of them made the 2013 CARIFTA Team; Gerrard Burrows and Ashley Oembler will represent Team Bahamas in the shot put and discus for men and women respectively.

CARIFTA Trials Results

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CARIFTA will be held March 29th – April 1st, 2013 at the Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium.

Career Fair at The College

On March 14th, the Counselling and Health Services Department held its annual Career and Job Fair. Hundreds of College of The Bahamas students attended the event and had the opportunity to interact with more than thirty companies representing a cross-section of professional endeavours from the banking, maritime, medical and the law enforcement sectors. This year, the Bahamas Telecommunications Company (BTC) proudly sponsored The College’s Career & Placement Services Web Portal.

Security Department Notice

Please be advised that effective Monday, March 25th, 2013 the gate leading to the Portia M. Smith Student Services Centre will be closed until further notice as the offices formerly located in the building are being relocated. The College community is advised that the gate leading to the G block will be accessible to vehicular and pedestrian traffic. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

COB’s Pro Gallery participates in Transforming Spaces

COB art students exhibited their work in the Pro Gallery as part of Transforming Spaces over the weekend. Now in its ninth year, Transforming Spaces is an annual island-wide tour of Nassau’s art galleries which this year included: The National Art Gallery of The Bahamas, D’Aguilar Art Foundation, Doongalik Studios, PopopStudios, Liquid Courage Gallery, Hillside House, Stingrae Studios, and COB’s Pro Gallery.

PI Day

On March 14th, Students in the School of Mathematics, Physics and Technology celebrated PI Day. Pi is the symbol for the ratio of the circumference of a circle to its diameter. Whatever the size of a circle, if you divide its circumference by its diameter you will always get 3.14159 known as pi. Students celebrated the day by selling pies, pizza and other items beginning with the letters “pi”.

Business Week opens

The School of Business celebrated the opening of Business Week this morning under the theme, “Forty Years of Excellence: Embracing University” Minister of Financial Services, The Honourable Mr. Ryan Pinder gave the keynote address calling on School of Business students to not only be creative in their quest for entrepreneurship but also innovative realising that there may be obstacles along the way but with perseverance, dreams can become reality. The week will continue with informed discussions and the sharing of varied perspectives on the further entrenchment of business and industries in The Bahamas.
New Staff Orientation

New staff members became more acquainted with the operations of The College and built key relationships with personnel after attending the Staff Orientation Seminar, “Who We Are and What We Do,” from March 11th-13th in the auditorium of The Harry C. Moore Library and Information Centre.

Over the three days, the new employees received useful information on the operations of The College, such as, library services, academic affairs, campus life as well as an overview of what is offered at the Northern Bahamas Campus in Grand Bahama. They networked with college officials and enhanced their team work skills through team building activities.

The staff orientation was conducted by The Human Resources Department, Training and Development Unit. Charliese Bevans, Assistant Director of Training and Development said, “There is so much information that new employees need to know before they get their feet on the ground. “We want them to feel warm and welcomed as they continue their journey into The College of The Bahamas.”

The concrete pathway from the T-block to the S-block was transformed into an artist palette for the first ever Chalk Art Festival held on March 7th. The event was sponsored by the Campus Life department and the Pro Society art gallery.

Upcoming Events

Business Week: “Forty Years of Excellence, Embracing University”
March 18th – 21st
HCM Auditorium

School of Chemistry, Environmental and Life Sciences Professional Seminar Series
Speaker: Ms. Glenise Johnson
Topic: “Beyond ‘Contagion’: What is Epidemiology?”
Tuesday, March 19th
2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
HCM Auditorium

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

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

Student Research Symposium
Friday, March 22nd
1:00 p.m.
HCM Auditorium

COB Track and Field Meet
Saturday, April 6th
11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thomas A. Robinson Stadium