



Don canvasses Unilorin Alumni Day ...as VC, others task alumni on institutional development



DONS, L-R: Prof. Durosaro, Prof. Oloyede, Prof. Adeleke and other guests at the occasion

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A call has been made to the University of Ilorin and Unilorin Alumni Association to set a Day aside each year as Alumni Day during which the various achievements of prominent University of Ilorin alumni will be showcased with the events of the Day further serving as motivation for the students of the University.

This call was made last Friday (January 7, 2011) by the former Dean of Education, Prof. David O. Durosaro, on the occasion of the Get-Together/ Luncheon organised by the University of Ilorin Alumni Association, University of Ilorin Branch.

While speaking on “The Role of the Alumni in the Development of a University”, Prof. Durosaro, who is a former National President of the Alumni Association of the University, suggested that such a Day is important so that alumni can connect with one another, share experiences, address the challenges facing their alma mater and inspire the students of the University to greatness. *(Contd. on page 2)*

“Oloyede has earned us more respect”

The recent voluntary resignation of the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, from the presidency of the Association of African Universities (AAU) has continued to draw reactions from Nigerians, especially key officers and staff of the University of Ilorin.

Speaking with *Unilorin Bulletin* last week on the development, many officers and staff of the University were of the opinion that the action of the Vice-Chancellor has brought them more respect and added more glory to the University of Ilorin.

According to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Kolade L. Ayorinde, the decision of Prof. Oloyede to voluntarily step down as the President of the AAU has bestowed more respect on the University of Ilorin and to the Nigerian citizen because it is not typically Nigerian to be selfless in this way.

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Former AAU President, Prof. Oloyede

How alumni can make Unilorin greater

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The Professor of Educational Management submitted that each alumnus and alumnae of the University has a role to play in developing his/her alma mater. Some of the roles the alumni can play, he said, are funding the development of the University, showing keen interest in the management of their former institution, sharing ideas, innovations and equipment in their fields of specialization with relevant departments of the University, sourcing for patronage of the University consultancy services and visiting the University to mentor current students through organising career and enlightenment talks and activities that further motivate students to learn.

He further suggested that the alumni can further contribute to their alma mater through advocacy and returning to the University as lecturers and Professors to advance the excellence of the University. “In this way, they would be able to give to the system some parts of what the system gave to them. A shining example of this is found in our current Vice-Chancellor, a distinguished Alumnus Professor Is-haq O. Oloyede, who is working relentlessly to contribute immensely to the development of the University of Ilorin. Also, apart from teaching courses to students, Alumni and Alumnae in the faculty can also serve as advisers and patrons to students’ organizations”, he said.

Also speaking at the occasion, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oloyede, reasoned that while a former staff member of a collapsed bank could delete the bank from his Curriculum Vitae (CV) without losing anything, there is no way an alumnus of the University of Ilorin can delete the University from his CV without excising a crucial part of his life. He said an alumnus/alumnae staff member does not see the University just as a place of work because there is a link that strongly connects him/ her to the University, being part and parcel of his/her life.

While congratulating the leadership of the University Branch of the Association, the Vice-Chancellor, who is also a former National President of the Association, noted that the gathering had afforded him the opportunity of seeing those he did not even know are Unilorin alumni. He therefore tasked all that as observations had revealed that alumni are more dedicated as hall masters and hall mistresses, the University needs Ph.D. holders in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and qualified alumni of the University should put forward their applications saying that “we are looking for people who will be emotionally committed to the University”.

In his own presentation at the event, Dr. Isaac A. Adimula of the Department of Physics focused on ensuring the “Sanctity of Students’ Results” by following the due process of lecture delivery, organising continuous Assessment Tests with the same standard required for examinations, conducting standard examinations, always developing a marking scheme and ensuring accurate computation. Dr. Adimula warned against compromising results by entrusting computation to non-teaching staff. He also emphasised the sanctity of examination scripts and marks which he said are the property of the University and not that of lecturers.

Also speaking at the occasion, Mr. O. S. Olajugba of the Establishments Division admonished alumni members of staff to always be punctual and work hard to justify their pay through effective service delivery. He then urged all staff to protect the integrity of the University wherever they may be, shun vices, avoid admission racketeering, eschew leaking examination questions and guard against altering examination results. Mr. Olajugba said that anyone, no matter how highly placed, that is found guilty of compromising the integrity of the University examinations would face the necessary sanctions just as he urged the staff to familiarise themselves with the booklet on the conditions of staff service.

Earlier in his welcome address, the Chairman of the University Branch of the Alumni Association, Prof. B. L. Adeleke, traced the formation of the University Branch of the Association to 2007. He added further that the alumni who are staff of the University should have a peculiar commitment to the development of the University. The Chairman, who is also the Director of General Studies Division of the University, also spoke on the need for members to volunteer themselves for the work of alumni while he appreciated the turn-out of members despite their tight schedules during the examination period. “Our expectation for a vibrant home branch has been rekindled by the appreciable level of attendance at today’s event”, he noted.

In their goodwill messages, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Kolade Ayorinde, urged members that as greater stakeholders, more is expected from them while first National President of the Association, Dr. (Mrs) R.O. Oduwaiye, who represented the National President, Mr. T. A. Odedele, advised members to defend their University anywhere they find themselves describing it as a great privilege to graduate from and work in the University of Ilorin.

Unilorin allots \$.1billion Step-B funds

The University of Ilorin has allotted the recent US\$105,000.00 it won under the 2010 Innovators of Tomorrow of the World Bank to the beneficiaries through their project supervisors.

The grant would allow the winning postgraduate students of the University of Ilorin to procure necessary facilities and equipment in aid of their research projects.

In a letter addressed to the Supervisors of the beneficiary students by the STEP-B Project Information Manager, Dr. M. A. Adedimeji, each Supervisor was informed of the value of his/her students' award.

"Following the application you made in February 2010 for the sponsorship of your students' projects through the World Bank STEP B "Innovators of Tomorrow", I am glad to inform you that the sum of ... has been awarded...to enable the student(s) of yours to complete his/her/their graduate projects promptly:

"You will please liaise with the Procurement Officer for information on the preparation of the necessary Work and Procurement plans without which the fund cannot be accessed. You will also furnish the STEP-B Office in the University, through the Monitoring and Evaluation Office, quarterly progress reports of all activities involving the project", the letter reads in part.

The supervisors of the award-winning students addressed are Prof. T. S. Ibiyemi of the Department of Electrical Engineering (three students, one doctoral, two Master's; with three million, one hundred and seven thousand eight hundred and fifty naira (₦3,107,850.00); Prof. K. L. Ayorinde of the Department of Animal Production (two doctoral students having three million, three hundred and sixteen thousand eight hundred and sixty naira (₦3,316,860.00); Prof. E. O. Odeunmi of the Department of Chemistry (one doctoral student having seven hundred and fifty thousand naira (₦750,000.00) and Prof. C. O. Akoshile of the Department of Physics (one doctoral student having seven hundred and fifty thousand naira (₦750,000.00).

Other supervisors of the award winning students are Prof. S. O. Malomo of the Department of Biochemistry (one doctoral student with one million, six hundred and fifty eight thousand four hundred and thirty naira (₦1,658,430.00), Prof. M. A. Akanji of the Department of Biochemistry (two doctoral students having two million, four hundred and eight thousand, four hundred and thirty naira only (₦2,408,430.00), Prof. B. F. Sule of the Department of Civil Engineering (one doctoral student with one million, six hundred and fifty eight thousand four hundred and thirty naira only (₦1,658,430.00), Dr. Y. A. Jimoh of the Department of Civil Engineering (one doctoral student having one million, six hundred thousand naira only (₦1,600,000.00) and Dr. L. T. Ajibade of the Department of Geography (one Master's student with ₦500,000.00).

Fast Facts File

Did you know?

- Your cell phone has a 15-digit secret code that is unique to your handset which you can know by pressing *#06#. You can write it down and keep it in a safe place.
- When your mobile phone gets stolen, you can phone your service providers and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset; so even if the thief changes the SIM card, your phone will be totally useless. Well, you probably won't get your phone back, but at least you know that whoever stole it can't use/sell it either. If everybody does this, there would be no point in people stealing mobile phones and phone theft will reduce drastically by 98%.
- Your cell phone has a hidden battery power which is usable. When your battery is very low, to activate the hidden power, press the keys *3370#. Your cell phone will restart with its reserve power and the instrument will show a 50% increase in battery. This reserve will get charged when you charge your cell phone next time.

Learn from UNILORIN VC, dons tell politicians

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Prof. Ayorinde noted that he is not aware of any leader in Nigeria or even Africa who has demonstrated that selfless and patriotic gesture. “This will earn the University of Ilorin respect and consideration whenever the name of the University is mentioned in future. Most Africans would want to be in power until they are pushed out,” he said.

Prof. Ayorinde averred that not only the University of Ilorin but the African university system at large has benefitted from the short period Prof. Oloyede spent in office as AAU President. He opined that whenever the history of AAU is written, the name the University of Ilorin will shine in gold because it had contributed a leader to AAU whose style of leadership, intellect and commitment ensured that there were more workshops, seminars and training held during his tenure. The Professor of Animal Production then advised politicians to learn from the example set by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin particularly in this period of electioneering saying that some other leaders would have worked against the emergence of a Nigerian as the Executive Secretary of the AAU if they were in the position that Prof. Oloyede occupied.

Also baring his mind on the matter, a former Vice-Chancellor of Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Prof. Razaq D. Abubakre, opined that the action of Prof. Oloyede in stepping down amounted to uncommon sacrifice. He also added that “if some of us who applied knew that it would affect his tenure, we would not have applied. But rather than for him to conceal it, he made it public in the *University Bulletin* and elsewhere and he encouraged people to apply with full knowledge of the implication for his seat. That is how a gentleman, honest person who is not greedy should operate and everybody everywhere should learn from this because he could have ensured no Nigerian emerges as the Executive Secretary.”

He also stated that the Vice-Chancellor had brought two laurels to Nigeria with a single stroke given that no Nigerian had ever occupied the seat of the President of the Association of African Universities neither had a Nigerian ever been an Executive Secretary of the body, which Prof. Oloyede worked for. The foremost Professor of Arabic philosophised that greater things await people who care for others than they care for themselves. While illustrating the reward of sacrifice, Prof. Abubakre said that if 20 people were to share 19 naira and one of them chose to sacrifice so that each of the 19 would have a naira, all the 19 people would take care of the person either with prayer or with part of their one naira. This, the don said, “is the law of natural consequence established by the Almighty God... take care of others and the One above the universe will take care of you.”

In the opinion of a former Dean of Arts and Professor of History at the University of Ilorin, Prof. R. O. Lasisi, the voluntary decision to vacate the seat of the AAU President by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin is typical of the visionary nature of the Vice-Chancellor as someone who looks forward to the future. He said his decision would further help him to consolidate on his vast achievements in the University of Ilorin which is his base while having a Nigerian as the Executive Secretary of the AAU will also continue to benefit Nigeria.

Prof. Lasisi contra-distinguished the decision of Prof. Oloyede on stepping down from office, without anybody telling him to do so, from the culture of political office holders in Africa. He explained his point by making reference to the unfolding events in Ivory Coast where Mr. Laurent Gbagbo insists on extending his 10 year tenure even after being voted out. He said people could see that “the political arena is quite different from the academic arena as the political arena is one of hypocrisy, power and materialism... and that of the University is that of service initially and then being at the head of your profession.”

To the former Librarian of the University of Cape-Coast, Ghana and Deputy Unilorin Librarian, Mr. A.K. Martey, “the nature of all human beings, no matter where they come from, is to have the same human longings and aspirations but the individual difference lies in how one can curb one’s excesses.” He recalled that in Ghana, some corrupt past leaders were killed and former Ghanaian Presidents do not dream of returning to power. He said Prof. Oloyede’s decision to voluntarily quit office is un-Nigerian and un-African because those who are due to leave office elsewhere in Africa are now coming in through power sharing arrangements. He described such sit-tight leaders as an “expired drug which is effective initially but when it expires it becomes poisonous...”

Also reacting to the issue, the Deputy Registrar (Academic) of the University of Ilorin, Mrs. F. M. Olowoleni, in her opinion, said “to my own thinking, it shows how magnanimous the Vice-Chancellor is, how forward looking he is and how selfless he is; it shows a selfless service to the African continent... in the sense that most Nigerians will want to hold on to power no matter how powerless even the office is...”

UNITY IS STRENGTH

Text of the Welcome Address of the Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin, and President, Association of African Universities, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, on the Occasion of the 26th Convocation Lecture of the University of Ilorin at the University Auditorium on Thursday, October 21, 2010

The Lecture

It is my pleasure to welcome you all to this important occasion. As we all know that the overarching business of a university is to generate and transmit knowledge to achieve development, a lecture of this nature is highly essential. If knowledge is power as it is, at the end of this lecture, our 26th Convocation Lecture, I believe that all of us will be empowered to take more actions that will benefit our collective lot. I welcome you once again as I thank our Guest Lecturer of today, Prof. Komlavi Francisco Seddoh, who has honoured us and scholarship by accepting our invitation to enrich us with his wealth of experience.

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, while I am certain that we will find today's lecture, "Current Global Initiatives and Networks in Higher Education", thought-provoking, let me say that the development of the modern world lies in the faculty of thought. In his *Philosophical Essays* published in 1637, the French scientist, mathematician and philosopher, René Descartes, submitted to the effect that it is through true thinking that one can be sure of one's existence. *Cogito ergo sum* ("I think, therefore, I am"), he said. This philosophy alone has contributed exponentially to the development of not only the modern scientific method but the whole essence of Western civilisation.

In this respect, I believe we need to think more about unity of purpose now and always. That *unity is strength* is a maxim we are all familiar with. In our daily lives, we realise and appreciate that we cannot clap with one hand. A single hand cannot lift a heavy load to the head just as a single broomstick cannot sweep anything. As such, it is only when people are united by the same purpose, fired by the same mission, and committed to the same vision that they are able to achieve the desired goals. I think that if we all think Nigeria can work, that our *unity is strength*, that we can all be great, the situation will be as we think. This is what is called a 'dream': I think, therefore, it is! Let us all dream just as Martin Luther King had his own dream. Then, let's complement our dream with purposeful action. This is because dream without action is a nightmare.

Though, the saying, *unity is strength*, is common knowledge, applying it where it matters has often been difficult for many people. It is intriguing that most people seldom think much about what matters most. This is why in the 21st century, lack of deep thinking will make people assume that individualism is good and unilateralism is desirable. The reality of the world, however, suggests that societies that come together are stronger and better. The strength of the academia lies in collaboration, networking at systems and sub-systems levels. The strength of Nigeria lies in her unity; the strength of Africa lies in togetherness. Division can only beget division and as we all know, an atom, as small as it is, can still be further divided. We therefore need to think straight and move the nation and the system forward through proper networking and more cooperation.

It is our thinking that what applies to Nigeria or any nation applies perfectly to the university system. *Unity is strength*. When universities are united, networked or interlinked, they rub off positively on one another. To achieve more strength, it is high time Nigerian universities in particular and African/world universities in general came more together, interacted more closely and cooperated more together to achieve the desired result of sustainable development and its associated lofty goals. United we stand; divided *they* fall.

At the level of the University of Ilorin, we are doing our best in this regard. Thus, as our University anthem states, "in unity we grow, committed to seat of our learning". As such, to deepen the strength that comes from unity and collaboration, and further "stand in strength and pride", the University has linkages and collaborative partnerships with several world institutions and bodies. All of the International Association of Universities (IAU), Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), International Association of University Presidents (IAUP); The International Association on Bandwidth (IAB), Association of African Universities (AAU), Global University Network for Innovation (GUNI), Magna

Charta Universitatum, Association of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities (AVCNU), among several others, are some of the organisations that the University belongs to, not to talk of several world universities and institutions we collaborate with.

Our interest in these collaborative efforts is to further enrich knowledge, promote scholarship and enhance higher education delivery through the adoption of best practices. And, talking of higher education and networking, few people in the world can be as qualified as our Convocation Lecturer in terms of depth, exposure and experience.

Who is Professor Seddoh?

The Lecturer

Our 26th Convocation Lecturer was born on July 29, 1941 at Atakpamé, Togo. He obtained his Postgraduate Certificate in Earth Sciences (with Sedimentary Geology option) in 1966. He later followed the achievement up with a Doctorate du 3eme cycle in Geology and a Doctorat d'Eta in Natural Sciences from the University of Dijon, France, in 1973. He was a lecturer at the University of Dijon between 1966 and 1974, a Senior Lecturer at the University of Lome between 1974 and 1978, and a Full Professor since 1979.

Prof. Seddoh has had a rich and varied career not only in the classroom but also in the boardroom. He was the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research, Togo, between 1979 and 1986. He was the Rector and President of the Board of the University of Benin, Togo, from 1986 to 1994. More importantly, he was the Minister of Education and Scientific Research, Togo, between 1994 and 1995. He also served as a Honorary Rector or Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lome between 1995 and 2010.

At the international level, Prof. Seddoh rose from the position of Senior Programme Specialist at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural organisation (UNESCO) to the post of Director, UNESCO Regional Bureau for Education in Africa in Africa (BREDA) and ultimately Director, Higher Education, UNESCO. He has also served as a Consultant Advisor to the Director of the Division of Higher Education. Besides, he has been Chief of Education Sciences Section, UNESCO; Team Leader of the Cross-Cutting Project on Remote Sensing in Africa; Charge dé Mission of the Bureau of Field Coordination; Charge dé Mission of Africa Department and Chairman of the Working Group on Reconstruction in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Summit of the Great Lakes.

A former Board Member of the Association of African Universities (AAU), Prof. Seddoh was also Chairman, UNESCO National Commission, Togo (1994-1995); Chairman, National Global Change, Togo, (1991-1995) and Chairman, Central and West African Council for Global Change (1993-1995) among others.

An international scholar par excellence, Prof. Seddoh is a member of the Academy of Sciences, Ivory Coast; Member, French Academy of Agriculture; Member, Academy of Water Sciences (France) and Honorary Member, Academy of Sciences, Fine Arts and Arts of Burgundy (France).

He has such honorary distinctions as Commander in Ordre des Palmes Academiques (France), Commander in Ordre of Merit for National Education (Ivory Coast), Officer of the Lion Order (Senegal); Gold Medal, University of Benin, Lome, Togo; Commander of Ordre du Mono (Togolese National Award) and Doctor Honoris Causa, Polytechnic Institute of Lorraine, Nancy, France.

Apart from scores of publications in the field of Earth Sciences, Prof. Seddoh has several publications in the fields of Education, Higher Education and Research to his credit.

Please ladies and gentlemen, join me in rousingly welcoming and inviting to the podium this distinguished academic, astute administrator, renowned higher education expert, accomplished intellectual guru and illustrious son of Africa, Professor Komlavi Francisco Seddoh!

Thank you very much.

Unilorin hosts AWAU inauguration

The University of Ilorin hosts, beginning from today, the inaugural meeting of the Association of West African Universities (AWAU).

The meeting holds between today (Monday January 10, 2011) and Wednesday (January 12, 2011) with an opening ceremony of the meeting beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the University Auditorium.

All are cordially invited.

Unilorin expels 22 students for misconduct

In their efforts to sanitise the University and advance the motto of the institution, “character and learning”, the authorities of the University of Ilorin have expelled 22 students for various acts of misconduct.

The students had appeared before the Students Disciplinary Committee last year where they could not defend the allegations of misconduct levelled against them and thereby found unworthy of being *better by far* students.

Acts of misconduct in the University of Ilorin include examination malpractices, theft, cultism, impersonation, belonging to unauthorised/unregistered associations, unruly behaviour, among others.

The expelled students’ details are:

| S/N. | Name | Matric. No. | Department |
|------|-----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | Olaosebikan, Taiwo Victoria | 07/25OD072 | Counsellor Education |
| 2 | Ojo, Veronica Bolanle | 06/04IA230 | Law |
| 3 | Ogunleye, Adeponle Adejoke | 06/04IA121 | Law |
| 4 | Irejuwa, O. Oliveth | 07/10AC177 | Agricultural Science |
| 5 | Sholaitan, Olajide Adisa | 02/25OC537 | History |
| 6 | Lawal, Tolu Taofeek | 02/47KC193 | Biochemistry |
| 7 | Kalejaiye, Elizabeth Modupe | 07/55EH147 | Biochemistry |
| 8 | Ibikunle, Muibat Ibilola | 08/25OWO33 | Arts & Social Science Education |
| 9 | Akinkumi, Oluwafunmilayo Farayola | 08/46KA075 | Anatomy |
| 10 | Oguntuwase, Oluwaseun Abayomi | 08/46KB061 | Physiology |
| 11 | Akolade, Hammed Lanre | 02/66MC074 | History |
| 12 | Ajisafe, Tosin | 08/66MF023 | Political Science |
| 13 | Kowontan, Abidemi | 07/15CA057 | History |
| 14 | Chibuogwu, Oyeka Abraham | 08/46KB060 | Physiology |
| 15 | Adebiyi, Adebayo Hammed | 05/55EH014 | Biochemistry |
| 16 | Agbaje, Olawole Olugbenga | 05/55EH037 | Biochemistry |
| 17 | Arowosaye, Shukrat Dupe | 06/55EH070 | Biochemistry |
| 18 | Ojebiyi, Comfort Funmilola | 07/10AC300 | Agricultural Science |
| 19 | Okosi, Bashirat Adeyemisi | 07/66MD172 | Economics |
| 20 | Odion, Godday Osaro | 08/25PC026 | Science Education |
| 21 | Harunah, Daniel Babajide | 07/55EJ244 | Microbiology |
| 22 | Adegunju, Adeola | 06/55EH018 | Biochemistry |

Ankara Unilorin is still available for sale

Members of the University of Ilorin Community can now procure the customised University cloth (*Ankara*) that was displayed by many during the 26th convocation ceremonies.

Interested staff are to pay a sum of ₦2,000.00 into the **Ceremonials Committee** account, **231402200010980** at Unilorin Microfinance Bank, University of Ilorin. They are to produce/ submit the evidence of payment to the Directorate of Information and Protocol to collect six yards of the *Ankara* material on first-come first-served basis.

Unilorin-UCC conference renews call for papers

CCSD 2011: CALL FOR PAPERS

The University of Ilorin, Nigeria and University of Cape Coast, Ghana are organizing the 2nd Joint International Conference from 24th – 28th April, 2011. The theme of the conference is “*Climate Change and Sustainable Development*”. Participation is sought from all over the world.

The sub-themes of the conference are:

- Climate Change, Culture and the Arts
- Climate Change and Environmental Development
- Climate, Engineering and Infrastructural Development
- Curriculum Response to Climate Change and Development
- Climate Change and Health Management
- Climate Change, Social Transition, Legal and Business Development
- Climate Change and Agricultural Development

Full papers may not exceed 14 pages typeset at 12-point, double-spaced and in APA 5th format. Authors may choose between **two** formats: **full and short papers**. Both formats will be peer reviewed. All papers must be original contributions. The material must not have been previously published or be under review for publication elsewhere.

Note: *All accepted papers will be published by the Conference Secretariat as Conference Proceedings.*

Submission

Abstracts or papers must be submitted in Microsoft Word format to:

uccunilorin2001@unilorin.edu.ng

cc: kyankson201@yahoo.com, yaquadri@yahoo.co.uk or yaquadri@unilorin.edu.ng

Important Dates:

- Submission of Abstracts: 28th February, 2011
- Deadline for Registration: 31st March, 2011
- Submission of Full Papers: 15th April 2011
- Conference Date:

Arrival – Sunday, 24th April, 2011

Opening/ Plenary Session – Monday, 25th April, 2011

Technical Session – Tuesday, 26th and Wednesday, 27th April, 2011

Departure – Thursday, 28th April, 2011

NOTE: Registration fee for the Conference is \$150

For further information, please visit www.unilorin.edu.ng/ccsd2011.

Re: University Starcomm Lines

Please recall the recent management’s effort to facilitate communication for the day-to-day administration among the management staff by procuring and distributing Starcomms telephone.

This is to reiterate management’s directive that under no condition shall it not be opened. It must be put on always.

It is pertinent to note that the recharging of the line shall be done directly from time to time by Starcomm’s office with effect from January 2011 and inability of the company to access your line means loss of credit for three months.

Kindly ensure strict compliance to ensure value for money.

Sgd.

Mr. I. O. Ogunbiyi,

Help Desk Officer

(031821339)

LAUGH LINES

This morning as I was buttoning my shirt, a button fell off. After that I picked up my briefcase and the handle fell off. Then I went to open the door, and the doorknob fell off. I went to get into my car, and the door handle came off in my hand. Now I’m hard pressed but I am afraid to pee!

Happy Birthday To You !

| S/N. | Name | Department/Unit | Date of Birth |
|------|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Egbedo, Frederick O. | Plant Biology | 10 th January |
| 2 | Haruna, Ibrahim | Works Parks & Garden | 10 th January |
| 3 | Jimoh, Yinusa A. | Civil Engineering | 10 th January |
| 4 | Ipinyomi, Reuben A. | Statistics | 11 th January |
| 5 | Ogunwole, Omowumi | Internal Audit | 11 th January |
| 6 | Oluyide, Victoria O. | Bursary | 11th January |
| 7 | Alaya, Yahaya A. | Library | 12th January |
| 8 | Amali, Ismaila O. | Arts and Social Science Education | 12th January |
| 9 | Oseni, Gobir A. | Bursary | 13th January |
| 10 | Abeboye, Akin J. | Sugar Research Institute | 14th January |
| 11 | Lawal, Mistura N. | Property Management Board | 14th January |
| 12 | Mufutau, Abdulrahim | Security | 14th January |
| 13 | Obiyemi, Olawale O. | Institute of Education | 14th January |
| 14 | Owan, Benedict | Security | 14th January |
| 15 | Raufu, Kamar A. | Linguistics and Nigerian Languages | 14th January |
| 16 | Aweda, Jacob O. | Mechanical Engineering | 15 th January |
| 17 | Dosumu, Bamideleola A. | Health Services | 15 th January |
| 18 | Idakwo, Isaac | Central Administration | 15 th January |

Unilorin in the News

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- In a lead report written by a student of Industrial Chemistry, University of Ilorin, Olawale Ajetunmobi, a student of one of the South East Universities, among others, has complained that their time was being wasted in their universities “when our colleagues in University of Ilorin (UNILORIN) have almost finished two sessions” while a student of English, University of Ilorin, Tunmise Oladipo, has urged government to address insecurity across the nation.
(‘We don’t pray for strikes in 2011,’ *The Nation*, Thursday, January 6, 2011, pp. 25-26).
- By walking the distance between the University Permanent Site and Tipper Garage, Tanke, to prove a point that nothing is impossible, a 200 level student of the University of Ilorin, Abolaji Oseni, has been deemed by a campus writer to have accomplished the impossible.
(‘Student accomplishes the impossible’, *The Nation*, same as above, p. 37)
- A Law student of the University of Ilorin, Habeeb Whyte, has sampled his fellow students’ opinions on the role of religion in choosing future partners on campus.
(‘Students, religion and love’, *The Nation*, same as above, p.38).
- In a protest letter purportedly signed by “Concerned students”, some 400 level Science students of the University of Ilorin have been said to have protested the withdrawal of waivers that affected their graduation last year in a petition to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede.
(‘UNILORIN students petition VC over waiver’, *The Nation*, same as above, p.41).
- In flagging off the campaign against the use of incandescent lamps in the country, the National Centre for Hydropower Research and Development (NACHRED), University of Ilorin, has destroyed ₦1million worth of incandescent lamps.
(‘UNILORIN destroys ₦100m (sic) incandescent bulbs’, *The Nation*, same as above, p.43).
- Some 500 students of the University of Ilorin have been allegedly “suspended” for failure to register within the stipulated registration period for the 2010/2011 academic session.
(‘Unilorin suspends 500 students’, *The Herald*, Friday, January 7, 2011, pp.1-2)

Unilorin in the News

- A former lecturer at the University of Ilorin and National Secretary of Markaz Alumni Association, Dr. Yusuf K. Jimoh, has stressed the importance of 2011 to the future of Nigeria while speaking at a special prayer session organised by Markaz, Agege, Lagos.
(‘Islamic group prays for peace’, *The Guardian*, Sunday January 2, 2011, p.21).
- Both The National Centre for Hydropower Research and Development (NACHRED), University of Ilorin and the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, have urged Nigerians to use Compact Fluorescent Lamps (CFLs) and dump the conventional incandescent lamps.
(‘NACHRED (Unilorin) destroys incandescent lamps’, *The Guardian*, same as above, p.32).
- All lecturers of the University of Ilorin have a personal public address system, called “Waist Band Amplifiers”, distributed to them by the University to enhance the teaching and learning process.
(‘Unilorin lecturers get public address system’, *The Guardian*, same as above).
- Concerned about the waning interests of secondary school students in science, the authorities of the University of Ilorin have taken a big step in encouraging them through the Greater Scientists project recently inaugurated in the University.
(‘Unilorin and greater scientists projects: catching the students young’, *National Pilot*, Sunday January 2 – Wednesday January 5, 2011, pp. 15 & 18).
- While flagging off the campaign against the use of incandescent lamp championed by the National Centre for Hydropower Research and Development (NACHRED), the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has urged Nigerians to declare war on the 60 watts bulbs.
(‘NACHRED, VC seek reduction in energy consumption’, *Nigerian Compass*, Wednesday, January 5, 2011, p.15).
- In an address presented in Lagos on behalf of the leadership of the Nigeria Inter-religious Council (NIREC), the Executive Secretary/National Coordinator of the body, who is also the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has urged Nigerians not to sell their votes in the forthcoming elections.
(‘Religious group blames leaders for country’s woes; warns Nigerians not to sell their votes’, *Nigerian Compass*, same as above, p.17)
- Two doctoral students of the University of Ilorin, Mr. Kayode Niyi Afolayan of English Department and Mrs. Zainab Bolajoko Balogun of Educational Management Department, have defended their theses.
(‘Two Ph.D students defend thesis’, *Nigerian Compass*, same as above).
- Two Law students of the University of Ilorin, Messrs Zakariayu Olufemi AbulRazaq and Mohammed Abdullahi Tosin, have topped a national essay competition in Abuja.
(‘Law students top competition’, *Nigerian Compass*, same as above).
- The Management of the University of Ilorin have expelled 22 students on account of their involvement in varying acts of misconduct.
(‘Unilorin expels 22 students’, *National Pilot*, Thursday 6th to Sunday 9th January, 2011, pp. 2-3).

Quotes of the Week

Anger is the feeling that makes your mouth work faster than your mind.

– Evan Esar

It is good to be without vices but it is not good to be without temptations.

– Walter Bagehot

The best years of your life are the ones in which you decide your problems are your own. You don’t blame your mother, the ecology or the President. You realise that you control your own destiny.

– Albert Ellis.

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