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Pantami tasks varsities to embrace ICT

... hails UNILORIN's trail blazing initiatives

By Abdulquadri Abubakar and Tajudeen Babamale



■ L - R: The representative of the Minister, Mr Olawumi; the representative of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abayomi Omotosho; and another guest at the event

The Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, Prof. Isa Ali Ibrahim Pantami, has challenged public universities in Nigeria to adopt the use of emerging technologies to improve the quality of their service delivery and save cost.

Prof. Pantami, who stated this last Wednesday (March 14, 2023) while declaring open the 6th edition of the National Information Technology (IT) Summit at the University of Ilorin, applauded the UNILORIN management for always supporting good courses, especially emerging technologies, which, he said, has been assisting the University in actualising its mandate.

The Summit, organised by the Nigeria Information Technology Professionals in Public and Civil Service (NITPCS), at the Main Auditorium of the University of Ilorin attracted ICT experts from the Public and Civil Service as well as ivory towers.

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At Valedictory Lecture, Olorunfemi seeks return to competitiveness

By Idayat Hassan



■ Prof. Olorunfemi

A former Head of the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, University of Ilorin, Prof. Jacob Folorunso Olorunfemi, has charged the University to return to competitive recruitment and appointment of staff, saying that staff promotions should also be devoid of sentiments but should be based on performance and capacities.

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Wahab proffers 'masterstroke' for curbing stroke

By Abubakar Imam

A Professor of Medicine and renowned neurologist at the University of Ilorin, Kolawole Wasiu Wahab, has said that the only way stroke can be controlled, particularly in Nigeria and other developing countries, which are more affected, is to put up deliberate and sustainable practices that would prevent its occurrence.

Prof. Wahab stated this last Thursday (March 16, 2023) while

delivering the 230th Inaugural Lecture of the University, entitled "In the Quest for a Masterstroke for Stroke" at the institution's Main Auditorium.

The don, who is currently the only neurologist under the employ of the University, described stroke as a physiological attack on human brain, which either leads to the death of the sufferer or renders one or many parts of his system nonfunctional.

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■ Prof. Wahab

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We 'll continue to partner bodies with positive vision – Egbewole

Tajudeen Babamale

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has reaffirmed the desire of the University management to continue to partner with bodies, associations, organizations, and institutions whose programmes and vision will affect the institution positively.

Prof. Egbewole stated this last Monday (March 13, 2023) when he received members of the Kwara State Chapter of the Nigerian Institute of Building (NIOB), who visited him in his office.

The leader of the NOIB team, Dr I. A. Jimoh, had earlier harped on the need for the University of Ilorin to establish a Department of Building to be domiciled in the Faculty of Environmental Sciences.

The Vice Chancellor assured the NIOB team that with the dynamics of setting up a Department in Nigerian universities, which requires processes that must be followed, the authority of the University of Ilorin will put a process in place, look at the logistics, and arrive at a logical conclusion on what needs to be done.

According to him, establishing a new Department is not just about the name, the staff, or the structure; a lot of things are required to make it a reality, including strict compliance with laid-down NUC process.

While expressing the hope that the relationship between the University of Ilorin and the Nigerian Institute of Building would blossom and culminate in the ultimate request of establishing the Department of Building, the Vice Chancellor reminded the team that the process of establishing a Department does



■ **Prof. Egbewole**

not start and end with the University.

Earlier in his remarks, the leader of the NIOB team, who is also the Chairman, Committee on the Establishment of Department of Building in Universities in Kwara State, Bldr. I. A. Jimoh, said that majority of the Departments in Faculty of Environmental Sciences require the input of the Building Department in their academic programme in areas of building services, building structures, building construction, building maintenance, and facilities management.

While pointing out that the degree of input differs, Dr. Jimoh said that the involvement of qualified builders to handle them is by far better and will have a greater impact on learning and research, which are at the vanguard of the University of Ilorin's mandate.

He explained that the establishment of a Department of Building will add value to the research output of the University of

Ilorin, saying that research publications in 'Environmental Sciences are dominated, in terms of content and sources, by core building issues and researchers with backgrounds in building.

While noting that the level of capital investment required for establishing a Department of Building could be reduced, Dr Jimoh said, "At take-off, in terms of facilities and resource persons, for example, workshops on building crafts could be taken in the Technical Education Department; laboratory experiments and tests on materials could be handled in Civil Engineering; basic knowledge on building services (acoustic, lighting, etc.) could be handled in Life Sciences; and practical on building services would be jointly handled by Environmental Management in the Faculty of Social Sciences; and Mechanical and Electrical Engineering in Engineering".

He stated that graduates of Building who are involved in research or practicing in the Nigerian construction industry will help to advance the commitment of the University of Ilorin to community development in areas of environmental sustainability, entrepreneurship training, bridging skill gaps, and skill shortages in the Nigerian construction industry.

The Vice Chancellor was joined to receive the NIOB team by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Abayomi Omotesho. Other members of the NOIB team included, Bldr. Lanre Opoola, who is the Chairman, NIOB, Kwara State Chapter; Bldr. J. O. Alabi, Bldr. A. T. Otunola, and Bldr. S. F. Aliyu.

Surgery Dept recounts success story

Tajudeen Babamale

The Head of the Department of Surgery, University of Ilorin and University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital (UITH), Prof. Ademola Popoola, has said that the Department had saved so many lives in the last few years, courtesy of its dedicated staff the nurses in the theatre and wards.

Prof. Popoola stated this penultimate Friday (March 3, 2023) in an address at the annual end-of-year get-together organised by the Department of Surgery at the University Researcher's Lodge.

The don disclosed that in the last two years, the Department successfully separated conjoined twins, which was reported all over the world, pointing out that members of the Department were very proud of the achievement.

Prof. Popoola, who is a Surgical Oncologist, explained that in the area of training, the Department also recorded successes in all specialties. He said, "There are fellows who have been trained in

urology, general surgery, neurosurgery, plastic surgery, and virtually all other specialties."

He further disclosed that "also in the Department, there were two fellows who recorded the best results in the postgraduate exams. All these are evident proof that God has been so good to us in the Department of Surgery".

The don added that through many surgeries the Department saved so many lives. "Some of them we may not be able to document but the family of those beneficiaries will never forget us", he said, adding, "We may not take it serious as a success because it has become a routine to us, but the beneficiaries and their loved ones will forever be grateful".

Prof. Popoola said, "On the national and international level, we have participated in various programmes of the West African College of Surgeons, the National Postgraduate Medical College of Surgeons, some of us have been involved in accreditation exercises, some of us have assisted other hospitals in setting up their

various programmes.

"We have hosted many medical courses that have attracted people from different parts of the country. Our basic surgical skills course has continued to be run twice a year except during COVID, and recently we had the successful accreditation of that course", he stated.

The Head of the Department of Surgery, however, explained that the doctors in the Department have had excellent relationships with the nurses in the theatre and the ward, which is why the management of the hospital has never had a reason to settle a dispute between the doctors in the Surgery Department and the nurses.

He added that they have always worked together as a family, and that is the only way the Department has been successful.

"This is because without the support of the nurses in the theater and the wards, we can never have any success. That is why we invited them to the occasion to celebrate with us".



■ *Dignitaries and participants at the NITPCS Symposium last Wednesday*

Pantami tasks varsities to embrace ICT

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The Minister, who was represented at the Summit by the Director of Standards, Guidelines, and Frameworks in the Ministry, Mr. Oladejo Olawumi, said that the theme of the Summit, "Enabling Emerging Technologies: The Future of Public Service, was apt because it was in consonance with the Ministry's mandate.

Prof. Pantami explained that the issue of emerging technology in public service is very key because if public sectors in Nigeria had imbibed using the technology the way it was supposed to be, Nigeria's public service would have been more productive and cost effective.

He also emphasised that the issue of emerging technology is one of the key pillars of the National Digital Economy Policy and Strategy (NDEPS), which aims to enable Nigerians to become key players in the global digital economy and ensure diversification of the nation's economy.

While commending the organisers of the programme for their initiative, the Minister applauded the authority of the University of Ilorin for always supporting good courses, especially emerging technologies, which he believed has been assisting the University in actualising its mandate.

In his remarks on the occasion, the Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, said that his administration identified Information Communication Technology (ICT) as a vital tool in enhancing its policies and programmes to meet international best practices.

Prof. Egbewole, who was represented at the event by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Abayomi Omotosho, stated that UNILORIN has adopted ICT as a means of receiving and sending information between Departments,

Faculties and other units of the University since his assumption of office.

While reaffirming his goal of making the University among the best in the world, the Vice-Chancellor said ICT has been identified as panacea for achieving rapid development. He added that he will continue to support ICT in all ramifications and do everything possible to make the University one of the best.

Earlier in his welcome address, the Chairman, 2023 NITPCS SUMMIT Planning Committee, Prof. Rasheed Gbenga Jimoh, said that the theme of this year's summit was strategically selected given the understanding of the group's critical roles as IT professionals in the adoption and integration of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) into core processes of the public and civil service.

Prof. Jimoh, who is the immediate past Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences (CIS), University of Ilorin, pointed out that it is one thing to adopt ICT and integrate it within an organization, another is its sustainability.

The Professor of Computer Science explained that the sustainability of such innovations largely depends on the advisories emanating from the IT professionals within the organisation.

He explained that the wisdom behind the creation of the Nigeria Information Technology Professionals in Public and Civil Service (NITPCS), the largest interest group of the Nigeria Computer Society (NCS), was to ease the delivery of mandates of Nigeria Computer through the activities of various groups under the NCS.

The Chairman, 2023 NITPCS Summit Organising Committee, appreciated the Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Egbewole, whom

he described as "Smart Vice-Chancellor", for always willing and ready to support any ICT initiative, and also for his unwavering supports towards the success of the event.

Prof. Jimoh also disclosed that the current administration of the University of Ilorin, under the leadership of Prof. Egbewole, is committed to a project to make the university the best in Nigeria, the best 10 in Africa, and among the top 500 in the world through a smart campus initiative.

In his remarks, the President of the Nigeria Computer Society, Prof. Adesina Simon Sodiya, said that the ICT group has initiated a process in collaboration with the Ministry of Communications and Digital Economy to come up with a new ICT cadre for its effective service delivery in the public sector.

The scholar of Computer Science and Information Security emphasised that adoption of ICT by the public sector would enable staff members to always be at their best.

Prof. Sodiya, however, urged all Departments, Faculties, and various units of the University of Ilorin to show greater commitment to the use of ICT.

While speaking on the topic "Emerging ICTs and the Future of Public Service: Emphasis on Transaction in Public Services", the Managing Director of Fintrak Software, Mr. Bimbo Abioye, represented by Joseph Umoh, emphasised the need for the nation's public sector to change from paper based institution and embrace ICT.

The 6th in the series of the National Information Technology (IT) Summit was graced by ICT experts from academic institutions, ministries, private companies, banks and others.

How to curb stroke, by Wahab, UNILORIN's renowned neurologist (Contd. from front page)

The foremost scholar explained that statistics collated from across the world indicated that stroke is a significant cause of death and disability worldwide as he noted that an estimated 80% of stroke is expected to occur in the developing world by 2030.

Speaking on the effects of stroke and why deliberate efforts should be mounted towards its prevention, Prof. Wahab said that the pervasively damaging health condition imposes emotional and financial burden not only on the sufferers but also on their families and the society at large.

While affirming that stroke can occur at any stage or age in the life, the distinguished medical educator explained that stroke occurs among members of the productive age of the population, which he said is its more disturbing effect on the socioeconomic configurations and sustainability of a society.

Prof. Wahab, who is also the Director, Centre for In-House Training and Development (CREDIT), University of Ilorin, therefore encouraged individuals to ensure that they check their blood pressure regularly to ensure that it falls within manageable levels.

The Inaugural Lecturer canvassed a deliberate way of controlling hypertension in individuals in order to reduce incidence of stroke. He explained that once it can be ensured that an individual does not develop hypertension, the occurrence of stroke would be put under check.

Prof. Wahab also proposed the adoption of healthy lifestyles such as regular aerobic exercises to keep the human system fit, firm and free of many medical challenges.

He equally advised the population against every form of smoking and consumption of alcohol, pointing out that the fact that one does not smoke is not enough but one should ensure that he stays away from smokers in order to avoid the risk of developing stroke through such exposure.

Prof. Wahab, who at a time served as Sub-Dean, Student Affairs, College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin, also appealed to the stakeholders in the health sector to work towards ensuring massive and effective health education, adding that professionals who are involved in health care delivery at various levels also require constant updating of their knowledge and skills in order for them to be fully armed.

Lamenting that the 'Japa' Syndrome has further depleted the inadequate manpower in the nation's healthcare system, a situation that is worse with neurological care, Prof. Wahab called on the Federal Government to remove all bureaucratic bottlenecks that have made it difficult for universities to make new employments.

He similarly encouraged the government to make more resources available for the health sector to ensure that our hospitals and other health facilities are well-equipped with state-of-art facilities.

The Inaugural Lecturer, who received trainings at home and abroad, also canvassed for what he called an aggressive surveillance and monitoring of every stroke patient for proper and adequate management of his conditions.

Prof. Wahab, who bemoaned the increasing cost of facilities in Nigeria, appealed to well-to-do individuals to assist the government and the society with provision of funds and facilities.

He also called for remarkable



The Inaugural Lecturer, Prof. Wahab (left), presenting the Lecture notes to the representative of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sulyman Ambali last Thursday

improvement in incentives for training and retraining of Neurologists for them to be exposed to modern trends in the management of strokes.

While explaining that more needed to be done on stroke awareness campaign, Prof. Wahab appealed to the government and other concerned non-governmental agencies to support research endeavours targeted at combating the occurrence of stroke.

Prof. Wahab, who recalled his trainings, contributions and services in the realm of stroke management over the years, thanked the authorities of the University of Ilorin and the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital for the privileges and support made available to him, which eventuated in who he is at present.

The Inaugural Lecture, which was presided over by the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, was attended by Principal Officers of the University as well as colleagues, students, relations and friends of Prof. Wahab from far and near.

Kolawole addresses Warwick varsity symposium



Prof. Kolawole

A Professor of Medical Virology and Environmental Health at the University of Ilorin, Mathew Olatunji Kolawole, will be the Guest Speaker next Wednesday (March 29, 2023) at an international symposium on "Prospects and Challenges of Water and Wastewater Engineering for Community Health Interventions" holding at the University of Warwick, United Kingdom.

A statement made available to **UNILORIN BULLETIN** disclosed that

the hybrid symposium, sponsored by the Institute of Advanced Studies (IAS), brings together experts from Engineering, Life and Medical Sciences to explore some of the inter-phases of water and health. There will be focused examples from the field".

The Keynote Speaker, Prof. Kolawole, who is also the National Coordinator, Poliovirus Laboratory Containment in Nigeria, is a Visiting Professor and IAS Fellow, University of Warwick, United Kingdom.

Encomiums as 'Mr Better-by-far', Prof. Olorunfemi, retires

By Idayat Hassan

Staff members of the Department of Geography and Environmental Management, University of Ilorin, last Tuesday (March 14, 2023) organised a send-forth get-together for their retiring colleague, Prof. Jacob Funso Olorunfemi, who coined the 'Better-by-far' epithet for the University.

At the event held at the Faculty of Social Sciences Board Room, the Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, described Prof. Olorunfemi as a brother, mentor, and someone close to his heart.

Prof. Egbewole said that the renowned Professor of Geography is a blunt and straightforward person, adding that "if he disagrees with you he stands firmly to it".

The Vice Chancellor recalled that the celebrant gave the name "Better By Far" to the University of Ilorin during his Inaugural Lecture, adding that the don has contributed tremendously to the system and that his vacuum will be felt.

Prof. Egbewole said that Prof.



Prof. Olorunfemi (left) receiving a parting gift during the send-forth

Olorunfemi "has seen it all, done his best, and made the university proud", adding that the University, his Faculty, and his

Department will continue to tap from his experience. The Vice Chancellor then prayed God to reward him and grant him

sound health to live through the remaining years.

In his tribute, the Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Ifatokun Paul Ifabiyi, described the don as very nice and fair and can identify gift in staff and students.

Prof. Ifabiyi said that the don encouraged him in so many aspects of life and taught him how to use a computer, adding that he is committed to humanitarian services.

On his part, the Head of the Department, Geography and Environmental Management, Dr Usman Bolaji Abubakar, described Prof. Olorunfemi as someone who has used most of his adult life to mould thousands of young men and women into well-informed responsible citizens, many of whom are contributing positively to the progress of humanity in various parts of the world today.

A lecturer in the Department, Prof. Usman Adebimpe Raheem, described Prof. Olorunfemi as scandal-free for 45 years.

Prof. Raheem said, "The Department and Faculty still need you and we will always come to you. Please use that as our parting gift".

Also a lecturer in the Department, Prof. Emmanuel Okunlola Oriola, described the don as someone who does not tolerate injustice, accommodating, meticulous and lover of prompt action.

A major highlight of the event was presentation of gift items to the honoree by his colleagues and friends.



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At Valedictory Lecture, Olorunfemi seeks return to competitiveness (Contd. from front page)

Prof. Olorunfemi gave this advice last Thursday (March 16, 2023) while delivering his Valedictory Lecture, entitled "Revisiting The Why And How Of What is Where", at the Faculty of Social Sciences Lecture Hall.

The renowned scholar, who is also a member of the pioneer set of lecturers at the Department, also called on the University management to base admission of students into the institution strictly on merit.

Prof. Olorunfemi advised that during recruitment and promotion exercises, appropriate criteria should be advertised far ahead of time, such that staff members can do a self-assessment.

The retired don advised that as much as practicable, unnecessary biases must be avoided in purely academic matters for the University to remain a centre of academic excellence that it has been known over the years.

He also recommended that the rights and privileges of all the staff and students of the University should be regularly assured and protected to ensure peace and stability and also enhance productivity, saying that if the rights and privileges of all and sundry in an organization are guaranteed productivity would be assured.

Prof. Olorunfemi called for the reintroduction of Geography as one of the six compulsory core courses at the senior secondary level because of its utility.

The don, who appreciated the authorities of the University for the privilege given him to serve at the institution, suggested the modification of the institution's catchment areas to include all the states that are contiguous to Kwara State where the University is located.

He also recommended that admission into universities be separated from those of Polytechnics and Colleges of Education.

Earlier in his opening remarks,



■ **Prof. Olorunfemi (3rd left) flanked by the representative of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Omotesho (3rd right) and other dignitaries at the Lecture last Thursday**

the Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Abayomi Omotesho, congratulated the retired senior academic on the journey so far in his career and thanked the Faculty of Social Sciences for organising such an event and prayed God to grant Prof. Olorunfemi sound health.

The event was attended by many dignitaries, including the Deputy Governor of Kwara State, Mr. Kayode Alabi, who was represented by Prof. Timothy Oloyede; the University Librarian, Dr Kamaldeen Tunde Omopupa; the Vice Chancellor, Ahman Patigi University, Patigi; Prof. Mahofuz Adedimeji; the Vice Chancellor, University of Offa, Prof. Bayo Lawal; the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ilorin, Prof. Ifatokun Paul Ifabiye; a former Dean, Faculty of Arts, University of Ilorin, Prof. AbdulRasheed Abiodun Adeoye; and the Alaye of Oke Aiyedun, Oba Olayemi Aribisala, amongst several others.

In his votes of thanks on behalf of the family, a son of the celebrant, Gbenga Olorunfemi, said that he learned three important things from his father

which are "do your best", "work in the interest of the collective" and "be responsible". He implored everyone at the event to always make that goal.

Prof. Jacob Folorunsho Olorunfemi was born on November 2, 1952 at Oke-Ayedun, Ekiti State. He had his secondary school education at Egbeola High School, Ikole-Ekiti from 1965 to 1969, and Aquinas College, Akure, from 1970 to 1971. As a beneficiary of the Cocoa Marketing Board Scholarship, he proceeded to the University of Ibadan in 1972, where he obtained his B.Sc. degree in Geography, graduated as the best student in 1975.

Prof. Olorunfemi was among the first set of staff of the University who benefited from the staff development award. With the award, he proceeded to Bristol, UK, where he obtained the Ph.D in Geography in 1980.

He has contributed immensely through his research work and has exhibited leadership qualities earlier in life.

Prof. Olorunfemi spent 46 years in service, as he joined the University in 1976 and retired in 2022.

UNILORIN drivers' body elects new officers

By Mustafa Abubakar

The University of Ilorin Drivers' Welfare Association has appointed new officers to run its affairs in the next two years.

The elected officers are Mr Afolabi Samuel, Chairman; Mr Abiodun Oladokun, Vice Chairman; Mr T B Audu, General Secretary; Mr Raheem Ajidagba, Assistant General Secretary; Mr Omuya Ohaire,

Treasurer; Mr Sadeeq Usman, Financial Secretary; Mr Toyin Salman, Auditor I; Mr Femi Olaoye, Ex-Officio; and Mr Yusuf Olawale, Public Relations Officer (P.R.O.).



NAME	DEPARTMENT	CONFERENCE	VENUE / DATE
Dr A. E. Fawibe	Medicine	Annual Scientific Conference and all Fellows Congress of the National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria	Kaduna, 10 th - 12 th August, 2021
Dr T. O. Amusa	Forest Resources Management	42 th Annual Conference of the Forestry Association of Nigeria (FAN)	Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria (FRIN), Ibadan, 23 rd – 28 th Nov, 2020
A. K. Daudu	Agricultural Extension and Rural Development	26 th Annual National Conference of Agricultural Extension Society of Nigeria (AESON)	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta / 26 th – 30 th April, 2021
Dr Y. O. Aderinto	Mathematics	39 th Annual Conference and General Meeting of the Nigerian Mathematical Society (NMS)	Redeemer's University, Ede, Osun State/ 20 th – 24 th April, 2021
Dr N. A. Balogun	Information and Communication Science	International Conference on Computing and Advances in Information Technology	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria / 15 th – 17 th Nov. 2021
Dr A. Isah	Library and Information Science	23 rd National Conference/AGM Nigeria of the Association of Library and Information Science Educators (NALISE)	University of Abuja / 11 th – 15 th Oct. 2021
Dr A. A. Salman	Library and Information Science	23 rd National Conference/AGM Nigeria of the Association of Library and Information Science Educators (NALISE)	University of Abuja / 11 th – 15 th Oct. 2021
Prof. O. R. Karim	Home Economics and Food Science	45 th Conference/Annual General Meeting of the Nigeria Institute of Food Science and Technology	Hallydays Hotel and Resort, Makurdi, Benue State / 11 th – 15 th Oct, 2021
Dr O. B. Akanbi	Veterinary Teaching Hospital	Annual Nigerian Veterinary Medical Association (NVMA) National Conference	Horatio Marque, GRA, Benin City, Edo State / 25 th – 29 th Oct. 2021
K. A. Yusuf	Physics	International Colloquium on Equatorial and Low-latitude IONOSHERE (ICELLI)	Bowen University, Iwo, Osun State / 12 th – 17 th Sept, 2021
Prof. B. U. Enaibe	Anatomy	17 th Annual Scientific Conference and General Meeting of Anatomical Society of Nigeria (ASN)	College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin, Kwara State / 8 th – 11 th Sept, 2021
Dr T. O. Lawal	Physics	Maiden Conference of the Nigerian Society of Physical Sciences	Federal University of Lafia / 29 th Sept, – 30 th Oct, 2021
I. O. Yahaya	Library	21 st National Workshop on Legal Information Services in Law Libraries	Nigeria Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of Lagos Campus / 11 th -12 th Oct, 2021
Ifeoluwa M. Olaleye	Geology and Mineral Science	6 th Annual International Conference of the Nigerian Association For Engineering Geology and Environment (NAEGE)	University Of Ibadan Oyo State /7 th – 11 th Sept 2021
Dr O.S . Oyelekan	Science Education	7 th International Conference of Institute of Education	University of Ibadan / 3 rd – 7 th May 2021
Dr E.E. Anyebe	Nursing Science	African Institute Of Public Health Professionals International Conference	National Open University Of Nigeria Abuja / 21 st - 23 rd Oct 2021
Prof. P. O. Ajiboye	Behavioural Science	44 th /45 th Annual General and Scientific Meeting of the West African College of Physicians (Nigeria Chapter)	Abuja / 13 th – 15 th July 2021
Esther E. Adeniyi	Geography and Environmental Management	15 th Annual International Conference of the Hospitality and Tourism Association of Nigeria	Gregory University, Uturu Abia / 1 st – 6 th Nov. 2020
Dr Omolayo A. Omorinoye	Geology and Mineral Science	6 th Annual International Conference of the Nigerian Association for Engineering Geology and Environment (NAEGE)	University of Ibadan / 7 th – 11 th 2021
Prof. M. F. Tunde - Ayinmode	Behavioural Science	Annual Scientific Conference and All Fellows Congress (ASCAF)	Hotel Seventeen Kaduna / 9 th – 14 th Aug 2021
Dr M. A. Yusuf	Geology and Mineral Science	6 th Annual International Conference of the Nigeria Association of Engineering Geology and Environment (NAEGE)	University of Ibadan / 7 th – 11 th Sept 2021
Dr L. A. Olawoyin	Telecommunication Science	2021 National Engineering Conference and Annual General Meeting "Coal City	Ebeano Tunnel Enugu / 22 nd - 26 th Nov. 2021



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Dr A. A. Oloyede	Telecommunication science	2021 National Engineering Conference and Annual General Meeting “ Coal City 2021”	Ebeano Tunnel Enugu / 22 nd – 26 th 2021
Mr A. S. Ismaeel	Information and Communication Science	International Conference on ICT Application to Teaching, Research and Administration (AICTTRA)	Obafemi Awolowo University Ile-Ife / 28 th – 1 st Dec 2021
Dr K. O. Ibrahim	Geology and Mineral Science	6 th Annual International Conference of the Nigeria Association for Engineering Geology and the Environment (NAEGE)	University of Ibadan / 7 th – 11 th Sept 2021
Dr A. M. Tunde	Geography and Environmental Management	15 th Annual International Conference	Gregory University, Uturu Abia State / 2 nd – 5 th 2021
Prof. O. A . Adekeye	Geology and Mineral Science	6 th Annual International Conference of the Nigerian Association of Engineering Geology and the Environment	University of Ibadan / 7 th - 11 th 2021
Prof. R. O. Arise	Biochemistry	20 th Annual Conference of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin, Kwara State / 8 th – 11 th Aug 2021
Prof. M. O. Oriowo	Optometry & Vision Science	20 th Annual Conference of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin, Kwara State / 8 th – 11 th Aug 2021
Dr T. O. Agbabiaka	Microbiology	20 th Annual Conference of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin, Kwara State / 8 th – 11 th Aug 2021
Dr Rahmat F. Zakariyah	Microbiology	20 th Annual Conference of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin, Kwara State / 8 th – 11 th Aug. 2021
Dr Mutiat B. Odebisi- Omokanye	Microbiology	20 th Annual Conference of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin, Kwara State / 8 th - 11 th Aug. 2021
Prof. A.B . Olokoba	Medicine	44 th and 45 th Annual General Meeting and Scientific Conference of the West African College of Physicians	Abuja / 13 th -15 th July 2021
Prof. Adenike T. Oladiji	Biochemistry	7 th Edition of Agrofood and Plastprintpack Nigeria	Landmark Centre Lagos State / 21 st – 25 th Mar. 2021
Prof. Adenike. T. Oladiji	Biochemistry	3 rd Annual Scientific Conference	Nigeria Air Force Conference Centre Abuja / 24 th – 28 th Jan. 2021
Dr Bolanle K. Saliu	Microbiology	20 th Annual Conference of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin , Kwara State / 8 th - 11 th Aug 2021
Prof. D.S. Ogunniyi	Chemical Engineering	2021 National Engineering Conference and Annual General Meeting	International Conference Centre, Abuja / 6 th -10 th Dec. 2021
Mr K. I. Joel	Human Kinetics Education	Annual Conference of the Faculty of Education, University of Nigeria.	University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Enugu State / 6 th – 9 th Aug. 2021
Mr S. A . Adeoye	Human Kinetics Education	2021 National Conference of Nigeria Society for Sports Managements (NSSM)	University of Ilorin , Kwara / 25 th - 28 th Oct. 2021
Dr Y. O. Abdulraheem	Human Kinetics Education	2021 National Conference of Nigeria Society for Sports Managements (NSSM)	University of Ilorin , Kwara / 25 th - 28 th Oct. 2021
Rofiat O. Dauda- Olajide	Human Kinetics Education	2021 National Conference of Nigeria Society for Sports Managements (NSSM)	University of Ilorin , Kwara / 25 th - 28 th Oct. 2021
Mr M.O. Ibraheem	Human Kinetics Education	2021 National Conference of Nigeria Society for Sports Managements (NSSM)	University of Ilorin , Kwara / 25 th - 28 th Oct. 2021
Dr A.O.Udeze	Microbiology	20 th Annual Conference of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin , Kwara State / 8 th - 11 th Aug 2021
Dr Rukayat A. Oyegoke	Biochemistry	20 th Annual Scientific Conference and General meeting of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria (NISEB)	University of Ilorin , Kwara State / 8 th - 11 th Aug 2021
Dr K.B. Okesina	Optometry & Vision Science	2021 Annual scientific Conference and General meeting of the society for Experimental Biology of Nigeria	University of Ilorin , Kwara State / 8 th - 11 th Aug 2021



UNILORIN WEEKLY FINANCIAL DIGEST

FUND SOURCES AND UTILIZATION REPORT FROM 9TH TO 16TH MARCH 2023

RECEIPTS:	AMOUNT
Academic Transcript	260,800.00
Tender Fees	5,000.00
Sundry & Other Student Charges	20,000.00
Income from Verification/Screening	120,000.00
Sunday Other Income	251,831.64
Departmental Income	410,341.50
Income from Dental Clinic	19,900.00
Capitation –NHIS	1,954,500.00
Boarded Property	188,000.00
Rent on University Property	1,589,100.00
Refund (Salary)	151,637.68
Staff I.D. Cards	12,000.00
Staff Quarters Electricity Charge	5,100.00
Convocation Souvenir	104,500.00
Contractors' Registration fees	7,000.00
Rent on Staff Accommodation	32,760.00
Undergraduate School Charges	2,581,600.00
Undergraduate Hostel Accommodation	28,150.00
Undergraduate Convocation Charges	251,550.00
Undergraduate Post UTME Registration	6,450
Postgraduate School Acceptance Payment	80,450.00
Postgraduate School Add/Drop Payment	4,600.00
Postgraduate School Charges	5,895,330.00
Remedial School Application Form	60,600.00
Remedial School Charges	118,150.00
Total Receipt for the Period	₦14,159,350.82
PAYMENTS	
PAYMENT TO CONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS:	
Blackstone Heritage Ltd Supply & Installation of Laboratory Equipment.	14,859,200.00
GLO Business Solution Conference fee	700,000.00
Bliss Centre Catering Services	178,181.25
Tee Jay Elevator Ltd Repairs of General Lift	1,335,488.63
Noab Global Concept Ltd Overhauling of Generators	1,241,141.25
F and B Catering Services Catering Services	554,375.00
Messrs Ibrahim Global Resources Supply & Installation of Air Conditioners	947,303.44
Rasimto Nig Ltd Renovation of Unilorin Multipurpose hall (CBNTETFUND)	5,821,610.00
Sanrauf Nig Ltd Reconstruction of Mechanical workshop pit.	1,743,486.60
Decagon Book Ltd Supply of Assorted book/Journals (CBNTETFUND)	7,026,659.87
A.E Sani & Co Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	7,756,000.00
Dolphin Concept Ltd Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	6,825,000.00
Sheylats Multi Global Nig Ltd Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	2,163,000.00
Kosemani Face Ventures Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	2,050,000.00
Famotrust Nigeria Ltd Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	1,903,000.00
Generation Merchants Nigeria Ltd Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	2,373,000.00
MO AD Project Plus Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	2,047,500.00
Nasat and Sons Nig Ltd Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	6,000,000.00
Sulronhallmark Guards Nig Ltd Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	2,440,000.00
TurakLean Enterprise Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	330,000.00
Quadri Telecomms Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	630,000.00
TOTZEE Nig Enterprise Payment to Hostel Facility Managers	870,000.00
Ibadan Electricity Distribution company Electricity Bills	276,128.66
OTHER PAYMENTS:	
Various Various i.e. DTA, IMPREST, REFUND etc	23,611,203.34
Purchase Advance Various	5,024,800.00
Federal Tender Journal Advertisement in respect of Construction of Cobes Office	280,000.00
NYSC February 2023 monthly Allowance	1,350,000.00
Unilorin Press Printing of Bulletin	826,900.00

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Bursar



S/N	Name	Department	Birthday
1	Adegboye Surajudeen Olayiwola	Social Science Education	Mar 19
2	Friday-Otun Joseph Omoniyi	Linguistic & Nigerin Languages	Mar 19
3	Aloga Sunday Omale	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Mar 19
4	Emmanuel Oludare Samson	Health Services	Mar 19
5	Akindele Adedoyin Iyabode	Training Research & Development	Mar 19
6	Laro Kazeem Omotayo	Geography & Environmental Management	Mar 19
7	Rasheed Mukaila Biola	Registry	Mar 19
8	Alabi Moshood Kolawole	Economics	Mar 19
9	Abegunde Florence Bukola	Registry	Mar 19
10	Ojuawo Ayodele Isaac	Paediatrics & Child Health	Mar 20
11	Akolade Olushola Raphael	Central Administration: Office	Mar 20
12	Abdulraheem Mohammed Awwal	Security Division	Mar 20
13	Ambali Ibrahim Owolabi	Materials & Metallurgical Engineering	Mar 20
14	Owolabi Risikat Ronke	Registry	Mar 21
15	Adeyeye Benedict Tejumola	Bursary	Mar 21
16	Ahon-Usi Odafenkere Stephen	Registry	Mar 21
17	Jimoh Sikiru Adekunle	Anatomy	Mar 21
18	Animashaun Jubril Olayinka	Agricultural Economics & Farm Management	Mar 21
19	Ugowe Anthonia Omosefe	Business Law	Mar 21
20	Habeeb Aliu	College of Health Sciences - Works Unit	Mar 22
21	Adeyemo Adejoke Abisola	Registry	Mar 22
22	Aina Elizabeth Monisola	Registry	Mar 22
23	Tiamiyu Lukuman Rotimi	Crop Protection	Mar 23
24	Bolajoko Zulkarnan Babatunde	Works: Civil/Building	Mar 23
25	Abdulraheem Ibraheem Shola	Epidemiology & Community Health	Mar 23
26	Ugowe Innox Tamunogelemaba	Registry	Mar 23
27	Hamzat Saudat Adebisi Olayide	Linguistic & Nigerian Languages	Mar 23
28	Oyeyemi Dupe	Registry	Mar 23
29	Moses Samuel Ayodele	Security Division	Mar 23
30	Garba Khadijah Wuraola	Registry	Mar 23
31	Aremu Fatai Ayinde	Political Science	Mar 23
32	Akinsipe Felix Akintunde	Performing Arts	Mar 23
33	Adeyemi Oluwapelumi Olufemi	Medical Microbiology & Parasitology	Mar 23
34	Olatunji Aishat Omobolanle	Veterinary Pharmacology & Toxicology	Mar 23
35	Balogun Abdulrasaq Olatunji	Social Science Education	Mar 23
36	Gwadabe Sadiya Musa	Anatomy	Mar 23
37	Sulaimon Waliyat Bolanle	Registry	Mar 23
38	Ogunniyi Ibidun Kehinde	Registry	Mar 23
39	Mohammed Abdulkareem Segun	Unilorin Staff School	Mar 24
40	Famuyiwa Bolatito	Computer Base Test	Mar 24
41	Gbadeyan Florence Olufunke	Bursary	Mar 24
42	Galadima Adebayo	Security Division	Mar 24
43	Wahab Kolawole Wasiu	Medicine	Mar 24
44	Ahmad Fatima Olatinuke	Health Services	Mar 24
45	Aboyaji Adeniyi Justus	History & International Studies	Mar 24
46	Olufegba Olufunmilayo	Health Services	Mar 24
47	Akanbi Isiaka Saliu	Registry	Mar 24
48	Oyelade Ayotunde Francis	Arts Education	Mar 25
49	Opakunle Falilat Oluwatoyin	Unilorin Staff School	Mar 25
50	Mohammed Isiaka Omotosho	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Mar 25
51	Okojie Rebecca Aimiohu	Registry	Mar 25
52	Ajadi Ibrahim	Central Administration: Porters' Lodge	Mar 25
53	Toyin Jimoh	Registry	Mar 25
54	Salami Sulaiman Olawoye	Veterinary Anatomy	Mar 25
55	Olayemi Oluyemisi Ayodeji	Directorate of Corporate Affairs	Mar 25
56	Olusanmi Foluke Treasure	Veterinary Teaching Hospital	Mar 25
57	Amoloye Mubarak Adewale	Chemical Engineering	Mar 25
58	Abolarin Sunday Olushola	Unilorin Zoo	Mar 25
59	Mohammed Abdulraheem	Works: Works/Maintenance Office	Mar 25
60	Adeyemo Bosede Christiaina	Registry	Mar 25

The University Board of Health encourages you to visit the University Health Services for medical check-up on your birthday. Thanks

Open Ph.D Thesis Defence

S/N	NAME	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	TITLE	DATE&TIME	VENUE
1	HANAFI, Ishaq Abdulsalam	Arts/Arabic	A Rhetorical Study of Selected Arabic Homiletic of Imam Hasan Abdullah Al-qadiry	Thursday, 16 th , March, 2023/12:30pm	Faculty of Arts Board Room
2	SHUAIB, Ishaq	Arts/Arabic	The Theme of Nature in Selected Nigerian Arabic Poetry Texts	Monday, 20 th March, 2023/10:00am	Faculty of Arts Board Room
3	LAWAL, Rahman	Arts/Arabic	A Study of Selected Arabic Poems of Ebira Tao Poets of Kogi State, Nigeria	Tuesday, 21 st March 2023/10:00am	Faculty of Arts Board Room
4	AMBALI, Lukman	Arts/Arabic	Syntactic Study of Conditional Clauses in Selected Works of Adam Abdullah Al-Ilori	Wednesday, 22 nd March, 2023/12:00pm	Faculty of Arts Board Room
5	TSADU, Alhassan Umar	Arts/Arabic	Rhetorical Features in Sheikh Abdul-Qadir Aliyu Nupe's Panegyric Poems	Wednesday, 29 th March, 2023/10:00am	Faculty of Arts Board Room

- An opinion article written by the Deputy Editor of **UNILORIN BULLETIN**, who is also the National Secretary, Ilorin Emirate Descendants Progressive Union (IEDPU), Mr. Abubakar Imam, about the Imam Bashir of Ilorin, has been published. ("Imam Bashir: Ilorin's Imam Four Decades of Extraordinary Imamship", <https://highprofile.com.ng>; See also, "Imam Bashir: Ilorin's Imam Four Decades of Extraordinary Imamship", *National Pilot*, Monday 13th - Sunday 19th March, 2023, P.19)
- A retired Professor from the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ilorin, Prof. Jacob Folorunsho Olorunfemi, has lamented that it would take a long time before Nigeria recovers from the negative effects of the Naira redesign policy. ("Demonetisation policy destroyed small business - don", *Sunday Telegraph*, Sunday, March 12, 2023, P.3)
- The photograph of the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), University of Ilorin, Prof. Abayomi Omotesho; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Suleiman Ambali; and the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Prof. Bolaji Alabi, at the fidau prayer for the late Alhaji Abdulhakeem Ajibola Akanbi in Ilorin, has been published. ("Photo", *The Herald*, Wednesday, March 8, 2023, P.5; See also, *The Punch*, Monday, March 13, 2023, P.16)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin,

Prof. Wahab Egbewole, SAN, has expressed mixed feelings over the havoc wreaked on the campus of the University by a recent windy rainfall. ("Rainstorm destroys facilities worth millions in Unilorin", <https://theinformat247.com/?=65968>, "Heavy Downpour Wreaks Havoc on Unilorin Campus as VC Expressed mixed Feeling", <https://www.theidealnewsworld.com.ng>; See also, "Windy rain destroys UNILORIN facilities", *The Nation*, Tuesday, March 14, 2023, P.8; "Rain destroys UNILORIN multi-million naira projects", *Nigerian Tribune*, Tuesday, March 14, 2023, P.25)

- Two researchers in the Department of Food Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Ilorin, Prof. Joshua Olaoye and Dr. Musliu Sunmonu, have won a grant from Innovate UK worth over N788 million. ("Unilorin researchers, others win over N788 million Innovate UK award", <https://News.crescent.com>; See also, "2 Unilorin researchers win over N788m Innovate UK Award", *The Herald*, Wednesday, March 15, 2023, P.6)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has restated his commitment to repositioning all revenue generation units of the Institution to make them more efficient for better service delivery and generation of more revenue for the University. ("Egbewole Vows to Reposition UNILORIN's IGR Units", <https://www.theidealnewsworld.com>)

Rope Skipping Federation appoints Dauda-Olajide as Zonal Coordinator

By Temitope Omoniyi

The Nigeria Rope Skipping Federation has appointed a Lecturer in the Department of Human Kinetics Education, University of Ilorin, Dr Rofiat Dauda-Olajide, as its North-Central Coordinator.

The appointment was conveyed in a letter signed by the Association's President, Dayo Oyewo, a copy of which was made available to **UNILORIN BULLETIN** by the Director of Sport Unit, University of Ilorin,



■ **Coach Dauda-Olajide**

Prof. Tajudeen Ibraheem. The appointment, which takes immediate effect, is for two years

and subject to reappointment.

Dr Dauda-Olajide, who is also the University of Ilorin Athletics Coach, is expected to promote the sport of rope skipping in schools and institutions of learning both public and private including primary, secondary and tertiary institutions within the North Central zone.

As part of the conditions of the appointment, she is also to "engage in community development initiatives using rope skipping as a tool for health awareness campaign, educational enlightenment, building cultural integration and social cohesion.

New Appointments

NAME	FACULTY /DEPARTMENT	APPOINTMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
L. L. Adefalu	Agriculture/Agricultural Extension and Rural Development	Coordinator, Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Development	1 st March, 2023
Dr M. A. Yaru	Social Sciences/Economics	Coordinator, Department of Psychology	30 th November, 2022

Staff Development

RECIPIENT	PROGRAMME	DEPARTMENT	INSTITUTION WHERE TENABLE
Y. O. Imam -Fulani	Ph. D	Telecommunication Sciences	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria

The BIG STORY

On 60th birthday, UNILORIN Council member appraises Governing Council

By Tajudeen Babamale

A Member of the University of Ilorin Governing Council, Mrs Samiat Aderonke Ibrahim, has said that the Council has always reminded her of her family, with its composition of people of impeccable character who are warm, respectful, and hospitable.

Mrs Ibrahim stated this penultimate Thursday (March 9, 2023) in an interview with **UNILORIN BULLETIN** on the sidelines of her 60th birthday bash held at her GRA residence in Ilorin.

Some of her colleagues on the University Governing Council were at



■ *The celebrant (middle) flanked by other Council members at the event*

the residence of Mrs. Ibrahim to celebrate her Diamond birthday with her. They included the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Abayomi Omotosho; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Sulyman Funsho Ambali; the University Registrar, Dr Fola M. Olowoleni; the Bursar, Mr Hakeem Sonde; the University Librarian, Dr Kamaldeen Omopupa; and the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Prof. Sulyman Alabi. Other Council members in attendance were Prof. Folu Emmanuel Ologe, Dr Rasheed Odunola, and Mr Mansur Alfa.

Mrs Ibrahim, who said she always felt the University and its professors were arrogant, said becoming a member of the University Council changed her perspective completely.

She said, "Since I became a member of Council, the Council has been warm and accepting and has always reminded me of my family because it has been a hospitable environment. We deliberated, argued, and arrived at logical resolutions. In fact, we have become like one big family.

"I always thought that as erudite people, they must have something that differentiates them from other people. But coming to join the Council of the University of Ilorin, I discovered that they are down to earth, the same kind of people, and I can see that they are humble, respectful, appreciative, and approachable. When my father died last year, they came from Ilorin to support me in Lagos. I was happy and honored, and I will forever appreciate that gesture from the University of Ilorin community.

Commenting on the celebration of her Diamond Jubilee, the celebrant said she was elated for joining the league of people who received God's mercy to celebrate her 60th birthday. While describing the day as one of the happiest moments in her life, Mrs Ibrahim thanked God for giving her children that she is proud of and a wonderful husband who is caring.

She noted that her husband and children are very special

to her. According to her, "My children are very special because it is not enough to get married and have children, but knowing that your children are doing well is even better. I'm not saying that they are making millions, but knowing that they are responsible and serious citizens gives us joy in the family. They have imbibed the discipline and culture passed on to them from generations through me and my husband; nothing else will make a sane parent happier than that. Knowing that my children are well cultured and will not do anything that could tantamount to disgracing our family is a thing of joy".

Mrs Ibrahim said, "On the other hand, I am lucky to have a husband who is warm, friendly, easygoing, loving, affectionate, reliable, and very supportive. I cannot wish for more".

As a mother and wife, however, Mrs Samiat Aderonke Ibrahim admonished female students of the University of Ilorin not to settle for a stingy man and someone who lacks respect for his mother as their future husband.

According to her, "This is what I always tell my children. You don't marry a man who doesn't respect his mother, because a man who does not respect his mother will not respect any woman, including his wife. So, girls should look out for a man who respects his mother. That is a man who has been properly trained. The young ladies must always remember that they are not in competition with their prospective husband's mother (mother-in-law)".

"If a man does not respect his mother, he is not a husband material because sooner or later the love will go and the only thing that will remain is the respect that a man has for the woman. The same is also applicable to a woman. There is no point in marrying a lady who lacks respect for her parents. Even if your fiancé's mother is late, ladies should enquire how their proposed husbands respected his mother when she was alive because it could be something that will come back to bite you", she submitted.