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- Building leadership through Christian education; transforming lives, impacting society for positive change.

Our Vision

- A first-class Seventh-day Adventist institution, building servant leaders for a better world.

Our Core Values

- Excellence
- Integrity
- Accountability
- Servant Leadership,
- Team Spirit
- Autonomy & Responsibility
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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Do not go where the path may lead, go instead to where there is no path and leave a trail.”
- Ralph W. Emerson

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TOP OF THE WEEK



Volunteers for Effective Collaboration: Participating volunteers at the Nursing Seminar for effective collaboration held recently in Babcock.

BOOSTING NIGERIA'S FOOD SECURITY



Prof. Ademola Tayo: Boosting food security

Babcock University is set to boost Nigeria's food security with a subsidized tuition for students of Agriculture effective from next academic session.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola S. Tayo who stated this while declaring open the 2018 edition of

the programme, **#Babcock AgriConnect**, described the gesture as the University's

“little contribution” to complementing government's effort in upscaling the country's agriculture status and food security.

He further revealed that the University's commercialization of Agricultural products over the years

have yielded dividends. “Right now, most of the raw materials utilized in the Food services department are sourced from the farm maintained by the department,” he said.

Dean of Science and Technology, Prof Stephen Fapohunda said the programme was also targeted at encouraging youths to embrace *Agropreneurship* while networking and sharing experiences with experts in the industry.

WEEKLY DIGEST

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ADVOCACY FOR NURSES AS AGENTS OF CHANGE



Towards an effective collaboration in Healthcare: Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro (middle) and faculty, Prof. Ezekiel Ajao, and Prof. Aina with other participants at the seminar.



Cross fertilization of ideas: Student Nurses share notes. Right: Princess Stephanie Nnamchi



How can Nurses utilize the power of collaboration to achieve the UN's sustainable development of equitable and quality education for all especially in healthcare?

That was the crux of the matter as over 250 participants rose from a one-day seminar determined to promote advocacy for nurses as change agents.

Themed, *Igniting a Culture of Effective Collaboration*, the event was the 1st International Education Seminar for Student Nurses powered by Babcock University School of Nursing in collaboration with US-based Vigor

Health Drive Inc. and four other strategic partners.

"Collaboration in cross fertilization of ideas is the in thing as no one has a monopoly of knowledge," said Senior Vice President Academics, Prof. Iheanyichukwu Okoro. "When you want to achieve more, you work as a team."

He reminded participants of the need to maximize

the experience gleaned from collaboration with professional colleagues and bridge

the knowledge gap in the sector.

While expressing his appreciation for administration's support, the Dean of the School of Nursing, Prof. Ezekiel Ajao, commended the initiative as brilliant and effective for fostering professional network.

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For programme initiator and President/CEO of Vigor Health Drive Inc, Princess Stephanie Nnamchi, the event was a response to a divine call to make a difference in the Health sector across the continent by creating a pool of knowledge with Nurses as resource persons.

“Babcock is the pioneer platform for the project because of its passion for excellence and brand reputation,” said Nnamchi.

“We in the diaspora have a role to play in knowledge sharing with stu-



A cross section of participants take the national and Nurses anthem.

dents who are the future for the African continent,” added Nnamchi. “If we carry them

along, they can take the vision further as change agents in the industry.”

VOICES FROM THE AUDITORIUM



Top: l - r: Adeniyi, Olaleye, Ojetokun
Bottom: l - r: Amiewa-lan, Nwankwo



Boluwatife ADENIYI, BU Nursing:

The program is great and has motivated me to go on in spite of the challenges of the profession.

Mubarak OLALEYE, Sacred Heart School of Nursing, Abeokuta:

The programme certainly helps to promote health education. The facil-

itator is a great motivation to want to learn, teach and impact other lives.

Esther OJETOKUN – BU Nursing

This seminar is making me see Nursing from a completely different perspective. It has inspired my desire to remain in the profes-

sion rather than switching over to Medicine.

Divine AMIEWA-LAN, BU Nursing:

Besides expanding my knowledge base, it has inspired me to become a better nurse by learning from the experience of others. It also reinforced my resolve to uphold the professional ethics and maintaining good health so I can better help others.

Precious NWANKWO – BU Nursing

We have heard and learned so many things through shared experiences that have motivated me to dream big, become a better nurse and do something to make a difference by helping others and inspiring them to become better persons.

BUTH STEPS UP ROLL BACK MALARIA PROGRAMME



Health advocates for a malaria-free community: l-r: Mrs Ngozi Olarimoye, Mrs Beatrice Mark and Mrs Nkechi Nwankwo

As global attention shifts to maternal and child health, the Babcock University Teaching Hospital has stepped up its action plan to reduce malaria mortality rate in the country through collaboration with the WHO.

According to the Hospital's Community Medicine Immunization Officer, Mrs.

Beatrice Mark, the tripartite collaboration which also involved the Ikenne Local Government Council, entailed distribution of insecticide-treated mosquito nets to members of the University community and catchment areas.

Mrs. Nkechi Nwankwo, the Tuberculosis Officer, added that these areas include the University staff quarters, old Oba road, parts of Dee Unique area and Methodist road.



Mrs. Mark said while the Ikenne Local Government Council in collaboration with the WHO released 1,900 nets, 1581 were collected and 319 nets were returned to the Council. She said this was because some members did not come to collect their nets due to tight schedules.

Another staff, Mrs. Ngozi Olarimoye who is a Health Therapist, added that it was in recognition of this that the net distribution programme of May 1 - 5, 2018 was extended to May 7.

"We thank God for the effectiveness of this tripartite collaboration because Babcock was credited with 88% success rate at the grand finale of the program," said Mrs. Nwankwo. "Meanwhile, the council is working on the data to see the possibility of a mop-up for individuals who did not get theirs."



Mrs Mark: Babcock's Immunization Officer

ROLL BACK
MALARIA
PARTNERSHIP

FOR A MALARIA-FREE WORLD

FAST FACTS

- Malaria ravages an estimated 3.4 billion people globally.
- Nigeria has the world's highest incidence of malaria accounting for about 300,000 deaths annually.
- Only 3% of the country's population live in the malaria free highlands.



Mr. Solomon Oyewunmi: Promoting a culture of saving for the future.

“SAVE MORE,” BABCOOP SECRETARY

Secretary of the Babcock University Cooperative Society, BABCOOP, Mr. Solomon Oyewunmi has called on members to increase their savings for the rainy days.

“Our members need to understand that the more their savings, the more their dividends,” said Mr. Oyewunmi while explaining the Cooperative’s operations and future strategic plans.

“When they save more, they are also

planning for tomorrow as this would usually come handy while awaiting their pension, which may take time to mature.”

On its investment policy, Mr. Oyewunmi said Babcoop only operated a fixed deposit with WEMA Bank for additional income since it was unwilling to take unnecessary risks and could not invest without approval from the house.

Even so, he said it recently assisted in financing the purchase of land in Irolu for the Association of Babcock University Staff, ABUS, given the assurance for recouping both principal and interest.

He attributed the Cooperative’s success to confidence reposed on the management team as well as the prompt response to loan applications from the membership which now stands at 800.

He said with the exception of the Clerk who receives a monthly stipend, Babcoop executive committee members led by Professor Afolabi do not get any rewards or remunerations.

Other members of the committee, whose tenure was extended recently, are Dr. Samuel Amanze, Mr. Solomon Obida, Mr. Oluola Jimoh and Barrister Joseph Agada.

The University played host to officials from the Adesoye College, Offa during a recent courtesy visit. The Director of External Affairs, Protocol & Logistics, Mr. Isaac Osuntade and the Director of Marketing & Communication, Mr. Joshua Suleiman, were on ground to receive them.

Mr. Joshua Suleiman (2nd r) presents BU souvenir to guests, Principal, Dr. Barney J. Wilson while the others watch with interest.

ADESOYE COLLEGE PAYS COURTESY VISIT



PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The 2nd edition of **#Agriconnect** created a platform for students and other stakeholders to share ideas and strategies towards achieving development in the agricultural sector .

Moments and faces as participants try to use the social media to push the message.

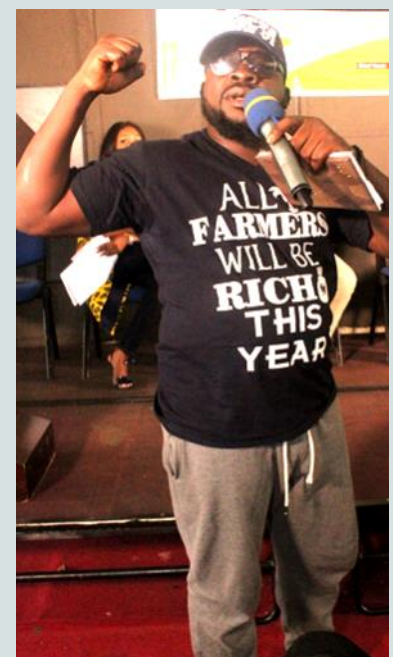


PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The week was a mixed bag of events from the Adesoye College working visit and campus tour to the Nursing seminar on Effective Collaboration.

Above: Director of External Affairs, Protocol & Logistics, Mr. Isaac Osuntade decorates officers of Adesoye College.

Right: Princess Stephanie Nnamchi and other participants.

Below: Julie Mogbo as seminar anchor the seminar and Vigor Health Drive Inc Ambassadors.



ELANO GROUP PARTNERS BU



Partners in Progress: BCED Director, Prof. Johnson Egwakhe and the Elano Board Chair, Chief Gomba Okanje (middle) with other members. L - r: Government Osaro, Hon. Fineman Onungwe, Hon. Onorwi Ngofa, and Dr. Adewale Oyebamiji.

Babcock Centre for Executive Development is open to proposals to partner Elano Investments Ltd to run programmes for the Indorama Eleme Petrochemicals Ltd (IEPL) host communities.

The partnership is expected to cover educational, health and empowerment programmes.

Director of BCED, Prof. Johnson Egwakhe, led a three-man delegation during a working visit to the company's head office in Port Harcourt to shed further light on the proposal.

"We are impressed with your dedication to poverty alleviation and gift of a future community members can be proud of," he said. The partnership will address development challenges of the seven host communities as well as offer a competitive and transformational education with the establishment of a secondary school with the Babcock brand name.

Within the framework of the programme, business clusters will be organized for women and part-time education for matured students to enhance their wealth creation capacity nationally and globally.

He extended an invitation to the Elano

Board Chair, Chief Gomba Okanje and Directors to visit the university during its convocation ceremonies to take a look at available facilities and services.

In response, Chief Okanje, thanked Babcock for the offer with the promise to evaluate its feasibility in achieving the common objectives of all stakeholders.

"The core objective of Elano is to touch lives especially among the most vulnerable," Chief Okanje said. "We are eager to partner with any development agency, organizations and institutions with like minds," he said.

Other team members from Babcock were: Dr. Adebawale Oyebamiji representing the Leo Graduating PG class and Mr. Government Osaro.



Clockwise: Prof. Johnson Egwakhe and Dr. Adewale Oyebamiji, Chief Gomba Okanje, Hon. Onorwi Ngofa, Mr. Fineman Onungwe



COMING EVENTS

MAY 27

PCF LUNCHEON

The Parents Consultative Forum hosts the graduating class parents. **Venue:** Central Cafeteria

Time: 1:00pm.

MAY 30

GRADUATION LECTURE

Leo Graduating Class Connectivity Seminar 2018 holds.

Venue: Babcock Business School Main Auditorium A **Time:** 10:am

MAY 30

PG BANQUET

The Special Banquet in honour of graduating post graduates holds:

Venue: Ceremonial Grounds

Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm

MAY 31

HOODING CEREMONY

The Hooding Ceremony for PhD graduates holds: **Venue:** Pioneer Church **Time:** 10 am

MAY 31

TREE PLANTING

The planting of trees as part of activities marking the convocation ceremony will hold.

Time: 9:00am

MAY 31

LEO DINNER

The University will host the Leo Graduating Class to a special banquet and award night as part of activities marking the convocation ceremony. **Venue:** Central

Cafeteria. **Time:** 6:30pm

JUNE 1

SABBATH VESPERS

Graduation Sabbath Vespers holds @ Central Cafeteria **Time:** 6:00-7:30pm

JUNE 2

COMMENCEMENT SERVICE

The Commencement Service for this year's convocation holds.

Venue: Central Cafeteria

Time: 10:00am

JUNE 3

CONVOCATION

The 16th undergraduate and 7th postgraduate convocation ceremonies will hold.

Venue: Sports Complex **Time:** 10:00am

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

It's Leo Graduating Class convocation. With an expected 10,000 guests, on JUNE 3, 2018, ALL STAFF, FACULTY and STUDENTS involved in the convocation exercise are advised to be on the campus by 7:00am to avoid unnecessary delays and security hassles at the gate. Failure to do so may subject you to avoidable delays. For Security alerts and emergencies, please call:

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“Energy
and persistence
conquer
all things”
- Benjamin Franklin