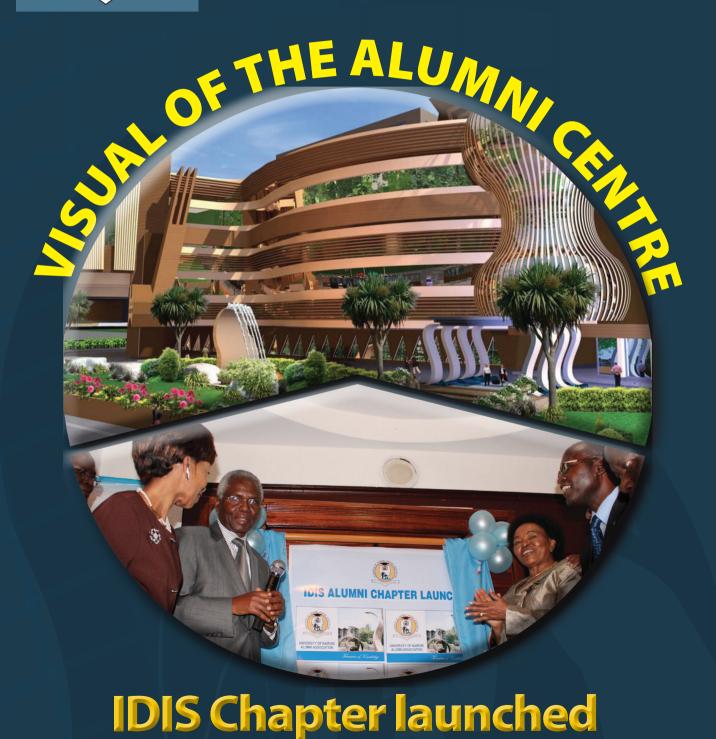


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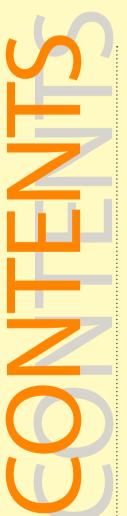
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UONAA has made great strides

The University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA) has made major milestones since the publication of the last issue of this Newsletter

This issue, therefore, highlights the most important milestones and other matters concerning the members and the Association. Top on the list is the launch of the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies Alumni Chapter and the re-location of the offices of the Association from the Main Campus to the Kenya Science Campus. Meanwhile, Kenya held the first presidential and national elections under a new constitutional dispensation on March 4th, 2013. As an Association we note with pride the representation of our alumni among Cabinet Secretaries and Principal Secretaries, whose appointments were made through competitive bidding. This is a continuation of the long tradition of the positive contribution made by our alumni in all social, political, and economic spheres of the Kenyan

This Issue, therefore, highlights these important appointments as an acknowledgment of the role and the impact of the alumni as they serve their country in

various capacities.

The issue also features the first visuals developed from the concept of the Alumni Centre by a student at the School of Architecture.

As we mark these milestones, we can not forget our dream of realising the Alumni Centre. We therefore note with gratitude the various individuals and corporate organisations who have already made generous contributions towards the construction of the Alumni Centre. The Association will continue to reach out and encourage these partnerships at the individual and corporate levels. We appeal to members and corporations to make contributions- monetary and non-monetary - in order to achieve this dream in the shortest possible time. Last but not least, the editorial team acknowledges the many partners who have continued to advertise in the UoN Alumni. which has sustained the production of this newsletter. Finally to our many readers and contributors, we shall endeavour to carry the articles and feedbacks you write; while to our members we wish to encourage you to write and share your experiences with fellow Alumni. God Bless you all.

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achieving international distinction in quality teaching, research

of the alumni and friends of the University to support the University in



Vision:

Dear Alymni!

UONAA Scholarship

University of Nairobi ALUMNI-Scholarship

Hope this message finds you well.

I am writing to make a follow-up on the good suggestions that we've made so far especially on how we wish to engage with our *alma mater* in helping it become better in serving society.

Recently I got challenged when I was requested to participate



Douglas Arege (BA Anthropology, 2005)

in search for scholarship beneficiaries for the PalmHouse Foundation. We should not wait to make big acts, we should start with small acts!

In my department (I work at the University of Nairobi) and day to day activities I relate with students. I have met students with inspiring stories! Not all students who undertake Module II are rich as we assume. Some from humble backgrounds

with a desire to change their lot pursue the Module II programmes and are faced with financial challenges.

I wish to propose that we start somewhere by helping raise funds for scholarship for such students. We can agree to make a contribution of Sh1,000 every month which will go a long way in helping such students who are our future leaders! This will truly change! We can liaise with University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA). When do we start? How do we channel the funds? How do we select beneficiaries? How do we manage it?

Via LinkedIn

I Join UONAA

Dear Executive Director, UONAA

After going through your executive summary of 2012/2013 Strategic Plan which I accessed through your website, I've developed a strong desire to join the Alumni Association. I realised that in your part B you plan to intensify the recruitment drive, and now am sending you this mail to inform you that I've already downloaded



Augustine K. Kenduiwo (Bsc. Agric - 1990, MSc. 2007)

the registration form. I've now started the registration process. Keep up the good work you are doing!

Kind regards

Assistant Director, Natural Resource Management, Ministry of Regional Development Authorities (MORDA).

Dear Alumni

Commonwealth Scholarship



Dr. Godfrey Mayoka (MBcH - 2008)

To have been educated at the University of Nairobi is a privilege that will be long treasured. I graduated in 2008 from the School of Pharmacy, College of Health Sciences, KNH Campus. As the best overall student in the School of Pharmacy and the College of Health Sciences, I was a recipient of the University's Alumni Association Award during the 2011 Prize Giving Ceremony. The confidence and experience gained at UoN is that which prepares a person for greater things on a global perspective, making one

internationally competitive. A strong, vibrant, dedicated Alumnus is a great asset to any institution; among the major benefits being that of mentorship to younger colleagues. Many congratulations to the Alumni Association for the excellent work achieved thus far and the direction in

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which it is being steered; may GOD strengthen our hands in this noble offer of service.

Dr. Godfrey Mayoka

Bachelor of Pharmacy (2008 class)

Young Alumnus donates towards Alumni Scholarship Fund.



Dr. Timothy K. Kamanu,PhD (BSc. 2003)

"As beneficiary of bursary fund in my education, i would like to donate Kshs. 10,000.00 towards Alumni Scholarship Fund. This is my contribution towards giving back towards those needy students who need our help as we also got help" PhD. Timothy Kuria is an alumnus of the University of Nairobi with BSc (Mathematics). He is also a Chartered Accountant (Strathmore University), Post Graduate Diploma in

Mathematical Sciences (AIMS & University of Cape Town), MSc. in Statistics (cum laude, University of the Western Cape), and PhD in Bioscience/Bioinformatics (KAUST – King Abdullah University of Science and Technology) in Saudi Arabia.

Donations for Alumni Centre

Dear Bro. Kinyua,

"Thank you for your letter dated 10th January 2013 inviting KPMG to be among the first 1000Corporate Partners in the development of the



Alumni Centre. I am pleased to confirm that KPMG will donate Kshs 1 million towards this initiative. We congratulate you on this ambitious and iconic initiative and wish you

every success in mobilizing the necessary resources to complete the development of the Centre." Josephat Mwaura, Chief Executive Officer and Senior Partner



Gold Member Upgrade

Thank you for inviting me to be your corporate partner. I am glad that you still have the great ambition in the growth of Alumni Association. I will contribute Kshs 1,000,000.00 in due course as per your request.

Dr. Joe B. Wanjui, Chancellor – University of Nairobi



Another key milestone

The project the Association is undertaking is another key milestone which once completed will be of great value to the Association as well as the users. We thus confirm that the bank as a Corporate Partner will contribute Kshs 1 Million to this noble project.

Dr. Gideon Muriuki, MD, Co-operative Bank of Kenya



KETRACO ponsors the Engineering & ADD Alumni Chapter Launch

Thank you for your letter inviting us to sponsor the Engineering Alumni Chapter

launch Cock-tail in September 2013. We are honoured to be part of this event and will donate Kshs. 80,000 for event.

Eng. Joel kiilu, Managing Director

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Background

The University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA) was formally launched in 2005 following numerous meetings and consultations by a Council sub-committee headed by Dr. Betty Gikonyo, a 1974 alumnae of the School of Medicine. The main objective was to reach out to the growing numbers of University of Nairobi graduates and to sustain their interest and long-term support to the University. The University has 143,560 alumni with 25,000 registered with the Alumni Association.

OUR OBJECTIVES

- a) To develop alumni programmes that promotes effective networks amongst its members.
- b) To promote the academic, physical, moral and spiritual growth of the members of the University.
- To assist the University in the growth and advancement of its socio-cultural and co-curricular activities.
- d) To authorize, promote and assist in the formation of local and international chapters.
- e) To enhance the involvement of the University in Community Service.

- f) To make recommendations of those who can play leadership roles at the University.
- g) To initiate, organize and coordinate fundraising activities for the University.
- h) To assist the University to initiate, organize and sustain programmes such as Distinguished Service Awards.
- To act as a stimulating body in promoting the development of the Association, advancing the interests and promoting the welfare of its members.
- j) To liaise with Alumni Associations of other institutions of higher learning both locally and internationally.
- k) To project a positive image of the University.

OUR VISION

To be a leader in promoting active, visible leadership in the community by fostering interaction among the alumni, the student community, family, friends and industry

OUR MISSION

To safeguard the best interest of its members and to use their talents and resources in support of the University's quest to achieving international distinction in quality teaching, research and service

OUR GOAL

Our immediate goal is to set up a Kshs 1 Billion Alumni Centre where alumni, friends and stakeholders of the university can meet and strategize on how to support the University. Friends, well-wishers, alumni and donors are invited to contribute as corporate or as individuals' members through corporate donations or membership subscription respectively.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- Alumni Centre Project
- Students Bursaries & Prizes
- Student Mentorship/Coaching
- Networking Forums
- Corporate Social Responsibilities

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

- Alumni Scholarship Fund
- Alumni Endowment Fund
- Students Hostels
- Talents Academy
- Alumni Career Centre.
- Research and Innovation Grants
- Executive Education Centre
- Distiguished Service Awards
 Modern Lecture Theatres
- Renovation of University facilities

OUR CORE VALUES

Honesty Integrity Courtesy Professionalism

KEY FIGURES

Total Alumni - 146,560 Gold Life Members - 45 Silver Life Members - 142 Bronze Life Members - 428 Honorary Members - 32 Full Membership - 145,913

ALUMNI CHAPTERS LAUNCHED

Range Management, Veterinary Medicine, Human Medicine, MBA, Journalism & Mass Communication, Agriculture and Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies Alumni Chapter. We encourange other schools/institutes/faculties to follow suit in launching their chapters.

OUR MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Ksh. 100,000
Ksh. 50,000
Ksh. 25,000
Ksh. 2,000
nKsh. 3,000

Note: Membership fee is essentially a contribution to enable the Association establish a firm financial base in the formative years as plans to make non-fee alumni membership to all University of Nairobi graduates is underway.

To register with UONAA Online visit our website: http://alumni.uonbi.ac.ke

Chairperson's Remarks



Dr. Betty Gikonyo

We welcome our new baby, IDIS Chapter

would like first and foremost to welcome the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies (IDIS) Chapter who have now joined us. We encourage all the alumni to continue participating in activities of the University of Nairobi and to contribute to the advancement of higher education within the University and the community at large.

Since the launch of the University Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA) on February 5, 2005, we have made great strides in many roles including the following: networking among alumni, university advancement, promoting alumni chapters, community service and fundraising.

So far we have launched six chapters. They are the MBA Chapter, Medicine, Veterinary Medicine,

Range Management, Journalism, Agriculture and the latest being IDIS Chapter. We plan to roll out more chapters in the future.

On behalf of the Association I would like to salute the University of Nairobi management led by the Chancellor, Dr Joe Waniui and Vice-Chancellor, Prof George Magoha for availing to us a spacious office at Kenya Science Campus. The Main Campus Office, Administration Wing Room 107 remains operational.

Programmes

Over the last eight years we have carried out programmes and projects for our members as well as the alma mater. In this regard we have fund raised KSh65 million for various undertakings. They include alumni networking forums, students' prizes, corporate social responsibility activities, students' concrete benches and the renovation of the Kenva Science Campus offices.

We have also invested about Sh46 million towards the Alumni Centre Project.

The Alumni Centre will act as a focal point for interaction. It will also host public lectures and distinguished scholars speeches, distinguished service awards and students prizes. It will be a place where old friends meet to network in welcoming environment.

The Executive Committee is working round the clock to ensure the groundbreaking ceremony is done soon.

Partners

May I also salute our partners, donors and individuals who have contributed money or other assistance towards the Alumni Centre. I would like to single out KPMG Kenya for their donation of Ksh1 million which was presented to us early this year. We have also held discussions with other groups and individuals who have expressed their desire to partner with us in this noble project.

Our future plans are to build an endowment fund for students' bursaries, scholarships and research grants. We also intend to develop assets such as hostels for students, a talents academy and research and innovation centre.

To realise our objectives we must all work together. As alumni it is your duty to implore upon your former colleagues in this noble institution to join UONAA. Lastly I would like to pay special tribute to the Executive Committee for working tirelessly to ensure we deliver on our mandate.

> "Every day is a celebration. Now, you must believe in it. You cannot be believing in it and then you could be mourning. So I think that's a philosophy."A quote

> > Manu Chandaria Chandaria Foundation

Thank you for supporting us

behalf of the University community, I wish to commend our benefactors for remaining supportive to our initiatives to construct the Alumni Centre. KPMG planted the fundraising seed though its Social Investment Manager, Mr. Philip Muema when it contributed Kshs. 1 million for the project. This gesture has been followed by our Chancellor, Dr. Joseph Wanjui and the Cooperative Bank, who have also contributed Kshs.1 million each for constructing the Centre. The centre will require over Kshs.1 Billion to complete at the proposed site along Arboretum Drive. With these initial positive signals, I request more individuals and organisations to come on board and assist in constructing the centre.

I also congratulate the Association for supporting needy students and rewarding the excellent ones. This has been done effectively through the prize giving ceremony by donating scholarships and awards respectively.

My vision of the Alumni Association is to see a vibrant association, like the ones in many European and American Universities;

Our Association, however, still faces challenges which should be addressed urgently to fasttrack its growth. The Association should strategise on

how to increase its membership which currently stands at less than 20 per cent of its potential membership. Recruitment drives should be increased to publicize the Association and increase fundraising opportunities. The University Management will remain supportive of the initiatives to grow the Association. In the past we have allocated the Association office space, staff and most recently land in a prime location to construct their headquarters.



Prof. George A.O. Magoha, Vice Chancellor

My vision of the Alumni Association is to see a vibrant association, like the ones in many European and American Universities; which play a critical role in the management and support of their. Indeed even the Universities Act 2012 recognises the strength of the alumni with a key role in the appointment of Chancellor among others. I know our Association can scale this ladder.

Executive Director's Remarks

Plan to leverage on technology

Our goal is to turn the Alumni Centre dream into a reality soon.

Johnson Ireri Kinyua

ince I joined the University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA) as the Executive Director on 2nd May, 2012, I have witnessed great growth and transformation of the Association. I am proud to say the Association is on good path having seen the launch of two Alumni Chapters namely (Agriculture and IDIS-Diplomacy), renovation and completion of New Alumni Office Block at Kenya Science Campus. The Alumni association income has increased from Kshs 29 million to Ksh 52 million. Capacity building of staff and executive members through CASE educational conference. The Alumni Centre project has taken shape by developing architectural concept, surveying the site and fundraising from corporates. I thank all the corporate partners who

have responded to our request to CEOs and partners donate towards the center. I single out KPMG, Cooperative Bank, the University of Nairobi Chancellor, Dr. Joe Wanjui and the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) for the being the first movers. I call upon all our alumni and corporate partners to partner with us in this noble project.

As we move forward, the Association will leverage on technology to enhance online registration of alumni members, e-payment system, smart card solutions, ditigization of alumni records and revamp the alumni information management system. We plan to launch the UONAA Strategic Plan (2013-2015) and more Alumni chapters. Ultimately we hope to break the ground for the Alumni Centre project. Our goal is to turn the Alumni Centre dream into a reality soon. I look forward to your continued support.



From left, Prof Maria Nzomo, Amb. Francis Muthaura, Dr Betty Gikonyo and other guests during the launch.

IDIS Chapter launched

new baby has been born at the University of Nairobi Alumni Association. The baby is the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies (IDIS) Chapter. It was launched on Friday, June 7, 2013 at a colourful ceremony held at the Nairobi Safari Club (Lillian Towers).

Speaking during the ceremony attended by dignitaries, alumni, guests and students, the UONAA Chairperson, Dr Betty Gikonyo, said the Association has so far launched six chapters with the latest being the IDIS. Dr Gikonyo told the guests the Association plans to create an alumni chapter for each discipline. She cited those already launched as: MBA Chapter (School of Business), Medicine Chapter, Veterinary Medicine Chapter, Range Management

Chapter, Journalism Chapter and Agriculture Chapter.

The Chairperson also revealed that the Association has moved into a 'transition office' at Kenya Science Campus as plans to build a state-of-the-art Alumni Centre at Arboretum Drive.

Chief Guest

The Chief Guest, Amb. Francis Muthaura former head of civil serviceand secretary to the cabinet told the guests he was honoured by the invitation extended to officially launch the IDIS Chapter.

Amb. Muthaura said he was in the second class of the diplomacy training in 1974/75 where they were sponsored by the Swiss Government.

He saluted the IDIS for having trained many Foreign Service Officers and ambassadors from Kenya and outside who are serving in various capacities locally and globally.

"The Institute is ultimately inseparable from its products. The Institute therefore requires to be supported by its alumni so that it can grow stronger and excel. It is in that spirit that I highly commend the founders of the University of Nairobi Alumni Association, its Chairperson and the rest of UONAA leadership and members," Amb. Muthaura said.

In her address Prof Maria Nzomo, Director Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies said she was pleased and encouraged to see many IDIS Alumni present at the ceremony.

The IDIS Director termed the launch of the Alumni chapter as an important milestone in the life of the Institute. "It enables us to take stock of our past and reflect on our future with optimism and determination. The Alumni Chapter being launched brings together a very important constituency for the Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies which not only reminds us of our history as an Institute but also constitutes a very strong bedrock and foundation for the future growth and development of IDIS," she said.

Prof Nzomo said the IDIS was started as a diploma programme in 1973 and was located in the then Department of Government (now the Department of Political science & Public Administration) at the University of Nairobi.

"The strategic role this programme played in training future diplomats for East and Central Africa region motivated donors who supported the transformation of the diploma programme into a full-fledged Institute. In this regard, I wish to recognise the Swiss government who provided financial support for setting up the Institute. Funding was also obtained from United Nations Development Programme (UNDP),

the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation, Ford Foundation and Sasakawa Foundation," she said.

She noted that the alumni are spread in all key institutions in Kenya. in government departments, the United Nations and other international organisations as well as the civil society.

High Ranking Alumni

Just to mention a few, some of our high ranking alumni are the current top Service Commanders of the three branches of the Kenva Armed Forces -the Army, Navy and Air Force as well as the Commandants of both Defence Staff College and National Defence College, the Director of the Kenya National Intelligence Academy, the Army Commander of the Tanzania People's Defence Forces, the General in charge of the military intelligence in Tanzania, the Chief of General Staff of Malawi, former Ugandan Army Commander, the Police Commissioner of Rwanda and Minister of State for Defence of Uganda and Chief of General Staff of Malawi. These and many others are the result of IDIS collaboration with the National Defence College and the Defence Staff College where we offer one year post-graduate diploma and degree programmes in International Studies," she revealed.

The don noted that the launch of the IDIS Alumni Chapter coincided with the African Unity Jubilee celebrations. "As Africa celebrates and reflects on the last 30 years of Pan-Africanism efforts, we too should reflect on the 'role of diplomacy in Africa's Leadership in the 21st Century globalizing world," she said.

Prof Nzomo observed that Alumni Associations play key roles in the development of infrastructure and facilities that have made significant contributions to the growth of some of the world-famous universities and other educational institutions.

In a speech read on his behalf by the acting Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic Affairs, Prof Henry Mutoro, the University of Nairobi Vice-Chancellor, Prof George Magoha welcomed the launch of the IDIS Chapter saying it would strengthen the Association as it seeks to fulfill its mandate.

The full speech of the Chief Guest Amb. Dr. Francis Muthaura can be downloaded from http:// alumni. uonbi.ac.ke/speeches



IDIS Alumni and guests in a jig during the launch.

KPMG donates Kshs.1million towards Alumni Centre

The proposed Alumni Centre (UONAA) has received a major boost after KPMG Kenya donated Kshs. 1 Million towards the project.

he cheque, which was presented to the University of Nairobi Vice Chancellor, Prof. George Magoha by KPMG Kenya's Corporate Social Investment manager, Mr. Philip Muema, is the first corporate contribution towards the Alumni Centre Project.

Speaking during the ceremony, Prof. Magoha said the Alumni Association needs to be strengthened and the areas of growth should be identified and worked on.

He said the University should tap the power of its alumni.

Prof Magoha challenged the Association to benchmark its activities with world class universities where alumni associations are contributing immensely to the development of their alma mater.

Vet Working

On his part, Mr. Muema lauded the University for its contribution to the development of the nation. In order to build a strong association, Mr. Muema said the Association needs to increase its capacity of networking. hold interactive alumni sessions and conferences where people can share knowledge and experiences.

He revealed that 60 per cent of KPMG human resource consists of alumni of University of Nairobi.

The Alumni Centre is a viable project which the alumni can identify with and act as a means of pooling resources towards development activities at the University through partnerships.

Those present during the

ceremony included Prof Jacob Kaimenyi, the then Deputy Vice Chancellor, (Academic Affairs). UONAA was represented by Vice Chairman, Prof. R.A. Obudho, Treasurer, Mildred Owuor and the Executive Director, Johnson Kinyua.

was humbled by Nelson Mandela. "Growing up I His example of living for a cause influenced me to seek a cause that was larger than me" Dr. James Mwangi, CEO . Equity Bank Ltd Wings to Fly Program



Mr Philip Muema, presenting the cheque to Prof. George A.O. Magoha, the Vice-Chancellor.



The concept of the Alumni Centre by Sammy Akem a fourth year bachelor of Architecture Student.

have a visual

The Centre will host external examiners. international students and quests on exchange

The realisation of the Alumni Centre estimated to cost Kshs 1 billion is becoming a reality by the day as major organisations and individuals contribute or express their willingness to partner with UONAA.

Already, the University of Nairobi Council has donated two acres of land as their contribution to the project.

The motivation to build the Centre has been driven by the need to provide Alumni with an environment conducive for business and social networking, mentoring of younger alumni, creating linkages between industry and the University, and for keeping members connected with their alma mater.

The Centre will host external examiners, international students and guests on exchange programmes, conference facilities, indoor and outdoor activities like wedding receptions, gym and

spa, resources centre, business centre, Association and Chapter offices, shopping mall and banking malls. The income generated from these facilities will be used to support the University in terms of scholarships, endowments, prizes and awards, research grants and sponsorship of programmes.

It is conceptualized as an ultra-modern, income-generating centre with tastefully designed facilities for conferences and seminars, a hotel with restaurants and accommodation, gyms and areas for sports and other recreational activities in a serene, green environment.

This vision will become a reality through the active participation of alumni in fund-raising and contributing their ideas, skills and experience in the establishment and running of the Centre. Behind every great university is the strong and unwavering support of its alumni.

'Our Alumni Motto'

We are inspired by the call made by President J.F. Kennedy: "Ask not what your University can do for you, but what you can do for your University"

UONAA moves to **Kenya Science Campus**



New Alumni Office Block at Kenya Science Campus.

lhe Alumni Association has moved from the Main Campus to Kenya Science Campus, Ngong Road.

So far we have hosted special guests from the Commission for University Education (CUE) who came calling during the University Quality Inspection on February 2, 2013. We have also hosted other universities and colleges alumni boards and staff including those from Maseno University, Moi University, Multi-Media University, Catholic University of East Africa (CUEA), United States International University (USIU), Kenya Medical Training College (KMTC) and Midlands State University, Zimbabwe.

The new Association offices offer adequate space and serene environment for both indoor and outdoor activities such as: meetings, conferences and cocktail activities.

Connectivity and Mobility

The University is in the process of installing Local Area Network (LAN) to facilitate Internet connectivity and wireless support services (WiFi). To facilitate the Alumni in reaching out to members and the colleges/ schools/faculties/institutes and centres of the University, the University has assisted the Association in procuring a vehicle to help. To leverage on this technology, the UON Alumni Secretariat is in the process of developing an online registration and e-payment systems.

The Association is indebted to the University for the positive gesture of allocating us office space, vehicle

and the internet connectivity and the University of Nairobi Enterprise Services (UNES) for the procurement services and to the Kenva Science Campus management for hosting us. This support will go a long way in helping the Association in transforming the alumni relations services, fundraising, marketing and communication.





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School of Business on top 4th AIBUMA conference

■he University of Nairobi's School of Business between 11th - 12th July, 2013 held its 4th Annual Africa International **Business Management Conference** (AIBUMA) at the Lower Kabete Campus. Themed 'Business and Management Outlook: Optimism or Pessimism', the event was fashioned to bring together local and international business practitioners from academia and professional spheres with the aim of providing an opportunity of brainstorming on emerging global business challenges. The conferences also sought contribution on sustainable solutions and sharpening the students' experiences so as to develop them into successful future business leaders. The conference was aired live by NTV from Nation Media Group who have been our long term partner.

KEY NOTE SPEAKERS

Among the key business leaders who made presentations during the conference included; Prof. Margaret Kobia (Chairperson, Public Service Commission and UoN alumnae). Joshua Oigara, Chief Executive, Kenya Commercial Bank), Yusuf Omari (Chief Financial Officer, Barclays Bank), Musyoki Muli (Managing Director, Longhorn Publishers), Kung'u Gatabaki (Chairman, Capital Markets Authority), Dr. Xing Quan Zhang (Head, Centre for Cities, **United Nations Human Settlements**

> Programme) and Hans Piet (Head of Practice Mobile Broadband Region Sub-Saharan Africa (RSSA). The conference was opened by Prof Isaac

Mbeche, DVC (Student Affairs), Patron of the Conference who also represented the Vice-Chancellor. The sponsors of the conference were Nation Media Group, UNES and Altech KDN. The next AIBUMA Conference will be held between July 10th and 11, 2014.

Ranked top in Kenya

The School of Business has been rated Number One top Business School in Kenya by Eduniversal ranking. Under 3 palmes - excellent Business Schools, it was ranked number one with a Deans' recommendation rate of 108%. The Eduniversal Palmes indicate the international reputation level of an academic institution. They are awarded on the basis of the research work carried out by the International Scientific Committee. which compiles the list of internationalisation criteria, together with the assessments made by peers. Under 3 excellent Business Schools, the School was 94 out of 396 and had a Deans' recommendation rate of 108% followed by Strathmore **Business School and United States** International University - School of Business in that order.



Participants at AIBUMA Conference.

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COUNCIL FOR ADVANCEMENT AND SUPPORT OF EDUCATION

> CASE EDUCATIONAL **ADVANCEMENT IN AFRICA CONFERENCE 2012,** CAPE TOWN, **SOUTH AFRICA**

he Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE), a membership association that serves the fundraising, alumni relations, communication and marketing professionals who work in educational institutions held their Educational Advancement in Africa Conference 2012 in Cape Town, South Africa from 5th – 7th November 2012. Those who attended the conference from the University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA) included Dr. Betty Gikonyo (Deputy Vice-Chairman, UON Council & Chairperson, UONAA), Mr Bernard Waweru (Academic Registrar, UON & Secretary, UONAA) and Mr Johnson Ireri Kinyua (Executive Director, UONAA).



UONAA delegation at the conference.

The annual conference as a capacity building programme is designed for university leaders, deans and heads of academic departments. advancement leaders and advancement practitioners, particularly those working in the fields of fundraising and alumni relations. The theme of the conference was "Fundamentals & Innovations in Alumni Relations and Fundraising". The meeting was funded by Carnegie Corporation. Other institutions that participated included universities and colleges from Angola, Botswana, Gambia, Ghana, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania and Uganda. A total of 68 participants attended the meeting.

One of the key concept learnt from the conference was the need for the University of Nairobi to set up an Advancement Office to act as a focal point for alumni relations, fundraising, communication and marketing. The way forward was to consider setting up an Endowment Fund, University Advancement Office, launch a National Fundraising Campaign, need to work



closely with Academics/ **Faculties** for effective fundraising and building the capacity of the Alumni Office for it to deliver.

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- Paticipants during the IDIS Alumni Chapter Launch from L-R: Mrs Lydia Akaranga(Exams), Mrs Truphena Estambale(Judiciary) and John K. Tuta(Justice)
- Mr. Charles Lwanga and John Matara from the Department of Geo-Spatial, Surveying and Mapping of the University of Nairobi developing a topographical map for the Alumni Centre at Arboretum/Chiromo Campus on 10th May, 2013.
- Guests and Institute of Diplomacy and International Studies, Alumni take to the floor during the launch of the IDIS chapter
- Prof. Tolly Mbwette, Vice Chancellor of Open University of Tanzania together with the team from Commission for University Education(CUE) and University management during the quality assesment at New Alumni Office Block at Kenya Science Campus on 2nd Feb 2013.
- Dr. Betty Gikonyo signs anautograph her book titled The Girl Who DARED to DREAM to Prof. Jacob Kaimenyi (Cabinet Secretary, Education) who was the chief guest during the book launch at Laico Regency Hotel in Nairobi on 31st July 2013. Beside her is Dr. Dan Gikonyo, her husband.
- Prof. Jacob Kaimenyi (Cabinet Secretary, Education) thanking Phillip Muema of KPMG for donating Kshs 1 million towards UON Alumni Centre on April 4, 2013. From left to right, Mrs. Mildred Owuor (UONAA Treasurer), Prof George Magoha (UoN Vice-Chancellor) and Johnson Ireri Kinyua (Executive Director, UONAA).
- Mr. Charles Nyachae, CIC chairman with University management team cuts the cake during the launch of Rapid Results Initiative(RRI) on constitutional imprementation and integrity awareness on 12 August 2013 at Main Campus Great Court.



PhD araduands during the 48th Graduation Ceremony held on December 7, 2012.

48th Graduation Ceremony in record PhD Alumni

he University of Nairobi 48th Graduation Ceremony held on December 7, 2012 produced the highest number of PhD graduands in its history. The 68 PhDs granduands are expected to meet the shortfall in human resources as the demand for higher education in Kenya grows.

Following the elevation of 15 constituent colleges into full-fledged universities by former President Mwai Kibaki, the demand for doctorate holders' lecturers has increased thus straining the already stretched capacity in the country.

Public Universities

The public universities in Kenya are the University of Nairobi (UoN), Moi, Kenyatta, Egerton, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology, Maseno University and Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology.

The 15 new public universities are Dedan Kimathi University of Technology, Technical University of Kenya (formerly Kenya Polytechnic), Technical University of Mombasa (formerly Mombasa Polytechnic), Pwani University, Kisii University, Chuka University, University of Eldoret (formerly Chepkoilel University

"As Nelson Mandela said. Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world

College), Maasai Mara University (formerly Narok University), Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (formerly Bondo College), Laikipia University, South Eastern Kenya University, Meru University of Science and Technology, Multi-Media University, Karatina University and Kabianga University.

UONAA Chaiperson

In a speech read on her behalf by Barrack Muluka, the Chairperson of the University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA), Dr Betty Gikonyo urged the graduands to come back and support their almar mater. "As Nelson Mandela said, Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world and hence the need to launch a National Fundraising Campaign for the Endowment Fund," she said.

Dr Gikonyo said the UoN Alumni Linked Group has continued to request the UONAA to establish a UON Alumni Scholarship Trust Fund where they can channel the funds to support bright and needy students. "We are going to do that. To achieve the above objectives, we are transforming our membership subscriptions and donations from manual to online through e-payment solution systems. To share our plans and aspirations, we plan to invite our key stakeholders, internal and externals to forums such as strategy retreat, Alumni Re-Union Day and CEOs Forum in order to get their views," the Chairperson said. Her sentiments were echoed by the two alumni, Beryl Onyango and George K'Otieno who recited a Swahili

Honoray Degree

skit entitled "Wanihusu nini".

The graduation ceremony saw the UoN Council Chairman, John Simba awarded Honorary Doctor (Honours Caucus) notable among the graduants was 2013 presidential candidate, Peter Kenneth who graduated with Masters of Law (LLM). Also graduating a group of 33 Liberians from Liberia Government Audit Office graduated with MBA.

UONAA and **UoN** in Constitution Implementation drive

he University of Nairobi has partnered with the Alumni Association, the Commission for the Implementation of the Constitution (CIC) and the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) in sensitising university staff, students and alumni on the implementation of the Constitution.

Through a Rapid Results Initiative (RRI) dubbed the "Role of the University in the Implementation of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and Sensitization of Staff on the Public Service Integrity Programme," the University of Nairobi **Corruption Prevention Committees** under the Chairmanship of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof George Magoha held a four-day retreat in Nakuru to deliberate on how to build the capacity of CPCs and integrity champions in the implementation of the Constitution. The retreat held between June 20th and 23rd was addressed by CIC officials led by Joseph Wagalla, Principal Programme Officer in charge of Institutional Strengthening and Edith Cheramboss, Senior Programme Officer under the guidance of Commissioner, Philemon Mwaisaka who is the Convenor of the Public Service and Leadership Thematic Team in CIC. The Chief Legal Officer (CLO) of the University of Nairobi, Ms Rebecca Ngondo is mandated with task of ensuring the constitution implementation and adherence to public principles and values at the University of Nairobi.

UoN Legal Office

One of the objectives of the legal office at the University of Nairobi is to ensure strict compliance with relevant national laws on integrity and facilitate or coordinate the development and implementation of the institutional corruption prevention plan. One of the resolutions made during the retreat was to form an RRI team on the "Role of the university in the Implementation of the Constitution and Sensitisation of staff on the Public Service Integrity Programme. The partnership aims to sensitise over



Ms Rebecca Ngondo addressing the retreat.

5,000 staff, 63,000 students and over 146.000 alumni on constitutional implementation and the Public Service Integrity Programme.

UoN Commitee

On July 12, 2013 Prof Magoha who is the Chairman of the Central **Corruption Prevention Committee** appointed an RRI team led by Prof Peter Mbithi, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration and Finance) as the Chairman of the process that will be implemented for 100 days from August-November 2013.

Among the activities lined up include the launching of the programme, sensitization of the University Management Board, Senate and the Council on the Constitution of Kenya, public lectures by distinguished speakers and alumni, training of the integrity champions drawn from students, staff and alumni across the University.

The UONAA will provide leadership by harnessing the skills and expertise of the alumni and industry partners in partnership with the CIC and EACC.

One of the objectives of the Association is to promote the academic, physical, moral and spiritual growth of the members of the University and to project a positive image of the University.



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University of Nairobi Gets CUE Charter



The University of Nairobi received its Charter in a ceremony presided over by the then President of the Republic of Kenya, Mwai Kibaki.

■ ollowing the enactment of The Universities Act, 2012, the University of Nairobi (UoN) successfully underwent a quality audit conducted by a panel from the Commission for University Education (CUE) which culminated into the award of a new Charter to replace the University of Nairobi Act 1985.

The University of Nairobi received its Charter in a ceremony presided over by the then President of the Republic of Kenya, Mwai Kibaki. The Charter as the legal instrument defines the operations and obligations of the University. The objects: seal, logo, and the mace remain as symbols of authority of the University of Nairobi as before.

CUE is the successor to the Commission for Higher Education (CHE) which only used to regulate private universities but, with the new Act, the body will regulate higher

education in all public and private universities. The Universities Act, 2012 places all universities under the Act and repealed the previous Acts that had established individual public universities.

The University of Nairobi is now established under Universities Act and the University of Nairobi Charter.

The Charter was awarded by the President after the University of Nairobi satisfied the requirements for the establishment and operations of a university to offer education in Kenya.

CUE Mandate

The CUE is charged with the promotion of university education in the country, accreditation, regulation, monitoring and evaluation; develop policy and criteria for admission to universities among other functions. All chancellors of public universities will be appointed through

consultation with the respective senates and the alumni.

While presiding over the award ceremony, which also involved other public and private universities, former president Kibaki lauded the growth in the higher education subsector in the last ten years, and challenged institutions to ensure that high quality academic standards are upheld.

The Chancellor of the University of Nairobi, Dr. Joseph Wanjui, led the UoN top management which included the new Chairman of Council, Dr. Idle Farah and the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. George Magoha in receiving the Charter from the President.

Prof. Tolly Mbwette, the Vice-Chancellor, Open University of Tanzania led other experts contracted by CUE in assessing the University of Nairobi.

umni in the Executive

The University of Nairobi alumni continue the long tradition of service to the Kenyan society. There are numerous Alumni serving in the as cabinet secretaries and other positions.



Topping the list is **Deputy President William Ruto** who is also **UONAA** Life Gold Member. The Deputy

President holds a Bachelor of Science in Botany and Zoology from the University of Nairobi (1987-1990) and recently graduated with Masters. He is currently pursuing a PhD from the same institution.

The National **Treasury Cabinet** Secretary, Henry Rotich holds a Masters of Arts, **Economics from** the University of Nairobi and a BA,



Economics from the same institution. Rotich has worked at the Ministry of Finance for seven years and also served as an Assistant Director, Central Bank of Kenya (1994-2006).

Adan Abdulla Mohamed, the **Cabinet Secretary** for Industrialization and Enterprise Development is a First Class B-Com



degree graduate from the University of Nairobi. He later proceeded to Harvard Business School in the US for MBA. Mohamed has worked for Barclays Bank for over 15 years in different parts of the world.

The Cabinet Secretary, Devolution and Planning, Ms Anne Waiguru



holds a Masters degree in Economic

Policy from the University of Nairobi. Ms Waiguru has been the Director, Integrated Financial Management and Information System (IFMIS), and, Head of Governance at the National Treasury.

Dr Hassan Wario Arero. the Cabinet Secretary for Sports, Culture and Arts joined the University of



Nairobi's Institute of African Studies in 1990 and graduated in 1995 with a 2nd Class Upper Honours in the Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology. In 1997, he won the Chevening Scholarship through the British High Commission and proceeded to the University of East Anglia in Norfork, England to pursue his Masters Degree. He proceeded to undertake his PhD in Anthropology at the same university, where he graduated in 2013 with a PhD degree in Anthropology.

The Cabinet Secretary, Education, Prof Jacob Kaimenyi holds a PHD in Dentistry from the University of

Nairobi. He is the first inaugurated full professor of Periodontology at the University of Nairobi. He was previously the



Deputy Vice-Chancellor in charge of Academic Affairs at the University of Nairobi. He is a Member of the **Medical Practitioners and Dentists** Board. He has been the President of the Commonwealth Dental Association and Head of the National Dental Unit at the Kenyatta National Hospital.

The Cabinet Secretary, Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries, Felix Kiptarus Koskei joined the University of Nairobi

in 1987 and graduated with Bsc Honours Degree in 1990. He did his MBA in Strategic Management in



2003 at the University of Nairobi. He has worked at the Kenya Posts and Telecommunication Corporation and Kenya Civil Aviation Authority.

The Cabinet Secretary, Transport and Infrastructure, Eng Michael Kamau holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Nairobi, Master of Science in Engineering from the University of New Castle Upon Tyne, United Kingdom.

He is registered as a Professional

Consulting Engineer by **Engineers Board** of Kenva. He is a Fellow of the Institution of Engineers of



Kenya and also a Fellow of the Kenya Institute of Management.

The Cabinet Secretary, Energy and Petroleum, Davis Chirchir holds a Masters of Business Administration in International Management from Royal

Holloway School of Management, University of London and a Bachelor of Science degree in



Computer Science and Physics from the University of Nairobi.

The Cabinet Secretary for Information, Communication and Technology, Dr Fred Matiangi holds a Doctorate

in Comparative Literature from the University of Nairobi, a Master's Degree in English from the same university and a Bachelor's Degree in Education from Kenyatta University.



Prof. Judy Wakhungu was appointed the Cabinet Secretary in charge of Environment, Water and Natural Resources. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in geology from St Lawrence University in New York, a Masters of Science degree in petroleum

geology from Acadia University in Nova Scotia, Canada and a PhD in energy resources management from Pennsylvania



State University, Prof Wakhungu became the first woman geologist in the Ministry of Energy and later the first female petroleum geologist at the National Oil Corporation of Kenya. She was also the first female faculty member in the Department of Geology

at the University of Nairobi. Before her appointment. she was a Council member of the University of Nairobi.



Interior Cabinet Secretary Joseph Ole **Lenku** hold a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Nairobi and a Diploma in Hotel Management from Utalii College

On the legislative front the alumni

include **House** Speaker Justin **Muturi** and his Senate counterpart Ekwe Ethuro. Muturi holds an LL.B degree from the University of



Nairobi while Ethuro, also an alumnus of is a holder of MSc from Clemson University, and a BSc degree from the University of Nairobi.

The Senate Speaker was the chief guest during the launch of UONAA Agriculture Chapter held at the Laico Regency Hotel. He was then the Member of Parliament, Turkana Central constituency.

Principal **Secretaries** Among the Principal Secretaries appointed by the President in June 2013 are the Alumni Chapter Chairpersons; Dr.



Wilson K. Songa and Eng. Joseph K. Njoroge. Dr. Wilson Songa (PS, Industrialisation) is the Chairman of the Agriculture Alumni Chapter and a Silver Life Member of the University of Nairobi Alumni Association. Eng. Joseph Nioroge (PS, Energy) is the Chairman of MBA Alumni Chapter and a Gold Life Member of the Alumni Association.

We also congratulate all the Governors, Senators, Women Representative, Executive Committee and County Public Service Board members who have been elected and appointed in various positions. We are proud of you!

Students partner with UONAA

he University of Nairobi students courtesy of DVC (Students Affairs), Organisation of Students Volunteers (OSV) and United Nations Volunteers (UNV) have partnered with the UONAA on community service. One such undertaking was the second edition of the annual UNV Students' Symposium on Volunteerism held at the University of Nairobi on 22 November, 2012.

Hosted in partnership with the **Organization of Student Volunteers** from the University of Nairobi, the Symposium was held under the theme of "Student Volunteerism for Development and Peace".

The Symposium brought together over 300 students from different universities in the country to share volunteer experiences and learn from each other. Institutions represented included the University of Nairobi, Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT), KCA University, Daystar University, DALC Education, Moi University, Kenyatta University and Strathmore University among others.

The students spent most of the time sharing their varied and rich volunteer experiences, ranging from medical outreaches, clean-up activities, writing, photography and even music! The forum was organised by UNV's Partnership Coordinator, George Oloo, OSV's Chairperson, Billy Kanyi and UON Alumni Director, Johnson Ireri. Among the invited guests were UNDP Country Director Maria-Threase Keating. University of Nairobi's Principal of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Prof. Enos Njeru who represented the Vice Chancellor, pointed out that the university is



UNDP Country Director Maria-Threase Keating makes keynote remarks at the Opening of the Students' Symposium on Volunteerism at the University of Nairobi, 8.4.4. Multi-Purpose Hall

fully committed to encouraging volunteering and volunteerism programmes for the students, and urged more support and uptake of such programmes.

Online Volunteering

UNV Programme Officer Dmitry Frischin encouraged the students to take up online volunteering as well as look out for opportunities for national and international volunteering. He lauded the support given by the University, and pointed out that UNV is looking into expanding programmes with the University targeted towards encouraging youth volunteerism. UNV/ UON partnership On 19th-21st February 2013, UNV partnered with University of Nairobi Students and Alumni in 3-day training for UN Volunteers involved in working with young people to enlighten them on how to effectively encourage youth volunteerism within their assignments. The training was held at the Safari Park in Nairobi, with funding from UNV's Capacity Development & Learning Facility (CDLF) aimed at building capacities among UN Volunteers.

MBA Chapter Plans for endowment fund

ne of the ultimate goals of the University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA) is to build a University Endowment Fund through the income generated by the proposed Alumni Centre, the MBA Chapter Chairman, Eng Joseph Njoroge has said.

In a speech read on his behalf by Mr James Njuguna during the 2012 European Foundation for Management (EMFD) conference held at the University's Lower Kabete Campus on 11-12th October, last year, Eng. Njoroge said the welcome from the Alumni Centre will be used to finance the University's operations such as research grants, students scholarships, students hostels, lecture theatres, ICT networks, executive education centre, renovating and upgrading the university's infrastructure.

He urged UONAA Chapters to continue fulfilling the mutual roles originally envisaged in the establishment of discipline-based Chapters to supplement activities of the umbrella Association.

Role of Chapter

The MBA Chapter Chairman said the main objective of the Chapters is to provide a forum through which the alumni of UoN can participate in its governance and develop activities to raise the profile and image of their alma mater. He added that the Chapters will continue to be a useful catchment for business opportunities and a forum to establish useful linkages with graduates who are managing business in various sectors of the economy.

"Chapters will continue to fulfill their mandate while nurturing their growth through member recruitment and other activities to support the UoN. Alumni will continue to share their practical experience with academia to provide the required fusion between theory and practice for students pursuing business studies. All UoN graduates should enroll as members in their Chapters and umbrella Association to tap into the benefits of collaboration, networking and shared values," Eng. Njoroge who is also the Chief Executive Officer, Kenya Power said.

He noted that the University of Nairobi which is the oldest and first University in Kenya having been established in 1956 has the highest number of Alumni



Eng. Joseph Njoroge

numbering over 136,000.

The chairman said the MBA Chapter also helps in organising the annual African International Business and Management (AIBUMA) conferences in liaison with UoN School of Business.

Thechapter is also planning the development and fundraising for the proposed Alumni Centre project as well as facilitating internship for business students.

The chapter also creates linkages between MBA graduates, business firms and academia as well as sponsoring Alumni Networking Forums.



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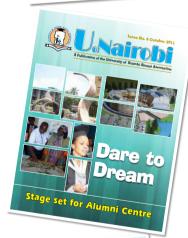
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KTDA Partners with University of Nairobi in Tree Planting

enya Tea Development Agency Holdings Ltd (KTDA) has partnered with the University of Nairobi in a tree planting initiative that has seen staff and students plant 10,000 indigenous trees so far.

In a collaboration spearheaded by the KTDA Foundation, the global tea exporter and the university's College of Agriculture and Veterinary Studies (CAVS), undertook an environmental conservation campaign where more than 6,000 indigenous trees were planted in April this year at the site of the Wangari

> Maathai Institute for Peace and **Environmental** Studies at Upper Kabete Campus.

This follows a similar exercise last year at the same venue during the World **Environment**

Day where more than 3,000 trees were planted by KTDA staff led by the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Lerionka Tiampati, and scores of University of Nairobi students and staff, who included Prof Solomon Shibairo, the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, who represented the Principal, College of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine, Prof. Agnes Mwang'ombe.

In both campaigns KTDA factories provided the seedlings through the KTDA

KTDA CEO Mr Tiampati and CAVs Principal Prof. A.W. Mwang'ombe, have pledged to advance this partnership through raising of tree seedlings, tree planting campaigns and other outreach activities that will give students valuable linkages with industry, while leveraging on the two institutions' expertise in farm and animal husbandry.



CAVS wins **TOTAL Kenya** limited echo challenge award



The College of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences (CAVS) was awarded a trophy by Total Kenya Limited Managing Director in a Eco Challenge Gala Dinner hosted by the company at Carnivore Simba Salon on Wednesday, 26th June 2013. CAVS was feted with the award for her exceptional tree planting effort and achievements in the year 2012. Total Eco Challenge now has more than 5,000 projects country wide. The CAVS award was received by the college Principal, Prof. Agnes W. Mwang'ombe, Prof. Peter Kiama of Wangari Maathai Institute and other representatives from the college.



UONAA at varsities exhibition

he University of Nairobi Alumni Association (UONAA) participated in the exhibition by Kenyan universities held at the Kenyatta International Conference Centre grounds between June 20 and 22, 2013.

The exhibition was organised by the Commission for Universities Education (CUE), formerly Commission for Higher Education (CHE). All public and private institutions of higher learning took part in the exhibition.

The UONAA officials who included Prof Robert Obudho (Vice-chair), Mr Johnson Ireri (Executive Director) and Mrs. Jane Mogaka (Administrator) represented the Association.

University Rankings

On September 19, 2012, the UONAA participated in the CHE's Workshop on "National Stakeholders Workshop on Rating/Ranking Criteria for Universities"



Johnson Ireri (Executive Director, Alumni) and Mrs. Jane Mogaka (Administrator, Alumni) at the Alumni Stand of the University of Nairobi

held at Kenya School of Monetary Studies (KSMS).

In the meeting the role of Alumni in the ranking of the universities in new constitutional dispensation was emphasised. The participants included Prof George Magoha (Vice Chancellor), Dr Betty Gikonyo (Chairperson, UONAA), Prof Obudho and Mr Kinyua.



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