Oshiomhole Donates ₦10m to Mambayya House

Edo State Government has donated ₦10 million naira to the Aminu Kano Center for Democratic Research and Training (AKCDRT) popularly called Mambayya House, as contribution towards promoting democracy and the ideals of Malam Aminu Kano.

The State Governor, Comrade Adams Oshiomhole, who announced the donation on Wednesday 25th June, 2014 expressed gratitude that 30 years after the demise of Malam Aminu Kano, Nigeria still benefits from his legacies, part of which he said were the activities being conducted in Mambayya House for the promotion and sustenance of democracy.

Presenting a paper titled Party Politics and the Quest for Credible Elections in Nigeria: The Realities, Expectations and Challenges, Comrade Oshiomhole expressed concern that Nigerian politicians in the last 15 years have not done justice to democracy, as they keep on changing political parties as many times as they change gowns.

The governor said Nigeria still needs to build infrastructure to pave the way for people to have a normal life and free and fair education, adding that many political office holders don’t attach importance to primary and secondary schools education. He said also “it is high time for political office holders to stop mentioning ‘earmarked’ to the people; instead they should emphasize ‘eye marked’ if we want this nation to grow.”

He said before credible elections, there should be credible choices, without which people would have difficulty in exercising their rights, noting that in the past religion and ethnicity were never issues in deciding who to vote, but now politicians who lack projects and programmes put religion and ethnicity on the national agenda.

The governor expressed concern that some electoral bodies in the country don’t ensure freedom of choice; he, however, commended Professor Jega as the INEC chairman whom he said is doing better than his predecessors. He, however, said Jega is battling with card carrying members of a political party as staff in INEC. “That’s why he cannot do everything,” adding that Nigeria faces a lot of challenges to do with the political class themselves, ideology, strategy and a host of others.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor (Admin), Professor Saddiq Isa Radda who represented the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, urged participants to use the knowledge acquired in the center for the development of democracy.
The Director of the Center, Professor M. D. Sulaiman, thanked the Governors of Edo and Jigawa states for the support they rendered, which will go a long way in the sustenance of programs in the center.

**BUK Lauds Kano Emir**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, min, MFR, has assured the Kano Emirate Council of the university’s cooperation with a view to supporting the development of Kano State.

Professor Rasheed, who led a delegation of the University Community to congratulate the Emir, Muhammadu Sanusi II in his palace last Monday, said the new Emir has been assisting the university since when he was the governor of the Central Bank.

He said the Emir was the founding father of the 10 billion naira Center of Excellence in BUK, being constructed by the Central Bank as well as the Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance, appealing on him to sustain the support.

The Vice Chancellor congratulated the emir for his appointment and condoled him on the death of the Emir Alhaji Ado Bayero, whom he said also did a lot for the university.

Those who accompanied the Vice Chancellor include the Deputy Vice Chancellors Academic and Admin, other Principal Officers, Deans, Directors and eminent Islamic scholars, including the Chief Imam of Kano Central Mosque, Professor Sani Zaharaddeen, Chief Imam of BUK Old Site, Sheik Abubakar Jibril, and Dr Ahmad Muhammad Ibrahim amongst others.

**Publications Division Honours Outgoing Staff, Corps Members**

The Publications and Documentation Division has honoured two outgoing corps members, Hadiza Adamu and Rasheedah Yahuza Bello, who have completed their one-year mandatory service, as well as Auwalu Isa, who secured a new appointment with the Police Academy, Wudil as Assistant Lecturer.

In his welcome remarks at the reception held on Tuesday, 24th June, 2014, the Publication Secretary, Mustafa Ibrahim, said the celebrants worked in the division diligently and teamed up with the rest of the staff in meeting the production deadline of the weekly Bulletin.

Mustafa Ibrahim explained that it was the second time the division was organizing such a reception, having honoured a corper, Ummi Mohammed Hassan, who is now a graduate assistant in the Mass Communication Department.
The representative of the Director, General Administration, Hajiya Altine Ali, expressed happiness with the division’s gesture and wished the celebrants well in their future endeavors.

In his remarks, Malam Badamasi Rimin Gata, who represented the Director, Establishment Matters, advised the three outgoing staff to maintain all the positive qualities they exhibited during their stay at Bayero University, so as to progress anywhere they find themselves in future.

The celebrants expressed their joy and appreciation to the division in particular and the university in general for affording them the opportunity to serve and said they would always identify themselves with the university. They promised to treasure the commemorative plaques given to them as mementos.

The staff of the division had earlier made comments on the good working relationship with the celebrants.

NASU Mauls SSANU 3-1 in Friendly

Two goals in quick succession from Murtala Ibrahim of the Publications and Documentation Division and Ismail Yakubu of the IIIBF gave the Non-Academic Staff Union of University’s football team a dramatic 3-1 victory over its counterpart, the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU) both of BUK branch in a friendly match played at the Old Campus Football field last Thursday.

Tasi’u Aliyu Labaran of the Directorate of Establishment Matters’ strike put the SSANU team ahead in the 15th minute of play, but Lawan Tigana of the Dean’s Office FAIS restored parity in a simple tap-in ten minutes later through Murtala Ibrahim’s long range cross from the right flank, which ended the first half 1-1.

In the second half, SSANU team made numerous changes, which cost it to concede two late goals and the match ended in favor of NASU.

The match was played under the watchful eyes of the executive officials of the two unions.

Meanwhile, another match to be played this week between ASUU and SSANU to congratulate Dr. Nasiru Isa Fagge on his re-election as the ASUU National President and at the same time congratulated 15 senior academics on their promotion to the rank of Professors and 29 others as Associate Professors has been cancelled due to a gap in communication. Another date will be fixed after the Sallah break.

Fulbe Law Students’ Association Registered

The Dean, Student Affairs, has approved the registration of the Association of Fulbe Law Students.

In a statement signed by the Principal Assistant Registrar, Garba Abdullahi Barume, the Students’ Welfare Board at its 10th meeting held on 6th June, 2014 considered and recommended for the registration.

SEMINARS

The following departments invite the University Community to their departmental seminars, scheduled as follows:
Department of Pure & Industrial Chemistry:  M.Sc. & Ph.D. Seminar Presentation

Presenter 1: Mahadi Garba Doka
SPS/11/PHC/00002
Topic: Effects of the Use of Tannery Sludge Wastes, NPK-Fertilizer and Manure on Some Elements Concentrations in Maize (Zea mays L.).

Presenter 2: Adamu Audu Askira
SPS/10/MCH/00020
Topic: Isolation, Characterization of Anticancer Agents from Maerua angolensis DC.

Presenter 3: Mohammed Umar Habu
SPS/10/MCH/00032
Topic: Effects of Benzoylation Treatment on Mechanical Properties of Kenaf/Glass Fibre-Reinforced Unsaturated Polyester Hybrid Composites.

Presenter 4: Yakubu Ibrahim
SPS/10/MCH/00015
Topic: Synthesis, Characterisation and Antibacterial Studies of Metronidazole Benzoate-Divalent Metal Complexes.

Presenter 5: Hamisu Ammani
SPS/10/MCH/00022
Topic: Bioactive Secondary Metabolites Isolated from the Leaves Extract of Bombax buonopozense.

Presenter 6: Nuhu Gambo
SPS/10/SCI/00035
Topic: Anti-Microbial Activity Tests and Isolation of Secondary Metabolites from the Leaf Extracts of Annona senegalensis (Pers.)

Presenter 7: Shehu Sa’ad Abdullahi
SPS/10/MCH/00046

Presenter 8: Kabiru Musa Aujara
SPS/10/MCH/00061

Presenter 9: Muhammad Sulaiman Rahama
SPS/10/MCH/00018
Topic: Bioactive Secondary Metabolites Isolated from the Fruit Extract of Ficus benjamina.

Chairman: Dr Umar Ibrahim Gaya (First session)
Date: 2nd July, 2014
Time: 10:00-13:00 h
Venue: Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory

Presenter 10: Yusuf Inuwa
SPS/10/PHC/00003
Topic: Serum Electrolytes, Micronutrients, Glucose and Urea Levels Amongst Pregnant Women in Rural Areas of Gezawa, Gabasawa and Minjibir Local Government Areas of Kano State, Nigeria.

Presenter 11: Abdullahi Abubakar
SPS/10/MCH/00043
Topic: An Assessment of Preservative (Sodium Benzoate) Levels in Some Selected Fruit Juices and Soft Drinks Marketed in Nigeria

Presenter 12: Maimuna Yahaya Yakasai
SPS/10/MCH/00052
Presenter 13: Musbahu Inusa
SPS/10/MCH/00010
Topic: Study and Analysis of Cephalexine Metal (II) Complexes.

Presenter 14: Joy Egbucha Nwachukwu
SPS/10/MCH/00047
Topic: Isolation and Characterization of the Bioactive Agent from the Seed of Moringa Oleifera

Presenter 15: Emmanuel Otene
SPS/10/MCH/00026

Chairman: Dr M.A. Kurawa (Second Session)

Date: July 2, 2014
Time: 14:00-16:00 h
Venue: Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory

Department of Agricultural Engineering:
M.Eng Title Proposal Defence
Presenter 1: Ibrahim Lawan
(SPS/11/MAE/00005)
Title: ‘Development of Groundnut Oil Extraction Machine for Small Scale Processors.’

Presenter 2: Bello Umar Ahmad
(SPS/11/MAE/00025)
Title: ‘Development of a Flat Bed Drying System for Paddy Drying.’

Chairman: Prof. M. L. Suleiman
Date: Wednesday, 25th June, 2014
Time: 10:00am prompt
Venue: Level 500 Students Class (Agric Engineering Department).

Department of English & Literary Studies:
PhD & M.A. Proposal Presentation

First Session: 10:00am
Chair: Prof. Mustapha Ahmad Isa
PhD:
Presenter 1: Sabo Ado Sagagi

MA:
Presenter 2: Nafisa Tajuddeen
(SPS/11/MEN/00035)

Presenter 3: Nneka Modesta Umunagbu
(SPS/11/MEN/00001)
Topic: ‘A Stylistic Analysis of Metaphors in Okpewho’s the Last Duty.’

Presenter 4: Lilian Agbo Ochekliye Elkeche
(SPS/11/MEN/00051)
Topic: ‘Application of Holiday’s Transitivity Model on Alkali’s the Still Born.’

Second Session: 12:00pm
Chair: Dr. Sadiya Sani Daura
Presenter 5: Blessing Ejikeme Nwakaego
(SPS/11/MEN/00007)
Topic: ‘A Speech Act analysis of Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie’s Purple Hibiscus.’

Presenter 6: Akinwole Olakunle Idris
(SPS/11/MEN/00036)

Presenter 7: Laure Jibril Garba
(SPS/11/MEN/00010)
Topic: ‘The Effectiveness of the Spelling Bee in Teaching Vocabulary in the English as a Second
Language (ESL) Class: A Case Study of Nafaz Science Academy Nursery II Pupils.’

**Presenter 8:** Shamsuddoene Yusuf  
(SPS/11/MEN/00034)  
**Topic:** ‘Speech Act Theory: An Examination of Economic Cartoons in Weekly Trust Newspaper.’

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**Third Session: 2:00pm**  
**Chair:** Prof. Sa’idu Babura Ahmad  
**Presenter 9:** Ngozi Grace Izuchukwu  
(SPS/11/MEN/00002)  
**Topic:** ‘The Impact of Teaching Grammar on Students’ Performacne in Essay Writing. An Analysis of Subject-Verb Concord At Senior Secondary School Level.’

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**Presenter 10:** Sani Abubakar  
(SPS/11/MEN/00046)  
**Topic:** ‘A Changing Pattern in Hausa Oral Songs: A Study of Selected Contemporary Oral Songs.’

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**Presenter 11:** Nasiru Musa  
(SPS/11/MEN/00015)  
**Topic:** ‘Exploring the Communication Functions of Slang among the Youth.’

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**Presenter 12:** Suwaiba Mohammed  
(SPS/11/MEN/00024)  
**Topic:** ‘Self Identity and Female Representation: A Case Study of Emecheta’s Head Above Water and Ogundipe’s Up Country Girl.’

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**Date:** Tuesday, 1st July, 2014  
**Venue:** Departmental Board Room

**Department of Medicine: Research Proposal Presentation**  
**Presenter:** Dr. Ramlan Mansur Aliyu  
**Topic:** ‘Glycated Haemoglobin for Screening and Diagnosis of T2DM in Kano.’

**Chairman:** Dr. Shehu M. Yusuf  
**Supervisors:** (1) Dr. Andrew E. Uloko  
(2) Dr. Ibrahim D. Gezawa  
**Date:** Wednesday, 9th July, 2014

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**Department of Physics: M.Sc Seminar Presentation**  
**Presenter 1:** Hauwa Mohammed Mari  
(SPS/10/MPY/00010)  
**Topic:** ‘The use of Empirical Models for the Correlation of Global Solar Radiation with Meteorological Data for Maiduguri, Nigeria.’  
**Chairman:** Professor A. O. Musa

**Presenter 2:** Faisal Bature Farouq  
(SPS/11/MPY/00019)  
**Topic:** ‘Theoretical Estimation of the Cloud Phase Functions in the Infra Red.’  
**Chairman:** Dr. B. I. Tijjani

**Presenter 3:** Salisu Abdulmutallab  
(SPS/10/MPY/00022)  
**Topic:** ‘Analysis of Geomagnetic Field Components Data from Ground-based Magnetometers at three Observatories in the African Region.’  
**Chairman:** Dr. M. O. Aku

**Date:** Thursday, 3rd July, 2014  
**Time:** 10:00am  
**Venue:** Physics Research Laboratory

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