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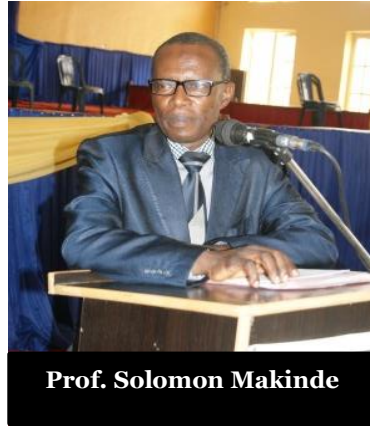
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Our vision
To be a Centre of Excellence;
producing graduates with a balanced
education.

Mission
To be an International Institution of
higher learning with enviable
standards of teaching and research

Dons call for the Harnessing of our Cultural Riches

Harnessing” was the buzzword as speaker after speaker mounted the rostrum to contribute to discussions during the Cultural and Diversity Day of the University. The event which was held at the Multi-Purpose Hall of the University attracted both the staff and students of the University as well as some invited secondary schools in the Ketu Adie-Owe area. Appropriately themed “Towards Harmonious Co-Existence through Harnessing Cultural Differences and Dividends of Ethnic Diversity”, the seminar highlighted the various aspects of cultures of many nationalities in Nigeria. Up for scrutiny, enjoyment and appreciation were cultural aspects like languages, dressing, ornamentations, games, proverbs, music food and



Prof. Solomon Makinde

dance. The thespians also took to the stage to drive home the message of the day through playlets.

In his paper presentation for the occasion, Prof. Solomon Makinde, H.O.D. of Language Education of the Lagos State University, LASU, opined that critical aspects of our cultures are in danger of being eroded, most especially our languages. “Language is the most enduring element of culture,” he revealed while advising that if well harnessed, our various cultures stand to yield rich dividends of unity, growth and peace for our national commonwealth.

Crawford University Work-Study Scheme Inaugurated

The Scholarship and Work Study Administration, SAWSA office has announced the name of twenty students of the many applicants that registered for consideration in the scheme. The announcement was made in a formal programme to initiate the scheme.

In her speech during the event, the Director of SAWSA, Professor Alaba Simpson remarked that the scheme was instituted to enhance the general learning experience of participating students in the University and to provide critical coping mechanism.

On his part, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Rotimi Ajayi remarked that the scheme was designed to enable students appreciate the dignity of labour and the essence of creating value. He said the scheme would enable students acquire useful work-experience while pursuing their courses of study. It should also serve for the development of working-place team building spirit, work-culture, synergy-building and cooperation, all these beside the alleviation of financial burden of students through part-time employment.

“It is our (management) opinion that the lot of the indigent students can be improved upon if they have the opportunity of generating some income without jeopardizing their academic pursuit. The programme shall enhance the effective usage of leisure hours of the participants and thereby reduce the incidence of boredom”, he concluded.

The present crop of 20 participating students would be working for maximum of 2 hours daily or 4 hours per week in places like the Library, Supermarket, Bakery, Kitchen and Water-processing plant.

Mental Health Consultant Counsel against Substance Abuse

A Mental Health expert, Dr. Olajumoke Koyejo has sounded a strident note of warning to students of Crawford University to eschew all manner of drug or substance abuse that is rampant among youth not only nationwide but worldwide. The advice was given in a seminar titled “**Prevention and Early Intervention of Substance Use Among Undergraduates**”. The seminar took place in the Multi-Purpose Hall of the University under the Chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor, Professor Isaac Rotimi Ajayi.

Describing drug use as a trap, she counseled that youth should not even try to experiment with drugs. She pointed out that though, the law may permit the use of some drugs and stimulant like alcohol

and tobacco,, yet these drugs usually prove to become the Gateway Drugs for youth to graduate to the use of illicit drugs through the process of progressive tolerance.

In the chit-chat session with the student, Dr. Koyejo condemned the role of the advertising, media and entertainment industries in glamourizing drug use. She however pointed out famous names whose careers had fantastically crashed from their high perches and even those whose death are directly attributable to drug use. She concluded that it is much safer and less costly to youths to eschew the use of drug entirely than to be rehabilitated when already addicted.

Surprise Party Mark VC's Birthday

The Vice Chancellor of Crawford University, Professor Isaac Rotimi Ajayi was led into a delightful surprise when members of his household "conspired" to surprise him with a party.

Towards the close of business on Tuesday 20th March, words filtered out to a few staff members to report unobtrusively to the residence of the Vice Chancellor for the quiet party. The stage management was perfect as he just walked into a darkened sitting room suddenly brightened by a thrown switch and loud charm of "Happy Birthday to you"



The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Rotimi Ajayi posing with well wishers during his surprise party in his office

Overwhelmed. That is the word, as the Vice Chancellor surveyed the room full of well-wishers, a table laden with cakes and food and drinks. No sooner did the surprise wear off then Dr. Amos Abisoye took over the ministration of praise, testimonies and prayers.

He noted with appreciation the unequalled cooperation and empathy he had been enjoying from all categories of staff since his taking up the position a few years ago.

Thanks were returned to God for His keeping power on the life, strength, health, wisdom and divine help accorded the Vice Chancellor.

The overwhelmed Vice chancellor thanked all the guests profusely. He thanked the "conspirators" for their good thoughts and love. He was profuse in his appreciation to all his guests present and those who for any reason were unable to attend.

Colleges Close for Easter Break

The University closes on the 28th of March to observe the Easter Break. Students could be seen trooping out for

homeward journey. Most students left the campus by the end of Wednesday. Staff also joined the students to observe the

Easter break of Good Friday and Easter Monday as directed by the Federal Government.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Staff Bible Study holds 2pm every Wednesday.
Staff prayer meeting holds every Thursdays by 8am. God bless you as you attend these meetings.

Management

Not everything that counts can be counted. And not everything that is counted truly counts.

---Albert Einstein