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DWC accommodates more students



H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum.
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Upon recommendation from H.H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, UAE Vice President, Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai, DWC and DMC received a generous financial grant to help the colleges accommodate the increasing number of students who are awaiting enrollment for the current academic year 2006/7. The students, who were turned away by the colleges due to budget constraints, will now have an opportunity to study

at Dubai Women's College and Dubai Men's College thanks to Sheikh Mohammed's orders. "The UAE is a welfare state that cares for its sons and daughters. It is certainly the right of these young men and women to pursue their dreams by obtaining seats in the country's institutions of higher learning", said Sheikh Mohammed as he toured Dubai Men's College on September 6th, 2006, reported Emirates News Agency, WAM. Dr. Howard Reed, DWC Director, said, "Because the

budget of the HCT was smaller than what was needed to allow all the new students into the HCT colleges, we had to turn away about 1500 students throughout the HCT." Dr. Howard visited the Diwan earlier in the academic year to seek financial support and to address the current situation of the increasing number of students and the college's inability to accommodate them. According to press reports the HCT were allocated Dh635 million.

HCT conference:

today's student, tomorrow's entrepreneur

Khadija Hussain
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H.E. Sheikh Nahayan giving his speech. Photo by: Jeff Roster

His Excellency Sheikh Nahayan Bin Mubarak Al Nahayan, Minister of Higher Education and Chancellor of the Higher Colleges of Technology (HCT), launched the 19th Annual HCT Conference on August 30, 2006 at the Madinat Jumeirah Conference Centre, Dubai. The conference, which is held annually at the beginning of the academic year, focused on the goals and plans of the HCT for the new academic year. The theme of this year's conference was "Today's student: tomorrow's entrepreneur." Speaking to *Ms Sage*, H.E. Sheikh Nahayan explained how the theme

of this conference would help both students and faculty attain HCT goals and keep pace with the country's development: "By allowing the students to take the initiative and, more over, assisting them in being creative, critical and independent learners and encouraging them to come up with new ideas." H.E. also stressed that followers never reach their goals and advised students not to see success as a monopoly of some individuals, but as something anyone who strives for greatness can achieve. The conference was also a great opportunity for networking for both faculty and staff.

Al Abbar meets students



Dr. Howard Reed with H.E. Mohammad Al Abbar
Photo By: Mariam Al Shorofa

Asma Ahmed
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Year Two

Mohammed Al Abbar, Chairman of Emaar Properties, and Director General of the Dubai Department of Economic Development, gave a lecture to 800 new DWC students on September 10, 2006. Al Abbar welcomed the new students to a new phase of their lives and

congratulated them on the great opportunity given to them. "You should be grateful for receiving this kind of education. In other parts of the world, people don't enjoy this privilege," he said. Al Abbar went on to emphasize the special importance of education for young Emirati women. "We should focus on educating young Emirati women because you are the future. When you are educated, you will be able to raise an educated family,

which makes an educated society," he added. Al Abbar also discussed Emiratisation and the challenges that students may face after graduation. "Life is hard and in order to achieve your ambitions, you need to work hard and not to depend on others," he said. Students asked Al Abbar about some of their concerns about business opportunities and also about his work experience

HCT Vice Chancellor visits DWC

Alya Taryam and Aysha Bin Zayed
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Year One

His Excellency Dr. Tayeb Kamali, Vice Chancellor of Higher Colleges of Technology (HCT), visited Dubai Women's College on November 20th, 2006. Dr. Tayeb was accompanied by a number of senior executives from the HCT: Dr. Andrew Wismayer, Director of Academic Services, Dr. Senthil Nathan,

Director of Policy and Planning, Mark Johnson, Director of Technology and Administration and Mustafa Karkouti, Head of Corporate Affairs. Addressing all DWC faculty and staff, Dr. Tayeb went over the HCT strategic objectives and stressed the importance of preparing today's students to be tomorrow's entrepreneurs. He also said that the ultimate goal of HCT is to produce world-class graduates, who can

obtain leading positions and be a strong backbone to shape the economy of the country. While congratulating DWC for its excellent achievements, Dr. Tayeb said he expected the DWC team to continue doing their remarkable jobs and to continue working on raising the quality of teaching and learning. "Be innovative. While it is easy to stay as you are, the difficulty is in how to go beyond," he said.

DWC gets new student centre on campus

Aisha Al Muhairi
Communication Technology
Year Two

Student Services at DWC recently opened a new Student Centre. The official opening will be held during the college's annual Bazaar. It accommodates the Student Services Office, which

represents the Student Services of the campus, and the Student Parliament Office. According to Bassima Alyah, a DWC Student Services Officer, the new premises provide a formal administrative workspace for members of the parliament to assemble for small and sub-committee meetings and to plan activities. The centre also

has a Club Room, which is a space for the student clubs to meet and organize their activities. DWC has a number of active student clubs including the Nature Club, the Public Speaking Club and the Languages club. The centre also has an Emirates Bank branch, AlJawda Zone, Gloria Jeans coffee shop, a mosque and ComCo



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Paramedic students attend EMS

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A group of Year Three Paramedic students attended the fourth Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Conference on September 13, 2006 at Al Bustan Rotana Hotel. Under their teachers' supervision, 14 students presented a workshop for EMS professionals. Salem Keraif, a Year Three paramedic student who participated in the conference, said, "It was the most fascinating experience that I have ever encountered. It was a bit hard dealing with people who are familiar with the new CPR guidelines." For Salem and his colleagues, participating in this conference and giving a workshop added a lot. "Now I have more self confidence, and I am able to deal with anyone, with people both in and outside my field," Salem added. Norman

Wilkinson, a paramedics teacher, said, "I think the conference was very successful. It proved that our students have the ability to be on a par with international people in the same field." Mona Othman, another Year Three paramedic student who participated in the conference, said, "DWC's Paramedics

programme has taught me that life is sacred and a single second can make a big difference in our life. Being a paramedic is a great thing and I'm glad that I entered this field, because I want to show people that locals are capable of excelling in any job he or she undertakes."



Paramedic students participating in workshop
Photo by: Shamma Al Muhairy

DWC helps students in need



John O'Hara discusses some financial issues. Photo by: Afra Atiq

Afra Atiq

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In cooperation with Al Maktoum Foundation, DWC has provided many of its students with financial aid in the form of laptops. DWC and Al Maktoum Foundation helped students who could not afford to buy laptops by providing them for free. John O'Hara, the Dean of Business, Media and Education, said, this type of financial aid has been going on for some time and that it was DWC's duty to equip the students with the tools they needed to succeed. "We try to help our

students as much as we possibly can," O'Hara added. Fatma (name changed) is one of many DWC students who received financial aid from the college, said that she could not imagine her life in college without a laptop and was grateful to DWC and Al Maktoum Foundation for their support and generosity. "Laptops are part of our lives here at DWC and I think everyone should be given the opportunity to have one," Fatma said. "In my family there are eight children, and without the kindness from both the foundation and college, we would have never been able to afford it," she added.

New Comm Tech Supervisor

Aisha Mohamed Abdullah

Year Two
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The Communication Technology Department at DWC has a new supervisor, Dr. Hanan Hairab. Hanan has been a DWC faculty member for more than ten years. Hanan, who holds a PhD in Arabic Literature, said, "Everything started from the classroom, and knowing

the students' needs and concerns helped me become more aware and experienced." Hanan faced many challenges in her new job. "This job brings with it more responsibilities. I am not only responsible for my classes, but am also responsible for giving our students the best curriculum and providing a good learning environment," she explained. Hanan also said that one of the main challenges was to maintain and improve the high-quality schedule demanded within

the Communication Technology Department. Other challenges are communications with PAC (Program Advisory Committee), organising guest speakers from industry, student competitions and awards, incorporating industry time, international trips and co-ordination of the Bachelor programme. Hanan hopes to create a real media environment and establish strong ties with the media industry. "I want to create a community of graduates that can serve the industry and meet international media standards," she said. She also plans to make parents more involved in the department. "I think that the parents should be more involved so that they can support their daughters as well as the department as a whole." Hanan advises Communication Technology students to believe in their mission as media practitioners and keep their expectations high in order to change the local voice of the media in the UAE for the better.



Comm Tech supervisor, Dr. Hanan Hairab. Photo by: Aisha Mohamed

DWC hosts 'Run for your wife'

Hafsa Al Mutawa

Year Two
Communication technology

A community non-profit theatre group known as the Dubai Drama Group presented a drama play at the new auditorium in DWC on September 20, 2006. The group ran evening shows from Tuesday to Friday. Scott Mullen directed the play. According to Robert Peregoodoff, Supervisor of Curriculum and Project

Management, the idea initially came from Susan Brown, former Marketing Coordinator at DWC. "Both of us worked to make it happen. Dr. Reed was very glad and accepted the idea," Peregoodoff said. "We worked on getting permission from the Dubai Department of Tourism and Commerce Marketing (DTCM)," he added. DWC's new auditorium is currently available and can be booked for a variety of events such as assemblies, conferences and awards ceremonies.



A scene from the play. Photo provided by: Dubai Drama Club

DWC hosts Damas workshop

Amira Saeed
Year Two
Communication Technology

DWC Career Centre held a workshop on September 12, 2006 that introduced college Diploma graduates to job opportunities offered by Damas boutiques. The workshop, conducted by Aisha Bilkhair and Azza Al Huraiz, aimed at preparing Diploma graduates for the positions of sales persons at Damas Boutiques. The Career Centre staff provided students with details about the positions prior to their meeting Damas management. Dr. Naji Mahdy, supervisor of



Students attend Damas workshop. Photo by: Amira Saeed.

the DWC Jewellery programme, and Maryam Al Hur, Manager of Damas Social and Cultural Department, also attended the workshop at DWC. Commenting on the workshop, Aisha Bilkhair, a DWC Career Services Supervisor, said, "The goal of this workshop

is to prepare students to apply their skills and work with Damas boutiques." "Our students are well equipped with the necessary skills to become sales persons and to gain the knowledge required to work with precious stones," she added.

Students are tour guides

Athija Mujairdi
Year Two
Communication Technology

Nine students from the DWC Travel and Tourism section recently participated in a programme sponsored by the Department of Tourism and Commerce Marketing (DTCM) as part of their study course. The programme, which is organized annually to enable students to become certified tour guides for the city of Dubai, ran from September 10 to 21. "This programme enables students to learn about the fundamentals of tourism and how to market a destination. Students studying



A DWC tour guide. Photo provided by: Diane Hart.

in this programme are also required to know about the history, culture and traditions of Dubai to be able to guide the tourists during their tour around Dubai," said Diane Hart, a DWC Travel and Tourism faculty member. "After completing this course, the students receive a certified

license from DTCM, a BTEC [a British certificate] as well as a First-Aid certificate. Many of our students are now certified tour guides," Diane added. Mona Al Shamsi, a Travel and Tourism graduate, said the course was a great learning experience and I learnt a lot about my city."

Education Without Borders 2007

Shahd Khaled
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Communication Technology

More than 500 students and professionals from over 100 countries will be seeking innovative solutions to global challenges when they convene in the United Arab Emirates on February 25 and 27, 2007. The Education Without Borders conference will be held under the patronage of H. E. Shiekh Nahayan Bin Mubarak Al Nahayan, the Minister of Higher Education



Khadija Hussein. Photo by: Shabd Khaled.

and Scientific Research. It has been Dubai Women's College's tradition to participate in the Education Without Borders conference for several years now. After the success of 2005, 89 representatives gathered

to discuss issues related to E-learning and education. Education Without Borders 2007 promises to connect participants in a unique forum featuring outstanding guest speakers, student presentations, stimulating debates and interactive workshops. Khadija Hussain Al Bulooshi, a Dubai Womens College Communication Technology student and a member of the organizing committee, said, "The committee works to connect the young leaders across the globe."

Leaders tackle global issues

Shahd Khaled
Year Two
Communication Technology

Dubai Women's College and Dubai Ethical Resource Centre have brought together a group of students to help improve the educational capacity for teaching business ethics and corporate responsibility in the region. The collaboration also aims to prepare future leaders to tackle global ethical challenges. Latifa Darwish, a DWC Communication Technology



Latifa participates in a campaign in Jordan. Photo provided by Latifa Darwish.

graduate encourages students to participate in similar programmes, and

particularly those that give them the opportunity to share ideas, thoughts, cultures and meet new people. participating in the programme, traveled to Jordan in order to observe how international companies implement corporate social responsibility. "I worked in a new association called 'The Arab Foundation for Sustainable Development' and it was my job to supervise children in a library, and read books to them, as some haven't completed their education because of financial reasons," Darwish said.

DWC first film festival

Asma Ahmed
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Dubai Womens College Communication technology Department will be its first Short Film Festival in January 2007. Young Arab and Emirati filmmakers will participate in the festival, which will be held at the college's new auditorium. Dr. Hanan Hairab, Supervisor of the Communication Technology Department, said, "The Idea of the festival is to

give the students the opportunity to participate in the festival and meet famous and successful filmmakers." "The department's students and staff are gearing up for the festival, the first of its kind to be organized by Dubai Women's College," said Yomna Kamel, a Communication Technology faculty member. "It will be a very good learning experience, as our students will be organizing the whole event: creating the festival's programme, designing the festival's logo, invitations and posters, ushering guests and

moderating the discussion sessions." Kamel was keen to point out that the festival will be much more than just film screenings, however. "The festival programme includes the screening of a number of films made by professional filmmakers, followed by discussion sessions. Communication Technology students and graduates will also have the chance to screen their films and participate in workshops with professional filmmakers," she added.

DWC Thalassemia Centre

Sheikha Bukhesheim
Year Two
Communication Technology

A Thalassemia Center will be established on the DWC campus during the academic year 2006-07. The centre will have a team of two doctors, two nurses and one secretary. Feryal Al Hindawi, A DWC nurse, said, "Due to the lack of knowledge among the young generation about Thalassemia, there is a great need for a Thalassemia centre to provide

awareness and medical services to HCT students. "The number of people dying because of Thalassemia is increasing every year, especially among young around the age of 18," she added. There are several services on the centre's agenda, including the centre's medical team's visits to other HCT colleges. They will be offering blood tests to both female and male students as well as giving medical advice, Feryal said.



DWC Thalassemia campaign. Photo by: Sbeika Bukhesheim

Paramedics get summer training

Shamma Al Muhairy
Year Two
Communication Technology

The DWC Health Sciences Department recently sent 14 paramedic students on a four-week summer training programme in cooperation with the Health Department. The Paramedics started the training course immediately after their final exams. They were given an orientation programme in the first few days about ambulance work and facilities and the hospitals and areas ambulances serve. Students were assigned work supervisors, who placed the students in ambulance stations around Dubai. Adnan Ahmad, a Year Two Paramedics student who participated in the training, said, "We dealt with different kinds of patients and learned how to use ambulance equipment on real patients. It was a very useful experience for all

of us and it helped prepare us for our future jobs." Thahab Salim Sead, another Year Two Paramedics student, said, "We learned how to clean and arrange the equipment in the ambulance, get the stretcher in and out of the ambulance, take blood pressure, and manage our time. We also learnt how to handle a real trauma case. "It was a good learning experience and the programme was well organized. The best thing was the cooperation we

saw between the Civil Defense Department and the Ambulance Centre," Thahab added. Yvette Brazier, a Paramedics teacher, said, "I think summer training is very important, if not essential, for students, to gain experience in the real world of work. It helps them get a better idea of why they are doing what they are doing in college. It also puts them one step ahead when they come to apply for the job they really want at a later date."



Paramedics in summer training. Photo by: Hamdah Noor

A new supervisor for IT

Moza Al Flasi
Year Two
Communication Technology

Sharmila Siddartha has recently been appointed as the new IT Department supervisor at DWC. Siddartha joined DWC on September 3, 2006, and follows Dr. Behjat Al Yousuf, who has been promoted to the position of Associate Director of DWC. Siddartha worked as a software developer for many years before starting a career in academia.

"After working as a software developer, I quit my job and took a break for a while. Then I worked in my husband's business," Siddartha said. After moving to Dubai, she started her first teaching job at Dubai Men's College as an IT instructor, and worked there for 14 years. Siddartha believes that IT students should make their own career choices based on their interests and abilities. "Students should talk to the career counselors, graduates and other faculty



Sharmila, IT Supervisor: photo by Moza Al Flasi

members before they make a decision," she said. "I am very happy working as an IT supervisor and I'm looking forward to knowing my fellow faculty members and students," she added.

DWC participates in Al Burda

Athija Thani
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Communication Technology

On the occasion of the Prophet Mohammed's Birthday this year, the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Community Development announced the opening of the annual 'Al Burda' awards. Al Burda is an ode addressed

to the Prophet. It is divided into ten chapters and is memorized and recited at religious gatherings. According to a circular sent from the organizers of the competition, the award is divided into two categories, an international competition and a local competition. The international category includes a poetry competition and an Arabic calligraphy competition.

The local category includes a poster design competition limited to HCT students and universities in the UAE.



Illustrated by: Athijab Thani



Faculty members attend CALM workshop. Photo by: Jawaher Bufaroosha

CALM initiative at DWC

Jawaher Bufaroosha
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The DWC Centre for Applied Learning and Multimedia, or 'CALM,' has developed a Student Technology Assistants (STAs) programme that aims at increasing the amount of technical support available to faculty members. The pilot programme, conceived by Jamie Stewart, organized for the first time last year and repeated this year, is designed to hire Higher Diploma (HD) students on a part-time basis to assist with teaching and learning IT tasks.

Students benefit greatly from the programme, as they learn new technical and communication skills and gain valuable work experience while providing much needed assistance to staff. Nirupama Bhati, E-Learning Training and Support Specialist, commented that the students (who are known as technology assistants) are able to assist staff in a variety of tasks, such as creating Powerpoint slides for lessons, preparing training materials, providing basic training on those materials and newly learnt applications, entering teacher-generated

content into WebCT, creating surveys and helping with multimedia production work (Flash and Photoshop, for example). Shaima Mohammed, an HD2 Software Engineering student, said that she benefited a lot from her experience in the programme last year, improving her skills in Flash and Photoshop and working with the teachers to enter data into WebCT. She hopes to be able to work with CALM again this year. Wafa Mohammed, an HD2 Software Engineering student who also helped to develop DWC's Multimedia Photography Course, said that she would heartily recommend this program to other students because it gives them a chance to experience a working environment and helps to improve many technical skills. Hend Jaradi, another HD2 Software Engineering student, also helped with the development of CALM's projects. CALM aims to successfully run the Student Technology Assistants' programme by hiring STAs each semester and providing them with targeted training that will help them gain experience while provide a service to faculty members.

Joint school visit programme

Ayesha Al Muhairi
Year Two
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The National Admission and Placement Office in the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research organizes high school visits to colleges and universities every year. This year, DWC was the host of this event, known as the 'Joint School Visitation Programme, for four days, from September 17-20, with groups of students from three schools visiting the college each day. Four representatives from the National Admission and Placement Office were on campus every day. The main aim of this event is to introduce high school students to the range of opportunities waiting for them after they finish school and to acquaint them with the facilities

provided to graduates by the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research. Judging from feedback from several high school students, the event was a great success. Mariam Al Dhahry,

a student from Al Leseeli School said during students' question time at the end of the event that, "The event was beneficial and a lot of things that I was wondering about are now clear to me."



An orientation for high school students. photo by: Ayesha Al Muhairi

DWC students visit the USA



DWC students visit US. photo provided by: Khadija Hussein

Hafsa AL Mutawa
Year One
Communication Technology

Two students from DWC were among 25 students from the Middle East who visited the USA from July 1 to Aug 23 2006 to attend a programme organized by the MEPI (Middle East Partnership Initiative) and sponsored by the US Department of State. The programme, hosted by the University of Delaware, included a series of lectures

about the English language, the history of the USA and the American media. The students visited ten states including New York, Arizona and Washington DC, and saw many of the country's historical sites and landmarks. Khadija Hussain, a Year 3 Communication Technology student, was one of six Emirati students who participated in the programme. "I received an email from the DWC administration asking students to nominate themselves to join this programme, and

I was one of fifteen students who were shortlisted. I was lucky to be chosen to go on this unique trip," she added. "Despite the political problems that occurred in the summer, the trip was safe and well organized. I am so proud of myself having travelled alone during that difficult time. I advise students to take part in overseas trips and be the ambassadors of the UAE, gain knowledge and learn from the people they meet."

Lamsat Ataa touches DWC



Khadija Hussein
Year Three
Communication Technology

Year three diploma students have recently launched Lamsat Ataa, a new club at DWC. Lamsat Ataa, which means a touch of generosity' in Arabic, organizes a variety of charity activities with the aim of raising funds for people with special needs. "Lamsat Atta was just an idea four years ago; actually starting a club like Lamsat Atta was on of my dreams. Then I found friends who were interested in joining a charity project," Khawla Al Bishiri, founder and chairwoman of Lamsat Atta Club, said. Khawla worked with the club members on organizing a variety of

activities to help people with special needs find their place in the community. This year's activities included organizing trips for college students to special needs centers. "The club also offered sign language courses for college students in cooperation with Sharjah City for Humanitarian Services. The courses aimed at enabling students to communicate easily with people with special needs," she added. Organizing paying visits to the gym for schools students, offering charity baskets to sell things and raise funds for charity, and organizing an Islamic song evening and selling the tickets for students were also among the club's activities during the semester. Lamsat Atta Club works under the umbrella of the HCT Student Counsel's Special Needs Committee. "This committee aims to help the HCT special needs students with organizing events and activities that make both the HCT students and faculty aware of their needs

and that help in raising funds for them," Amal Hassan, head of the special needs committee, said. The club will work hand in hand with the Special Needs Committee to create awareness among students about the importance of getting in touch with their fellow students who have special needs, and to try to create a beneficial environment for them in society.

Qiyada discovers leaders

Alya Taryam
Year One
Communication Technology

Dubai Women's College students will participate in the Qiyada, a paid internship exclusively for UAE national graduates. The programme will be held within the network of AIESEC (Association Internationale

A busy Ramadan for DWC

Sheikha Bukhesheim
Year Two
Communication Technology

Marking the holy month of Ramadan, DWC organized a number of events and activities that focused on guiding students towards healthy and social practices during this month Ramadan activities included a healthy eating campaign, an Iftar Day and a lecture on the importance of involvement in charity projects and community relations development. As a part of the health awareness

campaign, DWC Student Services organized an Eye Test and an Eating Habits and Healthy Lifestyle session a few days before the beginning of Ramadan. According to Feryal Al Hindawi, DWC nurse, "DWC cares a great deal about the well-being of students. That's why we organized the campaign which included an Eye Test to help the students with any vision-related problems." Iftar Day, which is an annual event at DWC, was held this year on October, 12. Participating students and staff brought homemade food and desserts and shared

them with other students, faculty and staff. Bassima Alyah, a DWC Student Services officer, said, "The Iftar Day is a very special event for students and faculty members, as it is a day for the administration and the students to communicate during this holy month." DWC also organised a lecture given by Dr. Abdul Rahman Al Sumait on September 26. Dr. Abdul Rahman, an Islamic scholar whose main work is focused on helping the needy in Africa, addressed DWC students on the significance of helping people in need.

What's new in the library?

Jawaher Bufaroosha
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DWC Library has undergone many changes in response to the recent library survey, one of which was rethinking the shelving plan for books, magazines, etc. in order to create a better environment

for students to read and study. Under the direction of Library Supervisor Jamie Stewart, books were moved around to maximize space and create more quiet study areas. The ground floor now consists of a reading area, unfiltered computers under the Dome, and windows in classrooms. A new seminar room was added to the first floor and more quiet

study spaces were also added on the top floor. "We are making changes to the library to make the place more inviting for students to use. We are looking for any ideas or suggestions that students may have that would make the library a better resource for them," Stewart said.



DWC Library offers new services. photo by: Jawaher Bufaroosha

des Etudiants en Sciences Economiques et Commerciales) between November 2006 and April 2007. Qiyada, the Arabic word for leadership, is a planned International Traineeship and leadership Development programme for UAE nationals. UAE Graduates in the fields of Business or Electronic Engineering, can apply for this internship at www.ae.aiesec.org. Simply by applying in this programme, DWC students will have the opportunity to work abroad for a period of three to six months. The internship aims at developing students confidence and providing more valuable assets to the country's economy upon return to the UAE.

Qiyada is held and partnered by AIESEC and ACER Computers. DR. Krishana Murthy, General Manager of ACER, said, "We are pleased to sponsor five nationals to be offered the leadership and international traineeship." Acer computers and AIESEC have been working together for over two years as a Youth Development Partner to support the youth in the UAE.

A Special Ramadan with Freej

Sheikha Bukhashem

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People watching Sama Dubai TV in Ramadan enjoyed a very special programme that appealed to both UAE nationals. People watching Sama Dubai TV in Ramadan enjoyed a very special programme that appealed to both UAE nationals and residents. Freej is the first 3D animated series locally made by a crew of Emirati animators and directed by Mohammed Saeed

Harib. The fifteen episodes, each of fifteen minutes, began on September 24th 2006 on Sama Dubai, a national television channel. Freej tells the stories of four old local women living in a quiet old neighborhood in Dubai. The series' main characters, Um Saeed, Um Saloom, Um Allawi and Um Khammas try to live a peaceful life in the middle of the rapidly growing and developing city around them. Mohammed Saeed Harib, the director of Freej, studied General Arts and Animation at Northeastern

University, Boston. He joined Dubai Media City in August 2003 and since then he has been successfully working in a number of projects. He worked on the Ebda'a Project for two years and then for the Dubai International Film Festival for two years.

The idea for Freej came to him some time ago, Mohamed explains. "The project was one of my course requirements at Boston University, so I submitted it as a booklet and kept a copy for myself. Laila Alami, a Special Project Manager at Dubai

Media City, saw this booklet and encouraged me to develop the project." Mohammed took his project to H. H. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid's Establishment for Young Business Leaders seeking financial support.

He also received a sponsorship offer from Du Company. Mohammed encourages local students to participate in the making of next year's episodes because Freej is an Emirati project and one of its objectives is to enhance young Emirati talent.



Freej characters. photo provided by: Mohamed Saeed Harib

Khataba : the Emirati matchmaker

Hafsa Al Mutawa

Year Two

Communication Technology

Have you ever considered finding the right spouse with the help of a 'Khataba', an Emirati matchmaker? Some young women prefer to marry this way, while others go for a more modern approach to marriage. The Khataba, as she is known here in the UAE, is a woman who has very good communication skills and a wide social network. She knows many families and keeps an eye on their daughters and sons who are approaching the age of marriage. She offers her service for free and her only wish is to find the right husband for the right wife. Um

Mohammed, an Emirati Khataba, says, "I am a mother like any mother, but I am very sociable and I know many women from Abu Dhabi and other cities." Using her social skills, she claims she has managed to arrange marriages for half of Dubai's couples, most of whom are still living happily together. Speaking about the way she



The Khataba helps. photo by: Hafsa Al Mutawa

builds her social network, Um Mohammed says it is a tradition to have social gatherings from time to time. "We meet, chat and have tea in a 'Majles'.

Mothers are usually keen to find the right brides for their sons. I immediately use my social network to find the young women they are looking for."

Um Mohammed also believes that her job helps to prevent spinsterhood, which is a serious social problem in the country. The idea of having a marriage arranged by a khataba is not welcome by some young Emirati men and women, however. Ali Al Ghaithi, a 20-year-old student, says, "I wouldn't agree to get married through a khataba, as I cannot depend on her alone. She could easily praise a girl a

too highly. Nothing could assure me that a khataba is being objective when she recommends a young woman and doesn't recommend a girl from her own family. Instead of asking for a khataba's help, a man could ask his family to look for a girl for him, and if he meets a girl at college or at work, he should tell his mother to ask about her," Ali says. However, for Ayesha Mohammed, a 23 year-old graduate from Zayed University, finding the right husband through a khataba is not a bad idea. "Many girls who get married through a khataba live happily, while others who get married the modern way are not as happy. There are many spinsters, and if they go to a khataba, she might help."

Mothers who smoke put children at risk



provided by: Moza Al Falasi

Moza Al Falasi

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Children born to mothers who are heavy smokers tend to suffer from asthma and childhood leukemia and are at risk of developing other serious health problems, medical research has shown. According to cancer.org five percent of Asian women smoke while they are pregnant.

Some mothers who smoke during pregnancy are also at high risk of giving birth to babies with deformities. Numerous medical studies have revealed that smoking during pregnancy is the main cause of abortion, stillbirths, and sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS). In addition, it also increases the risk of their children also starting to smoke later in life. Dr. Nadia Emile, a Dubai-based gynecologist, says, "Cigarettes contain a lot of chemicals, approximately 3,000 chemicals which harm the baby. Nicotine and carbon monoxide

cause unpleasant pregnancy complications." The health hazards smoking exposes children to happen both during pregnancy and after the birth. During pregnancy, smoking seriously affects the infant's heart. According to Dr. Nadia, oxygen levels in the blood of pregnant women who smoke are less than in that of women who do not smoke. "If a pregnant woman smokes, her blood and also her child's blood will have less oxygen than the normal level. This causes the baby's heart rate to rise as the baby struggles to get enough oxygen," she explains. Babies born to mothers who smoke also tend to be at risk of developing serious health problems, some of which are chronic. "After birth, a lot of children suffer from asthma, coughs, wheezing, pneumonia and other problems as a result of their mothers' habit. Over 500,000 children visit doctors for asthma problems per year, and 1.3 million visit for coughs," Dr. Nadia says. Giving up smoking might be difficult for some women, particularly if they are heavy smokers. G.I., a 26-year-old Dubai resident, says she tried to give up smoking twice during her first pregnancy but failed, and her baby was still-born. Now, G.I. is pregnant again and is trying hard to kick the habit. Pregnant women are advised to seek support from doctors and family members to help them stop smoking.

One belt makes all the difference

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It only takes one car crash to take away a life and one simple belt to save one. One belt can decide whether you will fly through a car windshield or not. One car seat can determine whether, in the event of an accident, a baby will survive or not. When it comes to driving, caution and precaution are two words that UAE drivers are not

used to adhering to. The lack of car safety, seatbelts for adults and car seats for children, is becoming a serious problem. Even though Federal Traffic Law requires drivers and front seat passengers to wear seat belts, it is not uncommon to see this law being consciously ignored. During a three-day Car Safety Campaign, Dubai Police fined 814 drivers for seatbelt negligence. According to an official report, 150 drivers in the UAE are killed in car accidents every six months.

Sometimes people don't realize the importance of wearing their seatbelts until something tragic happens. In Ali Mohamed's case, it took a car crash to make him realize that he needed to wear his seatbelt.

Mohammed, a government employee, says, "When I was younger, I never wore my seatbelt, because I thought it didn't look cool. About a year ago, I was speeding and lost control of the car, which led to me going through the windshield."

"After that experience, I realized the importance of wearing my seatbelt," Mohammed added.



Fasten your seatbelt. photo by: Afra Atiq

What is good and bad about close-kin marriage

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A survey conducted by Year Two Communication Technology students on a sample of DWC students revealed that 92 percent of them would not enter into a close-kin marriage, 3 percent would agree to marry a close relative and five percent are indifferent. The

reason given by students who prefer not to marry a relative is their concern about the possibility that their children might be born with inherited diseases or genetic disorders. For hundreds of years, people in the UAE and other Arab countries often preferred to marry someone from their own families. The tradition has persisted in some places because of both the high prevalence and the restrictive



Illustration by: Asma Ahmed.

form it takes; for many people marrying a cousin has become a strong family tradition that cannot easily be broken.

Parents take close-kin marriage quite seriously. They believe it is a must for their daughters to marry their cousins or close relatives to protect them and their wealth from strangers, and also wouldn't want their children and grandchildren to live far away from them. Although close-kin marriage is a very protective marriage, it also has its disadvantages. Parents may choose the right person within the family for their daughters, but they are

not aware that the couple, though they look healthy, could be carriers of a hereditary disease or a genetic disorder that can affect their children. Close-kin marriages are associated with a higher risk of inherited genetic disorders than marriages between unrelated individuals. Thalassaemia is one of the most common hereditary health conditions in the country. It is an inherited disorder of the red blood cells, classified as a hemoglobinopathy. The genetic

defect results in the synthesis of an abnormal hemoglobin molecule, whereby the blood cells are vulnerable to mechanical injury and die easily. To survive, people with Thalassaemia need blood transfusions at regular intervals. According to a study carried out by Al Wasl Hospital in 2002, one in 12 Emiratis suffers from Thalassaemia, and 8.5 percent of the total population are carriers of the disorder. The UAE has the highest rate of Thalassaemia worldwide.

Victims of divorce

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For A. B., a child of divorced parents, life is a daily struggle. "It is hard for me because my parents didn't tell me the reason why they are divorced, and I feel very emotional and confused because I don't know if it was because of me, and I feel like I am different from other children because I don't live with both of my parents.. " A. B. is one of dozens of children who suffer psychologically, socially and educationally as a result of their parents' divorce. The divorce rate in the UAE has been on the increase in the last few years, and is now the highest in the Gulf countries.. Numerous studies have shown that divorce has an adverse affect on all of the family members, but social workers and educators are all quick to agree that the first



Children are the first victims of divorce.

Image by: Eman Ghazal

victims of divorce are children. According to an article entitled 'Divorce's Toll on Children' by Karl Zinsmeister, an American writer specialising in family affairs, children may feel a deep sadness and lack of love and even physically harmed, and furthermore, children are more afraid of abandonment than adults. They will often hold back their own emotions and that's why parents should remind their children that divorce is an adult problem. According to Dr. Wedad Al Banna, a DWC student counselor, children of divorced parents also suffer socially and

educationally. "Divorce affects children emotionally, socially and educationally – in fact in all of aspects of his or her life – and we as parents have to fill that gap," she says. Socially, children who go through the difficult experience of having their parents divorce tend to be more aggressive and uncooperative or withdrawn, and often have trouble with their own relationships and experience problems with self-esteem. Educationally, children carry these problems to school and become inattentive and uncooperative at school." Dr. Wedad explains.

A visit to the Emirati kitchen

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Walk into any local house and you will probably be offered a large variety of homemade foods. For locals, serving guests delicious food is part of an old cultural tradition. What makes Emirati food so special is that it uses a lot of different combinations of spices that one would normally not think to put together. Spices like cardamom, cinnamon and black pepper make the food not only tasty but also healthier. Recent studies reveal that the average life expectancy for Emiratis who eat traditional food more than fast food is around seven years longer than those who do not. Khalid Heriyah, an Emirati chef, says, "People nowadays, including foreigners, love Emirati food because it has unique flavors

and special ingredients that appeal to everyone. "Heriyah and many other Emiratis are alarmed by the fact that many young people now prefer fast and other international food, and are deserting the authentic Emirati kitchen. "It is not that common to see Emirati teenagers eating local food when they have the choice of eating something else," he says. But he has not yet given up hope. "Although we see Emirati teenagers usually going for junk food, sooner or later they will go for home-made local food," he adds. So are you still interested in trying some authentic Emirati food? The following recipe should provide some serious competition for the fast food giants:

Harees
Ingredients:
500 g boneless lamb, cubed
200 g harees (whole wheat), soaked overnight
500 ml water
50 g samen (ghee)
1/4 tsp cinnamon powder
1 tsp roasted cumin powder
Salt and pepper to taste

Preparation
1. Place the lamb, harees and water in a pan and cook on a low fire for approximately two hours, stirring occasionally. Skim the froth.
2. Blend the mixture by hand or using a food processor until a smooth paste results, then transfer to a serving bowl.
3. Melt the samen (ghee) and add the cinnamon, cumin and salt and pepper to taste. Pour the mixture on top of the lamb and harees paste in the bowl and serve.

Watani strengthens the spirit of good citizenship

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The UAE has gained a reputation as one of the greatest centres of economic growth not only in the region but also worldwide. With its extraordinary success, the UAE now attracts thousands of people from all over the world to live and work in the country. They come to the UAE as visitors, residents and investors,

and with the influx of this massive foreign population the demographic structure of the country has altered radically. With Emirati nationals now only making up 19 percent of the total population, there is pressing need to strengthen national identity and practices of good citizenship. Under the auspices of H. H. Sheikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President of the UAE and the Ruler of Dubai, Watani, a community development

programme, has been initiated to strengthen the sense of national solidarity in the country. "What makes a good citizen should be based on one's involvement in



Emiritization at Watani.
Image provided by: Watani

the nation's progress and not just guided by legal rights," says Mohammad Baharoon, Watani's deputy general coordinator. Watani's vision is to strengthen the spirit of good citizenship. The aim is to create a clear understanding of corporate citizenship based on the principles of the value-based culture of the UAE. Watani also focuses on developing the programme as a basic reference for all community programs that are implemented

either by the government or private sectors relating to good corporate citizenship. "Watani is a national identity programme that aims to nurture the impression of good citizenship based on UAE culture and values, as well as promote a sense of belonging to the nation through various cultural and charitable projects," Ahmad Obaid Al Mansoori, Watani's general coordinator, explains. The programme organises numerous events such as educational

and recreational activities and media events aimed enhancing the national identity of UAE citizens, and serves all areas of society. For example, Watani Women is a programme that empowers women professionally and socially, while Watani for National Culture aims to raise the level of culture in society. It works to ensure the incorporation of UAE culture within the media organizations and produces television programmes that stress the achievements of the homeland.

DWC students run Kids summer school on campus



Children attend DWC summer school. photo by: Afra Mohammed

DWC Year Three Bachelor of Education students **Muna Mohammed, Eman Eisa and Afra Mohammed** write about their experience of operating and teaching at the college's summer school.

The summer holidays are here again. Rashid is bored and frustrated, while his friend

Ahmad is happy and excited. When Rashid asks Ahmed why he is in such a good mood, his friend jumps up and down ecstatically: "I'm joining the summer school this year!" he beams. Rashid looks at his bouncing friend a little doubtfully, but when he himself joined the summer school, it didn't take him long to discover

why Ahmed couldn't wait to go to school in the summer...

This year, 250 local children attended the third Children's Summer School at Dubai Women's College, which ran between 10 July and 9 August and was sponsored by the General Authority for Youth and Sport. Children's Summer School III was directed and run by DWC students. Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) students alongside them. Ross Currie, Supervisor of Education, said that it was a very good idea for DWC to have students from the Education Department to manage the school. "They gained some experience while being supervised," she said. The school's programme included a range of curricular

activities. The reading curriculum in particular was very successful. The children were given passports, which were cards to record the books they read, and were given 'dollars' which they could exchange at the end of the summer school for gifts, which of course gave them quite a lot of motivation! Another very successful activity was the play the children presented. The play was about what they had learnt about the lives of children in schools both in the past and today. The children's awareness about environmental issues was raised and they learnt how to reuse waste in a creative way. Survey results showed that 95 percent of children who participated in the Summer School for the second time improved their English grades in school, and also showed

that 92 percent of the children improved their speaking skills. Children also took part in creative art projects where they learned how to be creative and innovative. They made a very successful T-shirt gallery in which they displayed T-shirts they had decorated themselves. "The Traditional Day was the best day of the summer school," said Muhanad excitedly at the end of the Traditional Day. Many different activities took place on this day. Boys enjoyed dancing the traditional dance 'Alyola' and girls decorated their hands with henna. During the open days children practiced cooking skills and learnt about first aid. One of the things that made the summer school successful this year was the outstanding facilities provided. Children were offered free transportation

to and from the DWC campus. A healthy meal was served at affordable prices every day in the area where students ate and played during a half-hour break. Students were supervised by teachers throughout the day, and all buses had one or more teachers on board to supervise the children. Children's Summer School III was a great opportunity for DWC students to practice what they had learnt and apply it in real life. Through their voluntary jobs they were able to pay back a very small part of what their college and country has given to them, made a difference in the children lives, and set a very good example of social responsibility and commitment for other young people. **Additional reporting by year two Communication Technology student Nourah Abdulla.**

Teachers for the first time

DWC Year Three Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) students **Asma Lootah, Dhuha Al Marzooqi, Manal Sultan and Shaikha Al Shamis** write about B.Ed students' experience of stepping into a classroom as teachers for the first time.

Alia couldn't help but be nervous as she watched her pupils all turn towards her, their eager faces looking up at her expectantly, waiting for her to take them to a whole new world of motivation, encouragement and love of the English language. "Don't let me disappoint them!" she said silently to herself before taking a deep breath and introducing herself. As a Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) student at DWC who has to experience the real life of an English teacher as part of her training, Alia spent her first semester of her first year at a government school observing English teachers and students in the classroom. Now in the second semester, however, it is Alia's turn to gain first-hand experience through teaching practice (TP). The Bachelor of Education degree

programme aims to train local student teachers to change the traditional teaching methods of government schools. Student teachers are encouraged to follow a variety of approaches and methods in teaching English to students, which include engaging the students in the lesson and make the lesson student-centered rather than teacher-centered, so that the teacher doesn't do all the talking and gives the students an opportunity to interact. The Bachelor of Education programme promotes a creative approach in which the student teachers are asked to be more creative in teaching by developing communicative activities for the lessons to supplement the school coursebook. For example, teachers connect real-life situations with the classroom environment to teach the target language and help students use it in their real life. The student teachers' relationship with the students in the schools is not a typical relationship, where the students view the teacher as a monster that they are unable

to approach. Student teachers often act not only as teachers, but as friends, counselors and even nurses in some cases. H. E. Sheikh Nahyan Bin Mubark Al Nahyan states, "The Higher Colleges programs also concentrate on teaching students practical, professional skills that benefit them individually and also support the UAE. The colleges have regularly aligned their programs with the evolving requirements of the workplace." Teaching practice in the Bachelor of Education degree programme gives college students the opportunity to gain skills to help them become successful teachers. Teaching practice has a very positive and lasting effect on student teachers, even though it only lasts a fraction of the four-year Bachelor of Education degree. It teaches students how to handle a student's behavior and engage them in the lesson, and how to address the students' needs.

B. Ed students in local schools



Pupils are engaged in creative activities. Photo provided by Asma Lootah.

Zakeya Ali, a Year Three Bachelor of Education student, writes about how her fellow students managed to get children in local school to enjoy their English language classes. It is an ordinary classroom in an ordinary local school. But instead of the usual disruptive behavior, the calling out, the laughing and general messing about, the pupils are sitting on a small carpet on the floor, listening, transfixed, to Fatima, a trainee teacher, reading a story to them. Their English teacher cannot believe her eyes. How did this trainee teacher manage to get the attention of her class, who are notorious in the school for their misbehavior?

This is just one example of the kinds of solution the Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) degree offers local schools which are experiencing difficulties in teaching young Emiratis to read. Reading stories to young children is a powerful tool in developing their imagination. Many teachers nowadays use stories for educational purposes as well as for pleasure. Exposing children to different story books which contain unusual plots and imagery helps them broaden their imagination. For example, in 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'The Gingerbread Man' students accept and enjoy the unusual settings such as the castle on the clouds

and the running biscuit quite naturally, and as a result will predict interesting and unexpected events in other stories. Another importance of stories is that they can help teachers recycle vocabulary in an enjoyable way. If a teacher for example taught a unit about food, she could choose a story related to food and read it to her pupils. This will help the pupils retain the vocabulary, because they enjoy story sessions. If children like stories they will also want to listen to them more than once.

Stay Fit in the new gym

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DWC's new gym is now open for students and female staff. The new gym offers many new facilities, including a swimming pool, a football pitch and indoor basketball courts. The gym will be officially opened during the

college annual bazaar. Free swimming and aqua aerobics classes given by professional lifeguards will also be on offer for students. I think the new gym is going to be one of the best gyms in Dubai, and our equipment is the best and the newest in town," says Zelda Van Rooyen, a DWC physical education teacher. Najwa Kaafar, another physical education

teacher at DWC Health and Fitness Centre, said, "It's a very good opportunity for physical education teachers to implement a comprehensive curriculum and to teach a variety of sports to the students. And it's a good chance for DWC students to practice different sports." The new gym has three instructors: Zelda Van Rooyen, who looks after aqua aerobics, swimming

and the gym in general; Najwa Kaafar, who manages the college's team sports and will be available in the gym for two hours every day to help gym users; and Ruth Estep, who looks after outside members and will be giving lessons for morning students. According to Van Rooyen, the old gym building will soon be available for DWC male teachers.

Students enjoy aqua aerobics at DWC

Nourah Abdulla
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DWC Health and Fitness Centre is now offering aqua aerobics classes for students and female staff, the first of their kind to be organized at the college. The

classes are held in the swimming pool every Wednesday at 1 pm. Zelda Van Rooyen, DWC Health and Fitness coordinator, said, "We decided to offer aqua aerobics since a faculty member volunteered to instruct the students who joined in and we also have the pool ready." According to Van Rooyen, there are many

benefits to aqua aerobics, such as body relaxation. "Sports such as this strengthen the muscles, and are very safe because there is no pounding effect on the hips as there is in running. Aqua aerobics can also be a series of leg exercises, which make use of the exertion needed to work against the force of the

water," she explained. Maitha Ali, a Year One Business student, said, "This is the first time I've heard of aqua aerobics, but it is also fun and healthy at the same time." Maitha also said that it was a good thing that DWC finally has its own swimming pool and programme of water activities.

DWC holds student versus staff basketball game

Afra Atiq
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Communication Technology

DWC held a student-versus-staff basketball game on September 19th, 2006. The final score was 50 to 14 to the students.

The game was to encourage students to participate in sports and strengthen their team spirit. Several teachers and students also came to watch the game. Amal Mohammed, a second year diploma student, said "Although I wasn't able to play I wanted to come and cheer on my

teachers and friends." She also thinks that there should be more activities that involve not only the students, but their teachers too. "I think it's a good idea to have our teachers participate in activities outside the classroom, because it will improve our relationship

in class," she added. Communication Technology faculty member Margo Tummel also thought that the basketball game was a good idea, and was hopeful that more faculty members and students would participate in the future.

Stretch your muscles at DWC

Eman Ghazal
Year Two
Communication Technology

The new DWC gym organized swimming lessons, which attracted many students and female staff throughout the semester. Students interested in swimming had two options. The first option was to join a paid five-week swimming course for Dh 500. A professional swimming instructor coached the students and female staff, who received certificates after completing the course. The

second option was free swimming times, whereby students and female staff could use the pool for free any time between 8 am and 12 pm and between 1 pm and 6 pm under the supervision of a lifeguard, who was also more than happy to give swimming lessons at any time. The new gym also offered aqua aerobics free of charge to students and female staff as well as outside members. The classes were offered every Wednesday from 1 pm to 2 pm and every Thursday from 12 pm to 1 pm. Najwa Kaafar, a Health and Fitness instructor, said, "I

feel the students are very excited about the swimming pool and when they come to the gym the first thing that they ask about is the swimming pool. It's a good change for them to learn to swim since most of them are not swimmers, and swimming will be a useful skill for them later in the life." As Zelda Van Rooyen, another Health and Fitness instructor, explains, "The pool is open from 8 am till 6 pm. Swimming is a very good exercise for losing weight, pregnant women, and for keeping fit." The new gym has several rules for pool users.

Anyone who wants to have swimming lessons has to wear a swimming costume, which should cover the upper leg, and also needs to wear a swimming cap. The new pool is 25 m long, half the length of an Olympic pool. The water is heated, filtered, cleaned and band tested every morning. All pool users are required to have a shower and walk through a foot-bath before getting into the pool.

FITNESS CENTRE SCHEDULE

Opening times: 8am - 8pm



SWIMMING LESSONS

Sunday 12.00 pm
Monday 4.00 pm
Tuesday 4.00 pm
Wednesday 3.00 pm



BASKETBALL

Tuesday 4.00pm
Thursday 4.00pm



VOLLEYBALL

Monday 4.00pm
Wednesday 4.00pm

PILATES (beginners)

Monday 3.00pm
Wednesday 4.00pm

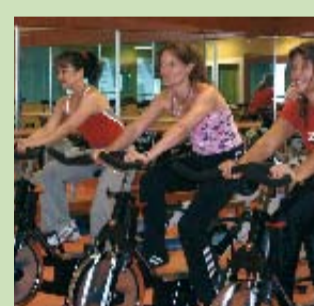


BADMINTON

Tuesday 4.00pm

AQUA AEROBICS

Monday 2.00pm
Wednesday 1.00pm
Thursday 12.00 pm



YOGA

Sunday 4.00pm

SOCCER

Sunday 4.00pm

AEROBICS MIX

Sunday 5.30pm



ATHLETIC STEP

Thursday 5.30pm

STEP AND BOXERCISE

Monday 5.30pm

CARDIO AND WEIGHTS

Tuesday 5.30pm



LOW IMPACT BODY

Wednesday 5.30pm

TENNIS (paid lessons)

Monday 5.00pm
Tuesday 5.00pm

PERSONAL FITNESS ASSESSMENT

Sunday - Thursday 7.00pm

مواهب طلابية واعدة

Creative Students

كثيرون وكثيرات يمتلكون هوايات وإبداعات جميلة، وحين نبحت في ملفاتهم نكتشف بالمصادفة بأنهم يمتلكون مواهب يجب أن لا يخفوها بل عليهم إظهارها ليتمتع برؤيتها كل من تقع بين يديه جريدتنا الجامعية. و في هذه المساحة نفتح المجال للموهوبات ونخصص لهن مساحة لنشر نتاجهن الجميل.

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كلية دبي للطالبات في حلة جديدة سنوياً

DWC in a new attire

حفصة المطوع

إيمان غزال

السنة الثانية

قسم الإعلام والاتصال الجماهيري

لممارسة الرياضات المختلفة فأبوابه مفتوحة، كما أنه قد تم بناء مركز للتسوق الذي ضم مجموعة من المحلات التجارية وفرعاً لبنك الإمارات ومقهى. وتمت إضافة بعض التغيرات في الكافتيريا. اهتمت الكلية بإعادة صبغ بعض المباني، وطرأت بعض التغيرات في جناح الإدارة ومكاتب المدرسين وقسم الاستقبال ويقول روي جورج المسؤول عن تطوير مرافق الكلية " إن هذه التجديدات لتحسين المرافق ولزيادة جمال المبنى، وما زالت عمليات التجديد مستمرة مستقبلاً" ويؤكد روي أن هذه التغيرات ستستمر خلال الإجازات الطويلة كالصيف والربيع

حرصت كلية التقنية سنوياً على تجديد مبنى الكلية و تزويده بخدمات جديدة للظهور بحلة جديدة، ومن هذه التجديدات بناء مبنى يضم ٥٢ فصلاً دراسياً، وتم إضافة حوالي ١٠٠٠ موقف سيارات ليضم عدداً أكثر من السيارات أما النادي الرياضي الذي ضم حوض سباحة نصف أولمبي وقاعات



قسم الاستقبال في شكله الجديد. تصوير: إيمان غزال

طلاب و طالبات التقنية في معرض الصيد و الفروسية

DWC students attend an exhibition in Abu Dhabi



زوار المعرض يتفقدون الأسلحة والجمال. تصوير: سحر الخطيب

قالت الطالبة ميثاء الكتيبي، من قسم الإسعافات الأولية "الرحلة كانت بغاية الروعة، فقد تعلمنا أنا وزميلاتي منها الكثير عن التراث والصيد والفروسية، وعن كيفية تربية الصقور. وتعرفنا على أنواع الحيوانات المنقرضة و كلاب الصيد (السلوقي) والنباتات والأعشاب. كما تعرفت على المستشفيات والعيادات التي تشرف على علاج العديد من الحيوانات". علق محمد القفلي طالب في السنة الأولى من قسم الإسعافات الأولية "الرحلة العلمية كانت بغاية الروعة، فقد تفاجأت بالمعلومات كأسعار الجمال والخيول وأنواع المستشفيات وطرق علاج العديد من الحيوانات. كما إنني استمتعت بمشاهدة المعرض الذي ضم مجموعة من الأدوات الحديثة للصيد والفروسية."

شما أبو نواس
شهد خالد
موزة الفلاسي
السنة الثانية

قسم الإعلام والاتصال الجماهيري

نظم قسم العلوم الصحية والإسعافات الأولية رحلة علمية إلى المعرض الدولي للصيد والفروسية ٢٠٠٦ في مدينة أبوظبي، صباح يوم الأربعاء الموافق ١٢ سبتمبر. استقطب المعرض أكثر من ٧٠ ألف زائر من دولة الإمارات ودول الخليج، وفي المعرض تم عرض أحدث الأجهزة وأكثرها تطوراً في مجال الصيد والفروسية، مما شجع هواة الصيد والفروسية على شراء احتياجاتهم ومتطلبات رحلات القنص والفروسية.

فوز الطالبات على المدرسات في مباراة كرة السلة

DWC Students win basketball game against staff



احدى أهداف فريق البنات تصوير: نورة عبدالرحمن

الرياضية. بدأت المباراة بحماس حيث سدد فريق المدرسات أول نقطتين و تلتها ست نقاط للطالبات. وقد كانت الصالة مليئة بالجمهور الغير المكون من الطالبات والمعلمات كل منهم يشجع فريقه. بعد انتهاء المباراة اجتمع فريق الطالبات مع المدربة نجوى لمعرفة أخطائهن. أما المدرسات فكن سعيدات لاشتراكهن و ينتظرن المزيد من المباريات والأنشطة للمشاركة

نورة عبدالرحمن

عفراء عتيق

السنة الثانية

قسم الإعلام والاتصال الجماهيري

فاز فريق الطالبات لكرة السلة بنتيجة إيجابية بفوزهن على فريق المدرسات ١٤/٥٠ في يوم الثلاثاء ١٩-٩-٢٠٠٦ وكان هدف المباراة تشجيع الطالبات على ممارسة الأنشطة

بقرار من سمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد قبول 1550 طالب

HCT accommodates 1550 Student



الصورة الرسمية للشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم

وقد حقق صاحب السمو حلم ١٥٥٠ طالباً وطالبة بعد أن سدت أبواب الكلية في وجوههم وفقدت الآمال باستكمال دراستهم لعجز الميزانية، وقام سموه بدفع جميع التكاليف لهؤلاء الطلبة لتشجيعهم على طلب العلم لبناء مستقبل واعد لجيل ملئ بالتفاؤل والحيوية والنشاط نحو مستقبل أفضل.. أضافت وندي فارل، رئيسة شؤون الطالبات، ” بأمر من سمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد تم قبول ٢٢٥ طالبة إضافية ستلتحق بالكلية بداية الفصل الدراسي الثاني لهذا العام“.

أميرة سعيد

جواهر بو فروشة

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بقرار من صاحب السمو الشيخ محمد بن راشد آل مكتوم نائب رئيس دولة الإمارات العربية المتحدة رئيس مجلس الوزراء حاكم دبي تم قبول ١٥٥٠ طالباً وطالبة في كليات التقنية العليا للعام الدراسي 2006 – 2007 وذلك بعد رفض الكليات استقبالهم بسبب عجز الميزانية .

طالبات الإعلام يحضرن اليوم المفتوح لأفلام فراديس

Comm Tech attend Faradees open day

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حضرت طالبات الإعلام من كلية دبي للطالبات عرض جميع الأفلام وشاركوا بفعالية في جلسة نقاش مفتوحة. أكد جمال الشريف مدير مدينة دبي للاستوديوهات أن مدينة دبي للاستوديوهات تشجع طالبات الإعلام على حضور مثل هذه العروض السينمائية، وتدعهن باحتواء أفكارهن ودعمهن مادياً ومعنوياً. حمدة نور طالبة في السنة الثالثة قالت : مشاهدة الأفلام تعتبر فرصة للاطلاع على أفكار السينمائيين.

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نظمت مجموعة فراديس السينمائية بالتعاون مع مدينة دبي للاستوديوهات يوماً مفتوحاً مع الجمهور لعرض خمسة أفلام من إنتاجها، وذلك يوم الخميس ٢١ من سبتمبر 2006 في قرية المعرفة قدمت فراديس خمسة أفلام هي



جمال الشريف مدير مدينة دبي للاستوديوهات. تصوير: شيخة بوخشم

الدكتور عبدالرحمن سميط في كلية دبي للطالبات

Dr. Abdulrahmaan Sumait visits DWC



الدكتور عبدالرحمن أثناء إلقائه للمحاضرة. تصوير: عائشة بن حماد

منشورات علي الطالبات تحتوي على معلومات عن الأعمال الخيرية التي تقوم بها الجمعية.

الدكتور ”لا تنتظروا الآخرين لعمل الخير ولكن بادروا به و سابقوا اليه، لتغير الواقع المر الذي نعيش وفي الختام، تم توزيع

القارة السوداء . كان الدكتور طبيياً مختصاً في الأمراض الباطنية والجهاز الهضمي ولكنه ترك مزاوله الطب طواعية ليتفرغ للأعمال الخيرية. استهل الدكتور المحاضرة بالتحدث عن أهمية العمل الخيري وما يترك من أثر في النفس الإنسانية، حيث تحدث عن رحلته في ربوع قارة أفريقيا حتى تم إنشاء جمعية العون المباشر التي تعني ببناء المساجد والمدارس والجامعات وتوفير مقومات الحياة البسيطة، ليتمكن أهل القرى من العيش والتعلم. تخلل المحاضرة أيضاً عرضاً لشريحة من الصور التقطتها عدسة الدكتور خلال عمله وتضمنت صوراً للمشاريع التي ساهم في إنشائها من خلال الجمعية. تأكيداً على أهمية تحديد الهدف والعمل للوصول إليه قال

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قسم الإعلام والاتصال الإعلامي يوم الثلاثاء الموافق ٠٦/٠٩/٢٦ وضمن فعاليات شهر العطاء ألقى الدكتور عبدالرحمن سميط - ضيف ومحاضر من جائزة دبي الدولية للقرآن الكريم - محاضرة بعنوان ” السلوك الأخلاقي خلال الشهر الكريم ” وذلك بالتعاون مع قسم شؤون الطلبة في كلية دبي للطالبات. الدكتور عبد الله سميط، أحد أبرز فرسان العمل الخيري من دولة الكويت والملقب ب” خادم فقراء أفريقيا“ الذي باشر بالعمل الخيري التطوعي منذ ٢٧ سنة في

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