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Welcome friends to the e-newsletter, volume 5- issue 1!

The onset of winter in this region witnessed the rising spirit of WCAS family. Energy levels were high and enthused with enhanced zest and enthusiasm. Summing up 2014, we can say a lot of activities were organized and successfully accomplished and a lot more have been planned for 2015, which we hope is going to be a very eventful year for WCAS. On this note, we at WCAS would like to wish all of reader a very happy and rewarding 2015. May all your dreams and hopes come true and promises realized.

“Why postpone your greatness? There will never be a perfect time to live your dreams and step into the poetic possibilities your life was meant to be. So why not take the leap today?”- Robin Sharma
A moment of glory for WCAS! We are happy to announce the launching of a Training Vertical in the college in November 2014 with the view to impart focused and quality training according to the requirement of participants and needs of industry and corporate houses. The first event in association with Dale Carnegie Oman has finally been launched.

We bid farewell to our Dean Prof. (Dr.) Mohan Varma in November 2014. He served the College for 4.5 years with sincerity and dedication.

WCAS Social Club organized Diwali get-together to captured the true spirit of the” festival of Lights”.
The Crowning Glory of Waljat College was its Annual Convocation 2014, which was held on 18th January, 2015 at A’ Noor Plaza, Medinat, As’ Sultan Qaboos, Muscat. Under the patronage of H.E Dr. Said Bin Hamed Bin Said Al Rubaie, Secretary General of Education Council. Total number of 321 students received the Degrees and Diplomas in their respective disciplines, 240 were recieipient of bachelor Degree, 38 Diploma and 43 Masters Degree.

Students Activity Calendar and Community Service Calendar adds new and promising dimension to our already popular E-Newsletter! Forthcoming Events of the College would hold the reader’s interest and would become intriguing for the times to come. New and fresh faces are always welcome in our Waljat Community.

A memorable event in WCAS was the celebration of “National Day” in November 2014 with much fanfare by students and staff alike. In keeping with the patriotic spirit of the event, the entire college rose to the occasion and contributed in various cultural activities and contest that were conducted. WCAS forged ahead in the laudable achievement of the WCAS Rovers’ clan who won awards both at the individual and collective level in Salalah Rovers Camp in September 2014, where more than 300 people participated from all over the Sultanate. A noteworthy achievement indeed!

“Clinging to safe shores in your life is nothing more than making a choice to remain imprisoned by your fears. And it’s impossible to discover new oceans without letting go of the shore”.-Robin Sharma
In conclusion, may I take this opportunity to thanking profusely all those who have contributed in making this issue a reality.
WELCOME TO WCAS ADVANTAGE AS LEADING BRAND!!

My heartiest welcome, to all at Waljat College of Applied Sciences (Birla Institute of Technology International Center Muscat, OMAN) a great sojourn of learning. Today, the world is known as a global village with new and emerging technologies, skills and avenues.

I am happy to invite you to explore possibilities of career guidance and enhancement through this “Virtual Window” in diverse fields of Engineering and Management.

It has been a long journey of fourteen years, since then WCAS has been nurturing its students not only through its internationally recognized course curriculum but also through its value system based on Wisdom, Commitment, Achievement and Services. As our aim is to develop well balanced graduates who can contribute not only to the progress of the country but to the society as well, which is evident with WCAS as a “Number One Brand” in the survey conducted in 2014 by SIMPA, an independent market survey agency in Oman.

All basic elements of college: facilities, alumni, students’ community, corporate networks, research, consultancy and international affairs make us proud to be one of the leading colleges in Oman.

I believe that all this would not have been possible, without the right efforts of highly motivated WCAS faculty and staff, quality teaching and learning environment, well equipped infrastructure and organized student advisory system. WCAS has an active and responsible alumni network. We have a good number of Alumni who are actively involved with WCAS in lecturing, addressing and motivating the younger engineering and management students.

I am delighted to invite you and other stakeholders, once again, to participate and be a part of the WCAS at different levels and feel the resonance.

Prof. (Dr.) S. L. Gupta
Dean

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“Knowing yourself is the beginning of all wisdom.”
Aristotle
WCAS Rovers clan participated in Salalah Rovers Camp 2014, which was held in Aashoor from 28th August, 2014 to 4th September, 2014 with the participation of more than 300 cadres from all over the Sultanate, where members of the WCAS clan made achievements at the individual and collective level, which are:

1- Representing on a collective level their sub-camp "development "
   A- The First place winner at the level of the main camp, which consisted of three sub-camps with the participation of 300 rovers.
   B- The first place winner in the discipline and team work on the level of the main camp.
2- Individual:
   A- The camp champion was awarded to Ahmed Al Hinai.
   B- The top five photographs were also won by Ahmed Al Hinai.

**WCAS Rovers Won the Gold Medal in BP Camp 2014**

WCAS Rovers clan participated in GCC region’s young adventurer 2014 in BP camp, which was held in UAE from 27- 29/11/2014 where more than 80 people from all over the GCC universities and colleges participated.
WCAS under the guidance of the Student Affairs Department and in coordination with Co-ordinator Students Activities, Student Council, Music club, Cultural club, Fine Arts & Activity club and Photography Club celebrated the 44th National Day of Sultanate of Oman on the 18th November, 2014. To honor this auspicious day, various cultural programs were organized in the Auditorium. Abdul Muneim Al Amri- Director of Internal Scholarships was the chief guest on the occasion.
Waljat College of Applied Sciences has launched a Training Vertical in the College on November 10, 2014, Monday at Hotel Hormuz Grand, with a view to impart focused and quality training according to the requirement of participants and needs of industry and corporate houses. WCAS is happy to announce the launch of the first event of Dale Carnegie Oman in association with Waljat College of Applied Sciences. Waljat College of Applied Sciences is committed to provide the very best in the field of Training in the Sultanate of Oman by drawing on more than 100 years of outstanding training experience and competence of world renowned Dale Carnegie of USA that would provide a unique experience and exposure for the participants and their companies.

The CEOs and GMs of the Omzest Group of Companies and Associates participated in the first session (9.30 A.M. to 1.00 P.M) followed by the second session 6.30 P.M. to 9.00 P.M. dedicated to the Executives of National Bank of Oman.

Later, Dale Carnegie Immersion Programme was launched for the Senior Management people from various sectors from 11th to 13th November, 2014.

The Dale Carnegie Certified Trainers shall be acting as Resource Persons for all the future programmes of Dale Carnegie Oman.

It may be noted that Dale Carnegie Training courses are recognized world-wide and also by the American Council on Education and accredited in the U.S. and Canada by the Accrediting Council for Continuing Education & Training.

Education is the movement from darkness to light.

Allan Bloom
FACULTY GET-TOGETHER
Faculty and Staff of Waljat College celebrated Diwali with a Gala dinner organized on 24th October, 2014 at Jungle Restaurant, Qorum Rose Garden. The Festive spirit of this occasion was palpable at the celebration.

FAREWELL OF DEAN DR. MOHAN VARMA
WCAS staff gathered together to bid farewell to Dr. Mohan Varma on 30th November, 2014. He served this college for a period of 4.5 years. Staff members appreciated his contribution to the college under his leadership. We will always remember him for his vision and wished him continued success in his future endeavours.

FAREWELL OF MS. HUSNA –STUDENTS AFFAIRS MANAGER
WCAS staff members gathered together to bid farewell to Ms. Husna Al Mughairy who served this college for a couple of years as a Student’s Affairs Counselor. The staff thanked her contribution during her tenure and wished her success in her future endeavours.
Waljat College of Applied Sciences announces the Appointment of Prof. (Dr.) S.L. Gupta as Dean
He joined office on 1st December, 2014. Previous to joining WCAS, he had been the Director of Birla Institute of Technology (Deemed University – Ranchi, India) Patna Campus.
He has earned his PhD on “A Comparative Study of Performance and Profitability of Pharmaceutical Industry in the NCR” from State University, Meerut, India, in 1998.

His professional qualifications include, an Executive Programme in Retail Management from IIM-Kolkata and a PGDBM (Marketing) from CMD Modinagar, India and M.Com from University of Rajasthan, Jaipur, India. His fields of specialization are Sales and Distribution Management, Marketing Research, Marketing of Service, Retail Management, Research Methodology.
He has to his credit many Publications in National and International Journals. He has published eight books, which are internationally recognized and recommended in many universities and colleges, and Research Papers on his area of specialization. He has also presented papers and organized many National and International Conferences. He has Professional Life Membership in 7 Association/Society. He has mentored and guided several PhD students. He has successfully completed three research project funded by Government of India.
He has conducted 8 FDPs and training programmes in the field of Research Methodology and Entrepreneurship Development.
He brings with him a rich experience of 24 years in Academia and hopes to contribute further to the cause of education and quality research in Oman through Waljat College of Applied Sciences

Mr. Khalifa Zayid Al Riyami has joined WCAS as English Teacher in the Department of English. Earlier he was working with American and British Academy as Assistant Teacher. He delivered training programs in different public schools. He participated in International Conferences sponsored by the UN and UNESCO and awarded the first Omani Young Peace Ambassador by UNESCO.
Mr. Khalifa presented different courses and workshops to SQU students. His area of interest is literature.

Mr. Hamed Taleb Al Affari has joined WCAS as PRO in the Admin & HR Department. He has almost 4 years of experience in Amintit Oman (Omaze Group), Group OTE and Muscat Duty free.

Ms. Khalood Salim Al Ghadani has joined the college as English Teacher in the Department of English. She holds a Bachelor's degree in English language from Sultan Qaboos University. She taught English Language to visually impaired students as voluntary work at SQU. She also presented a speaking course, beside teaching in the English Language program held by Centre of Community Service. Her area of interest is “speaking” because she thinks it is the most important skill in learning English language.
Under the patronage of H.E Dr. Said Bin Hamed Bin Said Al Rubaie, Secretary General of Education Council, the Tenth Convocation of Waljat College of Applied Sciences was held on 18th January 2015 (Sunday) at A’Noor Plaza, Medinat, As’ Sultan Qaboos. Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Mishra, Vice Chancellor, Birla Institute of Technology, Dr. Zuhoor Abdullah Salim Al Khanjari, Chairperson and Members of the Trustee Council, Prof. (Dr.) Shankar Lal Gupta, Dean, Waljat College graced the august ceremony. Mr. Amara Ram Gujjar, Second Secretary, (Commerce & Education /Information), Representatives from Ministry of Higher Education, Dr. A.P. Krishna, Registrar, B.I.T., Mesra, Principals from various schools and distinguished guests from corporates also graced the occasion.

A total number of three hundred and twenty one students received the Degrees and Diplomas in their respective disciplines, of whom two hundred forty were Bachelor Degree holders, thirty eight were Diploma holders and forty three were Masters holders.

Students who have graduated with the highest academic performance in the fields of Management, Engineering and Computer Applications in the year 2013-2014, have been awarded Gold Medals. Dean, Prof. (Dr.) S. L. Gupta felicitated the Toppers of the Academic year 2013-2014 with Gold Medals and Certificates.
The Recipient of Gold Medals are:
Sara Mubarak Khamis Al Hadabi (EMBA)
Neha Prashant Bhanushali (MBA)
Samira Lahi Baksh Qadir Bhash Al Balushi (BBA PT)
Nimmy Anna Shaji (BBA)
Angela Deluckshi Jeyanayagam (BCA)
Reshma Krishnan (BE)

Prof. Dr. S. L. Gupta announced first and second Best Project Award. The Project entitled “Measuring the Spiritual Intelligence & Examining its Relationship with Students’ Achievement and Goal Orientation among College Students”, has been declared as the First Best Project and “Strategies to Empower Rural Omani Women of Al Batniah Region” as the Second Best Project of the year 2013-2014

The Best Project Award has been instituted to motivate and inculcate a culture of research and innovation among undergraduate students of Waljat College.

The Chief Guest gave away the Best Project Award to:
First Prize: Sushmita Senthil Kumar
Nimmy Anna Shaji
Asiya Mohammed Humaid Al Badi
Ammar Samir Siddiq Al Zadjali
Second Prize: Vinithra V P
Annushree Gopalakrishnan
Tahani Saif Mubarak Al Maani
Zeyana Saleh Humaid Al Shaqsi

“Somethings That Glitters is Gold”
1) International Conclave

Waljat College of Applied Sciences (WCAS) is actively engaged in providing strong linkages and a common forum to the Academicians of various aspects of Applied Sciences and Management. With a view to develop understanding and co-operation and to provide a perfect opportunity to stay abreast with latest developments in all these important fields, an International Conclave on Innovation in Engineering & Management (Oman Vision 2020: Opportunities & Challenges (ICIEM-2016)) is being organized at Waljat College of Applied Sciences, from Feb. 27-28, 2016 under the leadership of Prof. (Dr.) S. L. Gupta, Dean of the College. The conclave is an approach to get Corporate Professionals, Academicians, Research Scholars and Students together on a single platform for an in-depth discussion on critical themes in the areas of Management & Applied Sciences particularly in Computer Science, Information Technology and Electronics & Communication.

The main theme of Conclave is Engineering and Management with some contemporary issues related to Oman. Conclave workshops on Business Plan well includes Case studies and Doctoral Research Competition.

We are in the process of constituting International Advisory Board and the following eminent scholars have consented to be a member of International Advisory Board:

Prof. Christodoulous A Floudas Princeton University
Prof. Jai [Jay] Kang  San Francisco State University, USA
Prof. Mohammed Samaka Qatar University, Qatar
Prof. Imad Moosa RMIT, Australia
Prof. Lee Chu Keon Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
Prof. S. M. Shozeb Haider  University College, London
Prof. Kurt Maly Dominion University, USA
Prof. Afaq Ahmad Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat
Prof. Abod Al SawafiA'Sharqiyyah University, Ibra, Muscat
Prof. Suresh Kumar Garg Delhi Technological University, Delhi, India
Prof. Rup Lal University of Delhi, India
Prof. Ekram Khan Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, India
Prof. Nawal Kishor Indira Gandhi National Open University, Delhi, India
Prof. Majid Jamil Jamia Millia Islamia University, Delhi, India
Prof. Ashish Nanda IIM, Ahmedabad, India
Prof. S.K. Jain Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University, Jammu, India
Prof. Yoginder S. Verma Central University, Dharamshala, H.P. India
Prof. Munish Makkar BIT Centre, NOIDA, India
Prof. Ing. Axel Sikora University of Applied Sciences, Offenburg
Prof. Izhar Ahmad Ding Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals,SA
Prof. Balasubramani Bharathidasan University, Trichy, India
Prof. Syed Hamid Hasan King Abdulaziz University, Jeddah, KSA
Dr Parameswar Nayak, BIMTECH, Greater NOIDA, India

2) E-Journal

Waljat College is soon launching its first ever E-Journal—“International Journal of Applied Sciences and Management (IJASM) that will serve as a platform for researchers to publish their latest researches. An Editorial board has been constituted for the newly launched E-Journal. E-Journal is cost effective and provides wider circulation.
3) Dale Carnegie immersion program to commence from 6 Feb to 8th Feb 2015.

4) List of Committees

- Operational Plan Implementation
- Standards Assessment Steering
- Departmental Council
- Student Council
- Teaching & Learning
- Academic Monitoring
- Examination
- Website Monitoring
- Industry Academia Interface Board
- International Affairs
- Inter-Institutional Relationship
- Research & Consultancy
- Marketing
- Health & Safety
- Alumni
- Cafeteria Monitoring

5) New Proposed Programs

WCAS has proposed to start three new programs in the field of Engineering keeping abreast with the local needs and the existing opportunities in Oman. The following are the new proposed programs:

BE in Electrical Engineering
BE in Chemical Engineering
BE in Mechanical Engineering.

WCAS plans to start these programs from the next academic year that is 2015-16.

Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things.

Peter Drucker
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PROGRAMS OFFERED

Engineering Programs

BE- BT- 4 YEARS
BE- CS- 4 YEARS
BE- ECE- 4 YEARS

Applied Sciences and Management Programs

MBA- 2 YEARS
EMBA- 2 YEARS

BBA- 3 YEARS
BCA- 3 YEARS

FOUNDATION- 3 LEVELS

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