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From the Editor’s Desk

Welcome friends to the e-newsletter, issue 5, Volume 4.

Once again we at WCAS brace ourselves for a bout of hard and unrelenting work, after the summer vacations have ended. Both staff and students have returned to the fold inspired with new zeal and energy to begin afresh and kick off the ensuing semester.

“Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference” - Winston Churchill.

A major stride in its endeavor to ascertain job opportunities for present as well as ex-students at WCAS, as well as students of other institutions, the college successfully conducted its fifth Career Fair in April, 2014 under the auspices of His Highness Sayyid Faisal Bin Turki Al-Said. This one day event provided students with an opportunity to interact directly with Human Resource teams from various companies. More than 50 companies from different sectors participated in it.

A much-awaited event that WCAS eagerly looks forward to is the Alumni Meet held in the campus every year. This year the Alumni Meet was held in May, 2014. The Dean, Dr. Mohan Varma opined that “through this meet WCAS attempts to provide a platform to nurture values in its former students, invites suggestions, promotes experience-sharing and seeks their contribution in a number of college activities”. This annual event is one amongst the several channelized efforts made by the college to nurture and strengthen bond with its brand ambassadors.

A landmark event namely “Open Day 2014” was celebrated in April amid much fanfare and excitement. It was inaugurated by Ms. Naasiah Saud Al-Kharusi, Member at The Consultative Commission for the Supreme Council for Arab States of the Gulf. The main organizers of the event were the WCAS Students’ Council and various staff as well as faculty members. The spirited and talented students of WCAS made an indelible mark when they were invited by the Ibi College of Technology, Oman to present a national level research paper on the topic “Social Media in Higher Education”. Two teams from the management and engineering departments presented a paper each on the above topic representing WCAS. Both teams did extremely well and received participation certificate and mementos from the host institution. It was indeed an enriching exposure for the students, thus motivating them further.

Not to be left far behind, the promising students of WCAS won another feather in its cap. They made the college proud by being declared the winning team in Inter-college Competitions held at Majan University, Oman in May. We congratulate them and wish them well.

Seminars, symposiums, publication of papers in International and National Journals of repute as well as guest lectures galore have always been the stuff that WCAS is made of...! The Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering organized a Guest lecture in April. The Honorable speaker Mr. Salim H. K. Al-Mahrooqui, Technical Director of Ray Precision Engineering delivered the talk on “World of Sensors,” describing all kinds of sensors used in industry.

Last but not the least, the Dean, Dr. Mohan Varma did us proud by his visit to top US universities, such as Cornell, Stanford and Princeton during his tour to the USA in August. He also visited NASA’s Ames Research Centre at California and their Space Museum at Washington DC.

“We can’t be afraid of change. You may feel very secure in the pond that you are in, but if you never venture out of it, you will never know such a thing as an ocean or a sea. Holding on something that is good for you now, may be the very reason why you don’t have something better”. - C. Joy Bell C.

Before I wind up I would like to profoundly appreciate and thank all those who contributed in carving out this issues to enhance pleasure in reading it.
Ms. Alycia Sebastian, Asst. Professor in the Dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, WCAS has published a paper in International Journal with the following details:

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Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence.

Helen Keller
Dean visits top US Universities and NASA

Prof. (Dr.) Mohan Varma, Dean of the College visited Cornell University, Stanford University and Princeton University during his visit to USA in August 2014. He interacted with Faculty, researchers and students to understand the Campus Management, Student Satisfaction and Frontier Research Areas in Science & Technology in premier US universities. Prof. Varma was received at Princeton University by Prof. C. K. Law, Robert H. Goddard Professor at Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering and had discussions on topics of mutual interest. He visited the laboratories and interacted with researchers and students. Professor Varma also visited NASA’s AMES Research Centre at California and their Space Museum at Washington DC.

Guest Lecture

Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering organized a guest lecture on 6th April 2014. Speaker was Mr. Salim H. K Al Mahroogi, Technical Director of Ray Precision Engineering LLC. He spoke on “World of SENSORS”, describing all kinds of sensors used in industry.

Ibri College

Ibri College of Technology had invited teams comprising of students and their respective guides from various colleges to present a national level research paper on the topic of “Social Media In Higher Education”. Two teams from the Management department and Engineering department presented a paper each on the above topic representing WCAS. The team from the Management Department comprised of BBA 6th semester students Vinithra V.P and Nupoor Pandya and their guide Dr. Seema Varshney. The team from the Engineering department comprised of BE-CS 4th semester students Nida Hafeez and Chandni Joshi along with their guide Mr. Sanjay Kumar. Two other 5th semester students, Rocky Mathew Jacob and Abhishek Mohan had also accompanied the teams. The two teams went to Ibri College on Thursday, 15th May 2014, for the presentation and both the teams did extremely well, receiving praise and accolades from the faculty of Ibri College. All the participating teams from various colleges received participation certificates and mementos from Ibri College of Technology. The presentation of research papers on a national level was a good experience for the students and they got a good exposure and motivation to participate in similar events in future.

BEING PROUD...

On the 15th of May, 2014, at 5:30pm was announced the winners of Inter-College competitions held at Majan University. Hands applauding, faces glowing, everyone cheering, we were proud to hear our college being the winning team of 2014. Yes, our college representatives in the dance category, that is, Dynet Fremcitha Fernandes (BBA 4th SEM), Varsha Vijayan (BBA 2nd SEM), Juhaaina Javed (BE 2nd SEM) stole away the 1st place that evening. A tough competition yet hard work pays off loyal. We are proud of the above students, and wish them luck in the upcoming events. We would be glad if other students also took part in more activities and bring name to our college. Hidden talents need to be brought out and not to be wasted.
Iftar Party

Wajaj College organized an Iftar party for the staff members on 13th July, 2014 on the occasion of Holy month of Ramadan at Sadaf Iranian Restaurant, Al Seeb.

5th Career Fair organized at WCAS

Wajaj College of Applied Sciences successfully conducted its fifth Career Fair on 16th April 2014 under the auspices of His Highness Sayyid Faisal bin Turki al Said. The fair witnessed the participation of more than 50 companies from different sectors. Career Fair a one-day event that provides students with an opportunity to interact directly with Human Resource teams from various companies.
Waljat College of Applied Sciences celebrated ‘Open Day 2014’ event on April 27th and 28th 2014. The Chief Guest, Ms Naashiah Soud Al Kharusi, Member at The Consultative Commission for the Supreme Council for Arab States of the Gulf, inaugurated the function. There were Traditional Villages displaying cultures of various countries like Oman, India, Iraq, Sudan and Palestine. Various activities including fine art, painting and photography exhibition, drama and cultural programs, Waljat Amazing Race, Rock show, Food Stall and Games were organized by the Waljat College Students’ Council.

The main organizers of the event were the Waljat College Students’ Council along with Ms Husna Al Mughairy, Student Affairs Manager, Dr. Mohammad Mahatram, Prof In-Charge Students Activities, and Dr Srilekha Goveas, Prof In-charge Cultural Club.
The academic session 2014-2015 is on the anvil and at this juncture; we welcome our newly admitted students in various programs on the campus and wish them a fulfilling and rich over all experience during their period of study at WCAS. Their induction program will shortly be conducted to make them aware of study, facilities, discipline and extra-curricular activities related information. With the congenial environment of learning and development, we expect that the new comers will be quickly at home. All of you are encouraged to enquire, innovate and achieve at WCAS. Student Affairs Department is fully prepared to help you in settling down quickly.

Congratulations to our present students who have successfully completed their curricular requirements of Spring -2014 semester and progressed ahead. Each one of you should set higher goal and plan to achieve it with better commitment and hard work in this year. Those few who could not get the expected outcome need not get disheartened but introspect that what went wrong and learn from the mistakes committed. The success is waiting for you ahead. We wish best of luck to all our students in their endeavors.

The college has fully implemented the ERP solution and it has got inherent features for teachers and students to exploit and take benefit of. The assignments, course material and links for supplementary recommended text for study can now be shared between teacher and the taught besides availability of many other options that would be communicated during the induction program. We urge the students to be pro-active in using this to best possible advantage and you may approach your class advisor to know more about it.

The college has facilities for indoor activities during free time and new courts will shortly be ready to play outdoor games as the weather improves. The college library has large number of text and reference books, periodicals, research journals and e-learning resources and many more has been added this year to provide an encouraging learning environment. More than ten activity clubs wait your joining. You will surely get one to pursue your hobby or learn something new on continual basis. Each one of you must become an active member of at least one student club to acquire long lasting memories of your college days.

The vision, mission and values of the college is communicated to you through induction program, our website, student guide, display boards in each building and various offices. All our students are the key participants in our total commitment to achieve it. You are being made aware of this responsibility and your contributions will go a long way to make your alma mater a distinguished institution of higher education. We welcome your views and suggestions in all our activities.
Waljat College of Applied Sciences (WCAS) aspires to provide an excellent environment for holistic learning to its students. In fact, the present generations’ contribution to the growth and development of knowledge-based society will contribute to shaping up the future of Oman economy. WCAS focuses on comprehensive development of its students as they are expected to contribute significantly not only to the business world but also to the society at large. It is in this endeavor that WCAS seeks active participation from different internal as well as external stakeholders. Thousands of college alumni have been making a difference to the contemporary business world through their talent and wisdom. The college appreciates the laudable efforts of these brand ambassadors and seeks active participation and contribution by its alumni in a range of college activities.

The college strives to capitalize on the experience, talent and wisdom of its graduates and invites suggestions on curriculum development, teaching pedagogies, changes in industry requirements besides mentoring current students. During the past three years, the college has taken some initiatives to improve industry-academia interface through increased connectivity with its alumni. Some of these initiatives include providing a platform to alumni for sharing their experiences through contributions in the form of articles in college e-newsletter, organizing alumni-talks and organizing alumni meet annually. This year, WCAS organized its Third Alumni Meet 2014 on 29th May 2014 at the college auditorium in its campus. The Dean, Dr. Mohan Varma, opined that “through this Meet, WCAS attempts to provide a platform to nurture values in its former students, invites suggestions, promotes experience-sharing and seeks their contributions in a number of college activities”.

The Alumni Meet witnessed sizable amount of students who have successfully passed out from this college, and have been actively contributing to multitudinous domains in diverse fields. This annual event is one amongst the several channelized efforts made by the college to nurture and strengthen bond with its brand ambassadors. The alumni re-lived sweet memories of their student life while watching the movie “Glimpses of WCAS Life” and participated actively in a Quiz competition comprising audio-visual rounds with questions concerning their college life. The enthusiasm increased with an on-campus “Treasure Hunt” organized by the college followed by photography sessions. The event ended with a formal lunch for alumni with the college staff. The Meet was the beginning of a new journey with revived memories of the past and a strengthened bond.
To develop an overall academic atmosphere in the college, to broaden the horizons of faculty's knowledge, and to promote interdisciplinary research, the college has started a unique program on every alternate Thursday.

**Faculty Members who have delivered Seminar:**

- **Dr. Saofi Asra Mubeen**
  Department of Management
  Topic: Islamic Economic & Finance

- **Mr. Sounak Paul**
  Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
  Topic: Mobile Agent-Basic Issues

- **Ms. Sarika**
  Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
  Topic: An Introduction to Macromedia Flash

- **Ms. Vijaya**
  Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
  Topic: An Introduction to Macromedia Flash

- **Mr. Mithun Shrivastava**
  Department of Management
  2- From Sage on Stage to intention : eWOM Perspective

- **Ms. Vallikannu**
  Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
  Topic: Shadowing and Onion Skinning in Macromedia Flash

- **Dr. Seema Varshney**
  Department of Management
  Topic: Consumer behaviors in Hospitality Industry

- **Mr. A. Pareek**
  Department of Biotechnology
  Topic: Genes & Genomes : Dynamically Static & Statically Dynamic

- **Ms. Sinymol**
  Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
  Topic: Twining and Symbols in Macromedia Flash

- **Ms. Cimi Thomas**
  Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
  Topic: Event Handling in Action Script

- **Ms. Alycia Edwin**
  Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
  Topic: Masking & Mouse Function in Action Script

- **Ms. Kusum Mishra**
  Department of Management
  Topic: Stress Busters

- **Ms. Neelufer Kulkarni**
  Department of Management
  Topic: Causes of Stress

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- **Mr. Akhilesh Roy**
  Dep. Electronics & Communication Engineering
  Topic: 1- Trends in Integrated Circuit Technology
  2- Embedded Systems
Ms. Anu Manchanda
Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
Topic: Workplace Ergonomics

Mr. Satish Chander
Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
Topic: Database Management System

Dr. Alok Kumar Kushwaha
Dep. Electronic & Communication Engineering
Topic: Mathcad – A Tool for Analytical Modelling in Research

Mr. Sanjay Kumar
Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
Topic: Application of Cloud Computing

Dr. Niraj Mishra
Department of Management
Topic: Impact of Social Media

Mr. Arbind Kumar Chowdary
Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
Topic: How to cope up with stress in our day to day life.

Mr. Prashant Kumar Singh
Department of Management
Topic: Recent trends in Banking: Adopting of direct banking channel

Ms. Akhila Rajan
Department of Biotechnology
Topic: Nano Medicine to fight Cancer

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Dr. Prashant Rastogi
Department of Management
Topic: Green Marketing: Way Ahead to sustainability

Dr. Prabal Datta
Department of Mathematics
Topic: A Very Very... Basic Introduction of ABC Conjecture

Mr. Kuldeep Gupta
Department of Mechanical Engineering
Topic: Mechanical Testing of Materials

Mr. Salim Ali Al Gufaily
Department of English
Topic: Multimedia Teaching & Learning

Mr. Jyoti Kumar Chandel
Department of Management
Topic: Tips to become a better Leader

Mr. Sultan Khan
Department of Management
Topic: Multiple Intelligence
Mr. El Amin El Noor
Department of English
Topic: Common Methods of Teaching

Ms. Blossom
Department of Management
Topic: Mars Bar- Work Rest And Play, The 21st Century Dilemma

Ms. Sharmila Queenthly
Department of Biotechnology
Topic: Facts about Lipids & Cardiovascular Diseases

Ms. Akriti Koul
Dep. Computer Science and Engineering
Topic: Cyber Crime – The Dark Side of Internet

Ms. Sameena
Department of Management
Topic: An Overview of Oil & Gas Industry

Ms. Smita Felix
Dep. Electronic & Communication Engineering
Topic: Turn Down The Heat – Mission Possible

Ms. Priya Rajan
Dep. Electronic & Communication Engineering
Topic: Application of Bio-electronic Instrumentation

Mr. Sushil Kumar
Department of Management
Topic: Creative and Success: what’s in between?

Ms. Seema Arora
Department of Electrical Engineering
Topic: Smart Grids & Smart Energy Consumers

Mr. David Mandepudi
Department of Biotechnology
Topic: Origins of Bio-Technology

Dr. Nupur Sen
Department of Management
Topic: Memory Enhancement

Mr. Umair Ujjal
Department of Mathematics
Topic: E-Commerce : A Mechanism to Ensure the Pre-Purchase Decision Security of the Online Customers

Mr. Roby Varghese
Department of English
Topic: Procrastination – Opportunity’s Assassin

Mr. Syed Aulia
Coordinator College Seminar
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GARDENER’S LESSONS

My garden has probably taught me the most about how things grow- and thrive in a vibrant and sustainable manner. Those lessons have shaped my approach to management and business studies for responsible growth in business, expansion, profits, sales volume, etc. and how one can see the corporate world of business from a gardener’s view. Corporate and gardening seem like a long journey of a Yeoman. A gardener sees the world as a system of interdependent parts—where healthy, sustaining relationships are essential to the vitality of the whole. A real gardener is not a person who cultivates flowers but a person who cultivates soil. Just like the CEO of a company who invests on the employees and their expertise and not on the sales margin and profits. In business this also translates into the importance of developing agreements and long term strategic partnerships where vision and values, purpose and intent are explicitly articulated, considered and aligned among all stakeholders of an enterprise—customers, employees, suppliers, shareholders and the broader community and natural environment. The garden has taught me patience, generosity, to be rational with the use of money and the ethical principles of generosity. It has illuminated the importance of appreciating the cycles of life and decay. For the gardener composting is a transformative act—whereby last season’s clippings or failure can become next year’s source of vigor. Nature is indeed the best teacher because it has taught me the lesson that it’s not just what you plant but how you plant it that brings long term rewards in life, work and garden. Gardeners know that once strong roots are established, growth is often exponential than linear. Also gardening, like business is inherently a local activity set within an ever-changing and unpredictable global climate. Gardeners like entrepreneurs are obsessed with latent potential and can be known to be optimistic. We can vividly imagine a pleasant sensory image of the bloom and the scent of the roses lingering in the air even in the deepest of winter. As a American Naturalist once wrote: “I have great faith in a seed. Convince me that you have seed there and I am prepared to expect wonders.” In essence, a gardener’s work is a life of care. We cultivate abundance from scarce resources. We nurture, encourage, fertilize—and prune when necessary, while being respectful to the true and wild nature of all things. My garden has made me understand that creating value requires passion, vision, hard work and spirit of others collectively. I have clearly understood the highlighted fact that the business and gardening are clearly an act of keeping people and society as a whole happy which is an act of universal responsibility.

A person who never made mistake never tried any thing new  
Albert Einstein

It always seems impossible until it’s done  
Nelson Mandela
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