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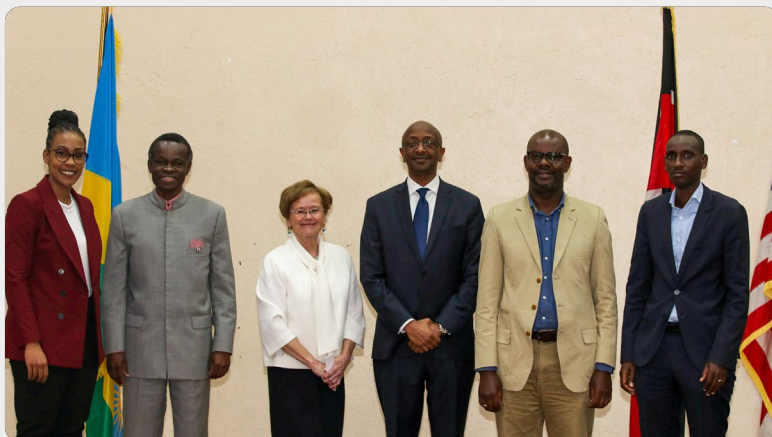
Rwanda shares lessons on unity, good governance ahead of the 29th Genocide commemoration

By Lavie Mutanganshuro

On March 29, 2023, the Rwanda High Commission and the United States International University-Africa (USIU-Africa), held a symposium to commemorate the upcoming 29th anniversary of the genocide against the Tutsi. The symposium discussed Rwanda's journey to recovery, prosperity, the remaining challenges, and how they can be addressed. The event brought together diplomats, representatives of different institutions and organizations, and students from different universities in Nairobi.

Speaking during the event, the High Commissioner of Rwanda in Kenya, Dr. Richard Masozera, said that unity and inclusive governance have been key in building the modern Rwanda following the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi that claimed a million lives in 100 days.

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L-R: Victoria Rubadiri, PLO Lumumba, Prof. Margee Ensign, VC, USIU-Africa, H.E Dr. Richard Masozera, Rwanda High Commissioner to Kenya, Fredrick Galooba-Mutebi, Political Scientist, and Dr. Alphonse Muleefu, Lecturer, University of Rwanda during the symposium held to commemorate 29 years of the Rwanda Genocide against Tutsi
Photo: Wanza Emelda

Confucius Classroom at USIU-Africa receives a donation of Chinese language and culture learning

By Wanjiku Mbugua



Prof. Zhou Xiaodong (centre) donated over 2,000 books on Chinese language and culture to the Confucius Classroom at USIU-Africa.
Photo: Courtesy

The Confucius Classroom at USIU-Africa under the close supervision of the Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences Prof. Martin Njoroge, on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 welcomed the Chinese Director of the Confucius Institute at Kenyatta University, Prof. Zhou Xiaodong who donated over 2,000 books on Chinese language and culture teaching and learning materials to our Classroom.

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Alumni Association hosts staff alumni breakfast with the Vice Chancellor

By Esther Lihavi



Some of the staff members who attended the staff alumni breakfast with the Vice Chancellor last Friday at Utalii Hotel. Photo: Mary Susan Wangari

On Friday, March 31, the USIU-Africa Alumni Association held a breakfast event at Utalii Hotel for the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Margee Ensign, and staff who are alumni. As guests arrived, they greeted each other and enjoyed breakfast while waiting for others to arrive.

Mr. James Gathere, the chairperson of the Alumni Association, called the meeting to order and introduced the members of the Alumni Association Executive Council who were in attendance. He expressed the Association's interest in this particular interest group and invited Ms. Caroline Mugadi, the treasurer of the Alumni Association, to lead the program.

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Faculty and Students from USIU-Africa visit Mji wa Huruma for community service project handover

By Yviona Musa

On Friday, March 31, 2023, the USIU-Africa student body and selected lecturers visited the home to hand over the community service project they had undertaken that semester, led by Robi Koki. Over the past month, the group had undertaken several projects that gave the facilities a face lift, including replacing the termite-infested wooden doors that posed a security threat to the occupants.

Mji wa Huruma, a home for the abandoned elderly, is a transformative facility located in Runda and managed by Margaret Ndichu for the past decade. It provides the vulnerable elderly with basic needs and promises them a better future in their golden years.

The handover was attended by Robi Koki, Ashley Wanjiku, Julietta Nthoki, Caleb Tanui, Adim Adim, and Muhammed Maalim. The event ended smoothly within a few minutes, and it was truly a well-deserved gift to the elderly as well as to the hearts of the donors.



The refurbishing of Mji wa Huruma was done as part of Community Service. Photo: Wanza Emelda

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USIU-Africa students qualify for Microsoft Imagine Cup World Championship

By Microsoft Corporation



Team TAWI, consisting of Muna Said Nomy, Zakariya Hussein, John Onsongo Mabeya and Syntiche Musawu will be competing for the Imagine Cup trophy in May. Photo: Courtesy.

Four students from USIU-Africa have qualified for the 2023 Microsoft Imagine Cup World Championship set to take place in May. The team emerged winners in the education category of the 2023 Imagine Cup world finals qualifying round, where they beat 15 other teams to become the top-scoring team and 2023 Europe Middle East and Africa (EMEA) champions and received a cash prize of USD 5,000.

The team, consisting of Muna Said Nomy, Zakariya Hussein, John Onsongo Mabeya and Syntiche Musawu are currently pursuing undergraduate degrees in Applied Computer Technology and Data Science & Analytics at USIU-Africa. Their innovation, TAWI, seeks to make a difference in the lives of those struggling with auditory processing.

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Self-Love: What it is and how to develop the skill of self-love

By Leah Gichuki



The dictionary defines self-love as “One’s positive attitude towards self or positive opinion or evaluation of oneself”. There are other ways that one can define what is and what is not, self-love.

Self-love is the value and the worth you experience within yourself separate and apart from anyone’s declaration of their love for you. It is generated from the inside and regulates the way we experience external love towards others and ourselves. Self-Love is not a self-obsession with oneself but a healthy respect for who you are and your value.

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Spoken Arts and Debate Society soars high at the 1st Leg of Ilo'uwa opens

By Lauryn Ojore



Left: Novice top two best speakers : Hafsa Mohamed and Hasritha Sunnam, Right: Tournament Champions Jeremiah Kashaka and Kiragu Kimani. Photo: Courtesy

SADS has yet again made its mark in the debate arena, this time at the Ilo'uwa debate tournament, the first leg of the Juja Opens Debate hosted by the Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology.

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Pictorial: PRSK hosts mentoring session on campus

By Dorothy Njoroge



Ms. Sylvia Mwachuli, Public Relations Society of Kenya CEO, making her presentation at the recently-held PRSK mentoring event on campus. Other speakers at the event included Wavi Mungala, Head of Corporate Communications HELB and Alex Owiti, founder, Alexander PR and Communication Network. Media and Communication students from MKU and USIU-Africa were in attendance. Photo: Spencer Muthusi

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TAEKWONDO

The USIU-Africa Taekwondo team had their grading ceremony on Saturday, April 1 in the USIU-Africa Martial Arts room. The order of Taekwondo belts (in ranking) typically goes: White, Yellow, Green, Blue, Red, Brown, and Black. Their members were graded 16 Yellow belts, 5 Green belts, 4 Blue belts and 2 Red belts.



Taekwondo team displaying their newly graded belts and certificates. Photo: Clifford Ombiro

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KARATE

The USIU-Africa karate team had their grading ceremony on Friday, March 31 in the Martial Arts room in the afternoon where three students were promoted in belt ranking. Esther Mwende Ngui, Caroline Muhirwe and Melchizedek Michira were able to obtain Yellow belts

HOCKEY

The hockey men, Team Mashujaa, have traveled to Uganda to participate in an open tournament organized by the Ugandan and Kenyan Hockey Unions in cooperation with hockey clubs and universities this Easter weekend. The tournament will be a 2-day event and will be carrying out in Lugogo Stadium.

CHESS

The USIU-Africa chess team, Team Phoenix, will be participating in the Chess Kenyan Open organized by the Chess Kenya Federation and Terrian Chess Africa. The international tournament will be taking place at the Sarit Expo Centre in Nairobi, Kenya. The tournament began on April 5 and conclude on April 11

EASTERN AFRICA WOMEN'S GAMES

Our ladies teams will be participating in the Eastern Africa Women's Games over the Easter weekend in USIU-Africa. They will participate in the following sports: basketball, hockey, soccer, tennis, badminton, handball, volleyball, swimming, wood ball and table tennis. All the best as they fly the USIU-Africa flag high.



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