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**PROUD MOMENT:** 

A congregation of Bayan College graduates during the 3rd and 4th Graduation Ceremony held on February 17, 2015 at the Ministry of Higher Education Auditorium.

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# BAYAN COLLEGE CELEBRATES 'GRADUATION DAY' WITH FERVOR

## 143 students conferred for Degrees and Diplomas

By Maryam Aljabri

Bayan College celebrated its most successful and colorful graduation ceremony on February 17, 2015 at Ministry of Higher Education Auditorium. 143 students were awarded with Degrees and Diplomas in Journalism, Broadcasting, Public Relations and English Literature.

HE Sheikh Hamad bin Hilal Al Mamaary, Under Secretary Ministry of Heritage and Culture presided over the function and was the chief guest for the graduation ceremony. Government officials from various departments were present to grace the occasion.

"The students are well equipped with degrees and diplomas to face a competiin an increasingly complex Global environment", said Dr. Jassim Jabber, Dean of Bayan College during his speech.

"The moment make us feel proud that your sleepless nights studying and endless hours of research eventually proved fruitful and culminated in you earning Degrees and Diplomas from Bayan College" added Dr. Jassim.

He further said that the graduates will represent the college to the outer world. The reputation of college depends very much on the its product and that is you, the graduates. You have to show the world that you are a Bayan product who is equipped to challenge the world.

Dr.Ronald Corthell, representing Purude University Calumet Indiana USA,

spect towards the college and value the relationship with Bayan College. We are proud to be a part of Bayan College and proud to say that Bayan College programs are modeled by Purdue University.

"We even look forward to work together providing the art of education in the field of Communication, English Language and Literature", he added.

Saada Abdullah Saif Al Hathy, graduated in Bachelors of Public Relations, representing the graduating students said that for us graduation signifies the realization of our dream, for which Bayan College has helped us in making dreams come true and the confidence to work on it

"The experience we have got in these

stand with all confidence and the ability to challenge the outer world. Today this moment we proudly say that it was a great place to foster our minds and bodies throughout our learning phase, the values we need to carry as we move to nurture better society. This day is precious and will remember for the rest of our life, added Saada.

Dr. Ronald Corthell, Dean Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Dr. Thomas J.Roach and Dr.Richard E.Rupp from Purdue University Calumet, Indiana USA were amongst who attended the function.

The students were found with full of joy and happiness and many of them were shedding tears of joy while they were hugging their parents after getting degrees

# Bayan bags bronze in handball

Yasara Al Matani and Aisha Al Badi

Bayan College bags bronze medal in handball category of AL-Akha competition organized by the Sultan Qaboos University in the sports complex. This was a tournament organized for the 2014 season held from 7-15 / 12/2014.

This competition was organized in coordination and cooperation with the Omani university for sport, with the



participation of 14 educational institutions, such as: Sultan Qaboos University, Sohar University, Nazi University, ALSharqia University, Germany's of Science and Technology University, Bayan College, Gulf College, Caledonian Engineering College, Middle East College, Higher College of Technology. Leila Ahmed bin Awad Al-Najjar who is head of the Omani Committee of Chess sponsored the competition. The students who represent-

BEAUTIFUL PEACOCK VISITS BAYAN COLLEGE

ed Bayan college include; Aisha Al Badi. Yasara Al Matani, Qoot Al Galoob, Intesar, Aisha Almargibi, Fatma Shikri, Bishaya Al Mishefri, Amani Al Amri, Amira Al Ajmi, Asma Al Malik, Hajer Al Qataite, Amna Zalobi and Siham.

Bayan college students extreme left join other participants of the University Handball competition to pose for a group photo with their trophies and medals. (Courtesy photo) END

# BAYAN STAFF TAKE A GUIDED TOUR OF THE NEW CAMPUS

#### **By Samuel Mundua**

It was a Thursday and the weather looks hazy with thick clouds covering the skies - a clear sign that rain would fall anytime. Never the less, this did not deter our trip to have a guided tour of the new campus in Halban. The Dean Dr. Jassim accompanied by Dr. Lina Head of English Department and Mrs. Manju George, English literature Lecturer.

We too hit the road at 10.09 am courtesy of Mr. Mahmood Al Balushi's (Entreprenuership Lecturer) car ride with Ms. Doreen. Mr. faisal Ahmed kept a close follow up of our car along the Express Highway to Halban. I was particularly keen on how it long the journey would take from the current Bayan College to the new campus. It took us about 45 minutes as we arrived at around 10.54am.

On arrival in Halban's main town, one thing that hits one's eyes is the presence of the giant Bayan College. It clearly stands out! Standing adjacent to the German technology university, Bayan Colleges new upcoming structure is a giant in the area that magnificently gazes towards the direction of the Express high way from its main entrance. Its presence is self announcing to any by-passer. The creaking sound of welding machines and the sound of concrete mixers, one is able to see the sense of urgency in the workers around in their overalls and helmets crisscrossing each other as they actively work in trying to beat the deadline for the completion of the building.

Getting on to see the interior of the structure, we were welcomed by the site Engineers who handed us safety head gears (Helmets) before we proceeded for a guided



Dean Dr.Jassim having discussion with the site engineers during the vist to construction site of new Bayan Campus. The other staff members are seen.

tour of the interior.

The first thing that attracts one attention while inside is the grand lobby area that ushers you from the main entrance. Built in a circular form with provision of allowing natural light to beam in from above the last floor, the grand lobby sort of divides the structure into two wings- East and the west, if you like. So we head to the eastern wing of the structure led by Dr. Jassim and the Site Engineer, Eng. Mahmoud Ziolone.

"This is the canteen." Points Dr. Jassim to one of the big rooms in this wing. Directly opposite the canteen is the Multi Media state of the art studio.

"This is where we shall have our main studio that shall also include a separate control room. The studio will also take part of the first floor that stands above the ground floor studio." Revealed Dr. Jassim, as he led the staff through the stair case to the first floor.

One thing that marveled me is the manner in which Dr. Jassim clearly understands the architectural plan or design of the huge structure to which he would occasionally co-relate to the physical structure as he explained to the staff with exact confirmation from the Site Engineer.

Standing on the first floor the next level after the ground floor, the Dean points in the rear part of the building as he explains to the staff;

"Bayan college land stretches beyond that fence," Says Dr. Jassim, in reference to an area occupying large chunks of land some kilometers away from where we were standing.

" We intend to put up two more similar structures, staff houses and students hostels in the remaining land," Explains Dr. Jassim.

On the western wing of the ground floor, you conspicuously see the Multi purpose hall that will, according to the Site Engineer, take about 1000 people. The three storied building also has a number of class rooms and offices. With the news campus all seems optimistic for Bayan college.

The Dean revealed to the staff that the college management has already applied for FM frequency license that will enable it have a college FM station. He further said that the college will also procure Ten (10) 35 seater buses to ease the problems of transportation for students and staff.

#### Zunaida Al Barwani

On the 16th of February, Students and teachers witnessed something unusual for the first time in Bayan College! A beautiful peacock paid a surprise visit to the college campus! As the peacock walked majestically around the campus, one of the classes that was going on in S-301was temporarily brought to a standstill. First to notice the colorful bird was the Lecturer - Mr. Mundua. "Wow what a beautiful peacock!" Exclaimed Mr. Mundua while pointing outside through the large windows and prompting some students to stand up asking;



'Where? Where Sir?"

At first, some students thought it was a joke or an example given by the teacher because there was no way a peacock could come to college, they thought so. But oh no they were totally wrong.

As they saw the bird, the excitement in the class grew bigger as some students ran towards the windows to get a better look, and there it was - a peacock standing still under a tree.

A moment of laughter shook the whole class wide awake. Shortly after the class ettled down, they heard noises from outside as students were trying to move closer to

take pictures of the attractive "special visitor". The more the students moved closer to take pictures, the more the poor peacock ran for its life from the students until it exited the college premises.

# Workshop on 'Social Media in teaching' from Berlin a good exposure

#### Mariam Alzajali

Here we are today sharing with you our experience of 'Social Media in teaching' workshop, in Berlin last December. It was a new experience full of good memories in an interesting place and wonderful weather.

I still remember the moment we left the plane and got shocked by the freezing

The only thing we did on the very first day is discovering the place we live in, and then getting ready for the next day to meet everyone and start the workshop.

Second day for us and the first day for the workshop, we met everyone and got to know their backgrounds. Groups mixed of students and teachers, to discover and study certain areas in social media education, set us up.

Day two of the workshop we had the chance to visit DW Academy and then RBB. At RBB we went in a tour to



see the TV studios and radio. On the same day, we went for dinner with Dr. Jassim and Ms. Modi with our colleague and our new friend Aleksandra from Freie University.

The third day also was packed with presentations and sharing our experience by using programs which analyze and give you all the data and information you use in social media sites.

Last day of the workshop, we started with preparing the presentations in the same groups of the first day. After that, we had farewell party with cookies and tea.

Well not yet, the college offered us one more day in Berlin to do some shopping and have fun there.

The time we spent there with people we don't know and meeting them for the first time was very helpful for me, especially because it's my first trip to Europe, at the same time first time to travel without my family. Now we have new friends from Palestine. Egypt, Qatar, Lebanon, Yemen and Germany, who were very friendly and do not forget Professor Carola, who is very nice person and social with everyone. The thing that I noticed in the University is that they so interested about the politics in Middle East, at the same time most of them are learning Arabic and studying it.

# PROFESSOR RUPP IN AND AROUND BAYAN

Dr. Richard Rupp, Professor for History and Political Science from University Calumet, Indiana USA during his visit to Bayan College, he shares some moment with Bayan Post.

#### How do you introduce yourself to Bayan?

My full name is Dr. Richard Rupp and I might be called as Professor as well. Different American professors have different names and some of them like to be called doctor. I found here in Oman people using the first name. In America I will be called Dr. Rupp ... but I prefer the phrase professor.

#### Doctor seems to be a star added on you?

For me a doctor is a medical doctor and I can't help you if you are sick. If someone passed out in the plane and while they called for a doctor and if they come to me, I can't help, unless they have political problem, I can help in political problem. So I always prefer professor that's good for me.

#### Which subject are you specialized for and the designation in

Well, I'm a professor of political science, but within political science my specialization is International Relations, so I focus on international politics and the world as a big place, so I'm not a specialist among all countries for instance I'm not a specialist in Chinese politics my specialization tends to be European politics and the politics in the Middle-East.

#### What would you like to comment on Purdue and Bayan's relationship?

He just gave me a smile for the question and says once we started working together you may be a small boy. Purde have a strong ten year relationship with Bayan and I am very happy and excited to be a part of it. Once the concept of Bayan was started it was just an idea but now with these past successful years we have seven hundred students at Bayan and hopefully - Inshallah - next year we will move to the new campus with more hopes and plans.

#### What measures Purdue has initiated to make our strong relation-

ship live?

We are looking forward to take a group of Omani students from Bayan College to Purdue, probably next summer in 2016. Discussions are in progress with Dr. Jassim to study about the possibility. Like a two week integrated class over there in Purdue or a one month class, the discussions are going on. Even we are thinking to bring students from Purdue to Bayan.

#### I know it's too early to ask but even I would like to know about your teaching experi-

#### ence in Bayan?

Well, it's entirely different from United State, I would say that I am enjoying my work with the students over here in Bayan College. I found the students welcoming me with all respect, I am greeted with smiles. Since I am teaching international politics, my job is to make the subject interesting and enjoyable. I always try to make students understand that International Relations are very important especially for the students who might have careers in Journalism and broadcast and even important for their individual life because world is a dangerous place and it help us to understand a big question 'WHY'.

The challenging part I found here is English language skill of my students.I have incredible respect for all the students here in Bayan, because they are doing two difficult things; One is that they are going to college and second is that once they come to Bayan, students are having double difficulty, they are into a college which deals with foreign language and that's pretty impressive and I admire that, because I didn't do that, but that's the big challenge for me. I need to make sure that I am understood by the students.

Bayan College wants to know more about vour cultural views of Oman in general.

I like the culture of prayers, I do love it. I get up very early in the morning, I tend to go to bed very early and get up very early and I usually get up to hear the first morning prayer at maybe 5:30 A.M ... very loud, but I think it's very beautiful I always stop and listen, I don't understand it... but I stop and listen I think it's very beautiful feature of the Muslim

#### How about your life in Muscat?

I find my life in Muscat enchanting ah.... That's what translates into something wonderful. I'm not just being polite to say Omanis are incredibly kind and generous people and here

at Bayan everyone is not Omani of course Dr. Jassim, I believe he comes from Iraq, we have people from all over the region and the world and I'm treated very very kindly.

Everything is taken care of. I've had help in arranging for a lovely flat, I've learnt to drive in Oman, Omanis drive too fast that's one thing that I don't like.

I enjoy Muscat because Muscat has both what I say of a city like Istanbul it's built east and west so it's both the historic country of Oman with its tradition and its food and its religion ah and its culture but it has also become very modern western society so it's very easy for me to be here because I can have an experience of being entirely with Omanis but when I want I can go to a restaurant that looks like in Chicago, yeah you know or a cursory store like they're in New York. So Oman is evolving at very quick speed.

#### I heard that you love music and even we would like to know your

hobbies?

Yeah! I do love music and it's honestly thrilling to attend the Sultan Qaboo's magnificent Opera House. I've been to Opera House in all over the world, but this maybe the most beautiful that I like to attend. So it's thrill to be here. I do like Opera and I do like the taste of Omani music. I appreciate that.

I like to take part in outdoor activities. I like to exercise. I like to bicycle ride, I haven't seen any bicycles around though! Muscat is a driving city. In Chicago I ride bicycle regularly, and I enjoy swimming too. I've been swimming here in the Gulf most days but I find myself all alone because Omanis seem not to like to swim, So I'm always all alone on the water! I like to cook umm I think I'm a very good cook and I like to entertain my friends on weekends by making meals and I do travel big deal. I enjoy eating Omani and

While concluding the interview Mr. Rupp congratulated me for the interview and promised his support for the Bayan Post and for all the activities within Bayan College. The words by Mr.Rupp "I think you're articulate so I think you have done a splendid job", really mesmerized me.



## WHO IS WHO AMONG THE BAYAN COLLEGE

As Bayan College takes a leap towards growth, we introduce you to the new staffs for the college.

Hamood Al Busaidi / Aisha Al-Harthy

With Bachelor of Computer Science Mr. Atta's area of specialization is Computer networking. I have been involved in a number of professional workshops and conferences regarding Public Relations (PR), Information Technology (IT), and Managementareas that I have achieved experiences in. Professionalism and active atmosphere is what first caught my eyes when I joined Bayan College. I truly enjoy it here and find it to be a wonderful working place. I would also encourage fellow staff including myself, to keep developing our areas of work in as many ways as possible.



Mr. Atta Al- Addily (Assistant Head of Admissions and Registration)

Amin Abdul - Munem Alshobaki is the Administrative services Officer and he is In charge of Student Affairs graduated affairs at Bayan college. He graduated with Bachelors of Physical Education from Rivadh. He is one of the new additions to the Bayan College family. He says that he is happy to be part of Bayan College especially in rendering Administrative and Student services.

"Bayan College is one of Munem Alshobaki the Colleges is Oman spe-



Amin Abdul-

cializing in Media studies. I feel proud to associate myself with Bayan College because it makes me feel as part of a team that is producing talented students suitable for the job market and that's why am always more than willing to offer student services and help in the students' activities." Says Amin Abdul – Munem Aslshobaki

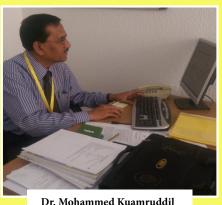
My area of specialization would proudly be English literature. I have been teaching since 1997. I have observed many things since I came to Al-Bayan. Since the English department engages mainly with female students only, perhaps out of choice, the girls I interact with are really good. I keep making sure to always encourage them to speak up and share their ideas and thoughts in class. I also encourage them to interact with others by keeping a good response and maintaining



Dr. Lina Ibrahim Head of Department-**English Literature** 

the friendly conversations through-out.

I would like to advise and inspire my students not to go towards the traditional way of teaching but to evolve more into the teachings of the modern. They should get motivated to interact with novels, art and also building models.



Dr. Mohammed Kuamruddil Al-Ansari Head of Foundation program

My area of specialization would be in English Language and Literature. I have 30 years of experience as a teacher.

In the two and a half months that I have been here, I noticed that the place is okay and filled with good staff. I believe that Staff development should always be developed then everything will be developed and if you are failing to plan then you are not planning. By not planning that means you're planning to fail.

Students as well need to develop themselves more, as teachers we need to create awareness and conferences, increase lectures to make students love and appreciate what they are doing.

I have written 4 books so far, and I'm very proud to have accomplished and reached this far. One of my important books would be "Motivation: Care Approach- the Launching Pad".

This book is mostly meant for students in pre-colleg-

In Oman, students are not very up to standards when it comes to the level of education. It is our teacher's job to motivate them about learning and develop methods that might make them change their mind, and look at education with brand new eyes, filled with nothing but importance and appreciation. Teachers might be good at their jobs, but not all students are willing to reciprocate.

Both teachers and students need to engage with one another and communicate. From my personal experience, I have tried it. It did work amazingly; the key is to be more than just teachers with our students. We have to make them trust us and believe that we are there for them not only in study-wise, but in general and personal issues as well. "Teachers learn while their students are being learned". We are both equal, and being a teacher does not mean I'm in a very high position that my students fear me.

#### Ms. Ameena Al Albri Head of Admissions and Registration

I am a specialist in computer science. As a new staff in Bayan College, I think it is a good place to work at and to improve my experiences. Especially that all the academic and non-academic staff are friendly and kind. It makes it easier for me to communicate and share my ideas with them. I'm working to share my experience as a specialist in admission of electronic registration and to improve the electronic system of Al-Bayan College.

I have Masters in English Language Literature and TEFL, as well as Masters in Education.I have 16 years of teaching experience through -out my teaching life.

My views about working at Al-Bayan are not fully created yet, since I'm still forming my opinion and it is a process. I would like to speak about what have recently caught my eyes.

Many areas need to be worked on, I am fully looking forward to the positive changes as Al-Bayan has a long way to reach their optimal goals but, I do have high hopes.

As a teacher, I make sure that my students are independent minded and open to the idea

of individual contributions. I look forward to the open day to be held in a couple of days, and am excited to see the strengths and differences that is being secretly masked by students. Not only in class, but outside as well.



Mrs. Manju George Lecturer, English` Literature department

Faisal joined Bayan College this Fall Semester. He brings a wealth of experience mainly in the area of Broadcasting. A graduate of MA Mass communication, he has been in the Television industry for 5 years. He also taught for four years at the College of Applied Sciences here in Oman. Previously, he was a guest/visiting lecturer in a couple of universities in India.

"I feel happy to be part of Bayan College and I believe I have something

fruitful to add to the academic growth of Bayan College." He notes.

Apparently, he is supervising students broadcasting Bayan Café' - a T.V show for Bayan Col-

> Faisal A Ikram Lecturer, Faculty of Media Studies



#### Nahid Said Saif Al-Risi.

Nahid works with the Admissions and Registration department at Bayan College as one of the new staffs that have joined the college. She graduated with Bachelors of Broadcasting from Bayan College. She says it feels good to come back and work in the same institution where she graduated from but she is quick to point out the difference between being a student and a staff at Bayan College.

', I'm happy that I came back to the same place that I were taught from. I can say that being a student is different from being an employee because as an employee the responsibilities seems to be more. But am taking this as a learning experience and I am working here to ensure that students who studying from here graduate and achieve their career goals," Says Nahid.

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## Editor's Note

#### Dear our esteemed readers,

Hope you are all doing well.I am glad and honoured to write my first editorial note to you, as the new Student Editor of Bayan Post. The year 2015 seems to be already running pretty fast. I really can't believe how fast time passes by! Already the Mid-term Exams are already knocking at our doors. Anyways, as time runs so does some activities at the College and as usual the Bayan Post is always there to capture for you these activities.Many

things have happened around. For example Bayan College got some new staff joining to be part of the family. In our who is who? among the new staff,we give you a brief biography of the new staff. Our lead story captures the colourful graduation ceremony that was celebrated with fun fare! We also bring you the latest about the new campus from a guided tour of the facility by the staff. Make sure to read through the interview with Professor Richard Rupp, professor from Purdue University. We are sure that you will get much benefits and advices from his wealth of experience in university teaching and much more.

Have you ever wondered how to handle any emergency



case? Well, in this edition of the Bayan Post, read about how the Bayan College Staff and students reacted to an emergency alert during a mock drill at the college premises.

Âre you a gamer like me? Interested in the new games and virtual world where you can do everything you imagine? This time for the first time in Bayan Post, we have a fun corner where we will include reviews of films, books, puzzled,cartoons and much more in this edition, we have a video game review and a book review... so why don't I stop here so that you can plunge yourself into reading this edition of the Bayan Post!

> Enjoy the reading! **Mohammed Mansour**

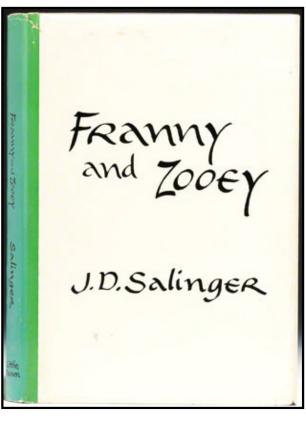
# **Franny And Zooey**

J. D. Salinger, most famous for his novel The Catcher in the Rye, was a writer who lived in permanent solitude. Few things are known about his personal life and, yet he had a great impact on the American Literary scene. Writing in the 1950s, his major theme was the process of growing up and moving from childhood to adulthood via that critical phase known as adolescence with all the disillusionments that accompany this process.

Franny And Zooey deals with the spiritual crises that faces Franny as she takes that step towards the adult world. Unable to cope with conformism, characteristic of her society, she becomes disillusioned with all around her. Her feeling that she can't be her true self alienates her further more. To find a solution she sets out to find God through prayers, not only Christian prayer, but also Buddhist prayer. This concern with an Eastern religion comes as a direct effect of her elder brothers. It is her brother Zooey who helps her overcome this spiritual crisis by pointing out that Christ consciousness will make a higher demand on her. Literature is also presented as a solution, through great writings Franny and her Brothers were able to create a beautiful alternative world of meaning to the phony, material-directed world they saw around them.

Franny And Zooey, as a book, is a criticism of the uniformity that pervaded the American society, where the majority followed group norms rather than being who they

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## Naruto Shippuden: Ultimate ninja storm revolution

Almost every review was positive about this game on steam client which means this is a great game. My first impressions about the game as a PC" gamer that it's great not just as a fan of "Anime" - otaku - or "Naruto" - being more specific - but I really like it, they have done great job on this version, noticed improvements on graphics and game-

play, adding new characters, some more new maps, and also new themes were added comparing it with the previous version, the opening was thrilling and included some scenes involving some characters with nice theme applied from the tournament in game which is a mode am going to talk about in further. There are four modes to select from in game and they are: Ninja World Tournament, Online battle Mode, Ninja Escapades which was -\_- really short - and the Free Battle mode, I only went through three of them except the online mode; the Free Battle mode was great including over 100 characters to choose from when you unlock them first and brand new exclusive characters like (Mecha-Naruto) -I've solely unlocked half of the characters unfortunate- the second mode is the Ninja Escapades which was great, awesome and disappointed at the same time, what I was waiting for was really the campaign but

unfortunate I found episodes with short gameplay,

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they did not include that like in the previous version which is bad in my view, The Last Remnant I mean the last of us... no...no...NO!!

The last mode is Ninja World Tournament which is a mode that they focused more on, you will start on an island with certain character that you want to participate with in the tournament and then you start walking through the island completing new system of battles where there more than 2 characters are participating on battlefield besides that you also complete some extra jobs that are similar with the style of the previous version "UNS3", it's still the same that you cannot talk to every single person in game, in other words some are not interacting with you, the sense of humor is noticeable in dialogues even some the characteristic from the anime are applied, all in all this game is great except that it didn't include the real long story mode which is sad, but I still recommend this game for Naruto fans, giving it score I will give 9/10.

## DIFFERENT REACTIONS FOR SEMERGENCY ALARM AT BAYAN

By Mohammed Mansur

Ordinarily, the sound of any emergency warning alarm should prompt an immediate reaction for the need to rush for safety. On Wednesday 12th November 2014, at around 11.30 Am, an electric emergency bell rang at Bayan College and the reaction to this alarm was mixed with many people expressing different reactions to the warning of danger around the college.

It was just like any other ordinary day. I was in the computer lab surfing the net and generally enjoying Facebook when suddenly a sound of bell screamed creeeee..... continuously prompted me to ask myself what could be the problem? Not convinced, I asked my friends around but they appeared more ignorant about the sound possibly than

myself! So after some minutes Mr. Norrie arrived and told us that it's an emergency situation "GET OUT!!!, LEAVE NOW!!!" said the serious looking Mr. Norrie. But the students did not immediately respond to his call of emergency possibly expecting a huge sound or screaming of people running here and there. So there was no need to rush, so they thought, but never the less they reluctantly moved out slowly following some safety and exit notices that were made by the college, we noticed that the process was very organized when we reached the Assembly Area where other staff and students had gathered.

One of the students told me that he arrived late at the Assembly area and he saw just the gathering and he didn't feel any danger. The president of Student Council said that the process of the emergency



situation received good response from students who were in the Activities building, English language building and the Media buildings, but he noticed some ignorance from the students for the importance of the Emergency Drill. Another student who didn't want to be mentioned said that "it was necessary for the students to know what to do in such an emergency in case of fire or an earthquake because you don't know when it happens" adding, "I noticed that students were walking, talking and ignoring the situation like nothing happened that's why I saw Mr. Norrie angry with some of them". said the student.

According to the emergency response experts, emergencies can occur at any time, and can arise from a number of causes including fire, medical emergencies, chemical spills, gas leaks, bomb threats and physical threats. The first priority in any emergency situa-

tion is the safety of all people who may be in danger. They point out that the key to successful emergency response is being prepared. They suggest that to ensure that you are prepared, discuss your local emergency procedures with your supervisor. Make sure that you are familiar with: alarm tones in your building, closest emergency exits and assembly areas for your building.

On evacuating the building the experts suggest the following; Check for any sign of immediate danger, Shut down equipment and processes, Follow the EXIT signs, escort visitors and those who require assistance, Do not use lifts, Proceed to assembly area.

On re-entering the building, experts advise that do not enter a building while an alarm is sounding, or re-enter an evacuated building until the "all clear" has been announced.

### **'GRADUATION CEREMONY BIG** SUCCESS'- DR. JASSIM



The Assistant Dean Ms. Modi presents a gift to Ammar at Multipurpose Hall. Dean Dr. Jassim and other staffs look on.

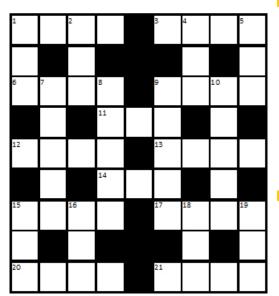
#### By Ammar Al Farsi

BAYAN: The Dean of Bayan College has applauded the academic and non academic staff for organizing the grand graduation ceremony that received a lot of praises from the invited guests, parents and well wishers.

"I want to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their dedication in making the graduation ceremony a success. Everyone worked hard but I want to mention that there are those staff members who went an extra mile and put a lot of effort in ensuring that the graduation was a success", said Dr. Jassim along with the Assistant Dean Ms. Modi, at the Multipurpose Hall, where they met all staff members a few days after Graduation Ceremony.

Dr.Jassim told that this was the first ever graduation organized to receive such a huge appreciation from every one. He went on to single out some of the staff who worked tirelessly to ensure that everything was

#### Crossword #209



Answers to 9x9 Crossword #209: Across: 1.sang, 3.stop, 6.mode, 9.warp, 11.ape, 12.edit, 13.ends, 14.ESP, 15.grin, 17.surf, 20.grew, 21.snob

Down: 1.sum, 2.nod, 4.tea, 5.pop, 7.order, 8.eaten, 9.weeps, 10.radar, 15.gag, 16.ice, 18.urn, 19.fib

#### Across

- 1. Had sung
- 3. Yield
- 6. Method; manner
- 9. Twist out of shape
- 11. Large primate
- 12. Prepare for publication
- 13. Finishes
- 14. Extra Sensory Percep tion
- 15. Smile broadly
- 17. Ride the waves
- 20. Had grown
- 21. One who looks down on others

#### Down

- 1. Total
- 2. Move head affirmatively
- 4. A hot drink
- 5. Soda drink
- 7. Sequence of items
- 8. Had consumed food
- 9. Sobs
- 10. Position detector 15. Retch
- 16. Frozen water
- 18 Vase 19. Small lie

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How to play:

Fill empty cells with the numbers 1to 9, so that each number appears once in each row, column and area.

successful.

"I want to thank Mohammed Gagheb, Ms.Ameena and Mr.Atta from Admission anf Registration, Dr. Fadhil who did his best in training graduates, Mr.Amin Alshobaki who was everywhere trying to fix things with hammer in his hands. Ms. Alghaliya who was a grandaunt and at the same time part of the staff making things happen", said Dr.Jassim.

A special mention was made about Mr.Amin, the Admin Assistant, whose immense hard work and dedication was appreciated by the Dean.

On the occasion Assistant Dean Ms. Modi distributed the gifts among staffs and all were dispersed after lunch.