

Kayondo Sails through Unopposed in Guild Polls

Koosi Elected Speaker



The Vocations school in its obligation to practice democracy held its annual students elections on the 20th April. The Vision for Africa student's body voted their new leaders commonly known as the guild cabinet, the leaders are to serve in many departments as obligated and they are headed by the guild president.

The Ballot saw Kayondo Reagan (BCP) go through as the Guild president unopposed. Emily Mukisa Were (tailoring) was elected as vice guild. The vocal Koosi Bernard secured the Speakers Job beating off stiff competition. This new cabinet will serve for one year from 2017-2018.

The students body is hopeful that the new Guild team which is due to be sworn in next term will strengthen the student relationship with the administration, remembering that Leadership comes from God.

By Eric Bukenya and Martin Praus

Important Days

In the next term the Vocation School will have the following planned events in addition to the normal workplan.

† **May 29th to June 3rd 2017**

Tournaments and Intercultural dances

† **June 5th - 23rd 2017**

Study Tours (Students and Staff)

† **June 24th 2017**

Walk of Jericho

† **July 15th 2017**

Open Doors Day

Guild Team Wins Peter's Memorial Cup

A tournament organized in memory of a fallen fellow student, the late Peter, at the start of the term saw several teams compete in a fierce competition. Teams that participated included the VTI Instructors, Team Jerusalem, Team Hotel, Team Gardeners, Team Guild Council, and Team VFA Primary. Team Guild Council emerged winners after beating Team Gardeners. A one Landaus a player for the Guild team broke the records by scoring some goals! Many people turned up to watch the games and the organizers were very satisfied that their efforts to remember a fallen colleague through the games was a success.

By Our Reporter



Dance Heaven

College Wins Big, Takes Spotlight



Editor's Word

Hello! In this Edition of the Vocation Newsletter, we look at several key events including the hotly contested annual Dance Heaven, the unforgettable Genesis Fashion Show, two guest writers, message from the Institute's Principal, an article from the outgoing Guild President and so much more! The hope is that this newsletter revives the beautiful memories of God's love for us all through the daily events we encounter. As a message to the student community, one Key word "Prioritize". Set your goals and pray about them and don't wonder from them and you will always succeed. Many times we start off well and then we start to do the things that we don't necessarily need in order to achieve our goals - then we fail! There is a saying that the man at the mountain top is not there because he was born there, he got there by climbing one step at a time. Your goal is to succeed at your academics, well start by reading a topic at a time and learn to share knowledge. Enjoy!

Martin Praus - Chief Editor

Principal's Message

In this first edition of the institute's 2017 newsletter, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the parents who showed up for the Parent's Teacher's Association meeting on February 25, 2017. You reminded us that your children are always your first priority and we want to assure you that our commitment is to provide a safe and intel-

Dance heaven is an event organized in first term by students to show case different kinds of dance accompanied with music and sound from drums and local musical instruments. These dances can be either traditional or modern but glorify God. The dance heaven involved over twelve groups with only nine groups vying for the final prize - a "vfa-handshake" and whole cow to celebrate as the entire Vision family! The prominent Teams eligible to win in the event included: True Love Waits (Team Nsegga), Maranatha, Conquerors Dance Crew, Jungle Boys Crew, Namugongo NSVS, God's Army, Heaven's Sent, Connect. God's Army scooped the first position winning a 150,000Shs Prize; Second runners up were

Winner Bags 150,000

Heaven's sent. Both teams come from the VFA Christian College. Maranatha emerged third in this dance competition. The show was a "sell-out" with unending cheers and ululations from the audience. Indeed the dance by each group that was exhibited glorified the almighty God. On behalf of the organizing committee, I want congratulate the winner, the groups that participated, the judges for unbiased work done and audience for cheering up the groups that were on stage thank you so much.

By Alfred Wasswa - Member Organizing Committee Dance Heaven 2017 Edition

(Additional reporting by George Asante and Eric Bukenya)

ually challenging environment that will empower students to become innovative thinkers, creative problem solvers, inspired learner and career ready. I wish you all a wonderful school year. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me and know that my door is always open. I am honored to serve as your principal. Principal VFA VTI - Jesse James Akena.

VFA Hosts First Annual Fashion Show



On the 25th February, 2017 Vision for Africa Intl. held for the first time the Genesis Fashion Show in Kiyunga, Mukono, Uganda, which was organized by Teddy the HRM Vision for Africa Intl., it was quite a great experience and a lot of upcoming designers were invited. Vision for Africa Fashion School

was also part of the show and they show cased a lot of their work, and designers showcased there outfits, the main aim for the fashion show was to give exposure to upcoming designers. The fashion show is Christ centered and is planned to be held annually. - *By Our Reporter*

Top Designers Present

- 1 Raphael
- 2 Fatuma
- 3 Sylvia (zaffe collections)
- 4 Emmanuel Bagwana (Eguana kampala)
- 5 Vision for Africa fashion school

Understanding Relationships

By Thea Hüter

If we talk about relationships we mostly mean connections between two or more people. There are different relationships like friendship, business connections, social connections, dependences. The strongest relationship should be between us and Jesus; He made us to be related to him. God wants us to be his children. He wants us to accept him as the one and only who can take care of us in any situation and who knows what the best is for us. He wants us to trust him, to rely on him, and to love him, to depend on him.

The first relationship on earth for us human beings is the connection to our parents, at first to our mother. The mother, who carried us 9 month in her womb, knows what the best is for us. The connection we have to

her, normally cannot break, because the bond has been made already before our knowingly existence. When we are hungry in the night she gets up and feeds us no matter how tired she is. When we have fallen she comforts us. When we are sick, she cares for us. We are really related to her. And then there is something called love. This relationship is the nearest to the wish of God who wants two people to become one in order to be fruitful and to stay for the whole life together. To be related to one another, to take care for one another, to be faithful and to believe in one another, to trust and to respect one another. That is hard work, but very often also so sweet that we could die for it. Even friendship is comparable to that. The respect comes first, then the trust and honesty, the faithfulness and the wish to care for one another.

Guest Writer



FRIENDSHIP
By Eric Bukenya

What is friendship? Well this is what the dictionary says about friendship, it is the condition of being friends, who is a friend? Well a friend is a person other than a family member, spouse or lover whose company one enjoys and towards whom one feels affection, well this is true, everyone needs friends, what do you think, friends can be of a positive or a negative attitude, it's your choice to choose what you think are the right friends you need to have in life. Well quote this, it may be of encouragement to you, "friendship is sweet when it's new, sweeter when it's true but sweetest when it's you."

"Quote"

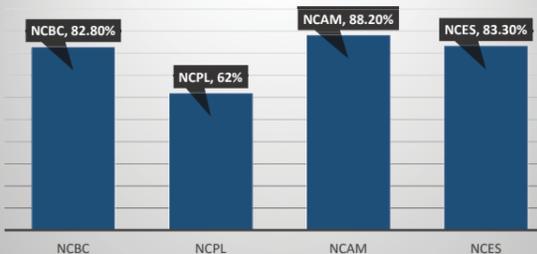
"You can never go further than the crowd you follow. Chart your own Path in life. In the end you will not be judged by how glamorous your life was but by how you used your time to glorify God. Remember crowds always take the wider road."

88.2%
PASS

UBTEB 2016 The "Power" leads

The overall performance was impressive with a few students registering retakes. Most of the students passed with distinctions and credits.
By Nanziri Fatuma

Percentage Pass



Freshers Welcomed in Style

By George Asante and Peter Sempa

The Fresher's ball was held in Vision for Africa Vocation Institute on 10th March 2017. It was organized by the Entertainment Cabinet headed by George Asante. The party was intended to welcome all new students into the school and give them a fun moment. The function was kick started with sport competitions at 2:00PM which included swimming, Volleyball and Football with matches between new and continuing students. There after the function continued with an official dinner at the campus community hall. The two DJs and MCs of the day were equally funny and entertaining. Performances didn't miss either, from dancing to miming to singing! The function was also graced with a catwalk which saw the crowning of a new Mr. and Miss Fresher 2017. And you guessed right, Cake was cut and served. The event saw TCG's Pius Nsereko become the new Mr. Fresher and HDB's Chance Milly Miriam Crowned Miss Fresher. The event was a fun day and it will always be remembered.

Testing the limits

By Steven Kawuma, Guild President.

Something has been nagging at me for a long time. There is something I need to say out loud to everyone before I leave office. It's something that I have wanted to say for a long time but I have been struggling with the right words to use. I need to tell people what is the importance of the activism I was engaged in and why I couldn't bail out of it.

I was dying to get out my life till when I made my way up a steep hill to politics. It was the darkest chapter of my life long discomfoting like being put in a box not knowing that it was creating my passion for charisma as the ear-nest. Normally self-affirmation is reserved for instances

in which identity is threatened in direct ways like race, gender, age and weight. On all issues, attitude, confidence, persistence and hard work become more accurate with self-affirmation and remain just as inaccurate without.

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Conclusively, your efforts portray that whatever you want to create in your life is yours for the making.

As long as you desire it enough and allow its will to guide you, you can be whatever your heart desires. The only one that can put limits on our personal will is one self. Escalate and articulate your will to create and all the forces of nature within and without will help you bring your desire to pass.