

Campus Life News & Activities

Spring semester 2015-2016

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Feb 10, 2016

Informative and academic presentation to Prep students

With the support of the Campus Life Department, an informative and academic presentation to Pre Beginner and Beginner students was delivered in the Lecture Hall by Mr. Ross Young, Chair of the Prep Program.

A general overview and useful tips were given to students to help them to have a successful semester, after which there were questions and answers about any academic concerns.

Similar presentation for intermediate and advanced students were also organized.



Al Jenadriyah Festival, February 4, 2016.

The President of PMU student Council, Mr. Musab Al Khaldi represented PMU students at Al Jenadriyah Festival held in Riyadh where a PMU booth was organized by the Department of Public Relations.



PMU Eng. students at the dinner meeting organized by the American Society for Material, Thursday 18 Feb.

A dinner meeting was arranged at Sunset Resort by the American Society for Material (ASM) and Saudi council of Engineers to highlight the future of nuclear energy. Dean, faculty and Students from the college of engineering represented by ASME-PMU chapter, SPE, and Student Council attended the meeting. The lecture topics introduced several items:

- 1) The future of Nuclear energy in Saudi Arabia
- 2) The fundamentals of the nuclear power generation
- 3) The history of the nuclear energy for power plants build and commissioned by the French company AREVA
- 4) The disaster history of the nuclear power plant
- 5) The safety about the newest fourth generation reactors

Finally, the presentation ended by a raffle where some students won valuable prizes followed by a dinner.



How to be a successful Student at PMU, by Dr. Muhammad Waqar Ashraf

Feb. 17, 2016

Although a student's life can be exciting, it can also bring pressures and be stressful at times. For this reason, the Department of Health Care and Counseling (Student Affairs Division) organized and presented a workshop entitled How to be a successful Student at Prince Mohammad University presented by Dr. Muhammad Waqar Ashraf . Is hard work on its own sufficient for university success? The short answer is NO. That was what Dr. Ashraf highlighted in his lecture.



Al Awael High school visit to PMU

16 Feb. 2016

Under the supervision of the Division of Student Affairs, a selected group from Al Awael high school visited PMU last Tuesday.

The group was received and welcomed by the Department of Campus Life represented by the Student Council and got important information about PMU; after which, they were offered a Campus Tour which highlighted PMU main facilities.

Pictures were taken by the Media Club



IEEE Branch participation in the annual Khobar festival

The PMU-IEEE Branch recently participated in the annual Khobar festival, supervised by the municipality. PMU students conducted an awareness activity for children at their booth, consisting of electrical experiments, and games about circuits, with more than 500 children participating.

Among the visitors to the PMU-IEEE booth, were the senior portfolio manager for South Asia and Arab World of UN Volunteer (UNV) Program, Dr. Ibrahim Hussein, and the General Secretary of the Eastern Province Eng. Fahad Al-Jubair

Please check the article written in the Alsharq News Paper:

<https://www.alsharq.net.sa/2016/01/16/1465556>





PMU Chess Club and Community Awareness

Feb. 18-19, 2016

The PMU Chess Club has supported the Social Association "Sanad", which supports children with Cancer. Our Chess Club invited children from all walks of life in the community, to animate and enrich their young lives by both learning something new and educationally beneficial, and enjoying participating in a social activity in Dammam.

Chess club members taught children how to play chess, and organized chess games during a 2 day event, packed with learning opportunities, and the chance to make new friends in a stimulating and safe environment. Chess players who learn the game at a young age are almost always excellent students throughout their lives, because of the intellectual stimulation. Playing chess is so much better for children than playing with their smartphones!!

The event's profits will be used entirely to support this noble cause, which is improving the lives of young Cancer sufferers, and providing for their medical needs.

The contribution which PMU students made was much appreciated by the visitors, and organizers as well.

Well done the PMU Chess Club!

Pictures were taken by student Abdullah Al Chehri, from Media Club



Petro Environment Conference and Exhibit 2016

Feb 22-24

For the second time, with the collaboration of the Division of Student Affairs, the College of Engineering at PMU participated, and was a major partner in the Petro Environment Conference 2016, that was held at the Dhahran Expo.

The following were the highlights of the event:

- The Dean of the College of Engineering, and Dr. Omar Ouda chaired one of the technical sessions
- A booth was set up to display the senior design projects and activities of the ASME-PMU chapter, SPE, ASCE and IEEE, all managed by PMU students.
- A presentation was given by Dr. Nader Nader from the Mechanical Engineering Department entitled "Design of Solar Hybrid Air Conditioners"
- A poster presentation was displayed at the conference by the Civil Engineering students advised by Dr. Omar Ouda. The following students won second place for best poster presentation: *Abdulrahman Al-Blooshi, Umar I. Ahmed, Wasi Ul. Hassan, Mohammed Shammout.*
- A selected team of students was chosen to assist the organizers in the registration and technical sessions, and they were congratulated for their outstanding contribution; as a matter of fact, they will be called upon again for support in future events.
- The chair of Mechanical Engineering, Dr. Ali Chamkha, and the chair of Civil Engineering, Dr. Andy Aziz attended, encouraged and supported our students at the conference. Engineering faculty and students from the College of Engineering were strongly represented throughout the days of the conference

This activity was organized with the full support of the Department of Campus Life at PMU.







PMU Rovers Club

Rover clubs are part of the Saudi Boy Scouts Association (SBSA); they often participate in events organized by the association, supported by it, or supporting the association itself.

The boy scouts was created in 1920 by Lord Baden Powell as a non-profit, non-political movement designed to help people in need. The values have been the same ever since and shared by all the scout groups. Late King Abdul Aziz decided to implement it in Saudi Arabia updating the values in order to respect the Islamic culture of SA.

Created recently, PMU's Rovers Club has participated in two events so far; the two events are: the annual opening ceremony of Dammam University Rovers Club and the rovers' initiating program.

Following is a brief summary about these two events.

In the first event, the members of the PMU Rovers Club attended the opening ceremony at DU and got in touch with DU Rovers to get a better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of rover clubs in and out of the universities they belong to. Moreover, they got an open invitation for the upcoming Rovers initiating program, organized by the Saudi Boy Scout Association and facilitated by Rovers leaders at DU, including faculty.

The second event was the Initiation and Qualification Program for Rovers' Leaders.

This program is certified by the Saudi Boy Scouts Association. It is designed to train Rovers to become leaders, and teaches them about the vision and goals of the association.

The program was split into two parts. The first included lectures about team building and leadership skills, while the second consisted of a two day camping trip including open air activities and skills learning.

The PMU Rovers learnt a lot from these activities, and will transfer their knowledge and skills to new members at PMU.



Chamber of Commerce Presentation - Entrepreneur program

2 March, 2016

Under the supervision of the Division of Student Affairs, and with the support of the Student Council, the Chamber of Commerce team visited PMU on Wednesday March the second, and presented their ***"Riyadyoun" Entrepreneur program***, followed by a success story presented by Mr. Khaled al Chunaiber reporting his business experience, including challenges, successes and failures which enhanced his personality and allowed him to have his own business. In addition, Mr. Khaled gave students informative tips to help them become entrepreneurs and successful in the business world.

Thank you Chamber of Commerce!

The following pictures were taken by the Media Department at PMU:





Chess Club Regional achievement

After winning as the **best player under 30 years** old in the previous Chess Saudi Championship (January 2016), our young talented student **Umar Malik**, was selected with 5 other players from Saudi to represent Saudi Arabia during the international tournament held in Kuwait, on March 12th, 2016; this was followed by a game against the Kuwait team where the Saudi team won this game (score: 8-7).

Congratulations!





Media Club at the ADASA Festival – Kuwait



The Media Club attended last weekend the ADASA Festival organized in Kuwait by the Kuwaiti Ministry for the Youth Affairs and which included:

- Audio/visual arts showcasing
- Art Exhibitions
- Workshops // Lectures // Panels with professionals from Kuwait and the region.

As always, Media Club members earned respect from the organizers for their professionalism and were great ambassadors for PMU.

As a matter of fact, they received a VIP invitation from the Kuwaiti Ministry for the Youth Affairs to participate in the next Youth Gulf Forum held this coming weekend about the youth role in the Community Service.

Please check the following video prepared by the Media Club:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FGZBujH070&feature=youtu.be>

قام النادي الإعلامي بجامعة الأمير محمد بن فهد بزيارة مهرجان عدسة المقام من قبل وزارة الدولة لشئون الشباب في دولة الكويت من ١٠ مارس إلى ١٢ مارس، وقام النادي بتغطية المهرجان، وهو مهرجان جامع للفن بشكل عام من فن رسم وفن الخط والتصوير الفوتغرافي و عرض الأفلام السينمائية، وقد قام النادي الإعلامي بتغطية المهرجان من صور و عمل عدة مقابلات منها مقابلة مع المصور المبدع ماجد سلطان وكان يتحدث عن مشواره بالتصوير وعمله التطوعي مع جمعية العون المباشر في افريقيا والمقابلة الاخرى مع الإعلامي المتألق ضاري مشعل وكان يتحدث عن مشواره بالإعلام وبالتقديم خاصة وأنه يجب على الإعلامي الناجح أن يكون متقن ليثبت نفسه

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Eng. students Visit to Ras Tanura refinery plant

March 5th, 2016

The Mechanical Engineering Department and the ASME-PMU chapter students visited Ras Tanura refinery plant. The students acquired knowledge on different machining equipment such as Lathe, drilling, and CNC machines. A testing of pressure relief valve was demonstrated in which the students learned all about the safety regulations and testing procedures. In addition, students attended the exhibition show where different components and sections of turbo machinery units were displayed. The visit was coordinated with the Department of Campus Life.





Students visit to the exhibition of late King Fahd at KFUPM



With the support of the Department of the Public Relations, a selected group of students visited the exhibition of late King Fahd at KFUPM

This trip was organized by the Department of Campus Life



Visit to Prince Sultan's Center for Disabled Persons

As part of an open day ceremony for the inclusion of disabled persons which was held at Prince Sultan's Center for Disabled Persons, a group of PMU students supervised by Dr. Yazan Mohammad Alghazo participated in the event. The purpose of the event was the inclusion of special needs children and students with the local community. The open day included participation from several educational institutions within the Eastern Province including Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University.

شارك طلاب من جامعة الأمير محمد بن فهد بإشراف الدكتور بزن محمد الغزو في فعاليات اليوم المفتوح للدمج بتنظيم من مجمع الأمير سلطان للتأهيل والذي يهدف الى دمج ذوي الاحتياجات الخاصة مع الأشخاص العاديين في المجتمع. و قد تضمنت الفعاليات مشاركات من العديد من المؤسسات والمراكز التعليميه في المنطقه الشرقيه و من ضمنها جامعة الأمير محمد بن فهد.





Back to School PMU Blood Drive (Mid-Semester Break)

Under the supervision of Student Affairs, the Department of Health Care & Counseling, in coordination with King Fahad University Hospital, launched the Blood Donation Campaign last Sunday, 20th of March 2016 in the male campus. A team of 8 members

comprised of doctors and nurses came to support this campaign. “Give Blood Give Life Share Love” was the theme of this campaign. Donors lined up from 9 am till 1 pm to donate to this noble cause. A total of 91 donors signed up out of which 89 healthy donors were selected. Two didn’t qualify due to low hemoglobin or because they were on medication and had a fever. The Blood Donation Campaign served as part of the university continuous effort to assist the larger community of the Eastern Province in replenishing the stock levels and help the sick. Dr. Amir , during the blood donation, emphasized that we should not think of blood donation as a duty or responsibility, rather, it is a privilege given to us. Blood donation not only saves other people's lives, but being a blood donor gives us 1) an opportunity for our own health checkups, 2) decreases our risk for heart diseases 3) burns calories, 4) reduces cancer risk and 5) provides the satisfaction that we save lives.

The PMU nurse noted that the response to the blood donation campaign was great and encouraging, resulting in no significant problems. Moreover, the Division of Student Affairs along with the Health Care & Counseling Department thanked the effort of King Fahad University Hospital for aiding PMU in this campaign.





PMU Annual Humanities Week

Week 2016 Think • Write • Speak » **EXCEL**

Under the supervision of the Division of Student Affairs, the Core Program, the Prep program and the Campus Life organized the annual Humanities Week.

This year, the HWeek was led by co-chair Dr. Yazan Al Ghazo and set with six humanities and social sciences competitions open to all undergraduate students, day and evening schedule: **Leadership Essay, Persuasive Speech, Dictation, Teamwork competition, Best short movie and Research Poster Presentation.**

Moreover, lectures and workshops on leadership and Team work were also organized.

- The Research Poster Presentation event focused on secondary data analysis where students - Abdullah Dakhel Aldakhil, Wahab Hussain Al Mohsin, Yousuf Alghazzawi and Ziyad Ghassan Alghamdi- presented their research organized and lead by the faculty member Alexander Woodman.

The objective of the latter was to engage future leaders to conduct and present their research in a non-traditional way, discuss their research results, communicate with fellow peers and learn from each other. Students were very excited and we all are looking forward taking this experience to local-national-and international research conferences.

- The Persuasive Speech Contest topic was about PMU six Competencies, with 8 competitors all having excellent communication skills. The event was organized and managed by Dr. Ali Alghazo and the jury consisted of Dr. Yazan M. Alghazo, Mr. Gregory Poole, and Dr. Ali Alghazo.
- The title of the leadership lecture was: *Situational Life Cycle Leadership Decision Continuum* and was presented by Mr. Gregory Poole; it attracted many attendees among day and evening students.
- Teamwork and Leadership workshop competitions were organized and managed by Dr. Yazan Alghazo.
- Movie competition was organized and managed by Dr. Yazan M. Al Ghazo
- Essay competition was managed by Dr. Jorg Wilhelm Muth, subject was Leadership Essay
- Organized for the first time ever at PMU, Dictation competition was managed by Mr. Jason Isaac and was a great success, especially among Beginners students.

The Humanities week proved to be a success, due to the great efforts and support of PMU volunteering Students and to the organizing Deanships, Departments and mostly the entire Faculty who attended, supported the competitions and encouraged their students to participate, however a few are to be named and acknowledged for the success of this Event:

- Dean Of Student Affairs, Mr. Omar Elmoussa
- Dr. Muhamad Ashraf, dean of Core Curricular Program
- Mr. Iyad Bader, Director of Student Services
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- Assistant Professor Humanities and Social Sciences , Dr. Yazan Alghazo – Co-Chair/Lead Organizer
- Campus Life Staff, Mr. Omar Baroody
- Assistant Professor Humanities and Social Sciences, Dr. Jurg Muth
- Assistant Professor Humanities and Social Sciences, Dr. Ali Alghazo
- Instructor Humanities and Social Sciences, Mr. Gregory Pool
- Instructor Humanities and Social Sciences, Mr. Alexander Woodman.
- Instructor English Prep-Program, Mr. Jason Isaac

An award ceremony will be organized very soon and Winners of each competition will be announced and will receive trophies and valuable prizes for their performance.

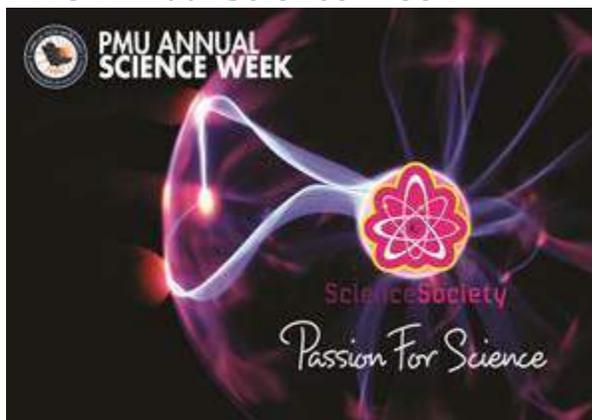
Volunteers, participants and attendees will receive certificates as well.

The following pictures were taken by Media Department and Media Club:





PMU Annual Science Week



Under the supervision of Student Affairs, and in close partnership with the Department of Math and Sciences, the Campus Life Department organized the Annual PMU Science Week.

- On Day 1, a Math Presentation took place, managed by Dr. Wadii Hajji
- On Day 2, a Math Decathlon was organized by Mr. Nader Green with the contribution of all Math Faculty
- On Day 3, The Prep atrium was filled with many hands-on science projects, models, experiments and many other interesting and inspiring projects, all displayed by PMU students. A jury composed of the Department's Faculty and chaired by Dr. Imad Muhi evaluated them and chose the best achievements.

The Vice Rector for Academic Affairs, Dr. Muhammed Al Mulhem, the Dean of the Core Curriculum Program, Dr. Muhammad Ashraf and the Director of Student Services Mr. Iyad Bader, visited the exhibition and listened to the students' explanations and acknowledged their efforts, they also attended the Math Decathlon.

The event was intended to support students' creativity, stimulate their confidence, and their sense of positive competition, as well as encourage youth passion for science.

The winners of this Annual Science Week will be announced during the awards ceremony which will be announced very soon.

The Department of Campus Life would like to acknowledge the efforts of all the participants, supporters and mainly the Core Program Faculty who contributed in the success of this year's Science Week.

Pictures were taken by the Media Department at PMU and the PMU Media Club







Professional development, transition from academic life to the real-world

April 24, 2016

Guest speakers have become an important part of the educational experience for students worldwide. They expose students to real-world life experiences from the position of someone who has been there. Students get to see the insight and perspective of the guest speaker's particular field. Another added benefit is the link that students get to make between what they learn in their textbooks and what they learn from the guest speaker. Research indicates that it helps students build important connections between what they are learning and the real world.

Under the supervision of the Division of Student Affairs, and in collaboration with the Core Program, the Department of Campus Life hosted guest speaker Mr. Feras Al-Ruwais, from Saudi Aramco Business and Portfolio Analyst for a lecture followed by a group discussion.

Mr. Al-Ruwais presented the importance of effective communication, continuous learning, taking initiatives, and time management. Students were enthusiastically participating and interacting.

The discussion was facilitated by the faculty member Alex Woodman.

This was an exciting opportunity to network and learn from young professionals working at Saudi Aramco.





Media Club visit to Al Yaoum Newspaper

21 April, 2016

The Media club members visited Al Yaoum Newspaper and discussed with its management a future cooperation and collaboration to issue a campus Newspaper. The Editor in chief promised to offer a proper training for its members and to fully support the club with its initiative.



صورة جماعية مع رئيس التحرير

اليوم MEDIA Club



اجتماع النادي الإعلامي مع رئيس تحرير دار اليوم

اليوم MEDIA Club

Sources of Knowledge - محاضرة بعنوان مصادر المعرفة

The Isocial Club invited Instructor Toufic Al Amri for an interesting presentation about the sources of knowledge



Wellness Day Smoke Free Run

Wednesday 20 April, 2016

PMU always support the students with many events in order to develop their talent and keep them active and this is what makes our university special.

The Idea of having a Smoke free run is to help smokers to quit, a study has shown that people who exercise are able to quit smoking by 50%: Running improves endurance and aerobic fitness levels, because of heart and lung functioning.

On the end of the Wellness Day, more than one Hundred of PMU students decided to say NO to smoking and ran around the campus a distance of 2 miles.

Water stations were available on the track, and all the participants received a medal for achieving the run.

This run was organized by the Running Club, under the supervision of the Division of Student Affairs and in close partnership of the Department of Physical Education at PMU.

As per the results: Instructor Omar Serigne Nicolas came first, followed by instructor **Jason Isaac** for the second place and student **Jassim Abu Bakr** for the third place.

At the end of the run, participants were congratulated by Vice Rector Dr. Muhammad Al Mulhem and Director Iyad Badr

An award ceremony will be organized soon to reward the winners.

Pictures were taken by the Media Department and the Media Club

We would like to thank the following for their support and participation:

- The Department of Health and Counseling
- The Department of Physical Education
- The Department of Safety and Security
- The Department of Media
- Campus Life Staff
- ASME Club
- Running club
- Students Omar Al Naim and Khalid Al Mousa for sponsoring the catering
- **Adventure Jeepers** who escorted the runners and protected them
- The Media Club
- All the students who participated as runners or as volunteers and who secured the water station, the course and managed the Finish Line, especially the PE students.
- All the PE faculty who encouraged their students to participate





Entrepreneurship program - Aramco

Thursday 14th of April, 2016



The Business Club was invited by Aramco to learn about their entrepreneurship program and its elements, including Ideation, Market, Branding, and Pitching.
The trip was organized in coordination with the College of Business





Visit to April Fools art show



On the 29th of April *PMU Sketch Productions* attended the opening of *April Fools art show* for the artist **Zahrah Al-Matrook**.

The event was held at *Desert design art gallery*, Zahrah grabbed the attention of the audience by showing the other side of her gallery which is in the dark.

April fools show us how to see things from different point of view, and how people can see things from different perspectives.

The following students represented PMU:

Moath Al-refai	President
Omar Najdi	Artist
Muhanna Al-Naimi	Artist
Abdullah Al-Qahtani	Photographer



Student Field Trip to Zamil Company

ASME-PMU Chapter in coordination with campus life organized a trip to Al-Zamil HVAC industries at Dammam on Thursday 21/04/2016.

Students learnt the manufacturing process for the Air conditioning units with high capacity such as Chillers, Air handlers, and Heat Exchangers.

The trip was part of the requirements for the HVAC and Manufacturing courses offered at the Mechanical Engineering Department.

The Department of Campus Life and ASME Chapter would like to thank Zamil Company and the Department of Transportation at PMU for the success of this trip



Mechanical Engineering Day at PMU

The Mechanical Engineering Department Faculty and Students held their first students' exhibition of their Senior Design Projects on May 5th, 2016.

The vice Rector Dr. Muhammad Al-Mulhem opened the exhibition by cutting the ribbon, reviewed all the projects and listened to the students' presentation and discussions of their projects.

This event was organized with the support of the Department of Engineering at PMU, the Department of Campus Life and the ASME students who were present throughout the event.

The event was very successful and it was a great presentation experience for the students. This was the first time in the history of the department to do a professional exhibition and display of the Senior Design Projects outdoors.

Many of the projects used solar energy and other means of design and manufacturing. Parents attended the exhibition as well and thanked the university officials for helping the students to present their quality projects. We look forward to have this event on a yearly basis in a designated air-conditioned location.











Media Club Best Picture competition:

The Media Club organized a competition for the best picture taken on campus; it was open for female and male students. The winner was Abdullah Al Shehri and received a trophy and a valuable prize.

Congratulations to the winner!





Poetry Event

For the second time at PMU, a poetry event was organized by PMU students and had a huge success among those who watched it.



Safety Club News: Fire Trainings



Under the supervision of the Division of Student Affairs, , the Safety Club at PMU organized two training sessions on how to use the fire extinguishers and how to control the fire properly.

The first session took place at the Saudi Electricity Company in Dammam and the second session took place in Aramco.







Media Club Passing Torch



The passing torch ceremony between former president Mr. Abdurrahman Al Arfaj and new president Mr. Saleh Al Hussain took place in presence of the members of the club

Study Abroad Program (SAP)

Under the supervision of the Division of Student Affairs, a successful campaign was organized by the Registrar's Office and the Department of Campus Life on both campuses to promote and explain more about PMU Study Abroad Program.

As a result, more than **60 female and male students** showed their interest to apply for this unique and exceptional opportunity.

After applying, students who meet the requirements will be nominated by PMU to participate in the program.

The Study Abroad Program will provide some PMU students with the opportunity to experience the world, broaden their horizons and enhance their PMU Competencies to become a global graduate.

*SAP is one opportunity to enhance your personal, academic & professional growth.
The study abroad program will be limited only to a semester or one year maximum...*







Humanities Science week Award CEREMONY: Hussain

E Eng. Projects

Capstone Undergraduate Research Project Competition

Design Competition