

GOOD NEWS, NIGERIA!

“The nation needs men who think in terms of service to their country and not in terms of their country's debt to them.”
- Omar Nelson Bradley



NIGERIAN CHESS MASTER TUNDE ONAKOYA BREAKS THE RECORD FOR THE LONGEST CHESS MARATHON!

Tunde Onakoya, embarked on a chess marathon session, hoping to raise **\$1 million** for children's education across Africa through the record attempt.

He had set out to play the royal game for 58 hours but continued until he reached **60 hours**, surpassing the current chess marathon record of **56 hours, 9 minutes, and 37 seconds**, achieved in 2018 by Norwegians Hallvard Haug Fletebo and Sjur Feringstad.

Onakoya is also **a board member of the US non-profit**, The Gift of Chess, which works to transform lives through chess and hopes to distribute one million chess sets to underserved communities by 2030.

You are a trailblazer, Tunde!



THE FIRST BLACK WOMAN IN THE UNITED KINGDOM BECOMES A MICHELIN-STARRED CHEF!

Chishuru, a **UK-based restaurant** founded by **Nigerian chef Adejoke Bakare**, was one of **18 restaurants** awarded a Michelin Star. The restaurant, which started in 2020 as a temporary pop-up in Brixton, South London, has since flourished into one of the city's best eateries.

This makes Adejoke the first Black female Michelin-starred chef in the United Kingdom and the **second in the world**.

Michelin Stars are given by a collective of inspectors employed by the Michelin Guide, who visit different restaurants in about 40 countries as anonymous customers.

Keep winning, Adejoke!



THE FIRST BLACK WOMAN COMPLETES A SOLO TRIP FROM LONDON TO LAGOS!

Pelumi Nubi has etched her name in history as the first Black woman to complete a solo road trip from London to Lagos.

The UK-based Nigerian global traveler and travel content creator, Pelumi, took off from London on **January 30th**, traveling through West African countries before reaching her final destination, Lagos, Nigeria, on **April 7th**.

Her arrival was met with cheers from fans who followed her journey online, and the Lagos State government, which honored her achievement with **a new car, a house, and an ambassadorship for state tourism**.

We are cheering you on, Pelumi!



NIGERIA'S SUPER FALCONS QUALIFY FOR THE 2024 OLYMPICS!

The Nigerian women's national football team, the Super Falcons, has qualified for the women's football competition at the 2024 Olympics **in Paris**.

This marks the Super Falcons' return to the Olympics after the **Beijing 2008 Olympic Games**.

With the draw for the 2024 Olympics already decided, the Super Falcons are in Group C, along with Spain, Japan, and Brazil.

Keep flying, Falcons!



CHRIST THE KING COLLEGE (CKC), ONITSHA EMERGES OVERALL WINNER AT WORLD AFFAIRS CHALLENGE (WAC) 2024!

Nigeria emerged victorious at the prestigious World Affairs Challenge (WAC) 2024, as the **Christ the King College (CKC), Onitsha**, which represented the country, secured the coveted global **first-place position**.

The World Affairs Challenge, organized by **WorldDenver, a non-profit organisation**; empowers high school students to develop innovative solutions for the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. This year, students tackled critical issues like climate change, poverty, and inequality.

CKC Onitsha's journey started at the African Regional Competition, where they were named the **highest-scoring Nigerian team** and among the top five in Africa.

We celebrate these shining stars!



THE FIRST BLACK WOMAN ON THE BOARD OF ITALY'S FEMALE TOP-FLIGHT FOOTBALL CLUB!

Eniola Aluko, a Nigerian-born British former sports director for Aston Villa and Angel City in England, has made history by becoming the first African female to join the board of Italy's top-flight women's football club, **FC Como Women**. She has previously played for Chelsea's women's team and the UK national team.

She is one of the members of **Mercury 13**, an investment group focused on the development of women's football clubs, which recently finalized its \$100 million acquisition by securing a controlling stake in FC Como Women, a team competing in Italy's Serie A.

Nigeria is proud of you, Eniola!



OWOWOH MAKES HISTORY AS THE FIRST NIGERIAN WOMAN TO GRADUATE FROM SANDHURST!

Officer Cadet, Owowoh Princess Oluchukwu has graduated from the **United Kingdom's Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (RMAS)** as the first-ever Nigerian female officer.

The 24-year-old was one of the 135 officer cadets who graduated during RMAS's Sovereign's Parade in London. The parade marked the completion of **44 weeks of intensive training** for the Officer Cadets of Commissioning Course 232.

The head of the French Army represented His Majesty, King Charles at the ceremony.

You are a trailblazer, Princess!

We are all dealing with bad news on a daily basis, and the effects of the trauma will not be fully understood for many years to come. We are committed to curating **good news**, so share your **good news** with us!



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