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ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE FOR WOMEN , ALUVA



Principal's Message

St Xavier's College for Women, Aluva, with a glorious legacy of 54 years, has excelled in every field. In the fourth cycle of NAAC accreditation, the college has been bestowed with a higher "A grade". The blessings of our heavenly patron St. Francis Xavier and our foundress Servant of God Mother Eliswa and the hard work of the staff and students under the guidance of the visionary management has been instrumental in materializing our dreams and taking our college to greater success.

I am proud of being the Principal of an acclaimed and esteemed institution dedicated to the empowerment of woman. The college has the privilege of having a strong, harmonious ambience and

rich values which have played crucial role in shaping the future of innumerable students. Keeping our vision in mind let us join together for the empowerment of women through academic excellence and spiritual enlightenment for their educational, social and cultural enhancement. My firm belief is that the rich values and traditions imbibed here would carry our students to greater heights.

This newsletter will definitely help to showcase the activities that are happening in the campus. It also helps in building up teamwork which is very much needed today in the world of competition. It provides a platform for enumerating the merits and academic excellence of the faculty and the students.

Through education and their real empowerment let us give our best and make this institution a modern temple of learning through our diligence, devotion and dedication. Wishing you all the best.....!

Dr. Geege Joanamma Xavier (Sr. Shalini)
Principal

From the Editor's Desk

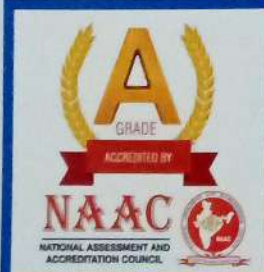


Greetings!

Welcome to another issue of Imprints, the Xaverian Newsletter which is the voice and the chronicle of our college activities. The Xaverian world is a mesmerizing world of curricular and extra curricular activities. This academic year witnessed the NAAC peer team visit and the fourth cycle of assessment, which culminated in our institution maintaining our A grade and being awarded with a higher CGPA score. The current issue offers a panoramic view of all the

college pursuits that kept the institution abuzz from June 2017 to March 2018. The academic year was replete with activities, achievements and accolades attained by all the departments and the faculty. I sincerely thank the management for all the help extended to me for bringing out this newsletter. Happy reading!

Namita Jonas, Editor



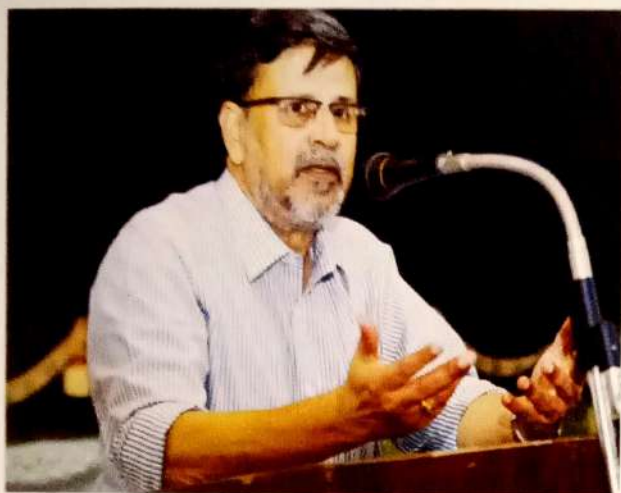
Perseverance Rewarded : NAAC 'A' Grade Awarded for SXC

St Xavier's has maintained the A grade in the NAAC accreditation process. We have in fact improved our performance index and achieved a CGPA of 3.33. It was indeed a proud moment for our beloved institution and this achievement was only possible because of the determined, thorough and harmonized efforts put in by the IQAC, the staff, alumni, and the students of SXC. But instead of resting on our laurels we have before us the enormous task of sustaining our pace and steering our institution to achieve greater heights of excellence. This should always be our pledge of the hour and the days to come.

DEPARTMENT ARCHIVES

ENGLISH

The activities of the English Association was inaugurated by prominent academician Professor Rangarajan who also officially released the manuscript magazine, 'Third Eye'. The Department of English and Communicative



English distributed study materials for the economically disadvantaged students as part of their social outreach programme 'PadamOnnu: Oru Kai Sahayam' in collaboration with Club FM. Vyazhavattom a monthly literary discussion which seeks to provides a platform for students to interact with authors and academicians about literary works, contemporary literature and new literary trends was formally inaugurated by academician, author and critic Dr. Madhu Vasudev. The second Rebecca Grace Thomas Memorial Lecture featured talks by Mr. John Paul, famous scenarist and film critic and Mr. Boney Mathew author and cartoonist. An Audio Visual studio equipped with the latest video editing and audio recording facilities was inaugurated as the new headquarters of Xav Radio. Mr. Jeswin Mathew eminent freelancing Audio Designer conducted a workshop on audio editing techniques using the software Neuendo. A career orientation class by Mr. Murali Thummarukkudy, Chief of Disaster Risk Reduction in the UN Environment Programme was conducted on the topic 'Women and Career'. The Communicative English Department along with the College union hosted an episode of the famous Surya TV game show Idu NjangaParanja Nadan anchored by Miss Renjini Haridas. Mr. Sarath Santhosh City Manager of Make A Difference (MAD) an Indian nonprofit organization working to ensure better outcomes for children in orphanages and shelters across India conducted an orientation programme for the students. The Department of Communicative English in collaboration with Neo Film School conducted a live shooting session Working with

Actors in which students were taught the finer nuances of film making. The department honoured the non-teaching staff under their All We Add is Love (AAL) campaign by distributing Onam kits. The communicative English fest Xav Virtuoso was inaugurated by Mr. Kamal Krishna. The Communicative English department collaborated with Ernakulam Medical Centre in conceptualizing, scripting and shooting a quality promotional video on patients rights. The department of English was recognized as a research centre with two research guides, Dr. Liss Marie Das and Dr. Lima Anthony.

MALAYALAM

The Malayalam Literary Association was inaugurated by renowned author Sri. Benyamin who also officially released the Manuscript Magazine Appoppanthadi and the annual literary edition Smrithi. The



department conducted a Vayanavaram week which was inaugurated by the famous poet Smt. Sandhya E. A seminar on 'Women and Media' in collaboration with All India Democratic Women Association was inaugurated by Dr. Aji C. Panicker, Syndicate Member at M. G. University. As part of an outreach programme 'JaivaMullaKrishi' (Onathinuoruvattipooovu) was flagged off at Sivagiri village. A Kadhakali performance featuring artistes like Kalamandalam Kuttikrishnan, Sadanam Krishnankutty and Kalanilayam Manoj was organized in collaboration with SPICMACAY. Dr. N. Ajayakumar, Professor, SSUS, Kaldy inaugurated Bhashadinacharanam and Golden Jubilee celebrations of the department. An endowment award in memory of Prof. Mary Juliet C. D was instituted. Talks were organized on 'Media and Ethics' by Dr. K. B. Jyothirghosh and 'Novel and Ecology' by Priya Nair." As part of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations, programmes such as Alumni meet, honouring retired teachers, literary competitions, International Mother Language Day and Campus Kaviyarrangu were organized. Dr. Geege Joanamma Xavier (Sr. Shalini) was recognized as Research guide by M. G. University.

HINDI

The department celebrated the 137th birthday of the Great Hindi writer Munshi Premchand. A power point presentation and a wall magazine was conceptualized



on this literary luminary. Hindi Day was celebrated for promoting the usage of the language.

ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

The activities of the Economics Association and Planning Forum were inaugurated by Dr. Nirmala Padmanabhan. She delivered a talk on 'Green Job and Green Consumerism' and also released the news letter 'Riflesso'. The National seminar



proceedings and the Hand written Manuscript 'Aazhi' was also simultaneously released by Prof. Latha Devi P.K during this occasion. The Department in collaboration with Social Department, SJ Province, Aluva organized a Social Outreach Programme 'Serve the Little' by providing financial aid to a tribal villages near Athirampalli. A session on 'Contemporary Challenges in Women Entrepreneurship' by Ms. Anby Baby Managing Director, Oookkens Engineering Company was arranged. To hone the entrepreneurship skill of the Students, the Department organized an 'Eco Mega Mela'. The department of Political Science observed Constitution Day in which a talk was organized on the topic 'Fundamental Duties of an Indian Citizen in the Constitutional Perspective' by Prof. Babu

V C. As part of the Golden Jubilee Year of the Department an ICSSR-SRC Sponsored National Symposium on 'Contemporary Issues in Economy and Society', was organized in association with Jain University, Bangalore. The inaugural address was delivered by Mr. Hibi Eden MLA, Ernakulam Constituency. Many prominent economists engaged various sessions. The Planning Forum of the Department organized an Inter Collegiate Educational Fest, 'Eco Aware' in memory of Rev. Mother Isabel, the founder Manger of the college and Prof. Rebecca Mathen. The fest was inaugurated by Mr. Prasanth Joseph CA, Financial Expert and Tax Consultant in Media. A paper presentation on 'Black Money, Corruption and Demonetization' a debate on 'GST: A Game changer or Not' along with a quiz on current affairs was organized as part of the fest. As part of the Academic week celebrations of the college, the department organised a session on 'Career opportunities in Banking and Financial Sector' by Sri. Joshi Paul Veliyath, Director, COO Xenturion Fintech. Dr. Job Chakkalakal delivered the lecture on the topic 'The Fall of Gulf Remittance : A Reality Check' as part of the Mother Mary Magdeline Memorial lecture. The Department of Political science organized a mind mapping competition and seminar in connection with Human Rights Day. Adv. Muhammed Shah delivered a lecture on the topic 'Social and Cultural rights of women in India'. The department of Political Science offered scholarship to students who secured highest marks in the complimentary course. As part of the Population Day Observance, Planning Forum conducted a Poster designing Competition on 'Gender Equality' and a Cartoon Competition on the topic 'Women Empowerment'.

BOTANY

The activities of the Botany association was inaugurated by Principal Sr. Reethamma who also released the manuscript magazine 'Blossoms'. The Department conducted a workshop on mushroom cultivation



by Mr. Unnikrishnan and re-established mushroom cultivation. A talk on water conservation by Dr. Seetharaman was organized under 'Paaristhikam'. Under the banner of Urjakiran (Funded by The Energy Management Centre - Kerala (EMC)) a workshop on LED bulb making was conducted for public. A Walkathon, cycle rally and a street play was conducted at Keezhmadu Panchayath. The department also conducted green audit for the college. A visit to KFRI Peechi was organized. A workshop was conducted on Botanical Illustrations by Dr. Joby Paul and on Herbarium techniques by Mr. Arjun Thomas. Two student projects were sanctioned by KSCSTE.

ZOOLOGY

The activities of Zoology Association were inaugurated



by Dr. Priyaja P, CUSAT. A seminar was conducted by Dr Martin G.D. on 'Water Conflicts and Challenges'. As part of International Ozone Day, an intercollegiate poster designing competition, documentary competition and talks were organized. Dr. Venu G Nair, Scientist, Centre for Earth Research and Environment Management, Kochi delivered a lecture on 'Story of Atmospheric Ozone and its impact on Biosphere' and Dr. Priyaja P, gave a lecture on 'Ozone & Marine Ecosystem.' In association with IISER, Trivandrum the department organized a seminar on 'Current Trends in Basic Sciences Research and Education'. The Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the department was formally inaugurated by Rev. Sr. Speciosa, former Principal and Manager. As a part of the college academic week a talk was organized by the department on 'Adolescent Health Issues' by Dr. Divya Jose, Consultant Gynecologist. A one day lecture on 'Applications of cytogenetics in Medicine' was conducted by Mrs. Jayalakshmi M Menon. Campus bird count was conducted in the college campus as part of Greater Backyard Bird Count. Bird expert Mr. Prem Chand R gave a class on bird identification and also familiarized the students to identify birds by their calls. Twenty five bird species were identified within the campus. They

students also visited Kadamangudi wetlands where they took Bird count. The data of both the bird counts were uploaded to e-bird a citizen-based bird observation network in the biological sciences. Under the DBT Star Scheme, students were given Hands-on training in Statistical Analysis by Dr. Ansa Alphonsa Antony of Statistics department. Mr. Amal T Anup took a class entitled 'Mastering M S Excel'. Thirty five students along with a faculty member visited Aiswarya Gramam in Kalady. Experiential learning through the visit acquainted students with various practices in rabbit farming, quail farming & cattle farming.

PHYSICS

The activities of Physics association were inaugurated by Dr. Malini K.A., of Vimala College, Thrissur, this was followed by talk on 'Beauty of Physics'. Classes for Junior Scientist Programme for High School Students were organized every Saturday. As part of extension activity



of the Department, the school linkage programme was arranged for SNDP School students. Both practical and theory sessions were organized. Demonstrations of the experiments were shown in the lab by PG students. A one day workshop on 'Virtual Lab', Talks on 'Career in Physics' by Dr. Roby Cherian and 'Women in Science' by Dr. Resmi R. were conducted. Two student projects of KSCSTE were sanctioned. The department also conducted a model exam for NET in association with Academy Of Physics Teachers.

CHEMISTRY

The activities of the Chemistry Association was inaugurated by Dr. P. V. Joseph and it was followed by a talk on 'Advances in the field of Chemical Research'. As a part of career orientation program a session on 'Interview

Techniques' was conducted by a certified trainer Mr. Vishnu Lona Jacob. A one day training programme was given to the Final B.Sc. Students on Antimicrobial assay at Unibiosys Biotech Research Lab. A visit to Sophisticated Test & Instrumentation Centre (STIC), CUSAT was



organised to get an experience on Analytical Techniques and Testing. Prof S. Murugan conducted a workshop on 'Micro Analysis' highlighting the importance of reducing chemical waste in laboratory experiments. A training programme was organised on 'Plastic Processing and Testing' at CBPST, Centre for Biopolymer Science and Technology.

MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

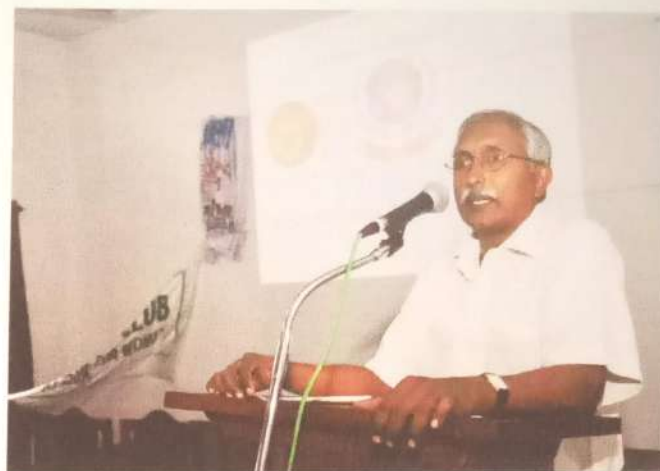
Prof. Sandi Klavsar, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia inaugurated the Activities of the department along with a three day International Conference in recent trends in graphs and networks held in memory of Late Rev. Sr. Bencita, former Principal and Head of the Depart-



ment of Mathematics. The department instituted Rev. Sr. Bencita Endowment Lecture series with the first lecture being delivered by Prof. Sandi Klavsar. An Add-on-course entitled 'Mathematical Aptitude' was started. The department in collaboration with Kerala Action Force constructed a house for a poor family in Muppathadam. The manuscript magazine 'Tropus' was brought out by the students.

MICROBIOLOGY

The activities of the Microbiology Association was inaugurated by Dr.Venu. G. Nair, Scientist, Centre for Earth Research and Environment. This was followed by 'Ozone Day Observation 2017' which was sponsored by



Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment in collaboration with the Department of Zoology and BhoomithraSena Club on the theme 'Caring for all under the sun'. Dr. Venu. G.Nair delivered a talk on 'The story of Atmospheric Ozone and its impact on Biosphere' followed by a talk on 'Ozone and Marine Ecosystem' by Dr. Priyaja. P, cusat. Painting and inter collegiate documentary competitions on the focal theme were conducted. The department also observed 'World Environment Day' by distributing tree saplings to students

COMMERCE

The activities of COMAX and a National workshop on GST was jointly inaugurated by C A Rahul Saria Head of Finance RentoMojo. Dr. K.H. Shajahan conducted a seminar on 'Career as a Company Secretary'. The department organized an international conference on 'Emerging Trends in Corporate Sector'. Mathew K. Varghese gave a talk on 'Indian and International Professional



Courses'. The department in association with LCC Academy started offering TALLY course training to students. Bank coaching classes were also conducted in collaboration with TIME Institute. Talks were arranged on 'Entrepreneurship Development', 'Creativity and Innovation', 'Financial Literacy' and 'Women Empowerment'. A resource person from Unique Management Training solution (UMTS) gave a talk on 'Opportunities in Commerce' to the final year students. A motivational class for Research Scholars was taken by an alumni Ms. Umapria K B.

COMMERCE (SELF FINANCING)

The activities of the Commerce association and club 'Club Commercio' was inaugurated by Ms. Tintia Mathew, Airport Manager, Cologne Bon Airport, Germany. The Department organized a one day National Seminar on 'Research Methodology' and Dr. Mavoothu D. of CUSAT was the resource person. The department organised a State level Workshop



on 'Women Empowerment: Women: Wind for a Change' which was inaugurated by Ms Khadeeja Majeed, EDARC Vanitha Wing Secretary. XJORC the department journal was released by the Principal and Exordium the newsletter was released by the IQAC Co-ordinator Dr. Sheena Xavier. PhD degrees were awarded to Ms. Resmi R. and Mr. Vijayan Kalleriparambath under the guideship of Dr. Sybila Pius Fernandez. Add on Courses in Tax Practitioner and Aviation Management were started by the department. The department organized workshops and sessions on various courses available to Commerce graduates. The department also distributed notebooks and study materials to the inmates of Snehakoodu. Industrial Visits was organised to CIAL, KITEX and ANNA ALUMINIUM.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The Department of Physical Education started the 24th Msgr. Augustine Maveli Memorial All Kerala Inter Collegiate Volleyball tournament and the Redempta Memorial All Kerala Intercollegiate basketball tournaments. Mr. Rajesh K inaugurated the tournaments. Mr. Abdulk Nassar K, Vice president distributed prizes to the Volleyball tournament winners and Mr. Jaison Peter, President Ernakulam District Basketball Association, gave away the prizes to the winners of the Basketball Matches. Assumption College were the winners of the Basketball tournament defeating St. Xavier's College in the finals. In Volleyball, St. Joseph's College, Irinjada won Msgr. Augustine Maveli memorial volleyball trophy defeating St. Xavier's College Aluva.

Basketball Team

Our team Participated in the Golden Jubilee All Kerala Inter Collegiate Basketball tournament organized by Assumption College, Changanasserry. The team won the Ernakulam District Basketball championship held at



Carmel Club, Aluva. They were Runners up in the M.G. University Intercollegiate Basketball Championship held in our college. The team also participated in the Senior State Basketball championship held at Mullankolly, Wayanad and were Runners up in the 24th Rev. Dr. Sr. Redempta memorial All Kerala Inter collegiate Basketball tournament organized by our college. They were also the winner in the 1st Dr. Seena Augustine Memorial South India Inter Collegiate Basketball championship held at Bharath Matha College Thrikkakara.

Volleyball team

The Volleyball team participated in the Sr. Treasa Mary memorial All Kerala Inter Collegiate Volleyball tournament organized by Assumption College, Changanasserry and

were winners in the Ernakulam District Youth Volleyball championship held at Kummanadu . The team won the Ernakulam District Senior Women Volleyball championship



held at Malayattor and the Exhibition Match at Manjipara. They were runners up in the M.G. University Intercollegiate Volleyball Championship held at Alphonsa College, Pala and in the 24th Msgr. Augustine Maveli organized by our college. The team also participated in the Senior State Volleyball championship held at Sulthan Battery.

Netball team

The Netball team were Runners up in the Ernakulam District Net ball championship held at U.C. College Aluva.



The team participated in the M. G. University Net ball championship held at Assumption College, Changanaserry.

Athletic team

The Athletics team won the Winners Trophy in District



Athletics championship held at M. A. College Stadium, Kothamangalam. The team also participated in the M. G. University Athletics Championship held at Pala.

Chess Tournament

Ms. Sugithra and Soniya secured 3rd place in the Albertian All Kerala Inter Collegiate Open Chess Tournament organized by St Albert's College Ernakulam.

Distinctions in Inter University Tournaments

Aswathy Raveendran and Jisha K S represented M G University in the South - West Zone Volleyball Championship and All India Inter University Volleyball Championships. The duo were members of the Kerala gold medal winning team which took part in the Youth National Volleyball championship held at Madhya Pradesh. Aswathy Raveendran was a member of the Pathanamthitta District Volleyball team and the Kerala team for the Senior Nationals Volleyball championship. Reshma Rapheal, Arya Mathew and Fathima Sumeera R participated in the Senior State Netball championship held at Kollam.

Distinctions in Zonal level Tournaments

Harsha Joy and Anju Mathew represented M G University in the South West Zone Basketball Championship held at Anna University, Madras and secured 3rd place. They also represented M.G University in the All India Inter University Basketball Championship held at Anna University, Madras where too they secured 3rd place.

COLLEGE STUDENTS COUNCIL

A parliamentary mode of election was conducted to select the members of the College Students Council.



The College Students' Council was inaugurated by Dr K.S. Radhakrishnan, Former Vice Chancellor, Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady and Former Chairman, Kerala Public Service Commission. The Arts Club was inaugurated by cine artists Ms. Prayaga Martin and Shri. Sanju Sivram. The Students' Council celebrated

Freshers' Day, Onam, Ethnic Day, Xaverian Day and Christmas with a variety of competitions and programmes. They also conducted an eco friendly notice board making Competition and Iftar Fest. The College Youth Festival DHANAK 2K17 was conducted on 5th, 7th and 8th with a variety of programmes. The Council also actively participated in the mega fair UTSAV by OSAX. Merit Day was conducted on 20th February 2018 and endowment prizes instituted by retired staff, proficiency prizes by PTA and various Scholarships were distributed to meritorious students.

The office bearers are

Name of the Post	Name	Class
Chairperson	Sharon Justin	II B.A. Comm. English
Vice Chairperson	Amenda Das	II B.Sc. Physics
General Secretary	Kajol Salim	III B.Com Travel & Tourism (S/F)
Magazine Editor	Bhavapriya	II B.A. English Literature
University Union	Shilpa S.	III B.Sc. Zoology
Councillors	Parvathy J.	III B.Sc. Maths
Batch Representatives		
I D.C. (S/F)	Aiswarya Venugopal	I B.Com Tax
II D.C.	Farsana Ali	II B.A. Economics
III D.C.	Santria Jose	III B.Sc. Maths
I P.G.	Donna Rachel Sam	I M.A. English
II P.G.	Sethulakshmy J.	II M.A. English

IQAC

The IQAC organised orientation/enrichment programmes for both teaching and Non-teaching staff, Motivational programmes for students and Meetings with the stake holders. Academic audit were conducted and feedbacks were collected. The Academic Week of the college was organized with a number of talks in all the departments like 'Women and Career', 'Adolescent Health Issues', 'Talk on Media', 'Career Opportunities in Banking and Financial Sector', 'Academic Enrichment and Management' and 'Aviation Management'. IQAC envisages constructive and dynamic years ahead with new initiatives in compliance with the Revised NAAC format.

NSS

Mr. Abhijith Shivale Assistant secretary of Central Ministry of

Youth Affairs and Sports visited the college and evaluated the activities of the unit. The unit helped Okhi rehabilitees with financial assistance, it distributed educational



awards and study materials for students at Panayikkulam, extended financial help for the construction of a house and a toilet for two residents at Ashokapuram. The unit also cleaned the railway station and painted the weighting benches. It conducted eye camps, blood donation camps, medical camps, self-job training and observed days of importance like World Environment Day, Blood Donor's Day, World Reading Day, Yoga Day, Anti Narcotics Day, Independence Day, Hiroshima Day, Alzheimer's Day, NSS Day, World Population Day, Cancer Day, Nature Protection Day, World Wetland's Day, Energy Conservation Day and National Youth Day. The unit donated packets of Christmas and Onam kits for dialysis patients of Taluk Hospital Aluva. A sewing machine was donated for a poor widow at Alangadu. NSS unit participated in a three days nature camp at Idukki Wildlife Department Vellappara. The NSS unit conducted a English Coaching Class for the students of Govt. HAC L P school Aluva, it donated a speaker set and painting kits to the school, constructed an organic vegetable garden and opened the post office savings account and insurance schemes Pradhan Manthri Bhima Yojana with donations for the mothers of 30 students of the school. It also opened 55 insurance scheme for the inmates of Madhavapuram colony. The unit conducted organic farming at Asoka LP School. The unit conducted a survey on Waste Disposal and Waste Management in connection with 'Harithakeralam' at ward no.22 of Aluva municipality. The unit participated in Arogya Jagratha project of Kerala Health Department and cleaned the Sivarathri Manappuram. Twenty five NSS volunteers attended two days Palliative Care Training. The unit organized classes on cyber crimes, anti narcotics, road awareness and sthree suraksha. The unit conducted seven days special camp "Jaivam 2017" in Kanakkary Grama panchayath and made it 100% organic literate.

NCC

The NCC cadets of St Xavier's College had another meritorious

year in 2017-2018 serving the college and the community. The NCC unit participated actively in various programmes organized by the college including observation



of Yoga day, Independence Day and Republic Day. Our cadets attended the All India Trekking Expedition at Nilgiris, Ooty, TSC preparatory camp at U.C. College, Aluva, the National Integration Camp at Roorkela, Odisha, RD preparatory camp at Thiruvillamala and the RD- IGC at Police Academy, Thrissur and the Annual Training camp at Police Academy, Thrissur. The cadets gave a Guard of Honour for the NAAC Peer team members. The cadets visited the Okhi relief camp at Njarakkal, with financial aid. Cadets participated in the class conducted by Aluva SI, Usha. A class on "Stree Suraksha" was conducted by Advocate Mariya.

PTA

The PTA assisted the college in the construction of college foyer, in digitalizing the college library and for the purchase of books. PTA distributed proficiency prizes and



certificates to the students who secured highest marks in examinations, outstanding students in NSS, NCC, Tourism Club and sports and felicitated award winners from the NSS unit and College Youth Festival. The coaches of volleyball and basketball were also honored with cash awards. Financial support was rendered to the NSS unit, Research Promotion Council, College Students' Council and Physical Education Department. PTA installed LCD Projectors in four departments. Talks were given by Fr. Tom Pannalakunnil, and Dr. N Jayashankar IRS.

ASAP

In collaboration with the Government of Kerala, the college has successfully conducted various Skill Acquisition Courses. Twenty one day residential training programme were conducted for two batches of thirty



was provided to students and the trainees underwent the APTIS online test conducted by British Council. The ASAP CET programme was inaugurated by Dr. Radha Thevannor, Director, SCMS Group of Institutions. The students of the programme interacted with the District Collector Mr. Muhammed Safirulla. The students were also taken to National University for Advanced Legal Studies (NUALS) Kalamassery and an interaction with the Vice Chancellor Dr. Rose Varghese was arranged. Thirty Five students were trained in Data Entry Operator Programme under DOT scheme. Thirty four first year students are attending Foundational Skill Course.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

TOURISM CLUB

The club observed World Environment Day with a poetry recitation competition. The members along with their teacher coordinators made a maiden journey in Kochi metro. The club conducted an Organic Vegetable Fest



with home grown vegetables. A Tourism Club Logo Design Competition was conducted. Expressing solidarity with Okhi affected victims, tourism club members visited the relief camp at Nayarambalam with financial aid. An Ethnic day

conducted. Tourism club won second prize in the intercollegiate programme 'Dance against...' organized by DTPC and Excise Department. In connection with World Tourism Day an interdepartmental quiz competition was conducted for the students. As part of the Tourism Day Celebrations, Centre for Heritage Studies, Department of Cultural Affairs, Government of Kerala conducted a quiz competition for college students. Malavika R. and Sruthi S.S. of our college won first prize.

BHOOMITHRA CLUB

The club was formally inaugurated by Aluva Ward counselor Mrs. Sarala K. V. by distributing tree saplings. The Club observed World Environment Day by conducting a workshop on paper bag making. International Ozone Day was observed on the focal theme 'Caring for all under the sun'. An ozone day workshop was attended by faculty and members at VJT Hall Thiruvananthapuram. The club in association with District Suchitwa Mission conducted various competitions on the topic 'Swachata Hi Seva'. The club in collaboration with Social Forestry Department cleaned Aluva Manapuram. A class was also given by Prof. Sitaraman on environment protection.



Smt. Padma Mahanti IFS inaugurated an orientation for the club members. A sale of vegetables, cloth bags and biofertilisers was conducted on OSAX Day. In commemoration of Wetland Day members visited Malipuram mangrove site and Aqua farm. National Science Day Paper Presentations were carried out on the theme Science and Technology for Sustainable Future. A Jala Jagratha Yatra was conducted through the Periyar river. A nature camp and photography competition on nature was held at Suvarna Udyan, Athani Biological Park under Social Forestry Department.

E.D. CLUB

The Club organized an Entrepreneurship Development Seminar in collaboration with District Industries Centre,

Aluva. Additional District Industries Officer Mr. Praven M and Industries Extension Officer Mrs. Jasmine handled



the sessions. It also organized a 3 day Entrepreneurial Awareness Camp in collaboration with KITCO. The students were taken to Hitech Bio Fertilizers Unit. To hone their marketing skills the club members sold homemade eco friendly denim bags, purses, pouches and key chains in the campus.

DANCE CLUB

The members of the club performed a sequence during the Arts Club Inauguration of the college. They



performed in the intercollegiate fest organized by the department of Communicative English and in various competitions conducted in other colleges.

RESEARCH PROMOTION COUNCIL

The activities of RPC were inaugurated by Dr. Ajay Sekhar,



SSU, Kalady. It was followed by a talk on 'Philosophical Speculations on Knowledge'. 'The Book of Abstracts' was released on the same day. An interactive session by Dr. Deepthi Menon of Amrita Centre for Nanosciences & Molecular Medicine was arranged under the banner 'Coffee with a Scientist'. 'Campus Bird Count', in association with Department of Zoology was organized. Five paper presentation sessions were conducted and 17 papers both by faculty and students were presented. Two issues of Peer Reviewed Multidisciplinary Journal DISCOURSE were published.

WOMEN CELL

The Women Cell of the college is a registered club under KSWDC. The first venture of the club was the 'Go Green'



project. To this end, Jute bags were put on sale in the college campus. 'Ezhuthupetty', a project to lend a helping hand to the deserving college students was organized. An Interactive session was arranged with a prominent dancer and a woman entrepreneur, Ms. Roopa. A gender awareness class was organized and Ms. Sherin Madathil inaugurated the same. The club members organized street play on the theme 'Women's Self Esteem'. A two day intercollegiate workshop 'Design O' was organized in the college campus on Fabric Art.

CAREER GUIDANCE AND PLACEMENT

The Placement Cell conducted a one day Pre-placement Training for the final year students by Dr. Retish Ambat, Chief Trainer of 'Sapient Group'. The cell also organized an orientation session on Overseas Educational and Career Opportunities by Jubeerich Overseas Consultancy and a session on careers in Online Tutoring by Skyline Online Tutoring Institute followed by a placement drive where 4 students got placed as Online Tutors. 26 Students were shortlisted in the Campus Placement Drive by Aabasoft Technologies India Pvt Ltd, out of which 6 were placed and one joined. Sutherland Global Services placed as Consultant 3 students in Voice category and

7 students in Non-voice category. Goan Institute International Consociation of Education (GICE) selected



five students for the post of Skill Development Faculty [Language Trainer]. The Cell, in collaboration with the Ernakulam Employability Centre, organized on November 4th 2017 a Mega Job Fair 'Lakshya 2017' open for students and general public in which forty seven companies participated.

CATECHISM AND VALUE EDUCATION

Catechism and value education classes were conducted on all Tuesdays. Exams were conducted and cash prizes were awarded to the best students.

AICUF

AICUF election was conducted and members were elected. Six students participated in the zonal election held at Bharata Matha College, Thrikkakkara and three students attended the leadership camp conducted in Sameeksha, Kalady.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION AND JESUS YOUTH

Holy mass, adoration and confession were arranged as part of spiritual formation. The month of October was devoted to Mother Mary and we had rosary on all working days. A Marian Exhibition was also conducted during that time. Scapulars were distributed on The Feast of our Lady of Mount Carmel. A skit on the life of St. Xavier was presented by the members on Xaverian Day. Stations of the Cross were arranged during the period of lent. Needy students were provided meals in the afternoon. The student members of the Jesus Youth attended various camps and meetings held across the state.

OSAX

OSAX organized Dr. Sr. Redempta Memorial Intercollegiate

state level Essay competition on the topic 'New Trends in Economic Sector-Scope & Challenges'. Under the initiative of OSAX all the departments of the college organized lectures by alumnae on various topics. OSAX fair UTASV was inaugurated by Smt. Daisy Puthren, an alumna of our college. The shopping festival & food festival was a moment of celebration for the Xaverians. Under the project 'Snehasparsham' financial support was given to Smt. Rosali, retired lab assistant of Zoology Department. OSAX endowment prizes were given



to three meritorious students. The annual general body meeting of OSAX was conducted on 10th February 2018 and about 350 members participated. The news letter 'NOSTALGIA' was released Sr. Sylvia, retired faculty of the History department. OSAX gave financial assistance for renovating the library.

STAFF ASSOCIATION

Onam and Christmas were celebrated under the auspices of the Staff Association with various cultural programmes. Two students were awarded free scholarships instituted by the Association. A visit to Nirmala Shishu Bhavan at Kaloore, an orphanage for infants run by the Missionaries of Charity was undertaken as part of social outreach. A staff tour to Mango Meadows at Kaduthuruthi was organized. Representatives of staff association attended all the important functions in the families of existing and retired members of the staff.



RELAX

ReLAX, the association for the retired teachers gave cash awards to two rank holders of the University. Two teaching staff Mrs. Rani K A and Dr. Raji Joseph and one administrative staff Mrs. Lovely were felicitated with mementoes on their retirement function. ReLax members actively participated in the NAAC Interaction meeting. During the Onam celebrations 10 retired teachers were honoured on behalf of their 'Sapthathy'. Rev. Sr. Reethamma and Dr. Reshmi Varghese were felicitated on getting the NSS state awards. The ReLAX members participated in the Golden Jubilee celebration of Rev. Sr. Speciosa. Onam and Christmas were celebrated in a memorable manner. Financial support was rendered for



the construction of the newly erected walkway. RENTAX, the association of the retired non-teaching staff also actively participated in all the activities of the college.

COUNSELLING CELL

The Counselling Cell functions effectively for the students



and staff of our college. Internal mentors in each class direct students who need counselling to the cell. Counselling is provided every Thursday by Dr. Sr. Ruby an external counsellor from Prasanthi Counselling Centre at Edappally.

HEALTH CLINIC

A physician's consultation from 9 am to 10 am on Friday

was provided in the Health Clinic by Dr. Sr. Sushmitha, Consultant Family Medicine, District Government Hospital, Aluva for both students and teachers.

DIFFERENTLY ABLED GROUP

To help the differently abled students in the college, the NVDA software was installed in the library with audio book facility. The study material of the course was recorded as audio files, enabling the visually impaired students to listen and learn their course material effectively. The unit also applied for scholarships for specially abled persons. The unit helped in adding 150 audio books in the College Library.

COLLEGE HOSTEL

The Hostel reopened on June 1st and students were readmitted from the previous batches. Many new faces were also added after the first year students joined the campus. The residents made their maiden Kochi metro trip on June 28th. The Hostel library was inaugurated by the Principal. The residents of the hostel celebrated Onam, Christmas and Hostel Day on August 24th with colourful cultural programmes.



The hostellers went for an excursion on February 16th and 17th to Bangalore where they visited Snow City and Iskcon Temple.

Ph.D Awarded



Dr. Sheeba V Rajan

Assistant Professor, Department of English was awarded Ph.D by Kerala University for the thesis 'Beyond The Imperial Fringes :The Oeuvre of Lesser - Known Raj Writers.

NEW RESEARCH PROJECTS

The Department of Science and Technology (DST) sanctioned a major project on 'Taxonomic and molecular studies on the genus Selaginell' to Dr. Nisha P. of the Department of Botany. Sanctioned amount : Rs 31,77,415/-

The Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment sanctioned a major project on 'Diversity and Biotic potential of yeasts from the mangroves of Central Kerala to Dr. K. Manjusha of the Department of Microbiology. Sanctioned amount : Rs 12,51,800/-

The Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment (KSCSTE) sanctioned a major project on 'Problems related to Applications of Graph Theory to Networks to Dr. Aparna Lakshmanan S. as Principal investigator and Ms Sruthy D as project fellow. Sanctioned amount :Rs 10,23,000.

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS



Rev. Sr. Reethamma V.A

Former Principal, St Xavier's College was honoured with the Life Time Achievement Award 2017 for Faculty instituted by Nehru group of Institutions.



Dr. Aneymol V.S

Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology received Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Award for Teaching Excellence constituted by Marina Labs Research and Development, Chennai.



Dr. Newly Joseph

Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry received the best paper award for presenting the paper 'Weld Line behavior of Economically sustainable Hybrid Composites of HDPE with Coir Fibre and Modified Nanoclay' in the International Conference on Emerging Management & Technology for Economic Sustainability at Al Hosn University, Abu Dhabi.



Captain Dr. Bridget Joseph K

Associate Professor, Department of Hindi attended the Refresher Course at Officer's Training Academy, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh and was promoted to the rank of Captain.



Dr. Aparna Lakshmanan S
Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics delivered an invited talk on Leech trees at the Fifth India Taiwan Conference on Discrete Mathematics at Tamkang University, Taiwan.



Dr. Resmi Varghese
Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics and a former NSS programme officer was the Home team Leader in the Master Facilitators Development Workshop of Active

Citizen Programme by British Council in which she along with UK trainers trained 36 NSS PO's from all over India. She also took part in the interaction and exhibition of the prize winning Social Action Projects at British Council office in Delhi where two projects of St Xavier's NSS team were displayed. Dr Resmi was also the resource person for Active Citizen Facilitator Development Workshop by British Council conducted in Bharathidasan University, Bharathiyar University, University of Calicut and M.G. University.



Ms. K. Lekha and Ms. Asmy Anthony

The NSS program officers were awarded the Ernakulam district Best Programme Officer award for the successful completion of Jaivam a complete organic

farming literacy campaign undertaken by M.G University in Kottayam district.



Ms. Asmy Anthony
Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry was awarded best performance award for contributions in social work from Kerala Action force, IMA Madhyakerala and Janaseva Sisubhavan.

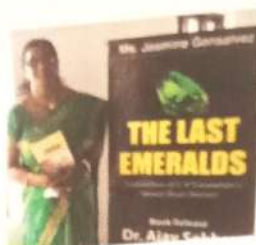


Dr. Cicily Pearly Alex
Head of the Department of Physical Education qualified as a Technical Delegate in the grading exam conducted by Athletics Federation of India (AFI) held at the DLTA complex in New Delhi.

HERALD THE ASSOCIATE



Dr. Milon Franz
Associate Professor, Department of English brought out a postcolonial interpretation of O.V. Vijayan's seminal work 'Khasakkinte Ithihasam' entitled "The Legends of Khasak: A Postcolonial Reading."



Ms. Jasmine Gonsalvez
Assistant Professor, Department of English published The Last Emeralds a translation of five short stories of prominent Malayalam author Shri C.V. Sreeraman.



Dr. Lilly C.O.
Associate Professor, Department of Malayalam published 'Kochi Kayal Thuruthukalile Lathreen Catholicar: Charithram Samskaram' a comprehensive history of the Latin Catholics in Cochin.



Ms. Minimole K. and Sr. Sindhu P.J. (Sr. Sharin CTC)
Assistant Professors in the Department of Economics and Political Science edited an anthology of research papers 'Exclusion of Minorities and Indigenous People in India'



Ms. Sindhu Thomas
Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce (S/F) published a collection of 48 poems entitled 'Ithu Ninakkay' under the pen name Bhadra.

KUDOS TO OUR RANK HOLDERS



GEETHANJALI ANIL K
M.Phil, First Rank with Distinction



RESHMA GEORGE
M.Phil, Third Rank



VANDANA T.M
Zoology Model II First Rank

NAAC PEER TEAM VISIT

The NAAC Peer Team visited the college as part of the 4th cycle of assessment on August 18th and 19th 2017. The peer team constituted of Prof. (Dr.) Vijay Laxmi Pandit, Pro Vice



Chancellor, Arunachal University of Studies (Chairperson), Prof. (Dr.) Muvva Vijayalakshmi, Professor & Head Department of Botany and Microbiology, Acharya Nagarjuna University (Member Co-ordinator) and Dr. V. Sujatha, Principal Cauvery College for Women Tiruchirappalli (Member.) The college was awarded A Grade with CGPA 3.33

XAVERIAN PRIDE



Akshara

Devika Venugopal

Sreelakshmi

The students of St Xavier's put up an incredible performance at the M.G. University Youth festival Ashantham 2018. Ms Akshara A.B. of I M. Com won the Best Actress Award for the fourth consecutive year. She also bagged the second place for Kadhaprasangam and the third place for Mono Act. A nine member drama team led by Ms Akshara A.B. bagged the second place for the Best Drama.

Ms Devika Venugopal of II B.A. English secured the second place for Kavya Keli.

Ms Sreelakshmi K. of I Msc. Physics secured the third position for Light Music Eastern (Solo). Ms Devika Venugopal of II B.A. English also received A grade in Aksharaslokham, Ms Megha Benny of I B.Sc Chemistry received A grade in Folk Dance and Bharatanatyam, Ms. Mrudula S. Nair of I B.A. English received A grade in Mohiniyattam and Other Forms of Classical Dance category and Ms. Nandana B. of III B.A. English also received a A grade in Poetry Recitation in English.

RESEARCH GUIDES



Dr. Geege Joanamma Xavier
Department of Malayalam

Dr. Lima Antony
Department of English

Dr. Liss Marie Das
Department of English

RETIREMENTS

Stepping down after decades of fruitful service to the Institution



Rev. Sr. Reethamma V.A
Principal



Prof. P.K Lathadevi
HOD, Dept. of Physics



Mr. Thomas P
Non Teaching staff



Ms. Philo K.G
Non Teaching staff

IN MEMORIAM



Dr. TONY DANIEL

(1952 - 2018)

Former HOD, Dept of Physical Education

COLLEGE ACCOLADES



Kerala State Govt. Award-
Best NSS Volunteer,
Arundhaty J



Kerala State Govt. Award-
Best NSS Unit, Best Programme Officer,
Dr.Resmi varghese



MG University Award-
Best NSS Unit, Best Supporting Principal
Sr. Reethamma V A



Best Social Action Projects
(1st & 5th at National level of NSS
Unit), under Active Citizen Pro-
gramme by British Council, India



Kerala state Govt. Award -
Best Tourism club Co-ordinator,
Alena Varghese

INDUSTRIAL AND FIELD VISITS



Kitex Limited
Dept. of Commerce (S/F)



C- SIS Science Park
Dept. of Mathematics



CBPST
Dept of Chemistry



Navya Bakers
Dept. of Microbiology



Kadamakkudy Islands
Dept. of Zoology

KALEIDOSCOPE



Drama at Ashantam-2018



Xav Virtuoso 2k17



Xaverian Queen



Malayali Manka



Nalacharitham Kadhakali



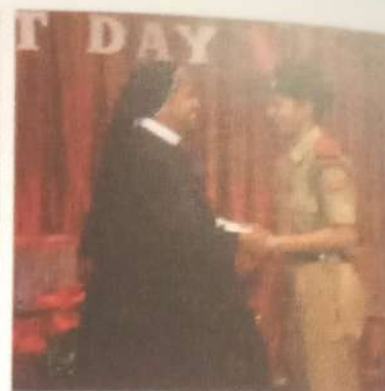
Arts Club Inauguration



Dhanak- 2k17



FIFA Torch Rally



Merit Day



Ethnic Day Rally



Sanskriti 2017



NSS Flashmob at Aluva Station



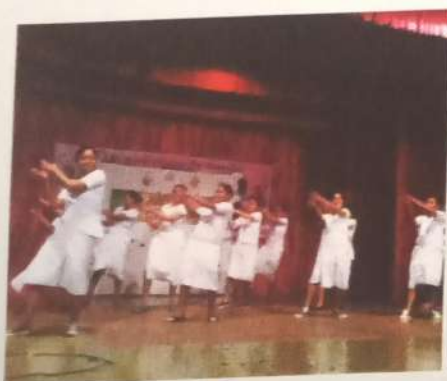
MOU with Navadarshan



Interaction with District Collector for ASAP



NCC's Contribution at Ockhi relief camp



Hostel day Celebration



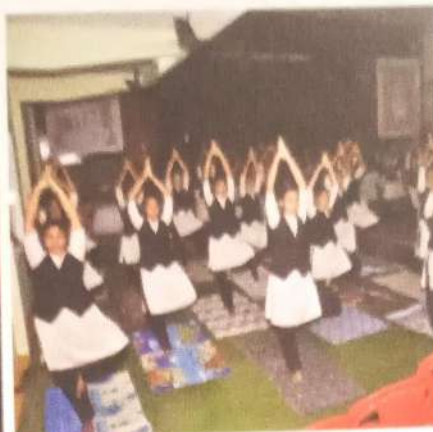
Coffee with Scientist



Book Exhibition



Halloween



International Yoga Day



NSS Nature Camp



NCC Cadets at Roorkela camp



Social Outreach-House Donation



Onam Celebration



Lakshya-Job fair



Mushroom Cultivation



Staff Excursion at Mango Meadows



Library Week Inauguration



Xaverian Day



X' mas Celebration

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Servant of God Mother Eliswa

FOUNDRESS OF THE COLLEGE



Rev. Mother Mary Magdaline CTC



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