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Graduation Day 2017

Graduation day of Undergraduate courses was organised on 7 April 2017. The Chief Guest for the day was Dr. M. S. Reddy (Registrar Evaluation, Bangalore University, Bangalore). The other dignitaries on the stage were Dr. Diwakar Goli (Campus Director-Acharya Institutes), Mr. C. B. M Bhooshan (Ex.Secretary to Chairman, Acharya Institutes) and Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal,

AIGS). Many parents were also among the audience to witness their

wards such memorable day. Total 432 Final year students from various departments (BBA, B.Com, BCA, BA, B.Sc-FAD, and B.Sc) were felicitated with Course completion certificate. Best outgoing student award was bagged by Ms. Shilashree of B.Sc. The programme started with the invocation, lighting of the lamp, and followed by formal programmes.



The Chief Guests at the Inaugural Ceremony



MARCH 18, 2017

PETALS – 2017 ALUMNI MEET



Alumni inaugurating by lighting the lamp

Communication) addressed the gathering and explained the significance of alumni reunion for the growth of the Institution and the individuals. Around 250 alumni attended the meet. In response, the alumni shared their interesting moments of



Prof. Gurunath Rao Vaidya addressing the gathering

The Alumni Association of AIGS organized its 7th Alumni Meet on March 18, 2017 in the Open-Auditorium of AIGS, Bangalore. The programme started with the invocation song followed by the inaugural address by Prof. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS). The guest of honour, Prof. A S Chandra Mouli (Head, Dept of Journalism & Mass



'PETALS' – Alumni Meet -2017

campus life to the audience. The gathering also witnessed cultural extravaganza by the students of AIGS. The occasion ended up successfully preserving bundles of old memories and it was streamed on Facebook LIVE, which made the meet more meaningful by receiving continuous comments and feeds from the alumni who were away from Bangalore.

Encouraging amateur minds: Ranga Darpana -2017

MARCH 22 & 23, 2017

After the grand success of the first edition on Rangadarpana in 2016, the second edition of the Inter-university drama festival was hosted by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication on 22 and 23 March 2017 by Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies. The



Karnataka Gamaka Kala Parishat) and Prof. Channaveeriah (Faculty, Department of Karnataka, AIGS).

The day ended with 'Ranga Vaibhav' of MES College of Arts, Commerce and Science winning a cash prize of Rs. 10,000/- for



Chandra Mouli, followed by an address by Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS). The crowd was then enlightened by the speech of the esteemed chief guest. Day one of the theatre festival witnessed



intention of hosting the fest was to create enthusiasm and encourage amateur theatre artists. Rangadarpana – 2 was a two day event, attended by students from various universities in Karnataka. The



their play 'WOYZECK' followed by 'Vinmaya' of Vogue Institute of fashion Technology winning Rs. 5,000/- for their play 'who is alien'. A very vibrant show was put up by the Department of journalism and mass communication with a pinch of



wonderful plays by four drama troupes namely Kala 'Kausthaba', 'Bhumika', 'Nithya Darpana' and 'The Weird One'. The audience were entertained in between with cultural events by students of the host college. Day two of the theatre festival showcased



inauguration was preceded by invocation and lamp lighting ceremony by the chief guest Sudheendra Sharma, Former Professor of Dramatics, Bangalore University. A welcome address was given by Prof.



creativity and hard works by the faculty as well as students. The enthusiasm and excitement in the students and faculty alike keeps alive the hope of conduct of the festival in the following years as well.



performances such as 'Shri Krishna Sandana', 'Vinmaya', 'The Psyche' and 'Ranga Vaibhav'. The event was sponsored by many well wishers and proved to be a huge hit. The jurists for the second day were M R Sathyanarayana (Chairman,



MARCH 16 TO 18, 2017

ACHARYA HABBA 2K17

Acharya Habba: one of the biggest fest all over Bangalore was a grand success once again, adding another golden feather to the cap. Every year, the fest is organised spread over three days in the month of March. The preparations start all the way back in February. Innumerable events are organised under different categories like Dance (Choreo nights, solo dance, etc), Music (Battle of the bands, duet singing, etc), Lifestyle (Fashionista, La Senor/Senorita, etc), Gaming, Management, Sports, along with Sunburn, concerts and so much more. Colleges from all over Bangalore participate and

compete to win the titles and cash prizes awarded. This year, it was held from 16 March to 18 March 2017. AIGS actively



Youth Festival of Bangalore - 2017

participated in all of the events organised since the commencement of the fest till the end and bagged many spots and prizes in events like Fashionista, La Senor, Duet dance, singing, etc. Many other events were also organised for the faculties too

like Faculty's Got Talent, Faculty Fashion Show, Kreedha Habba, etc in which AIGS participated enthusiastically and won many prizes. It also was awarded "Best All Rounder" for bagging the highest number of prizes. All in all, one more year of a successful and happening fest of Acharya saw another amazing end to an amazing fest on 18 March 2017. Even though the fest for the year is over, the light and excitement has by no means been decreased. With bated breath and huge excitement we all wait for the upcoming year which we are sure, will bring another wave of merriness among our Acharyan family.



FACULTY FASHION SHOW!

MARCH 09, 2017

On the noon of 9 March 2017, Ethnic day, Acharya saw its faculty members in new light. Faculty Fashion Show was organised by Team Habba to let the inner model in the faculty surface, giving them an opportunity to play dress up, walk and own the ramp! Teams from many Departments participated enthusiastically by coming up with colourful and innovative themes, getting into costumes and letting their enthusiasm ooze on the stage. The teams were given a time limit of 10+2 minutes with and 5 teams participated from different departments. One of the active participants was a Team from AIGS setting the stage on fire with a performance that had elements of both tradition and glamour. In the words of the judge herself, "The stage was on fire! And it was a show like no other!" Mechanical department of AIT were adjudged as the winners.

Faculty's Got Talent!

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Kannada Prathibothsava

MARCH 14, 2017

AIGS under the guidance of Mr Chennaverayya (Head, Department of Kannada) organised Kannada Prathibothsava on 21 March 2017. This served as a platform for the students to exhibit their talent and skills before a crowd which appreciated and encouraged their efforts. Many programs were organised such as Bhava geethe, Swarachitha Kavithegalu, Hasya Nataka and Kannadadha Melina Vidheshiyara Preethi. The Chief Guest for the event was Mr. Chandra Mouli (Head, J & M) and Mr. Anil B Malali (Dean, AIGS). The judges were Ms. Sukanya Shivshankar (Faculty, Acharya Polytechnic), Ms. Shreedhevi (Faculty AIT) and Ms. Hemalatha (Faculty AIT). The response was amazing as many students as well as teachers came forward to perform and were absolutely charming.

FEBRUARY 23, 2017

VASTRA 2017- Academic Fashion Show



Models of Designer Harish



Designer Harita posing with her models



Designer Sandeep awarded as the viewer's choice Best Designer



Sreejishma awarded for the Best Colour palette



Designer Aslam posing with his show stopper

The Department of Fashion and Apparel Design organised one of the most awaited events of Acharya campus, Vastra 2017- Academic Fashion show on 23 February 2017 in the Main Auditorium. A group of 29 students from VI semester, B.Sc FAD participated in the event as designers. Each designer showcased their collections which comprised of 4 wearable and 1 non-wearable ensembles. Every designer had chosen a theme on which the collections were designed and developed. The ensembles were presented on the ramp by the models. The event was judged by Mr. Chetan (Costume designer & Stylist) and Ms. Anshika (Designer & Merchandiser at Electrotech Static Controls). At the end of the event, certificate and prize were distributed for the winners. Mr. Jibin Joseph was awarded as the Best Designer, Ms. Sreejishma was awarded for the Best Colour Palette, Ms. Ritama Pandit was awarded for the Best Choreography, Ms. Anju was awarded for Best Theme and Mr. Amal was awarded for the Best presentation on stage. Also, Mr. Sandeep was awarded as viewer's choice for Best Designer. The event started at 10 am and lasted till 5 pm. Staffs and students from entire Acharya campus attended the fashion show and encouraged the students of Fashion and Apparel Design.



Amal awarded for the Best presentation on stage



Models of the designer Kaushik



Designer Anju awarded for the Best Theme



Jibin awarded as the Best Designer along with his Models



Indo-western ensembles on the ramp

FEBRUARY 21, 2017

The Institution encourages the participation in the co-curricular and extra-curricular events held at other colleges and Universities for the overall development of the students. The fourth and sixth semester students of Department of Fashion & Apparel Design participated in the Inter-college Fashion Show competition held at Sea College of Engineering, Bangalore on 21 February 2017. The students showcased a collection of Indo-western ensembles on the ramp. The designs were created based on the theme "Indo Western Concepts". The collection was appreciated by the audience.



Designers and models after the show pose for a click

Yellow and Black dazzle the Ramp

FEBRUARY 10, 2017

The fourth semester students from the Department of Fashion & Apparel Design participated in the Inter-collegiate Fashion Show competition held at Indian Academy on 10 February 2017. The designs focusing the teen group presented a collection of ensembles themed in colour: yellow and black. The collection received appreciation from the audience.



Models in ensembles in the dressing room

Budding Designers of AIGS bag accolades

MARCH, 2017

First Prize at Inter-collegiate Fashion Show

MARCH 11, 2017

Ms Harita H Lal, Mr Jibin and Mr. Amal (VI Sem B.Sc FAD) participated in the Inter-collegiate fashion show organised by the Cambridge Institute of Technology, Bangalore on 11 March 2017. A collection of 10 ensembles were presented on the ramp by the students. The designs were created based on the theme "The brides". The collection was highly appreciated by the audience. The collection won the first prize i.e., cash prize worth Rs. 30,000. The show was covered by the press and telecasted in the local news channels. Students felt highly motivated and encouraged.



Models pose before the shutterbugs after the Fashion Show



A click during the walk on the ramp

The Department of Fashion & Apparel Design encourage the students to take part in Inter-collegiate Fashion show so as to let the students have a practical experience of organising fashion shows and present their designs. The second year students of the Department inspired by the collections presented during the academic fashion show came out with a blend of contemporary and old school design of bridal collections. The same was presented on ramp at the Inter-collegiate fest hosted by KLE College, Bangalore. The collection was well presented and consequently bagged the second prize in the competition.



Orientation on Inter-Disciplinary Projects

FEBRUARY 10, 2017

The Research and Development cell organized an orientation on Inter-disciplinary projects to all the faculty members on 10 February 2017. Dr. Madhukar N Kulkarni, (Head, Department of Social Work and Industry Liaison) gave an overview on overall research, and proposed on taking up the inter-disciplinary projects by all the faculty members in addition to their teaching schedules. Mrs. Dhanalakshmi K (Faculty, Department of Commerce) gave a detailed presentation on the inter-disciplinary project proposal invited by Ministry of Science and

Technology, Department of Science and Technology under ICPS programme under the six themes discussing each one of them elaborately and emphasized that 'It will be a voluntary step to move forward to start on inter-disciplinary projects in our institution'. Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal) encouraged all the faculty members to take up research as an important aspect



Dr. Madhukar N Kulkarni during the session

along with their teaching and to develop research culture in the Institution and also to develop oneself as a professional academician.

National Conference at GCC

FEBRUARY 16, 2017

A group of seven students from the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design accompanied by Mrs Bhuvaneshwari S and Ms Prabha Swati (Faculty members, Dept of Fashion and Apparel Design) attended the Impression'2017, a National Conference on "Creative world of Fashion, textiles and Technology" held at Garden City College, K.R.Puram, Bangalore on 16 February 2017. The event was organised by the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design, GCC, Bangalore. Presenters from various parts of India participated in the conference and presented their research papers. Ms Prabha Swati (Faculty, Dept of Fashion and Apparel Design), participated in the National conference as

presenter and presented her paper on "Airdye Technology". Airdye technology stands for waterless dyeing technology. It utilises 95% less amount of water and 86% less energy compared to traditional dyeing process. The topic was very interesting and informative for all the textile related people present at the conference and it also helped the students in gaining knowledge about the advancements and upcoming trends and technologies in the field of textiles and fashion.



Ms Prabha Swati presenting paper on "Airdye Technology"

Media aficionados to gain a greater perspective

MARCH 9, 2017

Prof. A.S. Chandra Mouli, (Head, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication) was invited to be a panelist as well as to chair a session at the National Seminar on Convergence Issues and Solutions. This was organized by the department Mass Communication NITTE University at Mangalore on 9 March 2017. In the current generation of the advancements in the media industry, the topic of convergence being of primal importance was discussed and complex as it is, it also poses various issues and the seminar provided valuable insights and enabled the media aficionados to gain a greater perspective.

Chief Guest at Le Fete

FEBRUARY 21, 2017

Prof. A.S.ChandraMouli (Head, Dept of Mass Communication & Journalism) was the Chief Guest at Le Fete, a media fest organized by Kristu Jayanthi College on 20 and 21 February 2017. Post the inaugural ceremony, Prof. AS Chandramouli spoke on Social Realism: Ground Realities. He, in his speech spoke as to how truth in media is elusive and how market forces dictate terms to media managements. The public at large are forced to believe what is imposed as truth which in reality is not. The talk was well appreciated. The coordinators of La Fete expressed fruitful association in future as well.

An Interdisciplinary conference on Management and Social Sciences

MARCH 10, 2016

The students from the Department of Economics attended the National level conference held at Christ University, Bangalore on 10 and 11 March 2017. Eighteen students from BA Economics were accompanied by Ms. Likhitha (Faculty, Department of Economics) to the conference.

The agenda of the conference was “An Interdisciplinary conference on Management and Social Sciences”. The conference was very informative about the interdisciplinary approach to management and social sciences. Many eminent speakers presented their papers in the two-day conference.



Students along with Ms. Likhitha after the conference

Minds illuminate at a Conference on Literature

MARCH 15, 2017

In a world that is constantly evolving into modernity through globalization, the perspectives of literature always tend to be a reflective as well as a defining one. Such was the focus of St. Clare's English Literature Conference: Literature in a Globalized World –

Professor, Dept. of English) on 15 March, 2017. The conference began with the auspicious inaugural ceremony and a cordial welcome of all the guests present. The chief dignitary of the day was Prof. Yoganand Rao. His address marked the beginning of the literary enthusiasm that was to follow through the day. The students of AIGS, along with several other like-minded youngsters, take benefit of the conference.

David Sharma spoke on the topic “Gender Studies: Generating a New Field of Knowledge Production”; Mr. Sampreeth Mali patil spoke on the topic “A Discourse on Ralph Waldo Emerson – American Transcendentalism and Its Influence on the Contemporary World”; Ms. Nityapriya A Rao spoke on the topic “American Transcendentalism and the Possibilities for Its Contemporary Revival”. Ms. M. M. Privini Devindi Sandanayake spoke on the topic “The American Dream



From left to right: Devindi, Nityapriya, Attreye, David, Prof. Shashidhar, Sampreeth, Pranav, Anupma, Dhendrup.

Roots and Routes. Eight students of Acharya Institute of Graduate

divided into two – forenoon and afternoon – for both the PG and UG students, and were held simultaneously for both. Ms. Attreye Datta Mazumdar spoke on the topic “Wordsworth and Coleridge: Completing and Complementing Each Other”; Mr. Pranav Santhosh spoke on the topic “Metaphysical Poetry and Its Various Dimensions”; Ms. Anupma Singh Dhar spoke on the topic “The Legacy of the American Dream – Transacting the American Dream”; Mr. Dhendrup Tshering spoke on the topic “English as a Medium for Creative Expression for Non-Native Users”, Mr. B.



Ms. Devindi presenting a contrast between the American Dream and the Reality



Mr. Pranav felicitated for his presentation in the conference.

Studies, pursuing B.A. (PJOE) attended the conference as paper presenters, under the guidance of Mr. Shashidhar S (Assistant

Versus Reality – A Study of Tennessee Williams and Arthur Miller”. The conference concluded on a joyous note with the students making a promise of attending more such conferences in the future. It was no doubt, a lively experience for all the students, for their minds had been stretched to newer limits.

FEBRUARY 05, 2017

Institutional Social Responsibility

The Department of Commerce and Management organized an Institutional Social Responsibility

Mr. Subramanyam B and Lakshmi V (Faculty members, Department of Commerce and Management). The

Mrs. which is located in Sapthagiri Layout



Students from Dept of Comm and Mgt with the kids at Manav Charitable Trust

team first visited Mother Theresa Orphanage in M S p a l y a N e a r Sambhram College, Bangalore. They donated food items and served the breakfast and



Students at Mother Theresa Orphanage

entertained them by singing and dancing. The second place which the team

visited was Manav Charitable trust 13th cross, Bangalore where Mr. Subramanyam B addressed the kids of the Trust and wished them all the best for their future.

(ISR) activity on 5 February 2017. The students were accompanied by

visited was Manav Charitable trust

FEBRUARY 11, 2017

Parent Teacher Meeting

The Institution holds Parent Teacher Meeting annually to let know the wards' performances and duly receive suggestions towards the welfare of the stakeholders. The Parent-Teachers Meeting was conducted for the undergraduate courses of AIGS on 11 February 2017. The meeting was presided over

by Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS). Over 85 parents attended the meeting. The Principal addressed the parents on general issues. Mr. George Varied Thekkan (Asst. Professor & Head, Department of Arts) briefed the parents about the placement activities, sports and other achievements of the students in the

yesteryears. The parents interacted actively in the query session with the Principal. The Vice-Principal and all the other Heads of the Departments were present. The meeting concluded on a positive note. Parents expressed their contentment concerning the regular updates they receive from the faculty.

MARCH 14, 2017

Start-Ups Entrepreneurship Summit - 2017

The Entrepreneurship Development Cell (ED Cell) of AIGS organized a "Start-Ups Entrepreneurship Summit" on 14 March 2017. A total number of 125 students participated in the summit. Mr. Lakshmeesha (Founder, Sanje TIME, Estd., 2016 & Co-Founder and GMHC Pvt

Ltd, ISO 9000 2015), Ms. Shanthi Satish (Founder, REUSSIR Trust working for children with learning difficulties / disorder), Mr. Sadiq Basha P.M (Co-founder and Academic Director for Cirrus Aviation Academy) and Ms. Anajali (Co-founder, Samridhhi Global Health Pvt. Ltd.), and Ms.

Bhumika Jain (Sr. Associate NEN) were the speakers for the day. They conducted various activities and expressed that a successful entrepreneur is the one who is ready to take the risk, bear the risk and is passionate about it. The students were actively participated in the event.



The Chief Guests at the Inaugural Ceremony

International Student Award (ISA)

FEBRUARY 17, 2017

A selected group of international students from Sri Lanka and Nepal from AIGS got a wonderful opportunity to be resource persons for International Student Award (ISA) activity conducted on 17th February 2017 at Euro School, Chimney Hills Branch. The activity was held under the guidance of Mr. George (HOD, Dept. of Psychology) where our international students presented themselves in their traditional attire and performed representing their own cultural identities. The students from Acharya were warmly welcomed by the students, staff and the Principal of Euro School. The 4th standard students of Euro School had done their project on various countries and our international students from Srilanka and Nepal evaluated their work as well as enriched them with more information pertaining to their country. The activity started from the morning assembly where all students and staff of Euroschool were present. To mark the beginning of the program, the students from AIGS, Prem Sagar from Nepal and Devindi from Srilanka introduced their countries through short, yet informative speeches highlighting the countries' cultures and general information. Along with the talk, many cultural performances like traditional dances of both Nepal and Srilanka, folk songs, and

instrumental plays representing both the countries' authentic traditions were performed which were entertaining and providing the children a valuable cultural exposure. The end of the assembly session was marked by the singing

Finally there was a special exhibition of the arts and handicrafts by the school students to entertain the visitors and special tokens of appreciation were given to all the foreign students of AIGS who



ISA programme at Euro School, Bangalore

of the national anthems of Nepal and Sri Lanka. After the assembly, the interactive classroom sessions were conducted specially focusing on the school children from the grades 4, 9 and 10 with special PowerPoint presentations while answering the children's queries as well. Also, the charts and project researches done by the children about the foreign countries, their culture, history, food patterns, etc. were assessed and given valuable feedback by the foreign students.

took part in the ISA program representing Sri Lanka and Nepal, for spending their time enlightening the children of Euro School with their cultural authenticities. The staff and Principal of Euro School were very happy and grateful to the students for sparing valuable time to showcase information about their cultures which was a real learning experience for the whole school.



Srinivas Walikar spoke on Ethical Hacking

JANUARY 17, 2017

The Department of Computer Applications organised a seminar on “Ethical Hacking” for the BCA students on 12 January 2017 in the Main Auditorium. Mr Srinivas Walikar (Assistant Manager, Network Intelligence India Pvt.Ltd) was the resource person for the day. Mr.Biju K Balan (Head, Dept. of Computer Applications) welcomed the gathering. Mr Srinivas in his talk emphasised on



Mr Srinivas Walikar along with the students

various training courses on Information Security such as Ethical Hacking, Network Security, Cyber Security, Mobile Security. He highlighted the significance and the benefits of Cryptography. Around 200 students attended the session. Mrs Shwetha C.V (Lecturer, Dept of Computer Applications) delivered vote of thanks and concluded the session.

FEBRUARY 17, 2017

Guest Lecture on Consumerism

The Department of Journalism & Mass Communication of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies (AIGS) and Acharya School of Law conducted a seminar on "Consumerism is the King" for the undergraduate and postgraduate students on 17 February 2017. The seminar was presided over by Prof. Kamaraju Chitrapu (Dean, Acharya School of Law). He spoke about consumerism and the factors causing exploitation on consumers. He also enlightened the students about hierarchical consumer forums and made seminar more interesting and communicating by discussing few legal case studies. The seminar helped the students to gain legal knowledge on consumerism and their role and rights as a consumer.



Prof. Kamaraju Chitrapu during the guest lecture

MARCH 06, 2017

Janapadiya Bhashaon Ka Hindi Ko Yogdan



Dr. Harikrishna Pareshan with Faculty Members and Students

The Department of Hindi organised a Guest Lecture on 6 March 2017. The resource person was Dr. Harikrishna Pareshan. He spoke on the topic “Janapadiya Bhashaon Ka Hindi Ko Yogdan”. Dr. Pareshan spoke about the differences between Civilization and Culture. He also gave the information about the Hindi words which are adopted from other languages which were very informative and useful for the students. He mentioned about the History and importance of Janpadiya languages. The talk was followed by an interactive session, wherein the resource person satisfactorily

answered student's queries. The resource person also gave the Prizes to the Winners and Runners of Debate and Conversation Competitions which were conducted by the Department. The welcome speech was given by Dr. Usha Shrivastava (Head, Dept of Hindi) and vote of thanks was given by Mr. Pramod Nag (Lecturer, Dept of Hindi).

MARCH 09, 2017

Mr. Sayyed Mohammad spoke on UNIX File System

Mr. Sayyed Mohammad Arman (Student, IV semester BCA) gave a seminar on 9 March 2017 on the topic “Unix File System” in LH 106. He spoke about the salient features of Unix Operating System. He also emphasized the importance of UNIX file system and its structure. The topic is a part of their curriculum. The seminar was coordinated by Ms. Reeja Jose Pavanathil (Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Applications). The students of IV semester BCA attended the seminar. It was a very interactive session through which students gained knowledge about the subject.



Mr. Sayyed Mohammad Arman during the presentation

MARCH 07, 2017

Dr. Kishore Kumar : Research gives ample Opportunities

A Guest lecture was arranged on “How to Do a Research?” for M.Com, MFA and MIB II semester students on 7 March 2017. The resource person of the day was Dr. Shyam Bhat (Karnataka State In-charge for Student for Development) and Dr. Kishore Kumar (Mentor, SFD). Dr. Shyam Bhat expressed that students have to employable and do something for community and gave a bird eye view about SFD. However, Dr. Kishore Kumar expressed that research is a platform where we can

market for ourselves and be a valuable commodity. He further stated that research gives ample opportunities for employability but the drawback is we are not converting that to be valuable or marketable commodity. Students only look from the point of view being employable but he remarked that they have to be marketable, valuable and sellable by themselves and that should be their USP. Dr.



The resource person addressing the students the session

Kishore kumar gave a brief overview on “the measurement of knowledge” through research and briefed the traditional and modern beliefs and thoughts on research.

MARCH 13, 2017

Pervasive Computing: Lets get connected with computer world

The Department of Computer Applications organised a seminar on “A computing Technology That Envisions The Future” for the BCA students on 13 March 2017 in the Main Auditorium. Ms Jayalakshmi R (Head, Department of Computer Science, St.Claret College, Bangalore) was the resource person for the day. Mr. Biju K Balan (Head, Dept of Computer

Applications) welcomed the gathering. Ms Jayalakshmi in her talk emphasised on the underlying

technologies, principles and devices which are used in the ubiquitous computing .She highlighted the opportunities in connection with Pervasive Computing Technology. Around 200 students attended the session. The seminar was concluded by the vote of thanks by Mrs Chandana K.V (Lecturer, Dept of Computer Applications).



Ms Jayalakshmi R along with the BCA students during the session

MARCH 13, 2017

A Seminar On Oops Concepts

Mr. Sudeep Bashistha (IV semester BCA) gave a seminar on 14 March 2017 on the topic “OOPS Concept” in LH 002. In his talk, he discussed the features of Object Oriented Programming Concepts. He also specified the concept of class modules in Vsual Programming. The topic is a part of their curriculum. The seminar was coordinated by Mr. Mr.Biju K Balan (Head, BCA). The students of IV semester BCA attended the seminar and found the seminar very interesting and useful.



Mr. Sudeep Bashistha during the presentation

Dr. Sarath Chandran talks on Terry Eagleton's The Significance of Theory

MARCH 20, 2017

The Department of English organised a guest lecture on Terry Eagleton's *The Significance of Theory* on 20 March 2017 in LH 402 for the postgraduate students of the Dept. Dr. Sarath Chandran (Associate Professor, Shri Krishna College, Kerala) was the resource person. Dr. Sarathchandran in his talk stressed the importance of the theory and explained about metatheory and its impact in

daily life. He emphasized mainly on the ideologies and arguments presented by Terry Eagleton in the



Dr. Sarath Chandran addressing the students

essay. He voiced Terry Eagleton's view about children as the true critics and theorists, since the examination is purely based on the sheer innocence and hence far from subjectivity. The guest lecture served to be highly beneficial as his talk mostly touched upon the theories included for study. He concluded by giving notes and guidelines that would serve as supporting tools in enhanced understanding of the subject.

Wolfgang Iser's: Indeterminacy and the Reader's response

MARCH 21, 2017

A guest lecture on Wolfgang Iser's: *Indeterminacy and the Reader's Response* was organised by the Department of English in LH 402 on 21 March 2017 at Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies. Dr. Sarathchandran from Shri Krishna College, Kerala began the talk by stressing on the importance of the difference between reception theory and reader's response theory and

specifically concentrated on the distinction mentioned by Wolfgang Iser. He also talked about the concept of practical criticism by I.A. Richards, as well as the effect of reception theory. He spoke on the inception of reception theory and the perpetrators of it. His in-depth knowledge on the topic

sufficed to pacify the queries by students pertaining to the topic.



Students listening to the briefing on reception theory

MARCH 25, 2017

“Handloom and Powerloom”

The Department of Fashion & Apparel design organized a guest lecture for the students of second semester B.Sc FAD on the topic “Handloom and Powerloom” on March 25, 2017 in LH304. Mr. Raghu T.S (M.Tech in Textile Technology) spoke on handloom and powerloom fabrics. He even spoke on the boom in the fabric industry with people looking for customized clothing entailing quality and brand names. He briefed in detail on loom mechanisms,



Mr. Raghu T.S. interacting with the students

MARCH 28, 2017

Guest Lecture on Business Planning

Fashion boutiques all around are today culminating into money-yielding business ventures. A well-defined business plan is imperative for the any start-up. Hence, the Department of Fashion & Apparel design organized a

guest lecture on 'Business Planning' for the Final year B.sc Students on 28 March 2017. Mr. Vinay Kumar (Entrepreneur) was the resource. He started with a brief talk on his journey to be the entrepreneur he is on date. Later, he threw insights on the various factors that go behind the planning of a business. To make the factors of business more relatable, he spoke on Apparel Industry and the factors related to its establishment. The students' queries pertaining to the topic were answered by him. The guest lecture was well appreciated by the recipients.



Mr. Vinay Kumar (Entrepreneur) was interacting with the students

The importance of Time

FEBRUARY 24, 2016

The Department of Hindi conducted a Faculty Seminar on the topic The Importance of Time on 1 February 2017 in LH 305. The resource person was Mr. Pramod Nag (Lecturer, Dept. of Hindi). Mr. Pramod Nag expressed his views that Time is a free force; it does not wait for any one. It is commonly said that 'time and tide waits for none'. In his talk, he mentions, a minute not usefully spent is an eternal loss. We can never get back the lost minute. The time flies and never returns. He added that Time is said to be

a wise counsellor. Time reminds you to act and to act wisely. The wisest makes use of the time fruitfully. Mr. Nag also talked about the Time Management. He told that time management is important for our personal life and for a career success. The session was enjoyed by all the participants. The seminar helped the students to understand the importance of time in a better way and it ended with interactive session with the resource person answering the queries of the students.



Mr. Pramod Nag clarifying students doubts

Rangbhumi 2017



Mr. Rahul Dutta (IV Sem BA) secured Second Prize in Creative Writing Competition held on 23 January 2017 in Hindi Literary Fest "Rangbhumi 2017" organised by Mount Carmel College. Principal, teaching and non-teaching fraternity of AIGS congratulated the winner and the entire Hindi Department for the achievement.

A LECTURE ON CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

MARCH 31, 2017

The Department of Social Work organized a Guest lecture for the students and faculty of the Department on 31st of March 2017, titled, 'Corporate Social Responsibility: A Way Forward'. The speaker for the day was Ms. Soumya Ningappa (Senior Manager, CSR operations, Scania Commercial Vehicles Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore). The Lecture was attended by all the students and the teaching faculty of the Department. Dr. Madhukar Kulkarni (Head, Department of Social Work) introduced the speaker and the session commenced by Ms. Soumya introducing the concept of CSR and highlighting the concepts. She shared her own experiences of how challenging it was and how her social work knowledge, values and skills have helped her to approach and strive in her successful career immensely. Ms. Soumya went on to say that the social work students are the strong contenders for this

profile, as corporate social responsibility requires a workforce who are imbued with the typical values of social work like social justice and demands a humanistic approach. The job also demands updated knowledge on the legal aspects of CSR and a creativity to work in accordance with the goals and the ethical standards of the organization. Social workers can be the catalyst for the effort of the companies to give back in their communities and workforces. As more companies and non-profits hire social workers, it's beneficial for all involved. She went on to explain the legal aspects of CSR and comparison of CSR abroad and India. She stressed on the play of the multidisciplinary knowledge of the social workers being an added advantage in the field of CSR. The post lunch session was an activity oriented session. The session comprised of group activities which illustrated the importance of

effective communication and leadership qualities expected of the social work professionals in the corporate world. This was followed by Ms. Soumya stressing the need of more social workers in the field of corporate social responsibility and the social work students should gear themselves to grab the opportunity else it will be seized by the management students and we should never let it happen, when it is rightfully ours. The students benefited immensely from the sessions. The session ended with an open house session where the students clarified their doubts and also posed questions to the speaker. To conclude, the programme provided a wide knowledge about the scope and development of CSR in India and abroad and also gave a great knowledge on the legal aspects of CSR which would help the students take up CSR in their future endowments.

Kalatharanga 2017: Cultural Fest

FEBRUARY 01, 2017



Kalatharanga, a cultural fest that took place in the Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies premises from 1 February 2017 to 16 February 2017. Many students from various departments of AIGS actively participated in the fest. The fest included more than twenty events. The most striking feature of this fest was that the students themselves took the initiative and organized voluntarily since the events were held after the classes.



The fest was mainly conducted by the Commerce and Management Department of AIGS but still faculty from other Department also extended their support since they accepted the invitation of judging the events and successfully judged various events. The events that were



conducted demanded utmost creativity from the students few held in the first week of February included events like Nail art, Collage, Photography, best selfie, Best hairstyle the rest of the events that followed in the preceding weeks are the theatrical events like singing, monoacting, dancing and fancy dress events which were held to



bring out the hidden artistic potential of the students. The skills of homemaking were also tested with events like cooking without fire, best out of waste and vegetable and fruit carving. The artistic skills were thoroughly put to test through events



like Oil painting, Mehendi, Face painting, Pencil Sketching. The finale was conducted on the 17 February 2017. The fact that it was a function that was first of its kind in the history of AIGS is remarkable and the credit has to be given to the entire faculty and students who made such a mega event possible.



National Science Day 2017

MARCH 10, 2017

The Department of Physics celebrated the “National Science Day” on 10 March 2017 as a mark of respect to the Nobel laureate, Dr. C.V. Raman. As part of the celebrations, Inter-university competition “Vigyan Utsav” was organized. The competitions included scientific model making, Lecture and Science Quiz competition. The function commenced at 10:30 am with the gracious presence of Dr. Nagaiah (Professor & Chairman, Department of Physics, Bangalore University). The programme was presided by Prof. Chandramouli A S (Head, Department of Journalism

and Mass Communication), Dr. Madhukar Kulkarni (Head, Department of Social Welfare), Mr. George V T (Head, Department



Dr. Nagaiah inaugurating the event

of Psychology) and Dr. I F Mudagall (Head, Department of Physics). The celebrations began with invocation by the students. Ms. Asra S Mir welcomed the gathering

followed by the lighting of lamp. Dr. Nagaiah delivered a lecture on The importance of Physics. The working models were displayed near Physics lab in AIGS. Students from various Institutions as well as nearby school participated and made the event grand success. All the teaching faculty members of the department and students were enthusiastically involved in the conduct of the event. At the end, Dr. Nagaraj N (Department of Physics, Indian Academy College) distributed the trophies and certificates to the winners of various competitions.



MARCH 13, 2017

Techmindz, the IT Club of the Department of Computer Applications, conducted their annual inter-college fest IT Fiesta on 13 and 14 February 2017. The fest is a bridge between the course syllabus studied by the students and the ever-growing world of information technology. The event was inaugurated by Dr. Gurnath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS). Participants from various colleges all over Bangalore had participated in the two-day event. There were a wide range of events like IT Quiz, gaming, coding and debugging,

Techmindz IT Fiesta 2017

Switch coding, Treasure Hunt, and the most popular event, the IT Manager. The IT team also conducted a few mini events like Switch coding, Map the Snap, Mini Militia etc. Overall, the IT Fiesta 2017 was a grand success, with the BCA student volunteers having been enlightened in both managerial and leadership skills. The interclass management fest was a grand success because of the co operation and efforts of all the faculty and student coordinators. The students were very enthusiastic



Student coordinators and the Faculty Coordinators

in participating in this event and brought out their innovative ideas. The event concluded with the price distribution to all winners and participants.



Photography Competition- 'Magic Eye - 3'

FEBRUARY 11, 2017

Magic Eye - 3, a photography exhibition cum competition was held on 11 February 2017 by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication. The theme of the competition was 'Nature and its Best in Bangalore'. Students increasingly found themselves drawn as a part of nature as they encapsulated the essence

of it in their photographs. The endeavor made by students was appreciated and rewarded. The exhibition stood witness to more than 250 entries from colleges across the city. Ms. Himadri (St. Josephs College) won the Photography competition and Ms. Sampurna Maity (II Sem B.A., AIGS) got the first place for caption writing.



FEBRUARY 08, 2017

Open Source Software Awareness

Acharya Group of Institutions hosted a Spoken Tutorial by IIT Bombay on Open Source Software awareness on 8 February 2017. The training program was held in the MBA auditorium inside the Acharya campus for the lecturers to create awareness about the open source software and its uses. Ms. Sanchita, Ms Premavathi and Mr. Prashanth (Faculty members, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication) took keen interest in participating the training program. The program was honoured by three Chief Guests Mr Iqbal Ahmed (Dy. Director – Training International Universities collaboration), Mr R. Nagesh (Joint Director CDAC, Bangalore), Dr Divakar Goli (Director, Acharya Campus). The training was conducted in two sessions, first, lecture using slides and practical experience during the second session.

Mr Iqbal Ahmed presented the welcome speech and also introduced the audience to open source. Next, Mr Nagesh spoke about the uses of Open Source and also gave an overview about FOSS and its uses in various fields. After the uses of Open source, Mr. Deepak spoke about the organisers/Faculty's' role during the examination and Mr Manjunath explained the detailed procedure about organizing sessions to conduct the online test. There was also a question and answer session where the lecturer's doubts were cleared. The second session was conducted in a computer lab where the faculties attended an online mock test which helped them to understand the concept better. All the faculty participants were awarded with a participation certificate and the program concluded with a Vote of Thanks.

MARCH 06, 2017

Fashion Illustration and Portfolio

The students of I and IV semester from the Department of Fashion and Apparel Design attended 2 days workshop on 6 and 7 March 2017 on Fashion Portfolio at Vidhya Fashion Academy in Jayanagar 3rd block,

Bangalore. They were accompanied by Ms. Bhuvaneshwari S (Faculty, Department of Fashion and Apparel Design). These classes were conducted by Ms. Vidhya Vivek, founder of Vidhya Fashion Academy. The workshop was held to give detailed knowledge about the various techniques in advance method of creating fashion portfolio and also to imply these techniques on fashion industry. The students were excited to learn the techniques and showed their enthusiasm by their active participation. This workshop was a guide for the students to



Ms. Vidya Vivek demonstrating trendy techniques



Students holding their certificates after the session

improve their sketching skills and also to try different techniques in presentation. All together the workshop was beneficial to the students.

Statistical Analysis on SPSS Software

MARCH 08, 2017

A batch of sixteen students accompanied by Dr. Marimuthu and Mrs. M. Malar Velze from the Department of Economics attended a one day workshop on Statistical Analysis on SPSS organized by the Department of Advanced Studies, R.R Institutions, Chikkabanavara, Bangalore on 8 march 2017. The Resource person Dr. Manjunath was invited from the Chanapatna

First Grade College. The session was attended by different research



Dr. Manjunath during the session

scholars, participants from the academics, students from various courses which pooled diverse knowledge together. Resource person felt very happy as the students participation was more in number. The workshop focused on several topics of SPSS package, hypothesis testing, statistical analysis, inference and conclusion making etc.

APRIL 12, 2017

Passion for Photo

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication organized a two day photography workshop for the students of BA and MA Mass Communication on 12 and 13 April 2017. The workshop was conducted by Mr. Arvind Chengi (Syndicated freelance Photographer based in Hyderabad), he has done several television shows organized many workshops and Colloquiums for various categories of photo enthusiasts. During the two day workshop the students were oriented to different dimensions of photography then different types of photo how to develop passion for photo with different techniques employed in different genre of photography and importantly the practical exercises. The students were given themes to shoot pictures which were analyzed one by one and reviewed. On the whole it was a fruitful exercise benefitting the budding photographers.



Mr. Arvind Chengi with photo enthusiasts

MAY 22, 2017

FDP on Passion for Teaching

The Faculty Development Programme was organised by IQAC on 'Passion for Teaching' by Mr. Thomas John Rose (Fun and Fire Motivational Speaker) on 22 May 2017 at Main Auditorium for the faculty members of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies. Ms. Dhanalakshmi K (Asst. Professor, Department of Commerce) introduced the Chief Guest to the gathering. Mr. Thomas John Rose began his talk with a



Faculty during an activity along with Mr. Thomas John Rose (in the Centre)



Mr. Thomas John Rose in an interaction with the faculty

plea to bring in the positive vibe around and boost the enthusiasm for the teaching-learning atmosphere. He claimed that one ought to be dependent on one's own positive energy to be successful. He cited few tips such as: focus, receive surprises, profession for value over money and various others. He held few activities to reinforce the ideas of group work, leadership, thwarting off negative attitude and demonstrative activities of positive thinking.

AIGS MUN – 2017: an enriching simulation of the United Nations for students of Acharya

FEBRUARY 27, 2017



Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies proudly hosted its second simulation of United Nations on 27 February, 2017. AIGS MUN-17 was instituted to educate students about public speaking, debate, diplomacy, problem-solving, persuasive writing, and teamwork. The conference officially started with the opening ceremony in the MBA auditorium at 10 a.m. 140 students from 11 different countries participated in the event. The conference was inaugurated Dr. Jeevan Kumar (Former Head, Department of Political Science, Bangalore University), a distinguished persona with the experience of participating in the United Nations and chaired several MUN sessions throughout the country. Dr. Divakar Goli (Principal, Acharya B.M. Reddy College of Pharmacy), Dr. Gururaj (Principal, Acharya PU College), Prof. A S Chandra Mouli (Head, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication) were the other invited dignitaries. Prof. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS) presided over the Conference. UNEP and UNHCR were the two committees which were shortlisted

post brainstorming session. The agenda of the committees were: 'Chemical waste and its impact on climate change' and 'Safeguarding the refugees and asylum seekers'. The conference had both moderated and non-moderated sessions in both the committees. The moderator for UNEP was Ms. Viranga Perera and Mr. Mansoor while Ms. Bibi Mehreen Mandary and Mr. Saifulla chaired and vice-chaired UNHCR respectively. Among four different resolutions taken by

different country clusters, draft resolution proposed by the delegate of Oman, sponsored and co-sponsored by few more countries was passed with a majority.

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Students during the Peace March



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Islands. Papers presented by Ms. Aarthi M (VI Sem B.A.) and Ms. Hasna Dembil Galab (IV Sem M.A.) were recognized as the best papers of the conference. Indeed, the second MUN outshined the first- the excitement in the young eyes, the positive opinions by the judges and most importantly the ambience of success and satisfaction said it all. Prof. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS) supported and motivated the initiative of students in conducting MUN- 2017. The event was coordinated by Prashanth V (Faculty,

Department of Journalism and Mass Communication).

The approved resolution regarding the burning issue of hazardous chemical waste and its dreadful effect on the environment stated to develop innovative methods to reduce the poisonous impact and convert the waste into a reusable product instead of controlling it. On the other hand, the resolution proposed by the delegate of France, sponsored by other countries got approved with a majority of vote. The resolution to ensure protection of migrant refugees came up with the proposal of forming sanctuaries for the

refugees and taking active care of the social and economical troubles faced by the asylum seekers instead of treating them as an extra burden of the country. The conference ended with the felicitation of dignitaries and a feedback session from both the judges and delegates of the event. The two best delegates were Mr. Ahmad Kai and Mr. Piyush Pal who represented the respective countries of France and Marshall



Industrial Visit to Volvo Construction Equipments

FEBRUARY 9, 2017

A Batch of 45 students from VI semester BBA headed by M. Prabhakar.K (Faculty-Department of Management) visited the Volvo Construction Equipments, Peenya on 9 February 2017. The visit started with refreshments and by brief presentation of the Company History, Growth, Products, Achievements, employment opportunities at Volvo India by Mr.Ganesh, (Manager, Production department). Later the students were divided into two groups and taken on a factory visit. Students were briefed on Production Process at Volvo which involves the selection of Raw Materials, Selection and Evaluation of Supplier, Warehousing and Logistics, Manufacturing process, Technology being used in Production Process, Customer Services, Employee Facilities, Waste Management, Various tools Like 5S, SIX SIGMA, One Point Lesson. The visit was very informative and provided a practical learning exposure to the students in understanding the difference between theoretical and practical aspects in the present era of production. And it was good understand various technologies utilized in the organization.



Students along with the faculty at VOLVO constructions

Students of Journalism at Mysore Printing Press Ltd.

FEBRUARY 20, 2017



Students along with the faculty at Mysore Printing Press Ltd.

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, AIGS organized a visit to the Mysore Printing Press Ltd. on 20 February 2017 for the final year students of B.A. The students interacted with the staff of the printing press and then experienced the functioning of the press and process involved. This was followed by an informative question and answer session with the General Manager in-charge of printing press Mysore, Kubalgodru. The students got a wonderful opportunity to understand the various aspects of Newspaper printing process and were exposed to its multiple dimensions. The students were highly enthralled by the visit and came up with transparent knowledge of updated printing technology.

Visit to AIR-Bangalore

FEBRUARY 28, 2017

The students from the Department of Mass Communication & Journalism (UG & PG) headed by Mr. A. S. Chandra Mouli (Head, Department of Mass Communication & Journalism) and Mrs. Sanchita Mukerjee (Faculty, Department of Mass Communication & Journalism) visited All India Radio as an Industry visit, a part of their curriculum on 28 Feb 2017. Students got the good exposure as they were addressed by the eminent speaker Mr. R.Venkateswarlu (former D.G, at present Senior Advisor to D.G, A.I.R). He shared his profound knowledge about All India Radio programming, production and broadcasting, based on his mammoth experience in the field of production. In his talk he has emphasized a lot about the evolution which is taking place in terms of its service and how it is undergoing digitalization and what is the next level for the industry. His talk helped to shed some light on how new technology is helping the medium to be one of the strongest tool of communication and making people realizing its value as a social medium rather than a simple content distributor. He also added that the radio industry has been pushing for greater public recognition through its FM programmes and making it more a personal medium. Finally, he concluded by mentioning that contemporary radio has become a potentially participative tool. The session ended with question and answer round. Students enjoyed the session and reciprocated with positive feedback.



Mr. R. Venkateswarlu interacting with the students during the visit

MARCH 09, 2015

Media Visit to 'The Hindu'

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication took the students of BA VI Semester on an industrial visit to The Hindu, leading National daily on 9 March 2017. The students not only explored the newspaper office but also gained

more knowledge by actively interacting with the staff and quenched their thirst about the practical aspects of a media agency. T.M. Veeraraghav (Associate Editor, The Hindu) and B. Pradeep Nair (News

Editor, The Hindu) spoke in depth about the process of newspaper publication. The fact that the students were able to interact and spend time gave them a more practical exposure which helped them to understand their curriculum better.

Industrial Visit to Kanan Devan Hills Plantations Company and Eastern Condiments

MARCH 13, 2016

Post graduate students of Chemistry, AIGS accompanied by Dr. Somashekar M.N (Head, Department of Chemistry), Dr. Nibin Joy.M, and Prof. Arunakumari (Faculty, Department of Chemistry) visited Kanan Devan Hills Plantations Company at Munnar and Eastern Condiments Pvt. Ltd at Ernakulam on 13 and 14 March 2017 respectively. Mr. Anoop Mathew (Production Manager, Kanan Devan Hills Plantations Company) explained about the different types of tea products and the various steps involved in its production. The students were explained the manufacturing procedure of White tea, Oolong tea and Black tea. The session conveyed the medicinal

value of different tea products. In Eastern Condiments Pvt. Ltd, the session started with a demo of the various products of the company and the students were then taken to the production plant. Mr. Anil Krishnan (Quality Assurance Manager) explained about the various laboratory experiments conducted for quality assurance and required parameters or minimum standards for each product. The session proved to be

highly beneficial to the students as they could witness different sophisticated instruments and they were able to interact with experts in the field of spices and condiments. They also understood the adverse effects of drinking excess tea in a day.



Students being briefed about the production process of tea powder

MARCH 25, 2017

Visit to Intertek Testing Service Pvt. Limited

The Department of Fashion & Apparel design organized an industrial trip for the second year students

to Intertek Testing Service Pvt. Limited near Yeshwanthpur Road, Bangalore on 25 March 2017.



Students with Mr. Aparna Kumar (Faculty) before Intertek Textile Testing Lab

The students were accompanied by Mr. Aparna Kumar.A (Lecturer, Department of FAD). Intertek Testing Service Pvt Limited is one of the best known and reliable Testing unit for garments. Students were taken around by testing manager who explained the different types of instruments which are used in garment industry. He also explained about the abrasion resistance, color fastness to light and garment accessories testing (Zipper test and Button snap fasteners). The visit was great benefit to the students. The students received a practical knowledge about the theories included in the syllabus and were quite contented about it.

Guest Lecture on Public Relations in the present Social Context

MARCH 28, 2017

The Department of Mass Communication & Journalism organized a guest lecture on the Role of Public Relations in Crisis Management on 28 March 2017. The resource person for the day Sri. Roy Dhanpal (Senior Consultant,

Ad Factors) addressed the students by picking up examples from contemporary social issues like the Mantri Mall Wall collapse, Steel Flyover etc. to connect with students and emphasize the role of Public Relations in surmounting the

crisis. It was an open house where the students interacted with the speaker with a number of questions. The guest speaker enjoyed being with the students and answering all their questions with suitable examples.

A Visit to Indian Institute of Science

MARCH 04, 2017

The post graduate students of the Department of Chemistry visited Indian Institute of Science (IISc) on March 4, 2017 for the OPEN DAY on behalf of National Science Day celebration. The students were accompanied by Dr. Nibin Joy, Dr. Somashekar and Ms. Arunakumari

(Faculty members, Department of Chemistry). The students witnessed various live science experiments, scientific demos and exhibitions in the frontier areas of all the science disciplines. They got excellent exposure in the various advanced fields of chemistry like

fluorescence, polymerization and liquid crystal materials. Students also got awareness regarding the adverse effects of excessive usage of plastic materials, application of green chemistry for the elimination of plastics and the need for a plastic free campus.



Practical knowledge on Printing Technology

APRIL 19, 2017

The students of II semester BA were taken to The Mysore Printers Private Limited, Kumbalgodu, Bangalore on 19 April 2017. The media visit was organized by the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, Mrs. Premavathi (Faculty, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication) accompanied and coordinated the

visit. The objective behind this visit was to provide practical knowledge on printing technology, to understand the process of printing Newspaper and Magazines. Mr. Sreenivas (Senior Engineer) explained the technique of converting the soft copy of the newspaper into the hard copy by demonstrating a copy of the metal plate. There were more details provided on the basic four colors used to print the newspapers, which are cyan, magenta, yellow and black. The students had questions

on newsprints (big roll of the paper used for the newspaper print) and its storage that was well explained by



Mrs. Premavathi, (Faculty) along with students

taking the students into the store room. On the whole visit was very informative and educative.

Spandana 2017- the Annual Field Practitioners Meet

MARCH 21, 2017

The Department of Social Work, AIGS organized the World Social Work day on 21 March 2017 at



Seminar Hall, AIGS. The day was observed with a view to reflect on the theme "Empowerment of



community and Environment sustainability" proposed by IFSW (International Federation of Social Workers) for the year 2017. The day's programme commenced with Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS) inaugurating the collage exhibition which was put up by the undergraduate and postgraduate students of the Department. The World Social

Work Day and Spandana 2017, the Annual Field Practitioners meet was inaugurated on the same occasion. The invocation song was sung by Ms. Kavyashree and group. The collage mainly contained images of nature and fields of Social Work. Dr. Madhukar Kulkarni (Head, Dept. of Social Work) welcomed the gathering. He stated the ways in which social work has culminated into a profession. He emphasized on the collective efforts to be put forward towards the goal of environment and community sustainability. Mr. Jose Mathew and Mrs. Shashi Kiran Shetty (Faculty, Dept. of Social Work) too spoke on the occasion. Spandana 2017 was briefed about on the occasion. Ms. Rohini Ravi (Asst. Manager) was the chief guest for the day. She spoke



on social work curriculum and



churning of essential skills in dealing with individuals, groups and communities. Mr. Manjunath



(Co-ordinator, Sparsha Trust) gave insights about the field and the need of field work. Mr. Saju Mannarath (Coordinator, Nemmedi Trust) and Mrs. Mili Samuel (Coordinator, SandeepaSevaNilayam) also spoke on the role of professional social workers and the academicians in standardizing tools for practice of social work.

Kannada Prathibothsava

MARCH 21, 2017

Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies under the guidance of Mr Chennaverayya (Head, Department of Kannada) organised Kannada Prathibothsava on 21 March 2017. This served as a platform for the students to exhibit their talent and skills before a crowd which appreciated and encouraged their efforts. Many programs were organised such as Bhava geethe, Swarachitha

Kavithegalu, Hasya Nataka and Kannadha Melina Vidheshiyara Preethi. The Chief Guest for the event was Mr. Chandra Mouli sir (Head, Department of Mass Communication and Journalism) and Mr. Anil B Malali (Dean, AIGS). The judges were professor Ms. Sukanya Shivshankar (Faculty, Acharya Polytechnic), Ms. Shreedhevi (Faculty AIT) and Ms.



Hemalatha (Faculty AIT). The response was amazing as many students as well as teachers came forward to perform and were absolutely charming.

Awareness programme on “Healthy Living”

MARCH 07, 2017

On 7th March 2017, the NSS Unit of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted an awareness program on “Healthy Living and Health Hazards” for the NSS volunteers. The programme was primarily aimed at educating the NSS volunteers about the various health issues affecting college students, causes and the appropriate steps to be taken to lead a healthy life. A team of first year NSS volunteers under the guidance of Harish from B.Sc(FAD), senior NSS volunteer had prepared a presentation on various issues related to Healthy Living. Over 70 NSS volunteers attended the presentation given by four NSS volunteers, Veerendra Kumar, Shravani, Anupma Singh and Sampreeth and managed to successfully capture the attention of the volunteers to the

pressing matters of student health. The introduction talk to the topic was given by Anupma Singh, who spoke on the necessity of health awareness and its relevance in today's world. It was followed by a wonderful discourse by Shravani Prasad and Veerendra Kumar, who spoke on the unhealthy diet and lifestyles of typical college students, the shocking amounts of carbohydrates and sugars that are ingested by them on a daily basis and the various disorders that could affect them on a longer run. The conclusion speech was given by Sampreeth Patil, who enlightened the students on the various precautionary measures and the tips they could follow to lead a happy and healthy life. The picture-packed powerpoint was highly

influential in driving the point home, and greatly reflected the detrimental lifestyle that was being followed by majority of the students who attended the programme. The response towards the presentation was highly positive, with many volunteers immediately realizing the need for a change in their lifestyle and promising to follow a healthy way of life. NSS has truly taken a great step forward in educating the youth of tomorrow to live a disease-free, happy life.



Sampreeth Patil and Shravani conducting the programme

Road safety awareness and Road Humps painting

MARCH 12 2017

The NSS Unit of AIGS had organized an activity on creating road safety awareness by painting the humps on the road to Acharya Institutes. The activity was held on 12th March 2017 and around 50 students had participated in the program which started at 9am in the

morning. The task was to paint around 12 humps on the road to Acharya Institutes campus as well as to create awareness for the public to drive slow and follow road rules. The activity was completed very enthusiastically by the NSS volunteers. While painting the road humps, one

group was clearing the garbage intruding the road thereby increasing the width of the road while another group was concentrating on talking to people to drive carefully. Many appreciated the good work done by the team for the benefit of the society and many people came forward to help the volunteers as well as to provide them with refreshments. The team had good support from the Traffic Police, Peenya branch and the Sub-Inspectors from Peenya and Soldevanahalli Police Station had visited the group and praised the initiative. The activity went on till 7pm in the evening after which the team dispersed with contentment of doing another good service for the society.



MARCH 14, 2017 **Blood Donation Drive NSS Volunteers**

The voluntary blood donation drive was organized by the NSS unit of AIGS in collaboration with LIONS Blood Bank and NIMHANS Blood bank on the 14th March 2017. The awareness about blood donation and its benefits, precautions before donating blood was

explained to all the students of AIGS and other institutes of Acharya by Mr. George, NSS Program Officer and the NSS volunteers. Like all the other years, the camp turned to be a grand success by collecting 255 units of blood which was a record breaker. Around 100

NSS volunteers controlled the whole mob and the program concluded without any casualties.

Finally, a memento was presented by Indian Red LIONS Club and NIMHANS to Prof. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS).



NSS Team and Volunteers

7-day ANNUAL SPECIAL NSS CAMP AT APPASANDRA, NARASAPURA

APRIL 05 TO 11 2017

The NSS Unit of Acharya Institute of Graduate Studies conducted a 7-day Annual Special Camp at Appasandra, near Narasapura Industrial Area from 5th April to 11th April 2017. 50 NSS volunteers under the guidance of Mr. George (NSS Program Officer) had attended the camp with the theme "HEALTH AND HYGIENE FOR YOUNG INDIA". The inauguration was held on 5th April 2017 at 7 pm and the Chief Guest for the function was Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS) along with Mrs. Soumya Ningaraj (Head-CSR as Special Guest), Mr. Biju. K. Balan (Head, Dept. of Computer Applications, AIGS) as Guest of Honour and other special invitees from the panchayath.

The formal inaugural function was followed by cultural programs performed by the NSS volunteers whose performances were highly entertaining for the villagers. After the inaugural ceremony, Mr. George addressed the students after which they were divided into 5 groups and responsibilities for each day were given to each group. The village, Appasandra adopted for the camp was found to be ignorant about the necessity of maintaining Health & Hygiene along with many other social issues like domestic violence, early marriage etc. Keeping this goal in mind, the volunteers along with their routine work like flag hoisting in the morning and sharing good thoughts for the day, physical

exercises and shramadhana, they were highly interactive with the villagers, explaining them the need to maintain hygiene leading to healthy village. While interacting, the volunteers questioned about cleanliness not being maintained in the village and pointed out the excessive usage of plastics and throwing it all over the village. Second day, the volunteers went to each house and interacted with the villagers thereby creating rapport with every family in Appasandra. In the school, our NSS volunteers demonstrated good hand washing practices and then did few games which explained the need for maintaining hygiene and developing good habits.

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SPECIAL NSS CAMP AT APPASANDRA, NARASAPURA

Afternoon, the volunteers had a session on “CSR and its relevance in NSS” by Mrs. Soumya Ningaraj, Head- CSR who supported the team during the camp. Her session was very interactive and useful as the volunteers could gain more knowledge on CSR and how it works. Mrs. Soumya also shared her valuable experiences as a social worker and described her journey to CSR which was highly motivating for the volunteers. In the evening, there was street play as well as mime on cleanliness and hygiene which clearly mentioned the need of maintaining cleanliness in the village premises, avoiding public sanitation, and to promote Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan along with cultural programs. The third day of the camp, after the morning practices, the students had gone for shramadhana where they collected plastics and other wastes which was accumulated in the village thereby blocking the water passages in the village. The students cleaned it. The villagers were made aware how dangerous this condition is to their village and tried convincing them to maintain waste baskets and dump the waste especially plastic in a common area far from the village. Afternoon, there was drama competition held among groups who had gone to interact with the villagers and were asked to bring out problems, it causes and solutions to the problem through the act. Later in the evening, the volunteers came back to the village and performed a street play on “Plastic Awareness” to reduce usage of plastic and its harmful effects would affect the villagers. They also performed skits on the importance of “Educating Girl child” as well as about “Domestic Violence”. The fourth day of the camp, the volunteers had gone on a survey to find the reasons for dropping education and whether the youth as well as ladies in the community would be interested to continue with short term skill development programs enabling them to get part time/skilled jobs. Few people showed interest in continuing education and to work part-time but others promised to send their children to school and provide them with better education. Meanwhile, one group of volunteers had an interaction with the shopkeepers requesting them to reduce the usage of plastic. With cleaning of the premises, the shramadhana came to an end and later there was a session on “Knowing thyself in a Team” by Mr. George, NSS Program Officer. On the sixth day, there were competitive games for the school children and evening there was street play on “Abortion” & “How to maintain relationships in family and society”. The afternoon session had a very practical session for the volunteers by Mr. Chethan (Lecturer, Dept. of Commerce & Mgmt) on “Legal Awareness”. On the same day, 10th April evening, the valedictory function was held at 7 pm where all the villagers had come to attend the function. Prof. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal, AIGS) was the chief guest for the function. In the beginning, the villagers hesitated to come forward but as the days went by they joined hands with our volunteers to clean the village. The camp was a great success. A lot of appreciation was given by the school authorities for making their school walls painted and for all the awareness programs given for the students.



NSS CAMP AT APPASANDRA, NARASAPURA

All India Inter University Softball (W) Participation

JANUARY 25, 2017

Ms. Hemavathi G (VI Semester BBA) and Ms. Sheetal Singh U (II Semester BSc FAD) represented Bangalore University Softball (W) team in All India Inter University Tournament 2016-17 held at M G University Kerala from 25th to 28 January 2017. The Management, Principal, Sports Secretary, Teaching and non teaching family of AIGS congratulate the students on their achievement.



Photo of Champions with Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal), Mr. Ramakrishne Gowda (General Admin & Sports) and Mr. Mahesh (Physical Education Director)

All India Inter University Softball (M) Participation

JANUARY 28, 2017



Mr. Vishnu Mani (VI Semester B.Com) and Mr. Gagan T K (II Semester B.Com) represented Bangalore University Softball (M) team in All India Inter University Tournament 2016-17 held at M G University Kerala from 28 to 31 January 2017. The Management, Principal, Sports Secretary, Teaching and non teaching family of AIGS congratulate the students on their achievement.

Photo of Champions with Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal), Mr. Ramakrishne Gowda (General Admin & Sports) and Mr. Mahesh (Physical Education Director)

All India Inter State Seniors Baseball (W) Tournament

MARCH 20, 2017

Ms. Sanduni Nanayakkara (IV Semester BA) represented Karnataka State Senior Baseball (W) team in All India Inter State Seniors Baseball (W) Tournament 2016-17 held at Odisha during March 2017. Management, Principal, Teaching and non-Teaching fraternity of AIGS congratulate Ms. Sanduni on her achievement.



Photo of Champions with Dr. Gurunath Rao Vaidya (Principal), Mr. Ramakrishne Gowda (General Admin & Sports) and Mr. Mahesh (Physical Education Director)

American Football (M) Participation

Mr. Siddarth B and Sudhanshu Kumar Singh (II Sem BSc FAD) represented Bangalore University American Football (M) team in All India Inter University Tournament 2016-17 held at MDU University, Hariyana from 09 to 11 April 2017. The Management, Principal, Sports Secretary, Teaching and non teaching family of AIGS congratulate the students on their achievement.



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