

THUMBA ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Thumba St. Xavier's College Alumni Association is functioning under the World Union of Jesuit Alumni (WUJA), formed during the silver jubilee year of the college in 1989. From then, the Association is functioning in a systematic manner according to a bye law. The Association was registered officially in the year 2013. The Association carries out numerous activities for the college students, which includes sponsoring the prizes of the Athappookalam competition every year, presenting scholarships for deserving students of all the Departments, organizing orientation classes and seminars for the college students. In the year 2022-23, we have successfully conducted a 3 day Xavier Alumni Fest entitled "la maree", during December 2022, in collaboration with the college.

Minutes of the last AGM conducted on 8th May 2022 at St. Xavier's College, Thumba

The meeting started with a prayer song by Mr. Bijukumar. Sri. Kadakkal Ramesh delivered the welcome speech. The President of the Association, Adv. N.R. Sureshkumar, in his presidential address suggested that the Alumni association can extend and elaborate its activities to reach various sections of the society. The College Manager and Co-coordinator of Jesuit Alumni Association of Kerala, Fr. Jose Mathew SJ elaborated the organisational structure of Alumni Associations. Former scientist of ITC & RD Bangalore and our college alumnus, Dr. Nandakumar K.S inaugurated the Annual General Body Meeting. He shared his memories about the campus and commented that hard work is the only path to success. The Secretary of the Association, Dr. Lisba Yesudas presented the Annual Report and the Treasurer, Dr. Harish S.R presented the Annual Accounts. The general body approved the same. The JAAK General Body brochure for "Sagara" was unveiled by Fr. Jose Mathew S.J and Adv. Sureshkumar made the first registration.

The College Principal, Dr. (Fr.) V.Y. Dasappan SJ, Dr. Joy Joseph (Retired Professor of the College), Sri. Anand Vijayan (Alumnus and Director, Kerala Sarvodaya Ayurveda Pharma & Research Centre) spoke on the occasion. Scholarships were awarded to second year students of the College, who excelled in academics.

The following students of various Departments received the scholarships:-

Physics- Gayathri N Chandran, Chemistry- Avani T.S, Maths - Malavika. S, Botany & Biotechnology- Gopika A.R, Commerce- Rejoy R, History- Sania Mirza, Malayalam & Mass Communication- Pournami M Kumar, and Economics- Leema Lorenz. The scholarships were sponsored by Mr. Stephan P.U (3 nos), Raghuchandran Nair, Anilkumar, Renji Abraham, Dr. Nandakumar, Dr. Joy Joseph and Mr. Anand Vijayan. Dr. Nandakumar was honoured in the meeting. The Vice President of the Association, Sri. Firosh A.S delivered the vote of thanks. The new executive committee members were elected for the year 2022-25. After the lunch, the meeting concluded at 1.30 pm.

DEPARTMENT WISE PROGRAMS

The Alumni Association organized various department wise programs during this year. The Association has started collaborative programs with various departments of the College for the year 2022-23.

This collaborative program series was inaugurated on 22.07.22, with an awareness seminar held in association with the Department of Botany and Biotechnology at Fr. Stan Sami Memorial Auditorium. The topic of the seminar was “Cytotechnology in Cancer Control”. The Resource person was our own Alumnus Dr. K. Sujathan, Senior Consultant, Health Software Technology Group, CDAC, Trivandrum (Former Additional Professor, Division of Cancer Research, RCC, Trivandrum). The Seminar was inaugurated by Dr. (Fr) V.Y Dasappan SJ, Principal, St.Xavier's College. Dr. Harish.S.R, Treasurer of the Alumni Association was the Program Co-ordinator. In his talk, Dr. Sujathan explained the different types of cancers, reasons for its occurrence and the various methods of detection.

Department of Chemistry in collaboration with Mobile Soil Testing lab, Trivandrum organized Soil Testing Campaign and Seminar, led by the Association Vice president and Asst. Soil Chemist, Sri. Firosh A.S.

Department of Malayalam and Mass communication conducted seminar on “Opportunities in media studies”. Our Alumnus, Rajeev Devraj, Executive editor, Mathrubhumi News was the chief guest.

JAAI South Zone General Council meet on 09-10-2022 and One Day tour to Agasthiyar Falls

JAAI South Zone General Council meeting was organized at St.Xavier's , Palayamkottai. Association president Mathew C.D and Alumni Coordinator Fr. Jose Mathew SJ participated in the meeting. The executive members went for a one day tour to Agasthiyar falls and Kanyakumari after accompanying the participants of the meeting.

ATHAPOOKALAM COMPETITION

As every year, this year also we have sponsored the prizes of the Athapookalam Competition.

First- Commerce

Second- Economics

Second- English

Third- Physics

UK ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CHAPTER

UK Alumni Chapter was formed, when our College Principal visited UK on the way to participate in the World Jesuit Higher Education Conference at USA

AWARDS AT JAAI NATIONAL MEET

The Association has won 3 awards at the JAAI National Meet at Patna. The Association was honored with the following awards:-

Success in Synergy Award – St. Xavier's College Alumni Association, Thumba, Trivandrum

Special Recognition for organizing and hosting the First JAAI Inter Zonal Alumni Football Tournament - St. Xavier's College, Thumba, Trivandrum, Madurai Province

Appreciation for Hosting First JAAI Inter Zonal Alumni Football

The following members were elected to JAAK (Jesuit Alumni Association of Kerala)

1. Shimmy Jose (Joint Secretary)
2. Gurukumar S.K (Treasurer)
3. Adv. Suresh Kumar N.R

16th JAAI South Zone was conducted at Mangaluru, Karnataka on 27 and 28th of May 2022.

Mathew C.D, Gurukumar S.K, Shimmy Jose T and Jose C along with Alumni coordinator Fr. Jose Mathew SJ participated in the meeting.

JAAI National Congress was in Patna. President Mathew.C.D and Alumni Coordinator Fr.Jose Mathew SJ participated in the same.

Association President Sri.Mathew.C.D at National Congress of JAAI. He is elected to Governing Council of JAAI

XAVIER ALUMNI FEST – la mare

The College, in collaboration with its Alumni/Ae Association organised a grand fest entitled “la Maree”- a blend of cultural, academic, technological and sports events, from the **20th** to the **23rd of December, 2022**. The fest provided the best opportunity for the performers to showcase their skill and competency. This event was mainly targeted as a fund-raiser for the construction of a new Sports Pavilion in the College.

The Inter collegiate football tournament was conducted from 17th to 23rd December, 2022. 14 teams from different colleges participated for the same. The first prize of Rs.50000 and Theresa Josephe Memorial ever rolling trophy was won by MES Mampad, Second prize of Rs.30000 won by Sahrdaya College of Advanced studies, Kodakara and third prize of Rs.20000 was won by Maharajas college, Ernakulam.

The Inter Collegiate Cricket Tournament was conducted at St.Xavier’s College- KCA Cricket Ground. Mar Ivanios College, Trivandrum has emerged as the winner.

The fest started with a Inter Zone Friendly foot ball tournament among the Alumni members of Jesuit Alumni Association of India. Five teams participated and the host St.Xavier’s College won the Competition.

Inter collegiate Dance Competition. Various teams from different colleges participated in the competition. University College , Karyavattom won the first prize of Rs.25000, second prize of Rs.15000 by St.Xavier’s college and Third prize of Rs.10000 won by S.N.College, Kollam

In the public meeting, Minister M.B.Rajesh, V.Sasi, MLA , Rtd. Justice C.N.Ramachandran and Bishop of Punalor Dr.Silvester Ponnumuthan were the chief guests.

Intercollegiate Malayalam poetry recitation, NCC Drill and Elocution competition was also conducted

In which Participants from various colleges attended.

Nadan Pattu (Local Song) performance was held during evening.

The last day of the fest was colourful with a Celebrity Ganamela by Jassie Gift & Prameela (Alumnus of our college). The auditorium was full and it was a night of power packed entertainment.

Lucky Dip competition was the fund raising program for the fest for which attractive Prizes were offered.