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PAZHASSI RAJA NSS COLLEGE, MATTANUR



OUR VISION - To excel in quality and to ensure equity in the field of higher education

NATIONAL SEMINAR ON PHYSIO- PSYCHIC AND SOCIO -CULTURAL REPERCUSSIONS OF KALARIPAYATTU

The Department of Physical Education organized a UGC sponsored National Seminar on "The Physio-Psychic and Socio-Cultural Repercussions of Kalaripayattu" on 23rd and 24th of February 2010. The seminar highlighted the relevance of Kalaripayattu the martial art of Kerala, its concepts, philosophy, methods and applications. The social and cultural background of Kalaripayattu was explored as also the scientific concept of its observance. The need to recognize the body as a bridge between the spirit and matter, to develop and strengthen physical consciousness and the need to revive the lost glory and glamour of Kalaripayattu was stressed. The resource persons shared the view that this art which is now performed without a Kalari, giving no consideration to the season, time and clairvoyancy of masters has degenerated to the state of mere physical exercise and stage show for popularity.



Sri. Kaduthuruthi Vasudeva Gurukkal inaugurates the seminar

The two-day National Seminar was formally inaugurated by Sri. Kaduthuruthi Vasudeva Gurukkal and the keynote address delivered by eminent historian Dr. M. G.S. Narayanan in a function presided over by the Principal Prof. P. Muraleedharan. The other resource persons were Sri. S.R.D. Prasad (Sree Bharath Kalari, Kannur), Dr C Balan, Department of History and Heritage Studies, Kannur University, Dr.Vamana Nandavara, Project Officer, Heritage Village Manglore, Dr.P. Raveendranathan Nair, Principal Ayurvedic Medical College, Parassinikadavu and Dr.V.K. Subramanian, Parivrajakacharya Yoga Vedantha Mission, Kannur. Faculty and research scholars of various institutions presented papers on the second day.



Demonstration of the Supreme Martial Art

PAZHASSI DAY OBSERVED

It was a historical moment at Pazhassi Raja NSS College on the 30th Nov, 2009. The two hundred and fourth anniversary of the martyrdom of the legend Pazhassi Raja was observed with due honour and decorum. The Pazhassi memorial speech was delivered by Dr. P.K. Michael Tharakan, Honourable Vice

Chancellor of Kannur University. The Principal Prof. P. Muraleedharan presided over the function. The programme was jointly organised by the History Association, Alumni Association and the College Union.



Remembering Pazhassi Raja

Laurels to our college



Felicitation to Nidhina. S III Rank holder in BSc Zoology



Ragesh Kumar T.P



Shibin Krishnan

of B.Sc Physics secured admission for MSc. Tech Photonics-NIT, Calicut

From the Principal's desk



The second issue of 'Impressions' is reaching your hands with a precise account of the activities of the current year with all its variety and diversity. Curricular and extra-curricular activities were planned and executed with the active support and cooperation of all stakeholders of the institution. The year was hectic with a systematic documentation of the activities of yester years to prepare the institutional data and evaluative report to be submitted to NAAC for assessment and accreditation. This gave us an opportunity to realize our strength and weakness and to make a self assessment.

Quality access and equity are the cornerstones of the present reform agenda in higher education. Our consistent efforts are also in this direction, identifying the needs and aspirations of the populace around and upholding the popular saying "Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."

Dr. Jayaprakash C.A.
Principal

DR. BALAMANI ENDOWMENT AND MEMORIAL LECTURE

Dr. Balamani Endowment constituted by the Department of Zoology of Pazhassi Raja N.S.S. College with the support of co researchers and friends of Late Dr. E. Balamani is a tribute to our departed colleague. The endowment will be awarded to the "Best Talent in Zoology" among the undergraduate students in Zoology, Microbiology and Biotechnology of Kannur University. The award function will also be marked by Dr. Balamani Memorial Lecture on current developments in Biological Science. Prof. K.M. Abdur Rasheed, Registrar, Kannur University presented Dr. Balamani Endowment to the winner-2010, Kavitha Anand, II Semester B.Sc. Zoology, P.R.N.S.S. College, Mattanur. Dr. Jayaprakash C.A., Principal Scientist, CTCRI, TVM delivered Dr. Balamani Memorial Lecture. P.P Krishnan Nambiar Endowment was awarded to Rejisha .K of III BSc. Zoology being the top scorer in Subsidiary Botany for the year 2009-10.



Creditable Achievements

Fully automated library and information centre inaugurated

The P.R.N.S.S College Central Library which contains more than 80 publications including 32 journals, 26230 books and the Encyclopedia is fully automated fulfilling national standards. The fully facilitated library was inaugurated in the presence of staff and students by the N. S. S Colleges Central Committee Secretary Prof. R. Prasanna Kumar on 7th October 2009. Extensive awareness programmes were conducted to introduce the present system to the staff and students.



*The quest begins here:
Prof. R. Prasanna Kumar
inaugurates the Library*

Editorial

Back to the past: Impressions in time



Dreams realised: getting things done

"Impressions" our maiden venture in releasing a newsletter materialized on the 25th of June 2009. The newsletter was released by Pro Vice Chancellor of Kannur University, Dr. A. P. Kuttikrishnan. Impressions rekindled our hopes, enriched our journalistic skills, tapped our creativity and exploited our potential in organizing various activities. It enabled us to travel through time to record the events of the year and produce the second issue.

Editorial Board
Meena Shanker
Deepa. K

The dynamics of Physics

Workshop on Laboratory Physics for High School students

It was really a thrilling experience for the little masters from four different schools in our locality when they had a chance to visit the Physics laboratory on 13th and 14th of November 2009. The two days workshop inaugurated by the Principal P. Muraleedharan, saw the participation of 75 students and 6 high school teachers. The final year physics students demonstrated 35 experiments related to high school syllabus and guided the participants to do 5 experiments and draw conclusions.



ignited minds @ work

Workshop on Methodology of Science

Methodology has been included as a core course in the revised syllabus under Choice Based Credit and Semester system. In this context the one day workshop on methodology of science for Physics teachers organized by the Department of Physics on 12th December was of due relevance. 16 teachers from various colleges attended the workshop. Dr. Manoj Praveen of Faroke Training College and Dr. Ramakrishnan of Govt. Brennen College were the resource persons.

World Space Week Celebrations

In connection with World Space Week celebrations the Department of Physics organized a programme in collaboration with ISRO on 5th October 2009. Our students had a chance to interact with Sri. Imtiaz Ali Khan, Scientist, EVSSC who gave a talk on the History and Development of Indian Space Technology.



Vision to reality

The essence of Chemistry

Seminar on Nucleic Acid Therapy

The Department of Chemistry organized a seminar on Nucleic Acid Therapy on 18th August 2009. Dr. K. Rajeev, Director, Drug Discovery, Alnylum was the resource person.



Seminar on Semiconductor Photocatalysts

Sri Vinod Kumar Etacheri, research scholar in Ireland and former student of the department gave a talk on Semiconductor Photocatalysts on 16th

Threads of inspiration: The chemical appeal

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The miracles of Mathematics

Seminar on Mathematical Modeling of Nature



Modeling mathematics

In connection with the inauguration of activities of Compactum club on 26th June, 2009, a seminar was organized on Mathematical Modeling of the Nature. Sri. Sunil Mathew, Lecturer, Govt. Brennen college was the speaker. The department also organized a quiz on Basic Mathematics and Sudoku competition at the college level.

'Killer Zenipth': The Success Theorem



Asha. K, III BSc. Maths

developed an Anti-Virus Software

Student Counselling

The Tutorial Committee and Career Guidance Cell arranged a counselling programme by Dr. K. Gireesh Nambiar to manage emotional, psychological and behavioral problems of students.



The snippets of Zoology

NATIONAL SCIENCEDAY CELEBRATIONS

In connection with National Science Day celebrations on 27th February 2010 the Department of Zoology in association with KSCSTE, Thiruvananthapuram and DST organized a one day seminar on Gender Equity and Biodiversity Conservation. Smt. K.K. Shylaja, M.L.A inaugurated the programme and delivered the keynote address. Dr. Moly Kuruvilla, Director, School of Women Studies, University of Calicut and Dr. Rajmohana. K, Scientist, Zoological Survey of India, Kozhikode were the resource persons for the technical sessions.



➤ Smt. K.K. Shylaja inaugurates the celebrations

Workshop on ornamental fish farming

A workshop on "Ornamental Fish Farming" was conducted on 26th November 2009 for the members of 'Kudumbasree'. The programme was inaugurated by the Deputy Director of Fisheries, Kannur, Dr. Dineshan Cheruvat. Members of 11 'Kudumbasree' units participated in the programme. The participants also visited an ornamental fish farm.

The fragrance of Botany

"Vegetable Cultivation a must for a Healthy Future"

The Department of Botany and Nature Club jointly organized a programme on Vegetable Cultivation and Seed Distribution in association with VFPCCK. Mr. Sajan Andrews, Manager VFPCCK delivered the key note address and stressed the importance of vegetable cultivation for a better future. Mrs. Mallika, Asst. Manager, VFPCCK elaborated on practices in vegetable cultivation. Vegetable kits and seeds were distributed to the participants.



➤ Distribution of vegetable kits

A green initiative to conserve germplasm of *Mangifera indica* L.

The Department of Botany has undertaken a project to collect and conserve the disease resistant and endemic varieties of mango trees for academic as well as economic purposes. As a beginning saplings of ten local varieties were collected from various parts of Mattannur and planted in the college campus.

The Commercial Scenario

Add on Course on Insurance initiated

The Department of Commerce introduced an add-on course on insurance with Dr. A.V. Hemalatha as the course coordinator. The programme was inaugurated by Sri.Santhosh Thomas, Branch Manager, LIC of India, Mattannur on 22nd Sep. 2009 and gave a talk on 'History of Insurance.'



➤ Sri. Santhosh Thomas speaks on the occasion

Spearheading development

An entrepreneurship development programme was organized for the members of Kudumbasree, Mattannur Municipality on 24th Oct. 2009. Dr A.V. Hemalatha gave a talk on The role of kudumbasree in socio economic development of Kerala.

Sri Unnikrishnan (Retired Manager), DIC, Kannur engaged a class on Entrepreneurship development and the emergence of micro enterprises. 26 members were motivated to start small enterprises. The Department of Commerce also organized a business quiz and CA awareness programme for higher secondary students.



➤ Empowering through Kudumbasree

The Historic moments

The “Pazhassi Raja Crew” honoured

In connection with the Pazhassi Day celebrations the Department of History, College Union and the Alumni Association jointly organized a function to honour the artists and producer of the historic film Kerala Varma Pazhassi Raja. In a kaleidoscopic function held on 26th Nov.'09 the producer, Sri Gokulam Gopalan, superstar and Ex MP Sri. Sarath Kumar and several other actors who worked in the movie were honoured.



Honouring the artists



The Economic impacts

Seminar on Union Budget 2009-10

The Department of Economics organized a one day seminar on union budget 2009-10 on 11th August '09. Dr. M.D. Devasiya, Reader, Nirmalagiri College was the resource person.

The department also organised a quiz competition for the higher secondary school students on 1st October '09.



Staying in touch with Economics

The Hindi Pulse

Hindi Fortnight Celebrations



Preserving the national language

In collaboration with Youth & Sports affairs, Govt. of India and Nehru Yuva Kendra the Department of Hindi organized a variety of programmes and competitions for the students during the Hindi fortnight from 14th to 28th September 2009. Two manuscript magazines compiled by the students were released by poet Mohanakrishnan Kalady

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All set for accreditation

Pazhassi Raja NSS College is ready to be assessed by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council of UGC. Preparation of a self study report helped us identify our strengths and weakness. An orientation programme for teachers was organised by the IQAC on 6th February 2009 by Prof. K. Kunhikrishnan, NAAC peer team member and former Pro Vice Chancellor of Kannur University.



Orientation for accreditation

Congratulations

Dr. K. Pradeep Kumar

Dr. K. Pradeep Kumar, Head of The Department of Chemistry is nominated as member of Syndicate, Kannur University.

Sri. M. Mohanakrishnan

Well known Malayalam poet Sri .M.Mohanakrishnan , faculty of Chemistry Department was honoured with Vylopilly Award for the year 2009.

Smt. A.V Hemalatha



PhD was awarded to Smt. A.V Hemalatha of Commerce Department by Kannur University for her thesis entitled “Women Empowerment in Kerala Through Self Help Groups”



Nayana T of II BA Economics won the 1st prize in the state level essay competition conducted by 'Mathrubhumi Arogyamasika' and 'Pratheeksha' in connection with **world breast cancer awareness campaign.**

The milestone ventures of English

Hues and Shades

Avant-Garde, The English Literary and Journalism club organized a full-fledged chart exhibition entitled **Hues and Shades** from 17th to 19th February 2010 highlighting various aspects of communication, journalism, documentary, and film studies. Three hundred charts and posters prepared by the students were exhibited.



Mission Possible: Translating journalistic experience into confidence

Focus 2010

A series of talks by reputed journalists provided students an opportunity to interact with journalists and explore newer insights into the world of journalism. The programme was inaugurated by Rev. Father Francis Karakkat, Head of the Department of Journalism, Don Bosco College, Iritty. "**Meet the journalists programme**" was inaugurated by Dinakaran Kombilath, Senior reporter of Mathrabhumi .Potpourri, the Manuscript Magazine and Luminariam, an album of writers was released.

Know Your English: The Talking shop

The Department of English and the Career Guidance Cell jointly organized a two day workshop on Communicative English. Modules in language learning were presented by S B Global Enrichment Centre, Kannur. The resource persons, enriched the students with communicative skills. Students actively participated in group discussions and mock interviews. The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Raveendran Nambiar.



Building a strong foundation in English

Reaching out: Extension Activity

The Department of English organized a programme in Phonetics at Mattanur Higher Secondary School on 13th and 14th of October. Students presented modules for high school students to improve their pronunciation skills and develop fluency in English.

Pathway to learning



Alumni: our strength

The annual alumni meet 2010 held at the college on 26th January 2010 inaugurated by Dr. A.P. Kuttikrishnan, PVC, Kannur University. Former students participated in the get together.

Literary Club

The college literary club under Dr. Sumitha Nair, organized a variety of programmes to nourish the artistic and literary talent of students. The club activities of this academic year was inaugurated on 26th October 2009 by well known writer Sri. T.N. Prakash who spoke on the future of Malayalam short story. A programme on classical music and sopanasangeetham was held on 10th February. Ganabhu shanam Sri. Sreekumar, demonstrated the similarities and differences between the two. The prize winners of university arts festival were felicitated.



mixing right beats

Career Guidance Programme

Career Guidance Cell organized various programmes for the final years. This includes seminars on "MBA as Career Option" by TIME Kannur on 30th September and a talk on "The Latest Trend in Share Marketing" by UAE Exchange and Financial Services. Talks on Career and Job Opportunities in IT sector was conducted by NIIT on 30th

Book Club

To attract staff and students to the world of information, extensive programmes were conducted under the auspices of the book club. The daily 'Knowledge sheet' display outside the central library gives current information on all fields of knowledge to students. An annual quiz competition, essay competitions and other programmes were organized. November 11th, the birthday of Moulana Abdul Kalam, observed as the national education day was celebrated.

NSS

Two NSS units of the college with Smt. Lekha.P and Sri Mohanakrishnan as coordinators organized a variety of activities this academic year. Hundred saplings were planted in the campus observing the Environmental Day. The NSS conducted a survey on 'Socio-Economic and Educational Background' of the students of this college. Legal awareness programme, observance of communal harmony week and talk on Health & Hygiene for female volunteers were conducted. The annual camp was organized at Kallur village.



↪ Clean dreams

NCC

The 62nd NCC Day was celebrated by the NCC unit of the college. Cadets under the leadership of Dr. T.P. Raveendran, SUO Shijil and SUO Mansoor Ahmmed visited Sachidananda Balamandiram Kallur. They donated dress materials and food items to the inmates and performed cultural programmes for them.



↪ Helping destiny's children

Women's cell: towards empowerment

The Women's Cell activities for the academic year 2009-10 was inaugurated on 22nd June 2009 and Mrs .Sreekha, faculty, JMI University delivered a talk on 'The Role of Women in the Development Process of the Economy.' A seminar on 'Anti Dowry Awareness' was organized on 23rd November 2009. The programme was inaugurated by Sri Sethuraman, IPS, Commandant KAP, Kannur. Advocate P. Omana, Govt. Pleader and Dr. Philomina, SES College, Sreekanadapuram spoke on the occasion.



Woman: The Power Principle

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Entrepreneurship Development Club-bridging the gap

An Entrepreneurship Awareness programme was organized on 19th January 2010 n. Sri. Moorkoth Radhakrishnan, District President, Kerala State Small Scale Industry was the chief guest. The inaugural session was followed by a talk on "Entrepreneurship Development" by Sri. C. Unnikrishnan, Retired Manager, DIC, Kannur and an interactive session with the students. Dr. T. Vasudevan presided over the function.

The club also organized an industrial site visit on 25th February 2010. The team visited Rubco Huat factory at Chonadam and the Industrial Estate at Palayad.

**Login to Power Point and Internet**

An e-programme aiming total computer literacy of students in the college was organized during this academic year. The one year long project was launched on 9th July 2009 with Dr. T.L. Remadevi as the coordinator. Computer instructor Rejina Suresh guided the students to access internet, create e-mial id, and use powerpoint.



↪ dont say it; just mail it

Through the news papers...



Swaralaya: The Cultural Treat

Swaralaya organized on 14th and 15th of December '09, was inaugurated by Hon. Minister for Devaswom, Sri Kadanapally Ramachandran. Malayalam writer Sri T.N. Prakash and play back singer Sri. Arun Raj were chief guests of the function.



College Union Inaugurated

The College Union 2009-10 was inaugurated by well known poet and lyricist Sri Ramesh Kavil on 24th September 2009. The Fine arts Club was inaugurated by artist Sri Ponnian Chandran. A variety of programmes were conducted by the students.

King Makers: Achievers at the University Level



Aswini. C.P

I Prize in Bharathanatyam,
Mohiniyattam & II in Kuchuppudi



Mansoor Ahmed Khan

II Prize in
Hindi Elocution



Athira. K.R

III Prize in
Documentary Script Writing



Aparna R

Kannur University
Chess Champion



*Prathibhasangamam:
Honouring the maestro*

*Nadankalamela:
Breaking barriers through art*

Marching ahead...

The annual sports meet held on 4th December '09, was formally inaugurated by the Principal who received the guard of honour of the ceremonial march past. Students actively participated in track and field events.

