#### **b)** Dance Drama

As part of the inaugural ceremony of the English department association, the students performed a dance drama presenting different ages in human life. The drama was based on Shakespeare's poem "Seven Ages of Man."The performance received much appreciation.





ADD ON COURSES

With a view to strengthen the employability skills of the students, the college conducts add-on courses. Commerce students attend Computerised Accounting offered by Allen Technologies, Kochi .Delta SoftwarePvt. Ltd.,Pettah conducts Computer Hardware Course for BCA students.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS



her talent in the world famous Western Classical Orchestra, Orfeo Quintet, an International band with its Malayali roots in Kochi. (3) Clevin of First Year B C A won first prize for hardware assembling conducted by Computer Department of CUSAT in October. (4) Basil P P of Final Year B Com C A won A Grade in collage in the M G University Youth Festival. (5) MahimaVerma of First Year B A English got A Grade for Essay Writing and Short Story Writing in Hindi of MG University Youth Festival. Lakshmi Mukundan of First year B.A. English got A Grade in Short Story Writing (English) and A Grade in Poetry Writing (English) of MG University Youth Festival Kottayam.

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"Education is more a luxury.

It is a responsibility that

society owes to itself - Robin Cook

this occasion being part of the successful journey of our college.It is our vision to provide quality education to all the learners thereby helping them to achieve personal excellence. We focus on the all round development of our students. Here they have the opportunity to participate in various activities so that their skills and talents can be nourished. It takes a community effort to make such transformation happen. I appreciate the value the contribution and coordination of the staff members in this process. Their constant support and desire to help the students completes our vision. I thank Lord Almighty for His immense blessings and hope we will continue our journey towards excellence in the overall development of the students and thereby the organisation.

#### **INDUCTION CEREMONY**



The college officially welcomed its new batch of students in a grand ceremony on 23rd June 2019. This program aimed to enhance students' familiarity with the faculties, campus, its facilities, activities and the goals. The chief guest of the day was Dr Abraham Mathew, retired justice of High Court of Kerala. He appealed the students to utilize the time and available resources to the most optimum capacity for academic enhancement. He emphasized the importance of core values like dedication and discipline. His speech imparted the importance of students in transcending knowledge for the betterment of society.

# SPECCHIO NEWS LETTER

June 2020

#### **PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**

We have completed another academic year. I am so proud and delighted on



#### **ORIENTATION PROGRAMME** FOR FACULTY MEMBERS



An orientation programme was conducted for faculty members on 298th May 2019. Dr. Mary Matilda, former principal of Maharaja's College Ernakulam, was the speaker of the day. She shared some tips for effective teaching.

#### **ORIENTATION PROGRAMME** BY FR. ABY VARKEY

An orientation programme was conducted by Fr. Aby Varkey on 25th June 2019 for the first year students. He encouraged and emphasised the students to lead a life counting God's blessings and dignity of human life.

#### **SECRET OF MUSIC**



Music therapy is a proven method of improving an individual's quality of life by touching all aspects of the mind, body, brain and behavior. All

the first year students of our college benefited from the highly professional music therapy session conducted by renowned music director Alex Paul on June 27.

#### **YOGA DAY**

International Yoga Day was celebrated on June 21st, 2019. Mr. Rakesh. K, "Art of Living Faculty", conducted a training session explaining the importance of regular practice of yoga. He demonstrated some yoga postures which can be practiced regularly by the audience.











#### MIND MATTERS



A two-day Orientation programme for each department by the famous MindShift Guru Dr.Retish Ambat on the topic "Conscious Engineering and Career-Goal Setting", was conducted in the College Auditorium from 20th of November 2019 to 26th of November. The programme was attended by mostly second year students from all departments.

#### **INAUGURATION OF COLLEGE UNION & ARTS CLUB**



The inaugural function of the Student's Union (2019-20) took place on 13 th of December 2019 in the College Auditorium. The Chief Guest of the day was Mr.Saju Navodaya, the famous South Indian film and television actor and Comedian. He inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp, and officially released the logo of Union Arts Day, entitled "Chamayam (2019-20)".



#### **DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATION INAUGURATION**

#### 1) B C A



The BCA Department Association, CASIN, was inaugurated by Mr. Mithun John Jacob, Onicz Systems, on November 20,2019. His session on the Latest Trends in Programming and Job Prospectus was very informative.

#### **3) B COM**

The association inauguration of the department of Commerce was conducted on 28th November 2019.Chief guest Dr. Professor Rajagopala Nair, Dean, Bhavan's Business School, addressed the audience.



Association inauguration

#### 5) PSYCHOLOGY



Department of Psychology, year 2019 has its association inaugurated on Friday 30 th August 2019. Smt. Zaileshia, renowned Psychologist inaugurated NAPS 2019-20. She addressed the students and had an interactive session with them.

#### a) Dementia Walk

"Udhbodh"-memory walk The students from department of Psychology participated in a memory walk on September 21, 2019 conducted by udhbodh, a project launched by Cusat's Centre of

Neuroscience to Strengthen the fight against the stigma associated with Alzheimer's, disease and to make a dementia friendly Cochin.

#### b) Talk on Basics of Genetics

A one-day session on "basics of genetics" was taken by Ms Divyalakshmi, faculty of Coach India Academy Thrissur on 25th February 2020. She spoke about the principles, concept of gene and chromosomal anomalies. Her class was well received by the students.

#### 2) B A



The inaugural ceremony of English Department Association, "Meraki", was a huge success. The launch took place on 18th December 2019. Professor S. Joseph of Maharajas College, Ernakulam a renowned poet, was the chief guest. His speech was inspiring which included topics related to poetry. He stated the importance of department associations in building creative generations. After the launch, the students performed a melodrama portraying the different ages in human life.

**4) BBA** 



which started functioning in the The inauguration of the BBA Department Association, "MANIC", was conducted on 26th November 2019. Mr Sijin B T, founder of SMRI, lightened the lamp and inaugurated the association. His session on Career Opportunities in Sports Management was worthy to students, as it provided them with information about such opportunities.

#### 6) ENGLISH a) Krithi Book Festival

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Books are storehouses of knowledge. The faculty and students of the department of English participated in Krithi Book Festival conducted at Marine Drive on February 14th 2019. The speech by prof. M Sanu was insightful. The team explored the day and got familiar with many books on display at the exhibition.

#### **ED CLUB INAUGURATION**

Youth is a reservoir of potential energy. This energy, if channelised judiciously can result in highly productive human resources for the country. Keeping this in view an Entrepreneurship Development Club was formed. The E.D Club was officially inaugurated on September 4th 2019 by Mrs.Shika Shine, the director, I Mark Global. During the whole year, the club members remained very active by organising exhibition cum sales, participating in skill development workshops and product launching.





**PLACEMENTS** 

Enhancing the employability skills of the students is a priority of our college. The placement cell functions well under the leadership of Mr. Eldho Peter, Faculty, BCA Depart-ment. We have associated with ESAF Bank and Sutherland Global Services. The placement drives were conducted on 6th March 2020.





#### **ONAM CELEBRATION**



#### ANTI DRUGS AWARENESS PROGRAMMES

Anti Drugs Awareness Programmes were conducted on July 26 and November 15 by Mr Job V T of "Vimukthi" and Mr Mathew Varghese of Narcotic Cell



#### **FILM CLUB**

With a view to approach and study film as an art, Celluloid, the Film Club was inaugurated by Mr Manu Jose, theatre artist, on 2nd March 2020. He had a talk with the audience and screened four short films of social relevance.



**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION** 



Bringing in the message of love and sacrifice, college Christmas celebration, "Felicia 2019", was conducted on December 20. The students staged a skit which highlighted the importance of observing Xmas. There was a carol by the students. The Santa Claus danced to the exciting tunes and distributed chocolates.



#### **N S S ACTIVITIES**



NSS (Unit 113) has a good track record since in beginning in Town Residence Association, NSS Day celebration on 2007-08. The unit was awarded the second best performing September 24th, Star manufacture and Soap production in unit and the best programme officer and Principal in the year association with Rural Science and Technology Centre 2012 - 13 by Mahatma Gandhi University. The unit Thuruthikkara, Suvarnam NSS @ 50 Special Camp, Mini conducted various programmes during the year; International Camps for personality development of volunteers, Blood Yoga Day Seminar and Practice, Flash Mob to spread Donation Camp, Samaritan Programme for Life Saving Skills awareness about Drug abuse, Kerala Flood Relief Collection, at Lakeshore Hospital, Green Literacy Initiative, Survey for Gandhi @ 150 celebration by planting 150 trees, U-Turn Solar Grid Installation and Mass Cleaning Program at Fort Project for waste management in association with Kureekad Kochi.







#### **PROJECT GUIDANCE WORKSHOP**

Ms.Priya P. S, Asst. Professor, P G and Research Dept. of Commerce, S. H College, Thevara, conducted a Project Guidance Workshop for final year M. Com students on 11th October 2019. The students were benefited from the session as they got a better idea on completing their projects in a better manner.

The Inter-department Competitions "Nirmala Fest(2019-20)" was held in our college during the months of November, December 2019. A series of events including literary, Creative Arts, Fine Arts, Musical Events and Sports Competitions were conducted from 22nd of November till 18th of December with a grand closing ceremony on the same date. Competitions including Mr/ Ms Nirmala, Mime and Thematic Dance competitions adorned the event. CollegeUnion Arts Day-"Chamayam (2019-20)", was conducted on 18th December 2019, the last day of the fest B.A English department secured the Overall trophy for Arts and B.com Taxation Department secured the Overall trophy for Sports Competitions . The chief guest Mr.E.G.Babu, respected Principal of S.N.D.P.H.S.S Udayamperoor, gave away the prizes to the winners.



#### **TRAINING SESSIONS**

Our college offers various training sessions for the students. Mr. SwaroopMenon, Trainer, conducted a session on 5th March 2020 for preparing the students to attend the placement drive of ESAF Bank. The NSS volunteers attended a training programme on emergency care, Samaritan, at Lakeshore



Hospital on 14th December 2019. BCA students attended training sessions on Mobile Application Development and PHP programme.

Mrs.SaliniRakesh, Trainer, conducted 'Yes Plus Youth Empowerment Programme' for M. Com students from 9th December 2019 to 12th December 2019.

#### **INTER- DEPARTMENT FEST**



