

## Report of the Alumnae Association 2017 - 2018

The activities of the Alumnae Association for the year 2017-18 began with the Annual Reunion last year held on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2017. The gathering of former students, retired staff and present faculty members were accorded a warm welcome by the Co-ordinator of the Association, Dr. Sr. Marriette A. Therattil. Ms Annie Varghese, Former Head of the Department of Physical Education was the Chief Guest for the day. The special invitees, the Golden Jubilarians (1968 batch) and the Silver Jubilarians (Graduates and Post Graduates who graduated in 1992), were presented with souvenirs. The 2017 graduate and post graduate batches were initiated into the Association by their respective tutors and Department Heads with silver badges. The General Body meeting that followed decided on the Executive Committee members with decisions being taken on who all will be the Department Nominees for the year. The Alumnae Bazaar was put up which hosted kiosks and stalls of popular brands of clothing and accessories along with household items.

Recognising the need to contribute to the uplift of the society, the Association launched *Vimalaardram* – an outreach initiative that was inaugurated last year. As part of the same, Christmas kits were distributed among patients of the Pain and Palliative Care Unit of the District Hospital and among the inmates of an Old Age Home in December 2017. In April this year, a facility for the aged women in the community was opened at Padukad where they will be taken care of during the day. The *Pakalvedu* was inaugurated by Hon Mayor Smt. Ajitha Jayarajan.

The Star of Vimala Contest in honour of Rev. Sr. Stella Maria, the first Principal was organized in January last year. The following teachers were the judges for the Off-Stage Round: Dr Kezia Kuruvilla, Dr Sheeja Tharakan and Dr Malini K A. The judges for the Final Round: Dr Malini K A, Dr. O J Joycee and Dr. Bindhu Ann Philip. Following are the prize winners: Star of Vimala Title Winner: Amalendu V. Joseph (S6 B.Sc. Mathematics), First Runner Up: Sreelakshmi M (S6 B. A. Malayalam) and Second Runner Up: Aiswarya Pradeep (S6 B. A. English Literature). The Annual Award Day of the Association is one of the most joyous occasions when the former students of the College are applauded for achievements in their areas of expertise.

Alumnae Accolades held in honour of (Late) Dr. Sr. Cleopatra conferred the following awards: **Gloria Award**: Ms. Subaida Salim (International Hockey Player), **Excelsia Award**: Mrs. Indira Gopinathan (Social Activist) and **Gracia Award**: Prof. Rajalakshmi N. T. (Former Head, Department of Economics). The two students selected for Karma Award given to socially committed students went to Adheena (S5 B. Com) and Saroj Ollukaran (S5 BA Sociology). The Chief Guest for the function held on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2018 was our alumna, Ms. Sonija M. A., Divisional Manager (P & IR, LIC, Thrissur).