Report of Alumnae Association 2021-22

The activities of the Alumnae Association for the year 2021-22 began with the **Annual Reunion and General Body Meeting** held on 8th October 2021. The second virtual Global Alumnae Meet was streamed via Google meet and YouTube live. The programme started at 2 pm by invoking blessings from God almighty. The Co-ordinator, Dr Sr Marriette A Therattil rendered the welcome address. The new provincial team consisting of our alumnae, Dr Sr Christlin, Dr Sr Rani George, Dr Sr Mariette A Therratil and Sr Mariya Jose were felicitated by the President of the association Dr O J Joycee. The annual report of the year 2020-21 was presented by Ms. Ann Mary Thomas, the Secretary of the association. Treasurer, Ms Nisha Leela Jose, read out the financial report of the year. Both the reports were duly approved by the President of the association Dr O J Joycee. Chief Guest of the day, Olympian Anju Bobby George addressed the gathering. Our eminent alumnae who brought laurels in their respective fields were felicitated. The eighth volume of alumnae newsletter, *Dear Alumna*, was released.

Vimex UAE, our foreign chapter, enthralled the viewers with an amazing dance performance. Ms Unnimaya, alumna of Homescience department entertained the gathering with a classical dance and Ms Annmary Joju, alumna of English department with a melodious solo. Ms Anju Babu, alumna of English department presented a collection of her paintings and shared her experience at Vimala College. Some of the retired teachers and alumnae volunteered and reminisced the days that they spent as students at Vimala. The Silver Jubilarians, the 1996 batch, and the Golden Jubilarians, 1972 batch, were honoured. The investiture ceremony for the 2021 pass out batches was carried out. The reunion came to an end with Vote of thanks by the Asso. Secretary Dr Theresa C J followed by the National anthem.

Thereafter, a General Body meeting was convened and it was decided to retain the same office bearers for the next year.

As part of *Vimalaardram* – a charity venture of the Alumnae Association, financial assistance of Rs. ----- was extended to the deserving students of our own college in the context of Covid -19. Our foreign chapter VIMEX, UAE contributed Rs 82000 to a student of Sociology dept. who was seriously affected by Covid.

Pakalveedu, our community outreach initiative, is in full swing after Covid pandemic in 2022 with 8 inmates and 1 caretaker. Our Physical Education department provides training sessions on Physical Fitness there.

The Star of Vimala Contest in honour of Rev Sr Stella Maria, the founder principal of our college, was held on 11th March 2022. Alan Charisma Josepph of S6 B A English was the title winner while Sandra Baiju (S6 B A English) and Sanjana Sajan (S6 BCom) won the First and Second Runner Up prizes respectively.

As part of NAAC Peer Team visit on 26th & 27th July 2022, an exhibition was hosted at the Amphi- Theatre for showcasing the activities of our college at a glance. Alumnae Association was given a stall to project its initiatives, support towards infrastructure and the illustrious alumnae. The Exhibition was highly appreciated by everyone, especially the Peer Team.

Alumnae Accolades- the annual Award day function held in fond memory of Dr Sr Cleopatra was organized on 31 August 2022. Ritorno holds this function to give recognition to our alumnae who have achieved prestigious heights at National and International levels. Ms Lathika Vivekanandan, former Srilankan Radio Announcer & Freelance Journalist, an alumna of Maths dept was the Chief Guest of the day. One of her books "Srilankan Diary" was released during the event. The

following were the awardees: Gloria- Ms Ancy Joseph (Former International Athlete, AGA, LIC-DO, Calicut), Excelsia- Ms. Noushija Fatiz (MD, Fatiz Garments & Events Pvt. Ltd), Gracia- Ms. Susan David (Retd. Faculty Department of History) and Karma- Medha S Menon, (S5 BA. Economics)

In association with UGC Centre for Women Studies, an **orientation programme** for the mothers of 1st &3rd semester UG students was conducted on 22 September 2022 on "Nutritional Problems among College Students". Dr Karuna M S, former head of the department of Home Science was the resource person. It was highly appreciated by the participants.

A One-day National Workshop was organized on 7 October 2022. Ms Sheela Kochouseph, MD-V Star & an alumna of Homescience department was the Chief guest. Ms Noushija Fatiz, M D of Fatiz Garments & Events & an alumna of Homescience department was the Resource person.

Thus the activities of the year concluded.