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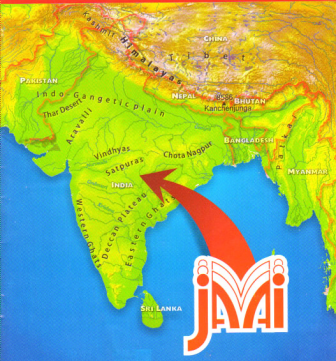


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Must Read for All Alumni

Staying Connected and Being Radiant

- Fr. Norbert

Every year a few lakh students graduate from school in our country. This brings an end to the early formative ties with their alma mater as many school do not have an alumni association. Often those who have an alumni association limit the moves to annual gathering, which focus on a business meeting followed by fellowship dinners. Some may have activities such as fund-raising and scholarship for current students of their Alma Mater. Is the Jesuit alumni association the product of this popular mindset? Or is it different? What is distinctive of Jesuit alumni association? Does it have the capacity to respond to the emerging local, national and global challenges? In brief, do the Jesuit alumni make a difference?

This book helps helps graduates discover the thrusts and the core values of Jesuit education. It enunciates important thrusts and demonstrates critical orientations that fashion the Jesuit alumni association. It depicts its network and highlights its small steps in making a difference in ordinary people's lives. It explores challenging areas of involvement, and invites stronger networking to ensure justice and human dignity to the voiceless and poor of our country. It enthuses graduates for volunteerism, personal and corporate social responsibility, pro bono service and partnership with Jesuit works.





From The Desk of Editor



Dear Reader,

The last issue of JAAI newsletter of 2010-13 is in your hands. At the doorstep of Jesuit alumni in January 2014 at Ahmedabad, I feel revitalized writing this editorial.

In this issue I have with lot of help from seniors in the movement have collated and put together a lot of data for insight into the JAAI movement. As this newsletter is being distributed to all the participants at the 7th congress it will motivate a lot of young minds who are part of the Ignatian legacy to fulfill their duties as a Jesuit alumni.

JAAI national program of Blood donation recorded a huge success this year and glimpses have been shared. President of India visited St. Joseph School in Darjeeling and SOCCA were awarded ISO certification, highlight the record levels achieved by Jesuit institutions.

India news highlights the zealous efforts of our active associations across the country.

Do keep writing into editorjaa@gmail.com for future issues.

Happy Reading,

Anil Chugh
Editor JAAI

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Motto of JAAI
To Give and not to count the Cost.



First ever Skype Meeting of JAAI GC

The first ever Skype meeting of JAAI GC was held on 26/10/13. GC member's enthusiastically logged on to the server and got connected. After initial glitches meeting progressed and review of activities was completed. The use of technology will definitely take interactions to a different level and probably usher a new era in the life of JAAI movement. Mr. John Neelankavil of Bombay and a tech Savvy GC member co-ordinated the efforts and made it a memorable one.



Shapath Shah

Secretary JAAI

Journey of JAAI

1995 – Chennai: decision to form a federation of Indian Jesuit alumni association Fr. Bob Slattery made the Jesuit advisor for the proposed federation, this meeting is also called the first ever congress of Jesuit Alumni in India.

1995-1998 – Kolkata team headed by Fr. P.C. Mathew Principal St. Xavier college Kolkata prepares the JAAI constitution to be presented at Kolkata congress in 1999

1997-a huge Indian contingent participates in Sydney world congress. Mr. Kalyan Chowdhary, Mr. Arunaj Rai make a strong presentation for WJUA congress in Kolkata in 2003

1999-formation of JAAI with constitution at the second congress in Kolkata

1999 – 2000

KK Kanol President

Conrad Gonsalves Secretary

Establishing JAAI creating organizational structure, setting up zones, listing member institutions

2001 – 2004

Conrad Gonsalves President

Ronald DCosta Secretary

Nov 2001 – 3rd Congress at Bombay 'JAAI MILAN'

Jan 2003, JAAI hosts the 6th WJUA congress at Kolkata

2004 – 2007

Ronald Dcosta President

Dr. Santosh Rolland Secretary

Oct 2004 – 4th Congress Jamshedpur 'Networking makes the difference'

Dec 2005 – Fr.Norbert takes the mantle from Fr. Bob as the national advisor JAAI

2007 – 2010

Dr. Santosh Rolland President

Nanesh Gupta Secretary

Sept 2007 5th Congress 'Trivandrum' Alumni in resurgent India'

Alumni exchange program with Spain. AEP with Africa.

2010 – 2013

Nanesh Gupta President

Shapath Shah Secretary

2011 students from Burundi

Feb 2011 6th Congress at Patna public private partnership in education

July 2013 blood donation taken up as JAAI National Programme

Jan 2014 7th Congress at Ahmedabad.

With inputs from - Fr. Bob Slattery, Conrad Gonsalves, Jeetu Rampuria, Nanesh Gupta



JAAI - An Alumni Movement



Objectives

- Bring Alumni Associations together - forum for networking
- Encourage formation of Associations
- Link with Associations across the world
- Role in shaping public policies in favour of secularism, alleviation of poverty, empowerment of women, upliftment of marginalized, safeguard human rights, preservation of environment and spread of literacy.

History of Jesuits, India and JAAI

The Federation of Jesuit Alumni Associations of India (JAAI) is an association of all alumni associations of Jesuit academic institutions in India. It hopes to bring together all Jesuit alumni in the country together and direct their energies for the betterment of the society.

How it all began ..The Jesuits, India and JAAI

The Jesuit Order "Society of Jesus" was founded by St. Ignatius of Loyola in 1530s. One of his first companions was the then professor of the Paris University, Francis Xavier, who came to India in 1542. He opened the first Jesuit school in Goa in 1543. It was named St. Paul's College. Nothing exists of this institution today except its memory, but it was the predecessor of hundreds of other schools and colleges. JAAI is also affiliated to the World Union of Jesuit Alumni.

Today, in India the Jesuits conduct not less than 38 university colleges, 5 Institutes of Business Administration and 135 High schools spread throughout the country, almost all of them among its most reputed (for example: St. Xavier's, Kolkata, Mumbai, Ranchi; Loyola, Chennai; Vijayaswada; St. Joseph's, Bangalore, Trichy; XLRJ Jamshedpur; IIM, Bhuvaneshwar). In them, more than 250,000 students belonging to every religious, linguistic and socio-economic group, receive their education.

JAAI was conceived at the Jesuit Alumni Congress in Chennai in 1995. Since then it has taken shape as an organization, with a Governing Council, Constitution and a rotating Secretariat in place. It has also hosted five national congresses and an international congress.

Preamble

As beneficiaries and as inheritors of the Jesuit/ignatian legacy of Education, the members of several Alumni(AE) Associations have come together to form a Federation, bonded in love and fellowship, endeavor to become men and women for others

Governing Council

- Three per Zone. Ex officio on World Union, Jesuit Advisor, Patron
- Meet twice a year, first meeting at National Congress.
- Formulate policies
- Monitor activities of the Federation and its administration
- Monitor and guide activities of Zonal Councils
- Organize National Congress
- Select representatives for World Union

Zones

- North: Calcutta, Patna, Darjeeling, Delhi and Kohima Provinces
- South: Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh and Madurai Provinces
- West: Goa, Pune, Bombay and Surat Provinces
- Central: Dumka-Raiganj, Madhya Pradesh, Hazaribagh, Jamshedpur and Ranchi Provinces

Zonal Council

- Four Members per Province of that zone plus Province co-ordinators
- Province Coordinators vote only in event of a tie
- Select representatives for Governing Council
- Organize Zonal Congress six months before National Congress

Membership

- Founder members 28
- Open only to recognized Alumni Associations of Jesuit Educational Institutions
- Certificate of Recognition required from head
- Only one association per Institution
- Applications to Governing Council

Fees

- Entrance Rs 2000, Fees Annual Rs.1,000.
- Province to balance amounts internally to support smaller associations



JAAI DIARY



The meet in Chennai in 1995 was the first congregation of Jesuit Alumni/ae in India. Till then there was no officially formed body of the alumni/ae at the national level and it was an effort undertaken by the alumni/ae associations of the Southern Province led by Loyola School Alumni, Chennai.

Alumni of St.Xavier's Calcutta have been very active in the country and was truly demonstrated by being one of the largest contingent from outside the host region comprising amongst others the then Chief Minister of West Bengal (Late) Jyoti Basu, Kalyan Chowdhury, Krishna Kumar Karoi, Dr.Suman K Mukherjee, Jeetu Rampuria and others. The contingent from Calcutta Province was led by the then Province Co-ordinator Fr.P.C.Mathew -the then Principal of St Xavier's College Calcutta and President of St.Xavier's College (Cal) Alumni Association.

Befitting the experience and action charged team of Calcutta Province, the congregation decided to formally organise the Indian Alumni Movement and mandated the Calcutta Province to host the next congregation in Calcutta and COIAC (Committee of Jesuit Alumni Congress) was formed with Rev Fathers Arndie Brylants, P.C.Mathew, A. Wavrail- being the Presidents of Alumni Associations of St. Xavier's Collegiate School, St. Xavier's College and St.Lawrence High School (all of Calcutta) alongwith a team comprising of Kalyan Chowdhury, Siddhartha Duthonia, Krishna Karoi, Dr.Subrata Das, Jeetu Rampuria and others.

Thus the idea of a National level body was mooted. To get organised formally, the first need was the character of the body and its charter and rules and regulations. Hence A Constitution Committee was formed under the stewardship of Fr.P.C.Mathew which gave alumni movement in India :

- its name of Federation of Jesuit Alumni/ae Associations in India (FOJAAI)
- Constitution and bye Laws.
- Character of a Federation wherein all the recognised Alumni/ae associations of Jesuit educational institutions were to become members at the National level
- In order to generate momentum and also focussed attention for nurturing the nascent movement, Zonal Councils were introduced. These Zones were on the lines of the Sr's administrative set up in India.

Thus the 1st Formal National Congress of Indian Alumni/ae was held in Jan 1996 and Mr.Krishna Kumar Karoi was elected as the First President of the Federation with Mr.Conrad Gonsalves as the Secretary.

The impetus to the Indian Jesuit Alumni/ae movement generated further momentum by earning mandate to organise the 11th World Congress in India in 2003 and Calcutta was the obvious choice. The Organising Committee of the World Congress was constituted comprising of various alumni from the 3 Jesuit institutions of Calcutta with Jeetu Rampuria as the Secretary under the stewardship of Gen (Retd) Shankar Raychowdhury as the President. The Congress was inaugurated by the then President of India Sri. A.P.J.Abdul Kalam in the presence of the then Governor of WB (Late) Viren J Shah and the Congress was blessed by the graceful presence of Rev Father Superior General Kolvenbach S.J.

The constitution of FOJAAI realising the importance of nurturing a new movement, while gave the broad contours of the organisation structure, principles, motto, administrative set up, rules, regulations etc but let the modalities be free from rigidity and left it to get evolved by precedences and the prudence of the Council Members depending upon the socio-economic-political and other factors. It is in light of this the National Congress is held in different Zones every 3 years and a rotation in Office bearers from different zones provides opportunity to every zone in playing important role in spearheading the movement.

FOJAAI or JAAI movement right in its infancy generated its importance and found reckoning in the World Forum-WJUA-World Union of Jesuit Alumni- and in 2003 Calcutta Congress, the then FOJAAI President Krishna K Karoi and Secretary Conrad Gonsalves were appointed WJUA Board Members representing South East Asia Pacific region. Since then WJUA continues to have JAAI representatives on its Board.

Jeetu Rampuria



People Behind the movement



- Name** : Fr. Edward Medavassery SJ
College Studies : B.Sc. Loyola College, Chennai, 1965-71
M.A. Psychology, Gregorian University, Rome, 1980-83
Diploma Addiction Counseling, Ireland, 2002-2003
- Post Held** : Director of Novices 1983-1991; 1998-2002
Provincial of Hazaribagh 1992-1998
Rector of Vidyajyoti College, Delhi 2005-2009
- Currently** : Provincial of South Asia from 2009
-



- Name** : Fr. Norbert Menzies, SJ
Date of Birth : 23-04-1952
Priestly Ordination: 20-04-1985
- Post Held** : Vice-Principal: St. Xavier's High School, Patna (1986-1989)
Principal: St. Michael's High School, Patna (1990-2003)
Principal: St. Ignatius' High School, Aurangabad (2003-2005)
- Currently** : Secretary, Jesuit Educational Association, (JEA), South Asia
National Advisor, Jesuit Alumni Association of India (JAAI)
- Contribution** : Capacity building of rural youth.
Group-dynamics, Study Skills, Soft Skills, Human Rights and Social Justice workshops for youth.
Coordinator of Education for Patna Province for 9 years
Evaluation of schools of Patna and Delhi provinces
Education consultant for various groups.
Trainer of Teachers & Principals for Effective Teaching-Learning Practices. Resource Person for Effective Parenting & Family Counselling workshops Faith & Value Formator for various groups
Author of 11 books
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- Name** : Fr. Bob Slattery SJ
Permanent Invited JAAI
Former JEA Secretary and Jesuit Advisor
- Contribution** : As JEA Secretary with the late Fr. Joe Lawrence s.j. arranged for the calling of a S.Asian Alumni/Congress in Chennai in 1995 addressed by Fr.General in which it was decided to form JAAI and a constitution to be prepared to be presented to a national congress in Kolkata.
- As JEA secretary attended with other Indian alumni the world congress in Sydney in 1997



THE GUIDING FORCE

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Madurai	Fr S. Mariaboss, S.J	St. Joseph's College, Tiruchi-620002, Tamilnadu

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL



Name : Nareesh Kumar Gupta
Age : 51 years
Institution/Association : St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association (SRCCAA), Kolkata
Contribution : Profession - Career Director of Primax Resin (I) Pvt. Ltd., a Chemicals manufacturing unit, located near Kolkata.
 President of JAAI and ex Secretary & Vice President
 Ex Secretary of North Zonal Council of JAAI
 Ex Secretary and Vice President of SRCCAA
 Life Member & Committee Member of Various Social service Organizations.



Name : Shapath Shah
Age : 42
Institution Association : St.Xavier's High School Loyola Hall Ahmedabad,
 Association of past xaviers/APX
 President of APX for 3 years, currently JAAI Secretary, involved in social activities,also part of GC in the HL alumni, involved with sports activities, own business.



Name : S.CHENTILKUMAR
Age : 60
Institution/ Association
Vice President : St. Joseph's College Alumni Association, Tiruchinapalli
Member : St. Joseph's College Higher Secondary School Alumni Association
Secretary : South Zone - JAAI
Contribution : Vice-President of JAAI from 2010 & Actively Involved in various social & professional bodies in India and abroad



Name : S.S. Akhtar
Age : 47 Years
Institution : St. Xavier's College, Ranchi
Association : Association of Ranchi Old Xaverians (AROX)
Contribution : Vice-President, JAAI
 Held various Posts in the Alumni Association.



Name : Ravin Roy
Age : 59+
Institution : ST. XAVIER'S SCHOOL, SAHIBGANJ 816309
Contribution : Fully dedicated to social service, associated all activities of school, alumni association Sahibganj Old Xaverians Association viz. SCOA, JAAI GC MEMBER, ASST. SECRETARY 2012-2014



Name : Bobby Jacob
Age : 53 years
Institution/Association : Vincentian Old Boys Association (VOBA),Pune
Contribution : Treasurer - JAAI (2011 - 2014)
President : VOBA



Name : John
Age : 53 years
Institution/Association : Holy family Higher Secondary School,Andhrai East Mumbai
 Founder member holy family School. Ex. Students association, Presently Secretary of alumni association. & JAAI GC members



Name : Dr. S.S. Ramesh
 (Dy Superintendent SMS Hospital Jaipur)
Age :
Institution/Association : St. Xavier Jaipur
President : Xaviers alumni Jaipur. actively involved in all alumni activities and active promoter of blindness awareness programs in Jaipur.



Name : Dr.Moina Srinivasa Reddy
DESIGNATION : Reader in History, Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada -8
Institution/Association : Loyola College, Andhra



Name : Aril Kumar Chugh
Age : 44 Years
Institution : Campion School Bhopal
Association : Campion Old Boys Association
Contribution : President : COBA & Editor JAAI
 Conducted various activities of Social Service for COBA



Name : Arthur J M Dlouza
Age : 66 years
Institution : St.Aloynus College,Mangalore-575006
Contribution : Initiated building of international std. swimming pool for the institution.Spent 31days in U.A.E and collected Rs.60 lacs for the pool.
 On 30th Nov./ 1st.Dec.organised re-union of 1963 SSC class mates.Out of 42 ,31are alive.Could track 29.21 classmates attended with their spouses from all over the world.Rs.1 lac. was donated to refurbish X-D Classroom.
 Convenor for cricket(MEN) / throw ball(women) tournaments every year.between Alumni/lac ,highschool staff/primary staff, P.U staff, Degreee staff, and PG.staff



Name : Neel Mani Rangesh
Age : 35 Years
Institution/Association : St. Xavier's Alumni Association, Patna
Contribution : Sr Sub-Divisional Engineer, BSNL by Profession
 Jt. Secretary, SXAA, Patna for around a decade.
 Ex Treasurer, North Zonal Council of JAAI
 Active involvement in all the activities of SXAA, Patna.
 Fully committed to social service.



Name : COLIN SAVID COELHO
Age : 44
Institution/Association : Loyola High School, Mangao - Goa Batch Of 1985 Loyola Ex-students Association (Jesa), Mangao - Goa
Contribution : JaaI Governing Council Member Since 2004, Editor - Voice Of JaaI From 2004-2010, Served As Vice President (west Zone) From 2004-2007, Joint Secretary From 2007-2010 And Currently Serving As Vice President (west Zone).
 Active Member Of Loyola Ex-students Association (Jesa), Mangao
 Freelance Journalist Specializing In Music Journalism. Also Contributing To Promotion Of Music And Culture In Goa As Well As Around India.



NAME : EUGINE HERBERT
AGE : 58
INSTITUTION : THUMBA ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, TRIVANDRUM,KERALA.
CONTRIBUTION : Involved in alumni activities for the last fifteen years. Instrumental to the formation of Jesuit Alumni Association Kerala . Was the treasurer for the National Jesuit Alumni Congress held at Trivandrum.



JAAI National Programme Blood Donation

AIMIT - Mangalore

"Spread smiles by donating blood" indeed was the motto followed by the organizers and participants at St Aloysius Institute of Management and Information Technology (AIMIT), St Aloysius College, for Sanjeevini 2013 the blood donation camp. The camp was inaugurated by Dr Yusuf Kumble, one of the India's leading Interventional Cardiologists of Indiana hospital along with Fr Pradeep Sequiera SJ, Administrator of AIMIT, Dr Rowena Wright, Dean of MBA Faculty, Divya Pereira, the Faculty Coordinator and Elton Pereira, the Student Coordinator.



The AIMIT faculty also welcomed the Lion club international dignitaries including Lion K C Prabhu and Lion Kavita Shastri.

In his inaugural speech, Dr Yusuf Kumble highlighted the importance of donating blood and its effect of saving many lives. Only 20% of the requirements are currently met with the blood donation programmes. He also stressed upon the benefits of blood donation such as reducing blood pressure and minimizing heart problems. Lion K C Prabhu, Lion Kavita Shastri and Fr Pradeep Sequiera SJ also addressed the students and highlighted the significance of Blood Donation Camp.

Throughout the day various hospitals with the help of the student representatives made the day a very successful and memorable one. It was a heart tendering experience seeing, students as well as faculty volunteered to donate blood. This is consecutively 5th year, the students of AIMIT are organizing the Blood Donation Camp. In preparation for the Blood Donation Camp, the students of MBA enacted a street play at Beeri, Thokattu and Geralekatte to inform the public about the Blood Donation Camp and also apprise them of the benefits of blood donation.



APX - Ahmedabad

The Association of Past Xavierites (APX) organized allblood Donation drive, this is an annual APX program, also a part of the JMI National Program. This was the 8th year in a row such a drive was organized on the school (St.Xavier High School Loyola Hall, Ahmedabad) campus.

51 units were collected today and many more are expected, as several sub groups from the APX are to donate blood over this month. Members donate blood throughout the year, and the school management supports this noble activity wholeheartedly.



Kalika Chudsurma. (President, APX)

ALCAA – Hyderabad

On 14.06.2013- "World Blood Donation Day" event programme was conducted, Dr Madan Mohan, Medical Officer of Red cross attended and shared the need of Blood- Grouping, diet for healthy life, the need of Blood Donation to poor and needy. The participants of 300 Nos. of Volunteers interacted with Doctor Madan Mohan about Blood Donation through "Red Ribbon Club" i.e., Youth Units.



DOX RANCHI

Doranda Old Xavierites (DOX) the alumni association of St. Xavier's School, Doranda, Ranchi has been involved in Blood Donation and Awareness Camps for a long time now. Donation Camps are organized every 1-2 months and all the blood collected goes to the local Government Blood Bank. Along with some other organisations, the blood collected has reached a level where the shortage is almost taken care off. In fact the local blood bank now requests that only rare groups be collected since there is more blood than the stocking capacity of common blood groups.

In the awareness camps, DOX members visit schools in Ranchi and around and lecture on the pros and cons of blood donation to the students of Classes 9" & 10". The aim is to make them aware and conscious of the benefits as well as the social impact of blood donation. These children, it is hoped, will be active donors in the future.



A list of persons who are ready to donate blood at short notice is maintained and in emergencies, these volunteers rush to the hospitals when required. Particular care is taken in compiling a list of people with rare blood groups. Their blood is not taken in blood camps and they are motivated to volunteer in emergencies. Phone numbers of DDX members are on display at hospitals, on face book and with many people so that they can be contacted in emergencies.

It has been planned that in the near future, all institutions in a province will hold camps on the same date with a lot of advertisement so that it becomes highlighted and the program becomes well known to the needy, particularly in rural areas. It is targeted that in the next 1-2 years, there should be no shortage of blood in Ranchi area.

COBA BHOPAL

Campion Old Boys Association (COBA) Bhopal celebrated Campion Day on Dec, 1st 2013 in a unique way, coinciding with the IAAI National program of Blood donation 'COBA' organized the 1st Blood donation camp at Campion school for the Ex-Campionites. highlight of the event was the 1st enrolled student of the school Mr. Sunil Gulati of 1960 batch donated blood and motivated young Campionites to follow. In all 33 units of blood was donated by Ex-Campionites.

A special medical camp for Teachers, Staff members and their families was also organized. The camp was special in a way that all the seven participating Doctors, Specialists in their respective fields were Ex-Campionites.

A poster competition on Social issues, Green revolution and blood donation was also organized for Primary, Middle and Secondary sections of the school. Over 500 students participated in poster completion. Winners were awarded for their work.

Fr Athras (Principal), Fr Tej (Vice principal) were instrumental in successful conduct of all the three events.



INDIA NEWS APX Ahmedabad

The St. Xavier's High School Loyola Hall (Ahmedabad) celebrated its 75 Annual Sports Day today, 1st December. The APX members (Association of Past Xavierites) took part in the march-past, cycle race and 100 meters dash besides being present throughout the events, supporting the school.

The APX members were graciously invited for a get together after the sports meet was over. Present were the Staff, Doctors in attendance, school management and student volunteers, an ideal platform for all the pillars of the school to bond and move forward.

Shapath Shah



Andhra Loyola College Alumni Association (ALCAA)

ALCAA had its share of activities during this academic year, having held two Re-unions of different batches.



Re-union of ALC Alumni at Hyderabad: A Re-union of ALC Alumni was held at Hyderabad on 7th October 2012. Rev Fr Cr.A.Franco Xavier, SI, Correspondent, Rev Fr.Dr.G.A.P.Rishare, SI, Principal, ALC, and Rev Fr.Dr.D.Shouraiash, SI, Correspondent, Loyola Academy, were present at the re-union. In this re-union, Rev Fr.A.Theckemury, SI, Director, ALCAA, announced about Rev Fr.Dr.G.A.P.Rishare, SI, taking over as the new Director of ALCAA. The alumni present expressed their gratitude to their alma mater for forming them to be persons with competence, conscience, compassion and commitment, which shaped them to be men for others and volunteered to institute scholarships for the needy students.

Re-union of 1990-1993 Batch B.A., Students: A Re-union of 1990-1993 Batch B.A., Students was held on 8th of December 2012 on the ALC Campus. The lecturers who taught the alumni, now retired, have also been invited to the Re-union. In their sharing, they expressed their gratitude to their alma mater for giving them strong foundation in moulding their character and careers.

ALCAA's dream project, ALCAA School, established in the year 2005-2006, is making its steady progress. The school which runs Classes I to VII, is staffed by seven committed and dedicated teachers and has a student strength of 160. While the management continues to provide the students with text books and note books free of cost, they are taught regular subjects with focus on moral values. In addition, they are also trained in subjects like Drawing, Paper Cutting and Stitching. The students take active part in various cultural events and festival celebrations, viz., Christmas Day, Republic Day, Independence Day, Teachers' Day and Children's Day, etc. The students are also encouraged to take active role in keeping their classrooms neat and tidy. The students of ALC's ALANA (Extension Programme) conduct supervised study hours in the evening for the benefit of ALCAA school.



The Alumni Association with the collaboration of Rotary Club of Vijayawada as funded the Computer Learning Centre at ALC ALCAA School and it was inaugurated by Rtn, Ch.Surya Rao the Dist. Governor on 18.04.2013 at this occasion Rev.Fr. A.Theckemury,S.J., (Director of ALCAA), Rev.Fr.D.Ravi Sekhar,S.J., (Rector ALC), Rev.Fr.Dr.G.A.Peter Kishore,S.J. (Principal ALC), Dr.G.Mohan Prasad, (President ALCAA), was also a active Rotarian were present at this occasion.

St. Joseph School Darjeeling

On 10th November, St. Joseph's School, Darjeeling celebrated 125 years of its foundation. Shri Pranab Mukherjee, the President of India, Shri M.K. Narayanan, honourable Governor of West Bengal, Shri Abhishek Mukherjee, MP, and other dignitaries attended the function held at the school quadrangle.

This school is built by Fathers Depelchin the one who built St. Xavier's Kolkata.

The school will complete the year long celebrations in April.

Fr Santy Mathew
Rector
St. Joseph's School



PRIDE & APPRECIATION

St. Xavier's College (Calcutta) Alumni Association, 30, Mother Teresa Sarani, Kolkata-700016, India has been awarded ISO 9001 : 2008 Certification.



Dear Naresh,

It is the first time that I see an Alumni association being certified ISO 9001.

I must admit that I am very much impressed.

I will be glad to hear more when we meet in India, during Ahmedabad national Congress, since I think that the process you underwent would tell us more about how to efficiently profile our organizations.

Best regards,
Alain Deneef
President WJJA

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Fr. Edward & Fr. Norbert at GC meeting in Bhopal



CZ Congress in full force at Jamshedpur



Naresh Gupta presenting JAAI literature to Fr. Superior General



Indian contingent with Fr. Superior General at Medellin



Indian contingent with at Medellin



GC members at meeting in Ahmedabad



African students at ranch



Spanish Alumni Exchange team in Jamshedpur