

College Union Report 2016-'17

Esteemed Manager of the institution Rev. Fr. Scaria Ethirett CMI, Chief Guest of the day Padmashri Dr. Kurian John Melamparambil, Chairman of the College Union and President of the meeting, Mr. Savio K. Sanichen, College Union Advisor Dr. Shaiju Francis, Office bearers of the College Union, Teaching and Non-teaching staff and my beloved friends, I am happy to present before you the college union report for the year 2016-17

The outset of the academic year 2016-'17 was marked on 25th July, 2016 with 'Upanayana', a formal initiation ceremony was held, where all the students were initiated into the cradle of 'Gurujeevitha'. This was accompanied by a one week orientation camp to get the students into the right track. For the batch to be brought into the rhythm of collegial unity the cultural events, 'Oyster' and 'Spectra' were organised on 19th and 31st August, 2016 respectively.

College Union

To facilitate the effective participation of all the students in various collegial activities, a Students' Council with elected representatives was constituted. The election of College Union for the year was held on 28th October, 2016.

The members of the College Union:

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| Chairman | - | Fr. Joby Thomas CMI |
| Vice-Chairperson | - | Sneha Varghese |
| General Secretary | - | Sherin P John |
| UUC | - | Jinil John |
| Arts Club Secretary | - | Harilal T.S |
| Magazine Editor | - | Rani Marina John |
| Sports Secretary | - | Akhil V Tom |
| Lady Representatives | - | RanjuRaju GayathriManoharan |
| Batch Representatives | - | Jubin P George Treesa Maria Chacko |

The oath taking ceremony of the newly elected College Union was held on 31st October, 2016. Rev.Fr. (Dr.) Thomas P.J was the Union Advisor for the academic year. The formal inauguration of the College Union and various club activities were held on 9th November, 2016. Honourable Mr P.C George, MLA of Poonjar was the chief guest for the function. The union with the staunch support of the college faculty organized various programmes: "COMEINZO" the cultural platform was a tool for the self-discovery of every student.

On first of November 2016, as part of the 60th birth anniversary of Kerala, the college union organized a formal meeting. Mr. Ath-har Naseem of social science department gave a brief note on the rich tradition of Kerala. The union also conducted a competition in the best dress code of the day in connection with the celebration and Mr Akhil V Tom of social science and Miss Karthika Gopinath of English won the prizes.

The union organized a felicitation meeting on 7th November 2016 for the winners of the badminton Principal's Trophy Championship held at Titus B.Ed College, Thiruvalla on 4th November 2016. Fr. Joby Thomas and Akhil V Tom won the first prize in doubles, Akhil V Tom won the second prize in singles and our college shared the overall runners up trophy with St. Thomas College Pala.

Together with the support of Social Science department, the college union organized Maulana AbulKalam Azad day celebration on 11th November 2016.

The college union celebrated Christmas on 21st December 2016. Prior to the formal celebration, on 2nd December itself a huge star was placed in front of our college. A formal function was conducted on the day of celebration. Mr Jose Thomas, Malayalam film director presided over this session. The union also conducted various cultural programmes to promote the message of Christ. There was a carol song competition and students of Mathematics grabbed the first prize and the second prize was won by the students of Natural Science department. The beautiful crib made by the students highlighted the message of peace, harmony and simplicity.

Our college, with the strong support of sports department of M.G University conducted an Inter collegiate athletic meet on 7th January 2017. The meet was inaugurated by the then honourable Pro. V.C of M.G University, Dr Sheena Shukkur. Students from various B.Ed colleges participated in the sports meet. The meet really brought in true sportsman spirit to everyone. Mr Tinto Tom of our college won the individual championship trophy and our college won the third overall championship. Mr Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan, MLA of Kottayam gave away prizes for the winners in the closing ceremony.

The union conducted a congratulatory meeting to honour Mrs. Ronu Thomas who secured her doctoral degree and students who won prizes in the inter collegiate meet held at Kottayam Nagampadam stadium.

The union organized an informal Valentine's Day gathering on 14th February, 2017 with various entertaining and challenging programmes for students like love letter competition, pair dance, newspaper costume designing etc.

Together with the support of Natural Science and Physical Science departments, the Union organized Science Day celebration on 28th February, 2017. A collage competition was arranged on the topic 'Science and Technology for specially abled person.' Reshmi James and Sonia Thomas from Natural Science department won the first prize and Sherin P John and DivyaLukoseof Mathematics department won the second prize for the competition. A formal talk was given by Dr Jose Joseph, Principal of Govt. Medical College Kottayam and Dr. Mahesh Mohan, Assistant Professor School of Environmental Science, M.G University, marked the culmination of the events.

The college organized a get together of former students of our college on 4th March 2017. The students who completed their studies 50 and 25 years back were invited specially. It was a home coming programme for everyone. All were fresh with their old memories.

The college union celebrated Arts day on 6th March 2017. The literary events were conducted a week before, and the stage events were held on the arts day. The 2015-17 batch of Maths and English department group won the first prize.

In connection with the 60th anniversary celebration of our college, a formal function was organized by the college. The function was graced by his Excellency Rev. Cardinal Mar Baselius Climmis Bava. Mr Mons Joseph MLA also joined in our celebration. The college union organized a spectacular cultural agape in the afternoon.

The college organized a two days Theatre workshop in our college on 14th and 15th March 2017. The workshop was inaugurated by Fr. Saji Parakadavil CMI. Dr. Varghese Paul and Mr. Mangal Das initiated the students into the world of drama. Students were highly motivated by their own performances.

The college union organized a splendid farewell programme "TOTZIENS" to our dear seniors on 20th March 2017. The various cultural shows by the students gave more colours to the programme.

With the support of the Natural Science department, the Union organized World Environment Day (WED) celebration on 5th June, 2017. Various sessions were arranged projecting the need for the conservation of the environment. The celebration of the day began by planting of trees in the college campus by Dr Varghese K Cheriyan, our principal. Trees also were distributed to all the students. The celebration motivated the students, with the need to preserve nature and its surroundings.

With the support of the spiritual club of our college, the union conducted a prayer session to mark the beginning of the third semester on 13th July, 2017. Mrs Latha Joseph of English department gave a detailed note about the third semester.

To welcome our juniors into Josephine Family, Union organized Fresher's Day on 9th July, 2017. Various entertaining programmes made the day colourful.

The college union organized Onam celebration on 30th August, 2017. Rev Fr. Thomas Choolaparambil CMI being the chief guest, the event was marked by a cultural gathering, various games and so on. The presence of Maveli Mannan, performance of Thiruvathira, and preparation of Pookkalam helped each student to become aware of the cultural essence deep within them. Tug of war and some Onam competitions were held in addition to this. A traditional Onasadhya transformed the celebration into a memorable one.

Teachers' Day was celebrated on 14th September, 2016. The day was celebrated with a formal meeting where teachers were honoured by students.

Nature Club

The nature club of our college was formed to develop love and appreciation of students towards nature. The club was headed by Anju Paul and Jeena Jose under the guidance of Mrs. Ronu Thomas. The club activities mainly focused on campus cleaning and beautification, planting trees and celebration of days associated with nature conservation.

Career Guidance

Career and Guidance Cell in our college functions to support students in their various endeavours. It is led by Anu Thomas and Archana Therese George under the guidance of Dr. Shaiju Francis. The club has taken initiatives to facilitate campus placement opportunities. The club has formed a common mail. The cell has been very active in all its duties.

Film and Documentary Club

The club aims at generating opportunities for students to critically approach films and to develop a better sense appreciation and understanding of the medium. The Film and Documentary club in our college is led by Sherin P John and Jinya K, under the guidance of Mrs. Praveena Gopinath.

Spiritual Animation Club

Spiritual intelligence is a higher dimension of intelligence that activates the qualities and capabilities of soul. For the spiritual and emotional development of students, a spiritual animation club was formed in our college with Reshmi James and AnuMol Joy as the leaders under the guidance of Rev. Dr. Thomas P.J. The club has taken initiatives to lead the weekly prayer meetings in the college prayer hall during the academic year 2016-2017. The club conducted a pilgrim trip to Kainakary, the birth place of St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara on 18th February 2017.

Debate and Oratory Club

The debate and oratory club was formed in our college with Jinil John and Fr. Jose Sebastian CMI as the leaders under the guidance of Mrs. Sunitha Susan Jose. The club was formed with a view to help the students to build leadership skills and improve individual responsibility. To teach students to work collaboratively is the main agenda of the club. The club conducted a debate on the topic of autonomous college.

Magazine and Literary Cub

The literary club in our college was led by Ath-harNaseem and Neethu Mery Markose under the guidance of Dr. Tessy Joseph Kallarackal. The cub conducted various activities including literary competitions and literary events. The club members actively involved in the preparation of the college magazine.

Cultural Club

Under the leadership of Beula Merlin K.N and Sneha Varghese cultural club was formed in our college and Dr. Jisha Baby was appointed as the staff advisor. The cultural club provided opportunities for the students to explore and express their creative talents. Cultural programmes were conducted under the guidance of cultural club. Students of our college participated in various programmes held in different colleges.

Women Cell

The well being and empowerment of women is an essential component for the development of any society. With this aim in mind, a women cell was formed in our college under the leadership of Rosmy Maria Dious and Karthika Narayanan. Dr. Tessy Joseph Kallarackal was the staff advisor for the cell.

Social Extension Club

The social extension club in our college was led by Tinto George And Melphy Jose under the guidance of Dr. Anisha V. Gopalakrishnan. In cooperation with the club, students celebrated onam with specially abled students in Anugraha Special School, Kottapuram and Abhaya Bhavan, Neendoor. It helped students to know more about the life of the marginalized in the society and develop empathy for them.

“Don't walk ahead of me I will not follow you,
Don't walk behind me I will not lead you,
Walk by my side we shall be friends.”

- Albert Camus

Together we grew and together we will live and our journey will be enriched through our individual performances. The union never walked ahead of any individual rather it stood by each individual. Be friends in this endless journey of life.

Sherin P John
General Secretary