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SILVER JUBILEE FINALE AND FOUNDATION DAY



College celebrated its Silver Jubilee Finale on 1st December 2013. Shri. Uday Narain Choudhary, Speaker, Bihar Legislative Assembly was the Chief Guest. Shri. P.K. Shahi, Education Minister, Government of Bihar, Prof. S.N. Guha, VC, Aryabhata Knowledge University, Patna, Prof. Janak Pandey, VC, Central University of Bihar, Patna, Fr. P.T. Augustine, S.J., (1988-1989) first Principal of the college, Fr. Thomas Karthanam S.J., (1989-2008) second Principal of the College, Bishop Sebastian Kallupra S.J., Bishop of Buxar Diocese, Fr. Joe Vadassery, S.J., Provincial of Patna Province, Fr. Joseph Maripuram S.J., Rector of the College were present as Guests of Honor.

The programme began with lighting the lamp by the Chief Guest and the Guests of honor. To thank God a meaningful prayer service was organized which was followed by prayer dance by Sandhya and group and the Welcome Song was led by Shubhalaxmi and Group. Prof. Fr. Thomas Perumalil S.J., welcomed the guests and presented a brief report of the past 25 years of the



college. Anjana Sah and group presented a Bihu dance on the tune, "Ai Te He Ya Sanai". To show the role of a teacher in a student's life Isma and Group presented a skit "Love for a teacher". A colorful programme "Yea Bihar hai" depicted Bihar's Culture. A jubilee song, "Haan ek Swarna Rekha Hai" written by Kanchan, an M.Ed student, and music composed by Mr. Ranjit Osta was presented. Nagpuri Dance, "Ye Hamar Nilam Re" was presented by Juel Kujur and group. A song was presented by the College Alumni/Alumna group. "Rangeelo Mharo dholana", A Rajasthani dance was presented by Ritika and group. Father Provincial honored the staff who had rendered their services and still continuing the dedicated service in the college for more than 20 years. The honoured ones are :- Fr. Joe Kootinal, S.J., Fr. Cyriac Poovakot, S.J., Fr. Mathew Poovakottil, S.J., Prof. Preeti Sinha, Mr. Ramanand Pandit, Fr. Scaria Mammootil, S.J., Mr. R.N. Roy Majumdar, Mrs. Roselin Jerry, Mrs. Clamma James and Mr. Rajesh Kumar.

Chief Guest Shri Uday Narain Choudhary released the first College Journal with ISSN-2347-5676 number. Educational research papers presented during the National Seminar on February, 8th-9th, 2013 were included in it.

In his message the first Principal of the college Fr. P.T. Augustine S.J., (1988-1989) said, "He has seen the seed being planted to take care of the teachers requirement in Bihar and in the past 25 years the College is standing on the dream."

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COMMUNAL HARMONY CAMPAIGN WEEK

St. Xavier's College of Education gets united with the society dedicating a week for Communal Harmony Campaign. The National Foundation for Communal Harmony (NFCH) was set up as an autonomous organization with the Ministry of Home Affairs. The main objective was providing assistance for the physical and psychological rehabilitation of child victims of communal, caste, ethnic or terrorist violence, with special reference to their care, education and training, besides promoting communal harmony, fraternity and national integration. A sum of Rs. 19,559.00 was collected by the students and a draft was sent to the Foundation Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION BY SXCEAA



A colorful Christmas programme was organized by St. Xavier's College of Education Alumni Association, Patna for the non-formal evening school children of Montfort Literacy Center (MLC). These children are studying in various government schools in Patna and in Loyola they are given special care and free education under the guidance of Bro. Cyril and four teachers to do their homework and also value education is imparted to them. More than 225 children come for daily evening classes here. All 225 children along with Bro. Cyril, other brothers and the teachers were invited for the programme. The children put up a beautiful programme. Dance, Christmas songs and Christmas play were the attractions of the programme. Fr. Thomas Perumalil

S.J., the Principal of the College gave an introduction of the alumni association and the various different programmes carried out by them and gave the message of Christmas that is Love, Joy and Peace. Christmas celebration with the marginalized section of the society is one of the annual programmes taken up by the association every year. The children presented a spectacular programme which was of a very high standard. In his message Bro. Cyril said, "Christmas is a time when we share our joy with others and it's a great joy to see the members of St. Xavier's College of Education Alumni Association, Patna come to this campus to share their Christmas blessings and love with the Montfort Literacy Center children. The programme was sponsored by Mr. Atif Kamal and the students of the B.Ed. department.

Marie D' Cruze (President), Deep Kumar (Secretary), Ranjit Osta (Joint-Secretary), Mukesh (Treasurer), and Angela, the members of the Executive Committee of the association were present for the programme. SXCEAA concentrates its efforts for the educational and social welfare of the poor and the marginalized in the society and conducts awareness programme, Inter School Elocution Competition, Inter School Drawing completion, Christmas Programme and a visit to Padri ki Haveli (Mother Teresa's Home) to felicitate the inmates every year as the Annual Programme of the association.

Vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Ranjit Osta, the Joint-Secretary of the Association. Refreshment was served to the children. Wishing Happy Christmas, the children left for their homes.

QUIZ COMPETITION



A quiz contest was organized for the student-teachers of the B.Ed department on 17th February, Friday. This was to update the students with the current affairs and also to give them training on how to conduct quiz in schools when they are appointed. The areas covered were Current Affairs, History, Geography, Science, Sports, Literature, Culture, Entertainment, Music, Information Technology. A special round of questions was based on the College to see how much the students are updated with their college information. For the college round there was no discussion with anyone and the participant had to give direct answer for

this round. In total there were 15 rounds and each round had questions for the audience also who took active part and answered many questions. Teams were formed from the four houses of the college and had four members each. Deep Kumar, Assistant Professor of the college was the Quiz Master and Prof. Preeti Sinha was the Jury of appeal. Deepak Sah and Anjana Sah were the score keepers and Praveen Prasanna was the time keeper.

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LIVING WITH MOTHER EARTH



A two-day seminar on environmental awareness for the B.Ed. and M.Ed. Students of the College was conducted at Tarumitra. As part of the curriculum the students were taken to 'Tarumitra Ashram', Digha, Patna. Tarumitra (Friends of trees) is a well known movement for the protection of the environment, specially the trees. It is a place where students from all over India and the world are motivated to live meaningful and environment-friendly life.

Prof. Thomas Perumalil S.J., the Principal introduced the programme to the participants. Dr. Fr. Robert Athickal S.J, the Founder of Tarumitra movement welcomed the group and gave a brief introduction about Tarumitra. The team of the Ashram further gave a larger picture of the activities and the trainees were taken in groups to see the ashram and also know about bio-farming. Dr. Fr. Robert Athickal explained the ways we can save the mother earth and



take part in conserving the earth. Father also explained how in our day-to-day life we can use LED and CFL bulbs and save the nature by not cutting trees for power generation. Trainees had to present a class in their own teaching subject in which they had to include environment education while they teach any subject. Dr. Prashant from the Central University of Bihar was one of the main resource persons who talked about environmental studies as a part of our regular syllabus and how teachers can play a great role by making the students aware. He explained the aim, objectives, goals and the importance of environmental studies in today's life.

The two days' seminar came to an end with the Earth dance. This was to bring the trainees nearer to mother earth. Faculty members were also present for the two days' seminar on environmental education for sustainability.



REPUBLIC DAY

The M.Ed. and B.Ed. trainees gathered for the hoisting of the national flag on the Republic Day to recall the day as the day of democracy and day of constitution. First the gathering was called in order and later Prof. Fr. Thomas Perumalil S.J., Principal of the College hoisted the national flag. The day was marked with inter-house melodious patriotic song competition by the various houses. Varsha Rani delivered the speech in Hindi and Sini K.V. delivered the speech in English.



Fr. Thomas Perumalil S.J., in his message said, "We have completed 64 years of our Republic and still we are struggling with the evils of corruption, poverty and mismanagement". Dr. Madhu Singh declared the result of the patriotic song competition. Aurobindo House was declared first as Gandhi and Tagore House shared the second place and Zakir House was third in the singing competition. Prizes were given by the Principal of the college. Vinniefred D'Silva and Manish Chandra were the masters of the ceremony and Sudhanshu was the group commander.