Message from the Principal

Dear Alumnae,

It gives me immense pleasure to share my thoughts with the alumnae of our college through this message.

Forty years has gone by and several thousands of students have left the portals of this prestigious institution. It would be really great to have all the alumnae back in the campus. Time and distance may not sometimes permit us to meet often. However we at Women’s Christian College have a long cherished dream that all the alumnae should take a vow to meet regularly every year. Majority should come together and be of support to their alma mater. On several occasions they have confessed that the progress in their life as well as their career are only because of the education they had received here. We are looking forward to listen to the beautiful reminiscences of our alumnae. Of course, a large number of our faculty are also the alumnae of this college. Their presence in the get-together would facilitate the right kind of networking that would contribute to the growth of this institution and develop amity and love among the alumnae. This year we are concentrating on membership drive and hence have posted the membership form in the website. We expect more new members to enroll their names and join us in the forthcoming alumnae day on 3rd December 2014. Wish you all good luck and cheer.

Dr. Nirmala Nallathamby, M.A, Ph.D.,
Principal,
Women’s Christian College, Nagercoil - 1.

From the Editor’s Desk . . .

"In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." Proverbs 3:6

Greetings esteemed alumnae!

It's our pleasure to welcome you to our Alumnae meet. We proudly recognize that you in your own way have helped to create the platform on which the WCC Alumnae has evolved into one of the most visible and active Alumnae on and off the campus. We know you all love those indelible reminiscences on your college days and this is our small gesture to increase your connection with WCC. We've written a few articles to let you know the latest news. We earnestly await the day of reunion.

So please stay in touch!

With regards,

Mrs. Tiruptika Rufus
Department of Costume Design & Fashion,
Women’s Christian College,
Nagercoil - 1
Dear Sisters,

Greetings from WCC family!

It has been another great year and as we approach the end of this exciting year, it’s time to reflect on the accomplishments and developments of the past 12 months and celebrate the spirit of generosity of our alumnae, who have continued to give back to their alma mater unwavering enthusiasm and steadfast dedication. With the college as a lifelong touchstone and abiding source of pride, as we demonstrate our passionate support for our alma mater, we are really overwhelmed by the broadminded spirit of the members who have given so much of themselves to support our college and I would like to share our achievements with you.

The academic year 2013-2014 was notable for many reasons, and this year’s annual report has so much to celebrate but I’d like to highlight just a few of the many ways we successfully connected ourselves with our alumnae throughout the globe. This year, we really focused on increasing the power of the alumnae network, impacting the student experience, and advancing lifelong relationship with the college keeping in mind that our mission is to inform, involve and serve the members of WCC family.

As it is customary, this year also, we conducted the candle lighting function beseeching God’s guidance and blessings for the outgoing students during the month of April in the Marsden & Mead Chapel. As one of the projects of this year, we have fenced the garden in front of the chapel and tailored the pathway near the Chapel. Two incinerators have been mounted in the campus to facilitate our student community. It has been considered to change the date of our annual get together from October 2nd to December 3rd and also to have the function in the forenoon.

We have enjoyed improved communications between the alumnae and the alma mater. As it is the need of the day, in order to help the alumnae to keep in contact with the alma mater, as they continue to transform throughout their lives, we have created the alumnae web site which serves as the doorway to know many of the services and programs of the alumnae association. We invite you all to visit the site often for getting information about the upcoming events, local area gatherings, and much more. Make sure to keep the college informed of your new address, employment, and volunteer information.

Since the academic activities of our college are growing day by day, it is a must to immediately develop the infrastructure of our college. The HRB hub in the neighborhood of the main gate which stands as a monument to witness the spread of education in our district by the early missionaries has also to be renovated. Our college has played a major role in shaping our career and now it is our responsibility to sense the acute need and join hands to uplift our alma mater. So let us all contribute generously towards the progress of this esteemed institution in all possible ways.

In order to keep alive the memories, ideals and values of our college in our hearts and also to remind us, who are scattered all over the globe, about the developments and achievements of our college, a newsletter is released in all get togethers in order to maintain a link between the alumnae and the college. I wholeheartedly thank all the contributors to this issue and I do earnestly request all the alumnae to spend some time from their busy schedule to make this event possible regularly by contributing articles to the ensuing newsletters.

This report serves as a testament to your loyal and generous support. On behalf of WCC alumnae association, I take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the members for their generous contributions of time, energy and expertise and I believe that we will lend a helping hand for advancement of our beloved alma mater in the coming years too. Let us look forward to be associates in the pledge of uplifting our alma mater and I firmly believe that this year will be another banner year of accomplishment and growth for our association.

Wish you all A Merry Christmas and a Happy &Prosperous New Year 2015.

Dr.V.Bena Jothy,
Dept of Physics, WCC, Ngl
We congratulate the Alumnae Doctors

Dr. J. Subitha Persis, M.A., M.Phil., B.Ed., Ph.d.
Assistant Professor, Department of English, Wcc, Nagercoil

Guide : Dr. J.G. Duresh,
Head of the Department of English & Research Centre, Scott Christian College, Ngl.
Topic : “Different Dimensions in the Lives of Women - A Reading of the Select Novels of Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni, Anita Nair and Amulya Malladi”.

Dr. N.K. Amaliya
Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry (SF) Wcc, Nagercoil

Guide : Dr. Sugirtha P. Kumar
Topic : "Physics - Chemical Evaluation of Surface and Ground water of Kanyakumari District, Tamil Nadu, India."

Dr. Sheila Yesudhas, M.Com., M.Phil., M.B.A., Ph.d.
Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce (SF) Wcc, Nagercoil.

Guide : Dr. R. Ruskin,
Former Professor, Scott Christian College (Autonomous), Nagercoil - 3
Topic : "Cardamom in Kerala - An Analytical Study about Production, Marketing, Export and its Prices."

Dr. Goma
Assistant Professor in Physics, Lekshmipuram College of Arts & Science, Neyyoor.

Guide : Dr. C.K. Mahadevan

Dr. J. Mahil Kamalam, M.Com., M.Phil., B.Ed., PG.D.C.P., Ph.d.
Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce (SF) Wcc, Nagercoil.

Guide : Dr. E. Raja Justus,
Professor, Dept. of Management Studies (Finance), M.S. University.
Topic : “Consumerism in the service sector of Kanyakumari District - An Analytical study from 2002 - 2010”.
Department of Physics

The meeting began with a word of prayer by the Head of the Department Dr. C.M. Padma at 2 p.m. Students from 2 batches participated in the meeting Miss. S. Preetha shared her experience at WCC thankfully. It was resolved to conduct a competition for the present B.Sc students in the next semester and Dr. Radhika who is currently working as Asst. Professor in Pioneer Kumaraswamy College, Nagercoil agreed to take responsibilities for that. In order to have fun, a game was organized by the department and prizes were given to the winners. It was decided to conduct the next alumnae meeting on 3-12-2014 in the afternoon. Dr. Jeneta Christober who is a woman Scientist of UGC, proposed the vote of thanks.

The Grammar Family

There’s a family in England whose family name is “Grammar”. ‘Mrs. Verb’ is the mother and “Mr. Noun” is the father. The couple has three children. One son and two daughters. The son is ‘Mr. pronoun’. He has to do all the works of his father (Noun) in his absence. The two little daughters are ‘Mr. Adjective’ and ‘Miss. Adverb’. They love each other but there is a great difference between them. Adjective loves her father (Noun) and elder brother (Pronoun). she keeps on praising them and is busy qualifying them. Adverb loves her mummy (verb) more. she always modifies her when there is a need. There are two servants in this family. The chief servant is ‘preposition’. He is the servant of his master. The other servant is named ‘Conjunction’. He is the family servant. He helps the family within as well as the relatives of the family. There is also a relative of the family who joins at the time of joy and sorrow. He is ‘Mr. Interjection’. The Grammar family lives in a house called “THE PARTS OF SPEECH.”

V.C. Amritha
Dept. of Maths, Alumna (2009-2012)
The first Alumnae Association meeting of the P.G. Department of English was held on 10-10-2014 at 1.30 p.m. The meeting began with a word of prayer by Mrs. Brailin Theola, Head of the department. Five alumnae participated in the meeting. The coordinator welcomed the gathering. Games were conducted and prizes were given. All the alumnae shared their past sweet moments in the college. Miss R. Abisha Greeni, Mrs. M.P. Jemima, Miss D. Anne Benita were elected as the Secretary, Joint - Secretary and Treasurer of the Association respectively. They were selected unanimously. The meeting ended with refreshment.

Department of History

Alumnae Association of the History Department was held on 11th October 2014. More than 10 students participated and shared their happy experiences in the college. They said they miss the Women’s Christian College.
There are two kinds of design
1. Structural design
2. Decorative design

1. Structural design
When an object’s structure is an integral part of the design it is structural design. Structural designs one those made with the size for colour, texture of an object. For e.g.: weaving different kinds of weaves are examples of structural design. Structural design details in address include collar sleeves, yokes, pockets, skirts, position of seam lines etc.

Requirements of Good Structural design:
It should be suited to the purpose, It should be simple. It should be well proportioned. It should be suited to the material with which it is made. It is far more important than decorative design because it is essential to every object or garment whereas decorative is the luxury of design. Structural design depends on the form and fabric. It is also created by the construction details of a design. It is in all garments. Because it created in construction details together including seams, collars, pockets and texture of the fabric. Any detail that is an integral part of the garment is a structural design.

The basic requirements of a good structural design for clothing are as follows:
Silhouette pleasingly related to the body structure and expressive of that time. Design appropriate to its use and to the needs of the wearer. well proportion individual parts that offer unity with variation. Character and individuality in line form or texture.

2. Decorative Design
It is the surface enrichment of structural design. any line, colour of material that has been applied on structural design for the purpose of adding a richer quality is a decorative design. Beauty is the structure design. Decorative design is only the luxury, e.g.: After weaving, decorative: –e.g.: Applique, embroidery, painting or any trimmings.

Requirements of Good Decorative design:
It should be used in moderation It should be placed at a structural point and should strengthen the shape of the object. The decorative design should be suitable for the material and for the type of service it must give. There should be enough background space to give an effect of simplicity and dignity to design. Surface pattern should cover the surface quietly.

Types of Decorative Design
They are 5 types of decorative design.

a. Naturalistic Design:
When objects from nature are selected and are reproduced exactly with photograpic correction it is known as naturalistic design. e.g.: Flowers, leaves, animals and landscape.

b. Conventional Design:
When an object from nature is adopted to suit the purpose of the object and be decorative the motif ceases to be naturalistic, and it is conventional.

c. Abstract Design:
Motif which does not have the nature as the source but the combination of lines producing irregular form i.e. not easily recognized. The modern art is an abstract design.

d. Historic Design:
It refers to the famous monuments or building of historic importance. e.g.: Temple, Tajmahal.
The alumnae annual get together of our department was held on 24-10-2014. The meeting started at 10 a.m. with a prayer song by Godwini and Blessy. The alumnae were invited for the annual alumnae get together of W.C.C. on 3rd December 2014. The alumnae shared with us their experience about the alma mater. They appreciated W.C.C. for its serene beauty and also the faculty for their sincerity. The meeting came to an end with National Anthem.

Mrs. Afrin,
Dept. of Costume Design & Fashion (2007-2010)

Qualities of A Good Teacher

Teaching is a career that provides challenges, excitement, personal reward and a chance to encourage and support others to achieve their goals. There are many personal qualities and skills that make someone a good teacher. These include:

- Being good are explaining things to others.
- Being a people person and enjoy working with a wide range of people.
- Enthusiasm. Having a strong knowledge in particular subject areas.
- Being a good time manager. Ability to work in a team as well as using your own initiative.
- Keeping your cool under pressure. Having patience and a good sense of humour.
- Being fair-minded.
- Enjoying a challenge.

V.C. Amritha
Dept. of Maths, Alumna (2009-2012)
The alumnae association of M.Phil. Department of Botany cordially organized a half day programme - alumnae meet on 7th October, 2014 at college premises in the M.Phil. classroom.

The meeting started at 2.00 a.m. with a prayer song by present M. Phil scholars. Miss. Ani Besant who is an alumna of this college extended a warm welcome to the alumnae. The function was presided by Dr. R. Medo Merina (Asst. Prof. and H.O.D. of M.Phill. Department of Botany). In the presidential address she expressed her word of gratitude for the principal and staff of the college for providing such a great opportunity for them. Mrs. Jerlin Deletta and Mrs. Shruthi shared their academic experiences with the alumnae.

A committee was formed and announced by Miss. Simi mol and the following members were elected.

- Mrs. G. Jerlin Deletta as president
- Miss. J. Joselin as secretary
- Mrs. P. Subitha as treasurer

Vote of thanks was given by alumna Miss. Krishna priya and the meeting ended up with the tea.

The first Alumnae meeting of the Computer Science department was conducted on 7 November 2014. 17 students attended and shared their experiences while studying in the college and also their Progression in life. 8 of them were first batch students who met in the campus after 24 years. It was a rich rewarding reunion.

D. Glory Ratna Mary
HOD of Computer Science
People invite others to grow and flourish or to shrivel and die. People are always reacting to each other positively, negatively or passively. They are those who by their very presence make others feel important, alive and capable of becoming someone better that they had ever known before. Then there are those who seem to have talent for cutting others down, making them seem inadequate and useless, causing people to give up, hold back and stop trying. These are the negative people who justify their constant dissection of others as Constructive criticism their constant sarcasm as Joking their verbal hostilities as Honest relationship and their biased put-down as “Objective appraisals”. They seem to have a penchant for finding the weaknesses of others instead of their strengths.

Theodore Dreiser, an American atheist of the 20th century said, “If he (man) is to extract any joy out of his span, he must think and plan to make things better not only for himself, but for others, since joy for himself depends upon his joy in others and theirs in him”.

Once a man entered a bank where he saw the frustrated face of the clerk exhausted by the monotony and the laborious tasks of the routine. After his piece of work with the clerk was over, he gave a warm smile to him and asked “Sir This hair style suits you a lot Where do you normally do your hair? In fact I had been trying for one like this for months together”. Though at first the clerk suspected that he was being ridiculed, he later understood the genuineness of the person and turned light.

Now the real question is, “is it all a onetime affair”? No, this clerk is definitely going to recall this appreciation to at least a couple of his friends and above all whenever he stands before a mirror his confidence over his hair dressing would grow and he might never have a doubt about it forever in his life. What does it cost us to help identify the plus points of each other over which we are going to be fondly, remembered forever? But how many times do we bother to do this? Let us not take people for granted. Let us see ourselves as a more splendid person by constantly giving to others a richer life by our invitation to grow and by realizing that “I am another you”.

When you are good to others, you are best to yourself.  

- Franklin

Happy Family is the goal of all Humans but unfortunately this is a distant dream of this present generation. It is full of conflicts, unhappiness and quarrels leading to unhappy families and broken homes. This is due to the present day families which experiences a wide range of wrong messages through various media. Experience provides us with wisdom and knowledge to develop healthy family. Being a parent today is more challenging and it is a full time commitment. All the prospective parents should be counseled about the various aspects of parenthood and be well prepared for the numerous challenges with the guidance of their Elders, Relatives and Parents.

Parents have the vital role of guiding and forming the character of their children. It is important to recognize their role in the upbringing of children. We are called to receive our children lovingly, care them humanely and educate them spiritually. We the parents are the first and most important teachers of our children. We should trust our offspring and encourage them to face difficult situations in life boldly. The atmosphere at home should be friendly, cheerful and delightful to all members. Healthy family attitudes are developed by a loving home and enriching family life. It is a fact that an unhappy home produces an unhappy children. When parents and children freely communicate with one another allowing for various opinions their home environment is healthy and cheerful.

Youngsters have a need to achieve, to learn, to grow and to wonder. Let us help them to accomplish all of this. We Parents should share our thoughts with our children and try not to preach, to impose or to be authoritarian and listen to their ideas and suggestions and act accordingly. Parents are instrument of God and tools of His creation. Home is the first school for young ones, when they learn what is good and what is kind. It is a place where joy is shared and sorrows eased. Thus the Mantra of a Happy Home and Parenthood lies in respecting and loving their parents and showering the same to their children. Thus reaching a goal of healthy family attitudes and joyful family forever.
The Alumnae association meeting of the Department of Botany, WCC, Nagercoil, the academic year 2014-2015 has been held in the Department on 07-10-2014.

Members present: 28.

Programmes were conducted as per the agenda. The meeting started with the opening prayer by Dr. Renuka Bai, Associate Professor in Botany, Dr. Mercy Leelavathy, Associate Professor in Botany welcomed the gathering, Dr. Suseela Bai, HOD of Botany and Dr. Mary Christi, Associate Professor in Botany gave the Alumnae message.

The participants: Ms. Ramya, M.Sc., M.Phil., Mrs. Jerlin Delita, M.Sc., M.Ed., M.Phil., Ms. Joselin, M.Sc., M.Phil., Ms. Hannah Jeeja Alexander, M.Sc., and Ms. Anie Beasant, M.Sc. shared their experiences during the course of study in this Department and the way they gained a lot of experiences from this Department, which motivated them to live a successful life in educational field, family and society. Ms. Krishna Priya, M.Sc, one among the participants proposed the vote of thanks. After National Anthem every one departed with the conviction that we will be like a 'FLOWER' to the Nation.

The participants:

Department of Mathematics

The department Alumnae get-together for the academic year 2014-2015 was held on 27th October 2014 at 2 p.m. 27 alumnae members were present. Mrs. P. Nalatha Padmini, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics welcomed the gathering. Dr. D. Wiselet, Head of the Department of Mathematics gave an inspiring talk on the importance of wisdom. With a variety of programs including games and feedback about past memories, it was really interesting. The get-together came to a close by prayer by Mrs. Leena Nelson.
Department of Chemistry

The Alumnae Association meeting of the Department of Chemistry, Alum Meet - 2014 was held in Room No.47 on 17-10-2014 afternoon. Twenty four members participated in the meeting. The meet began with an invocation by staff of chemistry Department. Mrs. S.P. R. Kalaikathir, Assistant professor of Chemistry welcomed the gathering. The presidential address was delivered by Head of the Department. Dr(Mrs). S. Avila Thanga Booshan. She thanked the members for attending the meeting and asked them to have such meetings often in the Department. The Alumnae introduced themselves. Miss. J. Rafia Begaum, Miss. P. Kousalya, Miss. V. Saranya, Miss. T. Girija, Miss. P. Sharmiya, Miss. K. T. Sharmila, Miss. Ancy Devadhas, Miss. S. Vency and Miss. A. Jeba Jenitts shared their sweet memories experienced in W.C.C. Miss. J. Rafia Begaum was selected as representative to organize Alumnae meeting in the year 2015. The Alumnae found it interesting and have been buoyant with zeal and zest. Dr(Mrs). V. Gnana Glory kanmoni, Associate professor proposed vote of thanks and the meeting came to an end with the National Anthem.

Department of Costume Design and Fashion

The Department of Costume Design and Fashion conducted its 6th Alumnae meet on 23rd of October 2014 and needless to say it was a huge success. The meeting started at 11 a.m. with a prayer song by present final year UG students Mrs. M. Prathiba who is a staff and an alumna of the college extended a warm welcome to the alumnae.

Mrs. M. Arice Mary (Asst. Prof. & Head of the Department) addressed the gathering. The function was followed by games and puzzles. Finally tea and snacks were provided and there was bonhomie and camaraderie everywhere and the alumnae thoroughly enjoyed the events.
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS (S.F.)

By the grace of God Almighty the alumnae meeting of the PG Mathematics Department was held on 11th October 2014 at 10.30 a.m in Room No. H-23. The meeting started with the prayer song by the first year U.G. Students which was followed by Prayer by Mrs. Teffilia, a staff member of the department. All the alumnae shared their sweet memories with joy. P.G. students conducted games and prizes were distributed for the winners.

Areas of Fashion

Fashions are social phenomena common to many fields of human activity and thinking. The rises and falls of fashions have been especially documented and examined in the following fields: Architecture, interior design, and landscape design. Arts and crafts. Body type, clothing or costume, cosmetics, grooming, hair style, and personal adornment. Dance and music. Forms of address, slang, and other forms of speech. Economics and spending choices, as studied in behavioral finance. Entertainment, games, hobbies, sports, and other pastimes. Etiquette. Management, management styles and ways of organizing. Polities and media, especially the topics of conversation encouraged by the media. Philosophy and spirituality. Social networks and the diffusion of representations and practices. Sociology and the meaning of clothing for identity-building. Technology such as the choice of programming techniques. Of these fields, costume especially has become so linked in the public eye with the term “fashion”. The more general term “costume” has been relegated by many to only mean fancy dress or masquerades wear, while the term “fashion” means clothing generally, and the study of it. This linguistic switch is due to the so-called fashion plates which were produced during the Industrial Revolution, showing novel ways to use new textiles. For a broad cross-cultural look at clothing and its place in society, refer to the entries for clothing and costume.

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