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thing, to be told stories. To lie on someone's lap as they share stories they've heard from their fathers or

grandparents or friends. It's a beautiful thing, to be told stories. The speaker's voice carries a mood. The speaker sees things when the story is being told. The speaker remembers someone then, probably. The speaker has a storyteller too. It's a beautiful thing, to be told stories. Now more than ever, we need to tell stories - to each other and to ourselves. Of hope, love, strength and the great human capacity for

Because, it's a life changing thing, to be told stories.

# **Vandanam-The Retirement Meeting**

St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam organized "Vandanam", a meeting honoring the retiring members of staff of the Albertian Family.

The event was conducted on 16 April, 2021. Fr. Jolly John Odathakkal, Vice Chairman welcomed the gathering. The Presidential Address and Benedictory Talk was delivered by His Grace Dr. Joseph Kalathiparambil, Metropolitan Archbishop of Verapoly.

Felicitations were also made by Fr. John Christopher Vadassery, Dr.Rosalind Gonzaga, Vice Principals and Dr. M A Solomon, the Controller of Examinations. As a token of gratitude, love and appreciation, mementos were handed over to all retiring members of staff.

The retiring members shared their experiences of spending long years at St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam. This was followed by Vote of Thanks by the Chariman Fr. Antony Arakkal.





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### The following are the members who are retiring –



**Dr. Nelson Rodriguez** (1989-2021)Principal (2020 - 2021) Head of the Department of Physics (2018 – 2020)



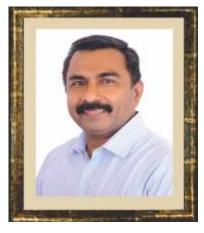
Mr. Justine Paiva (1989-2021)Department of Physics



Mr. Benny K J (1990 - 2021)Controller of Examinations (2016 - 2020)Head of the Department of Zoology (2014 - 2017, 2020 - 2021)



Dr. P. A. Nelson (1990 - 2021)Department of Chemistry



Dr. Ajith Thomas John (1999 - 2021)Head of the Research Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture IQAC coordinator(2016-2018)



Dr. Joshi George P (1996 - 2021)Librarian



Mr. George PL (2005 - 2021)Administrative Officer

The Albertian family expresses gratitude and love for their unstinted support and honest work and dedication throughout the years. We wish them a peaceful, joyful and fruitful retired life!

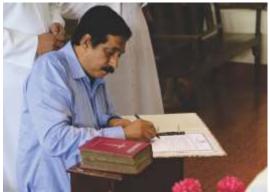


# The New Principal of St. Albert's College (Autonomous)



Dr. M A Solomon, former Head of the Department of Chemistry and Research Centre took charge as the new Principal of St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam. He was the Controller of Examinations of the college and the ANO of NCC Naval Wing in the rank of Lieutenant. He is also a Research Guide specialized in Polymer Chemistry with 31 years of valuable experience in teaching.

The Albertian Family wishes Dr. MA Solomon the very best!







### **Department of Economics**

#### **Course of Life**

The Department of Economics conducted a programme called Course of Life which had a session on how to prepare one's curriculum vitae. The resource person for the session was Mr. Anvin K K, Market Intelligence and Analytics, University of Huddersfield, UK and former student of the Department of Economics. The session was very useful for the final year students who will be attending work interviews in the near future.

### Corporate Life – Interview Techniques

The Department of Economics also held a session on Corporate Life. The session was handled by Ms. Santhymol, Database Specialist, CDS, TATA Consultancy Services, Chennai. The discussion focused on corporate life, as well as plans and procedures for corporate work.



#### **Mock Interview**



The Department of Economics organized a mock interview for the students of the Department under the supervision of Mr. Francis MC, Coordinator, Placement In-charge and Deputy Dean, Academics. It

was a two-day event. The interviews were conducted with the help and guidance of Dr. Ajitha H and Ms. Serin Sajan, The Department of Business Administration, Ms. Daisy



Roshan Rebera, HoD In-charge, the Post Graduate Department of English and Ms. Lakshmi G, the Department of Logistics Management.

# **Department of English(Aided)**

#### **Board of Studies Meeting**

The Department of English conducted the third Board of Studies Meeting on 22 April, 2021. The meeting was chaired by Dr Mary Sapna Peter Miranda, Head of the Department of English, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) and the expert panel consisted of Dr Paul Manalil, Former Editor, Malayala Manorama, Dr Joji John Panickar, Assistant Professor, Postgraduate and Research Department of English, C M S College (Autonomous), Kottayam, Dr Binu K D, Assistant Professor, Government Law College, Palakkad, Dr Thomas Kuruvila, Assistant Professor, Department of Malayalam, Baselius College, Kottayam, Dr Shoba Liza John, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of English, S H College, Thevara, Prof. Sabeena Bhaskar, Associate Professor and Head, Department of French, St. Teresa's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam, and the faculty members of the Department of English, Post Graduate Department of English, Department of Journalism and Communication, and the Department of French. The syllabus of each programme was outlined and ratified, MG University syllabus was adopted for BA English Triple Main and the expert panel recommended new certificate courses in French.

# **Book Release – From the Labyrinth:** Some Thoughts on Nature, Life and the World

Mr. Anurag N T, Government Guest Faculty, Department of English, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) released a book titled "From The Labyrinth: Some Thoughts on Nature, Life and the World" on 30 April, 2021.



Rev Fr. Jolly John Odathakkal, Assistant Manager, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) and Dr. MA Solomon, Principal, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) released the poetry collection.



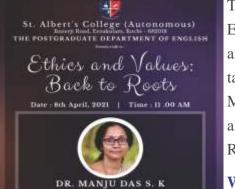
The event was graced by the presence of Rev. Fr. John Christopher Vadassery, Vice Principal Prof. Sebastian A V, Assistant Professor and NSS Programme Officer and Prof. John Sinoj, Assistant Professor and ANO, NCC Army Wing felicitated Mr. Anurag NT.

# The Post Graduate Department of English

#### **Talk on Introduction to Creative Writing**

The Post Graduate Department of English organized a talk on Introduction to Creative Writing on 7 April, 2021. The resource person for the talk was Mr. Raisun Mathew, Doctoral Research Scholar, the Department of English, Lovely Professional University, Punjab. Mr. Raisun is also an alumnus of the Post Graduate Department of English, St. Albert's College (Autonomous). The session was organized by Ms. Daisy Roshan Rebera, Head-In-charge.

### Talk on Ethics and Values: Back to Roots



The Post Graduate Department of English organized a talk on Ethics

and Values: Back to Roots on 8 April, 2021. The resource person for the talk was Dr. Manju Das S K, Assistant Professor, Albertian Institute of

Management. This session was also organized by Ms. Daisy Roshan Rebera, Head-In-charge.

# **World Book Day Celebrations**

The Post Graduate Department of English celebrated World Book Day with a video message

from the students of the Department who shared what books mean to them. These messages were compiled and shared with everyone.



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# **Department of Renewable Energy**

### World day for Safety and Health at Work

The Department organized a Poster Designing Competition as part of World Day for Safety and Health at Work. The event was organised by Nithya S Menon, Assistant Professor of the Department of Renewable Energy along with the student coordinator Mr. Denil Alex. The winner of the competition was Ms. Chinnu K Joseph, I MSW, Assumption College, Changanassery, Kottayam. The event was judged by Mr. Arunkumar, Web Developer, Rich Tech Web Solutions.

An Essay Writing Competition was also organised by Ms. Greeshma S, Assistant Professor, the Department of Renewable Energy along with the student coordinator Ms. Amrutha T Babu.





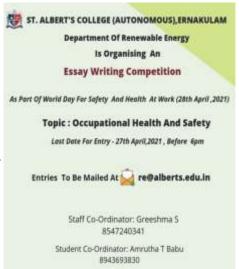
The winner of this competition was Mr. Joe K Xavier, I M.Voc Renewable Energy, St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam. The event was judged by Ms. Neethu Varghese, Assistant Professor, the Department of Renewable Energy.

#### **International Dance Day**

The Department of Renewable Energy organized a Dance competition on 29 April, 2021. as part of International Dance Day.

The event was coordinated by

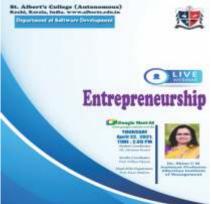
Ms. Nithya S Menon, Assistant Professor, the Department of Renewable Energy along with the student coordinator Ms. Sandra Baby. Ms. Devika P S, I MSc Applied Fisheries and Aquaculture, St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam bagged the prize. The event was judged by Ms. Jilu Antony, Assistant Professor, the Department of Retail Management.



# **Department of Software Development**

### Webinar on Entrepreneurship

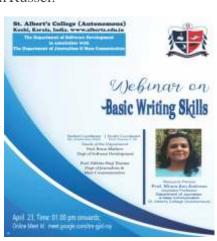
The Department of Software Development in association with the Department of Journalism and Mass



Communication organized an online session on Entrepreneurship on 22 April, 2021. The main objective of this session was to emphasize the importance of innovation and entrepreneurship among students. The session was led by Dr. Shiny C M, Assistant Professor, Albertian Institute of Management. This session was mainly focused to emphasize the importance of innovation and entrepreneurship among students. Dr. Shiny C M detailed the skills required to become an entrepreneur. The session was coordinated by Ms. Vidhya Vijayan, Assistant Professor of the Department of Software Development and Abraham Russel.

#### Webinar on Basic Writing Skills

The Department of Software Development organized an online session on Basic Writing Skills on 23 April, 2021. The main objective of this session was to emphasize the importance of writing skills among students. The session was led by Ms. Minna Ann Andrews, Assistant Professor, the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, St. Albert's College (Autonomous). During the session, Ms. Minna Ann Andrews detailed about the importance of developing writing skills. In the middle of the session, she provided activities to improve writing skills.





Through these activities she conveyed important steps in writing which are research, organizing content, writing, editing and proofreading. The faculty coordinator of the session was Ms. Anjana C M and the student coordinator was Ms. Sudeshna Nath.

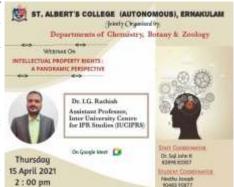
# **Department of Chemistry**

#### Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights

The Department of Chemistry and Research Centre in association with Department of Botany and Zoology,

organized a webinar on the topic Intellectual Property Rights; A Panoramic Perspective on 15 April, 2021. The resource person was Dr. I G Rathish, Assistant Professor, Inter University Centre for IPR studies, CUSAT.

He covered topics like legal rights that protect original work, inventions or the appearance of products, artistic works, scientific developments etc. He also discussed the details of copyrights, trademarks and patents. The staff coordinator for the programme was Dr. Saji John K. and student coordinator was Ms. Neethu Joseph.



# **Department of Space Science**

#### Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights

The Department of Space Science and Technology has organised a webinar Intellectual Property Rights 13 April, 2021. The webinar was led by Dr. Anson C J, Assistant Professor and Coordinator, Research Workgroup on Geographical Indication, Inter University Centre for IPR studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology.

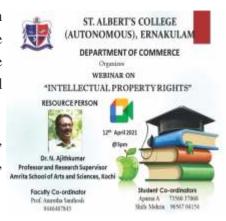
The session proved to be very fruitful for the audience as it included valuable information regarding Patents, Copyright, Trademark and so on.

# Department of Commerce (SF)

#### Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights

The Department of Commerce (SF) organized a webinar on Intellectual Property Rights, with the objective to create immense knowledge on various aspects of research on 12 April, 2021. The resource person for the session was Dr. N. Ajithkumar, Professor and Research Supervisor, Amrita School of Arts & Sciences, Kochi.

The session provided an overview of Intellectual Property Rights, followed by an introduction, types, need and significance, consequences and conclusion.





#### **Distribution of Easter Kits**

As part of Social Outreach activities, a few students of B.Voc Professional Accounting and Taxation, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) Ernakulam, voluntarily and wholeheartedly gifted Easter kits to the poor families in Ayyappankavu locality on 4 April, 2021.

They identified eight families who were suffering due to severe impacts of the pandemic and provided them with rice, bread, salt, coconut oil, sugar, tea powder, pepper corns, chilly powder, coriander powder, turmeric, chicken masala, onion, potato, green chilli, ginger, garlic and chicken. Students did the activity obeying covid protocols.





# **Department of Computer Science**

#### Webinar on Mindfulness Based Healthcare Practices

The Department of Computer Science, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) organized a webinar on Mindfulness Based Healthcare Practices on 12, April 2021.

The resource person was Mr. Sachu Muraleedharan, Health Educator who supports individuals and professionals in building mental resilience through cultivating a mindful way of life and incorporating mindfulness practices into their daily lives to improve their well-being.

The aim of the webinar was to focus and declutter the student's



minds and focus for a better life. Mr. Sachu Muraleedharan spoke about Mindfulness concentration and health care. He focused on mindfulness and its characteristics. He spoke about attitude, food habits, health practices based on mindfulness, Recycling and Mindfulness techniques. The faculty coordinator for the session was Ms. Agnes Neenu NT and the student coordinator was Ms. Swetha Ansalam.

#### Webinar on Research Methodology - An Introduction to Research

The department of Computer Science, St. Albert's College organised a webinar on Research Methodology – An Introduction to Research by Mr. Nidhin Johny, Assistant Professor, Albertian Institute of Management. Mr. Nidhin Johny started his session by talking about need for research and encouraged everyone to develop their interest in research. He said that research will change the way of understanding and refers the deeper learning of a specific topic. The session was coordinated by Mr. Amal M R.



### **National Service Scheme**

### **Election Duty**

As part of the Kerala Legislative Assembly Election held on 6 April, 2021, the NSS Volunteers of St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam served as the Special Police Officers in various polling booths in Kochi city.

#### Session on Anaemia

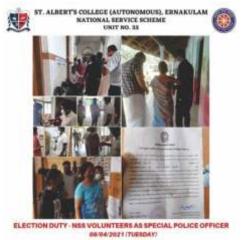
Darren George, Volunteer, NSS Unit, St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam participated in an online orientation



session on a campaign against Anaemia, organized by the Health Department of Kerala on 15 April, 2021.

### **Awareness Programme**

Darren George, Volunteer, NSS Unit, St. Albert's College



(Autonomous), Ernakulam took an awareness session for students on the campaign against Anaemia, at Schoolmuttam Anganavadi in association with the Health Department of Kerala, on 20 April, 2021.

He also talked about the causes and prevention methods for the disease, thereby instilling awareness on the topic.

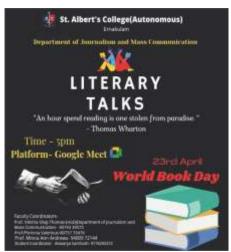
#### **Online Campaigns**

The NSS Unit of St. Albert's College also conducted the following Online Campaigns – Easter on 4 April, 2021, Earth Day on 22 April, 2021 and Covid Prevention and Awareness sessions.

# **Department of Journalism and Mass Communication**

#### **Literary Talks**

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, St. Albert's college (Autonomous), Ernakulam



conducted a vibrant interactive activity — "Literary Talks" — to commemorate World Book Day on 23 April, 2021. The students indulged in sharing information on their favourite book.It was coordinated by Ms. Minna Ann Andrews, the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication along with the student coordinator, Aiswarya Santhosh. The event began with a quiz session, where each student prepared a question to identify a book with a small description and subsequent clues. The participant who answered the most questions correctly was given a certificate and a prize. The event went on to have personal accounts from the students on how the respective books they had selected became their favourites.



# The Internal Quality Assurance Cell

#### **The Albertian Star Contest**

In the academic year 2017-18, St. Albert's College (Autonomous) introduced the Albertian Student Award aimed at recognizing the curricular, co-curricular, and extra-curricular talents of the students. Albertian Star Award is instituted for final year students from each of the Under Graduate and Post Graduate Programmes in the Institution. The "Albertian Star" title is bestowed upon the best outgoing student of the College every Academic Year. A committee was constituted to streamline the entire procedure and after several rounds of discussion in the Executive and Extended Executive Committees of the Autonomous Institution, the criteria for qualification and the guidelines for participation were set.

Eligible candidates applied online by filling in the relevant details given. The hard copy of the application was downloaded and attested by the Head of the Department. Attested photocopies of the mark lists, as well as details of attendance and extra-curricular activities were attached with the application form. This was submitted to the IQAC office. After the applications were verified and validated, a list of all possible candidates for the contest was published on the website. These students were called the Star Competition Nominees.

For Level 2, a 30-question long MCQ (Current Affairs, Basic Science & Maths, History, English, and Logical Reasoning) was administered to the candidates. At the end of level II, four students from each course (2 in PG and 2 in UG) were selected to the next level. These students were called the Gems of the Departments.

For Level 3, A PowerPoint presentation (PPT) round before an expert panel on the topic My Vision of Future India with special reference to the Challenges of Online Education was conducted. At the end of Level III, 2 students from each Programme (1 UG and 1 PG) were selected. They were declared as the outstanding students of the programme and were called the Luminaries of the Departments.

A Group Discussion was conducted at Level 4, wherein the students were judged on their depth of subject knowledge, group behavior, leadership qualities and communication skills. 10 students moved into the final round and were called the Starlets of St Albert's College.

Level 5 was held on 7 April, 2021. An external presentation round was conducted before an audience comprising Management Representatives, Alumni Members, Teachers, PTA members, and students. This level was an on-stage programme where the dressing, manner, confidence and communication skills of the candidates were judged by external experts. The students had to make a 7–10-minute presentation about themselves on why they should be selected as the Albertian Star. Three external judges, Dr. Victor George, Former Registrar, KUFOS, Dr. Asha Elizabeth Thomas, Dean, Quality Assurance, St Paul's College, Kalamassery, and Mr. Jabbar Kallarackal, Film Maker interacted with the students asking them questions on general issues and also based on their presentation.

Ms. Ann Martin from MCom Finance was selected as the Albertian Star 2021. Ms. Ann Mary Teena KS from MSc Mathematics and Ms. Keerthy Prasad from BSc Mathematics were adjudged first and second runners up respectively.





# Albertian Knowledge Summit

#### Commerce (Aided)

The Department of Commerce and Research Centre along with the Department of Commerce (SF), St. Albert's College (Autonomous), Ernakulam organized a talk for the Albertian International Knowledge Summit on 24 April, 2021. The summit was focused on the topic The New Reality – Digital Currency.

The resource person for the talk was Professor Hatem Mabrouk, Professor of International Business and Blockchain, University of Dundee. Professor Hatem Mabrouk gave a live presentation on Digital Currency offerings on the basis of the topic "Fintech: Cryptocurrencies and



Initial Coin Offerings" which provided an insight into the unexplored areas of Digital Currency and its treatment. The Conference was followed by the presentations of Research Papers on various Specializations of Commerce.





### **Computer Science**

### International Conference on Emerging Technologies in IT – 2021

As part of Albertian Knowledge Summit 2021, the Department of Computer Science organised an International Conference on Emerging Technologies in IT – 2021 on 15 March, 2021. The conference was inaugurated by Dr. Arunkumar Chitteth Rajan, Assistant Professor and Post-Doctoral Fellow, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, USA.

### Session on Artificial Intelligence in Scientific Research

The technical session was on the topic Artificial Intelligence in Scientific Research. Dr. Arunkumar started with the concepts of Artificial intelligence and big data. He spoke about how big companies collect and analyse the data from their users/customers to provide better solutions. He also mentioned about machine learning and the role of AI in science/technology.

#### Session on Distributed System for Data Processing

The second session of the International Conference was led by Mr. Arun Mathew, Senior Engineer, LINE Corporation, Tokyo, Japan on the topic Distributed System for Data Processing. Ms. The session was very interactive and informative. He shared valuable information about distributed systems, data processing and Kafka topics.

### Session on Cyber Security in Cloud Computing

The third session of the International Conference was led by Mr. Balesh Lakshminarayanan, Co-founder, ABSYZ, Hyderabad. Mr. Balesh Lakshminarayanan spoke about three layers in cloud computing – IAAS (Infrastructure as a Service), PAAS (Platform as a Service) and SAAS (Software as a Service). He talked about cyber security and its threats. He mentioned some of the information that hackers dig into and that we should take care of. He mentioned the importance of cyber security in the cloud computing systems.

### Session on Impact of AI in Financial Crime

The fourth session of the International Conference was led by Mr. Geo Jolly, Product Owner (Financial Crime), London, UK on the topic Impact of AI in Financial Crime. Mr. Geo Jolly gave a clear idea about the

impact of AI and financial crime. He spoke about Artificial Intelligence and its role in Financial crime. He also spoke about his practical experience in machine learning and financial crime.

For the valedictory session, a special address was delivered by Rev. Fr. John Christopher, Vice Principal, St. Albert's College (Autonomous). He spoke about the importance of conducting conferences as part of academics. He mentioned various emerging technologies in IT and its relevance in the current world.





#### **Renewable Energy**

The Department of Renewable Energy organized the Albertian International Knowledge Summit on 15 April, 2021. The resource person was Dr. Sheldon S Williamson, Electrical, Computer and Software Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, Ontario Tech University, Oshawa, Canada, who shared his ideas on the topic Power Electronics Based Integrated DC Charging Solutions for Future Transportation Electrification.



### **Student Achievements**

#### Placements 2021



Mr. Adhil Muhammed PA
Bsc Computer Science 2018-21
Placed in TCS and CTS



**Ms. Mary Betsy Rocha**Bsc Computer Science 2018-21
Placed in TCS and CTS



**Ms. Swetha Ansalam**Bsc Computer Science 2018-21
Placed in TCS



Ms. Dayana Rose Bsc Computer Science 2018-21 Placed in TCS and CTS



**Ms. Neha Maria**Bsc Computer Science 2018-21
Placed in Wipro