



ALUMNI NEWS

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Festive fever grips the city in the month of September. Vishwakarma Puja was on 17th Sept. and immediately after a gap of one day it was Mahalaya on 19th Sept this year. **The spirit of Sharodotsav** caught on well with a flurry of activities all around. The festival spirit was apparent on streets that were decked up with decorative *pandals* and lights. Durga Puja got over peacefully with usual craze of the mass across the State and in our country too.

CULTURAL PROGRAMME

Cultural sub-committee staged a wonderful programme titled "*Maatir Katha Maayer Gaan*" at Dr. Triguna Sen auditorium at 6 PM on 15th September 2017. It was attended by quite a large number of members and guests. The programme was presented in two halves, The group '*Bihaan*' performed in the 1st half, while in 2nd half alumni members presented "*Maatri-Bandana Abaahani*". Participating alumni members were Dr. Rajib Kar Chowdhury, Deepaboli Dutta, Laboni Lahiri, Kaushik Ghosh, Sonia Ghosh, Anusreeta Mandal, Pampa Saha, Shubhro Mukherjee, Kaushik Das, Mita Mukherjee and Barnali Kar. We know that Durga Puja doesn't assume the festive aura without the maddening beats of the *dhaak*. During the performance those enchanting beats of *dhaak* were enough to conjure up the smells and mood for the ensuing Puja. A group photo of the performance is given below.



EWYL (EARN WHILE YOU LEARN)

EWYL in conjunction with NSS and the WB State Transport Department held clean-up drive at the 8B Bus Terminus, Jadavpur on 8th Sep'17. This was attended by the President, Vice President, and Secretary.

CHAPTER COORDINATION and INFORMATION COMMUNICATION SUB-COMMITTEE

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Constitution Amendment

Draft for Amended Constitution (Memorandum of Association and Regulations) has been finalised by the Task Force and handed over to Hony. Secretary. Hard copies of Draft of Amended Constitution can be collected by EC Members from the Office of Hony. Secretary from 6th October,2017 onwards. Soft copies can be mailed, on request to Hony. Secretary, if any EC Member is unable to collect Hard Copy from Alumni Office. This will be discussed in the forthcoming EC Meeting scheduled on 27th October,2017.

Information Communication

Work on uploading the list of Members of Sub-Committees is in progress.

Out of these, data of approx. 4400 nos. Life Members enlisted till October 2016 have been uploaded in Membership Page of the Website. Data of the rest of new Life Members will be uploaded in Website as early as possible.

Chapter News

- Sri Molay Bhadra ('93 Civil) from UK chapter reported on 26th Sept. 2017 that this year they had planned for a big JU Alumni UK adda at the famous Camden Durga puja. The news was published by leading newspapers of Kolkata getting a successful promotion in association with Camden.
- JU Alumni Hyderabad chapter informed via an email on 24th Sep. 2017 that "Megh-Peon Pujo Edition" was published in their website <http://jualumnihyd.org/> which was inclusive of many beautiful articles and poems in both English and Bengali.
- Sri Anil Chakrabarti('61 EE) contacted us on 23rd Sept. 2017 regarding the upload of updated membership form in our website. He has been giving a sustained effort in building a new chapter in Atlanta, Georgia including recruitment of Life Members for JUAA HQ from there and developing the GA Chapter rules & regulations.
- Sri Mridul Das ('88 Ch.E) from JU Alumni Kuwait chapter reported on 5thSept. 2017 that they were organizing a fund raising program on 13th Sept 2017 featuring singer Iman Chakraborty from India. They would publish the names of the thirteen students of JU getting Financial assistance from them in the souvenir on the eve of the program.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE AND AWARDS PROGRAMME (2017 – 2018)

Applications for Renewal from the beneficiaries during 2016-17 have been processed and list of the recipients of assistance during 2017-18 published. This included a total of 395 beneficiaries (43-higher (Rs.20000), 35-higher (Rs.12000), 147-Normal(Rs.500 per month) & 169-Anant Education Initiative awardees). Some have been upgraded/ downgraded/dropped depending on their scholastic performance during last year and other criteria. Quarterly stipends amounting to Rs. 540,500 have been disbursed.

Among around 540 fresh applicants 393 applicants have been interviewed between 11th and 15th September 2017 by a team of five groups of interviewers comprising at least two Alumni members and one from the respective department. Remaining applicants were not considered due to poor grade, high family income and other criteria. Interview results are being collated,

to be followed by selection and assignment to the donors in keeping with their stipulations. The process is expected to be completed during October 2017 and award ceremonies will be held in November 2017.

Thereafter steps would be initiated for the award of the merit medals.

SHANIBAARER AASAR

Shanibaarer Aasar is held on the last Saturday of every month, but the Saturday 30th Sept'17 being Durga Puja Dashami the Aasar couldn't be held in this month. However, the next one will be held on 28th October 2017.

BUDHER AADDA

Budher Aadda is held on every Wednesday at 5.30PM in the Meeting Hall of the Association. Various interesting topics are held for discussion in every Wednesday other than normal aadda over 'Singara, Cakes and Chai'! members are invited to come and partake in the discussions.

NEW MEMBERS

The following New Life-member was enrolled during the period from 19th August to 15th September 2017:

Mrs. Papri Guha 1990 Sanskrit

DONATIONS RECEIVED

Donations received during the period from 19th August to 15th September 2017 are as follows:

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
1. Sri Kumaresh Sinha	Rs. 2,93,219/-	Student Assistance
2. Sri Sankar Nath Maulik	Rs. 10,000/-	Student Assistance
3. Manjira & Rithika Putatunda	Rs. 20,000/-	Student Assistance

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- **Vijaya Sanmalani will be held on 13th October 2017 at 5 p.m. at Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium.**
All members along with their family and friends are requested to join the programme
- **Prof. Hiralal Roy memorial function will be held on 3rd November 2017 at the Dr.Triguna Sen Auditorium at 6 PM.**
All members along with their family and friends are requested to attend this function which will be followed by a musical programme.
- **Annual Drama will be held in November 2017. The exact date will be notified later.**
All members along with their family and friends are requested to join the programme

CONDOLENCE

With profound grief we inform the sad demise of our following members



Asit Baran Pal ('61ME)



Nupur Bagchi ('83 Phil)



Kollol Basu ('71 ChE)

May their souls rest in peace. We offer our deepest condolences to their families.

Got a minute?

"Everyone goes with the flow, but the one who goes against it becomes someone remarkable."

Before I could explain this to the traffic police, the man issued me a fine!

The preservation of freedom is not the task of soldiers alone. The whole nation has to be strong,

Lal Bahadur Shastri