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Thoughts for the New Year

As the days roll into the New Year, it is again time for new resolutions, new promises and new plans. Yet it is our common experience that the wheel of time rotates endlessly without any apparent beginning and perhaps without a definite end. It is like a flow in eternity. Although science has declared the moment of big bang as the beginning of space-time, it is too far away to comprehend and so is the end. Obviously for the comparatively transient human lifetime, time appears perpetual. We put limits to this seemingly endless flow, to define our activities and derive meaningful outcomes, calling them months and years. In the process, we create a beginning which probably may be used to our advantage. Hence the concept of New Year heralds the beginning of new perspectives in all walks of life. Any good beginning essentially should go by a plan well thought of, learning from previous errors and failures, retaining universal values and procedures for excellence, to elevate us to the level next. Setting achievable and meaningful targets goes a long way in seeing the light of success at the year end. Many new initiatives may even turn out to be standards at the end of the year and a few may vanish into oblivion. Let us not forget that the wonderfully dynamic world we live in, it is a result of such evolution shaped by nature through endless trials and errors. No contribution is insignificant if it adds vibrancy and dynamism to the system. Let us together dream big and work in unison to hear the melody at the year end.

Prof. Satheeshchandra S.

Principal





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Condolences for Pejavara Shree



A Condolence Meeting was organised in the college to pay tribute to the divine soul of Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji of Pejavar Mutt, Udupion 30 December 2019. Shri Vishwesha Teertha Swamiji of the Pejavara Mutt was a prominent seer who was closely associated with Dharmasthala and all the institutions of SDM for decades. Most faculty and students of SDM feel a personal loss at

the sad demise of the Seer. Prof. S. Sateeshchandra, Principal of the college reflected over the simple, yet divine, personality of Pejavara Shree Vishwesha Teertha Swamiji. Prof. Ramachandra Purohit, Assistant Professor of Sanskrit who was a student of Pejavara Shree stated that Shree was an incredible personality who could travel the country despite of his physical limitations. He also reminded the audience that the Swamis was a seer who strived for equality amongst different communities and for betterment of all. Dr. Shridhar Bhat, HOD of Sanskrit mastered the ceremony. Faculty and students of the college offered floral reverences to the photograph of Pejavara Shree. Classes were suspended in mourning on Monday, 30th of December.

Exploring History of Periodic Table



In order to commemorate the "International Year of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements (IYPT2019)" which marks the 150th anniversary of the Periodic Table of Chemical Elements, the Department of Chemistry organized a special talk on "A Fascinating Design History of Periodic Table of Elements: A Tribute to Dmitri Mendeleev" by Prof. B. S. Sherigara, Former Vice

Chancellor of Kuvempu University on 27 December 2019. Prof. Sherigara elaborated on how the Russian chemist Dmitri Mendeleev came to prominence with his tabular diagram of known elements called periodic table. He said, the world got a glimpse of the brilliance behind the periodic table when scientists later discovered the elements that filled the spaces left in the Mendeleev's chart for elements that were yet to be discovered.





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He shared fascinating stories behind the discovery of some elements and motivated the students of Chemistry that one day they could also discover some elements and contribute to Mendeleev's table. Presiding over the function, Prof. Satheeshchandra S said it's the responsibility of every student to know the importance of periodic table and programmes like this provide an opportunity to knowledge sharing. As a part of social responsibility of the department, pamphlets on creating awareness about water conservation and no usage of plastic among students of schools, college and public were released on the occasion. The programme was witnessed by Prof. B. Shivarama Holla, PG Department of Chemistry, Prof. N. Dinesh Chowta, Principal, SDM PU College, all the members of the faculty of the Department of Chemistry and about 150 students of Chemistry.

Inauguration of 'Data Centre'

"Physical storage of data is rather painstaking and time consuming, as well as not very reliable. For the efficiency of data access and storage at SDM College Ujire, the newly established data centre shall be facilitative", said the Secretary of SDME Society, Dr. B Yashovarma. He was speaking as he inaugurated the data centre at the college. "The centre shall act as the brain of the institution," he added. The Principal of the College Prof. Sateeshchandra, Registrar Dr. BP Sampath Kumar and faculty members were present at the occasion.

'Eclipses' - the games in the sky



A special guest lecture was arranged by the department of Physics on Eclipses Truth And Myth. Resource person and Eminent astronomist Prof Ramesh Bhat, Principal, Sri Mahaveer PU College, Modabidre explained about the truth and myths about the eclipses with video clippings and demonstrations. Eclipses are the natural happenings in nature due to

Relative motions of planets in the universe and not due the swalowing of moon or sun by rahu and ketu, he

added. In view of forth coming solar eclipse, he informed about dos and donts during the occasion.he urged the students to watch the forthcoming solar eclipse with suitable safety measures and procedures, which will be a very rare phenomenon in this region.







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Witnessing the Solar Eclipse



Department of Physics had made necessary arrangements to watch historical event of Annular Solar Eclipse at SDM College Ujire on 29 December 2019. Observation of the eclipse was done through solar goggles. Principal, staff and students watched the event for the entire duration. Though the sky was lightly cloudy in

the beginning, it was later favourable, making way for everyone to witness the phenomenon. Over 350 students and staff took part in the viewing.

Blood Donation Camp

NSS Units of the college organised Blood Donation Camp in Association with SDM Hospital, Ujire and Blood Bank, KMC, Mangalore on 12 December 2019. The camp was inaugurated by Sri Sridhar K V, Suraksha Medicals, Ujire and Sri Shitikanta Bhat, Laboratory in charge, SDM Hospital, Ujire was the chief guest. Principal Prof. Satheeshchandra S presided over the function. In the camp, Mr. Mahesh Kumar Shetty, Asst. Professor, Dept of Economics, Mr. Suresh, Non- teaching Staff, Mr. Sachin Poojary, Mr. Sharath and Mr. Deekshith, NSS Volunteers were felicitated for donating blood for highest number of times. In the camp 256 units of blood was collected with the spirited participation of all the students of the college. The Rovers and Rangers and Social Responsibility Initiatives committee also joined NSS in organizing this Blood Donation Camp.

Legal awareness



Women Grievance redressal cell and Internal complaint committee arranged a talk on 'Women's Rights and Responsibilities to create Legal awareness among girls by an advocate Mrs. Swarnalatha, practicing in Belthangady Taluk on 16 December for a group of final year female students. Resource person spoke about the child marriage, domestic violence and harassment against women etc.





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She also warned about the social media where our young generation actively participates without knowing the consequences. Dr. Savitha Kumari, Chairperson of the committee, in her presidential remark, insisted the students to share the information gained in the programme to their juniors through departmental association so that the useful information reaches many. Mrs. Vinutha, Coordinator of the committee welcomed the guest florally.

The 'All Legal' Field Visit



Department of Political Science organized a study visits to Court, Police station and Registrars offices with the objectives to acquaint the student with functioning of courts, police station and registration office on 27 March 2019. BA Political Science students visited these places along with faculty members of the Department. First

visit was to the police station and Head constable of police Sri Lawrence and police Ms. Swethal explained the students about civil case, criminal cases, A B and C Case files, the mode of approach and registering cases, the meaning of FIR etc. Students interacted with police for an hour. In the sub registrar's office, sub registrar Mr. Nagesh briefed the student regarding registration of property, marriage and the procedures. Students cleared their doubts by asking questions. In the court, students witnessed the procedures in the court hall while cases were argued. Students were shown different court hall and premises. After the court, judge interacted with student for nearly an hour. Respected Sri Anand K, Principal, Civil Judge and Respected Sri Sathish K C, Additional civil judge, Mr. Kiran P P P, Sri Krishna Shenoy, Secretary, Bar Association and Mrs. Swarnalatha, Senior Advocate interacted with students and cleared their doubts. Forty students and three staff of the department were part of study visit.

Workshop



A one day workshop on Learn Math through Oragami was organized by the Department of Mathematics for the B.Sc. students on 28 December 2019. Dr. Adilaid Saldana, Associate Professor, St. Agnes College. Mangalore was the resource person and Ms. Poojitha Varma Jain, Assistant Professor, coordinated the programme.





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A Residential Workshop on Spoken Sanskrit

A three day residential workshop on Spoken Sanskrit was organised by the Department of Sanskrit held at Arippadi Mutt of Ujire from 20 to 22 December 2019. Nearly 65 students and staff members participated in the training programme. The residential course used to begin at 6 a.m. and last till 10:30 in the night. Speaking in Sanskrit was taught alongside Yoga, Pranayama, Yakshagana Talamaddale, Commentary on literary works, songs, dances and stage performances. The participants were also informed about the greatness and the simplicity of the language.

Guest Lecture

Department of Journalism organized a guest lecture on Creative Writing and Writing for Radio by A V Chittaranjan, DOS, Farmer news reader Kannada section AJR New Delhion 28 December 2019. During his speech Mr. Chittaranjan highlighted the role of Radio as a medium of mass communication and in modern society. Sky is the limit for journalism students, but media industry needs deserving students. Those who are ambitions to join media must cultivate reading habit, be the hard worker, punctual he advised. Department of Physics organized a guest lecture on 28 December 2019 by Dr. Narasimha Shenoy, Senior Principal Engineer, Collins Aerospace, Bangalore. He delivered a lecture on 'Time Management' for the students of final B.Sc. B.

Alumni Interaction



Department of Physics organized an alumni interaction by Mr. Suraj, Mangalore University on 17 December 2019. He spoke about Marine Geology and elaborated the scope of it.

Annual Trekking

NCC Navy had conducted an Annual Trekking to Thadiandamol Hill in Madikeri near Kakkabbe. It was 20 km up and down hill. Totally 65 cadets participated. It was a wonderful experience.





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Staff Publication

Research Article of Dr. A. Jaya Kumar Shetty titled "Custom Hiring Centre Intervention in Promoting Farm Mechanisation among Small & Marginal Farmers" was published in International Journal of Research and Analytical Reviews (IJRAR), UGC Approved Journal (No: 43602), Volume 6 Issue 4, Paper ID: IJRAR19K7478. Dr. Nagaraja Poojari, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics & Rural Development published the following research articles;

- "Analysis the Consumers Decision Making of Solar Energy Usage and Environmental Protection" in an International Journals of Research and analytical reviews (IJRAR) Vol:6, Issue:2, December 2019, E-ISSN:2348-1269,P-ISSN;2349-5138, UGC Approval No.43602, IJRAR_213283, IJRAR19k7451, Impact factor: 5.75.
- "The Awareness of Sustainable Development Policy on Solar Energy Usage" in an International Journal of engineering Technology Research and Management, Vol:03, Issue:12, ISSN 2456-9348, Impact factor: 4.520.
- "An Analysis the Institutional Efforts for Adoption of the Solar Energy Application and Environmental Sustainability" in an International Journals of Research and analytical reviews (IJRAR) Vol:6,Issue:2, E-ISSN:2348-1269,P-ISSN;2349-5138,UGC Approval No.43602 IJRAR_213308, IJRAR19k7484, Impact factor: 5.75.
- "An Analysis The Role Of Eco-Friendly Energy Sources" in an International Journal of engineering Technology Research and Management, Vol:03, Issue:12, ISSN 2456-9348,Impact factor: 4.520

Staff Achievement

 Dr. Sanmathi Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of History, attended the Eightieth Session of the Indian History Congress at Kannur University, Kannur, Kerala, from 28to30 December 2019 and presented a paper entitled "Protection and Conservation of Indian Historical Monuments" in Section III: Modern India.





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- Dr. K. V. Nagarajappa, Associate Professor, Department of Kannada, delivered a talk on "Vachanagalallivaicharikathe" at Govt. High school Badanaje, Belthangady Taluk on 18 December 2019.
- Dr. B. P. Sampath Kumar, HOD, Kannada had attended UGC Pre- preparation programme at Vidyarashmi First Grade College, Savanooru on 17 December 2019.
- Dr. Rajashekara, Assistant Professor Department of Kannada had attended a National seminar on "MahakaviGovinda PaiSahithyavalokana" as a Inaugurator and a Resource at Govt. First Grade College, Mangeshwara Kannur University, Kerala on 16 December 2019.
- Prof. S N Kakathakar was invited as a judge for AAA audit in SDM MMK College, Mysore on 24 December 2019. He also participated in the interaction program under PARAMARSH scheme in the college.
- Mr. Prasad Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce delivered a lecture on "Recent reforms in banking sectors" at Govt. Primary School, Perla, Ujire on 23 December, 2019.

Students' Achievement

- Ms. Preeti of II MCI won I place state level voice test competition arranged by Vivekananda Youth movement Mysore.
- Mr. Swastik of I MCI won I Place in National level essay competition on Idea of Bharath Today and tomorrow, organized on the occasion of national level Mangalore lit feast 2019 at Mangalore on 29 November 2019.
- Mr. Samanth, Ms. Anushree, Ms. Rachana, Mr. Sourabh and Ms. Nuthana of III B.Sc. B and
- Ms. Shalini of III B.Sc. A, attended a five days seminar on "Ganithapoorna", organized by Poornaprajna College, Udupi, from 27 to 31 December 2019.