<u>INARA - COLLEGE UNION 2023 – 2024</u>

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On October 5, 2023, the College Union election for the academic year 2023-24 took place, Ganga Jayan was elected as the Chairperson, Lakshmi Suresh as Vice Chairperson, Riya Raj as General Secretary, Sreedevi Ashok as Arts Club Secretary, Lakshmi Gopikrishnan as Magazine Editor, Hanna Mariam Antony and Aswini S Kumar as UUC, Sini Dona Joy as 2nd PG Representative, Sneha Joy as 1st PG Representative, Gayathri S Kumar as 3rd DC Representative, Neeha Shihab as 2nd DC Representative, Josme Josekutty as 1st DC Representative.

Oath Taking Ceremony

The Oath taking of the new College Union for the academic year 2023-24 occurred in the College Auditorium on October 6, 2023. The election officer, Dr. Ajis Ben Mathews, Head of the History Department, announced the names of the newly elected office bearers. Dr. Stephy Thomas, the Principal of BCM College, read out the Oath and the union members took the oath.



INFLORE FEST CONDUCTED BY RAJAGIRI COLLEGE, KAKKANAD

On October 13, 2023, students from BCM College enthusiastically participated in the fest hosted by Rajagiri College in Ernakulam, in association with the INARA union. BCM College students showcased their talents, engaging in various activities such as music, dance, drama, and sports. They embraced the opportunity to interact with peers from Rajagiri College and other participating institutions, fostering camaraderie and mutual appreciation.



INAUGURATION OF THE COLLEGE UNION AND ARTS CLUB

The inauguration of the College Union and Arts Club took place on November 1, 2023, in the College Auditorium. Notable figures such as Johny Antony (film director, actor), George Kora (film director, writer, actor), Meenakshi Raveendran (actor, anchor), and Karthik Krishnan (musician) graced the occasion as the Chief Guests. Ganga Jayan, the chairperson of the college Union for 2023-24, announced the new college union name, INARA. The inaugural speech was delivered by Mr. Johny Antony. It was followed by a heartfelt felicitation by Dr.Stephy Thomas, the principal of BCM College.





College Arts Day - \square \square \square \square \square \square 2024

The College Union's Kalolsavam, \(\bigcup \Boxtim \Box







ANTI -DOWRY DISCUSSION IN ASSOCIATION WITH WOMEN EMPOWERMENT CELL

On December 8th 2023, the BCM College Union and the Center for Women Empowerment collaboratively orchestrated a vibrant discussion. The discourse provided a platform for diverse perspectives, contributing to a rich exchange of ideas. The joint effort between the College Union and the Women Empowerment Cell underscored their commitment to creating an inclusive space for meaningful dialogue and the empowerment of both students and educators.



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"COFFEE WITH ARUN" - AN EXCLUSIVE LIVE INTERACTION BY REPORTER TV

On December 14, 2023, Arun and his colleagues from Reporter channel conducted a captivating visit to BCM College. During their visit, they actively participated in an interactive session with both students and teachers, delving into various aspects of college life. The team thoroughly explored the college premises, with a notable highlight being the impressively well-equipped library that left a lasting impression. The visit also featured live broadcasts of engaging cultural programs, showcasing activities like kabaddi. The team's report provided a comprehensive coverage of the college, highlighting its unique attributes and contributing to a vibrant portrayal of the institution's academic and cultural milieu.



SECURED 1ST PRICE IN THE CAROL COMPETITON

On December 19th 2023, Team BCM emerged victorious, secured first position in the Carol competition hosted by BK College, Amalagiri. Their outstanding performance showcased their talent and dedication, earning them recognition as the champions among the participants in the prestigious event.



"THE YULETIDE YUHOO"- Christmas week 2023

The "Yuletide Yuhoo!" Christmas week organized by Inara, the College Union 2023-24, from December 18th to 21st, was a resounding success. The thrift sale, facilitated by the collaborative efforts of students and teachers, was particularly noteworthy. Additionally, the Cake Fest starting on December 19th featured a diverse array of cakes, brownies, and desserts, drawing significant acclaim. On December 22nd, the main Christmas celebration commenced, highlighted by Inara's interdepartment Christmas tree making and crib making competitions, with enthusiastic participation from every department. Sr. Ayona, the esteemed principal of St. Ann's School, Kottayam, graced the event as the Chief Guest. Her meaningful Christmas message set the tone for the festivities, complemented by insights from Principal Dr. Stephy Thomas and Reverend Father Philimon Kalathara, who collectively spread love and joy throughout the College. The pinnacle of the celebration occurred when Sr. Ayona ceremoniously cut the Christmas cake, symbolizing the commencement of the festivities.





INAUGURATION OF INFIRMARY IN COLLEGE BY CARITAS HOSPITAL

On January 9th 2024, BCM College radiated with excitement and pride as it hosted the Patron's Day Celebration and the Inauguration of the Renovated Infirmary. The event, commencing at 3 pm, witnessed a distinguished lineup of guests, including Rev. Dr. Binu Kunnath, Director of Caritas Hospital, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. Dr. Annu Thomas, Vice Principal of BCM College, delivered a warm and welcoming speech, setting the tone for the event's significance. Following this, Dr. Stephy Thomas, the Principal of BCM College, delivered a poignant Presidential Address, emphasizing the college's commitment to holistic education and healthcare. The felicitation was conducted by Rev. Fr. Philmon Kalathra, the Bursar of the College, recognizing the collaborative efforts that led to the successful renovation of the Infirmary. The Patron's Day Celebration and the Inauguration of the Renovated Infirmary served as a testament to BCM College's dedication to providing comprehensive support for its students' well-being.



THE INAUGURATION OF CHAVARA LECTURE SERIES AND ST.CHAVARA AWARD CEREMONY

On January 11th, 2024, BCM College hosted the prestigious inauguration of the Chavara Lecture Series and the St. Chavara Award ceremony, with Sri. P.S. Sreedharan Pillai, Governor of Goa, as Chief Guest. Emil Pullikkattil, Director of Darsana Cultural Centre, delivered a warm welcome speech, followed by insights from dignitaries like Smt. Mini M Mathew, Rev. Fr. Johny Edakkara, and Prof. Antony P Joseph. Bincy Sebastian and Sri. Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan felicitated awardees, including Dr. Stephy Thomas. Dr. Abraham Vettiyankal delivered a keynote address, and Justice Cyriac Joseph emphasized ethical governance. The highlight of the ceremony was the bestowal of the St. Chavara Award upon Dr. Stephy Thomas, Principal of BCM College, by the Hon'ble Governor of Goa, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to women's education.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP

On January 18, 2024, BCM College organized a blood donation camp, where a significant number of students enthusiastically participated. Their active involvement demonstrated their commitment to contributing to the community's well-being by donating blood, exemplifying the spirit of compassion and solidarity within the college.



"WE THE PEOPLE OF INDIA"-MG UNIVERSITY KALOTSAVAM 2024

The MG University Kalolsavam, "We the People of India," held at Kottayam from February 26th to March 3rd, showcased remarkable talent across various stages set in CMS College, Baselius College, BCM College, and Thirinnakkara Ground. Our students flourished in group events, clinching top honors in Margamkali. Their dedication and hard work were evident, culminating in first place in Margamkali, second place in Nadanpattu, and third place in Oppana, poster designing, and Recitation English. Additionally, our students excelled in individual items, with most receiving A grades for their exceptional performances. The event not only provided a platform for showcasing talent but also fostered a spirit of companionship and excellence among the participants. We celebrate our students' achievements and commend their commitment to representing our institution with distinction. Overall, the college held 9th position among the colleges under MG University. It was a proud moment for all the students and the members of BCM College. The theme 'We the People of India' was engraved in every walk of the Kalolsavam throughout the seven days.







VANITHA HAIR DONATION CAMP

On March 8th 2024, students of BCM College joined hands with Caritas Hospital to actively participate in the Vanitha hair donation camp. Their enthusiastic involvement showcased their commitment to contributing to charitable causes, exemplifying the spirit of community service and

solidarity within the college.



MALAYALA MANORAMA - TRENDSETTER COMPETITION

Our College with the help of the College Union, Inara took part in the "Trendsettercollege" competition hosted by Malayala Manorama and Trends which took place in the auditorium of Baselius College, Kottayam on 7th August 2024. Twenty students participated in this fusion performance of twenty minutes, which included a fashion show, theatre, various kinds of dances and music. The team portrayed the story of 'Draupadi' in the light of the events happening against women in India. The performance was named 'Polika' and described how women should become their own saviour. The performance won the hearts of the judges and bagged the first place in the Kottayam zone and was selected to participate in the finals.



CULTURAL EXTENSION

The BCM Margamkali team got an opportunity to perform during marriage functions held on January 19th and February 2nd, 2024. This experience provided a valuable platform for our students to showcase their talent and further enhance their skills. It was a significant opportunity for them to shine and leave a lasting impression

On March 6th, 2024, students from BCM College participated in MG University's cultural program as part of their NAAC visit. During the event, they showcased traditional Kathakali and Kalari performances, adding cultural richness to the occasion and highlighting the college's diverse talents. On March 6th, 2024, Caritas Hospital hosted a three-day women's program in association with International Women's Day. On the first day, students from our college participated in a musical showcase, highlighting the diverse talents of our institution and contributing to the event's success.

Our students showcased their talents in semi-classical dance and Margamkali at the BCM, MSW Departments' International Conference, Samanvaya, held on March 11th, 2024.





