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- SPEECH CRAFT

SPECIAL POINTS OF IN- TEREST:

- PROVIDE GOOD AND QUALITY EDUCATION
- STUDENT-CENTRIC APPROACH
- CONTINUAL HONING OF STAFF SKILLSET

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The Leaflet (DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH)

EDITORIAL

The great aim of education is not knowledge, but action.
—Herbert Spencer

The Department of English imparts various skill sets to the students, besides enhancing their language and communication skills. Students are exposed to various opportunities through Inter-Departmental, Inter-Collegiate and National level competitions. The importance of Life Skills is also focused to make the students prosper in their life along with their promising career. The Youth Leadership Program in collaboration with the Chennai Toastmasters Club enabled the students to become effective Public Speakers and Leaders. Accolades received by the students in Make Intern-IIT Delhi added jewel to the crown. The creative aspect of the students is also encouraged through the Literary Club so as to shape them triumphant and excel in all spheres life. To quote Robert M. Hutchins, "The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their life." The department highly believes that holistic education moulds the students and makes them attain heights in career and flourish in life.

- Ms. V. GAYATHRI

HOD'S MESSAGE

The Department of English is a community of active teachers dedicated to forming a deeper sense of ourselves and our world of Literature. We celebrate the beauty of words, the power of language, and the importance of creating and carefully understanding all forms of communication. You can explore the department's offerings and get a sense of what we're about by the various columns of this newsletter. The Department of English has a focus on improving the LSRW skills of the students and also training them in soft skills. The department is committed to cultivating graduates who will be engaged citizens and community members, in addition to successful professionals and lifelong learners. We also hope that our students in particular will learn to recognize how literature in various forms, uniquely shapes our ways of being. Apart from the usual Intercollegiate competitions, guest lectures, students seminars, it is a proud moment for the Department of English that our college 'Soft Skills' team were the winners of the National Championship conducted by Make Intern and Tryst (IIT DELHI) and secured a cash prize of Rs.25, 000 and we can say that this is just a beginning.

"Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known." - Carl Sagan. I came across this amazing quote recently and realized how relevant it is for all of us. There is never any point in the life of a person when he can sit back and say, "There is nothing more to learn, I can relax with the comforting thought that the universe around me is an open book. I know it all." The thirst for knowledge is not restricted to anyone. It is also essential for everyone to keep adding to their own knowledge bank by keeping their eyes and ears open and by reading as much as possible and also ensuring that the students develop these habits as well. "Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited to all we now know and understand, while imagination embraces the entire world, and all there ever will be to know and understand." - Albert Einstein.

-DR..S.SANTOSH SMITHA

Youth Leadership Program 2018-19

The Department initiated the second batch of Youth Leadership Program in association with Chennai Toastmasters Club for the academic year 2018-19 on 5th January 2019. A total number of 24 students from Shifts I & II from various majors enrolled for the program. Apart from the regular training sessions, four Educational Sessions were organized. Eminent speakers from various fields addressed the students and shared their experiences. Mr. Sridhar Ranganathan, Managing Director, Allergan India, spoke on the topic "Facing Interviews" on 2nd February 2019. The second educational session was engaged by DTM Nina John, Founder and Charter Member, Chennai Toastmasters Club on 23rd February 2019. The speaker addressed on the topic "How to be Professional in the Work Place." On 9th March 2019, DTM Jayan Narayanan, Founder, Toss the Coin, motivated the audience by sharing his real life experience and urged them to have an optimistic view in their life. The final educational session along with the Closing Ceremony for the current academic year was conducted on 16th March 2019. DTM Saro Velrajan, Chief Strategy Officer, Ginkos India, was the Chief Guest for the day and he stressed on the importance of Group Discussion which has recently become a quintessential criterion in interviews. Mr. Venu Neelakandan, Former President, Chennai Toastmasters' Club and Chief Coordinator of YLP, advised the students to have passion in learning. Dr. S. Padmavathi, Principal i/c, appreciated the students for their active participation in YLP and emphasized the importance of Communication skills. As a token of appreciation for their energetic performance, the YLP students were given certificates.



MAKE INTERN- IIT DELHI



A two-day workshop on Soft Skills was conducted in accord with Make Intern BEACon Fest and Tryst IIT Delhi in the college premises on 19th and 20th of July 2018. Out of the 48 students who participated, 5 students Suhani Jain of III VISCOM (Shift I), Swetha T.M. of III BCOM Gen (Shift I), Shreya Easwar of III BCOM A&F (Shift II), Harshitha K. of III BCOM Gen (Shift I), and Poorvi R. of III BCOM Gen (Shift I), were selected for Level 2 which was conducted in IIT DELHI Campus. The students, except Poorvi R., participated in the Phase II final competition on the topic “Society Development through Technology” at IIT Delhi. They presented their report on Project Shasun AMBAR during the event. Project Shasun Ambar allows the customers to reuse and recycle old cloth into bags of various designs such as cross body bags, shopping bags, clutches and purses. The team won the I place and a cash award of Rs.25,000/-. The College Secretary, Sri.S.Abhaya Srisrimal Jain, gave an additional Rs.25,000/- to the students, as a token of appreciation.

STUDENTS SEMINAR

The Department of English conducted an Inter-departmental Student Seminar on the theme “Indian Culture and Heritage” on 17th December 2018. The Chief Guest and Judge for the event was Mr.Antoine Dominic Gnanasudhan, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Loyola College. First year students from various departments presented papers on various sub-themes. Overall 60 students participated in the event. The students from the Departments of Visual Communication, Psychology and Accounting and Finance bagged the first three prizes, respectively.



GUEST LECTURES



The department conducted a Guest Lecture on “Selected Extracts from Shakespeare” on 13th December 2018 for the second year students. The resource person was Dr.M.David Wesley, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Madras Christian College, Chennai. The extracts of select scenes from *Macbeth*, *The Merchant of Venice* and *Julius Caesar* were discussed in detail, as the students have the same in their syllabus. The students were enthralled as the legendary Shakespearean characters which were brought alive by the speaker.



A Guest Lecture on “Life Skills” was conducted for I year students of Commerce stream. The resource person was Mr.J.Jai Dinesh, Assistant Professor, School of Human Excellence, Loyola College. The session focused on self understanding and the role of an individual both within the family and in the society at large. The students were divided into various groups and were allowed to share their opinions. At the end of the session, the students were able to comprehend the different roles played by them in different contexts.



LITTO MANIA

Shasun LittoMania - The English Literary Club, conducted Doodle Competition on 22nd February 2019 on the theme 'My Dream'. Many creative entries were uploaded in CollPoll. Ms. Pooja Maran of I BCA and Ms. Akshaya Guru of II B.Com General won the competition, respectively, for Shift I and II.

Dr.S.Santosh Smitha attended a workshop on Academic Writing in Literature in MCC College. Also attended a Lecture Series By Dr.K.Ganesh, MCC in November 2018. Also received a certificate from Toastmaster International USA for being the co-ordinator for the programme.

Ms.T.Karpagam cleared NET in the month of December 2018. Attended a two day workshop cum Conference on "Mechanics of Thesis Writing" organised by Centre for Research & Development Forum, DRBCCC, Hindu College, Chennai, on 24th and 25th November 2018. She attended a workshop on Academic Writing Literature conducted at Madras Christian College, on 30th November 2018. She successfully completed a 12-week online course titled "Indian Fiction in English" conducted by NPTEL SWAYAM and cleared the exam in the month of October 2018. She also presented a paper titled "Bedazzled: Doctor Faustus Retold with a Debit Card Called Redemption" in a Three-Day National Conference cum Workshop in English Language Teaching, Literature and Culture Studies, organised by Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru and ELTIF from 29th to 31st December 2018. She also attended a workshop on "Research Methodology and Plagiarism in Research Writing" organised by RIESI, Bengaluru and ELTIF on 29th December to 31st 2018. Participated in the Inter-Collegiate Throw Ball match conducted at JBAS College and secured runner up place on 4th January 2019. She was the Master of Ceremony for the 32nd Convocation Day of IGNOU on 3rd April 2019.

Dr.V.Deepa attended a workshop on Academic Writing Literature conducted at Madras Christian College, on 30th November 2018. Attended Lecture Series by Dr.K.Ganesh at Madras Christian College in the month of November 2018. She also attended Lecture on "Cricket Literature" by Dr.C.T.Indira, Retd. Head, University of Madras, at Madras Christian College on 10th December 2018. Presented a Paper on the topic "Effective Visual Scaffolding for Linguistic and Cognitive Development: A Case for Illustrated Study Materials for Adult Learners" at a Three-Day National Conference cum Workshop in English Language Teaching, Literature and Culture Studies organised by Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru and ELTIF, from 29th to 31st December 2018. The paper is under print. Attended a workshop on "Research Methodology and Plagiarism in Research Writing" organised by RIESI, Bengaluru and ELTIF from 29th December to 31st December 2018. Successfully completed a 8 week online course titled "Developing Softskills and Personality" conducted by NPTEL SWAYAM and cleared the exam with Elite grade. She also completed a 12-week NPTEL SWAYAM online course titled "Indian Fiction in English" in the month of October 2018.

Ms.S.Shandhini presented a paper titled "Bedazzled: Doctor Faustus Retold with a Debit Card Called Redemption" in a Three-Day National Conference cum Workshop in English Language Teaching, Literature and Culture Studies, organised by Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru and ELTIF from 29th December to 31st 2018. She also attended a workshop on "Research Methodology and Plagiarism in Research Writing" organised by RIESI, Bengaluru and ELTIF on , 29th to 31st December 2018. She

successfully completed a 12-week online course titled "Indian Fiction in English" conducted by NPTEL SWAYAM and cleared the exam in the month of October 2018. She attended a workshop on Research Paper Writing in English Literature by Dr.David Wesley, organised by Professors Academy on 8th December 2018 .

Ms.Rohini Unnikrishnan participated in a Three-Day National Conference cum Workshop in English Language Teaching, Literature and Culture Studies, organised by Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru and ELTIF from 29th December to 31st 2018. She also attended a workshop on "Research Methodology and Plagiarism in Research Writing" organised by RIESI, Bengaluru and ELTIF on , 29th to December 31st 2018. She successfully completed a 8 week online course titled "Developing Softskills and Personality" conducted by NPTEL SWAYAM and cleared the exam with Elite grade in the month of October 2018.

Ms.V.Gayathri presented a Paper on the topic " Vocabulary Development from Passive to Active Stage: Poetry as a tool." at a Three-Day National Conference cum Workshop in English Language Teaching, Literature and Culture Studies organised by Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru and ELTIF, from 29th December to 31st December 2018. The paper is under print. Attended a workshop on "Research Methodology and Plagiarism in Research Writing" organised by RIESI, Bengaluru and ELTIF from 29th to 31st December 2018. Successfully completed a 8 week online course titled "Developing Softskills and Personality" conducted by NPTEL SWAYAM and cleared the exam with Elite grade. She also attended a two day workshop on "Research Paper Writing in English Literature" by Dr.David Wesley, organised by Professors Academy on 8th December 2018 and 19th January 2019. Also received a certificate from Toastmaster International USA for being the co-ordinator for the programme.

Ms.M.Mohanapriya attended Lecture Series by Dr.K.Ganesh at Madras Christian College in the month of November 2018. She also attended a workshop on "Academic Writing" at Madras Christian College on 30th November 2018. She attended Lecture on "Cricket Literature" by Dr.C.T.Indira, Retd. Head, University of Madras, at Madras Christian College on 10th December 2018. She participated in a Three-Day National Conference cum Workshop in English Language Teaching, Literature and Culture Studies, organised by Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru and ELTIF from 29th to 31st December 2018. She also attended a workshop on "Research Methodology and Plagiarism in Research Writing" organised by RIESI, Bengaluru and ELTIF on , 29th to 31st December 2018. She attended an FDP on "Post Theory and the Anthropocene" at Women's Christian College on 1st February 2019. She also judged "Creative Writing and English Elocution" at SRM College of Arts & Science on 12th March 2019.



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

NOVIATE NICHE

LOVE

Love is by far the most widely spread feeling in the world. It is a unique yet Universal language that people communicate in order to get along with one another. Love is like the wind; you can't see it but can feel it. There are several aspects to love. Love is the feeling of attraction towards the opposite gender. This is the kind of love we normally see happen between a man and a woman. It is often portrayed in books, songs, movies, and of course, real life. It is the bond of sacrifice where one is willing to do anything for the other. It is the most beautiful feeling. One of the most common phrases we hear in our everyday life is, "Love is friendship". Friendship is the most special bond shared between two or more people. It is the most long lasting relationship, where there is no comparison, judgment, malice or jealousy. Friendship is the framework for all other relationships to flourish. Love is the bond shared between a mother and her child. A mother's love is the purest and most honest form of love. The love begins right from the time the child is in the womb till long after its death. A mother sacrifices everything for her child's happiness. The most important love is the one you share with yourself. Nobody understands you better than yourself. It is only when you love yourself that you can love others. In today's world, the rate of suicides is increasing due to the lack of love for one's self. Love doesn't need to be inculcated. It is a spark that sweeps you off your feet in a snap. In today's world where a lot of wars take place, Love wins all wars. The primary issue that the world is facing today is the lack of love. Love would lead to peace and happiness. It is indeed the most beautiful feeling in the world. So, fall in love, its one experience worth falling for!

-PRAGATI SRINIVASAN, I BBA

LIFE

Live the life to the fullest. Shape your world. Do whatever you wish to do, if it doesn't harm anyone. Explore new things frequently. Start thinking through multiple ways. Develop yourself day by day. Make yourself very much busy so that one day people need appointment to meet you. Yes, champ you deserve it. Just think! How long will you admire your favourite celebrity? How long you gonna wait for the exciting news about them? Come out of all the inhibitions and work on your passion. It's okay if you don't have anything with you at the age of 18. But it's not okay if you don't have anything at the age of 28. Instead of praying not to get problems, pray to give sufficient powers, ability to face problems in life. You can find the real you by the way you tackle and step ahead from every problem. Stay strong and Be strong enough to face any problem. Don't wait for the opportunity. Make the opportunity wait for you. Life is about creating yourself, go ahead with your goals. Think wisely and act accordingly, because life is a onetime offer. Enjoy the life to the maximum, live each and every moment to chisel out your life in a successful manner.

-SRI SAI MANASA SRUJANA, II B.COM CS

INNER PEACE

"Border"- simply a line separating two countries. But India-Pakistan border is mysteriously idiosyncratic. Not only these two borders. All over the world the problem persists between and among various countries. What can be the solution for this crisis? The world has changed in many profound ways, but one thing still remains the same. When one part of the world is enjoying the development brought in, there are thousands of people who are being racked with pain. Developments are not the sign of contentment, it's a sign of crisis- 9/11, the September 11 attacks, if we think about the incidents, even now we get terrified. The airlines colliding and crashing, the building tumbling and descending, human bombs exploding, the people weeping and mourning, the children crying, why us? while the fallen angels are honouring themselves for such a despairing second. Is it the pleasure they get through killing, nevertheless, its not a pleasure to be killed. The Pulwama attack. How horrible which took a number of soldiers' life. The people who safeguard us should be praised and honoured, but why the defense force, the armed force that saves us are departing and dying. Stopping terrorism does not require tackling issues such as foreign fighters, border controls or cutting off funds. It just demands inner peace. Consequently they should search for satisfaction within themselves and not in wars. Let us together join hands for serenity all over the world.

-SUJITHRA, I BSC.CS. B

DIGGERS

OF

WISDOM

RAIN

It was cold and breezy,
I raised my hands up to feel the air.
I heard somebody shouting and screaming,
I turned around but saw none.
I looked up and found out:
Their screaming grew worse and worse.
I heard it finally the thunder,
Their shouting grew harder and harder,
I finally heard it.
The boy cloud cheated the girl cloud,
She cried and asked him:
Why did you do this to me?
The one who loved you the most!
The boy cloud shamelessly said,
You are just another passing cloud,
Why do you want to blow it up?
The boy cloud finally said,
Before that I felt a hard breeze:
It's over cloudy it's over!
I don't need you anymore!
She just lost it all,
She started crying,
Loudly, hardly, painfully;
Finally I felt it the rain;
To me happiness was rain
I would give up anything for rain,
Now I feel am I sadist?
Was I enjoying cloudy's tears?

- DEVIKA, I B.COM A/F B

IT'S YOUR TURN

Boldly go in the direction of your dreams.
Stand tall and show the world what you are made of.
When the world beats you down, find a reason to get back up again.
Never give up on success.
Try, try, try and try again. Feed your mind, ideas of success,
Not failure! Remember, the only way you can fail is if you give up.
Every time you fail, you come one step closer to success.
You are not scared; you are courageous.
You are not weak; you are powerful.
You are not ordinary, you are remarkable.
Do not back down, do not give up.
When you look back on your life, don't have regrets.
Believe in yourself; believe in your future,
You will find your way. There is a fire burning inside you.
That is very powerful; it is waiting to burn bright.
You are meant to do great things.
Following your dreams can be both terrifying and exciting.
It's bold, it's beautiful, and it's you,
Give it your best, and your dreams will come to life.
Success is yours. Go for your dreams; it is your turn.

-SAKSHI JAIN, I BBA