

# ALUMNI NEWS

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## CULTURAL SUB-COMMITTEE

A musical evening “**Swarna-juger Gaan**” was organized by the Cultural Sub-Committee of Alumni association, NCE Bengal & JU on Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016 at 6.00 PM at Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium. Singers Sutapa Bhattacharya and Gaurav Sarkar performed brilliantly with popular old songs of renowned artists of yesteryears. The complete programme was excellently anchored by Sanjukta Banerjee.

It was a very successful programme when more than 200 audiences enjoyed the lovely musical soiree.



## SOCIAL SUB-COMMITTEE

**Bijaya Sammilani** will be celebrated on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2016, 5.00 PM at Dr. Triguna Sen Auditorium when a cultural programme will be held by in-house talents. Our Social sub-committee requests all the members to join the function with family and friends.

## STUDENT ASSISTANCE AND AWARDS PROGRAMME

675 candidates were supported during last academic year of 2015-2016. Applications for assistance during current academic year were invited at the start of the current academic session. After scrutiny/interview of applications for renewal of assistance a few have been demoted and some upgraded based on scholastic performance; those not appearing for interview were dropped. 128 candidates have been recommended to Anant Education Initiative (AEI) for continuance of support by this organisation; quarterly stipends amounting to Rs. 5,74,000 have been disbursed to 158 normal category and 71 higher category candidates. 383 fresh applicants, excluding ineligible and not so needy, have been interviewed between 19<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016. The results are being compiled for selecting 122 AEI scholars, and about 110 normal and 40 higher category JUAA awardees. These would add up to about 630 awardees and disbursement of about Rs. 33 lakhs by JUAA and about Rs. 13 lakhs by AEI.

## BUDHER AADDA

Budher Aadda is held on every Wednesday at 5.30PM at the Meeting Hall of the Association.

On Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> Sep'16 was birthday of Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar. In order to pay tribute to the great personality on 28<sup>th</sup> Sep'16 Budher Aadda Ashu-da (Ashutosh Deb '59ME) spoke a few words about him.

## **SHANIBAARER AASAR**

During Shanibaarer Aasar on 27<sup>th</sup> Aug'16 our Cultural sub-committee arranged a special programme at 5.30 PM in the Meeting Hall , which were

1. "Amader Swadhinata" in remembrance of our Independence Day

AND

2. "Smarane Monane : Kishore Kumar O Mohammad Rafi"

The programme was quite enjoyable!

**Shanibaarer Aasar will not be held in October 2016 as the last Saturday of month coincides with Kalipuja.**

## **NEW MEMBERS**

**We welcome the following 48 New Life-members** who were enrolled from Aug. 2016 to Sep. 2016

Mr	Arabinda	Bandyopadhyay	1972	Ch.E
Mr	Tapan	Roy	1987	Mech
Mr	Narayan	Majumder	1987	Mech
Ms	Susmita	Sarkar	1985	Geo
Mr	Amar Kumar	Hazra	2015	Illumination Tech
Mr	Tarun Kumar	Sarkar	1974	Ch.E
Mr	Siladitya	Sen	1972	ETCE
Mr	Deep Narayan	Ghose	1972	ETCE
Mr	Manas Kumar	Halder	1972	ETCE
Mr	Chandan Kumar	Bhattacharyya	2013	Ph.D(CSE)
Mr	Susobhan	Chattopadhyay	1971	ETCE
Dr	Abhisek	Das	2015	Ph.D(CSE)
Mr	Ashit	Mazumder	1980	Pham
Ms	Shalmolee	Mukherjee	2014	Int. Rel
Ms	Tias	Roy	2014	Int. Rel
Mr	Bhabani Kumar	Biswas	1963	Ch.E
Mr	Tushar Kanti	Bhattacharjee	1978	Mech
Mr	Debdas	Mukhopadhyay	1976	Chemistry
Ms	Soma	Ghoshal	1978	Philosophy
Mr	Jayanta	Chatterjee	1971	Electrical
Ms	Chandrima	Dutta Guho	1978	English
Mr	Sanjoy Kumar	Dutta	1961	Electrical
Mr	Bikash	Baidya	1995	B.Ed
Mr	Jisnu	Basu	1995	Mechanical
Mr	Jnanranjan	Panda	2014	M.Sc (Physics)
Mr	Ranjan Kumar	De	1971	Electrical
Mr	Santanu	Patra	2006	Civil
Mr	Krishna Kamal	Pal	2004	Physics
Mr	Sisir Kumar	Acharya	1962	Sans
Ms	Sayantani	Saha	2008	DMC
Dr	Pampa	Sadhukhan	2005	CSE
Mr	Satyendra Nath	Roy	1972	Mechanical
Mr	Ajay Kumar	Basu	1969	ETCE
Mr	Jayapriya	Guharay	1972	Mechanical
Mr	Sankar Jyoti	Basak	1972	Mechanical
Mr	Biswanath	Halder	1972	Mechanical
Mr	Pradip	Sen	1972	ETCE
Mr	Binay Bhushan	Chakrabarti	1972	Mechanical
Mr	Sibaranjan	Banerjee	1972	Mechanical
Mr	Archan Kumar	Ray	1972	Mechanical
Mr	Kankar Shubhra	Dasgupta	1972	ETCE
Mr	Amit	Basumallik	1972	Civil
Ms	Siuli	Roy	1989	Mathematics
Ms	Ria	Mukherjee Basu	2004	MA(English)
Mr	Subhashis	Majumder	1993	ETCE
Mr	Amitava	Roy	1980	ETCE
Ms	Swapna	Banerjee	1971	ETCE
Mr	Prabal	Sengupta	1989	History

## **DONATIONS RECEIVED**

Donations received during the period from Aug'16 to Sep'16 are as follows:

<b>Donor</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Binoy Kumar Kar '61 EE	Rs.11,111/-	Students'assistance
Preetam Singh Chowla '64 Ch.E	Rs. 20,000/-	Students'assistance
Sankar Nath Maulik '69 ME	Rs. 7,500/-	Students' Assistance
M/s Sunburst Systems Pvt. Ltd	Rs. 10,000/-	Students Assistance
Monjira, and Ritnik Putatunda	Rs. 20,000/-	Students Assistance
Rajat Kumar Sen '67 EE	Rs.12,000/-	Students Assistance
M/s IIM, Calcutta, Alumni Association	Rs.25,000/-	Students Assistance
Barnali Kar '91 EE	Rs.3,000/-	Cultural Fund
Brdg. Samaresh Nath Bhaduri '51 ME	Rs. 500/-	Cultural Fund
Pankaj Behari Bhowmick '64 EE	Rs. 5,000/-	Cultural Fund
Chandra Banerjee '71 Arch	Rs. 5,000/-	Solar Power Project
Subir Bhattacharya '65 ME	Rs. 500/-	Solar Power Project
Bijan Bandopadhyaya '65 ME	Rs. 500/-	Solar Power Project
Dipak Dasgupta (Ref. Bijan Babu)	Rs. 3,000/-	Solar Power Project
M/s. Xoom Corporation (Ref.Bijan Babu)	Rs. 10,041/-	Solar Power Project
Ranjit Sengupta '61 ME	Rs.15,000/-	Solar Power Project
Sanjoy Chanda '65 ME	Rs.2,000/-	Solar Power Project

## **NCE BENGAL PROGRAMME**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Speaker &amp; Performer</b>
2nd Oct 2016	Labanyamanjori Das Memorial Lecture on "Dwijendrageeti : Praachyo O Paaschaatyer Melbandhan"	Prof. Neela Majumder

## **INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION SUB-COMMITTEE**

Information & Communication sub-committee informed that our long cherished **renovated and dynamic Website**: [www.hqalumnu.org.in](http://www.hqalumnu.org.in) was launched on the 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 on the auspicious day of "Ganesh Chaturthi".

Prima facie information like 'About Us', 'Executive Committee', 'Sub-Committees', 'Monthly News' (News Letters), 'Upcoming' and 'Earlier Events', etc. are uploaded. Main pending job is preparation of Membership Data Base for all Life Members which will hopefully be completed within next two months. In course of time, Website will be enriched with more and more information which will have wide publication throughout the world.

Constitution Amendment : During last AGM, it was informed by the then President that constitution was thoroughly amended but in a *different format* for easy identification of different Clauses. However, it was decided in the last Task Force meeting, that the amended version of the Constitution will be recast in the *existing format* as per Rule No. 9 of the Societies Act. The job has been taken up and the draft is likely to be made ready by first week of October'16.

## **NEWS FROM BRANCH/ CHAPTER**

**Prasun Chowdhury ('90 EE) of JUECA** (JU East Coast Association) at New Jersey, USA informed us that they had arranged their 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Picnic on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016 at a park in West Windsor, New Jersey.

**Parames Misra ('81 EE), General Secretary, JUAA Toronto Chapter** informed about the constitution of their new Executive Committee for 2016-2017.

Himansu Bhaumik '68 Mechanical, Director (2016-2019)

Monolina Bhattacharya '91 History, Director (2016-2019)

Anuka Dasgupta '79 English, Director (2015-2018)

Jyoti Bose '95 Mechanical, Director (2015-2018)

Debmalya Das '79 Chemical, President (2014-2017)

Sujata Campana '79 English, Vice President (2014-2017)

Rathin Bagchi '80 Electronics, Vice President (2014-2017)

Parames Misra '81 Electrical, General Secretary (2016-2019)

Shikha Kundu '79 Economics. Treasurer (2014-2017)

**Debananda Ghosh (2006 ME), Secretary JUAAS** (Singapore chapter) informed that they had their family reunion in April 2016. The photos and videos of the event were uploaded at [www.jualumnisingapore.com](http://www.jualumnisingapore.com)

**Aniruddha Bhattacharya ('52 ChE) of North Carolina Chapter of JU Alumni** informed that JUAA NC was registered in NC in 2015.

The founding Directors are: Aniruddha Bhattacharyya, Asamnaja Dutta and Jaya Ghosh.

Office bearers are : Asamanja Dutta, President ; Deepro Basu, Secretary; Jaya Ghosh, Treasurer. Trustee: Mihir Mitra.

JUAANC members formally meet twice a year: a general body meeting in March/April and Bijoya Reunion in October/November.

**For Earn While You Learn Programme, the Sub-Committee is being requested to provide the requisite information to the sponsors directly.**

**Sumit Bardhan ('91 CE) President**, Jadavpur University Alumni Association Mumbai (JUAAM) informed that they had arranged a half-a-day Interactive Session on Career Guidance as “Mid Term Career Improvement – Scope & Opportunities” on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2016 when more than 30 young JU alumni/alumnae from Mumbai attended it. Dr. Pradip Kumar Ghosh, Registrar Jadavpur University graced the event.

### **MILESTONE**

**Dr. Uma Sankar Sarma (JUAA Membership No 4386), who has had a distinguished and illustrious career has been appointed after his retirement as Director, Indian Jute Industries' Research Association (IJIRA),** 17 Taratala Road, Kolkata. He is an alumnus of JU ('74 MSc Chem). He gained his PhD in Chemistry from Calcutta University subsequently and pursued a post Doctorate fellowship programme in France. He has made valuable contributions in various fields like Industrial Research, Doctoral Research, Experience with DRDO, UNDP assisted projects, etc. He is a National and International award winner and has published numerous important research oriented papers.

### **Got a minute?**

The scholar with unkempt hair and thick glasses is drooping before the mike. He is delivering a speech on the benefits of ante-jentacular and post-prandial circumambulation. The humongous auditorium is, however, sparsely populated. As the scholar warms up to his theme and drones on, the few left on the back rows gradually make themselves scarce. But the single man in the otherwise empty front row is listening intently. Towards the end of the seemingly never-ending speech the back rows completely drain out. But the single front-row man sticks to his seat and continues to focus on the speaker. The latter notices him and feels grateful that at least one person has the brains to appreciate his intellectual endeavour. The speech ends. The scholar collects his papers from the lectern and climbs down from the podium. He halts before the lone listener and thanks him profusely for his patience. He then hears the reply: “No need to thank me, Sir. I am the next speaker”!

P.S. The speaker was not from JU!

**Contributed by Jyotirmoy Banerjee ('68 IR)**

### **Thought to Ponder**

Common sense is so rare these days it should be considered a super power

-Anonymous-

TRUE KNOWLEDGE IS NOT ATTAINED BY THINKING. IT IS  
WHAT YOU ARE; IT IS WHAT YOU BECOME.

SRI AUROBINDO