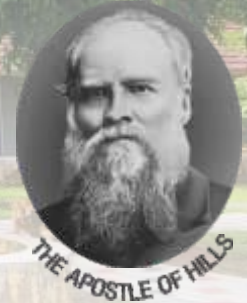




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A Calendar of events rippling down the memory lane
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PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear parents, students, alumni and well-wishers,

Greetings from Henry Baker College!

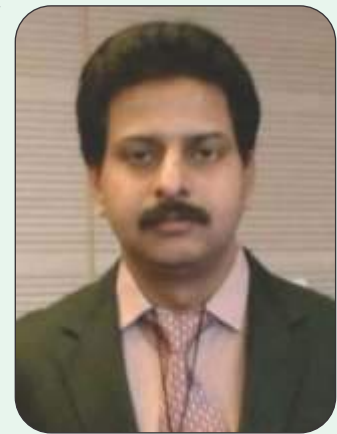
An exuberant welcome to the academic session 2019-20! Let us pave the way to its commencement with great fervor and supposition for achieving towering standards in the field of academics and other essential skills.

It gives me immense pleasure to invite you to take an initial peek into the heart that beats behind the appealing façade of Henry Baker College, Melukavu. I profusely thank you for your interest in this higher educational institution, situated in a rural and tribal setting, which has recorded four decades of constant development, in the course of which it has accomplished much, making it one of the colleges recognized for its excellence.

Education awakens the power and beauty that lie within us. Education does not only mean academic excellence, rather it is a synchronized combination of hand (Skills like different Arts), head (Intellectual Capacity) and heart (Value System). In today's digitalized world, it is the biggest challenge for educators and parents, to nurture the young minds with the indelible impressions of a holistic education.

The college has carved a niche for itself, with the dedicated efforts of our deeply committed management team, talented teachers and active parents. We are committed to provide enjoyable learning

experiences by providing students an exquisite platform to hone their creative and inter-personal skills. The rich alumni of college are a clear example of their cherishable and vivid learning experiences at this college. The college is pledged to instill the much



required values in the students without compromising their scientific temperament and questioning spirit with the motto "From Darkness into Marvelous Light".

At HBC, we believe that 'education' is a wholesome, holistic exercise and as such we strive to give a whole new meaning to the word. Coupling this basic premise with the idea of a sense of belonging to one family—the HBC family—we look at ourselves as 'care-givers.' We care for the mind—ours is a sterling academic institution; we care for the person—the accent is on the all-round development of personality. I wish you the best in the process of seeking to become a part of this family.

Wholeheartedly welcome to your new life at Henry Baker College to be agents of transformation and development at different levels of life and we hope you have a great time with us.

Dr. Gireesh Kumar GS

Principal

**"Let's nurture the nature,
so that we can have a better future"**



Environment is everything that determines the life of us, the human being on this earth. World environment day is celebrated on 5th June every year declared by the UN General Assembly in 1972. The main aim of observing this day is to change attitude towards environment and advocate partnership between each human being and society to ensure a safe future. The event was a success as each student contributed profoundly for this day.

World Ozone Day Celebrations 2018

Sponsored by:
 Kerala State Council for Science,
 Technology and Environment
 (KSCSTE),
 Government of India
 19 September 2018

International Day for the Preservation of Ozone Layer – September 15 was designated by the United Nations General Assembly to commemorate the day on which the Montreal Protocol was signed.

The Ozone layer or also known as Ozone shield, a delicate layer of gas, in the Earth's stratosphere absorbs most of the Sun's ultraviolet rays. These rays can cause numerous skin diseases. In the last few years, the ozone layer has depleted extensively.

On September 16, 1987, the United Nations and 45 other countries signed the Montreal Protocol, on



substances that deplete the Ozone layer. Every year this day is celebrated as the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone layer.

The purpose of the Montreal Protocol is to protect the Ozone layer by

reducing the production of substances that are supposed to be responsible for Ozone layer depletion

On 16th September 2018, the Ozone Secretariat of the Protocol urged everyone to “keep cool and carry on.” To raise awareness and give prominence towards preservation of ozone layer to young minds, the Department of Physics and Nature Club



of our college with the support of Kerala State Council for Science, Technology & Environment (KSCSTE) observed World Ozone Day 2018 based on that year's focal theme “keep cool and carry on.” Holding this event has helped motivate students to reduce and recycle waste materials. After completing this activity, students were also interested in taking part in more environmental events. Invited lectures and intercollegiate power point presentation competitions



were conducted. More than 75 UG students participated in the celebration.

The one day programme was conducted in two sessions. The session I constituted the inaugural function



followed by an invited lecture by the chief guest. The session II comprised of film show, intercollegiate power point presentation competition and valedictory function.

The inaugural session started with a welcome speech of Dr. Jincy Devasia – Coordinator of the programme. This was followed by the presidential address by Dr. Gireesh Kumar G S, principal of our college, wherein he highlighted the main objective of the programme. The function was inaugurated by lightening the lamp by chief guest, Dr. V P Sylas, Assistant Professor, SES, MG University, Kottayam. This was followed by a scientific talk by Dr. V P Sylas on “Ozone Depletion and Climate Change.” He discussed various topics related to Ozone Depletion and factors responsible for climate change. He also pointed out various ways to selflessly work towards keeping environment and atmosphere clean so that not only humans, but also the plants and the animals can live a

healthy life in future. Session I was concluded by delivering vote of thanks by Dr. Disha V J, Associate professor, Department of Chemistry.

Session II was started with a film show (video clips) which creates awareness on the cause and impact of ozone layer depletion and clips related to Montreal Protocol followed by an intercollegiate power point presentation competition. Thirteen teams from nearby colleges participated in the event. Mr. Akhil G (SES, M G University, Kottayam) and our

retired professors Mrs. Annie George and Mrs. Liza George served as judges for the competition. The winners were awarded cash prize during the valedictory function.



- First Prize** - Rs. 2000/-:
Mr. Kevin Philip Sabu,
CMS College, Kottayam
- Second Prize** - Rs. 1500/-:
Ms. Adithya Shaji &
Abhinaya Dev, St. George
College, Aruvithura
- Third Prize** - Rs. 1000/-:
Ms. Grace Biju &
Ms. Anupriya C.A.
Newman College, Thodupuzha



MALAYALA SAMAJAM

(ENTE MALAYALAM 2018)



Henry Baker College, Melukavu with the collaboration of Melukavu Grama Panchayath and Janamaihtry Police Melukavu, organized the programme "Ente Malayalam". The programme was conducted as a part of Reading Week Celebration in 2018. It was really a useful programme for students and staff. C.S.I East Kerala Diocese, Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. K.G Daniel, chaired the auspicious meeting.

The famous poet and film songwriter, Sri. Anil Panachooran, inaugurated the programme by lightening the lamp. He narrated and recited his own lyrics - "Melukavinte Abhimanamaya Barberam Balan" in the famous Malayalam movie "Kadhaparayumbol". And he told the audience that the general community must read and taste the contemporary literature and write down something from one's mind for the better future.

Eminent personalities were part of this programme, our Principal - Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S, Panchayath vice president - Sri. Alex T Paul, Ward member - Sri. Anurag Pandikkat, Development Committee President - Sri. Jetto Jose, Welfare Standing Committee Chairperson - Smt. Betty Biju, College staff secretary - Prof. Korah Jacob and Sri. Sandeep K.T, SHO Melukavu Police Station, addressed the audience.

As part of this meeting, we conducted a "Kaviyarangu". Poet Sri Anil Panachooran, Poet Inchakkadu Balachandran, Poet and police officer, Sri. Oochira Utharakkuttan and our native poet Sri. Sumesh Kuramulloor were the part of the kaviyarangu. They recited their poems and given their message to the future poets and the community.

As part of this programme, our native neighbourhood young poets were honoured by ponnada and momento. In addition, in this program our rank-holders of 2018 batch were also honoured.

ED CLUB



The main objective of the entrepreneurship Development Club is to infuse creativity and innovation among the students of our college. The State Government is encouraging the initiatives to promote Entrepreneurship among the students. The Department of Industries and Commerce, Government of Kerala, in association with Education Department formulated a Scheme to set up "Entrepreneurship Development Clubs in colleges of the state to inculcate "entrepreneurship Culture " among the Youth. The entrepreneurship Development club is functioning in our college to inculcate entrepreneurship culture among youth and equip them with the knowledge, skill, techniques and confidence to act as torch bearers of Enterprise for the new generation. Entrepreneurship Development Club started functioning in our college from 18 December, 2002.



Students members of ED Club participated in the workshop on personal entrepreneurial characteristics (W-PEC) organized by department of industries and commerce government of kerala at Kerala Institute for Entrepreneurial Development (KIED) Kalamassery, Ernakulam during 03.07.2018 to 06.07.2018

Farewell to Prof. Liza George



Henry Baker College, Melukavu, 27th June, 2018

Prof. Liza George, Assistant Professor and HOD of Department of Physics of our college, was given a farewell on the occasion of her retirement. She was a sincere and committed teacher and had been serving in our college for more than thirty years. The farewell function was presided by Rt. Rev. Dr. K.G Daniel, Bishop and Manager of our college. The function was opened with a song by college choir. Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S, our principal delivered an impressive speech on her contributions to the overall development of our college.

All her colleagues paid heartfelt felicitations. Retired staff members, alumni and governing body members participated in the function. They considered her departure as an irreparable loss to the college. In his farewell address Dr. Santo Jose gave thanksgiving to all. Towards the end of the function, the students and the teachers handed over a memento to Prof. Liza George as a token of love and respect.



INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Independence Day of India, which is celebrated religiously throughout the Country on the 15th of August every year, holds tremendous ground in the list of national days, since it reminds every Indian about the dawn of a new beginning, the beginning of an era of deliverance from the clutches of British colonialism of more than 200 years. It was on 15th August 1947 that India was declared independent from British colonialism, and the reins of control were handed over to the leaders of the Country. India's gaining of independence was a tryst with destiny, as the struggle for freedom was a long and tiresome one, witnessing the sacrifices of many freedom fighters, who laid down their lives on the line.



Excellence Day 2018

Excellence Day is a grand event every year . It is meant to be an occasion for giving award for meritorious achievement for teachers and students, Dr.Gireesh Kumar G.S who presided over the function The function was inaugurated by the Chief Guest Sri Jose K Mani M.P Member of Rajiya Sabha



Mahatma Gandhi University Rank Holders

First Rank	Second Rank	Third Rank	Fourth Rank
 Ms. Ashmin V.S. (B.Com. 2015-16)	 Ms. Ritra V. Subair (B.Com. 2015-16)	 Ms. Princy Mathew (B.A English 2015-16)	 Mr. Muhammad Anwar (B.Com. 2015-16)

Special Achievement Award Winners

 Dr. Anthony Joseph (M.Sc. in Commercial)	 Prof. Jaaghar Carlos Resende (Ph.D. in English)	 Dr. Sigumon V.M. (Ph.D. M.Ed. 2016)	 Ms. Lija Jayoob (B.Com. 2015-16)
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UGC NET Holders			PG Degree Class Toppers	
 Mr. Isson George (B.A. English 2015-16)	 Mr. Binu Kurian (B.Com. 2015-16)	 Ms. Aparna Merin Mathew (M.Com. 2014-16)	 Mrs. Athira Sajikumar (M.Com. 2015-17)	 Ms. Midhu Mathew (MA History 2015-17)

UG Degree Class Toppers				
 Ms. Ashmin V.S. (B.Com. Model-I 2015-16)	 Ms. Princy Mathew (B.A English 2015-16)	 Ms. Asiya Nizar (B.A History 2015-16)	 Ms. Elson Daniel (B.Com. Model-I 2015-16)	 Ms. Akxanol Chacko (B.Sc. Physics 2015-16)

Centre for Continuing Education Kerala (CCEK) Sub Centre



Centre for Continuing Education Kerala [CCEK] is an autonomous body established by Government of Kerala in the year 1998 vide G.O.(MS) No. 9/98/H.Edn. dated 3/2/1998, to promote continuing education programmes in Engineering Colleges, Arts & Science Colleges and Polytechnic Colleges in the State of Kerala. A new centre was inaugurated in HBC. The Centre is dedicated entirely to the growth and development of technical education, industry, business and social uplift. Vide GO (Rt.) No. 711/98/H.Edn. dated 22/6/1998, each Continuing Education Cell of the Polytechnic, Engineering and Arts & Science Colleges in the State – Government or Aided - shall be a sub-centre of CCEK.





Commemoration of Quit India and Hiroshima Nagasaki Day.

Post Graduate Department of History commemorated Quit India and Hiroshima Nagasaki day on 10th August



2018. Staff and students of the department assembled in the auditorium at 1.20 pm to commemorate this day. The programme started with a silent prayer. On the occasion, Dr. Beena Paul, HoD of the Dept. of History presided over the meeting. Beema Subair of II BA, anchored in the meeting. Speech on Quit India was delivered by Josna Sebastian of I BA. Anu Sugunan, I BA recalled the Hiroshima Nagasaki incident. In order to pay tribute to our National leaders and great freedom fighters Anjaly Sreekumar and team sung patriotic songs in the meeting. In the meeting students took an Oath of Peace by holding white flags. History

Association Secretary, Aravind Shaji, II BA, recited oath to the students. Dr. Nisha Joseph, Assistant Professor; Smt. Shabana Bheegum, Assistant Professor on contract and Ms Bency Mohandas Assistant Professor on contract attended the meeting. The meeting ended at 2 pm.64 Students attended the programme.

History Association Inauguration & Invited lecture

Inauguration of the History association was held on 1st October 2018 at 10 am in the Seminar hall. Meeting started with a silent prayer. Dr. Beena Paul HOD of PG Department of History welcomed the gathering. Dr. Gireeshkumar G S, Principal of the college, presided over the meeting and delivered presidential address. Chief Guest of the meeting Dr. Jenne Peter, Assistant Professor, Union



Christian College inaugurated the association programmes by lighting lamp and delivered the key note address. Aravind Shaji, Association Secretary proposed vote of thanks. The meeting ended at 10.30 am. 96 students participated in the meeting.

In association with the inauguration of the History Association, delivered a lecture on, Dr. Jenne Peter talked on "Iron Age: Burial Monument and time frame".

Caricature competition.

As the part of the 149th Birth Anniversary celebration of Mahatma Gandhi, Dept. of History conducted a caricature competition for students of the college. The competition was held in the audio visual room. 11 students participated in the competition. The winners were

1. Thomas.J. Ajay - II BA English
2. Amegh P.P - III BA History.



Commemoration of Gandhi Jayanthi & Exhibition 'Talisman'

On October 3rd 2018, an exhibition titled 'Talisman' was organised by the Department of History in the seminar hall. Gandhian thoughts in quotes were exhibited in order to think and reflect on. The exhibition was inaugurated by the College Principal Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S. On the occasion, prizes of the caricature competition were distributed to the winners. The exhibition continued for 2 days. Teachers and students of the different departments rallied round to see the exhibition. The exhibition was informative and inspiring.



ORAL HISTORY CLUB ACTIVITIES

1. Interview with Kovilmala Ilayaraja

Teachers from the department of history visited Kovilmala, a Mannan tribal settlement and met Ilayaraja on 14th July 2019. He discussed with us about the tribal life in their Kudy, customs and traditions, their social life with other tribal and non-tribal people. He said marriage with non-tribals are at present very high and non-tribals marry Mannan tribes for their landed property. They had a unique custom to protect their people.

2. Interview with a veteran CSI Christian missionary Mr. Joseph Mundasseril

Oral History club members of History department visited and interviewed a veteran CSI Christian Missionary Mr. Joseph Mundasseril on 16th September 2018, at Poomala, a few kilometers away from Thodupuzha.

Mr. Joseph was 97 years old and his wife Aleyamma, 89 years old. He lived with his only son James. At the time of interview Aleyamma recollected more than her husband. Most of the time she helped her husband to bring back his memories of early missionary life. They shared their hazards in the missionary field and many early churches are results of their hard-work. Interview was a wonderful experience for all.

3. Interview with an agriculturalist Mr. Achuthan Narayanan, Valavoor

On 12th March 2019 Krishna KS, Ist MA history student, interviewed Mr. Achuthan Narayanan, a 97 year old agriculturalist, living at Valavoor. He shared his agricultural knowledge, memories of childhood, education, and marriage, relationship with the community and things they used and celebration of festivals.

"Exploration 19"

Oral history club of the Post Graduate Department Dept. of History organized 'Exploration19'on14th March at 1.20pm in the Seminar Hall . The programme started with a silent prayer. Dr. Nisha Joseph, Assistant Professor welcomed the gathering. The meeting was presided over by Dr. Beena Paul, HOD of the Post Graduate Department of History. Dr. Gireeshkumar G. S Principal, Henry Baker College, delivered the keynote address. In his keynote address principal reiterated the need of recording oral memories. The main purpose of the meeting was to introduce the oral



history explorers and a video presentation of the exploration of oral memories was made during the occasion. During the occasion documented interviews were also released. Ms. Krishna KS, I MA History shared her experience at the time of interview. Mr. Krishnadas Chinnappan Assistant Professor on Contract proposed vote of thanks in the meeting. The meeting ended at 2 pm. 66 students attended the programme.

Reading Club

First book –review meeting of this academic year was held on 25th July 2018 at 1.25 pm. Kum. Jyothilakshmi P.Venu., III BA History reviewed the work *Mathangaleela* by Thirumangalath Neelakanda Moosath. Sixty two students attended the meeting.

Reading club inauguration of the academic year 2018-19 was held on 2nd August 2018. The meeting started at 1.20 in the college auditorium. Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S presented over the meeting. Prof. Ajitha V.R HOD of the Dept. of Oriental Languages inaugurated the programme and gave the message. She talked on “Changing Trends in Reading”. Seventy two students attended the Programme.

Second book - review meeting was held on 6th August 2018 at 1.25 pm. Kannan M.S., III BA History reviewed the work *Balykalasakhi* by Vaikam



Muhammed Basheer. Fifty Seven students attended the meeting.

Third book –review meeting was held on 14th September 2018 at 1.25 pm. Beema P.R., II BA History reviewed the work *Orotha* by Kakkanadan. Forty students attended the meeting.

Fourth book – review meeting was held on 24th October 2018 at 1.25 pm. Archana P., 1st MA History reviewed the work *Arachar* by K.R. Meera. Forty Eight students attended the meeting.



alumni MEETING



Seventh annual alumni meeting of the Postgraduate department of history was held on 26th January 2019 in the College Seminar Hall. Registration was started at 9.30 am and the meeting at 10.00 am with a silent prayer. Biju Sam anchored the meeting. Association president Adv. V.P. Nazer presided over the meeting. Dr. Beena Paul, Head of the Postgraduate Department of History welcomed the gathering. Dr. Gireeshkumar G.S inaugurated the meeting and delivered the key note address. Dr. Raju D. Krishnapuram, Rtd. HOD Malayalam, Prof. Ajitha V.R, HOD Hindi Department, Dr. Nisha Joseph, Department of History, Prof. Korah Jacob, HOD Economics Department, Subheesh Ramankutty, Secretary History Association, Jismon Thomas and Prasad. K.K, talked in the

meeting. Many alumni members brought their family members along with them. The meeting ended at 1.00pm. Inaugural meeting was followed by a photo session. After lunch cultural programmes were arranged. Mr. Suraj Palakkaran, alumni cum cini artist, Binu A.R, and Mr. Biju T.R performed mimicry. Many members sung songs. The meeting ended at 4.00 pm. Number of participants exceeded 150. Three executive meetings were also held prior to the alumni meeting, for the conduct of Alumni gathering.

An alumni meeting of 1998 pre-degree batch was also gathered previously in this year. Alumni members together with their family assembled in the college. The gathering started with a formal meeting at 10.30 am. Sri. Johnson Kuruvilla welcomed the



gathering. Dr. Gireeshkumar G.S, Principal of the college presided over the meeting. Dr. Beena Paul, HOD history talked in the meeting. Sheeja and Amose talked in the meeting. Rev. P.D. Joseph, Rtd. Professor, Department of Politics and Dr. Nisha Joseph, Department of History was present in the meeting. The alumni meeting was dispersed after lunch.



FIELD VISITS

Megalithic Site at Kurumannu

On 1st October 2018, afternoon I MA and II MA students and HOD Dr. Beena Paul along with the archaeologist Dr. Jenne Peter conducted a field survey in a megalithic site at Kurumannu, 6km away from the college. Students got the opportunity to visit a megalithic site. The sites had a number of dolmens and she explained the different aspects of the dolmen. Dr. Jennee also explained the possibilities of megalithic settlements in the region.



Visit to cave at Mankombu

Hearing about a cave in Mankombu, staff and students of the Department of History decided to explore the place. Dr. Beena Paul, HOD History, Dr. Nisha Joseph, Assistant Professor; Sri. Krishnadas Chinnappan, Assistant Professor on Contract, Bency Mohandas, Assistant Professor on Contract and Chinnu George and Asha Venu II MA; Ajith V.R, Muhammed Aby, Aravind Shaji and Abhijith II BA explored the cave on 2/03/2019. The team was accompanied by Dr. Cyriac Jose, Assistant Professor in Archaeology, St. Thomas College, Pala. Natives helped

us to reach the cave. Cave was mud made. It has five chambers. The mouth of the cave was very narrow. Inside the cave there was enough space, but there was no light in the cave. According to the natives the cave exists, at least for last hundred years. But no human occupation is possible in the cave. Dr. Cyriac Jose after examining the site has of opinion that the cave is not manmade but natural.



Visit to Urali Tribal Settlement Pattayakudi, Idukki

On 17th April 2019, fifteen first year postgraduate students and two teachers (Dr. Nisha Joseph and Mr. Krishnadas Chinnappan) from the department of History visited Pattayakudi tribal settlement. Pattayakudi is one of the oldest Urali tribal majority areas in Idukki district. We were very cordially welcomed by the ST promoter Mrs. Mini and few elders.



Around 10.30 am we reached the settlement. ST promoter Mrs. Mini from the Urali community helped us to reach there. It was their temple festival day. There we met Ur Mooppan Mr. Jayarajan and Kunjunj, (an elder man from the community), along with Mrs. Mini and interacted each other.

Later they took us to the community hall, where they always gathered for their important meetings. After a formal welcome by Dr. Nisha Joseph, students started to interact with the representatives of Urali tribe. Ur Mooppan Mr. Jayarajan, explained their culture, traditions, festivals, faith system, tribal



treatment, educational backwardness etc... Mr. Kunjukunj, an aged man, is a fountain of knowledge and he explained community's history. He told us about their worship of forefathers, special vows and offerings paid to them, and their hardships during the rainy seasons etc... another important person from the community who interacted with us was Mr. Gangadharan. He was a performer of Urali art. He sang a song in their mother tongue, which is totally unfamiliar to us. Ur Mooppan reiterated that these are occasions for them to remember their language and culture.

From there we went to Meenoliyampara, a tourist centre, which is also famous for Megalithic monuments. During the journey Kunjukunju Chettan elaborated their culture and tradition and significance of rivers, mountains and forests in their life and how they revere them. When we came back from the Meenoliyampara, few families had come back from the temple and we interacted with them and visited few Kudis. This visit may be the last recording of their culture because consecration of a new temple and the presence of Uralis there show a kind of Hinduization of tribal culture. At present most of the tribal youngsters are reluctant to reveal their identity as tribes. Anyway, the visit to Pattayakudi was a wonderful experience for the staff and students of the Postgraduate Department of History Henry Baker College Melukavu.

Manuscript Magazine

Eighth volume of the Manuscript Magazine, 'Historica', was released on 15/3/2019. Dr. Manojkumar P.S., Associate Professor, Sree C Achuthanmenon Govt. College Kuttanellur released the volume titled



'Desam'. Details for magazine were collected by IIBA students. They collected and recorded the details of all institutions in Melukavumattom. History students also conducted a survey of the shops and establishments in Melukavumattom. The Survey documents are attached to the magazine as appendix. The purpose of the work to find out the local was successful.

Pralayam 2018

Students of the department, particularly I MA and I BA made a photo album of Great Flood 2018, titled "Pralayam 2018". This volume was also released on the occasion. Photos from the newspapers are used to make the album. The volume has two parts - 'Flood' and 'After Flood'. Two articles, 'Why Flood' by Ancy. B, II MA and 'Reconstructing Kerala' by Archana P IMA is also included in the volume.

Talisman

As part of 149th Gandhi Jayanthi celebrations, Mahatma Gandhi's Quotable quotes are collected and compiled. This was released on 22nd March 2019 titled Talisman.



ACADEMIC DELIBERATIONS

Invited Lecture

In association with the inauguration of the History Association an invited lecture was arranged. Dr Jenne Peter talked on "Iron Age: Burial Monument and Timeframe". Dr. Jenne Peter made a power point presentation and various types of megaliths and



its features were shown to the students. Ancy B, Jolsna Thomas and Asha Venu asked questions and had a live discussion on the topic.

Extension Lecture

The fifth extension lecture of the Postgraduate Department of History was held on 15th march 2019 at 11.00 am. The meeting started with a silent prayer. Dr. Beena Paul Head of the Department of History welcomed the gathering. Dr. Gireeshkumar GS, Principal of the college delivered the presidential address. The chief guest of



the programme was Dr. P.S Manoj Kumar, Associate Professor, Sree C Achuthanmenon Govt. College Kuttanellur. He delivered the lecture on 'Finding the Local: Methodology and Perspectives'. Dr. Nish Joseph Assistant Professor of Dept. of History felicitated the meeting. Vote of thanks was proposed by Archana P. I MA History. The meeting ended at 1.00 Pm. 67 students participated in the Programme.

B.Voc Tourism & Hospitality Management

UGC sanctioned B.Voc Tourism & Hospitality Management Courses to our college under NSQF along with a few other colleges affiliated to M.G. University Kottayam. This is our first vocational course and sixth undergraduate course. As the college is situated in a rural and tribal area and major chunk of

students belong to vulnerable sections such as SC, ST, OEC and OBC, the course is of vital significance in imparting skills to improve employability

among youth in this region. College started the course with excitement and great expectations. We have been successfully continuing the course and diverse programs have been organized as part of the course.

The course was inaugurated on 1 Nov 2018 and officially classes were started. The College Principal Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S inaugurated the three year degree course B.Voc: Tourism and Hospitality Management in the presence of students, parents, the Course Co-coordinator and the three newly appointed faculty members. The following faculty members were recruited for the Department of Tourism Studies:

1. Mr. Anish Thanikkal MTA

2. Mrs. Aneetta Elizabeth Manuel M.A, M.Ed

3. Mr. Joshy Sam Johnson M.Com

In total, 22 students joined the course consisting of 18 boys and 4 girls. Students were selected based on merit by following the set regulations of

U G C / M G University. Most of the teachers have industry and /teaching experience with a adequate academic qualifications to handle various subjects. According to

the designed syllabus, we started the classes from 2 Nov 2018 onwards.

PIONERO 2K19

PIONERO 2K19, a Tourism Fest was organized by the staffs and students of the department. Along with this fest, the B.Voc course was inaugurated by the Mahatma Gandhi University Syndicate Member Prof. Tomichen Joseph. The fest was inaugurated by the Bishop of EKD and manager of our college



Rt.Rev.Dr.K.G.Daniel. The fest aimed at developing the academic as well as the soft skills along with the idea of MICE Tourism- Meetings, Incentives, Conference and Exhibitions in the mind of students. The programme was conducted on February 1, 2 and 3, 2019. More than 150 students from various colleges attended the programme. Our students worked very hard to make the programme a grand success



Destination Visit

ROSMALA

KOLLAM

In order to give importance to tourism and help the students to prepare a detailed report on the destination, studying about the problems or challenges faced and prospects for future development etc, a Destination Visit was arranged to Rosmala. The views were breath taking. The main attraction in Rosmala is the forest watch tower and the view of lake from the watch tower. The most important thing is the tranquility of several mountain streams crossing the path. It is one of the less explored eco-tourism spots in Kerala. It was really an interesting and educative program enjoyed by all.





National Service Scheme

A Seven Day Camp was organized on at Girijyothi College, Vazhathpoe, Cheruthoni. The NSS volunteers carried out the maintenance of Flood Affected houses of Vazhathope Grama Panchayath. Prof .M. J Mathew (NSS Programme Co-ordinator, MG University) visited the Camp. Classes were conducted by Excise Department against Drug Abuse. Prof Soumya Paul, Assistant Professor Department of Malayalam visited the camp.



A three day camp was organized in our College during 3, 4 and 5 November 2018. It was inaugurated by Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S , our Principal .The Classes were taken by Dr Maneesh , Assistant professor, Department of Commerce , Govt College Munnar.



The movie, which revolves around the perils of chemical-intensive agriculture, assume significance in the wake of the deaths of two farmers in upper Kuttanad, allegedly after inhaling insecticide while spraying it. Produced by the MGU Creations, the movie was scripted and directed by Aju K. Narayanan and Anwar Abdullah, faculty members at the School of Letters here, MG University and Malayalam University. The screening on different campuses were coordinated through the National Service Scheme.



Flood Relief

Henry Baker College, Melukavu stood firmly along with the people of Kerala to face the unexpected natural calamity that struck the State severely. The college set up a collection and distribution centre on 20 August 2018 for meeting the basic necessities of different flood relief camps.



BLOOD DONATION CAMP

Organizing blood donation camps is the perfect way to cater to the demand of blood. Everyone wants to contribute towards the society and save lives. The NSS unit of Henry Baker College organized a blood donation camp in collaboration with IMA Blood Bank, Thodupuzha .

2019



Union Inauguration 2018-2019

The Inauguration ceremony of the College Union was held on 25th October 2018 at 10.00 am. The college auditorium welcome address was given by the General Secretary of the College Union. The College Chairman Anujith Manoj presided over the function.

In the presidential address our Principal Dr. Gireesh Kumar G.S emphasized the role of Students Union for the overall development of College. To his speech

he briefed the achievements of our institution and steps taken towards achieving our Vision and Mission. He appreciated the staff and students for their commendable work in Flood Relief Activities of Kerala.

The Event was inaugurated by Miss Chintha Jerome, State Youth Commission chairperson. The audience were exhilarated to hear the achievements of our guest.. She officially inaugurated the College union



Sports

The much awaited Annual Sports Day was held on Friday 19th Feb 2019, with great zeal, excitement and vigour and in a frolicsome atmosphere. The programme began with the Principal Dr.Gireesh Kumar G.S welcoming the esteemed gathering and emphasised on the importance of sports in a student's life. The chief guest, Mr Biju Kuzhimullil (Indian Wrestling Coach), and our Principal, took the salute of the impressive March Past of our students.

The students entered into the spirit of the occasion in a grand way with the oath being administered by the Sports captain. An energizing equestrian display set the tone for the rest of the event. Once the races began, the air was filled with cheering and tons of encouragement for the young athletes.

Sports are essential for achieving the true education. Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of our Nation, was of the

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INAGURATION : **BIJU KUZHUMULLIL**
(Indian wrestling coach)

opinion that true education meant harmonious development of three organs of man via; body, mind and soul, if anyone of these is neglected then certainly the purpose of education is forfeited.





All the students, in every class of our college were extended invitation to participate. The play grounds were swept and water sprinkled. It was a very bright and cheerful day. An ideal day for sports neither very cold nor very hot!.



Football Championship Organized by College Union 2018-19 from 11/1/2019 to 13/1/2019 (36 teams attended). HBC Team bagged **II Prize**.



Runner up (**II Prize**) in the Volleyball tournament organized by Excise Department in association with Melukavu Grama Panchayath and Janamaithri Police under VIMUKTHI Programme on.....

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

MAHATMA GANDHI WRESTLING COMPETITION, 2018-19

98 KG Bronze medal



Prince Francis
Ist BA History

61 KG Bronze Medal



Vijay P. Biju
Ist B.Com

61 KG Bronze Medal



Subhash Sundaran
Ist B.Com

70 KG Bronze Medal



Riyas A.A.
IIIrd B.Com

WEIGHT LIFTING CHAMPIONSHIP



Subhash Sundaran
Ist B.Com

Kerala State under 23 Wrestling Championships

State IInd

Under 23 District Wrestling Championship

District Ist

Senior District Wrestling Championship

District Ist



Akbarsha Ansari
Ist BA History

MGU Inter Collegiate Weight Lifting Championship 2018

Won **II Prize** in MGU Weight Lifting Championship

Kerala State Weight Lifting Championship

Won **I Prize (GOLD)** in District Weight Lifting Championship

Won **II Prize (SILVER)** in State Weight Lifting Championship

KARATE



Albin Binu

Ist B.Com

*11th SHIHAN BONNIE ROBERT'S Memorial
National Open Karate Championship*

Bagged **I Prize** (held on 26th December 2018 at Ponkunnam, Kerala)

CRICKET

Friendly Match at HBC with Polytechnic College on 18/1/2019

MGU Match –First Round HBC team won on 16/1/2019 (with Good Shepherd College, Kottayam).

Literary Competitions

INTERCOLLEGIATE COMPETITIONS ORGANISED BY KSWDC AND WOMEN'S CELL, ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, MOOLAMATTOM ON 20TH FEB 2019.

ELOCUTION



2nd Prize
(Rs.1500)

Nithyamol Mathews

Ist B.Sc Physics



3rd Prize
(Rs.1000)

Ancy B

II M.A History

MEHANDI DESIGNING COMPETITIONS



2nd Prize
(Rs.1001)

Sherin Fathima Usman

IInd B.Sc Physics

MR. KOTTAYAM BODY BUILDING CHAMPIONSHIP 2019



Subhash Sundaran

Ist BCom
II nd (65 Kg)



Akbarsha Ansari

Ist BA History
IInd (60 Kg)

**Rev. Henry Baker (Jr.) Volleyball
Tournament organized by St. Peter's
Church Youth Movement Erumapra**

24th Feb- Ist (I round –won all 3 matches)

27 Feb- Ist (Semi-final- won all 3 matches)

1st March- Ist (Final- won all 3 matches)

WALK WITH A SCHOLAR (WWS) PROGRAMME 2018-19

WWS Scheme is a new initiative of the Board of Higher Education aiming to make our students competent enough to perform better in their career. It proposes to arrange specialized mentoring programs for UG students and to provide guidance for their future. The scheme aims at giving necessary orientation to bright students who can excel in their disciplines, to give them necessary guidance, motivation and mental support to identify appropriate areas for higher study as well as future employment. This programme is meant for the best 60 students of a college who need career and academic guidance. These sixty students are to be selected from the first year and second year UG classes for the academic year 2018-19. This scheme introduces the idea of mentoring and building up a concept of mentor as a 'Guide' and 'Friend'. Mentoring is a process wherein a mentor with great experience and wisdom guides the mentee to develop personally and professionally.

In our College WWS started functioning with an objective of helping and nurturing the inherent talents and potentials of our students by widening their areas of interest and inspiring them to aim high. As per the directions from WWS office, our college has decided to participate in this initiative. Prof. Elizabeth Joseph, Asstant Professor in English was appointed as the college level coordinator. Prof. Korah Jacob (Asso. Prof. in Economics), Prof. Dona Sebastian (Asso. Prof. in

English), Dr. Disha V.J (Asso.Prof.in Chemistry), Dr. Santo Jose (Asst. Prof. in Commerce), Dr. Nisha Joseph (Asst. Prof. in History) were selected as Internal Mentors for the I year students. Prof. Ajitha V.R (Asso. Prof. in Hindi), Prof. Shinu Thomas P (Asst. Prof in commerce) Prof. Ashly Mereena Mathew (Asst. Prof. in Commerce), Mr. Krishnadas Chinnappan (Asst. Prof. on contract) in History) and Ms. Ardra.S. Nair (Asst. Prof. on contract) were selected as Internal mentors for the II Year students.



SCHOLAR SUPPORT PROGRAMME (SSP): 2018-2019

It is with immense pleasure we submit the report of scholar support programme for the academic year 2018-2019. Primarily we are thankful to our well wishers and stake holders for their unstinting support and whole hearted cooperation. The programme started in our college during academic year 2018-2019 onwards. The forty first year Students were selected to the SSP from departments of Commerce, English, History and Physics. Everything was done as per the rules and regulations of the programme and with the consent of the council.

This is a turning point where attention is focused on teachers as flag holders. The needy students get additional attention and they get an opportunity to learn the concepts and ideas again and again which are difficult for them. Through the new study method (Internal - External Mentoring), students became more informed and became more interested

in learning. Simultaneously, students from these classes became clear about their lives and their future. All the classes ended up precisely. 60 External classes were completed with the help of 6 teachers. Abin Joseph, the ASAP trainer took 22 classes about learning skills, interpersonal skills, public speaking, language practice, time and stress management etc. Ms. Glaries George (Life skills), Savio K Sanichan (Social skills), Ajith P.C.(Internet, search engines, Word processing, Introduction to Computers) and Kiran James Mathew (Language Practice, Personal values) took 5 hours each. Similarly, Dr. K . Jeevankumar (Dept.of English), Ms. Athira Venugopal (Dept.of Physics), Ms. Vinsha P Sam (Dept.of Commerce), Ms. Nimisha Joseph (Dept. Of History), Ms. Stessy S varalikkara (Dept.of English, B.A/B.Sc Common Paper) were taken 70 classes in two semesters 7 classes each .



College Day Celebrations

The 39th college day celebrations of Henry Baker College were held on the 22nd of February in the campus. Henry Baker College had much to cherish and thank in the successful completion of 40 years since its inception in 1981. The college was established with a mission, From Darkness to Marvelous and to light skill, and confidence to become the pioneers of tomorrow. The year that went by was more esteemed than many before. The celebration spirits and display of talent once again proved us true to our goal.



The 40th College Day Celebrations of Henry Baker College was formally inaugurated by Sri Bineesh Bastin on 9th March 2019, 10:30 am at College Auditorium by lighting the lamp.



Dr. Gireesh Kumar G. S (Principal,) welcomed the audience. Jishnu (General Sec) presided over the function. Smt. Rani Mohandas (Vice Chairman, Union) offered felicitations and gave away the mementos for the chief guests. . Student Union Staff Advisor Dr. Santo Jose delivered the felicitation speech & College arts club secretary delivered the vote of thanks. The College day function concluded with the Cultural Programmes by the students.



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