

## Editor's Mote

The use of the plural as in Editors is deliberate, as many hands made light work; on this first issue of a newsletter from the department of English. A team effort - it has the synergy of students and teachers put together that makes this issue see the light of day. Contrary to popular opinion that: too many cooks spoil the broth; the department believes in a merry blend of hearts and minds. Let's put it this way: the more the merrier!

This editors note is also a call to all, to share our joy in bringing out issues that reflect life on the campus. On a happening campus like this we would like to capture it with pics and a short write-up. The contributions can be descriptive, argumentative, creative, reflectivein other words your take on campus life. Let's keep the newsletter newsy. Here's wishing ourselves the very best on our maiden venture!

Thanks folks! Looking forward to creative collaborations with you...

Your Editorial Team

## Language Laughs

### Pundemonium

- The roundest knight at King Arthur's table was Sir Circumference. He acquired his size from far too much pi.
- Two fish are in a tank. One says to the other, "Err...so how do you drive this thing?
- Let's talk about rights and lefts. You're right, so I left.
- Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

Source: https://voxy.com/blog/

## Weird Words

Gabelle: A tax on salt

Erinaceous: Of, pertaining to, or resembling a Hedgehog

Kakorrhaphiphobia: Fear of failure

Lackadaisical: Lacking determination and enthusiasm;

Carelessly lazy

Source http://www.merriam-webster.com/

"Introducing 'Lite' – The new way to spell 'Light', but with twenty percent fewer letters."

### - Jerry Seinfeld

"The word 'good' has many meanings. For example, if a man were to shoot his grandmother at a range of five hundred yards, I should call him a good shot, but not necessarily a good man."

### - G. K. Chesterton

"I like the word 'indolence.' It makes my laziness seem classy."

- Bern Williams

### **Editors:** Dept of English

Our Motto: What is learnt with pleasure is learnt full measure.

Lecturers and students interested in submitting articles for the newsletter may please send them in word doc annmag2015@gmail.com

# Quills Inc.

St. Ann's College for Women, Hyderabad.



A DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH INITIATIVE

I am very happy that the English Dept is bringing out their first News Letter

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as a platform for the creative endeavors of the students. I am sure this will promote interdisciplinary activities and help connect the student community to maintain an update on the campus happenings. Eventually this should enable networking among the departments of other colleges in the city. I congratulate the Dept and the student team behind it.

Best wishes

Dr. Sr. Amrutha



## What does autonomy mean to you?

Starting this academic year St Ann's college for women has become autonomous. The first batch were willing to share their thoughts and opinions on what it's like being in this institution.

Fiza Fatima of B.com 1A says" All that I am worried about is during my exams I may face some difficulties for pre-paration because we cannot follow the model papers as always. But when it comes credits we are very lucky because all our curricular activities are being encouraged by giving credits. I feel that is the best part. Apart from studies we are able to get into extra-curricular activities and gain much more than regular knowledge which we get in regular colleges. "The students here at St Ann's have been given an opportunity to

develop in various spheres of life. Shirley a first year B. A. student agrees." They encourage a lot of extracurricular activities, which help in all round development of an individual."

The semester system is still new for many people to get used to but it's benefits are evident. "Semester system, and continuous evaluation together. It's good that what we learn is not repetitive." points out Shreya Angara, also a B.A. 1st year student. A lot of effort has gone into making the curriculum for the students well balanced. With so many new avenues opening up to the students in the form of various learning modes and resources, the college has geared up for a momentous year ahead.

-Beulah, B Sc IIvr

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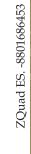
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## Welcome freshers!

The Freshers' Day at St. Ann's Degree College was celebrated on 8th August, 2105 with much enthusiasm. The theme of the programme being "Cinderella," the girls dressed in beautiful long-flowing gowns. The welcome address by the Principal, Dr. Sr. Amrutha inspired the youngsters.

The auditorium was full and everybody tapped their feet to the music as the seniors entertained the juniors with wonderful music and dances. The MISS ANN competition brought out the best in the students. The following were the winners – Safoora Rafeeq - Miss. Elegant, Gabriela Rozaria- Miss Confident, Sherley Prathyusha- Miss Best Smile, Mitushi Jain-Miss Best Walk, Meher Unissa- Miss Best



Dressed. Naila Imroz was crowned MISS FRESHER, the first runner-up for the Miss Fresher title was Ankita and the second runner-up for the Miss Fresher title was Zobia Khaled. This event is the opening event in the cultural calendar at St. Ann's Degree College.

-The Press & Media Committee

## A tribute to Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

character, indomitable spirit, profound knowledge and firm conviction. His death, an irreparable loss to the nation

Dr. Kalam was born in

Rameshwaram in Tamil Nadu on October 15, 1931 to a humble boat owner. A determined soul from childhood, he started working at an early age to contribute to the family income. He dreamt the life of an air force pilot watching seagulls. Having failed to qualify, he pursued a

career in aeronautical engineering which led to space research, guided missiles and then hyper planes.

A man of impeccable In 2002, both the ruling and opposition parties chose to elect him as the 11th president of India. After serving his five year tenure, he returned to civil life which he devoted to



educating the society and public service. He authored many books, his best known being 'Wings of fire'. A recipient of a number of awards, he topped them all by

receiving the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honour in

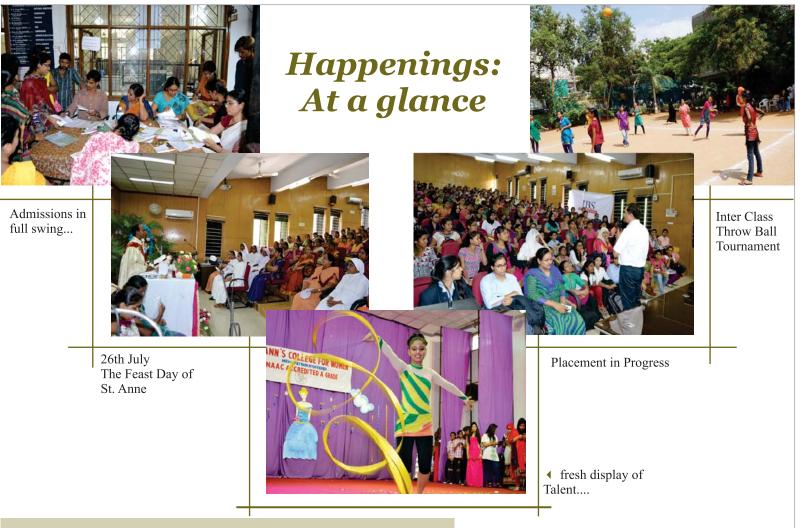
He visited our college in the year 2012. He gave a lecture on "I am born with wings". He rolled out a

> four fold strategy for the students which was to set a high goal, acquire knowledge, do hard work and show perseverance.

He saw a dream for our country known as Vision 2020. He wanted to see our nation standing with the developed countries of the world. The only tribute we can give is by achieving his

-K. Swetha B.Sc Final year

dream as a country, united.



### A Curtain-Raiser on UP COMING EVENTS

Department Of English partners with Indian Institute of Journalism and New Media present a Lecture Series on 'The changing Trends in Media' on 9th September 2015. Featuring veteran news reporters from the US, Scotland and India.

Charles Lavery is an award winning investigative journalist from Scotland who has spent over two decades at the cutting edge of hard news gathering. In 1993 he joined Scotland's biggest selling newspaper, the Sunday Mail, as its youngest ever recruit and was appointed chief reporter there in 1998. He continued as chief reporter until departing for pastures new in 2010, after winning seven awards for his reporting, most notably Reporter of the Year for two years running in 2008 and 2009. He has reported from Africa, the Far East and the United States. Since 2010 he has been freelancing, advising media clients and writing a book. When not sniffing out stories, he enjoys reading and writing them.

Kanchan Kaur, she started life in journalism by reporting the city of Bangalore for various small newspapers. She joined the Indian Express in Delhi for a very brief period before returning to Bangalore to work for the Deccan Herald. She has, in about two decades in journalism, worked, among other newspapers, in The Gulf News, too. She has covered a gamut of topics—from crime to art profiles. As a crime reporter, she was known for digging out the

Rachel Sauer has been a journalist for almost two decades, reporting stories as varied as the devastation Hurricane Katrina wrought on America's Gulf Coast to a quiet, slice-of-life narrative about an old man walking his old dog. Her interest in journalism began in high school, where she wrote and edited for The Bulldog Barks, her high school newspaper. Her career has taken her to newspapers and wire services in Utah, Colorado, Washington D.C. and Florida

## Creative Corner



A soft warm heart, to hold mine pieces, align, Luminous eyes you cast with a smile, divine. *The vulture, twilight,* lay hidden from sky, Forth, waltzing your way through my darkest cry.

As the stars graced their gleaming stage, To dew, every morning to froth again, *Back to the sky, to alight mine night,* Through clouds to shoot their silver cue.

To play my sun and its shine. Stunning Florescence and its blinding light. My roaring thunder and its beat in dew. You're my breath, its all just you.

> -Vyshnavi Mallubatla, BA, Final Year