Kalakriti
5th September, 2015

Janmashtami Celebrations
11th September, 2015

Onam Celebrations
16th September, 2015

AMMA's Birthday Celebrations
27th September, 2015
Amrita School of Engineering, Bengaluru conducted its annual talent hunt, KALAKRITI’15, with the tagline “#talentdikhao” for freshers on 5th September, 2015. On the eve of the main event, ‘Mad Nite’, a night full of music & merriment, was conducted by the sophomores and seniors of the School for the freshers.

The onset of this bellwether fest of the School was marked by the lighting of the lamp by the Associate Dean Dr. Rakesh S.G. and the Chairman of Amritadhara. This year’s fest saw a variety of events-literary, cultural, art, sports and technical with an overwhelming influx of freshers with diverse talents.

The enthusiasm with which the contestants participated in these events was contagious, as the audience swayed along. ‘Kala’-the Fine Arts club, organized many riveting events which witnessed healthy participation from students. ‘Raaga’-the Music club and ‘Narthana’-the Dance club provided a rostrum for the first years to exhibit their talents. The stage saw a huge turnout from enthusiastic freshers, who presented soulful renditions of popular songs and dance performances. The literary events saw profoundly logical statements being presented formally to win the audience’s hearts.

ICON, the flagship event conducted by ‘Maardhani’-the Literary club bore witness to the unparalleled creativity of the participants. ‘Abhinaya’-the Drama club, opened their doors for aspiring actors. ‘Lekhani’-the Press club, ‘Smriti’-the Photography club and ‘Epic’-the Movie club collaborated and conducted events that tested the creative thinking and writing skills of the students. ‘Chetana’-the Sports club, conducted a plethora of sporting events which received active response from participants.

These events saw the astounding agility and coordination of the body & mind of participants. Such talents, spiced-up with team spirit and a sportive attitude, made KALAKRITI’15 a grand success.
School Highlights
Amrita Networking Club organized a Student Reachout Program on 5th September, 2015 in Valmiki Hall. The main aim of this initiative was to spread awareness about networking among school students. About 40 Students of Class XI & XII from Sri Ravishankar Vidya Mandir attended the event. They were accompanied by four of their teachers Ms. Rama, Mr. Ravi, Mr. Mithali and Mr. Chandrashekhar.

The session commenced with an introduction to networking and its applications by Ms. Ambika Ailawadi, Secretary of ANC. This gave a brief idea of how networking is truly the future of technology. Videos on applications of networking were also shown.

Mr. Ullas S., Assistant Professor, Department of CSE, elaborated on the various networking devices, their role and working in the functioning of a network. Students were shown actual networking devices which were explained by Ms. Praveena from the Cisco Academy at ASE-B.

An efficient usage of Packet Tracer, a network simulation software, was demonstrated. This gave an explicit idea of how messages are transmitted across a network. The various network topologies were explained by Ms. Prajwala A.N. and Mr. Preetham Reddy, Executive Members of ANC. Concepts like IOT and Cloud Computing were explained by Mr. Rohit J., Joint Secretary of ANC.

Following a short tea break, a riveting quiz was conducted and the top four students were rewarded for their performance. Mementos were given to the teachers from Sri Ravishankar Vidya Mandir by Dr. Sudarshan T.S.B., Chairman, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, ASE-B. The students were taken for a campus tour in which they visited the Server Room and the CISCO laboratory. They expressed their enthusiasm with an excellent feedback and their wish to participate in similar events. The objective of strengthening the basic knowledge of networking among school students was achieved and the program was a prodigious success.
Janmashtami Celebrations

Janmashtami, which marks the celebration of the birth of Lord Krishna, was celebrated on 11th September, 2015 with great pomp and splendour in the campus. The celebrations commenced with a pooja that was conducted in the reception area at 1:00 PM, which was attended by Director Br. Dhanraj, staff members and students. The whole college resonated with vibrant colors; Rangoli and Pot Painting competitions were conducted with Janmashtami festival as the theme. Bhajans and kirtans were sung by the students and a play depicting the life of Lord Krishna was staged in Sudhamani Hall. Mr. V. Shankar Kumaran from the Department of Cultural Education gave talk about the divinity in each and every person. Uriyadi, literally translating to ‘Smash the Pot with a Stick’, a traditional event organized during every Janmashtami, saw pots broken to thunderous applause. Many students participated enthusiastically in the events, either as individuals or part of a human chain sneaking their way towards the pot. A special bhajan was organized by the Vedanta club that concluded the day’s celebrations.
Onam, the prominent festival of God's own country, Kerala, was celebrated on 16th September, 2015 in the campus with a sense of oneness, as many staff members & students assembled to dance and douse themselves in the conspicuous Kerala air in the college. The whole School was bedecked with leaves (Kuruthola) strung together with cords and a floral decoration (Pookalam) was on display in the New Block. The festivities began at noon to the sound of drumbeats, Melam, in the hallowed halls. Teachers and students danced to traditional instruments of Kerala like Chenda. The drum and the trumpet were played to instil a sense of pride among the people present. The cultural programmes started at 2:30 pm which commenced with a dance, known as Kaikotti Kali, by the M.Tech. students. This was followed by energetic performances of popular songs by I year B.Tech. and M.Tech. students. Next were the humorous and enjoyable dance performances by the second and third year boys after which small time games like lemon-spoon race, musical chair were conducted to the delight of the people present. The event drew to a close with the much awaited game of tug of war. All in all, the event was a success and people of all states enjoyed thoroughly.
Every year, the students of Amrita School of Engineering, Bengaluru, get an opportunity to visit Amritapuri to participate in the celebrations of our beloved Amma’s birthday which falls on the 27th of September. This year too, the first semester students embarked on this journey of self-discovery. The stay at Amritapuri spiritually enriched the students as they had an opportunity to contribute their time and energy in various seva activities like crowd control, food serving, cleaning dishes etc. A few seniors who had accompanied the juniors assisted them in various seva activities. The students actively participated in keeping the place clean and creating a conducive atmosphere for spiritual awakening. Some groups coordinated the cultural programmes. The students had their defining moment when they were hugged and given a mantra by Amma. A few blessed students got the opportunity to sit beside Amma during the bhajans. A special group was tasked with promoting the idea of Vijay Raksha.
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⇒ Dr. Tripty Singh:

- Reviewed a manuscript for International Journal of Computer Science and Business Informatics.

Other News

Future Everything

Amrita Networking Club (ANC) organized the event ‘FUTURE EVERYTHING’ on 1st September, 2015 in Rama Hall. 102 students from first, second and third year attended this event. Mentors of ANC, Mr. Ullas and Ms. Praveena P Kini were also present.

The event began with an introduction to Networks by Ms. Ambika Ailawadi, the Secretary of the club. She briefly explained what is networking, how networking is considered the next big thing and how it is going to rule the future of technology.

This was followed by a live demonstration on remote access of a laptop from a smart phone, by Preetham Reddy, an Executive Member of ANC. The main aim of the event was to create awareness among students about the applications of Networking and the various fields in which it is being used. Participants were shown videos on how networking is going to change the face of healthcare, traffic, fashion, gaming and classrooms in the future.
This interactive session of videos was followed by the simulation of a network on Packet Tracer, a network simulator by Allan Rufus, an Executive Member of ANC. This gave a clearer picture of how messages are transmitted across a network.

The students were then informed about the CCNA classes conducted in our college by Mr. Ullas S. He also briefly explained the structure and the benefits of this program. The participants expressed their interest to participate in many such events in the future.

**Technical talk on Cloud Computing**

Amrita - Computer Society of India Student Chapter organized a technical talk on Cloud Computing on 2nd September, 2015. Mr. Bharat Kumar, a Lead Consultant and Architect at Wipro Company was the invited speaker.

The session witnessed an audience of around 110 students from B.Tech., and M.Tech. The event also saw participation of faculty members. The speaker highlighted the significance of the cloud computing model, which enables ubiquitous networking access to a shared pool of configurable computing resources. He also elaborated on some of its distinguishing features such as homogenous virtualization, service orientation and on demand self-service. During the later part of the session, he went on to explain about the three layer Cloud Computing Reference Architecture, which comprises of Service Users, Platform and Infrastructure. Topics like big data analysis, file storage & recovery and hybrid clouds were also discussed. The event was coordinated by Dr. Rakesh N., Dept of CSE, Assistant Professor & Mentor - CSI.
Hour of Code

The Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) Amrita Chapter conducted an event called the Hour of Code for B.Tech. students on 9th September, 2015. About 80 students participated in the event. The session was inaugurated by Mr. Narayan from S7 CSE, who is the Ex-Chairman of ACM Amrita Chapter. He gave a brief introduction about ACM and the activities of the Amrita Chapter. The event was further taken up by Mr. Pranav N. Venkit, S5 CSE, who is currently the Chairman of ACM Amrita Chapter. The main focus of the event was to teach the participants in an easy and understandable way - how one can create their own web page. The participants were also given access to online study materials which was helpful for the students. There was a competition in sync with the session in which each team presented their web page. Mr. Sachin C. and Mr. Vicky Sharma of S1 CSE, Mr. A.V. Madhukiran and Mr. A.Yoganand S3 CSE were the winners.

Inauguration of IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (IEEE – RAS)

IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (IEEE-RAS), Bangalore Chapter was inaugurated on 12th September, 2015 at the Seminar Hall, Centre for Nano Science and Engineering (CeNSE) at IISc. Speakers of the day were Dr. Shrikanth Rao, Honeywell Technology Solutions, Bengaluru and Prof. Ashitava Ghosal, IISc., Bengaluru who spoke on the titles “Mobile Robotics: Are We There Yet?” and “Overview of Activities at the Robotics lab in IISc” respectively.

Dr. Sudarshan T.S.B. is the Chairman for the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society (IEEE-RAS), Bangalore Chapter and Mr. Nippun Kumaar A.A. is the secretary of the Chapter.
Android Interns for Nomadly

FACE- the CSE Forum organized a session to recruit interns for a company called Nomadly. The event was held on 23rd September, 2015. This session was conducted in collaboration with Alumni of Amrita School of Engineering, Bangalore Mr.Rohan Prabhu and Mr.Vedavyas. Mr.Rohan Prabhu and Mr.Vedavyas are students from the Department of Computer Science & Engineering.

A travel based startup, Nomadly, is presently involved in web application development and are looking at expanding their outreach to the android markets as well. The members from the technical wing of Nomadly have all graduated from Amrita VishwaVidhyapeetham and are keen continuing their relationship with the University by offering our students internships in the field of android development in their new project. Interested students were asked to send in their resumes to the company website.

C-Programming Tutorial

FACE is primarily known for organizing various technical and informative events and also caters to the requirements of students who wish to gain more knowledge with regard to computer based concepts.

FACE – the CSE Forum took up the initiative to conduct C-tutorial classes for the Non-CSE students to help them in their IT company placements. It was a five day session conducted from the 1st to 7th September 2015, comprising of around thirty students and took place between 3:30 & 4:30 PM.

Mr. Sanket M. Bhatt, a FACE member and second year student from the CSE Department, took up the responsibility and initiative of conducting these tutorials. The teaching aspects comprised of Power Point presentations, interview oriented quizzes, lectures and discussions. The different topics covered included Basic Concepts of C Programming, Arrays & Functions, Strings & Pointers, Introduction to Structures and Memory Allocation and Management

All the topics were taught in a fast and precise manner to help students recall certain essential concepts. However, the concept of pointers being difficult to grasp, was dealt in a detailed manner. The session ended with a logical quiz comprising of frequently asked interview based questions which proved to be extremely beneficial to the participants.

Talk on Application of RS&GIS for Management of Environment near Hill Top Mining areas

A talk on Application of RS & GIS for Management of Environment near Hill Top Mining areas was given by Dr. K. Phatak, Professor, Department of Mining Engineering, IIT Kharagpur. Being an interdisciplinary topic, it gathered attention of audience of nearly hundred which included students and faculty members.
ECI Forum conducted an event titled “Quantum Quest” on 5th September, 2015 in collaboration with SANKHYA. The event was conducted during KALAKRITI. The event was organized for S1 students. Around 200 students participated in the event.

ECI Forum conducted an event “Electronics for Beginners” on 22nd September, 2015. The event was organized for Ist semester students. Around 50 students attended the event.

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### Faculty Achievements / Participation / Recognition

⇒ Dr. Shikha Tripathi attended “EEE Robotics & Automation Society (RAS), Bangalore Chapter” inauguration ceremony on 12th September, 2015 at Center of NanoScience & Engineering, IISc, Bengaluru.

⇒ Dr. Shikha Tripathi has been included in the Technical Program Committee of the Second International Symposium on Signal Processing and Intelligent Recognition Systems (SIRS’2015). The symposium will be held during 16th - 19th December, 2015 at Trivandrum, India.

⇒ Dr. N.S. Murty attended “Design & Verification Conference and Exhibition India (DVCon 2015)” during 10th - 11th September, 2015 at Leela Palace, Bengaluru. The conference was sponsored by Accellera Pvt. Ltd.

### Forum Activities

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### Other News

⇒ A one day training session on Synopsys Front End Tools was organized on 16th September, 2015 for all faculty members and students of M.Tech (VLSI Design) at Amrita School of Engineering. The training session was organized by Mr. P. Satishkumar and Ms. Ponni M.
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Seminar on Power Quality

A Seminar on ‘Power Quality’ was hosted by the IEEE Power Energy Society (PES) student branch chapter as part of its industry collaborated events, which was conducted on 1st September, 2015 at Krishna Hall, ASE Bengaluru. Mr. Hassan M., Senior Manager in Advanced Power Quality Solutions at InPhase Power Technologies Private Limited shared his rich experience in the domain. The concepts related to Power Factor, Power Factor Calculation, Harmonics overview-Active Filter (IGBT Based Technology Review), Classical Compensation Techniques, FC, APFC, TSC, VSC Based Technologies and STATCOM overview were touched upon. The speaker motivated the students to come up with innovative ideas and projects and contribute in the progress of nation. The seminar was attended by the students of Final year B.Tech. (EEE) and M.Tech. (PE).
Workshop on Industrial Energy Auditing

The Workshop on ‘Industrial Energy Auditing’ was organized by the student branch chapters of IEEE POWER ENERGY SOCIETY (PES) in association with the IEEE POWER ELECTRONICS SOCIETY (PELS) on 19th September, 2015 in Amriteshwari Hall, ASE Bengaluru. The workshop was attended by B.Tech. (EEE & ME) and M.Tech. (Power Electronics) students from Amrita School of Engineering, B.Tech - EEE students from Sreedevi Institute of Technology, Tumkur and participants from PRDC, Bengaluru.

The session was conducted by the speakers Mr. Jayakumar M., Associate Professor and Special Officer at LBS Center for Science and Technology, Regional Centre, Thrissur, Kerala, and Mr. Santhosh A., CEO, Athul Energy Consultants. Mrs. Deepa K., ASE -IEEE PES Student Branch Chapter Advisor from Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, gave the welcome address.

The first speaker Mr. Jayakumar delivered a talk on the power quality issues related to computers and UPS systems in the first session. In the following session the speaker discussed about the monthly power consumption of our campus with the electricity bills from BESCOM, which indicated a high surcharge of Rs.8.8 lakhs. The speaker discussed about the methodology which can be adopted by the School to reduce this higher consumption through a series of control measures.

The second speaker Mr. Santhosh, explained the relation between the temperature and energy consumption, roughly 30% reduction in energy consumption for every 1 degree decrease in AC temperature. He also suggested that instead of excessive lighting inside the hall, photo luminescent window paints should be used, so that, there would be a good amount of natural lighting inside the hall. Through case studies, the importance of energy audit in reducing the energy consumption was also discussed. Role and scope of an Energy Auditor in the present corporate world was highlighted with an informative guidance for the selection procedure for the benefit of students. A demo session on power quality analyzer on 110kVA generator at college substation was conducted in the afternoon.
IEEE POWER ELECTRONICS SOCIETY (PELS) Student Chapter Inauguration Ceremony

IEEE Power Electronics Society Student Branch chapter at Amrita School of Engineering was formally inaugurated on 10th September, 2015 by Dr. Priya Ranjan Mishra, Principal Scientist, Philips, Bengaluru and Dr. Balaraman Kannan, PRDC, Vice Chair of PES chapter, Bengaluru. Dr. S. Ravi Shankar, Chairman, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, ASE-B introduced the speakers to the audience.

Dr. Priya Ranjan Mishra stood up as a great inspiration to all the young minds with his great work on the development of light centers and helping a complete continent like Africa to develop in almost all aspects with major prosperity observed in the stream of education and sports. He also furnished a lot of information regarding power electronics and its role in creating a modern and sustainable world. Dr. Priya Ranjan Mishra highlighted the negative effects of power electronics like electro-magnetic interference (EMI) & electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and harmonics.

Dr. Balaraman started his speech with a very inspiring quote, "Enhance the humanity," by the new developments reaching out to all classes of people. The research gives better way to serve each & every class and their growing demands. He emphasized the importance of power electronic equipments in day to day life. The session was concluded by Mrs. Deepa K., Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering proposing a vote of thanks.
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### Faculty Achievements / Participation / Recognition

- Mr. Phanibhushana M.V. successfully completed his Comprehensive Viva for his Ph.D. work titled, “Evaluation and characterization of severe plastic deformed Al6061 and Hematite reinforced composites” under Visvesvaraya Technological University on 18th September, 2015.

### Student Achievements

- World Didactic India Expo is an annual Expo held in different parts of India was organized at BIEC, Bengaluru, this time. Festo, a leading manufacturer of pneumatic components, had organised a Mechatronic Competition based on the World Skills Format during 9th - 11th September, 2015. Mr. Abhijeet Parida and Mr. Bharathwaj R., S7 ME students, accompanied by faculty member Mr. Prashanth.B.N, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering represented Amrita School of Engineering, Bengaluru in the event. The team bagged the first place in the Bengaluru level contest. They were felicitated by Mr Volker Schmidt, Director-Asia Pacific of Festo Germany.
Workshop on Micro & Smart Systems Technology

The workshop on “Micro & Smart Systems Technology” was organized by Department of Mechanical Engineering, Amrita School of Engineering & IEEE student chapter, Amrita School of Engineering, Bengaluru in Technical collaboration with IEEE Sensors Council, Bengaluru Section on 10th -11th September, 2015.

On 10th at 9.30 am, the inauguration of the workshop was conducted and the dignitaries were Dr. K. Natarajan, Professor & Head, Department of Telecommunication Engineering, MSRIT, Dr. Rakesh S.G., Associate Dean & Head, Br. Dhanaraj, Dr. S.R. Nagaraja, Chairman, Department of Mechanical Engineering and faculty members from the Department of Mechanical Engineering, ASE-B.

The key note address was delivered by Dr. K. Natarajan in the morning half. He gave an introduction to Micro and Smart Systems and emphasised on its potential applications in Automotive, Aerospace and day to day life application. He unveiled the present day scenario of Micro and Smart Systems Technologies in India. His talk was motivating and inspiring for the students to take up initiatives in the area of Micro & Smart Systems. Dr. S. Raja, Senior Principal Scientist, NAL, Bengaluru spoke in the 2nd session on the topic, “Design and Development of Smart Aeromechanical Systems”. Dr. Anjana Jain, Principal Scientist, NAL, Bengaluru, spoke in the 3rd session on the topic, “Applications of PVDF films in High-end Sensing Technologies”. The first day of the workshop ended with this session.

On 11th September, Dr. Anath Suresh, Co-chair Biosystems Science and Engineering, IISc. spoke in the 4th session on the topic, “Mechanical Solutions to MEMS devices”. Mr. Sripadaraj from Intellisense Systems, took over the 5th session on the topic “Modelling & Simulation of MEMS devices and Micro-Machining Processes”. In the 6th session, Dr. Gopala Hegde, Head of centre for Nanoscience and Engineering, IISc. spoke on the topic “Smart Nano Systems”. In the last session Dr. T.Srinivas from IISc. spoke on the topic, “Micro-Opto-Electro-Mechanical Systems (MOEMS)”. The session followed by a report of the workshop by Ms. Mrudula Prashanth, Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering and a short valedictory.
Dr. Akansha Saxena Pandit from the Department of Chemistry reviewed a research paper titled ‘Calcium alginate hydrogel beads with high stiffness and extended dissolution behavior’ for European Polymer Journal.

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