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**Aksa Ann Thomas**  
Chief Editor - MAAK  
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## Editorial

Dear Marianites,

Welcome to the 8th edition of MAAK BOOK, our Onam Edition. We are happy to inform that we have printed few copies of this edition. Thanks to our dear alumni for the ads, appreciate the support. In this edition, we bring you the highlights of the onam celebrations, the governing committee meeting, the students' achievement on international level, an interview with Abbin Theepura, alumni who visited the campus, mini meetups in our chapters and more.

The Cochin Chapter organized a grand onam celebration on September 10th, with traditional games, music, dance and a feast. The event was attended by many alumni and their families, who enjoyed the festive spirit and reconnect with their old friends. The governing committee meeting was held on September 9th at Kochi. You will find a detailed report on this from our secretary Ammu Sara Abraham.

It was an eventful season for both Alumni and college, we have students who won medals at international level for kickboxing championship, photos from the onam celebration, including the MAAK Sponsored Vadam vali competition.

An interview with Abbin Theepura (BBA 2008 - 2011), a political strategist by profession is one of the highlights of this edition.

Our alumni is growing rapidly with more and more engagement, the MAAK BOOK team had to upscale. We hired 3 students from Marian on part-time basis to help us with the page setting. We hope that this will help us bridge the gap between alumni and the current students as well as help MAAK BOOK grow.

We hope you enjoy reading this edition of MAAK BOOK. Looking forward to hearing from you and seeing you at our next events. Until then, stay safe and stay connected.

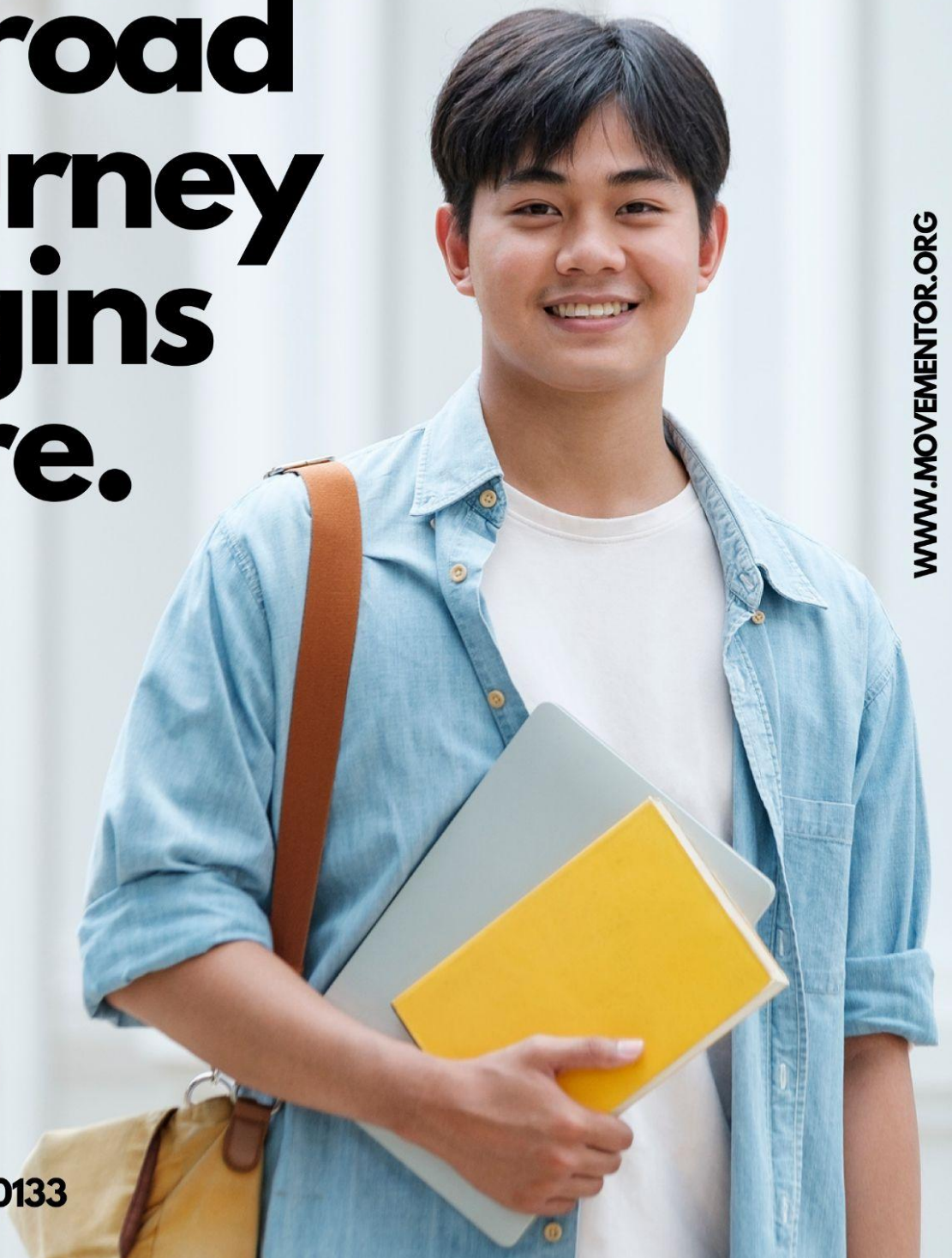
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**Adv. Nelson Joseph**  
President - MAAK

## President's message

Dear Marianites,

So happy to see that our MAAK BOOK team, as always giving us great joy and pride by publishing a Onam Special Edition, that too with printed copies. The dedication and commitment to make every edition a bit better than the previous one is a point to be learned from the Team. On behalf of all Marianites, I congratulate Chief Editor Aksa and the entire team for the consistent efforts.

Onam 2023 was such a never-before great celebration for all Malayalis across the Globe, Marianites also celebrated it in style. 'ഒരു ഒന്നൊന്നു ഒന്നും' by Cochin Marianites was class apart and was a real nostalgic experience. The UAE chapter, after the mega blood donation drive, made our college and MAAK again proud during the big Dubai Onam celebrations also.

Even during the festivities, we remained mindful of our brother who was undergoing multiple surgeries due to a severe case of Black Fungus disease.

Within a week, our charity wing successfully raised and contributed over Rs. 7 lakhs to support his treatment. This noble act followed our recent achievement of raising Rs. 10 lakhs for the construction of a deserving brother's house. We are truly blessed and grateful to be part of such a compassionate community.

MAAK G23 was the highlight of August. As the name rightly implies, the event was high level and superior with a lot of insights, discussions and crucial decisions for the future of MAAK. We have made major decisions on Membership, Marian Diaries and about all our areas of activities. Our Vice President Shwetha Pramod deserves special appreciation for stylishly naming it and fully managing the event in a classy manner and creating a milestone in the progress of MAAK.

The month of October is specially for Membership Drive. More details about the same will be shared by the Director in charge. Request everyone to become active members of the Association to take the complete benefit of it.

Wishing happiness, joy and blessings to all. Stay connected with MAAK.

With love,

Adv. Nelson Joseph



We are delighted to share with you the photos of the 2019 Re-union of 2nd batch Maryknoll Hostellers. These men graduated from Marian in the year 2000. Coming together after 19 years was memorable.





These photos capture some of their nostalgic moments from the 3rd batch of Marian (1997 to 2000). We hope that you will continue to cherish your memories and keep in touch with your alma mater.



Ammu Sara Abraham

Secretary - MAAK



## MAAK G23 Leaders Meet & Governing Committee Meeting

The MAAK-G23 was organized by the Governing Committee members of Marian Alumni Association Kuttikkanam on 9th September 2023 at Pastoral Orientation Centre (POC), Palarivattom, Kochi. The meeting was conducted in a hybrid way to enable attendance from members outside the country.

The event commenced at 11.00 am with Ms. Liance Sajin welcoming the gathering. The meeting was presided over by Adv. Nelson Joseph (President).

Prof. Dr. Ajimon George (Principal, Marian College Kuttikkanam Autonomous) and Mr. Krishnan Sreenivasan (IIM & IIT Alumnus) were specially invited for the function.

The inaugural session began with a silent prayer and Ms. Swetha Pramod (Vice President - General Administration) welcomed the gathering.

Adv. Nelson Joseph delivered the Presidential Address and he appreciated Governing Committee members for their commendable activities so far. He provided valuable insight on the day's agenda and shared the vision of being one among the best Alumni Association in the Country. He also remembered the contribution and confidence given by Rev. Dr. Roy Abraham P (Former Principal, Marian College) for the Alumni Association during the early stages of MAAK and thanked the current Principal Prof. Dr. Ajimon George for extending full



support to MAAK.

MAAK G23 was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Ajimon George, he congratulated the MAAK Governing Board Members for the remarkable activities initiated so far. He extended his whole support to the team and provided valuable insights for the working of the Association.

After the inauguration, the Chief Guest of the day Mr. Krishnan Sreenivasan delivered the keynote address. The major points discussed were:

- The organisational structure and timeline of meetings of IIM Alumni Association
- Initiatives by Alumni like women entrepreneurship, Group Insurance policy etc.
- Creative Thoughts on how Alumni can contribute towards the betterment of Society in different areas like education, career development etc.
- Support innovative small business ideas that can make wonders

Thereafter Adv. Nelson Joseph and Prof. Dr. Ajimon George presented a gift to Mr. Krishnan Sreenivasan as a token of love and gratitude of MAAK.



Mr. Krishnan Sreenivasan  
Alumni of IIM Bangalore

Ms. Ammu Sara Abraham (Secretary) expressed her gratitude to the chief guests and the inaugural meeting was

adjourned by the chair.

After a tea-break all members joined for a session by MAAK Immediate Past President Mr. Binoy Mathew. He narrated the journey of MAAK from 2008 till date.

Then was a session by our Alumni and CA Malu V Nair (FCA) and her partner CA Santhosh. They conducted a Q & A session on various legal/financial aspects of MAAK.

The major points of discussion were:

- FCRA Registration
- Applying for 12 A & 80 G
- Difference between Society and Trust
- Concept of different bank accounts

After lunch, a session on the Association Bylaws/Constitution was taken by President. Following points were discussed:

- Organisational structure of MAAK
- The roles and responsibilities of each member in the Governing Committee.
- Amendment of bylaw.
- The Vice President in charge of Programmes to be renamed as Vice President in charge of Initiatives.
- The resource of Liaison Officer to be effectively utilised.
- Widening the reach of MAAK by Public Relations team.

Thereafter, a Governing Board meeting was conducted and the agenda points were discussed. Many decisions on various key areas like Membership, Marian Diaries, Website development etc. were made during the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by the President by 6.30 pm and Secretary thanked everyone for joining in the meeting. Later everyone disbursed for dinner and networking.

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## MACS Inauguration

*Sojy J Panoor (BCA 1996 - 99)*

The Inauguration of the Activities of Marian Association of Computer Students for the year 2023 - 2024 was inaugurated by Sojy J Panoor, Technical Head & Solutions Architect, European Dynamics, Bangalore.

## Commerce Forum Inauguration

*Jobin J Akkarakalam (BCom 1999 - 02)*

Commerce Forum is the students' association from the School of Commerce and Professional Studies (SCAPS). The activities for the year 2023 - 24 was inaugurated by Mr. Jobin J Akkarakalam, a pioneer in the hospitality industry, managing a total of eight houseboats. His journey serves as a shining example of what determination and commitment can achieve.





## 6 Questions with the Political Strategist

*Abbin Theepura (BBA 2008 - 11)*

*He is the founder & CEO of P-MARQ (Politique Marquer), a political consulting firm based in Delhi and Bangalore.*

**Q. Can you tell us about your experience as a student at Marian?**

Envision attending lectures with the green mountains as your backdrop and spending your breaks with your friends gazing at the panoramic vistas in and around Kuttikanam, and the campus surroundings. This was the reality of my life as a student at Marian college with incredible views and a beautiful weather all throughout the year. The experience was not just about education; it was a journey of self-discovery, inspiration, and a deep connection to nature. Living among such natural beauty had a profound impact on my inspiration. As a student, I often found solace in taking walks through the tea garden trails, allowing the tranquility of the surroundings to clear my mind and invigorate my spirit.

Living in hostel fostered a strong sense of community among us, students. We supported each other

academically and emotionally, and our shared experiences created bonds that would last a lifetime. Whether it was collaborating on projects or organizing events, the mist provided a backdrop that fueled our collective passion and creativity. As I moved forward in life, the memories of the college days and the lessons learned among the peaks remain as an inevitable part of my identity, a constant source of inspiration, and a reminder of my roots.

**Q. What initially sparked your interest in political strategy, and how did you develop a passion for it?**

Politics is the thread that weaves through every aspect of our lives, and I was deeply interested in Politics since my school days. I read newspapers and listened to news daily. My journey into the realm of political strategy began as a spark, ignited by a convergence of personal experiences and events in our country. I was in Delhi pursuing MBA and watched the “Game of Politics” from a close quarter. Started thinking about it from a career point of view from my MBA days in BIMTECH (Birla Institute of Management Technology), Noida. But since I didn’t want to become a politician then, I realized there is more one can do behind the scenes. Decided not to sit for campus placements – one of the bold decisions in my life. The concept of a political strategist was very nascent in 2014, but I had

embarked on a journey for the same. Political Strategists were seen in the Western countries only then. It was for the 2014 PM Modi’s campaign that Mr. Prashant Kishor came into limelight, who is my former boss and mentor. Started my first political stint in 2014 with Mr. Kapil Sibal’s campaign with no salary or incentive, and now here I am. In conclusion, my journey into the world of political strategy began as a spark of curiosity and fascination ignited by exposure to current affairs and personal experiences.



**Q. What role did networking and building relationships play in your journey from college to your current level of success?**

The transition from college to the professional world is a pivotal phase in one's life, marked by challenges and opportunities. In this journey,

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networking and relationship building have emerged as integral components that have significantly influenced my path to success. Nurturing genuine connections with mentors, peers, and industry professionals has enriched my professional life and equipped me with the tools necessary to overcome challenges. As I continue to evolve in my career, I am reminded that success is not merely a result of individual effort but also a collective effort facilitated by the bonds we form and nurture along the way.



**Q. Were there any professors, mentors, or courses that had a significant impact on your journey and helped shape your future success?**

Professor Joshy John from the BBA department has consistently served as an enduring source of inspiration and

support since my days in college, and continues to be an unwavering pillar by my side to this day. Our bond is characterized by its remarkable strength and beauty, and I affectionately refer to him as "Chettaaa" now.

Formerly, the head of BBA department, Joji sir assumed the role of a guiding light and mentor, not only for me but also for all my fellow batchmates, imparting invaluable spiritual and moral guidance.

**Q. What advice would you give to current students who aspire to follow a similar career path?**

Allow me to reiterate the profound words of our esteemed late President, Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, "Follow your dreams." Wholeheartedly pursue your aspirations with unwavering determination. There exists no obstacle impossible enough to impede your progress.

If you wish to seek a career within the realm of political consulting, please do not hesitate to reach out. Happy to offer my guidance and support.

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Emil Chandy

Chairperson - MAAK UAE

**AKCAF**

# പൊന്നോണ കാഴ്ച 2023

*Date: 24 September 2023*

*Venue: Dubai World Trade Centre*

The Marian Alumni Association Kuttikkanam actively participated in the vibrant Onam celebrations organized by the All Kerala College Alumni Forum (AKCAF) this year. Our enthusiastic members showcased their talents through various competitions, adding to the festive spirit of Onam.

The vivacious trio of Anne, Sheelu, and Caroline represented our association with grace and enthusiasm in the Malayali

Manka competition, embodying the essence of Malayali beauty and culture.

Our dedicated team, consisting of Danny, Caroline, Parvathy, Sampras, Jojin, Anjana, Malu, Kesiya and Revathy, displayed their artistic prowess in creating a stunning Athapookkalam, a vibrant and intricate floral arrangement, which was a visual delight.

The mesmerizing dance performance showcased the exceptional talent of Remya, Parvathy, Jessy, Hema, Athira, Shalini, Jijo, Nithin, Richard, and Disin, who contributed to the lively and culturally rich performance.



In the painting competition, our young talents, Aaron, Liam, Abraham, Adrian, Abel, Amy, Arabhi, Nataala, Elyssa, Annabel and Ethen, displayed their creative flair and artistic skills, making our association proud of the next generation. Our own Anecia took care of our kids during the entire session.

The entire team, with unwavering pride and unity, participated in a grand procession representing our beloved alma mater. This collective effort showcased our strong sense of connection to our educational roots and our commitment to preserving the traditions and values instilled by our institution.

The entire programme was skillfully lead by our secretary, Jijo, who played a pivotal role in organizing and coordinating the events.

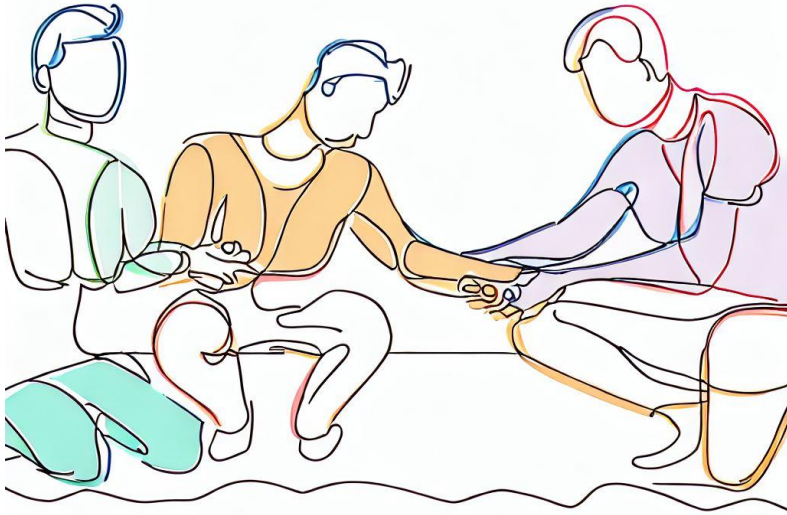
Our Director of programmes, Remya, provided invaluable guidance and direction, ensuring the success of the celebrations.

Unfortunately, two of our valued members, Sanda and Deepa, were unable to participate as they fell ill on the day of the event.



It is heartening to note that the spirit of unity and commitment within the Marian Alumni Association Kuttikkanam extends beyond active participation. Even among those members who couldn't join the Onam celebrations in person, many generously offered financial contributions to support the event and our association's initiatives. Their contributions are a testament to the strong bonds and dedication that bind our alumni community. We express our heartfelt gratitude to all members who contributed, reaffirming that together, we can achieve great heights.





## A Beacon of Hope

“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”

We are delighted to share that our recent medical fund campaign, dedicated to assist one of our alumni, has been an incredible success, thanks to your unwavering support and generosity.

Our alumni Mr. Rethesh PT from First MMH Batch (2003 - 05) was facing a life-threatening medical situation that required large financial assistance.

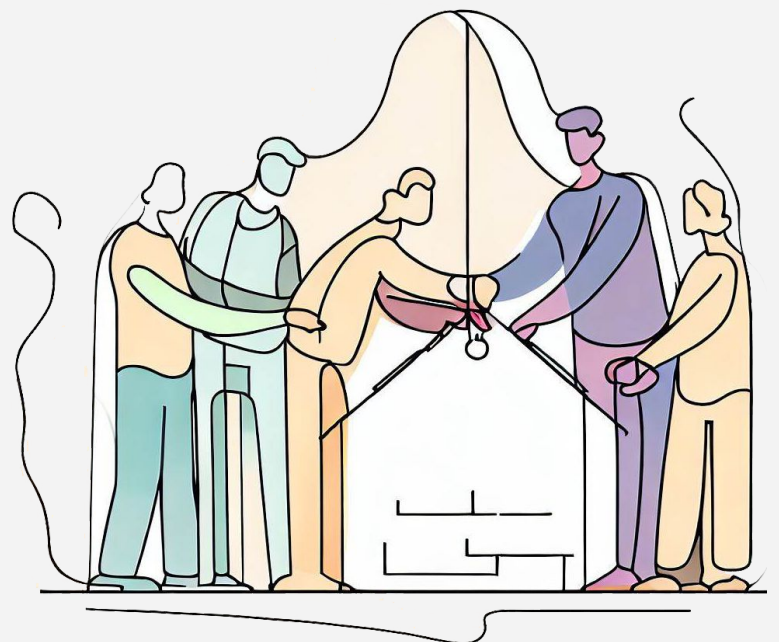
In his time of need, all our alumni united together to make a significant impact. We are happy to announce that we could contribute Rs. 7,26,000 to Rethesh. With this contribution and moral support, his family got confidence to continue the treatment including a major surgery in Kottayam Medical College Hospital.

## Building Dreams Together

House building support for an alumni

In just 21 days, we successfully achieved our fundraising goal of Rs. 10L (from 19th July to 12th August 2023).

We could disburse Rs. 7,50,000 to the beneficiary in two installments. The remaining balance amount will be transferred as the third installment.



# From Craft Class to Carnival: The Journey of two Kidpreneurs

Tintu P Mathew and Jils Abhilash, who were batchmates at Marian (1998 - 01) share a passion for art and craft.

Tintu runs a craft class (C2D Art & Craft) for kids in Kochi, where Jils' children, Anirudh and Nidhi, learned to create beautiful designs on pots. They showcased their talent at 'datsykochi' Carnival at Bolgatty Event Centre, where they sold their painted pots with plants to the visitors. To encourage their entrepreneurial spirit, few of our alumni also purchased from them.

We are delighted to see the marian spirit being passed on to the next generation and we wish these kidpreneurs a bright future.





Lilin Thomas

BCom 2000 - 03

# ഒരു ഒന്നൊന്നര ഓണം

## വന്നോണം ഉണ്ടോണം കൊച്ചിയിലെ മരിയനോണം

മരിയൻ Alumni Cochin ചാപ്റ്ററിന്റെ 'ഒരു ഒന്നൊന്നര ഓണം' കലൂർ Renewal centre-ൽ വെച്ച് ഏകദേശം 120-ഓളം വരുന്ന marian alumni ഫാമിലി മെമ്പേർസിനോടൊപ്പം ആഘോഷവും ആരവങ്ങളുമായി നടന്നു. കൊച്ചിൻ ചാപ്റ്ററിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം അതിന്റെ ഒരു നാഴിക കല്ല് കൂടിയാണ് ഈ ഓണാഘോഷം. അതിൽ പങ്കെടുത്ത ഓരോരുത്തരുടെയും മനസ്സും കണ്ണും കുളിർപ്പിച്ചു കൊണ്ടാണ് ആ ദിവസം അതിന്റെ പൂർണതയിൽ എത്തിയത്.

കുട്ടികളോടും കുടുംബത്തോടും കൂടി എത്തിയ അലൂംനിസ് അവരുടെ കോളേജ് ലൈഫ് ലെ ഓണാഘോഷം പഴയതും പുതിയതുമായ കുട്ടുകാരോടൊപ്പം ഒന്ന് കൂടെ ജീവിക്കുകയായിരുന്നു എന്ന് പറയുന്നതിൽ ഒട്ടും തന്നെ അതിശയോക്തിയില്ല.

Yes, it was like reliving the good old campus life all over again with the presence of our dearest Joshy John sir and Jojy George sir. Joshy sir and Jojy sir came all the way from their hometown to Cochin just for sharing some good times with their Marianites@Cochin. The participants were cordially welcomed at the venue by the sight of a grand Athapookkalam with the symbols of prosperity Nirapara & Nilavilakku. The master craftsman behind this Athapookkalam was Alan Joseph Padanilam (BCom 2006 - 09) along with his teammates who did a stupendous job!

The Day's events unfolded with the convenor address from the vibrant and beautiful Ms. Aleena Joshy, who is now the newly elected Secretary of Cochin Chapter.

The MC for the event was our sweet ever smiling and beautiful Jils Abhilash whose amazing energy engaged the audience throughout the programme. The very skillful entrepreneur Tintu Mathew (BCA 1998 - 01) had organised a very different craft workshop for the kids. She brought back the nostalgia of the 80s and 90s with olakannadi, ola watch for the kids. There was a huge Marian ചുണ്ടൻ വള്ളം crafted by her which was one of the main attraction of our stage. Also there was a വള്ളംകളി and a fashion show involving all the alumni kids. Kudos to her amazing dedication.

The stage was then handed over to the *most sought after RJ/Anchor in town*, The vibrant RJ Shambhu, our proud alumni for a felicitation speech. He expressed his utmost happiness in reconnecting with his dearest teachers and marianites. RJ Shambhu literally swept off the audience by his natural charm and amazing conversational skills.

Then came our chief guest for the event... ഇത് 'ഒരു ഒന്നാന്നര ഓണം' ആയതു കൊണ്ട് തന്നെ കൊച്ചിൻ ചാപ്റ്ററിനു ഒന്നിന് പകരം മൂന്നു മാവേലി മന്നന്മാരാണ് ഇത്തവണ വന്നത്. Our Alumni's kids Leo Joseph Sebash (S/o Anita Sebash BCom 2000 - 03), Anirudh Warriar (S/o Jils Abhilash BCA 1998 - 01) and Alden Alex (S/o Alex Eapen Tharakan BCom 2002 - 05) graced our stage

with their captivating cute expressions and a rollicking dance with their dearest RJ Shambhu chettan.

RJ initiated an audience quiz with a swag question and the quiz was then led by Lilin Shibin. Shibin Jose, Aswani Babu, Niti Singh, Mithun Dominic and Zara won gifts for the spot quiz. (Gift hampers sponsored by Palat).

Then was the turn for the melodious performances by our ever young & charming nightingale Anita Sebash. She began in style with sharing her fond memories at Marian and a song dedicated to those memories. Josin TJ (BCA 2007 - 10), our creative composer and vocalist, performed his own song and some duets with Anita that mesmerized the audience. To watch and listen to the duet between Anita and the young Joveena Anna (D/o Shibin & Lilin) was such a bliss. We also heard from Joshy sir and Jojy sir, who congratulated the alumni and the chapter. The finale was a series of energetic dance performances from our alumni's Gen-Z kids;

- Athena Dennis (D/o Dennis Devadas, MCom PGDBA 2003 - 05)
- Maria and Prisca (D/o Anita Sebash, BCom 2000 - 03)
- Isha Baker (D/o Asmin Baker, BCA 2004 - 07)
- Eva Tomson (D/o Anju Tomson BCA 2000-2003)
- Zanna and Zara (D/o Chintu Fabin BCA 2000 - 03)
- Johanna and Joveena (D/o Shibin & Lilin 2000 - 03)

Their performances were mesmerizing for the audience and blissful moments as well for their alumni parents. Though these kids were meeting for the first time, they awestruck the audience with a final dance performance together in unimaginable sync. This is where this quote becomes meaningful 'Some connections are not meant for a season but for a lifetime and may be even after that...'



The കുട്ടിമാവേലികൾ



Moments Captured, Memories Created





The highlight of the event was the delicious Onasadya which brought back the nostalgia of dining together like in our college days. The food committee did a commendable job by ensuring that everyone left with a happy tummy and a joyful mind.

The event not only celebrated the festival of Onam but also served as a platform for alumni to reconnect, reminisce, and create new memories. അങ്ങനെ ഓണ സദ്യ ഒക്കെ കഴിഞ്ഞു വടം വലിയോട് കൂടി ഓണകളികൾ ആരംഭിച്ചു. Seniors vs. Juniors. The Senior boys have proved their 'എട്ട് പത്ത് ഓണം കൂടുതൽ ഉണ്ടെന്ന്' experience' and won the competition against the junior boys. The senior girls surrendered before the love and strength of the junior girls.

രസകരമായ കുളം കര മത്സരത്തിൽ Anita Sebash, Zanna Lilly Rose എന്നിവർ വിജയകീരിടം ചൂടിയപ്പോൾ, കുട്ടികളുടെ കസേര കളിയിൽ Joveena Shibin, Zara Lilly Rose, Isha Baker എന്നിവർ വിജയിച്ചു.

**ഒരു ഒന്നൊന്നര ഓണം** എന്ന് പേര് നിർദ്ദേശിച്ച Dennis Devadasഉം **വന്നോണം ഉണ്ടോണം കൊച്ചിയിലെ മരിയനോണം** എന്ന tagline നിർദ്ദേശിച്ച Jinto Philipഉം Name Contest വിജയികളായി.

ഓണം themeൽ ഉള്ള അതിമനോഹരമായ ഫോട്ടോകൾ പങ്കുവെച്ചു Chintu Fabinഉം, Pratheek P Kumarഉം Photo Contest വിജയികളായി. Palat നൽകിയ gift hamper ആയിരുന്നു വിജയികളെ കാത്തിരുന്നത്.

സമ്മാനാർഹരായവർക്ക് Jojy George sir സമ്മാനദാനം നിർവഹിച്ചു.

എല്ലാവരും ഉറ്റു നോക്കിക്കൊണ്ടിരുന്ന Mega Lucky Draw ആയിരുന്നു അടുത്തത്, Opulent Hotels നൽകിയ One night stay - Athira Josephഉം, KLR Facility Management നൽകിയ One day stay for a family at RECCAA club - Neha Nelsonഉം (d/o Nelson Joseph) കരസ്ഥമാക്കി.

പിന്നെ ദേ വരുന്നു മലയാളി മജ and കേരള പുരുഷൻ മത്സരം, സൗന്ദര്യത്തിന്റെ കാര്യത്തിൽ ഒരു കശപിശ ഒഴിവാക്കാൻ അതും lucky draw തന്നെ ആക്കിയേക്കാം എന്ന് തീരുമാനിച്ചു. അങ്ങനെ മലയാളി മജയ്ക്കായി കാത്തിരുന്ന DIVAH നൽകിയ Anti Tarnish Jewellery - Lilin Thomas സ്വന്തമാക്കി. കേരള പുരുഷനെ കാത്തിരുന്ന interesting gift ആയ Kallarackal Ladies Collection നൽകിയ ₹2000 gift voucher - Jinto Philip അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ പ്രതിസൂയ വധുവിനായി കരസ്ഥമാക്കി.

ഒടുവിൽ ചായയോടൊപ്പം luvcutlet ന്റെ അടിപൊളി Kanthari Chicken Cutletഉം ഒക്കെ അകത്താക്കി, വൈകാതെ വീണ്ടും കാണാമെന്ന പ്രതീക്ഷയിൽ എല്ലാവരും പിരിയുകയായി.

സ്നേജിൽ പങ്കായത്തിനായി നമ്മുടെ കുട്ടിപ്പട്ടാളങ്ങൾ ചെറുതായി ഒരു ഓണതല്പും കൂടി നടത്തി, അങ്ങനെ Cochin Chapter ന്റെ 2023 ലെ ഒരു ഒന്നൊന്നര ഓണത്തിന് bye bye...



ക്രമീകരണങ്ങൾ വിജയകരമാക്കാൻ cash sponsorship ചെയ്ത Heaven Valley Resort Vagamon, Irohub Infotech, Woodcombine, Idcrex Online Accounting Services, Movemantor Education, furbishstore.com എന്നിവർക്ക് പ്രത്യേക നന്ദി രേഖപ്പെടുത്തുന്നു.







These photos capture only a fraction of the joy and excitement that we experienced during our Onam celebration. It was a memorable occasion to reconnect with old friends and make new ones, to share our stories and laughter, and to celebrate our relationships. It was fulfilling to see the kids having fun with newly made friends.

Looking forward to more of such venues to connect and reconnect.



## World Organic Youth Summit

*Jacob Jose (MMH 2007 - 09)*

Jacob Jose, Business Development Manager at Peermade Development Society (PDS) Organic Spices, made waves at the World Organic Youth Summit in Huelin County, Taiwan. His presentation focused on the commendable efforts of PDS Organic Spices in promoting organic agriculture. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to him.

## Commercial Champion

*Augustine K Benny (BBA 2017 - 21)*

On behalf of MAAK, we congratulate Augustine on his remarkable achievements in the Godrej Kaizen (Idea) Competition for the commercial employees of Godrej and Boyce across India in the fiscal year 2022 - 23. He has shown great initiative and creativity in executing three innovative ideas in the South Zone, covering six state branches. He has also earned the recognition as the Godrej and Boyce Commercial Champion for July.





## Golden Triumph

*Abhirami Santhosh (BA Applied Economics 2017 - 20)*

She has been honoured with a prestigious *Vidya Devi Agarwal Gold Medal* from India's Home Minister, Shri. Amit Shah, for securing the highest score in the final semester of MA Economics from Central University of Gujarat. This extraordinary achievement is a testament to Abhirami's unwavering dedication, hard work, and we congratulate her on this achievement.

## New Beginnings: A Fresh Start

*Tony Sunny (BBA 2017 - 21)*

Tony has embarked on an entrepreneurial journey by establishing 'TSK The Designing Hub' in Kanjirapally. This dynamic art firm offers a wide range of design services, turning dreams into reality. Tony's success is a source of pride for the MAAK community, and we extend our best wishes to him and his thriving venture.

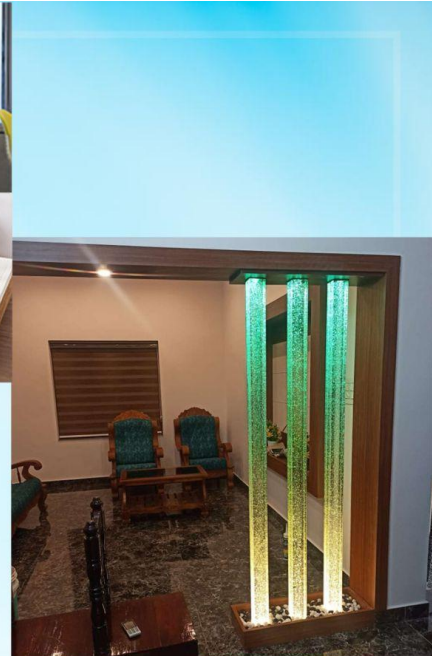
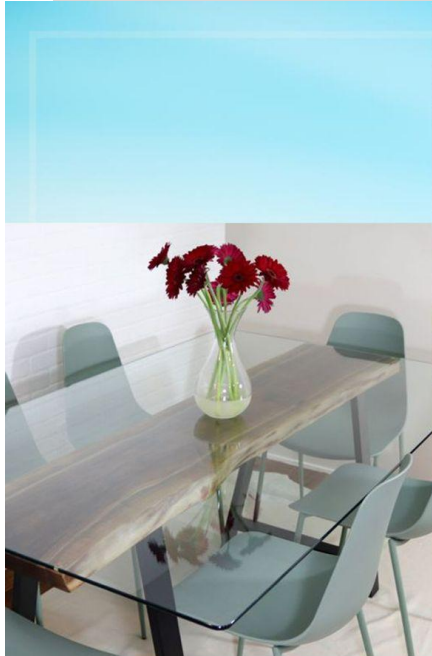




# Empowering Education

BBA 1998 - 01

To mark their 25th year of admission with Marian. The BBA 1998 - 01 alumni donated a laptop to a deserving student in the Department of Business Administration. Mr. Joseph K A, Mr. Saiju Michael, Ms. Shejila M Latheef, and Ms. Mellby Joseph presented it to Dr. Joshy John, Head of Department of Business Administration.



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# Internship Opportunities for MCom PG Students

*A Request for Assistance from  
Esteemed Alumni*

Season's Greetings from Marian  
College Kuttikkanam Autonomous,

Dear Esteemed Alumni,

I trust this message finds you in good health and high spirits. I want to take a moment to extend our heartfelt appreciation for the incredible mark you've left on our beloved alma mater.

As we continue our mission to pave way for more opportunities and growth for our MCom PG students, we are excited to reach out to you, our esteemed alumnus, for support. We are currently in search of internship opportunities for our 2nd-year MCom students (24 students). These internships will span a minimum of 3 months, with the possibility of extension up to 6 months,

commencing from the first week of January 2024.

We are turning to you with a humble request – Could you assist us in securing meaningful internship positions within well-reputed companies? Your involvement in this endeavor would have a profound impact on the futures of these young scholars.

Your continuous support has been instrumental in our progress, and for that, we are profoundly grateful. If you have any queries or require additional information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

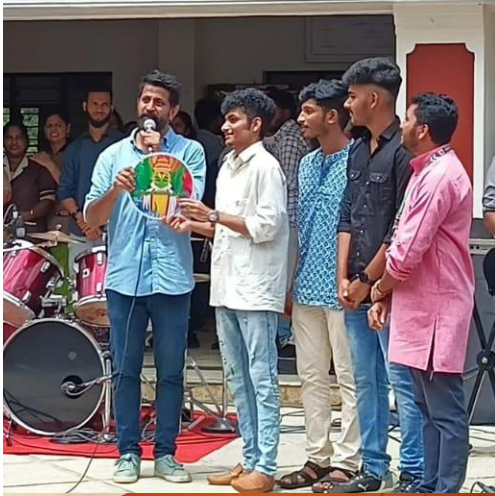
To streamline this process, we have set up a Google Form where you can provide information about potential internship openings. Your willingness to contribute to this effort would be greatly appreciated.

<https://forms.gle/kkT4iYieJH9q935u8>



Thank you from the depths of our hearts.





# Thakrithi '23

- ↑ Job Kurian inaugurates the Union and Arts Club by releasing Official Marian Onam song and begins the marvelous days of Onam celebration.
- ↑ Maveli with the Hostel പുലികൾ
- ↗ Mega Thiruvathira performed by 27 pretty ladies
- ↗ Proud winners of Payasam Making competition
- ↗ The 'Take the Rope' moment
- A candid shot of 'The Pillow-Fight competition'
- A mass groupfie with Maveli



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## Emotion vs. Competition

*Hearty congratulation to the winners*

*PG Boys - 1st MMH*

*PG Girls - 2nd MCA*

*UG Boys - 3rd BCA B*

*UG Girls - 3rd Bcom B*

For the last 2 years, MAAK has been the cash sponsor for Vadamvali champions in the college. Vadamvali is more than just a competition. This annual event during Onam at the college transforms into a powerful emotion. From early morning practices to the passion for victory, from our classmates cheering to standing face-to-face with opponents, and the electric energy fueled by the Onam song in the background, Vadamvali is nothing less than a heartfelt experience. It's a pivotal competition eagerly anticipated by every college student, where the energy and enthusiasm reach their peak.





# Marian College Students Shine Bright at 3rd Uzbekistan Open International Kickboxing Championship 2023

MAAK, with immense pride, extends heartfelt congratulations to the remarkable achievements of four Marian College students at the 3rd Uzbekistan Open International Kickboxing Championship 2023. What sets this accomplishment apart is that all four participants returned home with medals, bringing honor to our institution on the international stage. Arjun Prakash (3rd BCA B) and Sandra Raveendranath (3rd BSW B) secured two bronze medals each, Jilson Sebastian (3rd BCA B) earned one silver medal and one bronze medal, while Abel Joseph (3rd BBA A) proudly claimed two bronze medals. Their dedication and skill have truly made us proud at the global level.



Abel Joseph

Arjun Prakash

Jilson Sebastian

Sandra Raveendranath

# Rural Camp "Chalanam" Inspires Collaborative Learning and Community Engagement

*A rural camp by the School of Social Work for the 1st year MSW students.*

The School of Social Work at Marian College Kuttikkanam organized the rural camp, "Chalanam," for its 1st year MSW students at the Anchuruli Mannan Settlement, which spanned from August 7th to August 13th, 2023. The camp was graced by several distinguished individuals, including Sri Raman Raja Mannan, who inaugurated the camp. Notable attendees also included Mooppan Ayyappan, Old Mooppan Ayyappan, the Panchayath President, Community President Manil, HOD Ajesh Joseph, and esteemed faculty members. Throughout the week-long endeavor, the students engaged in a myriad of impactful activities, fostering both personal growth and community interaction. Notable undertakings included the construction of a waiting

shed, cleaning of roads and the volleyball court, beautification of the Anganawadi and Harithakarma Sena bin cleaning. The camp offered an opportunity for students to delve into the community's history, conducting a transect walk to explore the settlement's nuances. Additionally, cultural programs were held, creating a bridge between the students and the local community. The camp also emphasized the significance of rapport building within the community, ensuring a harmonious exchange of knowledge and understanding. The camp not only demonstrated the commitment of Marian College social work students to effect positive change but also exemplified the power of collaborative learning and community engagement.





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Bengaluru

One of the best ways to stay connected with MAAK is to come together for mini meetups when you are in town. These meetups are easy and informal gatherings where you can catch up with old friends and make new ones. Whether you graduated last year or decades ago, you are always welcome to come together for these meetups and celebrate your shared bond. Don't miss this chance to reconnect with your fellow alumni.

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Chennai





This month's Onam special edition is a continuation of the joyous celebrations from last month. The spirit of Onam still lingers, and we are thrilled to share that our alumni across the globe have embraced the festivities with open arms. In this edition, we have highlighted the grand celebrations of our Cochin and UAE chapters.



# Happy Reading!

We love to hear from our alumni and share their stories in MAAK BOOK. This newsletter is just a glimpse of the amazing things you are doing around the world. Whether you have achieved something remarkable, met up with old friends, found some nostalgic photos, or have some insights to share, we want to know. Please contact us if you want to contribute to our future editions and make this newsletter more valuable.

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