

SALT & PEPPER

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Newsletter of M.A. Rangoonwala Institute of Hotel Management and Research, Azam Campus, Pune- 411001



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Message from the Principal



Dear Students,
I am delighted to welcome you all to M. A. Rangoonwala Institute of Hotel Management & Research, a vibrant institution of learning and innovation.

Our constant endeavour is to provide a platform to our students to excel on all frontiers by taking up opportunities and accepting challenges. We are proud to have helped several students realise their dreams. The college has provided the hospitality and tourism industry with a steady flow of well groomed, young professionals of high quality, ready to serve the business.

I am pleased to present our newsletter 'Salt and Pepper', which reports on a wide range of multi-dimensional activities organised which instills self-belief and character building among students to become good human beings and responsible citizens of our great nation.

The hard work of the editorial team is appreciated.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



'Orientation Day' was organised for students of First Year, 2019-2020 batch and their parents on, 8th July 2019. Mr. Viral Jasani, Director of human resources, Sheraton Grand, Pune addressed the students. Mr. Vipul Mehta, Managing Director, Kareer Krafters India Pvt. Ltd spoke about career opportunities in the hospitality industry across Australia, New Zealand, Germany and other countries.

'Market Visit' was conducted for First year students to Shivaji Market, Camp on 20th July 2019. Students were shown the raw material used in Kitchen through market round of fruit, vegetables, chicken, fish, mutton, beef and grocery stores.



A guest lecture was organised on soft skills for the students on 01st August 2019. Ms. Madhurita Dutta Choudhury, Learning and Development Manager, Ibis Hotels was the guest speaker who addressed the students.



The Final year and the Second year students had organized the Fresher's Party on 10th August 2019. The theme for the party was "Masquerade". The event began with various performances prepared by the students. The party was filled with excitement, joy, music, enthusiasm, laughter and happiness. The event was coordinated by Student's Council and Cultural Team.

An Innovative Sandwich making Competition for the Third year Students on 20th August 2019, with students making sandwiches from different countries; the breads used were also made by the students.



A guest lecture on Gueridon service on 26th August 2019 for the third-year students. Gueridon service is distinguished by the fact that the food is cooked or completed tableside in front of the guests. Mr. Pankaj Katyal, Restaurant Manager, Conrad Hilton demonstrated the preparation of Caesar Salad.

An Industrial canteen visit was organised for the second year students to Mega Meal Magarpatta Hadapsar on 6th September 2019.



A demonstration on Banquet Booking Software was conducted on 20th September 2019, at Sheraton Grand Pune for third year students. The session was conducted by Senior Sales Manager, Jaytika Sahani. The session was informative and beneficial to the students.

A session on 'Flower Arrangement Demonstration' by Ms. Smita Kumthekar was conducted for the second year students on 21st September 2019. The students were told about various styles of flower arrangements and their principles.



A bar visit was conducted on 25th September, 2019 to Iron Bar 'n' Grill at Ishanya Mall for the second year students. A demonstration on cocktails and lecture on wines were conducted.

A quiz competition, with the theme 'Incredible India', was organized for the students in order for the celebration of World Tourism Day on 27th September 2019. The participating teams were Bajirao Mastani (First Year), Shaan e Punjab (Second Year) and The Nawabs (Third Year). It was The Nawabs that conquered and won.



A "Nursery Visit" visit was organised for the second year students at the Empress Botanical Garden on 28th September 2019. The students got an in-depth view of all the various plants available which could be utilized by the hotels.

The students had participated in the Thai Master Class organized by Hyatt Pune on 16th October 2019. Expat Chef Ms. Sunee Chaichan demonstrated her Signature Thai Cuisine dishes and shared her expertise with the students. Students also got a chance to cook along with the Chef Sunee.



A guest lecture was organised on the topic "Necessity of Soft Skills in the Hospitality Industry" for the first-year students on 9th December 2019. Mr. Prathamesh Panchal, Learning & Development Manager of Novotel Pune was the guest speaker for the lecture.

A guest lecture conducted on the topic Energy Conservation on 18th December 2019. Ms. Erum Kazi was the guest speaker for the day and addressed the students for the same.



A hotel orientation visit was organized for the first year students at J.W. Marriott on 03rd January 2020. The objective of the visit was to understand the working of a 5 star property and the policies & procedures followed by them.

A workshop was conducted for the students of all years on 16th January 2020. The workshop was conducted by Academy of Pastry Arts India. Madeleine (French Butter Cakes) were baked. Tempering of chocolate was demonstrated as well.



A guest lecture on the topic Importance of Training & Development in the Hospitality Industry was conducted for the students of all years on 23rd January 2020. Ms. Madhurima Sarkar, Quality & Training Manager, Sheraton Grand Pune was the guest speaker for the lecture.

First year students had organized the Farewell for the final year students on 29th February 2020. Event began with various performances prepared by the students. The event was coordinated by the student council and cultural team under.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

National Service Scheme students participated in 'Guinness World Record for Largest number of Neem Sapling Distribution' organized by Savitribai Phule Pune University on Sunday, 23rd June 2019.



Students, Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff had participated in 'No Tobacco Pledge' directed by Government of Maharashtra under National Service Scheme, Savitribai Phule Pune University on Thursday, 11th July 2019.

The 15th Anniversary since the establishment was celebrated on 13th July 2019 at the dining hall in the presence of parents, students, teaching and non-teaching staff. The event was celebrated by cutting the cake and service of refreshments especially prepared for the occasion by the students.



125th anniversary of Swami Vivekananda's lecture at Chicago at the World Parliament of Religions was celebrated. Swami Krupaghanand associated with Ramkrishna Math, Pune addressed the students on the teachings of Swami Vivekananda on 27th July 2019.

Students performed the cleaning of the College premises on Wednesday, 07th August 2019. The activity was organized as a part of the 'Swachha & Swastha Bharat Abhiyan Pakhwada' under National Service Scheme of Savitribai Phule Pune University.



A session was organized on 'Organ Donation Lecture' in association with National Service Scheme, Savitribai Phule Pune University on Friday, 09th Aug 2019. Session started with a short film. Mr. Vitthal Shinde - Central Coordinator from Zonal Transplant Coordination Committee (ZTCC) Pune spoke on the importance, process & legal aspects of organ donation. He also answered queries of the audience.

An organ donation awareness drive was conducted on 19th August 2019 to celebrate 'World Organ Donation' day under the National Service Scheme, Savitribai Phule Pune University. The students went to various institutes to make other fellow students aware of the same.



A guest lecture for all students, faculty members & non-teaching staff on 'Personal Financial Planning' was organized on 31st August 2019. Mr. Gaurav Pawale, Circle Head, HDFC Life, Pune and Mr. Chetan Nare, Deputy Manager - Learning & Development, HDFC Life, Pune introduced the concept of Personal Financial planning, types of instruments and how it helps to achieve our personal goals in life.

A guest lecture was conducted on Abroad Internship & Placement on 2nd September 2019 by Mr. Vaibhav Gupte, Regional Head from Jojo International, Mumbai for the Second & Third Year students.



An activity titled 'Save the Environment: Tree plantation and maintenance' was organized under the National Service Scheme, Savitribai Phule Pune University on 21st September 2019 at Anandvan in Kondhwa.

Rajasthani Theme Lunch, Padhara Sa was organized by the Second Year students on 24th September 2019. The Theme lunch highlighted the rich culture, traditions, dresses and culinary masterpieces of Rajasthan.



Vachan Prerana Din' in the remembrance of our beloved late President of India, Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam on 15th October 2019 on his birth anniversary. The winners and participants were awarded certificates and books.

Students, Teaching & Non-Teaching Staff celebrated National Unity Day by taking 'Rashtriya Ekta Shapath' directed by Government of India under National Service Scheme, Savitribai Phule Pune University on Thursday, 31st October 2019.

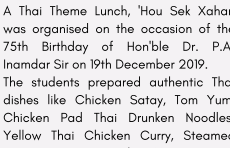


NSS Social Service Activity was conducted on the occasion of 550th Guru Nanak Jayanti on 12th November 2019. The students participated in the Langar to serve the people at the Gurudwara, Ganesh Peth, Pune.

On the occasion of World AIDS Day on 01st December 2019, the National Service Scheme wing organized an activity. The students came forward and delivered speeches for the same to create awareness among the students and staff of the college.



On 10th December 2019, a session on Study Abroad Opportunities, IELTS and Scholarship were discussed and explained by IDP Education Pvt. Ltd. for the Third Year students.



A Thai Theme Lunch, 'Hou Sek Xahar' was organized on the occasion of the 75th Birthday of Hon'ble Dr. P.A. Inamdar Sir on 19th December 2019. The students prepared authentic Thai dishes like Chicken Satay, Tom Yum, Chicken Pad Thai Drunken Noodles, Yellow Thai Chicken Curry, Steamed Jasmine Rice, Sticky Mango Rice, Khonom and many more.



Students and Staff participated in the 31st National Road Safety Week by organizing 'Road Safety Walkathon 2020' on Friday, 17th January 2020 from Azam Campus, Camp to Hotel Aurora Towers, M.G. Road. The college also distributed pamphlets to commuters on road safety rules as laid down by Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act 2019.

Staff and students participated in the Fit India Movement by organising 'Fit India Walkathon 2020' on Saturday, 18th January 2020.



This activity was conducted under the directives of Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Department of Youth Affairs and Directorate of NSS, New Delhi, Government of Maharashtra, Directorate of NSS, Pune and Savitribai Phule Pune University's National Service Scheme.



A lecture on stress management was organised for the non-teaching staff on 23rd Jan, 2020. Asst. Prof. Aruna Tompe conducted the session.

Republic Day was Celebrated at Azam Campus on 26th January 2020. The NSS Unit had taken the duty and responsibility of distributing refreshments to all campus staff at the badminton court, Azam Campus.



Cultural Week was celebrated from 10th February 2020 to 14th February 2020. Various themes such as Twin Day, Mismatch Day, Halloween Day and Traditional Day were followed. The week ended with fun filled games and activities for the students.



National Service Scheme (NSS) unit participated in the rally on the occasion of 'Chhatrapati Shivaji Jayanti' from Azam Campus to Lal Mahal on 19th February 2020 to spread the teachings of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj to the society.

A State Level Seminar on "MSME ENTREPRENEURIAL START UP OPPORTUNITIES" was organised on 26th February 2020. Prof. Dr. Aftab Anwar Shaikh- Principal, Poona College of Arts, Science and Commerce and Mr. Ashok Soman-Senior Faculty, Allana Institute of Management Sciences, were the speakers for the seminar.



Accor Hotels conducted a session on Take Off challenge on 28th February 2020, which is a world wide competition. Mr. Prathamesh Panchal, Learning and Development Manager Novotel Pune and Ms. Madhurita Dutta Chowdhury, Cluster Learning and Development Manager, Ibis Viman Nagar, Ibis Hinjewadi and Ibis

Nashik were present at M.A.Rangoonwala Institute of Hotel Management and Research to promote the take off challenge.

A Front Office Quiz was conducted on 28th February 2020 for the students of all years. Four groups participated in the competition. The first prize was bagged by the Third Year team where as the second and third positions were won by the First Year teams.



SPORTS ACTIVITIES



The 2nd M.A. Rangoonwala Badminton League was played from 16th September through to 19th September 2019. The opening ceremony and the trophy unveiling ceremony were done by our Chief Guest Mr. Subramaniam Shivaramkrishnan, Founder and Chief Managing director of White Shuttle Badminton Academy. The tournament showed a display of great skills and talent amidst the participants. The closing ceremony had Mr. Amit Kumar Sharma, General Manager, Amanora The Fern Hotel & Club and Ms. Omera Shah, Asst. HR Manager, Amanora The Fern Hotel & Club as the Chief Guests who gave away the medals and prizes to the winners.



The 12th T10 M A Rangoonwala Cricket Tournament was played from 6th January through to 9th January 2020. The opening ceremony and the trophy unveiling ceremony were performed in the presence of our Chief Guest Mr. Shakil M Shaikh, State Level Cricket Coach. The tournament displayed an array of enthusiasm, talent, teamwork and joy. The closing ceremony had Mr. Rishi Chopra, General Manager Sheraton Grand Pune as the Chief Guest. He appreciated the organizers for conducting the tournament and also congratulated the teams of the final match. Mr. Swaroopnand Kannur, BCCI Panel Umpire was the Guest of Honor and shared his expertise with the players.

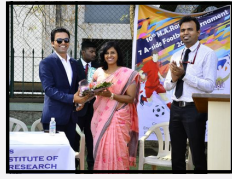


After a hard fought victory against Hyatt Pune, Hotel Centurion stood victorious and were declared as the winners of the 12th T10 M. A. Rangoonwala Cricket Tournament 2020.





The 10th 7-A-Side M.A. Rangoonwala Football Tournament was played from 03rd February 2020 through to 06th February 2020. The opening ceremony and the trophy unveiling ceremony were performed in the presence of Mr. Surajit Bose, Former Indian International Player. The tournament showed a display of enthusiasm, determination, talent, teamwork and joy. Mr. Anuj Yadav, Human Resources Manager, Conrad Pune was the Chief Guest and Mr. Suryakant Kamane, Head Coach Maharashtra BC Roy National Team was the Guest of Honour for the closing ceremony. Dr. D.Y.Patil Institute of Hotel Management & Catering Technology took the final victory and were crowned as the Champions of The 10th 7-A-Side M.A. Rangoonwala Football Tournament.



ACHIEVEMENTS

A Felicitation program was organised on 23rd September 2019 for the students that got selected for OCER program by The Oberoi Group of Hotels.

The following students are selected:



- ARuthvij Jadhav - Housekeeping Department.
- Aqeel Shaikh - Food and Beverage Department.
- Wynnona Lazarus - Front Office Department.
- Nikhil Walimbe - Front Office Department.
- Prakash Singh - Housekeeping Department.



On 5th October 2019 The Principal of M.A. Rangoonwala Institute of Hotel Management and Research, Dr. Anita Frantz was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy degree by Savitribai Phule Pune University.

Malaika Joseph & Shubham Mule; Final Year students participated in the Cluster level i-2e competition organised on 15th December 2019 under the Centre of Innovation, Incubation and Enterprise of Savitribai Phule Pune University.



Prof.Dr. Anita Frantz, Principal, received the P.A. Inamdar Excellence Award-2019 at the hands of Hon'ble Dr. Rajendrasinh (Magsaysay Awardee) on 26th December 2019 on the occasion of 75th Birthday celebrations of Hon'ble Dr.P.A.Inamdar, President M.C.E. Society and chairman H.G.M.A.E.T at Azam Campus, Pune.

Students of the First Year participated in the Rotary Water Olympiad 2020 organised by Rotary Club of Pune and Savitribai Phule Pune University. Saud Chowdhary and Harshada Dherange from First Year bagged the third prize for Project/Paper Presentation.



More than 70 innovative projects by UG and PG students and 47 school children from 16 districts of Maharashtra were a part of the final round. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Savitribai Phule Pune University, Prof. (Dr.) Nitin R Karmalkar and Hon'ble Ms. Pratima Kirloskar from Kirloskar Brothers Ltd. were the chief guests for the award ceremony.



EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

'Basic Catering Training' for Food Safety Supervisor under FoSTaC, FSSAI, New Delhi was conducted at Chef's Corner, Pune on 22nd February 2020. Asst. Prof. Arun Deokar was the Trainer for the session and Asst Prof Puneet Basson was the Assessor.



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ALUMNI

Alumni Meet 2020 was organised on 27th February 2020. An initiative taken by the college in order to reunite and meet with many of our graduate students after a long time to rekindle with each other.



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