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Dear Reader

You have to accept my sincere apologies for the delayed issue of JAAI Newsletter. I shall strive to get my act together for early publication of next issue. It is indeed ironical not to publish this Newsletter once a quarter; even a lean issue would bring to you the news of overzealous and hard working alumni associations across the country.

I personally called up our GC members in all the provinces to gather information on activities conducted in their respective provinces, and no sooner was I flooded with their activity reports. The activities carried out by various associations were so encouraging and motivating that they would revitalize any inactive association to come out of the slumber and enjoy the fruits of networking through alumni, Social service getting preference at almost all associations, invariably prompts us to be a part of noble cause which we otherwise may not be able to carry out as an individual. School centric activities also get prominence in alumni itinerary.

A special feature on Mr. Shiv Nadar and his contribution to his alumni have been highlighted.

A special section on upcoming WUJA congress in Medellin should motivate us to be part of the Grand Congress.

Please keep sending us activity reports of your associations, as next issue onwards they only will form part of the Newsletter. Any extraordinary contributions from individuals financial or otherwise can also be highlighted

Happy reading

Anil Chugh

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INDIA NEWS

DNPSAA - Darjeeling

1. EYE CHECK UP CAMP- in past six months Soxa in association With Sunetra Family Eye Care Centre Kolkata under Guidance of Dr. Amitava Biswas organised several successful free eye checkup camps which benefited several poor people in the locality.

2. FINANCIAL AID TO EX-TEACHER - Our Ex-Teacher Mr. K.P.Mitra Was Given Financial Help Of 15000/- For His Medical Treatment.

3. INTER-SCHOOL ELOCUTION CONTEST - Fr. E . Stolleni elocution contest was organised in St.Xavier's School, in which SOXA contributed medals, cash prize among the winners and judges were felicitated. In memory of late Mr. M.K. Biswas Soxa organised inter school extempore.

4. SOXA OFFICE- The association now has a permanent office in the school premises. The office is now functional and all its activities are now being conducted from the new office.

Our SOXA New Delhi Chapter, with approx 100 members are meeting on 10.02.2013 for launch of the Delhi Chapter formally with all enthusiasm in the August presence of current Principal Fr. Jesu Benji, S.J. and ex-Principal Fr. Anthony Gatt, S.J.

On 14th July 2012, we had the AGM of the Association. In the AGM we felicitated Mr. Manuel Coutinho for his service to NP. Then we felicitated Edith Wilkins Street Children's Trust for their service towards underprivileged and homeless/street Children. Mr. Ashish Subba an executive of DNPSAA who is a labour officer, was also felicitated for his effort in rescuing children under forced and bonded labour.

On 14th August 2012 we celebrated the pre-Independence day with the boys at NP. This year we organized a rock concert in school for the boys. This is to create a bond between the old boys and the present north pointers

so that they may understand the value of being constantly in connection with their alma matter and be encouraged to be a part of the Alumni association after they pass out from the school. That they may carry the values and the spirit of North Point for life and use it meaningfully.

On 27th September we had the 15th Chandulal Memorial and 10th DNPSAA Quiz. About forty schools from the entire district participated in this event. It was a grand success. We plan to have and even grand quiz this year to mark the 125th anniversary of our alma matter, but funds have always been a problem in organizing such events on a big scale.

On 14th November 2012 we set up a disco stall in the NP Fancy Fete in order to generate funds for the school.

At present the Alumni in association with the school is running the winter camp. This camp is for the underprivileged children. More than four hundred children from poor families and disadvantaged group take part in the month long camp where they are taught different subjects, value education classes are conducted and a variety of activities like games, singing, dancing and dramatics are organized for them to enjoy and learn and derive benefits from the facilities at NP.



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Loyala Alumni Association - Jamshedpur

Silver Jubilee of Saturday Free Clinic

The LAA Saturday Free Clinic (SFC) was started in 1987. On July 4, 2012, we completed 25 years of uninterrupted service. In these two and a half decades and 1560 clinics, we have treated, by a conservative estimate, more than 1,25,000 patients. It has functioned without a break whether it was Diwali, Dussehra, Eid or Christmas, and even during the riots.

To commemorate this milestone achievement LAA plans to conduct Health Camps for 5 Project Schools in the coming months as part of its celebration of 25 years of Service for the Underprivileged.

The 1st Health camp was organised for the students of the Loyola Project School on 18th of July, and 25th of July 2012. The Loyola Project School caters to children from the not so privileged sections of society. More than 1000 students benefited from this Camp.



The 2nd Health Camp was organised for students of Bal Vihar and Carmel Project School on 25th of September, 2012. Health checkup and medicines were provided to a total of 519 students. Three more camps at various Project schools are scheduled to be held between January & March 2013.

Mentor Time at Loyola

What makes the **Loyala Alumni Association** unique is that its members are not just Corporate Czars ready to write out fat cheques for their alma mater in a bid to pay off their debt to the institution that nurtured them. LAA has always come up with initiatives that are "**Zara Hat Ke**" Faced with the challenge of keeping children engaged when teachers go on leave and not wanting to burden the other teachers with additional classes, the school management approached LAA for suggestions and the members came up with the idea of volunteering their time for the school and its students. And suddenly '**free periods**' have taken on a whole new

meaning.

Many alumni members have stepped forward to take classes, and have gone beyond conventional lessons to guide students on choosing the right - Career or shared motivational **mantras** with them or trained them on public speaking or quizzed them on General Knowledge or even shared an unforgettable experience from their own lives. The idea is to **broaden students' horizons** and open new windows of thinking in their minds.

The initiative though in its teething stage has already produced multiple benefits. It has not only given the alumni a unique platform to pay back their alma mater, it has also helped them connect with the **current generation** and share their knowledge. Also, it has infused a sense of pride in the students when they see their school alumni so successful in life and so generous in giving back to society. We can now bask in the satisfaction that we have become true **role models** for the younger generation.

Career Counseling Program

LAA along with Loyola School hosted a "Career Counseling" program for 10th Std. Students and their Parents on 9th of November 2012. Three of our Alumnus Mr. Deepak Kamath, Mr. Pratim Banerjee & Mr. Manish Mishra were among the Six Speakers for the Program.

Scholarship for Underprivileged

LAA has started Scholarship Program for Two deserving students from Underprivileged SC / ST, studying BBA – at XITE, Gamharia. Under this Scholarship program, LAA has initiated Scholarship amount of Rs.30,000 per student per year. Fr. E. A. Augustine SJ, Director, XITE received the Scholarship amount on 10th November, 2012.

Loyola College Guides

Loyola College Guides was introduced by LAA in 2006, wherein every passing batch gets a list of Alumni volunteers who help out in Course selection, College / Hostel admissions in various Institutions in India & Abroad. The 2012 edition has 78 volunteers from 45 different institutions and 29 locations. This

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INDIA NEWS



TOXA, TEXAS & APX - Ahmedabad

The Association of Past Xavierites (APX), the Alumni Association of the St. Xavier's High School Loyola Hall (Ahmedabad) hosted its annual cultural event, the GARBA, to celebrate Navratri, on Saturday, 20th Oct.

The turnout of over 14,000 people included students, staff, alumni members, friends and guests. The APX sponsors the students of the school as well as students of the Mt. Carmel girls school. It was a sight to see the huge turnout celebrate this popular festival NAVRATRI, dressed in their traditional best and dancing to the tunes of the popular GARBA songs and music. The program started at 7.30pm and went on till midnight. Such programs highlight and showcase the joint harmonious efforts of the management, staff, students and alumni members, the success reflects the unity and the brand name of the Institute as well as the Alumni association. Also, the sponsorships and the ticket sales amount is much more than the costs for hosting this event and APX gives this amount every year to the School management, on an average this comes to a minimum of Rs.5 lacs, this year the amount is over Rs.5.50 lacs.(APX hosts this program for 1 evening only)

The TOXA (The Old Xavierites Association, St. Xaviers College Ahmedabad) and TEXAS (The Ex Xavierites Association of Surat) also hosted their annual GARBA program on 20th and 21st October. Many rural Institutes across Gujarat Province have had these GARBA programs, which go a long way in establishing a strong rapport between the management, staff, students, alumni and the local citizens, besides celebrating one of the most popular festivals NAVRATRI

As a follow up and aftermath of the last WUJA Congress in Burundi, students from Burundi were welcomed to study in India, this was an initiative by JAAI during the Congress.

Three students from Bujumbura, Burundi are currently studying in the St. Xaviers College Ahmedabad. The local alumni (APX and TOXA) helped them with the paperwork, procuring admission, and taking initiative and offering financial assistance. The total finances required (including college fees, hostel and food fees) for the entire duration of their course would be approximately 3 lacs, for all the 3 students. The local alumni associations (JAAG) have pledged half of this amount and the remaining half, that is 1.50 lacs (50000 per year) would be furnished, most noble decision taken during the JAAI GC meeting in Bangalore on 23rd Sept.

- Shapath Shah, GC Member, shapathgshah@yahoo.com



St. Stanislaus
Ex-Students Association
Born for greater things
Living the motto in all walks of life



Sesquicentenary (150 Years) Celebrations at Stanislaus High School Mumbai

There are several events planned for this grand milestone.

Inter School Hockey Tournament - 29 to 30 January 2013

The tournament will be inaugurated by the Provincial of the Bombay Province, Fr. Vernon D'cuna SJ on 29th January at 8 am. Eight teams each will compete in the Boys Under 12 & 14 and Girls Under 14. The event culminates in an exhibition match between an Ex-students team and a Mumbai selection team on 30th January at 3.30 pm. The Chief Guest for the evening will be our alumnus and former Olympian Mr. Francis D'mello.

Inter School Elocution Competition - 4 February 2013

Ten schools (so far) will participate in the Junior (5-6 Std.), Intermediate (7-8 Std.) and Senior (9th Std.) sections in the School Auditorium between 10am to 1pm.

Republic Day Parade

The first ever Schools Republic Day Parade was memorable for the kids who participated in it and for all those who lined Hill Road (Ramdas Nayak Road) to witness the parade. 17 Schools from Bandra and over 600 kids participated in the parade.

Sesquicentenary Memorabilia

On the occasion of our schools 150 years, memorabilia like a limited edition Gold Coin, T-shirts and Umbrellas are available. Please contact the SSES Office at the numbers below for details.

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Myanmar Diary



Fr. Kinley Tshering, our new Provincial of Darjeeling Jesuit Province and I went together to Myanmar by Druk Air on Nov.10th and 11th via Thailand, staying one night with Daniel Windsor in the capital of Bangkok. Fr. Kinley could only afford to be away from his work for 3 days. I stayed there till 17th November.

The capital of Burma is now called Yangon. It is much like any other big city except for its huge and beautiful Pagodas all shining in gold during the very hot sunny days. We visited many sections of the city but the blazing heat had my head looking for shelter for I was afraid for the first time in my life of suffering from a heat stroke. I should have brought an umbrella with me. I was quite taken up one day visiting a place where many people were working on painting lacquer ware metal bowls of all sizes, plates etc. They were also teaching people to learn this kind of handicraft. They get every metal object, big and small, finished in various colours in a matter of moments, something tourists love to buy for they are very beautifully done and so quickly done. One person asked to be allowed to paint my right thumb nail in a gold colour. I allowed him to do so, but fortunately it only lasted for two days.

I am sorry I can't describe this lacquer ware work properly, but even children do it so well and sell things so quickly, one would think no one in Myanmar (formerly called BURMA) should be poor. It was really fantastic.

After three days we moved up to an area of the country farther north called Bagan. All of us were struck by the beauty of the area. The land is criss-crossed by tiny waterways on which you can travel all over in small motorised skiffs, five people sitting in a line, can travel swiftly for long distances. The surrounding land is very fertile for growing delicious vegetables and fruit trees of all kinds. I am not a vegetable lover but here they were so tasty. The evening entertainments while eating were beyond description. Singers and dancers moved swiftly on the broad branches of huge, huge tall

trees above us and suddenly be among our tables on the ground, carrying fiery objects in their hands.

We were so mesmerized, we could hardly eat. Then suddenly they would be back up in the trees above us again. The singing was superb the whole time. Some were also carrying and playing musical instruments as they danced along.

The whole programme of 7 days was organized by an old Loreto girl, Paula Helfrich and her 42 year old daughter, Laurien, who looked about 20. They had never done anything like this before in their whole lives. The only difficult thing was the 5 a.m. wake up calls so the buses could take us to a new place and a new experience. They had done a remarkable job and we cannot but be grateful to both of them.

When in Yangon (formerly Rangoon) we lived in a hotel along a lake side. Across the lake we could see the red roofed house of San Suu Kyi where she was under house arrest for many, many years something like 25 years or so. The lake was the one an American had swam across some eight years before, causing another imprisonment for 8 years for her even though she never spoke to him. He is still in prison apparently.

I had been in Burma about 7 years ago when Raymond Htun (the only non military Minister in the Govt and an NP alumnus) held the post of Foreign Minister and he had sent me a Visa. This time with a democratic election, it is totally a different country. For 50 years under Military rule, it seemed to be a dead country. I was the only occupant in a huge Hotel and hardly any other tourist in the city that I was aware of except for a few Japanese.

Now I would certainly recommend a guided tour for it is now a happy land indeed and a very beautiful one too and the people are very friendly. You will not regret it.

- Fr. Gerard Van Wallegem, Mercuryvan@gmail.com



PAYBACK



Padma Bhushan Shri Shiva Nadar, the iconic chairman of HCL, the 7th richest Indian and the 15th richest man as per Forbe's list, took his alma mater by surprise by making a visit after 50 years and was moving humbly, without any paraphernalia. He made a visit to St Joseph's College High School, Tiruchirapalli, during February 2011, along with his younger



brother, Professor Dr.S. Balakrishnan, who is the associate dean at American University and also an alumnus at St. Joseph's College Higher Secondary School.

Mr. Shiva Nadar spent almost half a day breathing the air of nostalgia in the campus of St Joseph's High School. He addressed more than 3500 students and mixed freely with them; clad in a casual white kurta and pyjama, he was a symbol of simplicity and humbleness. Pleased with the efforts of Reverent Headmaster in retrieving his (Shiva Nadar's) school attendance records and merit records, he expressed his appreciations for the thoughtful gesture and the efforts of the Jesuits behind it. He also paid a visit to Lawley hall; as he got on to the stage, he was heaving a sigh of thanks and awe for the firstever opportunity he got in addressing a large audience. He said that being the school pupil

leader in his school days honed up his leadership skills and laid the ground for him to inspire others and be a leader at later stages of his life. He said that there were days when computer was considered as rich man's asset;

but he and his team dared to break this myth by slashing the price by their efforts and innovation, making it easily

affordable to common people. This has been proved by HCL being the biggest vendor of Tamil nadu

government's scheme of distributing laptops to school students.

In addition to sponsoring 350 computers to the school, one another great effort made by Mr. Shiv Nadar is, his making a annual grant of Rs 25Lakhs for training the teachers and keeping them updated by

facilitating them to take up the latest techniques.

Mr. Shiva Nadar expressed his pride in being an alumnus of St Joseph's College Higher Secondary School which has produced many other illustrious alumni from the same campus including the living legend Bharata Ratna Dr A. P.J .Abdul Kalam, the renowned nuclear physicist, father of Indian space research and former president of Republic of India



All the students of St Joseph's College Higher Secondary School were motivated and awestruck by the humble Corporate Leader - his simplicity and grass rooted approach. To them, he was the embodiment of success - starting his public speaking as a pupil leader at school to reaching the position of a successful business leader and a revered philanthropist.

-Chenthil Kumar, G.C. Member, chenthil@chenthilca.net



Personality



Indian Spokesperson at 8th WUJA World Congress Medellin



Swati Gautam

Swati Gautam hails from the land that has practiced unity in diversity through thousands of years India.

Born in Gujarat (Western India), Swati schooled in Dehradun and Punjab (Northern India), and graduated from St Xavier's College, Kolkata (Eastern India) with a major in Political Science. She is comfortable in 7 languages: Hindi, English, Bengali, Sanskrit, Punjabi, Gujarati and Marwari.

Swati did her Masters in broadcasting from the University of Sheffield, UK.

She has also been a faculty member at St Xavier's College, Calcutta for 5 years where she imparted communication and media related content to graduate students.

Swati is a keen contributor to the leading English dailies of India: The Statesman, The Telegraph, The Times of India, the Pioneer and many more. She has also edited and co-authored two Coffee Table books, one of which was on the journey of her Alma Mater St Xavier's College into its sesquicentennial year. She is currently involved in her third book on Calcutta.

Fresh out of College, Swati set up what is today India's only customized lingerie brand:

Necessity-SwatiGautam. In doing so she's reaching out to impoverished and marginalized women by equipping them with much needed skills and further more, by providing them employment too.

Swati is widely traveled and has been the recipient of Rotary Internationals Group Study Exchange. She was also chosen to participate in a specialized entrepreneurship programme led by Prof John Mullins - then Chair of London Business Schools Entrepreneurship Center.

Building on her Indian heritage and Jesuit values, Swati is also a Governing Body member of Howrah South Point - an NGO led by Fr Francis Laborde - that has 9 centers and 8 schools that touch the lives of tens of thousands of children and adults who are in need of education, health facilities, disability support and much more.

Having been a motivator whoking, Swati hopes to channelise her oratory into lighting a little lamp at the WUJA World Congress at Medellin, for, she believes that the mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be kindled. Having been a motivator whoking, Swati hopes to channelise her oratory into lighting a little lamp at the WUJA World Congress at Medellin, for, she believes that the mind is not a vessel to be filled but a fire to be kindled.

Heroic Leadership Principles for Lasting Success

By Chris Lowney - A Review of the book - by Ronald Dcosta

The Jesuits are marching inexorably towards their 500th year, in contrast to the 16 companies out of 100 in America that have celebrated a century. Founded in 1540 by ten men with no capital and no business plan the Jesuits built, within little more than a generation, the world's most influential company of its kind. They successfully grappled with vital challenges that confronted other companies forging seamless multi-national teams, motivated inspired performance and adapted to change as depicted in the book "Heroic Leadership" by Chris Lowney.

Chris Lowney - after having lived for seven years in the Jesuit seminary in preparation to be a Jesuit in Rome transitioned into a corporate man and joined J P Morgan, a prestigious financial consulting firm.

The Jesuits were launched into an environment that even four centuries ago was very much like the current business environment. Gutenberg's printing press made books a luxury

item more accessible. Traditional approaches and belief systems were questioned by Protestant reformers. It's no great surprise that the organizational architects of the Jesuit company had the ability to innovate, to remain flexible and to adapt, to think globally and to take risks - the qualities that modern companies value in today's similarly tumultuous environments.

Jesuits did not become successful leaders by adhering to their religious beliefs but by their way of living and working. The four leadership principles that made all the difference are **self-awareness, ingenuity, love and heroism**. The Jesuit formula for taking on real-world opportunities with real-world leadership strategies saw the maxim "Work as if success depended on your own efforts - but trust as if all depended on God." Loyola's successor Diego Lainez was more blunt: "We are tempting God when we expect miracles. One who lacks common sense cannot hope to be a success merely by praying for it."



Chris Lowney

Loyola was convinced that we performed our best in supportive, encouraging and positively charged environments and encouraged his manager to create environments filled with greater love than fear. Love strengthens by embracing all talents, it binds individuals into

loyal, supportive teams.

Self-awareness, an on-going, everyday habit of self-reflection, is an opportunity to measure life against, and perhaps re-define, one's principles and goals. It builds indifference to material ownership which leads to the rooting out of provincialism, fear, attachment, prejudice, aversion to risk and to change. It encourages the quality of ingenuity. This enables one to find opportunities and solutions to every problem.

Loyola exhorted the Jesuit trainees to conceive great ideas and elicit the best results. He did not encourage "commonplace achievement" to satisfy their ambition to excel.

The Jesuit principles are rooted in the notion that we're all leaders and that every moment of our lives is an opportunity to be a leader. The book suggests how today's managers can lead through examples of their own actions, values and thoughts. Leaders don't control results, only their actions. **True leaders are those who unlock the leadership potential in others.** They can ensure company success by developing talent continuously. They "point to the vein in the mine and let each one dig for himself".

Once a manager has moulded leaders, he or she must support them. Loyola believed that "those who are on the ground will see better what is to be done". The most effective leaders are often fired in the kiln of their early missteps. A leader-manager has the courage, trust and patience to support sub-ordinates through mistakes.

As successes mount, remaining committed to one's principles can grow harder. One needs to reinvent oneself instead of resting on his / her laurels. Falling short of one's own leadership principles does not mean that one's model was flawed.

The tragedy is not in falling but in not accepting and understanding one's missteps, learning from them, picking oneself up and moving forward again a wiser, better leader. Through self-reflection one can avoid the worst leadership tragedy of all: waking up one morning plagued by the distressing question "What

have I been doing with my life for the last year, last five, last thirty?"

Although it was a religious calling that inspired the Jesuits to embrace to leadership principles, the Jesuit leadership principles don't guarantee worldly success or holiness for those living them. Their religious beliefs neither made them leaders nor did they necessarily make them better, holier, more grace-filled Christians. A clear sense of their purpose in life brought greater energy, commitment, and a desire to lead.

They were confidantes to European monarchs, China's Ming emperor, the Japanese shogun and the Mughal emperor. Their restless energy urged them to explore beyond familiar boundaries. Finding new ways unknown to any before them, charting the course of rivers and creating the first comprehensive atlas of China were a few of their many achievements. With practically no experience in running schools they managed to build more than thirty colleges in a decade. Two centuries later, they were running seven hundred schools and colleges across five continents. They were educating nearly 20% of all Europeans pursuing a classical higher education. The Jesuits in Europe and their counterparts in other countries supported and strengthened and supplemented one another's efforts in perfect harmony. Their achievements were not limited to academics alone. Quinine their discovery was widely used to cure malaria while benzoin-based drops were used to soothe skin irritations.

Today, the twenty one thousand Jesuit "professionals" run two thousand educational institutions in more than a hundred countries. Some questions that arise are why were, and are, they so successful while other organizations have faltered.

They focused on nurturing four unique leadership traits which, even today, mould not only Jesuit leaders but also leaders in all areas of life and work:

- Self-awareness ● Ingenuity ● Love
- Heroism

They moulded their recruits into leaders who understood their strengths, weaknesses, values and world view, could innovate and adapt to change, have heroic ambitions and work with a loving attitude. This book examines these qualities that made them successful and then relates that wisdom those who want to learn and to practice whole-person leadership.

I've had the privilege of interviewing Chris Lowney. He travels to all parts of the world at the request of Jesuits to promulgate his message to the Jesuit alumni and to others, "every that everyone has the potential to be a leader and that true leaders unlock that potential in others." He will be a speaker at the World Congress in August 2013

- Ronald Dcosta

**Eighth
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August 14th to 18th . 2013
It is an extraordinary moment of encounter

What is WUJA?

The World Union of Jesuit Alumni (WUJA) was founded in Bilbao, Spain on the 31st of July of 1956 with the occasion of the IV Centenary of the death of Saint Ignatius of Loyola. In that occasion it was elaborated the "Carta Magna" that was approved later by the General of the Society of Jesus.

History of the WUJA Congresses

WUJA has realized seven worldwide Congresses:

- 1956 Bilbao, Spain.
- 1967 Rome, Italy.
- 1986 Versailles, France.
- 1991 Bilbao, Loyola.
- 1997 Sydney, Australia.
- 2003 Kolkata, India.
- 2009 Bujumbura, Burundi In Africa.

According to the statutes of the World Union, the World Congresses must be rotated to be held in the different continents. The 8th Congress was designated to be hosted in Latin America. In a meeting of the Confederation of ASIA Latin America held in Mexico in November 2008 it was decided that the 8th World Congress would be organized by the Colombian Federation at the city of Medellin. In 2013. This will be the first time that such an event is hosted in our continent. This decision was presented and approved by WUJA at the 7th Congress held in Bujumbura, Burundi in 2009. The 9th WUJA Congress will have The United States as its host.

Organisers

ASIA Ignaciana

The Jesuit Alumni Association in Medellin has been working since 56 years ago to give back to the society, through different projects, the education and formation received from the Society of Jesus at the San Ignacio de Loyola School. ASIA Ignaciana was legally instituted in 1956, but only until 1960 it started to materialize its commitment with the Medellin community. Our Alumni Association is currently working in two different fronts: Alumni Services and the projection of its members through social work, leading projects that support the education and integral formation of underprivileged children, youth and adults in the North part of the city.

Colombia ASIA Federation

ASIA is the abbreviation that distinguishes the different Alumni Associations of the Jesuit Educational Institutions. The Colombian Federation was founded in 1959. Following are the Alumni Associations that integrates the Federation:

- Bogota: San Bartolome La Merced, San Bartolome Mayor y Santa Luisa, y Universidad Javeriana.
- Cali: San Juan Berchmans.
- Pasto: San Francisco Javier.
- Manizales: San Luis Gonzaga.
- Barranquilla: San José.
- Bucaramanga: San Pedro Claver.
- Medellin: San Ignacio de Loyola.

Spaces open for discussion and knowledge.



The central theme of the 8th Congress is: "Jesuit Education and Social Responsibility, how can we serve?" This motto combines our Jesuit Education with our aim to serve the most needed in our societies through our Social responsibilities. It is a challenging theme that pushes us to ask ourselves what we should do to better serve our societies. As Jesuit alumni we should follow San Ignatius teaching: "In all to love and serve".

The Alumni of the educational institutions of the Society of Jesus have, without doubt, a great worldwide leadership through the quality and the high level of education received, which has a strong inclination towards the social commitment with the aim to be more to serve better.

The leadership of the Jesuit Alumni has a greater meaning if it is proven through the Social Responsibility, that goes beyond philanthropy, which must be the base for a sustainable development understanding that the economic growth and productivity are linked to the quality of life and the survival of economically sound and profitable enterprises with environmental awareness and a strong commitment with the social development of our communities. We will offer the delegations of the different countries attending the 8th WUJA Congress, stands to exhibit their social work and to display the different activities through photographs, videos, posters, etc. The delegations are invited to bring material to give to the fellow alumni. We will offer simultaneous translation of the lectures into Spanish, English and French.

The invitation is that all the Alumni Associations in the world be prepared to meet in Medellin, Colombia and present their social and alumni work to others to enrich our Jesuit Alumni Community.

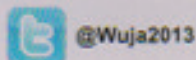
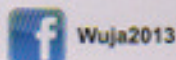
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Speakers

Father Adolfo Nicolás S.J.



Father Nicolás is the Superior General of the Society of Jesus. He is based in Rome at the Curia Generalis. Fr. Nicolás was born in Villanueva del Gestrat, Spain. He replaced Father Peter Hans Kolvenbach S.J. Fr. Nicolás is an expert in Theology with a specialization in Semiology. He spent a large part of his career as a Jesuit in Asia, mainly in Japan where he was appointed as Provincial for the region and he worked hard for the benefit of the immigrants. He is charismatic, affable and an easy-going person.

Chris Lowney



Chris Lowney left the Society of Jesus a Friday in 1983 and started a new life on Monday as at J. P. Morgan & Co executive. He worked there for 17 years as an administrative director and member of the Administrative Committee in New York, Tokyo, Singapore and London. Chris is author of several administration books and he wrote a very successful one: "Leadership Jesuit style" with more than 35,000 copies sold in Latin America. Mr. Lowney actually lives in New York where he is a consultant for the Catholic Medical Mission Board. He is a renowned speaker on the topics of leadership and ethics in business. He has given several lectures in the USA, Peru, Philippines, Mexico, Venezuela, Indonesia, Brazil, Colombia and Spain, among other countries.

José Antonio Ocampo



After his primary and secondary studies at the Jesuit, Berchmans School in Cali (Colombia), he went to the University of Notre Dame where he received his titles as Economist and Sociology in 1972. In 1976 he became a Doctor in Economy from the University of Yale at the age of 23 years old. José Antonio was Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Economy in Colombia; he was also the Director of the national Planning Department during several years. He was the Director General of the Latin American Economic Commission CEPAL. Mr. Ocampo is one of the most prestigious Latin American Economists. He actually is a professor of the Columbia University in the US. He was a candidate to head the World Bank recently.

Gunter Pauli



He was born in Antwerp, Belgium in 1956. He graduated from the University of Loyola in Belgium as an Economist. He also obtained a master's Degree at INSEAD in France. In his multiple activities as an entrepreneur he has worked in different fields such as cultural, business, politics and environment. He was the founder and director of ZERI (Zero Emissions Research Initiative) of the University of the United Nations in Tokyo redesigning production processes to develop non-contaminant industries. The foundation works in several countries, including Colombia. At the present he lives in Cape Town, South Africa, he is fluent in six languages.

Augustin Kalubi S.J.



Born in Belgium Congo, he studied in a Jesuit school there where he graduated. He entered the Society of Jesus in Congo after the completion of his Secondary studies. He works today at the Central Africa province of the Society. He is an expert in Jesuit Education. He has been the rector and principal of different Jesuit Schools in Africa and he is recognized as an international speaker in the field. He is the Jesuit education delegate for the Central province.

Carlos Raúl Yepes



He is an alumnus of the San Ignacio de Loyola School in Medellin. Carlos Raúl is a Lawyer, specialized in Businesses teams. Today he is the President of Bancolombia, the largest and most powerful private bank in the country. He has a very Ignatian spirit and he has been recognized for the humanization of banking services in Colombia. He has a strong commitment with Social Responsibility as a generator of richness in the social field.



Swati Gautam

Swati Gautam hails from the land that has practiced unity in diversity through thousands of years - India.