

THE ALUMNI DAY 2017 REPORT

Kaizen – The Alumni Relations Committee of IMNU conducted the Alumni Day of 2017 on 11th November. The theme for this year’s Alumni Day was **Knights of the Sea**.



The event served a plethora of memories to the alumni who ‘Anchored their Ships’ to the grounds of IMNU. Alumni from the first batch of IMNU came to the campus and many more from different batches over the past years. The day was filled with a variety of activities and events, both formal and informal. The day began with the registration of the alumni coming to the college. They were welcomed with a goodie bag on the registration counter. The event marked the presence of more than a 100 alumni visiting their alma mater. There was a merchandising counter from which the alumnus could buy t-shirts, hoodies or sippers, all customized to have ‘Nirma University’ printed on them, as a souvenir of the day. There was a Saral counter too which had keychains, photo frames and decorative pieces made by the kids of Saral, an NGO inside Nirma University. The hard-work of the kids was appreciated and adored

by the alumni. There was a 'Milda counter' which served Milda milk as welcome drinks for the alumni. A photo booth was arranged for the alumni to get pictures clicked. It had props which went with the theme of the day and the event. Photos of the alumni were clicked by our photographers of the Pratikriti Club.



A faculty interaction session was arranged wherein the alumni interacted with the faculty. This helped in enhancing alumni relations. A curriculum review workshop was arranged to review the syllabi of the Full Time MBA course and the Family Business MBA course. Herein the alumni gave valuable suggestions to the faculty that aimed towards improving the learning process for students. Their recommendations were taken into consideration for implementation in the course.

The alumni then proceeded to have lunch which was arranged in the back foyer of the college. There was a waffle counter set up by the sponsors 'Whatta Waffle!'. The alumni bonded over food and waffles.

This was followed by an 'Expert Se Pooch' session where the alumni interacted with the students. The speakers for the session were Mr. Sameer Dwivedi, IndusInd Bank; Mr. Nishith Modi, Karnavati Chemicals; Mr. Anil Pansari, Pansari Palace & Resorts; Mr. Vaibhav Kathju, CIBIL Ltd. and Mr. Sapan Oza, Tata Consultancy Services Limited. The session began with the speakers encouraging the students to ask questions regarding jobs, job switching and to seek direction for entering into a job for the first time. They spoke about the different sectors such as Banking, FMCG and Manufacturing.



This was followed by A General Body Meeting which was held amongst the alumni, Dr. Mallikarjun - Director of IMNU, Prof. Harismita Trivedi, Dr. Parag Rijwani, Dr. Shahir Bhatt and other members of the IMNU alumni board. Here the decisions taken during the alumni board meeting were discussed and further suggestions were given for the same. The discussion also revolved around the steps to be taken to implement the suggestions of the previous year's meeting.



The alumni were then served refreshments post which they gathered in the back lawn for the drum circle. To make the evening refreshing and soul-nourishing, The Drum Circle Company was invited to the campus to create an exhilarating and stress busting environment for the alumni and all the faculty and students present.



The guests, faculties and students then proceeded to the auditorium for the most awaited session of the day. The auditorium session of Alumni Day '17 started with the Saraswati Vandana and the lighting of the lamp by the Chief Guest. The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Hasit Joshipura, Head of Corporate Centre at Larsen and Toubro, who was welcomed by Dr. M Mallikarjun, Director, IMNU and Prof. Harismita Trivedi, Head of Corporate Relations Centre, IMNU.



Dr. Joshipura delivered his speech on the theme, “Global Development Trajectory- Post War.” He enlightened the audience with his knowledge and insights.

He also unveiled the ‘AI-Inc: The Annual Alumni Magazine’ which had the theme ‘Prudence for the Past’ this year.



Further, the night had a lot of entertainment in the form of an adorable dance performance by the kids of Saral Foundation. Chehre, the Dramatics Club of IMNU presented a play based on the complexity of emotions in a young man’s life under the influence of love. The play was applauded with a standing ovation from the audience, which showed that the play and the theme kept them captivated by the rich performance. Pratikriti, the Photography Club of IMNU launched their magazine ‘Lens 2.0’ which was met with cheer from the crowd. Music and Dance performances of prime quality were given by Club Fiesta which pumped the adrenaline through the audience.



The Kaizen Committee concluded the session by thanking the sub committees and the audience for their support. A Vote of Thanks was given to the Alumni for gracing us with their presence. The Platinum partner: Home Credit, the Hospitality partner: Antra, the Dessert partner: Whatta Waffles!, the Beverage partner: Milda and the Merchandise partner: YoScholar had sponsored the event. They were thanked and appreciated for their help and support.



To truly conclude the day of homecoming on a high note, there was a DJ night organized in the back lawn of IMNU where the students mingled with the Alumni in a blissful environment over dinner and bid their farewells to these 'Knights' who had to sail off in the dead of the night.

This annual event was indeed the highlight of the last quarter of the year, 2017.