

Extra Curricular & Social Activities conducted

Navarathri Programme

The Navarathri Programme organized by the Level 2 students was held on 16th October 2007 for the second consecutive year at the PPGL Siriwardene Auditorium. Mr. M Sathanathan, Chairman, Chartered Certified Accountants was the Chief Guest at this occasion while Dr. (Ms.) Nandanie Ediriweera, President of the Institute of Chemistry Ceylon was the Guest of Honour. Prof. J N O Fernando, Dean of College of Chemical Sciences was a Special Guest.

Ramachandra Kurukkal, Priest at Hindu Temple at Bambalapitiya conducted the ceremony. Performances by students included singing and music by an orchestra. Students of all ethnic communities and religious belief supported this programme which included an item on Kandyan Dancing.

Annual Christmas Party

The Annual Christmas party was held on 21st December 2007 at the SLAAS Auditorium. The party was organized by the Social Committee of the Institute of Chemistry Ceylon. Level 1 students of the Graduateship Programme took a leading role in organizing the Christmas party.

Silver Jubilee Raffle Draw

The Silver Jubilee Raffle Draw organized by the College of Chemical Sciences was held at the SLAAS Auditorium on 21st December 2007. The Chief Guest at the Raffle Draw was Mr. S J Sarath Kumara, a Graduate Chemist from the first batch.

The proceeds of the raffle draw will be made use of to award more scholarships, prizes and bursaries for the Graduateship students. The third prize based on the overall results of the Graduateship Programme and a prize for practical chemistry in memory of Professor R S Ramakrishna were two prizes offered this year from the proceeds of the raffle draw that are being credited to the Graduate Chemist Silver Jubilee Fund.

De Lazzma 2007

The Student Association held a Musical Show "De Lazzma 2007" in order to collect funds for their various activities. The show was held at the indoor auditorium of Maris Stella College, Negombo on the 14th December 2007. The Chief Guest at the occasion was Mr. Ramal Jasinghe, Chairman/CEO, Asian Alliance Insurance PLC who had followed the Graduateship Programme in the eighties and completed Part I & the Practical Courses.

We reproduce below the message given by him to the musical show souvenir.

Message from the Chief Guest An Evening of "De Lazzma 2007"

It is with pride and at the same time with much humility and gratitude that I pen down this message to the Institute of Chemistry Ceylon, to which I owe so much! It was some time ago that I was a student at the Institute and had the privilege to be tutored by the very best academics in the field of chemistry, who taught me very valuable lessons that stretched well beyond the boundaries of thermodynamics, stereochemistry and coordinated compounds! I took along with me into the fiercely competitive mercantile world values of analytical thinking, pin point accuracy and working out problems backwards or in retrospect, which I believe are the building blocks of a successful chemist and certainly the "cutting edge" advantage in progressing in the uncompromising mercantile world.

The Institute of Chemistry being in the forefront of tertiary education, gave students like myself a chance at studying a pure and central science such as chemistry to its highest levels of academic learning through the professional channel. This pioneering effort made by the Institute has since spawned the growth of many similar degree awarding institutions in various fields to encourage the entry of talent which ultimately contributed and continues to contribute towards the building of our nation with professionally qualified scientists working in various areas of science and non science professions. I am aware of many batchmates and contemporaries of mine at the Institute who have made steady progress into various and varied fields of academia, which includes an "expert in terrorism", achieving both national and International recognition and accolades.

It is with pride that I attribute my professional progress to the basic skills and discipline inculcated at the feet of my mentors such as Prof. J N O Fernando, Prof. H D Gunawardhana, the late. Dr. Sudath Kumarsinghe, Dr. (Mrs.) Malini Arawegoda, Prof. L M V Tillekeratne, the Late Prof. R S Ramakrishna and the many more professors and mentors who contributed to my learning and thought process in my professional life. I am truly grateful for this privilege.

In conclusion, I wish the fund raising efforts of the Institute every success and that the noble objectives set before the Students Council will be met with the desired goals of achievement. It is my fervent wish that the Institute of Chemistry will continue in its worthy contribution to the Nation by revitalizing the dying interest in the sciences amongst the country's youth, be relevant to the needs of the day, and make inroads into developing chemistry based industries, as some in the past, by encouraging young chemists to build their own enterprises and develop into small and medium scale industrialists. Finally, let us this evening put aside our burettes and pipettes, sit back and enjoy De' Lazzama 2007! Wish you All the Best!

Ramal Jasinghe
Chairman/CEO, Asian Alliance Insurance PLC

Fourth Convocation of the College of Chemical Sciences

The Fourth Convocation of the College of Chemical Sciences will be held on 15th February 2008 at Cinnamon Grand Colombo. The Chief Guest at the occasion will be **Mr. Stanley Langer**, International Relations Officer, Royal Society of Chemistry, UK. He will be delivering the Convocation Address on this occasion. The Guest of Honour would be **Dr. David Ponniah**, Warden, S. Thomas' College, Mt. Lavinia.

47 DLTC Diplomates from the 33rd batch of the DLTC programme, 52 Graduate Chemists from the 25th batch and 5 Licentiate Chemists will be conferred at this Convocation. The award winners based on the results of GIC & DLTC programme will receive their awards. A felicitation lunch will follow the Convocation.

GRADUATESHIP EXAMINATION IN CHEMISTRY PARTS I & II -2007

OVERALL RESULTS

First Class Honours

Ms. J M R M Peiris, Ms P L Abeyratne, Ms W M K S Gunaratne, Mr W W A L Anurangana, Mr K W A N Wijeratne, Mr W A D S R Gunatilake, Ms S Sivakumar

Second Class Honours (Upper Division)

Ms G U E Fernando, Ms N A M S P Perera, Ms S A Ganegoda, Mr K M R T Perera, Ms M G L M Perera, Ms M Pratheepa, Ms C I J R Dissanayake, Mr K S A Arachchige, Ms M D Senaratne, Mr N D A Wageesha, Mr S R Weerasinghe, Mr S D Jayasuriya, Ms T D G L C M De Silva, Ms G K G T D Gedarakumbura, Mr P B H E Bulumulla

Second Class Honours (Lower Division)

Ms R H D I Karunachandra, Ms S U Narayana, Ms H D Kumarapeli, D G P M Perera, Ms S D S N Samarakoon, Ms R T S Fernando

Third Class Honours

Mr M M Diddeniya, Ms S P C F Farveen, Ms K K Hapuarachchi, Mr P H Waidyaratna, Ms D S Paranamana, Ms S N Warnakulasuriya, Mr P G B Jayarathna, Mr S D A Gunasekera

Pass

Ms T H Jayasinghe, Ms N Azira, Ms N K G C N Kariyawasam, Mr P M S H R Pallewela, Mr S A N P K Athukorala, Ms K A W Pathirana, Ms N T Ranasinghe, Mr W W D H Perera, Mr D M D U Darshana, Ms H S N De Silva, Ms J A S T Jayakody, Ms N U N Harshini, Ms D T Karunadasa, Mr W K C S Walpola, Ms P D Mahendrika, Ms J J Wewalwala

GRADUATESHIP (OVERALL) AWARDS 2007

First	Shireen Jayasuriya Memorial Gold Medal 2007, for the Best Performance in all parts of the Graduateship Examination	- Ms J M R M Peiris
Second	Graduateship Programme Silver Jubilee Commemorative Award	- Ms P L Abeyratne
Third	Graduate Chemist (25th Batch Passing out) Silver Jubilee Award	- Ms W M K S Gunaratne
Fourth	College of Chemical Sciences Prize	- Mr. W W A L Anurangana

PART II (THEORY) AWARDS

First	Royal Society of Chemistry (Sri Lanka Section) Award
	- Ms J M R M Peiris
Second	- Ms M Pratheepa
Third	- Ms P L Abeyratne

PART II (PRACTICAL EXAMINATION) AWARDS

Prizes for Best Performers

Professor R S Ramakrishna Memorial Prize	-	Mr K S A Arachchige
Mr & Mrs K Sivarajah and family Prize	-	Ms C I J R Dissanayake
B A Jayasinghe Memorial Prize	-	Mr W A D S R Gunatilake

GRADUATESHIP EXAMINATION IN CHEMISTRY - 2007

Part II (Theory) Examination 2007

PART II SUBJECT PRIZES

W R O Fernando Memorial Prize for Physical Chemistry	- Ms J M R M Peiris
Mr & Mrs N I N S Nadarasa Prize for Organic Chemistry	- Ms P L Abeyratne
Lakshman Ponnampereuma Memorial Prize for Inorganic Chemistry	- Mr N D A Wageesha
Dharmachandra and Tamarasa Gunawardhana Memorial Prize for Analytical Chemistry	- Mr K W A N Wijerathna
Professor Eugene de Silva Prize for Chemical Technology	- Ms P L Abeyratne
Micro Chem Laboratories Pvt Ltd. Prize for Environmental Chemistry	- Mr K W A N Wijerathne
Marina and R O B Wijesekera Prize for Biotechnology	- Ms K K Hapuarachchi
Henry Ashmore Pieris Memorial Prize for Management	- Ms H S N de Silva
Batch 2005 Prize for Information Technology	- Mr W A D S R Gunatilake

Pass

Ms T H Jayasinghe, Ms N Azira, Mr P M S H R Pallewela, Mr S A N P K Athukorala, Ms K A W Pathirana, Ms H S N de Silva, Mr M M Diddeniya, Ms R H D I Karunachandra, Ms S A C F Farveen, Mr S D A Gunasekara, Ms S U Narayana, Ms P L Abeyratne, Ms G U E Fernando, Ms N A M S P Perera, Ms S A Ganegoda, Ms W M K S Gunaratne, Mr W A D S R Gunatilake, Ms K K Hapuarachchi, Ms D T Karunadasa, Ms H D Kumarapeli, Mr W W A L Anurangana, Ms J M R M Peiris, Ms D G P M Perera, Mr K M R T Perera, Ms M G L M Perera, Ms M Pratheepa, Ms N T Ranasinghe, Mr W W D H Perera, Mr D M D U Darshana, Ms J A S T Jayakody, Ms N U N Harshini, Ms C I J R Dissanayake, Ms S D S N Samarakoon, Mr K S A Arachchige, Ms M D Senaratne, Ms S Sivakumar, Mr N D A Wageesha, Mr W K C S Walpola, Mr S R Weerasinghe, Mr K W A N Wijerathna, Mr S D Jayasuriya, Mr P H Waidyaratna, Ms T D G L C M De Silva, Ms R T S Fernando, Ms D S Paranamana, Ms P D Mahendrika, Ms S N Warnakulasuriya, Ms G K G T D Gedarakumbura, Mr P B H E Bulumulla, Ms J J Wewalwala, Mr P G B Jayarathna

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Results

HONOURS PASSES

Ms. S K Dharshini, Ms. B L D S Premaratne, Mr. N W C Jayanath, Ms. H C Jayasinghe

MERIT PASSES

Ms. R S Jayasuriya, Mr. A V S A Sirisena, Ms. G L E S S Silva, Ms. J A D M Ranasinghe, Ms. K S Samarathna, Mr. K G D D R Karunanayake, Ms. A P P E Jayasekara, Ms. S Sugirtha, Ms. A L Galasijoan, Ms. A A N U Amarasinha, Ms. S R T Dharmasena, Ms. D A G C D Swarnasinghe, Ms. F K Dafer, Ms. A L S Malvenna, Ms. B N Wanniarachchi, Mr. G B A J N Silva, Mr. N Ranwalage, Ms. K P S Deepika, Ms. W A S M Wariyapperuma, Ms. D I Gunathunga, Mr. D T R M de Silva, Ms. A T K D Nadeeshani, Ms. M M H Perera

PASSES

Mr. U R R Kumara, Mr. K A J K Gunasekara, Ms. D M T A Dissanayake, Mr. C J Almeida, Ms. C P Jayawickrama, Ms. L D R M D Liyanarachchi, Mr. W S J D Rodrigo, Mr. A M M Kumara, Ms. N V P P Kumari, Ms. A M S I Attanayake, Mr. R M Hamsa, Mr. N Vinoth, Mr. A L A C R Ambegoda, Ms. S A Jayawardana, Ms. M A N T Prasangi, Mr. P M A M Pathiraja, Ms. H N Senaratne, Ms. A A N K Abeysinghe, Mr. H L R H Abeyrathna, Mr. S T J Samuel

Awards

First in Batch (Dr. G C N Jayasuriya Award)	- Ms S K Dharshani
Second in Batch	- Ms B L D S Premaratne
Third in Batch	- Mr. N W C Jayanath