



On Turning Eighty
A Mosaic of Memories

In Touch

St. Anthony's College
Shillong Alumni Association







Message from the President, SACSAA

St. Anthony's College, Shillong, has completed Eighty Golden Years of Service to the students and community. Many of us Alumni have excelled in various fields in life and are proud Anthonians today. May God give you present Anthonians, the strength, wisdom and fortitude to strive for excellence and make a success of your lives. With the values and education, you have picked up under the guidance of the dedicated management and teachers of this beloved college, you have a bright future before you. With perseverance and determination, face the odds in life's challenges and always be grateful in success.

Brigadier William Sturgeon
President, SACSAA

Hall of Fame



Lieutenant Keishing Clifford Nongrum
Honoured with the Maha Vir Chakra, posthumously.

Shri. Raymond P. Diengdoh, MPS

The President of India has conferred 'Ashoka Chakra' posthumously 2009.



Gopi Narayan Pradhan

Retired professor of the college, won the Sahitya Akademy Award in 2010.



Hall of Fame

Brigadier William Sturgeon

Yudh Seva Medal - gallantry and distinguished service over and above the call of duty/Seva Medal: Gallantry and distinguished service of exceptionally high order, with special significance to the army.



Oinam Doren

His film, "Songs of Mashangva" won the national award for the best ethnographic film.



Borun Thokchom

Won the National Award for best debut director for his documentary, The Silent Poet



Wanphrang Diengdoh & Dondor Lyngdoh

Won an award for their film '1987' being adjudged as the Best Film (Golden Rhino) for the First Edition of Guwahati International Short Film Festival (GISFF) on May 2nd and 3rd, 2011.

Remembering the Titans



Rev. Father Kenny

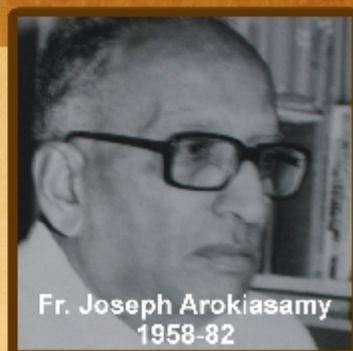
"Let me end on a personal note. We made a tryst with time keeping in mind that we belonged to the same age group. He was slightly older than me. We made an agreement that whoever among us would die first would reserve a seat in heaven (assuming that there was nothing called 'hell') for the other. Now that Father Kenny has reached heaven before me, I am sure that he will redeem his pledge. Like 'Amal' in Tagore's, 'Post Office', I am eagerly waiting for the invitation letter to meet Father Kenny where his soul is resting in everlasting peace."

Extracted from the 1996 edition of the mosaic as written by Prof. Sudhindranath Pal (Retired Head of the Department of Chemistry) in his farewell note to Father Kenny.



Rev. Father Joseph Arokiasamy

It was said of him, "Beneath his hard exterior is a heart of gold".



Harold Roy

A mathematical wizard with his magical chalk who could solve, calculate and explain calculus within minutes.

Remembering the Titans

As remembered by Prof. T. Subba,
Head of the Department of English

A.B. Dutta

An astute scholar of science with an expertise on table tennis.



J. Bose

The man with a meticulous accent and a stalwart in English Literature.



J. P. Khanduri

A handsome, sedate gentleman with a genial smile.



K.L. Sadhu

A man of all seasons, from politics to debates to sports.



P.N. Chaurasia

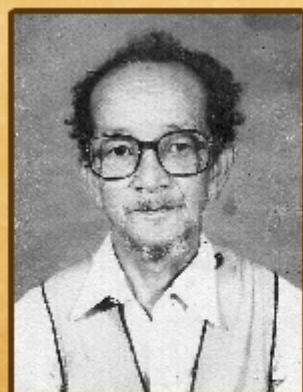
Apart from dissecting frogs and lizards, an upright NCC leader and an NSS man.



M.V. Rajee

Fondly remembered as "Little Newton", M.V. Rajee was a lab attendant in the Physics Department since its inception in 1941. He served in the college for four decades with distinction and utmost sincerity and ability. Till the very end of his service, he made a dedicated effort to learn more of the subject. The exemplary work culture he embodied remains unmatched till date.

(As remembered by Professor Shantanu Bhattacharjee, Head of the Department of Physics)



Classic Stories

Famous incidents related to Rev. Fr. Joseph Arokiasamy

- A student once stood at the door of the principal's office (the then principal was Fr. Arokiasamy) and said, "Father can I come in". Father Joseph in his usual gruff voice replied, "You can but you may not!"
- When in a particular year, the honours students fared very badly and scored zeroes in various subjects. Father Joseph put up the following notice on the college notice board next to the marks, "these are the golden eggs the honoured geese have laid!"
- A student approached Father Joseph requesting him for permission for a change from day to evening shift. Father Joseph told him, "Why so late in October? Oh, I see your name is 'Waiting' so you waited this long!" The student's name was 'Waiting Scott.'



The popular incident in the boy's hostel related to Father Kenny Extracted from the 1996 edition of the *Mosaic*.

Father Kenny was in charge of the college hostel then. It was a small affair on top of the science gallery. We have there now the Don Bosco Youth Centre. Father had been noticing for sometime that a boy was going out of the hostel surreptitiously almost every night. He would return after a couple of hours- when the cinema halls would close! Father decided that enough was enough. The boy must be caught and taught a good lesson. That night he covered his head with a piece of white cloth and lay in wait in the room of that boy. The boy came back, opened the door and entered his room. Father stood up and with his face still covered moved towards the boy and roared, "Why are you so late?"

Scared the boy stuttered, " Who....who are you?"

"I am a ghost."

Relieved, the boy said, "Thank God. I thought it was Father Kenny!"



Stephen Hall Chapters

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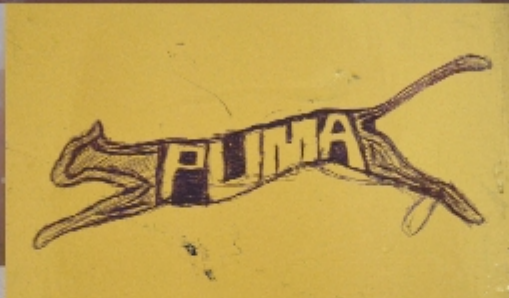


Desktop Musings

"SLEEP"
 is my only homework
 AND
 I WISH I HAD MORE OF IT ^{too}



NO DREAMING
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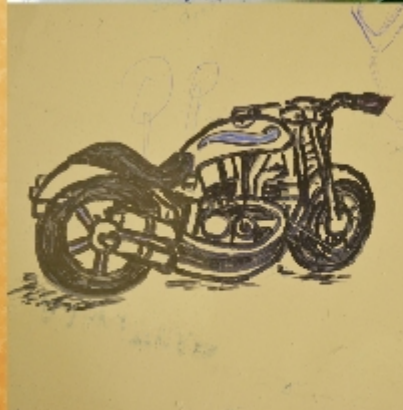


I was born intelligent
 BUT
 education ruined me!

PEACE SELLS...
 BUT WHO'S BUYING?



I call her Darling
 C call me Overkin



The King
 of the



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The youngest among us

SACSAA in Action



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Signatures of executive committee members of SACSAA



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