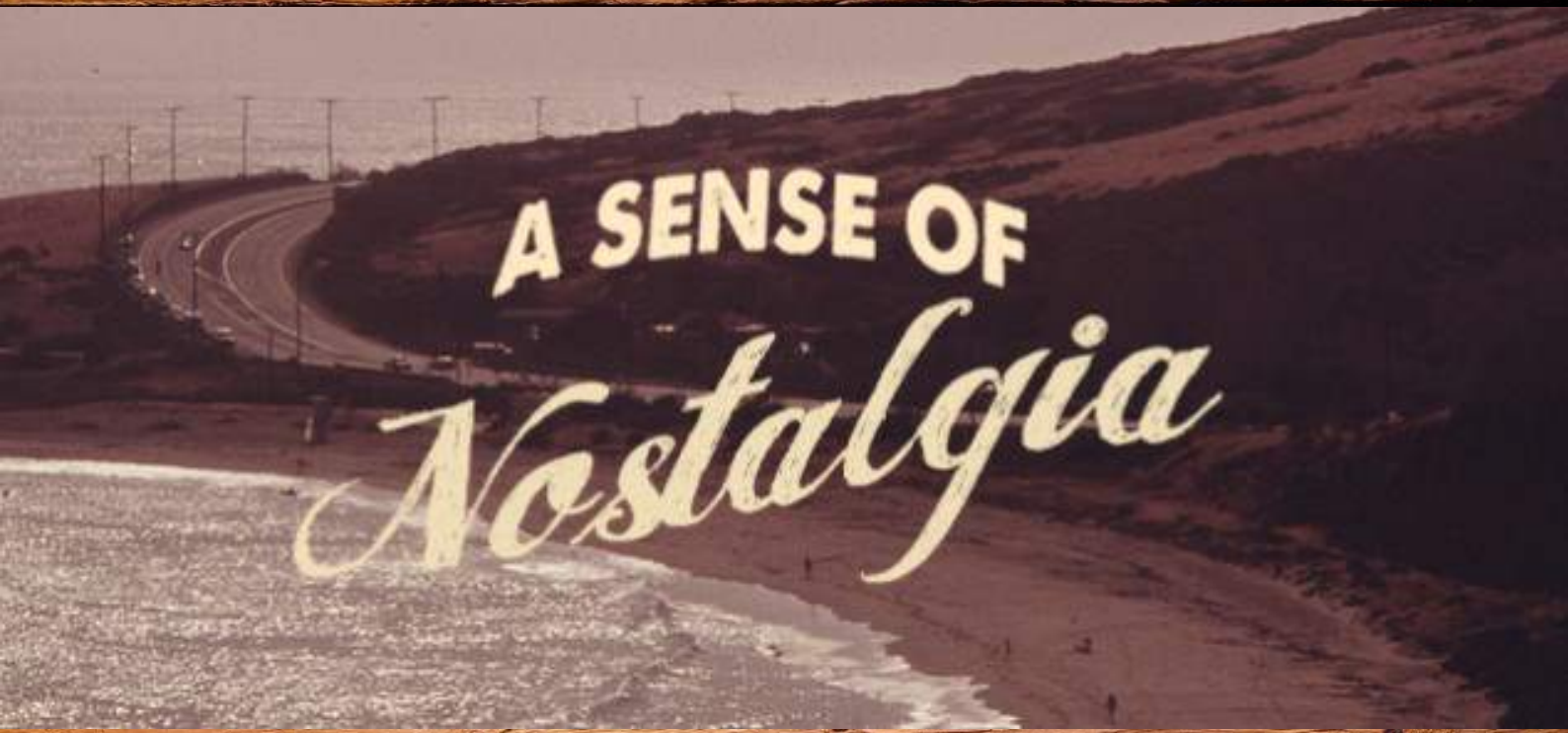


GREAT K NNECT



July 2016 Edition

EDITORIAL

Dear Great Laker,

Warm Greetings!

We are glad to bring to you the July edition of Great Konnect, one place to know all recent happenings in Great Lakes and the regional alumni chapters. We thank the class of 2016 who attended the convocation and visited the campus on July 27, for all their support and love. Welcome to the alumni club class of 2016!

As far as campus is concerned, July had been real special. We had a series of events such as the Food festivals, clash of sections titled “Magmalympics”, International Yoga Day celebrations, 12th Annual convocation and more.

On the GLAA front, 40+ alumni came together for the official launch of GLAA Chennai chapter among the other alumni meets. Read this edition of Great Konnect to know about them all in detail.

We also welcome feedback and your suggestions in order to make Great Konnect a better effort to connect with you!

Have a great read ahead!
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DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Great Laker,

Greetings from your Alma Mater !

I am happy to connect with you once again through Great Konnect.



On the eve of Convocation of the class of 2016, I congratulate everyone who graduated and welcome you into the alumni association.

We have been regularly posting alumni activities on our alumni portal www.greatlakes.almaconnect.com and in the last few days we have been receiving great responses from alumni across different programs and batches expressing their interest to be part of alumni activities. I thank you for your support and look forward to more participation!

Please write to me with news from you and we will be glad to Include them in Great Konnect .

Login/register in the Alumni portal at www.greatlakes.almaconnect.com and stay connected with fellow Great Lakers. We also look forward to your suggestions !

Happy reading and with best wishes !

*Prof.T.N.Swaminathan
Great Lakes, Chennai*



GLAA NEWS & EVENTS



On 09 July, 2016, the GLAA Chennai Chapter met at its launch event at IIT Alumni Club, Chennai. More than 40 alumni across various batches participated in the event. Sriram Narayanan , founder, Vaer Organic was the special guest for the event and he shared his entrepreneurial journey and the experience, which led to a healthy discussion and great insights for all participants. Alumnus Kartik Kannan shared his travelogue “Chasing the Monsoon” about his trip from castle rock to dudhsagar falls along monsoon.

Specific sessions on analytics and IoT have been planned for the coming months.



Kunal Prasad (PGPM 2011) meets PM



Narendra Modi @narendramodi · 12h

Also glad to have interacted with Indian & Kenyan innovators before the business summit.



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Kunal Prasad (PGPM 2011), Founder & COO of CropIn Technology Solutions Pvt Ltd, met Hon'ble PM of India Sh.Narendra Modi and the Kenyan President, during Mr. Modi's visit to Kenya. The interaction happened at the FICCI C-Tech DST (TDB) exhibition in Kenya.

Congratulations Kunal Prasad and wish you more success in your venture!



HAPPENINGS @ GREAT LAKES



FOOD FESTIVAL

“Pull up a chair. Take a taste. Come join us. Life is so endlessly delicious.” - Ruth Reichl

Food festival - Vaazhai ilai Virundhu, a typical south Indian marriage style lunch, was arranged at Great Lakes on 24th June 2016. The experience of having a south Indian themed lunch was new for a lot of people here at Great Lakes. The food, the music, the warmth, everything left an ever lasting impact on all of us who were fortunate enough to be a part of the event. The food was an amalgamation of North and South Indian delicacies and it was scrumptious enough to satiate even the most fussy palettes. The festivities did not end there. A sumptuous lunch of scintillating Hyderabadi Style Briyani, Poori, Punjabi Chole, Matar Paneer, Thialcha, Shahi Kheer, was prepared for the entire campus on the event of Eid on July 7th 2016.



HAPPENINGS @ GREAT LAKES



Ganpati Bappa Morya!

On the 30th June 2016 a votive ritual "homa" was offered to The God of wisdom, prudence, and salvation, Ganapathi Bappa, at our "Shri VarasiddhiVinayagar Temple". All the devotees of GanapathiBappa assembled at the temple at 7.30am to be a part of this homa and received the blessings of our GanapathiBappa. The homa was accompanied with Dhanvantari Pooja offered to the father of medicine and health, Lord Dhanvantari. Both the Ganapathihomam and Dhanvantari Pooja generated positive vibes in the campus and nurtured all the devotees.



HAPPENINGS @ GREAT LAKES



Magmalympics (Motus) Table Tennis Tournament!

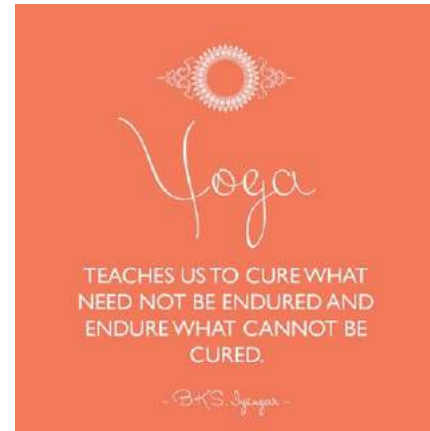
All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy! Extra-curricular activities can infuse a fresh lease of enthusiasm and motivation in students. Along with studies, it's always nice to have a bit of sports and competition in College life. On 04 July 2016, Great Lakes conducted an Intra College table tennis tournament for Boys & Girls at College Games & Sports Room.

*This event witnessed a wide plethora of talented young players, many of whom have had experience at the **national/ state** level. 16 Boys & 16 Girls participated and it was very tough competition indeed. There was skill and talent in all of the players. The Audience was very encouraging and was equally involved in the game as the participants. This sports extravaganza aims to provide a platform for budding sportsmen from every section to showcase their talents.*

The day was a great success, with a special mention to SPORTS COMMITTEE who volunteered on the day, fulfilling various roles including umpiring, scoring and general guidance.



HAPPENINGS @ GREAT LAKES



Yoga Day @ Great Lakes!

On June 21st, Great Lakers, as proud Indians, celebrated Yoga day by getting together for an hour and performing a few Asanas under the guidance of Mr. Nachiketas Nandakumar, Lecturer and a Yoga practitioner. The student, faculty and staff enthusiastically performed various asanas. It was a refreshing and rejuvenating break for all of us.



CONVOCAATION 2016



Great Lakes's Annual Convocation was held with great fanfare at the CTC Convention Center, Chennai. Dr. Subra Suresh, President of Carnegie Mellon University, Pennsylvania, delivered the presidential address.

Dr. M.S. Swaminathan, Founder of M.S. Swaminathan Research foundation and former Director General of Indian Council of Agricultural Research addressed the graduands through video and delivered the convocation address.

A total of 725 students graduated this year across five different full-time and executive programs including PGPM, PGDM, PGXPM, PGPM (Flex) and PGP-BABI. Six best outgoing students and four academic toppers received Gold medals during the graduation ceremony.

Welcoming the gathering, Uncle Bala said, "I am proud that every year Great Lakes has been reaching newer heights and we have been able to become one amongst the top 10 B-Schools in the country in such a short span of time. This is a testimony to our unique curriculum, world-class infrastructure, faculty and the quality of students we produce. To all the graduands here, I would like to emphasize the importance that Internet of Things (IoT) is going to have in your work place. Make yourselves prepared for the impact of IoT. I am positive that as an alumnus of this institute, you will continue to add value to your alma mater and place of work.



CONVOCAATION 2016



Delivering his convocation address through a video message, Dr. M.S. Swaminathan said, “I am glad to be able to address this graduating class coming out of a great institute. Stepping out from a center of excellence such as this is going to help you all become great leaders. By graduating today, you are ending one phase and beginning the next phase of your career. Always remember the three M’s – Monitoring, Measurement and Management to progress ahead.

While addressing the graduands, Dr. Suresh Subra said, “As I celebrate your day, I remark that there is more work ahead which will draw into practice each one of the lessons you learnt. You are graduating at a time, when our country is undergoing unprecedented changes. You are all the products of Industrial revolution 4.4 that is impacting our economy. Your generation is more blessed and exposed.



CONVOCAATION 2016



Further highlighting about the economy changes, and advising the graduands, Dr Subra added, “One of the areas to pay more attention is not just the creation of Science and Technology but also how it intersects human behavior. As we look forward to solve the issues of 21 st century, I would like to add that focus on your career, focus on your individuality, and focus on your society – socially, locally, nationally and globally. Stay Curious and keep learning, he concluded.

The formal graduation ceremony concluded with a sumptuous lunch followed by a photo session where all the graduands were seen eagerly taking photos with their batch mates!



HAPPENINGS @ GREAT LAKES

Great Lakes' Official Instagram Account launched!



Psst! Psst! We are on Instagram!

Great Lakes Official Instagram page was launched on July 4th 2016! Follow "greatlakeschennai" on Instagram and never miss out on any buzz! Make sure you tag the profile when uploading any image related to Great Lakes!

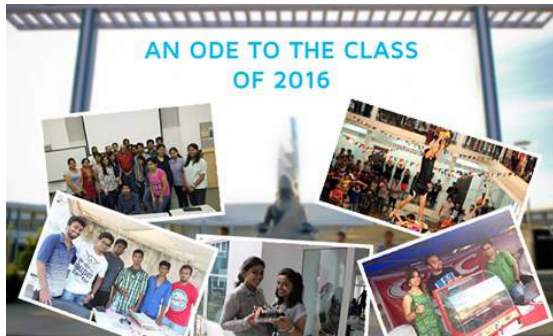
To see your pictures featured on Instagram Page, Tag them with #GreatLakesIG #GLDiaries #GLRepostSundays

Let's go back in time!

Post your pictures of your time spent at Great Lakes on Facebook and Instagram and tag them #GLNostalgia #PassoutYear #GLdiaries #greatlakesIG. Your photos will be featured in the next edition of Great Konnect.



BLOGS @ GREAT LAKES



[AN ODE TO THE CLASS OF 2016](#)

Reminiscing the year that gone by for the class of 2016, Varun Maheswari (PGPM 2016) pens his thoughts on the class of 2016.



[BRUNCH WITH BALA, THE THOUGHT LEADER](#)

A Blog by our alumna Adhithi Aji on her experience of meeting uncle Bala in Chicago at his home.

[Read the complete Blog.](#)



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A Blog by our student Vaishal Shah, PGPM 2017 on Karma Yoga

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A Blog by Prof. T.N. Swaminathan on Internet of Things.

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