



LOYOLA ALUMNI CONNECT

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FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR, LOYOLA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Dear Loyolites,

The Centenary year has been truly special, thanks to your active participation and support. The National Loyola Alumni USA Summit in Dallas brought together alumni who demonstrated what the Loyola spirit means - service, leadership, and giving back.



**REV. DR. A. LOUIE
ALBERT SJ**

During the recent visit to the USA, we signed MOUs with Florida Atlantic University and Florida International University, opening new opportunities for student and faculty exchanges. Loyola College received historic recognition from Palm Beach County Government - the first time they have honored an international educational institution. These achievements happened because the notable alumni stepped forward to build these partnerships.

Our chapter meetings continue to strengthen alumni bonds. Canada Chapter welcomed 150 members in Toronto. Malaysia Chapter celebrated Family Day with over 40 alumni and families. Chennai Chapter identified key areas where we can support our alma mater, including placements and research initiatives.

Looking ahead, we have important gatherings planned. The South West Region chapters meet on November 22nd in Salem, Erode, Tiruppur, and Coimbatore. Kerala Chapter holds its annual meeting on November 29th in Ernakulam. Delhi Chapter meets on December 13th. I welcome you to attend your regional chapter meeting.

Beyond attending events, I encourage you to:

- Stay connected with fellow alumni in your region
- Mentor recent graduates and current students
- Visit the campus when you can
- Share your expertise with the Loyola community

Our network spans the globe, but it grows stronger only when we actively participate. Whether you can contribute time, expertise, or resources, every form of engagement matters.

I invite you to visit your alma mater and see the progress being made. You may walk through the campus, meet the current students, and reconnect with the place that shaped us all.

Let us continue building on our hundred-year legacy together.

With warm regards,

Rev. Dr. A. Louie Albert SJ

Director, Loyola Alumni Association

LOYOLA COLLEGE CENTENARY CELEBRATION IN DALLAS: ALUMNI COMMITMENT TO PHILANTHROPY AND LEADERSHIP



Dallas, September 27, 2025: National Loyola Alumni USA Summit - 2025 was held on September 26-28, 2025 in Dallas, USA. Alumni of Loyola College Chennai convened in Dallas for the institution's centenary celebration, with distinguished speakers emphasizing philanthropic engagement, leadership excellence, and community service as core values of the Loyola tradition.

Leadership Perspectives

The keynote address by **Mr. Satish Gupta**, President & CEO of SB International Inc., centered on transformative philanthropy. Mr. Gupta shared his aspiration to contribute \$1 billion to charitable causes, redefining a "billion-dollar mindset" as one measured by vision, integrity, and societal impact rather than wealth accumulation. He outlined three guiding principles - Integrity, Innovation, and Impact - and emphasized that philanthropy represents a fundamental responsibility. Gupta challenged alumni to build legacies that transcend individual success and create enduring value for communities.

Dr. S. Xavier Britto, Vice President of the Loyola Alumni Association and Chairman of Kerry-Indev Logistics, reflected on Loyola's role in shaping leadership across diverse sectors. Drawing from his journey of building a logistics enterprise with over 7,000 employees, Dr. Britto identified gratitude as essential to both professional achievement and personal fulfillment. He attributed his success to the values and education received at Loyola, describing the institution as uniquely effective in developing well-rounded leaders.

Mr. Rangaswami, founder of Indiaspora, traced the evolution of the Indian diaspora in the United States, noting the Bay Area's Indian population growth from 10,000 in 1982 to 450,000 today. Mr. Rangaswami recounted his transition from Oracle Vice President to philanthropist, describing himself as an "accidental philanthropist" whose visibility and success led to community leadership. His organization, Indiaspora, raised \$9 million this year through India Giving Day. He encouraged alumni to initiate modest projects that can scale into significant community impact.

Tennis icon **Mr. Vijay Amritraj**, Padma Shri recipient, addressed legacy-building through leadership. Mr. Amritraj auctioned personal tennis memorabilia to establish scholarships at Loyola College, proposing this become an annual fundraising tradition. He stressed the importance of deepening diaspora engagement and ensuring alumni contributions create tangible impact.

Academic and Professional Programming

Three panel discussions explored contemporary issues: "Women Who Inspire the World: Empowered Across Continents," "Advancements in Healthcare Therapeutics: AI in Neurosurgery and Diabetic Complications," and "Centenary Alumni Voices: Reflections Across Decades."

Mr. Vijay Nathan, Founding Partner and CEO of CNT Infotech, and **Mr. Ram Subramanian Iyer**, Managing Director at Deloitte, presented on artificial intelligence innovations and their practical applications across industries.

Awards and Symbolic Gestures

Mr. Balamurugan was presented the Outstanding Loyola College Alumni Award and **Mr. Christy Paul** received the Exemplary Loyola College Alumni Award. Both honors were conferred by Mr. Vijay Amritraj in recognition of their service to the alumni community.

On September 26, Loyola College Chennai and the University of Dallas jointly planted a Centenary Friendship Tree, marking shared Catholic educational values and institutional partnership.

The celebration concluded with "MOJO Moments: Carnatic 2.0," a contemporary Carnatic music performance featuring Mahesh Raghavan, Sharanya Srinivasan, Akshay Anantapadmanabhan, and Shravan Sridhar, blending traditional musical forms with modern presentation.



Acknowledgments

The organizing committee acknowledged support from Gupta Capital Group, SB International Inc., CNT Infotech, NAZTEC International Group, Professor Jagdish Sheth, and additional corporate and individual sponsors whose contributions enabled the centenary program. A heartfelt thanks to the LAA USA Board members for organising such an amazing program and setting the bars higher for other chapters to follow.

LOYOLA COLLEGE SIGNS MOU WITH FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

Loyola Alumni Association and Loyola College, Chennai, signed an MoU with Florida Atlantic University (FAU), Florida, USA, on 29th September 2025.

This partnership establishes a student and faculty exchange program, creating valuable opportunities for academic collaboration and global exposure.

The ceremony was attended by **Rev. Dr. J. Antony Robinson SJ**, Rector and Vice President, Loyola College Society, **Rev. Dr. A. Louis Arockiaraj SJ**, Principal, Loyola College, **Rev. Dr. A. Louie Albert SJ**, Alumni Director, **Mr. Masihullah Md. K.**, Convener of LAA International Chapters, **Mr. Adam Hanser**, President of FAU, along with Deans and other FAU representatives.



Special appreciation to Mr. Sal and Mr. Moin Pazhoor, distinguished alumni from the LAA USA Chapter, for their dedicated efforts in coordinating this partnership.

Students from both institutions will benefit significantly from this collaboration.

LOYOLA COLLEGE PARTNERS WITH FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Loyola Alumni Association and Loyola College, Chennai, have signed an MoU with Florida International University (FIU), Miami - a leading institution serving over 47,000 students.



This partnership opens doors for student and faculty exchanges, strengthening global academic ties and enhancing opportunities for the Loyola community.

The agreement was formalized by Rev. Dr. A. Louis Arockiaraj SJ, Principal, Loyola College and Ms. Jeanette Núñez, President of FIU, in the presence of Rev. Dr. A. Louie Albert SJ, Alumni Director, Mr. J. Balamurugan, General Secretary, LAA and Mr. Masihullah Md. K., Convener of LAA International Chapters.

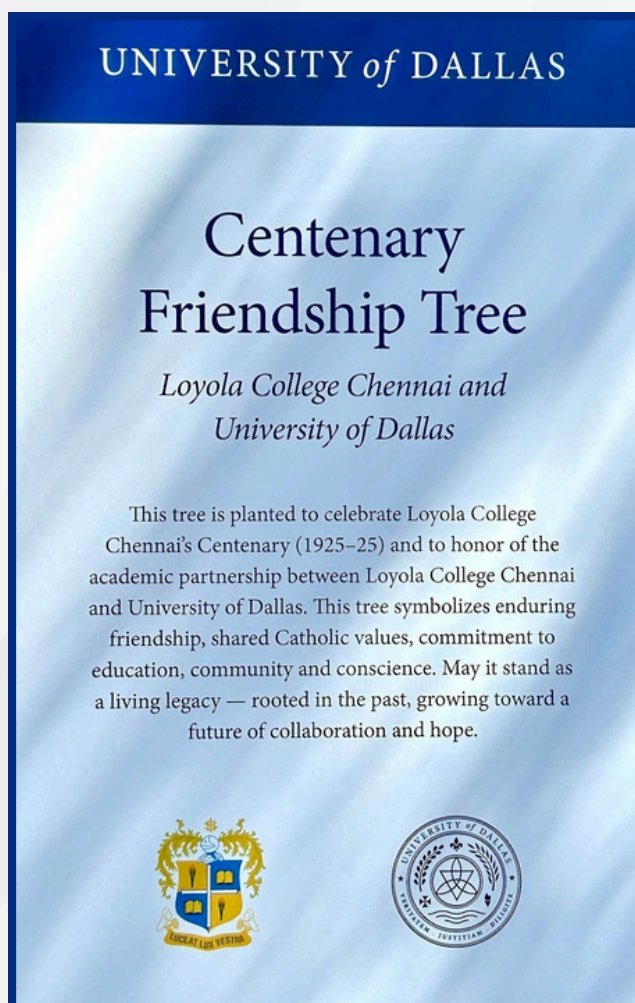
Special thanks to Mr. Sal and Mr. Moin Pazhoor for facilitating this significant collaboration.

HISTORIC CENTENARY FRIENDSHIP TREE PLANTED AT UNIVERSITY OF DALLAS

In a first for Loyola College, a Centenary Friendship Tree was planted jointly with the University of Dallas on 27th September 2025 at the UD campus in Dallas, TX, USA.

This symbolic tree commemorates Loyola College Chennai's Centenary year and celebrates the academic partnership between the two institutions. It stands as a living testament to collaboration, friendship, and shared hope for the future.

Our sincere thanks to the University of Dallas for this meaningful gesture, and to the representatives of Jesuit management, Loyola College who honored the occasion with their presence.





LOYOLA COLLEGE RECEIVES HISTORIC RECOGNITION FROM MAYOR OF PALM BEACH COUNTY



RIGHT TO LEFT: Hon. Gregg K. Weiss, Palm Beach County Commissioner | Masiullah Md K, Convener LAA Intl Loyola Alumni Association | Rev. Dr. Louie Albert S.J., Director Loyola Alumni Association | Balamurugan Secretary Loyola Alumni Association | Rev. Dr. Antony Robinson S.J., Rector Loyola College | Hon. Mayor Maria G. Marino Palm Beach County Government, Florida | Rev. Dr. Louis Arockiaraj S.J., Principal Loyola College | Sal Pazhoor, Founder President, Naztec-USA.

Loyola College, Chennai, has been officially honored by the Government of Palm Beach County, Florida, in celebration of its Centenary year. The recognition was presented by Honorable Mayor Maria G. Marino and the Board of County Commissioners at Palm Beach County, Florida, USA.

This prestigious acknowledgment celebrates Loyola's century of excellence, dedication, and transformative impact in shaping generations through education.

Notably, this marks the first time Palm Beach County Government has recognized an international educational institution - a historic milestone for Loyola College.

LOYOLA ALUMNI CANADA CHAPTER CELEBRATED CENTENARY IN TORONTO

The Loyola Alumni Canada Chapter gathered at Gore Meadows Community Centre on 5th October 2025 to celebrate Loyola College's Centenary, joined by Jesuit fathers and visiting alumni.

Over 150 members attended the event, with alumni traveling from as far as Quebec and Vancouver. The Meet & Greet program featured heartfelt reflections as alumni shared nostalgic memories of their campus days.

Awards were presented to dedicated alumni for their outstanding community contributions, and to alumni children for their achievements. A highlight of the celebration was a traditional Silambam performance by young members of the federation.

The memorable gathering concluded with a fellowship lunch.





CAMPUS VISIT TO WILFRID LAURIER UNIVERSITY, WATERLOO, CANADA

A delegation from Loyola College and the Loyola Alumni Association visited Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Canada, to explore opportunities for academic collaboration. The team met with Dr. Madhu Kalimipalli, Professor of Finance and distinguished Loyola alumnus, to discuss the establishment of a Student and Faculty Exchange Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the two institutions. The initiative was spearheaded by Mr. Mohan Paul Varghese, President of the Loyola Alumni Canada Chapter.



LOYOLA ALUMNI MALAYSIA CHAPTER CELEBRATED FAMILY DAY 2025

The Loyola Alumni Malaysia Chapter held Family Day 2025 on 20th September at the Royal Lake Club, Kuala Lumpur, bringing together over 40 alumni and their families for a day of fellowship and celebration.

Inspiring addresses by Dato' Vaseehar Hassan, Mr. Antony Raja, and Mr. S.K. Samy highlighted renewed connections and future initiatives for the chapter. The presence of families and children added warmth and joy to the gathering, truly reflecting the enduring spirit of Loyola.

The event strengthened bonds within the Malaysian alumni community while honoring Loyola's legacy of unity and pride.



LOYOLA STUDENTS COMPLETED INDUSTRY INTERNSHIP IN UAE

Four students from Loyola College, Chennai, completed their internship at Infinity Technologies in Ras Al Khaimah, UAE, under the mentorship of Mr. Surender Singh Kandhari, a Loyola alumnus and factory proprietor. The internship was fully sponsored by Infinity Technologies as part of the Memorandum of Understanding signed between Al Dobowi Tyres, UAE, and Loyola College in August 2024. This initiative exemplifies the Loyola Alumni Association's commitment to connecting their alma mater with leading manufacturing companies worldwide.



CHENNAI CHAPTER MEETING SEPTEMBER 01, 2025

The Chennai Chapter convened on September 01, 2025, to respond to the Alma Mater's call by identifying key areas requiring attention, including the academia-industry interface, student placements, and enhancement of research through relevant projects.

Key initiatives discussed include: strengthening and classifying the chapter's database by profession; organizing a Loyola Run to increase chapter visibility and raise funds; establishing smart classrooms; celebrating the Chennai Chapter's annual meet on a grand scale; and planning startup centers for non-engineering students.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SOUTH WEST REGION CHAPTER MEETINGS

The Loyola College Alumni Association South West Region chapters will convene on Saturday, November 22, 2025, with two separate gatherings scheduled for alumni convenience.

SALEM & ERODE CHAPTERS – LUNCHEON MEETING

DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025 | TIME: 12:00 PM

VENUE: DWAYFARER INN RESORT, ERODE

Alumni from the Salem and Erode chapters are invited to attend the luncheon meeting. The gathering will provide an opportunity to discuss chapter activities, network with fellow alumni, and strengthen regional connections.

For information, please contact Mr. Ramamoorthy, the chapter coordinator @ 9994375166

TIRUPPUR & COIMBATORE CHAPTERS – HIGH TEA MEETING

DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2025 | TIME: 4:30 PM

VENUE: DOO DEE RESTAURANTS, THIRUPPUR

The Tiruppur and Coimbatore chapters will convene for an evening dinner meeting. Alumni are encouraged to join for fellowship and chapter updates.

For information, please contact Mr. KG Rajkumar, the chapter coordinator @ 9842205252

Both events underscore the South West Region's commitment to maintaining active alumni engagement and fostering community connections across chapters. All alumni from the respective regions are welcome to participate.

KERALA CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2025 | TIME: 11:00 AM

VENUE: HOTEL GRAND, M G ROAD, ERNAKULAM

The Loyola College Alumni Association Kerala Chapter will convene its annual meeting on the last Saturday of November, continuing the chapter's established tradition.

Program Schedule

The gathering will commence at 11:00 AM with the formal annual meeting, followed by lunch. Alumni are invited to participate in the full proceedings.

For information, please contact Mr. Stanley Kunjippalu, the chapter coordinator @ 9847052917

UPCOMING EVENTS

DELHI CHAPTER MEET

DATE: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2025 | TIME: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

VENUE: TAMIL NADU HOUSE, NEW DELHI

The Loyola Alumni Association is delighted to invite you to our Delhi Chapter Meet on December 13, 2025.

Join us for an evening of networking and nostalgia as we reconnect with the dignitaries and fellow Loyolites. Dinner will be served.

For any information, contact: Mr. Thiyagarajan Kumar, the chapter coordinator @ 9810024486

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NEW YEAR
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