An Every four month Insight into the NDTAA



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– <u>Iohn Wooden</u>

AGM 2014/2015

The Third Annual General Meeting of the National Diploma in Technology Alumni Association (NDTAA), was held 15th *March, 2014 (Saturday)* at OPA Auditorium Colombo 7. The chief Guest was Eng. Karunasena Hettiarachchi (Chairman – Water Board), Guest of Honor Mrs. M.M.P.D. Samarasekara, (Directress, ITUM) and Dr. T.A.G. Gunasekara. (Director-Project ITUM)



President Eng. J.K. Lankathilake addressing the meeting

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New President Eng. Shantha Senarath addressing the meeting







New office bearers for the executive committee for the year 2014 - 2015 elected at the AGM. **Eng. Shantha Senarath** was elected as the new president..















Winners of Raffle Draw

Prizes were distributed for winners of Raffle Draw-2013, which was held as a fund raising activity of NDTAA, lead by Mr. Ananda Gunawardena.







NDTAA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (2014/2015)



New President Eng. Shantha Senarath

It gives me immense pleasure to send this message to the 1st News Letter of the NDT Alumni Association (NDTAA) of the Session 2014/2015 as the newly elected President.

NDTAA came into being as a result of the initiatives made by the 90/91 Batch of NDT in the year 2011 and it is fully functional now as a fully pledged alumni looking after the benefits of the past NDTs as well as the present NDT students. The main objective of forming the association is "To safeguard the NDT for the benefit of the future generations",

Profile of Eng. Shantha Senarath.

- Educated at Matara Rahula College & Colombo Ananda College
- Is from the NDT 67/68 batch of UOM
- An Electrical Engineer with over thirty years experience in Senior
- Executive positions in several Semi-Govt. & Private Sector Organizations
- The Chairman & Managing Director of Techno-Plus International (Pvt) Ltd.
- A Fellow of the Institution of Incorporated Engineers, Sri Lanka (IIESL)
- a Trustee and a Past President of the IIESL
- A Past Chairman of the IIESL Past Presidents Forum
- A Past Chairman of INCO Industrial Exhibition
- A Past President of the IIESL Toastmasters Club
- A Past Area Governor of Toastmasters International (Div.O – Dist.'82)
- The current Editor of the Organization of Professional Associations (OPA)

In order to actively look after the areas of different activities following five sub committees were formed with different missions entrusted to them:

Course Development Committee – To assist the academic staff of NDT at ITUM to uplift the course standard.

Professional Development Committee – To look after the career development of past NDT students **Membership & Recreation Committee** – To strengthen the membership as well as to build close relationship among Past & Present NDTs.

Public Relations Committee – To build close relationship with the general public.

Fund Raising Committee – To raise funds to meet the expenses of above activities.

I'am very happy to say that the above five committees of NDTAA have been performing very well in par with the missions assigned to them but, we have a lot more to achieve. The fact that the multiple activities lined up for this year under each subcommittee is progressing satisfactorily well is a matter that everybody can be happy about.

Upgrading of the NDT course with the assistance of the ITUM academic staff , Increasing of Membership by a minimum of 1000, Conducting a Musical Show as a fund raising activity and the NDT Grand Get together to be held in January-2015 are a few major activities lined up for this session. I'am confident that the present Management Committee comprising a mixture of young and senior members of different career backgrounds is quite capable of handling all above tasks to the satisfaction of the majority.

ACTION PLAN MEETING OF NEW EX. COMMITEE

New committee has arranged an action plan meeting with more interaction among members to formulate sub committee strategic plans for the 2014 / 15 session for the success of NDAA aims.

This was held at Dampe Village Hotel , Piliyandala on 03Rd May 2014. The event, where the targets of sub committees were discussed, was a great success.







Developing Students....



CDC (Course Development committee) of NDTAA arranged another one day workshop/ industrial visit to Students -2013/14 for the field visit at SRI LANKA TELECOM - KALUTARA . The training was based with ned technology of telecom application like Fiber and MSAN applications. The event was very successful; thereby students and lecturers made numerous positive feedbacks.

If you have an opportunity for any other field for training or site visit, please contact NDTAA CDC committee (Mr. Nalaka Jayawardane 0718347466) all arrangements.



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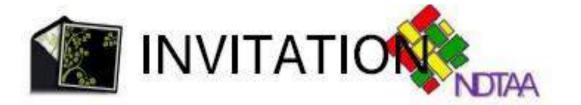
To date well over 40,000 NDTs / JTOs have been produced in the country and if atleast 25% of them can be made members of the NDTAA within a short period we would be able to make it a formidable front to face the challenges that the NDT is currently facing.

The Advisory Board of NDTAA comprising distinguished personnel in the country, who have started their career after completing NDT, is another asset that our alumni possesses.

I'am glad to mention that the NDTAA Overseas Branches will be a reality soon and initially branches in Qatar and in Australia (Melbourne) will be formed once the Constitution for the Branches is finalized.

It is my earnest request to all past NDTs to rally round the NDTAA by obtaining its membership to strengthen the hands of the association in order to fulfill its noble objective of 'Safeguarding and Developing the NDT for the future generations'.

Eng. Shantha Senarath NDT, FIIESL, IEng.



Felicitation Ceremony for Major General Mahinda Ambanpola on his new appointment as the Deputy Chief of Staff , Sri Lanka Army,

jointly organized by Management Committee of NDT Alumni Association & 86/87 batch will be held

> 5.00pm onwards on Sunday 13 July 2014.

Your participation to celebrate the great achievement is highly appreciated.

Venue: Organization of Professional Associations (OPA) Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha, Colombo -07

Dress: Formal/ Office attire

The ceremony will be followed by fellowship Dinner. For Details, Dinner Tickets & Reservations, please contact

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It's time to get together

NDTA GRAND ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER will be coming soon where there will be more time for the members to spend and have fun together

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