



MAHAMAYA GIRLS' COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA (MGCAANA)

ANNUAL REPORT

2021-2022



Mahamaya Girls' College Alumnae Association of North America (MGCAANA)

The Association

- MGCAANA is a voluntarily led, non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Washington in March, 2005. The association received the federal non-profit organization status retroactively on August 4, 2006.

The Purpose

- To build, foster and promote goodwill and fellowship among former students of Mahamaya Girls' College residing in North America, and individuals closely associated with Mahamaya Girls' College.
- To promote excellence in academic and non-academic activities of current students of Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy, Sri Lanka



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Steering Committee

- Mrs. Neranjika Dissanayake
- Mrs. Arushi Nugapitiya
- Mrs. Harshi Waters
- Mrs. Sujatha Werake

Advisory Board

- Mrs. Devi Gunasekara
- Mrs. Sriyani Dissanayake



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Executive Committee and the Board of Directors 2021-2022

- **President** - Dasmanthie De Silva
- **Vice President** - Savithri Weerasooriya
- **Secretary** - Chamila Nimalaratne
- **Treasurer** - Iresha Wijayapala
- **Webmaster** - Nadeepa Jayasundara
- Nimalka Sivakumar
- Kithma De Silva



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Executive committee and the Board of Directors (2021-2022)



Dasmanthie



Chamila



Savithri



Iresha



Nimalka



Kithma



Nadeepa



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Other Committees Functioning under MGCAANA

- Advisory Board
- Endowment Committee
- Fundraising Committee
- Membership Drive Committee
- Newsletter Committee
- Nanda Pussegoda Leula Memorial Scholarship Committee
- MGCAANA Scholarship Committee
- Vidya Scholarship Trust Fund (VSTF) Committee



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MGCAANA Undergraduate and Graduate Scholarship Program

- This scholarship is intended to provide the cost of books and material for a single semester for MGCAANA members pursuing undergraduate and graduate studies in the United States and Canada
- The scholarship is awarded to a student demonstrating outstanding academic achievements, leadership ability, participation in extracurricular activities.
- **The scholarship of 250 USD was awarded to Dhanushka Palipana in 2022.**





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Vidya Scholarship Trust Fund (VSTF)

- VSTF was initiated in 2009 and is one of the oldest projects carried out by MGCAANA.
- VSTF is a legal trust registered in Sri Lanka and created by MGCAANA. It provides financial aid to economically disadvantaged students at Mahamaya Girls' College.
- In 2018, we reached our initial goal of 20,000 USD. As of May 2022, we have raised over 42,000 USD, and the goal was increased to 50,000 USD.



Nanda Pussegoda Leula Memorial Scholarship (NPLMS)

- This project provides financial aid to economically - disadvantaged students at Mahamaya Girls' College as well as to a student-run organization at Mahamaya to perform a community service project, using a personal donation given by Mrs. Nanda Pussegoda Leula's daughter Kanthi Leula in memory of her mother, who was a valued alumna of MGCAANA.
- We received a donation of 2500 USD in 2021-2022



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Annual Charity Donations

- A donation of 100 USD each was made to Puppies behind Bars (USA) and to Breast Cancer Society of Canada.



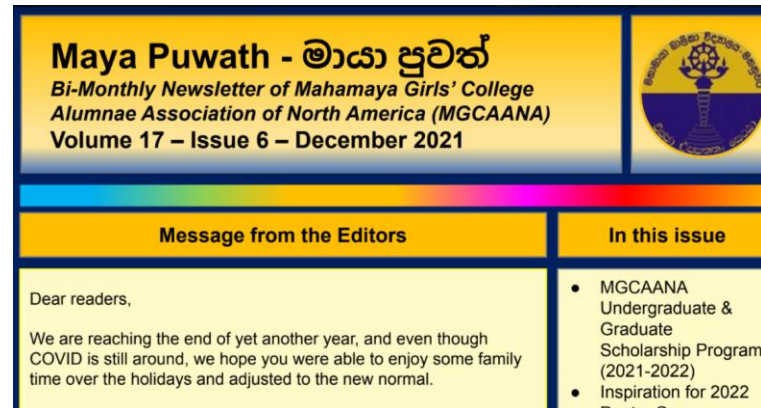
Charities were chosen by the BOD. Criteria for choosing a charity can be found on the MGCAANA website.



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Newsletter

- Maya Puwath is MGCAANA's bi-monthly newsletter. Five issues of Maya Puwath were published last year.
- Vihara Dharmaratne, Berlini Narampanawe, and Samantha Ranaweera volunteered in the newsletter committee for the year 2021-2022.
- **A big thank you to outgoing member Vihara Dharmaratne, for her years of volunteering!**





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Fundraising project: Virtual Talent Show

- The fundraising project, “MGCAANA Virtual Talent Show” was held on 12th March 2022.
- It was a great event that showcased lots of talents of the MGCAANA family and friends. We raised **985 USD**.
- The proceeds went towards MGCAANA

MGCAANA ANNUAL FUNDRAISER!

YOUR TIME TO SHINE!

VIRTUAL TALENT SHOW!

12th of March 2022 @ 5 p.m. EST

Minimum donation \$15

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PLEASE SIGN UP BEFORE THE 25TH OF FEBRUARY 2022 BY EMAILING YOUR RECORDED PERFORMANCE TO <MAHAMAYA_ALUMNAE@YAHOO.COM> OR <DASDESILVA@BERKELEY.EDU>

This fundraiser is in support of MGCAANA scholarship program to help the students of Mahamaya Girls College



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Dismissal of our beloved Mrs. Priyadarshani (Preeni) Sandanayaka

- MGCAANA lost one of its daughters recently on March 18th, 2022
- During her illness MGCAANA hosted a special Buddha Puja and seth pirith chanting to bless her and also donated 150 USD to the Boston temple.
- Preeni was a big part of MGCAANA family, and we all will miss her dearly!
- May she attain the supreme bliss of Nibbhana!





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Contacting Members & Membership Renewal

For the Year 2021-2022, the BOD contacted the MGCAANA Membership to:

- Request the members to renew their membership
- Inform and request their support for the MGCAANA fundraiser, virtual talent show
- Communicate the news about the dismissal of our members and/or their family members
- Gauge their interest in joining one of the committees, the BOD or becoming an Officer in MGCAANA
- Invite them to attend the 18th Virtual AGM



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Thank you!

The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of 2021-2022 wish to extend our sincere gratitude to all our members, their families, and friends for their support to MGCAANA throughout the year, and to those of you who are gathered here to participate in our 18th virtual AGM.

*Prepared by:
Chamila Nimalaratne (Secretary: 2021-22)*