

I have had the honour of being the President of St. Xavier's Alumni Association for almost one and a half years. It has indeed been a highly satisfying experience because above all it has given me an opportunity to renew ties with my alma-mater. One of our priorities was to enable Xaverians from Patna spread far and wide to also renew old bonds with their alma-mater. The best way of doing so was by reviving the periodical newsletters. Thanks to the tireless efforts of members of the Executive Committee of the SXAA and Neel Mani Rangesh '93 in particular, the SXAA newsletter was revived and published in October 2009. Messages of grateful thanks from numerous Patna Xaverians, particularly those abroad, was evidence of how much the absence of the publication of the newsletter had been missed and the yearning among the Xaverians to keep in touch with their alma mater.

The website of the SXAA was also created and is now on view. It is extremely well conceived and very informative. It has been decided to put on our website minutes of the Executive Committee meetings so that Xaverians are aware of what is being done and planned. I would like to invite Xaverians from all over the world to contribute to our website and in a manner of speaking, participate in the planning and execution of activities that SXAA is committed to undertake for the welfare of our school and to strengthen bonds among Xaverians. Now our office records would be paperless yet comprehensive.

This is also to wish all fellow Xaverians the very best of health, happiness and success in 2010.

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