KKS Annual Awards for FY 2021-22

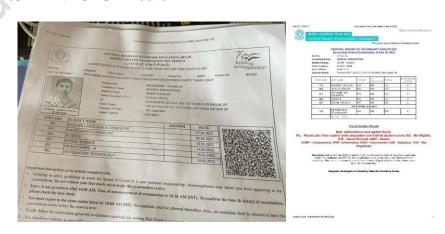
Merit Awards

KKS has been felicitating meritorious students for quite some time. The interest earned against the amount received from four Donors specifically for this purpose is used to provide yearly cash awards under different categories as specified by the Donors. Based on the nominations (all 10th and 12th standard students) received, the following are the award winners for FY 2021-22.

- Late Dr. Rajeshwar Prasad Argal Memorial Sponsored by Mr. Prabhat Argal (Rs. 25000/-), For class 12th pass out students with science subjects (a cash award of Rs. 1500/-)
 - Mr. Aditya Srivastava S/o Mrs. Ritu Karidhal & Mr. Avinash Kumar Srivastava
 Scored 96.8% in 12th PUC Board



- Late Mr. Sheoraj Bihari Lal Mathur Memorial Sponsored by Mrs. Raj Mathur (Rs. 25000/-), For class 12th pass out student with Arts or Commerce (a cash award of Rs. 1500/-)
 - Mr. Kushal Shrivastava S/o Mrs. Smriti Kumari and Mr. Kunal Vimal Scored
 96.4% in 12th CBSE Board



- Mrs. Kiran Rawar Merit Award Sponsored by Mrs. Kiran Rawar (Rs. 25000/-), For up to class 12th pass out student excelling in Sports (a cash award of Rs. 1500/-)
 - Ms. Arshi Saxena D/o Mrs. Mili Saxena and Mr. Anurag Kumar Saxena Scored
 93.1% in 10th ICSE board



- Late Mrs. Jageshwari Bisaria Memorial Sponsored by Mr. Animesh Bisaria (Rs. 25000/-), For class 12th pass out girl student with any subject (a cash award of Rs. 1500/-)
 - Mr. Kunal Srivastava D/o Mrs. Sanjana Srivastava and Mr. Manoj Srivastava -Scored 93% in 10th ICSE board



• Special Merit Award for FY 2021-22 - Sponsored by KKS (a cash award of Rs. 1500/-)

Needless to say, children got badly impacted due to prevailing Corona conditions across and had to attend classes online and study at home only with limited resources. KKS recognizes their efforts and appreciates them for their hard work in achieving excellence by rewarding the following most deserving student with the "Special Merit Award" for the FY 2021-22, out of all nominations received.

 Mr. Divansh Mathur S/o Mrs. Samrati Mathur and Mr. Jaideep Mathur – Scored 88.67% in 10th CBSE board



Young Entrepreneur Awards

These awards are given annually to successful young entrepreneurs to rewarding them for their excellent work and contribution to society which is helping others to get motivated and look at Entrepreneurship as an option to earn a livelihood, especially in the current scenario wherein a lot of people have lost their jobs worldwide. The awardees for FY 2021-22 are:

Men Category

• Mr. Sanjay K Srivastava



Sanjay Srivastava, eldest son of Smt. Kamla Devi Srivastava and Shri. Srikishan Srivastava is an accomplished businessman and philanthropist donating to various causes. He is family oriented and is a pillar of strength to his family.

He is heading his company M/s **Login Infotech Private** Limited since 1999 which is now a 23-year company with a turnover of 78 crores. Login Infotech is partnered with Co's like Microsoft /Dell/Oracle/IBM/Broadcom/Cisco/Xilinx/AMD/Intel and many more., and the company is a preferred Vendor for top companies like Dell Technologies, QA Infotech, Phillips, Accenture, Honeywell Technologies, Wipro Limited, Qualitest India Pvt. Ltd., to name a few.

He is an active member of the Karnataka Kayastha Sabha. He is also a Rotarian and is a member of the Rotary Club of Bangalore Indiranagar since 2006. He is an active member of the Club and due to his leadership quality and commitment to his goals, he has been heading various prestigious positions in the Club's activities like Sports, Donation Drives, CSR, etc.

Sanjay is passionate about is his work and has the zeal to accomplish his goals. He has received several awards for his contribution in the field of humanity.

He is blessed with a beautiful daughter Varsha Srivastava.

Women Category

Mrs. Neha Mathur (www.themissingpiece.co.in)



Neha Mathur has studied Image Management at India's most reputed Image Consulting & Business Institute with the Conselle Institute of Image Management as their curriculum partner. She is a certified Image Consultant & a Soft Skills Trainer accredited by the Scottish Qualification Authority (SQA) and National Accreditation Board for Education & Training (NABET). Her passion is to combine the two domains of Image Management & Soft Skills to help individuals and groups bridge the space between their true selves & the image they would like to project to the world. Neha has facilitated both online and in-person customized workshops for organizations like Schneider Electric, FloCareer, State Street Corporation, Antuit, Amway Global, IBM, 91 Springboard, Shobha Developers, and Landmark Group on topics like...

- Art and Science of First Impressions
- Dress to Impress
- Executive Presence for the Virtual World
- Personal Branding for Career Growth
- Effective Communication Skills
- Business Etiquette
- Dining Etiquette

Neha facilitates Campus to Corporate Workshops for College students. She is an impaneled facilitator with Indian Women's Network (IWN), CII's branch for Women, where she delivers sessions on topics like.....

- Interview Skills
- Personal Branding
- Emotional Intelligence

She is also a visiting faculty with the Institute of Product Leadership (IPL) where she facilitates workshops on Personal Branding and Executive Presence. She is also one of the career Mentors for IPL's Mentoring Program for their Executive MBA cohorts. Neha has also conducted various workshops for colleges like Sheshadaripuram College, Jain University, ISBR, NIFT, New Horizon College, Kumaraguru University, Ramaiah Institute of Management Studies, and Garden City University to name a few. She has also done individual consultations on Image Enhancement and Personal Branding for individuals from diverse backgrounds as well as industries like IT Professionals, Bankers, CEO of Marketing firms, Corporate Lawyers, Builders, Fitness Coaches, Architects, Entrepreneurs, and Homemakers. Neha started The Missing Piece Image Consultancy with the key idea to help individuals bridge the gap between their true & most organic nature and the image they like to project based on their personal & professional roles.

Lifetime Service Award(s)

KKS started this award last year to remember and reward stalwarts, its honorable senior members who have/are contributed/ contributing to its growth immensely all throughout.

The recipients for the year FY 2020-21 are:

Late Mrs. Indu Argal



Mrs. Indu Argal, formerly Indu Srivastava, was born in Indore to a very well-known Kayasth family in 1947. She passed MSc in Zoology and was then married in 1967 to Mr. Prabhat Argal, an IIT Graduate who was just then moving to the UK for further studies. She joined her husband in the UK after 7 months and was selected to work as a Senior Technician due to her science studies. Being brought up in Indore, her spoken English was not up to the mark but she did not give up and was eventually appointed as a Biology teacher at the same School, where she continued till the family decided to return to India in1974.

She was not the one to sit still in India and after spending three years as Housewife and pursuing continuously with BDA for a site, she bagged one in 1978 for the family at a mere Rs 12000. Then came the uphill task of building the house. With the salary of her husband, it would have taken a very long time and so she started a Record Circulating Library which was later augmented into a Book Library also, with a vow that the earnings from this will go only for savings to build a house. Eventually, she stood by her family and started the construction of the house at Indira Nagar.

In the meantime, the family also started an Engineering firm, and naturally, Indu Argal was one of the Directors. She looked after the Commercial side and despite her science background, she was immensely successful in handling her portfolio. She continued her Directorship till 2007 despite her failing health due to Diabetes.

She suddenly expired on 14th Oct 2015. As Mr. Argal says, whatever my success, the majority of the Share is because of her Perseverance. Mrs. Indu Argal served KKS as its President for the financial year 1998-99. KKS witnessed tremendous growth during her tenure.

Mrs. Kiran Rawar



A few decades ago, Bangalore was a beautiful city but very different - in culture, norms, and society at the very least, there was always a longing for belonging, a craving for familiar roots and language, the absence of which created a big void at one time.

As a blessing, we joined the Kayasth Sabha in 1988 and never looked back. It was family away from home. We have strong friendships and some of which also turned into relationships. The Sabha reignited and instilled a sense of belonging for us.

I was born and raised in Kanpur, U.P and Delhi. Since my marriage, we have settled in Bangalore wherein the city has adopted and captured our hearts and soul and since has been home. Coming from a large family of seven siblings and many more cousins living as a joint family had instilled a great sense of community and compassion since childhood which carried over to my adult life. I have a strong passion and ability to excel in a multitude of activities and roles - have held many leadership positions in different clubs, organizations and societies. Organizing events came naturally to me. In my younger days, I have been part of both the Independence Day and Republic Day Parades, representing college for Rifle Shooting at the National level, Music has been a very special part of me, self-taught both the harmonium and dholak.

Culinary skills have been much awarded on different platforms. I have been known to be a stalwart in certain areas and hopefully of great value in terms of reliability and dedication when it comes to taking up responsibilities.

I want to put in a word of appreciation for our President Animesh Bisaria and the committee. With great pride and joy, I see their commitment to trying to carry the flag forward. There is so much enthusiasm and fervor and dedication Involved from their side for the Kayastha community.

I am so proud to be a part of this Samaj.

Mrs. Kiran Rawar served KKS as its First Woman President during the FY 1997-98.

President Choice Awards

These awards are given annually to KKS members and their families for making an extraordinary contribution to KKS. The awardees for the FY 2021-22 are:

Mrs. Ritu Karidhal



Ritu Karidhal Srivastava is a Senior Scientist in the Indian Space Research Organization with a key role in realizing the Mars Orbiter Mission, which created history of being the first mission to reach Mars in its first attempt.

She did M.Sc. in Physics from Lucknow University and then MTech from the Indian Institute of Science in Bangalore. She always had a fascination with space, an urge to do something different from a normal trend. Collecting news articles related to any space activities by ISRO or NASA was one of her hobbies during her school days in the city of Lucknow. The dream of joining the space agency came true in 1997, November. She has worked for many prestigious missions of ISRO and also handled a responsible position for many missions.

Being the Deputy Operations Director for MOM, she, with her team, was responsible to execute the critical operations of Leaving Earth and Capturing Mars, which could be realized flawlessly.

She has been the recipient of many awards including "The Young Scientist Award in 2007 by Dr. Abdul Kalam, the then President of India, "The Baroda Sun Achievement Award "by Bank of Baroda, and many more.

She had been a member of the G7 gender equality advisory council (GEAC) UNDER the United Kingdom presidency in the year 2021.

She is an active member of Karnataka Kayastha Samaj since 2004 and promotes many social welfare activities taken up by KKS.

• Mrs. Deepa Srivastava



Dr. Deepa Srivastava is an educationist with an experience of more than 3 decades in the field. She has worked in reputed colleges as a lecturer and HOD, has served as Principal of 2 CBSE syllabus schools, founder Principal of an IGCSE syllabus school and Director of an ICSE institution. She has been actively involved in counseling teachers, students and parents. A rank holder throughout her academic career, she has a Ph.D. in History, Masters in History and Hindi, CIDTT from the University of Cambridge, and IGDCS (International Graduate Diploma in Counselling skills). Dr. Deepa has been working with VIDYA, a PAN India NGO for the past 7 years as Director-Operations for its Bangalore Chapter. She is a strict mentor who helps all, in learning real-life lessons; a very lively and disciplined true leader, who always works towards the overall growth of the organization and its people.

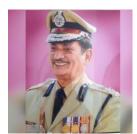
After traveling the world with my sailor husband Mr. Mayank Srivastava, I came to Bangalore in 1986 with him and my 3-year-old daughter to set up a home where we could raise a family together. We had never lived in South India and though the neighbours were very friendly and helpful, the language and culture were totally different from what we were used to, being born and brought up in Uttar Pradesh. A chance meeting of my husband with a member of the then Karnataka Kayastha Sabha Mr. Surendra Srivastava in 1988-89, made us join the association. I cannot forget the feeling of happiness and excitement that I felt when I attended the first function of KKS at the Rotary Hall on Lavelle Road. People around me were actually talking in Hindi!! From then on, we became regular members of KKS; my husband served on different posts on the executive committee and we all enjoyed working together to organize meetings, functions, events, and fundraisers. The children participated in competitions organized by the Sabha; we celebrated North Indian festivals in traditional ways. The Sabha became a family away from family and continues to be so in its new avatar – Karnataka Kayastha Samaj (KKS).

Dr. Deepa introduced VIDYA, an NGO empowering and transforming underprivileged women in the October 2017 and since then KKS has been sponsoring professional course fees for girl students every year.

KKS Guardian Award

KKS introduced a prestigious Guardian Award for the FY 2021-22 to identify and felicitate its member involved in helping fellow Kayasthas and others wholeheartedly whenever they are in crisis, going beyond the self. We proudly present the awardee as:

Mr. M K Srivastava, IPS(Retd.)
 Former Director General of Police, Karnataka



Belongs to the 1977 batch of Indian Police Service (IPS) Karnataka cadre. He retired in 2011 as Director General of Police. ACADEMIC BACKGROUND - M.Sc., LL.B., M.B.A.

Active in the National Management movement and member of Karnataka & All India Management Associations. Guest Faculty at SVP National Police Academy, Hyderabad; Karnataka Police Academy, Mysore; Corps of Military Police, Bangalore. On the Board of Governors of CMR University & Management & Law Institutions. Member of Organ Transplant Committee constituted by Govt of Karnataka for Manipal Hospital, Bangalore. Advisor- Lithium Urban Technologies (Electric vehicle transportation for reducing carbon footprint). Represented Karnataka Police in All India Lawn Tennis & Golf Tournaments.

Associated with Karnataka Kayastha Samaj since 1986, thanks to Mr. MP Rawar who introduced me & Mr. Mayank Srivastava who made me a permanent member. Subsequently & Mr. Prabhat Argal felicitated me.

Having spent the formative years of my life in Lucknow & Allahabad, KKS provided an environment of cultural & social affinity & bondage some 2000 km away in Bangalore. With the support of an active KKS member namely Amar Jamadhiar, started a not-for-profit organization "Saraswati Sanjeevini" in memory of my mother to provide telemedicine services to the Kayastha community of my ancestral village in Basti Distt of UP.

- Awarded Police Medal for Meritorious Service on the occasion of Republic Day 1999
- Awarded President's Police Medal for Distinguished Service on the occasion of Republic Day 2006;
- Awarded Cash reward & Commendation by Govt of Karnataka in recognition of services as Commander Task Force, anti-Veerappan Operations
- Awarded "CIDC Vishwakarma Award" as Outstanding Public Officer by Construction Industry Development Corporation (CIDC), Govt of India.

KKS Felicitates Warriors Forever of its Family

KKS is blessed to have some of its members who are from defense backgrounds and continue to serve the motherland. Protecting against security threats is seen as the primary role of defense personnel. It is a privilege for the EC team to honour them during the AGM of KKS.

- Col. Rahul Kumar
- Major Saurabh Srivastava
- Capt. Martina George
- Wg. Cdr. Ashok Nigam
- Group Captain Pradeep Kumar Nigam
- Lt. Col. Ankita Srivastava
- Col. Arvind Saxena