



Dear US-Educated Azerbaijani Alumni, Friends and our Partners

This is to share with you monthly report of US Alumni projects supported by AAA office

Project name: Fulbright, Humphrey, Muskie programs Reunion

Project manager: Nazrin Baghirova (Muskie and UGRAD alumna)

Background: The alumni really appreciate rector Prof. Jafarov and Prof. Panahov for giving outstanding visionary speeches about the role of AAA and its alumni in the socio-economic development of the country, on challenges of being a change agent (be it Education reforms, and/or organizational governance). It was very interesting to learn some very motivating tips on how to overcome those challenges, by being a great leader in one's society. We also appreciate our election candidates for presenting their platforms, and giving insights of the underlying philosophy of their platforms. We really enjoyed how alumni had exchange of ideas and expressed their expectations for the next Board especially expanding activities out of the Capital and internationally. We really appreciate alumni for providing their feedback to the current Board and expressing their interest in similar events in the future.

Thank you all for coming!

Date: May 19, 2018

Number of participants: >25



Project name: Conference dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic

Project manager: Dilara Bunyatova (TEA alumna)

Background: On June 10, 2018 our dear TEA alumna Dilara Bunyatova organized a conference dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Azerbaijan Democratic Republic.

There was 50 participants including 15 students from UAFA.

The aims of the conference were:

- to find out talented students and their knowledge in history, hobbies, potential opportunities.
- to encourage them to communicate with disable students and care about them.

The members of the club performed poems and role -play, sang songs and danced together with students from UAFA.

The students of school #285 also prepared a composition due to the 100th anniversary of ADR.

We thank our dear Dilara khanim dedicating her time to young students in Azerbaijan!

Date: June 10, 2018

Number of participants: >60

Photo-report: [Click Here!](#)





Project name: English Conversation Club

Project manager: Ismayil Jafarov (FLEX 2003) and Zarina Khankishiyeva (YLP 2013)

Background: Sharing with you some photos from our last English Conversation Club organized by AAA - The US-Educated Azerbaijani Alumni Association .

We welcome all comers regardless of your level of language ability, the only vital thing is a desire to learn and a positive attitude.

English Conversation Club is completely free and welcomes all comers!

We thank our FLEX alumnus Ismayil Jafarov for his contribution to our community!

Date: Every Saturday at 4 pm.

Number of participants: >15

Photo-report: [Click Here!](#)



On **June 2nd, 2018** The US-educated Azerbaijani Alumni Association successfully organized it's board elections to elect 7 board members from different categories for next 2 years.

Congratulations to the new elected AAA Board:

Toghru Alakbarov – **Chairperson** of **The US-educated Azerbaijani Alumni Association** (Fulbright alumnus)

Ruslan Mirzayev – **Deputy Chairperson** of **The US-educated Azerbaijani Alumni Association** (UGRAD and MUSKIE alumnus)

Khalisa Shahverdi – Community Connections Program alumna

Jamila Aliyeva – Ugrad alumna

Zarif Bakirova – Fulbright alumna

Hasan Huseynli – Fulbright alumnus

Sevinj Huseynova – FLEX alumna

Photo-report: [Click Here!](#)





Congratulations to our **Caucasus Youth Leadership Program Alumna 2017 - Jala Rajabova** from Khachmaz! Jala received a 700, the highest possible score, on her university entrance exam. We wish you good luck in your future endeavors!



Here is an inspiring story from our **Community Connections Program alumna Matanat Garakhanova** about how she met her host family after 12 years:

“In frame of the Community Connections Program I was participant of the “Injury Prevention” program and we have visited USA, State Michigan, Detroit city. 10 doctors and teachers of schools from Baku and different regions of Azerbaijan participated in the program.

I lived in family of pensioners James and Py Wolfe. 3 weeks that I have spent in USA were unforgettable. We have visited many medical and education institutions where we were presented work of general system of injury prevention. After USA I often write to my American family. And I always remember that very useful and nice time which I had spent there.

And here 12 years later I have received the letter from my American family in which they informed me that they are coming to Baku. They had a tourist trip across the Caucasus. I have met them at the airport. We were very happy to see each other again and our joy had no limit. In Baku they stayed only 2 days. I have acquainted them with my family and friends and have spent with them one more evening.

Next day James wrote me:

Hello again :)). We wanted to thank you for a wonderful dinner and evening last night!! It was wonderful to meet your sister, your best friend, your son and his wife. Someday soon, we will meet your grandson, when he comes to live with us. Thank you, also, for all the gifts. We are showing them to all our friends on the trip and telling them all about you and your family and showing them the photos. They, too, are so excited that we are seeing our sons and daughters along the way in Azerbaijan, Georgia, and Armenia.

We love you and hope to see you again soon:)). Love always, Jim and Py”





The US-Educated Azerbaijani Alumni Association is happy to open call for the upcoming AAA Alumni Talk Series

Alumni Talk Series will be held twice in a month for the wide auditory of Alumni as well as Non-alumni at the AAA Conference Room. Each Talk Series will have different topic and alumni speaker as well. If you wish to share your Story, Experience and Learnings with others, please e-mail the following information to pm@aaa.org.az & chair@aaa.org.az

Full Name ii) Program you represent and year iii) Title of the Topic iv) Topic description v) Date and time of session
Please call Zarina Khankishiyeva at (+99450) 230 44 63 for more information.

AAA team always will be happy to support you and do the best for your projects!



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