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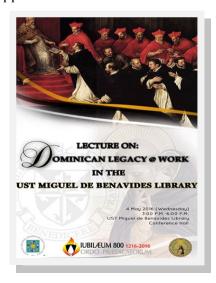
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LIBRARY HOLDS LECTURE ON DOMINICAN LEGACY

lecture on "Dominican Legacy @ Work in the UST Miguel de Benavides Library" was held at the Conference Hall of the UST Library on May 4, 2016. It was the Library's contribution to the 405th Foundation Anniversary of the University with the theme "UST – the Enduring Legacy of Dominican Missionary Work in the Philippines and in Asia."



Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries, in his opening remarks, highlighted the noteworthy projects of the Library particularly the digitization and conservation of invaluable historical materials of the University.

Invited speakers were: Assoc. Prof. Augusto V. de Viana, Ph.D., chair, UST Department of History; Prof. Regalado Trota Jose, a r c h i v i s t, University of Santo Tomas; and Prof. Jorge Mojarro y Romero, Ph.D., faculty member, Instituto Cervantes.

Dr. De Viana's topic "Enriching P h i l i p p i n e Historiography:

the contributions by the 20th century Dominican historians" revealed that history writing is part of the duties of the religious and it allows them to see themselves in time and as members of society. He also pointed out that Dominican historians are part of the polyphony of historians contributing to Philippine history.

As of the 2nd speaker, Prof. Jose showcased the rich and t i m e l e s s collection of the UST Archives with his talk entitled: "The University of Santo Tomas Printing Press: as reflected in the collections of the Archivo de la Universidad de Santo Tomas." He began by tracing the spread of westernstyle printing to the first printing presses in the Philippines - from the Dominicans to the second press -Augustinians - Jesuits - Archdiocesan Seminary to the third press - Franciscans up to the University of Santo Tomas Printing House. He showed a number of detailed images and stunning photographs of the collections of the UST Archives including religious publications, earliest textbooks on sciences and languages and earlier traces on the development of Philippine journalism.



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"BOOKBINDING FOR BEGINNERS"

memsio D.V. Magtaan and I, were recommended by the Library Administration to attend the seminar/workshop on bookbinding. It was held last March 15-16, 2016 at the Ortigas Library Foundation, Pasig City. The course is directed to bookbinders, librarians, students and hobbyists who not only love books but also write journals to document their life experiences. It is ideal for beginners or those individuals wanting to have fun. The participant does not need prior basic knowledge and experience in bookbinding. The class is interactive that relies heavily on handson exercises with lectures under direct supervision of the facilitator. Moreover, the workshop-lecture develops the participant's ability to use basic materials such as cloth, handmade paper, machine-made papers and adhesives. It allows us the opportunity to explore simple book structures and covering techniques in producing handmade books.

The workshop proper included the following:

- 1. Introduction: Hand bookbinding as an art crafts showing actual books made
- 2. Basic book and paper technology and terminology
- 3. Materials and supplies, hand tools, and basic equipment
- 4. Basic techniques of folding, cutting, tearing and sewing
- 5. The making of a single section, hard bound book with wrap-around end papers

The course objective also provided us a solid understanding and basic skills on hand bookbinding; specifically, to develop hand skills related to paper and cloth work, to enhance professional skills, awareness, and responsibility, to stimulate creativity in design, and to develop awareness, and lastly, to develop awareness of choice of suitable styles. At the end of the workshop, the participants were able to identify and prepare materials and supplies, familiarize on the proper use of tools, acquire basic knowledge and skills on hand bookbinding with the use of modern design and techniques and classify and evaluate books.

Mr. Mark Cockram, the instructor, is a London-based bookbinder who studied art and design at Lincolnshire College of Art and worked as a freelance artist and designer. He teaches various aspects of bookbinding/ book arts in the UK, Europe, USA, India, Philippines and Japan. His diverse work is represented in public and private collections around the world, including the British Library, Victoria and Albert Museum, The Grolier Club (New York) and the New Museum of Liverpool. He is currently on a short stay as an intern of the Ortigas Foundation Library's Conservation Unit.

Edgardo N. Lapid

PGLL SUMMER CONFERENCE 2016

Those of us who were fortunate enough to have attended the Philippine Group of Law Librarians, Inc. (PGLL) Summer Conference last April 13-15, 2016, might remember Coron's charm as a first class municipality comprising of the eastern half of Busuanga Island or all of Coron Island and its fifty (50) other minor islets forming part of the Calamian Archipelago in Northern Palawan that separates the disputed South China Sea from the Sulu Sea.

Being in a place surrounded by sea and other bodies of water, it is but fitting to have a presentation on marine resources as delivered by Prof. Jay L. Batongbacal, director of the U.P. Institute for Maritime Affairs & Law of the Sea, who discussed the access and availability of international and Philippine information sources.

Adding an international perspective, foreign speakers were invited and actual international work experiences were included as topics. Atty. Gaythri Raman and Mr. Nicholas Khoo, both from Malaysia respectively, talked about connecting the world with technology and the law and managing social media to discover new intelligence data. Mr. Eugene Jose T. Mendoza of the House of Representatives Congressional Library shared his international organization work experience and his thoughts on the prospect of Philippine libraries. Mrs. Milagros Santos-Ong of the Supreme Court Library shared her experience on international outreach and knowledge on advocacy for law libraries.

In other notable presentations, Dean Ma. Soledad Margarita Deriquito-Mawis of the Lyceum of the Philippines University, College of Law discussed some challenges and opportunities for the modern Philippine law library, while Atty. Maria Theresa G. Libunao, VP of CD Technologies Asia, Inc., discussed international online legal resources. Lastly, Mr. Stephen B. Alayon of the S o u t h e a s t Asian Fisheries Development Center (SEAFDEC) Aquaculture Department Library discussed scholarships and grants for professional development.

PGLL Summer Conferences provide a unique convergence of learning, networking and fun for participants.

Jonas T. Sahagun

GO GREEN

The 8th CE-Logic National Electronic Conference was held last May 12-13, 2016 at the Manila Hotel. The theme of the conference was "Sustainable Libraries and Learning Spaces in the 21st Century," in response to climate change. This conference aimed to encourage more libraries to e n g a g e in sustainable practices in order to protect and improve the library environment for the well-being of the library users.

The Conference was a live forum wherein the participants listened to some well-known personalities of the country in the likes of Arch. Lisa Morales-Crespo, Dr. Marlon C. Pareja, Arch. Christoph er dela Cruz, Prof. Ma. Sharon Esposo-Betan, and Dr. Maryledra Penetrante. They discussed strategies, challenges, and shared some inspiring success stories of their respective sustainability journeys. Participants also learned from the experts current trends and innovative technologies and progression in green and sustainable buildings and communities.

The following topics were discussed:

- Go green. The nature of green libraries: innovative approaches to sustainability;
- Going green and beyond: building sustainable communities and nurturing humanity;
- Green disposition. The impact of the Philippine green building code in reducing the harmful effects of climate change;
- Building a green future. The future of green libraries: building efficient and sustainable operations in the Philippines;
- Stress management and happiness in the workplace.

SEMINAR ON "EMBEDDING THE SCHOOL LIBRARIAN INTO THE K-12 CURRICULUM"

our (4) high school librarians of the UST Miguel de Benavides Library, joined by other librarians from different parts of the Philippines, attended a 2-day Seminar organized by The Center for Human Research and Development Foundation, Inc. on "Embedding the School Librarian into the K - 12 Curricu-(Harmonizing the lum" School Library Resources and Services with the K-12 Program). It was held last



Librarians from UST pose for a souvenir photo with Dr. Juan Buenrostro.

May 19-20, 2016 at the Institute of Social Order, Walter Hogan Conference Center, Ateneo de Manila University Loyola Heights, Quezon City.

Below are the speakers who gave their insights regarding the role of school librarians in the development of young minds as the progression of the K-12 program approaches:

Dr. Ma. Ligaya Nera: "The Role of the School Librarian as Leader in I.T. in K-12 School"

Dr. Nera emphasized that changes brought about by new technology may come as a challenge for the librarians to embrace, but one must adapt and utilize it in the best way possible. Technology is more than computers. Technological changes have been seen in the library system, procurement of resources and library instructions, with those changes directly affecting the role of school librarians. Because of these changes, Dr. Nera highlighted the need for developing effective technology plans in which librarians need to determine how they could integrate the library services in the way teachers teach and the way students learn. She also mentioned that technology plans must focus on applications not technology, pointing out that the concern should be the end result or what needs to be accomplished and that goals must be set to be achieved, not only according to school year but also by phase.

$\operatorname{Dr.}$ Carmelita Tiglao: "The Role of the School Librarian in Reading Instruction"

Dr. Tiglao's discussion was focused on the important role of librarians as member of the reading team. Dr. Tiglao pointed out that

USTFU LABOR SEMINAR

The University of Santo Tomas Faculty Union (USTFU) sponsored a labor seminar entitled "Perspectives on the K to 12 Transition." It was held last June 13, 2016 at the CME Auditorium, UST Medicine Building.

The objectives of the seminar were the following:

- to educate the faculty members on the assistance available to them from the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Education and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED);
- to guide the faculty members on the requirements in order to avail the assistance from these three government agencies;

• to inform them of the legal issues of the K to 12 and its effect to the teaching profession.

The first speaker was Dr. Carmello Marollano from the Department of Labor and Employment. He talked about the programs and financial assistance for faculty members who would be affected by the K to 12. Likewise, the requirements needed to avail of the financial assistance provided by the department.

Ms. Inna Francesca Rana and Ms. Angela Balacaro, both from the CHED, gave a talk on the programs of the Department and gave an overview of the issues, concerns, and guidelines in the implementation of K to 12.

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LIBRARY IN-HOUSE SEMINAR 2016

The University of Santo Tomas Miguel de Benavides Library conducted its annual In-house Seminar with the title "Establishing Research Culture and Rekindling Work Ethics among the UST Library Staff." This was held last June 15, 2016 at the UST Library Conference Hall. It was attended by the UST librarians, support staff, and library administrators.

The first topic discussed was entitled "Agenda Setting in Library and Information Science Research: discovering the researcher in us" which was lavishly discussed by Prof. Allan B. de Guzman, Ph. D., dean of the UST College of Education. Dr. De Guzman shared his indispensable knowledge and expertise highlighting the fact that libraries keep on adding more and more functionalities in its current library set-up. He said that the Library should also learn how to adopt as it is now in the "Point Oh Phenomenon" or the era of Library 3.0 that keeps on changing and updating. He passionately e x p o u n d e d all the ins-and-outs of 'Research' and made it sound as easy as 1-2-3. He motivated all the participants to make their own research papers. According to him, anything in the library could be a good prospect for research. He imagined all of the library personnel writing about the different aspects of librarianship and someday become a point person who is proficient and knowledgeable in a certain field. He said "one small step can make a change and improve oneself in his/her research skills. These



small steps may seem insignificant but it can make a big difference."

The second lecture, "Practicing Strong Work Ethics in the Library," was given by Mrs. Elizabeth R. Peralejo, chair of the Technical Committee for Library and Information Science in the Commission on Higher Education. She said "work ethics" is how one feels about his/her job, career, or vocation, how one does his/her job or responsibilities, what is right, acceptable, and above board vs. what is wrong, underhanded, and under the table. She emphasized the 5 characteristics of a strong

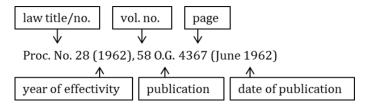
ON THE SHELF: LAWS ON PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE

Independence Day or Araw ng Kasarinlan o Araw ng Kalayaan is celebrated on June 12. However, prior to 1962, it was celebrated on July 4 to commemorate the day when the United States recognized our independence in 1946.

The change of date was initiated by President Diosdado Macapagal on May 12, 1962, through Proclamation No. 28, s. of 1962, which declared June 12 as Philippine Independence Day. Furthermore, in 1964, Congress passed Republic Act No. 4166, which formally designated June 12 of every year as Philippine Independence day.

Checking the above stated laws published in the official Philippine government publication Official Gazette or Gaceta Oficial as found in UST Library collection, is a good way to see the raison d'etre for the change of date. Researchers who would want to view the printed copies of both laws may do so as these are available at the UST Miguel de Benavides Library, Civil Law Section.

To easily find said laws on the voluminous Official Gazette, they are cited as Proc. No. 28 (1962), 58 O.G. 4367 (June 1962) and Rep. Act No. 4166 (164), 61 O.G. 3094 (May 1965), respectively. As guide for those who are not familiar with Philippine legal citations, a labelled citation is provided below:



Thus, as example, you can find Proclamation No. 28, series of 1962 on Official Gazette volume 58, page 4367, dated June 1962.

For the millennial and others who prefer digital versions, you can view the above stated laws on the online Official Gazette (www.gov.ph) or the UST Law Library's local legal database Philippine Law Encyclopedia (Lex Libris).

Jonas T. Sahagun

NURTURING OUR FAITH 101

This is part of a series which focuses on Mary as the perfect model of our faith and why Catholics have different titles associated with her. This article further clarifies the excessive Marian devotions that have led others to draw a rational conclusion about "Mary worship" based on their observations. However, their doubts on the person of Mary, rather than the practices of her devotees, cause problems and thus, must be corrected.

Catholics believe:

Mary was the first Christian and is the perfect model of what it is to be Christian. She is the embodiment of Christian selflessness and Mother of all Christians. Mary leads us to "Do as he tells you..." (John 2:5). She is honored and revered, but not worshipped. Worship is due to God alone.

Mary as the Model of our Faith

The different titles of Mary are based on the Scripture:

Blessed Mother: "All generations shall call me blessed" (Luke 1:48)

Mother of God "Why should I be honored with a visit from the mother of my Lord?" (Luke 1:42, cf 2 Sm 6:9)

Immaculate Conception: "He (Gabriel) went in and said to her (Mary). "Rejoice so highly favored! The Lord is with you!...You have won God's favor" (Luke 1:28-29)

Mother of the Church "I am the handmaid of the Lord, let what you have said be done to me" (Luke 1:38)

Mary acted on our

behalf when she willingly accepted God's will for her at the Annunciation. Without her total obedience to God's will, humans would not have salvation through Jesus. She was one special woman by any measure.

It is proper to honor Mary as Jesus. The Apostles honored her – with love, reverence and respect. We may ask her to pray for us to God, given her special prominence in heaven and her relationship to Jesus, without trespassing in Christ's role as Mediator.

Joseph Christian M. Legaspi CLE Coordinator, UST High School Pope Paul VI once said,

"TO ENTER THE CENACLE MEANS TO ENTER INTO HIS HEART — TO DARE TO EXPERIENCE SOMETHING OF GOD, TO ALLOW SOMETHING OF GOD TO ENTER INTO US."

The UST librarians held its annual retreat at the Cenacle Retreat House and Spirituality Center located at Katipunan, Quezon City last June 17-18, 2016 with the theme, "Finding God at the Workplace" which was spearheaded by the Committee on Human Values. This was a two-day retreat away from the busy life and responsibilities, which served as a form of enjoyment, as well as, soul searching adventure as it restored and reawakened the physical and emotional state of well-being.

The session started with a deep meditation exercise which made retreatants think deeply in the most relaxing way possible, so as to clear minds and thoughts and to set the mood for the entire day ahead. The warmhearted and passionate spiritual leader, Sr. Ana Malapitan, RC, played music as she guided the meditation with her calm and soothing voice. She headed the session differently from the usual retreats that were given by priests. The session's ambiance was just like in a classroom setting, she discussed a lot of things which people tend to neglect and forget. In line with this, she played audio and visual materials to support her discussions.

Many aspects of God's power were expounded, among others were the seven-day story of God's creation, the value of doing and being, chronos and kairos time, workplace as a holy ground, how to keep Sabbath holy not only during Sundays but anytime of the week, Jesus Christ, the circles of identity, presupposition of faith and many to mention. There is a number of realizations that happened during each and every session. The deep understanding and comprehension of the aforementioned topics made the retreatants open to their feelings and insights, allowing the Holy Spirit to touch their hearts and remind them of the root of everything, who is God. As part of the session, a movie entitled *Music of the Heart* was shown which made the retreatants reflect and ponder.

The UST librarians had no regrets in visiting the Cenacle Retreat House and they were indeed grateful to experience a retreat headed by nuns, the Cenacle way. Truly, the faith, trust, and love for God of everyone were rekindled not only in the workplace but also in all aspects of life.



Dangal ng UST Awardees (L-R): Ms. Lobo, Ms. Majuelo, & Ms. San Gabriel.

ppreciation and recognition are major factors that motivate employees to work harder and aim higher. Employees who are rewarded and recognized are more productive and fulfilled in their job. They show loyalty and are more eager to contribute their knowledge and expertise to the organization.

It is also important to be praised as part of an organization because everyone needs to be recognized for their individual accomplishments by the people around them and above them. This may improve their self-image and encourage them to do better in their work.

Last May 3, 2016, the University of Santo Tomas together with the University of Santo Tomas Faculty Union (USTFU) gave recognition to their faculty members for their contributions and accomplishments in their respective fields. The theme for this year's Dangal award was "Ang Gurong Tomasino sa Hubileo: Biyaya ng Pananampalataya, sa Lipuna'y May Awa at Kawanggawa." This was held at the UST Medicine Auditorium, St. Martin de Porres Building.

It was attended by some UST administrators and faculty members. A message of appreciation was given by Fr. Richard G. Ang, O.P., acting rector of UST.

"LIBRARY STAFF COUNT DECADES"

It is very rare for a staff to serve a company or institution for four decades and still is able to continue serving for a few years more.

The UST Miguel de Benavides Library is fortunate to have Ms. Evangeline Panizal who was awarded for her loyalty and dedication in serving the University for forty (40) years. Along with her, Ms. Dolores Morante received an award for having served the UST Library for thirty (30) years.



In photo are the awardees and nominees from the Library department (L-R): R. Travilla, J. Mangona, C. Barlan, D. Abolucion, E. Panizal, and D. Morante.

The awarding was done during the 9th Hiyas ng UST Awards which was held last May 5, 2016 at the UST Medicine Auditorium. The theme for this year was "Mga Kawaning Tomasino: Kaisa sa Pagpapahayag ng Ebanghelyo" in time for this year's Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy as declared by Pope Francis.

The auditorium was filled with glamorous members of the UST Support Staff clad in black or white/black and white ensemble to symbolize and commemorate the 800th Jubilee of the Dominicans.

Divided in two parts, the program started with a Holy Mass concelebrated by Fr. Reynaldo Adalid, O.P., Fr. Winston Cabading, O.P., Fr. Filemon de la Cruz, O.P., Fr. Manuel Roux, O.P., Fr. Louie Coronel, O.P., and Fr. Jannel Abogado, O.P.

Special Awards were given to those who have finished their masterate, those who passed the government board examinations, those who have presented a research paper in local and international conferences, and those who have been punctual in office attendance. Ms. Daisy Mae T. Abolucion, Ms. Jasmin J. Mangona, and Mr. Rafael A. Travilla, all employees of the Library were recognized for their punctuality and complete attendance.

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"SPORTSFEST 2016"

ast May 26, 2016, the UST Support Staff were in attendance for the opening ceremony of their annual sportsfest with a theme "Preaching through sports, practicing sportsmanship." The program started with a parade at the Plaza Mayor and ended in the UST Seminary Gymnasium. There were six teams which were grouped by color, namely: blue, gray, green, orange, red and yellow teams. Three (3) from the UST Library support staff were chosen as team coordinators, namely, Lucy Bermudez for the Green team; Bernardita dela Vega for the Yellow team and Jasmin Mangona for the Red team.

Each team was asked to perform a "gimmick" in front of the three judges. After which, there was a parade which served as an avenue for camaraderie. The program proper was held at the UST Seminary Gym which started at exactly 8:30 in the morning. There were also segments that were included, namely, *Mr. BaeWatch*, cheer dance competition and parlor games, respectively.



In the Mr. BaeWatch segment, each team was represented by one hunk from their team and escorted with a muse. For the Yellow team, their Mr. BaeWatch representative was escorted by a muse in the person of Ms. dela Vega of the UST Library. This was followed by a cheer dance competition in which every team prepared their best by showing their hidden talents, but only one team prevailed. The winners were proclaimed after the presentation. For the "gimmick" and Mr. BaeWatch, the Green team bagged the price and for the cheer dance competition, the Gray team won in which the choreography and music were conceptualized by yours truly. It was performed together with some Library staff, namely, Arleen Abad, Christian Barlan, Rowena del Meda and myself. Parlor games followed immediately after the proclamation of winners.

Library holds lecture... from page 1

Prof. Mojarro who talked about "Grammars and Vocabularies in the Philippines: the Dominican contributions," pointed out that the Dominicans carried out the first grammars and dictionaries of Tagalog, Pangasinense, Ibanag, Isinay and Ivatan languages. They left an outstanding legacy of linguistic works which constitute a priceless Philippine heritage and with a goal of preserving the current linguistic diversity of the archipelago.

The lecture was hosted by Asst. Prof. Anna Maria Gloria S. Ward, faculty member from the College of Science. It was attended by some UST fathers, namely, Fr. Filemon dela Cruz, Jr., O.P., vice-rector for Religious Affairs, Fr. Louie Coronel, O.P., director, Social Media Bureau and Fr. Jesus Miranda, Jr., O.P., regent, College of Education. Other attendees were Assoc. Prof. Ma. Rhodora G. de Leon, director of the UST Health Service and Mrs. Maria Gonzalez Goolsby, former director of the Corporate Philanthropy and Social Responsibility (CPSR) of UnionBank of the Philippines; some faculty mem bers and students from the Ecclesiastical Faculties and the Faculty of Arts & Letters; and the UST librarians.

The lecture was indeed enlightening and was like a time machine that brought one back where it all started as it traced the Dominican missionary work in the country, as well as, that of the whole of Asia. It had withstood the test of time leaving a legacy to the future generations.

Jenneth G. Capule

Go green from page 3

Arch. Morales-Crespo, principal of Lisa Crespo Ecotecture, mentioned that a green-sustainable approach to library buildings identifies the critical importance of protecting the occupants' health by addressing the following factors such as; air and lighting quality, efficient use of energy, water and other resources, as well as, the reduction of waste pollution and environmental degradation along with the physical characteristics and systems of the building. She highly recommended the book of Arch. William Mcdonough, entitled Cradle to Cradle: Remaking the Way We Make Things.

Dr. Pareja, director of Environmental Resource Management Center of the De La Salle UniversityDasmariñas (DLSU-D), mentioned that the benefits of proper waste disposal to the University are great because of the following reasons: (1) DLSU-D received recognition from different associations both local and international; (2) yearly, the University saves more or less half a million pesos by reducing the waste materials that they disposed; and (3) they earned as much as 300 thousand pesos through selling of seedlings and composed fertilizer from the left over foods that they collect. Furthermore, he stated that putting into practice the program is very challenging, but "strict" implementation is the key. It has now become part of the everyday life of the people in the campus.

Arch. Dela Cruz, Philippine Green Building Council (PHILGBC) chief executive officer(CEO), emphasized that green building is now mandatory with the creation of the GB code, a referral code of the National Building Code (Presidential Decree No. 1096), citing how the national green building code and the BERDE green building rating system affect the design and operation of libraries.

Prof. Esposo-Betan, head librarian of the University of the Philippines, College of Engineering, mentioned that there are other ways for the library to become a "green library" such as recycling and putting an indoor plant instead of plastic, etc.

Lastly, Dr. Penetrante, director, Children & Youth-Wellness Technical and Advocacy Center, discussed the stress management and happiness in the workplace. According to her, our everyday life is full of environmental stress, and she mentioned the 3 simple ways to manage stress: Just Smile, Keep a positive and realistic attitude, and Pay attention to your breathing, doing the correct breathing exercise.

However, some studies show that green or sustainable building is not enough to lessen the effects of climate change; but more actions can be taken to reduce gradually its worsening impacts. The challenge for everyone is to prepare for some inevitable effects of climate change on our life, communities, and the society as a whole.

The conference was successful in educating the participants about climate change. More than one hundred librarians from Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao were in attendance. The UST Library was represented by Ms. Arlene P. Matias and yours truly.

I recommend this kind of conference because it increases awareness about global warming.

Juanita D. Subaldo

Seminar on "embedding... from page 3

the librarian, as part of the team, must be involved in monitoring reading comprehension, as well as, the learning process. She addressed the need to guide learners to become engaged and effective users of ideas and information. Dr. Tiglao also provided a list of websites that will be very useful for the participants once they engage in the reading instruction programs.

Dr. Maria Gia Gamolo: "The Role of the School Librarian in Support of Music and Arts"

Dr. Gamolo defined an embedded librarian as a librarian that is integrated into a class for a period of time to support the students in the research process. She also listed the roles that make a librarian empowered or empowering which includes being: a school leader, a program administrator, an information navigator, a technology facilitator and a collaborative teacher and learner. Dr. Gamolo then gave the participants specific examples of how an empowered librarian can support music and the arts. She presented activities that librarians may undertake in collaboration with the teachers of other subjects that will enhance the students' knowledge and appreciation for the music and arts.

Dr. Ed Dizon: "Who are the Special Students in the K-12 School?"

and

Ms. Janine Buenrostro: "The Perceived Role of the School Librarian in meeting the needs of Students with Autism and Mobile Students in the K-12 Curriculum"

"The most difficult thing to open is a closed mind" With these words, Dr. Dizon initiated his lecture because he believes librarians must be open-minded and must be accepting of people with special needs. Progressive thinkers are what librarians should be, that the participants must realize the importance of inclusive education (inclusion). Dr. Dizon passionately explained that it is not enough that we know, but seek to understand and develop a way to address their needs. Both speakers' lectures span out on the same direction, emphasizing the role of the librarian in the detection, individualization, inclusion, and collaboration students with special needs. The speakers also acknowledged that since the librarian is also a school service giver, it is very important that he or she contributes to the development and learning of all students including those with special needs. Librarians face the challenge of providing these types of students

not only with library resources which relate to them, but also with a learning environment without any prejudice.

Dr. Juan C. Buenrostro, Jr.: "The Role of the School Librarian in Inclusion and Differentiated Instruction on the K-12 Curriculum"

Inclusion and differentiation may be two opposite terms but both have a singular function for students with special needs and that is to aid in their learning. Inclusion or Inclusive Education aims to place a special child among typically growing children in a common classroom or learning environment. While the special child learn together with typically developing children, differentiation is exercised by tailoring instructions to meet individual needs. The speaker enumerated the requirements for implementing inclusion to give the participants a better understanding of the tasks being undertaken by the school in order to adapt to the needs of the children with special concerns. Lastly, Dr. Buenrostro also gave a very practical advice; "As a librarian never humiliate a reader inside the library."

Angelica Frances C. Ciar

USTFU labor... from page 4

The speaker from the Department of Education was Dr. Emmanuel Maninang who talked about the hiring guidelines for Senior High School teaching positions for SY 2016-2017, the rank and salary to be offered to qualified applicants, the announcements of vacancies in the teaching profession and the requirements.

The last speaker, also from DOLE, was Atty. Emme Celera who discussed the legal matters that concern K to 12. She mentioned issues, problems that need legal action or solution.

An open forum followed after. Fortunately, according to the Department of Education, no private high schools applied for financial assistance which only shows that the teaching staff of the private sector have no problem yet with the implementation of K to 12.

The seminar, which was attended by faculty members and students, was spearheaded by Asst. Prof. James Platon, USTFU vice president for Labor Education & Research, and Arch. Susan G. Petilla, secretary general of USTFU.

Marilou G. Palermo

Library in-house... from page 4

work ethics which will guide all the library personnel in their day-to-day activity in dealing with different types of users. Librarians should make patrons feel that they are the center of attention in the library service and librarians should pay keen attention to their words, expressions, and their body language. Mrs. Peralejo encouraged the librarians to render the best service and assistance to their clients; always try to win a "Thank You" from them. A simple gesture of satisfaction from the users will mean that the Library has served its purpose.

Part of the in-house seminar was the re-echoing of some librarians and support staff with their gained knowledge and learning experience from the seminars they attended. It will be helpful to the participants in shaping and improving further in their own work.

The following library staff shared some of their insights:

Ma. Victoria C. Acuña, acquisitions librarian, echoed about the 1st ever "Philippine Librarians Summit: addressing issues and concerns" which aimed to address the various issues and concerns faced by library and information professionals more than a decade after the implementation of Republic Act 9246 or the Act to Modernize the Practice of Librarianship in the Philippines.

Nemesio D. Magtaan, a support staff from the Heritage Section, echoed about "The Bookbinding for Beginners Workshop" which he felt provided a solid understanding and basic skills on hand bookbinding.

Jonas T. Sahagun, head Librarian, Civil Law section, echoed a summer conference entitled "Enhancing Librarianship through International Partnerships" which discussed the challenges and opportunities for the modern "Philippine Law" on how to integrate, digitize, collaborate, create, and the crucial role of librarians is in addressing these concerns. Mr. Sahagun also discussed the "Scholarships and Grants for Professional Development" and the reasons for applying for such grants.

<u>Kaori B. Fuchigami</u>, librarian from the Reference section, echoed about the seminar on "**Embedding the School Librarian into the K-12 Curriculum.**" Ms. Fuchigami mentioned about the professional

knowledge which is considered relevant and appropriate which will help empower the librarians in understanding the different types of library clients that they cater to in their day-to-day practice in the library.

The in-house seminar was indeed a complete menu for nourishing the library staff physically, emotionally, socially and mentally. It also helped in establishing the culture of research and take initial steps in materializing it. Finally, it helped in stirring up work ethics among the participants, serving the library clients with the highest quality of service.

Rosemary B. Balbin

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Some faculty members received awards for their length of service and outstanding work performance such as: Gawad Santo Tomas (Pinakamahusay sa Pagtuturo); Gawad San Alberto Magno (Natatanging Pananaliksik, Imbensyon o Inobasyong Teknolohiya at Masining na Nilikha); Gawad San Lorenzo Ruiz (Pagkilala sa mga Ginawaran ng Parangal at Pagkilala sa Pambansa o Internasyonal na Lebel); Gawad San Raymundo Peñafort (Natatanging Librarian) and Gawad San Martin de Porres (Natatanging Guidance Counselor).

For this year, three librarians from the Miguel de Benavides Library were given awards: 20 years in service: Ma. Cecilia D. Lobo, Acquisitions Librarian and Estrella S. Majuelo, chief librarian. Gawad San Raymundo de Peñafort was given to Michelle M. San Gabriel, head librarian of the Ecclesiatical Faculties Library, as "Natatanging Librarian" for this year, a second time for Ms. San Gabriel to receive such award.

Recognition is priceless, and status is much more valuable than money. It increases employee loyalty, enhances performance and is an excellent way for organizations to show all their employees that they value the dedication and contributions of individuals. For this, we are very thankful to the UST Administrators and USTFU for giving this kind of recognition.

To all awardees, Congratulations! May you continue to serve and have strong motivation to go the extra mile!

Ginalyn M. Santiago

DOING ARTS AND CRAFTS WITH THE AETA KIDS

utreach programs must not only aim to give or donate but also to educate. Thus, at the outreach program held last April 17, 2016, some librarians and library staff, aimed at bringing out the creativity of the Aeta kids, went to Sitio San Martin, Bamban, Tarlac. The librarians, Jenneth Capule, Angelica Frances Ciar, Chona Manguilin, Fatima Ramos, Maynard Vitug and library support staff Lordelin Tiamson were tasked to teach arts and crafts to the children of the adopted community of the UST Library.



The kids as they do art works with the library staff.

The group decided to use clay as art material. Clay modelling is an enjoyable a c t i v i t y for children. The tactile nature of clay allows young children to develop their imagination, sensory and motor skills without leaving fun. Most, if not all kids, delight in

rolling, twirling, squeezing and pulling clay in order to make imaginative objects from it.

The excited kids were all gathered in the Library where a short introduction was given and few songs were sung while the art materials were distributed. After giving instructions to the older children so as to guide the younger ones as to make sure they do not ingest the clay, the librarians set out in assisting them in making flowers and butterflies out of the brightly multi-colored clay. Soon enough, the kids were on their own making animal and human figures which showed their ability to learn quickly. Snacks were then distributed after. It was a time well spent with the Aeta children of Sitio San Martin.

Angelica Frances C. Ciar

Library staff... from page 7

One of the highlights of the Hiyas was the selection of the "Most Outstanding Employees" (MOE). The Library nominated Mr. Travilla for Skilled Category, Mr. Barlan for Technical Category and Ms. Mangona for Professional Category. However, the much coveted awards were grabbed by Mr. Ramil Mamburam of the Treasurer's Office, Mr. Robert Li from the Faculty of Pharmacy laboratory and Mr. Joel Gutierrez from the Laboratory Equipment and Supplies Office, respectively.

The event was made livelier with the surprised numbers from our very own singing sensation seminarian Mr. Kenneth Rey Parsad from the Central Seminary and the Salinggawi Dance Troupe who performed a religious dance.

A simple thanks and appreciation may mean much to someone. This yearly activity is organized by the UST Human Resource Department to give honor to the Support Staff for their dedication, hard work, and loyalty to the institution they serve and consider as their home.

Ma. Arleen M. Abad

"BEHIND PORTERS AND SHELVES"

Tumerous milestones simple to great value in one's college life come and go. Yet perhaps, for these fresh graduates, who once were working scholars at the Miguel de Benavides Library (MDB) of the University of Santo Tomas, those points in life will remain embedded in their hearts—always guiding their character as they face their individual professional realms.

Batch 2016 produced 10 determined, persevering, and skilled individuals who, needless to say, have gathered experience within the four walls of the Library. Albeit diverse in encounters, working at the MDB supplied them with proper grasp of the corporate world. Surely, as they go on pursuing their careers, these people will remain competent, compassionate, and committed just as how the University, with the help of the Library, molded them to be.

Chrystalyn May R. Condino (Working Scholar from the Religion Section)

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This yearly event which is spearheaded by the UST-Human Resource Department (HRD) encourages the Support Staff to participate and to get involved in various activities which promote friendship especially for the newly hired employees. It also allows them to show their skills and talents in different sports like basketball, volleyball, bowling, badminton, billiards, and chess.

Everyone was encouraged to participate. The championship games and awarding ceremony will be on July 1, 2016.

Daisy Mae T. Abolucion

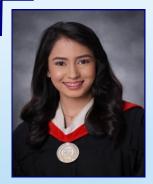
of graduating working scholars 2016



"Do not be afraid of tomorrow because of yesterday. Have faith and trust to move forward."

ADA, NEIL KIRBY L.
FACULTY OF ARTS AND LETTERS
AB POLITICAL SCIENCE
SECTION ASSIGNED: GENERAL
CIRCULATION

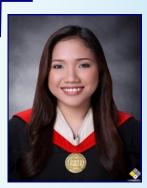
His strong and humorous personality perfectly describes Kirby. Others tend to regard him as aloof and unsociable, but he definitely typifies the saying "Do not judge the book by its cover." In his world outside the Library, he is an epitome of good and humble leadership, especially during his presidency both in class and in their academic organization, TPSF. In spite of the difficulties of being a working scholar, he still ensured excelling in this career which drove him also to perform well in his academics. Yet, this guy remained modest. Kirby dedicates every achievement to God and to his family.



"Do not fear darkness. Always look at the brighter side of life."

BRINGAS, JAMILLE M.
COLLEGE OF ACCOUNTANCY
BS MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING
SECTION ASSIGNED: SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY

Positivity is one thing spontaneous and remarkable about Jam. She loves helping, motivating, and making others happy. She humbly helps her classmates whenever they are confused about the lessons. If someone is losing hope or having a difficult time, she will come to the rescue. She loves making people laugh by simply showing off the jolly side of her. Indeed, she managed to adapt very well as a working scholar for four years; she maintained close relationships with her workmates, friends, and family. After all, she won't stop spreading the positivity flowing within her to everyone.



"Always put God in the equation."

BEGATA, ALAINE GYLE A.
COLLEGE OF ACCOUNTANCY
BS MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING
SECTION ASSIGNED: HUMANITIES

Her ultimate mantra in life is "Always put God in the Equation." She believes as an accounting student, everything she does, she does it with heart. One can never go wrong with God's presence in one's life. Accountancy journey taught her to believe in Him no matter what happens; for He has plans for us. Being a Thomasian Scholar is a big bonus on her part. She is deeply grateful to the Thomasian community for giving her a very prestigious opportunity which she treasured for four years and which she will continuously treasure.



"Amor vincitomnia.

CONDINO, CHRYSTALYN MAY R.
FACULTY OF ARTS AND LETTERS
AB IN BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE
SECTION ASSIGNED: RELIGION

Passion, excellence, hope and love are at the core of Religion section's only graduating working scholar for Batch 2016. She believes that anything done for love and because of love will never be in vain. Growth has always been a big factor for her to enjoy life and because of this, she makes sure that she gets to learn something from everything that she charges to experience. She's regarded as somebody of warmth character. Firmly, she can say that she has been spending her life meaningfully but what lies beyond graduation from the University makes her hope for more of her Creator's stunning plans for her.



"Just learn to trust Him." and "Do your best."

GIDOR, CLOE BELLE D.
COLLEGE OF ACCOUNTANCY

BS ACCOUNTANCY
SECTION ASSIGNED: INTERNET

Not having a talk with Cloe will make you think that she is a snob and an ill-tempered person but when you talk to her, you'll realize that it's true. But by being such, she is able to gain friends just because people make fun of her attitude than being aloof with her. She talks and talks a lot with her friends but most of the time, she excels and solves her problem by working alone. When she says she'll exert effort, rest assured that she would. She's brave outside but deep and weak inside. She believes that for everything that comes and does not come, does leave and does not leave, thank God.



"No pain, no gain."

MALICSI, MARLON CHRIS M.

COLLEGE OF ACCOUNTANCY
BS ACCOUNTANCY

SECTION ASSIGNED: GENERAL CIRCULATION

Born in Tondo, Marlon befriends anyone regardless of one's status in the society. Believing that everybody is inherently kind, he interacts with them without hesitation. Despite his having gaming as a hobby, he had forgone it the moment he became a working scholar to pursue his and his parents' dreams. Even with a tight schedule, he had allotted some of his free time to render Mathematics and Accounting tutorials to his schoolmates. He believes he could share his talents with others so he could help more people.



"A day without learning is a wasted day."

HIPOLITO, MIKEL JOSHUA L.

COLLEGE OF ACCOUNTANCY
BS ACCOUNTANCY
SECTION ASSIGNED: HUMANITIES

Mikel is a person who likes to have a jam packed schedule for a day. Even as a working student, he still finds time to do some recreational activity regularly. He is a hardworking person and he always strives for something greater. He may not be a Dean's Lister but his passion for learning is exceptional and his perseverance in achieving his goal is truly remarkable.



"Opportunity knocks only once; when you have it, grab it."

ORTAL, JOHNREBB C.

INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION AND
COMPUTING SCIENCES
BS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
SECTION ASSIGNED: SOCIAL SCIENCE

At first glance, you might be intimidated by his looks and stature, but once you get to know JR, you'll witness the funny and caring side of him. He is a man of few words but his actions speak for him. Being a working scholar didn't stop him from doing organization work as the Internal Vice President of UST SITE and excelling in academics and graduating as Cum Laude. As a man who exerts all efforts in everything he does, JR currently holds three IT certifications: from IBM, PhilNITS, and Cisco. Despite all these, he still manages to spend time with his family and friends and watch his favorite TV series.



"Dreams won't work unless you do."

SARDEA, AYA MARIELLE D.

COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
MARKETING MANAGEMENT
SECTION ASSIGNED: HIGH SCHOOL
LIBRARY

She's a simple person with big dreams. Aya is a happy go lucky person who likes to spend time with her friends and family. As a working scholar for 4 years in the High School Library, she learned and gained a lot of experience from her supervisors and co-scholars that will surely help her as she faces the challenges in the real world. She will be forever grateful to the Miguel de Benavides Library family and to the University for giving her this opportunity.



"You have to be at your strongest when you're feeling at your weakest."

SEVILLA, KRYSTEL NICOLE A.

FACULTY OF ARTS AND LETTERS
AB IN JOURNALISM
SECTION ASSIGNED: HEALTH SCIENCES
LIBRARY

A quiet girl who really has a lot to say, Nicole expresses herself better through writing, hence, she majored in Journalism. She is known to be responsible especially when it comes to her studies. Although usually mistaken as a very serious individual, she is truly an approachable person who does the silliest things and loves to make her friends laugh. She served as student assistant of Miguel de Benavides Library – Health Sciences section for four years and was also a writer for The Varsitarian, UST's official student publication, during her senior year. After college, she plans to work for a couple of years before taking her master's degree.



"I am my own hero."

TANTAY, FLORA MAE A. COLLEGE OF COMMERCE AND BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
MANAGEMENT

SECTION ASSIGNED: HEALTH SCIENCES
LIBRARY

As a person who already faced too many challenges at such a young age, Flora realized that being determined and having her family at her side are the strongest weapons she will ever have. She has this unique trust in herself and a very competitive spirit. She may look like a shy girl but don't get fooled. She is very friendly and loves to make people laugh. She is very opinionated but never fails to respect people. She is one of the top students in her program and has also become a Dean's Lister many times. Despite having a 30-hour duty per week, she still finds time to watch her favorite Animes, read Mangas and listen to rock songs.

Compiled by Jamille M. Bringas (Working Scholar from the Science and Technology Section)

TAGAYTAY ESCAPADE OF WORKING SCHOLARS "BATCH 2016"

ast May 15, the annual treat for graduating library working scholars had pushed through. This year's participants were composed of seven (7) graduating working scholars accompanied by their respective librarians, the Prefect of Libraries, Rev. Fr. Angel A. Aparicio, O.P., and some library staff. The first activity commenced through a mass held in Caleruega Retreat Center in Batulao, Nasugbu, Batangas. The Eucharistic celebration was said by Rev. Fr. Aparicio. In his homily, he had given emphasis on the importance of prayer; that it is the most appropriate way people can communicate to God. Also, he included that we should strengthen our faith through praying, because it leads us to achieve our aspirations and intensifies our determination to accomplish good deeds and endeavors. Then, the participants took their snack at the repertory and toured around for a short while before proceeding to the next itinerary.

The fun started off in Sky Ranch, a leisure park in the renowned leisure city of Tagaytay. The scholars enjoyed riding some of the attractions including Super Viking, Log Coaster and the Sky Eye. Also, the participants saw the Taal Volcano. There were souvenir shops installed near the





entrance. "Kahit mainit, sobrang nakaka-enjoy pa din" [Amidst the sultry weather, the enjoyment still reigned] Jamille Bringas said, working scholar from the Science and Technology Section. Last in the list was Tagaytay Southridge Estates where the participants took a very sumptuous lunch. The food was prepared by the librarians and staff. "Dahil araw niyo ito, kami ang bahala sa lahat ng kailangan niyo" [This day is dedicated for you, so we took the obligation of providing all your needs.] Mrs. Michelle San Gabriel, Head of the Ecclesiastical Faculties Library, said. To cap off the treat, the scholars availed some of the recreational services offered by the Estates' clubhouse like swimming and billiards.

This event was made possible once again through the efforts of Fr. Aparicio, together with Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo, chief librarian of UST Miguel de Benavides Library. The activities were all initiated and supervised by Mrs. San Gabriel, head, Library Committee on Human Values. The treat was dedicated to show appreciation for the time and service rendered by the library work-

ing scholars.

Neil Kirby L. Ada (Working Scholar from the Circulation Section)

LIBRARY COORDINATORS CORNER

Library Coordinator is the faculty member responsible for the activities that concern the library and his/her respective College/ Faculty/Institute.

Note: Library coordinators are encouraged to submit article/s for the Library Newsletter

sst. Prof. Gian Carlo Torres is the present library coordinator of the College of Nursing. Prior to his appointment as the library coordinator, he has been the adviser of the local student council and also the faculty club president of the College of Nursing. He has been appointed in June 2011 to become the library coordinator for the AY 2011-2012. Prof. Torres recalls that moment saying, "Why me?", referring to his appointment. He has never worked as a member of the library committee and even admits that he is not a frequent visitor of the library, so his appointment came as a surprise. Reminiscing on that moment, his reaction was, what can I do to improve the services of the Library?

During the general meeting of the library coordinators with the Library administration, he recalls being tense, feeling uncertain still as to why he was attending that meeting. He recounts that the meeting was very formal but inspiring. He saw how the Library administration headed by Fr. Angel Aparicio and Ms. Estrella Majuelo encouraged the coordinators to voice out their concerns on how the library services can be improved, and was told of the need to utilize the budget allocated for the library.

The first action that he took was to ask the administrators to come up with a group of dynamic faculty members who can assist him in the performance of the various tasks

Asst. Prof. Gian Carlo Torres



of the library committee. He considered their expertise and academic level to ensure proper coordination of the various needs of the faculty and students. Although Nursing is just one program in the College, it involves a lot of specialties varying from Adult health Nursing, M a t e r n a l and Child, Psychiatric Nursing, Nursing Administration to name a few. Luckily, the administration approved of this action, thus, the Library Committee in the College of Nursing was formally organized.

Being a nurse by profession, he utilized the nursing process to look into what are the common issues that he must face in order to effectively deliver his functions as a library coordinator. On the area of information dissemination and use of the library resources, understanding the stakeholders is essential in dealing with the millennials who are very active in their use of social media and dealing with the faculty who are more traditional in their approach. The library team developed the @ustnursinglib twitter account which allowed them to share to their followers the different activities that the library and library committee are offering which includes the orientation, book fairs and trial resources available for the students, even on-line tutorial on the use of these electronic resources. The committee also organized faculty tutorials and hands on application to cater to this population.

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Another aspect that the committee looked into, was the priority needs of the students, thus, the library orientation by year level approach has been actualized. Considering that the freshmen students are relatively new in the University, it is important that they first be oriented on the various policies and guidelines in terms of library use. Among the sophomores, the orientation is now focused on the use of electronic resources since this is the official start of their clinical duty. For the juniors, who are now beginning in the field of research, the electronic data base tutorial was intensified which included the use of search terms and other applications such as Mendelay which can help strengthen the research skills of the students.

He believes that the library is an integral part in the holistic formation of our students, thus the committee ensures that the students are maximizing their use of all the learning materials that they need. When the College of Nursing committee attends book fairs, their students are encouraged to give their recommendations for books so they can be considered for purchase. This promotes a dynamic involvement among all the stakeholders including the administrators, level chairs and faculty members. Prof. Torres was very proud in sharing that he was able to invite his Dean, Assoc. Prof. Susan Maravilla and the different level Chairs to attend one of the book fairs. He takes pride that the College of Nursing is one of the colleges which is able to maximize their budget for books and online resources.

Another challenging task given to Prof. Torres and the library committee is preparing for the Level IV Philippine

Association of Colleges and Universities Commission on Accreditation (PACUCOA) accreditation of the College of Nursing and re-applying for the Commission on Higher Education Center of Excellence award. He confesses that this was his first time to chair an accreditation committee, plus he is heading two areas, namely: Research and Library which are indeed very challenging tasks. The preparations were very intricate and extensive as they are to ensure that all references are updated, available library resources must be integrated in the various syllabi of the different courses, and ensuring that the students are well aware of the various library services and resources. It was indeed with God's grace that they were able to pull through and achieve their goals because of the collective efforts of the College of Nursing, the Library Committee, the Library administration and most of all, their ever dynamic and supportive Health Sciences Library headed by Ms. Rita Alomo.

God has His reasons for bringing one to where he is. We may doubt ourselves in terms of our capacity to do things but allowing God to take the lead and driving you in the path where He leads you is such an amazing discovery. Again, being given the role of the library coordinator is like a seed planted on a soil of uncertainty, you just have to know your turf, find strength through your linkages and develop strong roots so you can eventually grow and be able to withstand the winds and weather that may come along the way.

Gian Carlo Torres

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