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CPSEM spearheads World Teacher's Day celebration



Dr. Ruth G. Cabahug, delivers the keynote speech while Dr. Estrella F. Perez, chair for communication arts, languages and literature, with Dr. Ramir Philip Jones V. Sonsona, beams with joy as she receives flowers and gifts from students.

Apt for the World Teachers Day last October 5 was the College of Policy Studies, Education and Management (CPSEM) spearheading the celebration in the ICT grounds of the University, at 3 PM.

With the theme *Recovery begins with teachers*, the

giving of tribute came in songs, dances, speeches of gratitude, offering of red roses, commemorative tokens and exciting pick-a-prize promo.

The various student councils of the University took part in the event. The Secondary Laboratory

Schools students even took time to wrap small gifts for their teachers, which were distributed with excitement and matching photo opportunities.

The affair capped with Dr. Ruth Guinita-Cabahug, VP for Academic Affairs, confirming how students consider their

teachers as heroes, and thus reminding them to continue making a difference in their students' lives.

In the closing remarks, Ms. Nadine Enerio, MUST alumna teaching at Abba's Orchard, recalled and thanked her high school and college teachers at MUST for molding her into becoming the person that she is now. She stressed that their simple ways of encouragement and taking interest in a student's life can indeed make a lasting impression. In her case, she has become a teacher as well. (Maria Teresa M. Fajardo)

EE champions regional quiz for 'Green Solutions to climate change'

The electrical engineering students of MUST championed in the 24th regional quiz show hosted by the Institute of Integrated Electrical Engineers of the Philippines, Inc. - Council of Students Chapter in Central Mindanao University, Musuan, Bukidnon on September 23-25. MSU-IIT was second and CMU, third.

The EE students from nine schools gathered to celebrate the 6th IIEE-CSC with the theme *Leading in Green Solutions to Climate Change*. These schools were MUST, MSU-IIT, MSU-Marawi, Saint Peter's College-Iligan City, Camiguin Polytechnic State College, CMU, Xavier

University, Cagayan de Oro College and Western Mindanao State University.

For the Math Wizard category, MSU-IIT was first, MUST second, and CMU, third.

Engr. Lloyd Jhon B. Estampa, MUST coach, and Clark Darwin Gozon, president of IIEE-CSC MUST Chapter, led the MUST team for the Quiz Show, namely: Jeremy Perater, Gieson Eballe, Alfredo Sanaga, Jr., Billy Torreon and Goldy Varquez; and Math Wizard Competition, namely: Jeremy Perater, Christian Laspoña, Alfie Eodorot, Ricrian Balistoy. (Jenifer F. Nara & MSMMM)

MUST grad tops REE Licensure Exam

Ronel Melitante Maamo, MUST graduate last March 2010, was Top 10 in the Registered Electrical Engineer (REE) Licensure Exam in September 2010. Indeed he proved worthy of his scholarship with Davao Light and Power Company as a student.

Others who are now registered electrical engineers are: Artemio Ebueza Ampo, Jr, Noel Dagasuan Cailing, Ken Mark Maquiling Carreon, Christopher Lito Calixtro Crujido, Reneboy Marinay Escorial, Mark Anthony Salomon Estillo, Arnel Damitan Miake, Dibs Tolibas Paltinca, Aquilino Timbal Piquero Jr., Lorena Jacinto Puno, and Jupiter Cailing Sumile. (Jenifer F. Nara & MSMMM)

Editorial

The celebration of the World Teacher's Day makes this month special for the academe. On this day, teachers take a pause from their usual grind of preparing lectures and test questions, grading exams, pursuing research questions, training, etc. and savor the tribute given to them.

Teaching offers great opportunities, not only in carrying out the mission of the university and coaching students to excel in their studies and in the outside world—in competitions and in board exams. But more than these, teachers have the special privilege to touch the lives of their students, inspire them, and guide them to reach their potentials.

We take off our hats in recognition of the more than 440 teachers serving our 8, 260 students!

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MASCUF international conference highlights talent management and transformational leadership



R1-Left to Right [Mr. Jo Mark M. Libre, Ms. Gilda Maquiling, Mr. Wendyl Talampas, Dean Gretchel Robles, Prof. Vima Socorro J. Tandog, Dr. Consorcio S. Namoco R2-Left to Right [Dr. Nenita D. Palmes, Dr. Nelson T. Binag, Dr. Arivalan Ramaiyah, Dr. Ruth G. Cabahug, and Dr Juana M. de la Rama]

The Mindanao Association of State Colleges and Universities Foundation (MASCUF) conference aimed at creating world-class learning institutions with State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) in Mindanao highlighted the importance of talent management and transformational leadership in state schools as tackled by its main speaker, Dr. Arivalan Ramaiyah, professor from EDS Business School of Penang, Malaysia.

The conference specifically dealt with the provision of tools, frameworks and new ideas to help SUCs take their institution to higher levels.

What talent management is and what it is not from hiring the best available talent up to the application of performance management technologies were part of Dr. Ramaiyah's lecture.

Present in the MUST-hosted conference were representatives from 30 MASCUF member colleges and

universities all over Mindanao, namely: Region IX, Region X, Region XI, Region XII and CARAGA Region respectively.

Dr. Ricardo E. Rotoras, president of MUST and Dr. Victor M. Barroso, president of Bukidnon State University gave the opening remarks to personally welcome the participants. The Commission-on-Higher-Education (CHED) Director, Dr. Zenaida G. Gersana, was its keynote speaker, and Dr. Nelson T. Binag, former president of MASCUF and Sultan Kudarat State University, and consultant of EDS Business School, introduced Dr. Ramaiyah. The former director of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Region X, Myra Balandra, was also there to talk about Completed Staff Work.

The conference in Pearlmont Hotel, Cagayan de Oro City on October 4-5 was made in collaboration with Bukidnon State University. (Jo Mark M. Libre)

CAS Dean Tandog leads advocacy campaign for CHED's HEDP-FDP II

In CHED's desire to bring back faculty members to graduate studies, MUST being the Delivering HEI for MS in Applied Mathematical Sciences, Master of Engineering and Master in Information Technology in Mindanao, sent CAS Dean Vima Socorro J. Tandog and three others to Panabo, Davao del Sur to undertake an advocacy campaign from September 30 to October 2.

They were tasked to inform schools and teachers about CHED's Higher Education Program-Faculty Development Program (HEDP-FDP II) in MUST, and attract them to take graduate studies in math, engineering or information technology.

Dean Tandog is also MUST's coordinator for CHED's HEDP-FDP II. With her in the campaign were Dr. Emily Amor A. Balase, coordinator for Mathematics Graduate Program; Engr. Jay Noel N. Rojo, coordinator for Master of Information Technology; and Engr. Mary Ann Emmanuel, faculty of Computer Engineering.

MUST merited the HEDP-FDP II grant because of its status being the Center of Development for Mathematics in Northern Mindanao. To date, it boasts of its world-class professors and well-responsive curricula for math, engineering and information technology. (Ismael N. Talili)

SHAPII - Salay, Mis. Or. taps MUST extension services for skills training

The Salay Handmade Paper Industries Foundation, Incorporated (SHAPII) linked with MUST extension services for its Skills Training Program. The president of SHAPII Foundation, Mrs. Loreta Rafisura, even plans to establish a training center in Salay, Misamis Oriental soon.

Dr. Vicky Sumanpan, extension director of MUST, affirms that SHAPII Foundation has been MUST's forefront in the implementation of private-sector led programs in the fields of education and youth development in Salay. Since the inception of the extension division, MUST has been sharing knowledge and skills through technology experts, with an end in view of promoting quality life in neighboring communities.

The training program primarily caters to the underprivileged but deserving Filipino youth. They can either be high school or out-of-school youths. The program, however, is also open to other people needing trainings on livelihood and development.

The early batches of trainings with SHAPII were related to computer technology. The College of Engineering and Architecture handled the first batch on November 7, 14, 21 and 28, and on December 5 of 2009. MUST-Jasaan Campus facilitated the second batch on July 31, and August 7, 14, 21 and 28.

Those trainings were specifically on Basic Computer Literacy, which included Basic PC Operation, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Power Point and Internet Usage. Their participants were out-of-school youths, LGU personnel, and students and teachers from Salay and other towns.

The participants were happy because the technology learned is aligned with their work today. They are hopeful it can also help them find better opportunities in the future.

Lately, Mrs. Rafisura requested for another MOA to conduct similar trainings in 2011 targeting beneficiaries in the eastern municipalities of Misamis Oriental. (Victoria O. Sumanpan)