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From the President's Desk

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Dear Lasallians,

Peace!

This month marks the beginning of Women's Month, and we pay homage to the strong women of our university who tirelessly embody the resilience and grit of true Lasallians. From our hardworking staff, housekeepers, faculty, administrators, and students, we raise a toast to all of you.

Synodality in Spirit

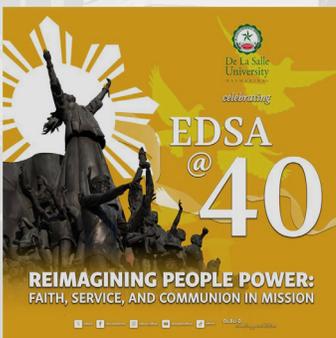
On February 18, we entered the Lenten Season, a time of prayer, fasting, and renewal that calls us to deepen our faith and compassion. As Lasallians journey through this period, I hope we can reflect on our mission in daily life, as students, faculty, staff, and members of the community.

Always a home at DLSU-D

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to Fr. Reinier Dumaop, who faithfully served as our university chaplain for five years. Through his ministry, he touched the lives of students, faculty, staff, and administrators, offering guidance, friendship, and unwavering support.

Saying goodbye to someone we consider a friend, ally, and confidante is never easy. Yet, as I shared in my despedida message, Fr. Reinier will always remain part of our Lasallian family. He will always have a home here with us.

Co-responsibility in Action



Last week, we commemorated the 40th anniversary of the bloodless People Power Revolution in EDSA, a historic event not only for the country but for the world, which witnessed how love, compassion, courage, and united action toppled

a dictatorship without violence. EDSA will always serve as a reminder of the strength and resilience of Filipinos, values that we embody and pass on to this next generation of dynamic and patriotic Pinoyos.

DLSU-D's delegation proudly joined many others in marking this year's anniversary on February 25 at the EDSA Shrine. But even for those who were not able to join us at the venue, I would like to express my sincerest thanks for attending the masses and fully participating in campus activities including prayers, discussions, forums, and dramatizations of the EDSA Revolution. These activities remind us of our continued role in addressing many of the same struggles that persist today.

Part of our responsibility as citizens is to choose the right leaders. To support this, the university, through the Ancillary and Assets Management Office, partnered with the Commission on Elections and the City Government of Dasmariñas to bring a mobile voter registration caravan to campus.

This week-long initiative empowered Dasmariñas residents to register and ensure that their voices will be heard when election day comes.

Capacity Building

The Language Learning Center recently kicked off its five-week free writing workshop for undergraduate students. The Write Up initiative aims to build foundational academic writing skills essential for student success.



Beyond academic growth, the University places strong emphasis on emergency safety and preparedness. Through the General Services Office, personnel from various sectors participated in safety trainings that strengthened readiness for emergency situations, including fire response and the proper use of safety equipment.



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Fidelity to the Mission

The university came alive with free performances from the DLSU-D Performing Arts Group at the Br. Gus Boquer FSC Cultural Heritage Complex with PAGbahagi: A Showcase of PAG Talents and Artistry. Teatro Lasalliana, the La Salle Filipiniana Dance Company, and the DLSU-D Chorale kicked off National Arts Month with vibrant performances that inspired, preserved culture, and united the Lasallian community through creativity.

Student Achievers

Let me take this moment to toast our outstanding performers at the 23rd Economix Global Economic Challenges in Jakarta:

- James Johnroy Mabesa and Adrian Pulido won Best Team Presentation for their research.
- William John Biescas was named Most Outstanding Delegate at MUN–UNHRC.
- Ghaylle Margarrette Dumalag earned Best Dressed for her professionalism.

At PRISAA, our students also shone brightly:

- Jannelle Pagkaliwangan won Vocal Solo Champion.
- Jonas Maigue and Divine Camposano of the Lasallian Pop Band became Vocal Duet Champions.
- Alexa Jayne D. Monera was crowned Mutya ng PRISAA Cavite 2026.

The artistry of our students from Multimedia Arts program and the Basic Education Division were showcased at the ARTvocacy 2.0 Digital Art Making Contest organized by DLSP-LJPC.

- College (CEAT MMA): 2nd place
Ryzza Kassandra B. Aguilar
Artwork: Mulat
- BED (SHS): 2nd place
Lil Twila B. Agurilla
Artwork: Walking Together in Faith and Action

I would also like to recognize our new Lasallian Master Plumbers who passed the licensure examinations administered by the Professional Regulation Commission last February.

Making Headway in Research

Congratulations are in order for the successful conduct of the International Conference on Artificial Intelligence at DLSU-D spearheaded by the team of Dr. Constantino Ballena and Dr. Evangeline Obo under the School of Innovative and Flexible Learning (SIFL). The conference brought together researchers, educators, practitioners, and students from around the world to explore the ethical, educational, and research implications of AI.

DLSU-D also co-hosted the COMICOS & APPREN International Conference 2026 in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, joining 16 countries. Our representatives from the College of Liberal Arts and Communication attended a high-level Executive Board Meeting at Universitas Atma Jaya Yogyakarta to strengthen partnerships and open doors for future research collaborations, student exchanges, and global networks.

Meanwhile, 25 Fellows from DLSU-D completed the Strategic Publication and Research Knowledge (SPARK) Program spearheaded by De La Salle University in Manila. After weeks of intensive mentoring on preparing manuscripts for journal submission, the Fellows marked the end of the program by submitting their research papers for publication. The University Research Office supported the initiative by subsidizing registration fees for faculty members who joined SPARK.

With more doors of opportunity opening through collaboration and action, let us carry this momentum forward and show the world what Lasallians are truly made of. Animo La Salle!

In St. La Salle,

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