

# CCJE alumna places 7<sup>th</sup> in Criminologist licensure exam

Out of the 5,880 board passers in the August 2010 Criminologist Licensure Examination, DLSU-D alumna Ruby Ann Lee Espineli emerged 7<sup>th</sup>. Espineli is a batch 2010 graduate of BS Criminology from DLSU-D's College of Criminal Justice Education (CCJE).

Dr. Arien Dausan, dean of CCJE and former teacher of Espineli, prides this alumna to be very diligent and strictly focused on her studies. She prioritized her studies more than any other and as a result, excelled in all her subjects taken. Dr. Dausan recalls her to be a good challenge to many of her teachers as she is the kind who reads and knows her lessons in advance. A few points shy of being a cum laude, Espineli also managed a couple of extra curriculars – one of those was being a CCJE Student Council officer in SY 2007-2008.

In terms of preparation for the board exam, Espineli had it early. She started borrowing reviewers while she was still in her 3<sup>rd</sup> year. Her test results proved to be promising during the mock Criminologist licensure exams conducted in the University of Cordilleras in Baguio City where she consistently belonged to the top five examinees.

Aside from Espineli, DLSU-D also esteems its other alumni who passed the recent board exam, giving the University a school passing rate of 55.56 percent above the national passing rate of 35.33 percent.



Ruby Ann Lee Espineli

# NCCA-NCLT welcomes DLSU-D

As another means for upgrading its research capabilities and promoting a keen sense of history, arts and culture, DLSU-D was recently approved as an institutional general member of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts-National Committee on Language Translation (NCCA-NCLT).

Represented by College of Liberal Arts Associate Dean Christian George Francisco, the University is entitled to take part in the election of NCCA-NCLT Executive

Council for 2011-2013, serve as channel of communication to the sector regarding the objectives, accomplishments, feedback on government and NCCA initiatives, and be tapped to facilitate the implementation of programs, projects and activities of the Committee.

The election of the Committee's Executive Council was held on Sept. 29 during which Dr. Francisco was elected as secretary.

Other newly elected officers of the Committee are Dr. Jovy Peregrino, Sentro ng Wika director, University of the Philippines (UP) Diliman, as head; Dr. Virgilio Almario, National Artist for Literature, UP Diliman, as vice head; and Prof. Joel Labos, Sentro ng Wika director, UP Visayas, as assistant secretary.

As a member of NCCA-NCLT, Dr. Francisco shared the University's agenda to open a

creative course in language translation; strengthen the BS in education majoring in Filipino along with the MA program; annually produce regional and national fora in Filipino language and literature; promote Cavite culture, in coordination with the Cavite Studies Center, through massive researches; conduct community outreach activities in language and literature teaching, popular culture and multicultural education, linguistic, and cultural pluralism; and globalize the Filipino language through local and international linkages.

NCCA is the overall policymaking, coordinating, and grants giving agency for the preservation, development, and promotion of Philippine arts and culture. It is also tasked to administer the National Endowment Fund for Culture and the Arts. NCLT is under NCCA's Subcommittee on Cultural Dissemination which focuses on communication, cultural education, and language and translation.



## URO director wins 3rd in CHED-CRC Conference

Another research effort from DLSU-D that demonstrates Lasallian excellence was recognized. University Research Office (URO) Director Jacqueline Morta's poster presentation placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Commission on Higher Education CALABARZON Research Council (CHED-CRC) Research Conference 2010 held at the Performing Arts Theater of the University of Perpetual Help System-Laguna.

Dr. Morta's poster presentation titled "De La Salle University-Dasmariñas Graduate Tracer Study (School Year 2000-2001 to School Year 2003-2004)" is a research collaboration between DLSU-D's URO and CHED. The study aims to gauge the effectiveness and/or responsiveness of the degree programs offered by the University and which among the programs are most sought by employers, have highest potential earnings, and the best/worst job match, among others.

Themed B.E.S.T (Beneficial, Environmentally Relevant, Socially Responsible, Technology Driven) Practices in Higher Education Research, CHED-CRC Research Conference 2010 became a venue for 32 paper presentations, 12 of which came from DLSU-D. The University also has the most number of delegates with 35 attendees.



Ellie & Carl

Most of us have seen "arborglyphs" and may have even created one some time in the past.

Arborglyphs are carvings on trees that record names, dates, images, even poetry and prose. Some consider arborglyphs to be a legitimate form of artistic expression and honor trees with these carvings. Others think it is just so much graffiti and another form of tree defacement.

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# SERVE goes above and beyond service

A true testament of following St. John Baptist de La Salle's footsteps of living with a fervent spirit of service, the Students' Extension of Resources through Voluntary Efforts (SERVE) volunteers participated in competitions that develop the youth's idealism and dynamism towards social change.

Select student volunteers prepared a project proposal dubbed "Ugnayan ng Nagkakaisang Inisyatibo, Adbokasiya at Layunin sa Barangay Sta. Mercedes, Maragondon, Cavite" and was adjudged one of the top five finalists in the United Laboratories, Inc. Ideas Positive Proposal Writing Contest.

The proposal, as stated in their executive summary, aims to give greater access to health care to the host community. The program will be divided into three major parts: the building of commitment through upgrading of Barangay Health Worker's skills and knowledge base; strengthening the community's participation to community health care through innovative ways in educational campaign for children and adults; and creating and providing greater access to immediate medical health service by establishing *Botika sa Barangay* and having five ambulance boats.

The SERVE volunteers who penned this proposal were Lounelle Godinez, Ryan de Leon and Laila Monera Pornel, AB Community Development; Pamela Ruth Arciaga and Mae Montilla, AB Broadcast Journalism; Jeremiah Oliver Arciaga and Eliso Espallardo Jr., BSBA Business and Operations Management; Adrian Benedict Valdez, AB Philosophy; Mary Jo Lara, BS Architecture; Danica Brofar, AB Psychology; and Grace Cerelle Sebastian, AB Political Science.

Moreover, "in his own little way," Arciaga won the grand prize at the Manila Bulletin-Samsung Essay Writing Contest with his entry "In my own little way, how can I help make this country a better place to live in." Arciaga wrote about the 12 roles he play to initiate the change he wants to see.

## In my own little way, how can I help make this country a better place to live in

by: Jeremiah Oliver Arciaga

**I am a volunteer.** The newest craze in town after typhoon Ondoy and Pepeng, volunteerism has incited our passion for helping others in their greatest time of need. Being a volunteer helped me see things out of the ordinary. It is more than just giving, but to a certain extent, understanding the complex problems others face in their lives. There are times when we are sent to far-flung places to observe communities and describe what the life of a volunteer is- and that is to lend a helping hand to communities which we strive to support.

**I am a scholar.** Financial support is what we receive as scholars. We work really hard to aid the university by becoming a volunteer. It is what we give back to our dear school in return

for the discounts in our tuition fees, though the minimum grade is easy to attain through continuous diligence in my studies.

**I am a student.** Studies have become my routine but it is fun. I am able to avoid vices and trouble some people when I study or when I am just in the library. Being industrious in my studies, I give back to my parents in a way that I show appreciation for their sacrifices.

**I am a leader.** Sacrifices are needed by a leader to maintain his focus and objectivity in accomplishing tasks. Leadership requires unmatched expertise and a strong sense of respect for others. It is more than just being responsible for the good decisions but for the

bad ones [as well]. I take care of those who are in their shadows.

**I am a follower.** The shadows of the ones who came before us, we follow. Though we anticipate to be under their control, it does not mean that we are not able to be leaders ourselves. I assist in information gathering and make sure our tasks do not fall. I do not point fingers at my leader and that shows accountability. The basic support I give is superior.



# MY TEACHER, MY HERO

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They illuminate, enlighten, and innovate.

They are beyond doubt our heroes.

They are the Lasallian educators.

Through this year's Teachers' Month Campaign (TMC), DLSU-D once again paid tribute and recognized the significant role of its educators in the development of the University and, above all, in teaching minds, touching hearts and transforming the lives of students.

Themed "My Teacher, My Hero," the campaign aims to "generate widespread awareness and support for "World Teacher's Day" as stated in the DepEd Memorandum No. 352.



This year's TMC was spearheaded by the College of Education. To prep for the World Teacher's Day the DLSU-D way, the University kicked off the campaign with a parade around the campus on Sept. 14. Various activities from the seven colleges took place as they went their way to show how much they value their teachers.

On Oct. 5, faculty members were given tribute through "Concert for My Teacher, My Hero: An Evening with Ms. Marissa Sanchez" held at the Ugnayang La Salle. Marissa Sanchez kept the faculty members roaring with laughter with her antics and had them show off their talents on stage. The Performing Arts Group also entertained the crowd with a variety of presentations.



# Czech Republic ambassador conducts lecture

Josef Rychtar, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Czech Republic to the Republic of the Philippines, met with the Tourism students and faculty of DLSU-D at the seminar dubbed “Creating a Better World Through Diplomacy” held Sept. 7 at the Tanghalang Julian Felipe.



In his lecture, Ambassador Rychtar presented substantial cultural and historical information about Czech Republic. Citing significant similarities in culture and history of both countries, the gathering inspired fostering camaraderie between the country he represents and the Philippines.

Ambassador Rychtar has garnered immense diplomatic experience having been appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Czech Republic to Colombia, Republic of Ecuador, State of Kuwait and Qatar. He was also appointed by [former] United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan as senior diplomat to the special group of United Nations Special Commission and International Atomic Energy Agency in 1998, among others.

“Creating a Better World through Diplomacy” was organized by the 4<sup>th</sup> Year BS Tourism Management students as part of their Diplomatic Relations and Consular class which aims to build and also demonstrate diplomatic relations between the two nations. The course requirement is a measure of an ELGA-based curriculum that intensifies the DLSU-D students’ global competitiveness.

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**I am a friend, perhaps superior to a stranger yet just as the same as a sibling.** Friendship is more than just [a] give-and-take relationship but more of a help-and-never-expect anything [in return], which makes things more special.

**I am a lover.** Special she is to me. I give my partner unconditional love, stretch my resources to aid her and is always faithful to her. I do not cheat and I make sure that I make her happy, every single second of my life. I am hers faithfully from the start.

**I am a brother.** The start of my social life is my association with my siblings as their eldest brother.

Being the first born bears the inherent responsibility to be a model to my younger siblings.

I show courage and wisdom in making decisions, pertinent to daily routines and house hold chores. I am also the first one to try out things before any of my younger siblings do. I have to exude strength.

**I am a son.** Strength is the weapon I use to face my parents who have been judged for about two decades now. I have always loved to please them; it makes me happy that somehow I can give back to them.

**I am a human being.** Everyday of my life, I try to have fun. Reaching this age in my life has shown me

what it is really like to be a human being. Imparting volunteerism and enthusiasm to my fellow students and friends while having fun, I do not have regrets at all. Nothing can ever hamper me [from serving.]

**I am a Christian.** I stop, look, and listen to life so that we may truly understand why it goes, not just how it goes. Human existence is characterized by numerous influences that make or break our lives.

**I am a change agent.** If we could just see beyond what we really see, [we could] reflect that change all boils down to one’s self. Actions are needed in order to achieve positive change...and it all begins with me.

# HF celebrates Silver Year, wins big at CEGP

Heraldo Filipino (HF), the official student publication of DLSU-D, celebrated its Silver Anniversary with an exhibit at the lobby of the College of International Hospitality Management Building which opened on Sept. 27.

The exhibit showcased their past, since its creation in 1985, and present published works, thus unveiling DLSU-D's history. Aside from HF issues, the exhibit also displayed their features magazine *La Salleño*, sports magazine *Just Play*, literary digest *Palad*, art and photo folio *Alipato*, and special issues *Decreto* and *Halalan*.

The opening ceremony was graced by DLSU-D President Br. Gus Boquer FSC; former Office of Student Services Dean and current DLSU-D Retirees' Association President Laura Campos; former HF Editor-in-Chief and presently Alumni Relations and Placement Office Director Nathaniel

Golla; and former advisers of HF, Dr. Lakandupil Garcia and Haydee Abayan-Sy.

In related news, HF received awards at the 4<sup>th</sup> Gawad Karen Dela Cruz Awarding during the 19<sup>th</sup> College Editor's Guild of the Philippines (CEGP) Southern Tagalog Chapter, Regional Student Press Convention (RSPC) held at A. Santos Beach Resort in Batangas on Sept. 27.

Further, HF was awarded first place for the broadsheet category while they placed third in the best literary folio with *Palad*.

With the theme "Campus Press uphold our historic role as the progressive media! Write for people! Unite for genuine change," the convention gathered a total of 100 school journalists hailing from Laguna, Batangas, Cavite, Rizal, Quezon and MIMAROPA.

## Retirees' Assoc inducts officers

The DLSU-D Retirees' Association held its general assembly and induction of officers at the College of International Hospitality Management Building Courtyard on Oct. 8. Recently established, the Association is in response to the Ministry Action Plan and the Lasallian Guiding Principles that encourage the formation of association that will act as lay partners in spreading the Lasallian spirituality in the country.

DLSU-D President Br. Gus Boquer led the induction of the officers. The first set of officers are Dr. Laura Campos, president; Leopoldo Hondo, vice president; Dr. Corazon Tined, secretary; Herminiano Silla, assistant secretary; Dr. Rosalinda Garibay, treasurer; Delia Enriquez, assistant treasurer; Segismundo Añonuevo and Eduardo Bautista, PRO; Jose Lajara Jr., auditor; Benjamin Fajayo Jr., assistant auditor; and Dr. Ambrosio Capayas, adviser.

## Patriots volleyball team champs at UCAA

The Patriots' volleyball teams set, spiked and aced on the court and emerged as champions in the recently concluded Universities and Colleges Athletic Association.

For the men's team, Alnakran Abdilla, CRI32, was awarded Best Attacker and Most Valuable Player (MVP), Al-frazin Abdulwahab, CRI32 as Best Setter, Melville Fabro, BOM32 as Best Blocker and Michael Gonzales, MGT47 as Best Libero. On the other hand, the women's team's Mariel Legaspi, PSY41 was recognized as Best Server, Jennifer Manzano, CRI31, as Best Attacker and MVP, and Hidemi Miyata, BTM41 as Best Setter.



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# Laying TILES for scholars

Be remembered for your good deed. This is the thought behind University Development Office's development program called TILES - Timeless Inscriptions for Lasallian Educational Scholarships.

This project, launched on Oct. 8, is created to encourage the community, friends and supporters of the University to reach out to the scholars and give more opportunities to less privileged youths to have access to a Lasallian education. This gives a chance for anyone from anywhere may it be in the community – an alumni, a parent, a student or a visitor – to dedicate a message to loved ones and at the same time help someone have their education. For the phase one of this project, the tiles will be placed at the covered walk or the column posts beside the Ugnayang La Salle parking lot entrance.

An amount would be paid in order to inscribe your message on a tile and, in return, you get to perpetuate your expression of respect, love, admiration to God and help those people in need – a mark of a true Lasallian.

The proceeds of this project will go to the One La Salle Scholarship Fund to help more underprivileged youths finish their education at DLSU-D.



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