

## A One La Salle on Br. Álvaro's pastoral visit

De La Salle Canlubang (DLSC), De La Salle Zobel (DLSZ), De La Salle Health Sciences Institute (DLS HSI) and DLSU-D. These are the Lasallian institutions whose students, faculty, and administrators gathered as one at the Ugnayang La Salle during the pastoral visit of the Superior General of the Brothers of the Christian Schools Br. Álvaro Rodríguez Echevarría FSC, accompanied by Pacific Asia Region Regional Coordinator Br. David Hawke FSC.

The visit paved way for a dialogue between Br. Álvaro and Lasallians from the aforementioned schools. A number of students, faculty, and administrators were given the chance to ask questions and be enlightened with issues pertaining to Lasallian education and way of life. As an act of appreciation, each school presented a symbolic gift to Br. Álvaro. The DLSU-D community presented their gift featuring a photo of the merged 2009 and 2010 Biggest Human Lasallian Stars, highlighting the University's faith in the Lasallian spirit and in every member of its community, and its effort of contributing to the One La Salle Scholarship Fund.

In his closing remarks, DLS-College of Saint Benilde President Br. Victor Franco FSC shared that, "This is One La Salle. What we are really celebrating is being a one big Lasallian family." The other Lasallian Brothers who graced the assembly are DLSU-D and DLS HSI President Br. Gus Boquer FSC, DLSZ President Br. Dennis Magbanua FSC, and DLSC President Br. Kenneth Martinez FSC.



# ERMaC's paper tops at EENP

Faculty and students from the Biological Sciences Department (BSD) and Environmental Resource Management Center (ERMaC) presented their papers at the 3rd International Environmental Education Network of the Philippines (EENP) Conference and Scientific Meeting held at the Ateneo de Davao University on Feb. 17-19.

ERMaC Assistant Director Rosario Pareja shared a co-authored paper "De La Salle University-Dasmariñas: Providing Leadership in Environmental Education in the Region IV-A (CALABARZON)."

This paper was chosen as the best paper among 53 other local and international papers. ERMaC Director Jethro Arsenio also presented his paper "An Assessment of Nature Camp in HEIs: The Case of De La Salle Philippines." Finally, Biological Sciences Department faculty Marlon Pareja discussed two co-authored papers, "Developing a GIS-aided, Participatory and Community-based Environmental Management Program for the Municipality of Lumban, Laguna, Philippines" and "The Lasallian Institute For the Environment (LIFE): Providing Leadership in Integrated Watershed Management Education through

'Learning-by-Doing' and 'Practicing-What-We-Preach' Approaches."

Meanwhile, BSD faculty Norbel Tabo presented his poster "Control of Enteric Bacteria in Source-separated Human Urine" while BSD Chair Johnny Ching shared his poster on "Peanut as Biomarkers of Toxic Metals and Other Soil Content." Moreover, Dr. Ching, with BS Human Biology students Hannah Michaela Tan and Keight Arren Anacan presented their poster "Phytoremediation Ability of Okra to Copper-treated Soil." Lastly, ERMaC's Arsenio, Pareja and Jocelyn Luyon discussed "DLSU-D's ERMaC as a Central Unit for Environmental Concerns."

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## RED faculty shares DLSU-D's green mov't



Spreading DLSU-D's advocacy of going green and preserving nature, Religious Education Department faculty and University Faculty Research Office Ethics Review Coordinator Dr. Fanny Cuyos presented her paper "Creating Possibilities for an Eco-friendly and Sustainable Environment" at the international workshop themed Green and Clean School to Anticipate of Global Warming Era held at the Gedung Nari Graha Renon in Denpasar-Bali, Indonesia on Feb. 14.

Dr. Cuyos' paper presented the initiatives, efforts and approaches of DLSU-D in addressing the challenge of coping with climate change. She also discussed how the University creates possibilities for an eco-friendly and sustainable environment in response to the implementation of the laws and regulations of the national and global community.

Others who presented their papers are Dr. H. Ach Fatchan M.Pd, M.Si., Dr. K. Gede Dharma Putra, M.Sc., and Ninik Kristiani, M.Pd. Sponsored by Koran Pendidikan Bernalar dan Berhati Nurani, the workshop was attended by more than 400 educators and NGO representatives.



# DLSU-D holds Premier Exhibit at SM Rosario

DLSU-D further intensifies its image as Cavite's premier university as it holds its first in a series of mall tour exhibits at SM City Rosario from Mar. 4 to 7. Dubbed Premier Exhibit, it seeks to heighten the public's awareness about DLSU-D's achievements, citations, recognitions, student services and the diverse academic and scholarship programs that uphold the University's stature and prestige.

Spearheaded by the Student Admissions Office, in cooperation with the Marketing Communications Office, Premier Exhibit will next be spotted at Robinson's Imus from Apr. 9 to 11 and is expected to be in various malls in Cavite and nearby towns and cities in the coming months.




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## Studio 23's Barkada Gimik Buzz Ride and Y Speak at DLSU-D

Lasallian students spoke up and made themselves heard at the arrival of Studio 23's Barkada Gimik Buzz Ride and Y Speak at the Ugnayang La Salle on Mar. 12.

Through the efforts of the University Student Council, DLSU-D students enjoyed an afternoon of music and an exchange of points of views. Imago opened the event with their cover of Eraserheads' "Spoliarium" and their hit song "Akap".

Y Speak Host Bianca Gonzalez moderated the discussion between Political Science students Charlene de Guinto and Julius Rocas on the topic of Elections: Manual or Automated. Meanwhile, Economics student Gregor Christopher Viscayda and Management student Celiza Yvonne Romera shared their views on Career Options: Local or Overseas.

Y Speak is a youth-oriented program that discusses relevant and controversial youth issues in the country. Y Speak is endorsed by the Department of Education and National Youth Commission, and recognized by the Anak TV and The 2006 Catholic Mass Media Award as Best TV Talk Show.

## DLSU-D students prove global competitiveness

Proving that the Cavite's premier university molds premier students, BSBA Economics students won in the Best Concept Paper Competition during the 9<sup>th</sup> Young Economists' Convention held at the De La Salle College of St. Benilde Hotel on Mar. 5 and 6.

Allied Business Department Chair Alice Valerio served as coach to students Catherine Ann Dizon, Gregor Christopher Vizcayda, Ivan RJ

Ramosa and John David De La Cruz as they completed their paper "Productivity Implications of Unionization and Corporate Governance: Evidence From Selected Garment Companies in Cavite." The paper was prejudged at De La Salle University and Asian Development Bank where they got a rating of 96 percent.

DLSU-D's premier students also made waves internationally as they passed the paper screening conducted by the National Youth Commission (NYC) officials and were chosen to represent the country as student ambassadors to the Japan-East Asia Network of Exchange for Students and Youths Programme (JENESYS) 2010 on Apr. 18-29 for Batch 1 and May 9-20 for Batch 2. The proud Lasallians are Charlotte Gay Villarin

(Information Technology), Gianfranco Figueroa (Communication Arts), Joseph Kevin Lester Limeta (Journalism), John Jefferson Besa (Human Biology) and Erika Grace Velasco (Political Science).

Together with other Filipino student ambassadors, they will form a delegation bound for Japan for a 10-day cultural exchange visit. Under the JENESYS Programme, they will deepen their understanding of Japan by exchanging views with Japanese youths during school visits and through home stays with Japanese families to develop an understanding, bonding and goodwill.

The JENESYS Programme is a project set by the Japanese Government through the Japan Information and Culture Center, in cooperation with the NYC of the Philippines and the Japan International Cooperation Center.





## CAD chair chosen as juror in Anvil Awards

Communication Arts Department Chair Rosanni Recreo-Sarile was chosen as one of the board of jurors for the recently concluded 45<sup>th</sup> Anvil Awards. Composed of the multi-sectoral team of professors, media professionals, corporate PR practitioners and PR agency representatives, the board of jurors chose to convey the message that “PR is about longevity and growth.”

As shared by Sarile, “I looked for excellence by setting clear, concise and accurate PR programs [or] tools, objectives and expected outputs...As a first-timer, it was fulfilling and challenging.”

The Anvil is the symbol of excellence in public relations in the Philippines, awarded by a distinguished multi-sectoral jury to outstanding public relations programs and tools designed and implemented in the past year. The Anvil Awards competition is conducted annually by the Public Relations Society of the Philippines.

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## SWC organizes first Cavite-wide seminar for helping professionals

Ernest Tan, renowned expert in the field of Guidance and Counseling, acclaimed author and publisher of books like “Your Greatest Gift for Your Greatest Love,” and a well-sought after speaker and facilitator, took command of the attention of almost 180 guidance counselors, teachers, school administrators and medical support personnel from 48 institutions all over Cavite and Metro Manila on a Cavite-wide seminar dubbed “Creating Possibilities for Helping Professionals’ Emotional Wellness.”

The seminar was held on Mar. 5 at the Severino de las Alas Hall Auditorium and

was organized by the Student Wellness Center (SWC). The affair sought to provide emotional support to counselors and other helping professionals by taking a refresher from their usual demanding tasks and get into professional reflection and introspection. SWC affirms that deepening the helping professionals’ understanding of emotional wellness is important in bringing out wellness among their clients as well.

Asian Hospital Medical Center, Jesus Good Shepherd School, Dasmariñas North National High School, Statefields

School, Divine Light Academy, Christian Grace School of Cavite, Dr. Pio Elementary School, Capitol View Christian School and Lipa City Colleges were only some of the participating institutions from CALABARZON. Participating schools from Manila were Santa Isabel College, St. Paul University-Manila, St. Jude, University of Santo Tomas, to name a few. Behavior Dynamics Incorporated and Eye Bank Foundation co-sponsored the event.





# TURN OFF THE LIGHTS

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## Oops!

In the article “Batch 2010 graduates move from school to work” in the Feb. 6-19, 2010 issue of *Newsette*, additional sponsors for the ANIMO Job and Career Expo 2010 include Chartis Technology & Operations Management Corp.; Hocheng Phils. Corp.; Ayala Automotive; AC Corporation; and Stream Global.

Meanwhile, in the article “CBA student is finalist for Jose Rizal’s Model Student search” of the Jan. 16 - Feb.5, 2010 issue, Janina Angelique Lapuz was vice president for external affairs of the College of Business Administration Student Council on schoolyear 2008-2009 and not currently as stated.

In the Lasallian Festival 2010 special issue, in the article “Stepping into the Lasallian Home: SAdO Open House 2010”, Rey Clores from the Biological Sciences Department should read Ricardo Clores from the Behavioral Sciences Department. Moreover, in the “2010 Faculty Recognition Awardees”, Joel Refuerzo is from the Cultural Arts Office and not from the Professional Education Department.

In the Jan. 1-15, 2010 issue, “Taekwondo jins...” should read “DLSU-D Karate team members...”

*Newsette* regrets these errors.



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