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DLSAU's GROW Unit receives gov't recognition



The Special Education Unit of the Basic Education Department received the Government Recognition from the Department of Education on 2 October 2014. This recognition is effective School Year 2014-2015.

The SpEd Unit is also known as GROW which means Giving and Rewarding Opportunities to Wonderful students. The other name is introduced this year to acknowledge the skills our differently-abled brothers and sisters can manifest without having to label them as SpEd. It also tells the community that the program has "grown" and fulfills the school's responsibility in accommodating each and every student regardless of his abilities, thus, the school's

being inclusive.

The Special Education Unit started in 2003 as a response to the increasing need of some children who were having a hard time being productive in the regular program. They only had 20 students during the time.

At present, the unit has 78 students enrolled in the Self-contained Integration, Mainstreaming, and Inclusion programs. Some children are also allowed to join the regular class to enable them to blend with other students and become independent.

LEAD holds Second Brothers' Assembly

After the First Lasallian East Asian District (LEAD) Assembly of De La Salle Brothers in Southeast Asia held in PHINMA Tagaytay in December 2011, around 130 Brothers, led by Br. Visitor, Edmundo Fernandez FSC, assembled again last 3 to 6 December 2014 at Microtel Hotel, MOA Complex, Pasay City.

A renewed acquaintance of Brothers from different cultures started the gathering. Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle addressed the whole assembly on their mission to evangelize. Shared reflections took place almost every day. In the end, the Brother Visitor reported on the State of the new District.



Br. Armin Luistro FSC (leftmost) with other Brothers from LEAD.

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DLSAU bet crowned Ms. UCSAA 2014

The 4th season of the Universities, Colleges, Schools Athletic Association (UCSAA) concluded with the search for Ms. UCSAA 2014 held at the Bulwagang San Lorenzo of Colegio de San Lorenzo on 19 November 2014. DLSAU's Lori Ann Mhei Lontoc, a 2nd year BS Computer Engineering Student, bested the other school's muses in beauty, talent and wit as she was crowned Ms. UCSAA 2014.

This season's UCSAA, which started on July 2014, was participated in by six schools, namely St. Dominic Savio College, Colegio de San Lorenzo, University of Makati, Pasig Catholic College, Jesus is Lord Colleges

Foundation and De La Salle Araneta University. These schools competed against each other in various sporting events such as basketball, volleyball, table tennis, chess and badminton.

Apart from bringing home the Ms. UCSAA 2014 crown, DLSAU also won the Tae Kwon Do Championship and finished 1st Runner Up in the Men's Table Tennis event; 2nd Runner Up in Basketball Juniors and Seniors, Volleyball Boys and Men's Badminton events; 3rd Runner Up in Men and Women's Volleyball and Women's Table Tennis events; 4th Runner up in Men's Badminton and 5th Runner up for Volleyball girls.



Ms. UCSAA 2014, DLSAU's Lori Ann Mhei Lontoc (2nd from right) with (L-R): Ms. Colegio de San Lorenzo, Ms. St. Dominic Savio College, Ms. Pasig Catholic Colleges



DLSAU wins over-all champion in KADSA Sports Meet

The student athletes of the Basic and Tertiary Education Department were hailed Over-all Champions of the recently concluded Kalookan Diocesan Schools Association (KADSA) Sports

Cooperation Meet 2014 held last 11 to 14 November 2014 in various KADSA member schools. Curtney Remedios and Shery Rose Quieng from the Grade School and High

School Department were also crowned as Ms. KADSA Grade School and High School, respectively.



DLSAU illumines community Christmas Tree

The DLSAU community witnessed the lighting of the community Christmas tree last 03 December 2014 at the lobby of the Life Science Building to signal the community's celebration of the Christmas Season. Mr. Christopher Polanco, University Chancellor, led the lighting ceremonies. Community members were treated to a Christmas medley performed by Serenata, the University's Student Chorale group.

Also a part of the University's preparation for the coming of Christ, Simbang Gabi masses will be celebrated from 16 to 19 December 2014, 5:30 AM, at the University Chapel.



Mr. Christopher Polanco, University Chancellor, led the lighting of the DLSAU Christmas Tree

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BED Celebrates English Month

The English unit of the Basic Education Department celebrates the English Month every November, with this year's theme: "Reading takes you everywhere." One of the highlights of the said celebration was the Musical Play Festival participated in by Grades 9 and 10 students who have presented fairy tales and Shakespearean drama, respectively. The musical plays showcased the students' talent and skills in singing, acting and dancing.

Apart from the musical plays, pupils and students of various levels showcased the following performance tasks: spelling bee for nursery and pre-school, poem recitation for Grade 1, modified story-telling for Grade 2, reader's theater for Grade 3, Chamber Theater for Grades 4 and 5, speech choir for Grade 6 and poem writing for Grade 7 students.



Grade 10 Students, with adviser Ms. Leecon (6th from right, first row), pose for a photo after performing Antony and Cleopatra

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TEPA reorganizes, sponsors livelihood seminar

The Tertiary Education Parents' Association (TEPA) recently had their reorganization.

The new set of officers includes:
Mrs. Asuncion Ramos (President);
Mr. Abraham Montana, Jr. (Vice President);
Mrs. Maribel Laguna (Secretary and PRO);
Mrs. Mariss Advincula (Treasurer); and
Mr. Arnel Valderama (Auditor).

Consequently, they organized a general assembly for parents of students from the Tertiary Education Department on 29 November 2014 at the lobby of the Life Science Building. Twenty nine (29) parents attended the assembly which also included a livelihood seminar.

VCAR initiates faculty orientation

The Office of the Vice Chancellor for Academics and Research (VCAR) led the Faculty Orientation for all current and new faculty members of the Tertiary Education Department held at the University's The Forum last 28 November 2014. 51 faculty members attended the orientation which aimed at welcoming the new and current faculty members to the new term and on educating them with regard to Academic Policies and Guidelines; Human Resource related queries such as absences, tardiness and faculty checking; use of the Student Enterprise Resource Planning (SERP) System; and Faculty evaluation, both from the students and from their respective program chairs. The Brother President was also present during the orientation to remind faculty members that one of the things that makes a university produce great students rely heavily on the competency of its faculty.



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