



## DLSAU HOSTS UCSAA SEASON 6



Season 6 of the Universities, Colleges and Schools Athletics Association (UCSAA) formally opened last September 22, in a ceremony held at the Ynares Sports Center in Pasig City. The university has been chosen to host this season—a hosting stint announced last year at the conclusion of Season 5 of the said games.

With the theme “Bigger, Better, Stronger”, this season features major and minor sports events that will be participated in by the following schools: Manuel L. Quezon University, Our Lady of Lourdes Technological College, Pasig Catholic College, ICCT Colleges Foundation, Inc., St. Dominic Savio College, Don Bosco Technical Institute College, and Immaculada Concepcion College. Taekwondo Olympian Ms. Kristie Elaine Lu Alora was the special guest of honor at the ceremony.

The opening ceremony was immediately followed by four basketball games in the same venue: two in the high school division and two in the college division. Our boys’ basketball team competed in the second game, against PCC.



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In the late 1950's THE FURROWS was the name of the official student publication of the Araneta Institute of Agriculture (AIA). This institution was first known as AIA when it started as an agricultural school in 1946.

The concept of THE FURROWS was adopted once more in 2002 when Gregorio Araneta University Foundation (GAUF) became a full-fledged member of the Lasallian Family; and henceforth, 'twas called the DE LA SALLE-ARANETA UNIVERSITY. Since the turnover up to school year 2005-2006, it became the official institutional newsletter.

Today, De La Salle Araneta University, now enriched with the heritage of Lasallian schools and a partnership with a 334-year old educational tradition that has its roots in Rheims, France, has recreated and revived THE FURROWS, as it informs its collaborators and stakeholders through its regular publication and dissemination.



## NEW VETERINARIANS

Forty new Lasallian veterinarians joins the 287 test takers who successfully passed the August 2016 Veterinary Licensure Examination. The results of the examination—simultaneously held in the cities of Manila, Baguio, and Cagayan de Oro last month—were released last August 26 by the Professional Regulation Commission.

Among our 40 new veterinarians, 22 are first time takers from Batch 2015 – 2016. The batch posted a 62.86 percent passing average—well above the national passing average of 42.91 percent.

Our new veterinarians are: Dr. Jan Marie T. Aguilar, Dr. Mark Anthony E. Arenas, Dr. Judith Q. Cabigan, Dr. Shaileen L. Chan, Dr. John Joseph S. Chua, Dr. Clarice Estela E. Clemente, Dr. Ma. Jena Lormainne Estrellado, Dr. Kim Gieza H. Eusuya, Dr. Diane Erica M. Fernandez, Dr. Winnifred L. Garcia, Dr. Terence N. Geneta, Dr. Justine Kendrick O. Go, Dr. Dominique Anne C. Gonzales, Dr. Nerico Gregorio, Dr. Dexter E. Hernandez, Dr. Kwesi Ian Jay M. Junsan, Dr. Joshua A. Lamzon, Dr. Ivane Abigail S. Lee, Dr. Khristine Kaith S. Lloren, Dr. Jorge Michael B. Makalintal, Dr. Anna Azriel C. Manantan, Dr. Jomar N. Navida, Dr. Johnlito Emil C. Ong, Dr. Violeta P. Orozco III, Dr. Gerard Leslie E. Panganiban, Dr. Niño B. Perez, Dr. Chrysobel P. Ramos, Dr. Ma. Janine Nicole R. Rayala,



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To celebrate their success in the board exams, the university organized a testimonial lunch last September 16 at The Forum. Dr. Sarah Joyce So, speaking on behalf of the new veterinarians, advised the next batch of test takers to “just do what you need to do and practice self-discipline”.

## NEW PSYCHOMETRICIANS

The university welcomed ten new psychometricians who successfully passed the August 2016 Psychometrician Licensure Examination which was held last August 30 – 31 in the cities of Manila, Baguio, Cagayan de Oro, Cebu, Davao, Iloilo, Legaspi, and Lucena. Of the 7 312 test takers from all over the country, 3 690 successfully passed the examinations. The results were released last September by the Professional Regulation Commission.

Our new psychometricians are: Krizzia Camille D. Fontecilla, Joy T. Fransisco, Jean Rose G. Lumbres, Pia Marie Therese P. Papa, Trisha Mae M. Go, Joan Camille D. Suarez, Sirc Lemmor L. Pagaran, Miles Megan T. Marcelo, Regina Marie R. Magtaan, and Michael Angelo N. Reyes.





# NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Last September 8, the Lasallian Mission and Formation Office (LMFO), through the entire university's active participation in the rosary campaigns, distributed more than 2,300 rosaries and cupcakes in the communities of Bagong Lote Elementary School, Milagrosa Chapel, Birhen ng Lourdes Parish, and Birhen ng Lujan Quasi-Parish. The activity celebrates the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

A related initiative that was organized by the LMFO is the Bible Ko, Share Tayo: Invitational Bible Campaign. Launched last June 10, the campaign celebrates the Year of the Family and the Jubilee Year of Mercy and was envisioned as a way to promote the growth of families whose root is the WORD of God.

At the conclusion of the campaign, the LMFO received 1,850 Bibles from the Philippine Bible Society which will go to the following partner communities: Bagong Lote Elementary School, Milagrosa Chapel, Birhen ng Lujan Parish, Birhen ng Lourdes Parish, Sts. Peter and John Parish, and Christ the King Chapel.

Last September 16, 200 Bibles have been distributed in Bagong Lote Elementary School.



## MOU WITH UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DEL LITORAL

A Memorandum of Understanding—which establishes academic exchange and research collaboration between DLSAU and Universidad Nacional del Litoral (UNL), Argentina—was signed this month. DLSAU was represented by the University President Br. Narciso Erguiza Jr. FSC, whereas UNL was represented by Rector Miguel Alfredo Irigoyen.

DLSAU University Chancellor Mr. Christopher Polanco and Vice-Chancellor for Academics and Research Dr. Bjorn Santos signed as witnesses.





## DR. QUEBENGCO AS BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHAIR

Dr. Carmelita Quebengco AFSC has been elected to the Corporation and Board of Trustees (BOT) of De La Salle Araneta University, Inc. during its Annual Corporation Meeting last September 7. Dr. Quebengco also replaces Dr. Mary Ann Sayoc as BOT Chairperson.

Having previously served as our Board of Advisers (BOA) Chair, Dr. Quebengco was a former De La Salle University and System President who continues to assist Lasallian institutions in different capacities.

Dr. Sayoc, our previous BOT Chairperson, served for two terms, from 2010 to 2016. She was a former Regional Director of the Department of Agriculture, the former Executive Director of Agricultural Training Institute, a member of the Executive Board of the independent international organization Global Crop Diversity Trust, and the current General Manager of East West Seed Company, Inc. Philippines, one of the subsidiaries of East West Seed Company, Inc., a global company that distributes high-quality vegetable seeds in about 60 countries worldwide.



*Dr. Carmelita Quebengco AFSC*



*Dr. Mary Ann Sayoc*

## COLLABORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIP POSSIBILITIES AMONG HEIS IN CAMANAVA

Officials and representatives from different colleges and universities in CAMANAVA met last September 2 at the President's Conference Room to discuss partnerships and collaboration opportunities among the institutions. The meeting is the first of many that aim to establish a formal organization of higher educational institutions in the area. Br. Narciso Erguiza FSC, who spearheaded the initiative, chaired the meeting.

The following officials and representatives were present during the meeting: Our Lady of Fatima University President Dr. Caroline Marian S. Enriquez, Manila Central University Head of Discipline, Safety, and Security Mr. Alex V. Rodriguez, World Citi Colleges Student Activities Coordinator Mr. Richard Vidal, St. Louis College Guidance Counselor Ms. Charmaine Apelo, and Arellano University Hotel Restaurant & Tourism Management Program Chair Ms. Shiela L. Gabriel.

DLSAU Vice Chancellor for Students and Mission Dr. Marie Allison Parpan and Executive Assistant to the President for Advancement and Development Mr. Eijay De Paz were also present during the meeting.





## SPECIAL FEATURE

## REFLECTIONS OF AN EXCHANGE STUDENT [EXCERPTED]

ANGELA MAE B. PEDRO

I really felt excited and I couldn't stop smiling when I arrived in Incheon International Airport, telling myself over and over again that my dream finally became a reality. The more I thought that I was already in South Korea, the more I doubted myself whether I could live there for about a year. I wondered if I would be able to pass all the courses I was going to take at Kongju National University, if I would be able to have friends, and if I would be able to adjust with my new environment. Weeks and months later, all of my fears and doubts changed to peace of mind and enjoyment. KNU students (Korean and foreign students) and KNU professors helped me a lot when it came to studying in KNU. I also met new friends from different countries: most were regular students whereas some were exchange students like me.

During my fall semester, I focused more on studying and participating in school activities. I joined every school activity that I could participate in, but I also saw to it that I had time to study all of the courses I took. During my spring semester, aside from studying and participating in school and club activities, I also volunteered in an outside-the-school event—the Lotus Lantern Festival. Like in the fall semester however, I never forget my obligations as a student and pass all the courses that I had enrolled in.

When I had free time, I usually met my Korean or foreign friends to travel around South Korea. We made plans to go to famous places in Seoul, Gongju, Gimpo, Daejeon, Gangwondo, and many more. For 11 months that I have been in South Korea, my eyes were not only opened to Korean culture but also to other countries' culture. As a result, I became more flexible on how I am going to socialize with other people. The opportunity taught me to be grateful to God, my family, friends, De La Salle Araneta University, Lasallian Language Center, and Kongju National University.



Photo: Kongju National University (KNU), South Korea



# PILIPINAS SHELL FOUNDATION, INC DONATES P2M FOR AGSI SCHOLARS

Through the efforts of former Country Chairman of Shell Philippines Mr. Edgar Chua, Pilipinas Shell Foundation, Inc. has donated P2M to fund for the continuing education of high school and BS Agriculture students of the AgriVet Sciences Institute (AGSI) in Salikneta Farm. The check for the donation was forwarded to the university last August 26.

Mr. Chua is a current member of the Board of Trustees of Salikneta, Inc.



**Pilipinas Shell  
Foundation, Inc.**

## DLSAU RECEIVES PCNC, DSWD CERTIFICATES OF ACCREDITATION



**PCNC**  
Philippine Council for NGO Certification

The university received its Certificate of Accreditation from the Philippine Council for NGO Certification (PCNC) this month, following an accreditation visit from the PCNC last June 16. After thorough and rigorous evaluation of the areas of governance, program operations, vision-mission and goals, financial management, administration, and networking, PCNC has decided to issue the university a certificate with a five-year validity, from August 2016 to August 2021. The certificate was forwarded to the university last September 21.



**DSWD**  
Department of Social Welfare and Development

Last month, the university received an accreditation certificate from the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) as a Civil Society Organization. University Chancellor Mr. Christopher Polanco, Student Financial Assistance and Scholarship Coordinator Mrs. Amelita Ajoc, and CAST Faculty Ms. Emily Comedis received the certificate at the DSWD Central Office in Quezon City last August 30. The DSWD certification has a three-year validity, covering the period of July 26, 2016 to July 25, 2019.

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