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SPU Manila holds Quill Trail, Blog o' speak

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St. Paul University (SPU) Manila's official student publication, *The Paulinian* (TP), the Research Center, and the Bachelor of Arts (AB) Programs' Integrated Student Media Society (ISMS) successfully held "Quill Trail," a campus journalism seminar and workshop for high school students, and "Blog o' speak," the 1st Manila Blog Convention.

TP gives back

The Paulinian, aiming to "provide innovative information on different areas of campus journalism to high school students and media students," conducted its first Campus Journalism Seminar and Workshop titled "Quill Trail," on 23-24 July 2015 in the Radio Laboratory, Television Studio, and Speech Laboratory. Writers and editors from the Quezon City Science High School and selected Mass Communications students participated in the event.

The seminar was graced by media veterans: National Union of Journalists of the Philippines President, Inday Espina-Varona; SPU Manila professor, Emily Mones; Research Director, Brian Bantugan; and Alex Tamayo of the University of the Philippines (UP). They lectured on Editorial Writing, Principles of Photography, Lay-Outing, and Photojournalism, respectively.

TP alumni, Ma. Alyssa Ochoa and Chessamika Gatdula, delivered talks on Features Writing and News Writing while campus journalists from University of Santo Tomas (UST), Josie Chong and Christian Mendoza, handled Graphic Design and Literary Writing.

On the second day of the seminar, hands on workshops on radio broadcasting and TV broadcasting were facilitated by Lalaine Mallari, Chair, AB Programs, and Dr. Bantugan. The participants were assigned to cover the Freshmen Initiation Day and to critique their works at the end of the session.

Quill Trail was organized by TP and the Research Center.

Bloggers convene at Blog o' speak

"As long as you have a goal, you will never stop writing, you will never stop blogging." This was the remarkable statement of Gellie Abogado of gelleesh.com during the 1^{st} Manila Blog Convention titled "Bog o' speak" held on 25 July 2015 in the Hotel and Restaurant Management Training Center (HRMTC).

Aside from Abogado, the convention speakers were Sumi Go, Inday Espina-Varona, Sai Montes, Kai Magsanoc, Kaycee Enerva, Ime Morales, and Lito Viriña. In his keynote address, Efren Noriola emphasized that "we all have responsibilities on social issues and we need to make Manila a sacred place."

Blog o' speak also featured games and raffles for the participants. The convention was conducted by ISMS and the Research Center.

Paulinian Named One of 10 Outstanding Students of Manila



Danielle Gem Bombita, Education 4 student, was chosen as one of the 10 Outstanding Collegiate students of the City of Manila during the city's 444th founding anniversary.

Bombita is the current president of the Budding Educators Society, the Teacher Education Program's co-curricular organization and the Core Head of SPU Manila's Knights of the Altar. He has been consistently in the Honors' List for Academic Excellence.

Other than his involvement in school, Bombita is also an active parish worker in the Cathedral Parish of St. Andrew at Paranaque, where he serves as Coordinator of the Ministry of Altar Servers.

Bombita, along with Jazmine Ann Cuyag Kuan, Tourism 4 student, represented SPU Manila in the 6th University Scholars Leadership Symposium held in the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong, from 1 August to 7 August 2015.

NEWSBITS

From the College of Arts and Sciences

FACULTY RESEARCHES ACCEPTED IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Three faculty members of the College got their papers accepted for oral presentation at an international conference in November: Prof. Lalaine Vitug-Mallari, Prof. Rene Nob, and Prof. Joanne Salve Osea-Popanes.

GRADUATE PLACES 4TH IN PSYCHOMETRICIAN EXAM



From the College of Music and the Performing Arts

FULBRIGHT PROFESSOR SHARES EXPERTISE

In July 2015, a Fulbright Professor, Dr. Richard Shuster, Coordinator of Piano Music in the Texas Woman's University in Denton, came to St. Paul University Manila CMPA for a month to share his expertise. Dr. Shuster's breadth of experience resulted in the enhancement of our strategic academic planning and brought a lasting impact to the CMPA through the exchange of teaching concepts and techniques, knowledge of materials (both in print and online), and curricular content.



The CMPA will model adapted versions of his curricula already proven successful in his home university. Dr. Shuster demonstrated his expertise through lectures, seminars, classes, workshops, and informal meetings with faculty and students. This project has excellent potential for developing institutional linkages between St. Paul University Manila and Texas Woman's University.

ALUMNI GATHERINGS

High School 1970
Pilgrimage to Oldest Churches
in Metro-Manila





AB Communication Arts 1976
Mini-Reunion in ABS-CBN
L-R: Emma Reyes-Pante, Tere Pugeda-Filipinia,
Charo Santos-Concio, MOM, Sherry Alingod,
and Popi Gutay

CONDOLENCES

The Paulinian family condoles with Pilar Almira (HS 1970, BSC 1974) on the death of her aunt.

