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## SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL FUND-RAISING LAUNCHED

"A Hundred Dollars for a Hundred Dreams," a fund-raising project for the Senior High School, has been recently launched by Mrs. Marionette Martinez, Alumni Relations Officer.

The concept paper for the project explains its rationale and mechanics:

### "A HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR A HUNDRED DREAMS" CONCEPT PAPER

**H.O.P.E ABLAZE** is an on-going fund-raising endeavor of St. Paul University Manila. "**Hope for Paulinian Education**" raises funds for scholarship, research, and outreach programs.

The main concern of the university at this time and, therefore, of **H.O.P.E. ABLAZE** is the Senior High School Program.

Two years ago, the Philippines launched the K-12 Program, which seeks to help the present generation of students to be at par with basic education graduates in most other countries. However, the DepEd did not and until now does not have the logistics to accommodate all the Grade 10 graduates of public schools. It therefore asked the private schools to open Senior High School (Grades 11 and 12) and accommodate these public school graduates, and St. Paul University Manila is one of the schools that answered the call.

We have graduated the first batch of Senior High School students. In the first year of SHS, 38% of accepted students were from the public schools. Last year, it was 20%. In the coming school year, the university will provide 100 slots for students from public schools.

The DepEd gives vouchers to students from public schools enrolling in private SHS, but the amount is not enough. SHS in SPU Manila starting in June 2018 is P38,500.00 per year. The government voucher is P22,500.00 so the top up for each student is P16,000.00 a year. For each student, therefore, we need to raise P32,000.00 for the two years of SHS.

This is where "**A Hundred Dollars for a Hundred Dreams**" comes in.

We are asking Paulinians abroad to give "a hundred dollars for a hundred dreams." A hundred SHS students will need P3,200,000.00 or \$64,000.00. We hope to get 640

generous Paulinians to give \$100.00 or ask for \$100.00 donations from relatives and friends. Hopefully, some to whom more has been given in life will give more for the sake of the youth.

Donations may be sent through:

Account Name: St. Paul University Manila  
Bank: Bank of the Philippine Island (BPI)  
Bank Address: Mabini, Manila  
Account Number: 3963-0392-65 (peso account)  
Swift Code: BOPIPHMM

Account Name: St. Paul University Manila  
Bank: Bank of the Philippine Island (BPI)  
Bank Address: Mabini St. Manila  
Account Number: 3694-0001-09 (dollar account)  
Swift Code: BOPIPHMM

Or through the Paulinian Global Foundation (so it will be tax-deductible), c/o its President, Jane Singson-Fields, at 6030 Bitternut Drive, Alexandria, VA 22310.

For this project to succeed, we will need to tap as many Paulinians abroad as possible. There has to be a concerted and energetic effort on the part of the SPMAFI and the deans and program chairs of the university, who have databases of their graduates abroad.

While the project is specifically meant for Paulinians abroad, we can and should reach out to alumni in the country. They can be invited to donate the equivalent of a hundred dollars or roughly P5,000.00. and join hands with alumni across the seas.

This is an ambitious undertaking, difficult but not impossible, if we put our heads and hearts together for our school and for the underprivileged youths to benefit from the education that we were privileged to have.

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Since the project launching, a good number of alumni, both those based abroad and those in the country have responded positively.

However, as mentioned in the concept paper, the project needs the full cooperation of the Deans and Program Chairs, who have databases of their alumni here and abroad. They are also reminded of the advice of H.O.P.E consultant, Dr. Jaime Galvez Tan: that solicitation letters should be personally addressed (no form letters with blank recipients) and that the solicitor should give up only after seven unanswered letters.



## Looking Back...

### Paulinian Dance Troupe defends throne in MMAC Street Dance Competition

Contributed by Phillina De Guzman  
*The Paulinian*



Photo taken by: Yvonne Russell

The Paulinian Dance Troupe defended their championship title in the second Metro Manila Athletic Conference (MMAC) Street Dance Competition, which was once again held in the SPU Quezon City gymnasium on April 15, 2018.

"The pressure of having to defend the championship was not easy. We knew that the bar we set last year was high and for sure our opponents will step up. And with the support we've been receiving, we do not want to disappoint anyone, especially the Paulinian community. Hearing the name of our school declared as the champion again, it has lifted this weight the whole team was carrying," Bea Angelica Anceno, president of the organization, answered when asked what motivated them to give their very best during the competition.

Members from both the Senior High and College Departments performed a summer-themed hip-hop dance, combined with an advocacy to save the island of Boracay. Their efforts and determination paved the way for them to earn their second championship trophy.

Meanwhile, St. Joseph's College of Quezon City, SPU-QC, and World Citi Colleges followed closely behind, respectively.

Jim Carlo Digap, a choreographer from University of Santo Tomas, was PDT's coach once again. He started their rigorous training as early as the last week of February, in order to better prepare the troupe for the competition.

Anceno added, "The victory that the team has had is not ours alone. We're grateful to the entire Paulinian community, our families and friends for their support. Our coach, Jim Carlo Digap, for teaching the team an awesome routine that led us to victory, and to our Lord, who has given us the gift of dance and heard the desire of our hearts to bring home the crown for the second year."

## SPC NUNS VISIT BAHAY PUSO

The SPC Malate Community visited the Bahay Pusong, home for the elderly in Balanga, Bataan. Bahay Pusong is being managed for the Diocese of Balanga by Sr. Mary Philip Galeno, SPC, Administrator/Superior (photo right). Currently, there are about 29 elders in residence.

Sr. Philip is assisted by two other SPC Sisters and a few professional caregivers. Prior to her current assignment, Sr. Philip had been Administrator of the SPC Vigil House in Iloilo and Provincial Assistant for Health Ministry in the 1990s.



Residents of the Bahay Pusong are not just advanced in age, but most of them are also afflicted with disabilities: deafness, partial or full visual impairments, and learning disabilities.

The Sisters enjoyed their visit. In the words of Sr. Evangeline Anastacio, SPC, SPU Manila President, "We wondered how we can make the "Lolos and Lolos" happy. Actually, it was they who brought more joy to our hearts."



**ALUMNAE GATHERINGS**

**High School 1965  
Dinner-Flores de Maria  
Residence of Rosemarie Sapugay**



**High School 1975  
Get-Together for balikbayan,  
Ana Madrid**



**High School 1969  
Birthday of Maritess Pardo-Panlilio  
Wildflour Rockwell**



**High School 1962  
Birthday of Daisy Tenorio-Cuenco  
Vegas Seafood Buffet  
Glendale, CA**



**High School 1965  
Birthday of Myrna Obligacion-Carreon  
Las Vegas, Nevada**