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SPECIAL RETROSPECT...

Araw ng Wika

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On 30 August 2018, St. Paul University Manila had the culminating activity for the annual celebration of "Buwan ng Wika." The theme for this year was "Filipino: Wika ng Saliksik." This event, which was participated by the entire school community, was held in the Fleur-de-lis Theater from 2:00 to 5:00 P.M. The Grade 11 students and the college freshmen were the main participants. The Grade 12 students were assigned to compete in the Poster Making Contest; the Grade 11 students were assigned regional songs and the freshmen Philippine dances for the program.

The event featured three competitions. The additional competition level was the Spoken Word Poetry, which was performed by selected Senior High School students. They created their own piece, which is about the theme of this year's celebration of "Buwan ng Wika."

Furthermore, there were speakers that enlightened the audience—Ms. Gertrude Montenegro, Dr. Brian Bantugan, and Sr. Jesusa Taccad, SPC. They gave talks to make things more meaningful for the students and make them understand the purpose of the celebration. They gave a different perspective of this event to the students who were celebrating "Buwan ng Wika" for the first time in St. Paul University Manila.

To sum it up, the whole celebration was a success. Kudos to the Filipino teachers who organized the event and the administrators who guided the teachers in the said celebration. Overall, it was an institutional effort that made this year's celebration meaningful.



The selected Senior High School students performing in the Spoken Word Poetry Competition. The pieces that they interpreted are their original creations.



The Grade 11 students singing regional songs of our country. They depicted the meanings of their songs in movements and gestures.



Freshmen students of the tertiary level staging their God given talents for dance. They are showing the different dances that we have in our islands, including unfamiliar ones.



Shown in the left photo on are the Grade 12 students who won in the poster making while the photo on the right shows Dr. Brian Bantugan giving some keynotes for the celebration.



Above are photos of the Filipino teachers together with others who helped them in preparing for the celebration of "Buwan ng Wika."

ALUMNAE GATHERINGS



**SPMAFI lunch with balikbayans
Aristocrat, Jupiter
7 September 2018**

**L-R: Desiree Gilman, Sherry Alingod,
MOM, Marilyn Abalos, and Pilar Almira**

**BSN 1968 Get-Together
Birthday Treat for Chato Marquez-Gonzalez**

**L-R: Chato, Jacel Valdez, Aurora Alfonso,
and Maureen Sandejas**



**High School 1969 Meet Up
Via Mare
Greenbelt**

**High School 1980
Holiday in Thailand**

**with Chloe Dauden McCulley,
Carol Salceda, Judith Azarcon,
Apple Lazaro-Villadolid, Mona Salceda,
Ida F. Hontiveros, and Lili Anne Guzman**

