SPU MANILA ADOPTS CS/IT PROJECT
Contributed by Maria Regina L. Cachero

A computer-based information system, which started as a research project of the faculty of Computer Science and Information Technology (CS/IT) Programs, will now serve the St. Paul University Manila community. The Fixed Assets Management System (or FAMS) is a software designed to act as facility to maintain adequate and up-to-date information as regards the University’s resources, particularly fixed assets. “Fixed assets” refers to property, plant, and equipment. Through the system, the University’s divisions, such as General Services and Finance Services, can monitor and manage data on the school’s fixed assets.

Designed and developed by the CS/IT faculty, the system was turned over to Sr. Ma. Evangeline L. Anastacio, SPC, President of SPU Manila, during the President’s Council Meeting on 12 August 2014 in the President’s Board Room. It was witnessed by the members of the President’s Council and participated in by the members of the CS/IT faculty, namely Ms. Maridel Negardas, Chairperson, Ms. Maria Regina Cachero, Ms. Catherine Mojado, and Ms. Myra Patalay. (Seen in photo above right.)

The event signifies the inception of the CS/IT faculty’s involvement in the automation efforts of the University, as well as in the enhancement of its existing systems.

The President’s Council and the CS/IT faculty at the turn-over.
From the Academic Services Division
A Special Report

In Retrospect....The Pre-Opening
(2-4 June 2014)

The school year opened with pre-opening activities on 3-5 June 2014 in the HRM Training Center of the University, with the theme: “ABLAZE, ALIVE IN GOD’S LIGHT.” These activities were spearheaded by the new Vice President for Academic Services, Dr. Rhoda L. Reyes, with her co-Chair, Dr. Pricila Marzan, Chairperson of the Psychology Program.

All the University employees attended the first day of the three-day activity. The Welcome Address was delivered by the new University President, Sister Ma. Evangeline L. Anastacio, SPC, who was introduced by Sister Mary Vianney Ramirez, SPC, Local Superior of the Sisters of St. Paul of Chartres, St. Paul University Manila Community.
The highlight of the first day was the presentation of the newly reformulated vision-mission of the University:

**VISION**

We envision St. Paul University Manila as a Christ-centered educational institution committed to forming persons into becoming integrated, competent, and compassionate in the service of the Church and society.

**MISSION**

To zealously proclaim Jesus Christ as the Good News to all, we commit ourselves to:

- Consistently provide integral Catholic education marked by academic excellence, research capabilities, and sustainable community development;
- Proactively respond to the challenges, needs, and demands of a changing educational landscape;
- Resolutely form an authentic community of disciples who prays, serves, and witnesses to the PERSON and MISSION of Christ;
- Purposively manage resources in a spirit of Christian stewardship and good governance for viability and sustainability.

With the new school year came a new approach in the Strategic Plan of the University! This was presented and clearly explained by Sr. Evangeline herself, who happened to focus on this approach -- the Balanced Score Card (BSC) -- in her dissertation. Using the BSC approach, there four perspectives were identified: Internal Process Perspective; Learners and Community Perspective; Learning Organization Perspective; and Fiscal Resource Perspective. Spirituality is integrated in all the four perspectives.

The Mission, Perspectives, Key Result Areas (KRA), and Strategies are summarized in the following table:

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<td>To zealously proclaim Jesus Christ as the Good news to all, we commit ourselves to:</td>
<td>Spirituality*</td>
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<td>1. Consistently provide integral Catholic education marked by academic excellence, research capabilities, and sustainable community development;</td>
<td>Internal Process Perspective</td>
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<td>2. Proactively respond to the challenges, needs, and demands of</td>
<td>Learners and Community Perspective</td>
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3. Resolutely form an authentic community of disciples who prays, serves, and witnesses to the PERSON and MISSION of Christ; | Learning Organization Perspective | Fraternal Relationship Building | Form competent and compassionate staff for authentic witnessing

4. Purposively manage resources in a spirit of Christian stewardship and good governance for viability and sustainability. | Fiscal Resource Perspective | Good Governance and Christian Stewardship | Manage resources in the spirit of good governance and Christian Stewardship
After the sharing by Sister Evangeline, Dr. Elizabeth Ramos, Dean of the College of Business and Management, gave a feedback on the 25th SPC Educators’ Congress. This was followed by Mrs. Ma. Encarnacion Dychangco, Director of Quality Assurance and Planning, who reviewed with the participants the quality assurance “journey” (2004-2014 and 2014-2017) of the University.

The afternoon session of the first day was capped by the lecture on the “Year of the Laity: Reflections on the Role and Life of the Laity in Catholic Education.” The call for all to be holy and heroes kept the participants thinking of their own challenges and how to respond to the call in this Year of the Laity.

The second day of the pre-opening was highlighted by talk on Disaster Preparedness and Management by Dr. Carlos Gundran, the school’s consultant on this area. Sharing was done by Ms. Mabel Abear (Discipline Officer) on the status of the school in relation to disaster preparedness, as well as data on students’ violations. Dr. Rosel Fonacier (HR Director) reviewed the Code of Ethics for Paulinian Schools and SPU Manila Code of Conduct and Performance; Dr. Brian Bantugan (Director, Research Center) on plans of the center; Ms. Eva Brillo (OIC University Librarian) on library collections; and Miss Maria Regina Cachero (Registrar) on status of enrollment, class schedules, and compliance to deadlines for submission/encoding of grades.
The last day started with a talk on maximizing the use of IT resources in the University by Mr. Manny Ampong, Head of the ICT.

The three-day activity was capped with Fr. Michael La Guardia’s talk “Impelled by Love.” In this talk, the employees were asked this question: “Am I still happy with what I am doing, or have I gotten tired of it?”

The pre-opening activity ended with the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

Special Assignments:
- Video/Photo Documentation: Ms. Lalaine Mallari and ICT and Team
- Documentation: Ms. Joycelyn Velarde and Team
- Registration: Ms. Rowena Eusebio and Team
- Food: Sr. Angely Malan, SPC
- Ms. Abigail Valenzuela and Team
- Mr. Roel Supendio
- Miss Amelia Butial
- Canteen Staff

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Pictures of some of the activities:
From the Campus Ministry

CEAP Holy Spirit Mass
Manila Cathedral
11 July 2014
9:00–11:00 A.M.

The Archbishop of Manila, His Eminence, Luis Antonio Cardinal Tagle, DD, presided at the Holy Spirit Mass of the Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines (CEAP). This was a gathering of all Catholic Schools in Manila to invoke the guidance of the Holy Spirit as another school year began.

St. Paul University took part in this celebration. Mr. Tuz Bariuan Jr. was blessed to have offered the Eucharistic wine during the presentation of the gifts.

From the Alumni Relations Office

Alumni Gatherings

High School 1966
Mini-Reunion in New York

High School 1968
Reunion in Manila
High School 1966
Get-Together for Claire del Rosario-Bautista
L-R: Mina Dilag, Agnes Devanadera, Bubut de los Santos, Riqui Hizon, Claire, and Toni Yap

AB 1977
Sweetie Gardiner, Fides Santos-de Leon, Russela Atienza, and Chona Aguilar-Kapunan

High School 1965
Lunch-Meeting
St. Paul Makati
Kneeling L-R: Cory Dichoso, Beth Tagle, Mita Almeda, Lahl Laforreza, Dottie Lucasan.
Seated L-R: Carolle Agbulos, Beth Concepcion, MOM, Nina Ganal, Sherry Alingod, Sr. Nieves, Clotie Kabigteng, Marilen Ruiz. Standing L-R: Rose Sapugay, Geepers Pascual, Cocio Andal, Josie Guytingco, Della Alladin, Annie Salita, Oro Gomez, and Millie Braganza

High School 1968
Two Lunches for Teza Dizon
With Nina Basa-Lopez, Corito Sevilla, Meg Perlas, Malou Reyes