

SR. ANUNCIATA REMEMBERED ON 40TH DAY

High School 1965 held a 40th day prayer for and remembrance of Sr. Ma. Anunciata Sta. Ana, SPC, via zoom, on 16 September 2020. After the prayers, two songs were rendered for Sister: "Come Home," sung by CMPA alumnus, Russell Indab, and Sister's composition, "Sinong Makapaghihiwalay sa Atin sa Pag-Ibig ni Kristo," sung by Rica Arambulo, daughter of Carmencita Guanzon-Arambulo, Conservatory of Music alumna, who accompanied her on the piano. [Christian Geo Molina, CMPA alumnus, who was supposed to have read the poem he wrote for Sister, missed the event so he read it at the regular 3:00 prayer session of HS 1965.]

The event was participated in by 26 friends of Sr. Anunciata, led by Sr. Lilia Tolentino, Provincial Superior of the St. Paul Sisters in the Philippines, and SPU Manila administrators—Sr. Evangeline Anastacio, Sr. Alegria Avellaneda, and Sr. Flor Deza. The alumnae attendees were from the host class, HS 1965, as well as from HS 1962, 1964, 1968, 1969, and 1954.

Local based alumnae were joined by a number from abroad—Canada, Virginia, Virginia Beach, New York, and New Jersey.

It was a happy get-together of Paulinians all—religious and lay, young and old—bound by a common love for Sr. Anunciata.



Zoom participants in Sr. Anunciata's 40th day

The next day, 17 September 2020, SPU Manila observed Sr. Anunciata's 40th day. [The difference in date was due to the difference in counting the 40th day, the first one counted from the day of death, the second one from the day after death.]

SPU Manila's observance consisted of a Mass and lunch. Sr. Evangeline described the event:

Today, we gathered together to commemorate the 40th day of our beloved Sister, Sr. Ma. Anunciata Sta Ana, SPC. We had Mass offered for her at 6:00. A.M., prayers said for her at 11:30 A.M., and then had lunch together at the canteen. Each one of us had a squeaky piggy to remind us of Sr. Ata's sense of humor and cheerful spirit. My assistant, Jeannie, did a very good job in preparing these squeaky piggies. Thanks Jeannie!

"Those we love don't go away; they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near; still loved, still missed and very dear." – Anonymous



Sister's standee and picture...

**Sisters,
relatives,
and friends...**



The squeaky pig mementos...

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CBM hosts online franchising seminar

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The College of Business and Management (CBM) and other entrepreneurship programs of St. Paul University Manila (SPU Manila) held a franchising webinar titled "Moving Forward Through Franchising" on September 15, via Zoom meeting, as part of the participating students' Franchising class.

"Moving Forward Through Franchising" was organized because of the pandemic situation. This pandemic will not stop as per moving forward and creating new businesses," Dr. Amelia Butial, teacher of the Franchising class, said.

Mr. Rudolf Kotik, CEO of RK Franchise Consultancy, was the event's resource speaker. Kotik, who was also part of 2018's the Franchise Exhibit of Business Management and Entrepreneurship students, gave the participants an overview of franchising history and fundamentals.

"In the Philippines, franchising became popular or started up in the domestic market because of a crisis," Kotik said in his discussion.

"If we would not have had the Asian (Financial) Crisis, I presume, franchising in the Philippines would not be as big as it is today," he added.

In connection with the ongoing pandemic, Dr. Mary Grace Leongson, CBM Dean, emphasized the business avenues brought about by the COVID-19 crisis.

"During the time of pandemic, it is really a challenging time, yet, an opportune time for us to move forward into other avenues, one of which is franchising," Leongson said in her opening remarks.

The webinar began with the presentation of the franchise concepts of 2020's Franchising Class students, followed by the singing of the National Anthem and the Opening Prayer, led by the CBM Council President, Sofia Dollesin.

Business practitioners share franchising background

Providing further industry-based knowledge, the webinar also featured franchisees and franchisors from food and non-food sectors.

Mr. Carlos Ang, franchisor of Suds Laundry, discussed how he transitioned from a job at Intel into becoming a pioneer in the clothing care industry in the country. Ang introduced wet cleaning technology to the Philippines in partnership with German companies.

Handling the leading Thai Tea brand in the Philippines, Mr. Gem Manaol addressed the changes that his business, Cha Tuk Chak, underwent during this pandemic. The Thai Street Café has been bringing flavors of Thailand to the Philippines since 2017.

"We are very proud to say that we are not just surviving, we are thriving as a business," said Manaol as he described Cha Tuk Chak in the new normal.

These two franchisors have worked with the event's resource speaker, Mr. Kotik, and RK Franchise Consultancy in opening multiple branches around the country.

Giving her perspective as a franchisee of Master Siomai, Mrs. Marietta Gonzales shared her journey through franchising and the stages involved in owning a business. Gonzales is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and Financial Consultant.

Dr. Arsenio Bignotia, Business Management Chairperson, ended the event with his Closing Remarks, followed by the Closing Prayer.

The franchising event is the first of a series of webinars organized by the Career Development Academy of SPU Manila, with certificate courses and life skill short courses to follow in the coming months.

The poster features the logos of St. Paul University Manila and the Zoom logo at the top. The main title is "MOVING FORWARD THROUGH FRANCHISING" displayed on a tablet screen. Below the title, it lists the resource speaker as Mr. Rudolf Kotik, CEO of RK Franchise Consultancy, and the moderators as Mr. Abcydee Gonzales and Ms. Sofia Nicole Dollesin. The event is scheduled for September 15, 2020, at 2:00 PM. The bottom section includes logos for RK Franchise Consultancy, suds, and other participating organizations.

VIA **zoom**

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