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## University produces CPA board topnotcher for 3<sup>rd</sup> straight year

by Emmanuel James P. Pattaguan

In a way, it's a 3-peat victory for USL! After the back-to-back feat of producing the national first placers in the 2013 and 2014 Certified Public Accountant Licensure Examinations, USL has again proven its excellence in Accounting with its alumna Bethany Cheluhi N. Pedro notching sixth in the Oct. 2015 CPA board exam.

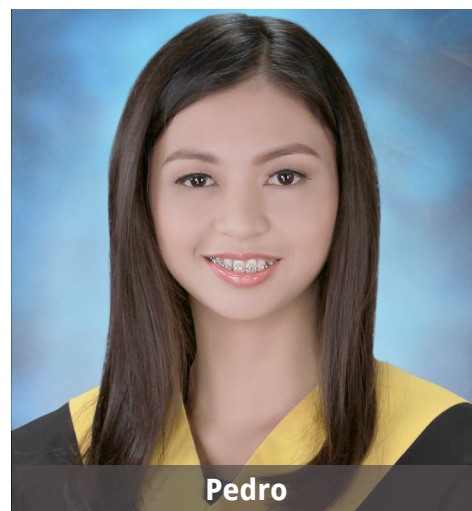
Pedro garnered a rating of 91.43

percent in the board exam. She graduated BS Accountancy in April of this year with Academic Distinction.

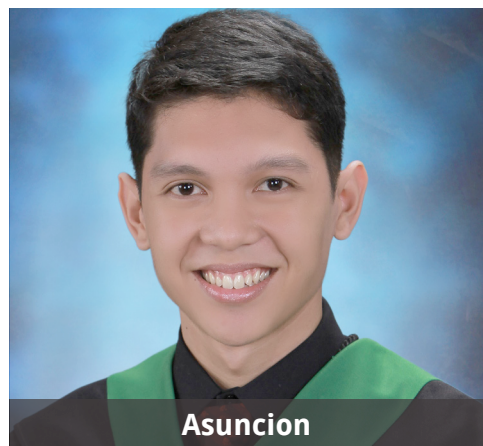
Overall for three straight years, USL has produced four national placers: Jackson C. Apostol (Top 1 in 2013), Mark Anthony B. Tacuboy (Top 1 in 2014), Mc Lein G. Bagunu (Top 4 in 2014), and Pedro.

The University also showed outstanding institutional performance in the Oct. 2015 CPA board having obtained a 90 percent passing mark (81 passers out of 90 total examinees)

thus gaining recognition from the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) as Top 5 Performing School nationwide. *See full List (p.2)*



Pedro



Asuncion

## USL grad ranks 9<sup>th</sup> in May NLE

by Macekrell T. De la Cruz

Dominic R. Asuncion, April 2015 graduate of the University, placed ninth nationwide in the Nurse Licensure Examination administered by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) last May. *...continued on page 3*

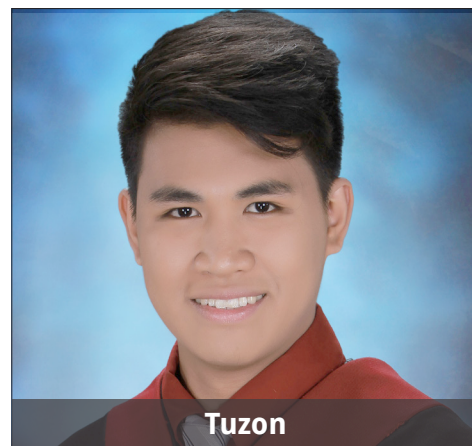
## EE Department shows mettle in board exams, quiz show

by Macekrell T. De la Cruz

Graduates and students of the University of Saint Louis' (USL) Electrical Engineering Department have recently become achievers in their own rights.

The eighteen (18) total examinees from USL in the Sept. 2015 Electrical Engineer (EE) Licensure Examination administered by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) obtained a 100 percent institutional passing mark for the University.

The successful examinees are as follows: Bryan May M. Bayaca, Ardel G. Caranguian, Joseph Oliver P. Casabuena, Bien Mc Arthur C.



Tuzon

Diaz, Raymart G. Domingo, Danilo II S. Gregorio, Ferick E. Jacob, Kristian D. Maborang, Mark Jhon M. Mansibang, Banjar P. Mateo, Nico Loui G. Obrero, Girlie R. Pablo, Reyclar Z. Pazziuagan, Marlon V. Reymundo, Willies Windle S. Romero, Rafael B. Tumaliuan, John Benedick P. Tuzon, and Venedick V. Viernes. *...continued on page 3*



**BSP presents 2015 Stakeholders Award to USL**  
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# BSP presents 2015 Stakeholders Award to USL

by Emmanuel James P. Pattaguan

The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Tuguegarao Branch awarded to the University of Saint Louis on July 21, 2015 the most coveted “Dynamic Balance, Philippine Eagle” trophy.

The trophy was awarded to USL as Outstanding Regional Partner in Currency Programs of the BSP for its advocacy campaign on coin recirculation.

The Coin Recirculation Program of the Finance classes of the School of Business Administration and Accountancy (SBAA) under the leadership of Ms. Rose Marie Hiquiana

was able to generate 63,800 pieces of low denomination coins which amounted to P13,281.50. The coins were exchanged with the BSP Tuguegarao Branch last March 6, 2015.

The award was received by the University Acting President, Dr. Delailah Valencia and the CICM Liaison Officer, Fr. Rex Salvilla, CICM.

The trophy was designed by the respected visual artist and multi-awarded sculptor,



University Acting President Delailah Valencia (center)

Mr. Ferdinand Cacnio, to symbolize BSP’s strength, clear vision and freedom as represented by the eagle.

Monetary Board Member Juan de Zuñiga Jr. and Deputy Director

Diwa Guinigundo and local BSP officials graced the Awards Ceremony and Appreciation Lunch for the bank’s Region II stakeholders at the Crown Pavilion, Tuguegarao City.

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### University of Saint Louis List of Passers October 2015 CPA Licensure Examination

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ABOGADO, Faith-Caress C.     | CASTILLEJOS, Fatima R.      |
| ADDATU, Bryan C.             | CASTILLO, Mark Lester A.    |
| ADDURU, Krishna C.           | CORTEZ, Dhivielyn V.        |
| AGCAOILI, Vialyne B.         | CUMIGAD, Carmelie P.        |
| AGUSTIN, Charlene A.         | CUNTAPAY, Ace Franziz D.    |
| ANTONIO, Mary Celine T.      | DAMO, Marlon Jr. C.         |
| ARUGAY, Alyssa Marie A.      | DE LA CRUZ, Erwin S.        |
| BAGGAY, Hazel Mae P.         | DE LA CRUZ, Princess Mae A. |
| BALLOUAN, Mary-Ann T.        | DE LA CRUZ, Ross John B.    |
| BARCELLANO, Kevin Mykel D.   | DICHOSO, Kevin P.           |
| BARIZO, Emmanuel B.          | DONATO, Kirby M.            |
| BARROGA, Stephanie Anne M.   | EDRADAN, Shaireen G.        |
| BAUAG, Le Marie Joy B.       | FROGOSO, Marjorie B.        |
| BIZ, Eugene B.               | GUILLERMO, Harly G.         |
| CABACUNGAN, Ma. Clarissa Q.  | GUIYAB, Jowee Ann G.        |
| CABAUATAN, Mariser L.        | GUMAFUNG, Jericl Bien E.    |
| CABRERA, Vianne Jerc B.      | IBAÑES, Harlene D.          |
| CALUBAQUIB, Alberto Jr. T.   | INERE, Nasheya Khryzle M.   |
| CALUBAQUIB, Romskee G.       | IRINGAN, Joainne Claire T.  |
| CAMPANO, Rosalie D.          | LADIA, Kelly S.             |
| CAPALOS, Christine N.        | MAASUM, Abdul Razul L.      |
| CARANGUIAN, Ivan Mark B.     | MACANANG, Cristine Joy A.   |
| CARANGUIAN, Krizzia Clare P. | MAGUDDAYAO, Sidnee P.       |
| CARONGOY, Maricar B.         | MAGULUD, Ella Cecilia B.    |
| CASTA, Janice T.             | MALABUG, Tonifer B.         |

The top performing schools in the October 2015 Certified Public Accountant Licensure Examination as per Commission Resolution No. 2010-547 series of 2010:

#### WITH 50 OR MORE EXAMINEES AND WITH AT LEAST 80% PASSING PERCENTAGE

RANK	SCHOOL	TOTAL NO. OF EXAM.	TOTAL NO. PASSED	PERCENTAGE PASSED
1	UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES-DILIMAN	77	76	98.70 %
2	UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS	382	364	95.29 %
3	BICOL UNIVERSITY-DARAGA	69	65	94.20 %
4	DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY-MANILA	91	82	90.11 %
5	UNIVERSITY OF SAINT LOUIS-TUGUEGARAO	90	81	90.00 %
6	ATENEO DE ZAMBOANGA	58	49	84.48 %

NOTHING FOLLOWS -----

Source: www.prc.gov.ph

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|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| MANUEL, Michael Vincent L. | TACAZON, Jovel Bart B.       |
| MARAMAG, Mar John D.       | TACCAD, Maricon D.           |
| MARTIN, Carlo V.           | TAGUDAR, Ma. Jenieca R.      |
| MIRANDA, Ivy Marie L.      | TALATTAD, Diosdado Jude P.   |
| OBIAS, Rizza G.            | TOLIO, Richard A.            |
| OS-AG, Jaymee A.           | TUDDAO, Riza Mae P.          |
| PAGALILAUAN, Giovanni C.   | TULALI, Mark Anthony N.      |
| PAGULAYAN, Stephen N.      | TUMBALI, Felix B.            |
| PAMITTAN, Daewin M.        | UGANIZA, Kusela Mae E.       |
| PANALIGAN, Glenalie T.     | UPANO, Ricci Pearl M.        |
| PEDRO, Bethany Cheluhi N.  | VELASCO, Kim Lemuel F.       |
| RAMOS, Namnama R.          | VENTURA, John Carlo S.       |
| RUIZ, Bernadette P.        | VILLAVERDE, Kristine G.      |
| SABALA, Ian Reih B.        | YERE, John Ralph A.          |
| SIBAYAN, Faith Marie L.    | ZIPAGAN, Allan Cristopher P. |
| SIMANGAN, Ma. Marnelli R.  |                              |



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Consistently proving top performance in NLE, USL garnered 100 percent in the May 2015 exam with other passers: Jennifer Michelle G. Gosiengfiao, Cherie R. Liban (Regional 6th placer), Ma. Angela B. Ramones (Regional 4th placer), and Janry-Mae E. Tumaneng.

In the Nov. 2014 NLE, USL likewise registered a 100 percent passing rate with 48 examinees. Frances Marie A. Borja landed in the top 10 at the national level.



Asuncion now joins the long line of Louisiana topnotchers.

A motorcade and testimonial dinner in honor of Asuncion, his fellow new nurses, and USL's new engineers, architects and certified public accountants were held last July 20, 2015.

## EE Department shows mettle in board exams, quiz show

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National passing rate in the EE exam was 67.23 percent.

Remarkably, John Benedict P. Tuzon, one of the EE passers, placed ninth nationwide in the Registered Master Electrician (RME) Licensure Examination, also and ministered by PRC in Sept. 2015.

Meanwhile, Alvin Andres, Glister Angadol, Ramielle Christensen Babilles, Gower Lacambra, and Gerald Ursulum, 4th and 5th year BS Electrical Engineering students,

took first place in the 29th IIEE-CSC (Institute of Integrated Electrical Engineers of the Philippines, Inc. – Council of Student Chapters) Regional Quiz Show held in Saint Louis University, Baguio City on Sept. 18, 2015.

Lacambra was the team captain and Engr. Victor C. Villaluz, USL-EE Department Head, was the team coach.

Student participants to the event came from the Ilocos Region, the Cordillera Region, and the Cagayan Valley Region which comprise IIEE's Northern Luzon Region.



Dominic R. Asuncion with the other NLE passers and some USL administrators including the School of Health Sciences Dean and Dominic's father, Dr. Dindo V. Asuncion (3rd from right)

## Louisians reap awards in international math tilts

by Diana Rose M. Siringan

Two Elementary pupils of the University of Saint Louis garnered awards in international math competitions, one held in Hong Kong and the other in Guilin, China.

Raphael Paulo B. Calubaquib, Grade VI, bagged a bronze medal in the International Mathematics Wizards Challenge (IMWiC) held in Hong Kong on Aug. 9-12, 2015.



Ma. Dominique M. Beltran



Raphael Paulo B. Calubaquib

Philippines. They both passed the rigid selection of the Mathematics Development Academy of the Philippines (Math-DAP) held in Baguio City on April 6-9, 2015 where Calubaquib was one of the identified qualifiers and Beltran as one of the alternates.

Ma. Dominique M. Beltran, Grade V, won a merit award in the 2015 World Mathematics Invitational (WMI) held in Guilin, China on Aug. 8-12, 2015.

Endowed with numerical acumen, Calubaquib and Beltran are members of the Mathematics Trainers' Guild (MTG),

The two pupils' remarkable performance in the series of training sessions conducted by MTG Philippines at the Philippine Institute of Quezon City (PIQC) on April 20-May 23, 2015 qualified them to represent the Philippines together with other Filipino qualifiers in the international competitions.

## USL-HS bags championship in Regional Bible Quiz

by Gianne P. Pagalilauan



This year's 6th St. Paul National Bible Quiz is a milestone for the HS Bible quiz team as it reigned champion in the Regional Bible Quiz conducted by the Society of St. Paul (SSP) last July 26 at SM Cauayan City, province of Isabela.

Beyond the expectations of the organizers, the Cagayan Valley Regional Eliminations, held on July 25 at the Our Lady of the Pillar College-Cauayan, broke the St. Paul National Bible Quiz record history for having the highest number of participants

in a single elimination round with 46 teams from schools and parishes all over Region II. The organizers claimed that the Word is indeed very much alive in the region.

USL sent two teams for the elimination round. Team 1 consisted of Franz Joshua Mangwag (Grade 8–St. Clare) who took charge of the Old Testament, Joseph Graham Long (Grade 8–St. Peter) who reviewed the Four Gospels, and Earl Schervin Calagui (Grade 10–Bonifacio) who studied the Acts of the Apostles until Revelation.

Team 2 comprised of Cyrix Reynoso (Grade 10–Del Pilar) who reviewed the Old Testament, Genevie Dayag

(Grade 10–Rizal) who took charge of the Four Gospels, and Matias Supnet (Grade 10–Bonifacio) who likewise studied the Acts of the Apostles until Revelation.

Mr. Ramil Corpuz and Mrs. Gianne Pagalilauan stood as the advisers for Team 1 and Team 2, respectively.

Garnering the highest points among the Louisiana representatives in the elimination round, Calagui, Dayag and Mangwag represented USL in the final round and went home with the championship title.

The regional champions will represent Region II in the forthcoming 6th St. Paul Bible Quiz National Finals on September 19, 2015 at the SMX Convention Center, Pasay City. 🌟

## USL-HS champs in Tuguegarao's Pavvurulun Afi Festival Tugsayaw

by Kathryn Anne P. Bunagan

The heart of the whole Louisiana community was set ablaze as the University of Saint Louis-High School Department was crowned champion in Tuguegarao City's Pavvurulun Afi Festival 2015 Tugsayaw competition held last Aug. 8, 2015.

Out of nine high schools, USL wowed the crowd with their intense dance moves, unique choreography, and awesome costume and props, thus earning a standing ovation from the high-profile judges.

More than 50 USL-HS students endured the

scorching sun as they performed on the City's main street, the "Calle Comercio." Aside from the championship and P50, 000 as their grand prize, the USL-HS team also earned the "Best in Costume" award.

The team was choreographed by Mr. Allan Samonte and coached by Mr. Aurelio Almazan, Ms.

Mary Ann Maximo, and Mr. Vincent Taguba.

The Tugsayaw competition was to kick off

the weeklong festival which aims to promote the culture of togetherness and to establish the fire-themed festival nationwide. "Pavvurulun" and "afi" are Ybanag terms for togetherness and fire, respectively. 🌟



# USL launches Book Mobile Project by Venus I. Guyos

The University of Saint Louis has launched one of its newest projects, the USL Book Mobile, at the Liwan Sur Day Care Center in Enrile, Cagayan, July 21, 2015.

The project stems from the fact that there are very

few barangay reading centers in Cagayan, and it is USL's way of extending library services, fostering a culture of reading, and introducing the role of libraries to partner communities.

The Untying of Ribbon

was done by the Municipal Mayor of Enrile, Cagayan, Hon. Kim Stephen Turingan, and USL administrators Dr. Emmanuel James P. Pattaguan and Dr. Rina M. Reyes.

Other activities carried out for the 35 Liwan Sur pre-schoolers include storytelling fiesta, art activity, nursery rhymes, and dancing, facilitated by

the USL Library staff and Library and Information Science faculty and students.

The project jumpstarts with two shelves of story books, alphabet books, number books, coloring books, and other juvenile reading materials, that stay in five Day Care centers for six weeks each.



From Liwan Sur Day Care Center, USL Book Mobile moves to the Provincial Child Development Center (Tuguegarao City), then to Magalalag Day Care Center (Enrile, Cagayan), Gadu Day Care Center (Solana, Cagayan), and Manaoag Day Care Center (Iguig, Cagayan).

# Local knowledge seminar, artifacts exhibit held

by Honey Lei N. Bagalayos and Claire T. Gumarang

The University of Saint Louis, through the Social Sciences Department of the School of Education, Arts and Sciences (SEAS) and in collaboration with the Asian University Digital Resource Network (AUDRN), conducted a regional seminar on local knowledge with the theme "Promoting Local Knowledge for a Sustainable Yet Progressive Cagayano Culture" on Oct. 9, 2015 at USL's Bulwagang Teodulfo Domingo.

AUDRN is an innovative program of the United Board for Christian Higher Education. It aims to share resources with Asian universities, particularly in preserving and sharing Asia's local

knowledge, through training, online interest groups and websites.

The said seminar was attended by Social Science faculty and students from some schools in Region II. Alongside the seminar was the opening of the exhibit of artifacts at USL's College Library.

Mrs. Sheila Lo-Dingcong from Miriam College (the host institution of AUDRN) and the Program Associate of AUDRN tackled the topics: "Foundations of Local Knowledge" and "Best Practices in the Promotion of Local Knowledge." Mrs. Dingcong enriched the audience's understanding of what local knowledge is and its relevance to communities. Her sharing



APPRECIATION OF THE PAST Mrs. Sheila Lo-Dingcong (center), Dr. Emmanuel James Pattaguan, and Mrs. Therese May Alejandrino, SEAS dean, at the opening of the Artifacts Exhibit. The exhibit drew spectators from USL's basic education unit and college department, as well as participants from the Local Knowledge seminar.

on good practices in the promotion of local knowledge gave insights on how schools and communities can help preserve local knowledge and maximize its use for sustainable development.

She mentioned also that local knowledge is dynamic and evolving, it is not discriminatory and it serves as a basis for

decision making, citing different examples, one of which was dialects.

Dr. Antonio Tamayao, professor at the Cagayan State University, discussed about "Integrating Local Knowledge in the Curriculum," and how local knowledge may be integrated in teaching the youth.

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# USL holds first Gawad San Luis

by Macekrell T. De la Cruz

**R**ecognizing employees' and departments' exemplary achievements, the University held its very first Gawad San Luis last June 30, 2015 at the James Ter Meer Gymnasium.

The event was also meant to celebrate the Feast of Saint Louis, the

University's Patron Saint. Benchmarked from other CICM schools, Gawad San Luis has the following categories: Academic Achievement, Professional Excellence, Excellence in Creative Works, Acceleration in Rank, and Special Institutional Award.

Gawad San Luis for Service and Gawad San Luis for Retirement were special features of the presentation ceremony.

Dr. Delailah B. Valencia gave the opening message, Rev. Fr. Ramon P. Caluza, CICM, CICM Philippines Provincial Superior, likewise gave a

message to the awardees through a prerecorded video. Miss Florida A. Mallillin, gave a message as service awardee while Engr. Teodora L. Tesani delivered her retiree's message. Witnessing the event were all employees of the University.



Dr. Canapi, Dr. Gumabay, Mr. Corpuz, and Mr. Tindowen

The following received their Gawad San Luis for Academic Achievement: Marly I. Canapi (High School Faculty) for obtaining Doctor of Philosophy in Education degree, major in Science Education; Eladio Martin S. Gumabay (School of Health Sciences/Graduate School Faculty) for obtaining Doctor

in Nursing Science degree; Herbert S. Corpuz (School of Education, Arts and Sciences Faculty) for obtaining Master of Arts in Education degree, major in Social Studies; and Darin John C. Tindowen (SEAS Faculty) for obtaining Master of Arts in Religious Education degree.



Mr. Temporal and Mrs. Pagalilauan

Gawad San Luis for Excellence in Creative Works was given to Mr. Wilson J. Temporal (SEAS Faculty) and Mrs. Gianette P. Pagalilauan (HS Faculty) for being the CICM-PCE Textbook Main Writers for Christian Living Subject for Grade 9 with their book: *Carrying on the Mission of God: Sustained Christian Life*.



Dr. Pattaguan with Acting University President Delailah B. Valencia

The lone awardee for Gawad San Luis for Professional Excellence was Dr. Emmanuel James P. Pattaguan, Vice President for Academics, for being a National Assessor for Institutional Sustainability Assessment (ISA), by virtue of Commission en banc Resolution No. 351-2014 dated 16 June 2014 as per CHED Special Order No. 67, series of 2014.



Mrs. Mabbonag, Mrs. Bautista, and Mrs. Cañazares

Gawad San Luis for Acceleration in Rank for obtaining Annual Faculty Performance Rating of 91% and above for five consecutive years (School

Years 2010-2015) went to Mrs. Melvie T. Mabbonag (HS Faculty) and two SHS Faculty: Mrs. Genevieve N. Bautista and Mrs. Rosario R. Cañazares.





SEAS Dean Therese May G. Alejandrino, SBAA OIC, Dr. Pattaguan, SEAID Dean Ronald M. Villaverde, and SHS Dean Dindo V. Asuncion with Dr. Valencia and VP for Administration Rina M. Reyes

The School of Engineering, Architecture and Interior Design (SEAID) received the most number of Gawad San Luis for Special Institutional Award. One, its Civil Engineering program was given Level IV Accredited Status by PAASCU in January 2015, valid until November 2019. Two awards account for the department's 100% Performance Passing Rate in the August 2014 Geo-

detic Engineer Licensure Examination and 100% Performance Passing Rate in the September 2014 Registered Electrical Engineer Licensure Examination. The other two awards were for the University's rank in licensure examinations as recognized by PRC: Top 4 Performing School Nationwide in the September 2014 Electronics Technician Licensure Examination and Top 5

Performing School Nationwide in the December 2014 Civil Engineer Licensure Examination.

The School of Education, Arts and Sciences (SEAS) received three plaques of the Gawad San Luis for Special Institutional Award. The Elementary Education, Secondary Education, and Liberal Arts programs of the school were awarded with Level IV Accredited

Status by PAASCU in January 2015, valid until November 2019.

The School of Business Administration and Accountancy (SBAA) likewise received three plaques of the Gawad San Luis for Special Institutional Award. The Business Administration and Accountancy programs of the school were awarded with Level IV Accredited Status by PAASCU in January 2015, valid until November 2019. USL was Top 2 Performing School Nationwide in the October 2014 Certified Public Accountant Licensure Examination.

The School of Health Sciences garnered the Gawad San Luis for Special Institutional Award for the 100% Performance Passing Rate of the school's graduates in the November 2014 Nurse Licensure Examination.



Mrs. Flores, Ms. Mallillin, and Mrs. Quilang



Ms. Baquiran, Mrs. Binayug, Mrs. Mendezabal, and Dr. Reyes

For their significant length of service to the University, 23 employees received the Gawad San Luis for Service. Their years of service range from 10-35 years. The largest category was composed by the 15-year awardees with 12 of them, followed by the 20-year and 10-year categories with four awardees each.

The Gawad San Luis for Service (35 years) awardees were: Mrs. Natividad T. Flores (SBAA Faculty), Miss Florida A. Mallillin (SBAA Assistant Dean), and Mrs. Edna M. Quilang (SBAA Secretary).

The Gawad San Luis for Service (25 years) was awarded to Arch. Gilroy A. Taguinod (SEAID Faculty) *in absentia*. The Gawad



Arch. Taguinod

San Luis for Service of 20 years was awarded each to: Miss Mary Ann A. Baquiran (High School Principal), Mrs. Nancy S. Binayug (SEAID Faculty), Mrs. Marie Jean N. Mendezabal (Assistant to the VP for Planning, Development, Quality Assurance and Accreditation), and Dr. Rina M. Reyes (Vice President for Administration).

Receiving the Gawad San Luis for 15 years of service were: Mr. Alan Anthony D. Baccay (SEAS Faculty), Mrs. Lourdes C. Batac (Elementary Department's Assistant Principal for Administration), Mrs. Maria Leonora



Mr. Baccay, Mrs. Batac, Mrs. Cagurangan, Ms. De la Cruz, Mrs. Espinosa, Mrs. Gannaban, Mr. Juan, Mrs. Mabbonag, Mr. Manuel, Mrs. Maquera, Mrs. Ragojos, and Mr. Washington

M. Cagurangan (Prefect of Women), Miss Macekrell Ivon T. De la Cruz (Publications Director and PDQAA Staff), Mrs. Cristina A. Espinosa (Graduate School Secretary), Mrs. Rosel B.

Gannaban (HS Faculty and HS Math Coordinator), Mr. Bernardo E. Juan (Database Administrator and Director, Center for Information and Communications Technology),

Mrs. Melvie T. Mabbonag (High School Faculty and HS Academic Extension Coordinator), Mr. Franklin A. Manuel (Computer Technician), Mrs. Liza P. Maquera (HS Faculty and

HS English Coordinator), Mrs. Fe Rose-Anne B. Ragojos (SBAA Faculty and SBAA Academic Extension Coordinator), and Mr. Severo L. Washington (SEAS Faculty).

The recipients of the Gawad San Luis for 10-year service were: Mrs. Rachelyn Rizza D. Antonio (SEAID Faculty and USLT Alumni Association Coordinator), Mrs. Desiree O. Callangan

(HS Faculty and Blue and White Moderator), Mr. Hermogenes C. Maribbay (Accounting Clerk), and Mrs. Editha G. Piciwien (Elementary Faculty).



Mrs. Antonio, Mrs. Callangan, Mr. Maribbay, and Mrs. Piciwien

Specially honored during the program were the recipients of the Gawad San Luis for Retirement. Mrs. Marilyn L. Cruz (36 years in service, former Dean of Student Affairs) and Engr. Teodora L. Tesani (26 years in service, former University Registrar) received the distinct recognition. Arch. Gilroy A. Taguinod (25 years in service, SEAID Faculty, former BS Architecture Program Chair) was awarded the same recognition *in absentia*. The bust of Saint Louis was a special token given to the retirees.



Mrs. Cruz and Engr. Tesani are joined by other USL administrators - Dr. Pattaguan, Dr. Valencia, University Registrar Liza M. Empedrad, Rev. Fr. Rex C. Salvilla, CICM Liaison Officer, and VP for Finance Celso L. Tuddao.



Engr. Villaverde, Interior Designer Jaime T. Fernandez and Engr. Benedick B. Mendoza entertain the awardees with their serenade number.





# USL hosts 2015 ACM-ICPC Philippines National Programming Contest

by Luisa B. Aquino

The University of Saint Louis, through the School of Information and Computing Sciences (SICS), hosted last Oct. 24, 2015 the 2015 ACM-ICPC Philippines National Programming Contest.

The ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC) is the oldest, largest, and most prestigious programming contest in the world. It is a multi-tiered, team-based programming competition operating under the auspices of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and headquartered at Baylor

University (USA).

The contest involves a global network of colleges and universities hosting regional competitions that advance teams to the ACM ICPC World Finals. Participation has grown to several tens of thousands of the finest students and faculty in computing disciplines at almost 2,330 universities from over 91 countries on six continents. The contest fosters creativity, teamwork, and innovation in building new software programs, and enables students to test their ability to perform under pressure.

Dr. Rafael P. Saldaña from Ateneo de Manila University is the National Contest Director and was the Chief Judge during the contest in USL. Problem Setters were Dr. Pablo R. Manalastas, Jr. (Ateneo de Manila University), Professor Jaderick P. Pabico, Jr. (University of the Philippines-Los Baños), Dr. Allan A. Sioson (Ateneo de Naga University), and Professor Philip Christian C. Zuñiga (University of the Philippines-Diliman).

Several ACM ICPC invitational contests were organized before the National Programming Con-

test was held. The Visayas Invitational Contest was hosted by University of the Philippines-Cebu, Cebu City last Sept. 5, 2015. The Southern Luzon Invitational was held at Ateneo de Naga University, Naga City last Sept. 13, 2015. The Metro Manila Invitational was conducted at Ateneo de Manila University, Quezon City last Sept. 19, 2015, and the Mindanao Invitational was held at Ateneo de Davao University, Davao City last Oct. 3, 2015.

Ateneo de Davao University emerged as the national champion while USL garnered seventh place but first place in the Cagayan Valley Region. 🏆



Ateneo de Davao University team (flanked by SICS Dean Luisa Aquino and Dr. Rafael Saldaña) and USL participants

# USL-HS wins in Interschool Volleyball Tournament

by Jerard Phillip P. Pagalilauan

The University of Saint Louis-High School Department's women's volleyball team triumphed over Cagayan National High School (CNHS) after a 25-18, 31-29 straight set victory during the City's Interschool Volleyball Tournament championship held at the CNHS Mamba Gymnasium, Sept. 25-27, 2015.

The second set started with a close fight between the rivals but with Jia Matote's powerful serves,



USL-HS edged the other team with two points.

"There was a close fight during the second set. Nevertheless, we battled

until we won," Miss Carlyne Fijer, USL team's coach, said.

Other players, namely: Kristyl Delayun and

Reshalene Malana were awarded as the most valuable player and best setter, respectively. 🏆

## Local knowledge seminar, artifacts exhibit held

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Some of the artifacts at the exhibit

Dr. Emmanuel James Pattaguan, USL's Vice President for Academics, with his topic: "Research in Anthropology, Philippine History and Sociology. The artifacts are on display at the College Library and shall eventually form part of the collections in the "Center for Local Knowledge" to be set up by the University in the near future.

partnership with AUDRN. The artifacts exhibit, which ran from Oct. 9-13, 2015, featured old jars, coins, iron, telephones, and other objects which

date as far back as the 1800s. The artifacts were donated by USL students in Tuguegarao City, Oct. 23 and 27, 2015.

## USL aids typhoon victims

by Herbert S. Corpuz

The University of Saint Louis gave out relief goods to victims of Typhoon Lando in two barangays (Annafunan and Balzain) in Tuguegarao City, Oct. 23 and 27, 2015.

Packs of rice and grocery items were given to 65 families of Barangay Annafunan on Oct. 23, 2015 and to 18 families of Barangay Balzain on Oct. 27, 2015.

The distribution of the food packs was done through the Community Extension Services (CES),

Office of the Vice President for Mission and Identity, the Campus Ministry, and the Alumni Office. Some faculty members and student representatives, together with Ms. Cerise Santoro, English Fellow from the United States of America, also assisted in the distribution.

The Community Service Fee (CSF) collected from the students was used for the purchase of said goods. The CSF was collected to help communities in times of disasters and calamities.



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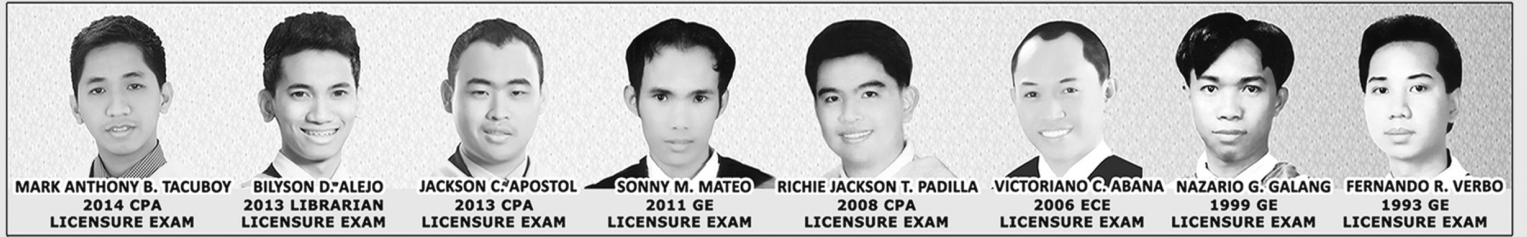
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