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2401 (twen 'teṛṛof, o, ṛwun) is a landmark number along Taft Avenue. It is the location ID of De La Salle University-Manila, home to outstanding faculty and students, and birthplace of luminaries in business, public service, education, the arts, and science. And 2401 is now the name of the official newsletter of DLSU-Manila, featuring developments and stories of interest about the University.

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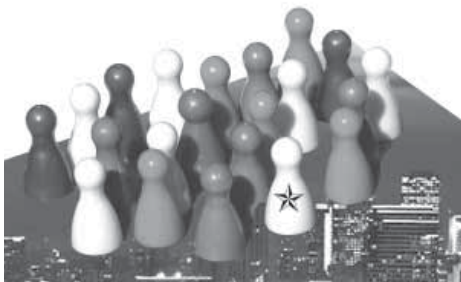
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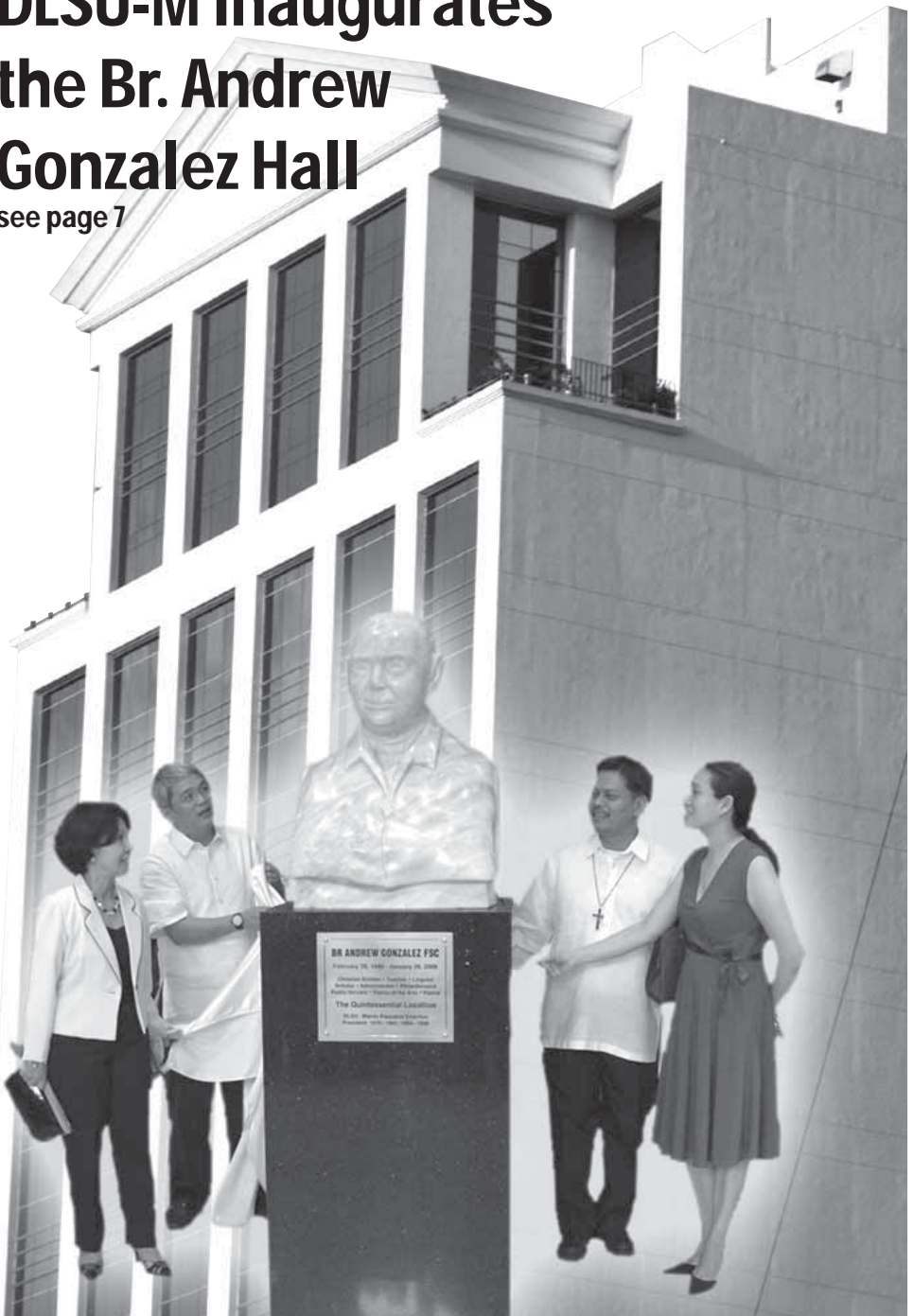


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Global Resource

This section highlights Lasallian educators with outstanding research projects. Experts in their respective fields, they share their new ideas and learning in national and international seminars, workshops, and conferences.

ELMD faculty in Hawaii educational confab

Dr. Roberto Borromeo, chair of the Educational Leadership and Management Department (ELMD), presented his paper during the Hawaii International Conference on Education held in Honolulu last January 6-9. His paper, "The Spirituality of Managers of Selected Private Schools in the Philippines: Implications for Management Education," analyzed the spirituality profile of educational managers and identified strategies to integrate spirituality in management education.

Dr. Michaela Muñoz, assistant professor in ELMD, presented the results of her dissertation research titled, "Towards a Model of Principal's Leadership and Interpersonal Behaviors and Teachers' Classroom Interpersonal Behaviors in Selected Top Performing Secondary Schools." She also shared in one of the concurrent sessions her on-going study on the "Teachers' Perceptions of Teaching and Research: An Exploratory Study."

The conference is an annual event



which offers an opportunity for academics and other professionals from around the world to share their broad array of perspectives. This year's conference was attended by more than 1,400 participants representing more than 40 countries.

DLSU-M hosts United Board Fellows

De La Salle University-Manila is currently serving as host of three foreign grantees of the United Board Fellows Program, which aims to prepare them for leadership in their respective schools.

The Fellows are: Dr. Lilian Jasper, a lecturer of the Department of English of the Women's Christian College, in Hennai, India; Xiuyan Li, head of the Teaching and Research Section of the English Department of Yabian University, in Yanji, Jilin Pro, China; and Christina Santoso, faculty of the Industrial Engineering Department of Maranatha Christian University, in Bandung, Indonesia. They

arrived in January and will stay in the country until May this year.

The United Board Fellows Program offers an opportunity for young mid-level faculty selected for leadership positions by their home institutions to work with faculty and administrators from host institutions in the United States and Asia over a two-year period.

In each host institution, with the assistance of a mentor, Fellows have opportunities to learn the following: styles of leadership, organizational structure,

and educational management; alternative pedagogical styles to enrich their own teaching; and the latest in their field by auditing classes, meeting with their mentors and colleagues, and teaching occasional classes.

The Fellows are currently interviewing representatives of the different departments and offices of DLSU-M as well as of other universities such as Ateneo de Manila University, University of the Philippines, and University of Sto. Tomas.



United Board Fellows (from left) Xiuyan Li, Christina Santoso, and Dr. Lilian Jasper

La Salle joins Global Business Confab

The Marketing Management and the Industrial Engineering Departments of De La Salle University-Manila joined the Association of Training Institutions for Foreign Trade in Asia and the Pacific (ATIFTAP) in launching the First Global Business Conference held last February 10 at the Teresa Yuchengco Auditorium.



ATIFTAP organized the conference to stimulate discussions on international trade and promote global trade research. Some 1,165 participants, among them business practitioners, researchers, educators, and students, attended the event.

Academic institutions, research institutions, training institutions, private companies, and foreign universities (Mohammad Ali Jinnah University from Karachi, Pakistan and Hanyang University from South Korea) were represented.

The event was organized in coordination with the Partnership Forum for International Trade Development Inc. (FITDEV), DLSU-Manila's Junior Entrepreneurs' Marketing Association, and faculty members from St. Scholastica College, Adamson University, IAME, DLS-Araneta University, DLS-Canlubang, and DLS-College of Saint Benilde.

Due to the success of the event, another Global Business Conference will be conducted on February 9, 2008 at the Philippine International Convention Center.

Dr. Luz Suplico, ATIFTAP president

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Br. Andrew Gonzalez's latest book, *God Talk*, launched last March 1 during the inauguration of the DLSU-Manila building named after him, is a renewal of language about God in the Roman Catholic Tradition. He wrote, "This work attempts to synthesize my thinking over a lifetime on the questions of language in God-Talk, applying my insights to alternative ways of speaking about the central element of faith, the teachings on the Trinity, and hopefully be of some benefit to serious lay readers who wish to stay in this tradition without compartmentalizing their knowledge but integrating it with their modern consciousness."

The book is available for only P200 at the Linguistics Society of the Philippines Office, LS 253 (mezzanine). For orders, call locals 178 or 247.



Kasabay ng pagpapatupad ng De La Salle University-Manila (DLSU-Manila) simula taong pampaaralan 2006-2007 ng binagong kurikulum ng general education na tinawag na LaSallian Core Curriculum o LCC ang isang bagong metodolohiya o pamamaraan sa pagkatuto (learning): ang transformative learning (TL). Sa dalawang terminong pagpapatupad sa mga kursong Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas1 (Kaspil1), Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas2 (Kaspil2) at History of Civilizations (Histciv) sa pamamaraang TL, nakapagmumulat, kakaiba at makabuluhan ang mga karanasang pinagdaanan ng Departamento ng Kasaysayan.

Nagmula ang mga impormasyon at datos sa akda sa mga pansariling paggunita at karanasan ng awtor at ng kanyang mga kasamang facultad at sa mga dokumentong matatagpuan sa *files* ng Departamento ukol sa LCC at TL. Maitituturing din na ang artikulo’y mula sa iba’t-ibang perspektibo ng may-akda ayon sa kanyang partisipasyon sa pagpapatupad ng LCC at TL bilang *module-writer*, guro, at administrador.

Panimulang Reaksyon ng Departamento sa TL

Sa unang termino ng pagpapatupad ng TL, walang anumang naramdamang pagkabigla ang kaguruan ng Departamento. Bagama’t nanatiling may reserbasyon ang ilan sa paggamit ng TL, sa pangkalahatan naging bukas ang buong departamentong subukan ito. Sa mga pagpupulong at maging sa ilang di-pormal na usapan, lumilitaw ang nararamdamang takot at pagkabahala subalit higit ng nangingibabaw ang determinasyon at kahandaang matuto ng lahat.

Isang kapuna-punang idinulot ng TL sa facultad ng Departamento ang pagkakapantay ng lahat – wala ng *senior* at *junior* maging sa edad o ranggo o di kaya ay sa katayuan bilang *full-time*, *probationary* o *part-time*- naging mga baguhan o *first time faculty* ang lahat. Para kaming lahat bumalik sa unang baitang ng pag-aaral. Dala-dala ang modyul kahit saan magpunta, ingat na ingat na ito’y mapunit o mabasa, at takot na takot na ito’y mawala. Naging isang bagong silid-aralan ang Departamento. Sabay-sabay kaming nagbasa, hindi nahiyang magtanong kung may hindi maintindihan at naguguluhan, at magbahagi ng natuklasang kakaibang estratehiyang epektibong naisagawa sa klase.

Ang Transformasyon ng Perspektibo ng Facultad at ng Buong Departamento

Kung aanalisahin ang karanasan ng Departamento sa TL sa loob ng dalawang termino, pangunahing susi sa maayos na implementasyon nito ang pagbibigay prayoridad sa transformasyon ng facultad. Unang-unang pinagtuunang pansin ang transformasyon sa perspektibo ng facultad sa pag-aaral (learning) at pagtuturo (teaching). Sa harap ng mga samut-saring balita at haka-haka at mga kalituhang kumakalat sa buong kampus ukol sa TL, nagsimulang magsaliksik, magbasa, mag-aral at magsuri ukol sa TL ang Departamento. Maliban dito, siniguro rin ng pamunuan na mabilis



na maipararating sa buong facultad ang lahat ng opisyal na patakaran, desisyon at iba pang impormasyong nagmula sa administrasyon upang mapawi ang walang batayang tensyong pagkabahala at takot ukol sa TL. Sinigurong mailalagay sa tamang perspektibo ang pagtingin ng facultad sa TL: na ang ay pagpapatuloy lamang ng pagpapatupad ng LCC na nagsin pa noong 2004-2005 at walang pinagkaiba sa matagal ng palagiang ginagawa ng Unibersidad na pagrerebyu at pagrere ng kurikulum.

Bunga nito, umiral ang rasyonalidad sa halip na emosyonal ukol sa TL sa lahat ng facultad. Sa puntong ito, sinimulang pairalin ang pagbabago sa pananaw, aktitud at pagkilos ng facultad ukol sa TL. Sa halip na tingnan bilang isang banta pansariling kaligtasan at ng Departamento, tiningnan ng mga facultad ang TL bilang oportunidad upang maisakatuparan ang adhikain at programa ng departamentong gawing higit na kritikal, kapana-panabik at makabuluhan ang pag-aaral ng kasaysayan laluna ng mga *general education courses*. Sa halip na isang polisiyang idinidikta ng mga nasa Yuchengco Hall, inari at ipinaloob ng Departamento ang TL sa kanyang adhikaing maitaas ang kalidad ng pagtuturo ng kasaysayan sa Unibersidad at maging sa buong bansa. Mula sa negatibo bilang tungo sa positibo ang naging pagharap sa TL; sa halip na isa kritikong di-tama/baluktot ang kaalaman sa mga pangyayari nakararaming facultad ay naging aktibong tagapag-ambag at tagapaghubog ng magiging direksyon at hugis ng TL sa loob ng Departamento at maging sa buong Unibersidad.

Ang tama at napapanahong impormasyon ang nagbigay

Tungo sa Isang Makabuluhang Pa-aaral ng Nakaraan

Panimulang Karanasan ng Departamento ng Kasaysayan sa Pagpapatupad ng *Transformative Learning Pedagogy* (una sa dalawang bahagi)

Ni Ronaldo B. Mactal, PhD

daan sa pagbubukas ng isipan ng buong Departamento sa mga darating at inaasahang pagbabago, at naihanda ang buong kaguruan sa inasahang mga gawain sa pagpapatupad ng TL. Bunga ng aktibong pakikisangkot at kooperasyon ng lahat, napabilis nito ang mga gawain, nakasusunod at kadalasang nauuna pa ang Departamento sa itinakdang dedlayn ng Unibersidad sa paghahanda hanggang sa pagpapatupad ng TL.

Mga Panloob na Inisyatibo ng Departamento sa Paghahanda at Pagpapatupad ng TL

Matapos ang paghahandang mental at sikolohikal sa mga facultad na direktang magpapatupad ng TL sa loob at labas ng klasrum, kasabay na inasikaso ang pisikal at materyal na pangangailangan sa implementasyon ng TL. Gamit bilang pangkalahatang gabay ang mga patakaran at desisyon mula sa mga kinauukulang opisyal, tanggapan at komite sa Unibersidad na may kinalaman sa TL, nagpatupad ang Departamento ng mga pansariling inisyatibo. Sa halip na maghintay ng bawat kautusan mula sa itaas, matapos isaalang-alang ang pansariling kultura, kahinaan at kalakasan ng buong Departamento, bumalangkas ng pansariling proseso at sistema bilang paghahanda sa implementasyon ng TL. Kaagad tinukoy

ang mga problemang kinakaharap at maari pang posibleng kaharapin sa hinaharap, sinigurong hindi lamang magkakaroon ng isang kasagutan kundi iba't-ibang mapagpipiliang solusyon sa bawat problema.

Sa pagkakaroon ng pansariling proseso at sistema na may pagsasaalang-alang sa panloob na dinamismo; sa halip na umasa sa mga instruksyong magmumula sa itaas, piniling solusyonan ng Departamento ang kanyang sariling problema. Hinihingi lamang ang tulong ng mga kinauukulan partikular ng *Vice-President for Academics and Research (VPAR)* kung kailangan. Resulta ng ganitong proseso, naging madali rin sa Departamentong mabigyang katwiran ang lahat ng pangangailangan at iba pang tulong na kailangan nito sa kinauukulan. Sa katunayan, walang anumang pangangailangan ang Departamento sa pagpapatupad ng TL ang hindi ipinagkaloob ng administrasyon sa pangunguna ng VPAR. Kaya't masasabi ring malaking bahagi sa maayos na pagpapatupad ng TL sa Departamento ang ipinakitang komitment ng administrasyon sa pamamagitan ng mga ipinagkaloob nitong tulong na materyal at pinansyal. Samantala, upang lalong mahikayat at maging masigla ang buong facultad sa kanilang mga ginagawa, ang bawat suporta at maging papuri ng administrasyon sa Departamento'y ipinabatid sa lahat.

Ang may-akda ay ang tagapangulo at associate professor ng Departamento ng Kasaysayan. Kinilala siya bilang Outstanding Young Scientist sa larangan ng Kasaysayan ng National Academy of Science and Technology noong 2005.



FIELD NOTES. What in the world is going on? We ask our faculty members to make sense of what we need to know, understand, and reflect upon. They agree to share insights and observations about their respective fields or special interests. Field Notes serves as a window to different worlds where we all belong.



SDRC hosts CEAP Symposium on Population and Development

Fifty-eight representatives of member schools of the Catholic Educational Association of the Philippines (CEAP), parishes, and non-governmental organizations in the Southern Manila district attended the Third Series of Symposia on Population and Development held on January 27 at the Yuchengco Building. The event was hosted by the Social Development Research Center.

Resource persons who delivered presentations were Dr. Alejandro Herrin, Rafael M. Salas Awardee for Population and Development, who spoke on “Social Science Perspectives on Population and Development;” Fr. John Carroll, SJ, founding director of the Institute on Church and Social Issues at Ateneo de Manila University, whose paper was titled “Addressing Demographic Realities: A Complementary Perspective;” Jowena Mañalac, deputy director and operations officer of the Institute for Reproductive Health, who gave a talk on “New Modern Natural Family Planning: Expanding Options for Filipino Couples;” and Fr. Roderick Salazar, SVD, president of the University of San Carlos, whose talk

was titled “Population and the Catholic Perspective.”

A panel of reactors from DLSU-Manila was composed of Dr. Romeo Lee of the Behavioral Sciences Department (demographer); Dr. Melissa Reyes of the Psychology Department (psychologist); and Hernan Raymundo of the Theology and Religious Education Department (theologian).

Executive Vice President Carmelita Quebengco gave the welcome remarks and Msgr. Gerardo Santos, CEAP Vice-President, the opening remarks. Felicitas Rixhon, executive director of the Philippine Center for Population and Development, gave the closing statement to conclude the symposium.

DLSU-M inaugurates the Br. Andrew Gonzalez Hall

In celebration of the 67th birthday of the late Br. Andrew Gonzalez FSC, De la Salle University-Manila inaugurated the 20-storey-tall Brother Andrew Gonzalez Hall, the country's tallest academic building, last March 1.

Aside from the inauguration of the building, the bust of Br. Andrew, done by National Artist for Sculpture Dean Napoleon Abueva, was also unveiled.

Abueva, who was among the distinguished guests of the event, was commissioned to create the artwork last November 2006. The bust is made of 34-inch carara marble.

Leading the list of DLSU-Manila administrators present were President Br. Armin Luistro, Executive Vice President Dr. Carmelita Quebengco, and Vice President for Academics and Research Dr. Julius Maridable.

They welcomed the almost 100 guests of the event including Br. Andrew's nephew Adolfo Martin Gonzalez and niece Rosario Gonzalez-Lizares, renowned architect Philip Recto, who designed the building, DLSU Board of Trustee Marixi Prieto, Brother Visitor Dodo Fernandez FSC, De La Salle Alumni Association President Jay Gervacio, and Dr. Eduardo Fajardo, principal of the Natividad Galang-Fajardo Foundation, Inc.

Located at the ground floor of the building is the Admissions Hall, which was also formally opened the same day. The Admissions' exhibit area shows in a nutshell the history of De la Salle Brothers worldwide, a brief biography of St. John Baptist de La Salle, a glimpse of Br. Andrew's

life as a quintessential Lasallian, and an overview of DLSU-M's six colleges and its Centers of Excellence and Centers of Development.

Guests were led to the 18th floor of the building, where the state-of-the-art, 238-seater Natividad Fajardo-Rosario Gonzalez Auditorium is located. In the theater, Br. Andrew's new book, *God Talk*, was launched. The book was reviewed by Dr. Dominador Bombongan, Dr. Rolando Gripaldo, and De La Salle University Science Foundation President Rene Fuentes, who delivered some remarks about the book and the author.

During the event, Dr. Eduardo Fajardo shared his thoughts and experiences on his encounters with Br. Andrew, which underscored his desire to support the advancement of the educational system in the country.



The DLSU Chorale performs at the Natividad Fajardo-Rosario Gonzalez Auditorium during the launching of the Br. Andrew Gonzalez Hall.



Chemical Engineering faculty, students win in national confab

The DLSU-Manila Chemical Engineering delegation won major awards during the 68th National Convention of the Philippine Institute of Chemical Engineers (PIChE) held at the Manila Pavilion Hotel from January 31 to February 3, 2007.

Full Professor and Department Chair Dr. Leonila Abella received the Most Outstanding PIChE Chapter Award for her active involvement, superior membership development programs, and unwavering support for the national professional Chemical Engineering organization. She is also the president of the Metro Manila Academe Chapter of PIChE.

University Fellow and Professorial Lecturer Dr. Azucena A. Puertollano, meanwhile, received the Most Outstanding Chemical Engineer for Engineering Education Award for her valuable contribution to the development of Chemical Engineering education in the country.

Part of the convention was the PIChE Student Congress held on February 3 at the William Shaw Little Theatre of

DLSU-Manila, where the PIChE National Quiz Bowl and the PIChE National Undergraduate Research Poster Contest were held.

The team of Chemical Engineering students composed of team captain Dominic Baylas and members David Jan Chan and Charles Edric Co won second place in the Quiz Bowl after weeks of preparation under the guidance of their coach, Engr. Teddy Monroy.

The department's sole research poster entry titled "Partial Nitrification and Anaerobic Ammonium Oxidation of Ammonium-rich Domestic Wastewater in Three-Phase Fluidized Bed Biofilm Reactor" also won second place in the research poster contest. ChE alumnus Lyle Melad, one of the authors of the

said research, presented the research co-authored by ChE alumnae Maria Reina Pacaña and Jovilyn Sia. Associate Professor Dr. Joseph Auresenia served as their adviser.

As part of the department's faculty development, several professors attended a two-day talk on engineering education given by Dr. Richard Felder, Hoechst Celanese Professor Emeritus of Chemical Engineering at North Carolina State University and co-author of the book "Elementary Principles of Chemical Processes".

An open forum with Dr. Felder was also held on February 2 at the Ariston Estrada Seminar Room, during which students asked questions on thesis writing and Chemical Engineering principles.



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