LPU and Shell tie up for SKIL

"Malili man ako’y may malaki namang pangarap at ito ay alam kong abot kamay kong matutupad dahil nariyan ang Lyceum of the Philippines University – Batangas at Pilipinas Shell Foundation," declared Lerma Salazar, an SKIL scholar in her farewell speech in September 11, 2014 during the graduation rites of SKIL (Sanayang Kabuhayan Industrial) and MOA Signing at Freedom Hall of LPU – Batangas which was attended by top executives of Lyceum of the Philippines University and Pilipinas Shell Foundation, media personalities and other executives from TESDA, AG & P and Keppel Batangas.

This year, another batch of 11 SKIL scholars graduated and were subjected to TESDA Assessment in Food & Beverage Service for NCII. In addition, new students were accepted in the same program. SKIL is a collaborative effort of Pilipinas Shell Foundation and Lyceum of the Philippines University and Jollibee Foods Corporation which aims to help talented and potential children of indigent families of the five adopted barangays, Tabangao, Ambulong, Libjo, San Isidro and Malitam commonly known as TALIM where several less privileged families can be identified.

Rigid screening was based on the standard criteria set by company which started from the collaboration with the Barangay Chairmen, after further endorsement, a preliminary examination and series of interviews by Lyceum of the Philippines Community.

It is designed to extend suitable training courses for Out of School Youth who were granted the Shell – LPU SKIL SCHOLARSHIP and to make its facilities, training expertise and tools available for the program.


NOCEI Seminar Workshop

Extension Service, Beyond Accreditation Standard

The said seminar was participated by different Community Extension (ComEx) Coordinators of the various schools and universities of the CALABARZON region. Mrs. Nonalizza Cueto, chairman of NOCEI COMEX and former ComEx Officer of Lyceum of the Philippines – Batangas, opened the seminar.

Dr. Christopher V. Manaol, expert in Community Extension Activities, the seminar’s main speaker discussed his topics in two sessions. The first session dealt with the basics of accreditation processes, while the second session was about Formulating or Designing Instruments for the Evaluation of Feedback from beneficiaries. He presented some ComEx activities which helped the participants identify which extension programs and outreach activities are feasible. On the third session of the seminar, a workshop beyond Accreditation is facilitated through which written output by each coordinator was presented.
LIMA holds training on typhoon awareness

A total of 115 trainees from the municipalities of Batangas City, Lian, Bauan, Tuy, Naga, Nasugbu and Balayan attended the MBST (Modified Basic Training with Typhoon Awareness).

Annually, the Lyceum International Maritime Academy (LIMA) serves as the venue for the examination of Boat Captains and Boat Owners of the Province of Batangas. This partnership between LPU and the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) has been the reason why the LPU, through its Maritime Training Center was tapped to facilitate the MBST to boat captains and ship owners of the province of Batangas. This is part of the Community Extension service jointly rendered by the Lyceum International Maritime Academy and the LPU Maritime Training Center.

The resource people for the MBST are Capt. Aquado, CM Arnulfo Orrente, 2M Edwin Agena, 2M Leoncio Mandigma, 2M Joseph Reyes (LMTC, Instructors/Assessors for Personal Survival Techniques, Fire Prevention, and Fire fighting and Personal Safety and Social Responsibility), Ms. Rhea Beldia (LMTC, Instructor/ Assessor Elementary First Aid) and C/M Bienvenido Arevalo (Dean, Lyceum International Maritime Academy) who lectured on typhoon awareness. The faculty members of the academy also delivered lectures on typhoon awareness during the training.

This training was also attended by MARINA officials and staff headed by Atty. Manuel C. Portus, LMTC Director Mrs. Myrna C. Clemeno, LIMA Dean CM Bienvenido Arevalo Jr., and Shipboard Training Officer 2M Alexander Gonzales. Support groups for the said activity were the staff of the LMTC, LIMA and some officers of the LIMA Student Council.

CAMP conducts free CBC testing

The whole day of November 16, 2014 was devoted for the health service to the people of Banay-Banay, San Jose and SHL Restoration Village.

This school year, we conducted CBC testing to detect variety of diseases which may or may not present signs and symptoms to the present patient.

The CBC testing included the red blood cell count, white blood cell count, platelet count, hemoglobin and hematocrit levels and white blood cells differential counting.

LPU-B appoints new ComEx officer

The LPU-B’s senior leaders appointed the newest Community Extension Officer named Mrs. Evangeline O. Mendoza.

Mrs. Mendoza is an Assistant Professor of the International Tourism & Hospitality Management. She finished her masters also in LPU-B. While taking her Doctorate Degree in Business Administration, she embraces the challenge of accomplishing numerous programs which can help improve the lives of the less fortunate individuals. These programs include the CITHM Livelihood Program which gave baking workshop to Brgy. Wawa residents and the Sanayang Kabuhayan Industrial (SKIL) which gave opportunity to out-of-school youth to learn F&B Servicing and Housekeeping.

Mrs. Mendoza is an experienced person in different industries. She had been the Store, Training, and Shift Manager of Jollibee Foods Corporation, Technical Supervisor of Central Azucarera de Don Pedro, and Research and Development Analyst of Atlas Fertilizer Corporation. She also has two published books and modules.

Gift Giving for Maintenance and Guards of LPU-B Main and LIMA

The College of Computer Studies (CCS) conducted a gift-giving activity for the security guards and maintenance staff of Lyceum of the Philippines University—Batangas (LPU-B), Main and LIMA campuses, on Dec 18, 2014.

The said activity started at 7:30 AM where volunteer students of CCS packed Christmas gifts in CCS office. They were guided by their faculty and staff.

The students loaded the eco bags with groceries such as pack of bihon, crispy fyr, knorr cubes, nestea coffee, coffee creamer, sugar, and other essentials in preparing for Noche Buena. Each eco bag was attached with Christmas cards. The said college produced and distributed a total of 145 bags filled with goods.

This gift-giving activity is part of the community extension projects of College of Computer Studies.
CITHM spearheads Meat Processing Program

The College of International Hospitality Management through the effort of its Community Extension Coordinator, Prof. Evangeline Mendoza and expertise of Chefs Fe Mejuez and Aristob Cueto spearheaded a livelihood training for Women of SHL Restoration Village last March 7, 2015 at the Kitchen Laboratory of LPU-B. The training primarily focused on processing of tocino, tapa, hamburger patties. The training aims to increase skills of the beneficiaries as well as to open gateway to entrepreneurship among them.

The College of International Tourism and Hospitality Management is backing the call of social advocates to help the residents build their lives through a livelihood program that would help them sustain a better living. The College Dean, Dr Alex P. Ylagan in coordination with Prof. Evangeline O. Mendoza and Prof. Nona Cueto, University Com Ex Director, urged the faculty and staff to take the cue in solving the increasing poverty problem by getting involved in a livelihood program intended to increase the morale of wives by opening an opportunity to learn. Mendoza reported that 90% of wives are just waiting for their husbands to come in the afternoon and make all both ends of the earnings meet at the end of every payday. With just a little money in their pocket sending their children to school becomes next to impossible. If wives would just learn the simple way of earning a living through cooking, their lives then would be improved.

Earlier, the College taught the community Food Safety Practices through simple personal hygienic approach which was monitored and audited in a periodic basis by the faculty members and students. The group also sought the help of CITHM community by contributing grooming kits such as shampoo, bath soap, towels, cottons, alcohols, cotton buds, sanitzers. Comb, nail cutters and alike and distributed it to all household of SHL restoration Village. After the Food Safety program, the community specifically the wives who taught of preparing processed meat such as tocino and tapa as well as hamburger patties. It will be followed by teaching them Pastry making.

Meanwhile, CITHM has reported that the number of interested wives increased as reflected in the attendees during the training.

DENT’s Preventive Dental Services

Last January 11, 2015, LPU College of Dentistry conducted its community extension program at LPU Batangas Leviste Building Dental Dispensary for the children and parents from Sico, Batangas.

The participants were grade four students with the total number of 17 students with age ranging from 9-11 and with their parents. Twenty-four Dentistry students participated in the said activity accompanied by Dr. Jennifer D. Maderazo, the head of the Community Extension Program of the College of Dentistry. The program started at 9:00 am and ended at 11:30 am. The Grade 4 students were taught the proper tooth brushing technique. After brushing, oral examination fluoride treatment was done to each student. Oral prophylaxis was also done to the parents of those children.

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Shell Foundation conducts the screening and provides subsidy for books and uniforms of the scholars while Lyceum of the Philippines University endows free education, allowance, ingredients and faculty experts. It also gives the faculty and staff of the College of International Tourism and Hospitality Management (CITHM) a chance to involve themselves in the university’s community extension projects, and to develop the spirit of volunteerism among CITHM students through assisting the SKIL scholars in the activity. According to one of its scholars, Gleyci Dimasacat, SKIL gives her the opportunity to study again despite her family’s economic condition. At first, she felt hopeless, thinking that her dreams cannot come true, but because of the SKIL program, new doors were opened so that she may continue pursuing and realizing her aspirations.

Hence, through giving hope and honing skills among out of school youth can make their lives more meaningful and worth living thereby making them significant contributors for economic development, that would best develop and mold them into a character with full of enthusiasm made it possible for these individuals to contribute in economic development.

As revealed in the study of Prof. Evangeline O. Mendoza, ComEx coordinator of the CITHM, 67.39% of the SKIL scholars were employed while others chose to start their own business. Thus, the CITHM department must sustain the project and be part of the development and success of these young individuals.
more effective in carrying their tasks.

The program was spearheaded by Miss Mischelle A. Esquerra, Department Chair of BSIT and community extension coordinator of Master of Arts in Information Technology Education (MAITE) program, with the assistance of Miss Elaine Joy J. Iiao, CCS faculty member and community extension coordinator, and Mrs. Glenda A. Delizo, CCS faculty member and volunteer. This was made possible through the efforts of Honorable Arnold N. Ditan, who initiated the computer enhancement program since he believed that this would help them face the challenges of modern technology.

The activity started with needs assessment in the form of actual pre-test where they were given exercises in MS Word, MS Excel, and MS Powerpoint. The results of the exercises were the basis of what topics will be emphasized during the program.

Participants were given series of hands-on exercises and were also given the chance to choose topics based on their needs. Some of them already have basic knowledge in word processing and presentations so they just focused on spreadsheets, while some preferred to have tutorials on using Microsoft Publisher.

A Certificate of Completion was given to each participant after they have passed the hands-on post 1 test given by the lecturers.

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**NURS provides free operation tuli**

The College of Nursing goes partnered with the Baoan Doctor’s General Hospital and to the local government of Barangay Dumucay, Batangas City to come up to this year’s “Libreng Tuli Operation 2015”.

Ms. Jairah Bitang, COMEX Chairman of CON led the prayer which was followed by the opening remarks of Bro. Chairman, Leonides Landicho. Eighty six (86) young boys aged 6 years old and above were registered and underwent the free circumcision. This medical mission also served as a thanks giving for the birthday of the father of one of CON’s department chairs, Dr. Bella Magnaye. It was led by Dr. Lacamana and Dra. Relos together with the BDGH ward staff, NICU, OR staff and the LPU Nursing Students together with clinical instructors, Mrs. Ramona Caran, Mr. Marlo Marasigan and Dr. Bella Magnaye.

The Nursing students were specifically assigned to distribute medicines. They also helped in preparing the instruments to be used and were given the chance to assist during the procedure. Likewise, they distributed pamphlets which features the proper cleaning, and the things that they have to avoid doing after the circumcision. For the beneficiaries, this experience is truly remarkable for this marked the start of their manhood.
After several years of teaching Wawa Women’s Association, the College of International Tourism and Hospital Management (CITHM) strengthened its tie up with the Community through a small scale Restaurant Operations which started last S.Y. 2013-2014 as part of the recommendation in the research conducted by Prof. Evangeline O. Mendoza and Dr. Bing Feliciano, both faculty members of the college.

Much has been done in improving the lives of many families in Barangay Wawa. CITHM headed by its Dean and Com-Ex coordinators, faculty and staff, provided the beneficiaries of the chosen barangay with training preparation, production and marketing of products such as baked goods (macaroons, brownies, cookies and cakes), processed foods (lomoco and tapa) and pastries (pastillas, macaroons, polvoron and chocolate truffles).

The tie up started almost 7 years ago from SY 2009 – 2010 with eight (8) beneficiaries. The selected wives were taught baking, cooking and food processing skills that enabled them to eventually become entrepreneurs.

Based on the conducted research, 75% of the beneficiaries were earning only P30,000.00 below per month before they joined the livelihood program. After joining the livelihood program there was an increase in the income of the beneficiaries from below P3,000.00 to P5,000.00 to 10,000.00. From the average earning of P2,562.50, the beneficiaries are now earning an average of P6, 625 per month which is a clear implication that in terms of financial status, the program had a positive impact on the beneficiaries.

During the evaluation and from the sharing of the beneficiaries, they pointed out that before joining the livelihood program, they did not have regular source of income. Few of them used to wash clothes of their neighbours and some used to sell fish but not on a regular basis. They cannot send their children to school due to limited finances. With the help of the CITHM in providing them the initial capital, they were able to continuously implement the program which gives them a great opportunity to provide them a better life. The benefits of livelihood programs flow in terms of enhancing household income and social aspect such as health, knowledge and closeness among family members.

The college's baking and pastry program were also evaluated. The training method and strategies used by the competent faculty members were rated effective. They were able to achieve the livelihood programs that are sustainable and part of the tri-fold function of the university such as instruction, research and community extension. The beneficiaries also claimed that the livelihood activities have also created other benefits aside from those related to income because they have improved their self esteem since they have developed business skills. Upon acquisition of the skills, as recounted by a couple of beneficiaries, many of them instead of just gossiping and doing nothing, are now very busy with producing the goods and that even their children and the whole family tend to involve themselves in the program.

The College of Criminology conducted a campaign regarding crime and drug prevention in SHL Restoration Village last May 22, 2015.

As LPU-B has identified learning outcomes that will represent the qualities of LPU students when they graduated, the institution upholds and promotes activities that will develop such qualities. One of those is being a Collaborative and Caring Team Leader/Member. Being one can mean that the students can participate actively in uplifting the welfare of the community especially those less fortunate sector in our neighborhood.

School activities such as Community Extension Services were also the advocacy of the institution. Together with the different academic departments, students, faculty members and staff, they actively participate in providing extension service to the adapted community. Different activities were done to accomplish the objective of encouraging students and faculty members to join community extension activities through volunteerism.

In accordance to this, College of Criminology continues promoting the community extension activities. Headed by the Dean, Dr. Merlina Lou Bautista together with the College Coordinator, Mrs. E dec i e r i n a E s c a b e l coordinated with the Mr. Diony Palomililo of SHL Restoration Village at Sico, Batangas City as to the date the campaign can be executed. After date and time was agreed, the College Coordinator contacted a jeepney and identified students who will join the activity. Criminology Student Council joined COMEX, together with the Fourth Year Criminology Students and Alumni.

Before the actual house to house commencements, the Coordinator reiterated to the students the essence of the campaign and delegated the tasks to them. Students were teamed up with faculty members who shall alternately facilitate the campaign. The students are divided into groups and each group was given their assigned houses to conduct a house-to-house talk with the members of the family, and to do information sharing about the purpose of the activity.
Lingap officers take oath

Selected Lyceans took their oath for the Lingap Batangan’s new set of officers during the Community Extension Awareness Week at SHL Freedom Hall on Aug. 18, 2015.

The Community Extension Coordinators were asked to submit one student each who will serve as the Student ComEx coordinator of their respective colleges. The new elected officers are Cedric Matanguhan (CITHM) – President; Jaira Bitang (BSN) – V. President; Aiyanna Mendoza (BSCRIM) – Secretary; Lovely Francia Gunay (MLS) – Treasurer; Crismark Agillon (CoE) – Auditor; and Dexter Buted and Jorell Johnson (both BSCA) – PRO’s.

Some of these officers’ proposed activities include Lingap Batangan Newsletter, Theater Arts for Sico Kids, Immersion, and Environmental Camp. Accordingly, Mrs. Evangeline Mendoza is the adviser of the said organization as she is the newly appointed ComEx Officer.

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Also, few techniques like courtesy when speaking, inquiry approach, manifestation of sincerity and sharing some personal experiences were imparted to them as to how they can gather attention, trust and confidence of the household occupants specifically parents and co-teens.

Crime Prevention and Drug Addiction Awareness was the main concern of the College in the activity. There are many things each and everyone in the community can do to reduce their chances of becoming a victim or even prevent incidents of crime from happening. The College also provided brochures containing of the topic discussion, and some crime preventive measures for them, for their home and family. It contains the topic that the groups discussed during their encounter with the families. Including Crime Prevention Tips, Keeping their family safe, the children safe, securing home and belongings, safety tips on the streets, etc.

Another important issue addressed was the Drug Addiction Awareness, centered especially for the young ones. Pointing out such factors that lead them engaging in those unnecessary actions and how can they provide proper guidance to ensure that their child are not exposed in such activities. Included in the brochure are photos of drug addiction effects and such diseases it causes.

During the campaign, some families in the village shared other problems and experiences to the facilitators which kindled and inspired them not only in this activity but also enlightened them about life. Positive response from them where established upon the discussion of the topics and the groups are also able to know each families concern.

Since there is only 36 families, all was covered in one visit, however, monitoring and follow up visits will be conducted.

The activity aims to make them aware and familiarize them with the information contained to make crime prevention, drug addiction awareness and education be a part of their everyday life. To practice those tips and measures inside their houses and outside environment and be aware to avoid giving criminal opportunity to criminal would be.

With the support of the College Faculty and cooperation of Criminology students, Crime Prevention Campaign and Drug Addiction Awareness were successfully conducted and they went back to the institution to enjoy a simple snack.