Hon. Roman T. Romulo, Representative, Lone District of Pasig City
Commencement Speaker, NLPSC Graduation Rites 2015

NLPSC, a 5-year old public higher education institution, facing the challenges of accreditation and of amalgamation, listed on the 10th place of the Ten Performing Schools in the Philippines in the Licensure Examination for Teachers (LET) for its 2014 BEED graduates, and a consistent producer of licensed teachers, criminologists and midwives, takes too much pride once again of its 488 graduates for Batch 2015.

What comes tough this graduation rites is an invitation to a much sought-after national figure to serve as the Commencement Speaker. And yes, we have triumphed to get his hard-earned "affirmation" as he has already booked a kilometric list of speech engagements for the months of March and April. We are lucky indeed to have just one spot in the calendar left unfilled so as to say that Honorable Congressman Roman

2015 NLPSC Foundation Anniversary Celebration

The 4th Foundation Anniversary Celebration of North Luzon Philippines State College was set on February 3-5, 2015. Since its establishment in February 3, 2010 by virtue of Republic Act No. 10085 authored by Congressman Eric D. Singson of the 2nd District of Ilocos Sur as approved by both Houses, the Senate and the Congress, the College could have turned 5 years old this year. It can be noted however, that in 2009 to 2010, the then-CCC-University of Northern Philippines Branch (known locally as UNP-Candon) was at the height of its transition to NLPSC. This event led to the celebration of the 1st founding anniversary of NLPSC in 2012 instead of 2011. It can be rectified however, that come May 5 of 2015, NLPSC can celebrate its 5th Foundation Anniversary as this was the date when Her Excellency, President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo signed Republic Act No. 10085 and its IRR.

NLPSC @ 4: Throwback
NLPSC can trace its humble beginning back far when the then-

MID conducts 2015 Pinning and Candlelighting Ceremonies

Amelia C. Antonio

The Annual Pinning and Candlelighting Ceremonies for the second year Midwifery students were successfully done on January 30, 2015 at Aloha Nui Events Center, Candon City. With the theme "Midwifery Towards Global Competitiveness Through Quality Health Care," 45

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NLPSC Studs conquer Kannawidan 2015

Marife D. Alviento

Three teacher education students went home to NLPSC as victors in the Siglat Iskwela Salip Saririt Kannawidan Quiz Bee and Yoko Poem Writing Contest as part of the Kannawidan Ylokos Festival held at the Ilocos Sur Community College, Bantay, Ilocos Sur on February 2, 2015.

Aldrine E. Molina (BEED 4) emerged as CHAMPION in the Yoko Poem Writing Contests while Jasmin G. Licudine and Carissa Blance T. Fabian, both BSE 4 students, were first runners up in the Quiz Bee. There were 11 competing teams from the different schools and colleges in the province, like UNP, NLPSC, ISPSC, Divine Word College of Vigan, St Paul College of Ilocos Sur, STI College, Macro Institute and ISC among others. The NLPSC Team was trained under Mrs. Marife D. Alviento as the team’s official coach.
Graduation is in season...

Time has surreptitiously passed by. After the "ber-months" that slipped out suddenly from our conscious awakenings just so lately, we come to notice that graduations are already upon us.

Yes, our graduation is already upon us. It is already our 4th year to celebrate the grand march of our students to receive their diploma after three or four years of college struggle and academic adventures. It is our 4th year of producing graduates who laboriously search their own special or distinct places under the sun for worthy and productive work to mete out the technical know-how they acquired from us in college.

But we have to halt for a moment to ponder on the last three years of our college operation. The graduating students, I believe, are living witnesses on how this young but promising college has metamorphosed into what is now. In my capacity as officer-in-charge, I have committed myself to help NLPSG achieve its vision, mission, goals, and objectives despite the meager budget allocated by the national government each year. But we have vanquished the odds and triumphed every challenge that could put this College down. We have stood still in sincere smiles of satisfaction and thriving through the help, support and assistance of our noble founder, Congressman Eric D. Singson, and the City Government of Candon headed by City Mayor Ericson G. Singson.

Graduates of our college could certainly testify the best in us – the tangibles and non-tangibles. Buildings, classrooms and laboratories are slowly built. Lands are acquired for our possible area expansion. CCTV cameras are installed for our safety and protection. Our facilities for student welfare are open and ready for utilization: gymnasium, food stall, conference room, external CRs and wash areas, tennis court and internet.

Could we be in the top 10 performing schools in the Philippines in LET if we do not have high-caliber instructors and professors in the College? We could not be there. The faculty members, the largest workforce in this institution, are guaranteed to have the aptitude and respective expertise that helped enrich students’ performance in their fields of interest. That is why we produce graduates who are able to pass the licensure examinations in their degree programs every year. We have higher percentage ratings compared to national rating percentage annually. That is a feat we are proud of.

If there is something that I wish to impinge in the minds and hearts of our graduates this 2015 Commencement Exercises, it is my kind appreciation to the wonderful years that they were with me under my humble administration. Nothing pleases much the president of the college or university than to see his/her students trudging the right path in their educational journey, reaping the fruits of their hardships in going through college and looking forward to a productive employment clad with the knowledge, skills and values purveyed them with all humility. For NLPSG, the core values of excellence, dynamism and service are certain to have encased in their portfolio as they enter the world of work. KUDOS to the graduates of Batch 2015.

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T. Romulo will definitely hold the microphone at the rostrum to address the graduates of NLPSG this March 19, 2015.

Congressman Roman Tecson Romulo is considered an outstanding legislator. Despite his being the chairman of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education in the House of Representatives, he holds membership in the major committees of the Congress: Basic Education and Culture, Constitutional Amendments, Economic Affairs, Human Rights, Information and Communications Technology, Metro Manila Development, Revisions of Law, Science and Technology, and Veterans Affairs Welfare.

According to Congressman Romulo, education is the surest path to enhance and promote a person’s development and well-being. That is why, as chairman of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education and a sponsor of major bills in education, he was successful in the passage of the following legislations:

1. Republic Act No. 10648 (Iskolar ng Bayan Act of 2014) which provides that any public high school student who belongs to the top ten (10) bracket of the graduating class is entitled to a scholarship grant in any SUC within their region.

2. Republic Act No. 10650 (Open Distance Learning Act) which provides the opportunity to obtain bachelors, masters and doctoral degrees even at home or in their respective work places. Thus, without taking a leave of absence from work, candidates from these degrees may take their course online through computers.

3. Republic Act No. 10647 (Ladderized Education Act of 2014), under this law, a student can initially enroll in a laddered course in automotive servicing and welding in order to secure work the soonest time possible. Through the laddered program, this student can obtain a mechanical engineering degree without having to repeat.

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Prognosticating on NLPSC's Upcoming President

SUC President I position is at last OPEN!

What could be seen in the next few months? Or years?
Knowing that a president will be there hands-on, it can be foreseen that the College will be set at a secured stand in the administration and management of its fiscal resources. As such, the possible creation of plantilla positions for faculty and staff will be addressed more flexibly, policies for student welfare and development will get fortified, research and extension agenda will crave for high demands of accomplishments, graduates will be equipped with the right competencies to meet the challenges of the ASEAN community in terms of employment and labor opportunities, and in the end, the College can then grow like the other giant SUCs in the entire country. The road to success starts at a single step, so the adage says.

Why am I saying these forecasts? Well, the prospective president of NLPSC shall move within the above-mentioned possibilities together with other endless possibilities under his/her command. Even without being outspoken, I know that everybody knows how challenging it is to become the first president of an institution of higher learning especially a college that is still at its small beginning.

My best regards to the First President of NLPSC. Whoever occupies that seat in this academic institution, success, hands, guiding minds and comforting hearts under his/her dominion will certainly reach him/her to make the workload easier to bear and immediately accomplish.

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previously taken courses as the same are already credited.

In addition to these enacted laws, he also authored and sponsored the following bills which were passed on third reading by the House of Representatives and now awaits Senate concurrence:

1. House Bill No. 4591 or the Unified Student Financial Assistance System for Higher and Technical Education (UniFAST) Act which provides a Unified Student Financial Assistance System for Higher and Technical Education (UniFAST), having as integral components all existing financial assistance programs for higher and technical education students in both public and private institutions, including national scholarships, grants-in-aid, special purpose or sectoral educational assistance, student loans, and government programs in partnership with other stakeholders, among others, and which are nationally funded and/or implemented by national government agencies, branches and instrumentalities. This measure integrates and harmonizes all existing publicly-funded national government programs for scholarships, grants-in-aid, loan programs and socialized tuition fees for higher and technical education to provide their efficiency and to ensure that deserving Filipinos are given equitable access to educational opportunities.

2. House Bill No. 3617 or the Voluntary Student Loan Program which provides for a voluntary program on the part of private banks that will allow students to be able to procure loan to complete their college or technical-vocational education. The student loan referred to shall cover the cost of the entire program offered by the higher education institution (HEI) or tech-voc institute, including, but not limited to, tuition and miscellaneous fees and provided that adjustments shall be made in case of increase in tuition and miscellaneous fees. Also included in the loan package are amounts for the cost of attendance covering necessary expenses of the student for books, food, transportation, board and lodging and a reasonable allowance for projects and other school requirements.

3. House Bill No. 3898 or the Campus Safety and Security Act. Pursuant to this measure, Higher Education Institutions (HEIs), including state universities and colleges (SUCs), local universities and colleges (LUCs), and private HEIs, shall endeavor to deliver the safety and security services to students, which include the provision of safe and secure environment and the conduct of programs and activities that promote safety and security from both internal and external threats. In relation thereto, the bill also mandates the establishment of a Crime Prevention Committee (CPC) for every HEI to formulate policies and strategies that shall help protect students from both internal and external threats to their safety and security, such as theft, robbery, rape and other forms of violence within and outside the area where the HEI is located.

Aside from the above legislations, Congressman Romulo also authored and was able to push for the passage by the House of Representatives of the following:

1. House Resolution No. 518 (adopted as House Resolution No. 1157) paving the way for the speedy
Crim Attends PCAP Assembly

Four faculty members and 28 students of the Criminal Justice Education Department of NLPSC attended the 2nd Regional Assembly for the PCAP (Philippine Criminologist Association of the Philippines, Inc.) at Tadena Hall, Administration Building, University of Northern Philippines, Tamag, Vigan City on January 23, 2015. Dr. Gilbert R. Aree, UNP President, gave his opening remarks and welcomed the participants with warm greetings. He stated that the approaching ASEAN Integration’s “crossing elbows of the other countries” challenges the SUCs to produce competent graduates anchored with excellence, innovation, competency and service. He ended his talk by highlighting the prestige and honor achieved by Region 1 as one of the prime producers of the most responsible and trusted criminologists in the nation.

Dr. Teoticia C. Taguibao, Director of CHED RO-1, inspired the audience with her light-hearted message. She encouraged all the Council of Deans and faculty members to produce a better result in the Criminology Board Examination.

Dr. Gerry C. Caño, PCAP National President, briefly discussed the state of criminology in the Philippines. The PCAP has laid down the road map of the criminologists not only in the country but also abroad especially the members of the ASEAN. The move to amend RA 6506 and RA 8551 has been initiated particularly on the following issues: for the initial entry requirement to the Philippine National Police, the applicant should be a criminology graduate or has finished other courses but should have earned units in criminology. He ended with a short but meaningful statement “only Criminologists love Criminology”.

Finally, Dr. Durlito Bernard G. Delizzo, Regional Director of PCAP R-1, had informed the participants of the conduct of the 2nd National Convention for students to be held in Baguio City this coming July 2015. As the said convention will be jam-packed with various contests for Criminology students, it was agreed that a regional screening of contestants should first be done in Vigan City on July 2-3, 2015, so that the region will be more than prepared for the national convention.

The resource speaker PSupt Jose B. Wacagan, City Chief-Cordon PNP, City PNP CLO and Chief, QD Section, Region 1, lectured on forgery investigation in the afternoon. He introduced the methods of distinguishing a forge signature to a genuine one. He further

Business Education Day Celebrated

A roll of activities was steered on January 22-23, 2015 by the Business Education Department to celebrate the Business Education Week with the theme, “Enhancing the Business Capability of the Students towards the Realization of ASEAN Integration”.

A day-long Seminar on Personality Development and Office Etiquette which was attended by the 4th year BSBA students and 1st year BSOA students was conducted on January 22, 2015 at the College Gymnasium with Mr. Delmar Llanes as Resource Speaker.

The second day, January 23, 2015, became busy with the academic quizzes and the following students emerged as winners: Frederick Templo (1st), Marivel Elefante (2nd), and Ernestine Galina (3rd) in Accounting Quiz Bee; Marivel Elefante (1st), Marc Alfred Hortizuela (2nd) and Lerma Halaman in Management Quiz Bee; and Reggie Cabanting (1st), Jasmine Gerardella (2nd) and Victoria Hallar (3rd) in Stenography Quiz.

In the afternoon, a festivity of beauty and brains culminated the celebration. Francis Paulo Palacol who is a 4th year BSBA-FM student and Abigail Teves, 2nd year BSBA student conquered the stage by bagging the Mr. and Ms. Business Education crowns, respectively. Their first and second runners up were: Valen Paul Gabain and Mia Hanineneth Velasco; and Rommel Mangay-ayam and Ma. Lailani Jandoc, respectively.

Business Educ into Spirituality Ventures

With the assistance and support of the Guidance Office, the Business Education Department successfully conducted the Spiritual Development Program for the graduating students in the BSBA-BSOA courses on January 30, 2015 at Estrella del Mar Beach Resort, Barangay Vical, Sta. Lucia, Ilocos Sur. This annual recollection initiated by the Guidance Office offers the graduating students the chance to have spiritual renewal after four-long years of passing their college course and imbibing the hardships of their parents, mentors and benefactors and the blessings of God in terms of good health, happy family and contented living. (phs).
The Administrative and Finance Services in action.

Finance Personnel get budget prep and exec info

Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno

The Budget Forum on the Guidelines for 2015 Budget Execution and 2016 Budget Preparation held at the Department of Budget and Management-Regional Office I Conference Room, City of San Fernando, La Union on February 20, 2015 was attended by Mrs. Eden C. Cortez, Budget Officer; Mrs. Thelma R. Gacusan, Accountant; Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno, Planning Officer; and Mrs. Jessica D. Guiria, Assistant Budget Officer.

Ms. Estrella E. Mandap, Chief Budget and Management Specialist of DBM RO-I, discussed the President’s Veto Message and Salient General Provision of RA No. 10651 (FY 2015 GAA). Said veto was categorized into direct veto which includes the income from prior years, double programming, revolving funds, and inappropriate proviso; conditional implementation that comprised the two-year validity of appropriations, final discontinuance, abandonment, and non-commencement of programs, activities and projects, funds administrator; authorized deductions, monitoring and evaluating expenses, use of fees, health care program, implementation of programs and projects, DOTC importation, provision for calamity insurance, and LGU shares; and general observation that embraces the organization structure of congress, appropriations for the citizen armed forces geographical units, priority in the hiring of teachers, and appropriations for KALAHI-CIDSS.

Ms. Mae Cherin T. Dasalla, Accountant III of DBM RO-I, deliberated on the National Budget Circular No. 556, otherwise known as the Guidelines on the release of Funds for FY 2015, which aims to provide policies, rules and regulations on the implementation of the FY 2015 budget; to prescribe the procedural guidelines in the release and utilization of funds for FY 2015; and to reiterate/prescribe guidelines in the monitoring of releases and agency performance relative to the PIB.

Mr. Ryan A. Milanese, Budget and Management Specialist I of DBM RO-I, made a discussion on how to fast-track the procedural process in the government. He also discussed the Agency Procurement Compliance and Performance Indicator (APCPI) which aims to provide a standard procurement performance monitoring and evaluation tool for use by all procuring entities on a regular basis; to identify strengths and weaknesses in the agency’s procurement systems and to develop an action plan for procurement improvement to address the areas of risks and weaknesses; to utilize the information submitted by the agencies as part of the procurement database that will be linked to other government-related databases to analyze national procurement performance for more effective policy and decision making; and to assist in strengthening the GPPB-TSO capability in monitoring national compliance to procurement regulations and in implementing the agency level action plans.

At the later part of the forum, Ms. Myrna C. Cadoaas, Chief Management Specialist of DBM RO-I, presented the Guidelines in the Preparation of the 2016 Agency Budget Proposals, while the Two-Tier Approach to 2016 Budget Preparation was discussed by Ms. Mila T. Jimenez, OIC-Chief Management Specialist of DBM RO-I.

DBM RO Kargarilla takes her farewell...

NLPSG Officials witnessed the retirement program of Regional Director Virginia B. Kargarilla of the Department of Budget and Management Regional Office I, held at the DBM Building Conference Room, San Fernando City, La Union on February 25, 2015.

Dir. Kargarilla, after 36 years as public servant, was ushered with a light, simple and very warm retirement program by her DBM RO-I family. Her many secrets as the head of the agency were slowly revealed by her staff for an hour after a thanksgiving mass to honor her legacy in public service. Sleeveless above-the-knee effervescent dresses, luscious shrimps and the all-time choice “lechon baby,” green signing pen and a furry foot-rest came open as her observable favorites. Her get-up that morning presented a scintillating truth about her personality — a very young-looking image of someone who is turning 65!

Chief Budget and Management Specialist Estrella E. Mandap of DBM RO-I shared her words of welcome to guests, visitors, friends and regional partners in public service emphasizing therein the commendable attributes of Dir. Kargarilla when she took the highest post in DBM Regional Office I. Her simplicity in all aspects of living, whether at home, at work and at travel had been evident in her decisions; her being a woman of integrity as manifested by her apprehensions to illegitimate transactions and approving the just and allowable ones; and her legacy of initiating the acts of volunteerism in places where people need help and assistance.

Heads of agencies and SUC presidents who attended the program gave their messages and best wishes to the retiree. Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusan, OIC of NLPSG, extended her thanks to Dir. Kargarilla for the support, assistance and help in the plight of the maiden College when it was still learning the rudiments of budget and management – for constantly listening to and working for the whims and fancies of NLPSG’s wanting to have an item for SUC President and all other budget-related demands of NLPSG. With the OIC were Dr. Andres T. Malimang Jr., Director for Administrative and Finance services; Mrs. Estrella C. Gaerlan, Director for Academic Affairs; Dr. Severino G. Alvento, Director for Research and Extension; Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno, Planning Officer; Mrs. Filipinas M. Gasalao, Executive Assistant to the OIC; and Mr. Alex Q. Mendoza, Faculty Association President.

Dir. Kargarilla transferred the symbolic key of responsibility to Ms. Nenita A. Failon as OIC-Director IV of DBM after her hearty response to the messages and best wishes from guests. Dir. Kargarilla was emotional in expressing her gratitude for the support of her DBM family during her leadership in the agency. Ms. Failon, on the other, was also tear-y-eyed when accepting the responsibilities transferred to her. The VTR presentation that was prepared by the DBM personnel as tribute to their Good Boss reflected the friendship, goodwill, camaraderie and synergy that they shared with one another in the agency. (aqm)
4th IT Week with a Bang
Mary Grace L. Gacusan

The Information Technology Department of NLPSG joyously celebrated the 4th IT Week on February 12-13, 2015 with the theme “IT Towards ASEAN Integration” at NLPSG Gymnasium. With the growing population of the department, the Dean, Mr. Gerald Victor M. Calamaan, together with the SCAN, headed by Mr. John Nikko Calano, organized different activities such as the Thanksgiving Mass, IT Quiz Bee, Programming Contest, Digital Imaging Contest, Ethical Hacking and Networking Seminar and the Search for Mr. & Ms. IT 2015.

In full participation in the different events conducted were the 419 IT students. The two resource speakers, Mr. Sherrwin Mercurio and Mr. Marc Anthony Reynan, national software developers, were very appreciative of the success achieved by the IT Department in conducting the events. The department thereby felt grateful and proud because of this milestone.

It was already the 4th year of the department in celebrating the IT Week; and just like the first three celebrations, the current festivity was indeed very momentous for the whole college, most especially for all the faculty members and students of the department.

United NLPSG-IT and Candon-DepEd

The 2nd Semester of the S.Y. 2014-2015 is indeed a great year for the IT Department because of having been united with the Candon-DepEd through the Computerized Judging System used during the Search for Mr. & Ms. Sports 2015 held at Candon National High School during the Opening of the Sports Competition of the whole Candon City Division in the Secondary Level.

Mr. Alexander Razo, the Division Physical Education Coordinator, humbly invited the IT department to extend its expertise in devising a Computerized Judging System that can help tabulate and summarize judging scores; hence, facilitating the announcement of results in the pageant. The system was developed by IT students as one of their theses and enhanced by Mr. Rolando Rodriguez, an IT faculty member. Some 4th year BSCS students were chosen to assist the judges in the use of the system.

The Candon-DepEd officials expressed their whole-hearted gratitude to the IT department for extending them an excellent service. This only proves that NLPSG could provide a dynamic and excellent service, not only to its students, but also to other institutions in the community.

BSCS at PSITE Congress

Twenty-four technology-driven BSCS students of North Luzon Philippines State College attended the 4th Regional PSITE Students Congress on January 31, 2015 at Hotel Ariana, Bauang, La Union. Every year, PSITE Region-I organizes the Students Congress in which trends in ITE are presented. The organization aims to enhance the skills of future IT professionals by presenting current topics related to their chosen field.

Many IT experts such as IT instructors, software developers, web developers, and mobile application developers from the country are invited to be resource speakers; thus, making every PSITE congress relevant and worthy for every participant.

The event was indeed a great avenue for the IT students to learn many things about information technology which is now a great need in every industry. The Dean, Mr. Gerald Victor Calamaan, who is also the President of the said organization in Region I, is always searching for ways in making IT education a quality one for the benefit of all the BSCS students in the college. NLPSG is always supportive to academic ventures especially the participation of students to various student congress such as the one conducted by PSITE. The activities were deemed necessary in the development of the students’ awareness on many issues confronting the IT world today.

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availability of funds amounting to P987,255,417.00 for the rehabilitation of numerous SUCs that were affected by different calamities such as Typhoons Yolanda, Santi, Pablo, Labuyo, Odette, Vinta, Agaton, the Bohol Earthquake and the Zamboanga Siege.

2. House Resolution 1325 with regard to the problem of delayed implementation of National Budget Circular No. 461 (Salary Adjustments of faculty members of SUCS), the amount of L3 Billion was allocated for 2015 to cover unpaid salary adjustments and the DBM committed to Congressman Romulo to fund NBC 461 in the succeeding years to come.

3. On the preparations for the implementation of K-12. In order to protect the rights of teaching and non-teaching personnel, Congressman Romulo conducted and presided over several public briefings with CHED, TESDA, and DOLE on the Strategies or Measures to be Undertaken to Mitigate the Impact of the K to 12 Law (Republic Act 10533) on Higher Education Institutions, College Faculty and Non-Teaching Personnel in View of the Expected Zero Enrollment in First Year College by 2016. As of now, Cong. Romulo is finalizing the proposal to provide a transition fund of about P29 Billion pesos for those that will be affected.

Cong. Romulo also authored other major bills during the 14th, 15th and 16th Congress that helped empower the suffering public and improve the academic lives of the students and the status of the technical and higher education institutions of the country.

With his beliefs that the public can do much in the improvement of the nation, his expertise in crafting bills to make every denizen technically skilled and highly educated, and his influence over the institutions of learning in the land as catalysts of change, the Philippines could conquer the ASEAN community.

NLPSG extends its lasting gratitude for sharing your most precious time to be with us as Commencement Speaker during our Graduation Rites 2015! Mabuhay Ka, Cong. Romulo. (aqm)
Good Tidings from the HRM
Dhana Biteng-Malagon

The Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS) of NLPSMC has already been approved by the Civil Service Commission Regional Office I on December 29, 2014 for implementation. The Commission however, reiterated last February 13, 2014 during the convention of the Council of Human Resource Management Practitioners (CHRMP) that for State Universities and Colleges (SUC), the SPMS shall be implemented once a year and applicable only to the regular faculty and staff but also includes the full-time Part-time Instructors of the Institution. The rating period for non-teaching personnel shall be conducted from January to October while for faculty members is from June to October.

On the other hand, the College was able to pass the Citizen’s Charter implementation through a surprise visit conducted by the CSC on February 6, 2015, with only few recommendations. Highlighting the redress, evaluation and suggestion boxes which must be fixed in an area most visible to all the clients, including the Citizen’s Charter Bulletin, Mission/Vision and Goals of the College.

At present, the College has published at the Civil Service Commission the two vacant administrative positions particularly: Administrative Aide VI (Accounting Clerk II) and Administrative Aide III (Clerk I), which commenced on March 6, 2015. At the same time, the College posted on March 2, 2015 for hiring one (1) Licensed Electrician, one (1) Driver-Mechanic and one (1) Skilled Carpenter, all of whom shall be on a Job Order status. The interview shall be conducted 10 working days after posting.

NLPSMC warmly welcomed its newly hired employees: Mrs. Ivy V. Del Rosario, assigned at the Guidance office and Mr. Joel P. Teodoro as Security Guard. Also, the college congratulated Mr. Wilmar T. Arizabal for having taken a Casual status.

At the moment, the HRMO Designate aims to have the College Human Resource Management Office be accredited by the Civil Service Commission, for the Commission to vest the appointment powers to the head of agency. However, the College must first provide an archive, the approved PRAISE by the CSC, HR PRIME and series of inspections by the Commission.

NLPSMC direly congratulates the part-time faculty members who have currently finished their masters: MISS CHERLY B. DIZA for Master of Science in Education major in English, MRS. SHALIMAR R. DAMILIG for Master of Science in Education major in Math, MR. SANTOS C. SANCHEZ for Master in Business Administration and MR. JUSTINE G. VALLEJO for Master of Science in Education.

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invested students in the midwifery program of North Luzon Philippines State College were on deck to listen to the speech of Hon. Lolita I. Dicang, member of the Board of Midwifery of the Professional Regulation Commission.

The imposing orations commenced with a Thanksgiving Mass celebrated by Rev. David William V. Antonio, parish priest of San Juan de Sahagun Church of Candon City, Ilocos Sur. College officials, Midwifery Department faculty members, other faculty members and non-
teaching personnel, the second year midwifery students and their parents or guardians filled in the awesome events center heavily decorated with fresh white chrysanthemum.

During the investiture ceremony, students, in the company of their parents/guardians, received their pins from Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana and Mrs. Estrella C. Gaerlan, the Madonna busts from Mrs. Alejandria Gironella, lighted their candles with Mrs. Amelia C. Antonio who typified Florence Nightingale, The Lady with the Lamp. Parents and guardians became emotional when invested students pinned them their corsage and handed them gifts as tokens of gratitude for their love and support for their studies. Tear-y-eyed, parent/children tandem hugged each other to complement the sharing of emotions as the program came at its height.

The message of the guest speaker was even more a challenge to the invested students and a tweak on the heart of parents. She mentioned her hardships while he was still a student and the adversities of her parents to get her through in college. She even emphasized that Midwifery Education in the Philippines is not yet globally competitive since it is only a two-year course; hence, attempts of introducing the Bachelor of Midwifery will come to its full implementation in 2018.

A demonstration of feat and success formed part of the ceremonies through the attendance of the April-November 2014 midwifery board passers and April 2013 regional topnotchers. Jayvee Eduardo Avisa, 2nd place regional topnotcher, gave a testimony on his rigorous experiences during the review and actual midwifery board examination. A hearty luncheon was feasted on by all the participants of the ceremonies.

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Mayor of Candon, Mayor Eric D. Singson, founded the Candon Community College (CCC) in 1975 to realize his dream for Candon to have a college of its own. And this year marks the 40th foundation anniversary of CCC which now an unforseen part of North Luzon Philippines State College.

Ceremonial Tree Planting
Celebrations commenced with a Tree Planting Activity at NLPSMC grounds on February 3, 2015 at 10:00 in the morning with Mr. Eliseo "Rudy" Contillo, information officer of LGU-Narvacan, who represents Bannawag as being its former Editor-in-Chief for roughly 11 years.

In his speech, Mr. Contillo informed the officials, teaching and non-teaching personnel and several students that Bannawag is celebrating its 80 years of publication in the areas of its circulation. The tree, just one tree to be planted at NLPSMC, is the Sagat tree in its local name, the Molave in its English name or Pitex parviflora in its scientific name, which represents the growth, development and prosperity of Bannawag at 80 years, of Candon Community College at 40 years, and of NLPSMC at 4 years. Envisioning the Sagat tree as towering, majestic and fortified as it grows, the existence of Bannawag, CCC and NLPSMC will be as resilient as the Sagat tree that remained standing even when faced with the toughest odds and turmoil.

The Sagat Tree, a foundation tree, was planted by Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana, officer-in-charge of the College, with Mr. Eliseo Contillo from Bannawag, Dr. Andres T. Malimang Jr. and Dr. Severino G. Alviento and in witness, the members of the NLPSMC community. It was well noted that the Narra Tree and the Sagat Tree are the only trees thriving in the country that could not be cut down.

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The National SCUAA Olympics 2015

NLPSC’s running contenders

Rico G. Gagto

NLPSC personnel and two athletes participated in the National SCUAA Olympics 2015 held at Cagayan State University, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan on February 6-13, 2015. The NLPSC personnel who were headed by Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana, NLPSC President and Co-Head of Region I Team, include Mr. Rico G. Gagto, Sports Coordinator; Mrs. Erna C. Cabañero, Cultural Arts Coordinator; Mr. James Lester Orpilla, Region I Record and Auxiliary Services; and Wilmar Arizabal, official driver. Efraim Inigo and Edgie Boy Cruz competed in the running event (5K and 10K run).

On February 8, 2015, all SCUAA National Delegates joined the Grand Parade around the City Proper of Tuguegarao. The Opening Program was followed with Hon. Congressman Roman T. Romulo as the guest speaker. In the afternoon, all sports events were started and the continuation of all the games was done until February 12, 2015.

The 5K running event was done on February 11, 2015 and the 10K running event, on February 12, 2015. Mr. Efraim Inigo ranked 6th place in the 10K run. After the 6-day National SCUAA Olympics, Region I placed 14th rank in the over-all standing.

We are One in Region I

Alex Q. Mendoza

The Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges Region I (PASUC-I) headed by the PASUC Vice President for Region I, Dr. Miriam E. Pascua, has invited delegates from the six SUCs in Region I to participate in the Opening Ceremonies and Solidarity Night of the SCUAA National Meet. NLPSC delegated the following: Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana, OIC of the College; Mrs. Filipinas M. Gaslao, Executive Assistant to the OIC; Mrs. Luz C. Inigo, Board and College Secretary; Mr. Alex Q. Mendoza, Faculty Trustee; Mrs. Marissa Li. Mones, College Cashier; Mr. Danilo Pascua, Driver; Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno, Planning Officer; Mr. Gerardo G. Garnace, Chief of Security Services; and Mr. Gilbert M. Domingo, Driver.

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without prior approval of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources; otherwise, incarceration would be inflicted to violators (asam).

Thanksgiving Mass

Early morning of February 4, 2015, Archbishop David William celebrated the Holy Mass to honor the 4th Foundation Anniversary of NLPSC and the 40th Foundation Anniversary of Candon Community College (CCC). Former faculty members and non-teaching personnel of CCC were present during the Thanksgiving Mass which was sponsored by the Business Education Department under the deanship of Mrs. Nora H. Soliven.

NLPSC ROTC Unit 2nd Pass-In Review

LT COL ANDRES T MALINNAG JR CoP (RES) PA, ASST COMMANDANT for NLPSC-ROTCU led the assigned tactical non-commissioned officers SGT NESTOR A GALANO (RES) PA and SGT MIKE B MANZANO (RES) PA for the training and quartering prior to the 2nd PASS-IN REVIEW and Small Unit Tactics (SUT) exhibition of cadets.

The conduct of PASS-IN REVIEW is a military way of giving honor to a dignitary; or giving honor in celebration of a special occasion like Independence Day, feast and foundation day. It is also a gesture of being respectful to a person with the highest position in the organization.

February 04, 2015, 1000h. The traditional Pass-In Review conducted and performed by the elements of the ROTC Unit is affiliated with 102nd (ILS) COMMUNITY DEFENSE CENTER, 1RCDG, ARMY RESERVE COMMAND (ARESCOM). It is a battalion size, composed of two companies, the “Alpha” and “Bravo” led by C/LTC JERWIN FABRO with the battalion staff C/LTC JEFFREY B TANG-O, BN EX-O; C/LTC JHERIC G GALLANO, S-1; C/LTC HONORATO J FABRO JR, S-2; C/LTC RICK R MARINAS, S-3; C/LTC KENELYN C GAMUEDA, S-7.

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**SHADOWS OF THE PAST**
*Maribel Calaoagan Ibanez*

The bitterness of the past lives on In every corner of this room, The dark recesses of its nook Ignites unfathomable pain.

The pain of the past lingers In myriad of memories, The heart that was once pure Is now overwhelmed with fear.

The fear of the past taunts me With resounding echoes of whisper, Grotesque caricatures and images haunt me As I cower in my solitary bed in hatred.

The hatred of the past awakens With every failures and frustrations, The meek has become vicious And now my soul is consumed.

Then in my pensive mood I wonder When will I ever move on? To face these shadows of the past And turn bitterness, pain and hatred into oblivion.

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**HURADO**
*Joselita Escalona Viado*

Sa Una, sa iyo'y naniwala at humanga ng husto Magampaman at malinang ang angking talino Buong loob at determinasyon sa aming puso Para makamit ang gantimpala na hinahangad na ginto

Sa iyong kakayahahan at tamang pagpapasya'y umaasa Sa iyong kamay at numerong iyong tatadhan Katabmas nito'y aming pag-adala at pag-asa Sana ito'y binigyan ng tamang paghuhusga

Pero alam naming, mahirap maging hurado Sa patimpalak sa drowing, sayaw, awit at tagisan ng talino Lalo na kapag ikaw ay hindi handa at nalilito Na para bang sa tabi mo'y may humubulong sa iyo.

Ang tanging hiling lamang nitong munting kaisipan Na nawa'y inyong disisyon at tama at pinag-isipan Kahit minsan ay labag man sa aming kalooban Tinatanggap naming itong isang magandang karunungan.

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**The Way I Lead**
*Alex Q. Mendoza*

At first, the way I lead Seemed to be idyllic The way was wide and straight Never had a bend to be seen Everywhere was full of love Everything was painted with joy Nothing could provide any gloom The way was nice to counter on!

As I went through, there existed The invasion of things unexpected Faces I encountered just came and go

Circumstances I undergone, rowdy, full of rage The way was then getting narrower As people acquaintance, came and be-friend Their presence made my place crowded But then this is the life I dreamed to have!

Fate had just given these things on me Within my way, it sprinkled them in When at first, joy had been felt within Now the trouble arrested me, I couldn't breathe in! If this is the way I have to lead now I would not have any regret at all

For when life has let you taste some sweetness For sure, it would also let you taste bitterness!
MARIS spearheads 24th National Arts Month at NLPSC

Mayor Zuriel graces the celebration and donates laptop for MARIS

Ian Norvin G. Bucat

Singing Idol Director and Executive Assistant for Special Projects and Events of Narvacan, Mr. Arman Anga-angan; 1st Crowned Miss NLPSC Ms. Kris Ann May Col-long; NLPSC GAD Coordinator and AB English Program Head Mrs. Maribel C. Ibañez, and; NLPSC Instructor and Mutya ng NLPSC 2014 Ms. Claire I. Arellano. Other guests were former MARIS Auditor and Executive Assistant of Candon ABC Pres. John Paul G. Singson, Mr. Dangin P. Nitura; and Miss MARIS 2014 Ms. Crisha D. Gallano. Further, MARIS also awarded its Top 10 Most Outstanding Graduating members and this activity was graced by Mayor Zuriel. Zaragoza of Narvacan, Ilocos Sur, nephew of NLPSC Founder, Congressman Eric D. Singson. In his message, Mayor Zaragoza extended his commendation to the dynamic OIC of the College, Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana and the whole NLPSC Administration for their support to MARIS which conducted such simple but very successful activity. As he saw the vibrancy of the organization, he said a phrase, “MARIS, awan kaparis”, and gave inspirational advice to the youth particularly in Candon and the whole province of Ilocos Sur. Furthermore, during his speech, Mayor Zuriel and his sister, Board Member Anicka Nicoli S. Zaragoza surprised MARIS of their donation—an ASUS Laptop. MARIS extended its heartfelt thanks to Mayor Zuriel and Board Member Anicka for their beneficence and support. MARIS also expressed its heartfelt thanks to the NLPSC Administration for its countless support to the organization and to Almighty God for His never-ending guidance and blessings.

As the contests lagged, Bernardo Gamueda Jr. (BEd 4) and Rhunel Toquero (BSCE 4) won in the Poem Writing Contest and the Electronic Poster Making Contest, respectively; while Jasmin Licudine, Melissa Rosario, Carissa Blance Fabian, all BSE 4th year students, emerged as Team Winners in the Arts Quiz Bee.

In the Search for MR. MARIS 2015, Jayson Bello (BSE 4) won the crown while Albert Encarnacion (BSE 2), John Lawrence Rosario (BS Crim), Rendez Vous Estrella (BSBA 4) and Ryan Valdez (BSBA 2) were his respective runners-up.

In this order, the following students were chosen as Top 10 Most Outstanding Graduating Members: Wilmar Fermin (AB), Joey Ortiz (BEd), Ilonah Jeann Benito (BSE), Rhunel Toquero (BSCE), Delaila Irma Calindas (BSCE), Jean Ishaial Dulay (BSE), Kristine Anglo (AB), Ericson Mecos (BSE), Christian Ablang (BSCE) and Raphy Gabilos (BSE).

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The “Alpha” company was led by C/PT CARLO A. MARTINEZ, ROWEL G. EUNFemia, EX-O; C/CAPT TJ ALEXIS T. GABINATO, 1st PLATOON; C/CAPT CEDRICK J. GADIA, 2nd PLATOON; 2LT MARVIN C. GALLARDO, COY GIDON.

The “Bravo” company was led by C/CAPT MARGARET S. TEJADA; C/CAPT CINDY WALTER B. TENORIO, EX-O; C/CAPT MILLESANDI H. FERNANDEZ, 1st PLATOON; C/CAPT ARLENE S. ROSAL, 2nd PLATOON; 2LT MAY ROSE STRANO, COY GIDON.

The colors: C/CAPT IAN M. VEILASCO, C/CAPT JAYRIC P. TAGUNTUN, JR; 2LT JOHN LLOYD M. VEILASCO, 2LT WILLY C. CORDOVA JR.

The Small Unit Tactics (SUT) exhibition is a presentation of a squadron on “foot” mission, displaying skills in combat operation and hostile scenario. They are equipped with ropes, map, compass and two-way radio. Each element carries deadly assault automatic rifle M-16 with grenade launcher, M-14 and night goggle vision for navigation and clearer sight (props was used instead of real hardware). This was led by C/CAPT GEMAR L. LIMBO with his teammates C/CAPT GLENN ORTIZ (Team Leader “B”), C/CAPT PAUL ANTHONY GANDOL (Team Leader “B”), 2LT CHRISTIAN GARCIA, 2LT JORDAN MARQUEZ, 2LT ELDHOMIC BACUTENG, 2LT JOSEPH LAMAZON, 2LT TABEL GUEVARA, 2LT MARVIN GUMILET. The mission “OPLAN 44” presented rescuing and evacuating the PNP captives. They presented movements of left flank column, right flank column, night rest time strategy, line attack and maneuvering scenarios including extraction point. (Contributor: Dr. Andres T. Mallinang Jr.)

Battle of Talents

The Student Government has once again exploited the talents of the students by bringing them in warfare dubbed as the “Battle of Talents”. At 10:00 in the morning of February 4, 2015, SG adviser, Mrs. Luz C. Inigo, along with the SG officers under the presidency of Mr. Gil Valdez, congregated the students with the innate propensity for singing and dancing and compete with each other before the panel of jurors. Roseman Calleon on the Teacher Education Department was declared Champion in the Singing Competition with Raphy Gabilos and Loribel Habitchuela as 1st and 2nd placers, respectively.

In the Modern Dance Competition, the Teacher Education Department seized the Championship slot with the HuSoCom and Business Education Departments at the trailing slots. Winning individuals and dance troupes received cash prizes from the Student Government. (Contributor: Luz C. Inigo)

Dance Showdown: Displaying the Dances of 60s, 70s and 80s

Conquering the scorching heat of the sun, the blindling sunrays striking the human eyes and the uneho afternoon breeze are the members of the
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Front porch of Stern Mall in San Nicolas, Candón City, held a float-lush of students and personnel of NLPS. The Mobile Patrol of PNP-Candón took the lead as the Colors and Marching Band followed. Clad in red-collared shirts, the faculty and administrative personnel of NLPS spearheaded the grand parade in honor of the founding day of NLPS.

To provide the parade with a twist of festivity, the Drum and Lyre Corps of Candón City High School bade spectators along the national highway with their stupendous percussion music and colorful band attire.

Mr. Samson C. Nisperos, chairman of the Committee on Parade, organized the order of participants involving all the students, college officials, faculty members, non-teaching staff and sound corps and the route of the parade. (aam)

Invitational Quiz Bowl Competition (High School Level)

The Student Publication Office sponsored the Invitational Quiz Bowl Competition which was conducted on February 5, 2015 at 10:00 in the morning at the Conference Room, Candón National High School (CNHS), Sto. Tomas National High School (STHNS), Candón City High School (CHS), Candón City Information Technology National High School (CCITNHS), Dr. Ricardo Gacula Memorial National High School (DGMNHS) and Teodoro Hernanez National High School (THNS) responded the invitation of the College and delegated 24 student-lecturers, six coaches and six arbiters to engage in this mental battle which focused on Philippine History, Culture and Government.

At the first round of the 25-item brain spree, students of THNS took the lead of one point against the students of CCITNHS and CNHS. But at the end of second-and-last round, students of THNS were able to maintain their lead and were held victors with the glittering highest score of 29 points. Ranking in the second place with 28 points were students of CNNS and in third, the students of STNHS with 25 points.

Teodoro Hernanez National High School is located in Sabunan, Sta. Lucía, Ilocos Sur. Many of the freshmen in NLPS at every opening of the school year emanate from this school. The pride of the school for beating the five teams from other competing schools were Jasmin N. Gadingan, Riza C. Cortez and Gerald Gasalao who were assisted by their coach, Ms. Mary Grace J. Egidio. As champions, they received a cash prize of 3,000.00 pesos, gold medals and certificates of recognition.

With the very close mentoring and comforting assistance of their coach, Mr. Nicanor N. Grabanson, team Candón National High School bagged the second place with cash award of 2,000.00 pesos and certificates of recognition. In collective victory were Krizelle G. Cortado, Fochy Keith M. Aleantara and Joanna Jan Y. Ang.

Michael D. Vallejos, Dan Paul Tyrone B. Paje and Amaya B. Balloocanag from Sto. Tomas National High School landed in the third place. Together with their coach, Ms. Evelyn E. Bragado, they received a cash award of 1,000.00 pesos with certificates of recognition.

The sponsoring office, the Student Publication Office, also provided the non-winning teams with a generous consolation prize of 500.00 pesos each with certificates of participation. The members of the pool of arbiters who acted as judges were Ma. Theresa M. Gacusan (CNHS), Marilou S. Hadap (THNS), Maria Lourdes Y. Molina (DGMNHS), Liza G. Toquero (CCITNHS), Ma. Celia B. Mangay-ayam (CHS) and Ms. Yolanda Suzima V. Ablang (NLPS).

The quiz master, Mr. Alex Q. Mendoza, expressed his gratitude to all those who participated in the first-ever Invitational Quiz Bowl Competition with the promise that the College and the sponsoring office shall not be defiling the number of competing schools but to invite all secondary schools in the second district of Ilocos Sur in one gathering of senior high school students for a clash of wit (aam).

Search for Gino at Mutya ng NLPS 2015

Culminating the two-day festivities was the Search for Gino at Mutya ng NLPS at 1:00 in the afternoon of February 5, 2015 with Hon. City Mayor of Candón, Dr. Ericson G. Singson as guest of honor and speaker. Hon. City Administrator Grace G. Singson also gave her message during the occasion while City Councilors Hon. Rhoda Aileene L. Acabal, Hon. Ma. Charina F. Bona and Hon. Rhodera Abrego were on deck to celebrate with the NLPS community’s founding anniversary celebrations.

Candidates were cheered with deafening screams and yells from the supporting audience as they ramped on the stage to showcase their wearing apparels. Beauties clad in high-heeled shoes and brawn figures trudged the walkway past for their throwback attire, swimwear and formal wear. The excitement came at its peak when the verdict blasted the entire auditorium.

BEED’s pride Shiela May Gonzaga won the crown of the Mutya and BSA’s tough contender Francis Paolo Pacalo took the feal for Gino’s crown and 2015’s reign of beauty and brawn ended in their behalf.

Triumphant as runners up include Jean Israel Dulay and Trisha Duca Gallano, both from the Teacher Education Department who landed first; and in second, Jan Rey Rafanan of the Teacher Education Department and Mia Hanjene Velasco of the Business Education Department. A luscious dinner was served for dignitaries, judges and personnel after the pageant. (Contributor: Luz C. Inigo)
Research, Development and Extension updates

The 2nd International Conference on Accounting & Management Education, Research & Practice

The University of the Cordilleras-College of Accountancy and Research and Development Center, and Universities Negeri Jakarta conducted the 2nd International Conference on Accounting & Management Education, Research & Practice on January 8-10, 2015 at Hotel Supreme, Baguio City, Philippines. There were 53 papers submitted for oral paper presentations that offered novel contributions to education, practice and research in the three tracks, namely: a) Accountancy & Management; b) Business, Economics & Finance, and c) 4 Information Technology & E-Commerce.

The purpose of this international conference is to provide a global platform where the most responsive research undertakings and best practice in accounting, business, and management can be presented and discussed. In addition, it is also an avenue for researchers, faculty member's academicians, and practitioners, to interact and collaborate in a friendly environment with the aim to learn with and from each other.

In House Review for Proposed 2015 Researches held

The following proposed researches for 2015 by the faculty members of the college were successfully passed during the In-House Review held on February 13, 2015 at the Research and Extension office.

Teacher Education Department
1. The Employability of the BEED Graduates of NLPSC by Jaime Raras & Ruby Gabor
2. The Employability of BSE Graduates on NLPSC by Luz Jimenez & Ruby Gabor
3. The LET Performance of the Teacher Education of NLPSC by Jazmin Alabaso, Cheryl Diza & Ruby Gabor
4. The Fish and Meat Vendors of Candon City Farmers Market: A Survey by Ruby Gabor, Marife Alviento, Leslie Garnace 
   & Justina Vallegios
5. A Morphological Analysis of the Gay Lingo Vocabulary of the First Year Teacher Education Students of NLPSC by Ruby Gabor & Mariel Ibañez
6. Attitudes and Level of Acceptability of the Private Schools in Candon City Division Towards MTB-MLE by Lanie Tiu & Mariel Ibañez
7. Attitudes of the Teacher Education Students of NLPSC Towards the Field Study Subject (Two studies – BSE and BEED) by Joselita Viado, Ruby Gabor & Luz Jimenez
8. Development and Validation of Big Books: an Instructional Materials in MTB-MLE by Cheryl Diza & Lanie Tiu

HUSSOCOM Department
1. The Socio-Economic Significance of the Celebration of Tonton Festival in barangay Pappayad, Candon City, Ilocos by Severino Alviento and Alex Mendoza
2. The Impact of ASEAN Integration to the NLSPC Students by Severino Alviento
3. Attitudes and Level of Acceptability of the Private Schools in Candon City Division Towards MTB-MLE by Lanie Tiu & Mariel Ibañez
4. Employability of the HUSOCOM Graduates of NLSPC by Mariel Ibañez and Yolanda Susima Abing
5. The Level of Awareness on the Anti-VAWC Law of the Residents of Bagar and Tablac, Candon City by Mariel Ibañez and Lanie Tiu

Teacher Educ MTAP Extension levels up PES Contestants
Dr. Jaime G. Raras

Great sacrifices really paid off!

Through the Extension Program of the Teacher Education Department, series of Math review lessons were initiated at Pappayad Elementary School. Tapped extentionists were faculty members, BEED students and BSE Math Majors. As a result, Rose Ann Suyat and Alyssa Suyao, Grade VI pupils, emerged victorious as they clinched first place in the recently concluded MTAP Orals of the Candon City Division, January 24-25, 2015.

The duo will represent the said division in the Regional MTAP to be held in Pangasinan this third week of February.

Aside from Suyat and Suyao, Paul James Raras and Yessabel Ruby Valdez, both grade 5 pupils made it, too, to the second spot. Mrs. Thelma B. Aquino, the school principal, expressed her gratitude to NLPC for the assistance and support it rendered.

On January 8, 2015 from 1:00 PM-5:00 PM, it was registration of participants followed by a welcome dinner and linkage activity which has held at Jasper Hall, Hotel Supreme.

On January 9, 2015, from 7:30-9:45 was the Opening ceremonies. After which, the first plenary session was done. The Session 1 under the tracks Education and Educational Management was done. Dr. Elizabeth M. Gacusana, one of the oral paper presenters in the conference presented her paper entitled "Learning Styles and Study Habits of the Business Education Students of North Luzon Philippines State College, Candon City."

In the morning session, Dr. Rodolfo C. Moreno, Chaired the Season 3 under the track Management: Customer Satisfaction with our papers presented. He discussed and presented. It was a whole day paper presentation.

On January 10, 2015, Dr. Moreno, presented his paper entitled "Predictors of Academic Performance of Business Education Students of North Luzon Philippines State College, Candon City."

It was a whole day paper presentation. At 4:00 PM, it was the closing program of the conference. (RCM)