



## 2 CvSU execs earn nat'l awards

Serving through the profession is both a call of duty and an opportunity to contribute to national development. This February, two members of the CvSU community received national recognition for demonstrating excellence in their chosen discipline and for sharing their expertise to the community for greater impact.

### **VP Mojica wins MWF Prize for Eng'g Excellence**

In recognition of his invention Bravura Coffee Roasting Machine, Engr. Ruel M. Mojica, Vice President for Research and Extension, was one of the four awarded in this year's Manila Water Foundation (MWF) Prize for Engineering Excellence during the Awarding Ceremony held at Seda Vertis North Hotel, Quezon City last February 3.

The said competition organized by MWF recognizes notable inventions of engineers in the country, particularly those that have shown impact in uplifting the lives of the Filipinos. Bravura, known to be the cheapest vertical coffee roaster in the market, provides opportunities for farmers and cooperatives to fully optimize profit by selling roasted coffee instead of raw beans. The said machine was also built through participatory approach, considering farmers' capacity and cost limitations.

*"Ang isang excellent engineer para sa akin ay may puso na nagmamahal para sa kababayan at may pusong handang tumulong para sa mga kababayan,"* Engr. Mojica shares in a video presented during the awarding.

Other awardees include Engr. Francis Aldrin Uy for the Universal Structural Health Evaluation and Recording System, Engr. Alexis Belonio for the Rice Husk Gassifier Technology and Dr. Michael Gragasin for the Compact Corn Mill and Impeller Rice Mill.

### **CVMBS Dean Talactac receives PVMA Award**

Along with six other veterinarians, Dr. Melbourne R. Talactac was awarded by the Philippine Veterinary Medicine Association (PVMA) as the 2020 Outstanding Veterinarian in Education.

The awarding ceremony last February 19 was held during the three-day 87th PVMA Annual Convention and Scientific Conference at the SMX Convention Center in Davao.

Dr. Talactac is currently the dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences who earned the following degrees abroad: Master of Science in Veterinary Medicine major in Preventive Medicine at Chungnam National University in Korea; and Doctor of Philosophy in Veterinary Science major in Veterinary Virology at the United Graduate School of Veterinary Sciences, Yamaguchi University in Japan.

His expertise on antiviral compounds, antiviral



Dr. Ruel Mojica receives the award together with three other engineers and MWF representatives (Photo from: Ms. Michelle Uy)



Dean Talactac with Dr. Francisco Vilela Jr., PVMA President and Dr. Joy Santos, PVMA Awards Committee Chair during the awarding ceremony (Photo from: Dr. Talactac)

immunity and pathogens made him a published researcher and a notable veterinarian in the academe.

"Cavite State University provided me with solid foundation in forming linkages with international universities and research institutions. It has imparted in me the value of service to a global community through an increased competence in my chosen profession and a committed heart to address the needs of both humans and animals," Talactac stated.

Other PVMA awardees for this year include: Dr. Gerry A. Camer, Distinguished Professional Service Award; Dr. Stella Marie D. Lapid, Outstanding Veterinarian in Rural and Extension; Dr. Esmeraldo B. San Pedro, Outstanding Veterinarian in Agri-Business; Dr. Alice T. Utlang, Outstanding Veterinarian in Government; Dr. Gil J. Nicolas, Outstanding Veterinarian in Farm Animal Practice; and Dr. Elizabeth Chua-Reyes, Outstanding Veterinarian in Companion Animal Practice.

### **CvSU Vision**

The premier university in historic Cavite recognized for excellence in the development of globally competitive and morally upright individuals.

### **CvSU Mission**

Cavite State University shall provide excellent, equitable, and relevant educational opportunities in the arts, sciences and technology through quality instruction and responsive research and development activities.

It shall produce professional skilled and morally upright individuals for global competitiveness.

## CvSU-SHS, Indang public schools receive computers from gov't

With three other public schools in Indang, CvSU-Science High School received 10 computer units as Computer Laboratory for Cavite Public Schools Project was launched by the Provincial Government last February 3.



Public and academic officials collaborate to provide better services to the students through the computers donated by the Provincial Government

## Senior High students complete immersion at CAFENR

Ten senior high school students from Trece Martires City Senior High School and two from Indang Christian Academy completed their work immersion in agriculture at the College of Agriculture, Food, Environment and Natural Resources (CAFENR) last February 12. The immersion is a requirement for senior high school students under the STEM strand.

From January 28 to February 11, 2020, the students had immersion activities in the following offices: Pollution Control Office, Institute of Food Science and Technology, Environmental Geo-Information and Remote Sensing (EnGIRS) Laboratory, University Library, Sugar Palm Research, Information and Trade Center (SPRINT), Department of Animal Science, Department of Agricultural Entrepreneurship, National Coffee Research, Development, and Extension Center (NCRDEC), Vegetable Production Area, Department of Forestry and Environmental Science, Department of Crop Science, Fruit Crop Nursery, Ornamental Nursery, Herbs Project, Agromet Station, Research Center, Extension Services Office, and CEIT Department of Agricultural and Food Engineering.

It is CAFENR's second year to accept immersion students as part of implementing its CHED Institutional Development and Innovation Grants (IDIG) on "Reinvigorating the BS Agriculture Curriculum: Developing Agri-technopreneurs". The activity is also an opportunity for the College to promote its curricular programs and other related courses, such as agricultural engineering, among senior high school students in the province. (AD Cero)



Senior high school students holding their certificates of completion



Gov. Remulla shares the purpose of the project

Principals and selected faculty members and students from Agus-os Elementary School, Dr. Alfredo Pio De Roda Elementary School, and Lumampong National High School-Calumpang Cerca Annex were also present during the turnover ceremony.

Gov. Juanito "Jonvic" Remulla, Jr. explained that aside from such initiative, they are also working on providing free WiFi access up to the remote areas of Cavite. Meanwhile, Hon. Perfecto V. Fidel, municipal mayor, and Dr. Camilo A. Polinga, Vice President for Administrative and Support Services, expressed their gratitude for being recipients of the project and for the development plan the governor has set for Cavite.

An airconditioning unit was also donated along with the furnishing of the computer laboratory. Students are expected to utilize the units for their computer-related subjects and for research purposes.

## GAD Reports



GADRC joins Consultative meeting with officers of Indang Association of Persons with Disability (February 14).



Ms. Raecel Estebat of GADRC conducts Orientation on Gender Sensitivity and Anti-Sexual Harassment to OJT students of CCJ (February 3).

## CRVA's 3rd workshop conducted

Representatives from the provincial and municipal agriculturist offices of Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, and Rizal attended the Adaptive Capacity Consultation Workshop at Hostel Tropicana last February 18-19.

The activity is the third among the series of workshops being conducted for the Climate Risk Vulnerability Assessment (CRVA) study of the said provinces, which is a collaborative project with the Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office IVA. CRVA is under the umbrella of the Department of Agriculture project "Adaptation and Mitigation Initiative in Agriculture" (AMIA), which aims to establish climate-resilient

agri-fisheries communities and build appropriate climate responsive financial and other support services.

The project is headed by Dr. David L. Cero, dean of the College of Engineering and Information Technology (CEIT), and composed of members from the College of Agriculture, Food, Environment and Natural Resources (CAFENR): Dr. Analita M. Magsino, Ms. Jo-an T. Ducducun, and Ms. Amyel Dale L. Cero.

Consultants from the Geographic Innovations for Development Solutions, Inc. (GRIDS), headed by Mr. Milben Bragais, served as the resource persons of the workshop. (ADCero)



Participants from different provinces attend the CRVA workshop held at CvSU

## LSPU visits CvSU-UCC for ICT policies

Eight representatives from the Information and Communications Technology Services (ICTS) Offices of the different campuses of Laguna State Polytechnic University (LSPU) visited to conduct benchmarking on CvSU's ICT last February 4.



CvSU officials discuss some ICT policies with LSPU-ICTS chairpersons and staff

Ms. Emeline C. Guevarra, Manager of the University Computer Center (UCC), together with Mr. Ace Amiel E. Malicsi and Mr. Bienvenido C. Sarmiento, entertained the questions from the following visitors: Mr. Edward S. Flores, OIC-Director; Mr. Neirro C. Ilagan, ICTS Chair-San Pablo; Mr. Flaviano Urrera, Jr., ICTS Chair-Siniloan; Mr. Rowan N. Elomina, ICTS Chair- Los Baños; Mr. Charles Alfred A. Cruz and Mr. Edwil John Sadsad, Programmers; and Mr. Nemencio C. Maniego, Jr. and Mr. Ron Espinuava, IT staff. Topics ranged from ICT policies, facilities and equipment to services offered by UCC to the stakeholders including students and faculty members.

Dr. Ma. Agnes P. NUESTRO, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. David L. Cero, Dean of the College of Engineering and Information Technology, and Dir. Maria Soledad M. Lising of the International and Local Collaboration and Linkages Office, also welcomed them, stating that the University is also open for other possible partnerships that may arise from the visit.

## Nihongo Center reps visit CvSU

Representatives from Gonbee Nihongo Kyoiku Japanese Language Learning Center visited CvSU last February 4 to explore possible opportunities for partnership.

Both Dr. Ma. Agnes P. NUESTRO, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Ms. Maria Soledad M. Lising, Director of International and Local Collaboration Linkages Office, expressed gratitude to the visitors for showing interest to CvSU. Meanwhile, Ms. Ria Rose Soriano explained that the learning center was located in Silang, Cavite, hence, their previous partnership was with Silang Campus. Their visit ended with a tour around the facilities of the College of Nursing.



Japanese visitors and CvSU officials in a photo after the meeting

## CoN spearheads COVID-19 awareness campaign

In response to the growing concern on the disease, the College of Nursing (CoN) initiated an awareness campaign entitled “Linawin ang Kutob Para Maiwasan ang COVID-19” last February 17 at the CoN Audio-Visual Room.

The said activity gave emphasis on the social responsibility of being aware in sharing right information to peers and colleagues with the help of advisories from the accredited agencies.

Ivan Derek Wycoco, CvSU-CoN clinical instructor who served as the speaker, talked about the history of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID19). He also presented advisories, latest local and international statistics, and all the Implementing Rules and Regulations from the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Department of Health (DOH). Mr. Wycoco is also an Infection Prevention and Control Nurse and a Disease Surveillance Coordinator in a hospital and was awarded as the ‘Most Outstanding



Mr. Wycoco shares facts about COVID-19

## CvSU bags awards in Accountancy Quiz Bowl 2020

It was a victory for the whole CvSU team who competed in the Philippine Institute of Certified Public Accountants (PICPA) – Cavite Chapter Accounting Quiz Bowl 2020 held at Rogationist College, Tagaytay City last February 9.



CvSU representatives who joined and won in the PICPA – Cavite Chapter Accounting Quiz Bowl 2020 (Photo from: Mr. Djehan Astilla, CEMDS)

Accompanied by Department of Accountancy Chair, Dr. Dolores L. Aguilar, and their coach, Mr. Djehan Astilla, the following BS Accountancy students won in the said competition: Tricia Mae Valenzuela (2nd Place) and Tim Tagotong (3rd Place) for Level 2; and Daryl Iglesias (4th Place) and Mikaela Adrienne Ferrer (5th Place) for Level 1. Being in the Top 2, Ms. Valenzuela is set to compete in the upcoming regional contest.

The said competition was participated by various schools in Cavite which are offering Accountancy Courses.

With the creation of the said department under the College of Economics, Management and Development Studies, CvSU has been offering the BS Accountancy course since 2008.



Participants of the awareness campaign held at CoN-AVR

Alumni Award for 2019” of Our Lady of Fatima University.

In addition, Mr. Wycoco presented the rationale and purpose of 70% ethyl alcohol use, the appropriate use of surgical mask and N-95 respirator, mode of transmission, and the mixture of chlorine and water that is beneficial in combating the virus as a form of environmental disinfection. He also explained the different case definitions, the reporting system from the hospital or any healthcare facility to the DOH, the oral and nasal swab as confirmatory tests, and the waiting time to release the results.

The said campaign was attended by Dr. Evelyn del Mundo (Dean), Jocelyn Dimayuga (Overall Clinical Coordinator), Rolando Antonio (Research Coordinator), Prof. Nenita Panaligan (Quality Assurance Coordinator), Louis Roderos (SC Adviser), other CON faculty members, staff and selected BS Nursing students. (IDWycoco)

### In Photos



An estimate of 46 participants attended in the membership orientation for the National Research Council of the Philippines held during the 12th General Membership Assembly and Scientific Seminar (Division XIII) at the CVMBS Audio-Visual Room (February 17).



Together with the staff from PGENRO-Cavite and CAFENR, members of Partnerships in Environmental Management for the Seas of East Asia (PEMSEA) visit the site of the Water Testing Laboratory (February 6).

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