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agayan State University proudly celebrates its 43rd Founding Anniversary last June 11, 2021 through a Virtual Program Celebration that was conducted live through the Office of the University President CSU page on Facebook.

Commemorating the year that was, despite the challenging circumstances brought by the COVID-19 outbreak and the calamities experienced by the province, the anniversary was aptly themed, "Trailblazing CSU Education in the Midst of an Extremely Challenging Pandemic". The 2021 Institutional Video was featured which showed the efforts of CSU across its mandates despite the pandemic. It aslo exhibited CSU's Arbor Day which showcased the CSU community taking part in the City of Tuguegarao's "Plant A Tree Program".

The event also enabled the recognition of outstanding faculty and staff in academics and research and extension for the past year. As well as loyalty awardees who mark their years in the academe. Moreover, the partners and alumni who also

helped move forward the cause of quality education despite the obstacles of the new normal were recognized for their efforts. The University's Top 10 Scholastic Awardees and Outstanding Campuses based on PBB Indicators were also awarded for their efforts to sustain excellence.

In her Founding Anniversary Message, University President Urdujah G. Alvarado said that the year is made more fruitful meaningful because it enabled the University to think outside the box and take steps that were never done before. "If there is one thing that it is able to do, CSU will always adapt with the times to be of service to the community. With the strong and dynamic officials, faculty, staff, and students - CSU will continue to see breakthroughs in every adversity challenges" she concluded.

The Cagayan State University stands tall on its 43rd year of establishment as it continues to be a hallmark in advancing the knowledge and skills of every Cagayano people.

Faculty Recognition Awardees

Faculty Awardees

Student Awardees

RDE Awardees

Alumni Awardees

Special Awardees

CSU RECOGNIZED BY DA AS PARTNER INSTITUTION

agayan State University receives a plaque of recognition from the Department of Agriculture Region II in fitting recognition of the University's contribution to the outstanding overall performance of DA Regional Field Office II as the top performing region in the country and in the realization of the department's vision of "Food Secure and Resilient"

Philippines with Prosperous Farmers and Fisherfolk".

In her response message, University President Urdujah G. Alvarado expressed her heartfelt gratitude to DA RFO 2 for its support in the full mobilization of agricutural research programs for farmers, fishermen, and other rural workers of the University. "We hope to partner with DA in more endeavours in the

future as we continue to work towards creating accessible and affordable food for every Filipino family" she added.

The plaque of recognition is given by the Department of Agriculture as part of its celebration ceremony for its 123rd Anniversary with the theme, "OneDA: Patuloy na nagkakaisa, upang iangat ang pambansang agrikultura" last June 23, 2021.

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CSU WOMEN OFFICIALS PARTICIPATE IN THE 1ST CAGAYAN VALLEY ONLINE GAD GFPS ASSEMBLY

niversity President Urdujah G. Alvarado and Gender and Development (GAD) Focal Person Kristine Joyce A. Lara presented their papers during the 1st GFPS Assembly by the Regional Development Council 2 Regional Gender and Development Committee and the Philippine Commission on Women.

The assembly was themed "Making Gender and Development (GAD) Work: Empowering GAD Focal Point System (GFPS) towards a Gender-Responsive Cagayan Valley" and was conducted last June 28, 2021. University President Alvarado delivered

a talk on "The GAD Way of State University" Cagayan which highlights the Gender and Development initiatives of the University that included gender mainstreaming through gender sensitivity trainings, women empowerment activities, and GAD-responsive research projects. On the other hand, University GAD Focal Person Kristinne Joyce A. Lara presented the topic "Gender Differences in Mental Health Response: The COVID-19 Experience in Cagayan".

The talks proved the extensive implementation of GAD activities in the University.

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CSU DARE TO LAUNCHES
RESEARCH PUBLICATION BOOKS



he CSU Discovery Applied Research and Extension for Trans/Interdisciplinary Opportunities or otherwise known as the DARE TO K to 12 Research Project Team led by Dr. Antonio Tamayao conducted an online Book launching last June 16, 2021.

The DARE TO Team proudly released two reserch compendia, a monograph, and a policy brief which aspires to unravel the college readiness as a new construct in the Philippines and in examining the factors related

to the preparedness of K to 12 graduates to college education.

Based on the studies conducted, the researchers found out that K-12 graduates are not college-ready. The K-12 graduates lack the essential competencies based on CHED's College Readiness Standards (CRS). This is especially true in the learning areas of Science, Math, and Social Studies. Moreover, the study found out that those who took the Senior High School (SHS) Academic track and those who obtained

academic awards and higher General Weighted Average during their SHS journey are more like to be college-ready.

In his opening remarks, Dr. Tamayao declared that CSU is the first university in the entire Philippines to study college readiness and the first university to design and validate a college readiness test which is constructively aligned to college readiness standards developed by the Comission on Higher Education.

At the same time, University

President Alvarado expressed her elation towards the publication of the research output as she commend the efforts of the research team in carrying out the project from its inception to completion.

The team's research articles were published in international refereed journals which contributed to the goal of the DARE TO Research grant. This is to deliver groundbreaking and innovative research outputs that is at par with international standards. UIO

PRESIDENT ALVARADO INDUCTS USCF 2021-2022 OFFICERS

niversity President Alvarado inducts the new set of University Student Council Federation (USCF) officials during the Oath Taking Ceremony that transpired on June 18, 2021 as a way to officially welcome and to turn-over duties and responsibilities to the newly elected student leaders of the University.

The oath taking sworn into office student elect USCF Chairperson Jake Angelo Baraquit from CSU. Present

during the event were Vice President for Academic Affairs Mariden V. Cauilan, Office of Student Development and Welfare (OSDW) Director Lorraine S. Tattao, Campus OSDW Coordinators, USCF Advisers, and campus student council presidents.

University President Alvarado expressed her dismay over the non release of the UNIFAST Free Tuition Fee Fund, however, she assured the Student Council presidents that CSU is exhausting all possible means to make sure that CSU receives its much needed fund.

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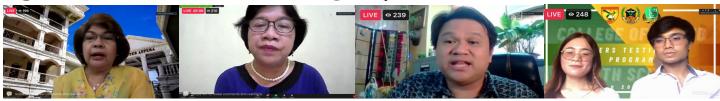
student body, both the outgoing and incoming student regents expressed their dismay of the non-release of the UNIFAST fund by CHED. Roger Allan Ursua, the former USCF President, encouraged the new council to fight for the UNIFAST fund because it is not just a privelege but the right of students to have. On the other hand, incoming Student

stand and will always stand with our students in this issue... We have the captain of our ship our President Alvarado, with her I am certain that we will see the port of success."

The event also paved way for the awarding of outstanding student leaders and student councils for the recently concluded academic year. UIO

ONLINE TESTIMONAL PROGRAM CONDUCTED

By: Erwin L. Rimban
Campus Information Officer, CSU Andrews



SU recognizes 40 newlyminted Registered Medical Technologists in a testimonial program last April 27, 2021.

In his opening remarks, College Dean, Dr. Julius Capili encouraged the newly-minted RMTs to continue to develop themselves and seek new horizons. He eagerly welcomed them as professional colleagues and challenged them to contribute to the advancement of the Medical Technology profession.

Mariden Dr. Ventura-Cauilan , Vice-President for Academic Affairs, praised the high-powered Faculty members of the College of Allied Health Sciences for their excellent producing mentorship in these professionals year in and year out. She underscored the consistent performance of the College of Allied Health Sciences, which has been outscoring the national average in several licensure examinations for the past few years. CSU performed

higher than the national passing rate of 50.09% in the March 2021 board examination with a 70.18 % institutional passing rate. She congratulated the College Dean and Faculty of the College for establishing a culture of excellence. She also congratulated and welcomed the new professionals, praising them for their exemplary performance amidst the ravages of the current Coronavirus pandemic. reminded them that Cagayan State University has equipped them with the necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes that they will utilize in the service of the country.

The high point of this testimonial program was the inspirational message of University President, Dr. Urdujah G. Alvarado. She acknowledged and saluted the College Dean, Faculty and support staff for their exemplary effort. She praised the parents who are tirelessly working for the growth and betterment of their children. Noting that this new normal

is bringing challenges to all of us, she pointed out that our institutional victories must not go unaccounted for. She emphasized that these newly-registered health care professionals will be a significant contribution to our nation, as we face the ravages of the Coronavirus pandemic. She noted that the College of Allied Health Sciences has equipped these professionals with the knowledge and values that they will take into the field, to help augment the necessary workforce that our country needs, particularly in these pandemic times. She told them to trust in their own capacity to make changes in their communities. She also said that she is rooting for their continuing journey and ended her inspirational motif by saying that the CSU community is very proud of them and their families.

Andrews CEO Theresa Dimalanta's words of affirmation, presented through Prof. Shelley Pascual, extolled the untiring devotion of the faculty, the compassionate love of the parents and the virtues of a proper academic home in honing new professionals. Noting that the pandemic has brought havoc in our lives, she said that our hearts are beaming with pride with this latest accomplishment which demonstrates resilience under pressure. Using the acronym CSU, she instructed these new professionals to have courage, strength and uniqueness in order to hurdle the challenges of the present and the future. "Entering the health profession entails sacrifices", the CEO told the professionals, "but with the multifarious weapons honed by years of sacrifice, success is always around the corner".

The forty (40) new professionals had their graduation ceremonies last January 21, 2021 and took their licensure examinations in Medical Laboratory Science last March 17-18, 2021.

NFC CEO ALVIN CONSTANTINO COMMITS SUPPORT TO CSU

orthern Foods
Corporation (NFC)
CEO Alvin Constantino
discusses future projects
with CSU in a meeting with
University President Urdujah
G. Alvarado last May 30, 2021 at
CSU Gonzaga Campus.

In the meeting, President Urdujah G. Alvarado gave the CEO a backgrounder on CSU and its mandates. Paying special attention to agricultural campuses with

strong partnerships with the Department of Agriculture, the President proposed more engagements that the university can possibly have with the department, especially on food production. The CEO also conducted a field visit where he saw the campus' citrus and insulin production area, the greenhouse granted by DA, the dragon fruit farm and other farm demonstration projects. President Alvarado

also showed him the campus' diverse collection of bamboos as well as the other components of the CSU Bamboo Sanctuary. Impressed by the campus' lively agricultural projects, CEO Constantino assured the university his support and commitment to facilitate the erection of more greenhouses and a multipurpose building for the campus. Or -UIO



CSU RECEIVES 2.9 M GRANT FROM DOST nt of Science Coffee Production towards Electromobility Program, Metals CEO Froilan Pacris and CEO

The Department of Science and Technology Ro2 awarded a total of 2,953, 872.00 php to Cagayan State University as financial grant to three major projects last May 6, 2021 during a virtual awarding ceremony.

These funded projects include: Production and Utilization of 'Bamcoal' bamboo-based Fertilizer and evaluation of its plant-soil-nutrient profile, photosynthetic and growth effects, and salinity-stress alleviation in lowland variety of head lettuce; Capability building, livelihood development and environmental protection for climate change vulnerable communities in Buguey (CESTEEPH Phase 4); Cafe Valena through STRIDE: Science and Technology on

Coffee Production towards Community Development and Resiliency.

RD Sancho Mabborang expressed his appreciation to CSU for being an active partner of DOST by producing various S and T innovations. He mentioned that during this year, CSU will be receiving more cash and equipment grants from DOST totalling to almost 100 Million in support to its

Electromobility Program, Metals Engineering and Innovation Center and Food Innovation Center.

RD Mabborang assured that CSU will always be part of the levels of development DOST will pursue as he looks forward to a fused R and D among campuses and agencies. He further challenged them to not sell physical products only but market intellectual properties.

President Alvarado, in her response, expressed her gratitude to the department for being an active partner through the years and enabled the smaller but competent and creative campuses to harness their potentials in research and development, allowing significant contribution to science and technology.

Florante Victor Balatico in their

responses both thanked DOST

for consistently supporting their

projects.

She guaranteed a more vibrant R and D and challenged the CEOs present to seriously consider the urging message of the Director. Further, she assured DOST that every single centavo will be accounted for.



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FDA DIRECTOR CIRUNAY: "GRAB THE CHANCE TO GET VACCINATED"

In time for mass COVID-19 vaccination, the Cagayan State University's Graduate School presents, "The Promise of COVID-19 Vaccine: How FDA Ensure its Safe Use" Via Zoom Teleconferencing. The seminar aimed to inform the public on the safety measures that are done by the Food and Drug Administration to assure the efficacy of the vaccines for the COVID-19 virus.

Jesusa Joyce N. Cirunay, Director IV from the Center for Drug Regulation and Research of the Food and Drug Administration, served as the resource speaker. In her lecture, Director Curinay presented the

necessary processes and measures that the FDA adhered to ensure that the COVID-19 Vaccines that are distributed in the country are safe.

Present during the seminar were CSU officials, deans, directors, professors, and students from CSU's graduate school who were given the chance to ask questions on COVID-19 vaccine's storage requirements and the alternative use of ivermectin among others.

Director Cirunay encouraged everyone to grab the chance to get vaccinated. "Whatever vaccine in your arm is the best protection from the virus...(the vaccine will

give you) all the chance to fight the virus at the earliest time", she added. She also assured the people that the vaccines that are rolled out by the government have passed the FDA standards and are appropriately evaluated by experts.

University President Urdujah G. Alvarado, who initiated the seminar, thanked Director Cirunay for her invaluable insights and for answering questions surrounding the vaccine process as she mentioned its aptness on the current situation of the Philippines. -UIO





CSU APARRI - TVET PROGRAM NOW OFFERS HOUSEKEEPING NCII

Arlene D. Talosa
Campus Information Officer, CSU Aparri

Toiling hard on providing programs responsive to the University's Philosophy of providing and serving the community by offering programs that are relevant to the needs of the region, Cagayan State University at Aparri with its strong linkage with the Technical Education Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) now offers

Registered on April 26, 2021, after complying with minimum requirements set by TESDA from the faculty and staff qualifications, physical sites and facilities, tools, equipment, supplies and materials and

House Keeping NCII.

similar requirements prior to the issuance of the government authority to offer or undertake technical vocational education programs, a Certificate of Program Registration (CoPR) for Housekeeping NC II has been awarded to CSU Aparri. The certificate was received by Prof. Minerva M. Galabay, the Campus Technical Vocational Education and Training Coordinator and Prof. Raschil M. Battung, Dean of the College of Hospitality Management.

Alongside this, the program is now officially listed in the TESDA Compendium of Registered Programs.



CSU LASAM CONTINUES EFFORTS TOWARDS CACAO INDUSTRY HAVEN

By: Jackielen R. Garcia Campus Information Officer, CSU Lasam

priven and inspired by its vision and mission to become an empowered seat of the Cacao Industry in the Region or even in the entire nation, the continuous success of the Cagayan State University-Lasam Campus in its endeavors

in developing, producing, and extending knowledge, skills, and technology in cacao-based products has become more and more evident and has now even become a part of the academic community's way of life.

Indubitably, the campus' has been searching all of its innovative and practical ways in pursuit of finding more opportunities and structured strategies to enhance cacao processing and production.

Propelled by its genuine intention to be of selfless service to the society amidst the challenges brought by calamities, the campus managed and oversees activities along with the product development of cacao tablea, choco milk, and dark chocolate in its newly launched and established Cacao Processing Center on December 2, 2020. A rewarding structure envisioned by University President, Dr. Urduiah Gaerlan Alvarado which will pave the way to make Cagayan the Chocolateria of the North as it upholds Cagayan State University's commitments in line with Research, Development, Extension, Production, and Instruction. Among CSU-Lasam's beneficial strides in Cacao processing, development, and production, one of the highlights this year is the mass production of cacao tablea, where the campus was able to effectively and efficiently process, produce, and deliver 3,000 packs of cacao tablea. These products were all included in the relief operation of the DOST PCAARRD-CSU (Department of Science and Technology Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research and Development- Cagayan State Univerity) joint project which is immensely focused on helping the victims of the widespread flooding caused by typhoon Ulysses in Cagayan Province.

More to these, one of the campus' accomplishments along with this field and operations is the procurement of additional equipment for cacao processing purposes in December 2020; specifically, the acquired equipment were melanger, cacao oil press machine, cacao grinder, and display cabinet which are all aimed to facilitate the processing and production of Cacao based products.

Additionally, series seminars on Cacao Processing was also organized and realized by the academic community for the adopters to develop, formulate, and standardize the different cacao-based food products which were processed, produced, and developed by the campus. Trainings on the regulation or standardization of the process of fermentation and drying of cacao beans were also included to ensure the quality of the intended outputs. V-UIO



CSU GONZAGA LA

launched its first ever coffee table book and e-book - the "Tangkiran" last May 6, 2021.

Tangkiran is an Iluko word that reflects physical strength and vigor. The book features the best practices of the CESTEEPH Project, Nipa Project, the CSU Bamboo Sanctuary and its auxilliary farm and garden projects, the agri-eco tourism site and the giant Sacred Heart of Jesus grotto integrated in the Bamboo Sanctuary which are all found in the campus. CSU Gonzaga CEO Froilan Pacris, Jr. expressed his gratitude to the CSU Gonzaga community for contributing much to the accomplishments of the campus

SU Gonzaga Campus as reflected in the "Tangkiran" coffee table book. He also took pride in the composition of the Editorial Board for its acumen, endurance, and fortitude in coming up with an advocacy material like this in this time of pandemic. President Alvarado said that the "Tangkiran" coffee table book is an inspiration worth emulating because it encapsulates the hardwork and determination of the team that made CSU's vision and goals palpable. She believes that the Gonzaga campus has still a lot more potential to be unraveled. Lastly, she envisioned that CSU Gonzaga is one day going to be branded across the nation as The Bamboo Sanctuary of the North through the leadership of CEO Pacris.

The "Tangkiran can be accessed online through its e-book version which can be found in this link: https://www. csu.edu.ph/tangkiran

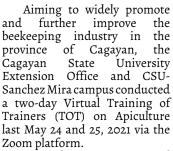
It also features a QR code inside to bring you to related videos regarding the niche of the campus. 😺 -ŬIO





CSU-SM SPEARHEADS V RAINERS ON APICI

By: Verlino D. Baddu Campus Information Officer, CSU Sanchez Mira



In her inspirational message, President Urdujah G. Alvarado emphasized her dream of making CSU-Sanchez Mira as the bee sanctuary of the north. She also mentioned the many benefits that one can get from raw honey and the special benefits of bees in plant biodiversity.

"CSU-ŚM is well on its way to becoming an apiculture center", President Alvarado further quips.

Three apiculture researchers and beekeeping experts from Central Bicol State University of Agriculture (CBSUA) served as resource speakers during the TOT - Dr. Maria Dulce J. Mostoles, Prof. Lilia Pasiona, and Prof. Julie Amara M. Bondilles.

Meanwhile, Dr. Narcitas M. Biado-Ouano, the Campus Executive Officer of CSU-Sanchez Mira campus, expressed her gladness in her opening remarks for the new friendship forged between CSU-SM and the apiculture experts from CBSUA who, according to them, are very much willing to help the campus strengthen its niche particularly along apiculture.

Thirty participants successfully completed the TOT and will soon serve as trainers among future beekeepers. Alongside their being trained as Trainers on Apiculture, the completers will be receiving stingless bee colonies as startup for backyard beekeeping venture, and for them to be able to practice and apply what they learned from the training.

ith the impending threat of the African Swine Fever (ASF) in the region's swine industry, State University Cagayan together with the Department Agriculture Regional Field Office 2 (DA RFO 02), conducted an Online Seminar on African Swine Fever (ASF) through Zoom Conferencing last April 15, 2021.

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The virtual gathering was meant to keep the public, researchers, academic institutions, and other stakeholders of the current status of the ASF outbreak in the region and to advocate for information dissemination regarding the repopulation and recovery program towards reviving the hog industry. DA RFO 02's experts included Dr.

Manuel M. Gallang, Veterinarian II and Dr. Roberto C. Busania, Regional Technical Director for Operation and Extension who shared their expertise on the topic.

In his opening remarks, CSU-Lallo's Campus Executive Officer Victor Balatico who was also the prime mover of this seminar affirmed the commitment of the University in addressing the fight towards ASF prevention. "The Cagayan State University is more than blessed as the Department of Agriculture shall share their expertise for us to effectively work together to prevent and control further spread of ASF.", he said. Dr. Junel B. Guzman, Vice President for Research, Development, and Extension challenged the CSU campuses

that offer animal science and veterinary courses to work with farmers in eradicating ASF through research and extension.

In an interview, President Urdujah G. Alvarado thanked the Department of Agriculture RO2 and assured that CSU is one with eradicating the ASF surge in the region through the committed and reliable Extension leaders, Veterinarians, and Agriculturists in the campuses and shall fully support future activities to exterminate ASF. -UIO



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CSU-STUDENTS DEVELOP 3-IN-1 BOUGAINVILLEA

ere's a good news for plantitas and plantitos!
New 3-in-1 bougainvillea rare varieties to include in your garden are currently being developed in Cagayan State University - Gonzaga Campus.

Agriculture students- Ms. Jemyma I. Rasos, Ms. Maritess P. Rubas, Mr. Jay Fred C. Nantes, Mr. Andres B. Dres, and Mr. Jason R. Felix mobilized the DOST-DATBED project entitled, "Production and Commercialization of Multiple-Grafted Bonsai Bougainvillea Plants and Bougainvillea Potting Mix in Cagayan State University-

Gonzaga Campus" which aims to showcase technologies on high-value ornamental plant propagation and production. These DOST DATBED student beneficiaries are being guided by their professors - Mr. Jeff Opena, Ms. Lyle Sumer and Dean Claribel Gaspar.

As of writing, the project has generated a nursery for its 20+rare bougainvillea varieties and bougainvillea rootstocks. The project aims to produce multiple grafted bonsai bougainvillea plants. The multiple grafted plants will contain at least three high-

cost and rare varieties inserted in a common variety rootstock. The plant will be made into a bonsai through plant training and a growth retardant application.

Moreover, the project also targets to produce a biotechnology-based bougainvillea potting mix. The campus houses a composting facility for potting mix development of a compost enriched with beneficial microorganisms-organic/natural litters/wastes, and garden and forest soil as its ingredients.

The DOST-DATBED project seeks to enhance the entrepreneurial skills, acquire

asexual propagation techniques, and hone horticultural capabilities of students.

Soon, these student-developed bougies will be a great addition to your plant collection.



CSU APARRI STRENGTHENS INTERNATIONAL TIES

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Campus Information Officer, CSU Aparri

agayan State University Aparri campus takes pride in its recent linkage as an official member-institution of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization last April 8, 2021.

Established in 1965, SEAMEO is a regional intergovernmental organization that aims to promote regional cooperation in education, science, and culture in the Southeast Asian countries of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines,

Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam.

SEAMEO works hand in hand with the 11 SEAMEO Member Countries to improve quality and equity of existence in education infrastructure, preventive health education, culture and tradition, Information and Technology (IT), languages, poverty alleviation, agriculture, and natural resources throughout SEAMEO's 7 Priority Areas including 1) Promoting universal early childhood care and education; 2) Addressing barriers inclusion; to 3)

Promoting resiliency in the face of emergencies; 4) Promoting technical and vocational education and training; 5) Revitalizing teacher education; 6) Promoting harmonization in higher education and research, and 7) Adopting a 21st Century curriculum.

Dr. Billy S. Javier, the campus focal person for internationalization hopes that the campus may link its instructional, research and development programs with the priority areas of the network. CEO Simeon R.

Rabanal also hope that this linkage opens more door for international partnership. He also endeavors to the possible reopening of linkage with the National Taiwan Ocean University for the campus niche program for academic exchange and collaboration.

The SEAMEO network now has 1,717 participants from Southeast Asia and beyond Southeast Asia and Cagayan State University-Aparri campus in the University is the second campus next to Piat to be registered in the said network.

AFRICAN NIGHT CRAWLERS, SOIL'S BEST FRIENDS

reepy as it may sound but these little African Night Crawlers are actually beneficial to the soil. This is what a group of students in CSU Gonzaga is trying to demonstrate through their DOST-DATBET funded project called "Establishment of Bio-Organic Fertilizer Production Center". The beneficiaries of



this project are Agriculture students Ronald Calava, Alice Faye Resureccion, Climer Sagun, and Dancel Mangili. The students are guided by their professors Dr. Froilan Pacris, Jr., Dr. Romar Banadero, and Ms. Jean Torres.

By processing and combining a good ratio of animal manure, rice straw, leguminous grasses, banana bracks, kawkawate leaves and ipilipil, the students have produced a perfect food concoction to gratify the huge appetite of these purplish wigglers. This combination of substrates housed in an enclosed facility in CSU Gonzaga will serve as the African Night Crawlers' sanctuary where the process of vermicomposting will take place. The 150k funded project advocates use of organic fertilizer

through vermicompost technology which will be used in farming by using agricultural waste and other raw materials found in the campus. The vermicompost, which is a product of this technology, is a rich worm manure that is highly nutritious for plants when mixed with other soil media.

The students have collected 600 kilograms of animal manure, 1,500 kg of rice straw, 200 kg of leguminous grasses, 300 kg banana bracks, 200 kg kawkawate leaves and 100 kg ipil-ipil as substrates for processing for a company of African Night Crawlers totalling to 25 kilograms.

Expected date of 1st harvest of vermicompost is July 3, 2021.

THE FLAVOR OF DOST-CSU PARTNERSHIP

These original recipe of bubble donuts, produced under the DOST-DATBED program by CSU students at Gonzaga Campus, are a milkier, softer, and smoother version of the commercialized American donuts. With just the right amount of creaminess of the milk custard filling and the tropical sweetness of the mango custard filling, even adults will crave for more as it perfectly pairs with a black coffee or tea.

The DATBET Program

helps students become entrepreneurs in their own field of specialization. These bubble donuts are now being sold at 100 pesos per box (plus shipping fee), earning a profit for the HIM students in the campus.

Talk about world class? we have it right here!

For orders, please contact the business office of CSU Gonzaga with cp number (0956) 713 4309. Look for Ms. Jona.



REGENT VILLACETE

t a time when connection is of vital importance in the new form of normal, Alumni Regent Carmelo Villacete, distributed communication gadgets to enhance communication between and among the officers and members of the CSU alumni community.

The Federated Alumni Associations of CSU, through the leadership of Regent Carmello O. Villacete, provided globe Wi-Fi home broadband to the different Campus Alumni

Presidents and Campus Alumni Relations and Placement Services (ARPS) Coordinators. Moreover, Regent Villacete also distributed OPPO a15s smartphones to the Campus Alumni Presidents to keep up with the demands of conducting online meetings and transactions.

The broadbands smartphones were handed over during the Second Quarter meeting of the federation held at CSU Sanchez Mira last June 1, 2021. - UIO









Tissue Culture Laboratory Mangrove for and Bamboo Research and an Innovation Center and Project Management Office will soon rise at CSU Gonzaga Campus after a groundbreaking ceremony was held last Friday, May 7, 2021 to commemorate the beginning of the construction.

The 32M 2-storey infrastructure project expected to be completed on December 2021. CEO Froilan Pacris, Jr. thanked President Alvarado for continuously supporting the campus in all

its endeavors to include the erection of the 2 academic buildings in a row last year.

President Urdujah Alvarado, on the other hand, thanked the Gonzaga Campus for its active implementation of projects within the bounds of their campus niche on bamboo and mangrove agroforestry. She assured them that blessings will always come pouring in for the campus and for the university while she is President despite moves to shaken her administration.

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College of Allied he Health Sciences, ▲ breeding ground of national topnotchers in Medical breeding Technology and Respiratory Therapy and recognized as the Top School Nationwide in both fields, will soon occupy its new home in a 4-storey infrastructure built solely for academic classrooms and laboratories.

In a short message, University President Urdujah G. Alvarado commended the University officials in making

possible the erection of this long time aspiration for the members of the CAHS family. She also challenged the faculty of instruction led by Dean Dorina Sabatin to continue with their culture of excellence amid the pandemic.

Fr. Ranhilio Aquino was also present to bless the construction site while Andrews CEO Theresa Dimalanta also expressed her gratitude to the administration for this development effort in CSU Andrews campus. V -UIO



SEEDLINGS PRODUCTION UNDER BAYAN PROJECTS ROLL OUT IN CSU SANCHI

Faculty, CSU Sanchez Mira

lo ensure sustainable food supply in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic ▲ COVID-19 pandemic through backyard production of organic vegetables, the Cagayan State University is ramping up its promotion of home gardening through the distribution of free vegetable seedlings and seeds in the municipality through the CSU-DA Joint Project Bayanihan II: Massive Seeds and Seedlings Production.

Director Josie Y. Bas-ong of the University Extension Office visited the campus last May 7, 2021 to personally hand over the assorted seeds and planting

materials needed for the project to the Campus Executive Officer of CSU-SM, Dr. Narcitas M. Biado-Ouano.

A ceremonial seed sowing of vegetables was carried out to mark the inception of the project in the campus. Also present were College of Agriculture Dean, Ms. May M. Leaño, Campus Coordinator for the Bayanihan II project Dr. Josephine M. Bagasol, and the College of Agriculture faculty and staff.

CSU Sanchez Mira campus Extension office, in collaboration with the College of Agriculture, will be distributing the vegetable

seedlings and seeds to various households in the municipality as soon as the seedlings are ready for transplanting.

This program aims to encourage more households to produce fresh and nutritious food right in their backyards.

Through this, CSU can help ignite the interest of the public in practicing organic gardening at home in order to ensure a continuous supply of locally and organically produced foods, particularly in this challenging time.



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amar State University (SSU) benchmarked with CSU College of Medicine for SSU's proposal to establish Samar Island Institute of Medicine (SIIM).

During the visual SSU President benchmarking, Dr. Marilyn D. Cardosa presented their pre-feasibility study and ne university's discussed the preparations equipment and facility to support its plan to establish the SIIM. After her presentation, President Alvarado, together with VP Mariden, CSU-Carig CEO Ibañez, and College of Medicine Dean Noelyn Bernal, presented the CSU College of Medicine. The team discussed the humble beginnings of CSU College of Medicine - how it has evolved and developed; how it managed to operate throughout the years despite the challenges, which are mainly on hiring of faculty members, and how the University has consistently produced board passers with an institutional passing rate higher than the national passing rate.

In response to President Cardosa's request, President Alvarado promised to provide SSU a copy of CSU's curriculum. The team also shared CSU's experience in hiring part-time and full-time faculty.





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