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SPU MANILA COMMUNITY ON SUMMER VACATION

After the commencement exercises last week, SPU Manila students and teachers said good-bye to the school, some temporarily, others for good. For those who are planning to take summer classes, the vacation is but a brief one; for those who have been graduated, the leave-taking is permanent. The office staff, however, will still be on hand for the wrapping up activities after graduation and for the opening of summer classes.

Following are announcements for summer classes and for the next school year:

I. Summer Classes – 2009

- 20-21 March - Pre-Registration
- 2-4 April - Regular enrollment
- 13 April -13 May - Summer classes

II. First Semester – S.Y. 2009-2010

- 1- 8 June - Enrollment period
- 9 June - Start of classes

III. Programs and Degrees

Graduate Programs

- Master in Business Administration, major in:
 - Hotel and Restaurant Management
 - Organizational Development
- Master of Arts in Special Education, major in:
 - Developmental Disabilities
 - Teacher Certificate Program
- Master of Arts in Education, major in:
 - Educational Leadership & Management
- Master of Music, major in:
 - Performance
 - Music Education
 - Choral Conducting
 - Piano Pedagogy
 - Musicology
 - Track 1: Western Music Literature
 - Track 2: Ethnomusicology
- Master of Arts in Nursing, major in:
 - Academic Management
 - Clinical Management

- Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing Education, major in:
- Leadership and Management
- Doctor of Philosophy in Education, major in:
- Educational Leadership and Management

Undergraduate Courses

COLLEGE OF NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES

BS Nursing

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

AB Mass Communication, major in:

- Communication Arts; Advertising; Corporate Communication

Bachelor in Elementary Education, major in:

- Early Childhood Education
- Literacy Education

Bachelor in Secondary Education

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, major in:

- Guidance and Counseling
- Neuropsychology

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

BS Hotel and Restaurant Management, major in:

- Institutional Management
- Culinary Arts

BS Tourism

BS Computer Science

BS Information Technology

BS Business Administration major in:

- Marketing
- Management
- Finance and Management Accounting

BS Entrepreneurship

BS in Legal Management

BS Accountancy

COLLEGE OF MUSIC AND THE PERFORMING ARTS

Bachelor of Music, major in:

- Music Education
- Piano
- Guitar
- Voice
- Violin
- Marimba

Short-term Courses:

Piano, Organ, Voice, Guitar, Flute, Violin, Viola, Cello,
Contrabass, Drums/Percussion, Saxophone, Clarinet,
Ballet for Children and Adults, Jazz Dance

SUMMER ACTIVITIES LINED UP

Ms. Ivy Coronel shares the following line-up of summer activities in SPU Manila:

14 April 2009

European Week (*Linggo de Lingua 2*) Meeting

1:30 - 4:00 P.M.

Coffee Shop, HRMTC

16 April 2009

SMI-IC Presidents' Meeting

9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

SMI-IC Presidents' Meeting with Liaison Officers and Committee Chairs

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

14-18 May 2009 (Tentative)

Campus Journalism 2

14-16 May 2009

Maintenance Staff Retreat

Alfonso Renewal Center

18-21 May 2009

Office Staff Retreat

Alfonso Renewal Center

20-24 May 2009

Planning Meeting

Bohol

1-3 June 2009

Faculty Retreat

Alfonso Renewal Center

May 2009

SPC Educators' Congress

St. Paul College, Pasig

SPMAFI MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the St. Paul Manila Alumni Foundation, Inc. (SPMAFI) will meet at 2:00 P.M. on Wednesday, 1 April 2009 in the University President's Board Room. Representatives of the different jubilarian classes for 2010, as well as for the centennial homecoming in 2012, have been invited to the meeting, according to SPMAFI President, Mrs. Sherry Lara-Alingod.

The chairman of the steering committee for the centennial, Mrs. Monette O. Martinez, will present to the SPMAFI two fund-raising activities proposed by the Ways and Means Committee for the centennial, chaired by Mrs. Beth Sison-Tagle. These are ballroom dancing some time in April or May and a concert of D'Angelos later in the year.

POSTSCRIPT TO SEMINAR ON STEWARDSHIP

It will be recalled that on 4 February 2009, St. Paul University Manila offered an Orientation Seminar on "The Spirituality of Stewardship" for the faculty, staff, and alumni, as well as invited guests from other schools and parishes.

Main speakers from the St. Thomas More Parish in Denver, Colorado were Fr. Andrew Kemberling, Pastor of the St. Thomas More Parish (STM); Mila Garcia-Glodava, STM Communications and Stewardship Director; Sharon Hueckel, Administration Director, Our Lady of the Assumption in California; and Philip and Irene Lindmer, members of the STM Stewardship Committee.

On 9-12 February 2009, the team gave a stewardship seminar in the Buhay-Katiwala Conference held in Tagaytay City.

Following are the concluding speech and the homily of Archbishop Angel N. Lagdameo, Conference Convenor and President of the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP), given on the 12th and 13th of February, respectively.



In the name of the CBCP, or at least of the bishops of the 18 dioceses represented here by more than 100 participants, I wish to express our appreciation and profound gratitude to the Socio-Pastoral Institute and St. Thomas More Parish of Denver, Colorado, for facilitating and financially supporting this gathering of practitioners and would be practitioners of the Spirituality of Stewardship in the context of Basic Ecclesial Community.

All of us are witnesses to what a parish living the Spirituality of Stewardship can do not for some other parishes but for the whole country. We thank and praise the Lord for St. Thomas More Parish Stewardship Team led by Father Andrew Kemberling. God has also used the Socio-Pastoral Institute, presently led by Joey Clemente, SPI Executive Director, to be a channel of that grace which we have received in the last three days.

Bishop Julio Labayen and Mila Glodava have been God's mouth-pieces and hands in the in-shaping for the last many years the "Buhay-Katiwala" that we have observed sown and now growing in the Parish of San Isidro Labrador in the Diocese of San Pablo, in the Parish of Holy Family in the Archdiocese of Tuguegarao, in the Vicariate of Real-Infanta-Nakar in the Prelature of Infanta, and in the Diocese of Kabankalan. With their experiences, one can say "It can be done, because it has been done."

Spreading and living the Spirituality of Stewardship will revolutionize our country, economically, politically, socially. This is the key to the radical reform that the Bishops have been talking about in their Pastoral Letter. The Spirituality of Stewardship is the key to addressing the social problems of graft and corruption, in the Church, in society, in business and in government.

Some people are afraid of the words revolution because they are thinking of the revolution that have been led by capitalism, socialism, liberalism, communism. But as Bishop Labayen in his book, *Revolution of the Church of the Poor*, has said, we need not be afraid of their revolution, because all of them have failed to liberate the poor. These "isms" have failed to feed the hungry with good things. But if you read through the long history of the Catholic Church, you will be amazed that in spite of, and even through many failures, the Church, in every period of history, has been serving the poor.

The biblical vision of God on the side of the poor has become through the years also a theological vision that has influenced our Catholic Social Teachings and the Basic 16 Documents from Leo XIII's *Rerum Novarum* in 1891 to John Paul II's *Centesimus Annus*.

It is not a program that the Church is offering to address the problem of the Church of the Poor. What the Church offers is her Social Teaching, following which will revolutionize society. As Bishop Labayen wrote in his book, "The heart of the revolution is the revolution of the heart, a conversion, a change of attitude, a paradigm shift.

As Bishop Pat Buzon said this morning "The doing (of anything good) must flow from being (good).

In conclusion, Sir Winston Churchill took three years getting through Grade 8. He had trouble with English. He was invited by Oxford University to be its commencement speaker. He had to deliver an English speech. Approaching the podium, Winston Churchill looked at the audience for some time and then with a loud voice he said "Never give up. Never give up." And having said that he sat down. That short speech was long remembered by the audience.

Buhay-Katiwala Conference for Executive Secretaries Episcopal Commissions of the Catholic Bishop Conference of the Philippines Homily by Archbishop Angel N. Lagdameo

We have just finished a four-day seminar or journey on the Spirituality of Stewardship. In this 5th day it was thought useful and advantageous to share a summary of Spirituality of Stewardship with the more than 20 Executive Secretaries of our CBCP Episcopal Commissions.

Since on you, as Secretaries of the Bishops, depend all the activities of the commissions, it would be good we thought for you to have a common way of approaching your respective responsibilities, in the spirit of unity in diversity, "unites in diversitates" This common approach is by way of the Spirituality of Stewardship. Each one of us, each one of you may consider himself/herself as a steward, steward not only of the bishop-head of the commission, but more importantly of God himself in the work of your commission.

It is hoped that through your group one of the decrees of PCP II will come to life, which says "The Church through the initiative of the CBCP should develop a comprehensive theology of Stewardship..." (Art. 31, sec. 1). It has never been done. Will it be done this year? Through you? That is the challenge I am putting to you. It will not, it cannot, be done today. But it will be a reason for your group or commission to come together again and again with a vision of articulating for the CBCP, whose secretaries you are, a comprehensive theology of stewardship.

Stewardship, we have been told, is the practical acknowledgement that one is not the absolute owner or master of himself and his possessions, nor of the world of nature (ecology) and of grace. We have received them as gift and talent from God. And therefore, we must use them as grateful, accountable and responsible persons, in accordance with the intention or plan of the Divine Owner, to promote the common good and to establish the reign of God in the hearts of men.

What I have stated is a general principle. It will depend upon each how this general principle will operate in each particular situation, in each commission. You will bring the Spirituality of Stewardship down to your respective commission's sphere of activity and influence.

From the level of your commission, you will bring the Spirituality of Stewardship to the level of the wider apostolate of the Church such as the world of migrants, health care, indigenous people, propagation of the faith, lay apostolate, catechesis, education, social apostolate, Basic Ecclesial Communities, family and life, youth concerns, women's concerns, biblical apostolate, prison apostolate, clergy, religious and seminarian formation, ecumenical and interreligious affairs, bishops' special concern, canon law and mass media.

The Spirituality of Stewardship would then be an overarching value that will provide other related values such as cooperation, co-responsibility, partnership, collaboration, interdependence, solidarity, servanthood and subsidiarity. The Spirituality of Stewardship would then be offering a common approach to the various concerns of the Philippine Church. Through you, individually and collectively, the Philippine Church will be in a state of stewardship. This you will do together with the priests, religious and other lay people and, of course, with the bishops, who are the primary stewards in their respective local churches.

The spending and use of God gifts to us, such as, our time and talents and treasures for God and neighbor, is an expression of stewardship. Treasures, such as real property and money are included. Money is not the only nor the first object of stewardship although how we use it may critically manifest the neglect or absence of stewardship.

The biblical visions of stewardship are all over the Old Testament and New Testament. The first two chapters of Genesis are about creation and stewardship. The most important themes of Jesus' preaching are about stewardship. He tells us that this is how in the end everybody will be judged. This is how business people, professionals, church ministers, public officials, rich and poor, will be measured and judged. There is nothing that we have not received, directly and indirectly, from the Lord, all are gifts and entrusted to us. In the end we will be asked, rich or poor, how we have responded to the "need to give." In Acts, Chapter 4:32-37, we have the original description of the Christian community: "There was not a needy person among them "because everyone responded to the need to give."

SPU MANILA INSTITUTIONAL OUTING

Riah Vizmanos shares these pictures of the SPU Manila Institutional Outing in Kabayan Beach:



Having fun with friends ... and a refreshing dip in the pool ...



ALUMNI NEWS



Ann-Marie Alma Luayon, BM 1982 graduate of St. Paul College of Manila, is now Mrs. Lewis Tecson.

Alma, a voice major, lives in Silicon Valley, California, where she has her own music studio. Her sons--Lance, Liam, and Lucas--are also musically gifted and have performed in many school programs.

She has a daughter, Gabby, who has just turned two.

