



October is Indigenous People's Month

Every October is the Cordillera Indigenous Peoples (IP) Month. In line with this, the Regional Development Council-CAR through RDC-CAR Resolution No. 34, series of 2013 enjoined all Regional Line Agencies, Local Government Units, State Universities and Colleges, Government Bureaus, and Non-Government/Private Organizations to actively participate in the 14th IP Month celebration with the theme, "Recognition of Indigenous Peoples Rights towards Inclusive Growth for the Cordilleras".

The IP Month is celebrated nationwide as stipulated in Proclamation 1906, s. 2009 signed by former President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo and the RA 8371 dated October 29, 1997, known as the "Indigenous Peoples Rights Act" (IPRA).

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The Institute of Social Research and Development (ISRD) and the section BEE 3a students taking up Soc. Sci. 16 under Gigy Banes singing Bebsat San Kaigorotan during the program held on October 7 commemorating the Tribal Filipino Week and the Indigenous Peoples Month with DepEd Consultant on IP Education, Belmer Yano (inset) as guest speaker.//Leny D. Mendoza



BSU President brainstorms with PBB Technical Committee head

Benguet State University President, Dr. Ben D. Ladilad with other SUC heads from the Cordillera attended a brainstorming session with Performance Based Bonus (PBB) Technical Committee head, Prof. Eddie



BSU President, Dr. Ben D. Ladilad with IFSU president, Dr. Serafin Ngohayon, ASIST President, Dr. Leandro Labanen, CARASUC President, Dr. Eduardo Bagtang, CHED-CAR Regional Director Dr. Luisa Valencia and staff pose for posterity with PBB Technical Committee Head, Prof. Eddie Noque after the brainstorming session regarding the Performance Based Bonus on October 15, 2013 at the Dolcelatte Cafe in Quezon City.//Photo courtesy of Veron Aromin-Budget Office

Noque on October 15, 2013 at the Dolcelatte Cafe in Quezon City.

Also present in the meeting are CHED- Regional Director, Luisa Valencia, Ifugao State University President, Dr. Serafin Ngohayon, Abra State Institute of Sciences and Technology President, Dr. Leandro Labanen CARASUC head, Dr. Eduardo Bagtang and BSU Budget officers, Dr. Estrelita Daclan and Ms. Veron Aromin. The group discussed the guidelines for the PBB.

Prof. Eddie Noque is the head of the Performance Based Incentive System Task Force in the Office of the President of the Philippines. He is also a member of the Technical Working Group of the AO25 Inter-Agency Task Force on the Results Based Performance Management System (RBPMSW). He is a senior fellow of the De La Salle University Jesse Robredo Institute of Governance.

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5. Develop and strengthen quality management systems towards economy; and
6. Strengthen and expand public-private partnerships.

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Shamag, an Ibaloi term that means news, is the official publication of Benguet State University. It functions as the University's mouthpiece for its accomplishments and is likewise a communication tool among BSU constituents. It started as the MSAC Newsletter in the 1970s to meet one of the requirements of then, the Department of Education, for a college to be elevated into a university. Hence, Shamag came out as the University newsletter in 1996.

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BSU to assist Itogon LGU



Municipal Mayor Atty. Victorio T. Palangdan and Dr. Luciana Villanueva signing the Memorandum of Understanding on Organic Agriculture between the Municipality of Itogon and Benguet State University in Ayosip, Poblacion, Itogon, Benguet last October 14, 2013. This was witnessed by municipal officials of Itogon, Dr. Carlito P. Laurean and Dr. Criselda Battad of BSU. The MOU signing was held at/Leny Mendoza

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Benguet State University and the Local Government Unit (LGU) of Itogon was duly signed last October 14, 2013 at the Itogon Breeding Research and Organic Demo-Training Center (IBRODTC) in Poblacion, Itogon, Benguet on the occasion of the facility's first 100 days themed 'One Hundred Days Report'.

BSU was represented by Dr. Luciana M. Villanueva, Dr. Criselda S. Battad, Dr. Carlito P. Laurean and Dr. Constantino T. Sudaypan Sr.

Stipulated in document is for the BSU and the LGU-Itogon to: conduct research and development programs on organic agriculture specifically on livestock production, high value crops, orchard, forestry, and environmental protection; package and submit joint research proposals to funding agencies; exchange information of mutual interests; and facilitate the conduct of on-the-job training activities of students along organic agriculture undertakings.

Itogon Mayor, Atty. Victorio T. Palangdan, thanked the vitality, vigor, and determination of everyone who helped in the realization of the MOU especially the Municipal Agriculturist's Office. He also hoped that through the MOU and their resources, the municipality will achieve its goal of going organic.

On the other hand, Dr. Luciana M. Villanueva, VP for Research and Extension, relayed the services BSU can offer. She also assured that as the leading organic SUC, BSU will totally support the said undertaking.

"BSU is very willing to help Itogon in this endeavor not only in Research and Development but also also in your desire to have this in your school curriculum," Dr. Villanueva said which earned applause from the audience.

Aside from the MOU signing, several activities took place to mark the day. These included a ground breaking ceremony for the proposed school and a ceremonial planting in the demo-training center, that has already been producing 'mukusako', vermitea, oyster mushroom, organic vegetables, and ornamentals with the intent of considering raising organic animals soon.

These efforts, according to Atty. Palangdan is in preparation for the upcoming implementation of the Asian Free Trade Area (AFTA).//Mafie Wance

University mentors cited by PPS, UPLB, and PNU

Four BSU mentors were recently recognized by the Philippine Pythopathological Society (PPS), the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB), and the Philippine Normal University (PNU).

VP for Research and Extension, Dr. Luciana M. Villanueva, received the Go Ocfemia Award of Excellence in Research by the PPS with the following: "In recognition of her outstanding accomplishments in the phytopathological research as evidenced by her numerous technical publications and recognitions. Her contributions to highland crop research led to the

development and implementation of new technologies in enhancing the growth of strawberry, vegetables, and cutflowers. Her pioneering work on chrysanthemum diseases provided the baseline information for the development of integrated disease management strategy that led to the utilization of fungal hyperparasites as biological control of white rust of chrysanthemum."

Dr. Villanueva received the award on October 9, 2013 during the Grand Fellowship and Awards Night in celebration of the PPS 50th anniversary at Mel-Nel's Place in Los Baños, Laguna.

Likewise, Dr. Rogelio D. Colting, Dr. Romeo A. Gomez, Jr., and Dr. Leoncia L. Tandang were recognized by the UPLB Alumni Association during its 95th Alumni Homecoming and Loyalty Day.

For the UPLB-College of Agriculture, Dr. Colting received the Distinguished Alumnus for Higher Education Administration Award and Dr. Tandang as the Distinguished Alumnae for Research and Development while Dr. Gomez received the UPLB- School of Environmental Science and Management Distinguished Alumnus for Academe Award.

The BSU mentors received their awards on October 9 during the Alumni Fellowship and Awards Night at the EB Copeland Gymnasium in UPLB.

In a separate occasion, Dr. Joel V. Lubrica, dean of Graduate School, likewise received an award of excellence as PNU Eminent Alumnus last September 30, 2013 during the 112th Foundation Anniversary of the Philippine Normal University.//JST

OVPRE consults stakeholders on AFTA, Climate Change, and Food Security

The Office of the VP for Research and Extension consulted the community stakeholders to address issues on the Asian Free Trade Agreement (AFTA), climate change, and food security on October 18 at the NPRCRTC.

The forum was anchored on what BSU President Ben D. Ladilad considered as a way of strengthening bonds with the community the University serves. "Being an educational institution, our prime consideration is to excel in our functions. It is not an option but an obligation. We have to understand that economic development and quality products in education are attained through R&D."

This is according to Dr. Ladilad as quoted by HERRC Director, Dr. Belinda A. Tadawan, who presented BSU's RDE programs.

Throughout the course of the forum, the stakeholders were

encouraged to bring out their queries and suggestions.

The interaction started with the issue on strawberry planting materials produced by BSU. The participants suggested planting in pots not in plots for higher rate of recovery when transplanted. They also requested the use of clean irrigating water instead of the one coming from households surrounding the production area. This is to avoid compromising the health of tourists who enjoy eating the fruit upon picking.

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BSU VP for Research and Extension, Dr. Luciana M. Villanueva welcomes the participants to the consultation to address issues on Asian Free Trade Agreement (AFTA), climate change, and food security on October 18 at the NPRCRTC.//JST



Student papers receive Campus Press Awards

For its support to campus journalism through the years, the Benguet State University was chosen by the School Press Advisers Movement (SPAM) as recipient of the first-ever "Courtesy for Institutions Award".

The award was given during the opening ceremonies of the 7th SPAM confab in Tagbilaran City, Bohol on September 12, 2013. SPAM, Inc. president, Dr. Melanie Briones, said the award was conceptualized to inspire and encourage institutions to continue supporting campus press publications.

The finalists for the SPAM's Award of Courtesy for Institutions are the Holy Trinity University in Palawan and Bohol Island State University Main. They were likewise recognized during the occasion.

Other recipients of SPAM Awards were Mr. Howie Severino (GMA) for excellence in the field of documentary reportage and Mr. Mike Enriquez (GMA) for excellence in the field of broadcasting.

According to Enriquez in his acceptance speech, "the life of a journalist is exciting; no days are the same in this age of empowerment."

"Love what you are doing and stay alive for the next story; the rest is history and you are the historian," were Severino's words of wisdom as he posed a challenge to the budding student journalists.

The three-day conference (September 12-14, 2013) attended by campus writers from elementary to tertiary levels included competitions on culture, feature, news, and editorial writing.

Mountain Collegian (MC), the official student publication of the Benguet State University was adjudged the Best in Cultural Page (Mother Tongue-Based Language) and 2nd in Best Newsletter in the Group Contest.

Moreover, seven MC staffers were able to place in the top five of their respective events in the individual on-the-spot contests: Faith Belingon was 2nd Placer in News Editing (Filipino category); Mariel Laoana seized 1st Place in Feature Editing (Filipino); and Rhe-Ann Ngayaan was 2nd Placer in



Representing BSU, Dr. Grace Bengwayan, University and Board Secretary, received the Plaque of 'Courtesy for Institutions Award' from SPAM, Inc. president Melanie Briones during the 7th SPAM conference held at Tagbilaran City, Bohol on September 12-14, 2013. //Rhe-ann Ngayaan

Editorial Writing (Filipino).

On the pre-judged events, Belingon was adjudged the "News Story Writer of the Year-3rd Place" and Juman Kevin Tindo emerged as the "Feature Story Writer of the Year".

Tindo, who also represented KaliCASan, earned the 3rd Place in Feature Editing (English), 4th in Editorial Writing, and 4th in Journ Quiz. KaliCasan's Eunice Tayaban ranked 4th in Editorial Writing (Filipino). KaliCASan is the official student publication of BSU's College of Arts and Sciences

With the awards received, BSU will host the 8th Annual Convention, 1st International Exchange and Seminar-Workshop and the 5th Pambansang Pautakang Pampahayagan set for September next year.

Meanwhile, fellow Cordilleran, Shermie Sancholes, a student of Ifugao State University landed as 4th Placer in News Editing (Filipino).

Aside from the competitions, the said conference engaged on plenaries, paper presentations, and simultaneously held seminar-workshops for elementary, secondary, and tertiary levels along with an environmental exposure to the famous natural wonders of Bohol like the renowned Chocolate Hills and the Tarsier Sanctuary.

In her paper presentation, KaliCASan adviser, Ms. Kara Panolong, shared her study titled "Promoting Environment Initiatives and Awareness through Campus Journalism". As a member of the University's Eco-Waste Management Program and the Balili River System Revitalization Coalition (BRSRC), she believes that the prominence of environmental articles should be sustained and also be given priority in the campus paper. The BRSRC is a multi-stakeholder, non-profit organization that aims to rehabilitate the polluted river system that stretches from Baguio City to La Trinidad, Benguet.

The 7th SPAM confab was themed "Intensifying the Power of Campus Paper in Protecting and Preserving the Environment and Natural Resources." It was attended by 304 delegates from 38 state universities and colleges including private schools all over the nation. This year welcomed the special participation of the Kansai University, Japan.

The annual SPAM National Convention and National Journalism Quiz Bee: Pambansang Pautakang Pampahayagan is a lecture-workshop and competition that served as an avenue not only to recognize excellent services of campus journalists and advisers but also to hone participating students' writing skills and to let them acquire recent trends in journalism from mainstream media practitioners.

The SPAM, Inc. is a national organization of campus advisers from elementary, high school and college created on Sept. 10, 2006. Its Annual National Journalism Quiz Bee dubbed 'Pautakang Pampahayagan' was launched in 2010 in Boracay, Malay, Aklan. //Rhe-ann Ngayaan

CTE's MAPEH curriculum advances culture integration; first "Laro ng Lahi" held

Students of the course, Elementary Education 121: Fundamentals of MAPEH conducted a series of activities that ran for a week (Oct. 1- 7).

The activities were designed to inculcate knowledge, skills, proper attitudes, values, and to enrich experiences that will provide prospective teachers with the necessary competencies essential for effective teaching in Elementary MAPEH.

Themed "Enhancing God-given talents through music, arts, and sports", the activities included an art exhibit, choral competition, and the first Laro ng Lahi tournament among the three sections of BEE III under Professor Alma Vida Gallardo – the BEE III- A, B, and C.

In the exhibit of arts, section III- A ranked 1st Place with an average of 41.22% followed by section III- B garnering 41.073% and section III- C at 3rd Place with an average of 38.44%.

The exhibits were judged by Prof. Darna Balang, Prof. Judith Cuntig, and Prof. Eduardo Naoe based on originality, craftsmanship, elements of arts, composition, unity and variety, medium and texture, space, presentation/organization, and degree of effort.

Besides showcasing the artworks of the three classes, Prof. Gallardo designed "Best Awards" to recognize students excelling in the field of Arts.

The Best in Oil Pastel was Jayford Pulac (III- A); Larry Lacambra (III- C) was Best in Colored Pencil; and Meliza Jadormio (III- B) was adjudged the Best in Heat and Blow and at the same time Best in Eggshell Mosaic. The 1st Placer in Crayon Etching was Cynthia Nang- is (III- A). The first spot for Curly Pictures was taken by Russel Toling (III- C). Still, the Best in Paper Mosaic award was given to Toling; while Prences Diga of BEE III- A emerged the Best in Sand Mosaic.

The artworks were judged by Prof. Balang, Prof. Cuntig, and Prof. Naoe along craftsmanship, elements of art, unity and variety, medium and texture, use of space, medium and texture, presentation, and degree of intricacy.

"Everyone is talented. God has given us gifts to share and it is up to us to develop them. I thought I already know arts, but I came to realize that what I know is just the surface structures of it. I found out that I could even do more with just a crayon and

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Seven BSU students make it to SOFAD 2013

Seven BSU students are Scout Officials For-A-Day (SOFAD) on October 21, 2013. They are Ivy Rose P. Cupido (TESDA Provincial Director), Johnson S. Diego (Schools Division Superintendent), Jyra L. Abaratigue (BSU-HERRC Director), Adam Brady B. Casauay (BSU-Office of the Registrar Director), Wilver A. Amoy (BSU-General Services Director), and Danielle S. Dolipas (BSU-CCA Director) from the BSU Secondary Laboratory High School and Kym B. Bugtong (Chapter Administrator-Philippine National Red Cross-Benguet) from the BSU Bokod Campus.

In case of BSU, the University welcomed 35 scouts led by Scout Gamaliel Roi L. Aquino from the Benguet National High School (BeNHS)-Main as the BSU President For A Day. Other SOFADs were Charmaen A. Dulay from the GBD AIS-Main as VP for Administration; Kasser Von B. Kiong from the BeNHS-Main, the VP for Research and Extension; Jeremy Mateo C. Martinez from Loacan National High School, the VP for Academic Affairs; and Jose M. Lambino from Balili National High School, the VP for Business Affairs.

The Scout Administrative

Council Members For A Day were: Joan J. Juan from the Atok National High School-Annex (Chief Administrative Officer); Denver M. Ngaseo from the Balili NHS (NOADC Director); Joseph D. Atonen from the Tublay School of Home Industries-Main (CEAT Dean); Armon K. Maguen from the Cordillera Regional Science High School (CF Dean); Hazem W. Egan from the BeNHS-Main (CVM Dean); Jonalyn C. Diza from the Governor Bado Dangwa Agro Industrial School-Main (CTE Dean); Jimler A. Balogat from the TSHI-Main (GS Dean); John Rey A. Pacio from the Balili NHS (CA Dean), Lilian N. Ceferino from the Lepanto National High School-Main (CN Dean); Maricel

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The BSU SOFAD for 2013 with their official counterparts in front of the BSU Administration Building before starting the work day on October 21, 2013.//JST

Organic market sales continue to increase

The BSU Organic Market has registered a total sales of PhP3,808,594.30 from March to October 2013 or a period of eight months. This amount was generated from the sales of 38,541.10 kilograms of various crops delivered by the farmer- members. However, 1,858.24 kilograms worth PhP 155,230.60 was recorded as pull-out or taken back by farmers due to shelf-life termination or postharvest disease.

On a daily basis, sales range from PhP 11,000.00 to PhP 26,000.00. From Thursday to Saturday, sales are higher because orders from regular buyers are on these days. Weekly sales are registered from PhP 71,683.70 to PhP 122,888.95. The monthly sales from March to October 2013 recorded a lowest sales of PhP 387,736.30 in October while the highest sales of PhP 592,341.00 was recorded in April. The average sales per month was computed to PhP 476,074.29.

In descending order, the best sellers among the vegetables during these months under review were: romaine, spinach, chingkan, pechay/pak choi, broccoli, snap beans, carrot, oyster mushroom, cabbage and iceberg lettuce, all of which contributed 17,566.65 kilograms.

Vegetables being sold at the BSU Organic Market are supplied by 73 farmers who attended training courses conducted by the BSU Extension Services. The production areas of these 73 farmers were also inspected by BSU. Out of the 73 farmers, 34 farmers are renting 500 sq m each at the Balili Organic Farms and are supplying the organic market with their produce from Monday to Saturday. Other sources of produce come from seven projects of the University. These are: the BSU Organic Demo Farms of Dr. Jose G. Balaoing, BSU Extension Services Organic Demo Farm, BSU Mushroom Project, Institute of Highland Farming Systems and Agro-forestry (IHFS), Benguet Vegetable Processing Center, Rootcrops

Center, ECLOF, Philippines, and Semi-Temperate Vegetables Research and Development Center (STVRDC).

Some farmers who supply the BSU Organic Market are also members of other groups like the La Trinidad Organic Practitioners Multipurpose Cooperative

(LaTOP), Atok Organic Practitioners Association, Inc. (ATOPAI) and Tublay Organic Farmers Association (ATOFPA), thus, they are not regularly supplying the BSU organic market.

The sales per day is remitted to the Director of Extension Services who deposits the money to the BSU Multipurpose Cooperative and finally credited to the individual farmer's personal account.

The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) grants the farmers 27 rolls of polyethylene plastic at 50 kilograms each as loan for their greenhouses and plastic tunnels which some farmers are presently constructing. Such assistance will be payable in one year. It is expected that some of the farmers will produce vegetables the whole-year round next year. //Silvestre L. Kudan

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The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) on the other hand, commented on the packaging of strawberries after observing that strawberries are usually packed in used juice cartoons. The DTI suggested that this be improved through research and programs in preparation for the AFTA.

Other concerns mulled upon include the transition of farmers from conventional to organic farming, diseases of plants, and the law of supply and demand.

More recommendations were forwarded: mass production of the Igorota potato variety planting materials; technologies prolonging the shelf-life of carrot juice; promoting organic agriculture and other good agricultural practices (GAP) to the youth; regulating price for fresh strawberries, development of queen bee producers, and the conduct of value chain analysis per commodity. It was also mentioned that the Department of Agrarian Reform program aims to turn farmers from producers to entrepreneurs and increase their income.

Participants also recommended policies that focus on the production and marketing of fresh vegetables, rootcrops, and cutflowers as well as the preservation of indigenous crops and products in a gene bank. To ensure the supply of quality produce, there should also be facilities like laboratories and mobile clinics for soil analysis and a monitoring body to prescribe the pre-cleaning of vegetables destined for the Trading Post and check the presence of toxic chemicals used in re-bottling and labeling of products.

Towards the end of the forum, Dr. Julius Caesar Sicat, director of the Department of Science and Technology in CAR pointed out that the name of the game this day is 'collaboration' among SUCs to utilize human and financial resources.

Attendees of the said activity were from the Municipal Agriculture Office of the 13 municipalities of Benguet, Office of the Provincial Agriculture of Benguet, different cooperatives in coffee, cut flowers, beekeeping, and organic vegetables farming and regional line agencies. //Jen L. Sabado-Tabangcura and Mafie Wance





PLAYING THE TRADITIONAL WAY. Aimed at equipping the students of ELEM Ed. 121: Fundamentals of MAPEH with the functional knowledge and skills as well as hands-on experiences in music, arts, physical education, and health; and to prepare them in the world of teaching, Prof. Alma Vida Gallardo designed a culminating activities wherein one is the tournament of Traditional Games. The said laro ng lahi was facilitated and managed by the students of MAPEH 131: Organization and Management of PEHMA Activities guided by their instructor, Prof. Frael Aquino.

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a paper," said Roberto Refugia Jr of section III-A.

In the week-long exhibit, nearby elementary schools such as UCCP, Shekainah, BSU- Elementary Laboratory School, Epiphany Learning Center, Cabanao Integrated School, and others came to visit the CTE lounge to view and enjoy the showcase and benchmark from the said artworks.

"What I learn in Fundamentals of MAPEH is to express what is in my heart...

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Prof. Noque encouraged the SUC heads to reach out to the poorest of the poor. This is since one of the five Key Result Areas of President Aquino is poverty alleviation and that SUCs are mandated to do extension work. He added that addressing poverty issues is one Human Development Indicator.

In relation to the Prof. Noque then suggested that the targets the SUCs should indicate in their PBBs in the following years should develop on strategies/activities so that

the communities will feel their presence.

"The PBB is not merely a bonus but is an articulation of President Pnoy's commitment to introduce a state of performance," Prof. Noque said.

On this regard, it was pointed out that Dr. Ladilad upon his assumption to Office has always been supportive of research and extension projects on organic agriculture in particular. One recent BSU R&E initiative addressing poverty is the CHED-

in a way that can enlighten others and share with them in a way that can mold them through art pieces," said Jordan Calalanoy of section III-C,

Regarding the result of the choral competition, III-B topped in "Instrument Song"; III-A ranked first in its rendition of a graduation song titled "The Journey"; while III-C was the champion in its doxology rendition of "Press On".

"It is indeed very challenging for me as the group leader to lead with conviction. All

things work together for good to them who love the Lord" said Joni Angeli Bangilan, III-B leader.

Moreover, the Team Rambutan led by Nobleson Libag (III- A) landed 1st Place in the overall results of the Laro ng Lahi tournament followed by Team Durian led by Benedick Rivera (III-B) while Michael Kawi's team, the Langka (III-A) came the 3rd Placer.

"Just do your best and God will do the rest! There is more to championship; it is not always what we aspired for but the camaraderie we build in the process, our goal, "stressed Libag.

"Through the Laro ng Lahi, I came back to my playful childhood days, admitted Jovelyn Guidaoen, III-C.

"To be the champion is what I thought to be the greatest reward; I was wrong. It is the challenges, memories, and friendships that were met and overcome, kept, and achieved; and most of all, the lessons and discoveries," said Winnie Lesino of III-A,

"Winning is just secondary. What is most important is that you enjoyed the activities. You learned many things, you had fun, and you gave your 100%... you did your best," said Prof. Gallardo.

"These line of activities in this subject made me experience things and do such things which I could share with my future pupils. I am proud to say that I could teach them how to make paper mosaic, color etching, heat and blow, among others. I would let them appreciate arts and let them know how wonderful it is to do those things," emphasized Stephanie Pabling, III-C.

"The incoming junior students must also experience all of these activities for them to acquire the same level of learning and I hope that these activities will carry on in the next school years to come," commented Shirley Timbreza.// Rhe-Ann B. Ngayaan

funded "Coffee-based Farming Systems for Poverty Alleviation in the Municipalities of Bakun and Kibungan, Benguet Province, Cordillera Administrative Region."

Likewise, during the conduct of the annual Agency In-House Reviews, Dr. Ladilad has always encouraged University constituents to conduct researches that aim to address specific problems of the community and the business sector.//Jen L. Sabado-Tabangcura with reports from Estrelita Daclan

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BSU joined the IP month celebration by hanging a streamer at the Main Gate of the Main campus.

October 5-6, 2013 is also the Tribal Filipino Week (TFW). The theme for this year's celebration is "Ipannakel Kultura a Nakabighigan, Padur-asen, Aywanan ken Salakniban!" (Take pride in our cultural identity: Develop, nurture, and defend it.) TFW commemorates the 26th memorial of Ama Daniel Ngayaan, one of the Chico Dam heroes.

BSU through the CAS-Department of Social Sciences honored the IP Month and the TFW with a simple program held on October 7, 2013 during the Flag Ceremony at the Administration building.

The program was graced by DepEd Consultant on IP Education, Belmer Yano as the Guest Speaker.

In his message, Mr. Yano stressed the integration of IP culture in the education system, which is also in line to DepEd's K-12 program. He added that IP education is one way of overcoming biases against cultural practices.

The program featured cultural song numbers from the Institute of Social Research and Development (ISRD) and the section BEE 3a students taking up Soc. Sci. 16 under Ms. Gigy Banes.//

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T. Lagadan from the BeNHS-Bineng (CAS Dean); Jezrael P. Guilod from the Fianza Memorial National High School (CHET Dean); Cresha L. Ramos from the Kapangan National High School (IPA Director); Leocadio S.



Three degree programs undergo AACCUP Survey Visit. The Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACCUP), Inc. survey team pose with University officials after their preliminary survey visit for MS Forestry, MA Technology and Home Economics and MA Home Economics from October 30-31, 2013. In the photo are: (l-r) Graduate School Dean, Joel V. Lubrica; College of Forestry Dean, Vicente Wacangan; College of Home Economics and Technology Dean, Pelin Belino; AACCUP Team member, Renelda P. Nacianceno of WVCST; AACCUP Team leader, Marcela T. Caluscasin of DMMMSU; AACCUP Team member, Laureana M. Lingan of CSU; BSU President, Ben D. Ladilad; and BSU VP for Academic Affairs, Percyveranda A. Lubrica.//

Ariban Jr from the Sinipsip National High School-main (IPE Director); Denver K. Biang from the Kapangan NHS (HORTI Director); Joarly A. Baludda from the BeNHS-Main (LRO Director); Jehugem C. Bayawa from the Cordillera RHS (PDO Director); Pramiila E. Marsan from the Eastern La Trinidad National High School (Open University Director); Milmer G. Solino from the Bangao NHS (Extension Services Director); Julius A. Abidal from the Sinipsip NHS-Main (ULS Director); Christian Jay D. Pacalso from the Bangao NHS (Research Services Director); Dencio R. Gawiden from the BeNHS-Bineng (University and Board Secretary); Riczy Gina Mae B. Colyong from the Ampusongan NHS (UPAO Director); Ian S. Solaina from the Cordillera RHS (Finance Division Chief); Jaily G. Pulquiso from the Ampusongan NHS (ISRD Director); Joser W. Domis



3rd Executive Dean of the Benguet State University-Buguias Campus takes oath. University President, Dr. Ben D. Ladilad congratulates Dr. Henry K. Bolinto, the 3rd Executive Dean of the BSU-Buguias Campus after administering his oath of office during the Intallation Ceremony last October 21, 2013 at the BSU Buguias Campus Social Hall, Loo, Buguias, Benguet. Witnesses to this rite were the students, faculty, staff and community members.//Patselyn A. Botiwey

from the Catlubong NHS (IPO Director); Femia D. Balacang from the Sinipsip NHS (NPRCTC Director); Jimmy Difuntorum from the Lepanto NHS (IHFS Director); Khiety Mae P.

Lopez from the TSHI-main (OSA Director); Noriver Buyagan from the Catlubong NHS (PDO Director); and Krezallann S. Cayad-an from the Kibungan NHS (CSAC Director).