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In any setting, leadership is essential. Be it family, school, government, Church, etc., the leader's role is crucial. She enunciates the vision. She articulates the means. She sets the pace.

But a leadership worthy of its name can never miss out on a crucial element: service. An ideal often aspired for, but frequently misunderstood.

At Tanglaw University Center, service forms the backbone of the vision for New Leaders who will guide our country – our world, for that matter – throughout the third millennium.

Service which is translated to people empowerment. Helping others tap their inner potential to transcend the confines of the here and now. Service which puts more emphasis on the walk than the talk. Service which is not ashamed of following another's command.

In the words of St. Josemaría Escrivá, founder of Opus Dei, *"There is no better leadership than wanting to give yourself freely, to be useful to others. When we feel pride swell up within us, making us think we are supermen, the time has come to say "no". Our only triumph will be the triumph of humility."* (Christ is Passing by, no. 19).

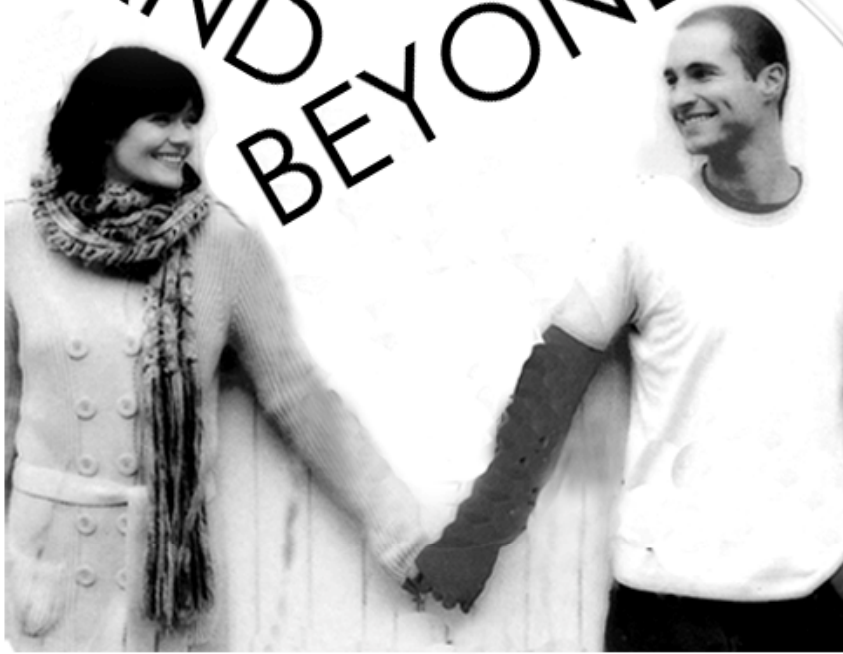


THE NEW
LEADERS

LOVE

by Aika Rodriguez

AND BEYOND



Tanglaw Center Cultural Club held a talk entitled "Love & Beyond." The event was in two parts: on dating & on marriage. Interestingly, one of the speakers, Marco Evalle, bravely opened up and shared his view on dating. What a treat! Listening to a man's perspective discussing the points on intelligent ways to go on dating and hopefully, pursuing the path of marriage. His mother, a happily married wife, went on sharing tips on how to be and stay married successfully. It was a fun and educational at the same time to listen to a wife discussing the serious side of love, which is marriage, in a comic way, cracking jokes here and there.

"Love and Beyond" was successful in sending the message that there are intelligent ways in pursuing marriage. Marriage, while taken a little less seriously by many people today, is an important institution in society. Most especially if this marriage would produce fruits of responsible and God-fearing citizens.

LOOK, IT'S A BIRD!

In January and February, many people flock to Candaba swamp in Pampanga. The reason? To answer a bird call.

Harsh winters in nearby China and places in that latitude, cause birds of all colors and sizes to migrate to the Philippines, much to the delight of bird lovers. Incredible but true – despite the pollution, the presence of these migratory birds prove that the Philippines continues to provide a haven for them.

Answering the bird call, some students from Tanglaw went "birdwatching" – not in Candaba though, but in the University of the Philippines. Under the able guidance of expert birdwatchers Alice Villa-Real, Professor De Villa and others from the society, we saw a wonderful array of birds we never thought existed: shrikes, kingfishers, owls ...

As they say, birdwatching is a quest. But it is important to know what is there to see.



TALK SENSE

by Nikki Uson

When I first got invited to the Toastmasters seminar, I was hesitant to join. I couldn't think how a public speaking seminar could possibly be fun but still, I decided to give it a try. And I'm glad that I did. Instead of the bore-fest I anticipated it to be, it was actually an enjoyable



experience. Not only did I learn more about the different techniques there are in public speaking, but I gained a lot of confidence. I also met many new friends there. All in all, I think it was a week well spent.

Actually, it seemed that the week with Ms. Em Vergara and the rest of the students was far too short. It was really a sad moment when we all had to say goodbye. I hope that Tanglaw will be able to come up with more fun activities such as the Junior Toastmasters seminar.



TANGLAW University Center

is project of the Philippine Foundation for Cultural and Educational Development (PFCED), a non-stock, non-profit NGO. It aims to provide young women with a venue to widen their horizons, realize the spiritual dimension of their existence, develop their character to the full and be persons more sensitive to the concerns of others. Activities in the Center include rural service projects, catechism classes, study seminars, tutorial programs, professional development talks, concerts, cultural get-togethers and outings.

Activities of a spiritual and doctrinal nature are entrusted to Opus Dei, a Personal Prelature of the Catholic Church.



CLUBS and WORK GROUPS

ORI – Optional Religious Instruction

Pitch in to teach highschool students in Philippine Science, the basics of Catholic teaching
Contact: Pia Garcia

WYD – World Youth Day

Join thousands of young people the world over in a weeklong learning and celebration of the faith capped by a meeting with the Vicar of Christ, Pope Benedict XVI in Madrid, Spain July 2011
Contact: Pia Garcia

DOST – Mentoring Program

Here's your chance to be a "life-coach" to scholars of the Department of Science and Technology.
Contact: Daphne Ong

UNIV – Research congress

Take part in a significant intellectual awakening: a meeting of students from different universities to study the chosen theme, with a view to influencing national and international policies.
Contact: Daphne Ong

Tavolo di Studio - Study Club

We can always be better students. Attend short courses on time management, study habits and healthy academic outlook.
Contact: Celine Ong

Catechism

Few things there are that can compare to the joy of teaching young children the path to Faith. Volunteers needed!
Contact: Sheena Peralta

Rural Service Project

Life is fuller when it is spent in service. Join outreach projects organized once a year in a suburban town.
Contact: Sheena Peralta

Cultural Get-togethers

Craft and enjoy creative activities that can transform you and give a real appreciation of the important things in life. Saturdays, 4:30 pm
Contact: Mimi Diola

Media Appreciation

Make sense of our "Media-ted" world: check out the messages being conveyed, not just the style or look of the messenger. Sign up for sessions on media and culture.
Contact: Mimi Diola





BLAST TO THE PAST

TRIP TO BAGAC, BATAAN

A day of discovering Philippine history and culture at a heritage site



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Looking for a way to give back to society and the world?

Teach.

Not just about particular subjects but about life and faith. In Catechism teaching, we embark on a journey. A journey of believing in happy endings.

Everything Catholics believe and do has the objective of inviting the world to share in God's love —which begins in this life and continues without end in the life to come.
-- David Scott

Catechism schedule: Saturdays – 9:30 am to 11:30 am