Grand slam for PAUW-UP at PAUW-National biennial

At the 43rd Biennial Convention of university women organizations held at the Alumni Hall of the Philippine Normal University on May 22, 2014, the PAUW-University of the Philippines Chapter (PAUW-UP) won the top awards in all three competition categories. It was awarded the Most Outstanding Chapter of the Philippine Association of University Women; its president, Ms. Carmen Pascual, the Most Outstanding Chapter President; and its project, “Towards a Cleaner and Greener UP Environment” as the Most Outstanding Community Service.

The UP Chapter bested other university chapters for its distinguished achievements in promoting women empowerment, particularly UP women; in serving the UP community and beyond with numerous projects involving skills training and career opportunities, in addition to workshops and conferences on health, wellness, women rights and concerns, and greening the environment and propagating a zero waste lifestyle. Thru its dynamic collaboration with the teachers, its flagship project, the Child Study Center, has become a model pre-school in its impressive multifaceted growth: its doubled enrollment; its highly improved teaching-learning environment; its expanded and modernized building and premises; its upgraded facilities, equipment, instructional materials; its continuing training and inspiring of the CSC teachers.

PAUW Officers try out the latest improvements in the CSC classroom
The Chapter also takes pride in the recognition of Mrs. Carmen Pascual, as the Most Outstanding Chapter President, for her exceptional leadership and tireless efforts in steering the Chapter to unprecedented performance, and innovative projects, for her commitment to the advancement of women, particularly the disadvantaged community sectors; to the upgrading of the Child Study Center and care of the environment, as well as for her maximized charm and skills in fund-raising, and involving her networks for collaborative projects advancing the causes of PAUW-UP, and PAUW-National.

The stellar outreach project, the multifaceted Clean and Green Environment Project, spearheaded by Prof. Gloria Caccam and Mrs. Carmen Pascual, has entailed several seminars, lecture-demonstrations, field trips, and workshops educating and raising awareness on caring for the environment, urban gardening, greening the Campus, and more importantly, leading in tree planting, actual tree care and maintenance, herbal gardening, composting, establishing a native tree nursery and small gardens on campus, and “reduce, reuse, and recycle” projects. The UP System wide Conference on Zero Waste Lifestyle, convened by Mrs. Carmen Pascual, and the tree care workshops have proven how PAUW-UP can lead the various sectors of UP, and collaborate with top Metro Manila civic organizations and government agencies as well as greenery experts in foregrounding environment concerns.
The officers of the university women chapter include: Carmen M. Pascual, President; Elizabeth L. Diaz, Vice-President; Adelaida F. Lucero, Secretary; Rosella Jean M. Puno, Assistant Secretary; Gregoria D.L. Cervantes, Treasurer; Gloria Q. Caccam, Assistant Treasurer; Aurora C. Zuniga, Auditor; Carmelita Ramirez, P.R.O.. The Board Directors are: Trinidad O. Abenojar, Carmencita T. Aguilar, Selma G. Cortes, Sylvia H. Guerrero, Belen T.G. Medina, And Aleli V. Sevilla. Lilia Torres is the Child Study Center Supervisor; Noni Zabala, the PAUW-UP Chorale Conductor. - aaflocero