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DUNK Center for the Deaf NEWSLINKS

Enhancing access to elementary and secondary education







"To whom much is given, of him much is required." This passage from the Scripture was given emphasis in a closing message delivered by Dr. Robert Mobley, a member of LCD's Board of Trustees, to the participants of this year's Teacher Enhancement Program in Special Education (SPED). The teachers, coming from both elementary and secondary public schools, received training in sign language and workshops in SPED which ran for 9 days for elementary teachers and 5 days for secondary teachers. Cluster trainings held in Baguio City, Cebu City, and Cagayan De Oro City in April and May gathered 254 secondary teachers, 131 elementary teachers, and 39 administrators from across 14 Regions of the country. As a result of the training, the participants are expected to open SPED Programs in their schools for children with hearing impairment.

The Teacher Enhancement Program is implemented in partnership with the Department of Education with support from Boeing Global Corporate Citizenship, Philippines-Australia Assistance Program, Assisi Development Foundation, and Misereor in Germany.

Educational support extends to tertiary students





The opening of the school year brings good news to our 8 scholars who have finished secondary level and were accepted to tertiary schools. 4 are now enrolled in a University while the other 4 are in an Institute of Information Technology. Furthermore, the program takes in 5 new scholars enrolled in vocational courses to be provided free interpreting services. At present, the program supports 52 scholars from elementary to tertiary levels.



LCD has new Chair of the Board

Dr. Robert T. Mobley was elected Chair of the Board of Trustees during its annual meeting held last May 29. Dr. Mobley, a retired professor, has carried a range of senior positions at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. including head of the Department of Education and Center for Global Education. He has worked in the Philippines and other parts of the world in different capacities. He brings with him over three decades of experience working for the upliftment of people who are deaf.

Upcoming event

National Persons with Disabilities Registration Week

Coinciding with the celebration of the National Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation Week, COMELEC declared the week July 18-23 as National Persons with Disabilities Registration Week. There will be satellite registration in accessible sites such as SM Malls and Barangays. The entire registration period is from May 3, 2011 to October 31, 2012.

THE FOLLOWING TEACHERS OPENED THEIR CLASSROOMS TO DEAF CHILDREN THIS JUNE. WAY TO GO TEACHERS!

Teachers in Elementary

Region II	Vicky Velazquez, Daisy Mapalad
Region III	Catherine Panoy
Region IV-A	Rose An Macaraig, Jocelyn Olave
Region IV-B	Katherine Sumbrano, Jennylyn Zabalo
Region IX	Czarina Arabejo, Ma. Della Faustino, Yulanda Milagro,
	Michael Navarro, Girlie Ugmad, Chrisper Bacatan
Region XII	Arlene Galleon, Ritchel Ladub
Region XIII	Iris Eco
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Teachers in Secondary

CAR	Judica Dasco
Region I	Magno, Lailany
Region II	Criselda Genetiano, Romulus Guzman, Lorinda Lopez
Region IV-A	Esterlita Maningbat, Sarah Mendoza
Region IV-B	Edualino Minupa, Dulce De Galicia, Michael Montales,
	Daisy Nieva
Region V	Eddie Espenida, Maria Lourdes Franche
Region VI	Merlene Capuno, Virginia Repal, Imelda Lines
Region XI	Dory Guzman, Mary Jane Tindoc
Region XIII	Julieta Sapuras, Susan Vales

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