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The United Architects of the Philippines celebrated the World Day of Architecture 2014. This year, WDA was celebrated on October 6, 2014. Initiated by the UIA or the Union Internationale des Architectes, annually it is celebrated every first Monday of October. This year’s theme “Healthy Cities, Happy Cities” is very relevant to our very own cities which are full of so many challenges. The theme also want to convey UIA’s global commitment to international institutions or organizations that defend and safeguard the planet, the quality of the air, the water, the soil and all the elements contributing to the health of human settlements. Now the question is “what a healthy city is and what the architect’s part in achieving this goal is?” The architects play very important role in the urban development and the well-being of its local inhabitants. In our own little ways, we can achieve in making our cities liveable as architects are problem solvers and earth keepers.

In closing, let me quote from Alain De Botton, the author of the book Architecture of Happiness, “We owe it to the fields that our houses will not be the inferiors of the virgin land they have replaced. We owe to the worms and the trees that the building we cover them with will stand as promises of the highest and most intelligent kinds of happiness.”

As you turn the pages of this UAP Post issue, may you appreciate what the UAP did to celebrate WDA 2014. I do…. LEAH Y. MARTIN, UAP

Managing Editor, UAP Post 2014-2015
Season’s Message
Office of the UAP National President

On behalf of the United Architects of the Philippines, the Integrated and Accredited Professional Organization of Architects (UAP-IAPOA), it is my distinct privilege to extend my seasons’ greetings to the general membership for an enjoyable and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year to you and your family.

In this season, we are reminded of that important place called Bethlehem, the birthplace of the Christian faith, the cradle of Christianity. Bethlehem is the foundation on which all Christian faiths are built, Bethlehem symbolizes Jesus’ presence among us all over the world. Bethlehem reminds us of how we all come to God. Some of us come like Joseph; confused about our faith and unsuspecting that God is among us. We come like the shepherds, without power, weak and even despised. We come like the wise men, with a faulty sense of faith, expecting a God of preconceived stature and power. We come like Herod, fearing that in recognizing God, we lose recognition of ourselves.

The surprise of Bethlehem is that God welcomes our weakness in the Infant whose birth we celebrate.

During this wondrous season of light and life, may we each continue our journey in the joyful hope that our lives have made and continue to make a difference. As the child Jesus grew in wisdom, age and grace, I am daily convinced that our co-will continue to make a difference in the lives in which we are blessed to share - the beloved professional organization and the architecture profession whom we all are serving.

And whatever ways you choose to spend the gift of time that comes with the holidays, I wish you good health, the joy and comfort of moments with family and friends, and the sense of optimism and energy that a break provides.

Also, while listening to the music during the past few days, it reminds me that this season of carols and Christmas trees is a time to take stock; a time to reflect on the events of this year and to make resolutions for the New Year ahead.

Year 2014, and for the past 6 months under our administration, I must say, is a fruitful year to the organization where you and I belong, a year where mutual relationship reigns in our midst as we shared profound understandings and appreciative acceptance regardless of our views and beliefs.

For the past six months, much of our efforts have focused on keeping the various parts of the organization in sync, overseeing the many activities of our commissions and committees and responding to various invitations from our Districts and Chapters nationwide, including collaboration and coordination with local and national government units. I am proud to share with you just a sample of the remarkable feats we have accomplished:

- Lobbied for the creation of City Architect Department which was passed by Quezon City Council through City Ordinance 2316. First in the Philippines, the new office will oversee the implementation of the city’s urban and community development program.
- Issued Memo Circulars to local chapters to coordinate and collaborate with their respective Local Governments for a MOA assisting them in producing conceptual master development plan/design or specific area conceptual plan/design.
- Created the Committee on ASEAN Integration which is mandated to prepare the direction for the architects on how to practice within the context of borderless ASEAN group.
- Entered into a MOA with HCG and CODHASP for a Tri-Partite Memorandum of Agreement with HCG Philippines on their National Students’ Design Competition dubbed as “Young Designers Competition.”
- Entered into a MOA with Nippon Paints for the Nippon Paints Young Designers Award.
- Issued Memo Circular encouraging the general membership to participate in the Capability Profile project which will serve as a tool of reference from which a firm’s experience, manpower capabilities and expertise will become a basis of selection for local and international clients and developers.
- Approved the creation of the Oversight Sub-Committee for Section 29 under the Task Force RA 9266 which intends to oversee and study evidences of code violations.
- Allocated P500,000.00 for the scholarship program for masteral studies of our members for the continuous professional development.
- Computerization of Accounting System at the UAP National Headquarters. Purchased and updated computer software at the UAP National Administration Office.
- Institutionalization of various important committees in UAP, including the the UAP Corporate Communication and the Committee of Media and Public Relations.
- Successfully held the World Day of Architecture and National Architecture Week.

The results of these exceptional achievements bind us together as one unified organization. And as I look to the two more quarters, I have no doubt at all that the one certainty is change - and the pace of that change will only seem to increase in the coming days.

Lastly, let us display goodwill, peace and love towards each other. Let us use this time to bring good cheer to our families, friends and neighbors. Let us reflect upon the year gone by, with all its triumphs and success. I look forward to a new year of exciting initiatives and important work under our administration. May the year’s end bring you beautiful new beginnings.

Mahaluyang UAP and God bless!
One of the pillars of the current administration is to Enjoin the general membership. The key to which is reassessment and reinvention of how the UAP Headquarters - its Secretariat serves its members. Establishment of a department that will cater solely the professional needs (license renewal, IAPOA application/renewal, seal fabrication, ID, books, etc.), answer queries, formulate programs/policies through coordination with committee chairpersons on Internal Affairs, and implementation of programs and policies for the general members benefit and information. Thus the Membership Care Department (MCD) was born. It was made possible because of the top of mind objective of the new administration and of the Office of the Secretary General (OSG) - to make the UAP Headquarters a member-centric organization.

The MCD is actively involved in assistance and coordination works of the 7 Commission Executive Directors (ED), 49 National Committee Chairpersons (NCC), 4 Area Vice Presidents (AVP), 20 District Directors (DD), 118 Philippine-based Chapter Presidents (CP) and 18 International-based Chapter Presidents (CP). The staff in coordination see to it that reports are submitted to the OSG for proper endorsement to the offices of the National President (NP) and the National Executive Vice President (NEVP); they see to it that the meetings and logistical requirements of the officers are provided; and to top it all they document all meetings of the Commissions and Committees. The staff in charge of the area, district, and chapter coordination involves arrangement of protocols in their respective activities and assemblies. Important task of the Area/District/Chapter coordinators is information dissemination on the updates, plans and programs of the administration.

Currently the MCD is manned by 6 staff: one supervisor Mr. Mars Cuevas that oversees the day to day activities of its personnel, 4 coordinators, Mr. Marvin Oliva for Areas B & D, who serves also as the PRC liaison and Ms. Eliza Moreno for UAP Areas A & C. The coordination team is reinforced by two young and dynamic commission/committee coordinators, Ms. Janneile Lee Oliver and Ms. Plinky Joy Galera. Though new to the job, they are able to hurdle the demands of their work - which is to make sure to coordinate well with the commissions and committees to best serve the members. Mr. Franco Santia handles the membership data and issuance of necessary professional/educational/legal UAP certificates as IAPOA.
SENTRO NG ARKITETURANG FILIPINO PROJECT
by Rogelio D. Caringal, uap, piid

The UAP Sentro ng Arkitekturang Filipino’s Executive Director, Arch. Rogelio D. Caringal has been appointed as member of the National Selection Committee of the National Committee for the Architectural and Allied Arts (NCAA) for the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) to the Philippine participation in an ASEAN – Committee on Culture and Information (COCI) project entitled, Citation of Excellent Architectural Design Reflecting East Asian Identity. With the theme, Expression of Cultural Identity: Emergent Architecture in East Asia, this activity is being organized by the Ministry of National Education and Culture of Indonesia with support from the ASEAN – Korea Cooperation Fund.

The project aims to acknowledge the development and improvement of the East Asian built environment and to enhance awareness of the architecture and architect’s role in the socio-economic and culture of East Asian Countries. Each ASEAN Member State (AMS) is tasked to implement the project at the national level by submitting the arts works (1 winner and 2 citations) to the ASEAN National COCI Indonesia for the regional exhibition and selection in February 2015.

The NCCA, as a member of the ASEAN National COCI Philippines, is tasked to facilitate the full implementation at the national level of this project.

COF LIFETIME ACHIEVERS HONORED
by Maria Elena Carlos-Cayanan, fuap, asean architect

In recognition of their lifelong contributions to the welfare of the United Architects of the Philippines; for the individual roles they played—and continue to play as lifetime achievers—in perpetuating their heritage and instilling solid values in the hearts and minds of younger generations. For veritably shaping the future of the architecture profession, seven members of the UAP College of Fellows have been honoured with a Lifetime Achievement Award during the celebration of World Day of Architecture last October 6, 2014 at the Events Center of SM City Manila.

Since 2006, the Awards have been presented by the UAP College of Fellows in recognition of the lifetime achievement of its members through its annual BalikTanaw program. It started as the culminating activity of the observance of World Day of Architecture (WDA) by the UAPin October 2006 and has become a traditional part of the annual celebration. Mandated by the Union Internationale des Architectes (UIA), of which the UAP is a member Institute – the World Day of Architecture is celebrated on the first Monday of October every year.

BalikTanaw isa brainchild of Past Chancellor Maria Elena C. Cayanan, fuap, asean architect, and concurred by now Vice President for Area A, Corazon F. Tandoc, fuap, asean architect – both agreeing that sadly, the only time the members of the COF are given tribute is during Necrological Services; it is but fitting that they are recognized while they are still around to appreciate it.

The inclusion of BalikTanaw in the WDA program was approved by the UAP National Board in 2006 under the leadership of Edric Marco C. Florentino, fuap, asean architect, and Ana S. Mangalino-Ling, fuap, asean architect, National President and National Executive Vice President, respectively.

This year’s recipients of COF Lifetime Achievement Awards were: Mamerto P. Almajose, fuap (Manila Sampaloc Chapter), Froilan L. Hong, fuap,LIKHA Awardee (Diliman Chapter), Francisco P. Mapalo, Jr., fuap (Manila Sampaloc Chapter), Sergio V. Peñales, fuap (Iloilo Chapter), Renato L. Punzalan, fuap (Manila Maynilad Chapter), Edgar V. Reformado, fuap (Manila Maharlika Chapter), and Nilo B. Villanueva, fuap (Manila Maharlika Chapter).

UAPQC Chapter members attended the opening ceremonies of this year’s World Day of Architecture celebration in SM Manila. Pres. Joey Mendoza, UAP supported this event along with the other members of the board and College of Fellows.

**Celebrating World Day of Architecture**

**UAPQC Launches Tree for a Cause**

text by Chito B. Ranay, photos by Jordan Luzande

This is the first activity of UAPQC Chapter for the World Day of Architecture 2014. Members of the chapter and students gathered on CP Garcia at the UP Diliman Campus to contribute to a healthy and happy city.
Last November 21, 2014, architects took some time away from their busy schedules. The UAP Bulacan Chapter headed by its dynamic president Arch’t. Ardel J. Santos together with the UAP Quezon City Chapter led by its athletic president Arch’t. Joey Mendoza went to a “Lakbay-Aral Tour sa Ciudad de Victoria” at the newly opened Philippine Arena located in Bocaue, Bulacan. Prior to the trip, the two groups paid a courtesy call to the Marilao Municipality mayor, Mayor Tito Santiago who fervently supports the R.A. 9266’s provision of a Municipal/ City Architect. The UAP Bulacan Chapter president is a Municipal Architect of Marilao, Bulacan.

In line with the event, pupils from the three elementary schools of Marilao received shirts from the two UAP chapters as additional uniform of the children being their schools are adopted by the Bulacan Chapter.

At the Philippine Arena, the building administrators gave a warm welcome to the curious architects on tour. Their private cars were requested to be parked at the parking lot and the group was provided with 15 electric cars driven by polite divers. It was their standard operating procedure for convenience and speedy but comfortable tour within the whole complex. A briefing was conducted by Eng’r. Bessy N. Fetalvero, Building Administrator and Atty. Enrile Teodoro, Legal Counsel, before the guided tour. Bro. Eduardo Manalo -Executive Minister, was also present during the affair.

To mention, the highlights of the complex are as follows:

Touted as the world’s largest multi-purpose indoor arena, the whole development was owned by the Iglesian Cristo, a religious group.

The Philippine Arena is a multipurpose indoor arena at Ciudad de Victoria, a 140-hectare tourism enterprise zone in Bocaue and Santa Maria, Bulacan, Philippines. The arena boasts of 55,000 seating capacity and sits on a 50-hectare property. By seating capacity alone, the Philippine Arena is twice the size of the largest domed arenas in the United States and Europe, according to NewMedia.

It is set to be a tourism enterprise zone which will see the completion of other structures in the near future, including the Philippine Stadium, New Era University, Eraño G. Manalo Medical Center, commercial shops, hotels and leisure parks.

It was designed by famed Kansas City-based architecture firm Populous led by Andrew James as senior principal designer. The firm has been known for being the creative minds behind the Yankee Stadium in New York City and the Wimbley Stadium in London.

“The building’s capacity pushes the boundary of arena design. The form uses geometry to create an elegant appearance while also giving the venue a powerful presence within its setting. Innovative solutions to the technical challenges of size and scale have also moved arena design forward,” Populous said in a case study post. Actually the design concept was inspired by Rome’s Colosseum and the pyramid of Egypt.

The Discovery Channel dubbed the newly launched arena as one of the “man made marvels” for being earthquake-proof. (Philstar.com July 21, 2014)

On that same day, before the group parted ways, a MOA signing was done between UAP Bulacan Chapter and UAP Cavite Chapter represented by each chapter’s presidents namely Arch’t. Ardel Santos of Bulacan and Arch’t. Clarito Mabituin of Cavite. The two chapters entered into an agreement in the school project named Frances Elementary School in Calumpit Bulacan. Project design came from Arch’t. Heray of Cavite Chapter, project supervision by Bulacan Chapter and financially supported by Sagip Kapamilya of ABS-CBN Foundation, Inc. spearheaded by Ms. Tina Monzon-Palma and construction workers by the Philippine Army and local residents of the area.

To wrap up the whole day event, although it was quite hectic in so short a time, the Bulakenyo Architects achieved so much that day. They renewed their friendship with UAP Quezon City Chapter, set the boundaries between the two UAP chapters’ local and very meaningful school project. At the end of the day, everyone was still amazed of the Philippine Arena, a new landmark which set the architectural skyline in Bulacan. The “Lakbay-Aral Tour” was worth their while.
Oath taking of District B1, new Chapter Officers

New Chapter Presidents with NEVP - Ar. Rey S. Gabitan, District B1 Director - Ar. Rudy O. Ferrer, National President - Ar. Beth O. Regala, Area B VP - Ar. Wilfredo G. Gacutan, Past District B1 Director - Ar. Abe Firmeza

New regular members from various Chapters of B1, with NP Beth Regala, NEVP Rey Gabitan, Nat’l Auditor Mohammad Sarfraz Uittoh, District B1 Director Rudy Ferrer

Inaugural Address by District B1 Director, Ar. Rudy O. Ferrer

Raffle draw winners with the Event’s major sponsor

Oath taking of new regular members
2nd General Membership Meeting

November 13, 2014 / 7pm / Thursday
Shakey’s Restaurant
P. Sanchez cor. Bagumbayan St., Sta. Mesa, Manila

UAP Manila Atelier Chapter Heritage Tour 2014 (Corregidor, Province of Cavite)

Manila Atelier GMM 2014 held at H Cuisine Resto, Set. Rallos St., Q.C.
(Chapter Initiative and Proposal for a Resilient 2-Classroom School Building)
Photos taken last World Day in Architecture (WDA) 2014 held at SM Manila. UAP Manila Sta. Mesa Chapter has submitted an entry entitled “ENVISAGE” - A product of Polytechnique University of the Philippines - College of Architecture and Fine Arts (PUP CAFA) Students under the Supervision of Ar. Anthony C. Yan, Dean Ted Inocencio and Chairperson Ar. Jocelyn R. Lutap.

UAP MANILA STA. MESA
CHAPTER ON WDA 2014

Global Trends Changing the Retail World!
Tuesday, November 12, 2014, 6:30PM
Registration Required
SMX Convention Center
SM Mall of Asia

Empowering Architects Now!
Empowering Architects Now!

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"Filipino Architects at the Forefront of ASEAN 2015". This was the theme prepared and implemented by the UAP National Architecture Week Committee headed by its Chairman Ar. Patrick N. Rodriguez, uap, of Manila Corinthian Chapter in connection with the imminent implementation of the ASEAN 2015 where cross-border practice of architecture is expected to happen by year 2015.

This week-long celebration which was slated last December 8-13, 2014 was a huge success brought about not just by the events initiated by the NAW Committee but also by the active participation and support from different UAP Chapters, here and abroad and by the architectural schools in the country.

The Committee on National Architecture Week 2014 opened the celebration through health and wealth event via a Fun Run entitled "Arkitek-Bo" last December 7 at UP Diliman Academic Oval. This kick-off activity was attended by 84 guests and architects from different UAP Chapters and was co-sponsored by UAP Diliman led by NAW Fun-Run Chair Ar. Napoleon Ibañez.

To officially start the NAW 2014 event on December 8 and to ask for grace and guidance from the Lord Almighty, a thanksgiving mass was held at SM Manila Activity Center celebrated by the parish priest from Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Soccoro Parish Manila.
i-Shot Events Production covers the opening celebration of World day of Architecture (WDA) of United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) last October 6, 2014 at SM Manila. The event was headed by Architect Neil Villanueva and attended by their respective UAP members and known architects in the Philippines. This year’s theme of celebration is “Healthy Cities and Happy Cities” worldwide, according to National President of UAP-Architect Beth Regala-Ochoa “it is the best time to Empower, Equip and Enjoin all the Filipino architects here and abroad to showcase the artistry and creativity of their talents and recognize the value of it”.

According to Architect Neil Villanueva-Committee Chairman of WDA 2014, the celebration is nationwide and worldwide with series and simultaneous programs like in Cebu, Davao, Pampanga, General Santos City, Laguna, Baguio and other parts of the country and abroad.

Architects, non-architects, students from the different schools in Manila graced the occasion and even media group like ABS-CBN, TV 5 News, Philstar, PEP and other print and radio networks.

The Officers and Members of WDA 2014 headed by Architect Neil Villanueva would like to thank the following for the series of events and hard work:

UAP Areas: 4 UAP Districts: 10 UAP Chapters: 31 UAP Foreign Chapters: 4 Tree Planting: 5 Radio Hopping: 6 Malls: 7 Hotel: 1 UAP HQ Events: 8
Area A,B,C and D and UAP MENA Council, UAP Districts A 2B, A3, A4, A5, B2, B3, C2,C3, D1 and UAP Chapters: UAP Leyte Chapter / UAPSA EVSU, UAP Cavite Chapter, UAP Hamili Chapter, All UAP District B2 7 Chapters, UAP Pampanga City of San Fernando Chapter, UAP Singapore Chapter, UAP Diliman Chapter, UAP Alabang Chapter, UAP Makati CBD Chapter, UAP La Union Agila Chapter, UAP Davao Chapter, UAP MT Kanlaon Chapter, UAP San Juan Mandaluyong Chapter, UAP KSA Riyadh Chapter, UAP Capiz Chapter/UAPSA CAPSU, UAP Dau Bago Dabaw Chapter, UAP QC Chapter, UAP Sta Mesa Chapter, UAP LCC ARFIEN Bacolod Chapter, UAP Tandang Sora Chapter, UAP CAMANAVA Chapter, UAP Elliptical Chapter, UAP QC Silangan Chapter, UAP Ilocos Ciudad Fernandez Chapter, UAP Balangkasen 2014, UAPSA NBD, UAPGA NBD and others.

PP Ar. Ramon Mendoza I PP Ar. Sonny Rosal
Ar. UAP MPR-Ar. Ramuel C. Aurelio, i shot Event Production by Mr. Ediboy Quizada, Ar. Sylvester Seno and I-ann Monson.
The UAP District C4 held its Joint Induction and Turn-Over ceremonies with the theme “Empower, Equip, Enjoin”.

Registration of delegates started early at 10:00am followed by a Holy Mass with Fr. Dexter Sontillano as the Main celebrant. The Luncheon Program followed at the Emerald-Diamond function room with a welcome remark from Ar. Ma. Cecilia S. Lataquín (Incoming Dist. Director C4). Roll call of delegates was announced by Ar. Jose Rex De los Reyes (Incoming Dist. Secretary), followed by the Product Presentation of JEA Steel Industries as one of the major sponsors for the day event. To peak up the activities, Forum or Balangkasan was then realized. The guest speaker duly represented by Ar. Manuel B. Tingzon, Jr. fuap (Vice Pres. for Area C), Ar. Jose Mari Moleta, (Outgoing Dist. Director C-4), Ar. Ma. Cecilia S. Lataquín, (Incoming Dist. Director, C-4).

The rest of the program followed with a 5 minute video Presentation of the Chapter shown as a recap of the past year activities. The Induction of Chapter Officers also highlighted the evening.

The testimonial and Closing ceremonies were done with an Inspirational message by Ar. Ma. Benita O. Regala, fuap, UAP National President. After it, came the raffle of prizes and fellowship Night where everyone invited enjoined the moment.

Introduction of supportive company sponsors: Jardine Davies, Technotrade Resources, Inc., Concrete Ventures, and Europa Design & Windows Inc. spiced up the rest of the afternoon Meeting of UAP District C4 Chapter Presidents with Ar. Ma.
Aiming to uplift the profession of Architects and camaraderie among building construction manufacturers, the UAP Iloilo Marikudo Chapter held its “2ND MARCONEX 2014” (Marikudo Construction Exhibit) last October 18-23, 2014 at Robinsons Place Iloilo. The event is in line with the chapter’s celebration of World Day of Architecture, with the theme, “Healthy Cities, Happy Cities”, last October 6, 2014. It is the second year of a week long exhibit organized by the chapter to showcase different construction materials which are more efficient nowadays especially that there is a demand in society for sustainable living.

Spearheaded by the chapter president Ar. Richard V. Doran, immediate past president and overall chairman of “Marconex 2014”, Ar. Corina S. Moleta, and members of the board, the event attracted about twenty two (22) construction material suppliers who participated and designed their own booth creatively.

Hon. Nielex C. Tupas, Iloilo City councilor, who gave his high regards to the architecture profession, led the formal opening of the exhibit to the public. Many people were fascinated on the newly developed construction materials made to be more appealing, energy saving and reasonably priced.

On the second part of the opening program, architecture students from Western Visayas College of Science and Technology presented their innovative design by introducing and integrating world famous structures into fashion. Likewise, architecture students from University of San Agustin, entertained the audience with dance numbers as well as displayed their miniature projects in the exhibit. With this, students would not only be aware of the profession’s advocacy, which is to promote sustainable architectural design, but also develop their self-esteem and confidence when they become architects themselves.

The “Suppliers’ Night” followed in the evening to acknowledge the support and partnership of every participating supplier with the Marikudo Architects. The night started with a scrumptious dinner, followed by the awarding of certificates and special awards. The evening soiree became a chance for both architects and suppliers to “meet and greet” as well as solidify relationships outside the work environment. James Hardie, famous for their fiber cement board products, garnered the best booth award for this year Marconex 2014.

It was a successful event which started last year and opt to become a yearly activity of the chapter. “Congratulations Marikudo architects for a job well done”!

More than a year since the most powerful typhoon Yolanda to hit land caused so much destruction in the Visayas, many towns and cities are still coping to recover and its people experiencing trauma from the tragic event.

“The destruction that Yolanda left was just too much for some survivors to handle that they could not afford to wallow in sadness or grieve for loved ones who perished in the tragedy,” says UAP Rajah Humabon Chapter President Richard Cabaluna. But 2 days later, he continued, they immediately went to the hardest hit areas and witnessed the miserable situation.

As a continuing project for the chapter’s members, the “Balik Atop” (Bring Back the Roof) of UAP Rajah Humabon recently completed a roofing project in schools north of Cebu Province. Just like the provinces of Eastern Visayas, the towns of that area also suffered a lot from super typhoon Yolanda. “I know God will be amazed with this noble undertaking,” Cabaluna shares. And he is also thankful to the time and effort given by the architects of UAP Rajah Humabon.
The UAP Iloilo headed by Chapter President Arch. Ryan N. Bedia celebrated this year’s World Day of Architecture with a “GO GREEN Expo” a five (5) day Exhibit with the theme: “Healthy Cities, Happy Cities.”

For 2014, UAP Iloilo mainly aims to have a unique experience to culminate and bring together various players who advocate greener and healthier environment. This will let Architects and businesses showcase their works, services and product lines that promote eco-friendly products, energy-saving technology, health and wellness.

This edition of GO GREEN Exhibition was more global with participants like DAVIES Paints, Stoneworld, PrimaxPavings and Cement Tiles, LMV Stones, JECO, Low Temp, Fit Stop, DEKA Sales, JEA Steel, Sea Olympus, Bee Hub, Fitness Link, CTR Graphics and Signs.

Chapter Members who showcased their “GO GREEN” project was Ar. Adonis Canonico, Ar. Guillermo Hisanca, fuap, apec architect, Ar. Oscar Peñasales, Ar. Rolando Siendo, Ar. Jovin T. Militar, Ar. Antoine Geoffrey V. Coo, Ar. Julinette Coo and Ar. Johnny Que.

It is becoming more and more important for people that everything we do in our daily lives is environmentally sound. Green is black these days and this is what UAP Iloilo wanted to tell to everybody through this event.

With the help of UAP Chapter Officers Arch. Suzette Balogo, Arch. Faith Quiñon, Arch. Raymond Balogo, Arch. Kenneth Torre and Arch. Geoffrey Coo this event was a success.

The UAP Capiz Chapters turns 25 last October 18, 2014 as they celebrated their Silver Anniversary at Espacio Verde’s function hall at Dayao, Roxas City. With the their anniversary theme, “Beinte y cinco na Kani; Built on Good Foundation; Serving the Community thru our profession”, manifest the character and traits of the chapter, solid, closed and joyful serving the community in a given opportunity thru their chapter activities.

Aside from the chapter members and families and friends, the celebration was also attended by invited guests from other UAP District C4 Chapters namely, the UAP Iloilo Chapter, Hamili Chapter, Antique Chapter and Aklan Chapter which were represented by their respective chapter presidents. The entourage of guests from Iloilo City was headed by the District Director of UAP Area C4 Ar. Cecilia Lataquin and Area C VP Ar. Manuel Tingzon. The celebration was graced by UAP National Auditor Ar. Mohammadasfraz A. Uttoo who delivered the speech in behalf of UAP National President Ar. Ma. Benita O. Regala.

With a dress code and a party theme of the “great Gatsby” looks of the late 20s that members and guests enjoyed the “make-over” of one’s self as well as with their fellow architects and friends. It was the brainchild of Ar. Maricar Igancio-Li who was the head of Pugad-lawin Band this event planning. Pugad-lawin Band courtesy of Aklan Chapter maintained the party mode and to add some spice to the party, Ex-Officer Ar. Emmanuel Espino surprised everyone as he sponsored the best costume award for the event. Ar. Melvin Lataquin from Hamili Chapter and Ar. Margarita B. Maestro from Capiz Chapter won the award for men and women category. Ar. Maestro, a former chapter president narrated the history of how the UAP Capiz Chapter was born 25 years ago. It was a nostalgic experience for those who had been with the chapter since it was formed. At the same time, very informative to those who have not known yet about the chapter especially the generation of new chapter members.

The celebration was capped with the awarding of “Pillar Award” by the current chapter president Ar. Eric L. Demingoyto those members who have served the chapter for 25 years. Leading the awardees was the UAP Capiz founder Ar. Bienvenido Yap Jr, who was the first president of Capiz Chapter and also former District Director. Together with him were Ar. Rolando V. Ignacio, Ar. Margarita B. Maestro, Ar. John Delfin who were all chapter presidents and district directors, and Ar. Antonio B. Castanio as well. Indeed the celebration is worth remembering and an inspiration for another 25 years to come for the UAP-Capiz Chapter.
The night was one to remember. Apart from going “retro ’20’s” in their attire and pitting wits in a trivia game, UAP Sugbu Chapter also looks forward to a vibrant fiscal year with upcoming activities presented by its leaders during the group’s charter anniversary last October. And judging from the energy from the current leaders and newbies and the unwavering support of elders, it looks like the 23-year-old chapter is bent to continue thrust towards sustaining professional development and organizational involvement among its members.

Under the leadership of chapter president Dennis Mayo, UAP Sugbu members raised their glasses during their chapter’s ‘birthday’ and eagerly welcomed chapter projects like an outreach activity this Christmas Season and a design ideas competition for architecture students next year.

The Balangasan entitled “How Far Should An Architect Promote Oneself to be Globally Competitive While Staying Within the Code of Ethics” which was scheduled on Dec. 9 was cancelled due to minimal number of attendees came to the venue or lack of quorum caused by the typhoon Ruby. The Balangasan Committee, chaired by Ar. Carlo Bustos of UAP Diliman Chapter, decided to have this event rescheduled to reach a bigger audience.

Bayanihan Arkitektura-Free Architectural Clinic is one of the most important and notable events of the NAW 2014. The NAW Committee had joined forces with SM to have this 2-day CSR activity (Dec. 11 and 12) be launched in their malls nationwide. Several UAP Chapters supported this endeavor and successfully held their respective event not just in SM Malls but in other venues as well. The NAW Bayanihan Arkitektura was led by Ar. Robert Olete of UAP Manila Alcaldia.
UAP DISTRICT D-2 INDUCTION
By Faith Inciong-Hernandez
Member, Zamboanga Chapter

The United Architects of the Philippines District D-2 (led by Incoming District Director Ar. Crizaldo M. Hernandez), together with the UAP Zamboanga Chapter (headed by Incoming Chapter President Ar. Datu Saracen R. Jaafar), and UAP Zamboanga Chavacano Chapter (headed by Incoming Chapter President Ar. Rodel L. Falcasantos), held its 6th Joint UAP D-2 Induction and Turn-over Ceremonies last July 22, 2014 at the Garden Deck of the Garden Orchid Hotel in Zamboanga City with the theme “Architects Beyond its Field of Expertise”.

Guest Speaker was the City Mayor, Hon. Maria Isabelle Climaco-Salazar, who was represented by Hon. Vincent Paul A. Elago, Sangguniang Panlungsod Councilor.

There was a smooth transition and turn-over rites from Outgoing D-2 DD Ar. Shiralee R. Pajarito to Incoming D-2 DD Ar. Crizaldo M. Hernandez; Outgoing Zamboanga Chapter President Ar. Rodel L. Falcasantos. A total of 19 new Chapter members also had their Oath-taking that night.

The special guest for the occasion was none other than the UAP National President, Ar. Ma. Benita Ochoa-Regala, who explained her administration's programs and theme: Empowered, Equipped, and Enjoined. Also present during the occasion were National Executive Vice President Ar. Rodel L. Falcasantos.

That morning, the National President together with the above-mentioned National Officers, D-2 District Director and Zamboanga Chapter President signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of Education in Zamboanga City for the extension/renovation of their building in the City. This was indeed a very fruitful and momentous day for the Architects in Zamboanga.

DISTRICT D-1 WDA 2014 CELEBRATION

The activities shifted to fast-paced hard court action as Team PIA Davao faced the UAP All Stars in a friendly basketball exhibition game in the evening of October 6 at the Ever Gold Basketball Court. Team PIA Davao downed the UAP All Stars, composed of UAP Davao and North Davao members, with the score, 62-51.

The WDA celebration culminated with the opening of the “Kalibongan” Photo-Exhibit, organized by UAP North Davao, in partnership with the Department of Architecture of the University of the Philippines Mindanao on October 11 at the Gaisano Mall in Tagum City, Davao del Norte. The 3-day exhibit showcased the vernacular architecture and indigenous dances of different tribes in Mindanao.

District D-1’s celebration of the 2014 World Day of Architecture was, by and large, a successful one. With the able leadership of District D-1 Director Jaime Gonzaga and all-out support of WDA Deputy Chair for Mindanao Jasper Resari, the district was able to achieve its objective of coming up with a unified celebration of the WDA, particularly in Davao City, which is the seat of District D-1, and at the same time, encouraged maximum participation among the architects in the locality.
UAP NAW 2014 Culmination Night was a tremendous success held last December 13 at Greenfield District Central Park in Mandaluyong City. The event was highlighted by the traditional Mr. and Ms. NAW 2014 led by the UAPSA National Board and the grand launching of Green Light Movement spearheaded by UAP Manila Corinthian through its Chapter President Ar. Omar Palero.

Mr. and Ms. NAW 2014 contestants posed in their ASEAN Architecture-inspired costumes.

The NAW 2014 celebration has been a truly nationwide celebration for several UAP chapters and architecture schools actively participated by staging their respective events and activities.

Highlights of these events are the following:

A joint project of UAP Manila Architects for Government Service (MAGS) and UAPSA Adamson in support of Intramuros Administration featuring Pundasyon 2.0: “The Great Institutional Buildings of Intramuros-An Interschool Scaled Model Making Competition”.

The Philippine Ambassador to Brunei, His Excellency Mr. Nestor Ochoa, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Mayi Ochoa and the FAB President Mdm. Edel Bartholomew and FAB Treasurer Mrs. Malou Wong, visited the architectural clinic table manned by the UAP Brunei Chapter members.

Mr. and Ms. NAW 2014 contestants in ASEAN Architecture-inspired costumes.

UAP Davao Alpha Chapter donated 8 tables for the teachers of Tambobong National High School in Davao City as part of their support in the NAW 2014 celebration.
Green Light Movement launch of UAP Camarines at Annele's in Naga City.

UAP Cavite Chapter members with UAP Past National President Ar. Edric Marco Florentino as the guest speaker who discussed the "ASEAN 2015 Global Competitiveness for Filipino Architects" at the UAP Cavite Chapter HQ in Imus, Cavite.

Architectural exhibit of UAP KSA-EPC at International Philippine School in Al Khobar in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

UAP Makati CBD celebrated the NAW 2014 through gift-giving and a night of entertainment at the PGH Department of Surgery Division of Pediatric Surgery, Manila.

UAP Laguna Chapter successfully held a lecture series with Ar. Ma. Elena Cayanan and LEED Ar. Thomas Gerbo as the resource speakers.

UAP SOCSKSARGEN Chapter in coordination with the Notre Dame of Dadiangas University and Davies Paints Philippines "Mural Painting Competition" at Wall of Notre Dame of Dadiangas University (NDDU Wall-Pendatun Ave.) in celebration of National Architecture's Week.

UAP SOCSKSARGEN Chapter with the Officers and Members. Architects had a gift giving and turn-over of Cash for the 30-scholars of Pao-Pao Elementary School at 350.00 each for a total of 10,500.00 intended every year. The Chapter also prepare Gift Items and parlor games for the 30-pupils held at Mc. Donalds, SM City, General Santos City together with the group is the Principal Mrs. Lilibeth Daypalubos ang some of the Teachers of Pao-Pao Elementary School and also the Architecture Students and Officers of UAPSA Notre Dame of Dadiangas University of General Santos City.
This UAP Kadayawan Dabaw project was launched on December 7, 2014 at Samal Island, and was re-launched during the NAW Celebration at SM City Davao Wednesday, December 10, 2014. It is now being constructed and will turn over this playground on the first week of February to the Catalunan Pequeno Elementary School. This is spearheaded by AR. Sharmane Coquilla and Ar. Benjamin Panganiban Jr. as chairwoman and co-chairman respectively.

NAW 2014 Motorcade. To drum up the celebration of the 2014 National Architecture Week, UAP chapters belonging to District D-1 held a motorcade through Davao City’s main thoroughfares last December 8, 2014, from Magaysay Park and ending at the SM City Davao parking lot.

Arki Student Thesis Exhibit / Kalibongan Photo Exhibit. A NAW exhibit was staged from December 8 to 10, 2014 at the SM City Davao lobby. The exhibit showcased best thesis works of architecture students from Ateneo de Davao University, University of Mindanao and University of the Philippines Mindanao. Also featured was the Kalibongan Photo-Exhibit, which displayed the vernacular architecture and indigenous dances of different tribes of Mindanao.

The Arquiz, an inter-school architecture quiz bowl competition, is an annual NAW event sponsored by UAP Davao Chapter. For its 11th staging, the contest was held at the SM City Davao Annex Activity Area.

UAP QC Elliptical Chapter launched an exhibit featuring the photos of significant buildings of Quezon City held at the QC Hall Main Building Lobby.

Sketch-Up tutorial launched by UAP Parañaque-Palanyag as part of their NAW 2014 celebration.

UAP Parañaque-Palanyag members actively listening in the Disaster Awareness and Preparedness Seminar led by the Parañaque Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (DRRMO).

The team-building event of UAP Quezon Province in line with the NAW 2014 celebration.

Patubig sa Barangay Ground Breaking. UAP North Davao Chapter held the ground breaking of its Patubig sa Barangay project last December 12, 2014 in the Municipality of Mawab, Compostela Valley Province. The project aims to provide clean, potable water system in rural barangays.

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NUST News
Philippines is one nation in the world abundant of natural resources due to its tropical rainforest climate and geography with opulent bio-diverse and valuable eco-systems. Although rich in natural heritage, extreme disasters continuously hitting the place as the recent typhoon Yolanda smashed some major places of the country and almost hopeless to rebuild. Hence, global issues and concerns brought by global warming or climate change, also affects the living condition of the Filipino people. In spite of the country’s desolation, means in rebuilding the aspirations of people are still created. If climate change is anthropogenic in nature, there is still hope to revert its effect, because comfortable living could also be recreated be regenerated by humans themselves.

On Climate Change.

The United Nations Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change Fifth Assessment Report on Climate Change becomes a challenge as the basis of dissemination for public and private stakeholders to carry out programs to lessen its adverse effects. Books, pamphlets, primers and handbooks of best practices in climate adaptation and mitigation are disseminated in schools, communities, in public and private institutions to boost awareness. Fora, lectures, conventions and conferences and other forms of massive information campaign urge everybody to be involved and cooperate.

These educational efforts however, seem could not penetrate all levels of the society. There are still in the neighborhood who are not well informed on the issues and effects of climate change. Conspicuous enough are the litters of garbage, pollutant emissions from fossil fuels, slash and burn practices, destruction of forests, cutting of trees, and more.

The time left to restore the livability of the earth is now critical. Nevertheless, for sure a “must-to-act” collective serious actions could help revert the situation and transform them into a more preferred world. Today’s generation is confronted with priorities for the benefit of the next generation. The urgency of action must reach the family as well to correct irresponsible values, and unsound personal value lifestyle. Education at home can provoke reform and influence others to contribute in the expediency to mitigate global warming.

Resiliency Issues.

Disasters became stumbling blocks of the housing sector, from the use of materials up to the creation of decent settlements. The lack of dignified and resilient shelter is a “glo-cal” litany to adapt green construction designs as new shifts of direction. Although, Green Rating systems were formulated yet only a handful can meet the terms.

Further, due to continuous patterns of fortuitous natural disasters, there is urgent call to build disaster resilient communities, in response to these challenges. But the definition of the term “resilient”, is yet to be materialized, visible and real. Concepts of these resilient structures shall be pragmatic enough, or, replicating existing best practices already proven could be an effective approach. Architects have significant roles to take the lead. The challenge however does not only end into the physical design and construction of structures that could adapt to natural calamities, but should also be in long term scheme that could generate and put into effect the kind of sustainable habitat.

A Pragmatic Strategy.

ARQUATECTURE, a combination of three disciplines – Architecture, Aquaponics and Agriculture, is a doable alternative that may be considered as another paradigm, and a strategy not only for resilient house and building designs, but also towards a more sustainable built environment.

Architecture as one of the components of Arquatecture is called to be essentially "GREEN" in nature, whether in small scale or large scale. Its “greenability” would always depend on the influence of its three precepts as to function, beauty, and strength in terms of, specific responses to site context, spatial organization, materials application, and structural integrity, availability of resources, etc.

Aquaponics, basically and universally defined by its practitioners and common literatures as a food production system, a combination of aquaculture and hydroponics. Today, this is a growing “Glo-cal” industry considered as a high potential organic tool, generating multi-benefits from domestic to global setting. This is a realistic response especially to urban food supply, fossil fuel carbon, ocean conservation and preservation, and the like.

Agriculture, is organic. These practitioners and common literatures as a food production system, a combination of aquaculture and hydroponics. Agriculture is organic. These disciplines could create resilient neighborhoods and bring their inhabitants into a more dignified human living condition. Arquatecture is a synergy of time and space as another artefact, where productivity and creativity emerged in fusing these three discipline components. The system and elements of these three disciplines may not be a separate unit from the house or a secluded space but to be considered as co-equal with other if not a significant space component of a house or building. This however, does not disregard or give less value to the normal practice of Aquaponics and Agriculture needing extra space or a yard depending on the given location.

Arquatecture is one of the imperative tools of man in response to the adverse effects of climate change. Arquatecture is capable to regenerate the vital elements of life support systems and everyday living, like energy supply, food security, health and wellness, indoor environment quality, immediate environment, water and sanitation, economy, biodiversity, and more.

With ARQUATECTURE, structures and dwellings, or any habitable space in a built-environment may not only be described as resilient, or sustainable, but now shall be called, WHOLESOME!

Website: http://arquatecture.com
PAST UAP NATIONAL PRESIDENT takes oath as NEW PRC COMMISSIONER

The United Architects of the Philippines is proud to announce that its very own former National President Architect Yolanda David-Reyes was recently appointed by the President of the Republic of the Philippines President Benigno Aquino III as new Commissioner of the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC).

The PRC has one of the most daunting mandates in national development in the Philippines, as it regulates and supervises the practice of the professionals who constitute the highly skilled manpower of the country. As the agency-in-charge of the professional sector, the PRC plays a strategic role in developing the corps of professionals for industry, commerce, governance, and the economy.

Architect and Environmental Planner Yolanda D. Reyes served as member of the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture from 2013 until her appointment as PRC Commissioner. She finished her Bachelor of Science Degree in Architecture in 1975 and her Master of Science Degree in Architecture in 1986 at the University of Santo Tomas College of Architecture and Fine Arts and the UST Graduate School. She completed her academic requirements for PhD program at the University of the Philippines – School of Urban and Regional Planning. She also served as Dean of the University of Santo Tomas College of Architecture and Fine Arts for a period of nine years. Under her leadership, the College achieved the status of “Center of Excellence” in the year 1999 granted by the Commission on Higher Education of the Philippines. Architect Reyes has given major contributions and services to her profession when she served as the first woman National President of the United Architects of the Philippines. She demonstrated her vision, leadership and unrelenting vigor and zeal, by instituting various reforms within the organization. She also projected the UAP and the Philippines in the international scene as the first lady-architect to be elected as Chairperson of the Architects Regional Council of Asia or ARCASIA comprising a membership of 18 Asian countries.

In recognizing her noteworthy achievements, she was conferred the American Institute of Architects (AIA) Presidential Medal and an Honorary Membership in Las Vegas, USA. Architect Reyes was awarded the most coveted distinction as Honorary Fellow of the American Institute of Architects in San Francisco, USA, the first woman architect from Southeast Asia to receive the award. Her numerous commendations include The Award for Architecture in Design Excellence for the Calenega Retreat House located south of Manila, Philippines by the UAP in 1996, The Outstanding Thomastian Alumni Award (Architecture) given by the UST in 2002, Distinguished Architecture Award given by the City of Manila, A special Cultural Award by Australian Department of Foreign Affairs, First Diamond Award for Architecture by the UST Graduate School in 1998. In 2008, she was bestowed as the Most Outstanding Professional of the Year in Architecture by the Professional Regulation Commission.

Last year, Architect Reyes was the first female to receive the Lokha Gold Medal Award, the highest distinction to be bestowed upon a fellow, who has adhered to the highest standards of professional and ethical conduct, practiced in excellence and prestige the architectural profession, has rendered distinguished contribution and service to the UAP, and has performed exceptional achievements and active participation in the concern of the community, government and country.

Architect Reyes is also the current Vice President (Region IV) of the Union International des Architectes (UIA), an international non-government organization that represents over a million architects in 124 countries.

Architect Reyes also serve as Chairman of the Commission of Higher Education, Technical Panel in Architecture, Fine Arts and other Related Fields, Chairman of the Environment cluster of City of San Fernando, Pampanga Multi-Sectoral Government Council (MSGC), and designated by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines as Head of APEC Architects Registry of the Philippines Section and as Chairman of the ASEAN Monitoring Committee on Architectural Services of the Philippines or AMCASP.

Commissioner Reyes was sworn into Office by Labor Secretary Rosalinda Dimapilis-Baldoz in a simple oath-taking rite held at the Midas Hotel in Roxas Boulevard, Pasay City on November 19, 2014. The event was attended by UAP national officers led by National President, Arch. Ma. Benita Ochoa-Regala, fuap.

In the meantime, another UAP member, Ar. Angeline T. Chua Chiaco also assumed the office as PRC Commissioner last March 20, 2014 and was sworn into Office by Labor Secretary Rosalinda Dimapilis-Baldoz in a simple oath taking rite held at the Department of Labor and Employment in Intramuros, Manila on March 20, 2014.

Prior to her appointment as PRC Commissioner, Architect Chua Chiaco served as member of the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture from November 2006 to March 2013. She also served as PRC’s representative to the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangement meetings for Architecture.

Commissioner Chua Chiaco’s practice as an architect includes institutional, infrastructure, commercial, recreational and residential projects. As an architect and an environmental planner, she specializes in planning and architectural design, environmental planning and subdivision planning.

Architect Chua Chiaco obtained her Bachelor of Architecture from the University of the Philippines and was awarded the Don Tomas Arguelles Memorial Fund in Architecture (Gold Medal for Design). She topped the Architecture Licensure Exam in January 1976.

Architect Chua Chiaco is a Fellow of the United Architects of the Philippines (UAP) and served the organization in various positions from 1984 until 2006 prior to her appointment as member of the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture.

The PRC is currently headed by Dr. Florentino C. Doble as Chairman, who also assumed the office last November 19, 2014.
Started the year with an explosion of fun, learning, and colors, this was how UAPSA did it.

On its 25th year, last August 8 to 10, UAPSA started this fiscal year with a blast through their first line up of activity, the Confab 5.0 + Quadripartite. It was a three-day series of events consisting of Confab 5.0 Lecture Series and Thesis Consultation, Leadership Development Program, Architectural Tour, Acquaintance Party, and Officers’ Orientation Course and Induction Ceremonies that was attended by more than 1000 delegates coming from 49 participating architectural schools all over the Philippines. It aimed to provide the delegates training for leadership, a ground to expand their camaraderie, and a way to learn and be aware about the present issues of today’s manmade marvels in the field of architecture.

The event started formally with the Leadership Development Program which happened last August 8, 2014 in La Mesa Eco Park. It is a strenuous activity that tested physical and mental capability to the extent. In the morning the physical part and in the afternoon the mental part. It was like Amazing Race the architectural way. All of the students had fun during the activity. All of the 16 teams were tasked to complete a specific task inside the forest. After three hours of sweat and tears the teams headed back to the hall for a break. Before 3 o’clock in the afternoon, the race started again with its mental challenge, same routine and same numbers of stations but different aspects to tire on. The Picture Perfect was the sought after game in this event, a combination of Pinoy Henyo and mimicry.
On the second day of the event, it kicked off with Confab 5.0, an activity that provided seminars and thesis consultation catering the 5th year students and the lower years. The lecture topics were Sustainable Design, Landscape Architecture, and Corporate Architecture Practice and Thesis Research 101 for Architecture Students. With almost 500 attendees the UAP Headquarter was quite small to hold such audience. The first lecture was on Corporate Architecture Practices discussed by Ar. Catherine B. Carunungan, uap. She elaborated about the duties and works of a professional architect and shared some of her own experiences to the soon-to-be-architects. The second part tackled about Sustainable Design as discussed by Ar. Michaela Rosette M. Santos, uap. It was informative and talked on the most current issues not just in architecture but the environment, giving some insights on how each and everyone can contribute to save and lessen the carbon footprint in the environment. The next topic was about Landscape Architecture discussed by Ar. Christian Caesar S. Pineda, uap. He discussed the effects of incorporating nature in architecture, giving awareness about green design, and information about the current issues on Global Warming and how our little ways can affect it. Last on the row was Ar. Sylvester Shaun D. Seño, uap who talked about the steps to be followed in doing research for architectural thesis. Several methods were presented during the talk. Simultaneous to the lecture series was the thesis consultation for the 5th year students who were given the chance to inquire about their thesis proposals to some architects present that day.

During the night, the delegates attended the most awaited part of the event, the acquaintance party with this year’s theme: Spectrum. The venue was at Area 05 Superclub, Tomas Morato, Quezon City. It was a night to remember by everyone who attended the three-day event. It was a night of colors, fun, fellowship and of course dancing. Everyone had a blast, indeed that we were not just good at making remarkable structures but also knew how to party.

Ending the whole event was the Orientation Course and Induction Ceremonies. It was hosted by UAPSA Chair for Specialty Council, Scholarship and Grants, Long-Range Plan, Ms. Vanessa M. Rosaria, uapsa-ust. The Chapter Officers and the elected National Officers took their oath taking at the UAP Teatro Arkitekto. It was opened up by the UAPSA National President, Mr. Paolo M. Mendoza, uapsa-mit, with a keynote to all the officers, providing an insight on what it like to be an officer. He challenged all the delegates to become better leaders. A presentation about the Thesis Project from UAPSA Foundation University, entitled “EstudioDamgo III” caught the attention of the audience. Their aim was to provide a facility that would serve as a tourism site and at the same time, protecting the marine sanctuary. Closing the event was UAPSA National Executive Vice-President Ms. Sharleen Mae M. Esteves, uapsa-feu.

Overall the three-day event was full of fun and learning, leaving smiles to all the delegates’ faces as they met new friends among other UAPSA Chapters. Kudos to the organizing committees and people who made this affair a successful one. VIVA UAPSA!
BAYANIHANG ARKITEKTURA: a UAP Corporate Social Responsibility Initiative
by Pamela Del Rosario, uap

Bayanihan.

Bayanihan is a Filipino term taken from the word bayan, referring to a nation, country, town or community. The whole term bayanihan refers to a spirit of communal unity or effort to achieve a particular objective. (Wikipedia)

The initial objective associated with the term is the ancient Filipino custom of helping a family transport their house to a new location, by literally carrying the house with the aid of bamboo poles and broad-backed men. Nowdays, the term has been adopted to refer to a communal spirit of volunteerism, teamwork, humanity, and acts of kindness, as an effort to resolve an issue.

Bayanihang Arkitektura.

This year’s UAP CSR initiative, termed as “BAYANIHANG ARKITEKTURA,” seeks to bring the bayanihan spirit into the realm of volunteerism - a strong testament to the bayanihan trait - making it possible for the Filipino architects to help each other and work together toward a common goal as enshrined in the corporate thrust of the administration: EMPOWER + EQUIP + ENJOY.

The "BAYANIHANG ARKITEKTURA" aims to improve the lives of the community through architecture and planning, craft strategies available to architects wanting to incorporate community service into their architectural practice, assist in meeting the profession's civic platform with respect to the social aspects of sustainability, develop diverse initiatives to promote Architect's social responsibility in improving the well-being of communities and promote design solutions that can provide significant positive impact on the underprivileged communities.

This will be achieved through a series of events, hosted by the UAP Committees and Chapters, that provide communal volunteerism for a humanitarian effort. These activities include the UAP Emergency Architects, which aim to help rebuild lives and support local communities affected by disasters and calamities, Accessible Tourism where UAP Chapters will provide technical assistance in designing tourist spots to give access to differently-abled people; Water and Sanitation projects will provide toilets for schools and evacuation centers, Architectural Clinic, which brings our profession to less unfortunate people who may need our services, but have no means of contracting it, in the form of free architectural consultation, and various other activities that adhere to the same concept.

Activities.

To date there are quite a few activities that have been held to promote BayanihangArkitektura.

Some UAP Chapters have also been on board in promulgating the CSR initiative:

UAP Kadayawan-Dabaw Chapter launched a UAP BAYANIHANG ARKITEKTURA Corporate Social Responsibility project last December 2014 during the NATIONAL ARCHITECTURE WEEK 2014 in Samal Island, Davao Del Norte. The project is called “LIHOK KABATAAN” spearheaded by project proponent architect, Angelica Sharmane Alladin Coquilla, uap.

The UAP Manila Archizonian Chapter, in support of the BayanihangArkitektura, held an Outreach Activity at the Pequena Casa De Nazareth Orphanage, Las Pinas City, last October 11, 2014.
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20 - 21 FEBRUARY 2015
WATERFRONT HOTEL & CASINO, CEBU CITY

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Day 0 - 19 February 2015
11:00 AM - Courtesy Call to Cebu City Mayor Michael Rama
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM - Judging of Light House Photo Competition
2:00 PM - 9:00PM - National Board of Directors’ Meeting

Day 1 - 20 February 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00PM - Registration of Delegates
10:00 AM - 11:00 - Opening Ceremonies (Key note speaker from TIEZA)
11:00 AM - 12:00 NN - Seminar on Tourism Architecture
12:00 NN - 1:00 PM - Lunch
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM - Break-out Assembly per Area
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM - Joint Area General Assembly
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM - Seminar on Heritage Architecture
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM - Briefing on Accessibility Tourism
6:30 PM - Onwards - Welcome Dinner

Day 2 - 21 February 2015
8:00 AM - 5:00PM - Registration of Delegates
8:00 AM - 1:00 PM - Heritage Tours per Area w/ Lunch
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Free Time of Delegates
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM - Thanksgiving Mass
6:30 PM - 7:00 PM - Closing Ceremonies
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