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# THE EDITOR

*Karen Bersamina, JB*

Greetings fellow Lasallians! Happy New Year!

I would like to welcome you all back to school after the holiday break. There is no doubt that 2013 will be both challenging and exciting.

Most students begin each year with a resolution or two, usually academic goals to achieve over the course of the year. Whatever your goals this year are, remember that it is important to steadily improve and enjoy this consistent progress in your journey. By making lots of small and regular improvements, you will be able to achieve great things over time.

As we begin another journey this year, let us not forget to manifest our being 100% Lasallian by practicing the Lasallian core values. This issue of the Young Observer aims to remind us the breath of the Animo spirit and the essence of a real Lasallian.

On the cover is Alyssa Guevarra who is a representation of a real Lasallian—a consistent achiever yet humble and polite. She is one whose character is truly admirable.

**Animo La Salle!**



*Karen B.*



# The S.R.C.C. *President's Report*

Hello fellow Lasallians!

How was your Christmas break? Hope you all enjoyed it!

It's now back to reality for us students as classes resumed after almost three weeks of vacation. Indeed, the year 2012 left us with many memories-some very inspiring while some were not as encouraging. Well, inspiring or not, I hope that whatever memories we gained last year made us all better, stronger and more motivated to face the new year!

Welcome 2013 with a bang! The first day of the year is usually the day people list down their new year's resolutions. Have you made your own list? New Year's resolutions are meant to give a person some goals to work for during the year. It may be as simple as promising to be more patient with one's siblings, or to sleep early, or cut down on chocolates, or be more obedient to one's parents or to study harder. Whatever our resolution is, remember that these are made to encourage us to improve certain aspects of our lives, which we believe we still have to work on.

As the year starts, we also enter the last term of this school year. Wow, time really goes by so fast! In a few months we shall be saying our goodbyes to our classmates and teachers. But we still have almost three months to go, and your S.R.C.C. promises to make this term exciting and full of many surprises.

New year, new hope, new chances!  
In behalf of the S.R.C.C. I wish you all a blessed and fruitful 2013! May the Animo spirit live in the heart of each of us.

One of the significant activities that the S.R.C.C. prepared this school year was the celebration of the World Teachers' Day. In the said event Mr. Anton Rosas delivered a heart-warming speech to all our hardworking teachers. Read the S.R.C.C. President's inspirational message below. May it make us realize to value our teachers even more.


It is truly an honor for me to stand here in front of you on this very special program that gives recognition to our dear teachers.

Teachers are truly God's gift to us. Day after day they unselfishly share their time and knowledge in order for us to have a bright future. They do not only teach our minds, they also mold us to become upright and decent individuals whom our families and the society can be proud of.

I have read of a Turkish proverb that says: "A teacher is like a candle that consumes itself to light the way for others." Our teachers' dedication to their profession and their endless patience, despite our indifference at times is one that is truly remarkable. I cannot imagine any other profession that would require such fortitude and sacrifice than that of being a teacher. Teachers inspire us to dream, to discover what we can do and to become the change we want to see.

In behalf of my fellow students, I would like to say "Thank you." Thank you for your generosity in sharing your knowledge with us; for your patience and understanding; and for your dedication to your craft.

We salute you for taking up this very challenging profession that helps mold this generation and the generations to come.





# Remembering Lasallian Antonio M. Anievas

*Bea Tribiana, 7D*



The De La Salle Zobel community commemorated the 46th Death Anniversary of Antonio M. Anievas last September 17, 2012. The special event started with a Mass celebrated by Rev. Msgr. Rufino Suplido at the Our Lady of the Star Chapel. Sponsored by 7H, the Mass was graced by Ms. Marites Panaligan who led the DLSZ choir. Ms. Ruby Ramos, the Grade School Principal, Ms. Suzette Balgos, Director of DLSZ's Development and Communications Office (D.C.O.); Ms. Mabalot, the Upper Grades' Prefect; Ms. Elma Dollente, the Upper Grades' Assistant to the Principal; and Ms. Rhia Balaoing, the Grade School Christian Living Coordinator, were among the administrators who were seen in the said gathering. During the Mass, the priest shared a meaningful message on how much we should value the gifts given to us by God and use them to serve others.

After the Mass, a simple program was held in honor of Antonio M. Anievas who left a remarkable memory as a student of the then De La Salle College in Manila. He was one who never incurred a record of tardiness and absence. He was an exemplary conduct awardee and a student who excelled in both curricular and extra curricular activities. He was indeed a role model. Unfortunately, on one sad day of September 1966, he drowned in Pagsanjan, Laguna.

Br. Bernie Oca FSC, Chairman of the Antonio Montemayor Anievas Foundation Incorporated and classmate of Antonio, encouraged the Grade 7 students to serve as role model Lasallians to the community, just like his best friend Antonio. He introduced some of the distinguished AMAFI awardees and allowed them to give the young audience some pep talk on the real essence of being an AMAFI awardee. Among them were Agee Estrada (Awardee for Music, Batch 1972), Dodgie Malabanan (Awardee for Rhetoric, Batch 1970), T.V. personality R.J. Ledesma (Awardee for 6 categories), and Joshua Mantaring (Awardee for Rhetoric and Spirit of Faith in 2011).

Mr. Greg Anievas, brother of Antonio M. Anievas delivered the closing remarks. In his message he expressed gratitude to DLSZ for the special tribute to Antonio. Moreover, he inspired the graduating students to continue living the Lasallian way.



# Lasallians, Confident!

*Shanen Bautista, TB*

**T**ruly it took tons of confidence for Miguel Ochoa to deliver the Keynote Address during the 2012 Lasallian Scholarum Awards held at the Makati Shangri-La Hotel last August 29, 2012. Miguel shared his thoughts on the impact of media to the youth and education in the country. Below is Miguel Ochoa's entire speech delivered before a crowd of journalists, newscasters and other media practitioners. Present in the said event were Br. Ricardo Laguda FSC, President and Chancellor of De La Salle University, Br. Michael Broughton FSC, Associate Vice Chancellor for Lasallian Mission of DLSU. Below is Miguel's enlightening speech.

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Change the way we see our future.



**THE 2012 LASALLIAN  
SCHOLARUM AWARDS**

**B**r. Ricardo Laguda FSC, President and Chancellor, De La Salle University; Br. Michael Broughton FSC, Associate Vice Chancellor for Lasallian Mission; Lasallian Scholarum awardees, journalists, guests, ladies and gentlemen, good morning.

It is unfortunate that I got an eye infection a few days before this program but I will opt to remove my sunglasses so that all of you will remember my HANDSOME face. I hope you do not mind my left eye...

I am Miguel Ochoa, a grade school student of De La Salle Santiago Zobel School. I am here to share my insights on the topic, "How media impacts the youth and education in the country." During the preparation, I thought to myself, "What is media to

## NO GUTS, NO GLORY!

**T**he Young Observer would like to congratulate Abbey Felize Maranan (Batch 2022) and Jillian Patrice Ching (Batch 2020) for their success in the Asian Junior Figure Skating Challenge 2012 held in Hong Kong.

Jillian finished second in the Short Program and brought home the silver medal for the basic Pre-Novice Girls.

Likewise, kudos goes to our very own ice skaters for their victory at the Skate Asia 2012. They are Kirsten Nichole M. Quiza (Batch 2021), Stefhanelle Jeanne Marie A. Laurel, Alyana Marie S. Militante, Alexis Gabrielle A. Dungo, and Karen Bernadette A. Ibuna (Batch 2018), and Alexa Dominique Pascual (Batch 2016).

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me?” For me, media is a tool used to relay information. Being a medium myself today, I hope I can clearly put my message across.

Allow me to share with you a typical no-school day for a student like me. When I wake up in the morning, of course, I pray, then, before doing anything else, I grab my iTouch. In this exact order, I open Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. It is kind of a routine for me. After spending several minutes finding out what’s “trending,” I then head to the couch and watch a little tv. I surf a variety of channels from cartoons to National Geographic, to HBO movies, to Reality TV, to sports channels. Later in the morning, I head to my computer to do my homework and I get to read the day’s news headlines through the Yahoo! Main page.

I am certain that the means of relaying information at present is not the same as before. Technology is undergoing a continuous development at a very fast pace. As technology develops, so does media consumption. The news I get from websites now may have been obtained from the newspapers before. The information that was usually derived from television and radio can now be found on websites and in applications. With all honesty, I seldom read the paper as I prefer the on-line version. This is caused by the rapid development of technology, pushing the growth in number of media options. What are these media options? I am sure that many of us, if not all, have accounts in social media. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, you name it. Who among the youth wouldn’t want an iTouch, an iPad, and all the other newly released, up-to-date gadgets? These are the very tools we need, and want, to get information-pieces of information that influence us in our decision-making, planning, and way of thinking, even in our way of life. I believe that the kind of information we acquire from the media of today might have an effect on the kind of leadership we will offer in the future. It is a fact that today’s youth are tomorrow’s leaders. So, it is vital for journalists, and other media practitioners to be responsible and accountable in bringing out the facts or information for public consumption because even the youth has direct access to them.

Did you know that the purchase of mobile devices is growing much faster than that of desktop computers? The youth of today is consuming media at a quicker rate than before. As a result, we the youth are more connected and exposed to media. Through our devices, we can see almost EVERYTHING. Media is a powerful tool because it can be used to educate and influence us. Especially in times when parents are not there to guide us, we might be misled if the information presented is baseless. Even in social media

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*Jillian Patrice Ching in her winning figure*

Another laurel is added to the cap of our Robotics Team when it finished third in the World Robot Olympiad 2012 held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia last November. Jania Rachel Cruz, Sofia Iliana Suarez, and Julia Nicole Saulog (Batch 2018) competed in the Regular Category.

The Young Observer also salutes the team’s coach, Mr. Ezrel Alucilja; the assistant coaches, Mr. Albert Pagilagan, Mr. Darius Regis; Mr. Richard Lasap (Head, High School Science Department); and the Ms. Jenny Pillar (Head, Grade School Science Department).



where we are mostly exposed, our comments, thoughts, and posts, once sent, can be seen by anyone and everyone. I have been taught to always double-check what I say especially in social media. This is a practice that all of us should do. Don't we and shouldn't we expect the same when we are the audience?

Before I end, I would like to share an experience of mine. There was one instance where I was controlled by my emotions and thoughts that I tweeted something carelessly, only to find out that people started gossiping about it, simultaneously twisting the words around, almost getting my family in trouble. This experience was an eye opener for me.

Being responsible for the content we deliver through media is not only for the benefit of the youth. Believe it or not, it is for the good of the country as well. If we desire to create a better future, this information age will bridge us going there. My dear journalists, you definitely play a great role in this...

## LASALLIANS, PROUD FILIPINOS!

*Karen Bersamina, 7B*



*The Upper Grades' Assistant to the Principal, Ms. Elma Dollente, revealing her fun side as she poses with Ms. Linda Naputo, Grade 6 Math teacher*



*The "Sarap Maging Pinoy" smile shared by Ms. Becks Oandasan and her Grade 6 students.*

Pangunahing katibayan sa pagmamahal sa ating bayan ay ang paggamit ng ating wika. Kaya naman tuwing Agosto ginaganap ang pagdiriwang ng Buwan ng Wika.

Noong Agosto 17-24, 2012 ginanap ang pagdiriwang ng Buwan ng Wika sa ating paaralan. Ang tema ng pagdiriwang ay "Tatag ng Wikang Filipino: Lakas ng Pagka-Pilipino." Ilang nakakaaliw na gawain ang ginanap mula Junior Prep hanggang ika-7 baitang. Kasama rito ay Magulang Ko, Guro Ko; Sabayang Pagbasa; Teknik at Istilo sa Pagkukwento; Pagsulat ng Haiku; Timpalak Himig Ko, Tatak ng Pagka-Pilipino; Timpalak Duologo.

Naging matagumpay ang pagdiriwang sapagkat kitang-kita sa mga ikinilos ng ating mga mag-aaral at mga guro na sila ay may pagpapahalaga sa ating wikang pambansa nang sila ay nakilahok sa iba't ibang patimpalak at gawaing nauukol sa pagdiriwang ng Buwan ng Wika.



## Second Graders Receive First Holy Communion

*Stephanie Singson, 7B*

It was a special day for the second graders and their families when they received the Sacrament of the Holy Communion on December 7, 2012.

Held at our very own chapel, the Sacrament was very much anticipated by the parents of the communicants and well attended by teachers and administrators of our school.

The manner the communicants sang their communion songs and the enthusiasm they showed during the entire celebration were truly commendable.



*Some of the communicants during the processional rites*



*Receiving the body of Christ Parents participating in the offertory*

## Lasallians, Christian Leaders

*Maria Noelleene Banez, 57*

This article is about my experience as a leader of our group project in Christian Living. Through this, I hope to encourage our readers to embrace one important Lasallian core value- being Christian leaders.

Sir Ram Francisco, our C.L. teacher, challenged us to create a project that would show that prayer is a part of our lives. Being the leader of our group, I asked my group mates to give their suggestions. One member suggested that we make a collage. The rest of the members agreed to do the same. Since everyone liked the idea of creating a collage, it was quite easy to finish the task. In fact, we were able to submit a quality output on time.

From this experience I learned that a leader, first of all, should listen. When I showed my group mates that my ears were ready to listen to their suggestions, they also listened to me. I also learned to be patient and friendly as a leader. When my members saw that they could approach me for any concerns regarding the project, they became at comfortable with me. Therefore, we created harmony in our group.

I would like to thank Sir Ram for the opportunity to show my leadership qualities in this one challenging experience that I will never forget. His support and smart ideas, especially his funny ways surely made the work a little lighter for us to accomplish.





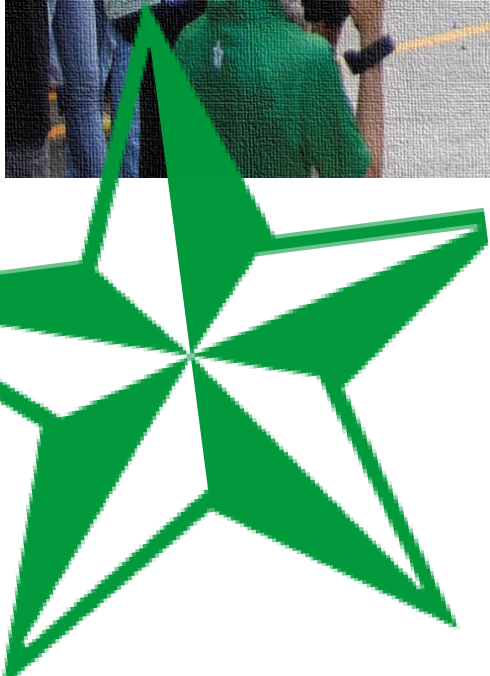
# Soar @ 34

*Bea Tribiana, TD*

With the theme “Soar @ 34: Rise of the Animo,” De La Salle Zobel celebrated its Vision-Mission Week. The friendly weather on November 22, 2012 made the simultaneous opening ceremonies in the Lower Grades and Upper Grades a big success.

A wide array of activities was held during the entire week of celebration. Among the most exciting ones were the Zobel Idol, Zobel Race, Barkada Sports, Make It or Bake It, and Two Minutes of Fame. In the Lower Grades TimeZone, the Inflatables, and the Make Over were big hits. In the Upper Grades the thrill of not getting caught and be asked to do weird or crazy stuff made the celebration super cool.

November 24, 2012 marked the culminating day of the Vision-Mission Week. Of course, the much awaited modern dance competition in the Upper Grades gathered a huge crowd of alumni and other spectators while in the Lower Grades the field demo brought delight to the parents. The cute Prep Squad under the tutelage of Teacher Margot Sabitsana, a former member of the DLSZ Cheering Squad, tickled the crowd.



DE LA SALLE  
PHILIPPINES





# Zobel Idol

*Shanen Bautista, 7B*

If there was one contest in DLSZ that made this year's celebration of the Vision-Mission Week colorful, it must be the Zobel Idol. This year a very interesting mix of students from Grades 4-7 stretched their vocal muscles and showcased their prowess in singing to be named the Zobel Idol of 2012. Surely the breath-taking voices of the talents of the contestants wowed the judges as well as the audience.

The board of jurors composed of DLSZ's precious gem-Ms. Marites Panaligan- together with the multi-talented Mr. Chris Slough and Mr. Darius Regis generously shared important tips with the contestants relevant to the art of singing and performing.

In the end Alyanna Basbas of 7E brought home the coveted title "Zobel Idol 2012" for Grades 6 and 7 while Thea Bea Bonafe 5G was awarded the same title for Grades 4 and 5.



The DLSZ Prep Squad showing great potentials!



Third graders posing for a souvenir of our 34th anniversary



Lasallians who took part in the Adopt-a-Child Program during the V-M Week

## WELCOME BACK HOME

It feels great when DLSZ alumni come back home even once in a while. This is especially true when a very successful DLSZ graduate remembers his alma mater.

Fashion icon and DLSZ alumnus Rajo Laurel returned home this school year and designed the faculty uniforms.

To Mr. Rajo Laurel, the Young Observer has this to say: We're glad to see you back home!



Ms. Lori De Vera and Ms. Gail Innumerable modeling the uniform designed by Rajo Laurel





Lasallians, happy to serve!



A cancer patient posing with some gifts from Lasallians who care

## Lasallians Care for the Marginalized

*Shanen Bautista, 7B*

As Lasallians we exist not for ourselves but for others. We live out this fact by sharing our blessings with the less fortunate around us. That is why, our school initiates projects that will give us countless opportunities to be a blessing to others, one of these is the yearly Christmas Drive.

With the toys and gifts and the Noche Buena packages that many of us donated during the recent Christmas Drive, about 1,000 families from our partner communities, organizations, and institutions (including our very own Br. Rafael Donato Night High School students, gardeners and electricians) were blessed.

The toys and gifts shared by the pupils from the Lower Grades made 1,060 children for partner public schools and communities truly happy.

***“Whatever you did to the least of these brothers, you did it unto me.” (Matthew 25:40)***

## Lasallians Contribute to Society

*Karen Bersamina, 7B*

The Seventh graders were given the opportunity to contribute to their respective communities when their Science teachers had required them to make an in-depth investigation on the waste management programs of their barangays. Moreover, they were tasked to submit proposals on resolving the problems of their barangays

One of the groups highly commended by Ms. Evelyn Agcaoili was the team of Marinel Dizon, Sean Aguinaldo, Mary Jazmine Yu, Rianna Aguilar, and Anica Tiu of 7G. Their group investigated on the waste management program of Sun Valley Subdivision in Parañaque City whose waste management program is replicated by other barangays from all over the country.

Despite the said fact about Sun Valley, the team of Anica Tiu recommended that

the subdivision push for a Zero Waste Plan. According to the group, the plan should include incentives for local businesses to produce less toxic materials, and create more durable and recyclable products.

***“Ask not what your country can do for you. Ask what you can do for your country.”***

***-John F. Kennedy***





# Lasallians, Committed to Excellence

Genius Spells F-U-N!  
Caroline Sahagun, 7B



Winners of the Reading Quiz Bee in Grade 5 with their respective advisers

It is De La Salle Zobel's commitment to produce graduates with natural desire for excellence in academics, sports, and the arts. Hence, the School yearly holds big events such as WiZup: League of the Geniuses.

A friendly competition, WiZup gathers contestants for one team from all levels. Each year nine teams compete in mind bugling contests that challenge the contestants' knowledge across subject areas.

This school year's WiZup was indeed challenging yet fun-filled. In the end the Amazing Aberforth proved what it takes to be the champion team; the Brainiacs finished second; and the Chudley Cannons landed on the third post.



## Batch Intramurals 2012

The Batch Intramurals was another very successful event held in September. Kudos to the united P.E. teachers for making this much anticipated event extra special by giving away eco-friendly trophies hand-crafted by Mr. Oliver Caja, head of the Physical Education Department.

This year the following sections emerged as the champion teams: 4H, 5A, 6A, and 7A. Surely the winners brought home their unique trophies with so much pride.



The champion team of Ms. Gemma Gelle triumphantly receiving the much coveted trophy

The Young Observer would like to thank Ms. Ruby Ramos, Ms. Evangeline De Peralta, Ms. Louie Embudo, Mr. Allan Alveyra, Ms. Suzette Balgos, Ms. Sheila Pelayo, Mr. Ricky Lopez, and Ms. Lorie Cruz, for making the





## Lasallians Also Wanna Have Fun! The CAB Toured Manila

*Caroline Sahagun, TG*

Last September 2012 the CAB toured the busy streets of Manila. With members Alex De Leon, Alex Marshall, Joey Thunder, David Briggs, and Chantry, the CAB is an American band from Las Vegas, Nevada.

With their most popular songs Bad and La La from their newest album Symphony Soldier, the CAB made their numerous Filipino fans very thrilled as they did the opening act of the Maroon 5 concert. Although the band came to the country for the said assignment in the Maroon 5 concert, plans changed since their Pinoy fans insisted that they hold their own concert here. And so, in the same month the CAB had their shows at three Ayala malls- Glorietta, Tri Noma, and Alabang Town Center.

Pam Siapno of 7A together with her friend David Morelos caught the CAB Live show at Alabang Town Center. David shared with the Young Observer, "I enjoyed the concert a lot! I would want them to return to the Philippines, and I hope to see them here again for their Smash Project in 2013."

Although it rained cats and dogs during the concert, the downpour didn't stop the fans who were soaking wet from singing and dancing.

The most loved member, Joey Thunder, tickled the crowd each time he danced across the stage. As his golden hair flipped, Joey thrilled his fans.

The concert was a huge success. Truly the CAB gave their Pinoy fans one unforgettable ride that night.



# Unforgettable Night with My American Idols

Camilo De Guzman, 7B

It was a chance of a lifetime! I couldn't afford to be late since I had anticipated every bit of action I would see on stage as my American idols perform in Manila.

I felt great relief when I arrived in the venue at exactly 8 P.M. But when the stage lights turned on to signal the start of the show, great excitement conquered me. I couldn't wait to see my idols.

The crowd went wild when their idols led by the half Pinay Jessica Sanchez sang Pink's *Raise Your Glass*. Everyone started singing and dancing, even jumping to their hearts' delight!

All the performances were well applauded, but everyone went crazy when Jessica sang her version of *Proud Mary*.

I will never forget that night when right before me my American idols performed to make one dream come true.



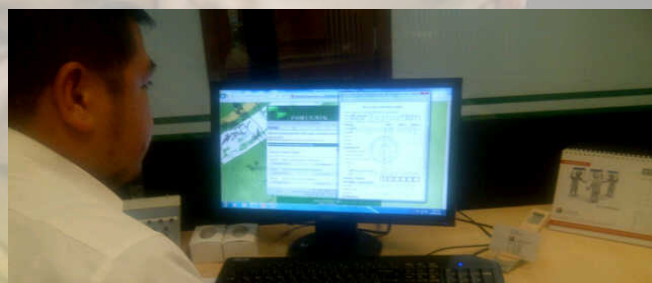
## Lasallians Care for Broden

Bea Tribiana, 7B

Literally all classrooms were emptied for about half an hour on January 11, 2012 as students and teachers gathered to express gratefulness to a well-loved La Salle brother- Broden!

It was a surprise birthday bash for the DLSZ President. The community dropped everything to greet Br. Dennis on his special day.

A cool brother, Broden was given a tribute on his most important day. A well-thought out program was initiated by the S.R.C.C. for Br. Dennis who is described by many by as energetic, athletic, radical, and the proponent of digital and technological revolution in DLSZ.



From another country Mr. Tianco, a Grade 7 parent, is viewing his son's report card in the DLSZ website.



Alex Tianco of 7E is thankful for one of Broden's greatest contributions to DLSZ- the on-line viewing of report cards.



Once again teachers dropped everything and conquered the stage to showcase their talents in singing and dancing. The teachers sang and danced with gusto in the ICONS 2012, as if to tell

The collection of Disney movies, as expected, thrilled even the third graders.

In the Upper Grades the opening salvo choreographed by P.E. teacher Mr. Louie Dollente surprised even Br. Harry who was seated in the front row. He couldn't believe that the

## Teachers Let Loose in **ICONS 2012** *Bea Tribiana, 7D*

their students that they too just wanna have fun!

In the Lower Grades the very appreciative crowd applauded their teachers from the moment they showed up on stage until their finale number.

DLSZ teachers could interpret *Moulin Rouge's Lady Marmalade* with great taste and class. Of course, the children went wild when the all-boy band of Mr. Ivan Salcedo, Mr. Bruce Fernando, Mr. Jholan Torres, Mr. Jun Acopiado, and Mr. Chris Slough serenaded the audience with a medley of Backstreet Boys' hits.



## DLSZ Robotics Team, won in the SUMOBOT Pinoy Robot Games *Shanen Bautista, 7B*

As of this writing the tandem of Job Mingoa (7F) and Joaquin Amante (6E) is now brainstorming on creating a more powerful robot which they will bring in the national level of the SUMOBOT Pinoy Robot Games. The boys have proven their inventive skills when they finished second in the elimination round of the said contest held at Don Bosco Makati on January 12, 2013.

Out of the 300 teams that competed in the contest, another DLSZ Robotics tandem was also chosen to forward to the national level. The partnership of Raphael Manuel Ramos (5C) and Davenson Co (7H) created a robot that could defeat other robots in a game. According to Davenson, it took them an hour to complete the design, mechanism, and program of their invention.



The DLSZ Grade School Robotics Team posing with Coach Albert Pagilagan of the High School Science





# TEACHER

## NEXT DOOR

"OMG! He's soooooo cute! Is he another Youngusband?" a fifth grader whispered to her classmate as she entered their Art Room.

He's neither Philip nor James Youngusband. In fact, he's no British guy. He is Sir Chris Slough, a half-American-half-Pinoy and the latest addition to the multi-talented teachers of the Art Department. Know more about Mr. Slough as you read the Young Observer's interview with this young blood and fresh face in this corner of Ayala Alabang Village.

Y.O.: What keeps you busy aside from school work?

C.S.: Listening to jazz music. I'm a great fan of jazz. I also play the guitar. Folk dancing is also my hobby. At times I watch movies, read books, or do some sketching of whatever subjects that interest me.

Y.O.: Folk dancing?

C.S.: Yes, I'm an active member of the Bayanihan Dance Troop.

Y.O.: As a guitarist, what music do you often play?

C.S.: Classical music... folk songs...

Y.O.: Is it true that you also compose songs?

C.S.: Yes, that's true.

Y.O.: Would you share the songs you've created with your students?

C.S.: (With obvious shyness) Maybe in the future...

Y.O.: Any favorite book?

C.S.: *Django: The Life and Music of a Gypsy Legend and Autobiography of Django Reinhardt*

Y.O.: Who inspired you to become a teacher?

C.S.: My aunts who are teachers.

Y.O.: What do you like most about Lasallians?

C.S.: Their energy, and I have observed that they know how to have fun.

Y.O.: Do you play any sports?

C.S.: Basically, basketball and volleyball

Y.O.: You seem to know a lot, you are very talented.

C.S.: Because I love learning and mastering skills that will improve my personality

Y.O.: Do you have any message for the Y.O. readers?

C.S.: If you want to learn something, start now and don't stop until you've mastered it.

