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CEM 42nd Anniversary Celebration Goes Virtual

CEM launched its first ever public virtual conference entitled, Education Reimagined: Starting and Sustaining New Approaches to Learning, in celebration of its 42nd Founding Anniversary. It is a three-part online event held from September to October 2020 via Zoom and live streamed on the CEM Facebook page. Registration is free and open to the public through CEM's Learning Management System at www.cemcpd.com.ph.

Part 1 with the subtheme, "Supporting the Transition of Schools to New Learning Delivery Modalities" was held on September 25, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 NN. Some of the highlights include Father Roderick C. Salazar, Jr., SVD, Chair of the CEM Board of Trustees and Acting Chief Executive Officer, delivering the welcome address where he cautioned, "...We are not and should not be in a hurry to use such a term as "New Normal." There is no new normal yet. New things we need to

dream of, and explore, and try. But it will take time to see if they succeed." And stated that in response, "At CEM we imagine new things. We look at what used to be and reimagine in a new light what can still be and what can no longer be followed." He also introduced CEM's 2020 corporate video, "What Drives Us?" and invited the participants to reflect on the same question, "...as we reimagine education, and our lives as well, in this our new time of new challenges." Part 1 also saw the launching of CEM's Online Assessments and the "CEM Updates S.Y. 2020-2021" AVP.

For the first session, **Diosdado M. San Antonio, PhD**, Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction of the Department of Education spoke on DepEd's efforts in, "Supporting the Transition to New Learning Delivery Modalities" for both public and private schools. Efforts which include guidance in the Implementation of the chosen distance learning delivery modalities (DLDM), providing

development courses/training, sharing resources and platforms, advocating thinking and planning of school leaders, and government assistance and subsidies were discussed.

For the second session, Ani Rosa S. Almario, PhD, School Director and Co-Founder of The Raya School discussed, "Supporting Your School's Transition to Online Learning," based on her school's own experiences during transition. She touched on the roles of school leaders in the transition, adjustments to the curriculum, expectations, and mindset, and priorities for the current school year including documentation, support for the community, and innovation.

Mr. Romelino R. Obinario, Principal of Laguna BelAir Science School served as the conference moderator. Parts 2 and 3 of the virtual conference will be held on October 9 and 23, respectively.



CEM 42nd Anniversary In-house Virtual Celebration

The CEM Board of Trustees and staff virtually celebrated the CEM 42nd Anniversary last September 2, 2020 through Zoom. The highlight of the program is the CEM Service Awards- a recognition of employees who have worked for CEM for a number of years. Awardees were presented with a plaque of recognition and cash incentive for their loyalty and dedication in their work and the organization.



Service Awardee Karen Lisette V. Reyes sharing her experience working for CEM in the last 25 years.



Father Roderick V. Salazar, Jr., SVD, Chair of Board of Trustees, delivering the welcome address.



Dr. Grace H. Aguiling-Dalisay, Vice Chair of CEM Board of Trustees, giving a closing remark.

Service Awardees

5 Years

Ms. Crisalyn Revilla Mr. Roni Rey R. Duay Mr. Renante S. Mina Jr.

10 Years

Mr. Reden B. Magbanua Mr. Jonathan B. Ynte Ms. Kristine Marie O. Guevarra Ms. Zarah Katherine R. Yee

15 Years

Ms. Ana Marie A. Tambanillo Ms. Maribel A. Montalbo Ms. Kathryn M. Tan

25 Years

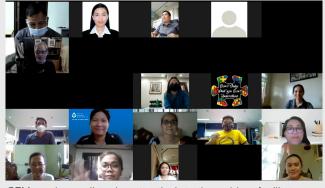
Ms. Karen Lisette M. Reyes

Mental Health Webinar

CEM organized a mental health webinar for its employees in partnership with Maxicare Healthcare Corporation on Sept 28, 2020. The session was entitled, "How to Manage Stress and Anxiety during Crisis (COVID-19)," and was facilitated by **Dr. Joyce Ann Maglaque, MD, MBA, DSBPP**.

Dr. Maglaque discussed how the pandemic have skyrocketed mental health concerns and cases at the workplace, and the importance of companies being informed about how to assist employees in dealing with these problems.

This virtual event is an expression of CEM's commitment to the wellness of the employees amidst the pandemic. Maxicare Healthcare Corporation is CEM's employee health care provider.

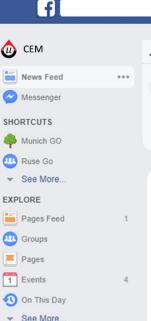


CEM employees listening attentively to the webinar facilitator.

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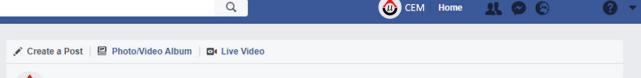
In celebration of CEM's 42nd founding anniversary, we launched a campaign encouraging our stakeholders to share their memorable CEM stories. The chosen winners received cash prizes and here are their entries:

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What's your CEM Story?





Marinita Alano

CEM has opened doors for me that helped hone my skills and sharpen my knowledge. It provided me the opportunity to anchor "CEM on Air" in Radyo Veritas that helped us reach out to the public and discuss issues that are relevant to them.

CEM has been very generous to its staff in providing opportunities for growth. I am grateful for the scholarship provided to me that afforded me to finish my Masters in Education, major in Measurement and Evaluation. I learned and updated my knowledge and skills that help me perform my tasks better.

Truly, CEM brings out the best in me.





Gladys Canillo

I've been with the CEM for 9 years! Andaming pwdeng ikwento pero ang pinakahighlights ng CEM story ko is that, they just don't helped me shape my career but more of honed me to be a better person.

This pandemic challeges everyone pero dito din natin mas masusubok/nasubok yung tatag ng social support ng mga kapamilya natin sa trabaho.

Happy #CEM42ndAnniversary Center for Educational Measurement, Inc. Family.





Eleanor Belista

Long time ago... pinatawag ako ni Sir Bobi para ayusin yung files at pagkatapos noon inayos ko na din yung buong table niya. Tumawag si Sir Bobi sa phone workmate ko nakasagot gusto daw akong makausap kasi may nawawalang gamit sa table... Kinabahan ako noon, pero pagsagot ko ng phone nag thank you si Sir Bobi na nilinis ko yung table niya, umaliwalas daw.

Akala ko yung lang ang extra mile na gagawin ko, but there's something in CEM na gagawa ka ng extra mile, sometimes because you need to but most of the time because you love to.



What's your CEM story?



Lucille Mae Borja-Javier

I looked for a job. I found one. And hey, there's a bonus I found my second family. Happy 42nd Anniversary CEM! Salamat Center for

Educational Measurement. Inc.





Janet Evasco

Mahaba na ang aking nilakbay sa CEM

Ang aking tahanan sa labas ng aking sariling tahanan

Labing-apat na taon na pala at nagpapatuloy pa.

Paglalakbay ay hindi naging simple Ang desisyon ay hindi madali Pagbuo ng test ay puno ng pagpili, sapat na pananaliksik ang susi.

Malayo man ang narating Pagsasanay ay di magmamaliw Ito man ay para sa sarili o dili kaya'y sa supling.

Sa tahanan ng CEM ikaw ay ikaw rin Buong tapang mong angkinin Ang sarili mo't hubugin, ikaw ay tiyak na magniningning. Salamat CEM!





Maria Mimosa Pranza

Another September highlight as I joined CEM's very Virtual Anniversary Conference a while ago. Yes, a number of my first experience have been with the Center for Educational Measurement and my September highlights include attending insightful and inspiring CEM Anniversary conferences. This is my CEM story. Thanks!



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