



PHILIPPINE PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY, INC.

c/o Crop Protection Cluster, UP Los Baños, College, Laguna 4031

2009-2013 SUMMARY LIST OF ACTIVITIES

SCHOLARSHIPS

1. The G.O. Ocfemia Scholarship Grant – open to all Plant Pathology undergraduate students in junior standing. (continuing)
2. The R.G. Davide Undergraduate Thesis Writing Grant – open to all Plant Pathology undergraduate students who are currently preparing thesis manuscript . It was named was named in honour of Dr. Romulo G. Davide, a prominent figure in the field of plant pathology. He holds the position of a Professor Emeritus with the Crop Protection Cluster, College of Agriculture, UPLB. He is a highly distinguished educator, researcher in the area of biological control of nematode causing diseases on economically important crops, and continuing advocate of giving extension service to the people by implementation of generated technologies in field of agriculture.
(Implementation: 2009; proponent: Dr. Teresita U. Dalisay, 2009-2010 PPS President)
3. Melencio E. Lopez Pre-Admission Support for Graduate Study in the USA – the grant was named in honour of the late Mr. Melencio C. Lopez, a founding member of PPS and a scientist and research administrator with the Philippine Sugar Institute (PhilSugin) in Quezon City, Philippines. It is intended to provide funding to a student for specific costs associated with application to graduate studies outside of the Philippines. It is envisioned that the grant is used to cover fees associated with the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) of Test of English Fluency (TOEFL) or application fees at an appropriate University. Any student who has earned a BS or MS and is a member of the PPS in good standing and who is applying to a university abroad for further graduate degrees in Plant Pathology
(Implementation: 2011 during the term of Ms Lolita M. Dolores; financially supported by the family of the late M.E. Lopez; Proponent: Dr. Pamela Lopez Kemerait and Dr. Robert C. Kemerait, an active PPS member and Professor of the University of Georgia)

POSTER COMPETITION FOR UNDERGRADUATE THESIS

Venue: During the Pest Management Council of the Philippines (PMCP) Annual Convention and Scientific Meeting

Proponent: Dr. Asuncion L. Nagpala of Benguet State University, La Trinidad, Benguet

Proposed and approved: 2013 during the term of Dr. T.U. Dalisay.

Implementation: 2014

BIOTECH FORUM

Venue: where the PMCP is held

Proponent: Ms Merle B. Palacpac, Chief of Plant Quarantine Service, Bureau of Plant Industry and Dr. Fe M. Dela Cueva of Crop Science Cluster-Institute of Plant Breeding, College of Agriculture, Univ. of the Philippines Los Baños



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Implementation: 2009 during the term of T.U. Dalisay

Objectives: to help students, faculty, researchers and other stakeholders gain an in-depth knowledge of the principles and applications of agri-biotechnology, regulatory policies, information and socio-economics of biotechnology products.

TRAININGS (continuing; offered yearly)

Modules:

1. Serological and Molecular Techniques for Plant Disease Diagnosis
2. Seed Health Testing
3. Diagnosis of Nematode Diseases

'PLANT DOCTORS ON WHEELS' (continuing; offered yearly)

Nature of activity: A group of crop protectionists (entomologists, plant pathologists, weed specialists, and toxicologists) give lectures on major pests and diseases of certain crops and proper usage, handling, and disposal of chemicals in area of choice. Plant pest clinic is set up that offers free services such as diagnosing pests and diseases of plants brought by the participants and giving proper management. PPS pioneered this activity and then turned over the full responsibility to PMCP. The activity is conducted in collaboration with the Provincial Agricultural Office.

Participants: farmers; Local government units (LGUs)

ROLE OF PPS IN OVERARCHING ISSUE

Issue: Aerial Spraying of banana plantations in Mindanao

Role played by PPS: spearheaded the plenary session covering topics on 'Sigatoka of Banana' during the 2009 PMCP convention.

Topics: Infection cycle, epidemic development, integrated management and its paradox, status, technical issues, concerns, and impacts of aerial spraying. Speakers came from academic institutions, private companies, and government agencies.

WORKSHOP OF PPS ON 'SIGATOKA OF BANANA'

Objective: to come up with research and development proposals to address the problem on Sigatoka of Banana.

Year held: 2010 during the PMCP convention

ACTIVITIES OF THE REGIONAL DIVISIONS

1. Trainings/Workshops (continuing)
2. 1st PPS-Southern Mindanao Division (SMD) Summit on Panama Wilt of Banana. (December, 2011 at Davao City)
3. Extension program conducted by the SMD on "Management of Sigatoka and Fusarium Wilt Diseases", in partnership with the Department of Agriculture Region XI. (April, 2012 at Tagum City)



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4. SMD sponsored FSTP Technology Transfer with Dr. Romulo G. Davide and Updates on Regional Initiatives on Fusarium Management. (October, 2012 at Tagum City).

HIGHLIGHTING 2012-2013 AS PPS CELEBRATES ITS GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

ACTIVITIES

SEMINAR SERIES

Date: May, 2012

Venue: International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)
College, Laguna

Theme: Direction of the Discipline of Plant Pathology

Speakers:

1. Dr. John L. Sherwood, Professor and Department Head of the University of Georgia and former president of American Phytopathological Society (APS)
2. Dr. Jan E. Leach, Professor at Colorado State University, editor-in-chief of Molecular Plant-Microbe Interactions and a council member of APS

Date: February, 2013

Venue: Crop Protection Cluster, Univ. of the Philippines Los Baños, College, Laguna

Theme: Direction of the Discipline of Plant Pathology

Speakers:

1. Dr. John L. Sherwood, Professor and Department Head of the University of Georgia and former president of American Phytopathological Society (APS)
Topic: A Flat World Still Has Hills: Preparing for Opportunities in Plant Pathology.
2. Dr. Robert C. Kemerait, Professor of the University of Georgia
Topic: Assessment of Target Spot of Cotton- The Developing Importance of *Corynespora cassiicola* in the United States.

PLENARY SPEAKERS FOR PMCP CONVENTION 2013

Topics:

1. The Philippine Phytopathological Society: Its history and its future.
Speaker: Mr. Ceferino A. Baniqued
2. Recent Developments in the Management of Some Important Corn Diseases
Speaker: Dr. Samuel C. Dalmacio
3. Banana Diseases: Continuing challenge on the Sustainability of Banana Production in the Philippines
Speaker: Dr. Agustin B. Molina



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4. Opportunities and Challenges of the Philippine Mango Industry

Speaker: Dr. Oscar S. Opina

LAUNCHING OF THE PPS YEARBOOK for its 50th Anniversary

Venue: During the PMCP Convention, March, 2013 at Hotel Centro, Palawan

Theme: *PPS at 50: 'Patuloy na Pananaliksik ng mga Makabagong Teknolohiya na Angkop sa Magsasakang Pinoy'*

English translation of the Theme: *'PPS at 50: Continuing Search for New Technologies for the Benefit of the Filipino Farmers'*

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Address by Dr. George A. Zentmeyer (past APS Pres.)

Scholarship Grant

Past Presidents, Scholars, and Awardees

Patrons, Sponsors and Donors

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Over-all Chair of the Steering Committee for the PPS 50th Anniversary: Mr. Ceferino A. Baniqued
2013-2014 PPS President

CERTIFICATE, CONGRATULATORY LETTER, and CASH DONATION to PPS on the occasion of its 50th ANNIVERSARY

Conveyed by: Dr. Michael Boehm, President of The American Phytopathological Society (APS)

Citation read by: Dr. John L. Sherwood

Venue: during the PPS Fellowship Night on March, 2013 at Hotel Centro, Palawan

SYMPOSIUM

Date: October 8, 2013

Venue: Crop Protection Cluster Auditorium

University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB)

College, Laguna

Topics: Philippine Plant Quarantine; Major diseases of crops such as abaca bunchy top, coconut cadang-cadang, bacterial leaf blight of rice, diseases of jackfruit, clubroot of brassicae, late blight of potato. Fusarium and diseases of banana.



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GRAND FELLOWSHIP AND AWARDS NIGHTS

Date: October 9, 2013

Venue: Los Baños, Laguna

PARTICIPATION DURING THE UPLB LOYALTY DAY

Date: October 10, 2013

Venue: UPLB grounds

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