San Beda College Alabang Debate Society
Roars Proudly in Major Debate Competitions
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Philippine Schools Debate Championship 2013

The Debate Team of San Beda College Alabang proved once again its formidability even in the national arena as it marked another strong finish in the 2013 Philippine Schools Debate Championship (PSDC) held last November 8 to 11 at the Ateneo de Manila University in Quezon City.

Out of 31 schools all over the country, Team A of our debaters, headed by team captain Carlos Penas and Kyle Atega landed in 3rd Place. In the same competition, Atega was adjudged 3rd Best Debater while Penas was 11th Best Debater.

Team B, composed of Jose Miguel Yabut and Pablo Tanglao, also reached the coveted quarterfinals stages, while Team C, made up of the duo Ji Hwan Lee and Katrina Bausas, were also Grand Finalists for the Ana Alano Cup, a sub-competition for young debaters.

Ejie Bonzo and Carla Gozo (Team D) as well as Carlos Edrada and Kyle Reyes (Team E) also gave stellar performances in the most prestigious high school debate tournament in the country.

Going into the finals, Penas and Atega were among the crowd’s favorites. In the end, it was the team from Immaculate Concepcion Academy which won the championship; Ateneo de Manila University 2nd Place; San Beda College Alabang, 3rd Place, and PAREF Woodrose School landed in 4th Place.

The SBCA Debate Team also made its presence felt in the tournament when it was declared champions in the event’s Quiz Night held during the PSDC’s Dinner Party.

Schools that competed in the debate were: Claret School, La Salle Greenhills, De La Salle Zobel, PAREF Southridge, Miriam College, St. Paul College, Xavier School, Poveda College, St. Scholastica’s College, Colegio San Agustin Makati, Ateneo De Davao University, Ateneo De Naga University, and Ateneo De Zamboanga University, among others.
Sci-Math Ecological Challenge 2013

Members of the debate varsity team stood out after bagging awards in the Extemporaneous Public Speaking contest in the Sci-Math Ecological Challenge 2013 held on October 26 at De La Salle University, Canlubang, Laguna.

During the competition, Kyle Atega, got 2nd Place in Fourth Year Level; Jose Miguel Yabut, 2nd Place in Third Year Level; Jose Peregrine Argana, 2nd Place in Second Year Level; and Sachiko Erika Vista, 3rd Place in First Year Level.

The Balboa Cup 19th: CMLI Annual Debate Tournament

After three days of rigorous debate rounds in the “The Balboa Cup 19th: CMLI Annual Debate Tournament” held last August 10-11 & 17, 2013, at Far Eastern University-FERN College, Carlos Penas, Team Captain of the San Beda Debate Society was declared the Best Speaker.

In this tournament, Team A, consisted of Carlos Penas, Kyle Atega, and Carla Gozo; while Team B, consisted of Ji Hwan Lee, Katrina Bausas, and EjieBonzo. They were 7th in the preliminary rounds and they reached the Octo-finals.

INTERSCHOLASTIC DEBATE ASSOCIATION LITE 2013

In the meantime, Carla Gozo, fourth year student of Section 5, and Pablo Tanglao, Grade 8, Section 7 were declared 4th Best Debaters in the Interscholastic Debate Association-Lite held recently at St. Paul Pasig. They were the 4th best team in the preliminary rounds and they reached the Quarter-finals of the tournament.
The Founding Parents

With all our successes, the Debate Moderator would like to thank the people who have always been behind the success of our team. First, to the administration for believing in us and for giving us the opportunities to bring back the pride to San Beda College Alabang; secondly to the founding parents who have always been very supportive in all our competitions: Mr. Edgar and Beth Penas, Atty. Khalid and Dr. Anj Atega, Mr. Emeric and Mrs. Minda Bonzo, Mr. Edgar and Mrs. Arlene Timbol, Mr. Virgilio and Mrs. Victoria Vista; to the parents of the succeeding debaters: Mr. George and Mrs. Monette Bausas, Mr. Ferdie and Mrs. Venchie Yabut, Mr. and Mrs. Noelle Gozo, Mr. Young Jin and Mrs. Young Ju Lee, Mr. Aresti and Mrs. Eva Tanglao, Ms. Maria Christel C. Argana, Mr. John Caesar and Mrs. Cecilia Edrada, Mr. Conrado and Mrs. Salud Rivera, Mr. Peter and Mrs. Maribel Reyes.

The San Beda Debate Family

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