

UC Alternative hailed champ in CAR presscon

Winning overall champion in all group categories and placing in the first five top ranks in all individual categories, the Alternative, the official student publication of the University of the Cordilleras, took the competition by storm, bested 12 other schools and bagged the overall champion title at the 7th Regional Tertiary Schools Press Conference at the Baguio-Benguet Community Credit Coopertave Inc., on January 26-28, 2007.

In the Magazine Category, the Alternative was adjudged overall champion winning individual championships in Page Design; Editorial, News, Literary, Features and Sports Pages; and 1st runner-up in Cover Design and Developmental Communication Page.

UC also took home the overall champion title in the Newsletter Category for being champion in the Editorial, Sports and Literary Pages; first runner-up in Lay-out Design and Features Page; and third runner-up in Developmental Communication and News Pages.

The group did the same in the tabloid category, becoming champion for the

Editorial, Features and Literary Pages; 1st runner-up in the News Page and Lay-out Design; and 2nd runner-up for the Sports and Developmental Communication Pages.

Completing the titles, UC won overall champion in the Literary Folio Category, being champion in Literary Graphics and Cover Design; and second runner-up for Literary Content.

The Alternative editorial staff also did well on their own. In fact all ten UC delegates are going to Tagaytay next week for the Luzon-wide press conference. Advisers AP Naomi Boac and AP Roldan Ta-a are positive that the Alternative will hold its own against Luzon's best.



MIGHT OF THE PEN. The Alternative's editorial staff and their advisers are welcomed by the UC Executive Council after their awesome display of journalistic talent at the 7th Regional Press Conference.

7th Regional Tertiary Press Conference Individual Awards

Jominee Antonnette Blanco (CTE)

Champion:
Literary Graphics (Filipino)

1st runner-up:
Editorial Cartooning (Filipino)

1st Runner-up:
Comic Strip (Filipino)

Cesar Gagtan (CON)

Champion:
Photojournalism (English)

Abraham Foronda Jr. (COL)

1st runner-up:
Opinion Writing (Filipino)

4th runner-up:
Copyreading and
Headline Writing (English)

Lanilyne Estepa (COL)

1st runner-up:
Photojournalism (English)

Sonny Fontanilla (CEA)

1st runner-up:
Editorial Cartooning (English)

Lincoln Dionisio (COA)

2nd runner-up:
Sports Writing (Filipino)

3rd runner-up:
News Writing (Filipino)

Jesus Miguel Agreda (CAS)

2nd runner-up:
Opinion Writing (English)

4th runner-up:
Features Writing (English)

Rhoda Diana Suniega (COA)

2nd runner-up:
Copyreading and
Headline Writing (Filipino)

2nd runner-up:
Feature Writing (Filipino)

Melvin Magsanoc (CTE)

2nd runner-up:
Poetry Writing (Filipino)

3rd runner-up:
News Writing (English)

Sharma Deviah Buteng (CCJE)

3rd runner-up:
Poetry Writing (English)

Grooving to the beat of triumph

Members of the UC Dancesport team groove their way towards winning both categories at the Audition Dance Battle Philippines competition, a spin-off of the famous MMORPG (Massive Multiplayer Online Role Playing Game) of the same name, held at the SM Atrium last January 26.

Harlyn May Malare, a Mass Communication freshman, danced freestyle and won the open category, taking home an

MP3 player and cash prize. Her Dancesport Teammates who registered under the name UC IBP Dance Masters also won first place in the group category and were able to bag an MP3 player each and two personal computers apart from the cash prize.

The UC IBP Dance Masters were also declared overall champion in the Dance Extravaganza sponsored by the Gift Foundation last October.

English major is one of Baguio's ten outstanding youth

Sheer dedication to community service is what won Jonathan B. Guidangan, a graduating AB English student, the recognition of being one of the Ten Outstanding Youth of Baguio City as proclaimed by the Rotary Club of Baguio South last December 15, 2006.

Jonathan has always shown exemplary leadership and willingness to volunteer. In fact, as president of the UC Peer Facilitators (awarded 2006 Ten Accomplished Youth Organization 'TAYO' by the National Youth Commission) in 2003-2005, he has spearheaded awareness campaigns and seminars on adolescent and reproductive health education

for grade school students in Baguio City. He wages war against pollution and enlightens fellow youth on the dangers of drugs, pre-marital sex and other pertinent issues as a volunteer for the Energy and Clean Air Program (ECAP) and Baguio Center for Young Adults.

With his involvement in so many organizations like the UC Literary Guild, Toastmaster's Club, Ifugao Student Organization and the CHAMP-OSY (Coaching and Mentoring to Help Attain Maximum Performance for Out of School Youth), one has to wonder how he is able to do it all and still keep his feet firmly planted on the ground. But Jonathan

Badminton team claims double BBEAL victory

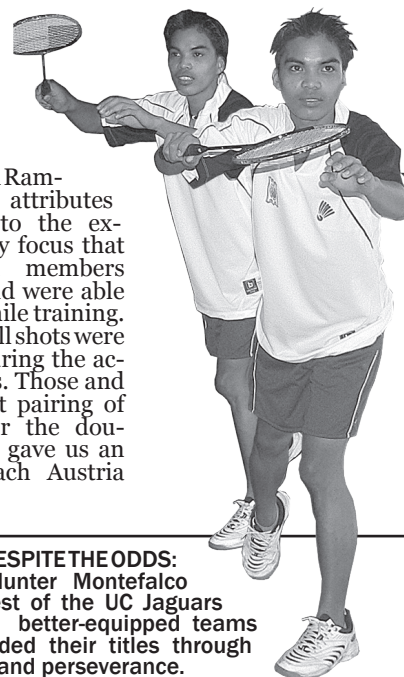
With tricky drop shots and powerful smashes, the University of the Cordilleras powerhouse Men's Badminton Team defended their championship crown while the Women's team held on to their 1st runner-up title at the Baguio Benguet Educational Athletic League last January 13 and 14 at the SLU Burgos Gym.

Led by Baguio's no. 1 player and BSED 2 student Hunter Montefalco, the male Jaguars defeated all teams with a 2-0 finish in the 1st singles and doubles round. UC

gave the spectators a blast from the past as Hunter and his rookie partner Winston Calugay (BSED 1) in the doubles round and BSED 2 senior player Emerson Manabat in the singles round gave a repeat performance of last year's victory over their SLU rivals.

Coach Ramir Austria attributes this feat to the extraordinary focus that the team members possess and were able to hone while training. "All the drill shots were applied during the actual games. Those and the correct pairing of players for the doubles really gave us an edge", coach Austria said.

The team says they are looking at a grand-slam next season. They are also hoping for better exposure at national competitions like the Unigames, the JVC and Yonex tournaments.



VICTORY DESPITE THE ODDS: Top bet Hunter Montefalco and the rest of the UC Jaguars preyed on better-equipped teams and defended their titles through hard work and perseverance.

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