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NMP Marks 31st Founding Anniversary

The National Maritime Polytechnic, the only government-owned maritime training center in the country will celebrate its 31st Founding Anniversary on May 1, 2009 with a month long festivities from April 3 to May 4, 2009. This year's celebration will be actively participated by the NMP officials and employees, graduates, former faculty members and staff, the maritime industry and other government agencies.

This year's theme: "Steering to Greater Heights: Making Filipino Seafarers the Seafarers of Choice of the World Fleet," highlights NMP's commitment in providing quality training for our Filipino seafarers.

The month long anniversary celebrations will include a campus clean up spearheaded by the NMP Services Association and the Trainee's Affairs Office every morning of Fridays and Saturdays starting April 3 and 4. A team-building competition or fun games for employees as part of the staff development activities to be held every Thursdays and Fridays of April and May. A Quiz Show, Skills Olympics and a Trainee's Night are also in store for NMP trainees.

Relative to the plan of the Philippine Government to ratify the Maritime Labour Convention, a seminar on Maritime Labour Convention (MLC 2006) is organize to disseminate information as to the stakeholders' rights, privileges, duties and responsibilities as well as accountabilities and surface issues and concerns that would serve as vital inputs in the formation of a national legislation on April 28, 2009 at the Rajah Park Hotel, Cebu City and in Mindanao in June 2009.

On May 4, there will be a Photo Exhibit at the Administration Building Lobby to showcase the memoir of the historic events that took place since NMP was founded and in the afternoon Loyalty Awardees Recognition for those who have rendered 10th, 15th, 20th and 25th years of service to the NMP.

The main event --- the blessing and inauguration of the newly acquired training simulators to be held on the first week of May will cap off the anniversary celebrations.



Participants of the Skills Olympics in fireman's outfit displayed their skills in fire fighting and rescue as they attempt to put off the fire using fire hose.



Using appropriate technique, a teammate tries to revive the rescued victim from the fire scene.



The second leg of the Seminar on Maritime Labor Convention (MLC) 2006 held in Rajah Park Hotel, Cebu City