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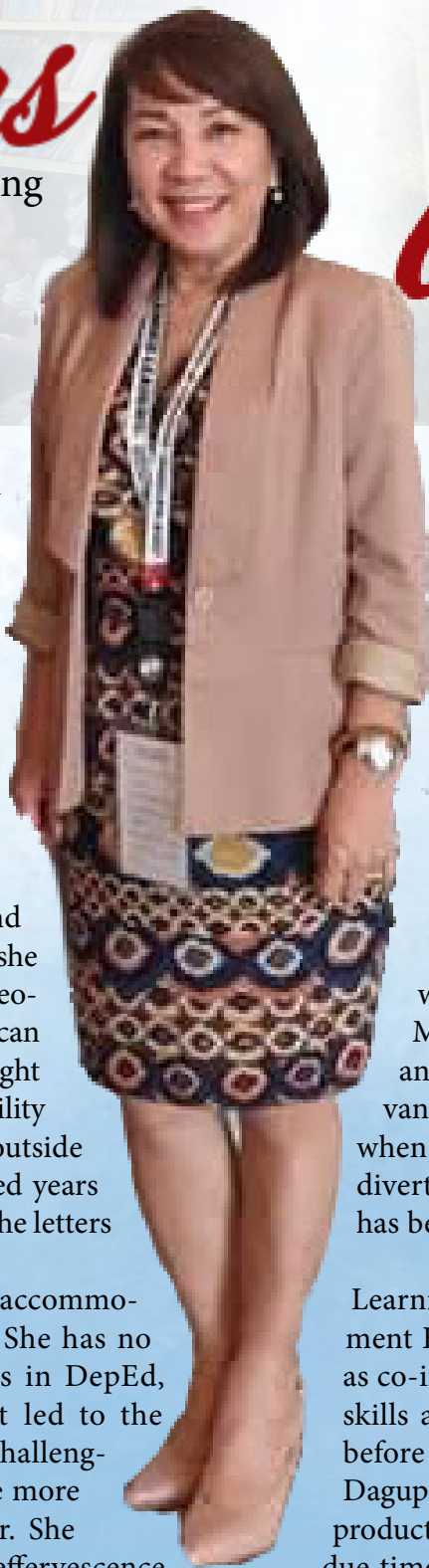
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legacy

Venus is a name that has always been synonymous to beauty, femininity and love. An enigmatic character widely read in Roman mythology. Venus is more than just a name or a fictional goddess, for the Venus we know is the embodiment of character, bold leadership and persona of compassion and love. She is Dr. Venus Maria Sta Maria Estonilo.

Ma'am Venus, as we call her, has always been the epitome of brilliance, elegance and finesse. Her charm has never faded overtime as she exudes beauty and allure more than ever. Not to mention, she also got a warm smile capable of melting people's heart. From the moment she talks, one can instantly notice her refined demeanor, bright spirit, gifted mind and solid attitude of humility and compassion. As she embarks her life outside the academe, her 27 rewarding and fulfilled years in SDO Dagupan City can be mirrored by the letters of her name.

V for Vehement. Ma'am Venus is accommodating and always open for conversation. She has no hesitations on expressing her adventures in DepEd, on how she had crossed a tough path that led to the discovery of her passion. Through the challenges she met in her first job, she found a life more meaningful and gratifying as an educator. She describes it "a blessing in disguise." Her effervescence



comes from her adoration of children and passion for teaching and learning, and leading the department in the realization of its objectives.

E for Excellent. She had always endeavored for academic excellence since the day she entered the portals of DepEd. She stood out from the rest by giving solutions to pressing problems on academic quality. Soon enough her programs and projects have been the limelight of quality and inclusiveness in education.

Most notable among her projects was the "Division Training Writeshop on Module Development." It started in 2017 and ended in 2019, so timely that its relevance is highly valued. As a matter of fact, when the pandemic came, schooling has been diverted to homes and the need for modules has become indispensable.

With her initiative, together with the Learning Resource Management and Development Education Supervisor Dr. Renata Rovillos as co-implementer, teachers were equipped with skills and knowledge to produce modules long before the pandemic came. As a result, SDO Dagupan did not fall short in the preparation and production of the locally made modules. And in due time, we were able to distribute the modules

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and achieve a smooth flow of continuity of learning as the school year started. To sum it all, SDO Dagupan made quite an advancement, while most divisions of Pangasinan were oblivious of the situation.

Moreover, as she led in the training of teachers in the content areas, she looked for other venues where teachers can develop and showcase their writing skills. Teachers were encouraged to write educational articles and these were published through the division publication "Educator's Post" which she initiated in 2009.

She was an advocate of school-community partnership. This was exemplified by her efforts to involve the community in her "Read Along Program" with the theme, "Read to Lead", wherein a member of the community, division office, school or local government is invited to read a story to learners. This program inculcates the love for reading as well as the importance of community support to learning.

N for Natural. Numerous challenges did not spare Ma'am Venus in her entire stay in DepEd. Conflicts and problems were part of her job. She had her own share of pains and troubles; however, she took them as hurdles to succeed. She managed to surpass them with flying colors through her ingenuity and sacrifices. Indeed, a leader by nature.

U for Unperturbed. She managed to control conflicts in a suave way and was able to keep her cool amidst unfavorable situations. She uttered with delight, "Serenity comes with maturity and wisdom. I have experienced frustrations and disappointments when I was younger, and I was able to get through them, so

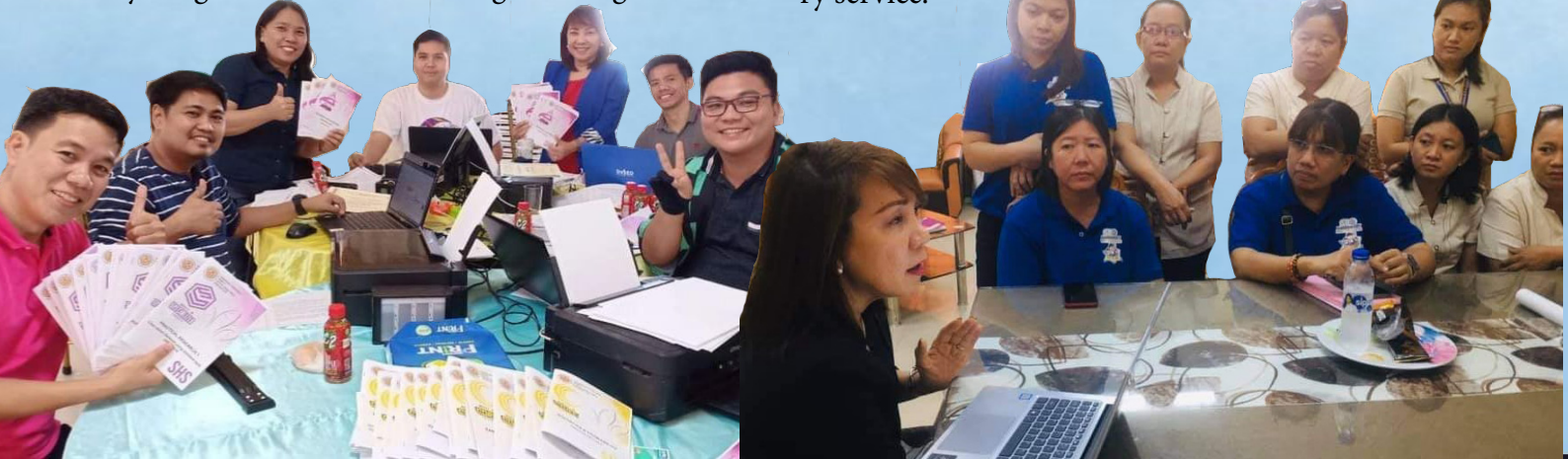
when similar challenges came later, I approached them with calmness and understanding. As the Chief of Curriculum Implementation Division, I have to find the best option or solution rather than to react negatively, no matter how large or small the situation or responsibility may be."

S for Satisfied. Behind her countless success is a supportive and loving family. Now, she enjoys the beauty of her little manicured garden, blooming under her care. She also finds pleasure in playing the piano. In fact, Ma'am Venus is gifted with the talent of playing any song of her liking on the piano by listening and memorizing the tune from start to finish. She definitely knows what keys to hit on the piano by merely humming the tune of a song.

Home is where she finds solace in solitude, yet she looks forward to the day that this pandemic will finally bid farewell so that she can be united with her family who lives abroad.

Her heart is overflowing with gratitude for the decades she spent with SDO Dagupan City. She remarked, "As long as you are honest, true to your duty and honor the oath you made to serve, you will be rewarded. Your reward may come in different forms. It maybe in your personal life, your family, career or other opportunities. Either way, you'll surely know."

Ma'am Venus will forever be etched in the portals of excellence and standards. Her contributions are legacies that will last a lifetime. Venus Maria Sta Maria Estonilo, will remain the name of passion, excellence and exemplary service.



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