



# SCRIBE

SOUTH COTABATO REGISTER AND INFORMATION BULLETIN OF EDUCATIONAL UPDATES



**SDOSC: Achieving success through service with a HEART**



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# Tungkol sa Pabalat



**TAGUMPAY.** Sa bawat hakbang na may adhikaing mahango ang lahat sa karalitaan ng karunungan at kasalanan sa kaasalan, laging kaakibat ay sakripisyo't pagpiga ng lalo't higit pang pawis at dugo ng mga dakilang tagapanday ng kaalaman. Kay hirap tarukin ang lalim ng hangaring maibigay ang lahat, mapabuti't mapainam lamang ang mga hinuhubog na nilalang. Sa pagpuno ng pinanumpaang tungkulin, na sa kahit ano pa mang kaparaana'y mapunuan ang bawat puwang ng kakulangan, pati sariling kaginhawaan, kapakanan o ano pa man ay kaya pang ilaan at i-alay.

Sa kabila nito, tunay ngang kapag malagpasan ninuman ang baku-bako, lubak, at makitid na landas ng mga pagsubok, siguradong 'di mawaring kaligayahan at kasiyahan ang madarama.

Lubhang napakadakila at napakatayog na ambisyon at gawain ngunit totoo't tunay 'pagkat ito ang tunay na tagumpay – Serbisyon may PUSO ang laging ipinaglalaman. **TAGUMPAY!**



## Editor's Note

MA. TERESA HALLEGADO  
Division Information Officer

*The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand. - Vince Lombardi*

The shedding of sweats and melting of candles in every step we take truly need to be acknowledged. In this issue, the SCRIBE would like to highlight the different successes of the Schools Division of South Cotabato on its pursuit of delivering a service of quality and excellence with a **HEART**.

Different milestones and bottlenecks in the implementation of different programs, projects and activities had been surpassed in a heroic way by our dedicated, loving and humble teacher – performers in the field. They may be so quiet and inaudible in their way of performing and in carrying out their tasks, yet the scent of a clenched fragrance of victory will never be unnoticed in SCRIBE.

The evidence of efforts and hardwork may not be that apparent but as these were observed through the learners had truly made something to be commended and praised of.

Making a difference in our simple ways will really be of great contribution to achieving the goals and aspirations of our humble division, hence, in behalf of the editorial board, we salute to all South Cotabateños – weavers of hope and bright future.

Let us continue achieving success through services with a **HEART**.



## From the Desk of SDS

### ISAGANI S. DELA CRUZ, CESO V

Schools Division Superintendent  
Schools Division of South Cotabato

*Leadership is based on inspiration, not domination; on cooperation, not intimidation. - William Arthur Wood*

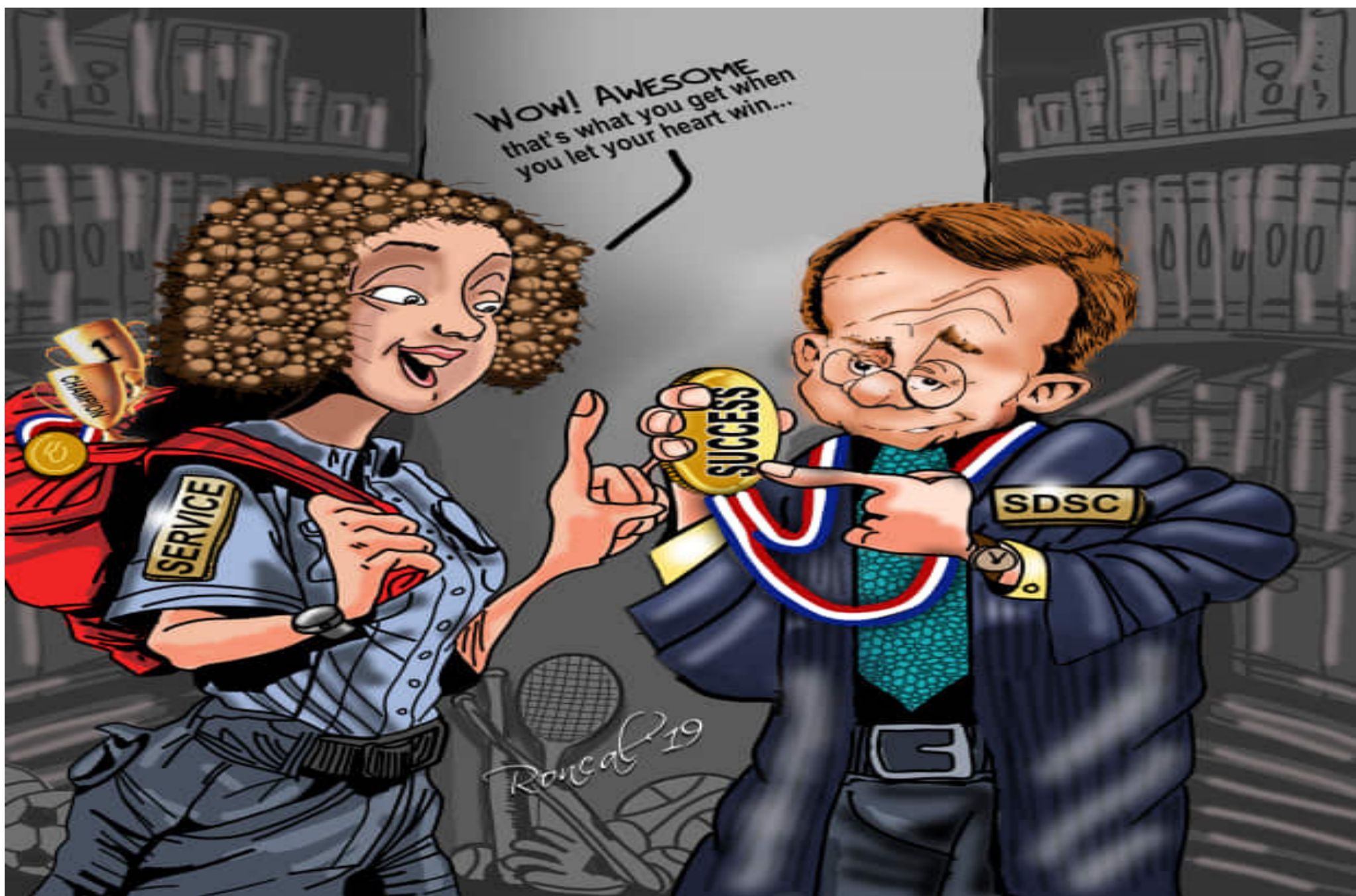
Weaving the dreams with a **HEART** with the people of South Cotabato had made me realize some aspects of being patient yet with perseverance to achieve my heartfelt desire in the delivery of quality and excellent services in all means, by all means in our division.

A parcel of my journey with you may not be enough to trigger nor tickle you to be at your utmost best, but I do believe that once a dream weaver, always and forever be a DREAMWEAVER - making a way to be more creative and innovative in your own way and pace, leaving a mark of excellence.

The achievements you've shared are the real means or evidence that you never stopped weaving a brighter future.

May your burning passion in your work continue to flicker and even influence more others to move and make a difference.

To all of you, my big THANKS with a **HEART**. You did your job well! **CONGRATULATIONS!**





# Message to SDOOSC

**JOSEFINA R. BUGAYONG-MARIANO**  
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Congratulations to the SCRIBE Editorial Board, the Division and School Information Officers, and the Schools Division of South Cotabato family headed by SDS Isagani S. Dela Cruz, CESO V as you continue to serve with whole heart the young Dreamweavers.

May those learners who dream to weave their future continue to hone their writing skills and develop their own techniques. May they develop their unique and easy to understand style in sharing their productive ideas with their peers. May their dreams together weave their bright future by applying the principles of clarity, conciseness, completeness, concreteness, consistency, coherence, and courtesy, together with the updated standards and rules contained in the Department of Education Manual of Style and other references such as the Chicago Manual of Style, and Merriam-Webster Dictionary.

May their gained knowledge be translated into productive action!

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**My Journey to the National and International Awards**  
SDOSC Multi-Awarded Master Teacher I speaks to inspire fellow educators



Having served the Department of Education for 18 years as a classroom teacher, I stood on the center stage of Bulwagan ng Karunungan, Punong Tanggapan ng Kagawaran ng Edukasyon, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City on October 3, 2019 to receive the Amb. Antonio L. Cabangon Chua- Gintong Parangal Para sa Edukasyon, Guro Category.

With all the hard works that resulted to all my accomplishments, my dedication and commitment to service, loyalty, and character made me deserving of the award.

Looking back, my heart was filled with great joy and gratitude to God when I received the news that I was one of the five awardees chosen out of the 3,000 qualified applicants from both public and private schools nationwide for the Guro Category which was joined by Teachers (both elementary and secondary) Head Teachers, Principals and District Supervisors.

All of us who went to the semi-final round with any award in the Division or regional level were automatically qualified to join in the national level. I never thought that I would gone this far. What I only knew as a teacher was to help and contribute something to the learners, my co- teachers, schools and the community.

What I have been doing has given me a unique fulfilment and happiness though others may have different perspective to see things.

For encouraging me to join, I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to my previous supervisors Sir Alex F. Floro and Sir Glenn F. Soldevilla, and to my Principal Sir Sofronio C. Solidarios. My previous school heads also told me to join but I was very hesitant to take the challenge then.

My co-workers, who believed in my potentials and skills inspired me to join. Thanks to them for making me believe that I can hurdle all those levels of the competitions until I receive the award which opened the Golden gate to the international level and be called (... Awardee).

- JOENARY D. SILAO

**Silao hits multiple achievements**



**Winner of IESA-2020**

The International Education Summit & Awards Team was glad to inform Mr. Joenary D. Silao that he was selected as a Winner for the prestigious Outstanding Upper Primary/Middle School Teacher award by the international Jury, comprised of highly experienced, accomplished personages from the field of education.

Teacher Silao will receive his award at the Mega Educational Event, an International Education Summit and Awards Show, in Bangkok, Thailand on February 22, 2020.

According to Teacher Silao, he has opted not to miss this opportunity not only to place himself in the limelight during the awarding ceremony, but mainly to access to the sessions, and panel discussions during the conference on the theme: "Quality Education in the Contemporary World Scenario – The Way Forward." "This will surely serve as another great venue for my professional growth," he added.

**Ambassador Antonio L. Cabangon Chua Gintong Parangal Para sa Edukasyon (Guro Category) Awardee**

Joenary Silao (Master Teacher II, Norala Elementary Central School, Division of South Cotabato) is one of the five awardees chosen from 3,000 teachers, principals, and supervisors from all regions in the country who have shown commendable efforts towards the inculcation of the values of hard work and discipline in their field.

Teacher Joenary felt so blessed for receiving his award from the Department of Education (DepEd) Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones who commended him and his fellow awardees of the Ambassador Antonio L. Cabangon Chua Gintong Parangal Para sa Edukasyon (Guro at Pamumuno) during the awarding rites at the Bulwagan ng Karunungan, DepEd Central Office in Pasig City on October 3, 2019.

*"Being one of those lauded by DepEd Secretary, herself, for our contributions in discovering, creating, and innovating ways to make life better for the learners and the communities, has truly made me so thankful to God and to my fellow members of DepEd family who have given me enough strength and inspiration to do well in my chosen profession,"* Teacher Joenary proudly uttered.

He also expressed his gratitude to the partnership of the Fortune Life Insurance Co. Inc. with DepEd and the Marylindbert International for recognizing the dedicated service, hard work, discipline, effective leadership, and excellence of educators, like him.

Norala CES Principal I, Sofronio C. Solidarios, was with Teacher Joenary during the awarding ceremony. *"I am so proud to be part of the successful journey of my teacher. I was so overwhelmed with great joy when I learned that the only featured story of best practices and innovation on the day of the awarding was Teacher Joenary's,"* the delighted school principal expressed.

- MA. TERESA S. HALLEGADO





*Awardee's Expression of Gratitude*



Being adjudged as the most outstanding PSDS in the division and regional level was not “a dream come true.” It was indeed the fruit of enjoyed work.

I am so appreciative of the people I have worked with through thick and thin. I fully acknowledge how they guided, supported, and inspired me as I tread the path to success in my career.

Receiving this recognition shortly after having been promoted to full-fledged Public Schools District Supervisor is a great milestone in my entire professional life experience. Truly, when it rains, it pours. I thank our Heavenly Father for the provision of knowledge, wisdom and right persons both in the workplace and in the home. I am forever grateful and loyal to the Department of Education, and I pledge to serve its direct customers in the ideals of integrity and sincerity.

Truly, when it rains, it pours. I thank Heavenly Father for the provision knowledge, wisdom and right persons both in the workplace and in the home. I am forever grateful and loyal to the Department of Education which i pledge to serve its direct customers in ideals of integrity and sincerity.

- LORNA T. PADUA  
Outstanding PSDS of SDO SC

## Kablon NHS bags Brigada Eskwela Award



**“It’s a well-deserved victory!”**

These are the very words of Dr. Magdalena Afon after receiving the plaque of recognition during the National Awarding of Brigada Eskwela for the Best implementing schools for School Year 2019-2020 at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) on November 28.

Dr. Afon said that the current school year is her school’s best performance after bagging 1st Place in the regional competition which paved its way to the national recognition.

“The road to top has never been an easy journey for us and for our stakeholders,” she recalled.

It was noted that Kablon National High School has been a consistent awardee for medium school category for successive three school years with Ben Afon as the school’s BE Coordinator.

Along with Kablon NHS receiving their regional plaques of award on November 18 were Dumadalig Integrated School – 2nd Place for small school category, and Tupi NHS- 3rd Place for Most Sustained School.

Other schools recognized with certificates were Panay ES for medium school category, Norala CES for large school category, Polomolok CES for Mega school category, and Norala NHS for large school category in secondary level.

“To other schools that expressed their desire to join the contest, bear these in mind: (1) Plan with the desire to win in mind; (2) Involve the stakeholders all the way; and (3) Improve your craft every year. Continuous improvement is the key,” she ended.

Brigada Eskwela is a DepEd year-round program which encourages support from different stakeholders for schools’ improvements.

- FERDINAND J. ESTEBAN

## DepEd XII holds Regional Reading Exhibit 2019

In celebration of the National Reading Month, the Department of Education has initiated the conduct of the Regional Reading Exhibit 2019 which aims to promote the love of books and reading among public schools across the country.

Gracing the event, DepEd XII SOCSKSARGEN Regional Director Allan G. Farnazo, CESO IV challenged everyone to further intensify the advocacy of the Department of Education in making every learner a reader.

He further stressed out that a greater emphasis on reading programs, activities and projects should be given from Kindergarten to Grade 3 levels because they are very critical stages in a learner’s educational foundations.

Citing the current result of the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA), Director Farnazo emphasized the involvement of everybody to take part in meeting these challenges.

It can be observed that based on the result of the PISA, the Philippines ranked as the dead last in Reading and second last in both Mathematics and Science respectively among 79 countries assessed.

With this awakening reality, the Department of Education “calls the entire nation to take active involvement, cooperation, and collaboration in advancing the quality of basic education in the Philippines.”

This year’s Regional Reading Exhibit was held at Silway-8 Elementary School, Polomolok, South Cotabato on December 13, 2019 and was participated in by all 9 Schools Division Offices of the DepEd SOCCSKSARGEN Region.

Some of the activities conducted include the following: Reading Programs and Project Exhibit which showcased the reading programs and projects of each Schools Division Office, Learning Resource Product Exhibit which displayed the best practices, programs, projects and products of teachers on learning resources, Local Treasury of Storybooks which exhibited all locally developed story books in each SDO, and the Storytelling Competition which promoted the love for books and reading among the teachers and learners alike.

The annual celebration of the National Book Week/Reading Month in the country can be traced back when American Governor General Frank Murphy issued a proclamation

on 1934 declaring June 18-24 as the period for the conduct of the said celebration.

This was aimed to entice the national interest in reading good books; this was designed to sell the public library to the community by focusing the attention of the people on its resources and the extent and nature of its services.

To gain a greater public awareness of the celebration, several activities were initiated like essay and poster making contests, book exhibits, and library tours and visitations.

Several articles were also published in the local newspapers and magazines; and two programs were broadcasted over the radio about the celebration.

Prominent men and officials of the Philippine government such as Governor General Frank Murphy, President Manuel L. Quezon of the Philippine Senate, the most Reverend Michael O’Doherty, Archbishop of Manila, and Dr. Rafael Palma, President of the University of the Philippines, contributed congratulatory messages for the souvenir program.

- VINCENT BRYAN L. UMADHAY



## SoCot's Volleyball Secondary Men conquers National Tournament

In a bid to defend its SRAA crown comes 2020, the SoCot's Volleyball Secondary Men Champion joined the 4th Dr. Padoran Volleyball National Cup in Tagum City, December 16-22.

The said participation was pushed with the support of the Provincial Governor Hon. Reynaldo Tamayo Jr., through the Provincial Sports Youth Development Officer, Paul Rey Millan, in coordination with SDO South Cotabato headed by the Schools Division Superintendent Isagani S. Dela Cruz.

According to Francis Allen Lozaga Galo, the experience was truly remarkable for the group as they prepared to defend their crown as champion of the SOCCSKSARGEN Regional Athletic Association (SRAA) Meet to be held in General Santos City in February 2020.



"Though we did not land in a podium, our memories and trainings mean a lot to us," he said.

Galo further emphasized that being part of a champion team requires a lot of balanced time in both in academics and sports for he knows that his dream of becoming part of the Palarong Pambansa team in Marikina City shall be the fulfillment of his desire to become a proud Dreamweaver someday.

The South Cotabato's team as the youngest among 13 participating groups in the National Cup composed of the young volleyball athletes of Banga National High School manned by Dr. Arnel Gabuat were accompanied by Dax Laurentis de Leon, Jarell Delos Santos and the coaching staff.

- RODOLF C. RENDON



## DreamWeavers gear up for SRAA 2020

As the SOCCSKSARGEN Regional Athletic Association Meet 2020 is fast approaching, the South Cotabato Athletes DreamWeavers prepare rigidly through intensive trainings in all events.

Strategic planning and conference were conducted and monitoring through social media to assure continuous practice and improve the athletic skills of the delegates.

They also employed team building in every team to create unity and teamwork.

The team focused attention on the team games to watch as follows: baseball secondary, basketball secondary, boxing, sepak takraw boys and girls secondary, volleyball boys secondary since they were the champions in 2019 SRAA.

Kyle Rivera and Gelian Rivera both of tennis girls secondary were to be nurtured as the division's aces since they got gold in Palarong Pambansa 2019 together with the Sepaktakraw Girls who garnered gold during SRAA and Bronze in last year's Palarong Pambansa.

For individual athletes specifically in boxing to watch were Jude Vincent Villaverde, Jose Angelo Villaverde, John Mark Onal who

gained gold in SRAA and silver in the Palarong Pambansa.

Moreover, in athletics boys secondary to be looked out were Ryan Pedregosa, Mark Rennel Hubag, Jesrhel Van Ombid, and Nathaniel Domingo, while in athletics girls secondary were Nieke Hope Cabangal, Hazel Domocom, Jean Rose Mamoca, Jennifer Gido - all gold medalists in SRAA 2019.

- ALEX F. FLORO



# SOUTH COTABATO

PROVINCIAL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION MEET

2019

“ Shaping Future  
through Sports ”



Overcoming Challenges

# REGIONAL INTEGRATED COMPETITION

"Authentic Filipino Talents and Skills: Breaking  
the Barriers in Inclusive Education Towards  
Unity in Diversity"



## JOURNEY ONWARD TO NATIONALS



### 2019 Storybook Writing Contest Regional Manuscript Screening

REGIONAL WINNERS

**Katherine A. Calibang**  
*First Place*

**Mervin Sulit**

### 2019 Storybook Writing Contest Regional Illustration Screening

REGIONAL WINNERS

**Jay Sheen Molina**  
*First Place*

**Joenary D. Silao**  
*First Place*

**Ronel Caligdong**  
*Second Place*



**SDOSC's BEST!**





# SDO South Cotabato niches 1st Place in RSPC 2019

## INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

### NEWS WRITING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Dialam, Krishna Mae T.	Tantangan CES	John Rey Fugata
7 <sup>th</sup> place	Abong, Princess Hope D.	Lamsogod ES	Analy N. Tejada

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Sales, Althea	Tupi CES	Emilyn Pableo

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Santos, Aleah G.	Lamian NHS	Anthony Gamboa

### SPORTS WRITING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
7 <sup>th</sup> place	Caguiao, John Lester P.	Banga CES	Juanita Tanagonan

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Belga, Ron Alvaro J.	Lamsogod ES	Benjie M. Tejada
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Macolbacol, Klyster Paul L.	Purok Sison ES	Acelah H. Agnes
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Nedrua, Rhian	Silway 8 ES	Jeffrey S. Herminado

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Apolinario, John Paul	Panay NHS	Anthony Gamboa

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Gando, Hairon Rasul I.	Lamba NHS	Melany N. Gauran
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Laluna, Clent C.	Maitana NHS	May G. Barrios
7 <sup>th</sup> place	Paulite, Claire A.	Lamian NHS	Anthony Gamboa

### FEATURE WRITING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Marfil, Adriana Faye	Surallah CES	Nice C. Ortizo

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Canque, Reese Angelie	Polomolok CES	Jennifer Carballo
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Sulla, Tracy Francine	Dole Cannery CES	Norie Lou J. Magno
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Buenavista, Diana Victoria	Dole Phil School	Flora Aguilar

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
6 <sup>th</sup> place	De Leon, Mark Laurence E.	St. Lorenzo School of Pol.	Wayne Klyde Balbuena

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Pregonir, Adrian Pete M.	Banga NHS	Heide Lanada
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Pelarco, Luiz Emmanuel	Polomolok NHS	Madonna Sua

### SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY WRITING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Martirez, Rheanna B.	Lugan CES	Aileen F. Octaviano

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Siva, Rynheart S.	Notred Dame Banga	Danica Gabio

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Damicog, Louiner C.	Norala NHS	Lowellie Comilang
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Ismil, John Louis	Tboli NHS	Mary Joy Donasco

### PHOTOJOURNALISM

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Leal, Key C.	Silway 8 ES	Jeffrey S. Herminado
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Pagatpatan, Covie Guy C.	Surallah East ES	Jocelyn Colorado

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Samson, Cedric James	Surallah CES	Nice C. Ortizo
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Manuel, Cedric Daniel F.	Lugan CES	Nancy San Juan

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Primme, Leandro F.	Banga NHS	Rowena Amparo

### COPYREADING & HEADLINE WRITING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Recaido, Ysla Cassidy A.	Norala CES	Katherine Jane Calibang

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Dela Cruz, Dulce C.	Banga CES	Juanita Tanagonan

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Marcelino, Kimberly	Sto. Nino NHS	Lorelie F. Solas

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Sanico, Len Olive T.	Edwards NHS	Cyrel P. Narvaza

### EDITORIAL CARTOONING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Castillo, Aameedelah C.	Surallah East ES	Jocelyn Colorado

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Manua, Jigs	Panay NHS	Carlo Jay Lara

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Egaran, Denleerui	Polomolok NHS	Madonna Sua

### EDITORIAL WRITING

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
7 <sup>th</sup> place	Bolanio, Erica	Surallah East ES	Jocelyn Colorado

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Serrano, Arthur Angelo	St. Lorenzo School of Pol	Wayne Klyde Balbuena

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
7 <sup>th</sup> place	Soguilon, Quiliann	Poblacion Polomolok NHS	Jhonnalyn Ponce

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Inoceto, Jamaica P.	Tampakan NHS	Maribel Cebrero
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Wanan, Edda Beth M.	Lamba NHS	Semion Ambalagan

### COLUMN WRITING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Lariosa, Joseph Rodge	Dole Phil School	Dannilyn Manayan

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Alonza, Gairen Joy	Polomolok CES	Jennifer Carballo

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Soguilon, Quiliann	Poblacion Polomolok NHS	Jhonnalyn Ponce

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Sumagaysay, John Lloyd	Polomolok NHS	Karen Adajar Zambra
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Serrano, Arthur Angelo	St. Lorenzo School of Pol	Wayne Klyde Balbuena

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	Delgado, Earl Ian T.	Norala NHS	Lowellie Comilang
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Arrieta, Jastmine A.	Tupin NHS	Geraldine Pamintuan

#### Secondary Filipino

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6 <sup>th</sup> place	Arrieta, Jastmine A.	Tupin NHS	Geraldine Pamintuan

### RADIO BROADCASTING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	South Cotabato Division		

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
Best Anchor	Du, Raphael James	Dole Philippines School	

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	South Cotabato Division		

#### Best in Technical

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
	Paidumama, Yasser	Dole Philippines School	

### ONLINE

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Tupi NHS	Geraldine A. Pamintuan

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Tupi NHS	Maylene S. Oren

### COLLABORATIVE & DESKTOP PUBLISHING

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
5 <sup>th</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Tantangan CES	John Rey Fugata

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Polomolok NHS	

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Polomolok NHS	

Garnering a number of wins, South Cotabato grabbed first runner-up in the recently concluded 2019 Regional Schools Press Conference held in General Santos City.

Points obtained were the collective efforts from individual and group competitions both in elementary and secondary, English and Filipino.

According to the Division Journalism Coordinator in English Zynafe V. Caijo, this year's RSPC performance of South Cotabato Division is already in good pace.

"Hindi man natin napasakamay ang Mark of Excellence ngayong taon, nalagpasan naman ng delegasyon ang performance nang nakaraang taon," she said.

Caijo explained that one of the contributory factors of the division's performance was a live-in cliniquing for three days prior to RSPC to equip the qualifiers with better knowledge and skills.

"We had earned what we had sweated. We will not stop targeting to get the Mark of Excellence," she said with conviction.

Other top performing divisions were Koronadal City Division (Champion), General Santos City Division (2nd Runner Up), Cotabato Province Division (3rd Runner Up) and Sarangani Province Division (4th Runner Up) respectively.

- MADONNA L. SUA

## GROUP RESULTS

### RADIO BROADCASTING

#### Elementary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	South Cotabato Division		

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
Best Anchor	Du, Raphael James	Dole Philippines School	

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	South Cotabato Division		

#### Best in Technical

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
	Paidumama, Yasser	Dole Philippines School	

### ONLINE

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
1 <sup>st</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Tupi NHS	Geraldine A. Pamintuan

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Tupi NHS	Maylene S. Oren

### COLLABORATIVE & DESKTOP PUBLISHING

#### Elementary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
5 <sup>th</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Tantangan CES	John Rey Fugata

#### Secondary Filipino

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Polomolok NHS	

#### Secondary English

Rank	Name	School	School Paper Adviser
4 <sup>th</sup> place	South Cotabato Division	Polomolok NHS	



"Attitude is the most indispensable tool in winning RSPC."

- RD ALLAN G. FARNAZO, CESO IV



## Comforting Comrades

A brave Team from the Schools Division of South Cotabato rendered Psychological First Aid to DepEd personnel in various schools of Makilala, Cotabato Province.

The municipality of Makilala is among the municipalities in the province that sustained the most damaged after the series of earthquakes had hit the province. The first tragedy occurred on October 16 with a magnitude 6.4, followed by another quake last October 29 and 31 respectively. It damaged commercial buildings and residences without sparing our comrades in the department of education.

Teachers are brave, calm, resilient, and comforter to name a few. But it's a different story when you are caught off guard by a calamity.

Knowing the circumstantial effects of the calamity among the teachers of Makilala, the SDO South Cotabato Disaster Risks Reduction and Management Focal Person Jane Michelle E. Lasaca, immediately organized the Team of Trained Teachers and School Heads to conduct Psychological First Aid (PFA) in response to the request of Schools Division Superintendent Omar A. Obas, CESO V.

The first round of PFA was conducted at Makilala CES on November 7 & 11. The second round was a series of PFAs conducted at the different districts on the following dates and venues: November 13 at San Vicente ES, November 14 at Saguing ES, and November 25 at Ireneo R. Castro ES, Municipality of Makilala.

Witnessing the effects of tragedy caused by the series of earthquakes, the PFAs knew that in their little gestures of goodwill they were able to contribute to ease the pain, the trauma and the ordeal experienced by our co-workers.

With PFAs, affected teachers were able to release their traumas through a variety of activities given by the PFAs which help them restore their resiliency and hopes because they are aware that their learners draw strengths and hopes from them.

- EMILIA C. BINGHOY

## SoCot SocMob Generates Php 500, 000 for Makilala



Through the Social Mobilization & Networking, SDOSC conducted a donation drive & relief operation at Makilala, North Cotabato. The initiative was in response to the three consecutive strong earthquakes that hit several areas in the Region specifically Cotabato Province.

As directed by the regional office, SDO South Cotabato was assigned to adopt Makilala CES to help its faculty and staff and learners recover from the disaster; and to provide support in preparation for the resumption of classes.

The donation drive was able to generate Php 500,000 worth of goods, supplies and cash assistance because of the bayanihan efforts of the division personnel, school

heads, teachers, stakeholders and partners.

All resources were endorsed to Makilala Central Elementary school and were equally given to the affected learners & teachers. Hence, 10 units of temporary learning space were constructed that served as classrooms during the resumption of classes.

“Our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to DepEd South Cotabato Division for really helping us out in this difficult time” said by Richard S. Ruiz, Principal I expressed.

- TYRON JANN B. VILLANUEVA



## Dugo Mo I-alay Mo, tinugon ng mga mag-aaral ng Polomolok NHS para makatulong

Kaakibat ang Red Cross at Howard Hubbard Memorial Hospital (HHMH), tinugon ng mga mag-aaral ng Polomolok National High School (PolNHS) ang isinusulong nitong Dugo Mo I-alay Mo Program upang makatulong sa mga nangangailangan.

Bilang bahagi ng anibersaryo ng HHMH, isinagawa ang naturang programa para makaimbak ng dugo para sa mga pasyenteng higit na mangangailangan nito, Nobyembre 27.

Ayon kay Alice Cabugas-Villanueva, punongguro ng Pol NHS, ang pakikiisa ng paaralan sa naturang gawain ay isang paraan upang mahikayat ang mga mag-aaral na kusang magbigay ng dugo at nang makinabang din sa positibong dulot nito sa pangangatawan.

“Habang nasa murang edad, mas mainam nang matuto ang mga kabataan na mag-alay ng dugo para sa kapwa gayundin ang maranasan ang mabuting dulot nito sa kanila,” ani Villanueva.

Ang programa ay naging bukas para sa mga mag-aaral edad 15 pataas na may timbang 50 kilo pataas.

Samantala, naglaan naman ang Red Cross ng 100 slots para sa mga mag-aaral na nagnais malaman ang tipo ng kanilang dugo.

- MADONNA L. SUA



## 'Hello Kitty' takes the lead



True winning comes from the unity of everyone!

This line summarizes the efforts as the DepEd - Schools Division of South Cotabato's 'Hello Kitty' leitmotif bagged champion in this year's provincial Thematic Lights Competition in line with its annual Christmas Nightly Festival.

Participated in by the public and private institutions and companies in the province every December, this year's Thematic Lights competition with the theme 'Disney characters went to Christmas Village' highly emphasized the message that Christmas is indeed for children and brought out the child-like heart in all.

The DepEd - SDSC's entry was creatively and skillfully designed by Banga National High School Visual Arts Society students supported by the school principal, Dr Arnel E. Gabuat.

Consistent with its desire to make the people of South Cotabato enjoy the spirit of Christmas, the Provincial Government of South Cotabato sustained its Christmas nightly festivals which included different competitions such as the thematic lights competition that colored the streets and brought out Christmas vibe.

The competition started on December 2, 2019 and was judged on December 20, 2019.

The DepEd SDSC expressed its warmest thanks to all district supervisors, to the school heads, teachers, and student who had helped in the success of the Hello Kitty inspired thematic lights.

- SALLY A. JABIDO

### Provincial Meet 2019

## FIRST TIME; Three Lamsugod Shooters qualify in the Provincial Meet Basketball Semi-finals

For the first time, three of the Lamsugod shooters got in to complete the members of Team Surallah Basketball Boys during the Provincial Meet in Polomolok Central Elementary School.

According to Coach Reinald V. Cadaguit of Team Surallah, it was the game between Surallah and Sto. Niño that made them reach the semi-finals.

“It was an unexpected game. We thought, our game will be on Monday but there was a sudden change of schedule,” Calaguit said.

Challenged by the lost game with Sto. Niño, the team never gave the chance to Banga Team which made the Team Surallah marked a 1 win - 1 loss record.

Successive winnings of the team versus

Team Tantangan and Team Lake Sebu enabled the group to conquer the semis.

Along with this, John Vincent Carugda, the center of Team Surallah, said that the players were so tough.

“I think we should make our play fast. We should be faster than them and make a good defense so that they will not be able to score,” he added.

“We need more practice. We should not keep our talents. It must be shown off not just to seek for points but to develop teamwork,” Carugda ended.

- KRIYAH JESSA B. SUMICAD



Ted Canicon brings out his brisk moves during the 2019 Provincial Meet as he represents Lamsugod Shooters in the Surallah Team.

# OUTSTANDING E

SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SO

## MUNICIPALITY OF BANGA

Arnel Gabuat, P-II  
Aireen M. Alaer, HT-2  
Myrna C. Claveria, T-III

Banga NHS  
Kusan ES  
San Vicente NHS

## MUNICIPALITY OF POLOMOLOK

Alicia C. Villanueva, P-II  
Elizabeth P. Alarcon, MT-I  
Sibyl Julie S. Tacogue, MT-I  
Leziel Nierra, T-III  
Angelita S. Boiser, T-II  
Leandro Exmundo

Polomolok NHS  
Polomolok NHS  
Polomolok CES  
Polomolok CES  
Crossing Palkan ES  
Eugenio Llido Rañada ES

## MUNICIPALITY OF NORALA

Joenary Silao, MT-I  
Rufina L. Cancel, T-I  
Cecile N. Solidarios, T-I  
Darlene Joy C. Lapuz, T-I  
Katherine Jane A. Calibang, T-I

Norala CES  
Norala CES  
Norala CES  
Lapus ES  
Norala CES

## MUNICIPALITY OF SURALLAH

Jay Sheen Molina, T-I  
Ian Ceasar B. Sipe, T-I

Little Baguio ES  
L.T. Morales ES

## MUNICIPALITY OF STO. NIÑO

Grace C. Hallarsis, MT-I  
Era D. Tanion, T-III  
Zendy L. Lanzagarita, T-I

New Sara ES  
New Sara ES  
Katipunan ES

## MUNICIPALITY OF TAMPAKAN

Lorna T. Padua, PSDS

Tampakan District

## MUNICIPALITY OF TANTANGAN

Sweet Aubrey V. Espinosa, T-III  
John Rey F. Fugata, T-I

Bukay Pait ES  
Tantangan CES

## MUNICIPALITY OF TBOLI

Genelyn D. Tinggal, T-II

Tablo ES

## MUNICIPALITY OF TUPI

Jane B. Cabarlo, P-I  
Leah M. Ortiz, HT-I  
Fe A. Solinap, T-I  
Merbin N. Sulit, T-I  
Cristie C. Lou Espiritu, T-I

## MUNICIPALITY OF TUPI

Polunoling CES  
Palian ES  
Tupi CES  
Polunoling CES  
Palian ES



# EMPLOYEES

SOUTH COTABATO





Young wordsmith's masterpiece: A ticket to RSPC 2019 that paves his way to NSPC 2020.

# SA BINGIT NG LANGIT AT HILAB NG TIYAN

ADRIAN PETE M. PREGONIR

Nasa bingit ngayon ang bansang Filipinas marahil sa mga suliraning nakikipagtuliro sa payapang Corazon bilang isang Republika na umuuling sa samu't saring hinaing, hiling at mga halinghing mula sa iba-ibang sinusong proseso na magiging susi ng karangyaan.

Ang mga landasin sa nilalakaran baklad ay lumiko sa pagwawalang-bahala bunsod sa pag-usbong ng mga katangitanging kaisipan na siyang nagbukas ng tarangkahan ang dapat maatim na rubdob ng pangkaraniwang anyo bilang mamamayan.

Hindi maikakaila na sa panahong ito ay kabilang sa tutuuna't pag-iisipang malalim ay ang panauhin sa tanyag na kasabihan ni Protacio Rizal na magbabantayog sa pag-asa ng mga kabataan.

Minsang maiisip at makapagtatanong na may laya ba? May kakayahan kaya ang mga isip na binabagabag ng napakalalim na aspekto ng nakakandong laya?

Sa isang sitio sa bayan ng Banga naroon ang isang kabilang sa walong bahagdan ng sampung tinedyer ng maaga pang nabuntis na si Cherry Berdin, 18 na taong gulang. Grade 10 pa lamang siya ay nawala na ang hilab ng kaniyang dalagang tiyan, at naging isang batang ina.

Noon ay pinatutunayan ng kaniyang mga hiling ang itinadhanang sa kaniya na magiging maging. Aniya, ay hindi madali na maging isang ina lalo pa't ay hindi pa hinog ang kaniyang kaisipan sa yaring sitwasyon.

Gayunpaman, may oras na tila ipinagkakait sa kaniya ang makabagong mundo at nakulong sa batas ng kaniyang sarili at konsensya. Dumagdag ang isang napakalaking alalahanin nang ito'ng si Cherry ay nilukob ng pagpapabaya sa sarili.

Tila hindi siya aniya pinagpala ng kalangitan upang maabot ang pangarap niyang makapagturo. Pawang ilundong ito sa bingit ng lupa at ipinamukha ng panahon at pagkakataon ang hindi dalisay na anyo bilang anak.

Bukod sa danas at dahas nang malaman ng kaniyang magulang ang pagkabuntis nakalapit ito sa hambalos at maltrato habang bitbit at kalong ang supling na magiging bagong tao.

Naging sanhi ito ng nakakapanglilinding pagdadalawang-isip upang lagutin aniya ang dalawang hininga.

"Himuon ko ni?"

"Paano ni man?"

"Diyos ko!"

Iyan lamang ang nakikipagbakkakan na katanungan sa dalagang may anak na pagkatao, kaisipan. Subalit sa kalaunan ng paglalaon ng mga tiempo ay naging biyaya sa kaniya ang lubos na pagtatanggap, pakikisusyo sa maraming puwersa ng paghahagap, at bilang mandudula sa teatro ng mundong puno ng suliranin.

Gayunpaman sa kabila ng marami ng kabila, kailangang lisa ang isip sa walis-tingting ng pagdahop. Ng pakikibaka sa suliraning pansarili. Ng buhay. Bilang kabataan.

Mismo, tayo ang magrorolyo ng grabedad gayong gawing payapa ang yaring corazon at makatuntong muli sa antad ng lupa at hindi mapasukan ng maitim na dapyang-hangin at isip, at mabulong ang hilab ng murang tiyan.



# Mga Talinghaga Sa Pangarap

(Paano naging daan ang pagsusulat ni Adrian upang makamit ang Gantimpalang Palanca)

*“Ang pangarap ay isang tipikal na salita subalit nagiging iba kung makakamit na.”*

Ganyan inilarawan ni Adrian Pete Medina Pregonir, makata, mananaysay, kuwentista, at *student journalist*, na mula sa Banga National High School ang likuran ng isang salita na may maraming kulay na naaabot kung pagsisikapan, ang mangarap pa nang mas mataas pa sa mga ulap na tinitingala. Walang hadlang sa mga pangarap na minsang pinupulot lamang sa ibinibigay na oportunidad sa isang malawakang proseso ng pakikibaka sa suliranin ng buhay.

*“I always write for the people, for the oppressed, for the Lumads, because poetry and short stories ay ang napakalakas na armas na labanan ito,”* aniya.

Si Pregonir, ay tumanggap ng pagkilala sa prestihiyosong Don Carlos Palanca Memorial Awards for Literature para sa sanaysay (creative nonfiction) sa kaniyang akdang, “Noon Akto-o hen fa Gali Em (May Katotohanan Pa Pala), kung saan ay kaniyang ibinahagi at inilarawan ang hindi maikakailang panloloko ng mga politiko sa mga Lumad partikular na sa mga Blaang South Cotabato.

*“Nagulat ako nang malaman kong may Palanca na ako, siyempre pangarap ito ng bawat literary writer, tumindig ang balahibo ko, abot-langit na saya,”* masayang ipinahayag niya.

Ang Don Carlos Palanca Awards for Literature ay ang pinakamataas na pagkilala at gantimpala na ibinibigay sa mga manunulat ng Pilipinas na nagpalabas ng kanilang natatanging akda. Sa apat na taong tumutok si Pregonir sa Malikhaing Pagsulat, ay pangarap lamang niya ito, ngunit nang malamang siya ay magiging bahagi rito ay lubos ang kaniyang paninikluhod marahil ito ay ang kaniyang kauna-unahang gantimpala na nakuha sa

larangan ng malikhaing pagsulat maliban sa ilang gantimpala pa niyang nakuha sa larangan ng Campus Journalism.

Bago pa man niya nakuha ang gantimpalang ito ay tila tanikala ng mga balon ang kaniyang sinuong upang pag-alimpungatan ang pagsusulat. Naging writing fellow siya para sa tula sa Davao Writers Workshop 2018 at kasapi ng Manugisa South Cotabato Writers Association. Nagwagi rin siya ng dalawang gantimpalang panrehiyonal ng Sulat SOX para sa Bisayang Tula (na Rebecca) at Maikling Kuwento (na Manang Arsilinda). Inspirasyon aniya ang kaniyang mga magulang na isang dekada nang wala sa kanilang tatlong magkakapatid na syang dahilan kung bakit ang salitang KAYOD ay sentro ng kaniyang puso.

Napakahalaga kay Pregonir ang wika pagkat ito aniya ang lundayan ng pagkakaisa ng isang tubong Mindanawon. Para sa kanya, itong tinipig-tipig kung saan dito sa rehiyon ay kinilala siya ng mga manunulat bilang language engineer, na naghahalo ng iba’t ibang wika para sa akda. Nagsusulat siya sa wikang Filipino, Ingles, Hiligaynon, Bisaya, at Akeanon (ginagamit sa paghahalò).

*“Hindi kailanman naging madali ang magsulat. Maraming kokontra sa Literary Politics, maraming kahaharapin.”*

Malaki ang ambag ng mga akda ni Pregonir sa Literary Scene ng Rehiyon Dose sa pagpapausbong ng panitikan bilang isang katangi-tanging kabataan na nakapagsusulat ng mga tula at maikling kuwento na tumatalakay sa napakainit na isyung panlipunan.

Hindi malulutsan ng karayom ang rikit ng mga metapora at pananalinghaga sa mga tula ni Pregonir, buhat ng kaniyang pagbuo bilang awtor ng kaniyang naunang zine na “Erotika Handumanan.” Naging tanyag ang kaniyang obrang

“Paglisan” na inilimbag sa Cotabato Literary Journal na siyang kinilala rin ng mga batikang manunulat dahil sa taglay nitong kakintalan na ipaglaban ng kalungkutan ng magsing-irog ang pinag-aagawang teritoryong anyong tubig ng bansa. Ilan sa kaniyang nga akda ay “Ritwal at Dalangin ng Hamog,” “Pag-amin,” “Paruparo sa Konsepto ng Pag-ibig,” at “Manang Arsilinda.” Sa lawak ng kaniyang pinagkadaupan, lumitaw ang kaniyang mga akda sa Liwayway Magazine, Katitikan Journal of the Philippines, Dagmay Journal, SunStar, Spirits of Philippine Archipelago, at Philippine Humanities Review ng Unibersidad ng Pilipinas.

Gayunpaman, si Pregonir ang kauna-unahang South Cotabateño na nanalo ng Palanca Award. Bukod kay Pregonir, nasa talâ rin ang pinakaunang Palanca Awardee mula Region XII na si Rita Gadi para sa (Poetry, 1977), sumunod na rin sina Dr. Noel Pinggoy (Essay, 2002), Karlo David (Play, 2007), Jade Capiñanes (Essay, 2018) at panlimang si Adrian Pete Medina Pregonir (Sanaysay, 2019).

*“Hindi ako umaasang makilala sa talaang ito, talagang may susi sa bawat pangarap at may puertahan sa bawat paghinga.”*

Ang pangarap ay minsang nananatiling pangarap, ngunit kung nais mong maabot ang tugatog ay kailangan ng pagdahop, ng pakikibaka sa sangandaan ng mga ginsangan, tulad ni Adrian Pregonir na isang inspirasyon at pamibi sa mga kabataang nais magsulat para sa panitikan at bayan.

- MA. TERESA S. HALLEGADO



*“May lawak ang pagsusulat at may lalim ito. Tulad ito ng dagat na may dalampasigan na pinagmumulan at babalikan. Gayon pa man, ganyan ako. Inspirasyon ko ang kapatid nating mga Lumad, dahil halos sa mga tula, maikling kuwento at personal na sanaysay ay tungkol sa pakikipagtalastasan ko sa kanila. Sila ang unang tema o materyal ng aking panulat na sa tingin ko ay pinausbong ako.” - Adrian Pete M. Pregonir*





#KemdollakeSebu

**TALAYTAY'S WAY** - Learners from Talaytay Elementary School celebrated Paskomunidad with fun and laughter this year.

TES of the Municipality of Lake Sebu headed by Mr. Kenneth M. Banzon initiated games that would make the learners feel happy and joyful. It was also partnered by Parents and Teachers' Association to bring flavor in this season.

- EFREN B. NEGARDE, JR.



PHOTO CREDITS: Talaytay Elementary School Teachers

Learners from Talaytay ES try their best to make their lines the longest.



Students from Lake Sebu National High School teach pupils on how to wash their hands properly.

**STAGING SKILLS.** Grade 12 students from Lake Sebu National High School (LSNHS) outstretch their expertise to learners from Diente Elementary School last December 14, 2019.

In partnership with LSNHS, LSNHS – Multi-purpose Cooperative (LNHS – MPC), BFP, PNP, AFP and LGU - Health Unit an outreach program was made possible.

- EFREN B. NEGARDE, JR.



PHOTO CREDITS: Mr. Jimmy F. Farofaldane – Teacher I - Lake Sebu National High School.

They do haircuts on the boys' crowning glory.





# LAKE SEBU WEST DISTRICT

## Solidarity Camp

PIC Esteban Alvarez impels the spirit of unity to the Lake Sebu West campers.



Today marks another moment to celebrate unity. Your presence today is a testament that we can move mountains despite the distance of each school. From Barangay Council most especially to our SK Officials, School Heads, students, parents, and other stakeholders, my sincerest thank you to all of you. This momentous event will not be possible without your undying support.

I know that this event taught our pupils and students to be strong enough to face life's battles. I hope that you have gained more friends from other schools. I know that you, our dear pupils and students, will go home with fruitful learning from BSP/GSP activities, SSG and SPG Leadership, and DRRM Training that you can use in your daily living.

As we are about to end this event, all I can say is that you are all the real meaning of a true Lake Sebu West trailer. Congratulations and God bless everyone!

- ESTEBAN S. ALVAREZ



**STUDS' STUDED FEAST.** Learners from New Tupi Integrated School with parents and teachers partook with bare-hand during their Paskomunidad, December 13, 2019.

To culminate this year's Paskomunidad a "budol fight" was shared by learners from different grade levels in NTIS, together with their parents and teachers.

- ELENITA G. NINIAN

**THE TRUE BLOODED TRAILERS.** Teachers who rendered more than 20 years in service in the district were given honor during the Christmas party held at Kibang National High School, December 14, 2019.

This was the first time when the where teachers are paid honor for their undying commitment to the district for years. Truly, they were the best embodiment of relentless service to the learners no matter is the distance of each school that they represent.

- ELENITA G. NINIAN





#MaanyagBanga

## Services beyond Boundaries

The aftermath of the series of calamities and tragedies, which caused loss of lives and properties, that brought havoc to human existence in some parts of Mindanao, prompted this family to have a noble advocacy.

Ma'am Rosemarie C. Bullos, T-III of Lamba Central Elementary School, had been able to conceptualize a family advocacy which aimed to help these individuals in their simple way. It can be recalled that the same mentor was featured during the Tulunan earthquake where they were able to distribute food packs to some families as part of her birthday celebration last November 10, 2019.

True to its purpose on "family advocacy," her husband Mr. Levie O. Bullos spearheaded the gift-giving at Sitio Lampuco, Lamba, Banga, South Cotabato last December and was able to give food packs for 110 families in cooperation with the Knights of Columbus in which Mr. Bullos is a member.

Another mission was conducted last December 26, 2019 at Sitio Basag, Brgy. Salacafe, Tboli, South Cotabato and was able to extend support to around 110 families with the help of Ma'am Bullos, her daughter Levih May B. Defino, a teacher who is assigned in one of the schools in Tboli Municipality and her husband Msgt. Jonel Defino.

With this noble mission, this family has truly offered services beyond boundaries. Indeed, it exemplified the true spirit of being regarded as "Most Outstanding Family" of Barangay Lamba last 2019. Being active in church activities, social functions, and DepEd missions has made our school very proud of Bullos Family.

Mrs. Rosemarie Bullos or "Ma'am Maring" as fondly called by her friends and colleagues, was proud mother of a priest, who is presently assigned in San Roque Parish, Saipan - the brain of all these missions.

Father Leo Neil C. Bullos, OAR, ignited this spirit of giving to those who in need. "With all these blessings that we have: a happy family, stable jobs for them, and the God-fearing members of the family, we've decided to extend our help to our brothers and sisters who are in need. For we believe, extending is loving," Ma'am Rosemarie told us during our interview.

**Mabuhay ka Ma'am Maring, DepEd family is truly proud of you!**

- RODOLF C. RENDON

## Complain less, count your blessings instead

"I have had these desires my whole life to prove people wrong, to show them I could do things they think I could do" this is life's reflection of David A. Paterson. This has been the story of Jeush Mark Gemuta, a Grade 6 pupil of Lamba Central Elementary School who has spent elementary years facing challenges brought by his condition.

"This boy's courage to fight the life's adversities in the midst of his disability has made me realized that I should not complain for I have so much to be thankful for," commented Jeush's teacher.

"Believe you can and you're halfway there." This inspiring quote by Theodore Roosevelt conveys the message that this little boy would like to impart to his schoolmates as well as the community.

While other kids are leaving school, here's this courageous young boy who has not stopped from aspiring and reaching out for the fulfillment of his dreams. It could be noted that Jeush represented Banga East District, and notched a spot in PWD quiz held at Tampakan, South Cotabato, September 14-15, 2019.

He also excels being an honor pupil and a poster making contestant.

Using his foot in writing and doing things, Jeush inspires many to complain less, and count their blessings instead.

- RODOLF C. RENDON





## Proyektong MLhuillier, pang-forever



Sinasabi na ang lipunan ay makatatayo kahit walang paaralan, ngunit ang paaralan ay hindi makatatayo kung wala ang suporta ng lipunan. Ang badyet na natatanggap ng mga paaralan ay hindi sapat sa mga pangangailangan nito higit lalo sa usaping pagpaganda ng pisikal nitong aspekto, kaya, patuloy itong naghahanap ng mga organisasyong makatutulong sa pagpapaunlad at pagpapabuti ng paaralan.

Isa ang Magsaysay Elementary School sa pinakamaliliit na paaralan sa bayan ng Sto. Niño, South Cotabato na binubuo ng 8 guro at 134 na mag-aaral mula Kinder hanggang Baitang 6. Masasabing ang badyet na nakalaan sa nasabing paaralan ay kulang para sa pangkalahatang pangangailangan nito.

Isa sa mga problemang kinakaharap ng nasabing paaralan ay ang pagpapatayo ng *gender-responsive comfort rooms* na puwedeng gamitin ng mga magulang o mga bisita tuwing may mga palatuntunan at aktibidades sa paaralan; ang pagsasaayos ng mga dental troughs na magagamit ng bawat bata sa oras ng paghuhugas ng kamay at pagsisipilyo.

Ang MLhuillier, ay isa sa mga organisasyong may malaking naitutulong sa pagpapaunlad ng mga malilit na paaralan tulad ng Magsaysay Elementary School. Sila ay naglalaan ng badyet sa mga proyektong may malaking naiaambag sa kagandahang pisikal ng paaralan.

Sa nakaraang buwan ng Oktubre, masasabing isang anghel na hulog ng langit



ang napadpad sa Magsaysay Elementary School na bitbit ang isang napakagandang balita para sa lahat. Si Leogin C. Balbino na isang produkto ng nasabing paaralan at kasalukuyang nagtatrabaho sa MLhuillier bilang Branch Manager ay naisipang balikan ng tulong ang maliit na paaralang humubog sa kanyang kakayahan upang marating ang kasalukuyang estado ng buhay.

Nagkakahalaga ng P60,000.00 ang tulong pinansiyal na natanggap ng Magsaysay ES para sa pagpapatayo ng *gender-responsive comfort rooms* at para sa pagpapaayos ng

*dental troughs* ng paaralan. Mga proyektong pangmatagalang matatamasa ng bawat bata, guro, magulang, at ng buong komunidad.

Lubos ang pasasalamat ng Magsaysay ES dahil sa mga suportang natanggap; maraming bata pa ang gaganahang mag-aral at mas bibigyang halaga ang edukasyon tulad ng ipinakita ni G. Balbino, kaya tunay na ang mga proyektong MLhuillier, pang-forever.

- BERT CEAZAR A. CASTILLO

## Paskomunidad sa Panay NHS

“Ang mga biyayang ating natanggap ay ipinagkaloob at handog sa atin ng Poong Maykapal, kaya’t dapat ito’y ating pasalamatan at ibahagi sa iba.”

Ito ang pahayag ni G. Jaime F. Frondoza, P-1 ng Panay National High School, sa inilunsad na PASKOMUNIDAD, noong Disyembre 13, 2019 sa PNHS Curved Gym.

Bilang handog sa mahihirap na mag-aaral ng PNHS ang buong pwersa ng pamunuan at “Faculty and Staff” ng paaralan ay nagtulong-tulong upang makalikom ng sapat na halaga para sa nasabing adhikain.

Mahigit dalawampu’t limang libong piso (25,000) ang halaga ng pamaskong handog na ipinamudmod ng PNHS sa mga pamilyang mahirap at mag-aaral nito.

Naghandog ang paaralan ng mga bigas at grocery pack sa animnapu’t walong (68) benepisyenaryo nito.

Ang mga tumanggap ay ang mga estudyantebg napapabilang sa mahihirap na pamilya, mga estudyanteng walang magulang na naiwan sa pangangalaga ng mga lola’t lolo, mga tita o tito at mga working students.

Kabilang sa nabiyayaan ang dalawang estudyanteng may anak.

Hindi matatawaran ang ngiti sa labi ng mga tumanggap ng biyaya. Umuwi sila bitbit ang

munting handog galing sa ginintuang puso ng mga taong tumulong upang sila’y mahandugan at kahit man lang sa simpleng paraan sila’y napangiti at napasaya.

- VERONICA D. BATERBONIA





#PadayonPolomolok

## Polomolok LGU advocates journalism, provides sustenance, training-workshop

To strengthen the program in Journalism, the Municipal Local Government Unit (MLGU) of Polomolok nurtured the learner-journalists by sponsoring a Municipal-Wide Journalism Training Workshop Series for this year.

Beneficiaries of the support were young journalists both in elementary and secondary from public and private schools together with their respective school paper advisers.

According to Ramona F. Bangoc, Public Schools District Supervisor, the LGU had allocated Php 300,000.00 this year for the said program.

“We are so thankful of this support for this gives great opportunity for our young journalists to hone their writing and broadcasting skills,” she said.

Training series include basic teaching for amateur learners for two days and enhancement for DSPC and RSPC Qualifiers.

Meanwhile, Geraldine T. Hinalao, Principal-In-Charge, Municipal Journalism Coordinator, challenged the participants to be responsible in expressing their opinions being posted in social media since the press cannot generally solve the complaints of the people during the opening program.



Learners from Klinan Integrated School participates in Municipal -Wide Journalism Training Workshop. Photo by Teacher Annalou Almonicar

“Today, people depend on the press to be informed about what is happening around. Make use of your sheer potentials to contribute to the development of the country in terms of mass media,” Hinalao emphasized.

Aside from training the learners, the series of activities also aimed to assist and help the school paper advisers in school papering.

- MADONNA L. SUA



#MabulawanongTampakan

## Maltana NHS bags third place in RSPC 2019 School Paper Contest

The official publication of Maltana NHS, Himig Maltana, won third place in the overall ranking Secondary Filipino category in the recently concluded Regional Schools Press Conference held in General Santos City.

The official publication of Maltana NHS, which was changed from “Ang Batingaw” to Himig Maltana, has achieved its goal to line up with the award winning papers in Region 12 in its third year.

This achievement has been made possible with the full support of the School Principal Mrs. Susan D. Jayag, Local Government Unit (LGU) of Tampakan, the parents, and the competitive Himig Writers with their School Paper Adviser.

Himig Maltana garnered awards as 10th place in Feature Page, 5th place in Editorial page, 2nd place in Sci-Tech and Sports Page, and 3rd place in Lay outing.

Each page of the paper was carefully crafted in conformance to the standard of school papering. So it gained approval from the board of judges that made it advance to the National Schools Press Conference (NSPC) in Tuguegarao City.

- MAY G. BARRIOS



#WowTupi

## Kasilak Development Foundation advocates for students, Builds partnership with school communities

Julius Caesar Mañigo led the advocacy of Kasilak Development Foundation Inc. (KDFI) to provide potable drinking water among students, teachers and stakeholders of different school communities through the establishment of the Banga Pinoy Water Tank.

The KDFI spent P25,000-P30,000 in building the Banga Pinoy Water Tank for the success of the water source in the school community.

Among the school communities that received the project of KDFI was Emiliano P. Baquial NHS that gained new partner through this foundation as both parties worked hand-in-hand to finish the project for the accessibility of the community.

The partnership started with the official turn-over of the project to the school head, Mr. Roberto S. Oraño last November 29, 2019. The official representatives of KDFI headed by Mr. Mañigo personally facilitated the turn-over ceremony.

With the establishment of Banga Pinoy Water Tank, school communities are expected to have the potable drinking water for the students, teachers, and stakeholders to prevent possible illnesses coming from the water.

- VANESSA C. VINZON



## ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM *Success Stories*



*Krence Royce Navarra*

Krence is one of the 2013 Alternative Learning System (ALS) passers of Tupi Central Elementary School, ALS Community Learning Center, Tupi South Cotabato. Krence earned his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from South East Asia Institute of Technology in the year 2019.



*Leonard James P. Flores*

Leonard is one of the 2014 ALS Accreditation and Equivalency (A&E) test passers. He had been SK Chairman from 2002-2007 and Brgy. Councilor from 2013-2018.

Leonard enrolled in ALS at Purok 2 CLC, Linan, Tupi South Cotabato CY 2014. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Social Work at Medical Mission Group (MMG) College of General Santos City last March 31, 2019.



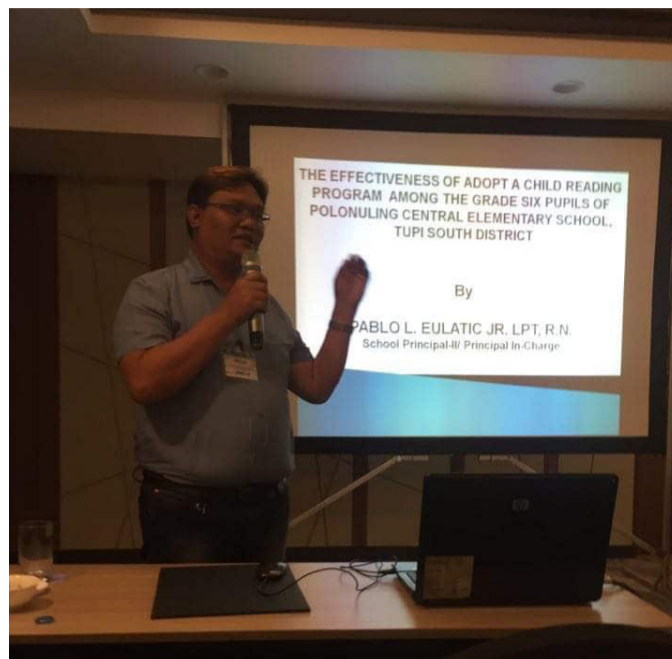
*Leonard James P. Flores*

Jericho Mallo Palmes took ALS Accreditation and Equivalency Examination last April 2016 and satisfactorily passed the test last June of the same year. He then proceeded as senior high school student at Sto. Niño National High School envisioning of becoming an engineer someday. On April 4, 2019, he successfully graduated with High Honors and received the award - Best in Performing Arts in Drama.

He passed MSU-SASE and was admitted as Engineering student of Mindanao State University – General Santos City.

- MARIANETTE BARRERA

## BEHIND THE PAPER: *Sweats and Smiles* My Journey in International Research Conference in Bali, Indonesia



As an old adage says, “every journey begins with a single step which is due in all of our endeavors in life. As an educator, we never stop dreaming and working for the benefit of ourselves, career and our clientele: the children. Research Conference is one of the avenues in dealing with the stories behind our deeds and the roles that we play in our society and most particularly in our own schools. Academically speaking, it gives us the holiday to network, meet keynote speakers for advises, create some connections with researches with the same interests, and enjoy extra-curricular programs. Thus, this conference brings happiness and unfathomable growth in our way of doing things, in the broader manner to see things around us and the beauty to live in international diversity.

My journey towards the International Research Conference in Bali Indonesia was not a smooth one. I needed to prepare physically, mentally and financially. It was not a piece of cake after all. Nonetheless, all the hardships were paid off upon entering the venue, looking and exchanging ideas with the co-researches and coaches on the 18th-19th of May 2019. It marked another remarkable day of my life as an educator.

It was the time when I presented the study entitled, “The Effectiveness of Adopt-a-child Reading Program Among Grade Six Pupils of Tupi South District” on the 4th GEN TEFL International Conference held at Novotel Ngurah Rai Airport, Bali Indonesia.

Indeed, nowadays, reading is prime and most powerful weapon in battling the decreasing academic performance of our learners in the school. Thus, I made it a point to conduct a study regarding the matter that was presented not only locally but on international stage. Though, I am already used to the stage of bitter-sweet comments coming from the judges of every conference that I attended this battle was never underestimated! It brought butterflies in the stomach but it turned out well. All the hardships were paid off and suggestions were taken care of. As an educator, I do believe that we should always look forward in developing ways to extend help in every way that we can and research conference is one way of addressing the needs of our learners and enhancing our skills and knowledge to move forward for the betterment of our clientele.

- PABLO L. EULATIC, JR.



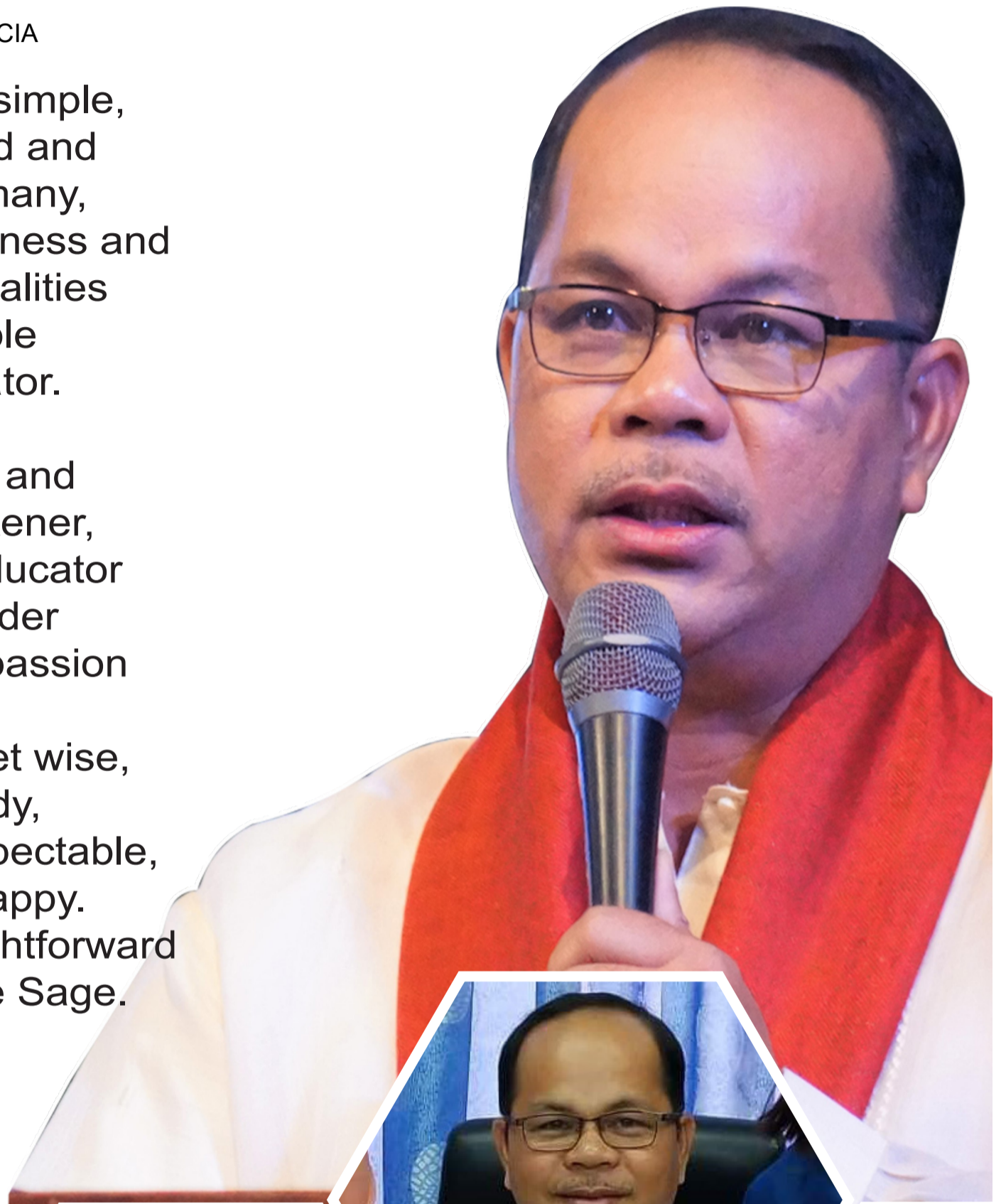
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