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## MEDICAL/DENTAL MISSION, hatid ng CAGELCO II

**H**igit pa sa paghahatid ng liwanag sa pamayanan, patuloy pa rin ang pagbibigay ng galak ng CAGELCO II kasama ang Labor Management Committee (LMC) sa ating mga Member-Consumer-Owners sa pamamagitan ng Medical and Dental Mission na ginanap noong Setyembre 24, 2019 sa Libertad Evacuation Center, Libertad, Abulug, Cagayan at Setyembre 25, 2019 sa Minanga Weste Barangay Hall sa

### Minanga Weste, Buguey, Cagayan.

754 na Member-Consumer-Owners ang nabahagian ng libreng konsultasyon at gamot sa dalawang araw na Medical and Dental Mission ng Kooperatiba katuwang ang iba't-ibang ahensya ng gobyerno at ilang pribadong ahensiya.

Nagpapasalamat ang CAGELCO II sa medical group na pinangunahan nina Dr. Robert Ogalino kasama ang iba pang volunteer Doctors, Dentists, Nurses at Aides mula PHO-Capitol (Cagayan), Ballesteros District Hospital, RHU Buguey, Aparri

Provincial Hospital, DOH-CVMC, NCDH Sanchez Mira, APEMDH at iba pang pribadong ahensiya.

Ang mga nasabing aktibidad ay matagumpay na pinangunahan nina CAGELCO II OIC General Manager Blandina Y. Madamba, BOD President Eva M. Antiporda, OIC,ISD Manager/LMC Kristine T. Basquez at LU

Chairperson President Suzette Vallanga.



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## PROTECTING RURAL ELECTRIFICATION GAINS FOR THE NEXT GENERATIONS



### NEA marks new milestone with off-grid homestead electrification

On July 12, 2019, Mrs. Feliza Pangilan, a 76-year old farmer and member of the B'laan tribe, becomes the 13-millionth EC member-consumer-owner under the care of the South Cotabato II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (SOCOTECO-II). The occasion is witnessed by NEA officials and employees led by Administrator Edgardo R. Masongsong, leaders of the EC Allied Organizations including ISELCO II President Presley C. De Jesus, DASURECO General Manager Godofredo Guya and SOCOTECO officials and employees led by General Manager Crisanto Sotelo.



### NEA, EC celebrate Golden Year of Rural Electrification

On August 6, NEA holds a formal celebration of its Golden Anniversary held at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) in Pasay City. Part of the activity is the unveiling of the NEA 50th anniversary commemorative stamp, as well as the ceremonial switch-on of the 13 millionth consumer connection.



### Electric co-ops tapped to aid Palawan power distribution utility - NEA

In a continuing effort to help the electric cooperative in Palawan improve the reliability of its electric services in the province, the National Electrification Administration (NEA) brings together 10 power distribution utilities to assist Palawan Electric Cooperative (PALECO) with the rehabilitation works.

### JICA-backed tech to improve power co-ops' system reliability now in commission

Present for the commissioning ceremony of the Distribution Automation System (DAS) were the executives from JICA, Tokyo Electric Power Company (TEPCO) and its affiliated firm Takeoka Toko Co., Ltd (TKTK), as well as representatives from the NEA and the Department of Energy (DOE). It was held on July 2 at the Batangas II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (BATELEC II) headquarters in Lipa City, Batangas.

NEA and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) launched the pilot implementation of a smart grid technology that will help improve the distribution system reliability of electric cooperatives (ECs) in the country. was officially put into operation after this occasion



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# CAGELCO II organizes Talent Competitions for NEA @50 celeb

As tribute to the workers and front-runners of the Rural Electrification Program (REP), the National Electrification Administration (NEA) celebrated the Golden Year of REP through a showcase of talents of its member-consumer-owners in the field of culture and the arts.

CAGELCO II was overwhelmed to have received nineteen (19) Painting canvasses, eight (8) Photography entries, and seven (7) Songwriting pieces which were adjudged last July 08, 2019 at CAGELCO II Main Office having undergone deliberation from esteemed panel of judges.

The Talent Competitions were open to all member-consumer-owners within CAGELCO II coverage area who have displayed their "masterpieces" in different fields of arts, capturing the real-life services delivered by the men and women of the REP, to honor and appreciate the efforts of the electric cooperative workers

in bringing socio-economic development.

In the "Golden Strokes" Painting competition, Mr. Aladin Catolos from Gattaran, Cagayan emerged victorious as he won 1st place with his "Reflection" canvass, while Ms. Pristine Pearl Edurise ("Lambent Dusk") of Gonzaga, Cagayan got 2nd place, and Mr. Jerome Carlo Macanaya ("Lineman: Warrior of Light") of Sta. Filomena, Abulug made it to 3rd place.

Mr. Kriem-Hill Benedick Siruno-Gonzaga, Cagayan swayed the judges for his "Shoulders to Tap" photo entry as he bagged first place in the "Clicks of Gold" photography contest depicting linemen doing their work on top of a distribution pole. The photo, "Upholding to a Promise" of Ms. Shara Mae Gerona of Lasam, Cagayan held 2nd place, while Mr. Denny Brenn Caranguian of Aparri, Cagayan ("Altruistic") won 3rd place.

The "Himig RE" Songwriting

competition was a show-off of vocal renditions and moving lyrical compositions as the competitors had the chance to perform live in the halls of CAGELCO II Multi-Purpose Hall. The song entry entitled, "Liwanag sa Dilim" topped the event composed by Ms. Cristel Quinday of Ballesteros, Cagayan. While, "Bayani ng Liwanag" of Ms. Aira Jaye Ursulum from Lasam, Cagayan was awarded 2nd place and "Salamat sa Liwanag Mo" of Ms. Joselyn Alipio from Gonzaga, Cagayan got 3rd place.

Mr. Higinio Lumaban, High School Arts Teacher; Mr. Lucio Taguiam, President-Cagayano Artists Group; and Arch. Gert Calina, Member-United Architects of the Phils. served as the board of judges for the "Golden Strokes" painting competition.

Ms. Josa Camille Bassig, freelance photographer; Ms. Rhodora Romero, Adviser-Campus newsletter ("The

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## *Liwanag sa Dilim*

By: **Cristel L. Quinday**

(1st place, "Himig RE" Songwriting Competition)

Liwanag ng bayan  
Sila'y maaasahan sa lahat  
Laging tapat sa serbisyo  
Handang magsilbi sa inyo

Nagbigay kaginhawaan  
Sa lahat ng kababaya't kapatid  
Para bigyan ng liwanaag  
Ang bawat tahananang madilim

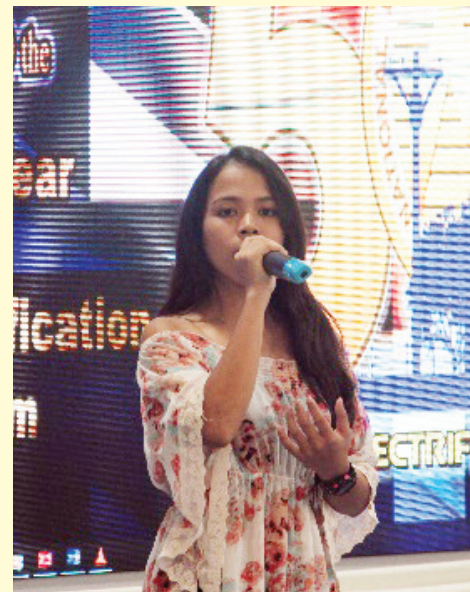
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Chorus:  
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Mahirap may kayang tiisin  
Pagod ay kayang pawiin  
Kahit ano ay gagawin  
Lumiwanag lang ang buhay natin

Sa bawat pag-akyat  
Kaakibat ay isang pangarap  
Walang pag aalinlangan  
Tumulong sa nangangailangan  
Kahit kanino man

Umulan bumagyo  
Susuungin kahit na delikado  
Sila'y matatayang maasahan  
Handang umaksyon  
Kahit san mang dulo ng nasyon

Bridge:  
Kikislap, nagniningning  
Pagbabago'y nakamtan rin  
Nagkakaisa  
Liwanag ay dumating  
Ang mithiin ay nakamit narin



Ms. Cristel Quinday, composer of "Liwanag Sa Dilim" who won 1st place in the Himig RE Songwriting competition at the CAGELCO II Level and 2nd place in the Regional level competition.



## Dugong Alay Dugtong Buhay!

CAGELCO II  
(CAGAYAN II ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.)  
Macanoyo, Aparri, Cagayan

*Blood-Letting Activity*  
In cooperation with the  
LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

and  
In partnership with  
PHILIPPINE RED CROSS - CAGAYAN



09-18-19  
CAGELCO II Multi-Purpose Gymnasium  
Aparri, Cagayan



A Corporate Social Responsibility  
Program of the Cooperative  
In celebration of its  
41st Founding Anniversary



Isang Blood-Letting Activity ang isinagawa ng CAGELCO II kasama ang Labor Management Committee (LMC) nitong nakaraang Setyembre 16, 2019 bilang bahagi ng patuloy na pagdiriwang sa ika-apatnapu't-isang anibersaryo ng Kooperatiba.

Katuwang ang Philippine Red Cross - Cagayan Chapter, nakalikom ng 77 bags ng dugo mula sa mga volunteer blood donors na pinangunahan ng mga empleyado ng CAGELCO II, MedCom One, Philippine Coast Guard, Marine Battalion Landing Team-10, TESDA-API, Charles W. Selby Memorial Hospital at ilang Member-Consumers-Owners.



**41** years of  
DELIGHTING MEMBER-CONSUMER-OWNERS  
ABOVE AND BEYOND  
RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

# MCO *Appreciation* DAY



Sa nakalipas na apatnaput-isang taon, ang CAGELCO II ay naging instrumento sa patuloy na pag-unlad ng pamumuhay ng mga CAGAYANOS at IAPAYAOS. At bilang paggunita sa ika-41 na anibersaryo ng Kooperatiba, naglunsad ito ng ilang mga programa para sa mga member-consumer-owners nito. Isa na rito ang pagganap ng isang MCO Appreciation Day na kung saan ay namigay ng iba't-ibang commemorative items katulad ng coffee mugs, caps, t-shirts, keychains at simpleng pa-meryenda sa mga masuwerteng member-consumer-owners na bumisita sa aming mga Sub-Offices at Action Centers.



**Ang MCO appreciation day ay isang espesyal na araw para sa mga minamahal na kunsumidores bilang pasasalamat ng kooperatiba sa kanilang suporta at maagap na pagbabayad ng kanilang konsumo ng kuryente.**



## MCOPE - way forward for empowering Member-Consumer-Owners



The National Electrification Administration (NEA) through the Electric Cooperatives are stepping up efforts of empowerment activities among member-consumer-owners (MCOs) by gathering regional electric cooperative associations' officers and managers for a seminar-workshop dubbed as Member-Consumer-Owners Program for Empowerment (MCOPE).

Last September 24, the members of the Northeast Luzon Electric Cooperatives Association, Inc. (NELECA) composed of Board Presidents, General Managers, ISD Managers, FSD Managers, and Information Officers attended the one-day MCOPE seminar facilitated by NEA and National Center for Electric Cooperatives Consumers (NCECCO).

Through NEA Memorandum 2019-044, electric cooperatives are enjoined to support the program by organizing MCOs in the barangay level which is believed to reach greater consumer participation in the activities of the Cooperative such as conduct of General Assemblies, District Elections, Tree-planting, and also act as information channel between management and MCOs for consumer complaints in their community.

MCOPE requires electing officers in the barangay level composed of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer which shall come from different sectors in the community who shall undertake information, education training activities to have complete understanding of the Coop's activities.

The organized MCOs, as a community-based association, is foreseen to be a strong partner of the Electric Cooperative to ensure quality delivery of services and implementation of socio-economic development programs and other special projects for MCOs.





# CAGELCO II goes green!

CAGELCO II together with the 120 Electric Cooperatives nationwide conducted the Annual NEA-EC Tree Planting and Line Clearing Activity last August 30, 2019 in celebration of the National Electrification Awareness Month dubbed as "Golden Aim for Green" spearheaded by the National Electrification Administration and which coincided with its 50th Founding Anniversary and 50 years of the Rural Electrification Program.

In its share of building a greener Philippines, CAGELCO II planted two hundred (200) Coconut trees at Barangays Minanga and Batangan, Gonzaga; 200 Mahogany seedlings in the

Municipal Landfill at Matucay, Allacapan and 200 Cacao seedlings in Sitio Nagbarangan, Centro 02, Sanchez Mira, Cagayan.

Line Clearing Activities were also completed in Sta. Cruz to Baua, Gonzaga; Tallungan, Aparri to San Mariano, Lal-lo; Aguiguican to Casicallan, Gattaran; Centro 02 to San Andres, Sanchez Mira and Zitanga to Ayaga, Abulug, Cagayan totaling to 8.8 kilometers of cleared power distribution lines.

The said activity was led by CAGELCO II's BOD President Eva M. Antiporda and OIC, General Manager Blandina Y. Madamba together

with CAGELCO II officers and employees, LGU Staff, MSEAC members and Member-Consumer-Owners in cooperation with MENRO-Gonzaga, MDRRMO-Gonzaga, LGU Allacapan and Barangay Officials in the area.

The annual NEA-EC tree planting activity has been instrumental since 2012 in nurturing and giving back to our environment. Likewise, the line-clearing activities have been proven effective in minimizing unscheduled power interruptions due to trees and plants/vegetation which may come in contact with our electric lines.



OIC, General Manager Blandina Y. Madamba (3rd from left) together with the Board of Directors headed by BOD President Eva M. Antiporda (3rd from right) led the activity for CAGELCO II.



Barangays Minanga and Batangan in Gonzaga, Cagayan were planted with 200 Coconut trees



A total of 8.8 kilometers of electric line were cleared of obstructing trees/plants and vegetation during the line clearing activity.



The Municipal Landfill at Matucay, Allacapan is now home to 200 Mahogany seedlings.



CAGELCO II employees in Ballesteros Sub-Office and Sanchez Mira Sub Office joined together to plant Cacao Seedlings in Sitio Nagbarangan, Centro 2, Sanchez Mira, Cagayan.





Mr. Aladin Catolos (center), a high school teacher, emerged as 1st placer in the Golden Strokes painting contest with his entry entitled "Reflection".



Ms. Pristine Pearl Edurise (3rd from right) won 2nd place in the Golden Strokes painting contest among 19 participants.



Representatives of Ballesteros Sub-Office pose to represent the winning entry of Mr. Jerome Macanaya who was not able to attend the awarding ceremony.



Top 3 winning entries in the Clicks of Gold Photo contest. Ms. Teresita Ordillo (3rd from left) represented Mr. Kriem-Hill Siruno, 1st placer while Ms. Shara Mae Gerona (center) grabbed 2nd place, and Mr. Denny Brenn Caranguian (3rd from right) got 3rd place.



Clicks of Gold Photography Contest judges critically looks at the photo entries to qualify for the regional level competition.



Show-off of vocal renditions were performed during the Coop-wide Himig RE songwriting competition by talented students in the coverage area.

## CAGELCO II organizes Talent Competitions...

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Promethean"); and Mr. Higinio Lumaban were invited to be judges for the "Clicks of Gold" photography competition.

Mr. Romuald La Madrid-Adviser, Singers & Rondalla Harmonic Ensemble; Mr. Jay Loren Tabugay-Music Teacher; and Mr. Romeo Maribbay- Singer and Composer attended as Board of Judges for "Himig RE" songwriting competition.

### CAGELCO II wins prizes at Region-wide Talents competition

The CAGELCO II Level winners were qualified for the Regional level and competed among eight (8) electric cooperatives under the Northeast Luzon Electric Cooperatives Association (NELECA) held at ISELCO I Headquarters, Alicia, Isabela last July 10, 2019 and noteworthy to mention that the entries were awarded in the Top 3 in all categories.

"Shoulders to Tap" photo of Mr. Siruno and the lyrical composition of Ms. Quinday entitled "Liwang sa Dilim" were awarded as



Screenshot of CAGELCO II's Video Documentary entitled "Tanglaw sa Kapanglawan" featuring the strong partnership of Electric Coop to the local Government Units in order to fulfill the mandate of Total Electrification in the Philippines through the Sitio Electrification Program (SEP).

2nd place. While, "Reflection" of Mr. Catolos ended up in 3rd place.

Apart from these competitions,

NEA also launched a contest on Video Documentary/Film dubbed as "Kwentong Dagitab" to feature various facet or success stories of electric cooperatives in attaining sustainable rural development through electrification which were participated by the 121 Electric Cooperatives in the archipelago.

In the regional level competition, CAGELCO II proudly presented its entry, "Tanglaw sa Kapanglawan" which focuses on the efforts of the Cooperative in reaching far-flung areas to be able to energize them through the Sitio Electrification Program (SEP) and also acknowledge the strong partnership of CAGELCO II and Local Government Units (LGUs) to aid the beneficiaries through waiving of fees in order to access electricity in their homes.

The video entry, directed and produced by CAGELCO II employees, won 3rd place.



Tellers and MRCDs exercising on proper cash counting and detection of counterfeit Philippine Peso notes as discussed by Mr. Leo Jay Labasan (wearing blue uniform), OIC, Accounting Section from Finance, Retail, and Supply Services Department.



The Internal Auditor Rodel Antonio talks about the significance of the intervention of the Internal Audit Department in the procedural controls of the Cooperative.



The group joined by OIC, General Manager Blandina Y. Madamba, FRSD Manager Amelia Paludipan, OIC, ISD Manager Kristine Basquez, Internal Auditor Rodel Antonio (speaker), Special Accounts Officer/OIC, Accounting Head Leo Jay Labasan (speaker) together with the Internal Audit Department.

## Seminar on Cash Handling and Internal Control Standards conducted

Tellers and Meter-Reader-Collector-Disconnectors (MRCDs) of the Cooperative attended the In-house Seminar on Cash Handling Management and Internal Control Standards on September 11 and 12, 2019 for Batch 1 and Batch 2 respectively held at the CAGELCO II Multipurpose Hall, CAGELCO II Main Office, Aparri, Cagayan.

Fraud and counterfeit money detection,

basics of cash handling like proper cash counting and safeguarding of cash were among the topics discussed by Mr. Leo Jay Labasan, CAGELCO II's OIC, Accounting Section who was a former banker.

Mr. Rodel Antonio, CAGELCO II's Internal Auditor meanwhile discussed to the group the salient role of the Internal Audit Department (IAD) in implementing internal policies and

controls which affects the operations of the cooperative and to which the employees must responsibly adhere to.

Similarly, the function of the IAD in protecting the assets of the Cooperative which is foremost in ensuring the continuity of our services to our Member-Consumer-Owners were likewise pointed out.

## CAGELCO II celebrates its 41<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

### PHOTOWALK CONTEST

#### 1-2-3! Click!

The 41st year celebration of Cagayan II Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CAGELCO II) was made more exciting and more significant through the conduct of the 2019 Photowalk contest among its employees to engage their talents through taking photos and capture up-close the real-life services delivered by the 'Warriors of Light' being the contributors for rural development.

With the theme, "Liwang na Hatid ng Pagkakaisa", the concept of the competition was to grasp the value of "teamwork" among the line warriors in executing technical works and also to seize the "All-in-a-day's work" of a lineman during its maintenance activities where the selected participants from four (4) departments and five (5) sub-offices had a first-hand experience.

Twenty-six (26) participants together with

the Human Resource Division and the Coop Member Services Division of the Coop Ana last August 19, 2019 and took the liberty of taking pictures of working linemen during the scheduled power interruption in the said area.

Engr. Rommel Rumias of the Technical Services Department won first place with his "Sweat Now, Shine Later!" photo entry, while Mr. Angelo Alcarion ("Salaming ng Pagkakaisa"), Institutional Services Department and Mr. Jeremiah Paul Pascua ("Delightful Eye"), Ballesteros Sub-Office won 2nd and 3rd place, respectively.

The friendly competition exuded strengthening bonds of CAGELCO II workforce and reinforcing the skills and talents of each member of the department/sub-office, as they choose the photo entry of their group.



Participants in the 2019 Photowalk competition





Technical Services Department photo entry "Sweat Now, Shine Later"



Institutional Services Department photo entry "Salamin ng Pagkakaisa"



Ballesteros Sub-Office photo entry "Delightful Eye"

## Photowalk Entries



Gattaran Sub-Office photo entry "Liwanag na Hatid ng Pagkakaisa"



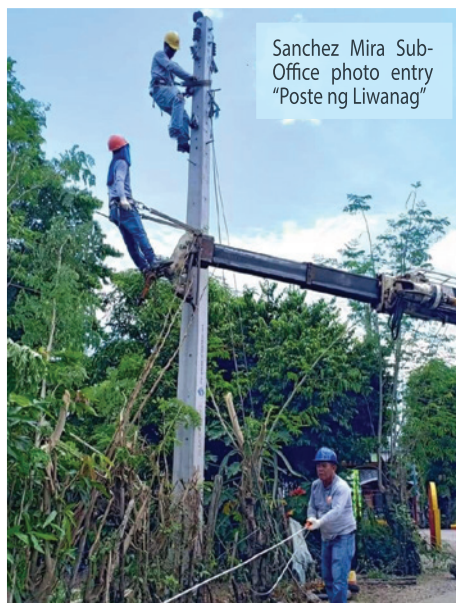
Internal Audit Department photo entry "Pawis ng Sakripisyo"



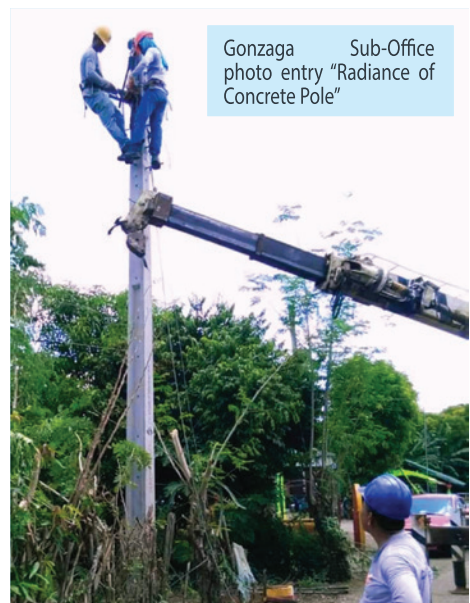
Finance, Retail & Supply Services Department photo entry "Hawak-kawad"



Aparri Sub-Office photo entry "Together within Power"



Sanchez Mira Sub-Office photo entry "Poste ng Liwanag"



Gonzaga Sub-Office photo entry "Radiance of Concrete Pole"



## GAME OF POLES

### Let the games begin!

Celebrating four decades and a year of CAGELCO II, it is high time to recognize the efforts of our Line Workers through a friendly match as we conducted a local "Game of Poles" Rodeo Competition last September 02, 2019 at CAGELCO II Main Office grounds.

Two (2) strength-test competitions were organized by the Technical Services Department

to name the fastest and most prudent team in Pole Climbing and Conductor Riding events. And also to determine one line warrior who will bring home the title, "CAGELCO II's Rodeo King".

The nerve-wrecking and breath-taking stunts of our linemen was a sight to behold as they compete with their own kind and impress the viewers with their performance.

At the end of the competition, the 69kV crew was the strongest as they held 1st place in Pole climbing, while Construction, Operation and

Maintenance Division team and Aparri Sub-Office linemen got 2nd and 3rd place, respectively.

In the conductor riding event, 69kV crew still bagged the 1st place award, while Gattaran Sub-Office linemen and Ballesteros Sub-office crew was declared 2nd and 3rd place, respectively.

Mr. Brevidier Bunuen of 69kV crew was named Rodeo King being the speediest of them all conquering the pole climbing and conductor riding event within four (4) minutes and two (2) seconds.



Spiderman-like stunts were seen during Pole Climbing event as each member of the team race up to reach the end of the poles.



Speed is just an element in the Conductor Riding event as balance and control is the battle.

## HOLDING ON TOGETHER

To fully capacitate the potential of its workforce, a 70's-themed presentation was organized by each sub-office and departments in celebration of its 41st founding anniversary held at Lal-lo Municipal Gymnasium last September 02, 2019.

A nostalgic feeling filled the air as classic songs were played through the night and the officers/employees swayed to the beats and rhythm during their performance number.

"If we hold on Together, great things will be achieved.", exclaims Dir. Eva Antiporda,

BOD President as she warmly thanked the support of the Board of Directors and the employees and in making CAGELCO II achieve its outstanding accomplishments inscribing its name as one of the top performing electric cooperatives in the country.

An integral part of the activity is the giving of loyalty service award to employees who have served the Coop for 5, 10, 15, 25, 30 continuous years acknowledging that the most indispensable asset in the organization is the human resource.

Winners of the Photowalk competition and Game of Poles were also revealed

during the event highlighting the talents of individual employees and collaborative efforts of the sub-office/department.

"It has truly been 41 challenging years for CAGELCO II and what a journey it has been!" resounded OIC, GM Blandina Y. Madamba in her message to the CAGELCO II workforce inspiring them to continue serving the Member-Consumer-Owners with the best service they can offer.

The event was wrapped up in the traditional community singing of Christmas songs and dance in the anthem of electric cooperatives, "Electric Dreams".



"A Workforce that sings and dances together, works well together."

# CAGELCO II Line Warriors compete for National Rodeo Tourney



CAGELCO II representatives (center pole) competed in the National level for the Pole Dressing/Undressing challenge representing Luzon, securing its 3rd spot.



Luzon Warriors of Light delegates braced themselves as they compete for the first National Warriors of Light Summit held last July 25, 2019 at BENECO Headquarters, Baguio City.

BAGUIO CITY—Eight (8) CAGELCO II Line warriors battle for the first-ever national rodeo tournament organized by the Philippine Rural Electric Cooperatives Association (PHILRECA) in collaboration with the National Electrification Administration (NEA) in celebration of the Golden Year of the Rural Electrification Program which aims to highlight “those who literally put their lives on the line” conducted last July 23-24, 2019 at Baguio City.

Mr. Erwin Torrecer and Mr. Carlo Marantan together with CAGELCO I representatives, emerged as the 1st placer in the Pole Climbing and Conductor riding events. While Mr. Johannes Pelotin, Mr. Jose Marie Cardenas, Mr. Leonardo Jose, Mr. Jarvis Bernardo, Mr. Johnny Sobremonte, and Mr. Von Heinrich Luna got 3rd place in the Pole Dressing/Undressing challenge.

The Lineman Rodeo Competition

showcased different technical skills of a lineman like speed in climbing electric poles, dressing/undressing electric poles, conductor riding, and Splinting & Bandaging rescue.

Hosted by Benguet Electric Cooperative, Inc. (BENECO), the historic competition is a part of the “Warriors of Light” Luzon Summit which served as platform to recognize the efforts of linemen who are instruments in the advancement of country’s rural electrification and to empower them to further their works.

To maximize the event, CAGELCO II sent twenty (20) linemen as various topics were discussed highlighting the importance of safety procedures for Linemen during the Warriors of Light (Luzon and National Summit).

The Northeast Luzon Electric Cooperatives Association (NELECA) which is composed of CAGELCO II and nearby distribution utilities in Region

02 emerged as the over-all champion in the Luzon-wide competition and represented the same in the National “Warriors of Light” Summit the following day, July 25, 2019, where they were matched with the cream of the crop of the Visayas and Mindanao delegation.

At the end of the competition, the Visayas team took home the bacon. The Luzon and Mindanao teams were awarded second and third place, respectively.

Mr. Edgardo R. Masongsong, Administrator of NEA, expressed in his message that the “Warriors of Light” summit is a recognition to those ‘considered as the backbone of electric cooperatives’ in energizing the rural and remote areas.

This historic event in the field of electrification is in collaboration with the Philippine Association of Technical Managers of Electric Cooperatives (PHILATMEC).



# NEA marks 50th anniversary, CAGELCO II reaps awards

The National Electrification Administration celebrated its 50 years of energizing over 13 million households across the country and 50 years of the Rural Electrification Program last August 6-8, 2019 at the PICC Complex in Pasay City.

NEA was organized in 1969 thru RA 6038 with the mandate to fulfill total electrification in the Philippines with the Electric Cooperatives as its implementing arm.

Representatives of the 121 Electric Cooperatives Nationwide were present and NEA's Chief, Administrator Edgardo R. Masongsong led the Golden Anniversary celebration of NEA milestone achievements in partnership with the ECs and its EC-Allied Organizations.

Said convention is also a time "to recognize the pillars and advocates in the development and implementation of the Rural Electrification Program", NEA's Chief said.

Highlights of the event were the launching of a commemorative stamp from Philpost which showcased the five successful decades of the Rural Electrification Program and the ceremonial switch-on of the 13 millionth consumer connection from Sarangani.

Awarding of the national winners of the Rural Electrification (RE) Painting, Songwriting and Video competition which showcased the culture and the arts in the Rural Electrification sector was also done.

CAGELCO II's Board of Directors headed by BOD President Eva M. Antiporda, OIC General Manager Blandina Y. Madamba together with its management staff proudly received eight (8) awards in recognition of

its contribution to the success of the rural electrification program with its outstanding performance as an Electric Cooperative during the awarding ceremony dubbed as the Golden Dagitab Awards and PHILRECA Awards from the Wires also during the 50 years celebration of the National Electrification Administration.



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**Congratulations CAGELCO II**

**For its exemplary performance as an Electric Cooperative and for its steadfast commitment to the Rural Electrification Program in service to our valued Member-Consumer-Owners**

**CAGELCO II is a proud recipient of:**

- Golden Dagitab Award**  
for garnering 100% level in the 2018 EC-Overall Assessment
- Golden Dagitab Award**  
for its invaluable contribution in the successful implementation of the Rural Electrification Program for the past 50 years
- Paramount Achievement Award**  
for showing exemplary performance as a Triple-A (AAA) category EC
- 5 Years of Powerhouse Excellence Award**  
for consistently exhibiting an exemplary performance as a Triple-A (AAA) category EC in the last 5 years
- Advocacy Excellence Award**  
for being a strong instrument in carrying out the goals of NEA, PHILRECA and the One-EC MCO Movement
- Stellar Success Award**  
for maintaining the EC's high collection performance for the last 10 years
- Model Member-EC Award**  
for being an outstanding member EC of PHILRECA in realizing the goals of rural electrification and sustainable rural development
- Leadership in Advocacy Award**  
for OIC, GM Blandina Y. Madamba and BOD President Eva M. Antiporda, for their exemplary leadership and for being outstanding Warriors of Light in upholding the advocacies of NEA, PHILRECA and One EC-MCO Movement
- Special Citation on the NEA-EC-MCO Solidarity Dance Video**  
which stood out among the other videos submitted by Electric cooperatives in Luzon due to its overall quality and production value to help promote, remember and celebrate 50 years of rural electrification in the country

*Thank you!*