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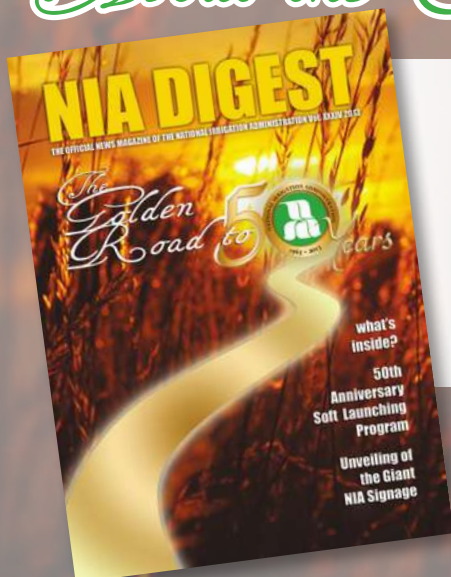
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The year 2013 marks a milestone in the history of agricultural development in the country as the National Irrigation Administration celebrates its 50th Founding Anniversary. June 2013 has been eyed as a significant moment to highlight the 50 glorious years of providing irrigation to farmers and improving agricultural production in the country...

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The Golden Road to 50

NIA Prepares for its 50th Year

In preparation for the grand celebration, the agency has staged two separate occasions to kick-off its golden year - the soft-launching of its anniversary logo and theme on February 11 and the unveiling of a giant 100-day countdown signage on March 15. Such events were also conducted simultaneously in all field offices nationwide. Stories about the nationwide conduct of the mentioned activities are presented in this special edition of the NIA Digest.

The Theme and Logo

On February 11, the NIA Central and Field Offices simultaneously launched the official anniversary logo and theme for the agency's 50th jubilee. These two symbolize the essence of the anniversary celebration. The theme, "NIA at 50: Serving the Farmers with Excellence and Commitment to Continue its Legacy in the Years to Come", aptly sums up NIA's motivation in celebrating its 50th year of existence. In all the years, the agency puts the Filipino farmer at the center and every milestone that NIA achieves is sincerely dedicated to its primary stakeholder and partner.

This anniversary theme can also be visualized in the official anniversary logo - the NIA sigil enclosed in a golden fifty. The simple design manifests the silent yet impactful work NIA has been doing to contribute in the improvement of the agriculture sector. The official logo placed at the center of the circle means that the agency's service to the farmers will continue infinitely. And the color gold does not just symbolize 50th jubilee but the quality of the agency's service towards the farmers.

Adopt-a-Community

Also launched is the Adopt-a-Community Project: a fund-raising activity geared to the agency's social responsibility in building a better community for the Filipinos. Employees are encouraged to donate in any amount and the collected money will be used to perform outreach activities for selected communities within the service areas of NIA nationwide.

The Countdown Begins

Roughly a month after the launching activity on March 15, the central and field offices once again simultaneously conducted another significant stage in the celebration of NIA's golden year. Together, NIA offices nationwide unveiled their own giant 100-day countdown signages to mark everyone's anticipation of the agency's golden anniversary. Every NIA employee in the regions participated in this grand kick-off with glee and enthusiasm.

The Essence of It All

These events, the Soft-Launching of the Theme and Logo and the Unveiling of the Giant 100-Day Countdown Signage, are truly appropriate preludes for the momentous event NIA has been preparing for. Yet, the grandiosity of the celebration is encompassing. This is not just for the employees. The real heart and soul of the occasion lie in the agency's celebration of its strengthened partnership with the Filipino farmers and the improvement of irrigation and agriculture in the country. The grand conduct of such events is a pure manifestation of the level of service that NIA wants to impart to the farmers and the country in general - enthusiastic, sincere, golden.

In a way, NIA is paving the road it has been traversing with gold towards its equally golden objective to uplift the lives of the farmers and improve the agricultural economy of the Philippines. As stated in the agency's anniversary theme, it will continue to serve with excellence as it has done in the past and will never stop in the years to come. ❖





Central Office

NIA Soft-Launch 50th Anniversary Celebration

by: Lionell G. Dela Cruz

The agency's 50th year anniversary was simultaneously kicked-off nationwide through the soft-launching of the anniversary logo and theme during the February 11 flag raising ceremony nationwide. NIA employees witnessed the debut of the 50th anniversary logo and the theme, "NIA @ 50: Serving the Farmers with Excellence and Commitment to Continue its Legacy in the Years to Come."

The "Adopt-a-Community" project was also launched to give back to NIA's major stakeholder—the farmers. Administrator Antonio S. Nangel encouraged everyone to donate for this cause. The total collected amount will be used in an outreach program for a selected community in one of the service areas of NIA.

It was a simple yet apt event to kick-off the golden anniversary of NIA. Surely, the soft-launching activity was a prelude of what's to come in June. ❖





The NIA Central Office Shotgun Dancers



ASN leads the release of 50 gold and green balloons to signify the 50 years of NIA's service to the farmers



ASN and CVM draw the curtain to reveal the giant signange

NIA Unveils the Giant Countdown Signage

by: Lionell G. Dela Cruz

(March 15) NIA Central Office, Quezon City -- Clad in the anniversary colors of green and gold, the NIA management and employees flocked in front of the IEC Building to officially start the 100-day countdown and to kick-off the agency's 50th Founding Anniversary on June 22. Similar events were done in the different regional and project offices nationwide.

The NIA Central Office Chorale open the program with a heartfelt rendition of Our Father and the National Anthem. Engineer Claro V. Maranan, the OIC-Senior Deputy Administrator, gave the opening remarks. A presentation portraying the five decades of NIA's existence was performed by selected NIA employees to retell the story of the agency's beginnings until it attained corporate viability in 2012 for the first time in 50 years.

The production number cued for the high-

light of the event. NIA Administrator Antonio S. Nangel and OIC-Senior Deputy Administrator Claro V. Maranan were ushered towards the veiled signage to draw the curtains apart to reveal a giant mosaic of the Magat Dam composed of smaller images of NIA personalities and projects. On top of the mosaic is the Anniversary Logo which was previously soft-launched with the Anniversary Theme, "NIA @ 50: serving the farmers with excellence and commitment to continue its legacy in the years to come," on February 11.

After a long and celebratory applause, Administrator Nangel gave a short but very compelling message. He expressed his pride on what the agency had been achieving since he became the Administrator. He attributed this success to the different men and women of the agency. He ended with the famous PNoy line "kayo ang boss ko," which boosted the morale of

the employees. The same message was also delivered to other offices nationwide via a pre-recorded video sent to them prior the event.

To formally close the activity, 50 people composed of the top management, department, division and project managers, and other lucky employees were chosen to release 50 green and gold balloons to signify the 50 years of working together with our farmers to increase rice production and for better irrigation.

The morning program ended with a photo ops session of the different departments with Administrator Nangel and Senior Deputy Administrator Maranan in front of the signage. ❖

Cordillera Administrative Region

February 11 Soft-Launching: A prelude to NIA's Golden Anniversary

by: Mylene I. Malecda, PRO

A soft launching is a piece or movement that serves as an introduction or a preliminary to an action, or event of higher importance, in NIA's case, the Golden Anniversary on June 22, 2013. All activities pertaining the celebration of NIA's 50th Anniversary shall commence after the soft launching.

As part of the preparatory activities of the NIA 50th Anniversary celebration in June 2013, soft launching of the golden anniversary logo and theme were simultaneously conducted by all the eight offices and sub-offices of NIA-CAR on February

11, 2013 after the flag raising ceremonies.

The anniversary logo was golden colored text of 50 years with the NIA logo embedded inside the zero of the 50 while the theme is "NIA @ 50: Serving the Farmers with Excellence and Commitment to Continue its Legacy in the years to come..."

Together with the logo and theme, Adopt-a-Community donation boxes were also launched, in which the proceeds will go to the adopted community chosen by the office. The adopted communities must

be within the service area of NIA-constructed irrigation systems.

The NIA-CAR teaser was also presented and uploaded to the Facebook page of NIA-CAR for accessibility. ❖



NIA-CAR staff headed by Manager John Socalo (5th from the right) take a pose in front of the just-launched poster of the NIA 50th Anniversary logo and theme located in front of the NIA office facade which is strategically located beside the road.



NIA-CAR Manager John Socalo, Division Managers Espique Jr. and Grace Fanged lead the dropping of proceeds for the Adopt-a-Community Project of NIA-CAR as part of the Golden Anniversary Celebration. Mini-drop boxes were stationed at different areas of the office.



Poster tarp of the NIA 50th Anniversary logo and theme were also posted in all the field offices of KIMP-IMO.



Mr. Ferdinand Pancho, head of Administrative Section of KIMP-IMO facilitates the presentation of the NIA 50th Anniversary Logo, theme and Adopt-a-Community donation Box. The tarp poster was later hung at the top of the main gate near the highway,





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A Message Unveiled. NIA-CAR Manager John L. Socalo slowly tugs off the curtain string uncovering the NIA Giant Signage for the 100-day Countdown towards NIA's 50th Anniversary.

NIA-CAR bares Anniversary Giant Signage

by: Mylene I. Malecda, PRO

Cordillera Administrative Region, March 15, 8-9 AM – While the smiling sun was peeking out in the hills of Kalinga, Benguet, Abra and Mt. Province, it was cloudy in Apayao and drizzling in Ifugao. Yet one thing was common in the provinces of CAR—the unveiling of the NIA Giant Signage as the 100-day countdown to the Golden Anniversary begins.

As part of the preparatory activities of the NIA Anniversary, all NIA offices including those in CAR unveiled giant markers to inform clients and stakeholders and builds up anticipation as NIA counts down days to a milestone celebration of golden years

of excellent and committed service to farmers on June 22.

“We feel proud that we have contributed to the betterment of lives of farmers we served for many years....We must strive to do more and better,” Administrator Antonio Nangel said in a video message which was played during the unveiling ceremony.

During the unveiling, though many CAR personnel were on field or on seminar, employees were extraordinarily excited as they listened to the Administrator's message, witness the Giant Signage being

bared and release 50 balloons of yellow and green colors.

The Golden Anniversary Celebration revolves around the theme, “NIA @ 50: Serving the farmers with excellence and commitment to continue its legacy in the years to come”.

Other preparatory activities for the anniversary include, among others, a Jingle-Making Contest for all NIAns, an On-the-Spot Painting Contest for college students and a NIA-IA day. ❖

Region 1- Ilocos Region

Region 1's Soft Launching of NIA's 50th year

by: Dolores A. Vera Cruz, PRO

Region 1 jointly celebrated the nationwide Soft-Launching of the National Irrigation Administration's (NIA) 50th year Anniversary at the NIA Grounds Urdaneta City on February 11, 2013, simultaneously after the respective Flag-Raising Ceremonies in different field offices.

The event was attended by the Pangasinan Irrigation Management Office employees and the Regional employees led by Engineering and Division Manager Roberto Q. Abule. Institutional Development Section Chief Nieves M. de Guzman updated the employees of the forthcoming NIA Anniversary. The NIA Anniversary Logo was introduced with the theme, "NIA @ 50: Serving the Farmers with Excellence and Commitment to continue its Legacy in the Years to Come," as well as the Donation Box, wherein an indigent

community will be adopted for an outreach program, as thanksgiving of the employees. Yellow balloons were prepared and decorated the lobby and surrounding the logo making it attractive to the eye.

After the pep talks, everybody proceeded to the lobby for the one minute presentation of the teaser which was appreciated beautifully but a bit hanging for its short presentation.

The launching marks the start of various pre-anniversary activities and programs until June 2013. These various activities will be held in different regions as well as the Irrigation Management Offices and Projects nationwide. Line-up of activities were prepared by the Public Affairs and Information Staffs (PAIS) with the Public Relations (PR) Team such as the

On-the-Spot Painting Contest, One Minute Jingle Making Contest, NIA - IA Day, Adopt-a-Community, Fun Run, Souvenir Programs, Coffee Table Book, and Calendars among others.

These events happened for the first time ever in Region 1, making it remarkable and meaningful as 2013 will unfold by the end of the year 2013. There is much more to expect before the grandest celebration of NIA's 50th year anniversary.

NIA was created under Republic Act 3601 on June 22, 1963 with its vision for a "Dynamic and functional NIA and irrigators Associations working in partnership to accelerate irrigation development and provide efficient levels of irrigation services."



Up, up and away! 50 balloons were released signifying the start of the 100 days countdown to NIA's 50 years of existence.



A brief history of NIA from 1963 to the present NIA Region 1 was presented to the delight of the staff as they watch their faces on screen.

100 Days Countdown to Gold

It is a once in a moment celebration in NIA-Region 1. The 100 days countdown to NIA's 50 years has been launched with the unveiling of the giant countdown signage and flying of 50 balloons with a short program in the morning of March 15, 2013.

The activity was also held in the three Irrigation Management Offices (IMO) in the three provinces (La Union, Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur). In Ilocos Norte, the occasion was attended by Deputy Administrator for Engineering and Operations Robert C. Suguitan. Pangasinan IMO jointly celebrated with the regional office.

At the regional office, employees wore green and yellow shirts to signify the anniversary colors. Fifty balloons, also in green and yellow, were distributed. A prayer song "Heal Our Land" opened the program, followed by a short message from the Section Head of the Administrative and Finance Division, Mr. Leo Gutierrez, in the absence of the Managers, who welcomed everyone and opened the launching of the event.

After the message, all employees proceeded in front of the giant signage covered with a yellow curtain. Nieves M. de Guzman of the Institutional Development Section, Roselyn M. Banez of the Operations and Maintenance Section, and Placido L. Duldulao of the Equipment and Management Section, led the unveiling of the giant signage. At the count of three, the curtain was pulled to the right, revealing the 100 days to 50 years of NIA. Simultaneously, balloons held by the staffs were released.

Everybody took their shots with the signage, a remembrance of their attendance in NIA's countdown to 50 years. Such gathering happens rarely.

An Audio Video Presentation followed at the lobby. In promotion of the "Adopt-a-Community Program", a video clip entitled "A Beautiful Life" was presented. It's a reflection on the "habit of keeping" and not trusting the future. It's a lesson of giving and sharing one's blessings.

A brief history of NIA was also presented, from its creation in 1963 until the present NIA Region 1. The four Irrigation Management Offices were presented featuring the staff in action and their respective Division Managers. The audiences responded happily upon seeing their faces on-screen.

Fortunately, the Division Manager of the Pangasinan Irrigation Management office was able to catch up with the program. He was applauded by the staff and was cheered for snacks which he happily granted. He was caught in a surprise for a short message. The Division manager was apologetic enough for not catching the start of the program.

For the finale, Administrator Antonio S. Nangel delivered his message in a pre-recorded video to the delight of the audience.

The program was closed by IDS Chief Nieves M. de Guzman, acknowledging everybody's participation in the event. ❖

Agno River Integrated Irrigation Project



IDD Manager Ceferino C. Sta. Ana delivers his message



Region 2 & Magat River Integrated Irrigation System The Soft Launching...

by: Melissa C. Agbisit, PRO

As part of the preparatory activities leading to the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the agency on June 22, 2013, the Magat River Integrated Irrigation System joined the NIA-Central Office and all the regional offices across the country in a simple preview of the great things to come as the agency celebrates its Golden Year.

On February 11, 2013, employees of MARIIS - Head Office and Division IV, together with the employees of the Region 02 Irrigation Office and Isabela Irrigation Management Office, gathered at the NIA-Cauayan Office grounds for the soft launching of the NIA 50th Anniversary Logo and Theme and the Adopt-A-Community Donation Box. ❖



Region 2 Regional Manager Vicente E. Galvez pointed out how the 50th Anniversary challenges every NIA employee to do more and stand by the agency's commitment to continue serving the farmers with excellence.



MARIIS Operations Manager Mariano G. Dancel describes how NIA has been providing excellent service by not just irrigating rice fields but also transforming agricultural communities into booming commercial centers.



National President of the NIA Employees Association of the Philippines, Mr. Victorino T. Aron gave a brief background on the agency's celebration of its golden anniversary.



Employees of MARIIS and NIA-RO2, led by their heads of office, proudly watched the regional teasers shown during the soft launching.



NIA employees excitedly form the phrase "I"

by: Dorothy Belle C. De Leon, PRO

Despite the ominous clouds and drizzle threatening to soak the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) employees, they stayed and listened as the Giant Countdown Signage was unveiled on the morning of March 15, 2013.

This positive attitude displayed by NIA Region 2 employees headed by Regional Irrigation Manager Vicente E. Galvez and Magat River Integrated Irrigation System (MARIIS) employees led by Operations Manager Mariano G. Dancel, who donned yellow and green shirts during the nationwide simultaneous launching, mirrored the agency's optimism for service. For the past five decades, NIA faithfully adhered to its mission of developing and managing water resources for irrigation and provision of necessary services on a sustainable basis consistent with the agricultural development program of the government.

The Grand Unveiling and Launching of the Giant Signage, one of the pre-anniversary activities of NIA, comprised of a video message of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel which was shown in all NIA Region-

al Offices, Project Offices and Irrigation Management Offices (IMO) nationwide.

"NIA has become a formidable pillar of development in the agriculture sector. But we should not be contented with our accomplishment," Administrator Nangel said in the video. "We must strive to do more and do better," he added.

NIA is a government owned and controlled corporation tasked with the development and operation of irrigation systems all over the country. Its history dates back on June 22, 1963 with the approval of Republic Act 3601, an act creating NIA. Its forerunner was the Irrigation Division of the defunct Bureau of Public Works. Later, NIA's charter was amended by Presidential Decree (PD) 552 on September 11, 1974 and PD 1702 on 17 July 1980, thereby increasing its capitalization and broadening its authority.

"For 50 years, the irrigation agency experienced ups and downs. But here is the good news: all the Regional and Project Management Offices achieved viability in

2012, a milestone fit for a grand celebration...So there's no turning back; we can only move forward," RIM Galvez said.

NIA Region 2, which was established in 1968 in San Mateo, Isabela, takes pride in the fact that the construction and completion of MARIIS in 1986 was one of its major accomplishments. And although MARIIS has become a Special Project co-equal with the Regional Offices in the nature of its operations, the two offices had shared the same compound in Minante 1, Cauayan City since 1978. Together, these two offices helped foster the irrigation development of Region 2.

"With the establishment of our dams and irrigation systems comes progress. Many farmers have approached and thanked me because through efficient irrigation delivery, they were able to harvest more and send their children to school. A farmer once boasted he already has children who had become an engineer and the other one became a doctor," Operations Manager Dancel emphasized in his message.

Capping the occasion are the formation of NIA@50 by the employees themselves and the unveiling of the countdown signage by RIM Galvez and OM Dancel. The said signage is positioned in front of the office façade facing Maharlika Highway. It serves as a reminder for all the employees, locals, passers-by, and visitors of NIA's coming Golden anniversary.

"The signage not only informs us how many days are left before our 50th Anniversary but it also creates a feeling of excitement," Engr. Gualfredo C. Martinez, Division Manager of Administrative and Finance, said in an interview right after the unveiling.

And as if heralding the closing and at the same time blessing of the launching ceremony, the clouds released its torrent of rains as employees scampered for shelter.

In the field offices, Cagayan-Batanes IMO led by Division Manager Antonio C. Lara and Nueva Vizcaya IMO Division Manager Francisco A. Domingsil joined the simultaneous launching in their respective offices. Isabela IMO led by Division Manager Ramon R. Fabros joined the Regional Office's grand launching. Meanwhile, because of the incessant rains, Quirino IMO headed by Division Manager Estanislao R. Najera held the ceremony on Monday, March 18, 2013. ❖



The unveiled giant signage signaling the 100 days countdown to the NIA's 50th Anniversary on June 23, 2013, to the warm applause of Quirino IMO personnel



NIA@50" as 50 yellow and green balloons, signifying the 50 golden years of NIA, were released.

Region 3 - Central Luzon

Unveiling of the NIA Region 3 Signage

by: Eliseo V. Bitangcol, PRO

A night before March 15, 2013, the Giant Signage bearing the 100-day countdown to the NIA 50th Anniversary was delivered and installed in front of the NIA Region 3 Compound, Tambubong, San Rafael, Bulacan facing the entrance gate of the perimeter.

As early as 5:30 a.m., a photo documentation was made to show the signage duly lighted before veiling it in preparation to its uncovering ceremony at 8:00 in the morning. With the help of "early birds" in the office, the veil was satisfactorily put over the giant signage.

The program proper was started by a prayer led by Mr. Virgilio Marasigan followed by a short introduction of the event by the Public Relations Officer.

The unveiling was done by the Regional Irrigation Manager Reynaldo D. Puno, Engineering and Operations Division Acting Manager Angelo A. Logo, Finance and Admin. Division Manager Rochelle R. Cervantes, Tarlac-Zambales IMO Manager Lauro E. Ballesteros and representing the Bulacan-Aurora-Nueva Ecija IMO Engr. Virgilio J. Ilao.

Right after the unveiling, the giant signage was lighted which earned a loud and prolonged applause from all the employees present during the event.

Messages were delivered by key personnel of NIA Region 3 pertaining to the forthcoming Golden Anniversary of the agency.

After the messages, the presentation of the Donation box followed with a Ceremonial Drop of P500.00 per Manager, Section Chief and few other employee from the NIA Regional Office and BANE IMO.

The release of 50 yellow and green balloons followed which embodies the 50 years existence and service of the National Irrigation Administration.

The video of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel was played, watched and heard by all the employees followed by the Inspirational Message of the Region 3 Regional Manager Reynaldo D. Puno.

The event ended with picture takings in front of the NIA Giant Signage. ❖



NIA Regional Office and BANE IMO Employees headed by EOD Manager Angelo A. Logo posed for a portrait using the 100 Days to 50 years NIA Anniversary Giant Signage



NIA Region 3 Regional Manager Reynaldo D. Puno led the initial dropping of cash in the donation box. Amount to be collected shall be used in the NIA 50th Anniversary outreach program name "Adopt a Community"



Employees on NIA Regional Office posed for a portrait during the soft launching of the NIA 50th Anniversary.



RIM Reynaldo D. Puno, EOD Manager Angelo A. Logo (Left) FD Manager Rochell R. Cervantes, BANE IMO Operations Chief Virgilio J. Ilao and TarZam IMO Manager Lauro E. Ballesteros do the honor of Unveiling the NIA Region 3 50th Anniversary Giant Signage



NIA-Region 3 P.R.O. Eliseo V. Bitangcol lead the program of Unveiling the 100 day countdown to 50 years NIA Anniversary Giant Signage

Balog-Balog Multipurpose Project

by: Ross C. Esteban, PRO



BBMP Project Manager Dr. Vicente R. Vicmudo delivers his Inspirational Message to employees of Tarzam IMO and BBMP.



The Grand Unveiling of 50th NIA Anniversary was jointly participated by employees of NIA-BBMP and Tarlac-Zambales IMO.



Brief History and Trivias of NIA were given by NIA-EASP BBMP Chapter President Cresencio R. Magbag and PAIS Chief, Engr. Ross C. Esteban.



Engr. Rolando Espino of TarZam IMO gave his message and experiences as long time employee of the agency.



Balloons were released and employees were in jubilation after the unveiling of the Giant Signage.



The Unveiling and Launching of 100 days Countdown Signage was graced by top officials of BBMP and TarZam IMO along with the employees of the two offices.



NIA BBMP and TarZam IMO employees posed in front the NIA Countdown Signage at NIA Compound in Matatalaib, Tarlac City

Upper Pampanga River Integrated



Soft Launching of the 50th Golden Anniversary logo of the National Irrigation Administration in Division I, NIA-UPRIIS held last February 11, 2013 during the Flag Raising Ceremony with Administrative Officer Melinda S. Ramos, Division Manager Santos B. Viernes and OMID's Acting Chief Felix L. Teano, Jr. with their employees.



Division II Manager Engr. Joselito A. Mangunay dropping his donation to support the Adopt-a-Community Project of NIA.



The 50th Golden Anniversary theme of NIA and the employees of Division I, NIA-UPRIIS headed by Division Manager Santos B. Viernes, AO Melinda S. Ramos and OMID's Acting Chief Felix L. Teano, Jr.



The NIA 50th Anniversary Logo.



Admin and Finance Manager J. D. Villanueva and Division 3 Manager C. C. Castillo at the Soft Launching of the 50th Anniversary theme and Logo



UPRIIS Administrative and Finance Division Manager donates first followed by the other heads of OMS and Division III to signify their willingness to help and to encourage everyone to do the same



NIA UPRIS Division V personnel in their Shirts bearing the 50th Anniversary Logo.

Irrigation System

UPRIIS' 100-Days Countdown To NIA's Golden Year

by: Maria Isobel F. Padolina, PRO

In a hundred days, NIA will turn fifty. Reaching these many years in irrigation service is truly an achievement. What better way to wait for its coming than to count the days down.

On the morning of March 15, UPRIS headed by its Lady Operations Manager Josephine B. Salazar, along with all NIA offices nationwide, simultaneously launched a giant NIA signage. This symbolizes the fifty past cherished years of NIA as it carries the theme "NIA at 50: serving the farmers with excellence and commitment to continue its legacy in the years to come."

As the proud NIAns look forward to NIA's golden age, people will also be aware of how long NIA has been in existence. And as NIA continues to build its best image to the public, this Golden Anniversary Celebration reflects and proves its stability and strength as an agricultural agency that will remain in the years to come. ❖



UPRIIS employees listen attentively to OM Josephine B. Salazar: "We are all very lucky to be part of this historic event, because after fifty years, we may not be here anymore so let us all cherish this wonderful moment".



The symbolic releasing of green and yellow balloons wishing NIA to continue to soar high and reach for its goals in the years ahead.



UPRIIS Top Officials: (L-R) Santos B. Vlermes, Rosalinda B. Bote, Jasmin D. Villanueva, OM Josephine B. Salazar, Carlito M. Gaspasin, Freddie M. Toquero, JOselito A. Mangunay, Eugenio O. Conde, Jr., and Cristino C. Castillo

Region 4A - Calabarzon

Soft Launching of NIA Golden Anniversary

by: Marietta M. Dela Cruz, PRO

"This year is a very significant year for NIA as we review its milestone into the golden year", Engr. Romeo R. Añonuevo, Region IV-A's Acting Regional Manager said during the region's participation in the nationwide soft launching of NIA's 50th anniversary on February 11, 2013.

He further stated that CY2011 has been real kind to the region because it achieved an all-time high in its viability as well as a

nationwide second-placer in Physical Accomplishment - all because of everyone's diligence and cooperation to the region's drive towards realization of its goal.

Engr. Añonuevo declared that this region will actively participate in all the programmed activities en route to the actual anniversary date.

The event was held after the weekly

flag raising ceremony by unveiling the anniversary logo and theme as well as the presentation of donation box for the adopt-a-community project.

After the ceremony, Regional IV-A and Laguna-Rizal IMO personnel posed for posterity picture. ❖



NIA Region 4A Managers present the logo, theme and donation box for the NIA 50th NIA anniversary in participation with its nationwide Soft Launching, from left: Mrs. Yolanda L. Reyes - Admin & Finance Division Manager, Engr. Romeo R. Añonuevo - Acting Regional Manager, Engr. Hilarion C. Cedeño - Laguna-Rizal IMO Division Manager and Engr. Gloriosa L. Hernandez - Eng'g & Operations Acting Division Manager



NIA Regional Office 4A personnel join the nationwide soft launching of NIA Golden Anniversary



Engr. Romeo R. Añonuevo unveiling the region's very own Giant Signage for the 100 Days Countdown toward NIA's 50th Golden Year.



Acting Regional Manager Romeo R. Añonuevo, gives message during the Regional unveiling of Giant Signage for the 100 Days Countdown toward NIA's 50th Golden Year.



Region 4A's Unveiling and Launching of the Giant Signage

by: Marietta M. Dela Cruz, PRO

On March 15, 2013, the whole of Region 4A together with the IMOs (Laguna-Rizal IMO, Cavite-Batangas IMO and Quezon IMO) enthusiastically joined the nationwide unveiling and launching of its own Giant Signage for the 100 days countdown to the 50th NIA Anniversary. All personnel wore either green or gold shirts and have participated in the program in good spirit.

The Regional Office, jointly with Laguna-Rizal IMO (being in one compound) adhered to the prepared programme for the occasion as well as the other two IMOs (who have been given same programme to follow) as presented below:

Part I -

View the video message of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel at the Regional Training Center (RO & LRIMO), while for the IMOs - inside their office.

(Proceed to the Covered Court or office compound for the continuation of the program):

Part II -

- Invocation (for the RO: by Mrs. YOLANDA L. REYES, FAD Manager)
- Message (for the RO: by Acting RIM - Engr. ROMEO R. AÑONUEVO; for the IMOs: Chief of Office)

Part III -

Unveiling of Tarpaulin and release of balloons (25 green & 25 gold color)

Part IV -

Photo Opportunity

Part V -

For the RO: Transfer and installation of the Giant Signage to the outside fence.

Engr. Romeo R. Añonuevo, Acting Regional Manager in his message emphasized what Administrator Nangel have said in the video, that the success being reaped today was brought on by the collective effort and perseverance of the past and present people of the agency. He also said that this day is really a cause for rejoicing as the beginning of 100 days countdown towards the 50th year. He added, however, that each employee must continue to strive hard to carry on the good works of the agency towards better and sustained service to our farmer-clientele. ❖

Region 4B - Mimaropa

by: Aileen Vernice A. Bahia, PRO



Acting Regional Manager Engr. Conrado V. Cardenas Jr. headed the Soft Launching of NIA 50th Anniversary last February 11, 2013 at NIA Compound, Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro. Joining him are the employees of NIA IV-B Regional Office and MOMARO IMO.

Soft Launching



Acting Regional Manager Engr. Conrado V. Cardenas Jr., delivers his short speech during the NIA 50th Anniversary Soft Launching last February 11, 2013.



Employees of Palawan IMO headed by their Division Manager Engr. Mario M. Hebreo during the Soft Launching of NIA 50th Anniversary



Acting Regional Manager Engr. Conrado V. Cardenas Jr. drops the first donation at the "Adopt-a-Community" Donation Box.



NIA IV-B installed the tarpaulin of the official logo and theme in front of the office building facing the main road.



NIA IV-B Engineering and Operations Acting Division Manager, Engr. Cesar M. Pobre, while dropping his envelop of salary at the donation box.



Baco-Bucayao RIS Chief, Engr. Wilfredo A. Balauro, also drops his donation at the donation box.

Unveiling of Signage



Acting Regional Manager Engr. Conrado V. Cardenas Jr. delivered his Opening Remarks during the Unveiling of NIA 100 days countdown last March 15, 2013



The staff releases the green and yellow balloons as the final activity for the unveiling of the 100 days countdown



Acting Regional Manager Engr. Conrado V. Cardenas Jr. (Right) unveils the 100 days countdown together with Pula-Bansud RIS Chief, Engr. Lowell L. Lozano



Palawan IMO staff together with their Acting Division Manager Mario M. Hebreo participate during the simultaneous unveiling of the 100 days countdown



Occidental Mindoro IMO headed by their Acting Division Manager Raymundo L. Calusin participate during the unveiling of the 100 days countdown



They watch the video message of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel during the said activity

Region 5- Bicol Region

by: Ed G. Yu, PRO

Soft Launching



Region 5 Regional Manager William P. Ragodon delivers his speech during the soft launching of the NIA Golden Anniversary logo.



Mrs. Maria S. Ilarde, Administrative and Finance Division Manager delivers her message during a simple program at the launching of 100 days countdown to 50 years.



Personnel of the Camarines Norte Interim IMO participate in the unveiling of the countdown signage

Unveiling of Signage



Sorsogon-Masbate Interim IMO employees are proud NIAns posing in front of their 100 days countdown to 50 years signage.



Employees of NIA Regional Office 5 pose in front of the countdown signage.

Region 6 - Western Visayas

NIA - R6 Starts the Anniversary Countdown

by: Danielle P. Pijuan, PRO

On March 15, 2013, at 3:00 in the afternoon, all employees of the National Irrigation Administration Regional Office 6, including Iloilo-Guimaras Irrigation Management Office (IGIMO) and Jalaur River Multipurpose Project II (JRMP II) personnel joined the unveiling of the NIA 50th Anniversary Giant Signage to start the 100-day countdown towards June 22, 2013. Wearing green and gold, employees gathered for a short program to mark exactly 100 days before the Anniversary celebration.

Regional Irrigation Manager, Engr. Gerardo Corsiga opened the program with greetings to the employees with a message to inspire. Although not physically present, Administrator Nangel relayed his encouraging message to all NIAns through a VTR. Engr.

Arthur Sanico, President of NIAEASP, District Council 6 and Engr. Ricardo Penaso, Acting Division Manager of Engineering and Operations also gave their inspirational messages to further rouse and awaken the enthusiasm of NIAns for the activities of the Anniversary celebration.

RIM Corsiga, together with Engr. Sanico and Engr. Penaso pulled the strings to unveil the giant signage. 50 green and gold balloons dotted the sky of the sunny afternoon after they were released into the air. 100 days after March 15, 2013, NIA will be 50 years old and everybody is excited to be part of it. ❖



RIM Gerardo P. Corsiga giving his welcome speech



RIM Gerardo P. Corsiga, Engr. Ricardo P. Penaso, and Engr. Arthur C. Sanico pull the strings to unveil the giant Anniversary Signage.



RIM Gerardo P. Corsiga and Engr. Ricardo P. Penaso unveils the Adopt-A-Community Donation Box.



NIA, Aklan-Capiz Irrigation Management Office personnel pose during the unveiling of the giant signage.



Region 7 - Central Visayas

by: Anthony O. Alonzo



Intermission number from some employees



RIM Diosdado Rosales shares his experiences being a servant of NIA for the past 3 decades



Administrative Services Officer Maria Higinia P. Castillon during the opening program.

50 balloons symbolizing NIA's 50 years of existence



RIM Diosdado A. Rosales with EOD Manager Olimpio J. Galagala, Jr. and AFD Manager Rocelle B. Tapales unveil the 100 Days Countdown Giant Signage



Regional Office & Bohol-Cebu IMO employees

Help for Catubig Agricultural Advancement Project

by: Mark Mendiola



Engr. Estelita Sumile delivers her very inspiring message for the opening 100 Days to 50th anniversary Countdown Signage.



Engr. Paquita C. Acebuche and Engr. Estelita Sumile unveil the 50th Anniversary signage



HCAAP employees watching the VTR of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel



Region 8 - Eastern Visayas



RM Quiza delivers his message during the soft-launching of the Anniversary Logo, theme and "Adopt-A-Community" Donation Box with emphasis on strengthening the NIA-IA partnership.



The Boss spearheads the campaign for donation for "Adopt-A-Community" within the service area of the NIS and CIS.



100 Days Countdown to 50th NIA Anniversary the Region 8 Way

by: Lilia V. Dapuran, PRO

It was a warm and sunny March 15 morning when Region 8 launched the 100-day countdown to the NIA's 50th anniversary at the Regional Office compound.

The officers and personnel of the Regional Office and Biliran-Leyte del Norte-Leyte del Sur IMO gathered at the activity center to witness the unveiling of the giant signage and anniversary tarpaulin. The signage was festooned with balloons in green and yellow combination.

Meanwhile, the atmosphere that morning was light and jovial perhaps because it was a first in the Region. The rarity of being a part of the milestone was what made it a momentous affair.

The launching was also attended by the

officers-in-charge of Northern, Western and Eastern Samar IMOs together with their counterparts at the satellite offices of MP-BAO RIS, Binahaan-Tibak RIS, DGM RIS, BIG RIS and BHHD RIS. They were at the Regional Office for the 2-day Review and Planning Conference.

Regional Manager Romeo G. Quiza and EOD Manager Gloria Sevilla led the unveiling of the signage together with the heads of field offices. The presence of the field officers made the occasion noteworthy.

The unveiling ceremony was met by cheers from the audience especially when the 50 balloons were let loose by the employees. An event will not be complete without documentation, so the attendees

assembled under the heat of the sun for a photo-op with the signage as backdrop.

The group then proceeded to the Regional Office conference room to hear the video message of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel. His message was both reflective and appreciative which got into the heart of the audience. The affair was concluded with a message from Regional Manager Quiza.

The Region 8 launching of the 100-day countdown to anniversary was successful as it was simple. No party, nor confetti. It was the best we ever did.

Region 8 has done the right thing. ❖



The Giant signage unveils amid the cheers of the employees



The employees holding on to their green and yellow balloons as they wait for the unveiling ceremony to start.



With the Giant signage as backdrop, Regional Manager Romeo G. Quiza together with his staff and personnel braved the heat of the sun to pose for posterity.

Region 9- Zamboanga Peninsula



100 Days to 50 Years The Countdown Begins

by: Maria Teresa A. Empleo, PRO

All three irrigation management offices (IMOs) of the National Irrigation Administration Region IX - Zamboanga del Sur IMO, Zamboanga del Norte-Sibugay IMO and ZAMBASULTA IMO - joined the rest of the country in one successful, history-making event that marked the 100-day countdown to NIA's 50th anniversary - the unveiling and launching of NIA's "100 Days to 50 Years" giant signage last March 15, 2013 in different strategic locations in the region.

Zamboanga del Sur (ZDS) IMO together with regional office staff gathered in the grounds of ZDS IMO office in Labangan, Zamboanga del Sur to witness the unveiling of this giant signage. In the program before the unveiling, ZDS IMO Head Engr. Salvio B. Retes and Administrative & Finance Manager Cesario M. Ruizal, CSEE, shared their messages through personal testimonies on how NIA impacted their lives for the past 39 years in service and what pieces of advice they could give to the new generation of NIAns in Region IX. It was followed by the playing of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel's message thru a

VTR sent by the Central Office. On cue, Engr. S.B. Retes and Mr. C.M. Ruizal, gradually pulled the white cloth covering the 3m x 10m giant signage, the 100-day countdown to 50 years was officially unveiled and launched!

On the same day, Zamboanga del Norte-Sibugay IMO spearheaded by IMO Head Engr. Carlos A. Sabado also successfully unveiled and launched their giant signage installed in DA ZAMPEARC Compound, Ipil, Zamboanga-Sibugay office. With the Zamboanga-Sibugay staff in their uniformed white polo shirts, photo ops naturally followed.

ZAMBASULTA IMO's version of the unveiling was stylishly done with staff all in yellow polo shirts and strips of gold curtaining the signage coupled by yellow and green balloons all over, the event unfolded seamlessly. Engr. Benedicto O. Pulis, Jr., ZAMBASULTA IMO Head, delivered his message and did the honors of unveiling and launching their own signage installed in their ZAMBASULTA office in Zamboanga City.

After the giant signage was unveiled and launched, the IMOs also presented two events that will take place in their respective offices this April: the On-the-Spot Painting Contest for college students and the One-Minute Jingle Making Contest for all active NIA employees. Mechanics, prizes and criteria of the contests was read and everyone was enlisted to join.

The region's giant signage with a backdrop that said to compose of almost two thousand (2,000) pictures - from different irrigation facilities/infrastructures and activities that transpired across the whole region for the past years - were carefully arranged together to form that picture of Sibuguey Valley Dam, one of the best dams in the region. The characters in the signage illuminate the office's façade allowing a 24/7 viewing for all the people to see.

The countdown culminates on June 22, 2013 - the exact day the agency turns 50.



Acting Regional Manager Alejandro L. Alberca drops the first 500 peso bill in the newly launched Donation box for the Regional Office

Region 10- Northern Mindanao

by: Janeta G. Lorono, PRO



Regional Manager Felix M. Razo at the the soft launching of NIA Theme, 50th Anniversary logo and "Adopt a Community Donation Box" together with the staff and personnel of NIA Region 10 on February 11, 2013 after the flag raising ceremony



Regional Manager Felix M. Razo delivering his inspirational message



RIM Felix M. Razo together with the staff gradually unveils the 100 days countdown to 50th Anniversary giant signage



Region 11- Davao Region

NIA 11 Soft Launching Activity for the 50th Anniversary

by: Lina M. Montilde, PRO

Simultaneous with other regional offices nationwide, NIA XI underwent a 2 days soft launching activity for the 50th NIA Anniversary celebration coupled with the birthday celebration of our beloved Regional Irrigation Manager Modesto G. Membreve the following day.

During the first day celebration and right after the flag raising activity last February 11, 2013, all NIA-XI employees spear-headed by Regional Manager Membreve proceeded to the NIA XI Conference Room for a short program on soft launching activity.

Division Manager Encarnacion S. Soriano of the Engineering and Operations Division gave an opening remark stressing that February 11, 2013 marked the begin-

ning of preparatory activities for the Grand Golden (50) Anniversary celebration of the National Irrigation Administration.

Our region will really celebrate the soft launching activity for two (2) days since RIM Membreve's birthday falls within the preparatory period for the Golden Anniversary celebration of our agency. Community singing of our NIA Hymn followed before the actual soft launching activity.

RIM Modesto G. Membreve assisted by the two female Division Managers of NIA XI unveiled the pictures of the NIA official logo for the 50th Anniversary, the NIA theme and the Donation Box for the "Adopt-a-Community" project of the region. ❖



RIM Modesto G. Membreve giving his inspirational speech during the Soft Launching Activity for the NIA 50th Anniversary Celebration.



NIA Region XI Management and staff during the soft launching activity



Engr. Julius S. Maquiling delivers message during the soft launching program.



NIA XI employees attentively listen to the message of Administrator Nangel played thru AVP.



Unveiling of the Official Golden Anniversary Logo and Theme by RIM Modesto G. Membreve, Engr. Julius S. Maquiling, Engr. Encarnacion S. Soriano and Miss Caridad K. Sison.

Region 12 - Soccsksargen

Region 12 Unveiling of 100-Day Countdown Signage

by: Evelyn A. Bragasín, PRO

On March 15, 2013, NIA Regional Office 12 held a short program for the Official Launching and unveiling of the Giant Signage - 100 Days Countdown to NIA's 50th Anniversary. Parts of the program are the following: 1) Opening Prayer; 2) Pam-bansang Awit (video recording); 3) NIA Jingle (video recording courtesy of Mr. Ronald F. Frigillana, Sr. Computer Services Programmer); 4) Viewing of teaser for the 15-minute audio-video production; 5) Opening Message of Acting Regional Manager Mario H. Sande; 6) Unveiling of the Giant Signage, AFD Manager Tirso M. Sales, Jr. EOD OIC Willie L. Ablan and Section Chiefs; 7) Viewing of the Video Message of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel; and 8) Closing Remarks of Manager Tirso M. Sales, Jr.

Other offices which conducted the activity were North Cotabato IMO, South Cotabato IMO and Marbel-Banga River Irrigation System, Sarangani PIO/Siluay-Buayan River Irrigation System, Sultan Kudarat IMO, Lambayong/Tacurong River Irriga-

tion System, and Maguindanao IMO.

COTABATO IMO

This year is a remarkable year for the National Irrigation Administration's offices nationwide as the agency celebrates its 50 years of noble service with the theme, "NIA @50: Serving the farmers with excellence and commitment to continue its legacy in the years to come."

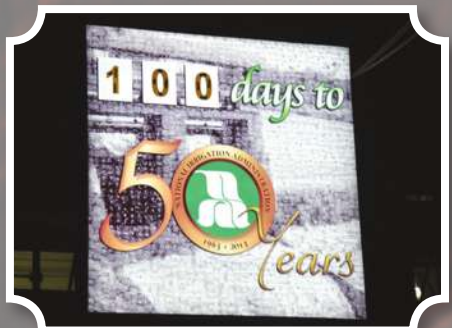
To kick-off this year's anniversary celebration, a simultaneous nationwide unveiling of the giant 100-day countdown signage was done on March 15, 2013. At the NIA-CIMO, the program started with the viewing of Administrator Nangel's video message. However, due to the unavailability of the signage on the set date, the CIMO did the program on March 18. The short program was organized and spearheaded by Engr. C'zar M. Sulaik, Division Manager A, and was participated by all the employees including those in the field.

During the program, retiring employees were given emphasis. Mrs. Leticia T. Tinio, one of the retirees, remarked that she loved and enjoyed working with NIA. She added that because of NIA, she was able to send her children to school. And to quote, "I have a colorful life in NIA." Truly, NIA has become part of every employee's success in life. The program ended with a picture taking of all employees.

The program was a success and it was a fun-filled activity with all credit and gratitude to NIA for its help and opportunity extended to every employee. ❖



Acting Regional Manager Mario H. Sande, congratulated the employees for being a part of the 50th anniversary celebration and considered them lucky since no one from among them, including himself, will no longer be around to witness another 50 years of NIA's existence.





Region 13 - Caraga

CARAGA Soft Launching of NIA 50th Anniversary

by: Silvestre C. Albores, PRO

The event was launched on March 1, 2013 at the NIA- Caraga Flag Pole with the opening of the NIA LOGO. It was then continued at the Regional Conference Room for a short program where Regional Manager Dexter G. Patrocinio delivered his message stating that NIA had already existed for 50 years come June 2013. He urged every employee to continue doing its commitment for the delivery of basic services to the Filipino people and always persevere in order to further improve our performance as public servants. ❖



RIM Dexter Patrocinio delivers his message during the soft launching program.



Launching of 100 days countdown

by: Silvestre C. Albores

The 100 Days Countdown Signage was launched on March 15, 2013 at exactly 8:00 AM simultaneous with the Agusan del Norte- Surigao del Norte- Dinagat Islands Irrigation Management Office (ASDI-IMO), Surigao del Sur IMO, Agusan del Sur IMO, Sta. Josefa and Umayam Irrigation Projects at Agusan del Sur and Surigao del Norte Satellite Office at Surigao City.

During the occasion at the NIA Regional Office, Regional Manager Dexter G. Patrocinio thanked all NIA employees for the

good performance of the region in terms of attaining viability. He also thanked the Irrigators' Association in carrying its tasks hand-in-hand with the NIA in increasing the productivity of farmer- beneficiaries and at the same time making the agency fulfill its commitment.

The program was also highlighted by the launching of the "Adopt-a-Community" donation box where every employee donated an amount for an outreach program to be extended to the Home for the Aged and

Bahay Silongan with the LARPIS area.

The same celebration was shared by all IMOs and Projects with their renewed commitments for the years to come and pledges full support to Administrator Antonio S. Nangel on every undertaking the agency will initiate for the services to the Filipino people in consonance with the Food Staples Self Sufficiency Program (FSSP) of this government. ❖



Malitubog-Maridagao Irrigation Project



Project Manager Noldin S. Oyod, OIC-Engineering Reynaldo Sarigumba and OIC-Administrative Camilo F. Alburo



The "50" donations starts with Project Manager Oyod and OIC-Admin Alburo for "Adopt-a-Community" program



The MMIP II personnel during the soft launching program of the 50th Anniversary Theme and Logo.



NIA flying high at 50

by: Melodia C. Dismas

March 15, 2013, 8:30 AM, NIA- MMIP sent a message to the sky broadcasting, "Hey, we are now 50" and still flying high.

This year's anniversary celebration is very special. MMIP soft-launched the anniversary logo and theme on February 11, and unveiled the NIA countdown signage on March 15. The releasing of 50 balloons made the event more meaningful. This also marked the beginning of the 100-day countdown to the BIG event. Project Manager Noldin S. Oyod, OIC-Engineering Division Reynaldo M. Sarigumba and OIC-Admin & Finance Camilo F. Alburo led the MMIP team in these ceremonies.

NIA Administrator Antonio S. Nangel gave his NIA unveiling and launching message

thru a VTR. Indeed, NIA is equipped with information technology for such simultaneous actions making our dear Administrator present in every NIA field office's March 15 program.

His excitement for being part of the golden anniversary, being proud of NIA's achievements and what it has become of today, reflected MMIP's concerted efforts, hardships and struggles in implementing MMIP I - the lessons learned, the sweet fulfillment when MMIP Stage I was finally completed. As NIA lives its legacy, MMIP Stage II hopes to serve our farmer-beneficiaries with excellence and commitment. The administrator ended his inspiring message thanking the IAs and NIA Family for the support which motivated him to

continuously guide the NIA to its Best. The Project Manager and the OIC-Engineering Division in their messages challenged MMIP Staff and personnel to do their best to fulfill the tasks and dreams of MMIP II and to carry on NIA's mission and vision.

Their messages were overwhelming and were met with applause and cheers of MMIP personnel and staff in the same way the releasing of balloons brought awe to the audience. It was a thrill watching the "NIA 50th logo" floating in the clear blue skies. The National Irrigation Administration really made a big difference and likewise MMIP's celebration made it especially different. ❖



The unveiling of NIA 100 days countdown signage by PM Noldin S. Oyod and OIC-Eng'g. Reynaldo M. Sarigumba



Omayam River Irrigation Project and Sta. Josefa Pump Irrigation Project

by: Marlon V. Elvira



The unveiling by Engr. Diosanta and Engr. Manuel of the 100 days to 50 years anniversary signage



Engineering Division Manager Wilfredo C. Manuel delivers a message to his fellow employees, explaining the significance of the golden anniversary of NIA.



The URIP and SJPIP personnel watch the video of Administrator Antonio S. Nangel as he gave an inspiring message to everyone.



Casecnan Multipurpose Irrigation & Power Project - Phase II

by: Mildred G. Cruz

The launching of the 100 days to 50 years countdown on March 15, 2013 reminded us that NIA has been continuously serving the farmers for the last five (5) decades.

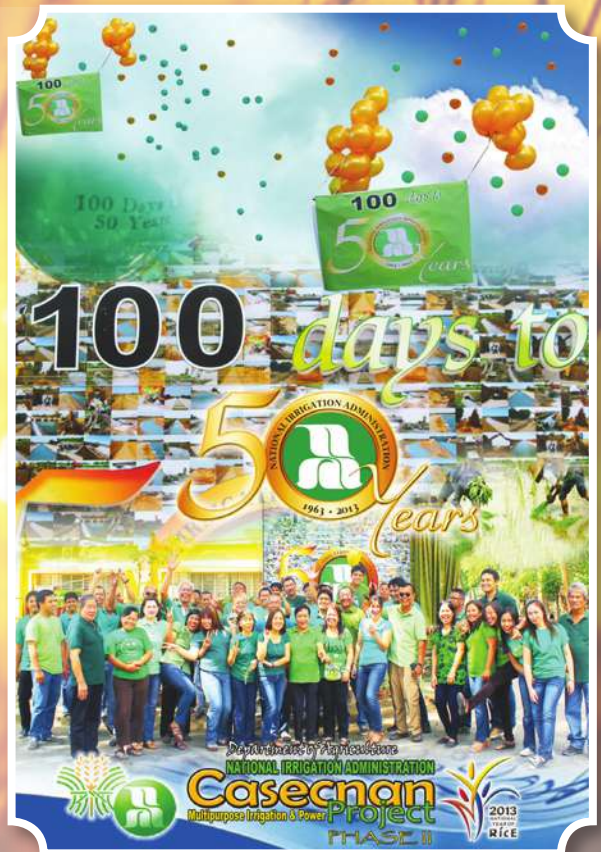
A simple, yet meaningful ceremony was done at CMIPP. It started with a prayer led by Roel L. Vegiga of the Engineering Division followed by a very inspiring message from the Project Manager Alexander G. Coloma. His message dealt on the significant irrigation benefits to the farmers for the past years and encouraged everyone to continue exerting more efforts to help and serve the Filipino farmers.

Subsequent to the Project Manager's message was the unveiling of the giant signage and instantaneously followed by the releasing of fifty (50) balloons and banner.

The video message of NIA Administrator Antonio S. Nangel was viewed where he inspired all NIAs to be proud for contributing to the betterment of the lives of the farmers for 50 years. And every NIAs shouldn't be contented with the accomplishments, everyone must strive to do more and better. He encouraged everyone to serve the farmers with excellence and renewed commitment to continue support the NIA legacy in the years to come.

After the ceremony was a charity time where everybody lined up and voluntarily dropped their donations in the donation box.

The ceremony ended at about 11 AM with simple snacks that everyone enjoyed and shared. ❖



Project Manager Alexander G. Coloma unveils of Giant Signage



Project Manager Alexander G. Coloma and staff release of 50 balloons and banner



The CMIPP Management and Staff (after the unveiling ceremony)



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