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VISION

A UNITED, ONE VOICE ASSOCIATION
 OF SURIGAO DEL SUR WATER
 DISTRICTS

MISSION

TO CREATE AN AURA OF ONENESS AMONG
 WATER DISTRICTS IN THE PROVINCE OF
 SURIGAO DEL SUR



**3rd place - Hinatuan & Tagbina WD,
 2nd place - Tandag, Carmen, Madrid WD,
 1st place - Lianga WD, Champion Bislig City WD**

SURWADA SPORTSFEST thru a basketball tournament was organize to promote camaraderie and wellness among all Water Districts in the province of Surigao del Sur held last May 23, 2014 which was hosted by Bislig City Water District. The activity was actively participated among four teams namely: Tandag, Carmen and Madrid Water Districts; Lianga Water District, Hinatuan and Tagbina Water Districts and Bislig Water District.



**CHAMPION
 BISLIG CITY WATER DISTRICT**



**MADRID, CARMEN AND TANDAG
 WATER DISTRICTS 2nd place**





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

TINUBDAN Newsletter THIRD ISSUE aims to provide more and informative updates of all the Water Districts within the province. This is the aspiration of the SURWADA members to improve its agencies' transparency, the fulfillment of the various projects and accomplishments of the districts, the activities for the good of the Consuming Public as well as to the employees. The Sportsfest as one of the major events of this year will improve the camaraderie of the employees as they get along with other Water District employees.

We must preserve our water today for the sufficient supply of tomorrow implied utmost care for the watersheds as well as to the consuming public.

GM WILFREDO G. SANCHEZ

W - ait until night to water your lawn.

A - lways use pail when you wash your car.

T - urn off the faucet when you brush your teeth.

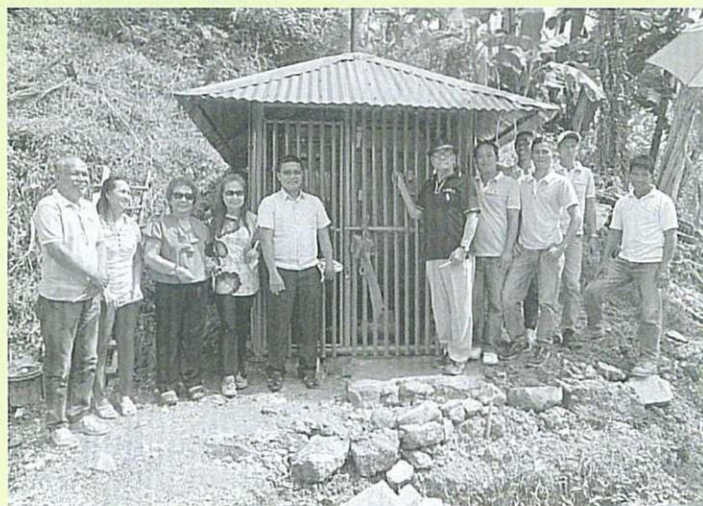
E - very leak waste water – **FIX THEM.**

R - ain barrels save water.

Liwad Installed Centrifugal Pump at Sitio Baribian

The Management of Lianga Water District (LIWAD) continuously operates for the sufficient supply of safe and potable water within its jurisdiction. Lianga Water District paves its objectives through the completion of the installation of Centrifugal Booster Pump 5 Horse Power, Single Phase situated at Sitio Baribian, Payasan, Lianga, Surigao del Sur. The said project is very important to fill up the reservoir supplying the new service areas of Zone VII, VIII & XI namely the Anibongan, Liatimco, both in Municipality of Lianga and Barangay Wakat, Barobo, Surigao del Sur. The said project under the Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF) of Honorable Congressman of 1st District Philip A. Pichay completed on July 31, 2013. With the cooperation of LIWAD Management through General Manager Wilfredo G. Sanchez and the Acting Chairman of LIWAD- BOD Dr. Editha C. Mosquera were very optimistic to take part for its realization.

The work disseminated under the approved Program of Work (POW) on May 2013 duly been verified and officially tested by the management with its specified part (the project) and corresponding allocation as follows: Pump,



Motor Control (free installation) –Php 97,000.00, Pipes & Fittings- Php 19,779.00, Pump House- Php 20,838.50, Electrical Transformer & Accessories- Php 68,457.71, Fuel-Php 7,369.00, & Labor Cost- Php 9,210.00. The Total Actual Cost arrived at Php 222,650.21. The project is a vital tool to sustain the adequate supply of safe and potable water to the said areas.

Tandag WD celebrates World Water Day 2014

“He who plants a tree loves others beside himself”, this is what For. Jerry A. Bernadas said as he spearheaded the tree planting near the Ihawan Creek, one of TWD’s gravitational sources on 22 March 2014 in celebration of World Water Day 2014. It has been practiced by all employees of the District to participate in the annual tree planting to ensure

the restoration of a deforested area for a sustainable resource use. This is done also purposely to remind each one’s significant role in carrying out the office mandate to deliver safe and potable water to the Tandaganons.

This year’s national theme “Water and Energy” calls for our share in the sustainable management of our water resource. TWD, as a public utility, is committed to continue taking the lead in initiating activities that would draw the attention of the community to conserve water and preserve the Ihawan Spring Community Watershed.



TAGBINA

Tagbina WD apologizes for any inconvenience of unplanned water interruptions to our consumers. These water service interruptions are due to DPWH Road widening program for a good road to drive with. TWD personnel exert extra efforts to finish the activity as soon as possible to restore the water service to affected concessionaires.

AREAS AFFECTED: LOW PRESSURE TO NO WATER –Sitio Matin-ao, Km 22 Brgy. Quezon, Brgy. Maglambing, Brgy. Tagongon areas of Brgy. Poblacion Tagbina for Emergency mainline leak repairs or building up of water pressure. Consumers are advised to prepare for the unscheduled interruption sa PAGPUNDO UG TUBIG KANUNAY.



The New Tagbina Water District Administrative Building



Tagbina WD Employees

BCWD celebrates its 38th year in the water service

Baslig City Water District turned 38 years in the water operation last May 19, 2014.

The celebration was held at the BCWD Compound with a Thanksgiving Mass officiated by Rev. Fr. Gamaliel Joyo of Saint Vincent de Paul Parish 9:30 am at the 3rd Floor, Multipurpose Building.



A short program and a lunch followed at 12:00 nn. Loyalty Service Awardees were feted, to wit: 35 years in service Gracito C. Pingos, Merlyn F. Malicay and Erasmo G. Acosta, Jr.; 25 years in service Roland S. Sarmiento, Ophelia A. Alcantara, Asclepio D. De Castro, Jr.; and Medea S. Gabisay; 20 years in service Noel A. Almocera and 10 years in service Engr. Menillo C. Siega.

The said celebration focused on the campaign of BCWD to fight Global Warming by planting more trees, conserving water, using cloth bags and not burning plastics.

The anniversary celebration ended with karaoke singing and Parlor games were held at 3:30 pm with all employees participating except the frontliners.

LWUA conduct CPS - 1 Training in CWD

(Ronelyn K. Pinalba)

Carmen Water District (CWD) felt very privileged for the responsive action of Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA) in the request of CWD for the training and installation of Commercial Practices Systems I (CPS-1).

Last year 2013 the CWD had passed a resolution to LWUA requesting the latter to conduct a CPS-I training for the staff. Since then, Engr. Jilberto C. Tupas, CWD General Manager keep on follow-up to LWUA Advisor Ms. Ma. Lourdes B. Canlas to favor the said request.

Finally, the LWUA Advisor Ms. Canlas informed GM Tupas that the LWUA will sent one (1) representative in the person of Mr. Charlie E. Quejado; LWUA Management System Design Specialist that will conduct the lectures and trainings for CWD staff.

It was a one (1) day briefing, discussion and orientation about CPS installation. And then four (4) days applications and modifications of the available reports and ledgers prepared by the CWD staff.

Mr. Quejado was very systematic and comprehensive in giving all the details necessary for the district's day to day transactions especially in recordings and making reports. Amidst working "over time" just to realize all the reports, Mr. Quejado remained very supportive and patience to the staff.

Finally, GM Tupas with his staff expressed very warmth thanks to LWUA especially to Ms. Canlas; LWUA Advisor and Mr. Quejado for helping the district in achieving an efficient and effective management towards excellence service.



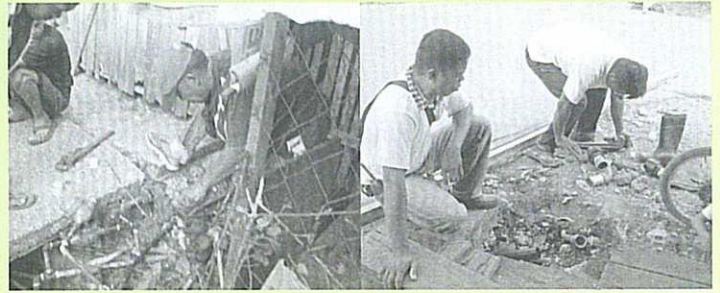
Drier Weather and El Niño threatens normal water supply in Bislig City

The drier weather of Bislig City has severely affected the water sources of Bislig City despite occasional rainfall from April to June 2014.

The downpour failed to compensate effects of the hotter and drier weather. The early warning of the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) on El Niño heightened the call for an action plan and emergency measures to concerned agencies. Hence, Local Water Utilities Administration issued a Memorandum Circular No. 004-014 dated May 16, 2014 on El Niño Action Plan and Mitigation Measures.

The said memorandum stipulated the direction of Secretary Rogelio L. Singson of the Department of Public Works and Highways to all government agencies concerned to formulate an action plan and adopt necessary measures to mitigate adverse effects of the El Niño phenomenon towards the end of the current year till probably early next year.

All water districts are required to undertake the following: Inventory and assessment of all existing and potential sources of water supply; reduction of non-revenue water; conduct of public information activities to promote general



awareness on the need to conserve water; promulgation and enforcement of WD policies to promote conservation and prevent pilferage, pursuant to the provisions of the Water Crisis Act; and coordination with all concerned government agencies and private non-government organizations for the successful implementation of the plan.

With these directives, BCWD continuously conducted radio advertisement campaign on water conservation, plant more trees, use cloth bags and don't burn plastic to help mitigate El Niño as well as Climate Change as Bislig City is already experiencing the impact of the hotter and drier climate.

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**SLOW
THE
FLOW!**
SAVE
FOR TOMORROW.



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Blessings of Liwad Fire Hydrants

Last June 04, 2014, Lianga Water District (LIWAD) held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Blessings of the new installed Fire Hydrants situated at Lianga Market Mall, P-1 National Hi-Way & Barangay Diatagon Terminal. The program started at 8 o'clock in the morning at Lianga Market Mall the blessing was fervently commemorated by Father Frank Felter, Parish Priest of the locality. LIWAD Employees and Board of Directors led the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. Also present was the Municipal Mayor Honorable Roy Hegino G. Sarmen who witnessed and grace the said occasion. There also the representatives from Bureau of Fire Protection FO3 Rolando C. Daano, Purok 1 President Leo Tripoli, & Market Mall Caretaker Antonio Cotiangco.

One LIWAD employee from Operation/Technical Section disseminated the manual operation of Fire Hydrant opening. This will be useful during emergency purposes. The said demonstration will also trained the apprehensive representative to open the Fire Hydrants so that in the absence of LIWAD employee there is a well-oriented and trained individuals who can open the Fire Hydrant. The management will assure the 24/7 availability of Fire Hydrants keys at LIWAD Administration Building.



A part of the district commendation to the concessionaires whom does not only brings joy but also to motivate the on- time payment of the water bills. Lianga Water District celebrated the relevance of the operation as it started from 1979. The district during the 34th Founding Anniversary created new ideas to bring joy to the undying concessionaires who were considered blood- life of the district.

The Management purchased One Hundred (100) pieces of t-shirts, Eighty (80) pieces personalized mugs & One Hundred (100) pieces umbrellas with a minimal cost but essential to human needs. This giveaways will only certain to the top Two Hundred Eighty (280) persons who pay their water bills on-time. The said giveaways will be availed through drawn by lot. The source of fund is in a form of Sharing-Scheme Program financed by Caraga Plumbing Concepts, Inc., Quantumflex Marketing Corporation, Inc., R.A. Pipelines Corporation, Inc. and Lianga Water District (LIWAD).

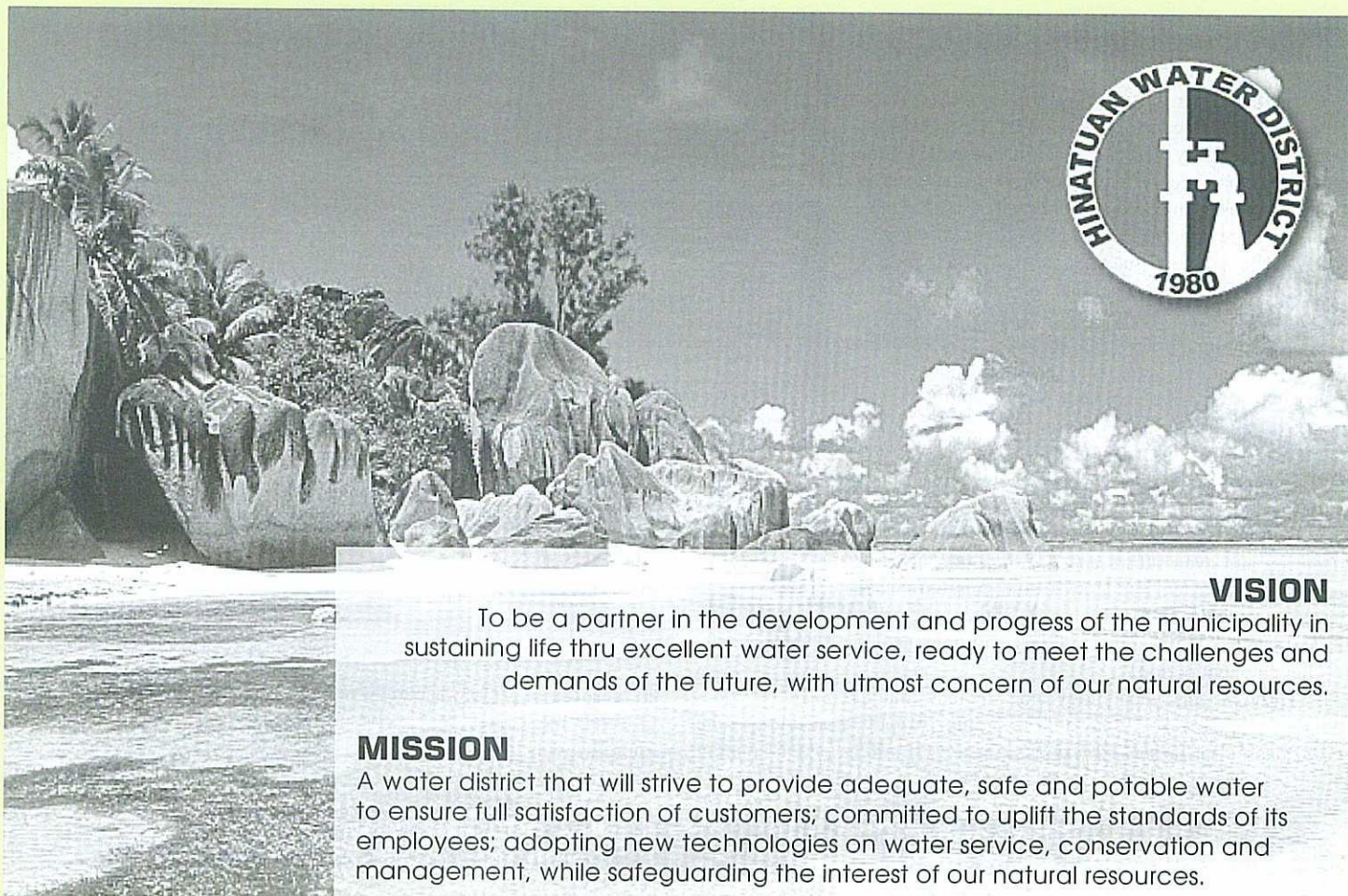
Tandag Water District participates in Brigada Eskwela 2014

The Barangay Quezon Elementary School is the recipient of Tandag Water District (TWD) for this year's Brigada Eskwela. This has been an annual activity for TWD to show its strong support for education. On 31 May 2014, the employees, headed by its General Manager, Engr. Ruben C. Elpa together with Dir. Ma. Cleofe P. Pimentel did clean ups and minor repair and the District provided materials for the restoration of electrical wirings, leaking water pipes, ceiling boards and broken windows to selected classrooms, to help in their own little way make the school's surroundings conducive for learning.

Another school year has begun and the District, through the said activity, aspires to help improve the quality of teaching and learning of the students.



The installation of Fire Hydrants in three (3) different areas was made possible thru the Priority Development Assistant Project (PDAP) of Honorable Congressman Philip A. Pichay. The Program of Work (POW) officially tested and verified by the Management on January 2014. The project or specific part with corresponding amount appropriated as follows: Pipes and Fittings- Php 102,547.88, Construction Materials-Php 1,431.00, Painting Php 665.00, Welding & Fabrication Php 600.00, Labor Cost Php 11,730.00. A Total Actual Cost amounting to Php 116,973.88. This new project signifies a pace of development of the district obtaining Corporate Social Responsibility and uplifts the security of the locality from the inevitable or beyond the control fire situations.



VISION

To be a partner in the development and progress of the municipality in sustaining life thru excellent water service, ready to meet the challenges and demands of the future, with utmost concern of our natural resources.

MISSION

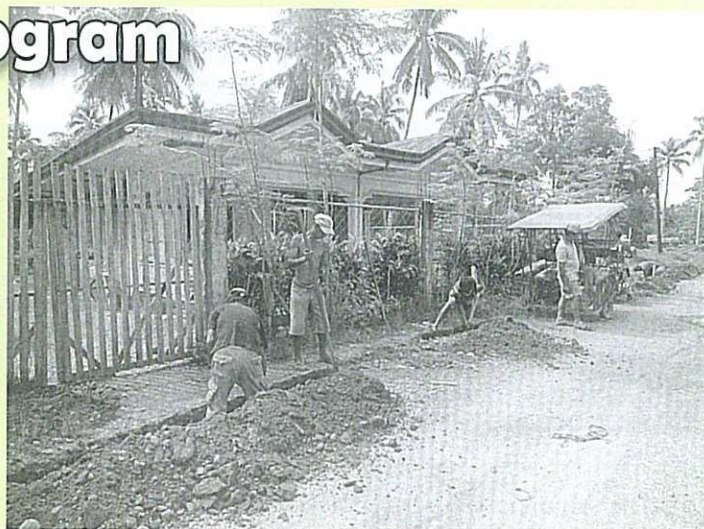
A water district that will strive to provide adequate, safe and potable water to ensure full satisfaction of customers; committed to uplift the standards of its employees; adopting new technologies on water service, conservation and management, while safeguarding the interest of our natural resources.

MADRID expansion program

Through another memorandum of understanding, Madrid WD and Brgy. Magsaysay Officials seek to further enhance their partnership in public service by providing safe drinking water to the people of Sitio Teguis in Brgy. Magsaysay.

The local officials requested pipes from the Provincial Governor's Office and the WD provided the labor, fittings and other materials needed to connect additional pipelines from the mainline.

In order to encourage new concessionaires, the MWD Board of Directors amended the service connection policy wherein new applicants need only to pay P 500.00 monthly for five (5) months instead of paying the installation fee outright.



TWD employs WBCS

Tandag Water District (TWD) established Water Billing and Collection System (WBCS), technology known to be highly effective and efficient in the billing and collection process. The system, now ten years in operation, has been continually improved to keep pace with recent development and need of concessionaires.

WBCS was designed to perform quick billing, collection, data management of concessionaires' accounts including the reading of water consumption. In terms of billing, unlike before, it would only take a day to read and bill one to two service coverage areas. And the 6,006 total active service connections would not be over 15 days for two meter readers to complete the tasks giving consumers more than enough time to check their respective water bill.

The latter, labeled as Notice of Collection features information on their service connection, billing, metering and even shows chart of their consumption for 12 months. A barcode was configured for each consumer's bill for a timesaving collection process, as it facilitate a speedy action, and thus avoiding queuing during payment period.

Through this technology, the tedious manual operation of data gathering and recording of water consumption has been made a lot faster and less complicated. In effect, concessionaires

How to read your water bill.

SERVICE INFORMATION

- Customer Code** - code or number assigned for individual customer identification
- Account No.** - number assigned to a water service connection. Refer to the number when inquiring about your account
- Account Name & Address** - name & address of person/company to whom the water service connection is issued

METERING INFORMATION

- Meter No.** - the number registered for meter identification
- Present Reading** - latest reading on your water meter
- Previous Reading** - last month's reading
- Consumption** - the amount of water used, which is determined by subtracting the previous reading from the present reading

BILLING INFORMATION

- Billing Period** - the period where your water consumption is accounted
- Payment Due Date** - last day of payment of bill
- Before Due Date** - the amount due before the last day of payment
- Surcharge/Penalty** - a ten (10%) penalty is added after due date
- After Due Date** - the amount due for payment made after due date

WATER CONSUMPTION CHART

- shows your previous monthly water consumption

BARCODE

BILLING SUMMARY

- Current** - shows the actual charge of the amount of water you used within the billing period
- Arrears** - the unpaid account in the previous month's
- Total Amount Due** - the result after adding the current and arrears, which is your total amount due for payment
- Registration Balance** - the balance payable for the registration fee
- Miscellaneous Balance** - the balance payable for the fees of your service request

are ensured of a more accurate, reliable and greater work performance of TWD WBCS is one of its proofs that it continues to map out improvements to serve the concessionaires better.

THE MAKING OF HINATUAN WATER DISTRICT



The Municipal Council or Sanguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Hinatuan passed a resolution creating Hinatuan Water District under S.B Resolution No. 517, which is a mandate under President Decree No. 198 known as the Local Water Utilities Act of 1973 on May 12, 1980,

The first Board of Directors meeting was held on July 26, 1980, the composition of the BOD are the following; Chairman-Mr. Jaime R.Sullano, Vice Chairman - Mr. Armando M. Barrios, Secretary - Mrs. Carmen O. Nazareno, Member - Mr. Enrique Chu, Member - Mr. Sabino Villaluz. The first General Manager was Mr. Francisco Jabagat.

On November 6, 1980, the Conditional Certificate of

Conformance (CCC) No. 143 was issued to Hinatuan Water District (HWD) by the Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA) legalizing the existence of HWD.

The Local Government Unit of Hinatuan turned over some facilities in which these became the first facilities of HWD, to wit: spring source from Barangay Tagasaka and a deep well from Barangay Sasa, with a small transmission line of almost six (6) kilometers in length. The system can not suffice the water needs of the municipality and have problem on the water quality.

The district applied a loan from LWUA in 1986 that led to the construction of a new system and is operational until now.

In 1995, the management of HWD was taken over by LWUA and was managed by Interim General Manager coming from LWUA in the person of Engineer Alex Bulicatin, then on 1997 a new Manager was hired in the person of Engineer Jose Hilario V. Pandili, Jr. a civil engineer by profession and resident of the Municipality.

In 2007, a Php 5.0 million project was granted of HWD fro JICA (Japan International Coordinating Agency) which now serves Barangay Bitoon.

The present set of the Board of Directors of HWD are; Chairman - Mr. Maurice Jose Y. Villaluz, Vice Chairman - Mrs. Lily V. Balbuena, Secretary - Mrs. Janelle P. Nazareno, Member Mr. Juan V. Viola, Member - Mrs. Erlinda R. Borgueta.



CWD Board & Staff with CENRO- Cantilan Team joins the World Water Day Celebration

(Ronelyn K. Pinalba)

In oneness of promoting the importance of water conservation and providing clean water throughout the world the Carmen Water District (CWD) together with the team of CENRO- Cantilan conducted a tree planting activity in the watershed area at Hubason, San Vicente, Carmen Surigao del Sur relative to the World Water Day 2014 Celebration with its local theme "Water is Power."

Engr. Jilberto C. Tupas; CWD General Manager and Board Chairman Aniano E. Ogdod coordinated the Officer-in-charge of CENRO- Cantilan Joseph Leo E. Oconer regarding the plan of CWD to conduct a whole day tree planting. GM Tupas requested the CENRO- Cantilan to provide seedlings for CWD to be utilized on the said activity. Fortunately, OIC, CENR Officer Oconer presented an idea that their team will also join for the said activity. The CWD

shall provide an area for the tree planting and the CENRO- Cantilan shall supply the seedlings to be planted.

March 22, 2014 packed with water and foods "baon", CWD team and CENRO- Cantilan Team met up in Hubason, San Vicente early at 6:00 am. The CENRO- Cantilan brought different seedlings of fruit trees and bamboo seedlings. It was started by a short meeting headed by Engr. Tupas where he did the mapping of areas to be planted and it was Mr. Oconer who assigned the group on their different areas of responsibilities.

The activity was conducted successfully. In fact, the OIC, CENRO Officer informed GM Tupas that if ever the CWD needs more seedlings for their watershed area, the CENRO- Cantilan is very willing to provide it for free.

Kudos to both of the team!

Meet the new General Manager of the Cantilan Water District

The new General Manager of the Cantilan Water District is Mr. Vicente Cirilo Arreza Iriberry. He is popularly called “Tinty” by his siblings, relatives, peers and friends. “Tinty” is a true-blooded Cantilangnon. He is the son of the late Mr. Canico Puyales Iriberry and Mrs. Adelfa Carmen Arreza Iriberry. He is married to Janise Ann Quintos Iriberry of Cagayan de Oro City and blessed with five(5) children, namely: Jan Vincent (27), Cyril Ann (23), Karla Monica (18), Vicente Cirilo III (16) and Nick Matthew (11).

“Tinty” finished his elementary education at the Cantilan Pilot School in 1970 and secondary at the Saint Michael College in 1974. He received his bachelor degrees in Business Administration, major in economics from the Philippine School of Business Administration (PSBA, Manila) and Bachelor of Laws from Manuel L. Quezon University (MLQU, Manila). He is also a graduate of Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Saint Paul University Surigao (SPUS).

Before joining the district, Mr. Iriberry earned a wide array of work experiences from the different government, private, academic and overseas development assistance (ODAs) institutions, such as: Chief of the Legal & Investigation Staff of the DOTC-Telecommunications Office, Regional Office No. 10, based in Cagayan de Oro (1989–1992); General Manager of the CarCanMadCarLan Aquamarine Multi-Purpose Cooperative(1992-1998);Project Assistant of the Integrated Rural Financing (IRF) Program of the Land Bank of the Philippines, Tandag Branch (1994-1998); member of the Sangguniang Bayan of Cantilan (1998-2001); On-site coach under the joint DAP Sa Mindanao-PC-LGSP Local Development Management Project (2001); Area Project Coordinator of the Lanuza Bay-wide Environmental Planning Project which was managed by the Orient Integrated Development Consultants (OIDCI) and funded by PC-LGSP (2002); Program Officer of the Philippines-Canada Local Government Support Program (PC-LGSP, 2002-2004); Part-time College Instructor of various management subjects at Saint Michael College and Surigao del Sur Polytechnic State College (SSPSC, now SDSSU); Executive Director of the Lanuza Bay Development Alliance (2009-2010); School Administrator of the Hotchkiss Learning Center (2010-2012); and Executive Director of the Cantilan Bank Foundation, Inc. from 2010 to 2013.

The new manager is not new in the management and operations of the district being the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cantilan Water District effective upon his appointment as replacement director representing the Education Sector in November, 2011 and designated as Officer-in-Charge on May 21, 2013 to November 14, 2013.

Mr. Iriberry was appointed as regular General Manager (under coterminous status) by the Board of Directors effective November 15, 2013, duly confirmed by the Civil Service Commission (CSC).

The new manager is also active in civic and cause-oriented non-governmental organizations as past President/Chairman of the Cantilan “Tilang” Jaycees; the Bardugs Association of Cantilan, Inc.; CarCanMadCarLan Bay Watch Foundation, Inc.; the Rotary Club of Central Surigao based in Cantilan, and the Cantilan Multi-sectoral Forest Protection Committee. He is currently member of the Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) for Mindanao of the Foundation for the Philippine Environment (FPE) and a volunteer of the Gawad Kalinga Foundation Inc.

Mr. Iriberry attended various trainings and workshops in administrative investigation processes, local government development planning, strategic planning, community organizing, environmental management, social entrepreneurship, financial planning & budgeting, delinquency control and a lot more.

The new manager is action-oriented and believes in the basic management principle that “you cannot manage what you cannot measure”. He is relentless in looking ways and means to solve some problems and challenges of the district, may it be operational, administrative or financial. He values participatory governance and instills the culture of maintenance and value for money among the members of the management staff. He sets his management priorities guided by Joel Barker’s strategic foresight that: “Vision without action is just a dream. Action without vision just passes the time. Vision with action can change the world.” (LAS)



TWD conducts soft-opening of 2-storey multi-purpose building

Tandag Water District (TWD) initiated the soft-opening of the 2-storey multi-purpose building on June 25, 2014. The construction, which started in 2013 was funded under the Internal Cash Generation (ICG) of the District. And as of this writing, cost of the project amounted to P 4.9 M.

The simple activity kicked off with a blessing preceded by Fr. Leonardo P. Orrillaneda. Present were members of the Board of Directors, employees and staff with Engr. Ruben C. Elpa, general manager. A board meeting followed afterwards at the conference room situated on the second floor of the multi-purpose building.

The newly built structure was designed to house the whole division of Engineering, Production & Water Quality and Watershed Management, office responsible in the construction, maintenance of services, transmission lines & distribution mains, production & water quality, and watershed management. It also served other purposes as it allocated space for storekeeping, warehouse, water meter calibration, repair and motor pool.



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