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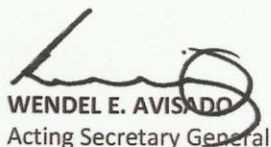
**NATIONAL OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

No. **16** , Series 2016

**TO :** REGIONAL SCOUT DIRECTORS, COUNCIL SCOUT EXECUTIVES  
AND OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE

**SUBJECT :** BSP SUPPORTS THE 2016 FIRE SAFETY AND FIRE PREVENTION MONTH

1. In line with the thrust of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP) towards our Strategic Priorities on **"Young People, Adults in Scouting and Community Involvement"**, the BSP enjoins all Scouting Regions, Local Councils, districts and sponsoring institutions to support and promote the **"2016 FIRE SAFETY AND FIRE PREVENTION MONTH"** in cooperation with your respective local Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) stations and offices.
2. This initiative aims to promote awareness and strengthen the capacity of our Scouts and Leaders to help prevent accidents caused by fires in their home, school and communities; to prevent loss of lives and properties; and to live-up to our Scout Motto **"Laging Handa"** especially in times of accidents.
3. Sponsoring Institutions, District Scouting Committees and Local Councils are expected to plan, organize and conduct Fire Safety and Fire Prevention Campaign to include but not limited to Fire Safety Slogan and Poster Making Contest for Boy and Senior Scouts, Basic Fire Safety, Fire Fighting, Fire Olympics and Emergency Preparedness. These activities for Senior and Rover Scouts will be undertaken through the help of Local Bureau of Fire Protection, Local Traffic Bureau, Rescue Units and the Local and Provincial Government Units in your area.
4. KAB Scout Kawan, Boy Scout Troops and Senior Scout Outfits are encouraged to old similar activities during their Patrol, Crew, Troop and Outfit Meetings which shall form part of their Safety Merit Badge requirement. In coordination with school authorities, Barangay or Community Leaders and the Bureau of Fire Protection, this season is the perfect time to run Fire Drills where Scouts can serve as marshals and may demonstrate basic first aid and transportation of an injured person.
5. This timely opportunity will help enable Sponsoring Institutions, District Scouting Committees and Local Councils through partnership with your Local BFP stations and offices for our Scouts to learn and earn their **Merit Badges** on:
  - 5.1.1. Firemanship
  - 5.1.2. Emergency Preparedness
  - 5.1.3. First Aid
  - 5.1.4. Safety
6. For information, guidance and wide dissemination.

  
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