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NATIONAL OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO : Regional Scout Directors
Council Scout Executives
Officers-in-Charge

SUBJECT : 2017 National Scouting Month Celebration

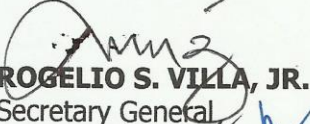


1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 1326, s. 1974, the Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP) will celebrate its 81st BSP Charter Anniversary and the **2017 National Scouting Month** on October with the theme, "*Growth and Stability.*"
2. The purpose of the celebration is to showcase to the public and the stakeholders, the contribution of the BSP to nation-building over the past eighty one (81) years, through the development of the young people by actively engaging and supporting them to become agents of change in their respective communities.

Specifically, the celebration aims to:

- 2.1. Promote BSP as foremost in developing the young people to become agents of change in their communities;
 - 2.2. Celebrate with thanksgiving, the founding anniversary of the BSP;
 - 2.3. Instill in the minds and hearts of the Filipino youth, a sense of pride and belongingness to an international youth organization; and
 - 2.4. To foster camaraderie among members as brothers and sisters in Scouting.
3. The highlights of the celebration will include the following activities:
 - 3.1. 81st BSP Charter Anniversary and 2017 National Scouting Month Kick-Off Ceremony
BSP National Office, Manila – 1 October 2017
 - 3.1.1 Thanksgiving Mass
Flag Area, 4/F BSP National Office Building, Ermita, Manila – 0800H
 - 3.1.2 Opening Ceremony/Flag Raising
Flag Area, 4/F BSP National Office Building, Ermita, Manila – 0900H
 - 3.2. 2017 Search for the Ten Outstanding Boy Scouts of the Philippines (National Selection) BSP National Office, Manila - 15-18 October 2017
 - 3.3. Awarding Ceremony, 2017 TOBS Search – 19 October 2017
Philippine International Convention Center, Pasay City

- 3.4. 60th Jamboree On the Air (JOTA) and 21st Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI)
Calaca, Batangas -20-22 October 2017.
- 3.5. 12th National Rover Moot
Camp Rodriguez Santos, Cadlan-Palestina, Pili, Province of Camarines Sur
23-29 October 2017.
- 3.6. Culminating Activities, 81st BSP Charter Anniversary
30 October 2017.
 - 3.6.1. Thanksgiving Mass
Conference Hall, 15/F BSP National Office Building, Ermita Manila
(0900H)
 - 3.6.2. Awards and Recognition Ceremonies (Service and Loyalty Awards)
Conference Hall, 15/F BSP National Office Building, Ermita, Manila
(1000H)
4. Local Councils are encouraged to hold activities relevant to the theme in support of the celebration. To ensure that the objectives are achieved, it is vital that activities be focused on the following areas:
 - 4.1. Sunrise Parade
 - 4.2. Leadership, Character and Skills Development
 - 4.3. Challenging and Adventurous Activities
 - 4.4. Patriotism and Nationalism
 - 4.5. Community Service and Community Development
 - 4.6. Environmental Projects and Activities geared towards the attainment of the World Scout Environment Badge or any badges under the Green is Go! Go for the Real Thing! Project (e.g. protecting water resources, energy conservation, planning trees, recycling waste)
 - 4.7. Council Court of Honor
 - 4.8. Scout Officials for a Day (SOFAD)
 - 4.9. Advancement Camp/Activities
5. All Regional Scout Directors are enjoined to monitor the activities of the Councils in their respective regions and are to submit After-Activity Reports, complete with photos and/or videos, not later than 10 November 2017.
6. For information, guidance and strict compliance.


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