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**AMIDST THE STORM**  
Scouters exert hand in hand effort again to put up their tent to continue their pending activities. (JAYSON NALICAT)

## Scouts rise after Tisoy damage

by Roger Enciso

**T**yphoon Tisoy didn't impede the Scouting spirit of the 17th National Scout Jamboree as the 103 local councils took Dec. 4 a rising day continuing activities that are supposed to finish on Dec. 3.

"In Tacloban City, we have a saying- Hindi lang bangon, dapat better!" Marvin Emesir, Executive Council Staff of Leyte said in an interview.

According to him, the typhoon is the same with 'Yolanda' in the sense that it damage them but it is also a call to relate the Boy Scout motto- Laging handa just like their emergency plans that ensure the safety of the Scouts.

"We are really thankful that despite of the storm, we are resilient to face whatever typhoon is it," Emesir added.

Marking what he already said, the 17th National Jamboree is not just about the knot tying, it's about how the scout coping up to the real life situation where in they experience and practice their skills in this natural phenomena situation.

"Pagkatapos ng bagyo, bangon lang ng bangon because it's the cycle of life that we have to overcome as an empowered Scout," he ended explaining his challenge on 25,700 delegates.



## Scouts give gifts to Aeta brothers, sisters

by David Dominic M. Lanuza

A Scout is friendly and helpful! Among the highlights of the 17th National Scout Jamboree is the gifts provided by our Scouts to our fellow Aeta

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## DX1BSP spearheads Ham Radio Activities

by David Dominic M. Lanuza

DX1BSP, the official amateur radio club of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP), participated in the 17th National Scout Jamboree at Camp Kainomayan, Botolan, Zambales.

Headed by Municipality of Calaca Mayor and BSP National Executive Board Member,

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## Iskawting, nagpatuloy BKKDT Lecture, inilatag

ni Mark Ronel M. Diñoso

Walang palya ang mga gawain ng mga Scouts matapos na maipatupad ang preemptive evacuation kahapon at ikasa ang Barkada Kontra Droga at Terorismo (BKKDT) ng pulisya.

Pinangunahan nina PCPT. Noemi D. Diaz at Deputy PCADB at PMSg Carmela P. Dumlao ng Zambales PPO sa ilalim ng pamamahala ni PCOL Ponce Rogealio Peñones Jr., Provincial Director ng ZPPO ang naturang lecture sa mga delegado mula NCR na in-evacuate sa Botolan People's Plaza.

Ibinahagi ni PMSg Carmela P. Dumlao, na siyang nanguna sa pagbibigay ng lecture, na ang programang ito ay unang inilunsad sa Rehiyon 11 at siyang nakitang isa sa mga best practices ng PNP kaya ito

inilunsad sa buong bansa.

Binigyang diin rin niya na ang BKKDT ay inilunsad ng kapulisan upang magbigay daan sa isang napakahalagang ug-nayan ng kapulisan at mga kabataan na siyang itinuturing na "vulnerable sector".

Layunin din aniya ng programang ito na palakasin ang mga adhikain kaugnay sa pagsugpo sa ipinagbabawal na gamot at terorismo pati na rin ang pageempower sa mga kabataan na maging proactive na miyembro laban sa illegal na droga at terorismo.

"Isang magandang pagkakataon ito upang tayo ay sama-sama at tulong-tulong na pigilan ang problemang kinakaharap ng ating bansa ukol sa illegal na droga at terorismo.

## ESOP nagsagawa ng libreng medical check-up

by Norvin D. De Ocampo

Pinangunahan ng Eagle's Scouts Organization of the Philippines (ESOP) ang libreng medical check-up kaugnay ng pagdaraos ng 17th National Scout Jamboree sa Camp Kainomayan sa San Juan, Botolan, Zambales

Ayon kay Dr. John R. Vallan, ang isinasagawang free medical check-up ay bahagi umano ng plano ng ESOP para makapagbigay ng serbisyo sa mga delegado ng nasabing jamboree.

Katuwang din ng ESOP ang first aid

medical team ng Philippine National Red Cross at ibang scout volunteers sa paghahatid ng serbisyong medical gaya ng blood sugar screening at libreng check-up.

Samantala, maaaring magtungo ang mga delegado mula alas otso hanggang alas onse ng umaga at mula alas dos hanggang alas kwatro ng hapon mula disyembre 1-6 para sanasabing medical check-up.

# KATOTOHANAN SA LIKOD NG KWENTONG BAYAN

**A**no man ang nararanasan mong paghihirap dito, laging pakatandaan na parte iyon ng paghubog ng sarili mo.

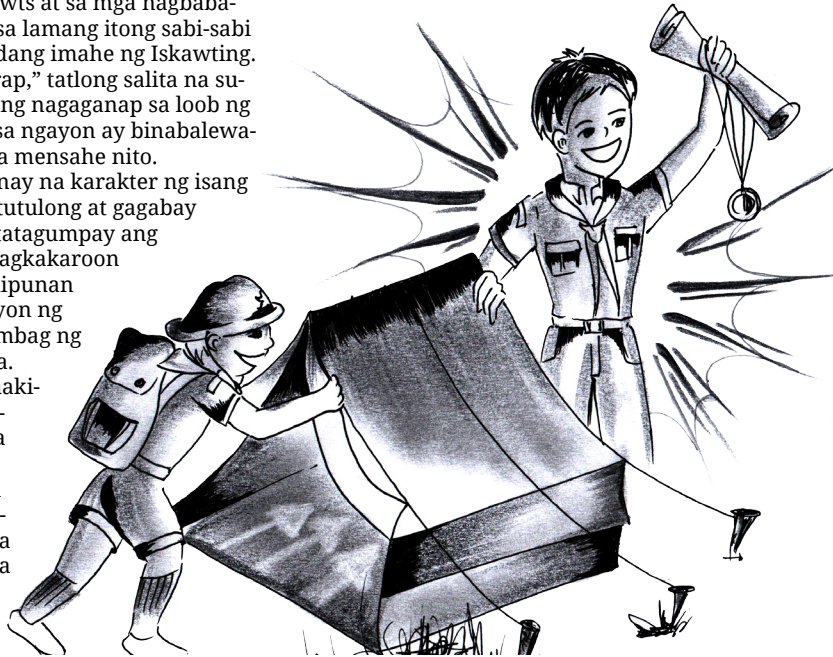
Isa ang Iskawting sa mga pinakamasayang aktibidad ng Department of Education (DepEd) na kung saan hinuhubog ang lakas at tapang ng loob, pakikisama, talas ng isipan at karakter ng bawat Iskawts. Ngunit tila ngayon ay hindi na tayo bumabase sa kung ano ba ang maaari nating makuha sa pagsali sa mga ganitong aktibidad bagkus mas iniisip natin ang pagod at hirap na ipararanas sa atin ng Iskawting.

Ang mga ganitong sitwasyon ang dapat mabura samga isipan ng mga Iskawts at sa mga nagbabalak na sumama pa dahil isa lamang itong sabi-sabi na nais sirain ang magandang imahe ng Iskawting.

“Mahirap ngunit masarap,” tatlong salita na sumasalamin sa katotohanang nagaganap sa loob ng Iskawting na karamihan sa ngayon ay binabalewala na lamang ang tunay na mensahe nito.

Mahirap mabuo ang tunay na karakter ng isang tao, ngunit kung merong tutulong at gagabay sa kanya ay tiyak na magtatagumpay ang mithiin ng bawat isa at magkakaroon tayo ng mas maunlad na lipunan at iyan ang mismong misyon ng Iskawting ang makapaglimbag ng tunay nap ag-asa ng bansa.

Natututo tayo tayong maki-halubilo sa iba sa pamamagitan ng pagsama sa mga samu't saring activities. Nakakakilala tayo ng mga bagong kaibigan at nagkakaroon ng pagkakataon na sumubok ng mga bagay na hindi pa natin nagagawa o nararanasan sa tana ng buhay natin. Ilan



lamang yan sa mga hindi dapat kalimutang aral na nais ipahayag sa atin ng Iskawting na tunay ngang makakapagpabago sa pagkatao mo matapos mong sumali dito. Ang pagharap sa mga iba't-ibang pagsubok na maaari nating maranasan dito ay paraan lamang upang mas mahanap natin ang sarili natin na walang umaagapay na kahit sino.

Hindi dapat paniwalaan ang mga naririnig sa kwentong bayan na ang pagsali sa ganitong uri ng aktibidad ay puro lamang pagpapahirap.

Ano man ang hirap na nararanasan mo dito, parte lamang ito ng paghubog ng sarili mo at iyan ang katotohanan sa likod ng kwentong bayan.



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## Linangin ang kultura ng pagbibigayan



**JAYSONNALICAT**

*“Nawa’y nasa iisang daan tayo sa tinatahak nating buhay!”*

Kung ang munting kabutihang nangangailangan mo ay ibabalik mo sa iyong kapwa, magiging siklo ito ng asal ng pagbibigayan na hindi mapapatid sapagkat ang pinag-ugatang maliit ay lalaki at uusbong mula sa kaibuturan ng pagkatao ng tumatanggap.

“Do a good turn daily.” Yan ang Scout slogan na may bigat sa lima nitong napakaiikling salita na itinutumbas naman sa pagbuo ng katauhan ng iskawt na maging matulungin.

Ang kabutihang naibahagi sa kapwa ay hindi kailanman maghahanap ng kapalit sapagkat walang sagsay ang pagtulong kung ang bawat puwersang ibinuho para dito ay gaas na magpapaliyab sa yabang ng sarili at kung bawat pagkilos naman ay gampaning tinutupad upang matapos lamang ay siyang magiging abo na madadala lamang ng hangin at alipato sa isipan ng mga nakatanggap.

Isang malalim na mensahe ang hatid nito sa bawat Iskawt. Hindi man nangangahulugang gumawa o tumulong araw-araw, isa itong paalalang ang kabutihang ini-alay para sa kapwa ay maipapasa naman ng taong pinagkalooban nito sa makasalamuha niya hanggang makarating ang kabutihang ito sa iba't-ibang dako kalakip ang mithiang ito’y patuloy na maisalin at maging kultura ng pagbibigayan.

Ganito ang Iskawting, isang abenidang binabagtas upang malayo ang marating subalit sa bawat pag-arangkada at pagliko dito ay mas pinipiling huminto kung kinakailangan at paulit-ulit upang iabot ang kamay sa mga nangangailangan.

Nawa’y nasa iisang daan tayo sa tinatahak nating buhay!

## Scouts’ resilience amidst storm

“Si Tisoy lang yan. Scouts kami.”

Seemingly a joke, this statement, which the Scouts repeatedly uttered while being evacuated yesterday afternoon communicated real-life lessons Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP) would like our youth to learn, and they are able to have it after surviving a day of fear brought by the typhoon Tisoy as it exited the Philippine Area of Responsibility.

With the values repeatedly inculcated to them in every Jamboree starting from the good manners and techniques to survive, it’s no wonder that the BSP has successfully transpired to these 25,700 participants, young and adult the true essence of being a Scout after manifesting the applications of everything they have learned, communicated well by their strength amidst the storm.

True Filipino spirit may have reigned in their hearts and that should make our country proud, for amidst the problem it faces, hope is still in view



*“Yes, our Scouts just taught us life’s lessons, and all are just epitomized by RESILIENCE.”*

through these young Scouts, whose reasons of joining are beyond the enjoyment they would feel along the way. They are here to embody the values, which they can use in performing our special task as human in making our world a better place.

From the usual shout repeatedly uttered, “Laging Handa” motto, which has exhibited anew with its great lesson that it’s more the words it says. It’s

about a real-life situation, where they are not only the ones to benefit, but everyone around them, with the selfless heart ready to serve for the benefit of all.

Everything may just seem to be ordinary among each of them on this 17th National Scout Jamboree, for such weather condition according to them is just part of activities like these, yet they never knew how much their act just effected those who are just watching.

Yes, our Scouts just taught us life’s lessons, and all are just epitomized by RESILIENCE.



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# Religious Zeal to Mary's Intercession

*(Scouts' Stories of Devotion to the Blessed Mother)*

Light rainfall with moderate to strong wind that often put off the connection of electricity... This seems to be nerve-racking, but this never devastated every Scout's principle to be steadfast and be prepared, for they knew, they would be watched over by the blessed woman, closed to Christ and God the Father.

by Ginalyn F. Edpalin

## MARY.

"Don't you worry, we'll be spared."

Cesar Catapang, 80 year old former Scout Executive of Batangas City Council said it, assuring everybody's safety amidst the threat of typhoon Tisoy, which at that time had been ongoing bringing damages to the country's affected provinces.

"We pray hard, hoping na 'di tumama sa Zambales."

Pertaining to typhoon Tisoy, Rodolfo Tesorero, Council Head of Camarines Sur expressed the same, hopeful that their devotion to Mary will aid everyone not only in Jamboree but all in the country to be safe from the storm.

And yes, it all happened with their demonstrated belief, which everybody has revealed. All have gone well through the deep intercession of Mary, being devoted to by the Scouts.

## MIRACULOUS MOTHER OF LIPA CITY

"For so many years we're in Scouting, we are always bringing with us Our Lady of Mediatrix," Catapang said, expressing the deep belief in the grace he and his fellows have whenever in the Scouting activities.

For him, they achieve the



**OPTIMISTIC.** Devotees of the Mother Mary believe that she is with them whatever happens. (JUSTER MARC ECHIPARE)

safety they aspire, for Mary is with them, guiding and protecting, the same way it interceded for them in 1993 at Aurora, Quezon, when it was struck by big flood and landslide and flood.

Just as the way it manifested to Sr. Teresita of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Monastery of Lipa, they too had the same, after all were calmed by the power of their prayer through her.

"Matutulungan tayo niyan," he assured seemingly displaying a strong faith everybody must have, especially in the testing times like these, when no weapon



can even be as strong as the faith to God, which can be best expressed through prayers.

"We'll leave 'Our Lady' after the Jamboree for your care," he ended pertaining to the blessed replica of the image that they would leave to the Jamboree's host municipality, a practice they consider a devotion whenever engaging to encampments, so as to share the grace they usually receive through

the intercession of the blessed mother.

## ACT OF DEDICATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN OF BICOL

"Ito ang nag-aadya sa amin sa anumang disgrasya," Tesorero expressed the faith every Scout of Camarines Sur has to the famous miraculous blessed mother of Bicol Region, Our Lady of Peñafrancia.

Though according to him, weather conditions like this is just a common experience in every Scouting event, bringing the Blessed Virgin with them has been the common practice,

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## PANTOMINA SA TINAMPO

### *Pag Indak Nina Clara At Ibarra Sa Sorsogon*

by Dan Reyven Mendigorigin

Hindi kinalimutan, hindi magbabago bagkus patuloy na nilinang, patuloy na hinuhubog. Tila ba pinagbigkis ng panahon na ang kultura noon ay kultura pa rin ngayon. Isang masiglang pagsayaw nina Maria Clara at Crisostomo Ibarra ang bumighani sa matang binulag ng mabilis na pagbabago ng panahon dahil na rin sa epekto ng modernong teknolohiya. Ito ay pinatunayan ng mga Iskawts



ng 17th National Scout Jamboree mula sa konseho ng Sorsogon sa pagsayaw ng kanilang ipinagmamalaking "Pantomina sa Tinampo" sa isinagawang Luzon Cultural Night.

Tampok sa madla ang kanilang katutubong sayaw na ang ibig sabihin ay "dance of love and courtship". Isang paraan ng pagpapakita ng pagmamahal ni Ibarra habang nakasuot ng camisa de chino sa babaeng marikit sa likod ng kasuotang Filipiniana na si Clara.

Bago matapos ang gabi'y patuloy na binigyang buhay ng Sorsogon Scouts ang kanilang kinagisnang kultura saliw sa masayang musika at nakabibighaning pagliligawan ng magkapareha sa entablado.

Tinagurian din bilang Guinness Book of World Records for Largest Filipino Folk Dance matapos gawin ng 7,127 mananayaw ang sa-bayang pagsayaw ng "Pantomina sa Tinampo" bilang selebrasyon sa kasaganahan (bountiful) Festival ng Sorsogon nito lamang Oktubre 31, 2019.

"It is very important to us na ipagmalaki ang Pantomina sa Tinampo dahil it is part of our culture and tradition." Saad ni Eleijah A. Austero, 13 taong gulang, iskawt mula sa Sorsogon.



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## Open letter of SG RSV REGARDING TYPHOON TISOY

My Dear Colleagues in the Jamboree Management Team,

Preparing for a national event with more than 25,000 participants is one of the biggest challenges I ever encountered. As the number of participants consistently increased from 8,000 to 16,000, and eventually to 24,000, the level of pressure on the Jamboree Organizing Committee increased as well. It was truly a test of commitment, patience, dedication and passion; thinking of ways how we can offer the best Scouting experience to thousands of young people from all over the country. I believed that if this jamboree would be unforgettable and something that they would cherish for the rest of their life, then we definitely did our job very well.

In cooperation with the Local Government of Zambales, Municipal Government of Botolan and Ramon Magsaysay Council, all preparations were made successfully. We were ready! That's what I thought. But several days before the jamboree, when an advisory regarding Typhoon "Tisoy" came out, I just realized, that the real challenge has just began.

Everyone was filled with fear and doubts, thinking how we can all survive a possibly dreadful weather condition in the camp. Some almost changed their mind, and others were torn between taking the risk of being in a camp in the midst of a typhoon, and just staying at home to be completely safe and comfortable.

Deciding to push through with the plan of conducting the 17th National Scout Jamboree as scheduled was one of the hardest decisions I had to make. I kept asking myself, "Are we ready?". After receiving a surprising call that night, that around 20,000 Scouts and Scout leaders were still willing to attend the jamboree, my heart was filled with awe. I told myself, "We have to be ready!"

After a series of meetings, risk assessment and strategic planning, we were able to come up with an evacuation plan that will keep our Scouts safe from any form of harm. And today, we made history! We were able to safely transfer a total of 25, 704 participants to forty (40) evacuation centers in a span of three and a half hours. Now I can proudly say, "We are ready!"

Let me express my most sincere gratitude to the Local Government of Zambales headed by

its Governor, Hon. Hermogenes Ebdane, Jr., the Municipal Government of Botolan headed by its Mayor, Hon. Doris "BING" Maniquiz, our Camp Chief, Hon. Doris Ladines, Vice Mayor, Provincial, Municipal and Barangay Councils, Ramon Magsaysay Council – BSP headed by Chairman Ramon Lachain II and CSE Joruel Adlao, the Philippine National Police headed by P/Col. Ponce Rogelio Peñones, Chairman of the Jamboree Crisis Committee, who gave their best in ensuring the safety and security of our dear Scouts. We will be forever thankful to all of you.

To our DepEd family, parents and partner agencies, please bear in your hearts and minds that our success in this endeavor was made possible through your trust and support. Thank you.

To our National Directors, Regional Scout Directors, Executives and Staff, who relentlessly shared their time, talent and effort, thank you very much.

To all officers and members of the National Executive Board, most specially our National President Roberto M. Pagdanganan and Chief National Commissioner P/Lt.Gen Cedrick G. Train, I hope and pray that you will continue to share your wisdom and guidance in all our undertakings. Your presence in this Jamboree means a lot to us.

Lastly, to my dear Council Scout Executives and Volunteers who have been providing their resources, wholehearted support and efforts to show that we are one in everything that we do. A snappy Scout salute to all of you!

Let this day, December 03, end with a sweet prayer that we will all be safe while we enjoy everything that this National Jamboree has to offer.

Whatever hardship or difficulties we may encounter in the coming days, let us always remember that nothing is stronger than the heart of a volunteer.

Enjoy your stay in your evacuation centers.  
To GOD be the glory!

**ROGELIO S. VILLA, JR.**  
BSP Secretary General  
Executive Director, 17th NSJ

(written at the height of Typhoon Tisoy at Camp Kainomayo, Botolan, Zambales 8:30PM, Dec 03, 2019)

### Religious Zeal...FROM PAGE 3

with the conviction that they may be delivered from any danger, for Mother Mary intercedes for everyone, anytime, wherever.

"Noong isang gabi lang, nagrosaryo kami at lahat naman ay sumama at taimtim na nagdasal," he said with gladness for not being frustrated on everything they're praying.

Unfathomable faith, this he consistently communicated, selfless as Mother Mary, who is so generous in her intercession, since all are her children in the eyes of the Lord.

### FAITHFULNESS TO THE DIVINE INTERVENTION

Tisoy may have brought fear as it passed through this year's National Jamboree. It may have literally downed some parts of the site, but not the heart of every scout, whose foundation is rooted from one of the best values it teaches, 'PAGKAMAKA-DIYOS' (faithfulness).

Just as the way Mary intercedes for all the faithful, be it a Catholic or not, Scouts manifest the same, which is the most important basis of being human, that is to continually be faithful to the omnipotence of Divine Intervention.

"Faith does not make things easy. It makes them possible."

This verse of Luke epitomizes it all.

### Scouts Give Gifts...from page 1

brothers and sisters residing in Botolan, Zambales. Items such as shoes, school supplies and clothes, among others, were turned-over to them since December 1, 2019. We are still expecting more gifts to be given to them until the closing of the Jamboree.

Our fellow Aeta brothers and sisters also participated in the Jamboree. This is part of the Diversity and Inclusion Program of the World Scouting, adopted by the Boy Scouts of the Philippines.

### DX1BSP in Action! from page 1

Hon. Sofronio C. Ona, the DX1BSP provided Ham Radio Activities to the Scouts such as the (1) Communication via SSB, (2) Digital Mode, (3) Morse Code, (4) Do-It-Yourself Power Supply, and (5) Amateur Radio Direction Finding.

In addition, DX1BSP also provided radio communication assistance which hasten information dissemination throughout the Jamboree site amidst poor cellular network connection due to influx of participants in the area.