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Message from the President



IRVIN P. STO. TOMAS

Padayon, PhilWiki Community!

As evidenced by our partnerships and linkages within and outside the Wikimedia movement, numerous advocacy and community outreach activities, and geographic and thematic collaborations – the year 2019 is indeed by far the most successful year for us!

This year, we made partnerships and linkages with the City Government of Naga, Raul S. Roco Naga Public Library, Fr. James O'Brien SJ Library, Ateneo de Naga University, Department of Education (DepEd) – Division of Cateanduanes, University of Nueva Caceres, Central Bicol State University of Agriculture (CBSUA), Partido State University, Nueva Caceres Heritage Movement, Centro Naga Business Club, Kirab Artists Group, Sumarno Bikolnon, and Panarasaw Bikolnon. There were collaborations made between local and global Wikimedians, to name a few: we collaborated with KC Velaga of Wikipedia & Education UG who served as team consultant in Wiki Loves Earth 2019 PH and 1Lib1Ref PH Campaign; Nabn Sakgota of Wikimedians of Nepal served as selection committee chair; and Wikimedia Indonesia headed by its president Bytauto Rebin provided the prizes for Wiki Loves Monuments 2019 PH. Community outreach activities were conducted on the islands of Cateanduanes, Burias in Masbate, Taal Volcano in Batangas, and in public spaces like the Raul S. Roco Naga Public Library, CBSUA main campus, DepEd Division of Cateanduanes. In solidarity, PH-WC members extended support to Wikimedians of Nepal and Mathli Wikimedians UG, organizers of Wikicamp Nepal 2019; and to Viresh Raj Sah of Hindi Wikimedians UG, organizer of WikiSammelan 2019.

In 2019, we were invited to serve as resource speakers in different fora and appeared on a local television program. Our vice president Froy Benaña talked at "Hunap-Hunap, Hunap-Hunap: Usapang Pansapitang Bikol" (Reflections, Dialogues: Bikol Literature Forum) on April 8 at CBSUA. We shared our initiatives in building Bikol Wikipedia and our advocacy in nurturing and preserving the Bikol language, to around 50 writers, teachers and students in attendance. On April 25, Benaña along with other PH-WC members spoke during the DepEd Cateanduanes Training Workshop on "Pagninilad sa Kultura, Pagninilad sa Isip" (Rediscovering the Culture of the Island) attended by around 50 teachers. The team lead by Haffeth Opiara shared about the Wiki Education Program within and outside the Philippines, and your president discussed Bikol Wikipedia as a learning resource. The participants were encouraged to get involved by contributing local knowledge on Wikipedia and to start local Wikipedia projects for the Cateanduanes Bikol languages. On July 27, together with our treasurer Ramon Olafio Jr. and your president, we appeared on DWOK 97.5 TV program "In An 'Toop" (This is the Truth) hosted by Ernie Verdadero and Irvin Borja. The Mother Tongue-based Multilingual Education (MTBLE) policy under the K-12 Curriculum of DepEd, and the Wikimedia Movement in general were among the topics tackled in the program. On September 6, Mr. Olafio, Jr. also served as one of the invited reactors at the 3rd Annual James O'Brien SJ Memorial Lecture Series: Preserving the Bikol Language – A Challenge to Bicolanos held at ADNLI in Naga City. The main lecturer was Dr. Jesus Federico Hernandez, an associate professor at the Department of Linguistics, University of the Philippines, and is currently the Director for Training of the Linguistics Society in the Philippines.

In regional and global cooperations, PH-WC was represented at the 2019 Wikimedia Summit annually held in Berlin, Germany; 2019 Wikimedia Evidence Field Seminars, Bayque University in Spain; and at the 2019 East, Southeast Asia and the Pacific (ESEAP) Strategy Summit held in Bangkok, Thailand. This year, we also participated in WikiGap, 1Lib1Ref, Wiki Loves Earth, Wiki Loves Monuments, and Wikipedia Asian Month. We are very proud that Filipinos qualified and won top prizes at WLL, WLE and WLM international contest this year!

Its governance, the Board approved 7 new members from Camarines Sur, Cavite, Bohol and Pangasinan; adopted a new constitution and by-laws which paved way to the organization's incorporation; created 5 different committees as part of its capacity building, namely: Advocacy, Diversity, Education, GLAM, and Outreach; participated in the historic 2019 Affiliate-Selected Board Seats Election and received a total of USD 4,969 individual and user group projects thru Rapid Grants. We also joined the call of multispectral groups across the archipelago supporting the declaration of Philippine languages month or Buwan ng mga Wikla sa Pilipinas.

In just 4 years, the Philippine Wikimedia Community, now incorporated as a non-stock non-profit company, has grown from strength to strength and allowed our organization and volunteers to actively promote free knowledge in many parts of the country and in various ways. Allow me to thank every single soul who lends a hand in wearing the stripes of our local knowledge on Wikimedia projects, an alabastro or gampayon in order to uplift our heritage as a multicultural and multilingual race, so it becomes accessible to every Filipino and anyone who wants to learn more about us. We want our organization to continue to be free, open and vibrant as symbolized by the young anahaw leaf in our company logo. We want to remain loose yet organized and united for a common goal; welcoming and enthusiastic as a true Filipino community. Nevertheless, like other developing Wikimedia affiliates, capacity building and sustainability are some of our challenges. While some progress has been made towards the right direction, the game plan is to keep moving forward.

Padayon, PhilWiki Community!

Organizational Profile



History

On 1 June 2015, the Philippine Wikimedia Community User Group (PH-WC) or PHiWi Community, now a non-stock non-profit company recognized by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), was formed as an organization of unaffiliated Wikipedians in the Philippines.

The Affiliations Committee (AFC) of Wikimedia Foundation recognized the Community on 17 October 2015. PH-WC has started the process on becoming a Wikimedia chapter.

The group's first activities in its initial period of recognition were outreach activities: Offline Wikipedia DVD distribution held at Minialab: Central School in Camarines Sur; supporting edit-a-thons namely the 3rd Wikia Wikipedia Edit-a-thon held at Catbalogan in Samar, 4th Wikia Wikipedia Edit-a-thon held at Catarman in Northern Samar and 2015 Wikia Wikipedia Forums at Greater Tacloban held in Tacloban City and Palo town both in Leyte; and Wikipedia Takes Rinconada launched in Iriga City, Camarines Sur.

Before its existence as an affiliate organization, Philippine Wikimedia communities of Tagalog, Cebuano, Bikol, and Ilokano met for the first time at the 2012 Philippine WikiConference during the session on Building Regional Wikimedia Communities. Representatives from the Pangasinan, Pampanga, Tagalog and Bikol communities met again at the 2013 Philippine WikiConference in Pasig City. A collaboration between the Tagalog and Bikol communities organized the Open Web Day Ateña de Nueva University on 30 June 2012 and the Open Web Day University of Nueva Caocres on 24 November 2013 held in Naga City. Rinconada Bikol Wikipedia Edit-a-thon was initiated by the Bikol community on 5 August 2014 in Naga City. Wikimedia Philippines president Johnny Alegre visited the Pangasinan community on 25 August 2014. On 22 December 2014, he visited the Bikol community at Central Bicol State University of Agriculture.



Wiki Loves Earth PH 2019 winners and PH-WC members at the awarding event. Photo by Magfelfopiana (CC-BY-SA 4.0)



Purpose

PH-WC is a free, open and vibrant organization of Filipino volunteers and content editors from the Philippines and all over the world, who believe in the mission and vision of the Wikimedia Foundation. As an affiliate organization, our community aims to initiate, promote, coordinate, create, organize, develop and engage in projects, programs and activities that promote free, responsibly open-content resources and reference materials, in English and in different Philippine languages through cost-effective, creative and innovative projects and partnerships with local government units, government agencies, academia, non-governmental organizations, and the private sector.

The ad hoc board members decided to hold its first general meeting on 2 March 2018 at Yellow Cab Pizza, Magaypay Avenue in Naga City. The five (5) members who received the highest votes were duly-elected as trustees to serve for a one-year term. The election of officers was held among the 5 trustees via online voting from 12 to 13 May. Irvin R. Sto. Tomas (User:Philipnag) was elected as president and chairman.

In 2019, the board of trustees scheduled the second general meeting on 2 March at Cady's Cabana, Elias Angeles St., Naga City with 5 members in person and 5 online attendance out of the 13 regular members. The duly-elected trustees to serve for a one-year term are Sto. Tomas, Froy R. Berario (User:FroyAgta), Anthony B. Diaz (User:Kankoko), Harfeth C. Opiana (User:HarfethOpiana), and Ramon D. Orlajo, Jr. (User:Kinger). Joseph Cududano (User:ShimulTesof) was appointed as auditor.



Focus

The organization which is based in Naga City focuses its activities within the national borders of the Philippines. Likewise, it also focuses on the cultural and linguistic diversity of the Philippines.

Since its recognition as an affiliate organization, offline activities have been conducted in Metro Manila and in sixteen (16) of the eighty-one (81) provinces of the Philippines: Albay, Batangas, Camarines Norte, Camarines Sur, Cavite, Cagayan, Cavite, Masbate, Quezon City, Quezon Province and Sorsogon. In its initial period of recognition were outreach events in Northern Samar, and Leyte provinces. Historically, it has conducted activities which covered Pangasinan, Baguio City situated within Benguet, as well as in Ilocos Norte and Ilocos Sur.

PH-WC aims to promote and increase the daily use of Philippine languages and deploy Wikipedia as a resource and medium for the dissemination of open knowledge and learning through these languages. It represents and supports the activities of the various Philippine Wikias, among other Wikimedia projects, in the country's most widely-spoken but nevertheless marginalized languages including, Cebuano, Wlray, Ilocano, Bikol, Kapampangan, Zambango Chavacano and Pangasinan, as well as the national language Tagalog (Filipino), and projects which are still in incubation namely Aitan, Cagayan, Hiligaynon, Iknaray, Maranao, Haya Bikol, Pandan Bikol, Rinconada Bikol, and Tausug. By giving these regional languages an internationally recognized and prestigious platform for their users, our Community hopes to raise their profiles and remove any stigma attached to speaking and using them.

In less than five years since its foundation, PH-WC has grown from strength to strength as evidenced by the numerous activities it has organized and participated in all over the Philippines to further its aim of promoting the nation's many languages and cultures, as well as the growth of the various Philippine Wikias. As part of its inclusive and pluralistic focus, the organization is currently preiding over various outreach programs aimed at reaching out to marginalized groups in the Philippines. It always welcomes volunteers and participants who share our broad vision and encourage everyone with an interest to take part.



Map of the Philippines showing the activity of PH-WC. Location of members (green) and location of past outreach activities (blue green).

Membership

Nine (9) membership applications were approved by the board of trustees from October 13, 2008 to August 13, 2019: one from Pampanga, Camarines Sur (5), Cavite (1), Bohol (1) and Pangasinan (1). Currently, the organization has a total of 20 regular members including its 11 founding members from Camarines Sur (10) and London, England (1).

Philippine Wikipedia editions

The 8 existing Philippine language-based Wikipedia projects are Bikol Sentral, Cebuano, Chavacano Zambangoelilo, Kapampangan, Ilokano, Pangasinan, Tagalog and Wlray. Each of these languages has at least one million native speakers, except for Chavacano Zambangoelilo which is threatened to be closed down for lack of editing activity. Among the existing proposed Wikipedia projects, Hiligaynon has over a million native speakers while Cagayan, Iknaray, Haya Bikol and Rinconada Bikol have tens to hundreds of thousands native speakers. The Community strongly opposed any proposal to close down a Philippine language-based Wikipedia project.

There have been contributors who actively promote Wikipedia projects in different parts of the country: Pangasinan Wikipedia in Lingayen, Pangasinan (Ilocos Region), Kapampangan Wikipedia in Angeles City (Central Luzon Region), Tagalog Wikipedia in Manila (National Capital Region), Bikol Sentral Wikipedia in Naga City and Rinconada Bikol Wikipedia in Iriga City (both in Bicol Region) and Wlray Wikipedia in Tacloban City (Eastern Visayas Region).



WIKI
GAP

let's close the internet gender gap



A total of 188 new articles about women and topics related to LGBTQ were created by WikiGap Challenge Philippines participants. As a result, two women made it to the top contributors, internationally!

Maffeth Opiana wrote 62 articles while Imelda Brazil created 43 articles on Bikol Wikipedia.

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WikiGap Philippines 2019 was a community outreach initiated by PH-WC which ran the whole month of March. An offline event participated by women and members of the LGBTQ community took place on 9 March in Naga City.

A month-long WikiGap editing activities are dedicated on building knowledge about women, as well as topics related to LGBTQ. The global WikiGap campaign is a partnership between Wikimedia affiliates and the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs and invites broad and diverse participation, and allowed for local adaptations to the overall theme of closing the gender gap and other gaps relevant for diversity on Wikipedia.

Since 2018, WikiGap events take place around International Women's Day in Manila and continue during the year in several cities around the world run by the Swedish Embassy and local Wikimedia affiliates.



One of the world's most linguistically diverse countries, the Philippines has over 200 documented languages. However, under the 1987 Philippine Constitution, only Tagalog, officially called 'Filipino', and English are recognized as the country's official languages. As a result, many of these regional languages are experiencing a decline in use and there is often a shortage of written material.

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February 16, 2019

President Rodrigo R. Duterte
President, Republic of the Philippines
Malacañang Palace, Manila



Dear President,

This letter is a statement of support for the declaration of August to be *Buwan ng mga Wika sa Pilipinas* ("Month of Philippine Languages"). It would be a historic proclamation that would significantly improve the status quo.

This year, 2019, is the International Year of Indigenous Languages. The Philippines is one of the countries with the most native languages, as many as 187 according to Ethnologue (2018). Unfortunately, 4 of these are already extinct, and dozens more are endangered.

The country has been celebrating *Buwan ng Wika ng Pambansa* (in short, *Buwan ng Wika*) in August of every year. This celebration is lacking because it only focuses on the national language and does not celebrate Bikol, Cebuano, Kapangpangan, Ilonggo, Ilocano, Pangasinan, Waray, and our many other autochthonous languages. This imbalance is the result of false proclamations that overlooked, or underestimated, the value of our mother tongues.

There have been calls among various ethnic groups, academics, lawyers, and educators to reform the existing *Buwan ng Wika*, to make it more inclusive so that all Philippine languages can be celebrated. This would respect the diversity of the Filipino people and protect the country's cultural heritage. We fully agree.

Considering the importance of Philippine languages to all aspects of life, and their ongoing marginalization, the Philippine Wikimedia Community (PH-WC Community) enthusiastically supports the declaration of *Buwan ng mga Wika sa Pilipinas* to be held annually in August. It will provide an opportunity for our ethnic groups to learn from each other, and share their languages and cultures. Hence, it will be more engaging, fun, and educational than before.

Sincerely,

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President, Philippine Wikimedia Community (PH-WC Community)
Naga City, Mindanao

PH-WC supports celebration of 'Buwan ng mga Wika sa Pilipinas'

The Philippine Wikimedia Community (PH-WC) joined the different language advocate groups in the country asking Rodrigo R. Duterte, President of the Philippines, to declare August to be Month of Philippine Languages or 'Buwan ng mga Wika sa Pilipinas' instead of National Language Month or 'Buwan ng Wikang Pambansa'.

PH-WC believes that the celebration of Philippine languages instead of just one language, Tagalog, will provide opportunity for different ethnic groups to learn from each other, and share their languages and culture. Hence it will be more engaging, fun and educational than ever. International Year of Indigenous Languages is being celebrated this year.

Wikimedia+Education Conference held in San Sebastian, Basque Country

Komperensya nin Wikimedia+Education ginibo sa San Sebastian, Banwa nin Basco



Group photo of Wikimedia + Education Conference participants. Photo by Ann Uche-Felix (CC-BY-SA 4.0)

From April 5 to 7, 2019 the first conference on Education and Wikimedia was held in San Sebastian, Basque Country in Spain. About 130 people discussed the relationship between Wikimedia and education, how Wikimedia projects can be used in the educational process and how it can improve with this participation.

There was debate on children's encyclopedias, on research carried out on how definitions are negotiated, on projects at a national level or on how some universities are beginning to incorporate Wikipedia as part of their curriculum.

Wikimedia Foundation chief executive officer Katherine Maher highlighted in her keynote that 40% of the world is educated in a language they may not speak or understand.

Philippine Wikimedia Community (PH-WC) president Irvin P. Sto. Tomas, the only delegate from the Philippines presented a lightning talk on Bilal Wikipedia as a Learning Resource wherein he shared how the Department of Education utilized some information and images from Bilal Wikipedia in the Araling Panlipun (Social Studies) subject textbook for Grade 5.

Basco Wikimedia Users Group organized the conference in collaboration with the Wikimedia Foundation.



Irvin Sto. Tomas delivers an lightning talk on Bilal Wikipedia as a Learning Resource. Photo by Maicoln Indes-Felix (CC-BY-SA 4.0)

Poon Abril 5 sagkod 7 ginibo an pinakinaot na komperensya sa Edukasyon asin Wikimediya sa San Sebastian, Banwa nin Basco, Espanya. Maabot sa 130 katawa an nag-ulanay dapit sa relasyon sa pag-ulanan kan Wikimediya sagkod edukasyon, kun pano magagamit sa pag-uunod an mga proyekto kan Wikimedia asin kun pano in mapakarhay huli kaining partisipasyon.

Nagkapigwa nin debate dapit sa mga pan-aking ensiklopediya, sa saligang tun pano magkaunayan-an mga deprehin, sa mga proyekto sa relasyon na lebel o kun pano impongian sa ibang unibersidad an Wikipedia bilang parte kan kurikulum.

Tinawan doon ni Katherine Maher, pamayo kan Wikimedia Foundation, sa sayang suong-gatawaman na 40% kan kinaban tinutalagan gamit an sarong lengwahe na dia ninda tinutalagan o nasasabotan.

Si Irvin P. Sto. Tomas, pamayo kan Philippine Wikimedia Wikimediya Community (PH-WC) asin an saligang delegado pako sa Pilipinas, ipinagpangarot an Bilal Wikipedia bilang sarong Gikanan Pangkanoood. Zimras niya tun pano ginamit kan Department of Education sa tekuloh sa Araling Panlipun pako sa Grade 5 an mga tudawan asin impormasyon pikan sa Bilal Wikipedia.

Inorganisar an komperensya kan Basco Wikimedia Users Group asin sa ibang kan Wikimedia Foundation.

Wikimedia Summit 2019

The Wikimedia Summit 2019 took place on March 29 to 31 in Berlin. The Summit focused on the Movement Strategy Process and movement governance for Wikimedia organizations.

PH-WC president Irvin Sto. Tomas was present at the User Groups Affiliates Meeting where representatives and members of User Groups affiliates discussed the upcoming election of Affiliate Selected Board Seats (ASBS) of the Board of Trustees and means of future organization. He also attended the Asia-Oceania Wikimedia and ESEAP Meetings, and Training of Trainers.

Training of Trainers, a post-conference event was participated by 20 movement organizers who lead their own events. The goal of the activity is to develop Wikimedia organizers into skilled trainers within their communities.

An Wikimedia Summit 2019 nangyan kan Marso 29 sagkod 31 sa Berlin, Nag-tulon an Summit sa Movement Strategy Process asin pamamahala nin hono para sa mga organisasyon nin Wikimedia.

An pamayo kan PH-WC na si Irvin Sto. Tomas dinara an organisasyon sa User Groups Affiliates Meeting tun sinang pag-ulayan kan mga representante asin mga kaapi kan apilanyon nin User Groups an paabotan na elektyon kan Affiliate Selected Board Seats (ASBS) kan Board of Trustees asin mga paagi sa magkabig. Itag-ulayon man siya sa miting kan Asia-Oceania Wikimedia asin ESEAP, sagkod Training of Trainers.

An Training of Trainers, sarong aktibidad pakatapos kan komperensya na binilhan nin 20ng taga-organisar saling hono na nagpapatalagan nin saligang aktibidad sa Wikimedia. Katuyuhan kami na mapasubali an mga taga-organisar pausing sa may kabatidan na mga taga-organisar sa saligang mga komunidad.



From top to bottom: Asia-Oceania Wikimedia Meeting. Photo by Filipinocc Participants discuss on Strategy. Photo by Jesse Krueger (CC-BY-SA 4.0)

Wikimedia ESEAP Strategy Summit 2019

From June 29 to 30, PH-WC vice president Froy Bealla and member Marvin Molin joined the Wikimedia ESEAP Strategy Summit 2019 held in Bangkok.

The conference aimed to bring voices from the East Asia, Southeast Asia and the Pacific region (ESEAP) to the global conversation on Movement Strategy. Community leaders discussed the most relevant strategy topics for the region across thematic areas and the Wikimedia movement's future.

Next year, the ESEAP regional cooperation and Wikimedia Thailand will be the host affiliates of Wikimedia, the biggest gathering of Wikimediaans, on August 5 to 9 in Bangkok, Thailand.

Poon Hanyo 29 abot 30, an bise president kan PH-WC na si Froy Bealla asin kaapi na si Marvin Molin nagkita sa Wikimedia ESEAP Strategy Summit 2019 na ginibo sa Bangkok.

Mawot kan komperensya madara an bores kan rehiyon nin Subangian asin Surabangan na Asya sagkod an Pasipiko (ESEAP) sa pangatnan na unlay sa Movement Strategy. Pinag-ulayan kan mga pamayo nin Komunidad an pakamahahalagang ulayan dapit sa estratehiya para sa rehiyon sa marcanlan na teme asin an futuro kan hono nin Wikimedia.

Manungtanan, an pangrehiyon na kooperasyon nin ESEAP and Wikimedia Thailand iyo an mga kagibot kan Wikimedia, an pinakadakilang tiripon nin mga Wikimediyaans, sa Agosto 5 sagkod 9 sa Bangkok, Thailand.



From top to bottom: Group photo of participants. Marvin Molin during one of the sessions. Photo by Enay Padilla (CC-BY-SA 4.0)



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Cordillera landscapes dominate Wiki Loves Earth PH 2019



Mga tanawon sa Kordilyera nangawat sa WLE PH 2019



Cordillera Mountain Range. Photo by Khennexx (CC-BY-SA 4.0)

Rice Terraces of the Philippine Cordilleras and Abra River, the seventh largest river system in the country in terms of watershed size, are the winning photographs in the second edition of Wiki Loves Earth in the Philippines.

Wiki Loves Earth (WLE) is an annual international photography competition held throughout May and June, organized worldwide by Wikimedia chapters, groups and local Wikipedia volunteers. Participants take pictures of local natural heritage and scenic landscape in their countries and upload them to Wikimedia Commons. The main goal of the competition is to collect photos of natural heritage sites – such as nature reserves, landscape conservation areas, national parks, scenic/landscape areas, etc. – to illustrate articles in the largest online free encyclopedia Wikipedia and other Wikimedia Foundation projects.

First and 3rd prize winner Klennex Eco of Culoacan City won PHP20,000 worth of prizes, certificate and trophy designed by Cris Fragata Gomez. Lemuel Salibio of Cavite took the 2nd prize for his Maligong Rice Terraces photograph. The awarding ceremony was held on August 3 at Grossini Ristorante in Naga City.

An Tangga-sangang Kaumahan kan Kordilyera nin Pilipinas asin Salog Abra, an ikapito sa pinakadakilang sistema nin kasalogan sa nasyon suag sa sulal kan salog kaini, iyo an nanaog na mga pograpiya sa ikaaduang edogon kan Wiki Loves Earth sa Pilipinas.

An Wiki Loves Earth (WLE) sarong taanan na pangkinaban patiribayan sa potograpiya na ginigibo sa blog na bulan nin Mayo asin Hunyo. Pinagadulang an mga kabatang kan Wikimedia sa blog na kinaban, mga grupo asin boluntaryo nin Wikipedia. Hinalua nin mga ladawan an mga kaayon digdi kan mga lokal na pangianang natural asin mga tanawon sa saindang mga nasyon dangan itaangap sa Wikimedia Commons. An mayor na katayohan kan kompetisyon iyo na makaligon nin mga retrato siring kan mga pinangangatamanan na kadalagan, mga nasyon na parke, mga tanawon asip, tangaring maladawan an mga artikulo sa pinakadakilang ensiklopedya sa internet, an Wikipedia asin iba pang mga proyektong kan Wikimedia Foundation.

An nanaog nin 3to asin ika-3ng premyo na si Klennex Eco kan Syudad nin Calocan nag-alo nin mga pagpremyo na nagkalahatangang PHP20,000, katibayan asin trofeo na idinebeyo ni Cris Fragata Gomez. Si Lemuel Salibio kan Cavite naku an ika-2ng premyo para sa ladawan niyang Tangga-sangang Kaumahan nin Maligong. Ginibo an seremonya nin paggawad nin premyo kan Agosto 3 sa Grossini Ristorante sa Syudad nin Naga.



New set of Board of Trustees for 2019-2020 elected

Bagong Katiwatiwala para sa 2019-2020 napili

Maseterin nang sarong termino an bagong katiwatiwala kan PH-WC. Irvin Sto. Tomas, Froy Beraña, Anthony Diaz, Maffeth Opiana and Ramon Orlaño, Jr. an iaduwang tononan na pangkabogabonan na hirangan na ginibo sa Caby's Cabana, Kihay Elias Angeles sa Ciudad nin Nagai. Presente an 30 sa 13ng regular na miyembro kain.

Liwat na napili si Sto. Tomas asin Beraña bilang pamyay asin iaduwang pamyay, sunog sa pagpangunod. Sinanglian ni Diaz bilang kahitnan si Jusan Misolas muring si Orlaño an bagong tagapangataman-yaman kasangki li Opiana. An bagong katiwatiwala panganganaman si Joseph Cudateno bilang sagayay sar.

Sa iheh na hirangan kan katiwatiwala kan Mayo 23 pangunawalan an equipment grant, huring buhat kan programang WikiTutorial mantalanan na Wikimedia conference, komunikasyon asin an pagpapala kan extranetang direktoryo kan PH-WC sa Catanduanes.

Sinog sa By-laws kan asosasyon, an taononan na pangkabogabonan na hirangan ginibo lambang ika-30ng adaran nin Sabado kan Marso.

Inako kan konstitusyon an bago kaining konstitusyon asin by-laws kan Mayo 21 asin natataman nin pagpangunod bilang non-stock, non-profit company pikan sa Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) kan Republika nin Pilipinas kan Hunyo 18, 2019.



PH-WC Board of Trustees 2019-2020, and incorporators of Philippine Wikimedia Community, during the awarding ceremony of Wiki Loves Earth Philippines on August 1, 2019. Photo by Filipinoid @CC-BY-SA 4.0

To serve for a 1-year term are the new set of PH-WC Board of Trustees: Irvin Sto. Tomas, Froy Beraña, Anthony Diaz, Maffeth Opiana and Ramon Orlaño, Jr. The second Annual General Meeting was held at Caby's Cabana, Elias Angeles St., Naga City with 10 out of 13 regular members in attendance.

Sto. Tomas and Beraña were reelected as President and Vice President, respectively. Diaz replaced the outgoing Secretary Jusan Misolas while Orlaño is the new Treasurer replacing Opiana. The new Board appointed Joseph Cudateno as Auditor.

The 13rd Board Meeting on March 23 was attended by the officers with the following agenda: equipment grant, final month of WikiTutorial program, Wikimedia conferences, Wikimedia communication channel, and PH-WC strategic planning in Catanduanes.

As per the By-laws of the association, the annual general meeting shall be held every 3rd Saturday of March.

The community adopted its new constitution and by-laws on May 21 and was granted recognition as a non-stock non-profit company from the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) of the Republic of the Philippines on June 18, 2019.

2018-2019 WikiTutorial Program successfully concludes

For six months, PH-WC conducted its first WikiTutorial to hone the skills of its members as well as to build the capacity of the organization. Twenty individuals with different levels of editing skills, and different levels of involvement in the organization participated in various activities from one-on-one workshop to joining community outreach activities.

The WikiTutorial Program ran from November 2018 to June 2019 with PH-WC vice president Froy Beraña as the project lead.

Out of the 20 participants, 13 have improved their knowledge and skills on How to Edit and Formatting; Transition (8/20); Adding Links and Citing Sources (8/20); Adding and Uploading Images (10/20); and WikProject and WikiGnome (7/20). None of the participants attempted the 100 Wiki Days and 100 Wiki Commons Days challenges.

Participants were able to meet monthly and engage in PH-WC regular meetings and community outreach activities.

Monthly meetups were held coinciding activities namely the 10th Bikal Wikipedia Celebration in November where 11 out of the 20 participants attended; Wiki Loves Low in February (11/20), WikiGap Challenge in March (6/20), Community outreach in Catanduanes in April (7/20), 3rd Wikifit Campaign (7/20) and Wiki Loves Earth Photo Walk (5/20) in May, and Wiki Loves Earth ESB-athon in June (6/20).

Linkages were made throughout the program with the following institutions: Central Bicol State University of Agriculture (CBSUA), CBSUA-Sentro ng Wika at Kultura (SWKK) or Center of Language and Culture, Parasurat Bikolan writers organization, Department of Education—Division Office of Catanduanes, SurTe writers organization, Mail S. Rios Library, and the University of Nueva Caceres (UNJC).

By the end of the project, four (4) participants were admitted to the organization as regular members. Two (2) participants made it to the top contributors in WikiGap Challenge, internationally. A new constitution and by-laws were adopted on 21 May 2019. The organization received the recognition as a non-stock, non-profit company from the Securities and Exchange Commission of the Republic of the Philippines on 18 June 2019.



From topmost down to above photo: WikiTutorial Session 1 at CBSUA; WikiTutorial Session 2 at Caby's Cabana in Naga City; Community outreach activity in Catanduanes. Photo by Filipinoid; HAWRF Campaign participants at University of Nueva Caceres, Naga City. Photo by Braxford; Marwin Mola shows PH-WC company certification of Philippine Wikimedia Community issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission. Photo by Filipinoid @CC-BY-SA 4.0



PH-WC and Wikimedia España

PH-WC president Irvin Sto. Tomas and Wikimedia España (WMEs) president Santiago Navarro and secretary Elena Sartz have informally discussed the possibility of a collaboration between the two affiliate organizations. At Wikimedia + Education Conference 2019 held in San Sebastián, Basque country in Spain, the three Wikimedians had a chance to meet up and shared the interest about the upcoming quincentenary of the first circumnavigation of the globe by Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan in 2021. For two years now, PH-WC has been involved in the celebration of Philippine-Spanish Friendship Day in Naga City.



From left to right: Irvin Sto. Tomas with Elena Sartz at Wikimedia Conference 2019 in Berlin. With WMEs president Santiago Navarro at Wikimedia + Education Conference 2019 in Basque Country. PH-WC members at Philippine-Spanish Friendship Day celebration 2019 in Naga City. Photo by FilipinoFilipino/ICC BE-54 4/6

Spanish Wikipedia Edit-a-thon 2018

As part of its community outreach activities, Wiki Loves Earth PH team led by PH-WC board member and chairperson of outreach committee Maflerth C. Opiana conducted an editing workshop dubbed as "Spanish Wikipedia Edit-a-thon" during the Philippine-Spanish Friendship Day celebration on 1 July 2018 in Naga City.

Highlighting the event was a lecture by PH-WC president Irvin F. Sto. Tomas on Wikimedia Commons with tutorial on adding images in Wikipedia articles specially on the Spanish (<https://es.wikipedia.org>) and Philippine language editions.

One hundred distinct images or 4.6% from the 2,175 WLE PH photographs were used on different Wikipedia editions and Wikimedia projects according to the report accepted in August 2018.

Edit-a-thon participants included users: Kshagunt1, Shimsiutesoj, Bikoletae, Jun_pata, Manvibidilao and ChisoyWasabe.

Genaro Carlo B. Buenafina, the Honorary Consul of Spain in Bicol, lauded the efforts by Wikimedians and the organizers in participating in the annual Philippine-Spanish Friendship Day celebration in the region.



Clickbase from top-left: Some of the Spanish Wikipedia Edit-a-thon participants; Maflerth Opiana consults a Spanish dictionary; Corby Buechel gives the welcome; Irvin Sto. Tomas lectures on Wikimedia Commons. Photo by FilipinoFilipino/ICC BTF54 4/6





WIKI loves monuments PHILIPPINES



Wiki Loves Monuments in the Philippines 2019 top 10 photographs (CC-BY-SA 4.0)

Nine historical and heritage structures found in Luzon and 1 in the Visayas are this year's top 10 winners in Wiki Loves Monuments 2019 in the Philippines. They are qualified for the international round. Winning the 1st prize is Allan Jay Quesada's entry, the Adarna Building also known as the Intendencia, a Spanish colonial structure in Intramuros, Manila. Froi Rivera's Sisiman Lighthouse and Quapo Church won the 2nd and 3rd prize, respectively.

Wiki Loves Monuments (WLM) is an annual international photography contest and crowdsourcing event in which participants take photograph and upload images of important built heritage subjects to Wikimedia Commons. These images are then available for free use on Wikipedia and beyond. More details about this year's annual competition can be found at WLM website at www.wikilovesmonuments.org. The competition takes place throughout the month of September each year.

Rounding out the top 10: San Sebastian Church by Froi Rivera; Magellan's Cross by Klernie Eeo; Cape Engaño Lighthouse of Palau Island in Cagayan province by user:Microswain; Sisiman Lighthouse by Froi Rivera; Manila Cathedral at night by Eriman A. Foronda; Saint Augustine Church in Tobozi, Ilocos Norte by Allan Jay Quesada; and Tayid Lighthouse in Batanes by Froi Rivera.

At least 30 countries participated in the 10th edition of the world's biggest photography contest. WLM PH received 328 entries this year!



Philippine Festival wins in Wiki Loves Love



This photograph, licensed under Creative Commons By-Share Alike 4.0, by Rio Libatay taken during the Kinabayo Festival 2015 in Dapitan City, Zamboanga del Norte won Second Prize in Wiki Loves Love (WLL). The festival depicts the Battle of Cowadonga between Spaniards and Moors.

WLL is an international photography contest which aims to document love testimonials through human cultural diversity such as festivals, ceremonies, gestures and other symbols of love, in various regions of the world. First Prize is won by Bectropue 3max from Russia who captured an authentic Russian wedding ceremony while Third Prize is won by Mikhail Kaprychka from Belarus who took picture of a Belarusian style wedding.

Held in February 2019, over 7,100 images covered some of the rare dance forms, rituals and festivals that are missing from Wikimedia Commons, thus, bridging an important gap. Over 2,600 participants, including, photographers and Wikimedia members contributed in the contest.

[1] LIBRARIAN REFERENCE

PH-WC secretary and chairman of the GLAFH committee Anthony Diaz and member Imelda Brazaol led the LibRef Campaign in the Philippines. The campaign was launched at University of Nueva Caceres E-Library in Naga City. Around 10 librarians and library science students got acquainted by proper referencing on Wikipedia.

The activity aims for one librarian to add one reference source in Wikipedia articles. This campaign is supported by Wikipedia Library, a group of dedicated volunteers and Wikimedia Affiliates around the world.

Pinangalanin ni Anthony Diaz, kahilom asin tagapamayo kan komite nin GLAFH asin kaapi na si Imelda Brazaol asin LibRef Campaign sa Pilipinas. An kampanya panglungbudo sa Unibersidad kan Nueva Caceres E-Library sa Syudad nin Naga. Naabot sa 10g librarians asin mga estudyante nin library science an nakanood nin tamang pagpugang nin toltolan sa Wikipedia.

Mawot kan aktibidad na an lambang librarians makadugang nin sarong toltolan sa mga artikulo kan Wikipedia. Suportado an kampanya kan Wikipedia Library, sarong grupo nin mga dedikadong boluntaryo asin Wikimedia Affiliates sa iblog na kinatan.

Group photo of the participants at University of Nueva Caceres E-Library. A participant adding one reference to an article in Wikipehla. Photo by Imelda Brazaol (CC-BY-SA 4.0)



Raul S. Roco Library hosts WLE PH Edit-a-thon

As part of the Wiki Loves Earth in the Philippines 2019 outreach activity, PH-WC members held an editing activity at Raul S. Roco - Naga City Public Library on 22 June. Images in the 2019 and 2018 contests were added on Wikipedia articles.

PH-WC regularly conducts activities in partnership with libraries, museums, among other institutions. Earlier, the organization requested a working space at the library from Naga City mayor John G. Bongart.

The organization has adopted its new constitution and by-laws and applied for recognition as a non-stock non-profit company from the Securities and Exchange Commission.

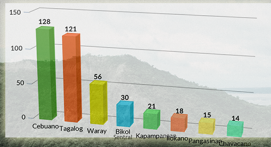
Bilang parte aktibidad kan komunidad para sa Wiki Loves Earth 2019 sa Pilipinas, nagkonduhir an mga miyembro kan PH-WC nin editing activity sa Raul S. Roco - Naga City Public Library kan 22 Hunyo. Nandagdag sa mga artikulo sa Wikipedia an mga ladawan sa patiribayan kan 2019 asin 2018.

Regular na nagkonduhir an PH-WC nin mga aktibidad katuwang an libraries, museums, asin iba pang mga institusyon. Bago kaini, an organisasyon naghadap ki alikate John G. Bongart nin espasyo sa library tangiangin magserbeng opisina.

Snadagtar kan organisasyon an bagong konstitusyon asin by-laws kaini asin naghadap nin pagpamidbid bilang non-stock non-profit company gikan sa Securities and Exchange Commission.

Editing session for Wiki Loves Earth in the Philippines 2019. PH-WC members pose for a group selfie at Raul S. Roco Library. Photo by Filipingzag (CC-BY-SA 4.0)

Active Editors in Philippine language-based Wikipedia projects (2019)



Regular Members of Philippine Wikimedia Community (2015 - 2019)



Individual and User Group Grants (2015 - 2019)

