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PSA RSSO2 2019 RPW PASKUHAN SA NAYON (A Fellowship Night)



Dressed with their best cultural attire, the Philippine Statistics Authority RSSO 2's officials and employees celebrated a night of love and laughter with its 2018 fellowship night, bannering the theme, Paskuhan sa Nayon on December 13, 2018 at Zen Hotel, Santiago City, Isabela.



The host province of Isabela, through the leadership of Chief Statistical Specialist (CSS) Julius M. Emperador, complemented this year's theme by decorating and adorning the venue with banners, bamboos, giant Christmas tree and a nipa hut reflecting the typical Christmas at the barrio.



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In his inspirational message, Director Socrates L. Ramores, OIC-Assistant National Statistician (ANS) for Finance and Administrative Service (FAS) of the PSA Central Office, highlighted the true meaning and essence of Christmas which is forgiveness, open-handedness and most of all, humility. He also encouraged the employees to make time and enjoy the yuletide season with their family no matter how tight and busy their schedule is.



To make the occasion more meaningful and to instill in every officials and employees mind and heart the essence of being in the PSA, Regional Director Marilyn T. Estrada led the group in renewing the individual's Pledge of Commitment.

After the recitation and signing of the pledge, the Diamond Hall of Zen Hotel was filled with laughter, cheers and yells and clapping of hands for the most anticipated part of the event, the Cultural Dance Competition and Choral Competition featuring the 2017 ABS-CBN Christmas Station ID entitled "Just Love". Despite their hectic schedule, the four provincial offices (Batanes, Cagayan, Nueva Vizcaya and Quirino) and the Regional Office found time to rehearse and prepare for the dance and choral competition.



The crowd cheered as the Regional Office presented their piece with the tune of several folk dances mixed into one, followed by the Province of Batanes, the province of Cagayan, the Province of Nueva Vizcaya, and lastly by the province of Quirino.



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Even after all the dance performances, the night was still alive through the merry-making of PSA's employees and the presentation of their best rendition of "Just Love". Intermission numbers for each province and the regional office were also presented during the night.

Everyone was all ears at 10:30 PM during the awaited announcement of winners. The Province of Batanes was proclaimed winner for the best rendition of "Just Love". They won a cash gift of one thousand pesos while the other PSA offices received consolation prizes.

Meanwhile all the hard work and team efforts of the Regional Office prospered as they won Best in Cultural Dance presentation. They received two thousand pesos as cash prize.


All performances were adjudged by Director Ramores, Ms. Elinora D. Cofield, City Civil Registrar of Santiago City and the Chairman of the Board of Judges, Ms. Remelinda V. Punzalan, Municipal Civil Registrar of San Isidro Isabela.



For their overall performance during the 3-day activity Mr. Reynaldo P. Gurat of Quirino and Ms. Sheryll Elaine S. Rigua of the Regional Office were crowned Mr. and Mrs. 2019 RPW. During their gala dance as Mr. and Mrs. 2019 RPW, the employees garlanded their cultural attires with their cash gifts.

The program formally closed with a message from Supervising Statistical Specialist Romeo S. Rinion of PSA Isabela where he thanked the government for his 35 years of service as he will soon retire in January 2019. He then encouraged the employees to continue to pursue excellence in whatever they do to improve the quality and delivery of service for the greater good of the people.


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