

SOUTHERN TAGALOG MANDALA

BATANGAS LAGUNA OCCIDENTAL MINDORO ORIENTAL MINDORO PALAWAN QUEZON

CELEBRATING THE AGENCY'S 51ST YEAR OF EXISTENCE

We believe something to be long-lasting or stable based on its performing duration. Like the National Food Authority as it is acknowledged in the food industry for its role and its countless accomplishments and achievements, this food agency was established on September 26, 1972, and it is still here to serve the Filipino people even after exceeding 50 years. As part of this institution, it is something to be proud of and the year following its golden age might be viewed as a fresh beginning or chapter in continuing its inherited legacy.

The 51st year (2023) is really a year full of challenges and opportunities for the agency as it welcomes its transition from being a traditional to a modernized food agency. This organization is slowly leaving its old tracks to keep up with the evolving technology and modernizing industry.

And as we celebrate the 51st NFA Anniversary on September 26, everyone kept on being flexible at work and honored its 51 years of existence in various ways.

Here in NFA Region IV, branch offices had their own programs and schedules of celebration. Some had games played for fun. Some had charity works or outreach program and others took the opportunity to build better camaraderie through different activities like sports.

REGIONAL OFFICE AND BATANGAS BRANCH OFFICE



A joint celebration of NFA Regional Office and Batangas Branch Office of the 51st Anniversary of our beloved agency was held and celebrated with pride by all employees. They started the day with a Mass and then played fun games, bingo and a volleyball game. The offices also honored also the 2023 Service Awardees and Praise Awardees.

SAPAT NA BIGAS, SIMBOLO NG MASAGANANG BUKAS

THE 51ST NFA ANNIVERSARY THEME

ORIENTAL MINDORO BRANCH OFFICE



NFA Oriental Mindoro Branch celebrated the agency's 51st Anniversary through various endeavors such as Zumba Dance exercise, Outreach activity for persons deprived of liberty at Calapan City District Jail, volleyball games and commendations for Praise Awardees.



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PALAWAN BRANCH OFFICE



NFA Palawan joined the virtual holy mass officiated by Rev. Msgr. Alex Ramon Amante at NFA Central Office. It was followed by awarding of plaques and memorabilia were given to the Palawan Branch Awardees. The branch also conducted sports activities showcasing the skills, camaraderie and sportsmanship of the employees.

LAGUNA BRANCH OFFICE



NFA Laguna employees had various activities in order to build stronger connections and to make the special day more meaningful. There was a zumba session in the morning followed by a holy mass officiated by Rev. Msgr. Alex Ramon Amante, fun games and recognition of the employees' contributions and accomplishments.

QUEZON BRANCH OFFICE



A simple but meaningful Thanksgiving Mass was held at NFA Quezon Branch Office and then, a short program was organized to honor the men and women of the branch office in appreciation of their outstanding efforts, remarkable accomplishments, dedication and services to the agency. There were fun games and sports to boost camaraderie among employees too.

OCCIDENTAL MINDORO BRANCH OFFICE



NFA Occidental Mindoro held fun teambuilding activities to improve camaraderie and unity among employees and conducted the Grand Ugnayan Meeting with the farmers to encourage them to sell palay to NFA and likewise, boost palay procurement accomplishment of the branch.



NFA Region IV award recipients with Region IV ARM Atty. Marko Callanta, Department Manager Mark Jing Tayactac, AA Piolito C. Santos and Administrator Roderico R. Biocon during the NFA 51st Anniversary Celebration and Awarding Ceremony at NFA Central Office, Quezon City.



NFA Quezon Ballroom Dancers representing NFA Region IV in Ballroom Dance Competition - Ms. Kristel Minen Alojado and Mr. Michael John Conte



Moreover, the region also participated in the contests regulated by the Central Office. In Vocal Harmony Duet Singing Contest, Mr. Jayson Prudente and Ms. Monalie Bless Castino of Palawan Branch Office sang well to represent the Southern Tagalog Region while Ms. Kristel Minen Alojado and Mr. Michael John Conte represented and performed gracefully in Ballroom Dance Competition. The talented dancers of NFA Occidental Mindoro Branch Office performed the Mangyan Dance in the Dance Fest Competition.

Mr. Karl John Ricafranca of Batangas Branch got the NFA Achiever's Award this year. Mr. Jayson Jinang brought home the NFA Exemplary Behavior Award and NFA Quezon Branch won again the NFA Branch Office with Best Managed Warehouse (Category C). These only prove that NFA Region IV employees are new generation of talents and potential leaders who patiently and bravely build their careers beyond any boundaries as they continue to improve themselves and to contribute to the agency.

As this agency continues to hone and help this generation of public servants to develop their potentials despite many challenges, it is a fact that NFA remains strong and it is worthy to celebrate the agency's accomplishments in many meaningful ways.

-CL Gutierrez (correspondent)



Song: Tagumpay Nating Lahat
Live Performance by:
Jayson V. Prudente
Monalie Bless M. Castino
NFA Southern Tagalog Region



Mr. Jayson Prudente and Ms. Monalie Bless Castino representing Region VI on Vocal Harmony Duet Singing Contest



NFA Occidental Mindoro dancers, representing the region, performing Mangyan Dance in the Dance Fest Competition



SERVICE AWARDS

5 YEARS

JUNE ANNE R. ALVAREZ
BRYAN ATIENZA
APRIL M. BUNGAR
ELLAINA B. CABINIAN
MICHAEL M. CANIETE
JORIEL P. CANO
ROLAND JAY E. CANO
ANNA LEAH S. DELA CRUZ
JEANROSE C. ESCANO
SINEWY P. FALOGME
MARK ANDREW F. FETALVERO
EDGAR DC. GANTE, JR.
HENNALYN G. GOROSPE
VIENNA MAY V. MADRIAGA
ROBERT JEROME F. OSANO
REGINA GRACE B. PEREZ
NATALIE ROSE O. PUNZALAN

5 YEARS

CHARLES KIM S. RAMOS
KARL JOHN R. RICAFRANCA
GERRY C. SAYANG
MARY-ANN A. TORRES

20 YEARS

ALELI G. VALERA

10 YEARS

ERNELL C. ALOJADO
GEMARIE R. ASTURIAS
ALLEN MARVIN U. DE LEON
ARNIE E. DE VILLA
JASMIN A. FUERTES
MARIA KATRINA D. GUTIERREZ
SHERYL P. MACMAC
ARIES CHESTER P. MALABANAN
EDWIN A. MALLARI, JR.
GLENN JASON A. RONDILLA
MARKO C. CALLANTA

25 YEARS

GEREVEL I. CAUGMA
JOEWELL A. MONREAL

40 YEARS

LILIBETH B. AGUA
ASELA P. INFANTADO

MAAGAP AWARDS

MARIANNE QUENE C. EGUILLO
TEOFILA R. CABRERA
KARL JOHN R. RICAFRANCA
EDGAR I. GANTE

ROLAND JAY E. CANO
ARIEL FRANCIS P. GAUDIER
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AURELIA C. RAMOS
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MAAGAP HALL OF FAME

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NFA REGION IV

2023 BEST EMPLOYEES



2023 REGION IV BEST EMPLOYEE: KRIZEL-ANN G. HERNANDEZ

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER V/ ACTING SR.
PERSONNEL SPECIALIST OF NFA REGIONAL OFFICE**

Ms. Krizel-Ann G. Hernandez is truly an asset of NFA Region IV as she contributes to the region by her significant accomplishments:

- Gender and Development Survey Questionnaire (Google form)
- Gender and Development 2021 & 2022 Regionwide Database

The said accomplishments became the path of the region in eliminating the COA observation on GAD Database for the past years.



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2023 NFA ACHIEVER'S AWARD:



Karl excelled in numerous competitions. Among them are as follows:

Your Face Sounds Familiar – 2nd place
Tunog NFA Acapella (Member)- Champion
NFA ML Tournament 2022 (Member)- Champion
NFA R4 100-meter run (Men's) – Champion
NFA R4 Mobile Legends Tournament – 3rd Place
2021 Spoken Poetry- 3rd place

KARL JOHN R. RICAFRANCA

ACCOUNTS ANALYST OF NFA BATANGAS

In the realm of achievements, one name that stands out prominently is Karl Jhon R. Ricafranca. As an esteemed employee of the National Food Authority (NFA), Karl has demonstrated remarkable dedication, expertise, and exceptional achievements. The breadth and depth of his accomplishments and contributions in both his career and personal life make him a deserving recipient of the Achiever Award.

Karl's dedication to his professional and personal development is reflected in his academic aspirations and successes. His Master of Business Administration degree, which he obtained in March 2022, is a testament to his intellectual capabilities and dedication to academic fulfillment. His thesis, titled "Employees' Well-Being and Organizational Change Management of National Food Authority," which earned an exceptional grade of 1.00 (98-100) led him the opportunity to present the same at the prestigious 2022 International Business Research Congress at De La Salle Araneta University. Furthermore, his oratory abilities enabled him to serve as a judge in two (2) recently concluded major debate competitions at Batangas State University's main campus.

As soon as he finished his MBA, he immediately enrolled in the Juris Doctor degree at the University of Batangas. By immersing himself in legal studies, Karl seeks to broaden his knowledge and his ability to contribute to the organization and society.

Written by: Rica Princess Macalinao

NFA REGION IV BRANCH ACHIEVER'S AWARD



MARY LOUISE M. UY
ACCOUNTANT III
NFA QUEZON

Ms. Mary Louise M. Uy is known for her pleasing personality and likewise, her colleagues recognize her as a kind and diligent Accountant III of the NFA Quezon and a hard working Sunlife Financial Advisor. Some of her outstanding accomplishments were as follows:

- The branch was honored with a Certificate of Recognition for ranking third in outstanding performance in submitting quality and timely trial balances and financial reports for the year 2022
- Secured Real Property Tax Exemption in the Municipality of Plaridel, Quezon
- Featured in the Philippine Star as a Macaulay Awardee of Bronze Qualifiers in 2019-2020

2023 NFA EXEMPLARY BEHAVIOR AWARD:

JAYSON L. JINANG

**WAREHOUSE SUPERVISOR/ ACTING
SUPERVISING GRAINS OFFICER OF NFA QUEZON**



Mr. Jayson L. Jinang is an active member of The Fraternal Order of Eagles Philippine Eagles since 2021. This young man exhibit his passion for helping his fellow Filipino citizens by volunteering in various community services and outreach programs.

Some of his community service and outreach program involvements are as follows:

- Donation of Food Packs and Toiletries
- Participation in Blood-Letting Activity,
- Coastal Clean-up
- Outreach Programs for Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDL)
- Financial Assistance for Surgery Recovery, Brigada Eskwela, 'Oplan Sagip Uhaw' during Holy Week
- Distribution of School Supplies to Day Care Students
- Support to Muslim Brothers and Sisters during Celebration of Eid al-Adha
- Participation in Mangrove Planting, and Feeding Program.

NFA REGION IV BRANCH EXEMPLARY BEHAVIOR AWARD

GEMINI M. HERNANDEZ

**WAREHOUSE SUPERVISOR
NFA REGIONAL OFFICE IV**



CHERRYHIL T. MEJICO

**WAREHOUSE SUPERVISOR
NFA BATANGAS BRANCH OFFICE**



ELLAINIE B. CABINIAN

**ACCOUNTS ANALYST
NFA ORIENTAL MINDORO BRANCH OFFICE**



MABUHAY ANG NFA!

-Testimonies gathered by Mr. Karl John R. Ricafranca of NFA Batangas regarding relevance of NFA in the lives of the people of Lubang, Occidental Mindoro



Ellena V. Morales
Provincial Agriculturist - LGU of Lubang, Occidental Mindoro

"Malaki ang naiitulong ng NFA dahil sure market ito ng mga magsasaka na kung saan mas nabebenta ang kanilang palay sa maayos na halaga. At ang NFA ay laging present tuwing may bagyo at kalamidad."

Alex Cajayon
23 years na nagbebenta ng palay sa NFA

"Dahil sa NFA, hindi na namin kailangan iluwas ang palay sa ibang lugar at dahil dito ay mas napadali ang pagbebenta namin ng palay."



Aizel Aguilar
Anak ng isang magsasaka na nagbebenta ng palay sa NFA sa loob ng mahigit 20 years

"Malaki ang naitulong ng NFA, unang-una may napapagdalan po kami ng palay, maayos at mabilis ang transaksyon at mas madali namin nabebenta ang aming mga palay dahil sa maayos na sistema nito"



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