



THE famous SDI is an acronym of the Sons and Daughters of Ifugao, the pioneering group site of Ifugaos in social networking respectively in facebook that was registered in the Securities and Exchange Commission. Sometime in October, Three Ladies from Banaue came up with a plan of creating an Ifugao Site, a site that differs from the others, a site that is something healthy and productive with ideology, with visions and missions wherein Ifugaos will build up solidarity amongst Ifugao world wide towards a common goal. On the 4th day of October 2011 around 4 o'clock in the afternoon UK time, 10 pm Brazil time and midnight in Asia, the aforesaid ladies namely Juliet Recel-Guidangen, Erlinda Kinggingan-Damoyan and Maribeth Pukyah-Caga finally decided to push through with the plot and named the group as SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF IFUGAO, faithfully believing that through social networking Ifugaos can make a difference in the outside world by coming together in unity to foster our ailing tourism industry, and reviving the Ifugao vanishing unique culture and traditions.

It was been tough at the early stages but with the perseverance and God's bestowed blessings to the aforesaid Founders they were able to confer people from other towns of Ifugao, the Philippine based and Overseas based to represent their own respective towns. In a very short period of time SDI moved swiftly and reached a long miles ahead. Administrators, members and Municipal representatives increased rapidly and flamboyantly.

On a freezing cold sometime in December, SDI started by partaking in the information drive of a program of a Famous Photographer Mr. John K. Chua, the "Badchang". SDI 1st vadchang was started last February 3, 2012 by our Banauean members, 2nd SDI vadchang was held last April 3, 2012 headed by formerly President Jojie Tumapang, Admins Mr. Carlos Lagguy, Mrs. Ghie Cubillan, Mrs. Leticia Timango, Asipulo and Banaue members. By posting it in their wall, of course, many oppositions tried to take it down but with the help of the administration, SDI was able to defend it.

The admins then decided to make SDI a legal entity believing that when it will be formally recognized, they could work and help more. SDI became a formal NGO last February 22, 2012.

At the current moment, they have other programs like the Search and Rescue Equipment to be donated to the Ifugao Police. This is in response to the previous typhoon that struck the province. Our rescue men lacked these things so SDI decided to give help.

Last April, SDI started a continuous Advocacy program the "The Clean and Green Advocacy" "Linis ko, Linis mo, Linis ng SDI toh" started by Vice-President Erlinda K. Damoyan, wherein, all Overseas Admins has the chance of serving their own community

when they go home. Admins will be leading the Community cleaning with the support of the concern Citizenry. We also had our funding drive by selling tickets for our raffle (done) and selling SDI shirts and mugs.

We are also planning to participate in the program of PRIME. A program aiming to help Muslims and Indigenous People's education by granting funds to gov't agencies, NGOs, and LGUs etc. for their programs involving the improvement of the basic education. Moreover, we have more Programs and Projects taking place.. In Unity there is Progress and Success!!!! Hagiyo Ifugao! Hagiyo SDI! By: Juliet Recel-Guidange and Ralph Dane Baguilat

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