IPMPDU NEW CORELLA

APRIL 18 – 20, 2008







Streamers used in Poblacion, New Corella, Davao del Norte





Early arrival of participants from Montevista on the first day





Registration counter at the venue





Opening ritual called "Panawag-tawag"



One of the datus of the Mangguangan leading the opening prayer



Lipatuan Joel Unad introduces himself to the Mangguangan Tribal Assembly





Lipatuan Joel Unad and the Council of Elders of the Mangguangan Tribal Assembly discuss the organization of an MIPCPD local chapter in their territory.





Datu Marciano Dasig led the prayer of thanksgiving for dinner





"Knowing The Enemy" was discussed early the second day





Map Tracking being initiated by Cpl Balcia together with the Datus in the local area





More tribal leaders and members arrived at New Corella Tribal Hall on the 3rd day





The authentic altar where elements to be used for the ritual is placed





Starting the ritual on 3rd day is a Bae of the Mangguangans





Rajah Carlito Buntas, Bae Salida, along with the other Datus of the Mangguangans officiated the ritual





Part of the rich culture of the Mangguangans was displayed through their tribal dance that was part of the ritual





"BILA" or peace pact between the Magguangan Tribe and the 103rd BDE





"Pamalas" - another kind of ritual performed by the Lumads during the assembly





Elected officers of the MIPCPD local chapter takes their oath for their respective positions





Guests of honor for the "Kaimunan 'To Mangguangan"





Dancers of the Mangguangan Tribal Assembly displayed another art of the ceremony as part of the ritual





Part of the ritual for investiture





Part of the ritual was to wave into the air the chicken that was to be sacrificed to bless the candidates for adoption as datus



Leaders of the Mangguangan tribe lay their hands on Lipatuan Joel Unad to proclaim blessng upon him during the investiture.



Another adoptee, 2Lt Colot, receives his "tangculo."





A speech made by one of the newly-adopted Datus of the Mangguangans after the investiture





As tradition dictates, another tribal dance --- one of joyful celebration --- is performed once again after the investiture



Officers of the local tribal council formally welcomed the newly-invested Datus into their tribe





Signing of the "Covenant of Peace" between the representatives of the AFP and the Mangguangan tribe.

