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MABUHAY ANG PILIPINO!!!

BAGUIO CITY AND BENGUET

LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

# Four Hectares of Marijuana Plantation Wiped out in Benguet

More than four hectares of marijuana plantation were wiped out recently in a three-day eradication operation in the hinterlands of Benguet province.

The 51 marijuana cultivation sites, having an aggregate land area of 40,735 square meters, were located in two barangays of Kibungan, Benguet; and in one barangay each in Bakun and Kapangan towns of Benguet. 76.14 percent of these marijuana plantations were found in Kibungan, 21.23 percent in Bakun, while the remaining 2.63 percent were situated in Kapangan.

Uprooted or seized during the marijuana eradication operation last December 12 to 15 were 203,650 full-grown marijuana plants; 106 kilos of dried marijuana stalk; 21,500 marijuana seedlings; 17 kilos of dried marijuana leaf; and five kilos of marijuana seed, which have an overall estimated market value of PhP55,390,000.00.

Additionally, two marijuana cultivators were caught in the act harvesting marijuana at their plantation in Sitio Payakpak, Badeo, Kibungan, Benguet.

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**YOUNG HEALTH BUFF** – A child joins her mother and other health conscious Baguio residents during an early morning Zumba workout at Burnham Park./By Bong Cayabyab

**Merry Christmas!!!**



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## Coding Suspended Anew

BAGUIO CITY - Mayor Mauricio Domogan this week suspended the implementation of the number coding scheme in this mountain resort.

Administrative order No. 233 series of 2013 specifically states the suspension is for private vehicles only from December 23, 2013 up to January 10, 2014.

Domogan said, "the suspension of the number coding is intended for local residents and tourists and their families the convenience and stress-free journey in visiting different tourists spots around the city."

The AO also states chartered public utility vehicles of visitors, tourists, vacationers or participants of sanctioned activities such as conventions, conferences and assemblies are also exempt provided they show proof that they are participants in such activities. /paul rillorta

## Mayor Signs Accord with DOST for Road Train System

BAGUIO CITY - this mountain resort will soon be a recipient to the first locally developed train system in the country.

This after the city government here represented by Mayor Domogan and the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) thru the Metals Industry Research and Development Center (MIRDC) represented by MIRDC OIC and DOST Assistant Secretary Robert Dizon signed this week a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to study the possibility of commissioning an Automated Guideway Transit (AGT) System.

Accordingly, the MIRDC-DOST will study the viability of deploying the AGT system in Baguio City most especially in the Central Business District (CBD) area to help in traffic decongestion.

A technical team will be formed by the city to identify the possible routes of the AGT. The MOU was signed December 16 in the presence of DOST Secretary Mario Montejo, City Engineer Leo Bernandez, Jr., DOST-CAR Regional Director Julius Caesar Sicat and OIC-City Planning and Development Officer Evelyn Cayat.

The AGT or 'Road Train' according to Sec. Montejo is being developed by the center and is now undergoing functional tests at the University of the Philippines-Diliman.

"The road train will be an effective means of mass transport that will surely help ease traffic congestion and reduce air pollution," he said.

The mayor is positive of the technology which he said will be a big help in addressing traffic woes. "We welcome this new innovation which is a greener mode of transport, this will contribute in our efforts of protecting the environment by eliminating pollution," Domogan said.

The AGT is considered the first Filipino rapid mass transport system developed by the DOST powered by electricity which runs on an elevated platform at top speeds of 60 kph.

The target area for the road train will include the Baguio-Trinidad route along the Balili river and the entire CBD.

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## Mayor Shares 2014 Thrusts

BAGUIO CITY - Mayor Mauricio Domogan during the weekly Ugnayan Presser Wednesday (December 18) shared his administrations thrusts for 2014 here.

The mayor said priority projects for next year include upgrading of the Sanitary Treatment Plant (STP) for the city's liquid waste and the Solid Waste Disposal System.

Domogan said, "the site for the Engineered Sanitary Landfill (ESL) is near the city which can save on fuel expenses on hauling and can also service adjoining nearby municipalities."

The planned Engineered Sanitary Landfill (ESL) will consolidate the Environmental Recycling System (ERS) which the city purchased from Japan and bio-digesters being offered by Ireland.

"I am very optimistic that by next year, the project will be realized," he said.

The city will also push through with infrastructure projects not realized during the current year.

Meantime, Domogan also wished everyone good health for the coming year.

Domogan said he is also praying that no natural disaster will occur and seeks continued cooperation to the programs and projects of the city government.

"I pray that the spirit of love, forgiveness, sharing and humility be in your hearts this yuletide season, and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year and may God continue to shower us with his blessings," he said. /paul rillorta

## Baguio Folksingers to Perform Monday for Eight Patients

Artists who have made folk and country the heart and soul of Baguio-Cordillera music will be performing this Monday evening in a Christmas reunion concert to give substance to the message of the yuletide.

Mhia, the former lead singer of the Foggy Mountain Band, lawyer soloist Jose "Bubut" Olarte and composer of Kankana-ey songs Bryan Aliping will lead the cast in "Baguio Reunion 2", the concert set at 6:30 p.m. at the Cobalt Building of the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center.

The musical treat will be for five patients undergoing regular hemodialysis treatment for kidney failure. It will be for a musician who had suffered a stroke, for a broadcast journalist and disc jockey battling cancer and for a young mother of two needing surgery.

Minus expenses in the printing of the tickets and posters, all proceeds from sales of tickets pegged at P100 and sponsorships will go to the beneficiaries, assured the Association of Government Information Officers-Cordillera (ASGIOCO) which is sponsoring the fund-raiser.

"We will provide full transparency on collections and turn-over of what will be raised for the beneficiaries," stressed Dr. Manuel Quirino, ASGIOCO president and head of the emergency department of the BGHMC.

"Baguio Reunion II" was issued the first fund-raising permit by mayor Mauricio Domogan after he issued guidelines in the conduct of fund-raisers to protect legitimate efforts from sham concerts, fun-runs and other solicitations masquerading as charity or humani-

## Outstanding Cooperatives Feted

BAGUIO CITY - the city government here cited the most outstanding cooperatives from among the different thriving cooperatives of the city in simple rites at Abada Hall, Teachers Camp last December 17.

The Special Services Division of the Mayor's Office awarded for the first time, the Baguio Benguet Community Credit Cooperative (BBCCC) as top performer for this year's search for the The Baguio Vegetable Retailers Savings and Credit Cooperative (BAVESCO) placed in second while SLU-SVP Housing Cooperative placed in third.

Also awarded for the Medium Scale Category are 1st placer Baguio Market Vendors Multipurpose Cooperative (BAMARVEMPCO) and BAMAPCOM Entrepreneurs Multipurpose Cooperative (BEMC) as second place.

For the Small Scale Category, the Timber and Lime Multipurpose Cooperative emerged sole winner. Cash rewards were given to each of the winners ranging from P8,000.00 for first place, P7,000.00 for second place and P5,000.00 for third place.

The participating cooperatives were judged according to sound leadership, management and organization, financial management and business operation, social relevance and previous awards and recognitions received.

They should also be duly registered with the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA), must be in good standing for the past three years and must have a networth of below 10 million for Micro Scale Category, 10 million to 50 million for Small Scale Category, 50 million to 100 million for Medium Scale Category and 100 million and above for Large Scale Category.

They should also be existing for at least 5 years for large and medium cooperatives, 3 years for micro and small cooperatives and operational for at least 3 years and two years respectively and must be compliant with legal and administrative requirements of CDA and other government agencies.

Meantime, the City of Baguio has been cited by the Central Bank of the Philippines for its support and contribution in the realization of the Credit Surety Fund Program of the city which is also an offshoot of cooperativism in the city. /paul rillorta

tarian drives.

This Monday's concert is a sequel to "Baguio Reunion" staged by ASGIOCO in the same venue last May 20 that raised P111,600 for nine patients, including 10-year old dialysis patient Chelsea Benito, PTV 4 technician Jun Willy and Department of Tourism staff member and cancer patient Linda Fines.

The beneficiaries this time will be kidney patients Quakelyn Lisayen, a 23-year old worker of the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council; Agustin Gayao of Irisan; Lennon Cambod of Pinget; and 23-year old Mary Grace Binay-an of Irisan; their fellow patient James Belinan of Kapangan, Benguet who recently died.

Proceeds will also be for 66-year old former broadcast journalist Cesar Marzan of DZWT-WR of is suffering from prostate and colon cancer, folk musician Art Mina who is recuperating from a heart stroke, and Graciela Solano, a young single parent from Loakan, Baguio, who needs to go under the knife for tuberculosis-arthritis.

Also performing are lead singers Alma Angiwan, Liza Noble and Diane, newsmen Alfred Dizon and March Fianza, country singer-turned choir conductor Dick Oakes, Kenneth and the Red Neck Band, The Foggy Mountain Band Reunited, country bands of the Police Regional Office-Cordillera and the Baguio City Police office, talents from the ASGIOCO and the Cordillera Association of Regional Executives (CARE).

The Christmas offering is supported by the CARE, the Philippine Information Agency, the city mayor's office and the BGHMC. / Ramon Dacawi.



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## Unified Stand on 'Paputok' Sought

BAGUIO CITY – City officials on Monday agreed to adopt a unified

stand on firecracker sale and use in the city amid warring views on whether or not to allow the sale of regulated pyrotechnic devices this year.

"Let's discuss and come up with uniform stand to once and for all settle the issue," Mayor Mauricio Domogan told department heads and members of the city council on Monday.

He raised the possibility of issuing an executive order imposing guidelines even as he urged the city council to adopt an ordinance to totally ban the sale and use of the firecrackers in the city.

Considering the views presented by some city councilors, the mayor said the city may exempt fireworks displays being conducted for official activities of the city since these are regulated or done safety nets.

"I hope we can come up with clear guidelines the soonest possible time and I hope the city council will eventually pass an ordinance to ban the sale and including the use of these firecrackers or if they prefer, regulate the use by making it centralized," the mayor said.

The mayor also last Monday asked the members of the city council to support his stand and not consider the appeal of the Baguio-PAILAW group represented **Cont. on page 8**

## Mayor Defends Budget Allocation for Solid Waste

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan on Monday said solid waste management programs were given the bulk of the development fund in the city's proposed 2014 budget because of these projects merit prioritization to enable the city to advance in its bid for a permanent solution to its waste woes.

"We gave our solid waste program priority because it is the immediate need of our city. It is high time to finish the programs for a permanent solution to our solid waste problem in the coming year so we can stop hauling and save on costs," the mayor said.

Solid waste management programs comprise 73.58 percent of the 20 percent development fund amounting to P107,914,000 allocated for this year's Annual Investment Plan (AIP). The development fund represents 7.73 percent of the city's proposed budget amounting to P1,395,822,000.

The programs listed as major development projects under the AIP are the purchase and development of an Integrated Solid Waste Disposal site amounting to P40 million, construction of two materials recovery facility buildings costing P10 million and the post-closure rehabilitation of Irisan dumpsite (first phase) with a total cost of P8,804,000.

During the budget deliberation last Monday, Councilor Faustino Olowan questioned the allocation of a big amount for the ISWD site and suggested that the city start with just the purchase of the lot so the city can allocate more fund for its other projects.

But general services officer Romeo Concio said it will be useless if the city will not develop and utilize the lot for its intended purpose of developing an engineered sanitary landfill which would enable the city to stop hauling its wastes.

The city at present is working on the acquisition of a 22-hectare lot in one of its neighboring towns in Benguet as site of its ISWD system.

Domogan said several assessments and studies have to be undertaken to qualify the site for the city's ISWMS including a geological assessment by the Mines and Geo-Sciences Bureau of the Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources Cordillera (MGB-DENR-CAR) DENR and the National Solid Waste Management Council (NSWMC) to determine its safety and suitability for the purpose.

The mayor said they have a valid reason for not disclosing the exact location of the place so as not to preempt the outcome of the negotiations./A Refuerzo



**REGALE** – Members of the Baguio City National High School (BCNHS) Performing Arts belt out a rondalla Christmas Music to the delight of the public. The event is a part of a month-long celebration of the Christmas in Baguio festivities headed by Mayor Mauricio Domogan in cooperation with Silahis Ng Pasko sa Baguio sponsored by the National Correspondents Club of Baguio (NCCB) headed by former Councilor Nars Padilla and the City Social Welfare and Development Office headed by Betty Fangasan December 15./photo by Rj Cayabyab

## BCC Partners with Transport Group to Promote Baguio as a Character City

BAGUIO CITY – The Baguio Character Council (BCC) is partnering with the operators of bus companies with terminals in the city to promote Baguio as a character city.

During the council's general assembly last December 10, Mayor Mauricio Domogan, BCC chairperson, signed an memorandum of undertaking with representatives of the various bus companies op-

erating in the City to promote Baguio as Character City.

Among the bus companies are the Genesis Transport, Saulog Bus Lines, Partas, Ohayami, GL Lizardo, Philippine Rabbit, Northern KMS, KMS Lines, Dalen Bus Lines and Victory Liner.

As part of their commitment, the bus companies undertake to play a video presentation highlighting Baguio city as a

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## City to Implement SPMS

BAGUIO CITY – The city government here will start its implementation of the Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS) this coming year 2014. This is part of the additional requirement of the Civil Service Commission (CSC) for the city government to hold the Level II Accreditation to take final action on its appointments.

The SPMS of the city of Baguio as contained in CSC Memorandum Circular No. 06, series of 2012 (Guidelines in the establishment and implementation of agency SPMS has been approved by the CSC last November 25 for the agency's initial implementation.

It is remembered that last May of this year, the city government passed the revalidation of Level II Accreditation to take final action on its appointments. This is pursuant to the Civil Service Commission Reso-

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## Electronic Business Permit Processing System Ready

BAGUIO CITY – The city government will implement the electronic Business Process and Licensing System (e-BPLS) in the processing of both new and old permit applications beginning January 2.

City treasurer Alicia Onoza and acting assistant treasurer Alex Cobarrubias said the system will be employed even if they still await additional equipment to hasten the processing time and reduce the problem of fixing in the licensing system.

Onoza said that under the e-BPLS, applicants for renewal of permits will submit their names to city employees in charge who will check the applicant's records in the computer database for clearances on real property and garbage.

Once cleared, an automatic assessment of the tax dues will be done and the applicant can pay the tax obligations outright.

After the payment, the applicants will be required to submit clearances from the barangay and health office and these will be submitted to the permits and licensing division. Upon satisfaction of all the requirements, the PLD will then print the permit form for signing by the city mayor.

For new applications, the applicants will go straight to the PLD and will be required to submit clearances from the city planning and development office, the city health office, the city building and architecture office and the Baguio Fire Department before their permits can be processed.

The dry run for the system was conducted last Nov. 6 and it proved successful, according to Cobarrubias.

Meanwhile, Mayor Mauricio Domogan issued Administrative Order No. 222 enforcing simpler method of processing for the renewal of permits. **Cont. on page 7**



# Wasteland operators

Inquirer's headline summed up the festering issue: "Some journalists had it coming, the probers say." They were referring to the recent killings that victimized three Mindanao—no, not journalists—"block-timers."

"(He) berated targets like they were the worst animals on earth, cocked his gun on the air, challenging (them) to a gunfight." Who did? The probers wouldn't say. But that style fits Joas Dignos, ambushed in Valencia, Bukidnon.

The other two are Michael Milo in Tandag, Surigao del Sur, and Rogelio Butalid in Tagum, Davao del Norte. A faction of the squabbling Davao del Norte Electric Cooperative paid the tab for Butalid's radio program. He slammed their opponents within the same co-op.

The victims "had donors that were rivals of those they attacked," the probers noted. Isn't that prohibited by the Journalist's Code of Ethics?

Of course, said Msgr. Elmer Abacahin who heads Cagayan de Oro's media group. He confirmed the investigators' findings, but added: This was "not sufficient reason to kill the victims."

The dictionary included the word "journalist" in 1693. The word was then defined thus: "a writer or editor for a news medium... who aims at a mass audience." Since then, radio and TV came on stream and the Internet burst into the scene in the mid-1980s. The advent of the new and social media resulted in an explosion of so-called citizen journalists.

Radio/TV stations in Europe and the United States don't have block-timers. Neither do radio/TV stations in other Asean countries. Here, "walk-in customers" can plunk cash for airtime on the over 952 radio stations, which the National Telecommunications Commission oversees—with a shaky hand. That excludes "pirate stations" like the one in South Triangle, Quezon City.

With no questions asked, many block-timers broadcast—what? News and comment, they claim. Character assassination or praise, for a price, critics counter. They "give us the

**EDITORIAL** opinion of the uneducated that brings us in touch with the ignorance of the community," Oscar Wilde wrote.

Print media indicate what is "paid ad." This is published distinct from editorial matter. Block-timers don't own up who pays the tab for their programs. But those praised—or shellacked—give a fair idea of who pays. Stations wash their hands, muttering: "The program does not reflect the management's view."

"Pinabili lang ng suka sa kanto, pagbalik, journalist na (Told to buy vinegar at the corner store, he trotted back a journalist)." That putdown reflects a key concern of "Crimes and Unpunishment: The Killing of Filipino Journalists." Unesco and the Asian Institute of Journalism launched the book last December.

There were 408 "journalists" covering the Bureau of Customs during the Arroyo administration. That equaled 408 provincial newspapers (32 are dailies). The mob was about seven times the number of foreign and local reporters accredited by Malacañang.

"Most people claiming to represent media are anything but," columnist Boo Chanco snapped. "Many are from tabloids that have no circulation and moonlight as 'fixers.' Past officials tolerated the outsized numbers because they hid dirt." Publishers of major papers and network managers should help sift out those shams.

Today, the Customs press corps is less 97. And Finance Undersecretary John "Sunny" Sevilla, named by President Aquino as officer in charge of that agency, can tighten this loophole further.

"At the new Customs port in Sasa, Davao, 'Friday boys' are known as warik-warik. They list media men for funding," Jun Ledesma of Sun.Star Davao wrote. "I was also told some can even facilitate the release of shipments."

Most "block-timers" operate in a moral wasteland, where facts are few and comments bear a price tag. Viewpoint noted in 2009. "Where the carcass is, there the vultures gather." Electronic gungling is abuse. "Power without responsibility has been the prerogative of the harlot through the ages," Irish statesman Stanley Baldwin wrote.

"Block-timing is a primary fund-generator for provincial radio stations," Melinda de Jesus of Center for Media Freedom and Responsibility (CMFR) noted earlier. This proved to be the emerging problem for the Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster ng Pilipinas (KBP). Programs with little accountability proliferate in a country that works by the revised "Golden Rule": "He who has the gold rules."

A CMFR study found lack of training and, even more significant, ethical sense. A quarter finished high school while 13 percent "had no record of educational attainment." There's little, by way of training on objectivity, balance, fairness—and avoidance of conflict of interest, as journalism's code of ethics provide.

The KBP found fault with the no-holds-barred coverage in the Luneta hostage crisis. Eight Hong Kong tourists died. And the Philippines today still has to cope with the diplomatic spillover, as China presses for reparations. Fines were imposed on major networks.

Still, this was a 180-degree turn for the KBP from the Chavez vs National Telecommunications Commission case of February 2008. In that en banc decision, the Supreme Court, lashed the KBP for playing footsie with the Arroyo regime's gags on the "Hello Garci" tapes.

KBP's Radio Code now prohibits open-ended contracts for block-timers. Identifying sponsors of block-time programs will increase transparency. But the implementation of existing measures—from certification that the "block-timer" adheres to the KBP's code to monthly reports—has been spotty.

Indeed "our membership lists remain porous," observed a Cebu Press Freedom Week editorial. "We've still to flush out the hao-shiaos who flaunt press cards or block-time microphones." Juan L. Mercado/E-mail: [juan\\_mercado77@yahoo.com](mailto:juan_mercado77@yahoo.com)



## ADVOCACY MINDANOW

**SEN. PING LACSON  
FOR PRESIDENT, IF...**

**BY: JESUS DUREZA**



Sen. Ping Lacson is putting his neck on the chopping block by accepting the task of being "Yolanda" rehab czar. If you ask me, the work is herculean in that by the end of the Aquino administration the rehab efforts will not be completed by then. And for sure, there will be those who will endlessly complain and blame government — rightly or wrongly.

If I were Sen. Ping, I'd look first before I leap. He must be given all the powers as rehab king and crisis manager, given the magnitude of the problem. He must directly access to the President no less and not get meshed up with the bureaucratic maze. For one, the title "presidential assistant" is not of cabinet rank. During my time in Malacanang, a presidential assistant was a "usec" position. If his is of cabinet level, it should be "presidential adviser", unless they have changed the protocols there now. Then I heard Sen. Chiz Escudero downplaying his role by saying he is "merely a coordinator". (Oh well, as they say, titles are not really that important. Powers are what matter.)

The bureaucracy, for one, is full of institutional obstacles. He must short circuit them for quick substantial results. But Cabinet members are protective and jealous of their turfs. Then there are political rivals and carpet baggers lurking by the wayside who will pounce on any mistake or shortcomings. Victims facing TV cameras will overshadow whatever good deeds and accomplishments done. TV crews and newspaper reporters will seek out the farthest and remotest areas looking for those who have some complaint and you've bet there are so many of them out there simply because we can never satisfy everyone.

Believe me, it's a no-win situation for Ping if his eyes are still moistened by the reported plans of running for the presidency. Unless he decides at some strategic time later when it becomes mission impossible to just resign with flair.

Another point: an ideal rehab czar must be one who is ideally non-political or at least will remain "non-aligned" and a professional who can span and survive the next administration because the work will definitely be carried over to the next president beyond Pres. Aquino's time. Sen. Ping does not fit this bill "to a tee."

But, here's a big 'IF'. If notwithstanding all of the above, he surmounts them and makes dramatic accomplishments, then welcome to Malacanang palace in 2016, Sen. Ping!

**SORRY, MAR ROXAS** — A glaring example of a casualty by force of circumstance is DILG Sec. Mar Roxas. Unfortunately for him, he was thrust by reason of office and function to be in the forefront of calamities, both natural and man-made to include "Sendong", "Pablo", Zamboanga siege, Bohol earthquake, "Yolanda". He had no choice but to plunge himself into the calamities that were so daunting that even the best of him could not cope. Not anyone else, as a matter of fact, could handle better just by the sheer magnitude of the situation. Too bad for him, his challenges were beyond handling. What is tragic is that his public performance is being juxtaposed with his perceived presidential ambitions. He is the favorite object of public bashing today. His alleged mishandling and mistakes, projected in media, worsened the situation all the more.

Unfortunately for him, his supposed run for the presidency is suffering from this beating. Social media is merciless for officials in similar situations. Whether he would be able to shake off those barnacles, only time and future events will tell. I have known him personally and I think he

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## KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

*RP in crisis: we are  
all at fault*

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



**LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS:** "... Fear the Lord your God, serve him only and take your oaths in his name. Do not follow other gods, the gods of the peoples around you; for the Lord your God, who is among you, is a jealous God and his anger will burn against you, and he will destroy you from the face of the land..." (Deuteronomy 6: 13-15, the Holy Bible).

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**RPIN CRISIS: WE ARE ALL AT FAULT:** Lest the critics of President Aquino and his government once again will gang up on him and say it is because of his ineptness and inexperience that are the cause of the breakdown of law and order in the Philippines, where assassinations are becoming a daily occurrence, corruption continuing to be a scourge, and poverty, immorality, and evil behavior among our people is getting more and more serious by the minute, I say hold your fire.

All that is happening around us is just no longer the fault of the President or of his government, or of any one individual or group. This is rightly the fault of almost all Filipinos, particularly those who no longer listen to God and who no longer obey His commands, truthfully and sincerely.

Since we are no longer listening to God and are no longer obeying Him, the curses He promised for those who have turned their backs on Him in the Bible, particularly in Deuteronomy 28:15-68, are now brutally happening and victimizing and destroying our nation. Take time out to read these verses and you will readily see that all the evil that is happening here and now were accurately predicted to happen during the time of Moses yet.

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**MANY OF US NO LONGER LISTEN TO, AND NO LONGER OBEY, GOD:** The warning is clear: if a people will no longer listen to God, and they will no longer obey His commands, all the 53 curses listed in Deuteronomy 28:15-68 are going to happen to them, and these curses will not stop to afflict the unbelievers until they are all killed and destroyed and blotted out from the face of the earth.

It would seem therefore that the present-day anomalies we are witnessing in our midst are not going to wane, nor to even slow down, nor stop altogether more especially. They will increase in severity as time goes by, and will cause more killings, more sufferings and misery for many of our people.

Unless, of course, we change ourselves, according to what the Bible has prescribed as an antidote. If we want these problems and these curses to disappear from our land, then we must go back to God in a hurry. We must start listening to Him once again by reading His Bible. We must start meditating on His Word once again, and then start obeying them once more, truthfully and sincerely.

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**READ AND OBEY THE BIBLE NOW:** Even Jesus Christ, our God and Savior, said the same thing. In Matthew 7:24-27, He said that those who listen to Him and follow His commands will be considered "wise", and no amount of problems or curses can bring them down.

He warned that those who listen to Him and do not obey Him will be considered "fools", who will experience a great crash and will fall gravely when problems and the curses come to them. Consequently, the urgent question that we must contend with right now, in the face of all the curses that are afflicting our country and our people at the moment, is this: are we to continue being fools, or are we to become wise already?

The Bible has been mocked and sneered at by

## FAIR AND SQUARE

*ANTIDOTES FOR  
FIXERS AND FIX-  
ING ACTIVITIES*

BY: ATTY. JAMES VALEROS



Sometime before 2007, one DOTC-CAR regional director confessed to me that he could not possibly stop fixing activities in his agency because there is no law that punishes the fixers and fixing activities. What he did not say, however, is that fixing activities has always been prohibited by government policy in all its offices and agencies. Nevertheless, if he were still a director today, he won't be invoking the same excuse because there is now such a law— Republic Act No. 9485 entitled: The Anti Red Tape Act of 2007.

In the same vein, the present Regional Director, Ms. Celina Claver, certainly can not offer the same excuse for, there is now such law and under said law, the criminal liability for fixers is penalty of imprisonment not exceeding six (6) years or a fine not less than P20,000.00 but not more than P200,000.00, or both fine and imprisonment. On the other hand, personnel in collusion with fixers is now punishable by dismissal and perpetual disqualification from public office.

Ironically, it appears that under a Memorandum issued on 4 September 2013 by Director Claver to all DOTC-CAR personnel entitled: FIXERS ERADICATION CAMPAIGN, supposedly issued to complement R.A. 9485, she is actually legalizing fixing activities and legitimizing transactions made by fixers— by merely requiring presentation of special power of attorney (SPA) from any person representing or transacting in behalf of the actual owners of motor vehicles and applicants. Since SPA can be secured easily from a hospitable notary public for a fee of P50.00, the Memorandum, instead of eradicating the fixers, is causing them to multiply.

If DOTC-CAR is truly serious in its campaign to eradicate the fixers, I would say that it should try to discover more antidotes to control if not entirely eradicate fixing activities which has become a culture in the LTO and the LTRFB. She could try the following:

a) adoption and resolute implementation of the policy that all persons, whether or not authorized by SPA, should not be allowed to transact business in her offices with unrestricted regularity (like more than once a day or several times a week), otherwise, the persons transacting in behalf of the principal would already be engaged in fixing;

b) for the regional director to adopt a methodical monitoring and rotation of personnel to forestall excessive familiarity which graduates to collusions with fixers (fixing activities will not exist even for a day without complicity between personnel and fixers).

If Director Claver can eliminate fixing activities in her turf, a gargantuan job indeed, she could still be the best regional director DOTC-CAR will ever have.

Sana nga magawa nya ito! Pag nangyari yun, hapi kami!

many who profess not to believe in it and in God. But then, virtually all of its predictions and warnings have come true, and are still coming true even now, thereby proving that the Bible is authentic and reliable, and that there is a God that inspired its writing. The only recourse for us now is to read and obey God, if we want salvation!**(REACTIONS?)** Please call me at 0917 984 24 68, 0918 574 0193, 0922 833 43 96. Email: [melaniolazomauriciojr@outlook.com](mailto:melaniolazomauriciojr@outlook.com), [mmauriciojr111@gmail.com](mailto:mmauriciojr111@gmail.com), and [batasmauricio@yahoo.com](mailto:batasmauricio@yahoo.com).

Partner Agencies and  
Volunteers Honored

**BAGUIO CITY** - Before the year end, the city government here through the Special Services Division (SSD) of the City Mayor's Office headed by Community Affairs Officer Noel Mabutas conducted a simple recognition ceremony to the city's partner agencies and volunteers of the 2013 Pasadang Pambarangay at the Abada Hall, Teacher's Camp last December 17.

It is recalled that realizing the role of the barangays in nation building for an effective and efficient delivery of basic services, the conduct of a weekly Pasadang Pambarangay every Friday in the different barangays in this city was authorized through Administrative Order No. 113, series of 1996.

This aims to bring various services of the local government to the barangays in order to address the problems of the community such as health and medical needs, social services, infrastructure, environmental, among others.

The partner agencies and volunteers recognized includes the Police Regional Office-Cordillera Medical and Dental Team, Baguio City Police Office, Health Services Office, Department of Interior and Local Government-City Field Office, Liga ng mga Barangay-Baguio City Chapter, Baguio Center for Young Adults, DZEQ Radyo ng Bayan, Philippine Red Cross-Baguio City Chapter, Salinas Optical Clinic, City Veterinary Office, Philhealth, City Disaster Coordinating Council, National Commission for Indigenous People-CAR, City Field Office, Department of Agriculture Regional Field Unit-CAR, Department of Health Regional Field Office-CAR, Bureau of Fire Protection Regional Field, Health Ministries Seventh Day Adventist, Reflexology Association of the Philippines, Postal Office Corporation, Contra Diabetes Association and Phil. Dental Association- Baguio City Chapter.

The services rendered this year's pasadang pambarangay were anti rabies vaccination; blood typing; tooth extraction; medical services; issuance of postal ID; reflexology; phytomax/cholesterol monitoring; Philhealth, Social Security System, Violence Against Women Council and Department of Science and Technology Information and Education Communication; ear piercing; family planning; blood sugar count; optical services and contra diabetes.

The SSD has conducted pasadang pambarangay to 20 barangays in the city this year, namely: East Modernsite, Sta. Escolastica, Upper City Market, City

Camp Central, Lourdes Proper, Leonila Hill West Bayan Park, Upper Q.M., San Roque Village, Imelda Village, DPS Compound, Victoria Village, Magsaysay Private Road, South Sanitary Camp, Camp 8, Brookside, Quezon Hill Proper, Middle Quirino

Republic of the Philippines)  
City of Baguio ) Ss.

## AFFIDAVIT

I, ARNULFO RILLERA, a legal age, Filipino and a resident of # 70 Ortega St. Middle Quezon Hill, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with the law, do hereby

Depose and say:

1. That I am the present occupant of the stall no.95 Fish section of the public City of Market;

2. That when the stall was occupied by my mother, the stall was under the name of Carmen Estocapio, a relative of my mother;

3. That Carmen Estocapio stayed with our family and my mother paid for the education of Carmen Estocapio and sign of gratitude, she verbally assigned the stall to her;

4. That since the time my mother occupied the stall, Carmen Estocapio never bothered us for the return of the stall and totally abandoned her rights to occupy and use the stall;

5. That I am executing this affidavit for me to be able to apply for the stall assigned by Carmen Estocapio to my mother and for all other legal intents and purposes;

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013 at Baguio City

arnulfo rillera

Affiant

SSS Identification Card 01-1660898-5

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013 at Baguio City with the affiant exhibit his identification card bearing his signature and picture

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Christmas"

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Republic of the  
Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL  
COURT, BRANCH 9  
(FAMILY COURT  
FOR BENGUET)  
FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION

IN THE MATTER FOR  
THE PETITION  
FOR THE CORREC-  
TION OF ENTRIES  
IN THE RECORD OF  
BIRTH OF FLOYD  
N A T I V I D A D  
FAMULARCANO TO  
REFLECT  
HIS TRUE AND COR-  
RECT STATUS FROM  
LEGITIMATE TO IL-  
LEGITIMATE,

FLOYD NATIVIDAD  
FAMURLACANO,  
*Petitioner,*

SPECIAL PROCEED-  
INGS  
CASE 13-C-1779

-Versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL  
REGISTRAR OF  
LA TRINIDAD,  
BENGUET AND THE  
NATIONAL STATIS-  
TICS OFFICE,

*Respondents.*

ORDER

Petitioner, through  
counsel, filed this veri-  
fied petition praying  
that after due notice,  
publication and hear-  
ing the court orders the  
Local Civil Registrar of  
La Trinidad, Benguet to  
correct his Certificate  
of Live Birth the follow-  
ing:

Date and Place of  
Marriage of Parents:  
CANCEL February 28,  
1982 and leave it blank  
And to declare him  
as ILLEGITIMATE.

WHEREFORE,  
Finding the petition  
to be sufficient in form  
and substance, the  
court sets it for initial  
hearing on March 13,  
2013 at 9:00 o'clock in  
the morning before the  
Session Hall of this  
court, Benguet Provin-  
cial Capitol, La  
Trinidad, Benguet and  
all persons interested  
may appear and show  
cause, if any, why this  
petition should not be

granted.

Let this Order be  
published at the ex-  
pense of the petitioner  
in The Junction News-  
paper, a newspaper of  
general circulation in  
Baguio City and  
Benguet Province, once  
a week, for three (3)  
consecutive weeks, the  
first publication to be  
made not later than  
December 15, 2013.

Furnish copies  
hereof together with a  
copy of the petition and  
its annexes to the Of-  
fice of the Solicitor  
General, Makati City;  
Provincial Prosecutor  
of Benguet; the Local  
Civil Registrar of La  
Trinidad, Benguet; The  
Junction Newspaper;  
the Petitioner and  
counsel.

SO ORDERED

This 9<sup>th</sup> day of  
December 2013 at La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines.

By: (SGD) FRANCIS A.  
BULIYAT Sr.  
Presiding Judge  
Publication Dates :  
December 15, 21 and  
28, 2013

REPUBLIC OF THE  
PHILIPPINES  
REGIONAL TRIAL  
COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION  
BAGUIO CITY

OFFICE OF THE  
CLERK OF COURT  
& EX-OFFICIO  
SHERIFF

PHILIPPINES SAV-  
INGS BANK

*Mortgagee,*

-versus-

SPOUSES LORENZO  
NABUS  
and CAROLINE T.  
AGUINSOD

*Mortgagor,*

x—————x

Foreclosure Case No.  
13-465-S

EXTRAJUDICIAL  
FORECLOSURE  
OF REAL ESTATE  
MORTGAGE  
UNDER ACT 3135,  
As amended.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE  
OF AUCTION SALE

Upon verified peti-  
tion for foreclosure and  
extra-judicially under  
Act 3135, as amended  
filed

By Philippines Sav-  
ings Bank, herein re-  
ferred as the MORTGAGTEE, for the  
satisfaction of mort-  
gage indebtedness of  
SPOUSES LORENZO  
NABUS and  
CAROLINE  
AGUINSOD, herein  
referred as the MORT-  
GAGORS, the princi-  
pal obligation in the  
amount of TWO MIL-  
LION NINE HUNDRED  
FIFTY THOUSAND PE-  
SOS (P 2,950,000.00),  
Philippine Currency,  
exclusive of interest,  
attorney's fees and  
other charges as of  
March 5, 2009 and ex-  
penses incidental to the  
foreclosure proceed-  
ings, the undersigned  
or duly authorized  
sheriff will sell on pub-  
lic auction on January  
14, 2014 at 10:00  
o'clock in the morning  
or soon thereafter at  
the lobby of Justice  
Hall Building, Baguio  
City to the highest bid-  
der for CASH and in  
the Philippine Cur-  
rency, the real prop-  
erty/properties to-  
gether with all the im-  
provements thereon,  
more particularly de-  
scribed as follows:

TRANSFER CER-  
TIFICATE OF TITLE  
No. T-98297

A parcel of land  
(Lot 79-B of the subdi-  
vision plan (LRC) Psd-  
89001, being a portion  
of Lot 79, P Burgos  
Subd., (TSI-V-900),  
LRC Rec. No. Sales  
Patent No. 554), situ-  
ated in the Res. Sec.  
"B", City of Baguio, Is-  
land of Luzon. x x x  
containing an area of  
THREE HUNDRED AND  
SEVENTY EIGHT (378)  
SQUARE METERS,  
more or less.

Prospective buyers/  
bidders are hereby  
hereby enjoined to in-  
vestigate for them-  
selves the property and  
encumbrances  
thereon, if there be any.  
Baguio City, Phil-  
ippines, December 6,  
2013.

By: (SGD) LINDA

MONTES-LOLOY  
Clerk of Court VI

By: (SGD) ROLANDO  
B. PANGAN  
Sheriff IV

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Junction Newspaper;  
Copy furnish all  
parties;

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improvement of individual employee efficiency by cascading institutional accountabilities to the various levels of the organization anchored on the establishment of rational and factual basis for performance targets and measures, and to link performance management with other HR systems and ensure adherence to the principle of performance-based tenure and incentive system.

Accordingly, the four stages of the SPMS cycle are the performance planning and commitment, performance monitoring and coaching, performance review and evaluation and performance rewarding and development planning.

"This is a challenge to the city government of Baguio being conferred as the Center for Excellence in HRM and the Seal of Excellence in HRM," said CHRM Officer Estrella Bisquera./Jho Arranz

Expat Igorot...

rice Shoshin paid a miller in Cogon, Panitan town, some 40 kilometers away. Youth volunteers waiting in Dumlalag repacked 200 of the sacks which Beneco dispatched the following morning to over 300 recipients in barangay Concepcion, a community in the foothills of the town.

"Tamang-tama ang misyon n'yo dahil ngayon ang pyesta ng barangay (Your mission is timely as today is the fiesta of this barangay)," Fr. Olano said before the team climbed up the Imaculada Concepcion chapel which stood on a hilltop.

The villagers heard mass, each now and then murmuring personal intentions and gratitude for having survived the howler that turned the barangay covered court below into a mass of twisted steel.

Limwel Limjucio, area manager of Capelco, said there were about 60 typhoon fatalities in the whole of Capiz province (composed of Roxas City and 16 towns), comparatively low in relation to other areas as evacuation was forcefully done.

Along the highway from the Roxas Airport (which departure area roof was blown off) to Dumlalag, were still-to-be-cleared signs of the nightmare: crumpled huts of the poor, mangled steel trusses stripped of roof sheets, thousands upon thousands of tropical trees and coconuts left where they had fallen or sawn for rebuilding, or standing naked, their leaves, branches or their upper halves blown off.

After mass and before the relief distribution, the community drew joy and hope as Fr. Niel christened their three newest members: three-month old John Eman Berino, one-month old Remy Remaze Queen and two-month old Alyza Faeldin.

Aside from rice, Shoshin provided each relief beneficiary P500 cash support. Fr. Olano, who was accompanied by the church's lay leaders, explained that the recipients were those not served during the first and second distribution of relief goods coursed through the parish.

Back in the parish, the team, guided by a crew from Capelco, and town councilor Ruby Ann Bello set out and delivered the remaining rice sacks to Tapaz, 25 for St. Andre Mission in barangay Taft under Fr. Romel Talabucon, and San Nicolas de Myra Parish under Fr. Wilson Navarrosa.

News of the relief mission soon reached Suhot in barangay Dolores where Fr. Olano had the visiting Baguio team billeted, in a spring resort developed by the municipal government.

"May 45 na pamala ya rin dito at lahat sila ay biktima nga bagyo," social worker Edralin Gico told the team upon its arrival for the night last Monday.

"Magkita tayo pag-gising namin bukas (Let's see each other when we wake up tomorrow)," Julian advised.

As there was no time to purchase more rice for the community, Julian whipped out P1,000 for each household.

The evening before, he met the Beneco crew who were leaving before dawn Tuesday. They had a month-long work repairing the lines in Roxas city, barangay Baybay Culasi, and the towns of Dau, Dumlalag and Tapaz.

"Here's a token of our admiration for what you have done for Capiz," he said as he handed out a grand to each.

In an annual homecoming, Chees arrived here at the end of November to help defray the hospital expenses of financially strapped hospital patients here and in his native Bontoc, Mt. Province.

While he was here, his students, friends and supporters in southern Germany were pooling 15,650 euros (P908,158 for victims of Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan) aside from raising an earlier fund of 5,352 euros (P310,416) for Shoshin's support to patients here.

Any amount remaining from the two funds will be left here for other patients who can not sustain their treatments, he said./ Ramon Dacawi.

City to Implement... from page 3

lution No. 1201717, dated October 9, 2012: "The CSC is empowered to delegate authority for the performance of any functions to departments, agencies or offices where such function may be effectively performed".

In preparation for its implementation, the city government spearheaded by the Performance Management Team (PMT) chaired by City Budget Officer Leticia Clemente and the City Human Resource Management Office in partnership with the CSC will conduct an orientation to Administrative Officers this coming January 2014.

The SPMS aims to concretize the linkage of organizational performance with the Philippine Development Plan, the Agency Strategic Plan and the Organizational Performance Indicator Framework, to ensure organizational effectiveness and

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Republic of the Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, BRANCH 9 (FAMILY COURT FOR BENGUET) FIRST JUDICIAL REGION  
La Trinidad, Benguet

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF SANDRA MENDOZA BY SPOUSES GIBSON JAMES AND JULIA PINAS WITH CHANGE OF NAME FROM SANDRA MENDOZA TO CHEYENNEJEAN BAGYAN PINAS, SPS GIBSON JAMES AND JULIA PINAS,

Petitioners,

SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS  
CASE NO. 13-A-1014

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF BAGUIO CITY,

Respondent.  
X———X

ORDER

Petitioners husband and wife, through counsel, filed this verified petition for Adoption praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, the subject of adoption, SANDRA MENDOZA be declared to be free from all legal obligations of obedience and maintenance with respect to her biological mother and that she be declared for all legal intents and purposes as the adopted child of Spouses Gibson James and Julia Pinas and will be known as CHEYENNEJEAN BAGYAN PINAS. She will acquire the reciprocal rights and obligations arising from parent-child relationship and direct the Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City to effect said adoption in her

Certificate of Live Birth.

As requested, the Social Worker of the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office of La Trinidad, Benguet is directed to conduct a Child and Home Study Report and said report should be submitted to the Court before the initial hearing of the petition set on March 5, 2014 at (:00 o'clock in the morning.

WHEREFORE, petitioners are directed to meet with the Social Worker of the MSWDO, La Trinidad, Benguet for the conduct of the Child and Home Study who is likewise directed to submit her/his report, incorporating therein her/his recommendation and submit the same to the court, furnishing a copy thereof to the trial prosecutor deputized to represent the State.

Let this Order be published at the expense of the petitioners in the Junction, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made not later than December 8, 2013. All persons interested may come to Court and show cause, if any, why this petition should not be granted.

Furnish copies hereof together with a copy of the petition and its annexes to the Office of the Solicitor General; the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet; the City Civil Registrar of Baguio City; the Social Worker of the MSWDO, La Trinidad, Benguet; the Junction; the petitioners and counsel.

SO ORDERED.

This 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2013 at La Trinidad, Benguet.

By: (SGD) FRANCIS A. BULIYAT Sr.  
Presiding Judge

Publication Dates:  
December 7, 14 and 21, 2013

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT  
La Trinidad Benguet

RURAL BANK OF ITOGON (BENGUET), INC.,  
*Petitioner-Mortgagee,*

-versus-

SPS. ELIZABETH PALANGDAN and M A R I O N PALANGDAN,  
*Respondent-Mortgagors.*

X———X

CASE NO. 13-EXF-1747

FOR: EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT NO. 3135 as AMENDED

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

Upon petition for extra-judicial foreclosure of real estate mortgage under Act No.

3135, as amended, filed by the RURAL BANK OF ITOGON (BENGUET), INC.,

herein represented by its Branch Manager, IMELDA E. INSO, of legal age, Filipino citizen, and with principal office and place of business at UB Square, General Luna Rd.,

Baguio City, hereinafter referred to as petitioner-mortgagee for the satisfaction of the obligation of SPOUSES ELIZABETH PALANGDAN and M A R I O N PALANGDAN, both of legal ages, Filipino citizens, and with residence at No. 67 Naiba, Tuding, Itogon, Benguet, herein referred to as respondent-mortgagors, to

satisfy their obligation which as of December 3, 2013 amounted to ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR & 90/100 (PhP 1,578, 284.90) PESOS, Philippine currency, inclusive of interest, penalties and attorney's fees exclusive of previous inter-balance and other charges.

The undersigned announces that he will sell at Public Auction on January 8, 2013 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the main entrance of the Benguet Provincial Capitol Building, Poblacion, La Trinidad, Benguet to the highest Bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency the mortgaged property together with all

the improvements thereon to wit:

TAX DECLARATION NO. 99-007-03066

"A parcel of land located along Binagna, Tuding, Itogon, Benguet Province. Bounded on the North by Baguio-Itogon Road; on the East by a Pathway; on the South by Sedric Cruz and on the West by

Florencio Langay. Containing an area of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR (254) SQUARE METERS.

Assessed at PhP 9, 500. 00, 2011 Realty Tax paid under O.R. No. 0347817 dated June 24, 2011 at Itogon,

Benguet. Not yet registered under Act No. 496 nor Spanish Mortgage Law but registrable under Act No.

3344 as amended. A residential house erected on it under Tax Declaration No. 99-007-03062; assessed Value PhP 78, 470.00. House made out of strong excellent materials: flooring: tiled, Structure: concrete,

Roofing: G.I. Sheets, Frame Foundation: Concrete.

Bounded by visible monuments and the present possessor is Marion Palangdan, married to Elizabeth Palangdan.

Prospective buyers/bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the property herein above described and the encumbrances thereon if there be any. In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on January 8, 2014 at the same time and place without further notice.

La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, December 12, 2013.

FOR: THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF EX-OFFICIO OF BENGUET

By: (SGD) CRISTOPHER C. ORALLO  
Sheriff IV

Copy furnished: RURAL BANK OF ITOGON (BENGUET), INC.

UB Square, Gen. Luna Rd., Baguio City  
Thru: Branch Manager, IMELDA E. INSO

Petitioner- Mortgagee SPOUSES ELIZABETH PALANGDAN and MARION PALANGDAN  
No. 67 Naiba, Tuding, Itogon, Benguet  
Respondent-Mortgagors

The Junction Newspaper  
Newspaper for Baguio and Benguet

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Desperate...

Ofelia, who traces her roots to Besao, Mt. Province and Lamut, Ifugao, spends her days and nights taking care of her husband and child and figuring out where to get the next P2,200 for the next dialysis session.

Samaritans out there may visit Leonard during his treatment session at the BGHMC. They may ring Oelia's cellphone number - 09084672238./Ramon Dacawi.

Partner Agencies...

Hill, Fairview, Cabinet Hill-Teacher's Camp and Dominican-Mirador Hill.

The "Operation Tuli" held last April 6 at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center was also a part of the pasandang pambarangay program.

During the simple ceremony, Community Affairs Assistant George Bueno of the SSD was also given recognition for his vital role in conceptualizing the conduct of pasandang pambarangay and for his unending commitment and unselfish support to the program./Jho Arranz

Electronic...

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As per the order, only sanitary permit, barangay clearance, clearance from the treasurer's office and certification of payment of taxes will again be required for the issuance of the renewed permit.

The remaining requirements like the clearances from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR), Social Security System (SSS), Philhealth and the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) can be secured after the issuance of the permit.

The said clearances will have to be obtained to complete the validity of the business permits. Those who will not complete the requirements will face closure, the mayor said.

The mayor said many taxpayers have requested "to accelerate the pace of processing business permits by allowing them to secure the required clearances from other government agencies after the issuance of the business permit."

The mayor also reiterated his order prohibiting city employees from facilitating the processing of both old and new business permits.

The mayor said observations in the past show that taxpayers engage the services of several city government employees in the processing or renewal of business permits and these workers spend hours if not days working out these permits thereby affecting their performance in their own offices.

"Further, the acquaintance and familiarity as well as influence of these city employees with offices concerned create undue advantage over those taxpayers who do not have connections (so) in order to avoid favoritism and ensure fairness in the application for new or the renewal of business permits, this practice of employees has to be corrected," the mayor said.

Employees who will violate the order will be meted a reprimand, suspension and dismissal./A Refuerzo

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## Four hectares...

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However, the law enforcers were only able to catch up with the 14-year old nephew, as his of age uncle or cohort succeeded in evading arrest.

Consequently, the juvenile was turned over to the Social Welfare & Development Officer of Kibungan, Benguet; whereas, a criminal case for Violation of Section 16 (Cultivation of Dangerous Drugs) of Republic Act 9165 (Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002) was already filed yesterday, December 18, 2013, against the uncle cohort, before the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet, under NPS Docket Number I-05-INV-13L-1828.

The fugitive, whom the nephew earlier named as "Lucas Tacnang", was later, truly identified as Denver Agpad, a resident of Sitio Pul-ag, Badeo, Kibungan, Benguet.

The anti-narcotic operating units were composed of six teams from the Police Regional Office (PRO) – Cordillera (COR), Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) – Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), and Criminal Investigation and Detection Group – CAR. It was a realization of Operation Plan (OPLAN) "Daydreamer 2" of the Benguet Police Provincial Office (PPO) Provincial Public Safety Company headed by Police Superintendent Lambert Suerte.

Dialogues and consultations were likewise undertaken, and information on ill effects of marijuana use, legal implications of marijuana production and trading, participation of the community in the enforcement of the drug law and other related issues were disseminated by the anti-narcotic operatives to the barangay residents.

Operation: "Daydreamer 2" had been under the instructions of Police Senior Superintendent Rodolfo Azurin Jr., the Provincial Director of Benguet PPO, and Police Chief Superintendent Isagani Nerez, the Regional Director of PRO – COR.

PDEA – CAR Regional Director Ronald Allan Ricardo, on the other hand, fully supports the newly installed PRO – COR Regional Director's drug clearing programs and vows to rally round him in his anti-crime measures./PDEA-PR

## Advocacy Mindanow...

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deserves a better assessment than what he is getting today. But failing in reversing this trend, I guess it's time for him to kiss his presidential ambitions goodbye this early.

**DISARMAMENT?** — Even before the ink dried in the new agreement on power-sharing with the MILF, everyone is now talking about the "disarmament" of rebels as the last hurdle. This will need creative handling because, one, the MILF will never give up their firearms at the signing of the agreement and two, the general public is now wary about allowing rebels to keep their firearms with a final agreement sealed, taking a cue from what is happening with MNLF and other violent incidents due to the presence of heavy weaponry in the hands of non-government forces.

Let's see what happens!

**ZAMBOANGA REACTION** — I got

word that a lady councilor in Zamboanga City got so peeved at some publications that she asked the council that I be declared "persona non grata" and barred from visiting Zamboanga City again. Wow I was almost floored there. But on second thoughts, my guess is that she had not read my series and she was shooting from the hip. But that's understandable. She's a neophyte and on her first term.

I didn't realize disagreeing with or criticising some Zamboanguenos would result to one being barred from entering Zamboanga City territory. Good that the other city councilors thought it was a rash judgment call and wanted to hear me expound some more on my written thoughts. I committed to appear before the august body in January after the holidays.

I was glad this happened because it's about time that some wakeup call be made on some Zamboanguenos. No one is talking about the distrust and the hatred arising amongst groups due to the 3-week Zamboanga siege. The terrorism inflicted by MNLF's Ustadz Malik had polarized the locals. There is now seething anger and distrust against Muslims, specifically Tausugs, even if many of the unfortunate innocent victims were Muslims themselves. When I was there recently, even the earnest plan of the city in not allowing the return of Muslims to where their houses were burned was being viewed as discriminatory against the tribes. I talked with ordinary folks in the streets, mostly Christians and they were angry and distrustful at Muslims. They knew only Christians were taken and held as hostages by Malik during the siege while Muslims were freed and allowed to go. Let's face it. We must rebuild these broken relationships amongst groups because Zamboanga is the focal center of diverse peoples coming from the neighboring island provinces of Sulu, Basilan and Tawitawi. Unless we heal those "social wounds", incidents such as this one could recur.

What the good lady councilor did may be reflective of that gap that we must all help to bridge. I had funny thoughts. To her Zamboanga City is good only for those who agree with her. To her those who do not share her views ought to be forever barred from entering Zamboanga City. She wanted to keep Zamboanga an exclusive enclave. She'd rather that those who "do not belong" to keep off Zamboanga. I do not blame her for being traumatized by the MNLF incident, just like many Zamboanguenos I have talked to. But as I said, her formula would not work. It is a prescription for more trouble. Because just like the Muslims and Tausugs, I would keep coming back to Zamboanga Hermosa, whether I am wanted there or not. It's better to rebuild broken relationships and restore trust for sustainable peace. I learned this in my long work in other conflict-affected areas in Mindanao.

And by the way, the last time I checked, we are still in a democracy./

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## Mayor Signs...

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The road train is also being piloted in other parts of the country to help decongest traffic and serve as an alternative mass transport system that can carry more than 120 passengers in a single coach.

Meantime, Domogan who is optimistic with the new mode of transport also expressed concern on the effects it might pose on the livelihood of members of the Public Transport Sector of the city.

The mayor said the study should also include them in its development and how it can address alternative livelihood for them.

"We hope that the public transport sector which will be affected can also enter into a Public-Private Partnership with this type of system to insure their means of livelihood," Domogan said.

He said, "the new mode of transportation for the city is needed considering the increase in the number of motor vehicles plying city streets."/paul rillorta

## BCC...

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character city in the trip of their buses to and from Baguio.

The video presentation was prepared by the city government of Baguio in coordination with the Council for the Restoration of Filipino Values.

Pastor Voltaire Acosta of the Council for the Restoration of Filipino Values said "that our engagement in the city should not be limited to talk only it, should be shown by action and it should be shown by the character that we are formed here and we believe that the Character council of Baguio desires a certain chapter of character that each and every one of us will show or exhibit".

He added that the video speaks a lot about what we want our city to be, our dream for the city and how the people of Baguio should conduct themselves in the presence of visitors, in the presence of people among themselves and especially how to possibly enforce these characters and instill these characters upon the lives of our visitors.

"We need to continuously speak about the positive things that our city characterizes, about the people that it contains, we need to speak about the good traits, the good manners", he said.

Councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda, BCC Coordinator informed also that the following are the suggested activities to be conducted for the year 2014; to come up with another video for the barangays and schools, conduct of an orientation – briefing to jeepney and taxi drivers.

She also said that the council is planning to conduct an inventory of all religious groups and churches in the city in order to establish a pool of speakers.

Other suggested activities include the issuance of a regional memorandum by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) to different colleges and universities to support the project of the BCC; involvement of the Muslim community in the activities being conducted by the BCC, the creation of a facebook page, development of a module on sexuality./JDP/MAWC – PIA CAR

## Unified Stand...

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by Agnes Montoya for reconsideration of their request to again sell aerial fireworks for the New Year celebration.

"Let's start to implement a total ban on the sale for if not now, when are we going to start. The ball is in our hands as even if it is Camp Crame that is issuing the guidelines, it is us, the local government units that are issuing permit," the mayor said.

On Wednesday, the mayor assured there will be no change of heart on the issue despite some councilors' intercession for the vendors.

"I made a commitment that last year would be the last time that we will allow them. I have indicated that intention since 2010 and the vendors very well know it. We will never forget that. We've been fair to them and this time we will stand by our position because we will not move forward if we will keep on changing our mind. For if we will not do it now, when do we start honoring our words, when do we start changing our way of celebrating without injuring someone or our environment," the mayor lamented.

Councilor Roberto Ortega interceded for the vendors and talked to the mayor but the mayor clarified that the meeting did not mean that he changed his decision in favor of the vendors.

Councilors Edison Bilog and Richard Carino during Monday's meeting pitched in for the vendors saying the city may be discriminating against the PAILAW group as it has allowed big companies to bid for the city's fireworks display.

"If we will not stop these big companies, why stop the PAILAW group when they're selling only the allowed items. If we will stop PAILAW, the prohibition should apply to all," Carino said.

Councilor Fred Bagbagen however said the ban should not be made total as there are events in the city where the city is also called upon to offer these fireworks treats being a tourist city for visitors.

The mayor clarified that the ban on the sale of firecrackers which he is advocating also covers big companies and what was bidden out are the fireworks activities of the city government where the PAILAW group was even invited to bid.

He also warned PAILAW vendors against carrying out their threat to operate guerilla-style if their appeal will not be given due course.

"On that issue, I conferred with the police and it's up to them to arrest those who will dare to violate. It's a violation of national law and pansasyahan na lang tayo kung sino ang mahuhuli," the mayor said.

He however appealed to the vendors for understanding that he is not doing it not for personal reasons nor to harm the group but for the safety and the health of the people and the environment.

He said he even offered the group an alternative way to sell toys and other Christmas items so the city can look for a proper venue for them but so far the group has made no offer to the city./A Refuerzo



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IN THE MATTER  
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OF THE ENTRIES  
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LIVE BIRTH OF  
PURITA QUIRINO  
PALASI

(formerly PURITA  
TUDLONG  
QUIRINO)

AS TO HER YEAR  
OF BIRTH FROM  
"1964" to "1966",

PURIOTA QUIRINO-  
PALASI,

SPECIAL PRO-  
CEEDINGS  
CASE NO. 13-C-227

*Petitioner,*

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL  
REGISTRAR OF  
MANKAYAN,  
BENGUET, AND  
THE NATIONAL  
STATISTICS  
OFFICE (NSO),

*Respondents.*

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ORDER

**Petitioner Purita Quirino- Palasi**, through counsel filed the instant verified Petition, praying that after due notice and hearing, her date of birth, indicated in her Certificate of Live Birth as "June 7, 1964", be corrected to "June 7, 1966", her true and correct date of birth. Copies of her Certificates of Live

Birth, issued by the respondent Offices, are attached to the Petition as Annexes "B" and "c".

WHEREFORE, finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, initial hearing is hereby set on January 28, 2014 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning. All persons interested may appear and show cause, if any, why this petition should not be granted.

Let this Order be published at the expense of the petitioner in the THE JUNCTION, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, once a week, for three (3) consecutive weeks. The first publication to be made not later than December 8, 2013

SO ORDERED.

Abatan, Buguias,  
Benguet,  
Philippines, this 4<sup>th</sup>  
day of December

2013.

By: (SGD) AGAPITO  
K. LAOANGAN, JR.  
Presiding Judge

Copy furnished:

1. Petitioner- Purita Q. Palasi – Cabiten, Mankayan, Benguet
2. Atty Rafael R. Palasi (Counsel for petitioner) – Room D4, Pulkera Building, Abatan, Buguias, Benguet
3. Respondent- Local Civil Registrar's Office – Mankayan, Benguet
4. Provincial Prosecutor's Office, Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet
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Land; on the South by Public Land and Precipice. Containing and area of SEVENTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTEEN (17,615) SQUARE METERS. Assessed at P33,330.33. 2007 Realty Tax paid under OR No. 0185196 dated January 26, 2007 at Itogon, Benguet. Not yet registered under Act No. 496 nor under Spanish Mortgage Law but registrable under Act No. 3344 as amended. This includes all improvements thereon.

Bounded by visible monuments and the present possessor is EFREN BALASIN."

Prospective bidders/buyers may investigate the above-described real property regarding the encumbrances thereof, if any.

In case of failure in the auction sale as scheduled, the same is hereby re-scheduled on 29 January 2014 at the same time and place without need of republication.

Let the foregoing be published at the "THE JUNCTION NEWSPAPER," a newspaper of general circulation for three (3) consecutive weeks.

La Trinidad,

## Council approves identified priority projects of 2015 poverty programs

BAGUIO CITY - The city council recently passed Resolution No. 346 ap-

proving the identified projects for the poverty programs of the city for fiscal year 2015 in line with the implementation of the grassroots participatory budgetary process.

The total cost of the projects identified is P21 million wherein P15 million will come from the national fund and six million will come from the fund of the city.

The priority projects includes sustainable livelihood program for youth empowerment through skills enhancement and parent enhancement for family health and development amounting to one million with the city's counterpart amounting to P175,000.

Five million budget will go to the rehabilitation/expansion/upgrading of an existing infrastructure for evacuation center for the city of Baguio. The city allotted P1.5 million for the said project.

2.2 million will come from the national while P800,000 from the city for the oyster-mushroom production and marketing.

On the health and sanitation program among public elementary school students for the installation of water tanks and hand washing facilities, the city allotted Png600,000 while the national allotted two million.

Out of the one million budget provided for the community health team, the city provided P425,000.

Also a priority project is the finalization, packaging and reproduction of the Baguio City Poverty Reduction Action Plan 2015-2025 through the City Employment Program for the Youth (Community-Based Monitoring System) for the 128 barangays in the city. This will cost P1.5 million where P450,000 will come from the city.

To increase preparedness of barangays highly vulnerable to disasters and other emergencies, there is a need to purchase rescue equipment that will cost P2 million where P600,000 will come from the city.

P3.2 million budget from the national while P700,000 from the city will be for the upgrading of Senior Citizens Center.

For the organic production of fertilizers from biodegradable waste, P700,000 from the national and P300,000 from the city.

Out of the P1.5 million budget, the city allotted P450,000 for the reassessment of Disaster Situation of barangays, Reformulation of Disaster and Contingency Plans to include Disaster Manual Reproduction for the 64 barangays in the city.

These priority projects where identified by the City Poverty Reduction Action Team (CPRAT) during their Planning-Workshop last December 4./Jho Arranz

### City gets...

Manuel Gerochi.

Mayor Domogan welcomed the recognition saying it was proof that the city is doing its best to implement an applicable solid waste management program.

"I am happy that despite the difficulties, obstacles and lack of cooperation by some people, our efforts have been noticed and recognized by no less than the NSWMC which is a national agency," the mayor said during last Monday's flag-raising rites.

He credited the award to the teamwork and cooperation of city employees and residents.

"I hope that this will be an inspiration for us to strengthen and sustain our cooperation because this award means that we are on the right track in all our efforts," he said.

At present, the city is pursuing an Integrated Solid Waste Management System (ISWMS) to tackle its waste problem.

The scheme is three-pronged consisting of the waste-to-energy technology and the engineered sanitary landfill to tackle the non-biodegradable and non-recyclable wastes and the existing Environmental Recycling System (ERS) machines to take charge of the biodegradable wastes.

The city is currently looking for an appropriate location to house the ISWMS.

Solid waste management concerns also dominate the city's budgetary programs for 2014 comprising 73.58 percent of the total amount allocated for the proposed Annual Investment Plan AIP).

Among the major solid waste projects listed in the plan are the purchase and development of Integrated Solid Waste Disposal site amounting to P40 million, construction of two materials recovery facility buildings costing P10 million and the post-closure rehabilitation of Irian dumpsite (first phase) with a total cost of P8,804,000/A Refuerzo

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SHERIFF OF  
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RURAL BANK OF  
I T O G O N  
(BENGUET), INC.,

*Petitioner-Mort-  
gagee,*

versus-

EFREN BALASEN,  
*Respondent-  
Mortgagor.*

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CASE NO. 13-Exf-  
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FOR: EXTRA-  
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FORECLOSURE OF  
REAL  
ESTATE MORT-  
GAGE  
UNDER ACT NO.  
3135,  
AS AMENDED

### SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale of Real Estate Mortgage under Act No. 3135, as amended, filed by the petitioner-mortgagee, RURAL BANK OF ITOGON (BENGUET), INC., duly organized and existing under by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines with principal place of business at UB Square, General Luna Rd., Baguio City, represented herein by its Manager, IMELDA E. INSO, hereinafter referred to as the mortgagee, for the satisfaction of the obligation of respondent-mortgagor, EFREN E. BALASIN, single, of legal age and a resident of Bua, Tuding, Itogon, Benguet, hereinafter referred to as the mortgagor, in order to satisfy his obligation to the mortgagee which as of 3 December 2013, amounts to TWO HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY FIVE & 33/100 (P276,345.33), Philippine Currency, consist of Eighteen

(18%) percent interest per annum, Ten (10%) percent per annum of the principal amount as penalty, Twenty (20%) percent on whatever amount is due to the mortgagee from the mortgagor as attorney's fee as agreed and contained in the pertinent promissory note but exclusive of previous interest balances and other charges. The undersigned Sheriff announces that he will sell at PUBLIC AUCTION on 7 January 2014 at 10: 30 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in front of the Bulwagan ng Katarungan, Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, one (1) property covered by and highest embraced in Tax Declaration No. 99-007-03949, more particularly described as follows, to wit:

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## Expat Igorot karateka reaches out to capiz typhoon victims

Samaritans in Southern Germany were able to reach out to typhoon victims in two towns of Capiz, thanks to the team work of a small foundation, a parish priest and a crew of linemen from Baguio-Benguet dispatched a month earlier to help restore electric power in the storm-devastated Visayan province.

Expatriate Igorot karate teacher Julian Chees personally delivered over P700,000 in rice and cash to villagers in Dumalag and Tapaz towns in a joint effort with linemen of the Benguet Electric Cooperative (Beneco) and Fr. Niel Olano, parish priest of the St. Martin of Tours Church in Dumalag.

A month of repairing the typhoon-damaged lines of the Capiz Electric Cooperative (CAPELCO) gave the Beneco linemen led

by engineers Rocky Pallogan, Zac Torres and Carlo Bentayen enough background information needed for the relief operation.

They firmed up the mission with Fr. Olano who had provided shelter for the Beneco crew and who had turned his parish into a base for such efforts in the wake of the typhoon devastation.

"You are the third group to reach out to the victims here through our parish," he told Chees, a former world shotokan karate champion from Bontoc, Mt. Province who founded and heads Shoshin Kinderhilfe, a humanitarian arm he and his martial arts in Germany founded in 2004 for the needy and sick here in his native Cordillera region. The Beneco crew used their boom truck to deliver 250 sacks of

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## Desperate wife appeals for support

At her wits' end over how to get P2,200 to pay for her husband's hemodialysis treatment, Ofelia Nalos pleaded Friday for another publication of kidney patient Leonard Nalos' dire need for support, six months after his lifetime plight was turned into a news article.

It's a bleak Christmas for most patients suffering from renal failure who must undergo two- to three-times-a-week hemodialysis treatment that has to be sustained for life.

It had been made bleaker by the cancellation of next year's Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF) for congressional representatives and senators as a backlash of the discovery that about P10 billion of it were channeled to sham non-government organizations.

The PDAF scrapping spells nightmare for thousands of hemodialysis patients, includ-

ing some 200 of them at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center (BGHMC) who had survived on its medical component deposited by individual senators and representatives.

"My husband had used up his dialysis fund from Philhealth last October," Ofelia explained. "I also just came from the Baguio office of the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes office and was told they could not issue yet guarantee letters to patients until they have settled their accounts with the BGHMC."

"My husband must have his dialysis session this Saturday (Dec. 21) and the pressure to raise P2,200 as payment mounts every hour," she admitted. "He made it to the dialysis room last Wednesday as our barangay captain (Henry Figueras of Dantogan here) allowed us to solicit support from neighbors."

After Dec. 21, the family's next worry will be for Leonard's treatment session this Monday, and then next Wednesday, and so on.

"He skipped his session last Saturday as we were financially strapped," Ira admitted.

Missing even a single session can result in pulmonary congestion or fatal consequence.

Leonard, 31 and father to three-year old Ira, has been suffering from hypertension since 2007, wrote social worker Florencia Tiulan in a social case study report to support the family's request for help.

Last February, he was hospitalized for body numbness and weakness. Two weeks later, he underwent his first four-hour hemodialysis session to expel body waste that is supposed to be the function of normal kidneys.

His thrice-a-

week dialysis session (1 a.m. on Mondays, 4 p.m. on Wednesdays and 9 p.m. on Saturday), had long left the family drained financially.

"That's why I'm here to appeal that our appeal for support be published anew," Ofelia 29, said.

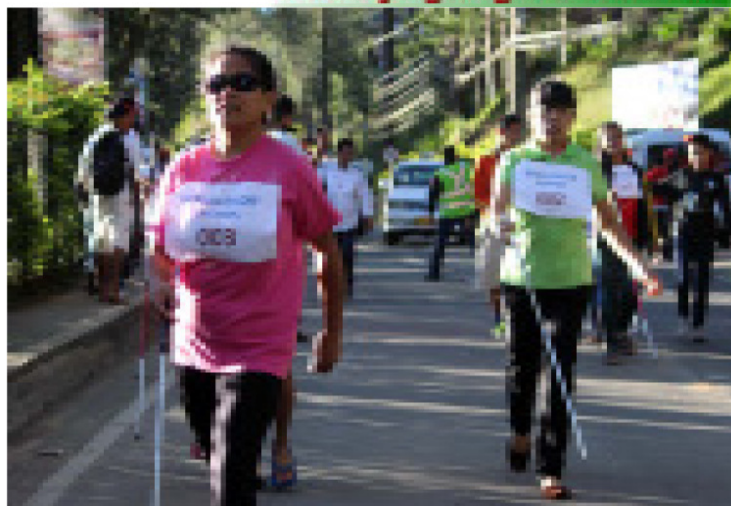
Her initial plea last June yet triggered a P10,000 cash support from the government official.

A native of San Quintin, Pangasinan, Leonard worked for years as a carpenter here in Baguio.

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Pahayagang Palaban!!!



**SPECIAL PEOPLE JUST WANNA HAVE FUN** - People with disabilities (PWD) Fun Run as part of Silahis Ng Pasko Sportsfest sponsored by the National Correspondents Club of Baguio (NCCB) headed by president and former Councilor Nars Padilla in cooperation with the City Government of Baguio headed by Mayor Mauricio Domogan through the City Social Welfare and Development Office last December 14./Rj Cayabyab photo

## city gets recognition for waste management efforts

BAGUIO CITY – The city's persistent efforts to address its solid waste management woes did not go unnoticed.

The city was among the three local government units in the country given recognition by the National Solid Waste Management Commission last December 13

for its "efforts and initiative in enforcing the provisions of Republic Act 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000."

In a letter to Mayor Mauricio Domogan last December 10, NSWMC executive director Emelita Aguinaldo announced the commendation which was received by General

Services Officer Romeo Concio during the NSWMC meeting last Dec. 13 in Antipolo City.

The city together with two LGUs from Compostela Valley was cited "for exemplary performance in implementing (RA 9003), as manifested by good practices on reduction

and segregation of waste at source, establishment of Materials Recovery Facilities, closure and rehabilitation of the Irisan dumpsite and utilization of a sanitary disposal facility."

The plaque was signed by NSWMC chair Crispian Lao and Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Undersecretary

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