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BAGUIO CITY AND BENGUET

LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

COMELEC sued in United Nations rights body

Election 2013

Election watchdogs and civil society organizations filed a complaint against the Commission on Elections before an international human rights body on Friday for allegedly compromising the May 13 elections and violating their right to vote.

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Alamin ang patung-patong na issues patungkol kay

Re-electionist Cong. Bernie Vergara

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Kakailan, hasa nak nga nangget, ngem paangsi yo. Itutos yo ti makatu-long kanya tayo. Ipakita tayo nga agkay-kaysa tayo!

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The PCOS Machines: Every election year, Juan dela Cruz still feels edgy about the security and accurateness of these machines. Well, his recourse? Seek UN's intervention. Now, Smartmatic is "willing" to reveal the Source Codes. But then again, it is already too late in the day. This Monday, we are going to vote, whether or not this machine does what it is supposed to do, as we know it. We simply got no choice!

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Waste hauling-tipping deals up for further study

BAGUIO CITY – The city government will further study the proposed waste tipping deals with the engineered sanitary landfill (ESL) facilities in Capas, Tarlac and in Urdaneta City.

City executives and councilors on Tuesday agreed to refer the matter to the city legal office to study the feasibility of conducting a bidding to choose the better set-up.

Earlier, members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) led by chair City General Services officer Romeo Concio issued BAC Resolution No. 13-08 recommending the award of the ESL services to Metro Clark Waste Management Corporation (MCWMC) after the Tarlac facility lowered its tipping fee from P800 to P550 per metric ton.

But the city has a pending agreement with N4th Enterprises which brokered the tipping services to the Urdaneta City ESL. The memorandum of agreement was signed last December by Mayor Mauricio Domogan and company proprietress Maria Rhodora Flores and is still up for confirmation and not confirmed as earlier reported (my apologies for the erroneous report –APR) by the city council.

Domogan said he signed the agreement in December because it offered the best option for the city to save on waste disposal cost at that time.

CWMC presented to the city BAC its lowered tipping cost last February after the decision was made by the new management, according to general manager Rolando Tongco.

The BAC reassessed the total costs of ESL services for both facilities based on the new rates and found out that MCWMC's services would entail lower cost at P1,350 per ton as against the P1,522 that will be spent for the Urdaneta facility.

The MOA with N4th MOA allows the city to dispose 150 tons of residual and mixed solid wastes daily to the Urdaneta facility through Flores at a tipping fee rate of P972 per ton.

"(The) hauling of waste at the (MCWMC) will be advantageous to the City Government of Baguio since this will mean a total savings of P172/ton more or less," the BAC Resolution noted.

The said resolution

Baguio Leaders Forum helps voters choose candidates

BAGUIO CITY –The recently-concluded Baguio Leaders Forum has been successful in fulfilling its objective of educating and helping the public know the candidates vying for various positions.

Hotel and Restaurant Association of Baguio (HRAB) Baguio Country Club General Manager Anthony De Leon reported that based on the feedbacks coming from the public, the BLF was successful in helping them to choose the right people to be voted upon and to be the leaders of the city.

"We have fulfilled the objective and tasks in helping the public be informed as to the kind of candidates that we have," will be returned to BAC as the city considers what action to take on the pending deals.

The mayor expressed hopes that a compromise will be achieved so that the interests of the city and the companies will not be compromised.

Concio said the possibility of conducting a "package bidding" will be considered. By package bidding, both hauling and tipping services will be lumped in the bids, Concio said./A Refuerzo

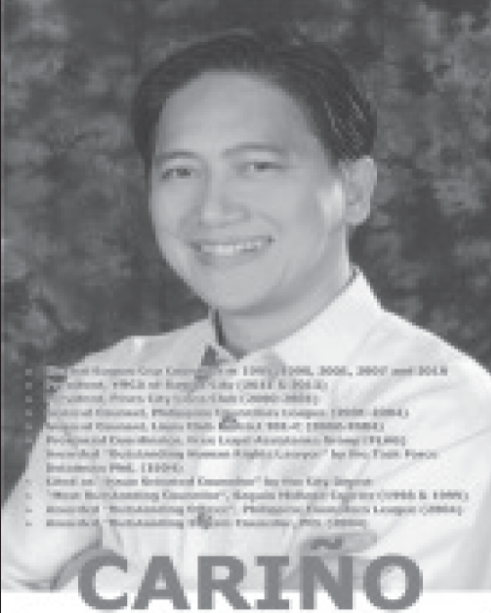
said De Leon.

He stressed, "what is important is that the candidates would listen to the call and need of the constituents from the different sectors of society in the city since all of us are stakeholders in our city and we should be aggressive in screening the candidates and their programs."

With the theme, 'Nasa Kamay Mo ang Pagbabago', candidates for the congressional, mayoralty, vice mayoralty and for councilor positions were featured in six forums to present their platform of governance and their views and stand on various issues and concerns in the city.

He added that the **Cont. on page 3**

Subok Na Sa Marangal Na Paglilingkod
Atty. RICHARD CARINO



CARINO

For CITY COUNCILOR
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Engr. Rizal

BANTA

Work Experience

1971- 1977 - DPWH
1978-2004-City Engineers Office Baguio)
2004-2012-CBAO (City Bldg. & Arch. Ofc.)

Membership Organizations

- PICE (Philippine Institute of Civil Engineers)
- RCBS-3790 (Rotary Club Baguio South)

- KC Paddal (Knights of Columbus) 5379
- ACE (Association of City Employees)
- FBASCA (Fed. of Baguio Senior Citizen Assoc.)
- Philippine Bowling Congress, IMBL
- KAPPA EPSILON Fraternity –CE-BCF
- Past President ANGKAN Batangueño
- Founder – Samahan Batangueño Baguio Chapter 1971
- BDBA- Baguio Duckpin Bowling Association
- Family Community
- GUARDIANS –RMG Alimango

Programs

- Additional School Buildings
- Additional Police Outpost
- Additional "Sub Health Centers"
- Improve Dirt Roads
- Connecting Additional Roads to main Roads
- To participate in the "Clean & Green of our City"
- Participation to the Solution of our Garbage
- Additional Railings along sidewalks
- Improvements and covering of canals
- To participate in the return of the Zoological Garden on tourism

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**ACTUAL LOT
OCCUPANTS, YOU
MUST READ THIS
DULAWAN
PLATFORMS**

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LANDLESS

**REBECCA
DULAWAN**

1. Initiate the proposed amendment of the implementing rules and procedure of 504, the required area of 200 sq. meters to 70 sq. meters and above for area to be titled and the bidding process should be suspended to area being occupied by actual occupants by more than the prescribed period (Regalian doctrine).
2. Initiate the amendment of proclamations which does not serve the purposes or its creations, be converted to A & D, and be awarded to actual occupants under MSA;

- Proclamation 1179 of Camp Allen, navy Base and Zamora Barangays.
- Proclamation 414 covering Cadaclan Brgy., portion of Kias Barangay, Atok Trail;
- To amend proclamation 489 which is covering Barangay Irisan and San Carlos Heights. In support to the reversion case filed by Binayan Et. Al.;
- And other proclamations which have been long time occupied and its purpose is no longer possible to be implemented.
- Initiate a resolution to speed up the titling and award of Proc 232 of Rock Quarry Brgy., Puliwes Brgy., Holy Ghost Brgy., Honeymoon Brgy., portion of Hillside Brgy., and portion of Gabriela Silang Brgy., Hillside, Guisad Surong, Guisad Central Portion);
- Initiate a resolution to segregate the 13 Barangays being covered by the BCDA operation;
- Review PD 1096 which is known as the building code, to amend the portion thereof, particularly the exemption of coverage;
- Initiate a resolution that every citizen of Baguio should avail water and light services even without building permits. These are basic needs of man which is being protected by our constitution, that every citizen of Baguio must avail even without building permit;
- Review Ordinance 38 (Uniwide Controversy). Initiate legal remedial recourse.

ATTY. NIC ALIPING for Congressman

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COMELEC Sued in UN... from page 1

A group of 33 individuals from civil society groups filed a 52-page complaint before the United Nations Human Rights Committee (UNHRC) questioning the Comelec's decisions which they said cast doubts on the credibility of the upcoming automated polls.

They said the government violated and continues to violate their right to vote freely when they gave complete control of the technical aspects of the automated election system (AES) to Smartmatic, the supplier of the PCOS machines. The move compromised the "secrecy, security and validity" of their votes, they added.

As a party to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR), the Philippines has the "obligation to ensure the authors' right to free expression of their will as electors", the complainants noted in their petition.

"In reality, Comelec has no ability to implement an automated election," Atty. Harry Roque, lead counsel for the complainants, said. "You can see it in the glitches and when mishaps happen, they always turn to Smartmatic for technical support," he told reporters.

The government also compromised votes when it entrusted both public and private security keys to Smartmatic. Having access to the keys would make Smartmatic capable of rigging election results, the complainants said.

Under the law, Roque said, the private key should be entrusted to an entity like Smartmatic but the public keys should be given to BOI. The lack of a source code review also makes the PCOS machines vulnerable to fraud, the complaint said.

The release of the PCOS source code for review has been held up by a lawsuit in a U.S court between Dominion Voting Systems, developer of the technology, and Smartmatic.

Roque said they brought the case before the international body since they have exhausted all legal remedies available in the country. This legal challenge against the country's election system, he pointed out, is "unprecedented" in the UN body.

Comelec's Brillantes said the move is a 'publicity stunt' which he intends to ignore. "We are too close to the elections to pay any attention to their case."

Roque admits the decision of the UNHRC, a body of international human

Comelec says election materials delivered on time

BAGUIO CITY- The Comelec Cordillera said that the delivery of election paraphernalia in the region will be completed on time.

Atty. Jose Nick A. Mendros, Comelec regional director said, that all official ballots in Baguio, Benguet and the municipalities of Tineg and Lacub in Abra will be delivered rights experts, is "technically nonbinding" but he said the courts listen to the expert opinions of the UNHRC.

IT expert Joey Pengson said the AES system of Smartmatic and Comelec does not follow the "best practices" in the industry.

Renato Reyes of Kontra Daya said the credibility of elections has been compromised since the system is "privatized" and "foreign controlled".

The other complainants include former Vice President Teofisto Guingona Jr., former Comelec Commissioner Augusto Lagman and former Comelec officials Melchor Magdamo and Ernesto Del Rosario.

In a related development, 2 experts questioned the Comelec's random manual audit as being unscientific.

Under RA 9369 or the Automation Law, Comelec should conduct a random manual audit (RMA) in at least one precinct for every legislative district. For the May 13 elections, the poll body will select 234 precincts for the audit based on a program designed by the NSO.

Felix Muga, a mathematics professor at the Ateneo de Manila University, told VERA Files on Friday the chances of polling precincts in small and large provinces getting selected for manual audit are uneven.

Ernesto Del Rosario, Comelec's former IT Dep't Head, also said Comelec's RMA design is "neither manual nor an audit," describing it as something statisticians will frown on. "Wala kang magiging conclusion which you can defend scientifically," he said. The sample size would depend on an elective position's "sampling universe", whether the position is national or local. He said each elective position should have separate audits. "Iba-iba yan," he said. /By Mikha Flores, VERA Files/ (VERA Files is put out by senior journalists taking a deeper look at current issues. Vera is Latin for "true".)

on May 9, while the rest of the municipalities in the Cordillera will be on May 10.

The PCOS machines will be opened on the same day for final testing and sealing to be witnessed by representatives of concerned parties, interested groups and the media, he said.

This will give us and the technical people enough time

to address the problems that may occur during the testing, Mendros added.

Close to 2,000 PCOS machines have already arrived in provincial warehouses.

Mendros said that tight security is being employed in the warehouse where the PCOS machines are kept.

Plans for the deployment of the PCOS machines to the different polling precincts have been finalized with forwarder Air 21/JDP/JBZ- PIA CAR

Baguio Leaders Forum... from page 2

forum was also successful in drawing the candidates to participate in the forum due to the reputation and credibility of the organizers and partners of the Baguio Leaders Forum.

The forum was organized by the HRAB with the Philippine Information Agency -Cordillera, the Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster ng Pilipinsa, the Baguio Correspondents and Broadcasters Club, ABS-CBN Baguio, Sky Cable and the Baguio City Police Office. It was in partnership with the Abanao Square Mall, SM City Baguio and the Malcolm Square where there were public **Cont. on page 4**

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BAGUIO HIGIT SA LAHAT

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ALIPING

for CONGRESSMAN

Political ad for Nicasio Aliping, Baguio City. Paid for by Nicasio Aliping.



you get! For the past several elections, all sorts of accusations, bribe-brats, innuendos and what have you have been thrown and hurled at this newspaper. Some have called us pahayagang bayaran, some say bayad, some say binayaran ni ganito o ni ganon, mga sirala ulo yan, diyaryo ni ganito o ni ganon, and some other expletives if printed are simply a waste of printers ink and paper. What is funny is that, if this paper is even a tenth of the negative things it is being accused of, then we should at least be deluged with criminal/civil suits, but fortunately that is not the case, for indeed our detractors should give credit where credit is due and in the case of the sometimes sensitive issues and exposes we come out with, credit should go to our informers and our research team. Although in all honesty, we do admit that the exposes we would want to do at present are sorely lacking in subject matters (the political candidates as subjects)

a large part to the editorial and management of this paper that also has other concerns to attend to other than newspapering. However, despite the setback, relevant information that we feel is for public interest still comes in from our network of informers. When it comes to exposing issues, that is clearly the prerogative of a newspaper, it has been like that and will always be like that, it is not for others to say what issues should and should not be taken up. The bottom line is, are the issues being exposed for the public interest?

Tell us dear readers, are the following issues concerning our political candidates worthy of an expose or not? **ALLEGATIONS OF A HIGHLY CORRUPT GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL**, would you vote for a highly corrupt public or private official, would you vote for a thief? A **SWINDLER AND/OR CON MAN MASQUERADING AS A PUBLIC/PRIVATE OFFICIAL**, would you vote for a person who is involved in a Estafa Case or an Illegal Recruitment Case? A **BOLD FACED LYING CANDIDATE WHILE MAKING USE OF HIS/HER POSITION TO GAIN FAVOR WHEN HE/SHE WAS STILL IN GOVERNMENT**, would you vote for a lying and cheating abusive official? A **WOMANIZING CANDIDATE**, would you vote for a womanizer? A **CHRONIC-COMPULSIVE GAMBLER**, would you vote for a Chronic/Compulsive Gambler? **WEAK, INDECISIVE, UN-PRINCIPLED LEADERSHIP-** would you vote for a weak, indecisive and unprincipled leader? **CANDIDATE WITH ILL GOTTEN and/or UN-EXPLAINED WEALTH**, would you vote for a candidate who has mansions here and abroad and whose mansions he cannot explain how they came about?

Since public office is a public trust, we believe that it is our readers' right to be properly informed of the background, character and other dealings of our candidates for these are indicators of the kind of public officials they will be voting into office and the brand of public service you the voter can expect. Before you the voter, our readers, give your public trust (your vote) to these types of candidates, you the voter should ask yourself if you are willing to trust corrupt, weak, gambling, womanizing, thieving, scheming etc....., candidates, for at the end of the day despite of our having trumpeted and exposed some of the hard issues against these candidates there really is no one to blame, for you deserve the leaders you get.

vice chairman of the Luzon Tourism Congress, called on the public to continue to be vigilant as they participate in the process of the election.

BY: JESUS DUREZA

(Statement of JESUS G. DUREZA, President/CEO of Advocacy Mindanow Foundation, Inc. He was former Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process and GRP Panel Spokesman in the Talks with CPP/NPA/NDP.)

I read statements coming from Malacanang saying the peace talks with the CPP/NPA/NDF had collapsed. This is a mistake.

This reminds me of what President Ramos told us years ago when our Philippine panel was in the Netherlands while meeting with the group of JOMA SISON and LOUIE JALANDONI. I was then Congress' representative to the GRP panel and spokesman. It was then headed by former Vatican Ambassador Howard Dee. The positions of the two sides were so irreconcilable at that time that the Philippine team started packing up our bags to fly back home. We even had a shouting match across the table with the NDF. Secretary Bebot Bello, then a panel member made a direct overseas call to President Ramos to report that the talks broke down and collapsed and that we were heading home. Over the speakerphone, FVR angrily barked: "Goddammit, who authorized you to collapse the talks? Go back to the table and continue to talk!" And so we did.

In the search for peace, government, which has the high moral ground, must NEVER give up or throw in the towel. The President of the Republic is the father of all, rebels included. Under the principle of "pater familias", he must get all his flock, whether good or bad, under his protective wings. He must balance things. Of course OPAPP officials can give the true and accurate status. But the "principal" who is the President must continue to provide hope and optimism. And not close doors.

Yes, we can SUSPEND the talks, but never declare that it has collapsed. Otherwise, the alternative is heightened INSURGENCY. Or more conflict. Unfortunately, the plain ordinary and vulnerable citizens in the countryside will always be the first victims caught in the crossfire.

My unsolicited advice: Keep on talking, however difficult or long it will take. Better talk than fight! Saliva doesn't kill. Bullets do!

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traffic in the city.

Moreover, Councilors **ALIPING, BAGBAGEN** and **ALANGSAB** should not have submitted Proposed Resolution 354 for approval of the Council because of existing Resolution No. 262, Series of 2000 authored by Vice Mayor Fariñas no less, under which the priority to service still unserved routes / communities in Baguio City is given to existing operators or associations with still available units, of which **SCHODA** and **OHEXTTODA** truly have.

What also compounded this injurious railroading of Resolution 354 is that the Request for Reconsideration filed by SCHODA and QHEXTODA on 29 March 2012 in this case was not even acted upon at all by the Committee of Councilor Aliping, nor was it reported to the City Council for consideration. If this is not unfair, I do not know what the word means!

As it was, the resulting CPC applications of Joseph Ingosan, et.



al. are now with the Board en banc in Quezon City for resolution. Having been recommended by the Council and DOTC-CAR, they have good chances of being approved.

But this early, the damage to the prior operators, SCHODA and QHEXTODA, has been done by the Committee of Councilors **ALIPING, BAGBAGEN** and **ALANGSAB** that railroad Resolution Nr. 354, Series of 2011 because:

a) By Resolution Nr. 354, Joseph Ingosan, et. al., were able to file applications despite the existing moratorium in the city.

b) If the applications are approved, the CPC grantees can already operate on the line applied for even pending appeal by QHEXTTODA and SCHODA to the Secretary of DOTC;

c) Worse, they can operate even if the 1st Road of San Carlos Heights where they are supposed to pass is yet under construction, by using the routes authorized and being used by SCHODA and QHEXTTODA.

For these reasons, would the SCHODA and QHEXTTODA operators not hold ALIPING, BAGBAGEN and ALANGSAB accountable? It is believed the damaged operators should and the time to do that is now. This opportunity will be lost after the election. They cannot be made to compensate the operators monetarily for the damage done, anyway.

So, why not make them accountable now!

Fastrack

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of the Mayor for a slight delay in order to prevent the incidence of violence, we all now what happened to the poor Sheriff who was just also doing his job.

I am not condoning acts of violence, and if indeed Aliping acted in an unruly and/or violent manner, then the police who were then present should have arrested him and charged him for public scandal, physical injuries etc... Assuming that the allegations on Aliping are true, then how come the squadron or is it battalion of policemen present during the Busol Demolition did not arrest him? This just doesn't make sense! Certainly, they were not afraid of one City Councilor?!

At times, politicians must do unpopular moves and make unpopular decisions, and if I understand it right, Aliping, during the Busol incident was in a similar situation as Mayor Duterte. Aliping was merely asking for a little more time from the demolition team as they were waiting for a TRO.

The bottomline is, we really cannot form a reasonable opinion on Aliping based on a few Facebook Commentators say-so or a few news articles or more so from a nameless leaflet which was obviously produced by a rival congressional candidate (who produced it? your guess is as good as mine). We simply need more info.

FASTRACK

Aliping, a Squatter and Squatter Protector???

BY: FREDDIE J. FARRES



All of a sudden, some self-righteous persons to further the interest of their chosen candidate(s) are concerned with the humongous squatting problem in the city, and they conveniently choose to zero-in on congressional candidate Nicasio Aliping. I have been monitoring some of the issues being raised against Aliping on his being (an alleged) squatter and a squatter protector. In fact, just recently, a leaflet was cowardly left scattered at different streets within the city accusing him of various impropriety, being a squatter and squatter protector, among other obvious black propaganda tirades.

First off, for us to form a fairly reasonable opinion on whether or not Aliping is a squatter himself, and protector of squatters, we will need some basic facts from so-called people in the know, and this people would come from the various departments of the DENR and not from the endless pool of Facebook Commentators (FCs as I like to call them). More so a leaflet with no acknowledgment as to who is responsible for its production, should at the most be taken with a grain of salt, if not totally dismissed as a desperate attempt from a desperate fellow congressional candidate (it is obvious that a fellow congressional candidate would stand to gain from this) to put down Aliping.

Basing on the black propaganda that was circulated, stated at the black prop's leaflet is that here is a person (Aliping) who is an alleged squatter, but the City of Baguio is collecting real estate taxes from him. Now, how many of this sort or type of land occupants/possessors do you think we have in the city? I am certain that a lot of these Facebook Commentators, government (low and high ranking) officials are in similar situation with Aliping, they being possessors of land(s) covered by a Tax Declaration? This is fairly common in Baguio, and therefore, all of those in this situation are technically considered "squatters," who are nevertheless paying real estate taxes not until a Torrens title is issued in their favor.

Let's get real here and not be hypocrites. Show me figures and data on the number of successfully implemented demolitions on land with duly issued tax declarations, and I will show you another ten more that needs to be demolished that are in similar situation, but have not! I am not condoning squatting, but the Baguio situation is quite different from the rest of the country (this will be the subject of a future article of mine). We of course know that a Tax Declaration merely extends rights to the occupant/possessor, the extent of the legal right would best be left explained by a lawyer familiar with land cases. Furthermore, I understand that a piece of land, forest reserve at that (in fact someone at the DENR once told me that technically speaking, the whole of the Cordillera is a forest reservation, could be true!) may have been classified as a forest reservation but re-classified into A & D or Alienable and Disposable status, therefore, this and other research should first be done by the Facebook Commentators and the producer of the black propaganda leaflet, and the results of their research provided to us; otherwise, sad to say, their postings are all empty haka-haka or baseless kiao-kiao!!!

On the issue of Aliping being a squatter protector, the basis of which was his alleged attack on the demolition team at the Busol Watershed. We must also try to get our facts right on this, for this incident reminds me of the very same incident in Davao wherein Mayor Sarah "Inday" Duterte was merely asking for a little more time (another half-hour to delay the demolition) from the Sheriff on the ground, and when the Sheriff allegedly did not heed the call

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FAIR AND SQUARE

Railroading of Resolution Nr. 354 by Councilor Aliping and his Committee Members

BY: ATTY. JAMES VALEROS



If you are one among those who believe that railroading of legislative measures happen only in Congress, you may be mistaken, my friend. It also occurs in our own City Council as what happened in the case of Resolution Nr. 354, Series of 2011.

The railroading of Resolution Nr. 354 by the Committee of Public Utilities, Transportation and Traffic Legislation (CPUTTTL) composed of Councilor ALIPING, as Chairman and Councilors BAGBAGEN and ALANGSAB as members, allowing the opening of route for new and additional jeepneys in Upper San Carlos Heights without much thought and deliberation, happened in this manner.

1) On 12 September 2011, Hon. Nicasio M. Aliping received the first letter of constituents Joseph Ingosan, et. al. requesting for a favorable endorsement by the Committee (CPUTTTL) to the City Council for exemption to the moratorium.

2) A week later on 19 September, the Committee submitted its Report with favorable recommendation to the Council as requested by Joseph Ingosan, et. al.

3) In another week on 26 September, the Committee sponsored in the Council the approval of the measure in but four (4) lines of exchanges between its Chairman and Hon. Aliping, thus,

"NM ALIPING: *Thank you Mr. Chair. May we go to Item ...68*

"CHAIRMAN: *Lets go to 6-8. Go ahead -*

"NM ALIPING: *In behalf of the Committee, may we respectfully move for the approval of ah Item 68 of the agenda.*

"CHAIRMAN: *Any second? Seconded by Honorable ah Bagbagen and Cosalan, Yangot. Any objection? Approved."*

As you can see, compared with PR 0042-10 on proposed legalization of illegal franchises which was made to languish in the Council for 3 years by the same Committee of Councilor Aliping and which up to this writing has not been submitted for approval, Resolution No. 354 was passed in just two (2) weeks time.

Railroading is not undesirable per se but when it is done at the expense of due process and fair play and resulting in the damage of say prior operators such as in this case, railroading is unjust and loathsome. The people who caused the damage are responsible and should be made accountable.

As proposed in this case, the route intended to be opened by Resolution Nr. 354, **Baguio Plaza - Upper San Carlos Heights**, is already sufficiently serviced by jeepneys of the San Carlos Heights Operators and Drivers Association (SCHODA) and Quezon Hill Extension Tam-awan Operators and Drivers Association (QHEXTTODA). Therefore, any new or additional units allowed to come in thereat will cause the operational and financial viability of prior operators to suffer.

Worse most of all, the railroading of the Resolution was done:

1. In the absence of consultation or notice to affected operators (SCHODA and QHEXTTODA) and public hearing as required by due process and fair play.

2. In the absence of existing road open to traffic (the 1st Road, San Carlos Hts) a requirement in the grant of franchise by LTRFB.

3. In the absence of off-street terminal beforehand provided by the applicants, as required by policy of the City.

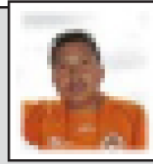
4. In violation of the moratorium and other existing Resolutions of the City Council all designed and promulgated to decongest

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PRANGKAHAN TAYO

Top 12 sa Survey, New Mayor, New Congressman, Change All na Nga!!!

BY: ORWEN TRAZO



Higit sa kaalaman ng marami ay mayroong isinagawang survey sa 100 barangays sa ating siyudad kung saan ang survey ay isinagawa sa mahigit na 8,000 na katao hinggil sa mga tumatakbo para Tongsehal este Konsehal, Mayor at Tongressman este Congressman, at tunay na nakaka-taka ang resulta ng survey at mukhang change oil este change all na nga ang patutungan natin sa darating na halalan.

Ako ay talagang gulat na gulat sa resulta ng survey sapagkat hindi ko akalain na ang mga sumusunod na kandidato ang siyang mapo-posisyon sa top 12, kaya dahil dito ay kampante akong makapagsasabi na tunay na mga intelligent voters ang mga tanga este taga Baguio. Kaya mabuhay ang mga tanga este taga Baguio!!!

Ngunit bago ko i-release ang resulta ng survey at bago natin pag-usapan ang resulta ng survey, ay nais ko munang batiin, payuhan at palakasin ang loob ng mga talunan na kandidato. Kayong mga talunan, huwag kayong mawawalan ng pag-asa, ang pakatatandaan ay always try and try until you die este succeed. Kapag talo kayo ngayon, run again, run again and again and again. Takbo lang ng takbo sa bawat halalan, du nat geb ap por tomoro is anoder diy (pasensiya kayu mga kaibigan at bisaya mang gid, malog-malog, pagari-pagari) at sisiguraduhin ko sa inyo na baka in 20, 30, 40 or even 50 years ay lalabas rin kayo. Hi ! Hi ! Hi ! End op cors huwag kalilimutan ang red horse at emperador lights, pampatanggal ng sama ng loob.

Ngayon, gusto ba ninyo malaman ang mga nasa ilalim o yun kulelat na last 12 na mga talunan na konsehala? Ok, aking isisiwalat na, pero pakiusap ko lang po, kung maari lang ay atin-atin na lang ito at huwag na po ninyo i-share sa iba, sikretohin niyo lang ba, oki ba???

Ang mga kulelat at siguradong talunan para Konsehal ay sina- **Richard Carino, Fred Bagbagen, Rocky Thomas Balisong, Phillian Weygan Allan, Poppo Cosalan, Ed Bilog, Bobby Ortega, Faustino Olowan, Leandro Yangot, Elmer Datuin, Betty Lourdes Tabanda, Peter Fianza. Mga talunin para Mayor ay sina Jose "JOEMOL" Molintas, Mauricio Domogan. Sa para Congressman siguradong talunan ay sina Nick Aliping, Mark Go at Bernie Vergara.**

Ayan, mga dear readers. Nakalulungkot man iparating sa inyo ngunit certified na mga talunan ang mga pangalan na aking nabangit, kaya sa inyong mga siguradong talunan, Biter Lack Nixt Time.

Siyanga pala, may nagtanong kung ano daw ang margin of error ng nasabing survey. Ang margin of error sa mga talunan ay 98% to 99%, plus or minus 1%. Hi! Hi! Hi! Ano ba kasi ang ibig sabihin ng margin of error?

At para naman sa mga top winners at mga sure ball, **CERTIFIED** na magiging mga Baguio City Councilors, Mayor, and Congressman for the term-2013 to 2016, according to ranking, eto ang resulta ng survey: **No. 1 - Anthony Araos, No. 2- Rob Ocampo, No. 3- Glen Gaerlan, No. 4-Bruce Limmayog, No. 5- Raye Baquirin, No. 6- Junie Itliong, No. 7- Arthur Allad-iv, No. 8 - George Dumawing, No. 9- Mabini Maskay, No. 10- Derek Bautista, , No. 11- Rudy Paraan, No. 12- Federico Mandapat. - ADVANCE CONGRATULATIONS SA MGA NAGWAGI!!! Para Mayor, walang iba kung hindi si Jun Malabo este "Fake Healer" Labo at para Congressman - Mike Arvisu -ADVANCE CONGRATULATIONS PO SA INYONG LAHAT NA NAGWAGI!!! Punta ako blu out nyo ha??? Hi! Hi! Hi! Hi!**

NGO, DepEd conduct IP education seminar-workshop for teachers and students

BAGUIO CITY - To give more awareness on Cordillera culture, artistry and indigenous practices, a three-day Indigenous People (IP) Education Workshop was held at the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) Hall at the Baguio Museum which was attended by teachers and students here.

Organized by the LIN-AWA Center for Culture and the Arts, in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd), the workshop held last April 25 to 27, is the 16th of a series of workshops which aims to promote IP culture awareness and

integration as part of the IP Education under DepEd's K to 12 curriculum.

For the workshop, the participants were provided lectures on legal issues on IP's right and the current state of the IP communities in the Cordillera region. Cultural performers and lecturers also demonstrated indigenous music, attires, dances, and literature to promote cultural identity and preservation during the event's interactive workshop. There were also focus group discussion and lectures about the proper protocols in wearing indigenous attires.

Participants also experienced

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BSU conducts study on nutritional contents of vegetable enriched noodles

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - A study on the effect of vegetable enrichment to noodles showed significant results based on a research conducted by the Benguet Vegetable Processing Center of the BSU (BVPC-BSU).

BVPC-BSU Center Manager Violeta Salda said they conducted a research on the vegetable enriched noodles to determine the nutritional contents of the products sold in the center. The study was focused on the macro element contents or

the mineral, crude protein, crude fat, carbohydrates, and calories found in the vegetable noodles.

The study had 3 variables, the control or wheat noodles, noodles with steamed vegetable puree and noodles with fresh puree tested in three kinds of vegetables namely carrots, squash and pechay.

In terms of quality and marketability, it was found out that noodles added with steamed vegetable puree in three vegetable commodities showed best results in nutrient retention, color, appearance,

texture, taste and flavor acceptability, according to Salda although there is a slight difference in the addition of fresh vegetable puree.

Mineral content in steamed puree is higher amounting to 14.67% and slightly lower in fresh puree at 11.70 percent compared to wheat noodles only.

The same values and percentage were derived as to kilo calories content also higher in both steamed and fresh puree at 14.67% and 11.70% compared to noodles only.

Crude protein in steamed puree is higher recording a

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UP Baguio holds voters education forum

BAGUIO CITY - The University of the Philippines Baguio (UPB) holds a free forum on voters' education particularly for first time voters today, May 4.

The 'Unang Balota: A Round table Discussion on First Time Voter's Education' at the UPB College of Social Sciences Audio Visual Room starts at 9AM.

This is organized by the UPB-University Student Council (UPB-USC), UPB Politically Inclined Students, UPB Economics Society and UP Kalipunan ng mga Mag-aaral sa Kasaysayan.

In a report from the UPB-USC, it stated that it is important to inform and inspire the youth on the importance of their votes for the May 2013 election. Youth voters consists 40% of this election's electorate or the total number of voters, it added.

First time voters are invited to join the event, expected to be participated by students from the different colleges and universities in Baguio and Benguet.

Representatives from the COMELEC - Cordillera are the invited speakers in the forum.

The event is also in partnership with the COMELEC and ABS-CBN/JDP/RC and AC Torres, PIA-CAR

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- Sustain his green governance and maintain clean air, creeks and green Baguio.
- Continue his advocacy for the resolution of the Baguio City Land Problems.
- Continue to improve the city's educational and sports programs. Continue to improve the educational financial assistance program for poor but deserving students.
- Sustain the implementation of effective traffic schemes and peace and order interventions.
- Sustain the relentless drive against drug trafficking and illegal gambling.
- Sustain the implementation of appropriate city market development.
- Sustain the development of the city barangays.
- Sustain the programs for social services and livelihood assistance.
- Sustain the fight against the tilting of watersheds and peels to maintain the city's greenery.
- Sustain his transparent, accountable, pro-active, people-oriented and participatory governance.
- Pursue the Metro-Baguio Development known as the BUSTY growth area (Baguio, La Trinidad, Itogon, Selkirk, Tuba, Tubbog).

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Re-Electionist Councilor **FRED BAGBAGEN (Timpuyog)**, ating pinadalhan ng liham nitong April 9, 2013 kung saan inaalang natin ang ilang mga napakasimpleng mga katanungan ngunit kanya itong inisnub. Kompirmado na isa siya sa akusado sa Criminal Case No. 27971 sa RTC Br 6 sa kaso na sa ESTABA mula pa noon taong 2007. Ang mga detalye patungkol sa kanya ay ating inilabas sa pahayagang ito nitong April 24, 2013 issue.



Dating konsehal **FAUSTINO OLOWAN (Liberal Party)**, ating pinadalhan ng liham nitong April 9, 2013 kung saan inaalang natin ang ilan mga napakasimpleng mga katanungan ngunit kanyang inisnub. Ano ba talaga ang ayaw ipaalang sa publiko nitong si Atty. Olowan at kanyang dinedma ang ilang mga napakasimpleng katanungan? Nakakataktok isipin na kapag naging Konsehal ang mamang ito ay wala sa kanyang bokabularyo ang salitang **TRANSPARENCY**, at malamang ay lalo niyang iisnabin ang mga concerns ni Juan Dela Cruz. Ang mga detalye patungkol sa kanya ay ating inilabas sa April 24, 2013 issue.

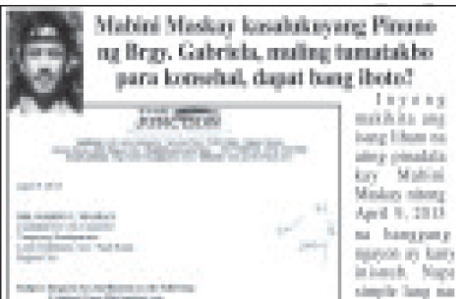


JONIE ITLIONG (BIDA), Presidente ng Federation of Jeepney Operators

and Drivers Association (FEJODAB), kandidato para Konsehal ng Baguio. Pinadalhan ng pahayagang ito ng liham si G. Itliong nitong April 15, 2013 kung saan ating inaalang sa kanya ang mga ilang naging transaksyon o ang partisipasyon niya sa mga nakaraang kalakalanan sa DOTC; at sa kanyang pagiging President ng FEJODAB kung saan ating inaalang ang hinggil sa mga transaksyon na marahil ay kanyang inabuso o ginamit ang kanyang katungkulan para sa kanyang personal na interes at benepisyo, ngunit inisnub niya ang ting liham. **BAKIT???** Ang mga detalye patungkol sa kanya ay ating inilabas nitong April 24, 2013 issue.



MABINI MASKAY (Timpuyog), kasalukuyang Punong Barangay ng Barangay Gabriela Silang na tumatakbo para Konsehal ng Baguio City. Atin siyang pinadalhan ng liham nitong April 9, 2013 kung saan inaalang natin ang hinggil sa mga kinasangkutan niyang mga Criminal Cases (4 na kaso), ngunit minabuti ni G. Maskay na isnabin ang ating liham. Mga napakasimpleng mga katanungan, ngunit tayong madla, hindi niya mabigyan ng impormasyon. **BAKIT???** Ang mga detalye patungkol sa kanya ay ating inilabas sa nitong April 27, 2013 issue.

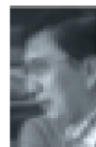


Dating Konsehal at dating DOTC-CAR Regional Director **FEDERICO MANDAPAT (Timpuyog)** na ngayon ay tumatakbo para konsehal, ating pinadalhan ng liham nitong April 15, 2013. Ilang mga napakasimpleng impormasyon at pati na rin ang kanyang panig na nais natin malaman katulad halimbawa ng isang Petisyon na nilagdaan ng at least 165 jeepney drivers and operators na inendorso ni dating Congressman Vigor D. Mendoza II na ang siyang Petisyon ay ipinadala kay dating Pangulong Gloria Macapagal Arroyo kung saan nais ng mga nag-petisyon na patalsikin si DOTC-CAR Regional Director Federico Mandapat; subalit ninais ni Federico Mandapat na isnabin ang ating liham. **BAKIT???** Ang mga detalye patungkol sa isyu na ito ay ating inilabas nitong April 27, 2013 issue.



ELAINE "Kabsat" SEMBRANO (Timpuyog), dating Konsehal at dating kandidato para Mayor na ngayon ay tumatakbo para Konsehal. Ating napatunayan sa nakaraang isyu (May 1, 2013) na itong si Gng Sembrano ay nabigyan

ng pagkakataon na makapasok sa isang MOA para sa paggamit ng isang highly commercial property along Governor Pack Rd, ngunit ang mas nakalulungkot ay yung patuloy na pagtanggap ni Gng Sembrano na wala siyang nilagdaan na MOA. Kung bakit kailangan pa niyang magsinungaling ay tunay na isang palaisipan. Magitiwala ba kayo sa isang **SINUNGALING??!**

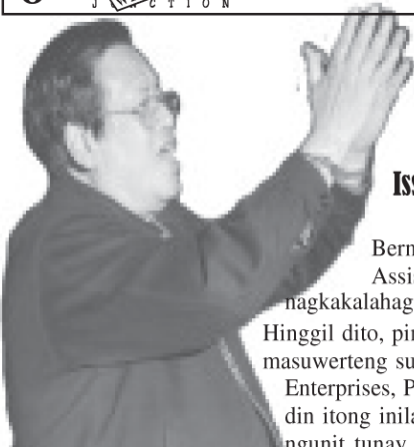


MARK GO (Liberal Party), kandidato para Congressman, isang edukadong tao na may mataas na pinag-aralan, isang matagumpay na negosyante. Bakit kaya kanyang inisnab ang ating liham na pinadala sa kanya nitong April 12, 2013 kung saan ilang napakasimpleng impormasyon ang nais nating malaman katulad ng kanyang Assets, utang (kung mayroon man), ngunit ang ating mga napaka simpleng katanungan ay kanyang inisnab. **BAKIT???** Paano na kung maging Congressman itong si **Mark Go**, marahil ay ang mga katanungan ni Juan Dela Cruz ay kanya ring isnabin. Ang mga detalye patungkol sa isyu na ito ay ating inilabas nitong May 1, 2013.



LEANDRO YANGOT, JR., dating Konsehal at dating Director ng John Hay Management Corporation (JHMC). Ating inilabas ang mga isyu patungkol sa kanya nitong nakaraan May 4, 2013. Kabilang sa mga issue na ito ay ang mga alegasyon ng kanyang mga dating kapartido sa LP na siya ay naging taksil at traydor sa LP Baguio noong eleksyon 2010, at ang mismong pag-tanggap ni Pangulong PNOY na makuhanan ng picture na katabi si Lenadro Yangot Jr., at ang kanyang final conviction mula sa Supreme Court for Crim. Case No. 9795-R for Reckless Imprudence resulting in Multiple Damage to property. Maliban pa dito ay ang iba pang mga isyu patungkol sa kanya. **NAPAKARAMING MGA NEGATIBONG ISSUE** hinggil kay Leandro Yangot Jr., kung saan nakakataktok siyang pagkatiwalaan na maging Konsehal.





CONGRESSMAN BERNARDO VERGARA, KORAP BA SIYA O HINDI??? KARAPAT-DAPAT BA NYANG MAKAMIT ANG INYONG MATAMIS NA BOTO???

Issue #1: Ang Medical Kits na nagkakahalaga ng P1,280,000 ipinamigay sa 128 Barangays

Ito ay hinggil sa P1,280,000 na inilaan ni re-electionist Cong. Bernardo Vergara mula sa kanyang Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF). Ipinamili raw ito ng 128 medical kits na nagkakalahaga ng P10,000/kit o sa kabuuang halagang P1.28 million.

Hinggil dito, pinadalhan ng Linis Gobyerno (LG) si Cong. Vergara at ang masuwerteng supplier ng medical kits (Esmeralda Dee, ESM Learning Enterprises, Porta Vaga, BC) ng liham nitong 1/5/2013 at 1/21/2013, at atin din itong inilabas sa LG Komentaryo Section sa ating 2/9/2013 issue, ngunit tunay na nakalulungkot at wala tayong natanggap na kahit ano pa

mang impormasyon o reaksyon mula sa tanggapan ni Cong. Vergara o ng supplier, hinggil sa transaksyon na ito. Nais lang nating alamin kung magkano ang halaga ng mga items na nilalaman ng medical kits para sa ganuon ay ating ma counter check at ma-canvass ito mula sa ibang mga suppliers. Ngunit dahil sa non-cooperation ng tanggapan ni Cong. Vergara at ng supplier, dahil sa kanilang pang-iisnab ating mga napakasimpleng katanungan, ay minabuti nating magsagawa ng ating sariling canvass from other Manila-based suppliers base na rin sa mga specific and particular medical supplies and items na nilalaman ng nasabing kits na nagkakahalaga raw ng P10,000 per kit. Base sa ating detailed canvass with the same specifications ng nilalaman ng P10,000 per Medical Kit, ang kinalabasan nito ay nasa range of **P5,500 to P6,300** ang kabuuang halaga ng bawat kit o ang suma total na halaga na (kung ating babasehan sa average na P5,800 per kit) ay **P5,800 x 128 kits = P742,400** o may deperensya na **P537,600** o mas mura ng **Forty-Two Percent (42 %)**. Ang tanong ngayon ay papaano kami nakapag-canvas ng halagang ganito na humigit-kumulang at mas mababa ng 42% kumpara sa iginastos ni Cong. Vergara para sa mga nasabing Medical Kits. Hinggil dito, kami ay naniniwala na pinalibutan ng **MATINDING KORAPSYON** ang pagbibili ng nasabing Medical Kits. Pati pa ba naman ang medical kits na gagamitin for emergency purposes ng mga Barangay ay **HINDI PINALAMPAS?! WALA TALAGANG PATAWAD, ANO??!**

Ang photo release na ito ay lumabas noong 12/29/2012



Ready for Emergency- An allotment of Php 1,280,000 was allotted by Cong. Bbernardo M. Vergara's PDAF to purchase 128 emergency medical kits which were recently handed over to the 128 barangay captains of Baguio City. Each kit contains first aid supplies and equipment consisting of an oxygen tank, Blood pressure apparatus, basic surgical instruments, bandages, medicines and other medical supplies that may come in handy in case of emergencies and calamities./Photo by Ezer D. Owindo



Items contained in one kit costing an amount of P10,000.00/kit.



Itemized contents of medical supplies kit

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| 1. 1 unit – 5 lbs. Oxygen Tank with Regulator Mask | 24. 2 pcs. Sterile Eye Pad |
| 2. 1 unit- BP Apparatus/Stethoscope | 25. 1 pair Sterile Gloves |
| 3. 1 pc. Digital Thermometer | 26. 1 pc. Sterile Tongue Depressor |
| 4. 1 pair Bandage Scissor | 27. 1 pc. Surgical face Mask |
| 5. 1 pair Kelly Forceps | Surgical Tape |
| 6. 1 pair Operating Scissors | 28. 1 pc. 1 inch |
| 7. 1 pair Splints | 29. 1 pc. One half inch |
| 8. 1 pair Thumb Forceps | 30. 1 set Tourniquet |
| 9. 1 pc. Hot Water Bag (1L) | 31. 1 pc. Triangular Bandage (cravat) |
| 10. 1 pc. Ice Bag # 6 Cannula Catheter | 32. 1 pack cotton, 90 grams |
| 11. Gauge 18 | 33. 1 tube Burn Ointment, 30 grams |
| 12. Gauge 22 | 34. Calamine solution, 120 ml |
| 13. Gauge 24 | 35. 1 bottle eye drops/eye wash, 7.5 ml |
| 14. 1 Bag Dextrose (DSLRs) | 36. 1 bottle Hydrogen Peroxide, 120 ml |
| 15. 1 pc. Ann Sling Elastic Bandage | 37. 1 bottle petroleum jelly, 25 mg. |
| 16. 1 pc. 2 inches | 38. 1 bottle spirit of ammonia, 15 ml |
| 17. 1 pc. 4 inches | 39. 1 bottle betadine, 250 ml. |
| 18. 1 pc. 6 inches Gauze Pad | 40. 1 bottle alcohol 70%, 250 ml |
| 19. 1 pc. 4 X 4 | 41. 50 tablets anti diarrhea |
| 20. 1 pc. 2 X 2 | 42. 1 tube Anti Histamine Cream, 5 mg. |
| 21. 1 pc. 4 X 10 | 43. 25 sachets – Oresol (hydrite) |
| Plaster | 44. 50 tablets- paracetamol, 500 mg. |
| 22. 1 pc. Transpore | 45. 1 pc. Medical first aid kit bag |
| 23. 1 pc. Micropore | |

Issue #2: Ang 214 VHF Radios at 42 Mountain Bikes na pinamigay sa 107 Barangays

Ano na naman ang sekreto na ayaw ilabas ng tanggapan ni Cong. Vergara at ayaw ipaalam sa publiko hinggil sa transaksyon ng paggamit ng kanyang PDAF kung saan tinatanong natin kung magkano ang ginastos, sinu-sino ang supplier(s), at specifications ng Mountain Bikes. Pinadalhan na natin ng tatlong liham ang tanggapan ni Cong. Vergara nitong Jan. 7, Jan. 21, at Feb. 13, 2013, at atin ding ilinabas ito sa LG Komentaryo Section sa ating Feb. 16, 2013 issue. Tayo ay nakatanggap ng kasagutan mula kay Cong. Vergara dated Jan. 25, 2013 kung saan ang kanyang nakakatawa at nakakagulat na kasagutan ay: *“We wish to inform you that although the project was funded from my PDAF, I cannot provide you with the needed information as the implementation was coursed to the appropriate agency concerned.”* Ano ba naman klaseng sagot ito, pondo na galing mula sa PDAF mo, Mr. Congressman, hindi mo alam kung magkano ang inilaan mo, ano ka inutit? Sa puntong ito, hindi pa natin mahusgahan kung may pumapalibot na **ANOMALYA** o

KORAPSYON hinggil sa transaksyon na ito sapagkat ayaw ipaalam sa publiko ni Cong. Vergara kung ilang milyong piso ang ginastos para sa transaksyon na ito.

Ang photo release na ito ay lumabas noong June 23, 2012.

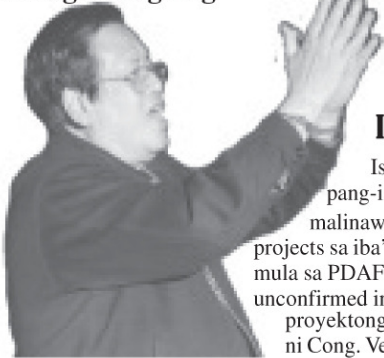


Congressman Bernardo M. Vergara recently distributed a total of 214 units of VHF Radio Tranceivers (Kenwood TH 255A) to 107 Barangays (2 units per barangay) and 42 mountain bikes for 21 barangays (2 bikes per barangay). / Photo by Glenn S. Pat-ogan



Sundan ang iba pang issues sa p. 9

...Ang Karugtong



CONGRESSMAN BERNARDO VERGARA, KORAP BA SIYA O HINDI??? KARAPAT-DAPAT BA NYANG MAKAMIT ANG INYONG MATAMIS NA BOTO???

Issue #3: Mga Mushroom Projects (4 Million daw) mula sa PDAF ni Cong. Vergara

Isa na namang matinding dedma at pang-isnab hinggil sa nais nating malinawan na katanungan sa mga mushroom projects sa iba't-ibang Barangay na pinondoham mula sa PDAF ni Cong. Vergara. Ayon sa unconfirmed information, P4M ang ginastos sa proyektong ito. Sinulatan natin ang tanggapan ni Cong. Vergara at tanggapan ni Dir. Sta Catalina, Regional Director ng DA-CAR nitong 2/19/2013 na siyang implementing government agency ng proyektong ito. Nais lang nating malaman ang ilang very basic information katulad ng magkano ang ginastos sa mga mushroom houses, sino ang supplier at iba pa. Ngunit hanggang sa kasalukuyan ay wala tayong natanggap na ano pa mang impormasyon mula sa tanggapan ni Cong. Vergara, at noong 3/6/2013 ay nakatanggap tayo ng liham mula sa tanggapan ni Dir. Sta. Catalina kung saan kanyang ibinigay ang pangalan at address ng supplier na NGO na naka base sa Quezon city na siyang nag-implement ng nasabing proyekto. Nuong 3/15/2013 ay agad nating sinulatan (through hard-copy letter and e-mail) ang nasabing NGO, ngunit hanggang sa kasalukuyan ay wala pa tayong natanggap na kasagutan. Sa madali't salita ay nasa dilim pa rin tayo hinggil sa transaksyon na ito. Kung bakit, ang ilang mga napakadaling sagutin na katanungan ay hindi nila masagot ay tunay na isang palaisipan. **BAKIT KAYA, ANO ANG KANILANG AYAW IPAALM SA PUBLIKO???**

Ipagpaumanhin ninyo mga mahal na taga pagbasa, marami pang mga isyu ang nais nating ipaalam sa inyo ngunit dahil sa kakulangan ng espasyo ay hindi natin mailabas lahat ng mga ito. Ang masasabi lang naming ay: Huwag sana ninyong sayangin ang inyong boto sa isang opisyal na ayaw ipaalam sa inyo kung paano ginagastos at kanyang mga proyekto!!! Karapatan ninyong mga botante na malaman ang mga napaka simpleng bagay na ganito, dahil pera po ninyo ito!!!



Ang photo release na ito ay lumabas noong Nov. 3, 2012.



Mushroom Happy- Another mushroom production house was recently inaugurated in Barangay QM. Photos show a delighted Cong. Bernardo M. Vergara assisting barangay folk as they harvest their first yield of oyster mushrooms. The Barangay Mushroom Venture- a livelihood project initiated by Cong. Vergara in cooperation with the Department of Agriculture has successfully set up 18 fully operational mushroom houses in different barangays of the city and will be setting up 82 more. Oyster mushroom production is a lucrative business which can yield up to 600% in profit in the span of 6 months of production./photo by Glenn S. Pat-ogan

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playing the traditional bamboo instruments such as "Balingbing", "Tungali/Kalaleng", "Kullibaw", and "Tungtongatong". They were also enjoined on a workshop on critical reading of cultural texts, such as spoken and written literary pieces and performance arts.

LIN-AWA Executive Director Lucia Ruiz, in an interview, disclosed that the seminar/workshop is in line with DepEd Order No.62 series of 2011 or the National Indigenous Peoples Education Policy Framework.

"This activity aims to promote discourse on indigenous cultures and IP integration through the use of the

Philippine education system. This is part of DepEd's way of recognizing IP education as a right for every Filipino student", she stressed.

As for LIN-AWA, Ruiz disclosed that as a non government organization (NGO), they extend their contributions to vulnerable sectors of the community such as IPs, indigent families, children with special needs, and farmers.

Ruiz explained that their advocacy is captured in the word 'Lin-awa', which is an indigenous term meaning sense of social and psychological well-being among individuals./ JDP/CCD and Jonah Chaangan,PIA CAR

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10.05% increase while 9.21% increase in fresh puree compared to noodles only.

Crude fat is lower in both steamed puree and fresh puree compared to wheat noodles only which accounts for 8.59 percent and 11.0 percent reduction, respectively.

Carbohydrates in both steamed and fresh puree slightly increased by 2.87% and 2.31%, respectively compared to noodles only.

Cooking the vegetable enriched noodles should be done quickly for nutrient content retention and should be served and eaten immediately, Salda advised.

The BVPC-BSU was established as a facility for modern postharvest processing to promote increase consumption of fresh and processed agricultural produce.

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Comelec says liquor ban starts May 9, campaign period ends May 11

BAGUIO CITY - Barely a week to the midterm elections, the Commission on Elections (Comelec)-Cordillera announced that the liquor ban will take effect from May 9 until May 13, Election Day, while the campaign period will end on May 11.

Regional director Jose Nick A. Mendros said that the liquor ban is issued to address the evils and

problems related to the taking of intoxicating drinks during the election period.

As per Comelec Resolution 9582, any person including owners and managers of hotels and establishments, are prohibited to sell, furnish, offer, buy, serve, or take intoxicating liquor anywhere in the country. Violation of said liquor ban is punishable with imprisonment of

not less than one year but not more than six years and shall not be subject to probation.

He explained that hotels and other establishments duly certified by the Department of Tourism (DOT) may seek exceptions of the liquor ban subject to approval by the Comelec.

Mendros also reiterated that the campaign period for candidates for Senator and Party-List groups,

members of the House of Representatives, regional, provincial, city and municipal officials shall end on May 2013.

Meanwhile, Comelec also



warned candidates for any vote buying activity and asked the electorate to vote wisely.

Mendros also advised the voters not to "over vote" when they fill up their ballots come election day on May 13, 2013 as a voter's vote for the position will not be counted.

For the senatorial slate, voters must at most shade 12 among the list of 32 candidates, he said.

For Baguio City, voters will choose 12 councilors while in Tabuk City the electorate will select 10 councilors while and the rest of the municipalities in the region will vote for 8 councilors.

He advised voters to list down their candidates and bring with them their codigo in the polling center to make voting easier and faster./JDP/JPZ-PIA CAR

2,317 OSY, adults in Cordillera pass

DepEd-ALS A&E Test

BAGUIO CITY - More than 2,300 out of school youths and adults from the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) have now the opportunity to continue their secondary education or even to pursue a college degree after they passed the Department of Education's Alternative Learning System (DepEd-ALS) Accreditation and Equivalency (A&E) Examination.

Based on the December 2012 ALS A&E examination result released by the Bureau of Alternative Learning System, there are 2,317 school drop-outs or out-of-school youth and adults in CAR who passed the ALS A&E elementary and secondary level tests. Out of the total number, there are 126 passers for the elementary A&E test and 2,185 passers for the secondary level.

Power firm provides fund for solid waste mgt project in Ifugao

ALFONSO LISTA, Ifugao - The SN Aboitiz Power (SNAP) Magat has provided more than half million pesos to fund the implementation of the Lagawe Solid Waste Management Project (LSWMP).

Per provincial breakdown, Abra has 69 passers, Apayao - 79, Baguio - 449, Benguet - 915, Ifugao - 443, Kalinga - 117, and Mountain Province - 245.

The top three ALS-CAR divisions in terms of passing rate are Baguio with 62.02 percent passing rate; Benguet, 53.98%, and Ifugao, 53.31%.

DepEd ALS Regional Coordinator Gloria Felipe, in a statement, disclosed that the ALS A&E passers will be issued a DepEd certificate/diploma signed by the Education Secretary. Elementary level passers can now enroll in secondary education while secondary level passers can now enroll in tertiary or college education.

Those who failed to pass the December 2012 A&E, they may enroll again in ALS and register for the next A&E test to be scheduled in the later part of this year./JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

This was allocated under the CSR fund of SNAP to pursue community projects.

The fund will be utilized for the establishment of material recovery facilities, staff development and trainings, purchase of information education campaign (IEC)

equipments, materials and supplies.

Based on the MOA signed last week by officials of the power firm and the LGU of Lagawe, the SNAP-Magat CSR team will validate, inspect and verify the implementation of the project in accordance with the terms and conditions set.

The LGU also shall allow SNAP-Magat, Inc. full access to all original records, docs and books pertaining to the of the project. / M B L - P I A CAR, Ifugao)

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