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MABUHAYANG PILIPINO!!! BAGUIO CITY, AND LATRINIDAD, BENGUET LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

Differing Views on Autonomy Presented in Student Forum



Feed the Hungry Children: Former Baguio City Mayor Ramon "Jun" Labo, Jr. spearheads the Feed The Hungry Children program during this nutrition month at Sto. Nino Barangay. This will be a month long weekly feeding activity. One Hundred Fifty (150) children and 64 indigent families will be benefiting this whole month. Seen in the above photos from top left to right are Businessman and Civic Leader Ramon "Jun" Labo holding a certificate with PB Camilo P. Tacbas and at the other photos are the generous foreign friends and supporters of the Civic Leader Jun Labo who came all the way from the US and Europe to lend their help and look into other Philippine investment and business opportunities particularly at Baguio. Mr. Labo is also a 3-time Lions District Governor. /Photo by Orwen L. Trazo/ Kyle De Guzman

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - To go for autonomy now or sooner were the differing views of speakers in a student forum of the Department of Development Communication (DevCom) of the Benguet State University on understanding Cordillera regional autonomy.

Baguio City Mayor Mauricio Domogan, who presented the salient features of House Bill 5595 which seeks to establish Cordillera Autonomous Region, admitted that it is difficult to get the consensus of Cordillerans and that there is no way to come up with a perfect law, referring to the Organic Act for an autonomous region.

But Domogan was firm in his stand saying it is best to have a starting point rather than to become stagnant as a Cordillera region, the basis of comparison is the present status as an administrative region.

This is the reason Domogan said he serves as resource speaker around the region when he is invited as much as he can to campaign for autonomy which has been a very long clamor. The Cordillera Administrative Region, an interim region in preparation for an autonomous region celebrated its 25th anniversary last July 15, 2012.

Domogan brushed aside his po- **Cont. on page 9**

*Mayat ti Cordillera
Autonomy, ngem kontra kami
dagiti nakakur-korap nga
opisyales nga agisursurong
dito. Nu maaprubaran ti
autonomy, ad-adun tu manen
ti takawen da.*

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Vendors' Apron up for Public Hearing

His peers at the city legislature agree his intentions are good, yet feel city councilor Edison Bilog's proposal to require all market vendors, including sidewalk peddlers, to wear color-coded aprons while selling might do more harm than good.

The proposed ordinance was up for second reading but the city council Monday deferred passage and have the measure subjected to a public hearing.

"Will it not legitimize street vendors?," asked councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda, expressing the fears of other members that peddlers would misconstrue the apron as some badge validating their occupation of sidewalks and other pedestrian walkways.

"How can this ordinance put order to a chaotic market?," asked councilor Isabelo Cosalan Jr. while councilor Elmer Datuin said the staff of the city market supervisor would be overburdened by adding to their work the enforcement of the apron-wearing requirement.

The council's committee on market, trade and commerce headed by councilor Perlita Rondez earlier recommended approval on second reading of the proposed ordinance and that of a similar measure filed by vice-mayor Daniel Farinas.

Fianza, a member of the committee, however, asked, "but will this not legalize use of sidewalks for vending?" Bilog explained his proposal was intended to help tidy up the market, and also for health and tourism purposes, not to legitimize sidewalk vending.

"Public and private market and talipapa vendors can contribute and play a vital part in exercising a healthy Baguio City if they themselves are neat, tidy and careful while playing and selling their trades, products and services," Bilog said in his proposal.

"With a color-coded apron system that is both useful and pleasing to the sight of market-goers it may somehow put order to the otherwise chaotic sight that is observed in the public as well as private Baguio markets," the measure added.

He recommended red apron for meat, fish, lechon, chicken and poultry vendors; green for those selling fruits, vegetables and groceries; white for eatery and dry goods vendors; and electric blue for all sidewalk vendors.

He pegged the fines for violations are P300 for the first offense, P500 for the second and P700 per violation for the third.

Exempted in the proposal titled "The Baguio City Market Vendors' Apron Identification System" are vendors in malls and shopping complexes./Ramon Dacawi.

Tax Amnesty Against Upgrade of Realty Tax up in City Council

Two contrasting taxation proposals are up in the city council amidst the continuing strain on the city's finances by the need to haul Baguio's garbage to Capas, Tarlac until it can develop its own engineered sanitary landfill.

As early as April this year, the Local Finance Committee led by city budget officer Leticia Clemente urged the city council to upgrade the fair and current market values of real properties that "have stagnated since 1996" despite provision in the Local Government Code for the revision of the same every three years.

Also pending in the local legislature are a proposal of vice-mayor Daniel Farinas for a tax amnesty on delinquent real property taxes and a similar one of councilor Edison Bilog to include delinquent business taxes.

The city council's committee on ways and means and finance (Cluster B) headed by Farinas has recommended approval of the two proposals on second reading.

Records of the city treasurer's office show that in the 2008 tax amnesty, 309 of those who availed or 29 percent stopped paying after the amnesty and are again tax delinquents to the present.

The present LCF, also composed of city accountant Antonio Tabin, city administrator Carlos Canilao, acting planning officer Evelyn Cayat, acting city treasurer Alice Onoza and acting city assessor Nilda Navarro, said there is no legal basis for the grant of amnesty covering business taxes.

In recommending the upgrade of the fair and current market values of real properties, the LCF said: "With the growing concerns of the city needing financial support, it is imperative that we take advantage of the power of taxation granted under R.A. 7160 to ensure continuous delivery of basic services to our residents in the most effective and efficient way."

Then city assessor Augustus Medina in September, 2010 submitted

Two more Dialysis Patients send the wallet.

Still, it's a more practical option compared to kidney transplant, which can run to P1.5 million from tissue matching to recovery, the amount to include expensive anti-rejection medicines for at least a year.

Yet hemodialysis is far beyond the means, not only for Dinton and Marilou, but to hundreds of similarly situated patients from all over who have flocked to Baguio and La Trinidad to be near those equally expensive machines that work as their kidneys.

Simplicio, Marilou's 34-year old common-law husband who works as a security guard, just can't figure out how ends could meet. Distraught over how to sustain his wife's treatment, he got her social case study report from the municipal social welfare office, the clinical abstract and her written permission allowing the publication of a news item on her plight.

So did Dinton's 56-year mother, Benita, a farm laborer from Kapanaganan, Benguet. Last week, she followed up on her son's request for publication of his medical condition, "with the hope that readers/listeners would know of my case and be able to respond and extend their support to help sustain my dialysis sessions".

Marilou is on the Monday and Thursday schedule at the crowded Renal Center of the Baguio General Hospital and Medi-

cal Center, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Simplicio said it was easier for her to be brought up her by bus for her treatment than to have her session in Dagupan.

The couple's struggle to maintain her treatment sessions is for their five-year old daughter Sharmane.

Dinton has four sisters and a brother also trying to make ends meet. Gereldin, the eldest at 35, and Dionido, 33, are marginal farmers. Rebecca, 30, is a store helper, while Sharon, 31, is a house help. Rythlyn, 23, is a farm laborer like their father Elemerio, a native of Kapanaganan, Benguet, met Benita in Quirino Province where both worked as farm laborers. After marriage, the couple established their residence on a lot given them by a relative. Their six kids did not pursue college studies due to limited financial resources, wrote social worker Maria Lourdes Taguiba of the La Trinidad social welfare office.

Dinton, the last child, ventured into La Trinidad in 2007, and found work as a carrot washer. Last November, he suffered a mild stroke. Medical examination confirmed he was also suffering from end-stage renal failure.

"He is at present undergoing twice-a-week hemodialysis which the family could no longer afford to support," said Taguiba. Cont. on page 9

Rotarians Breaking Bread with Prisoners

Members of Rotary was recently cited by the Rotary Youth Support Liaison Council for Club of Baguio Great East Japan Summer Capital Cont. on page 10

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Itogon Officials Request MGB-DENR-CAR for Soil Stability Tests in Critical Areas

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - The town officials of Itogon, Benguet are requesting the Mines and Geo-Science Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources – Cordillera(MGB-CAR) to undertake soil stability test within the risk and geo-hazard areas of the municipality for their proper guidance.

In their resolution, the officials requested MGB-CAR to conduct soil stability test within risk and geo-hazard areas in the municipality of Itogon and to give preference to the Baguio Gold Road at Tuding and along the Baguio-Bua-Itogon National Road located at Lower Ucab, Itogon, Benguet.”

The resolution was endorsed by the Provincial Board to the MGB-DENR-CAR through Regional Executive Director Clarence Bauguilat for his favorable action.

The Board’s Peace and Order and Public Safety committee chaired by board member Nardo Cayat had indicated in their report that such soil stability tests within the said areas are direly needed to guide the communities affected and their citizens to act accordingly especially during the rainy seasons and typhoons.

Soil stability test provides information on the coherence of soil aggregates, structure and its resistance to erosion. Accordingly this should be measured hand in hand with vegetation measurements and vegetative cover in determining whether erosion is due to loss of cover or changes in the amount of vegetation distributed among others. The test can generate information relevant to the infiltration capacity of the soil prior to constructing infrastructure within the subject area./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR,Benguet

PDEA, Korean Govt Calls for more Cooperation and Active Partnership VS Illegal Drugs

BAGUIO CITY - The Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) and the Republic of Korea through the Supreme Prosecutors Office (SPO) called for more cooperation and active partnership in the campaign against illegal and dangerous drugs during a joint anti drug abuse advocacy campaign here, Friday.

Yong Joo Park, SPO International Coordinator/Investigator, in his inspirational message enjoined more cooperation and stronger partnership in the fight against illegal drugs and on advocating the dangers they pose especially to the

stressed that the illegal drug menace can affect anybody, any time and any place. Assistant Secretary Rene Orbe, PDEA’s Deputy Director for Administration, in his keynote address, also solicited the support of all sectors of society, both at the national and international setting, in the campaign and advocacy against illegal and dangerous drugs.

He stressed the importance of bringing in the advocacy to the youth saying the triumph or failure in the campaign will definitely have an effect on the youth who represent the fu-

Vice Mayor Daniel Fariñas, and Councilors Nicasio Aliping

High Poverty Incidence Amid High Literacy Rate Remains a Challenge-Coloma

BAGUIO CITY -

High poverty incidence remains to be a challenge for the country even with a high literacy rate of 95.7 percent.

Presidential Communications Operations Office (PCOO) Secretary Sonny Coloma stated this in his keynote address during the opening program of the 2012 National Literacy Conference and Awards here at the Teachers Camp, Wednesday.

Despite the almost 96 percent literacy rate, the income distribution in the country remains lop-sided with those in the (lower) economic class D accounting for more than two-thirds or 67 percent while the poorest of the poor (class E) make up another 10 percent of the population.

Out of the more than 92 million Filipinos, only a little over nine million or around 10 percent of the population belong to the higher economic classes of society, Coloma said.

Coloma noted that the same situation, meaning high literacy rate not accounting for prosperity or development, can also be seen in other countries worldwide.

Citing the case of Cuba, based on UNDP report of 2011, the country posted the highest literacy rate of 99.9 percent, however such high literacy rate does not make them to be among the most prosperous nations in the world.

Same situation can be observed in North Korea with a 99 percent literacy rate and ranked 21st based on the said UNDP report. But intermittent episodes of famine and widespread hunger are still being experienced in the said country, Coloma said.

In the country, Coloma pointed out that the national government through the Department of Education headed by Secretary Bro. Armin Luistro continues to work hard in pushing for the attainment of “Education for All” to make more Filipinos functionally literate by reaching out to the remotest places and marginalized members of the community nationwide. Hand in hand with the high literacy rate, poverty alleviation policies and programs are continuously being undertaken and infused.

This year’s National Literacy Conference from September 18 to 20, adopts the theme, “Literacy for Life and A Sustainable Future: Learning Together for the 21st Century.”/CCD-PIA CAR

OWWA Provides Development Training for Cordillera OFW Coops

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - The Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA-CAR), in partnership with the Community-Based Business Cooperation Foundation Inc. (CBBCFI), conducted a three-day development training for officials and representatives of Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW) cooperatives and family circles in Cordillera.

The training, which included modules on leadership and values orientation, entrepreneurship

and business management and strategic planning, was attended by 40 participants.

OWWA Regional Director Manuela Peña and CBBCFI Executive Director Gerry Lab-oyan, spearheaded the training’s certificate of completion to the participants, during a simple closing program, Friday.

Peña, in her message, said that with the social cost of migration (to work abroad), OFWs should always bring in or

consider their family or love ones in every investment or entrepreneurship decision or plan they make, in aiming for a higher or better life.

“It is easy to become a successful OFW, but it is difficult to be an OFW family,” Peña added.

To further boost the development of the Cooperatives and family circles in terms of livelihood or entrepreneurship projects, Peña also said seven of the coop/organizations that joined



“THE BIG C” - City Human Resource Management Officer Estrella Bisquera officially welcomes the Philippine College of Surgeons-Cordillera Chapter headed by its president Dr. Israel Yasay, Dr. Samuel Cosme and Dr. Joan Badua last September 17 who were the resource speakers during the Cancer Awareness seminar for government workers at City Hall./Photo by Paul Rillorta

Consumer Net Lines up Activities for Consumer Welfare Month Celebration

BAGUIO CITY —

The Cordillera ConsumerNet member-agencies led by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) are lining up various activities for the Consumer Welfare Month(CWM) celebration this October with the theme, “Get Organized. Be Heard. Be Empowered.”

In a recent meeting presided by Atty. Samuel Gallardo, Chief Consumer Welfare Business Regulation Division (CWBRD) of DTI, ConsumerNet members agreed that the celebration will kick-off with a special kapihan forum on October 4 to be aired over DZWT AM, and at Sky Cable Community Channel.

Aside from the regular activities like hanging of streamers, radio and television guestings or appearances, among the activities line up include store monitoring and advocacies on promoting consumer welfare.

On October 10, the ConsumerNet will conduct a monitoring and advocacy wherein the technical working group, Baguio city government, media and other representatives will conduct inspection of goods being sold in the market and in hardware stores in the city to monitor their compliance to fair trade laws.

Advocacy on the responsible use of plastics will also be included.

Another activity which is seen to promote consumer awareness is the conduct of a fun run and a cultural show which will be opened to the public. These will be organized with the help of competent partners from both the private and public sectors.

There are also activities enrolled by ConsumerNet partner-agencies such as advocacy on the use of generics medicine by the Department of Health, the conduct of regional roadshow by the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC), advocacy on the rice fortification program by the National Food Authority (NFA), distribution of seeds by the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI), fish conservation week by the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) and text blast by the Philippine Information Agency, among others.

Taking the Lead in this Year’s Celebration is the DTI.

The CWM yearly celebration is in pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 1098, issued in September 1997. It aims to promote dissemination of sound consumer information on subjects that affect the consumers and to encourage dialogue and cooperation among the consumers, business and government sectors in strengthening consumer awareness and protection./JDP/MC PIA-CAR

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Thousand 'N One Thieves

"Scientists called it "the tree of 999 uses" for food, roofing, even toothpicks. President Benigno Aquino presented the coconut's 1,000th use as export jackpot in his State of the Nation Address The Philippines sold 16.7 million liters of coconut water last year.

"Why are the stars are all going coconut: about this now popular sport's drink?" asked Jill Foster of UK's Daily Mail. "Gwyneth Paltrow says drinking it as an 'on-the-go snack' helps keep her slim. Madonna bought a company that makes it. Hollywood stars Demi Moore and Matthew McConaughey are devotees."

Nutrition coach Berardi repeats what scientists stress: "Each serving has four to five times less sugar compared with cola or fruit juice. It's a good source of Vitamins C and B, plus protein, calcium, iron, manganese, magnesium. There's also nutrients called cytokinins. Some say it slows ageing, even whittle risk of cancer.

Thus, "coco water is taking off as the post-exercise drink of choice with ordinary mortals", Foster adds. One UK firm reported "a 600 per cent jump in sales in 12 weeks".

Here, the coconut towers in 68 of 79 provinces and sprawls over 27 percent of agricultural land. Coco water sales topped \$11.2 million in the first six months of this year. That's double what we marketed last year.

Agriculture Department proposes a 47 percent hike for coconuts in its 2013 budget, Secretary Proceso Alcala reveals. That'd tap growing demand also for virgin coconut oil and coconut sap sugar.

EDITORIAL

If used well, that cash infusion could boost what is emerging as the thousand and one use of coconut:

"Coconut oil attacks bacteria behind tooth decay", scientists from Ireland's Athlone Institute of Technology, told a Society for General Microbiology's conference at University of Warwick. It may anchor a 21st century spread of new dental products.

"Our data has implications how bacteria colonize cells lining the digestive tract and (affect) overall gut health," adds "AIT's Damien Brady. Today's germs increasingly beat back anti-biotics. "We (must) turn our attention to new ways to combat microbial infection".

Athlone researchers compared impact of oil from coconut, vegetables and olive, in their natural states and when treated with enzyme. The later resembles human digestion. "Only enzyme-modified coconut oil inhibited growth of most bacteria," British Broadcasting Corporation reported "It attacked streptococcus mutans, an acid-producing bacterium which ravages teeth.

Last National Oral Health Survey we skimmed reported nine out of 10 Grade I students here suffer from tooth decay. Among Grade VI students, the rate was 82 percent. This problem undergirds government's effort to tap into the coconut. "Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity," the philosopher Seneca wrote.

A thousand and one thieves, however, crippled the coconut industry here. Look at the track record.

Presidential Decree 276 ruled "coco levies" were owned by cronies "in their private capacities." By stroke of a dictator's pen, taxes morphed into individual loot. If PD 276 is not scrubbed as unconstitutional, "Marcos found a legal way to steal," wrote then columnist Antonio Carpio, now Supreme Court justice.

Under Marcos, Floirendo got bananas, and Roberto Benedicto oversaw sugar. Eduardo Cojuangco emerged as coconut czar. Cojuangco's party tried - but failed - to impeach Chief Justice Hilario Davide after the Supreme Court declared coco levies were public funds. Erap's cronies slurped into the levy.

Thanks to Arroyo justices in today's Supreme Court, Cojuangco got to keep 16.2 million San Miguel shares, bought with funds chipped in by small farmers. The Court issued, March 16, an "entry of judgment": Cojuangco's P56.3-billion SMC shares are now "final." Thus, SMC stock certificates in blank, abandoned in a Malacañang vault when Marcos scrambled for Hawaii exile, "legally" belong to Cojuangco.

"Joke of the century," snapped then Justice Conchita Carpio Morales. Cojuangco "used for his personal benefit the very same funds entrusted to him." Cojuangco's stake in SMC was "built on the sweat of coconut farmers," now Chief Justice Ma. Lourdes Sereno wrote. "Prescription, laches or estoppel will not bar future action to recover unlawfully acquired property by public officials or dummies".

Seven associate justices didn't attend the first meeting presided over by Sereno, Inquirer reported. "Majority of the justices were questioning Sereno's capability and experience to lead the judiciary." Fine. This is a free country.

But how many of those no shows voted for the "joke of the century" in the coconut levy? A judicial robe does not disguise hypocrisy. Embroidered phylacteries didn't spare Pharisees from denunciation by the Master. "An ounce of hypocrisy is worth a pound of ambition".

Scientist Jurgenne Primavera, in her book on coastal flora wrote: "Ownership and control of coco levy funds "shifted over 40 years under four presidents. It swung "from presidential associates (coco levy cronies) during martial law to government by sequestration (after People Power) "Then, it favored farmers" through Davide Court decisions, "back to presidential associates with negotiated settlements." The disgraced Corona Court winked at Cojuangco pocketing small coco farmer levies.

"How did P150 billion from half a million farmers end up in the pockets of so few?" Primavera wondered. It happens when a thousand and one thieves are on the loose./ Juan L. Mercado



THE PEACE COMBATANT

Senator Trillanes: China's backchannel to RP?

BY: ARTURO BOQUIREN



In a privilege speech on September 19, Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile made several accusations against Senator Antonio Trillanes IV based on alleged notes of Philippine Ambassador to China Sonia Brady:

- Trillanes has not been informing President Aquino of his (Trillanes') initiatives in China

- That Trillanes met the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs (and therefore by-passing the Ambassador who is the official representative of the Philippines to China) even before meeting Brady

- That Trillanes met 16 times with Chinese officials on Scarborough Shoal and the West Philippine Sea (by-passing again the Philippines' official, main and primary Channel which is the DFA)

- That Trillanes emphasized to Brady that the Chinese really never intend to put up a structure in Scarborough Shoal (how did Trillanes knew this when it has been a practice of China in Spratlys and, besides, China has continually been fencing off Scarborough Shoal from Filipino fishermen and the Philippine Navy and Coastguard?)

- That Trillanes communicated to Chinese officials that the Philippines is incapable of enforcing Philippine laws on Scarborough (Scarborough is Philippine part of the Philippines territory)

Brady's notes "in full" are claimed to be fully-documented by Rappler, an online newsgroup in <http://www.rappler.com/nation/12700-enrile-trillanes-fight-over-china>. Enrile's assessment on Trillanes: "This guy is a fraud. He is supposed to be a trained military man but he does not know anything about military strategy. What kind of a senator is this?" Enrile added that if Trillanes would be reelected, "China might have a senator in this chamber. Ha-ha-ha-ha" [<http://globalnation.inquirer.net/50740/trillanes-aquino-called-the-shots>].

Trillanes eventually walked out from his heated with Enrile. President Aquino confirmed that indeed Trillanes was tapped for backchanneling in the interest of exploring ALL avenues for peace but emphasized that backchanneling was not Malacanang's idea but Trillanes'. Malacanang was reported to have said that one key lesson it has learned from the controversy is that it must have one voice in the negotiations with China as it is clear that Trillanes produced a multiple voice for the Philippines. Asked if the Philippines would continue to have back-channel talks with China, Malacanang spokesman Ricky Carandang replied, "If it makes sense and will be helpful, we will do that" [<http://newsinfo.inquirer.net/275194/president-aquino-backs-trillanes-story>].

Presidential Spokesperson emphasized that Trillanes "was not acting as the alter ego of the President when he went to China six times and met Chinese officials 16 times as backchannel negotiator." This was emphasized by the newsreport from [<http://www.interaksyon.com/article/43647/palace-washes-hands-of-trillanes>].

Some of the circumstances that make Trillanes role in our negotiations with China highly questionable are as follows. First, it was unimaginable to Trillanes to have immediate contacts with China. Second, in all his trips, Trillanes had refused to have his passport stamped. Finally or third, based on the narration of circumstances, it appears to be the Chinese who are contacting Trillanes head of the government and Trillanes' volunteered to be a backchannel when Trillanes was already in China and before Aquino conceded to the Trillanes offer to be a backchannel [<http://> **Cont. on page 10**

ADVOCACY MINDANOW

MILF and Mar Roxas

BY: JESUS DUREZA



I was a bit taken aback at the way the recent MILF public statement expressing grave concern that Secretary Mar Roxas is soon to be head of DILG was "angled" and given a negative spin by some. It recalled how he marshaled opposition and questioned the constitutionality of the failed MOAAD. It was posted at the MILF "luwaran" website and picked up by mainstream media.

MILFAPPEAL—I am certain the purpose of the MILF was to seek the cooperation of Sec. Mar, high cabinet official, in the ongoing peace negotiations especially as he will head the DILG which plays an important role in the implementation of peace agreements. But on hindsight, I think it was a mistake. There was no need for the MILF to make those thoughts public. To publicly hope that Mar Roxas will be a "changed man" (meaning, to now support the peace agreement) is lacking in sensitivity. A quiet, behind-the-scene backchannel to relay an appeal for cooperation would have been better. I am sure it was intended to be MILF's earnest way of reaching out to Sec. Mar requesting for help as the talks are reaching a crucial stage. As it appeared in the media and the "spin" given to it by some publications, the desired results may be different from the MILF's sincere intentions. The MILF ought to have learned from an earlier mistake when it also posted in "luwaran" an item criticizing the MNLF which it also withdrew when it generated negative reactions. Bad press can trigger conflict. We urgently need a final peace agreement ASAP. We are almost there. We are at a sensitive and crucial stage. How media will treat and cover the negotiations at this critical stage will matter.

PRESS INCIDENT — I vividly recall one incident when I was chairman of the government negotiating panel years ago. We were already in Malaysia with my team and about to sign an important agreement with the MILF. Suddenly, I got a call from Malacanang summoning me to urgently fly to Manila asking me to hold things and not sign anything yet. I jumped on the first plane out, landed in Manila a few hours later, took a helicopter from the airport to the palace and conferred with a waiting and hastily convened cabinet cluster. After the meeting, I took the first available plane back to Kuala Lumpur.

All because some sensational report came out in a Manila newspaper claiming —falsely— that the agreement I was about to sign was detrimental to national interest. I had to clarify things. Indeed, media reporting and the press are crucial. Especially in peace negotiations. So let's all help get that peace agreement done.

POWER IS POWER — I met a businessman friend over breakfast this week in Manila who is now urging Mindanaoans to be very vigilant about our power situation and our power resources.

For example, the planned sale as mandated by the EPIRA LAW of the Agus and Pulangi hydro plants owned by the government must be scrutinized and reviewed closely. Big business players are salivating to gobble up those assets at the first opportunity. When this happens, government will lose its "leveraging power" to moderate power price hikes served by the Mindanao grid. And big business will be in total control.

INDUSTRY "CAPTURE"—My friend called attention on how big business investors have the big appetite to go into power industry business. Although the capital expenditures (capex) are tremendous, the projected business life is also almost indefinitely profitable. Being in the power industry is in itself power personalized. The EPIRA LAW which was ostensibly to rationalize the power industry and ordered that the government-owned hydro plants **Cont. on page 9**

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Jueteng Kahapon, Ngayon, Bukas at Panghabang Buhay !!! Part 1, Opisyal na mayroon matinding ari-arian sa Australia at New Jersey, sino???Kongrats –CD Jesus Cambay
BY: ODELL P. AQUINO



Mga anak ng Jueteng talaga o o ! At sino-sino ang mga anak ng Jueteng? Ayon sa aking Intelligence Konti (IK) pansamantalang ipinatigil ang tengwe sa lungsod ng Baguio, hindi ko lang alam kung pati na rin sa buong Cordillera ay ipinatigil ang favorite gambling gatasan ng mga nakapatong na mga PNP, Local Government Officials at pati na rin ang mga medyas este media etc.... Tunay na nakakatawa ang aking napanood nung itong si Senador Miriam Santiago ay kinukuwestiyun sa senado itong si dating DILG Usec. Rico Puno, ayon kay Senatong este Senator Santiago ang patong daw mula sa tengwe na napupunta sa DILG Usec, Chief PNP at hepe ng CIDG ay one (1) percent ng kabuuan kobra . Halimbawa ang kabuuan kobra sa isang taon ay tatlong (3) bilyong piso ang katumbas na 1 % ay – 30 million Pesos , napakaliit o malaki, depende sa inyong pananaw. Kung ako ang inyong tatanungin ay mukhang maliit masyado ang 1% na paghahatian ng CIDG Head, Chief PNP at Usec ng DILG eh paano na yun patong ng DILG Secretary , patong ng NBI Head , patong ng mga PNP Regional Directors, patong ng mga PNP City Directors and Provincial Directors, patong ng mga ka-awaawang mga Medyas este media, patong ng mga Senatongs, patong ng mga Tongresmen at mga Mayor at Councilors at lalong lalo na ang patong ng Pangulo ang President ng Republika ng Pinas , ilan porsyento kaya??? Sa susunod kong kolum ay aking ipapaalam sa inyo ang breakdown ng mga porsyento na napupunta sa mga kinaukulan opisyal etc...., na ayon sa aking Intelligence Konti (IK). Abangan ang tunay na info at hindi ang info na isinusulat ng maraming mga pipitsugin trying hard na mga kolumnista , ating ibubulgar, sa kolum na ito, ang pinupuna at pinapansin este Pinupuna at Pinapansin. **THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP ME GOD!!!**

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CONGRATULATIONS kay Apo PNP Baguio City



This columnist (at left) during a courtesy call to PNP Baguio City Director P/Sr.Supt. Jesus Cambay Jr.,

Director Jesus Cambay Jr., naniniwala kami na sa pagtatalaga sa inyo ni Apo Mayor Mauricio Domogan ay maiaayos ninyo ang peace and order sa siyudad ng Baguio at siguradong bababa ang crime rate!!! Mabuhay Po Kayo Sir !!!

FAIR AND SQUARE

INTRODUCING TOCCA

BY: JAMES S. VALEROS



***Meaning of TOCCA:**
TOCCA is the acronym for an association registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or SEC under the name of TRANSPORT OPERATORS and CONCERNED CITIZENS ALLIANCE (TOCCA), INC.

***The Rationale Why It Was Formed:**
The city that we once dreamed of—cool, clean and sweet smelling is now lost. The pines trees are gone, the streets are traffic congested, the air is polluted.

One of the reasons for it is that, despite the imposition of the encompassing moratorium or prohibition in the issuance of franchises way back 1998 in BLIST, the number of public utility vehicles plying the limited roads of the city have multiplied three times in just only ten (10) years. This is principally due to the failures of concerned authorities and agencies to protect and promote the moratorium.

The few civic minded citizens who tried to stop the uncontrolled issuance of new franchises were no match to the corrupted authorities who caused the excessive grants of thousands of additional franchises, in violation and circumvention of the moratorium.

To date, what we need is not a only a few civic minded citizens to preempt the total obliteration of the city that we still want. We need more, thousands more, if possible, to stop the abusive issuance of franchises by our wayward and corrupt authorities.

This is the rationale for TOCCA, in brief.

The Advocacies of TOCCA:

Towards a Baguio City that we want— clean, decongested and less polluted, TOCCA will advocate for:

1. A united action against policies of City authorities and transport agencies that further abet the worsening state of traffic congestion and pollution in the city.
2. Protection and promotion of the still existing moratorium under LTFRB M.C. No. 98-026 to preclude the uncontrolled entries of new or additional units and franchises in Baguio City or BLISTT.
3. Eradication of fixing activities and other corrupt practices that cause irregular and illegal franchises to be issued despite the prohibition under the moratorium.

The Battlecry: "Dito May Pakialam Tayo"

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Opisyal na mayroon matinding rancho sa Australia at maraming ari-arian sa New Jersey sino kaya ito. Sige at bibigyan ko kayo ng clue , matagal na siyang isang local at national official. Magaling sa bokadura, master sa istiran at sa drama, kung naging artista ang taong ito ay siguradong taon-taon ay mayroon siyang famas award. Ang naka front sa kanyang ari-arian sa Australia ay ang kanyang sister in-law at ang naka front naman sa New Jersey ay ang kanyang biyenang, katunayan ang naka front para sa kanya sa Pinas ay ang isa rin niyang sister –in-law. Matinik talaga sa hide and seek ang opisyal na ito kaya mahirap ma-bulaga!!! Ang edad niya ay nasa 60+ years old at ang anak nya na alam natin ay 3 girls and 2 boys (sa tatlong mader) , 3 girls kay tunay na misis at 1 boy each kina outside misis! Hi ! Hi ! Hi ! Kilala na ba ninyo ang aking tinutukoy, sino siya??? Para malaman kung sino ang Honorable Official na ito na napaka galing sa hide and seek. Parating bibili at magbasa ng Pahayagang Palaban na ito ang D Jankyon este The Junction at ating ibubulgar sa takdang panahon ang lahat ng ating research at impormasyon tungkol kay Mr. Goody-goody official !!!

DOKUMENTARYO PUBLIKO

AIDS VICTIM - A True Story

BY: KYLE DE GUZMAN



Good Day, Mga Dear Readers!!! God Bless and More Blessings to Come....Anyway.... Bago ko po umpisahan etong istorya ko ngayong araw na eto, Greet ko po muna si Sister Grace.... At ang isang mabait at gwapong Politiko na may mabuting puso na nag pa –abot ng donation. Thank you sayo SIR !!! Mabuhay ka! Hindi ko na po sasabihin ang name para po safe ! Alam nyo po mga Tol, nai-iyak po at nalulungkot po ako sa istorya . Kahapon po sa Womens and Childrens Alone Office kasama ko si Sister Sofia na dumalo at ayun mayroon dalawa (2) na babae na lumapit sa organization na humi-hing ng tulong at pati na rin espirtual na help... My God! Mga Tol. **I can't believe it na at the age of 16 years old ay may AIDS** , na Shock na talaga ako, as in ...Mga Tol !!!

Nag interview kami ni Sister Sofia kung bakit nagka-aids ang dalawang eto at ang kuwento nila ay dahil sa kahirapan ng buhay ay napilitan silang pumasok sa "Night Club" at Grabe mga Tol. Nakaka-windang ang kuwento nila Ha ! Kasi sa halip na timetable o GRO ang trabaho nila Eh ! Aba, etong may-ari ng club na eto, na (H.D. Club) ay syang nagbu-bugaw sa mga kawawang batang babae na eto. At ang masakit pa 500 Pesos lang ang napupunta daw sa kanila...My God!!! Walang mga konsyensya ! Mga Buwayang Bugaw ! Ginawa nyong bargain o talipapa ang mga murang katawan ng mga batang eto! Napaka sakit isipin mga Tol na sa hirap ng buhay ay dumarami ang Sex Workers ! Na sa bandang huli ay dumarami ang nagkaka AIDS. Kaya lumalaganap ang sakit na eto at ang malungkot ay mga kabataang babae ang nabi-biktima. Hindi ko alam kung kanino dapat isisi or kung sino ang dapat managot sa problemang eto. Uumpisahan ba natin isisi sa family planning ?? Dahil sa mga magulang na hindi alam mag family planning kaya dumarami ang anak. At dahil sa pagkakaroon ng maraming anak ay napapasok ang isang tao sa isang maruming trabaho, at na sasamantala ng mga taong walang konsyensya , at takot sa responsibilidad ! At sa mga taong walang takot sa diyos. Or dapat din isisi sa ekonomiya sa ating bansa?? Dahil sa walang mapasukan na magandang trabaho . Dahil sa hindi naka-tapos ng pag-aaral? Hay, hindi ko talaga alam ! Pero, iisa lang ang alam ko , **kailangan nating Tulungan, kalingain, mahalin at unawain ang mga taong nabibiktima ng AIDS !!!** Sa halip na pang-dirian , ay ating unawain at tulungan, dahil sabi nga ng panginoon , yakapin at pagmalasakitan mo ang iyong kapwa. Kaya kumakatok ako sa inyong mga puso at isipan na sana ay tumulong tayo sa mga organisasyon na nagla-layong tumulong at kumalinga sa mga ganitong suliranin ng ating kapwa.

At panawagan ko naman po sa mga may establishment ng bahay aliwan or night club. Na sana naman ay huwag nating salahulain or balewalain ang pagiging babae ng isang tao! **At sana yun mga alagad ng batas, hulihin naman yung mga lumalaganap na mga bugaw, at ipasara ang mga night club!!!** Na nag ba-bargain ng mga laman ng tao. At payo ko naman sa mga kaba-baihan na nagta-trabaho sa night club. Maging maingat at konting respeto sa ating sarili. Sorry Ha!!! Hindi ako nang huhusga. Bastat tandaan pa din natin na tayoy mga dalagang Pilipina. Lahi ni Maria Clara, kaya ingat palagi !

Sa mga mapag-samantalang tao , mga bugaw. May ari ng night club at mga lalaking walang concern... eto lang sasabihin ko na tandaan nyo! **MATAKOT KAYO SA DIYOS ! MATAKOT KAYO SA KARMA !** Irespeto at ingatan at alagaan ang mga babae kahit pa eto ay nagta-trabaho sa night club or kung ano pa man. Huwag nating gawing laruan or parausan , sapagkat yan ay mga tao! Isang Maganda at maluwalhatang araw sa aking mga dear readers at Maraming Salamat Po!

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

Options in Trillanes China initiatives

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "... Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen..." (Ephesians 4:29, the Holy Bible).

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OPTIONS IN THE TRILLANES CHINA INITIATIVES: It is really immaterial whether it was Sen. Antonio Trillanes IV who asked Malacanang, or whether it was Malacanang who asked him, to negotiate with Chinese officials to find a purported settlement of the Scarborough Shoal dispute.

What is material is that, Trillanes' 15 or 16 travels to China showed he was more trusted by the government in finding a solution to the problem, over and above the trust that should have been given to Foreign Affairs Secretary Alberto Del Rosario.

At this point, Del Rosario's only option, if he were to retain his respect for himself and the respect of his peers, as well as his integrity as a foreign secretary, is to resign immediately. On the other hand, the only option now for Trillanes and Malacanang is for them to come out with the full details of the senator's travels and negotiations.

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WHY WAS TRILLANES PICKED TO TALK TO THE CHINESE? Indeed, why was Trillanes even authorized to talk with Chinese officials about Scarborough Shoal and the Spratlys issue? What was it in Trillanes that qualified him to talk with the Chinese, even at the back, and presumably, without even the knowledge, of top foreign affairs officials like Secretary Del Rosario?

I am sure there must have been some very important reasons why a neophyte senator, whose only experience in government was his being a navy lieutenant, was trusted with the very sensitive and ticklish job of resolving a dispute which has the potential of plunging the Philippines into a nuclear war and the resolution of which appears to have eluded even Del Rosario.

What were Trillanes' instructions from Malacanang? What did Trillanes tell the Chinese? What did the Chinese say in return? What happened to the meetings of Trillanes with the Chinese? Who financed Trillanes' trips? Are we now nearer to peace because of Trillanes' initiatives, or are we nearer extinction from a nuclear war?

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TREASON IN THE SCARBOROUGH CHINA ROW: Trillanes earlier accused Del Rosario of treason, and yet he is now himself being accused by Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile of the same treason because of his "back channeling" efforts. Enrile claimed Trillanes is working for China, and even hinted that it was Beijing which paid for Trillanes' trips.

What is treason under Philippine laws? Art. 114 of the Revised Penal Code says treason is committed by any person who, owing allegiance to the Government of the Philippine Islands, not being a foreigner, lev-

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Comelec Issues Guidelines on Filing of Certificate of Candidacy

TABUK CITY, Kalinga — The Commission on Election (Comelec) released guidelines on filing of certificates of candidacy for the May 13, 2013 automated synchronized elections.

Rogelio Bagtang, OIC provincial election supervisor, said Comelec Resolution No. 9518 was promulgated on September 11.

The resolution sets the filing certificate of candidacy (COC) from October 1 to 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

It also updated the COC forms to capture the necessary facts and information about the candidates and duly sworn by a notary public or any official authorized to administer oath.

He said Comelec officials

are not authorized to administer oath.

Bagtang also said that no COC shall be filed or accepted by mail, electronic mail, telegram or facsimile.

"The COC has to be filed personally by the candidate or by his duly authorized representative, whose authority must be in writing, under

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DOLE, Partner Agencies Sign Agreement on Workers' Safety, Protection

LAGAWE, Ifigao — The Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE)-Ifigao and partner agencies have signed an agreement to implement a department order for the safety and health protection of workers in the construction industry in the province.

Ten officials representing first

and second districts of Ifigao, the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), the Regional Tripartite Industrial Council for Labor of Ifigao and the DOLE-Ifigao

Department Order No. 13 or the Guidelines Covering Occupational Safety and Health in the Construction Industry.

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Mt. Province SP ups Incentives of Day Care Workers, Barangay Health Workers

BONTOC, Mt. Province — The Sangguniang Panlalawigan (SP) here has increased the incentives of day care workers and barangay health workers in recognition of the vital roles they play in the educational and physical development of children and in the health care and services in the communities.

Provincial Ordinance No. 144 provides a yearly allotment in the amount of P1,440,000.00 in

the General Fund Budget of the provincial government, as aid and to be equally distributed to all day care workers in the province.

This amends an earlier ordinance providing a yearly allotment of P270,000 for day care workers.

Day care workers interviewed said that the provincial aid is of great help to them considering that most of them are receiving less than P1,000.00 per month which is

too meager compared to their task as the front liners in handling and educating the young children.

The augmentation will not only serve as inspiration for them to do better but will also complement their incapability of providing the material needs of their families, they added.

On the other hand, the SP presided by Vice Governor Bonifacio Lacwasan enacted Provincial Ordinance No. 125 increasing the incentive of barangay health workers

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Kalinga receives carabaos from DA

TABUK CITY, Kalinga — The provincial government of Kalinga recently received 20 female carabaos (water buffaloes) promised by Agriculture Secretary Proceso Alcala in one of his visits to the province.

This was gathered from Acting Provincial Agriculturist Domingo Bakilan who informed that the animals were immediately turned-over to the farmer beneficiaries of the 'Pumiyaan' program in the municipality of Tanudan.

This farm intervention is tied-up with the "Pumiyaan Program", the flagship anti-poverty convergence program of the provincial government to propel economic growth in the rural areas of Kalinga giving priority to the identified four poorest barangays from each of the seven municipalities and one city.

Based on DA's record, the animals were distributed to five beneficiaries each in barangays Dacalan, Dupligan, Gaang and Pangol.

According to Bakilan, the beneficiaries have identified the provision of carabao as their most priority need to aid them in their farming activities.

Granted as livestock loan, recipients of the carabaos are told to take good care of the cattle so that these will give birth to new heads to be passed-on to other beneficiaries, as provided under the memorandum of agreement.

Bakilan underscored that the animals are for reproduction and farming purposes and must not be butchered or sold since these are still considered the property of the provincial government.

He said they particularly requested for female carabao in an attempt to revive the dwindling number of carabao in said town due to the cultural practice of butchering carabao for festivities./JDP/GGD-PIA-CAR, Kalinga

PWDs to Undergo Electronics Service Enhancement Training

TABUK CITY, Kalinga — Persons with disability (PWDs) in the province who are operating their own electronic shops will undergo the level two audio-video electronics service training to enhance their livelihood skills.

Qualified for the enhancement Program Coor-

training are those who completed the basic electronics service course given last April here by the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office (PSWDO), which partners with the Technical Education & Skills Development Authority (TESDA) for the project.

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National Funding for Athletic Bowl Development Sought

Concerned about the apparent stalemate situation that has stymied efforts to rehabilitate and develop the Baguio Athletic Bowl within Burnham Park City Vice Mayor Daniel T. Fariñas has filed a proposal with the City Council requesting his Excellency Benigno Simeon C. Aquino III, President of the Republic of the Philippines to provide funding for the development of the Athletic Bowl into a national sports complex.

The Vice Mayor said that despite the attention and commitment given by the private sector and the national government, i.e.

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Volunteers Conduct Clean-up Drive to Prevent Spread of Dengue

TABUK CITY, Kalinga - A joint clean-up drive by 500 volunteers from various institutions and organizations was recently conducted in a private school here to prevent the spread of dengue disease.

Captain Richard Dela Cruz, Civil Military Operations officer 501st Brigade, said military personnel and reservists, members of the parents-teachers-community association, students, and ROTC cadets and cadettes joined efforts for the cleaning and beautification of the St. Theresita's School (STS) at Dagupan, this city.

He said the activity was spearheaded by the STS Family council headed by Dr. Clifford Gacuya in partnership with the 'Bayanihan' program of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and in cooperation with other stakeholders in the government and private sector.

Col. Paul Atal, Deputy Commander of the 501st Brigade said the AFP through its 'bayanihan' program is not only working with government partners. "We most appreciate to work with the private sector so that the bayanihan spirit could be well cherished by everyone," he said.

Fr. Manuel Valencia, STS school director warmly welcomed the act of volunteerism of the group saying "the effort of coming together and render public service is truly a Filipino tradition worth emulating," he said.

Massive clean-up drive was the number one activity identified by the health sector to prevent the spread of dengue disease./JDP/PAB-PIA CAR, Kalinga

Kiangán is Cordillera's Most Child Friendly Municipality

KIANGAN, Ifugao — This municipality is the winner in the "2012 Regional Search for Presidential Award for Child-Friendly Municipalities" in the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) under the 4th-6th class municipality category, and is set to receive P50,000.00 as cash prize.

Kiangán, which is Ifugao's entry for the regional search, received an average score of 98.20 percent besting the municipalities of Sadanga, Mountain Province and Kapangan of Benguet.

The score sheet of the Child-Friendly Municipality Re-

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Lawmaker Gives Justice System a Boost

Senator Chiz Escudero announced that the Senate had approved on third reading the creation of 71 new courts.

"The creation of these new courts in various provinces in the country would significantly decrease the number of unresolved cases in the regional and municipal courts. We have approved on third reading 69 Regional Trial

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Election Supervisor Urges Abra Residents to Report Neglectful Comelec Employees

BANGUED, Abra — The new provincial election supervisor (PES) here encourages Abra residents to report to her

or file formal complaints against erring employees of the Commission on Elections. Atty. Mae

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Benguet Board Endorses Kibungan Resolution Supporting Senate Bill 589

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - The Senate Bill 589 proposing for the mandatory appointment of an environment and natural resources officer to help strengthen local environmental protection gets support from the local government of Kibungan in Benguet province.

The Benguet Sangguniang Panlalawigan(SP) endorsed Kibungan Resolution No. 012-74 expressing support to SB 589 entitled, "An Act to Strengthen Local Environment Protection by making the appointment of an ENRO mandatory for Provincial, City and Municipal Governments."

Introduced by Senator Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada, SB 589 amends Section 484 of Republic Act No. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 that the appointment of an officer-in-charge of the environmental affairs is optional.

It also underscores the role of local government units serving as the frontline agencies of government mandated in the delivery of basic services to the people and the national government's main partner on productivity and development program such as environmental preservation.

The SP Personnel Administration Committee report stated the necessity to make the appointment mandatory is recognized because of the presence of such an officer in every locality is very important for the overseeing, monitoring, and development of the government programs in their place of jurisdiction.

Copies of the board resolution favorably indorsing the Kibungan resolution will be forwarded to the Senate through Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile for information and favorable action./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR, Benguet

Cordillera Civil Servants Plant 1,000 Trees in a Regional Tree-Planting and Eco-Tourism Activity

ITOGON, Benguet — Officials and employees from several government regional line agencies headed by the Civil Service Commission (CSC-CAR) conducted here today a regional tree-planting and ecotourism activity.

This is in support of the National Greening Program and in celebration of the 112th Anniversary of Philippine Civil Service.

CSC-Cordillera Regional Director Fernando Porio said 1,000 tree-planting materials were planted by more than 200 government workers plus the contingent from the municipal local government of Itogon in planting sites around Barangay Poblacion, including Mt. Bidawan, Ayossip and Malasin.

After the tree-planting activity, the participants were treated to a "Salosalo" and shared lunch with Mayor Oscar Camantiles, with a band providing entertainment.

The Itogon LGU also hosted a simple program wherein the executive and legislative branches of the municipal government shared some of their best practices in serving the people of Itogon.

Porio expressed their gratitude to the Itogon LGU for hosting the event. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources has recommended that the tree-planting activity be held in Benguet as Baguio City already has limited planting space.

Camantiles, in an interview, said it is an honor and privilege for them to host the activity as it also supports the municipality's ecotourism thrust/program. He said Mt. Bidawan, one of the planting sites of the tree planting, is a declared protected area and sanctuary of wildlife and flora and fauna./JDP/CCD/PIA CAR

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 60
BAGUIO CITY

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF MANOJ KUMAR TANK TO BE ADMITTED AS A CITIZEN OF THE PHILIPPINES,

MANOJ KUMAR TANK,
Petitioner.

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NATURALIZATION CASE NO. 24-R

ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING

Petitioner, MANOJ KUMAR TANK, through counsel, filed a verified Petition for naturalization, praying that he be conferred Philippine citizenship.

1. His full name is MANOJ KUMAR TANK and he is also known as "MIKE", he is of legal age, 45 years old, with residence and postal address at # 9 Armenia Street, Middle Quezon Hill, Baguio City, Philippines.

2. His former place of residence in the Philippines were: a. # 35 Diamond Subdivision, Asin Road, Baguio

City, 2000; b. # 207 Lumug Street, Quezon Hill, Baguio City
3. He was born on September 27, 1967 in Chandar, India to Spouses JAGDISH CHANDER TANK and GURMET KAUR TANK, born citizens of India;

4. He is engaged in WHOLESALE / GENERAL MERCHANDISE (BLANKETS GARMENTS ETC.) trade or occupation in business in which he has been engaged since 2009 and from which derives an average annual net income with his wife from gross receipt in the amount of Nine Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred (922,600.00) PESOS, more or less;

5. He was married in civil ceremonies in India on December 15, 2011. His wife's name is MONIKA RANI TANK, an India citizen who was born on August 30, 1982, and now resides with him and their children at # 9 Armenia Street, Middle Quezon Hill, Baguio City, Philippines xxx

6. They have Two (2) children, all residing with the Petitioner. Their names, date and place of birth are:

Name - ROHIT TANK, Date of Birth- September 27, 2002, Place of Birth -Baguio City, Philippines.

Name - RITHIK TANK, Date of Birth- October 1, 2003, Place of Birth- Baguio City, Philippines.

7. The Petitioner emigrated to the Philippines from India aboard Air France and arrived at the Manila International Airport (now Ninoy Aquino International Airport) on or about December 29, 1987 as shown by an Immigration Certificate of arrival issued and signed by the Commissioner of Immigration xxx;

8. Since then, he has resided continuously in the Philippines for a term of more than thirty (30) years at least immediately preceding the date of this petition, in the City of Manila and thereafter, in San Fernando, La Union from 1979 and the City of Baguio for a term of ten (10) years at least, immediately preceding the filing of this petition"

9. He is able to speak and write English, Tagalog and Ilocano: he Obtained his BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING (BSCE) on March 21, 1992 from Saint Louis College, San Fernando, La Union xxx;

10. He is of good moral character and believes in the principles underlying Philippines Constitution. He has conducted himself in a proper and irreproachable manner during the entire period of his residence in the Philippines in his relations with the constituted government as well as with the community in which he is living, he mingled socially with the Filipinos, traditions and ideals of the Filipinos. He has all the qualification required under Section 2 and none of the disqualification under SECTION 4 of COMMONWEALTH ACT No. 473:

11. He is not opposed to organized government or affiliate with any association of group of person who uphold and teach doctrines opposing all organized governments. He is not defending or teaching the necessity or propriety of violence, personal assault, or assassination for the success and predominance of men's ideas. He is not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy. He has not been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude. He is not suffering from any incurable contagious diseases. That the nation of which he is a citizen is not at war with the Philippines;

12. It is his intention in good faith to be come a citizen of the Philippines and renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance;

13. Hw will reside continuously in the Philippines from the date of the filing of his petition up to the time of his admission to the Philippine Citizenship;

14. Former Congressman EDGAR M. AVILA and MR. VICTOR KESWANI, both of legal ages, Filipino Citizens, residents of Baguio City, will appear and testify as his witnesses at the hearing of the petition;

15. He has not therefore filed a Petition with any other court;

16. Pursuant to Section 6 of COMMONWEALTH ACT No. 473, having resided continuously in the Philippines for a period of thirty years or more before filing their application, he may be naturalized without having to make a Declaration of Intention ;

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Finding the Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be heard before the Regional Trial Court, Branch 60, Baguio City on November 22, 2013 at 8:30 in the morning at which place , date and time , the petitioner shall prove its case. Any person may appear and show cause, if any there be , why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order, together with a copy of the petition and its annexes be furnished the office of the Local Civil Registrar of the City of Baguio, and the Office of the Solicitor General. Likewise, furnish copies hereof to the Office of the City Prosecutor of Baguio City.

At the Petitioners expense, let a copy of the Order and Notice of Hearing and the Petition be published once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Official Gazette , and in a local newspaper of general circulation in the City of Baguio . Likewise the Branch Sheriff is hereby directed to post copies of the Order and Notice of Hearing together with copies of the Petition in a public

place and conspicuous places at the Hall of Justice, City Hall, and Post Office , all of Baguio City .
The Petitioner is directed to furnish this Court five more copies of the petition and its annexes within three days from notice hereof.

TESDA calls on skilled workers to avail of the TVET competency assessment, certification

BAGUIO CITY - The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) is inviting overseas Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs), technical-vocational instructors, and industry workers with Technical-Vocational Education and Training (TVET) skills to the third run of the 2012 National TVET Competency Assessment and Certification (NATCAC) set on October 15 to 26, 2012.

The NATCAC is a free synchronized conduct of competency assessment and certification in identified key qualifications that are critical, hard to find and with high industry demand which aims to upgrade the qualification of Filipino workers, which in turn will enhance their competitiveness and employability, locally and abroad.

Baguio-Benguet Provincial Director Angela Gabriel is also extending invitation public utility vehicle (PUV) operators to have their drivers avail of the program. As per a Land Transportation Regulatory and Franchising Board (LTFRB) directive, by 2013 no Certificate of Conveyance will be issued to PUV operators and public transport companies unless all their drivers are TESDA NC (National Certification) II or III holders.

The Land Transportation Office (LTO), on the other hand, will not also renew or upgrading of PUV driver's licenses without the TESDA NCII or NCIII certification.

Interested persons may visit TESDA regional and provincial offices and TVET institutions to avail of the program.

For hard trades such as automotive, welding, construction, metal and engineering and land transport, the NATCAC will be hosted by the TESDA Regional Training Center along Loakan Road, Baguio City.

Soft trades such as information and communication technology, tourism, hotel and restaurant services and agriculture and food processing it will be at the Baguio School of Arts and Trades along upper Session Road, here.

Interested OFWs and industry workers with TVET qualification can go now to the TESDARTC and BCSAT to inquire or enlist in the available trades under the NATCAC.

According to Gabriel, the NATCAC in October will be the third and last run for this year and due to limited slots, interested individuals are entertained on a first come, first served basis.

For the first and second run of NATCAC in Baguio-Benguet, 208 individuals have availed and 187 got certified.

Gabriel bared that for the 2012 NATCAC, TESDA-CAR is given 2,710 slots of which 739 slots are allotted in the Baguio-Benguet area./ JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE AMONG HEIRS WITH SIMULTANEOUS WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the Estate of the late ESPERIDON G. CORPUZ who died in Baguio City, Philippines in 1975 without any will, consisting of one (1) piece of land covered by Original Certificate of Title No. P-756 has been extra judicially settled by his heirs through that Deed of Extra Judicial Settlement of Estate among Heirs with Simultaneous Waiver of Rights in favor of Camilo Estipular Corpuz acknowledged before Notary Public for Baguio City, Atty. James S. Valeros and entered in his Notarial Registry as Doc No. 431, Page No. 087, Book No. XXVII, Series of 2012 and in the case of heir Felicitas C. Suatengco, before Felipe F. Carino III, Consul of the Republic of the Philippines for Consular District of New York under Doc No. 08402, Series of 2012.

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SO ORDERED.

DONE IN CHAMBERS, this 30th day of August 2012 at Baguio City, Philippines.

By: (SGD)
EDILBERTO T. CLARAVALL
Presiding Judge

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We believe that the Golden Rule applies to animals, too. We don't accept the prevailing notion that "people come first" or that "people are more important than animals." Animals feel pain and suffer just as we do, and it is almost always humans making animals suffer and not the other way around. Yet in spite of how cruelly people behave towards animals - not to mention human cruelty to other humans- we are supposed to believe that humans are superior to other animals. If people want to fancy themselves as being of greater moral worth than the other creatures on this earth, we should begin behaving better than they do, and not worse. Let's start treating everyone as we would like to be treated ourselves.
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be sold to private companies, was passed according to my friend, at a time when even Congress was under "power industry capture" by the big players.

BIG PLAYERS —This is not to say however that we do not need the big players around. On the contrary, they are the only one's who can provide substantial capital that the power business requires to be viable. The so-called "economies of scale" means the bigger you are, the more economical and cheaper and better for everyone. We definitely need the big players around. But we need to also take steps that we are not totally at their mercy and control. One way is to stop the planned sale and privatization of the government-owned hydro plants to assure cheaper power in the "price mix" for all Mindanaos. Today, we pay cheaper for electricity compared to those in Visayas and Luzon. But not for long if we do not remain vigilant!

SMALL SCALE —What is important is for small communities and cooperatives, especially those in areas where there is a shortage of power supply to start planning how to be able to stand on their own feet.

Small scale plants that can be put up to supply one coop area or a community can be viable. We have many rivers or dams for this. Although the economies of scale dictates otherwise, small plants can fill in the gap especially for areas that still do not have adequate power source.

If anyone is interested to know more about this, I can link you up with people I know who are into this. Just call me.

SINGAPORE FIASCO —Another example of a wrong statement that briefly gathered a diplomatic storm was the recent **Malacanang** media release falsely announcing — or boasting — that **Singapore** was supportive of the **Philippine** position on the issue of territorial claims vis-a-vis **China**. It was a blunder because Singapore has been non-aligned and bland in its diplomatic position for the obvious reason that as a small country, it prospered tremendously because it is the economic hub of all big and small countries. It does not make sense for Singapore to take sides.

BLAME GAME —What worsened the situation was that our foreign affairs office and palace officials blamed reporters covering the event in **Russia** for the "false report". Reporters however stood pat on the accuracy of their dispatches to their newspaper desks.

The best way to remedy this is for someone to say: "Oooops, my mistake. So sorry!" But to further "spin" it will only worsen things! I had my own lessons learned when I was working in the **Palace**. We all make mistakes. What matters is how we are earnest about them.

STILL MACHO —Changing the name of the disputed territories to "**West Philippine Sea**" will not change the situation. In fact, it will worsen things for us. Of course we look macho before the eyes of the world.

But that's the most we can do. Worse, we got not only **China** but also **Taiwan** provoked. Other claimant-countries may also come forward and protest. At this stage, it's still posturing time for all. And no one can beat us **Pinoys** in this game.

POPULAR —Let me say it again. We should relegate this issue to the back burners. And in the meantime, let's marshal resources and support internally and externally through quiet but intensive diplomacy. Let's not provoke anything yet when we are not ready to put our muscle where our mouth is! Yes, it's popular to appear macho and aggressive in protecting our national interest. But is this the best way to handle the situation now? I doubt it.

We should not continue to thrive on conflict or the dramatic. Yes, let's do so if all we want is to be popular. But being popular, which is the easiest and simplest thing to do, is not always doing what is right. The latter, which is more difficult and complicated, is what good **STATECRAFT** is all about!

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BABES KO ... DON'T FORGET NA KUMAIN. INGATAN MO PALAGI ANG HEALTH MO. Later ko nalang po sasabihin ang name!!!

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Konting pahabol na greetings kay Baby Heaclea belated Happy Birthday naki party kaming mg taga Junction News Team, thank you sa napakasarap na mga food at pag-entertain sa amin sa birthday party and also to Kuya Raul ang lolo ni Baby Heaclea God Bless and more success sa Business mo ang Myles Club Kainan located at Naguillan Road ready po sila to accept food catering services and the best po talaga ang food at service nila., contact nyo po si Kuya Raul sa CP Number 09193421212.

At kay Kagawad Raffy Sales ng Brgy. Queen of Peace. I salute you Kagawad sa pagiging isang mabuti at huwaring opisyal ng isang barangay and to you Kuya Cris Tandoc thank you sa pagiging mabuting friend God Bless Kuya Cris and to my Baby il always love you and pray ako para sa more good health mo always take care of yourself I love you!

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Words of wisdom-The Good Conscience is a soft pillow!

Kakampi mo ang Batas

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ies war against them or adheres to their enemies, giving them aid or comfort within the Philippine Islands or elsewhere.

The Code imposes the penalty of 12 years to life imprisonment for any person found guilty of treason. According to Art. 114, a person accused of a treason can be convicted on the testimony of two witnesses or on confession of the accused in open court.

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Tax

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ted to the city council the proposed revised schedule of values for land, buildings, machineries, plants and trees. He cited a Department of Finance order for all city assessors to undertake the mandatory general revision in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Code.

"The schedule of values for land reflects an increase of 298.60 (percent) over the schedule of values approved in 1996 that was fully implemented in 1998 under Tax Ordinance 2000-01," Medina said. The schedule, he said " was derived form data gathered from advertisement, mortgage and value sales transition from the monthly report of the Register of Deeds".

The LCF recommendation came as an addendum to its endorsement of the applications of two establishments here to register as information technology centers under the Philippine Economic Zone Authority.

The committee said it is "interposing no objection" to the application of Abanao Square and Neutrinos IT Center for accreditation with the Philippine Ecopnomic Zone Authority that would allow them to operate as information technology centers.

City councilor Peter Fianza, however, expressed reservations on the conversion of Abanao Square, which is operating as a mall, into an ITC, saying the PEZA should first conduct a study based on the criteria for ICTs.

"Are we ready to absorb development in the area?," he asked, referring to the increased in traffic volume in the area and other needs of the ITC employees such as housing.

To clarify these points, the city council agreed to invite in its meeting the LFC, the city building official and representatives of the PEZA and the Department of Labor and Employment.

Only recently, the city council realigned P26.2 million originally earmarked for city projects for the payment of truck rentals in the hauling of the city's garbage and tipping fees for its dumping into a landfill in Capas, Tarlac./Ramon Dacawi.

Two

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Dinton, who is supposed to be on the Monday and Thursday dialysis schedule (11 a.m.- 3p.m. shift) at the BGHMC might not be able to make it this Monday as his family has ran out of people to run to for help. He can be reached through his mother's cellphone number (09465507988). Samaritans can also contact Marilou at cellphone number 09268469200.

Grim is the struggle of many dialysis patients, yet their faces lighten up each time someone like Engr. Leonard Licanio comes along and reaches out to them. Recently, he handed over P2,000 each to dialysis patients Linbeth Lestino and Madeline Ranille.

Last week, kidney patient Jocelyn Laigo, of Burgos, La Union reported that Licanio likewise contributed P1,200 for her dialysis sessions.

"He is mr. Leonardo Licanio frm mankayan peronadistino Balatokmines, ken project manager ti Akikis builders," Jocelyn texted./Ramon Dacawi.

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litical interest as some quarters accordingly are accusing him of.

On the other hand, Joanna Cariño, member of the Advisory Council of the Cordillera People's Alliance, an early proponent for an autonomous region and is instrumental in the government's recognition in the call for Cordillera regional autonomy, said they continue to campaign in their advocacy for self-determination but not now.

She stressed that they are not rushing. Until they finally recognize people empowerment will they come to that. Only then are they guaranteed if self governance and self-determination is truly achieved.

Carino made it clear that they are not campaigning to win this time for regional autonomy and would not like to be presumptuous.

She said they were disillusioned by the government's support in their vision for autonomy due to lack of general participation, lack of knowledge and sufficient consultation and by their wanting to push very fast without the greater majority not knowing what autonomy is all about.

Carino was straightforward in saying suspicions among politicians who wanted to rule for parochial interest.

On the issue of graft and corruption, Carino said officials should be more transparent in their dealings as this is a genuine issue that hounds the people.

Domogan commented that whether autonomous or not there will possibly be corruption. The way to do it is improve set of rules and regulations, he added.

But corruption should not be an issue, Domogan said. The citizenry should be empowered the right to vote and should scrutinize the background of their candidates should election of officials for an autonomous region take place, he added.

As to disadvantages of becoming an autonomous region, Carino finds the inclusion of only two or three provinces to compose a region and remaining provinces not voting for the organic act going back to their mother regions. She rather prefers a regular region like the present set up than resulting to dismemberment of other provinces.

Domogan agrees with Carino saying that the battlecry is rather "one for all and all for one." But if such is the case let there be a starting point if not all voted for an organic act for the creation of an autonomous region.

He said the law could be amended for the inclusion rather than not starting any stressing that the point is to improve the present situation of the region which has lagged behind. The creation of an autonomous region as provided for in the 1987 Constitution.

Carino presented the historical context of regional autonomy particularly issues and challenges of Cordillera during the forum.

Domogan encouraged the students if they still have inputs to be incorporated in the bill. one suggestion for inclusion is the right of fisherfolks.

Domogan called on the students if they are convinced to do information dissemination on the concept of regional autonomy./SCA PIA-CAR/Benguet

Rotarians

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Earthquake for contributing to the "Rotary Wind of Hope Scholarship", an educational support program for children orphaned by the Great East Japan Earthquake of March 11 last year.

"The donation will be spent exclusively as scholarships for the earthquake-stricken students of universities and technical colleges," wrote Misao Ueno, chairman of the Rotary Youth Support Liaison Council for Great East Japan Earthquake in a letter of gratitude to the club.

Baguio Foundation vice-president Minoru Saito recently presented the citation to RCBSC immediate past president Antonio Tactay.

It took the inmates about two months to respond to the call for international support to the victims of the killer quake and tsunami. It took them until May 8, 2012 to turn over their support through then jail warden, Chief Inspector Severino Khita.

It was "Mother's Day" and "Red Cross Day" and the warden organized what the prisoners call a "springtime". It was an occasion to them to venture into the jail courtyard for a "Mother's Day" reunion with their families.

The prisoners handed the warden a gift box. Inside was P4,000 in four P1,000 bills that they announced was their response to the call for aid to Eastern Japan.

As the banks were closed, warden Khita waited the following morning to have an elderly woman detainee escorted to the Philippine National Bank branch. She deposited the amount to the account of the Philippine National Red Cross which was then into the thick of a campaign for the victims.

Early last month, the Rotarians led by club founder Virgilio Bautista and incoming president Joris Karl Dacawi found themselves inside the jail. They had escorted to prison visiting Rotarian Stanley Tokigawa of Ala Moana District 5000 in Honolulu and Prof. David McQuitty of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminar based in Fort Worth, Texas.

The two visitors came from Alaminos, Pangasinan where they delivered a container van of medical supplies for the town. They braved a storm in coming up to Baguio to link with fellow Rotarians. They brought three boxes of rubber sandals that turned out to be the entry point towards a continuing partnership in prison reform.

Rotary Summer decided the sandals would fit the women inmates who received the same in a program inside the prison chapel.

In her response, a woman detainee brought the Rotarians to the possibility of their expanding prison reform by bringing in a bread oven.

Her point was easily clear to the visitors. Over lunch, Tokigawa and McQuitty were asking what it would take to deliver the oven. Back in Honolulu, Tokigawa sent the amount needed, thereby sealing sustainable relations between the Summer Club Rotarians and the inmates.

"We have contacted TESDA (Technical Education and Skills Development Authority) and it's ready to train the inmates how to bake their own pandesal," jail warden, Chief Insp. Wilson Banasen, said.

The Peace Combatant

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www.interaksyon.com/article/43747/trillanes-china-trip-no-paper-trail-no-immigration-stamps-likely-tied-to-70-b-loan-jpe]. Worst, Trillanes' action practically violated the constitutional principle of co-equal and independent branches of government by subordinating himself to the President when the Senate should be reviewing the President's actions on China.

In the mind of the Peace Combatant, these constitute clear and present danger. Trillanes may be **the backchannel of the Chinese government to the Philippines instead of the other way around.** His loyalty therefore to the Filipino people must be examined because we do not want a government that will ultimately become a puppet of China.

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PDEA

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Jr., Peter Fianza and Edison Bilog all delivered inspirational message during the program.

Aside from sponsoring the event wherein participating students were provided with anti-drug-abuse campaign shirt and fan, South Korea's Supreme Prosecutors Office also donated one unit of desktop computer and assorted sports equipment to the PCNHS. These were received by Principal Rachel Bugtong.

Orbe expressed gratitude to the Korean government for its active support for the attainment of a 'Drug-free Philippines'./JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

OWWA

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are qualified beneficiaries of a P100,000 livelihood grant from OWWA, which is set to be released through the National Reintegration Center for OFW.

Grantees include the OFW coop of Atok, Barlig, Bucloc, Irisan, Saguiyod-Barcena, Thanksgiving and Villaviciosa.

For Abra, participants came from the Mayabo Overseas Returnees Dependent Multi-Purpose Cooperative (Mordemco), Bucloc OFW and Returnees Association, Saguiyod-Barcena OFW Family Circle and Villaviciosa OFW Returnees and Migrant Workers Association.

For Baguio City, representatives from the Cordillera OCW and Family Multi-purpose Cooperative, Baguio Seafarer's Circle Multi-purpose Coop, Irisan Overseas Workers and Family Organization Coop, OWWA Microsoft Tulay Alumni Organization Service Coop and Holy Ghost Proper Women Organization, joined in the training.

There are also representatives from the Thanksgiving Multi-Purpose Cooperative and Atok OFW Organization in Benguet, the Tabuk OFW Credit Cooperative in Kalinga and Barlig OFW Returnees and Beneficiaries from Mountain Province.

The training was held September 12 to 14 at the Agricultural Training Institute (ATI) at the Benguet State University (BSU) campus here./JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

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oath and attached in the application," Bagtang said.

He said withdrawal of candidacy maybe filed any time before election day. However, he said the filing of withdrawal of COC will not affect whatever civil, criminal or administrative liabilities a candidate may have incurred.

The rule also provides that the substitute of a candidate who has withdrawn on or before December 21, 2012 may file his COC for the office affected not later than December 21 so that the name of the substitute will be reflected on the official ballots.

He said the substitute for a candidate, who died or is disqualified by final judgment, may file his COC up to mid-day of election day, provided that the substitute and the substituted have the same surnames.

"There shall be no substitute candidate allowed for any independent candidate," Bagtang said.

"Employees in government including uniformed men are considered resigned from their office and must vacate the same at the start of the day of the filing of their candidacy," Bagtang added./PAB-PIA CAR,Kalinga

DOLE

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der before the MOA signing for partner agencies to have a common view and understanding.

Gumabo also explained that each of the partner's cooperation and participation is vital for its effective implementation.

He emphasized that it is timely to strictly and religiously implement the order considering the alarming record of fatalities caused by accidents in the construction industry nowadays.

The MOA stated the specific responsibilities of each agency at the provincial level to ensure its compliance and implementation the participants formulated their action plans for the next four months of 2012 and 2013.

Under the agreement, the DPWH shall issue a directive to all local government units' (LGU) building officials in the province to include in the requirements prior to the issuance of building permits and a Notice to Proceed (NTP), they should submit a DOLE-approved Construction Safety and Health Program (CHSP).

The DILG should also issue a directive to all LGUs in the province reiterating the requirements of the department order about the CSHP in the issuance of building permits and shall ensure that contractors, subcontractors and specialty contractors applying for building permit are licensed by the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board (PCAB) and registered with the DOLE and that the LGUs may seek the assistance of the DOLE for the provision of appropriate trainings on safety and health in construction.

On the other hand, the DTI shall offer a one-day orientation and seminar on the hazards in the construction work for

prospective construction workers with the assistance of the Construction Manpower Development Foundation (CMDF) as it oversees the development of human resources in the construction industry or any other DOLE accredited safety and health practitioner's organization.

The PCAB, under the DTI-Cordillera Region, shall embark on a program to instill a culture of safety and health among contractors and shall furnish the list of licensed contractors and those whose licenses have been revoked.

Meanwhile, the DOLE-Ifugao Field Office shall prioritize inspections of construction sites as mandated and shall refer its findings to the PCAB on any act of omission or commission by contractors in violation of Labor Standard Laws, together with its recommendations.

Technology and health professionals, in collaboration with the Professional Regulation Commission, shall conduct ocular inspections and monitoring of construction firms and projects, mechanical equipment and electrical installations including emergency health and facilities and personnel to ensure compliance with the professional standards in the practice of professions. (JDP/DBC-PIA CAR Ifugao)

M. Province

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(BHWs) and amending for the purpose Ordinance No. 42, S. 2004 providing active BHWs a measly incentive of P150.00 each.

With the increasing prices of basic commodities and services, there is a need to augment the incentive being given to BHWs, the SP ruled.

An annual allotment of P1,440,000.00 shall be provided by the provincial government as incentives for qualified active BHWs of the 144 barangays of the province at P10,000 per barangay.

The municipal health officers will provide the list of active BHWs in each barangay in their respective municipalities as basis for barangay officials in allocating the assistance./JDP/JBS-PIA CAR,Mt. Province

Republic of the Philippines
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**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING
 AND REGULATORY BOARD**
 Cordillera Administrative Region
 Baguio City
**LUNINGNING PONGGOS and DUDY
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 Applicants
 Case No: 88-01-1581
NOTICE OF HEARING
 This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - QUEZON HILL and Vice Versa with the use of One (1) Unit.
 Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on October 10, 2012 at 10:00 AM, PM at the LTRFB Office, Paodal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.
 At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.
 Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and may if they so desire, appear during the hearing.
 This application shall be acted upon by the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidences.
 WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAWER-Regional Director this 4th day of September 2012.
 (SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
 Attorney IV

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—Ud-udiao Road in Bazar in Sallapadan; Brgy. Tui — Ableg Road in Poblacion Tui, Daguoman; Nagtipulan—Cayapa—Bacooc—Paganao Road in Brgy. Nagtipulan, Lagangilang; San Juan — Tineg Road in barangays Badas, North and South Poblacion, and Nangubongan in San Juan; Lus-od — Mangmangabang Road in San Ramon East, Manabo; Paupo Road in Poblacion, Boliney; Baquero road in Brgy. Nalbuan, Licuan-Baay; Matilog — Poblacion Road in Poblacion San Quintin; Quimloong — Abang Road in Brgy. Quimloong, Bucay; Bulig — Uram Road in Brgy. Caganayan, Tineg; Labaan — Poblacion Lamao Road in Bucloc; Barangay Poblacion Road in Lacub; Poblacion — Gayaman Road in Luba; Caupasan — Karkariskis Road in Brgy. Caupasan, Danglas; and Cabaroan — Libtec Road in Dolores.

Aside from the road rehabilitation projects, included in the priority list the procurement of post-harvest facilities and farm tools and equipment for the municipality of Villaviciosa.

Meanwhile, Bernos appealed to the other municipalities to wait for their turn in the next release of the share of her office in the sin taxes./MBB/PIA-CAR

PWDs

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PWDs who are now operating their own electronics service shops that there were many repair jobs on TV sets and video players brought to them and therefore they requested for the enhancement training.

The training is under PSWDO's regular livelihood assistance to marginalized sectors.

Cost for the project is shared by TESDA which provides for the trainer and honorarium while PSWDO shoulders snacks and meals.

Those issued certificates of completion of the course can apply for follow-up financial assistance from the PSWDO.

Graduates in the first training were able to secure P5,000 aid from PSWDO for the purchase of needed tools and some spare parts to start their repair shop business./JDP/LL-PIA CAR,Kalinga

Kiangan

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gional Validation disclosed that Kiangan got perfect scores in Planning and Policy Formulation for the Welfare of Children with 15%, Resource Allocation and Utilization 15%, Institution Building 10%, Child Participation 10% and Community Participation with 10% while it garnered 38.20% in Service Delivery which constitutes 40% of the total score.

Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Director Leonardo Reynoso urged the town officials under Mayor Joselito Guyguyon to maintain and preserve this record for the welfare of children and as a model for other municipalities to follow. He also advised the mayor to cause the preparation of a project proposal for the cash prize as regional winner for endorsement to the Regional Sub-Committee for the Welfare of Children (RSWC) for approval and release.

Meanwhile, Kiangan Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer Celestina Talosig said that with the institutionalization of policies and regular allocation of funds for the welfare of children in the municipality coupled with the establishment and active performance of the Municipal Council for the Protection of Children which they spearhead, the record can be easily maintained or even improved.

The Regional Evaluating Team was composed of Carmencita Chaluyen and Cheryl Rose Cardenas of the DILG-CAR, Faridah Kristi Cabbigat of Saint Louis University, Mary Cerezo of PopCom-CAR, Brigida Abratique of the Commission on Human Rights-CAR, Marge Gardingan of Department of EducationD-CAR, Zenaida Patalan-e of Department of Health O Carolina Lacuata of the Cordillera Police Regional Office./JDP/DBC-PIA CAR,Ifugao

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state of disrepair. “The Baguio Athletic Bowl remains to be a potential regional and national sporting venue” he said, adding that this has long been the dream of many local sports enthusiasts, both young and old, and which could become a reality once it could be develop into such a facility. “The City’s dream of hosting the Palarong Pambansa and other regional as well as national sporting events is not far fetch once the Baguio Athletic Bowl is fully developed into a modern sports complex” he further added.

Vice Mayor Fariñas also explained in his proposal that despite growing support for the clamor to finally rehabilitate and develop the Baguio Athletic Bowl,

especially from those individuals and groups using the said facility, and despite earnest efforts from local officials of the City to pursue the permanent improvement of the said facility, the development of Baguio Athletic Bowl remains to be a vision due to local budgetary constraints.

It can also be recalled that previous efforts by the City to consider several proposals for the development of the Athletic Bowl under a build-operate-transfer scheme suffered a setback after the proposed terms of reference (TOR) for the said project came under question for allegedly being crafted to favor one particular developer or project proponent. Events relating to the said matter later took a turn for the worse after charges of bribery and graft and corruption were hurled by City Councilor Edison Bilog, in a privilege speech, against a city executive for allegedly attempting to bribe the latter in connection with favoring the proposed TOR. The appropriate cases were later filed in a local court by Councilor Bilog against City Tourism Officer Benedicto Alhambra with the latter also filing countercharges against the said councilor.

The proposed legislative measure filed by the City Vice Mayor also acknowledges that the vision for the development of the Baguio Athletic Bowl has been previously brought to the attention other national government instrumentalities particularly the Philippine sports Commission (PSC) for the much needed financial support, however, the commitment from the PSC has yet to be realized, thus the need to reiterate the foregoing call for financial support for the development of the Baguio Athletic Bowl.

Lawmaker.....

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Courts (RTCs), one Metropolitan Trial Court (MeTC), and one Municipal Trial Court in City (MTCC) on September 17 alone,” Escudero said.

The senator chairs the Committee on Justice and Human Rights.

Escudero said he will sponsor on the Senate floor the creation of 101 more additional courts apart from the 71 new courts.

Currently being routed for signing by the members of the Committee on Justice and Human Rights and the Committee on Finance are seven more courts and the conversion of seven RTCs from Pasig City to Taguig City.

“Once these bills are enacted into law, it would be easier for people filing or facing charges before the court to attend hearings,” the senator said.

Escudero said some cases remain unresolved due to the failure of the complainants to religiously attend court hear-

ings which are held far from where they live.

“The creation of these new courts will primarily cause a significant drop in the number of still unresolved cases and declog court dockets,” he added.

Approved on third reading were the creation of: one RTC in North Cotabato, four in Compostela Valley, one in Isabela, four in Bukidnon, one in Negros Oriental, 14 RTCs in Barili, Danao City, and Mandaue City in Cebu province, 17 in San Mateo and Antipolo City in Rizal province;

Two in Quezon, 10 in San Pedro, Sta. Cruz, and Biñan in Laguna province, four in Tarlac, six in Pampanga, and five in Malabon City.

Also approved were the creation of one MeTC in Malabon City and one MTCC in Antipolo City./Office of Senator Chiz Escudero

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attend to the needs of their clients especially now that the 2013 mid-term election is fast approaching and the calendar of activities have already been laid down.

She urged the people to support their written complaints with documents so she can endorse them to Comelec en banc for resolution saying that she can not act on verbal complaints alone.

Belmes also announced that the Certificate of Candidacy (COC) is now posted in their website and interested individuals may now download, print and reproduce the forms in time for the filing of COCs on October 1 – 5, 2012.

But the availability of the forms needed by the candidates through online does not excuse Comelec employees from not reporting to their assigned municipalities, Belmes said.

Comelec officers and their staff have to be present in their field offices regularly in order to attend to the needs of the people who go to their offices for assistance especially now that voters have to rush to register or validate their registration.

Voters are required to appear at the Comelec for their biometrics to be captured, and this can only be made possible in the presence of the Comelec staff.

Belmes, during her oath taking last August 31, vowed not to allow shenanigans in the office like absenteeism.

She said she is determined to have a facelifting and cleansing of their ranks and to have more responsible civil servants if only to provide a more credible public service with the end goal of contributing to the peace situation in the province./JDP/MTBB-PIA CAR, Abra

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING
AND REGULATORY BOARD**
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City

LARRY CAOILE
Applicants
Case No: 2001-01-2339
NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - CRYSTAL CAVE and Vice Versa with the use of One (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on October 10, 2012 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFRB Office, Pasig, Baguio City in which date and time the applicants shall formally submit their evidences.

At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicants shall publish the NOTICE on one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicants and may if they so desire, appear during the hearing.

This application shall be acted upon by the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deems necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER-Regional Director for this 4th day of September 2012.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
Attorney IV

LT Mayor Says Blackhole now Operational

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet— Mayor Gregorio Abalos Jr. announced on Thursday that the Blackhole technology will now be in full operation after Japanese engineers made modifications on the machine which aims to solve the garbage problem of the town.

Abalos presented the Japanese partners led by Engineer Shinya Okubo to Vice Mayor Romeo Salda, Municipal Legal Counsel Maurico Cating, Councilors Jim Boitiwey and Miguel Luma-ang, chairman of the Cooperative Bank of Benguet, and to the public, in an effort to clear issues about the technology.

Okubo said that the machine did not function very well but he made several modifications on the machine particularly the part where water is collected. He said he adjusted and changed several valves and pipes to make the equipment work again.

The Blackhole is a world renowned Japanese magnetic garbage decomposer using low temperature plasma to decompose garbage. The machine could decompose 10 tons of garbage in 20 hours without using electricity or fuel and it comes with eco-composting receptacles called "magical buckets".

The magical bucket is supposed to compost biodegradable waste overnight making it easier for the machine to operate.

This Blackhole machine located at the Engineered Sanitary Landfill in sitio Induyan in barangay Alno, is the first of its kind in the Philippines.

Abalos said Okubo, who heads the Japanese team operating the machine now, will be in constant contact to regularly check the machine.

Abalos is confident the P58 million peso technology will be able to meet needs of the municipality.

In the La Trinidad Trading Post, 40 tons of residual waste is generated per day of which 12 tons of these waste are processed into compost./RC-PIA CAR

Automated Rain Gauge Inaugurated in Atok, Benguet

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - A new Automated Rain Gauge was (ARG) was inaugurated by the country's weather bureau in partnership with the provincial government of Benguet and a telecom company in barangay Caliking, Atok, Benguet on Thursday.

Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PA GASA) Administrator Dr. Nathaniel Servando led the inauguration of the ARG with Smart Community Partnership Unit Head Darwin Flores representing Smart Communications, Department of Science and Technology - Benguet headed by Dr. Arnold Inumpa and the municipal government of Atok led by Mayor Peter Alos.

Servando said that the ARG is an improvement in the services being delivered by PAGASA. It is fully automated and is expected to capture and deliver faster more accurate data.

He explained that the rainfall data monitoring that will be delivered by the ARG is important in the operation of all meteorological services. The data gathered are utilized in the formulation of weather forecasting and warnings particularly floods and landslide incidents.

According to Flores, the rain gauges are fully automated and are capable of machine to machine communications. Smart's network service powers these machines so PAGASA can access and retrieve crucial information anytime.

The rain gauges are interconnected through Smart SIM cards allowing them to automatically transmit rainfall data gathered by their sensors as frequent as 15 minutes, Flores.

Benguet Governor Nestor Fongwan welcomed this development saying said that the ARG will be very helpful particularly in the province that experiences more rain fall due to the climate change.

The ARG would help the PAGASA in determining the amount of rains in the province even without typhoons or weather disturbances. The PAGASA will give back the data to the local government units, local disaster risk reduction management councils and agencies that are involved in disaster preparedness.

"In this way, the authorities would give early warnings to the community and even the farmers so that they would be prepared when extensive rains will be experienced by the province, particularly those in low lying areas and landslide-prone areas," Fongwan said.

Flores said that this is the fifth ARG installed in the region. Two are in Abra, one in Ifugao and another one in Culbong in Atok./RC-PIA CAR

Ifugao Peace Council Leads Ceremonial Marijuana Burning

LAGAWE, Raymundo Binbinon of Asipulo town, and Vivencia Bulayangan of the Philippine Information Agency. The said plants, valued at P2,600,000 by the Dangerous Drugs Board, are part of the more than 13,000 fully grown marijuana plants uprooted in Tinoc town. It was witnessed by members of the PPOC, which includes Gov. Eugene Balitang,



"HOW IT WORKS?" - Janis Koh, the representative of HGE Korea Industrial Company, Inc. explains to Acting Mayor Daniel Farinas, Acting Vice-Mayor Nicasio Aliping, Jr. and members of the Technical Committee the latest proposal in waste-to-energy technology being offered to the city last September 17./Photo by Paul Rillorta

TESDA Allots 270 Slots for Training for Work Scholarship in Mt. Province

SABANGAN, Mt. Province - Technical Education, Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) has allotted the province with 270 slots for Training for Work Scholarship Program (TWSP) this year.

According to Proserpina Pacyado of the TESDA Provincial Training Center here, of the total slots, 73 are allotted for Electrical Installation Maintenance (EIM) NCII, 60 for Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) NCII, 56 each for Carpentry NC II and Masonry NCII, and 25 for Housekeeping NCII.

Of the 73 EIM trainees, there are 37 who have graduated after they have complied with the required number of 402 completed training hours and 33 of them took the competency assessment. For the 60 trainees in SMAW, 38 have already graduated after they have completed the 268 training hours and took the competency assessment.

There were also six beneficiaries of the 56 slots of Carpentry NCII who were trained and graduated and took the competency assistance, and six of the 56 slots of Masonry NCII whose trainings are on going.

There are still 50 slots each for Carpentry NCII and Masonry NCII, and 25 slots for Housekeeping NCII which are still open for interested applicants.

Aside from the free trainings, the beneficiaries of this program are also entitled to undergo free competency assessment after they have completed with the required number of training hours in the qualification they enrolled.

The TWSP aims to provide skills and competencies to job seekers through appropriate training programs that are directly connected to existing jobs for immediate employment.

Under this program, TESDA pays the training cost directly to the training institutions where the beneficiaries enrolled and also provides the assessment fee of P500.00./JDP/JBS-PIA CAR, Mt. Province

Abra Solon brings in P60M in Sin Taxes for Infra Development

BANGUED, Abra - Rehabilitation of a number of roads projects in the province are proposed for implementation under the province's share in Republic Act 7171 or the Tobacco Excise Taxes.

Congresswoman Ma Jocelyn V. Bernos said that 50 percent or P60million of the share of her office from the tobacco excise taxes or sin taxes had already been released. However, she emphasized that the funds are not released to her office but directed to the project implementers by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM).

Bernos said she had already submitted to DBM the list of priority projects for funding by the sin taxes. These projects are basic infrastructures particularly farm-to-market roads (FMRs) to benefit the farmers who are directly contributing to the generation of the said revenues for the province.

The identified priority projects include the rehabilitation of the following: the Barangay Poblacion - Buli-Ar-arosip Road in La Paz; rehabilitation of Sagsagod and Banitog Road in Brgy. Lusuac, Penarrubia; Bazar Cont. on page 11

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2,000 marijuana worth P400,000 in Tawang, Brgy. Gumhang, all in Tinoc municipality. Police Superintendent Ramil Saculles, that this will also send a strong message to those who potted the plants to stop it, because PNP is seriously going after them. (VDB-PIA CAR, Ifugao)