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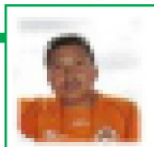


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BY : ORWEN TRAZO



SC halts Comelec's extended liquor ban

There will still be a liquor ban for the elections, but it won't be as long as the COMELEC wanted it to be. This, as the Supreme Court on Wednesday blocked the implementation of an extended liquor ban from May 9-11. This restores the original 2-day ban on the eve of the elections and on the day itself.

The halt order was issued amid several petitions filed by liquor companies, SC spokesperson Theodore Te has been quoted in reports as saying. This is the latest Comelec ruling bucked by the SC. It has earlier issued a halt order on further cutting airtime limits for political ads and its decision on party-list groups the poll body barred from the elections.

The high court has however directed the poll body to submit its

comment on the stop order not later than 5 p.m. of May 9. An extended nationwide liquor ban will be implemented starting Thursday in an effort to reduce alcohol-induced violence during the May 13 polls.

Comelec intended to push to 5 days the 2-day liquor ban it has ordered in its Dec. resolution. Its decision was based on a request from MMDA Chair Francis Tolentino, who said a 2-day prohibition is "inadequate."

Liquor is allowed within private property, however, and in tourist-oriented businesses. */Kim Arveen Patria/ Yahoo! Southeast Asia Newsroom*

How Much Pull...

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According to reliable survey groups like SWS and Pulse Asia, of all the religious groups, it's only the INC that has proven to deliver command votes. There has been no proof of command votes delivered by El Shaddai, Jesus is Lord (JIL was not able

BSP, business sector say NO to money ban

The Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, which the COMELEC has deputized to implement a 'money ban' during the election period, will not enforce caps on cash withdrawals as this could "disrupt normal business and commercial transactions".

The Comelec's resolution imposing a cap on daily cash withdrawals to curb vote-buying "may not be the best way to achieve the goal of ensuring clean and honest to make its leader, Eddie Villanueva, win in his past presidential bid. He is now a senatorial candidate and is not rating high in surveys) and other religious groups.

Although Filipinos are predominantly Catholic which boasts of 45 million voters, there has been no proven "Catholic vote". In this election, however, Catholic groups launched "Team Patay and Team Buhay" and the White Vote Movement, which endorsed candidates who opposed the RH Bill.

Aside from Honasan, Aquilino Pimentel III, Trillanes, Villar, Mitos Magsaysay, and Ejercito, the White Vote Mov't has added the Gordon, Binay and Zubiri, all of UNA, to the list of candidates they will endorse.

At this stage of the campaign, command votes would be crucial in determining one's inclusion in the Magic 12 for who are in numbers 10-16 in the surveys.

The latest survey by Pulse Asia, conducted April 20 to 22 said those whose rankings are still fluid are Zubiri (10th to 16th), Honasan (11th to 16th), Enrile, Jr. (11th to 16th), Hontiveros (12th to 17th) and Magsaysay, Jr. (12th to 17th). They would be the ones who would be seriously make affected by INC's estimated 1.5 to 1.8 million votes.

For the frontrunners, an INC endorsement is important to be number one, especially if the senator has higher ambitions in 2016.

Some say that the INC endorsement is overrated noting that the religious group shrewdly endorses those who are almost sure winners based on the surveys, except for one

elections," the BSP said.

"The BSP is also constrained from enforcing the COMELEC resolution because this would necessarily entail looking into bank deposit accounts," it said, as it violates laws on bank secrecy.

Comelec's Resolution 9688 imposes a ban on cash transactions exceeding P100K a day. The resolution also prohibits the possession and transportation of cash exceeding P500K. Amounts exceeding Comelec's cap will be presumed to be used for vote-buying activities.

The business community should have been informed be-

fore the Comelec implemented the resolution to give businessmen a heads-up, Ed Lacson of ECOP said, as this will have negative effects on the business sector whose transactions are done on a cash basis.

Comelec Chair Sixto Brillantes Jr. said in a radio program they will re-evaluate the resolution after getting adverse reactions from the business community. */Mikha Flores, VERA Files*

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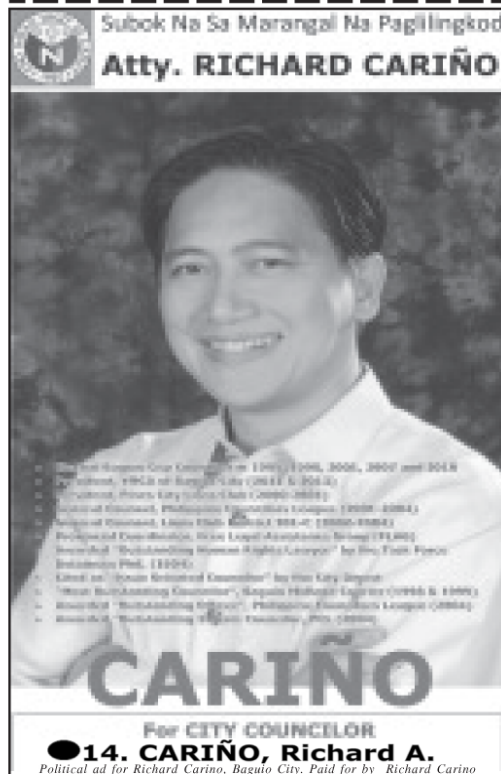
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or two. In 2007, INC did not endorse Trillanes who came out number 11 with 11-M votes.

INC's list for Monday's elections does not include any candidate ranked below number 17.

It is, however, intriguing why re-electionist Chiz Escudero, who is number two in pre-election surveys, is not included in the list. There must be some other reasons. */Ellen Tordesillas*



VOTE!
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A BIG NO! NO!

PAG-ISIPAN NINYONG MABUTI KUNG IBOBOTO NINYO ANG MGA SUMUSUNOD, NA SA AMING PANANAW, SANA AY HUWAG AKSAYAHINANG INYONG MAHALAGANG BOTO SA GANITONG KLASENG KANDIDATO!!! Alamin kung bakit.



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



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

Dating Konsehal Faustino Olowan – nangangailangan ng mga ita sa illegal recruitment???

Ang dating konsehal ng Baguio City, Atty. Faustino Olowan, ay naging isang kontrobersiyal na figura sa lokal na politika dahil sa kanyang kasinabang sa ilegal na pagpapalit ng mga pasaport at mga dokumentaryo. Ang kanyang mga gawain ay nagresulta sa pagkakaragana ng publiko at nagdulot ng pagkawala ng tiwala sa kanyang integridad. Ang mga detalye ng kanyang kasinabang ay ating inilabas sa April 24, 2013 issue.



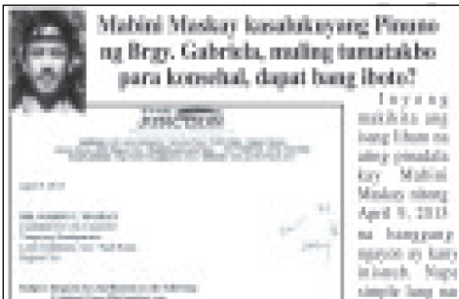
JONIE ITLIONG (BIDA), Presidente ng Federation of Jeepney Operators

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



MABINI MASKAY (Timpuyog), kasalukuyang

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



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



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

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

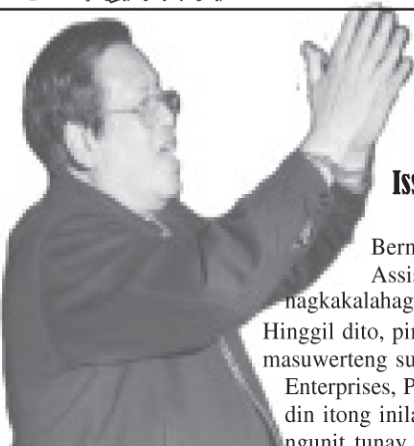


MARK GO (Liberal Party), kandidato para Congressman, isang edukadong tao na may mataas na pinag-aralan, isang matagumpay na negosyante. Bakit kaya kanyang inisnab ang ating liham na pinadala sa kanya nitong April 12, 2013 kung saan ilang napakasimpleng impormasyon ang nais nating malaman katulad ng kanyang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



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





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

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

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

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

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

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



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



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



Itemized contents of medical supplies kit

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

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

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

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

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



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



Sundan ang iba pang issues sa p. 5

REPUBLIC OF THE
PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
BRANCH 6,
BAGUIO CITY

IN RE: PETITION
FOR THE CORREC-
TION OF ENTRIES
IN THE CERTIFI-
CATE OF MAR-
RIAGE OF NORWIL
A. FRONDA AND
JANICE ABREU

SPOUSES NORWIL
A. FRONDA AND
JANICE ABRUE
FRONDA,

Petitioners,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF
THE CITY OF
BAGUIO,
Respondent,

SPL PROC. CASE
NO. 2260-R

X———X

NOTICE OF
INITIAL HEARING

In a verified peti-
tion, co-petitioner
Janice Abreu Fronda,
through counsel, al-
leged among others
that: in the Certifi-
cate of Marriage of
petitioners, errone-
ous entries were
made in the *Citizenship*
entries particularly items
4b, 9 and 11 of peti-

tioner Norwil Fronda-
as to his citizenship
and that of his par-
ents. Entries in the
citizenship portion of
Norwil Fronda and his
parents in the Cer-
tificate of Marriage
with Registry No.
201300183 were in-
dicated as FILIPINO
when in truth Peti-
tioner Norwil Fronda
and his parents, Wil-
liam Fronda and
Norma Fronda, are
Canadian Citizens.

Petitioner Janice
Abreu prayed that af-
ter due notice, publi-
cation and hearing,
an Order be issued by
this Court directing
the Local Civil Reg-
istrar of Baguio City
and the National Sta-
tistics Office to anno-
tate in their Certifi-
cate of Marriage with
Registry No.
201300183 that cor-
rection of entries
were made under the
Citizenship entries
particularly items 4b, 9 and
11 of petitioner
Norwil Fronda- as to
his citizenship and
that of his parents-
from *FILIPINO* to *CA-*
NADIAN.

Let the petition
be set for hearing on
August 23, 2013 at
8:30 o'clock in the
morning at the Re-
gional Trial Court,
Branch 6, "Bulwagan
Ng Katarungan" (Ju-
stice Hall), Baguio
City at which date,
time and place, all
persons interested
may show cause why
the petition should
not be granted.

Let a copy of this
Notice of Initial Hear-

ing be published in a
newspaper of general
circulation in Baguio
City once a week for
three (3) consecutive
weeks at the expense
of the petitioners.

Let also a copy of
the Petition and No-
tice of Initial Hearing
be furnished the Of-
fice of the Civil Reg-
istrar of Baguio City,
the National Statis-
tics Office in Quezon
City, the Office of
the Solicitor Gen-
eral in Makati City,
and the Office of the
City Prosecutor in
Baguio City.

Serve a copy of
this Notice of Initial
Hearing be fur-
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the Civil Registrar
of Baguio City, the
National Statistics
Office in Quezon
City, the Office of
the Solicitor Gen-
eral in Makati City
and the Office of the
City Prosecutor in
Baguio City.

Serve a copy of
this Notice of Initial
Hearing upon the pe-
titioners and their
counsel.

SO ORDERED.

April 26, 2013 ,
Baguio City,
Philippines.

Original Signed,
By: (SGD)
CECILIA
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Acting Presiding
Judge

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18, 2013

Mike Velarde Endorses Two More Candidates

El Shaddai leader
Bro. Mike Velarde in-
cluded two more ad-
ministration bets in his
list of must-support
candidates for the May
13 polls.

In a briefing inside
his Makati City office,
the charismatic leader
said he is committed to
support the senatorial
bids of Team PNoys
former Senator Ramon
"Jun" Magsaysay Jr
and Paolo Benigno
"Bam" Aquino IV.

"Unang una kasi
kilala ko na itong si Jun.
And Bam, I have talked

to him based on his ex-
perience sa kanyang
private activities. His
principles ay ayon din
sa aming paninindigan,"
Velarde told reporters.

"I decided to in-
clude them with the
permission of White
Vote's council. Kasi sa
White Vote Movement,
meron kaming discern-
ing council. Sila ang
pumipili sa lahat (ng
kandidato). Ako (ay)
announcer lang nila," he
said.

Velarde added
Magsaysay and

Aquino both met White
Vote Movement's stan-
dards, which require
politicians to have
"conscience, compe-
tence, and commit-
ment" before receiving
the group's en-
dorsement.

The White Vote
Movement, a group
composed of 46 Chris-
tian organizations in-
cluding Velarde's El
Shaddai, earlier sup-
ported the senatorial
bids of 10 candidates.

It includes re-
electionist Senators
Antonio "Sonny"
Trillanes IV, Gregorio
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Who's in, Who's Out in Party-List Race?

After starting with more than 300
names, party-lists allowed to run in the
May 13 elections are now down to a little
over a hundred. They will be vying for
58 seats in Congress.

The Commission on Elections began
with 352 party-lists—187 holdovers from
the 2010 elections and 165 new entrants.

The list is now down to 108. Of this
number, 84 received accreditation after
undergoing stringent Comelec review,
while 24 groups were reinstated after the
Supreme Court issued last April new pa-
rameters in determining the qualifications
of organizations applying for accredita-
tion as party-lists. (*See table below for
complete list*).

Ako Bicol, the number one party-list
in the 2010 elections, is back in the race a
week before the elections. Incumbent
party-lists like I Care, APEC, Aangat Tayo
and Kakusa were also part of the 24
groups reinstated.

Juan Miguel Arroyo's Ang Galing
Pinoy (AGP) party-list was still barred
from running. Comelec also sustained the
cancellation of Senior Citizens and
ANAD, party-lists that have incumbent
nominees in Congress.

The SC ruling opened the field to all
types of national, regional and sectoral
organizations, and removed the bias in
favor of marginalized sectors, causing an
uproar among progressive groups and
individuals who regard the party-list sys-
tem as a tool for social justice.

Of the 84 groups that received ac-
creditation prior to the SC ruling, 58 are
existing party-lists that were retained and
26 are first-time applicants.

The first-timers include Pilipinos with
Disabilities (PWD), a party-list represent-
ing the disabled sector in their bid to
elect the first person with disability
(PWD) party-list in Congress. Ang Nars,
Magdalo, Migrante, Piston and Sanlakas
were also accredited.

Party-lists that were retained include
incumbents like AAMBIS-OWA, AA
Kasosyo, ACT Teachers, Agham, Bayan
Muna, Gabriela, DIWA and Akbayan.

Reducing the number did not come
easy for Comelec.

The purge started as early as April
2012. Comelec cancelled 60 party-lists
from the 187 that participated in 2010. In
Resolution No. 9412, Comelec disquali-
fied the 60 from participating after failing
to earn two percent of votes cast for the
party-list system in the last two elections
or failing to participate in two consecu-
tive elections as provided by the party-
list law.

Resolution 9513 came next where
Comelec ordered the review of all exist-
ing parties that will participate in the 2013
elections. Comelec scheduled hearings
for all registered party-list groups to de-
termine whether they are still complying

with the party-list law.

Reforming the Party-list System

Since the first party-list elections in
1998, five Chairmen headed the Com-
mission on Elections but none both-
ered to review the existing party-lists
until Sixto Brilliantes Jr. did a year ago.

"This is the first time that we went
into a review of the existing party-lists
and we have removed plenty of them,"
Brilliantes said at that time.

All pending cases of first-time ap-
plicants were also forwarded to the
Comelec en banc for automatic review.

In previous elections, Comelec's
First and Second Divisions were in-
charge of accrediting party-lists. If the
Division grants the petition for accredi-
tation, the party-list is now allowed to
participate in the elections.

If the division denies the petition,
the part-list can file a motion for recon-
sideration (MR) at the Comelec en banc.

This time, all approved party-lists
at the Division level still had to go
through the en banc for final approval.
Likewise, the disapproved party-lists in
the Division level can file an MR at the
en banc to reverse the division deci-
sion.

The review cancelled 54 existing
party-lists and disallowed 139 new ap-
plicants.

Comelec then issued a resolution
calling for an automatic en banc review
of all existing party-lists and first-time
applicants.

In the automatic review, 54 existing
groups were cancelled while 58 were
retained out of the 112 which expressed
their intent to run in 2013. Twenty-six
new applicants were granted while 140
were denied out of the 165 that peti-
tioned for accreditation this year.

Comelec cancelled the accreditation
for groups like Arroyo's AGP mainly for
failing to prove that their nominees be-
long to the marginalized sectors or
showing track record of serving the
sectors they intend to represent.

The review did not sit well with more
than 50 party-list groups who rushed
to the Supreme Court to challenge the
Comelec's decision. They got a re-
prieve. The high court issued status
quo ante (SQA) orders to 54 party-list
cases and eventually remanded the
cases to the Commission on Elections.

Of these 54 party-lists, 24 received
the poll body's accreditation and are
now among the 108 in the Comelec's
latest list. But this number may still
change.

The cases of three party-lists—
Pacyaw, I-Utak and Pasang Masda—
are undergoing a re-hearing based on
the new guidelines. Another three—
LPGMA, PISTON and Kabataan—are
in danger of losing their accreditation
for poster violations. **Mikha Flores,**
VERA Files is put out by senior jour-
nalists taking a deeper look at cur-
rent issues. Vera is Latin for "true".

Comelec Puts Caps on Cash Withdrawals to Curb Vote-Buying

The Commission on Elections, in an unprecedented and controversial decision, has

imposed caps on cash withdrawals and prohibited the transport of huge amounts of money from May 8 to Election Day in a bid to curb vote-buying.

Comelec promulgated Resolution 9688 on Tuesday that imposes a ban on cash transactions exceeding P100,000 a day or its foreign currency equivalent on banks, finance companies, pawnshops, remittance companies and other institutions performing similar functions. It also prohibits the possession and transport of cash exceeding P500,000 pesos.

The move is meant to prevent, or at least mitigate, vote-buying during elections, said Comelec Chairman Sixto Brillantes.

Non-cash transactions are not covered. *"Wala namang namimili ng boto ng cheke. Hindi namin problema yun* (No one buys votes in checks. It's not our problem, really). You can issue billions of checks. *Wala kaming pakialam dun* (We do not care)," he said.

It was not clear how the Comelec would implement this as the move does not have the imprimatur of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), which has regulatory authority over the entire banking system.

The poll chief said they discussed this move earlier with the BSP but he said the agency was lukewarm to the idea.

"Sila ang merong regulatory authority over banks and even lending institutions (They are the ones who have regulatory authority over banks and even lending institutions). We are attempting to regulate and at least deputize them *para maenforce namin* (for us to be able to enforce it) effectively," he said.

Brillantes said BSP officials raised issues like "restraint of trade" and violating the bank secrecy law when they first raised the plan with them.

Comelec has directed all checkpoints in the country to hold a 24-hour "money ban checkpoint", in addition to the existing gun ban checkpoint during the period. The transport ban does not include farmers, merchants and other individuals who transport cash for business transactions, it said.

Brillantes said they started discussing the money ban in March but deferred announcing the plan to avoid candidates from getting a heads-up of their plan.

"We all kept quiet. Let's draft a resolution but we take it up when Election Day is very close," Brillantes said. *"Para biglaan, ang desisyon namin is one week before elections* (To catch people off-guard, we decided to release it a week before elections)," he added.

Based on experience, nobody has gone to jail for vote-buying, he pointed out. *"Kung di tayo makakapagpakulong* (If we can't imprison anyone), at the very least let's minimize vote-buying," said Brillantes, a veteran election lawyer before he was appointed Comelec Chair.

Vote-buying and vote-selling are considered election offenses under the Omnibus Election Code. Both carry a penalty of up to six years in prison.

Brillantes said candidates usually give around P500 to P3,000 for every voter which translates to millions when added up. *"Millions yan lahat* (It's in the millions)," he added.

Comelec officials observed vote-buying intensified when elections were first automated in 2010.

In an interview with Probe, Brillantes said automating the elections cured the perennial issue of cheating in elections but failed to address vote-buying and the use of force and intimidation to coerce vulnerable voters.

Planning Department Director Ferdinand Rafanan said in March vote buying is "a very urgent and long-lasting issue" in the country. *"Hindi dapat tayo ma mislead. Ang number one at pinakalaganap at pinakasakit ng election ay vote-buying* (We should not be misled. Vote-buying remains the biggest and most widespread disease of elections)."

Comelec has deputized the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), the Anti-Money Laundering Council and other government financial agencies to implement the ban on cash transactions.

The Philippine National Police (PNP), National Bureau

PIA Chief Pushes for Partnership W/ Brgy Folks in Bringing Relevant Information to the Grassroots

BAGUIO CITY - Developing information partners in every barangay to help bring to the grassroots relevant information that can build up a well informed citizenry.

This is one of the thrusts that Philippine Information Agency (PIA) Director General Jose Mari Oquiñena wants to pursue which he shared in a recent meeting here with the agency's personnel in the Cordillera.

Oquiñena pointed out that PIA, with its limited staff can only reach so much, but with volunteer info partner in every barangay, relevant information can reach down to the grassroots level.

He also urged the info officers to look at available indigenous ways of communication in the locality which the agency can tap or incorporate in bringing in relevant information down to the barangay level.

Aside from advocating government programs and services, Oquiñena wants the agency to deliver other information that are relevant to the changing time and relevant to the life of every Filipino. He

urged the regional offices and provincial information centers to look on how they can influence the discussion of people, especially into topics that can improve the life of the people and the local community for the over-all goal of nation building.

Oquiñena also pushed for the strengthening of the use social media network such as facebook and twitter, as well as on expanding such network in every sector and locality in the region.

Meantime, through the initiative of PIA Cordillera Regional Director Helen Tibaldo, the agency convened last week the Association of Government Information Officers of Cordillera (ASGICO).

In welcoming the around 60 info officers from the different line agencies who attended the meeting, Tibaldo outlined the importance of strengthening the partnership among government info officers, through ASGICO, not only in advocating the programs and services of their respective office or agency, but also in pushing for the Philippine Development Plan (PDP), as well as regional development and autonomy.

Another meeting is scheduled this May 2 to be hosted by Department of Tourism (DOT) Regional Director Pura Molintas. The association is set to elect its new officers and will have informal meeting with the members of the local media and the regional directors. They will also be given a briefing on the joint tourism infrastructure program of the DOT and the Department of Public Works and Highways./JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

Mike Velarde ... from page 4A

"Gringo" Honasan, and Aquilino "Koko" Pimentel III, as well as former Senators Juan Miguel Zubiri and Richard Gordon.

The Christian group also supports Zambales Rep. Milagros "Mitos" Magsaysay, San Juan Rep. Joseph Victor "JV" Ejercito-Estrada, former Las Pinas Rep. Cynthia Villar, Nancy Binay and constitutional expert Marwil Llasos.

Since White Vote Movement's endorsement list was only made up of 10 candidates, Velarde explained he suggested the inclusion of Magsaysay and Aquino.

He assured that the Christian group has committed to support the two.

The charismatic leader clarified that they required all 12 candidates to sign a document promising they would commit to vote against legislations that will destroy Filipino family and life like divorce, same-sex marriage and abortion.

"We agreed that we should not be stuck up in the RH Bill. There are so many issues concerning family and life like the pending divorce law in Congress, same sex marriage, abortion, etc.," Velarde said.

"That will eventually affect Filipino family because we believe that the RH law is the first step to the destruction of Filipino family," he added. *By Rio Rose Ribaya | Ya h o o ! Southeast Asia Newsroom*

NOTICE OF EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE AMONG HEIRS WITH SIMULTANEOUS WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Notice is hereby given that the Estate of the late FRANCISCO BALLESTEROS, SR. who died on July 27, 1998 at Baguio City without will, consisting of one (1) unit of ISUZU Jitney with Motor No. 4D31-414536, Chassis No. SPM 17957 88 C and Plate No. DFV -758 and covered by a franchise under LTFRB Case No. 88-01-3373 had been the subject of EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE AMONG HEIRS WITH SIMULTANEOUS WAIVER OF RIGHTS on 3 May 2013 as per Doc. No. 704, Page No. 141 Book No. XXVIII, Series of 2013, of the Notarial Registry of Atty. James S. Valeros of Baguio City.

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of Investigation (NBI) and other agencies were also tapped for enforcement. *Mikha Flores, VERA Files/VERA Files is put out*

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

ROBERT MONTEREAL

Applicants

Case No:99-01-225

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the 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 - IRISAN LAMTANG PROPER and Vice Versa with the use of One (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on May 22, 2013 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Paadal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her their evidences.

At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s 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 evidence.

WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER-Regional Director this 30th day of April 2013.

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

AFFIDAVIT of SELF ADJUDICATION

I ROWENA C. EL WAZZI, of legal age, widow, Filipino and resident of No. 16 Modesta St. Mines View, Baguio City had executed an Affidavit Of Self Adjudication on April 29, 2013. That her husband the now deceased Mounir El Wazzi died on February 6, 2013 at Beirut, Lebanon. That they own a property identified as Transfer Certificate of Title T-96397 located in the City of Baguio. That they do not have any children and that the Affiant is the sole heir and likewise to the best of her knowledge the deceased had not left any debts. That this Affidavit of Self Adjudication was executed before the faith of Notary Public, Lawrence Q. Llanes on April 2013.

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by senior journalists taking a deeper look at current issues. Vera is Latin for "true".)

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

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



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

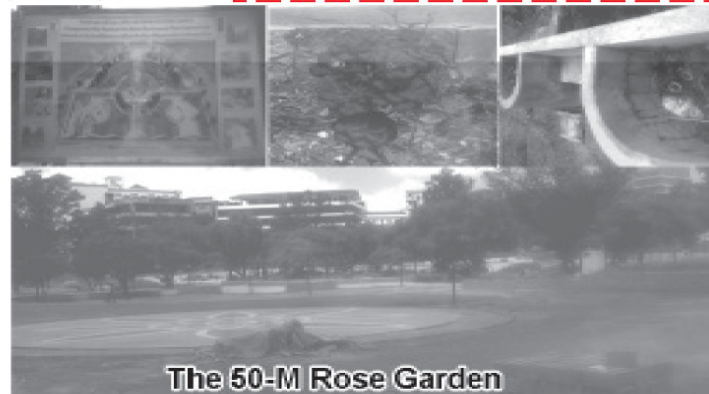


Mushroom Happy- Another mushroom production house was recently inaugurated in Barangay QM. Photos show a delighted Cong. Bernardo M. Vergara assisting barangay folk as they harvest their first yield of oyster mushrooms. The Barangay Mushroom Venture- a livelihood project initiated by Cong. Vergara in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

Issue #4: ROSE GARDEN sa Burnham Park (tapat ng Rizal Park) binudgetan ng P50M-25M mula sa PDAF ni Cong. Vergara at 25M mula sa TIEZA (opisina na kasakop ng DOT)

Sa kadahilanang on-going pa ang improvement ng Rose Garden kaya't hindi natin matuldukan o mahusgahan kung pinapalibutan ng KORAPSYON ang proyektong ito. Sa ngayon ay bantayan natin ang magiging kalabasan ng nasabing lugar na pipondohan ng halagang 50 million. Pati na ang billboard kung saan dapat ay nakalagay ang mga impormasyon (for transparency) katulad ng halagang gagastusin etc... ay hindi nakalagay. Kayo mga mahal na tiga subaybay at nagmamasisid sa mga proyekto ni Congressman Vergara, bantayan ninyo ang kalalabasan at kayo ang magsabi kung kapani-paniwala ang 50 million na gagastusin para dito.

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



The 50-M Rose Garden

PB Joel Alangsab (Timpuyog), tutuo kaya na ka-live in niya ang kanilang Barangay Secretary at iniwasan niya ang divorce nang sa ganoon ay makaiwas siya ng sustento sa kanyang mga anak???

Makikita ang liham na ating

pinadala kay kasalukuyang Ex-officio Councilor and candidate for Councilor Punong Barangay Joel Alangsab kung saan inaalam natin sa kanya kung tutuo ang ating mga

nakalap na impormasyon hinggil sa kanyang personal na buhay at transaksyon.

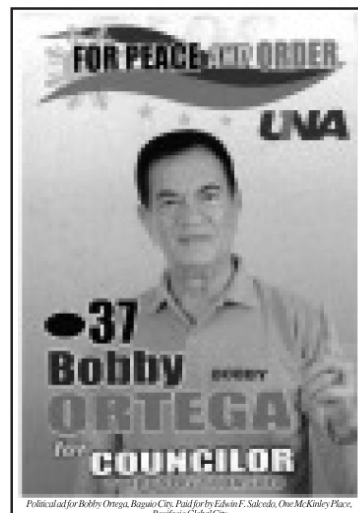
1. Una sa lahat ay tinatanong natin kung ka live-in nga niya ang kanilang Barangay Secretary?

2. Inaalam din natin kung tutuo na ayaw niyang pirmahan nuong araw (nuong menor de edad pa ang kanyang

mga anak) ang divorce papers na pinadala ng kanyang asawa mula sa Canada (Vancouver) sa dahilang na ma-obliga siya na magbigay ng sustento sa kanyang dalawang anak?

Kung bakit inisnab ni PB Alangsab ang ilang mga napakasimpleng katanungan ay

tunay na kataka-taka!!! **IBOBOTO BA NINYONG ISANG OPKISYAL NA NAGLILIHIM NG TUNAY NA ESTADO NG KANYANG PERSONAL NA BUHAY!!!**



Political ad for Bobby Ortega, Baguio City. Paid for by Edwin F. Salcedo, One McKinley Place, Baguio Global City



Political ad for Nic Aliping, Baguio City. Paid for by Nic Aliping, One McKinley Place, Baguio Global City



Yesterday's Apparatchiks

Contrast is a compelling tutor. Compare the track records of talks for peace by Moro Islamic Liberation Front and Communist Party of the Philippines. Both were intractable insurgencies. In Sultan Kudarat, MILF, World Bank and UN signed "Fasttrac" or "Facility for Advisory Support for Transition Capacities". Based in Cotabato City, this three year project will pool skills, training, research and expertise for MILF and government. That's needed in dismantling the flawed Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.

In ARMM's place, they'll cobble Bangsamoro in southern Philippines. Priority agenda item is to craft a "Basic Law" that embodies aspirations of communities across the new body, noted MILF chair Al Haj Murad. "Fasttrac" follows President PNoy's creation of a Transition Commission in December 2012. The commission is now fully staffed.

EDITORIAL These steps stanch the bloodshed. Over 150,000 died in Mindanao fighting. Conflict gutted the island's potential to be the nation's breadbasket. "We must learn to live together as brothers," Martin Luther King wrote. "Or we are all going to perish together as fools."

In contrast, the bid to end the 44-year old communist insurgency collapsed. U-turns by the National Democratic Front "killed" the Netherlands talks, presidential spokesperson Edwin Lacierda said.

NDF leaders proposed, in December 2102, a "special track": a draft declaration on peace without preconditions. But in February 2013, NDF jettisoned its own initiative. Instead, it lobbied in 3 new documents. They'd backpedal into the old "Regular Track" — which floundered for over 27 years now. Government should free detained consultants, NDF demanded. In addition, programs like Pamana; Oplan Bayanihan, plus the Conditional Cash Transfer Program be scuppered.

CCT will bail out 3.5-M poor families this year, World Bank Reports. These grants keep kids in school (96 percent attend classes), get health check ups, etc. Seven out of 10 mothers have medical attention. Now, the commissars in Utrecht would dump these kids and moms.

"Are we talking to the right people?" wondered government negotiator Alex Padilla... Do local communists leader agree? Or is there a disconnect between communist leaders here and those half a world away.

The President thus seeks a "new approach". Government may instead pursue localized peace. It wants a "time-bound and agenda-bound" talks. That'd enlist help of local leaders and civil society groups.

CCP fielded 26,000 armed men at it's peak. "People Power" reforms here, party internal purges and sleaze, interlocked with collapse of communism worldwide. These whittled down rebels to less than 4,000 today...

The party "withered and splintered", Australian National University's Benedict J. Tria Kerkvliet wrote in "Philippine Human Development Report." Ideological quarrels and policy disagreements, after "Edsa One" toppled Marcos' dictatorship, "contributed to splits and splits-within-splits". These persisted into the 2000s.

Studies in Mindanao, Negros, Nueva Ecija and Cordillera found most guerrillas and supporters "have neither been CPP members...nor seekers of a communist run state". Some sought redress from abuse. Most struggled for rights to land and human living conditions.

Some guerrilla groups, in recent years, peddled protection in exchange for cash and other payoffs. "Customers" range from corporations, gambling and drug syndicates, government agencies and large landowners, PHDR notes.

Rebels torched an AlterTrade truck, blocked its exports of sugar and bananas, after the Bacolod company bucked a P30-million "tax". In Bondoc peninsula, NPAs backed landlords who coughed up "taxes, instead of defending farmers, wrote Inquirer's Solita Monsod. Viewpoint dubbed this drill as "Have Gun, Will Travel."

There's no mention of a permit-to-campaign fee" in the NPA apology for their attack on 78-year-old Gingog Mayor Ruth de Lara- Guingona and companions, wrote Inquirer's Randy David... "But that is what this is about." Indeed, the Guingona assault came at an NPA roadblock collecting "revolutionary taxes", Inquirer's Conrad de



SKELETONS IN THE CLOSET OF SOME CANDIDATES

FAIR AND SQUARE

My Choices of Candidates

BY: ATTY. JAMES VALEROS



At the expense of being ostracized both by friend candidates and their relatives, I shall humbly disclosed my preferences and choices of who I believe are the better, if not the best candidates worth the chance to serve the city in the next three (3) years, hence, deserving of our votes. Everybody will understand that just like in everyone's case, this is all in the exercise of freedom of choice.

Unlike in the election of senators wherein current issues of the day influence our choices of candidates, it is not so in our choices of Congressman and other local officials. Instead, these candidates are measured and chosen based on their past performances, if any. If none, they are voted upon according to their backgrounds and qualifications. They may also be gauged for their platforms and promises on what to do once elected. Still others look at how the candidates, for moral assessments, have led their private lives. In my case, I also value the principles they have and the observance of consistency thereof.

Thus, for Congressman, I have chosen and will vote for re-electionist **BERNARDO VERGARA**. Based on the foregoing considerations, he is way ahead over the two other candidates. **BERNIE VERGARA** as Congressman and as Mayor in the past has done so much for the rehabilitation of physical structures and economy of the city devastated by the earthquake and intervening natural calamities. More importantly, he is in a better

Quiros pointed out. "The NPA calls it tax, everybody else calls it extortion."

These unselected collectors fleece "taxes" wherever their guns reach. They decide who to clip, how much, when and how. They make no financial reports. "Taxpayers" have no say on how their pockets are to be picked. Dissenters are clobbered with truck burning, equipment wrecking, even salvaging.

Time and history meanwhile moved on. Despite a Manila May 1 rally displaying posters of Marx, Stalin to Mao, communism is in history's dustbin. "It is glorious to be rich," Den Ziao Peng said. Aging rebel leaders Jose Maria Sison and Luis Jalandoni (a Dutch citizen) wage "People's War" by fax Internet to Twitter, from comfortable ramparts of Holland. "Why not from North Korea?" critics snipe.

The compelling tutor is contrast. Step by painful step, into ploughshares by MILF and government. There are fewer widows. Evacuees are returning, farms cleared of mines and kids flock to school.

That too can be within reach for CCP — only it moves beyond yesterday's apparatchiks and today's buccaneers./ *Juan L. Mercado*

position to continue the on-going physical reconstruction of the city which the others will be hard put to do if by chance elected, being a neophyte in Congress.

Moreover, compared with his opponents, Congressman Vergara is the better embodiment of what public servant should be: easily approachable, always ready to help and to look over the needs of the constituents, especially the needy and the simple folks. In my case, I admire him most for remaining humble and ready to listen at all times despite his successes and status attained. I happen to admire him also for having an ideal partner in life, prim and proper at all times.

For mayorship, I will give my vote to **MAURICIO DOMOGAN**. He is still a doer and effective partner of Congressman Vergara in the development of Baguio. I believe he will remain loyal to this partnership which started in 1990 when the much feared earthquake struck the city. I have full confidence he has nothing to do with the ALIDOM thing being circulated to severe this partnership.

Of course, for Vice Mayor, I am for the re-electionist **DANIEL FARIÑAS**. *Ito ay kahit di nya natulungan na ma-legalize ang mga irregular franchises ng kanyang constituent operators*. There is still a next time anyway. *Siya pa rin naman ang Chairman ng incoming City Council*.

It is harder to choose among the 48 candidates for the City Council, although I already know whom I will not vote for. At this time, my choices for Councilors are: **TENEFRANCIA** and **YARANON** who both will lend maturity and experiences to the Councilors; **CARIÑO**, **COSALAN**, **DATUIN**, **WEYGAN-ALLAN**, **FIANZA** and **ALANGSAB** for fairly effective performance in the last Council; **TABANDA**, for being studious and outstanding in every deliberation although occasionally, prone to grandstanding; **ORTEGA**, who will be a big boost in the peace and order campaign of the BCPO; **MANDAPAT**, for correctly and bravely categorizing irregularly-issued franchises as illegal and void; and **PÉREZ**, who could be a worthy substitute for one of the outgoing Councilors.

Some of them may not make it, but still I will vote for them since they are my well considered choices.

or baseless kiao-kiao!!!

On the issue of Aliping being a squatter

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protector, the basis of which was his alleged attack on the demolition team at the Busol Watershed. We must also try to get our facts right on this, for this incident reminds me of the very same incident in Davao wherein Mayor Sarah "Inday" Duterte was merely asking for a little more time (another half-hour to delay the demolition) from the Sheriff on the ground, and when the Sheriff allegedly did not heed the call of the Mayor for a slight delay in order to prevent the incidence of violence, we all now what happened to the poor Sheriff who was just also doing his job.

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

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

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

MAGKASANGGATAYO

VERGARA Milyon-Milyong
Piso saan napunta???
Domogan – Aliping the Team
to beat!!!

BY: NESTOR CASTRO



Domogan – Aliping the Team to beat- Kompirmado mula sa iba't-ibang mga IK (Intelligence Konti) sa iba't ibang mga barangay sa buong Baguio. Ito na nga ang winning combination, and the team to beat.

Ayon sa aking mga impormante, sa bisperas ng eleksyon o sa March 11 & 12 ay ite-text sila ng mga leaders hinggil sa oplan ALIDOM, at yung mga makakatanggap ng text, alam na nila kung sino ang dapat na ilaglag at kung sino ang dapat na ibotos. Walang personalan, Apo Bernie, talagang ganyan sa politika. As they say, there are no permanent friends or enemies in politics ngunit ang isang mahalaga sa politika ay yung sinasabing "the winning factor" at sa ngayon, base sa lumalabas sa mga IK at sa mga survey, the winning factor o winnability ay na kina Domogan at Aliping. Anyway, katulad ng aking pangako, Apo Bernie, pagtakbo ninyo as Punong Barangay ng QM sa 2016-Suportahan Taka!!!

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TAMA NA SOBRA NA, PALITAN NA- Dalawang araw na lang, mga dear readers, at eleksyon na! Dapat ang karamihan sa atin ay nabubuhayan ng loob sapagkat mabibigyan tayo ng pagkakataon na ipaalam sa mga pol-politiko kung sino sa kanila ang welcome, at kung sino sa kanila ang dapat na **IBASURA**. Ngunit bago ko tumbukin ang mga napakaraming accomplishments ni Congressman este Congressman Veragra, nais ko munang ipaalam sa inyo ang aking opinyon na sa aking palagay, ang mga dapat na mabiyayaan ng inyong mahalagang boto. Ito ay ang mga sumusunod, na sana ay kasama sila sa inyong listahan ng majick 12. Ang mga **7 na GOOD** at may siguradong maganda at mabuting magagawa para sa siyudad ng Baguio ay sina: **1- Tenefrancia (Mr. Clean na Fiscalizer Pa!), 2- Ortega (Peace & Order, para may Peace of Mind tayong lahat), 3- Weygan-Allan (Education- nang mabawasan ang mga mang-mang), 4- Gaerlan (Arts & Culture- nang lumawak ang ating mga oportunidad), 5 – Domalsin (Law/ Justice- nang maturuan ng leksyon ang mga lastog), 6- Banta (Engineering/Infrastructure- nang makasiguro sa mga construction), 7- Baquirin (Women's & Children's Rights- sobra na ang pang-aabuso sa mga karapatan ng mga babae at mga bata), 8- Fianza (Legal Fiscalizer- para makasiguro sa mga Council Ordinances & Resolutions). Sana po, sila ay inyong mapagbigyan at matulungan na makarating sa Konseho!!!**

Ang labing-dalawa (12) na mga dapat na **IBASURA** sa aking palagay at isang malaking pagkasya ng inyong mahalagang boto ay ang mga sumusunod: **1- Alangab- (Mr. Bingo-teng etc...), 2- Maskay – (Mga Crim cases na dating kinasangkutan ayaw ipaliwanag), 3- Olowan – (mga simpleng katanungan ayaw sagutin), 4- Yangot – (Mr. ALL-KNOWING, Bow- Bow tayong lahat), 5- Allad-iw – (Isnabero na masyado mataas tingin sa sarili), 6- Mandapat (Mr. DOTC-CAR, ang daming kolorum PO!!!), 7- Bagbagen – (sangkot sa Estafa at pakunwaring/artistang nagmamalinis), 8- Sembrano – (napatunayan namin na Sinungaling), 9- Bautista – (Poker Man- ligal na palaruan o hindi?), 10- Itliong (Fejodab & DOTC Man), 11- Perez (Tuta ni dating Mayor Bautista), 12- Bilog (Mr. Nagmamalinis na mabibisto rin balang araw).**

Pag dating sa Congressman este Congressman, sa aking palagay ang pinaka **OK** sa tatlong naglalaban ay ai **ALIPING**. Base na rin sa aking mga pagpagsisiyasat at pag kokompara sa kanilang tatlo, si **ALIPING** ang pinaka nakakaintindi ng problema ng ating siyudad at mga residente, kaya siya rin marahil ang makakabigay ng agarang solusyon sa ating mga problema. Si Go kasi, bagama't wala namang bad record sa serbisyo publiko sapagkat hindi pa natin siya nasubukan bilang opisyal ng gobyerno, sa aking palagay ay hindi niya tunay na nauunawaan ang mga problema ng mga dukha at ng mga masa; eh siyempre naman, si Go ay isang **ELITISTA** at

FASTRACK

Aliping, a Squatter
and Squatter
Protector???

BY: FREDDIE J. FARRIS



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

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

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

Let's get real here and not be hypocrites. Show me figures and data on the number of successfully implemented demolitions on land with duly issued tax declarations, and I will show you another ten more that needs to be demolished that are in similar situation, but have not! I am not condoning squatting, but the Baguio situation is quite different from the rest of the country (this will be the subject of a future article of mine). We of course know that a Tax Declaration merely extends rights to the occupant/possessor, the extent of the legal right would best be left explained by a lawyer familiar with land cases. Furthermore, I understand that a piece of land, forest reserve at that (in fact someone at the DENR once told me that technically speaking, the whole of the Cordillera is a forest reservation, could be true!) may have been classified as a forest reservation but re-classified into A & D or Alienable and Disposable status, therefore, this and other research should first be done by the Facebook Commentators and the producer of the black propaganda leaflet, and the results of their research provided to us; otherwise, sad to say, their postings are all empty haka-haka **Cont. on page 6**

siguradong ang concerns ng mamang ito ay ang kapakanan ng mga mayayaman at mga above average, ngunit yung tunay na sitwasyon, adhikain at nararamdaman ng mga masa na katulad natin ay siguradong hindi niya kayang abutin, maliban pa na siya ay isang isnabero at hindi naniniwala sa transparency, kaya yung napakasimpleng mga katangungan ng pahayagang ito ay kanyang inisnab at hindi sinagot. Hindi pa Congressman ang mamang ito isnabero na, eh pano na kung Congressman na, eh di lalo

PRANGKAHAN TAYO

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

BY: ORWEN TRAZO



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

At para naman sa mga top winners at mga sure ball, **CERTIFIED** na magiging mga Baguio City Councilors, Mayor, and Congressman for the term- 2013 to 2016, according to ranking, eto ang resulta ng survey: **No. 1 – Anthony Araos, No. 2- Rob Ocampo, No. 3- Glen Gaerlan, No. 4-Bruce Limmayog, No. 5- Raye Baquirin, No. 6- Junie Itliong, No. 7,- Arthur Allad-na!**

Kapag si Vergara naman ang inyong iboboto, aba eh, bago niyo siya iboto, isipin muna ninyong mabuti ang kanyang mga accomplishments katulad ng mga sumusunod: [1] patuloy ang pagbungkal ng mga kalsadang magaganda pa na ang nagiging resulta ay milyun-milyong pisong aksaya ng pera mula sa kaban ng bayan;

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iw, No. 8 – George Dumawing, No. 9- Mabini Maskay, No. 10- Derek Bautista, No. 11- Rudy Paraan, No. 12- Federico Mandapat. – ADVANCE CONGRATULATIONS SA MGA NAGWAGI!!! Para Mayor, walang iba kung hindi si Jun Malabo este "Fake Healer" Labo at para Congressman – Mike Arvisu – ADVANCE CONGRATULATIONS PO SA INYONG LAHAT NA NAGWAGI!!! Punta ako blu out nyo ha??? Hi! Hi! Hi!

DOLE explains wages of employees for May 13, a non working day

LAGAWE, Ifugao-DOLE here informed employees of their wages for May 13, the midterm election day, a special non-working holiday.

DOLE provincial head Avelina Manganip, explained that if the employee did not work on said date, the "no work, no pay" principle applies unless there is a favorable company policy, practice or collective bargaining agreement granting

payment on a special day. For work done during the special day, the employee shall be paid an additional 30 percent of the daily rate on the first eight hours of work. "Daily rate x 130%) + COLA)" Manganip said.

Under the Labor Code, for overtime work, the employees shall be paid an additional 30% of the hourly rate. If that day falls on the employee's rest day, he or she shall be paid an additional 50% of daily rate on the first 8 hours computed as: Daily rate x 150% + COLA, and overtime on this day that falls on his/her rest day, shall be paid an additional 30% computed as: hourly rate of the basic daily wage x 130% x number of hours worked./PIA CAR,Ifugao

napatunayan na halos kalahati lang ang halaga; [4] Ang mga ginastos niya sa Barangay Mushroom Projects na ayaw niyang ipaalam kung ilang milyon ba talaga (sabi ng iba 6M, sabi ng iba 4M etc...) ang kanyang ginastos; [5] Mga VHF Radios at Mountain Bikes na kanyang ipinamudmod sa mga Barangays, walang nakakaalam kung ilang milyon ang kanyang ginastos; [6] Yun mga pedestrian overpass sa Abanao at Legarda Road na nagkakahalaga ng mahigit 4M ang bawat isa, kapanipaniwala ba??? [7] Yun mga bagong kalsada katulad ng nasa BIR (7M), Leonard Wood Road rehab (12M); [8] 18M Burnham Lake rehab-kapanipaniwala ba???, AT MARAMI PANG MGA IBANG MILYUN-MILYONG PISONG MGA PROYEKTO NA HINDI nakakatulong sa masa, sa kapakanan ng nakararami, ngunit kanyang isinasagawa sapagkat ... alam niyo na kung bakit, at hindi ko na

kailangang sabihin pa kung bakit!!! Hi! Hi! Hi! Ngayon, kung ako ang inyong tatanungin kung iboboto ko si Vergara, aba eh, DI HAMAK NA MAS MABUTI PANA KUMUHA NA LANG AKO NG BATO AT IPALO KO SA AKING ULO, at least minsanang bukol lang yun at hindi tatlong taon na patuloy na pagbubukol. Iboto ko si Vergara? Ano ako Hibaang!!!

Pagdating naman sa Mayor, aba eh, wala tayong inendorso sapagkat parehong matinik, parehong magaling, parehong may matinding kakayahan ang dalawang kandidato na sina Apo Jomol at Apo Domogan!!!

31,000 criminology and education graduates join PRC's ranks of Filipino professionals

BAGUIO CITY - More than 31,000 criminology and education graduates join the ranks of the country's professional workforce as the PRC released the result of their recent board exams.

PRC-Baguio disclosed that for the March 10 LET exam, 10,310 out of the 37,117 examinees nationwide passed the elementary level while 15,223 out of the 38,433 examinees passed the

secondary level.

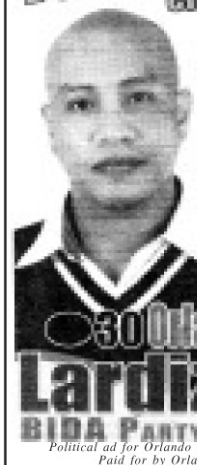
For the examinees under PRC Baguio 36.96% examinees passed the LET exam. Two of the examinees ranked 7th and 9th in the elementary level, while for the secondary level - PRC-Baguio examinees got the top 6th to 10th places.

For the April 7-9 Criminology board exams, 9 graduates from the University of Cordilleras landed in the top 10, including the No. 1 spot in a tie with a graduate from Cagayan de Oro College. UC also got a 100 percent passing rate with all of its 113 examinees passing the exam.

An examinee from the University of Baguio also landed at sixth place.

Meantime, PRC-Baguio's Sison announced that registration for the LET and Criminology Board Exam passers is on-going since April 24 at Baguio Regional office along Kisad Road. He reminded them to personally register and submit the requirements: duly accomplished oath form, 2013 CTC, 2 pieces passport size pictures (colored with white background with complete name tag); one doc stamp, initial registration fee of P600 and annual registration fee of P450 for the year 2013 to 2016. /JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

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[2] Singkwenta milyones (50 million) na Rose Garden, tingnan mo nga kung may halagang 50 million yun, kahit 5M kitang kita na walang-wala; [3] Yung mga Barangay Medical Kits na kanyang ipinamigay sa 128 barangays na ating

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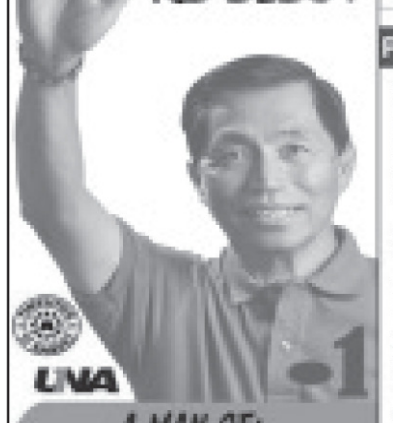
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