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MABUHAY ANG PILIPINO!!!

BAGUIO CITY, AND LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET

LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

Pahayagang palaban!!!

Baguio Scammers Scare-off Foreign Investors

Baguio's image as a potential investment and retirement haven is once again tainted and put to doubt.

Recently, an expat just filed a complaint of estafa against a SEC registered company for their bogus condominium development in Baguio City. Ronald Groenhart, a Dutch national who

decided to retire here in the Philippines was so disappointed with the turn of events of what was supposed to be a smooth-sailing move to the Philippines, Baguio in particular.

Groenhart, in his affidavit complaint filed

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SWINDLING AND SCAM victim Dutch National Mr. Ronald Groenhart shown answering queries from the media on how he was swindled of close to 2.6 Million Pesos by a Baguio based Corporation [SJC Corporation]./Photo By OPAquino

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STL public hearing set Oct. 19

BAGUIO CITY - The city council committee on laws will conduct a public hearing on the proposals to operate Small Town Lottery (STL) outlets on October 19, 2 p.m. at the Sangguniang Panlungsod session hall.

Committee chair Councilor Richard Carino said the hearing aims to gauge the pulse of the public on the issue and guide the body on what action to take relative to the nine pending STL applications in the city.

Carino has pushed for the conduct of the hearing despite the dissenting opinion of some members of the city council who pushed for an outright rejection of the applications during the initial discussion of the issue the other week in the presence of

leaders of the various religious sects. During the discussion, the religious leaders aired their opposition to STL.

The alderman, however, believes that it is better to first hear the opinion of the various sectors of society instead of acting drastically without the benefit of a public hearing.

Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas supported Carino's stance saying that as per the city council procedures, a public hearing is a required step and prerogative of the committee as a means of data or evidence gathering before it can recommend any action on the matter at hand.

Even Mayor Mauricio Domogan and Rep. Bernardo Vergara, in various fora earlier said the STL matter should be subjected to a public

hearing before the city can make a final stand.

The city since July has received nine STL applications from the following: Paul Jefferson Thadani of the Montanosa Tribal Leisure and Gaming Corporation; Antonio Halili of the Halls Entertainment Inc.; Leodegario Boongaling of the Southern Cocoland Holdings and Gaming Corporation; Cesar Reyes of Batangas Enhanced Technology Systems Inc.; Linda Buendia of PWF Gaming and Lottery Corp.; Trivectra Corp.; Alejandra Bansil of Technological Partners Management and Enterprise Inc.; and Joyce Sevilla of Lipa Everbest Inc./A Refuerzo

Baguio As Site For Dengue Research

BAGUIO CITY - research studies are now being conducted in select locations within the city for the possible eradication of the dreaded dengue carrying mosquito.

Initially provided by the Asian Development Bank (ADB), mosquito nets to cover large water containers are being distributed by the World Health Organization (WHO), the Department of Health, Center for Health Development, CAR and the City Health Office in two barangays here.

The Philippines is among the 3 countries chosen for "pilot testing" including Cambodia and Laos.

Kias and Bakakeng barangays were pinpointed sites due to the rise of dengue incidence making it a suitable area to do the research.

The research will be done in a span of 1 year and tends to prove the effectivity or non-effectivity of the nets.

Barangay monitors will be deployed in Kias and Bakakeng to regularly check if the nets are being used.

Representatives from WHO, DOH and the City Health Office will be collecting samples every 3 months to check if larvae still exists.

Though the mayor is positive the research can contribute to the prevention of dengue, he still believes cleanliness is key to its total eradication.

Among the measures being done by the city health office is a weekly operation taob where barangay residents find and eliminate

possible breeding areas of mosquitoes.

Included in this drive are cans, tires and anything that can hold water, even bottle caps.

Operation yugyug in the other hand is the removal of excess water in plants.

To stop the spread of the Dengue carrying mosquito, the CHO strengthened the Dengue Brigades in barangays and the Little Dengue Brigades in schools tasked to carry out this projects.

The DOH however reiterated fighting dengue is a shared responsibility between the government and the people.

Residents are however advised to seek immediate medical attention if signs and symptoms of dengue are observed./paul rillorta

BCPO Records 518 Children In Conflict With The Law Cases

BAGUIO CITY - The Baguio City Police Office's (BCPO) Women and Children Protection Desk (WCPD) recorded 518 CICL or Children in Conflict with the Law cases, from January to September this year.

This was reported by WCPD Chief, Police Senior Inspector Gemma Braganza during a Kapihan forum at the Silungan Center, Wednesday, launching the city's celebration of Children's Month this October.

According to Braganza, the 518 CICL cases recorded were based on blotter reports. Majority of such cases were on curfew and theft with 171 and 110 cases respectively. Other regular CICL cases BCPO received include

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2nd SCOFAD Passes 25 Resolutions

BAGUIO CITY - presiding over the Sangguniang Panlungsod Session Hall Monday, SCOFAD Vice-mayor

Dominador Delos Reyes had fun banging his gavel.

With only one absent, Senior Citizen Councilors passed a total of 41

proposed resolutions, 25 passed.

Among the resolutions approved is a request

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Baguio Lawyers Seek Gun Ban Exemption

Lawyers in Baguio City are requesting the Commission on Election exemption from the election gun ban following the ambush-slaying of a judge from Ilocos Sur last week.

Ilocos Sur Regional Trial Court Branch 20 presiding judge Reynaldo Lacasandile was shot dead by an unidentified motorcycle rider in a pre-dawn ambush near his home in Tagudin, Ilocos Sur, last October 5. Lacasandile was the second judge murdered in northern Luzon this year. The first fatality was Judge Andres Cipriano of Aparri town in Cagayan province, who was gunned down in May.

The incident prompted Chief Justice Renato Corona to ask the Commission on Elections to exempt judges and justices from the gun ban being implemented for the upcoming Barangay

and Sangguniang Kabataan elections.

According to Atty. Edgar Avila, lawyers just like judges and COMELEC officials become targets of killings because of the sensitivity of the nature of their work. The right to protect to oneself from harm is a basic right for each and every individual, he said.

Ordinary lawyers have no difference from the COMELEC lawyers who are exempted from carrying guns and arms for their protection. They also do duties of defending people in court rooms or even consultations on offices or elsewhere, Avila averred.

Baguio-Benguet Election Supervisor Elenita Tabangin-Capuyan said the lawyers can request for exemption through the COMELEC main office for the COMELEC En Banc to make amendment on current

election gun ban rules and regulations.

Capuyan said any person who is in danger or has life threats can apply for security detail with the Provincial Joint Security Control Center (PJSCC). The grant of the services of security will depend on the threat assessment of the Philippine National Police.

Meanwhile, Philippine Judges' Association head Antonio Eugenio, presiding judge of the Manila RTC Branch 24, said that his group will also ask the COMELEC to exempt members of the judiciary from the gun ban.

We condemn in the strongest possible terms the killing of the judge. I think it's about time for the Comelec to revisit the policy, said Eugenio.

The Barangay and SK election gun ban started last September 25 and will end in November 10, 2010./Redjie Cawis/PIA

Ito gon To Provide Comprehensive Programs For OFWS

L A TRINIDAD, Benguet – The Municipal government of Ito gon, Benguet is keen on providing comprehensive programs for Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) from the area.

Mayor Oscar Camantiles bared this during the Memorandum of

Agreement (MOA) signing between Overseas Workers Welfare Administrator Carmelita Dimzon and six newly seated Benguet mayors establishment of a Migrant Help Desk in their respective towns.

According to Camantiles, there are almost 2,000

OFWs from Ito gon. 'We want to track them, we want to know where they live, where they are working, who are their employers or agencies and how are the families that they left behind so that we can plan for comprehensive programs for our OFWs and their families,' he said.

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TRAFFIC PROBLEM - Two hard headed drivers traversing from Upper Kayang Extension use the access road at the back of city hall as "short cut" causing heavy traffic situation along Naguillan Road./By Bong Cayabyab

DSWD Promotes Convergence Of Poverty Reduction Programs

BAGUIO CITY - The government's poverty reduction program will benefit 4.6 million poor Filipinos by 2015.

This was assured by Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Secretary Corazon 'Dinky' Soliman in a press briefing at the DSWD-CAR Training Center, Friday afternoon.

Soliman's visit here is part of the DSWD Roadshow on the Convergence of Poverty Reduction Programs.

'We are engaging our colleague from the different regions as well as our partner Non-government Organizations (NGOs), Local Government Units (LGUs), our clients and the media, in line with the government's enhanced poverty reduction program,' Soliman said.

According to Soliman, DSWD will

be converging the three core programs of the government's enhanced poverty reduction program which are the: Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino program (4Ps) – a conditional cash transfer program, the Self Employment Assistance – Kaunlaran (SEA-K) – a sustainable livelihood assistance and the Kapit-Bisig Laban sa Kahirapan – Comprehensive and Integrated Delivery of Social Services (KALAH-I-CIDSS) – a community driven development program.

She stressed that they are now instituting steps to converge these three programs for higher impact and to ensure a sustainable empowerment of the people.

For 2011, the DSWD is set to expand the program to 2.3 million poor families in the country in 48 provinces including the prov-

inces of Ifugao, Kalinga, Apayao and Abra in the Cordillera.

Soliman explained that with the convergence of the three programs, the identified poorest of the poor family's nutrition, health and education will be addressed. They will be provided with sustainable livelihood assistance and will ensure the establishment of needed infrastructure such as health centers, additional classrooms, roads and potable water system.

The Secretary also confirmed that the DSWD's target, as instructed by President Noynoy Aquino is for the enhanced poverty reduction programs to reach-out by 2015 the identified 4.6 million poor Filipino families identified in a 2006 survey. The goal is also in line with the country's commitment to the UN Millennium Develop-

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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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Seared Gadflies

Did thieves finally win this 14-year brawl?

For that span, Antonio Calipjo-Go took on the dirty job of gadfly. He documented errors in public school textbooks, from science, grammar, social studies to history. Taxes went to mis-educate thousands, the Marian School academic supervisor charged.

The samples culled, were searing. "The engine of the tractor is sleeping," says the Grade 6 textbook: "English for You and Me". "The turtles squirm independently."

Errors were embalmied by rarely updated editions. The second year textbook "Biology" contains world population data frozen in the 1990s. They shoved mistakes across the years.

In 2008, Education Department spent P1.77 billion for books. Yet, no new textbook in high school science and technology were

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produced. Reprints ignore recent advances in science.

President Benigno

Aquino III knows the mess he inherited. "Poor quality textbooks have no place in our schools," he wrote in "Ten Ways to Fix Philippine Basic Education". "I will not tolerate poor textbook quality. Textbooks will be judged by three criteria: quality, better quality, and more quality."

Go is not waiting. He tossed in the towel. In a two part Inquirer series, he writes: Public school textbooks re "some pretend place where the bluebirds sing and there's a whiskey spring" Textbook publishing is big bucks. And PNoy will slam into resistance when wallets are hit.

In 15 years, "not one single author, publisher or government official involved in...these error-filled textbooks has been called to account", Go points out. "The funny thing is that it was I who ended up being saddled with a whole slew of criminal and civil complaints, subjected to all manner of threats..."

In the Senate, 13 resolutions pertaining to textbook reform, deriving from Go's campaign, gathered dust. Former Deputy Speaker Raul del Mar's proposed, in 1997, a textbook reform bill, after German national Helmut Haas documented errors in his children textbooks. In 2010, Haas cited persisting multiple errors in his son's Grade 6 Music, Arts and Physical Education book.

"Not one of Senate or House resolution passed," Go adds. "And the guilty, with utmost impunity, laugh all the way to their banks".

"A cabal of columnists (went) hammer and tongs against Go after his campaign... resulted in the Department of Education banning (some) materials," Inquirer's Fernando del Mundo recalled "The torrent of invectives in op-ed pages... came in the midst of the re-filing of an alleged extortion case that a court dismissed earlier."

Most criticism didn't rebut textbook errors. Instead, they zapped Go's bona-fides. Some papers ignored the Philippine Press Council communication that Go's rejoinders be published under fairness norms.

"The columnists' campaign to shoot the messenger... killed [Go's] message," Del Mundo wrote, "Defective textbooks are one of the root causes of the decline in Philippine education."

Asian Development Bank's analysis of 13 years olds performance in science and math confirm Del Mundo's point. Our kids flubbed over half of the questions. They lagged behind Thailand, Singapore and Malaysia.

"Whistle-blowing in this country is nothing but a death wish and will get you nowhere," Go wrote. "I advise those who want to follow my footsteps, Don't!

This is a country that beatifies crooks but leaves whistleblowers twisting in the wind. Thieves are not ostracized here. Their cash buys them the first places at table. And those in a position to adopt reforms are often the very persons whistles should blown at.

The list of seared adflies is long – and growing.

Ensign Philip Pestano denounced misuse of Navy boats to haul illegal lumber and drugs. "Suicide" said the Navy on discovering his body. "Murder" said the Senate and UN Commission on Human Rights.

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DIRETSAHAN

*Poriner na SCAM ng mga
HINAYUPAK na TAO !!!*

BY RUDY "BANTAY SIYASAT" GARCIA



Dahil sa anibersari isyu po ngayon itong JUNK-YON, .. este junction, ang pahayagang palaban, JUNK muna pansamantala ang mga HATAW at BANAT..

Pero, hindi ko mapapalampas ang diumano'y panloloko ng iba nating mga Pilipino sa mga dayuhan na dahil dito ay nagkakaroon tuloy ng bahid na pag aalinlangan ang mga dayuhang imbestor na magtayo ng negosyo dito sa 'pinas. Ang masakit, isang dayuhan na gustong magtayo sana ng negosyo dito sa Baguio ang nagoyo ng mga hinayupak na kampon ni sataning! Ayun at imbes na itayo ang negosyo dito sa Baguio eh sa Cebu city na lang inilipat! Maliwanag na kasiraan ngayon ito sa naturang lunsod ng pino sa mata ng mga dayuhan, paritkular sa mga gustong magnegosyo dito sa lungsod. Ngayon, paano mapapaunlad ang ekonomiya sa sinasabing siyudad ng turismo kung me ganitong mga pangyayaring nakakasira sa imahe ng siyudad? Sa susunod na isyu ay inyo pong malalaman mga suki kumbakit alta presyon ang inabot ko ng maipaabot sa akin ang naturang pangyayari, milyon kasi ang ping-uusapan, pansamantala eh magrelaks at maghapi muna dahil 13 taon na ang palaban at patuloy na lumalaban pa rin ang pahayang ito. PARK AVENUE, NASAAN? ABANGAN!

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Di ko na matandaan kung ilang taon na akong nagsusulat sa diyaryong ito. Di pa ako manunulat noon ng makahiligan ko ang magbasa ng JUNK-YON este...JUNCTION dahil sa kanilang istilo, nakita ko ang kanilang walang takot na pagbanat at paghataw para sa katotohanan.

Nang magkaroon ako ng pagkakataon ay sumali at naging miyembro ako ng linis gobyerno at nakilala ko ang mga taong noon ay kilala ko lamang bilang manunulat sa mga artikulo na aking binabasa at dito ay binigyan nila ako ng "break" para magsulat sa pahayagang ito, At dito na rin nagsimula ang aking kolumn na pinamagatang "Bantay Siyasat" at naglaon ay pinalitan ko na ng "Bantayan at Siyasatin" Nagbakasyon ako at ng bumalik ay ginamit ko na ang "Diretsahan" EN DA REST IS HISTORI!!

Sa ilang taon ng aking pagsusulat ay makailang beses na rin akong nakakatanggap ng PANANAKOT, at mga salita na nagpapahiwatig ng GALIT, INIS at PAGTATAMPO, pero hindi ito nakapigil sa patuloy

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THE PEACE COMBATANT

*Junction reaffirms its dedication
to Public Service*

BY: ARTURO BOQUIREN



On this anniversary month of the establishment of The Weekly Junction, my colleagues in this esteemed community newspaper as well as myself, reaffirm our commitment to serve the people of the North, the indigenous peoples of our region, and the Filipino people.

Our newspaper's track record testifies to the direction of our commitment. Never for a moment have we wavered in our campaign against Jueteng and all types of gambling in the region. Our community newspaper have fought various types of temptations to tolerate the corrosion that gambling poses on our nation. The Weekly Junction has been aware that gambling threatens to destroy all the positive values that bind our nation. Thus, we have resisted all types of pressures to tone down our campaign against Jueteng and all types of gambling.

The Weekly Junction has stood against all types of corruption, especially in government. Not once have we wavered in the fight for a graft-free and democratic Philippines. Not once have we backed down on pressures coming from the corrupt and the powerful. Even with meager resources, The Weekly Junction has lived honorably.

The Weekly Junction has continued to take a stand that is pro-environment. For several years, the newspaper has supported a clean and green Baguio. It has protested the denudation of the forest and the degradation of the environment through man's excessive activities. Of course, behind the excessive activities is power, a kind that seeks to perpetuate and reproduce itself.

The Weekly Junction is aware that advocating a clean and green Philippines would inevitably lead towards a confrontation with the powerful. Yet, at the same time, however, the advocacy for a clean and green environment is an honorable cause and the Filipino people is the ultimate power. The Weekly Junction has continued to be brave and bold on environmental issues because of this fact.

When other newspapers have been spreading news and opinion that tend to create panic, The Weekly Junction has strongly and firmly promoted sobriety. For instance, a few months back, both the international press and the national media overestimated H1N1 flu virus in its news reports. Both international and national media tended to report the threat as one that cannot be defeated and prevented.

In contrast, The Weekly Junction concentrated on the scientific basis of the threat and boldly asserted based on World Health Organization official reports that the threat is not as bad as it has been projected in the media. For that assertion, The Weekly Junction used science: it studied the statistics related to H1N1. Its position on the H1N1 alone indicates that The Weekly Junction is in media not for the business of sensationalism but for the business of truth.

The Peace Combatant is a mere contributor to the efforts of The Weekly Junction to be a good and honorable newspaper. More than anything else, The Peace Combatant acknowledges the courage and heroism of its colleagues in making The Weekly Junction as to what it is today—an anchor of truth and honorable journalism.

From hereon, The Weekly Junction and The Peace Combatant will continue to do its best to live and assert its existence as a newspaper of truth and courageous journalism. It will continue to expose corruption. It will continue to combat gambling and all forms of degradation of the Filipino's humanity. It will continue as well its fight against the degradation of the environment.

The Weekly Junction will continue to uphold the beautiful: the innate goodness of the Filipino and the innate goodness of humanity. To do so, The Weekly Junction will combat evil with good and political correctness. It will continue to be the people's newspaper and the people's eyeglasses for seeing what is true.

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*Mga staff ni Councilor, OVER
talaga!
The highest paid lawyer in Baguio
City?!!*

BY GRACE BANDOY



This City Councilor's office at the Baguio City Hall which I had written about in this Column for alleged overpricing on their clients and for being rude and unfriendly have well, done it again! Not standing up to the public service they're suppose to be undertaking!

Another complainant, the mother of a friend in the media, has come out complaining about this office again of charging her extravagantly for a simple one-page Affidavit na gusto po niyang ipa-notarize sa office po sana na ito sa City Hall.

I have had several documents notarized in the past and sa office po ni Coun. Aliping 50 pesos lang po ang charge nila. Fifty pesos din po ang babayaran niyo sa kahit sinong Fiscal natin sa Justice Hall if you have anything that needs to be notarized. Sa mga walang trabaho naman po eh libre lang ang magpa notarize sa Public Attorney's Office sa Justice Hall din po yan. Sa mga private attorneys eh nag ra range lang po ang kanilang Notarization fees from P150.00 – 500.00.

So what the hell is so f*cking special about this office sa City Hall at naniningil sila ng P1,000.00 na notarization sa isang 1-page Affidavit?!!!

Over na po yata talaga ang pagsasamantala ng office na ito sa mga kababayan nating alam nilang madali nilang ma 1-2-3!!!!

Maawa naman kayo sa mga taong pineperahan niyo?! Pinaghihirapan po nila at pinag-iipunan ang mga perang pinang meryenda niyo lang sa opisina niyo ng bonggang-bongga!

Wan Tawsan Pesos sa 1-page Affidavit?!!! My God sino daw kayong maningil ng ganyan!!!! Tinuringan pa namang public office ang opisina niyo noh!

Ilan na po kaya ang nasingil ng opisina na ito ng ganun klaseng amount para sa kanilang mga Affidavits?!!!

BAGABAGINAMAN KAYONG KONSENSIYANIYO!!!!!!

The highest paid lawyer in Baguio City?!!

The ex-legal counsel of this giant co-op in the city is probably the highest paid lawyer in the city hehehe.

What with his monthly allowance of an alleged P150,000 with or without legal matters to attend to for the co-op! May kaso man o wala para asikasuhin eh may 150 tawsan po si lolo buwan buwan?! Pera po pala ng mga miyembro ng co-op ang pinambabayad kay lolo.

Ngayong hindi na po si lolo ang legal counsel ng co-op na ito, eh hindi pa ho dun nagtatapos ang pag-demand daw ni lolo ng lots of money from the co-op?!

Allegedly eh dine-demand po ni lolo ang kanyang share sa mga (mabibilang po sa daliri) kasong kanyang pinanalo dun po sa ilang years siya ay nanilbihang legal counsel ng co-op na ito?

Medyo outrageous daw po ang hinihingi ni lolo dahil umaabot daw po ito sa multi-million pesoses?!

At paano umabot ng millions daw ang utang ng co-op kay lolo?! Eto daw po ang ginawa ng lolo, example ay dun daw po sa labor case na kanyang naayos involving former employees of the co-op, hindi na po working sa co-op ang mga empleyadong eto, pero kinompute daw po ni lolo ang sahod ng mga empleyadong eto hanggang sa kanilang retirement kung sakali mang empleyado pa sila ng co-op at allegedly eh utang daw po yun ng co-op kay lolo?!

Sa bawat kaso daw po na pinanalo ng lolo for the co-op eh may computation of millions pala na mapupunta sa kanya?! Shocked daw po ang officers ng co-op na ito sa mga demands ni lolo na ngayon lang po dine demand from them after lolo has become ex-legal counsel for the co-op?!

Babayaran po kaya ng co-op si lolo ng multi-millions na pera ng members of the co-op?!! Napakasuwerte naman po yata ng lolo na ito na nakaipon na nga ng millions for his P150,000 monthly allowance sa co-op ng ilang taon eh hihingi ng ilang milyones pa!?

Gayo-gayo! Bari-bari! Awan ma-am-amlingan apo!!!



1st-APLUMA!

Umali's courageous position

I THINK the House of Representatives is correct in asserting that impeachment is its sole and exclusive prerogative as underscored by Oriental Mindoro 2nd District Rep. Reynaldo Umali a.k.a., "R.U." to his staff, during his privilege speech. last Monday, Sept. 27.

Recently, the House Committee on Justice has resumed the impeachment proceedings against Ombudsman Merceditas Gutierrez despite the status quo order of the Supreme Court.

Umali, during his speech, emphasized that Section 3, Article 11 of the 1987 Constitution, that "impeachment is within the sole and exclusive jurisdiction of Congress and no part of which is shared with either the Judiciary or the Executive Branch".

In his speech, Umali described as "fallacious" the Supreme Court's status quo order in the impeachment proceedings against Gutierrez.

As Vice Chairman of the House Committee on Justice, Umali said he personally decided to take the stand and not to submit to the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in the current impeachment case.

This is a courageous move for Umali, who as member of the Philippine Bar, is now now at risk of judicial discipline for taking a view not supportive of the jurisprudence laid down by the High Court in the Francisco vs House of Representatives case.

"The Supreme Court over-extended the limits of judicial power and crossed the borders of legislative prerogatives - utterly disregarding the basic tenets of separation of powers, the system of checks and balances, and public accountability," Umali said in his speech.

The lawmaker is convinced that the Supreme Court overstepped an exclusive congressional prerogative when it issued a resolution en banc on September 14, 2010, in G. R. No. 193459, requiring the Committee on Justice of the House of Representatives, to observe the status quo in the pending impeachment proceedings of the Ombudsman.

"To my mind, we have no more reason to be in this August Body if we simply sit back, remain quiescent and allow a mockery of the doctrine of separation of powers to go unbridled," Umali said.

Umali added that allowing SC to dictate on a matter put solely under the powers of the legislative branch would result in an anticipated constitutional dilemma that could be avoided just by invoking the specific and exclusive constitutional mandate of Congress over impeachment cases.

"Now is the time to assert and define our constitutional and political history and put our impeachment process - to borrow the words of our President, Benigno S. Aquino III, 'sa daang matuwid', strictly in accordance with our Constitution," Umali emphasized.

Yesterday, Umali filed House Resolution No. 458, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives for the Honorable Supreme Court to exercise judicial statesmanship and restraint and to immediately lift its September 14, 2010 status quo order in G. R. No. 193459.

The resolution also called on SC to dismiss, at the soonest possible time, the petition involving the impeachment of Ombudsman Gutierrez, for lack of jurisdiction, it being a political issue and, therefore, non-justiciable and in the name of separation of powers, checks and balances and public accountability under the Constitution.

Once approved, Umali said Congress should submit the resolution to the Supreme Court, in lieu of the compliance of our Committee on Justice to comment on the petition in G. R. No. 193459.

During PGMA's tenure, several mega-projects that may have benefitted the Filipinos notwithstanding the pockets of unsatisfiable politicians, went to naught whenever the SC gets in the way.

Not only that. Contracts were reviewed and turned down, decided by the SC with impunity even these were already signed by Philippine representatives and their foreign counterparts.

The result? We'll, fittingly, the SC would say we saved billions of

KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

PNoy warring appointees: resign or be fired

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: Proverbs 18:21 says: "The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit". Our words have creative power. Whenever we speak something out, either good or bad, we are giving life to what we are saying.

"Too many people go around saying negative things about themselves, their family, and their future. Things like, 'I'll never be successful. This sickness is going to get the best of me. Business is so slow I don't think I'm going to make it. Flu season is coming. I'll probably get it.'

"They don't realize they are prophesying their future. The Scripture says, 'We will eat the fruit of our words.' That means we're going to get exactly what we've been saying" (from Ang Bagong Pinoy egroup).

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AXJ TV AND BATAS INTERNET TV EYE 'JOINING FORCES': AXJ TV, a Spanish-created Internet Protocol TV station, is asking BATAS INTERNET TV "to join forces", through a Facebook message sent by Amigo Carlos to me, through my Facebook account "batas mauricio" or under my name, MELANIO MAURICIO JR.

I immediately said yes, of course—BATAS INTERNET TV (which airs its programs at www.batasmedia.com 24/7/365, which means 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year) is interested to join forces with AXJ TV (or with any other media groups in fact). Please pray to God that something good is going to happen out of this.

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ALL APPOINTEES OF PNOY MUST NOW RESIGN: If the factions that supported President Aquino during the elections really have the good of the Philippines and the Filipinos at heart, and the only reason for their helping the President capture the presidency was a desire to create a better life for everyone in this part of the world, I suggest that those of them who have been appointed to positions should resign now.

Truth to tell, the fights and the disputes between these factions are now causing the Aquino government to fail in its drive to create a better Philippines—and the sad thing in all these is that, it is not the members of the factions that would be blamed for this failure, but only President Aquino himself.

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PNOY MUST FIRE THOSE WHO WILL NOT RESIGN: If I were the President and my appointees will not resign voluntarily, I will fire everyone now, both from the so-called Balay Group and the Samar Group, and then appoint only those who had no hand in my victory.

These new appointees will certainly work better, because they will owe everything from the President, and the President owes them nothing.

Right now, the reason why there is too much fighting between the Balay Group and the Samar Group is the belief by their members that because they worked to have the President elected, he owes it to them to put them in power, too. This is dangerous, both for the country and our people.

moneys for Filipinos for this or that one-sided, anti-Filipino contract.

But, but, but. In the real sense, the SC is sending a very st(w)rong warning to all and future investors that: "It's not healthy to invest in the Philippines!" Done deals are not done deals! Contracts are not contracts! Agreements are not agreements! MOAs are not MOAs!

And that includes the Executive Department of the government.

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REGIONAL TRIAL
COURTFirst Judicial
Region
BRANCH 10
La Trinidad,
Benguet

ORDER

Petitioner through counsel, filed a Petition praying that after due notice, publication and hearing judgment be rendered ordering the respondents to cause the correction in the birth certificate of ROSSELLER DIWAS MINONG particularly his first name from ROSALEN to ROSELLER and the sex of the child from "FEMALE" TO "MALE".

WHEREFORE, finding the petition sufficient in form and in substance, the same is hereby set for hearing on 8 November 2010 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning before the Session Hall of this court, 2nd floor, Jus-

tice Hill, La Trinidad Benguet and all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any, why this petition should not be granted.

Let this Order be published at the expense of the petitioner in the Junction, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, once a week for (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made not later than October 24, 2010.

Furnish copies hereof together with a copy of the petition and its annexes to the Office of the Solicitor General, Makati City; the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet; the Municipal Civil Registrar of Bokod, Benguet; the Junction; the petitioner

and her counsel.

September 2010 at
La Trinidad.
Benguet.

Presiding Judge

SO ORDERED.
DONE IN
CHAMBERS, this
13th day ofEDGARDO B. DIAZ
DE RIVERA, Jr.Publication Dates:
September 25,
October 2 and 9,
2010IN RE:
CORRECTION OF
ENTRY IN THE
CERTIFICATE OF
LIVE BIRTH,ROSELLER DIWAS
MINONG,*Petitioner,*

-versus-

THE MUNICIPAL
CIVIL REGISTRAR
OF BOKOD,
BENGUET, ETAL.,
*Respondents.*SP. PROC. CASE
NO. 10-C-1649

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Happy 13th Anniversary
Greetings from:THE
JUNCTION
Pahayagang Palaban

Happy 13th Anniversary

Greetings from:

The Men and Women of

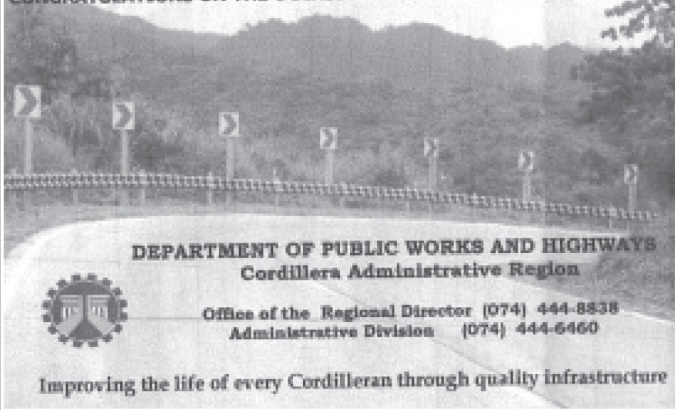
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE
POLICE REGIONAL OFFICE –
CORDILLERACamp Bado Dangwa, La Trinidad, Benguet
Tel No. 422-3207THE
JUNCTION
Pahayagang Palaban

Happy 13th anniversary

Greetings from:

The Management of
ESO-NICE TRANSPORT CORP.Route : Baguio City – San Fernando City
Baguio City – Candon, Ilocos Sur
Special Trip :Call : [074] 443-3076 Baguio City
[072] 242-4945 San Fernando CityTHE
JUNCTION
Pahayagang Palaban

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR 14th ANNIVERSARY

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF
ESTATE
WITH SIMULTANEOUS DEED OF SALE

This is to give notice that on September 20, 2010, the heirs of Sebastian Sabas, who died intestate at La Trinidad, Benguet on June 26, 2009, had extrajudicially settled his estate in a deed denominated as Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Simultaneous Deed of Sale and entered as Doc. No. 355, Page No. 68, Book No. 24, Series of 2010 in the Notarial Register of Atty. Liberato V. Tadeo of Baguio City.

Publication Dates: October 9, 16 & 23, 2010

Republic of the
Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT
First Judicial Region
BRANCH 59
Baguio City
(ADDITIONAL
FAMILY COURT OF
BAGUIO CITY)

IN THE MATTER OF
PETITION
FOR
LEGITIMATION
AND
CANCELLATION
AND/OR
CORRECTION OF
ENTRIES
IN THE
CERTIFICATE OF
LIVE
BIRTH OF MINOR
KACIE MARIE
JEANELLE
MADRID CORPUZ;

SPS. ABIMARH C.
CORPUZ
AND KRISTY M.
CORPUZ,

Petitioner;

-versus-

THE CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF
BAGUIO CITY AND
THE CIVIL
REGISTRAR
GENERAL,

Respondents.

SP. PROC. NO 2052-
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X—X

ORDER

A verified
amended petition
filed by the petition-
ers through counsel
alleged, among oth-
ers, that:

"1. The spouse
petitioners were
married to each other
on JANUARY 4,
2003, at a wedding
ceremony solemn-
ized by Rev. Fr.
Ronald O Chan, of
Saint William the
Hermit Cathedral at
San Fernando City,
La Union. A copy of
their marriage cer-
tificate is attached

hereto and made an
integral part hereof
as Annex "A".

2. That prior to
the said marriage of
the petitioners and
outside wedlock, a
child, named Kacie
Marie Jeanelle
Madrid Corpuz was
conceived and born
on August 19, 2000,
at Baguio City, Phil-
ippines.

3. The facts of
the birth of Kacie
Marie Jeanelle
Madrid Corpuz were
registered with the
Local Civil Regis-
trar of Baguio; A copy
of her certificate of
live birth is attached
hereto and made an
integral part hereof
as Annex "B".

4. That at the
time of the conception
and birth of said
child, the spouses Pe-
titioners were not
disqualified by any
legal impediment to
marry each other; and
would have been ca-
pacitated to get mar-
ried had they chosen
to at that time. A copy
of their Respective
Birth Certificates
are hereto attached
and made an integral
part as Annex "C"
and "D"

5. That however,
the time of the taking
of the data for the en-
tries in our
daughter's certi-
ficate of live birth it
was erroneously
stated that the under-
signed were already
married. Hence, the
entry under "18 date
and place of mar-
riage" is erroneous;

6. Petitioner
Kristy Corpuz was
the informant when
the staff of the hospi-
tal prepared the Lo-
cal civil Registrar
Form of Live birth of
the aforementioned
child at the Local
Civil Registrar of
Baguio City;

7. Having the
best interest of their
child in mind and
upon the prodding of
their relatives to con-

ceal the illegitimacy
of the child, Petition-
ers named the child
as Kacie Marie
Jeanelle Madrid cor-
pus carrying Corpuz
as her family name;

8. That with the
subsequent marriage
of the petitioners the
child Kacie Marie
Jeanelle Madrid
Corpuz has now
gained the status of a
legitimate child;

9. While Kacie
Marie Jeanelle
Madrid corpus is
still a minor, it is nec-
essary to correct,
rectify and put an end
to the erroneous en-
try in Number 18 of
the Certificate of
Live Birth;

10. Unless the
said entries are cor-
rected there will con-
tinue to be a confu-
sion and this would
greatly prejudice not
only the government
offices where his
name appears but
also in all his public
as well as private
dealings;

11. To rectify
such grave error, Pe-
titioner humbly im-
plore the understand-
ing and indulgence
of this Honorable
Court for the rash-
ness of their past
actions that re-
sulted in the erro-
neous entry in the
Certificate of Live
Birth of minor
Kacie Marie
Jeanelle Madrid
Corpuz and respect-
fully submits the in-
stant petition to this
Honorable Court
consistent with the
provisions of Rule
108 of the Revised
Rules of Court.

On the basis of
the foregoing, the
petitioners pray of
this Honorable
Court that after due
notice, publication
and hearing, an Or-
der be issued di-
recting the Local
Civil Registrar of
Baguio City to de-
lete the Date and
place of marriage in

the entry No. 18 on
the Certificate of
Live Birth of minor
Kacie Marie
Jeanelle Madrid
Corpuz and the
proper annotation
be made pertaining
to the status of the
child.

Finding the pe-
tition sufficient in
form and substance,
let the same be
heard before the
Regional Trial
Court, Branch 59,
Baguio City on De-
cember 14, 2010 at
10:30 o'clock in
the morning at
which place, date
and time, the pe-
titioners shall proved

their case. Any per-
son interested may
appear and show
cause, if any there
be, why this petition
should not be
granted.

Let a copy of
this Order be pub-
lished at the ex-
pense of the pe-
titioners in the Junc-
tion, a newspaper of
general circulation
in Baguio City and
Benguet Province,
once a week for (3)
consecutive weeks.

Likewise, let a
copy of this Order,
together with a copy
of the petition and
its annexes, be fur-
nished the Honor-

able Solicitor Gen-
eral, Makati City,
Metro Manila; the
City Prosecutor of
Baguio, the Local Civil
Registrar of Baguio
City, and the Civil
Registrar General.

SO ORDERED.

DONE IN CHAM-
BERS, this 6th day of
September 2010 at
Baguio City,
Philippines.

ILUMINADAP.
CABATO
Judge

Publication Dates:
October 2, 9 and 16,
2010

Happy 13th Anniversary

greetings from:

Antonio Tabin
Baguio City Accountant

THE JUNCTION
Pahayagang Palaban

Happy 13th Anniversary

greetings from:

Theodora Caguicla
LTO Baguio City

THE JUNCTION
Pahayagang Palaban

Happy 13th Anniversary

THE JUNCTION
Pahayagang Palaban

Greetings from:

THE SANGGUNIAN BAYAN MEMBERS
Municipality of La Trinidad, Benguet Province

HON. ROMEO K. SALIDA
Municipal Vice Mayor

HON. JIM S. SORIANO
Municipal Councilor

HON. HENRY M. BONGI
Municipal Councilor

HON. ARTHUR M. SHERIDAN
Municipal Councilor

HON. RODRICK O. MANSAGAN
Municipal Councilor

HON. WENCESLAO A. ROMANZUR
Municipal Councilor

HON. ESTRELLA B. AGUIRAN
Municipal Councilor

HON. FRANCIS A. LEE
Municipal Councilor

HON. ROMMYAN T. TALLI
Municipal Councilor

HON. ROBERTO M. HANORIO
Municipal Councilor, ABC President

HON. JOHNNY O. MIGUEL
Municipal Councilor, SPK President

BCPO Records 518**.... from page 2**

physical injury, robbery, rugby sniffing and liquor drinking, added Braganza.

On the other hand, City Social Welfare and Development (CSWD) Office data indicated 176 CICL cases with 60 filed in court while nine cases or offender remain in the city jail. The others have been returned to their parents, CSWD Officer Betty Fangasan reported.

On the issue of the possible abuse of Republic Act 9344 or the Juvenile Justice Act, Fangasan explained that the Justice Department has already issued an administrative order calling for a stricter implementation and a thorough screening of CICL cases. 'Heavy CICL cases should be heard in court and those found guilty should go to the city jail and those cases that will be dismissed must undergo rehabilitation,' she said.

Fangasan also clarified that not all youth offenders are eligible for ROR or Release on Recognizance. Repeat offenders could land in jail as well as those involving heavy crimes like robbery, rape and murder, or those cases that are punishable (jail sentence) of six or more years.

With the theme 'Kung Bright Child ang Gusto, Mundo'y Ingatan Mo!', the CSWDO and a city government-led inter-agency committee composed of government and private organizations that promote the protection, welfare and the rights of children under the office of Councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda have prepared activities for the whole Children's Month.

Scheduled activities include hanging of streamers by participating agencies and organizations, conduct of series of symposia regarding the various child protection and welfare laws, Life Skills Activity, Children's Congress, Survival Support Programs for child abuse victims, talent show and lectures on personal hygiene and breastfeeding./Lito Dar/PIA

Diretsahan**.... from page 4**

kong pakikibaka para sa katotohanan kaya tuloy pa rin ang laban!, At kayo mga suki namin sa pahayagang ito ang nagbibigay ng aking lakas at tibay ng loob para isuong ang aking sarili sa mga nakaambang mga PANGANIB at KAPAHAMAKAN!

Sa mga nasasagasaan namin, wala po kaming intensyon o layunin na kayo ay ipahiya at makaladkad sa kahihyan, ika nga trabaho lang at walang personalan, sa mga sumusuporta sa amin; maraming salamat po, at sa mga sumuporta sa amin kahit sila ay aming binabanatan,"Saludo po ako sa inyo" At sa mga kasamahan ko sa pahayagang palaban na ito, keep up "d" good works, HAPI ANIBERSARI!!! "cheers!!!"

1st -Aplumal**.... from page 6**

Under present setup of things, the SC can junk any Malacanang mega-deal.

So, unless the SC is not privy to that or this mega-deal negotiation from the very start, that mega-deal is no mega-deal. But the truth is, we have executives in all government offices and it is that simple reason why they are there. They have the power vested in them. They have the trust from the national government. Meaning, they can enter into contracts provided these are beneficial to the Filipino people.

See how the SC have grown. You be the judge.

2nd SCOFAD Passes**.... from page 2**

for the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas to reconfigure the one peso coin proposed by SCOFAD Councilor Tolentino Opiniano.

Opiniano also proposed to establish private or public parking areas in all villages and barangays in the city.

Not to be outdone, SCOFAD Councilor Herminia Pascua proposed a resolution requesting the city government and the sanguniang kabataan for the construction and operation of a multi-purpose sports complex which would serve as an avenue for developing sports skills and abilities.

This was supported by yet another resolution requesting Congressman Manny Pacquiao to fund the construction of the sports complex.

SCOFAD Councilor Macrina Olarte focused on benefiting senior citizens more passing a proposed resolution for the restoration and upgrading of the existing Blue Lanes of the Central Business District (CBD) with additional lanes in strategic places including barangay roads and another resolution requesting for the exemption of Leonila Hill Jeepney Operators and Drivers Association from the coverage of the Odd-Even scheme.

A Day Care Center for Senior Citizens was proposed by SCOFAD Councilor Monroe Taclawan and priority to senior citizens in the use of public utilities particularly the bleachers of Burnham Park and Athletic Bowl.

The proposed resolution of SCOFAD Ruperto Edades is more on requesting the Baguio City Market Authority (BCMA) chaired by Mayor Mauricio Domogan in transforming the public market into a discipline zone.

Collection of Garbage Fees from every household in the city is one of the priority resolutions of SCOFAD Councilor Isaias Barongan. He is also requesting the City Health Officer to take positive steps to put up more district health clinics in the city.

In yet another proposed resolution, SCOFAD Rebecca Simeon requested for the construction of a multi-level parking space building to resolve the parking problems in the city. She is also requesting for the deployment of at least 2 barangay tanods within school premises during school days in every barangay.

For his part, SCOFAD Councilor Placido Abuan's proposed resolution urgently requested the mayor to clear Burnham Park and all other parks of itinerant and ambulant vendors. He also proposed the establishment of an integral system for control and eradication of mendicancy in the city.

SCOFAD Councilor Carlos Tayaban merely supported the proposed resolution of Councilor Edison Bilog for the grant of a 20% discount on all business taxes to all senior citizens who are engaged in business in the city.

Urgent relocation of terminals of provincial public utility vehicles outside the CBD was also proposed by SCOFAD Councilor Alejandro Nigos with a request to Cong. Bernardo Vergara to sponsor a Bill setting the standard honorarium equivalent to the standard wage for barangay officials in the city.

Other resolutions include requesting BENECO to maintain the street and alley lights for the 128 barangays and the 12 burning hours be approved in the city authored by SCOFAD Councilor Nenita Trinidad, proposal to grant aid for women organizations for their livelihood in barangays authored by SCOFAD Councilor Edna Dulay including the increase of financial aid for indigent people by the CSWDO from P2,000 to P10,000 to help in hospitalization needs, SCOFAD Councilor Herminia Pascua appropriating the amount of P2M from available funds for the installation of an elevator in City Hall which would benefit senior citizens and differently abled persons, SCOFAD Carlos Tayaban appropriating P3M to build a barangay entrepreneurship program benefiting all seniors citizens of Baguio and SCOFAD Councilor Nenita Trinidad requesting the city government to give incentives to barangay officials for being the frontliners/workhorses in the implementation of city activities, programs and projects and like city hall officials and employees be given automatically the year-end bonus and other benefits and privileges.

SCOFAD Vice Mayor Dominador Delos Reyes however proposed a single resolution requesting the members of the City Council for the inclusion in the City Annual Budget an allocation of 1% for the Baguio City Senior Citizens.

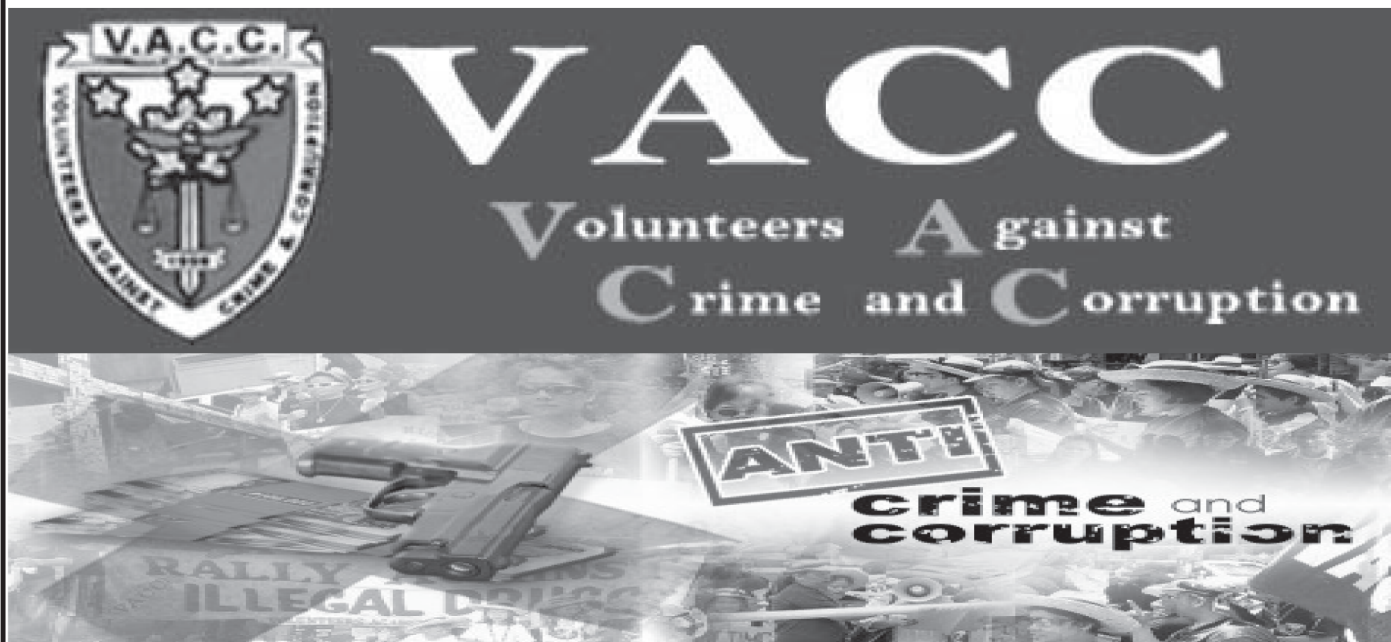
Present in the session are SCOFAD Congresswoman Editha Ibarra and SCOFAD Mayor Rosalind Camat.

After a series of debates and giggles, the seniors called it a day like no other./paul rillorta

Happy 13th Anniversary
Greetings from:



JUDE WAL AND FAMILY, AND...



The Volunteers Against Crime and Corruption (VACC) is a non-stock, non-profit non-government organization (NGO) which envisions a relatively crime-free and corruption-free Philippines. It aims:

1. to eradicate criminality and corrupt practices
2. to assist victims and
3. to work for the improvement of the criminal justice system.

VACC actualizes this vision with its various programs: court monitoring, legal aid, psycho-logical counseling for victims, radio and television broadcast on actual cases and referrals to concerned agencies. As it lives out this mission through these programs, the VACC has evolved into a highly-regarded NGO for providing assistance and support to victims and for its unwavering stand against all forms of government corruption.

It was founded on August 3, 1998 by eleven (11) incorporators who composed its first Board of Trustees. The original officers of the organization were mostly victims of heinous crimes, noted lawyers, civic-minded businessmen and youth leaders led by Dante LA Jimenez and Lauro G. Vizconde. They have remained the primary movers up to this day. Today, fifteen (15) officers compose the organization's Board of Trustees. It holds office at Suite 21, Carmen Apartments, 2000 Roxas Boulevard,

Malate, Manila with a regular full-time staff and volunteer members willing to help out in the various tasks.

At the core of the organization's strength are its more than five thousand (5,000) members mostly victims of crime and corruption. Some are pure volunteers who believe in its advocacy and adhere to its declared vision and mission. It has full-pledged chapters in Camarines Sur, Naga City, La Union, Baguio and Iloilo. It recently set up its chapter in Singapore in the aftermath of the La Puebla case and is presently organizing overseas chapters in Hongkong and Dubai in the Middle East. Additionally, it facilitates its assistance to victims through a wide network of coordinating centers in Muntinlupa City, Antipolo, Laguna, Pampanga, Bulacan, Nueva Ecija, Ilocos Norte, Cebu, Zamboanga City and Agusan del Sur.

To strengthen its programs, it has forged alliances with various sectors of the community, namely, the groups/NGOs of professionals, youth/students, women's NGOs and similar justice and anti-crime advocates. It has also international organizations espousing similar causes and advocacy such as the National Organization for Victims' Assistance (NOVA) of the US Department of Justice, Hongkong's Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) and Transparency International of Durban, South Africa.