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# Filing of Candidacy for 2013 Election set on Oct. 1-5

**"FREE SERVICES"**  
- patients line up at the Baguio Convention Center September 8, 2012 to avail of free medical service sponsored by the Lions Club of Baguio in cooperation with the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office and Medchoicepharma, Inc./Photo by JManaois



BAGUIO CITY — The Commission on Elections (COMELEC)- Cordillera announced that the filing of certificates of candidacy for the May 13, 2013 elections would be on October 1 to 5 this year, or about seven months before the elections.

COMELEC regional director Julius Torres said candidates seeking for local post like congressman, governor and mayor are to start their campaign on March 29 and end on May 11. They have 90 days to campaign.

For the national candidates, the campaign period will start 45 days before the election day. **Cont. on page 7**

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## Farinas Meets BCPO Chiefs, Issues Orders

BAGUIO CITY - Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas this week called on the different Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) Station Commanders here for a meeting.

Acting as City Mayor as per Administrative Order No. 104 series of 2012, Farinas instructed the chiefs to prioritize the peace and order situation in the city.

"I gave them instructions to continue coordinating with barangay officials so peace and order programs which they are implementing will be supported by the different barangays in the city", Farinas stressed.

Farinas was designated acting mayor for a period of 10 days tasked to oversee the regular operations of the city government including peace and order.

"The station commanders have assured me that they are always monitoring the different barangays of the city especially at night where crimes against property is committed", Farinas said.

"I am pleased to know that our commanders are also at work during night time to ensure that peace and order is kept", he added./PIO

## First Parents Congress Held in City

BAGUIO CITY - The City government in cooperation with the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) conducted a two-day seminar on basic parenting tips here.

The seminar was held at the Dominican Heritage and Nature Park, the newly renovated building owned and managed by the city government which has been idle for years.

The seminar

dubbed 'Parent Education Congress' was attended to by more than 100 parents mostly mothers and is said to be the first of its kind in this mountain resort.

The Office of the Social Welfare, the Character Council, non-government organizations were tapped to provide and enhance the livelihood of the poor families and advice parents on good parenting strategies and the value

of education. Participants mostly families in need of special protection were also briefed on the P a n t a w i d Pamilyang Pilipino Program (4 Ps) of the DSWD and how it can help uplift their condition in life.

Vice-Mayor Daniel Farinas said, 'families who are recipients to said program should use the fund intelligently and for its intended purpose.

'Kung para sa pamilya, huwag

## Amendments Eyed for Paper Bag Ordinance

BAGUIO CITY - efforts in bringing back the title as 'cleanest and greenest' city is gaining ground with implementation of local environmental laws here.

Addressing the source of waste is one major concern of the city government in approving City Ordinance Number 26 series of 2007 otherwise known as Baguio City's Paper Bag Ordinance' approved five years ago.

Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas during the Weekly Ugnayan Presser Wednesday expressed his hopes for the collective cooperation in adhering to the ordinance which is set to be fully implemented this year which promotes paper bags, buri bags and other biodegradable containers to be used by supermarkets, grocery stores and business establishments in packing goods.

He said, 'this is one way of decreasing the volume of residual wastes mostly plastics which finds itself in the dumps and canals'.

Farinas said, 'the ordinance is currently being monitored now that it has reached its implementation period and a lot of business establishments are complying'.

However, due to the clamor of some business establishments which seeks for a public consultation regarding the said ordinance, Farinas said, 'he would be recommending certain amendments to the ordinance which would take into account suggestions from sectors directly involved in the trade'.

'There has been minor problems along the way which needs to be resolved', he said.

Farinas added, "an extensive review on the kinds of plastics allowed to be used and those not allowed".

Though sectors have different views in the implementation of the ordinance, Farinas said, 'simple efforts of the people in minimizing the use of plastic sando bags can play a big part in helping decrease the sources of waste'./paul

gamitin sa ibang bagay', he stressed.

Farinas said, 'good education should be prioritized by parents for their children which he said is the only thing that cannot be taken away from them'.

"There are a lot of families who have become successful in life because of education", he said.

Officials here hope the two-day seminar will help bridge families closer together and serve as a guide for

them to attain success. The insights and output of the congress will help local legislators come up with common family development agenda which could be used as support for striving families in the city/paul millorta

## City Announces new Winner in Best Performing Search

BAGUIO CITY - after months of monitoring and evaluation, the city government finally announced the winners of the annual search for the best performing barangays Monday (September 10) in a fitting ceremony held at the City Hall grounds here.

Irisan Barangay headed by Punong Barangay Thomas Dumalti was adjudged as the new 'best performing barangay' for 2011 replacing Imelda Village Barangay. Imelda Village Barangay headed by PB Arturo Rapelo was elevated to the 'Hall of Fame' for bagging the best performing barangay award for three consecutive years (2008, 2009, 2010) and was conferred the Achievement Award by Mayor Mauricio Domogan.

Ranked highest among the other competitors, Irisan Barangay was awarded a plaque of recognition and cash incentive amounting to fifty thousand pesos. Close behind and ranked first place is Gibraltar Barangay headed by PB Roy Tao-ey who was conferred a Plaque of Recognition and forty thousand pesos in cash incentives while City Camp Proper Barangay under PB Aurora Abellera snagged 2<sup>nd</sup> place and a thirty thousand peso cash incentive.

Also in the top list are Pinget Barangay under PB Teresita De Guzman (3<sup>rd</sup> runner up) who brought home twenty thousand in cash incentives and Middle Quezon Hill Barangay under PB Edita Ibarra who also won the 4<sup>th</sup> runner up slot and fifteen thousand in cash incentives.

The top 15 performing barangays were also conferred a plaque of recognition and five thousand pesos in cash incentives. they are; Lourdes Subdivision Barangay (PB Benjamin Macadangdang), Loakan Proper (PB Jesusa Viscaya), Middle Quirino Hill (PB Ignacio Gallente), Leonila Hill (PB Margarita Marinas), SLU-SVP (PB Jose Galinato), Pinsao Pilot Project

(PB Sotero Dulaycan), Victoria Village (PB Lillian Somera), Upper Quezon Hill (PB Lillia Farinas), Hillside (PB Ferdinand Bucad), Sto. Tomas Proper (PB Miguel Kiswa), MRR-Queen of Peace (PB Catherine Quinones), Fairview (PB Justina Andaya), Lower Rock Quarry (PB Carlos Ananayo), Loakan Apugan (PB Martin Anglog and East Quirino Hill (PB Mathew Bayao).

Fifteen more barangays were also conferred certificates of recognition by the city government for participating in the yearly search.

They are, Alfonso Tabora (PB Alexander Yan), Andres Bonifacio (PB Wilbert Ponce), East Modernsite (PB Nenita Trinidad), Happy Homes-Luchan (PB Eva Marie Fianza), Holyghost Proper (PB James Matingal), Lucnab (PB Lolita Salcedo), Manuel Roxas (PB Elsie Magdalen Tindoc), Pacdal (PB Roberto Medina), Pinsao Proper (PB Horacio Willy), Salud Mitra (PB Nida Galace), San Roque village (PB Gerry Uy), South Drive (PB Maribel Cagalawan), Upper General Luna

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## City to Pay Hauling Obligation with Signing of Ordinance Realigning Funds

**BAGUIO CITY –** The city government can now pay part of its waste hauling and disposal obligation with the signing of an ordinance realigning funds for said purpose.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan and Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas last week signed Ordinance No. 49 series of 2012 correcting Ordinance No. 15 approved by the body last May reverting P26.2 million from various fund sources to the General Fund and reappropriating the same for solid waste expenses.

City general services officer Romeo Concio said the amount will be used to pay the estimated P16 million arrears with Metro Clark Waste Management Corporation for tipping fee for the use of its sanitary landfill from May to August and the approximately P10 million obligation with the hauler.

Concio earlier revealed before the city council that the city's running accounts for hauling and tipping fee has reached close to P40 million from January to June this year.

Metro Clark also issued a demand letter to the city to settle the arrears but Concio said the firm continued to accept the city's wastes after they promised to pay the account upon the signing of the ordinance.

Concio said he will also follow up with the city council the request for the allocation of additional funds to complete the P87 million requested amount to cover hauling and tipping services for the whole year.

Farinas deferred the signing of Ordinance No. 15 due to questions on the sources and prioritization of funds.

The city council gave the go signal for the signing of the measure after clarifying the sources of funding and the specific purpose of the amount bolstered by a consenting opinion from the city legal officer and agreement by the heads of the departments affected by the budget realignments.

The approved outlay totaling P26,220,601.04 consists of P6,620,051.55 culled from the savings of implemented 20 percent Development Fund projects and P19,600,549.49 from the continuing appropriations earmarked for Capital Outlay of the different departments.

The said fund was approved "subject to the deduction of the obligation of Pro Tech Machinery Corporation to haul out residual wastes." /A Refuerzo

## Peza Share 'to go to Waste'

**BAGUIO CITY –** The P85 million share of the solid waste management, it being the city's priority concern at present. During the signing ceremony, Mayor Daniel Farinas said Domogan has plans to devote

ing the amount for waste disposal particularly for hauling and tipping services which command big sums.

City general services officer Romeo Concio earlier revealed that the city needs about P84 million every year to fil-

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## City Cemetery Guidelines Out

**BAGUIO CITY –** The city government has issued guidelines and policies on the operation of the public cemetery at Irisan here.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan said the rules were mapped out by a technical working group to improve the condition of the cemetery and its services.

In Administrative Order No. 111, the mayor said the guidelines cover new burials, existing family burial lots and mausoleums.

To avail of the services of the cemetery, a representative of the family of the deceased shall sign a waiver and agreement with the city government represented by the City Environment and Parks Management Officer stipulating therein the five-year tenancy period. In the case of new burials, no burials shall be accommodated if no waiver is executed.

The lot rental fee prescribed by City Ordinance No. 82 series of 2009 paid prior to burial is separate and distinct from the burial permit fee is good only for five years tenancy. Upon the expiration of the tenancy period, the city government reserves the right to any action it may deem necessary as stipulated in the waiver.

The rules prohibit the entry or construction of new residential structures while the technical working group will come up with recommendations to resolve the issues on the informal settlements within the cemetery premises.

The construction of new and or improvements of existing mausoleums and other structures will also be prohibited.

The design of tombs and burial niches shall conform with Presidential Decree 856 or the Sanitation Code of the Philippines: totally enclosed with concrete strictly watertight and the flooring slightly sloped at the center; a five-centimeter noncorrosive "weep hole" shall be provided and constructed directly resting on the ground; the "weep hole" shall be located at the opposite side of the niche's opening and not exposed to the atmosphere as a drain: a reverse of an air vent; also applicable to apartment type of niches to be supervised by CEPMO staff in charge of the city cemetery as to compliance.

Only CEPMO personnel assigned at the City Cemetery have the authority to allocate burial lots, tombs, or niches.

All exhumations must be covered by Exhumation Permits issued by the Health Services Office (HSO) and shall be done in a manner acceptable to customs and traditions with the supervision of City Cemetery CEPMO personnel. All exhumations shall be recorded and reported.

All lots, burial spaces at condo tombs and all other tombs and niches where bodies are exhumed are automatically reverted to the City to be officially allocated for use for other dead bodies. These shall likewise be recorded and reported. All lots in the cemetery are City properties.

Other guidelines adopted are:

\*Drinking liquor and other intoxicating drinks, smoking, and gambling at anytime within the premises and periphery of the City Cemetery are strictly prohibited and shall be enforced as mandated by City Ordinance 014 series 1998;

\*Stockpiling of construction materials in the cemetery compound shall not be allowed. Only the necessary materials needed for a certain tomb or niche will be allowed, any extra or surplus materials shall be hauled out immediately after burial and closure of tomb or niche. The city shall dispose any excess construction ma-

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**CONGRATULATIONS - Cong. Bernardo Vergara congratulates newly designated City Police Director Jesus Cambay during the latter's courtesy call last Sept. 10. Looking on is BCPO Admin. Chief P/Supt. Engelbert Soriano. /By Bong Cayabyab**

## Baguio LGU Looks at the Concern of the City's Disadvantaged Sectors

**BAGUIO CITY, Sept. 7 (PIA) –** The city government through the Gender Equality and Development (GEAD) Council conducted on Thursday an Urban Poor Summit which was attended by around 89 leaders and representatives from various sectors such as drivers, market vendors, women, senior citizen, differently-able and other informal workers in the city.

Councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda, chair of the GEAD, disclosed in an interview, that the summit was in line with Republic Act 9125 or the Social Reform and Poverty Alleviation Act, which provides that the state

should adopt an area-based sectoral and focused intervention to poverty alleviation. The general situation of the urban poor in the city.

Based on the Department of Social Welfare and Development's (DSWD) National Household Targeting System – for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR) there are around 3,595 poor households in Baguio City.

According to Tabanda, the government's poverty alleviation program, Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT), is already providing assistance to 1,042 poor families in the city, and the city government aims to look at the plight of the other identified poor families that have not been covered by the program, as well as

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## Thousand 'N One Thieves

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

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

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

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

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

## EDITORIAL

Agriculture Department proposes a 47 percent hike for coconuts in it's 2013 budget, Secretary Proceso Alcala reveals.

That'd tap growing demand also for virgin coconut oil and coconut sap sugar.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

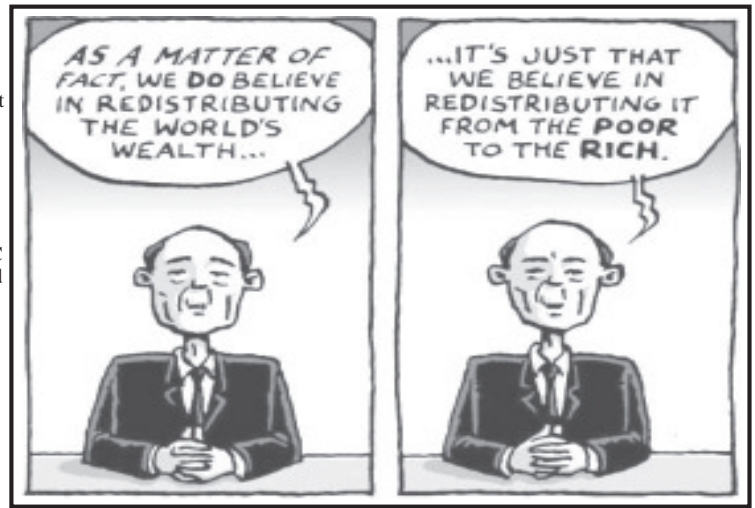
Under Marcos, Floirendos got bananas, and Roberto Benedicto oversaw sugar. Eduardo Cojuangco emerged as coconut czar. Cojuangco's party tried - but failed - to impeach Chief Justice Hilario Davide after the Supreme Court declared coco levies were public funds. Erap's cronies slurped into the levy.

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

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

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

But how many of those no shows voted for the "joke of the century" **Cont. on page 9**



### THE PEACE COMBATANT

*RH Bill: Main obstacle for a comprehensive health bill*

BY: ARTURO BOQUIREN



It is highly unfortunate that the nation's attention has been unproportionately focused on the RH Bill rather than on the more urgent health problems of the nation. In their desire to get the bill approved, the RH bill was described by advocates in several ways: it is not a population bill, it is not an abortion bill, it is not a contraceptive bill and the like. In many occasions, the bill has been represented as a bill that covers so many ailments of men and women.

Yet, at the same time, we cannot deny that the problem addressed by the reproductive health bill concerns with reproductive health. Yet, the latest data of the Department of health identifies the following as the top 10 leading cause of morbidity or illness in the Philippines: acute lower respiratory tract infection and pneumonia, bronchitis/bronchiolitis, acute watery diarrhea, influenza, hypertension, TB respiratory, diseases of the heart, malaria, chicken pox, and dengue fever ([www.doh.gov.ph/kp/statistics/morbidity](http://www.doh.gov.ph/kp/statistics/morbidity)).

The top 10 causes of child mortality in the Philippines are pneumonia, accidents, diarrhea and gastroenteritis of presume infectious origin, congenital anomalies, ill-defined and unknown causes of mortality, other diseases of the nervous system, chronic lower, respiratory diseases, malignant neoplasm, septicemia and meningitis ([www.doh.gov.ph/kp/statistics/child\\_mortality](http://www.doh.gov.ph/kp/statistics/child_mortality)). The top 10 causes of mortality are diseases of the heart, disease of the cardiovascular system, malignant neoplasm, accidents, pneumonia, tuberculosis, chronic lower respiratory diseases, diabetes mellitus, and nephritis, nephritic syndrome and nephrosis ([www.doh.gov.ph/node/198](http://www.doh.gov.ph/node/198)).

Thus, based on our health figures, it is clear that reproductive health is not a priority compared to other health problems. Illnesses or ailments pertaining to reproductive health do not appear in the top 10 leading causes of mortality and morbidity (illnesses) of our society. Yes, reproductive health is a concern, but it does not deserve to be the priority that it is now enjoying courtesy of our mainstream media and social networking sites.

Many times, the RH Bill has been defended based on the argument that it will legalize abortion and, thus, reduce the death rate due to abortion but the latest data indicate that less than 200 persons die yearly from abortion, a low compared to other causes of death ([www.doh.gov.ph/kp/statistics/maternal\\_deaths](http://www.doh.gov.ph/kp/statistics/maternal_deaths)). We do not trivialize or make a small thing out deaths due to abortions, of course, but compare the latest mortality figure on the other causes of mortality or deaths: diseases of the heart takes about 69,000 deaths per year; vascular system ailments, 52,000; malignant neoplasms, 39,000; accidents, 33,000; pneumonia, 33,000; tuberculosis, 27,000; respiratory diseases, 19,000; diabetes, 15,000; certain conditions from perinatal period, 13,000 (which are not all reproductive health related); and nephritis-related, 9,000 (<http://www.doh.gov.ph/node/198>).

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## KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

*If Puno Probe is Illegal, why Proceed with it?*

BY: **BATAS MAURICIO**



**LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS:** "... Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!" (Philippians 4:4, the Holy Bible).

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**DAVAO KIDS' POSSESSION DUE TO GODLESSNESS:** Incidents of young people being possessed by evil spirits—such as that which happened to about 20 young girls in a Davao school several days ago—are alarmingly increasing and becoming more regular. Why? One greatly possible reason is that, many of our youth nowadays—and many of our people in fact—no longer have God in their hearts, so they become easy prey for evil spirits.

The question therefore is, how can we have God in our hearts? Simple. Read the Bible everyday, meditate on it day and night, and carefully obey all of God's commands written therein. This is what Joshua 1:8 is saying in fact. If we have God's Word with us all throughout our days, God will be with us, and if God is with us, who can be against us? (Romans 8:31).

Why am I saying that reading, meditating on, and obeying, the Bible allows God to be with us? Because, as John 1:1 is saying, "... the Word is God". If the Word is God, and we put the Word in our minds and hearts, and in our words and actions every second of our lives, then God is surely with us, too. Of course, this applies only to those who believe in God, and in Jesus Christ, His Son, our God and Savior.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 29 ON WEST SEA ILL-ADVISED:** Whoever prompted President Aquino to sign Administrative Order No. 29 to rename the South China Sea as West Philippine Sea should be fired. First, naming the South China Sea as West Philippine Sea is highly provocative to China, with which our country is at great odds nowadays precisely because of its claim over the same territory. This could only trigger a shooting war, which we will surely lose.

Then, signing an order stating our claim over that part of the sea at this point is even an admission that, all along, before Aquino came up with Administrative Order No. 29, South China Sea was indeed named South China Sea—that is, that area was and is really called South China Sea. This speaks volumes about the legality of China's claims—and the futility of our own claims—over it.

Third, this could make us the laughing stock of the whole world, considering that simply giving a tag to a place does not even mean anything, especially because there are so many other claimants to that place. **Cont. on page 9**

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## PINUPUNA AT PINAPANSIN

*Mar Roxas kakayanin kaya ang DILG?! 3 Way Mayoral Fight to the Finish!!!!*

BY: **ODELL P. AQUINO**



Sa darating na 2013 halalan, mukhang magiging mainit at katuwa tuwa ang mga magkakatungali. Mayroon ng mga usap usapin na ang mag babanggaan para Tongressman este Congressman ay sina Leandro Yangot, Kagalang-galang na Hon. Congressman Bernardo Vergara, Number One Councilor Nicasio Aliping at Businessman and Civic Leader Mark Go. Mukhang magiging very interesting ang nasabing 4 way fight at kung mayroon pang sasawsaw aba eh saling pusa na lang yun mga yun. Para Mayor naman, ayon sa ating I K (Intelligence Konti) ang mag babanatan ay sina Hon. Mauricio "Basura" Domogan, Former Councilor and Atty. Jose "Joemol" Molintas at ang Former Mayor, Lions Governor and Civic Leader Ramon "Jun" Labo, etong bakbakan na ito ang magiging the fight to watch at siguradong fight to the finish, kaya may the best tuo win ng ma ilagay na sa tama at wasto ang Baguio.

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Mar Roxas- damnd if he does and damnd if he doesn't, sala sa init at sala sa lamig ang mararanasan ngayon ni DILG Sec Mar Roxas. Sa usaping weteng na lang kung tuluyan na ipatigil ni Sec Roxas ang tengwe aba eh maraming magagalit sa kanya na mga opisyeles (Mayors etc...) ng local governments na kanyang mga kakailanganin ang kanilang suporta sa darating na halalan. Ngunit kung mapatigil ni Sec Roxas ang tengwe mas maraming mga botante ang matutuwa at bibilib sa kanya at magiging mga siguradong botante na nya ang mga taong walang napapakinabangan sa tengwe! Ano sa palagay ninyo mga dear readers, ipatigil kaya ni Sec Roxas ang tengwe o mismong siya ay makikinabang sa biyaya ng tengwe??? Sa susunod na dalawang buwan **ay atin ng makikita ang tunay na kulay ni Sec. Roxas?** Ngunit kung ako ang inyong tatanungin sa palagay ko ay tuloy ang ligaya at biyaya mula sa tengwe at mismong si Sec. Roxas ay makikinabang sa tengwe, alam naman natin ang laki ng pondong kakailanganin ni Sec. Roxas para sa kanyang ambisyong na maging Presidente Roxas sa taong 2016!!!

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Sa susunod na kolum ko ay ating tatalakayin ang mga pinaggagawa nitong si La Trinidad Mayor Gregorio "**BIG TIME**" Abalos. Hi ! Hi ! Hi ! Kaya ako natatawa sa pakunwaring battle cry ni Pangulong Penoy- "daang matuwid". Hi ! Hi ! Hi !, anong daang matuwid, ano ka Mr. President, tignan nga ninyo ang iyong mga kapartido sa LP na mga nagsasagawa ng daang matuwid, baka daang pa gawang- gawang at ka-ipokritohan, yan ang dapat ninyong battle cry!!!

## ADVOCACY MINDANOW

*Bangkok's Condom Resto*

BY: **JESUS DUREZA**



I revisited **Bangkok** last week and dined again at a popular downtown resto called "**Cabbages & Condoms**" along **Sukhumvit Road**. Why the name? Well, the owner **Mr. Mechai** (a **Thai Ramon Magsaysay awardee in the 1990s**) committed, as his business apostolate, to promote the use of condoms to help combat **AIDS**. And campaign for population control. His idea was to make condoms as popular and a household name as cabbages, a staple food item for Thais. Part of the resto's income goes to finance population control projects.

As you enter the resto, human-sized figures made of a collage of condoms greet you. There's **Santa Claus** made of condoms, including his beard. **Tiger Woods** with a teaser signage: "**DID YOU USE ONE TODAY TIGER?**"

Then a sentry looking like **Capt America** of the **Avengers** fame. Condoms in all colors, sizes (of course!) and flavors (yes, vanilla, coco or strawberry, etc for those with discriminating taste) are given out for free instead of the usual sweet delights to take home. At the exit door, you can scoop a handful for your pocket. (My wife **Beth** would not mind my having some — for **SOUVENIR** purposes only. And not for **USE**.)

And by the way, there's no **RH** bill there to argue about. And fight over! So, let's all cool it folks! I predict if the **RH** bill is approved, someone will open here a resto named: "**MALUNGGAY & CONDOMS**".

**LOAN CONDITION?** — I had an interesting, updating chat with **Congressman Thelma Almario** of **Davao Oriental** the other day while on our way home to Davao from Manila. She said an **RH** law appears to be a condition imposed before some funds from foreign donors are released to us Filipinos. No **RH** law, no fund support. Now I see why.

**SPEAKER JDV** — We were waiting to board our flight at the **NAIA** airport in Manila for **Bangkok** last Monday when former **Speaker Joe de Venecia** walked into the terminal lounge. We were taking the same **PAL** flight to the **Thai** capital. He still looked dapper in his suit. He was our **House Speaker** when I was **Congressman** then. He told me he was to attend an international forum on conflict resolution also in **Bangkok** and then proceed to other Asian points. He is one of the proponents to organize an international mechanism to address conflicts and help resolve them. He asked about the latest on the **Mindanao** situation. After his long stint in government, he's now happy doing the international scene as resource and imminent person sharing his experience and insights. When he asked me what I was doing nowadays, I simply said: "My **APOSTOLIC** work!" And he understood right away! From one grandpa to another!

**CONFLICT** — We are not the only one in the world facing rebel problems. And conflict situations. Every country, even though how advanced, had to deal with so-called minority groups and indigenous peoples asserting basic inalienable rights of self determination, demanding recognition and seeking justice. How **Cont. on page 7**

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BENECO

BY: KYLE DE GUZMAN



Yeyeyey-Yey! Good day mga Tol! Isang maluwahating araw sa inyo mga readers. Hay naku, ang isyu natin ngayon ay siguradong **papatok** sa mga misis. Sumasakit ba ang ulo nyo? Sa pagba-buget, tapos na kaka high blood pa ang laki ng bill!!! Ng Electric bill, di ba ??? Beneco marami na po nagiging katanungan at reklamo ang sambayanan ng Baguio City. Beneco, bakit po tila yata, sobrang strict na kayo?? Na umaabot na po sa nakaka sakal na po ang pakudlit-kudlit na regulasyon at ang interes po ay grabe!!! Ang tindi po ng surcharge na pinapatong po nyo, daig na po si Karyong Bombay!! Kung magpatubo po kayo para sa mga hindi nakaka bayad ng exact due date? Sus Ginoo Po! Daig nap o natin ang 5-6, eh mukhang 7-8 na po yat ginagawa natin! Instead po na pamalengke na sana ng bigas at pork chop yung surcharge nyo? Eh nangyayari po tuloy talbos na ng sayote at sardinas na lang kakainin, pagka galing sa Beneco!!! Tanong ko lang po sa mga kinaukulan po sa Beneco, bakit po monthly tumataas ang per kilowat? Tapos paurong po ng paurong yung due date, dati po 25- tapos naging 22, tapos ngayon po eh 20 na!!! Bakit po ganon??? Parang ang haka haka po ng mga tao ay sinasadya nyo na yata? Pa agahin yun due date? Tapos po niloloko nyo po mga tao - Nakalagay sa resibo, claim your Free T-shirt?? Tapos hindi naman pala para sa lahat para lang pala sa yung T-shirt sa nagbayad ng exact due date? **Aray ko.** Bakit ganon? Kumbaga ba, yung Free T-shirt pang hi-kayat nyo?? Hay, kawawa talaga ka pag poor!!! Isipin mo may surcharge ka na nga wala ka pang T-shirt! Hay, unfair talaga noh!! At eto pa, bakit walang mga manners yung utility men ng Beneco? Walang ka abog-abog mamumutol. Sinabi na ngang pupunta na sa office ng Beneco, hindi pa din pinapatawad, pinuputulan pa din kahit nakikiusap na!!! Eh di sayang pa po yun reconnection fee, sana naman po next time konting konsiderasyon naman sa mga consumers! At pakibawasan naman po sana yung surcharge! At sana po habaan nyo naman po yung extension ng pagbabayad ng mga consumers para hindi naman po agad-agad may surcharge! Salamat Po!

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GREET KO LANG PO BABES KO!!! DON'T FORGET NA KUMAIN, INGATAN MO PALAGI ANG HEALTH MO!!! Later ko na lang po sabihin ang name!!!

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I want to Greet also ang Myles Kainan located sa Naguillan Road, ang business ng aking Kuya Raul, he's one of my trusted friends. Thanks Kuya sa napaka sarap na pagkain! More success sa Business. God Bless!

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Hi Good Day din po kay Kuya Cris Tandoc. Thank you po for being nice to me, God Bless also to you Kuya Cris!

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And last but not the least, nais ko rin pasalamatan ang mga staff at bumubuo **ng the One and the Only PAHAYAGANG PALABAN - THE JUNCTION** sa kanilang pagbigay ng pagkakataon sa akin para mag siwalat at mag expose ng mga dokumentaryong pampubliko na aking ihahayag, maraming Salamat Po!!!

**Kalinga agri office promotes rapid composting to produce organic fertilizer**

TABUK CITY, Kalinga -- The provincial government through the Office of Agricultural Services (OAS) is promoting the expanded modified rapid composting (EMRC) technology to address soil fertility deterioration.

Engineer Domingo Bakilan, OIC Provincial Agriculturist, said the EMRC is the decomposing of rice hay using compost fungus activator, *Trichoderma harzianum*, at a rate of 20 packs per hectare. He said the technology aims to establish cost-efficient, competitive and sustainable agricultural production system that is in harmony with nature and ensure long-term economic farm productivity.

It also preserves the soil and water resources being degraded by continuous and heavy application of chemical inputs, he explained adding that the technology produces organic fertilizer that helps set off the unpredictable and soaring prices of chemical fertilizers.

Bakilan informed that 100 hectares in barangays Magsaysay, Nasgueban and Cabaritan, in this city, are devoted to this technology which also serve as a techno-demo farm during famer field visits. There are 100 farmer-cooperators for this project

"The project will serve as an effective promotional tool for the gradual conversion of irrigated rice lands from conventional to organic-based farming system," Bakilan said.

A total P631,000.00 was transferred by the Bureau of Soils and Water management (BSWM) to the provincial LGU for the procurement of agriculture inputs.

In support to EMRC, a Biospark *Trichoderma* laboratory at the Agri-Aqua division of OAS was also established with P150,000.00 funding provided also by BSWM. This will be inaugurated on September 28, Bakilan announced during the recent provincial development council meeting./PAB/PIA-CAR/Kalinga

**Mt. Province to Apply for the Pilot-Testing of Performance-Based Grant System**

Department of Finance of the Performance-Based Grant System (PBGS).

BONTOC, Mt. Province - The Municipal Development Fund Office (MDFO) of the provinces eligible to apply for the pilot-testing

This was informed by Deputy Executive Director Cont. on page 10

**People's Legislative Congress Eyed in City**

Tabanda who is also the president of PCL-Baguio said the planned activity is set on September 25, 2012 at the Baguio Convention Center which will start at exactly 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Tabanda said, 'the policy direction of the city for 2013 and beyond will be discussed

Councilor Betty Lourdes

by Mayor Mauricio Domogan including the presentation of the city development plan'. "We are expecting a big chunk of participants will be from non-government organizations and sectoral representatives", she said. Also in the list

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**Oplan Kaluluwa 2012 Execom Created**

BAGUIO CITY - Acting Mayor Daniel Farinas has amended an earlier administrative order issued by Mauricio Domogan for the yearly commemoration of All Saints and All Souls day, on Nov. 1 and 2; with the addition of socio-civic groups needed for traffic, medical emergency and other concerns.

The mayor heads the executive committee with the vice-mayor as co-chairman.

City Administrator Carlos Canilao and Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) newly-appointed head PS/Supt. Jesus Cambay are designated as action officers; with Councilor Phyllian Louise Weygan-Allan, the City Treasurer, City Engineer Leo Bernardez, City Building Officer Oscar Flores, City Health Officer Florence Reyes, Sangguniang Kabataan Federation President Karmin Dinney Yangot, Association of Barangay Captain President Joel Alangsab, City Environment and Parks Management Officer Cordelia Lacsamana as members.

Other members of the committee include city executives and punong barangays of areas adjoining the cemetery, and those affected by human and vehicular traffic as to the occasion.

Medical and emergency personnel are also members of the executive committee with the City Administrators and Mayor's staff as secretariat.

Dr. John Tinoyan, head of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS); Anastacia Tamayo, head of the Philippine National Red Cross (PNRC)-Baguio Chapter; the Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP)-Baguio Chapter; Girl Scouts of the Philippines (GSP)-Baguio Chapter; the Baguio-Benguet Public Information and Civic Action Group (BB-PICAG); the City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (CDRRMC) are expected to extend services during the period. Other people's organization and non-governmental organizations may also assist before, during and after the occasion.

Punong Barangays of Quezon Hill Proper, San Luis Village, Cresencia Village, City Camp Proper, Lower Rock Quarry, Lourdes Proper, Lower Lourdes Subdivision, San Roque Village, Irisan, Kias, San Carlos Heights, and Palma-Urbano are members of the committee.

The executive committee shall come up with policies, guidelines and measures needed for the successful and peaceful conduct of Oplan Kaluluwa. The proper execution and implementation of programmed activities shall also be within their scope of work.

Traffic schemes to and from cemeteries and memorial parks; terminal, parking, loading and unloading of passengers and the general public, re-routing of public utility and private vehicles; selling of candles and flowers, peace and order and emergency procedures within cemeteries are expected to be taken care of by the committee.

The traffic scheme and selling procedures shall be the subject of separate administrative orders and expected to be crafted before the end of this month./juliefianza

**Affected Residents From Mine's Tailings Dam Seek Intervention**

L A affected by the in claiming of TRINIDAD, damaged tailings damages.

Benguet - Residents of a Mining Corporation in the town of Itogon intervention of its local official

Dalupirip Barangay Captain Eddie Amuasen, in

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

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

MANOJ KUMAR TANK,  
*Petitioner.*

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NATURALIZATION CASE NO. 24-R

ORDER AND NOTICE OF HEARING

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

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

2. His former place of residence in the Philippines were:  
a. # 35 Diamond Subdivision, Asin Road, Baguio City, 2000;  
b. # 207 Lumug Street, Quezon Hill, Baguio City

3. He was born on September 27, 1967 in Chandar, India to Spouses JAGDISH CHANDER TANK and GURMET KAUR TANK, born citizens of India:

4. He is engaged in WHOLE-

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

City of Baguio for a term of ten (10) years at least, immediately preceding the filing of this petition"

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

At the Petitioners

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

The Petitioner is directed to furnish this Court five more copies of the petition and its annexes within three days from notice hereof .

SO ORDERED.

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

By: (SGD) EDILBERTO T. CLARAVALL  
Presiding Judge

Publication Dates: September 15, 22 and 29

**Filing of Candidacy for 2013 Election set on Oct. 1-5..... from page 1**

Torres said the election period starts on January 13, 2013 and ends on June 13, wherein several acts are prohibited.

The October schedule, Torres said, will mean an early start of the political fever all over the country where elections are held every three years.

Some believe the early schedule for the filing of the COC is advantageous for the incumbent officials who would no longer need to resign from their respective positions for the duration of the election season, he said.

The Precinct Count Optical Scan (PCOS) machines will be used during the 2013 midterm elections just like last the 2010 presidential elections, Torres said./JBZ PIA-CAR

**Advocacy Mindanow.....**

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structive. Examples are the American INDIANS, the Canadian INUITS, the Spanish BASQUES, etc.

GLOBAL — Aside from seeing our local situation, I've seen a variety of them. I was in Colombia, South America several years ago and met with government and even rebel groups. Then I was in several parts of Asia looking at the rebellion in Southern Thailand and Indonesia. I was in Europe and the Middle East many times on the same work. I was searching for global commonalities and lessons learned.

TRAGIC — What seems common to all is their resort to taking up arms and fighting governments to leverage for concessions, get attention and seek redress. What is tragic however is that innocent civilians, mostly their own people, are the first and unfortunate victims of their armed struggle. Then some rebel factions abandon along the way those seemingly noble aspirations.

And switch to quick-money blackmail, ransom and extortion, murder — or just plain terrorism.

AMB. KRISTIE KENNY — US Ambassador in Thailand now is former Manila-based Ambassador Kristie Kenny. Pleasant memories of her frequent Mindanao visits, especially to conflict affected areas came back. Her experience in Mindanao will help her understand the insurgency situation in Patanni, Yala and other areas in Southern Thailand.

THAI REBEL — My return this week to visit Bangkok brings back more good memories. I recall one airport stop we had in Thailand when I was still working in Malacanang years ago. It was a brief stop-over in the Bangkok airport for aircraft refueling enroute to Libya and a Thai Minister of Education was assigned to meet and extend protocol courtesies to President GMA during the short stop. Surprisingly, the Minister told us he was a former rebel who went to the hills and joined forces that fought the government. When PGMA asked him what convinced him to "return", he disclosed that the reconciliation program of the government made possible his "rejoining" mainstream society that eventually got him appointed to a high cabinet position in the Thai government where he continued his reform agenda deep into the bureaucracy.

REBEL PROGRAM — After hearing him, PGMA then turned to me and said: "Jess, work on that immediately when we return." So I did. And after one year of consultations and crafting, (principally "mid-wifed" by NSC Usec Zen Brosas and a technical team) thus was born the so-called "SOCIAL INTEGRATION PROGRAM" or SIP which became the focal mechanism which replaced the "rebel returnee program" at the Office of the Presidential Peace Adviser (OPAPP). Unfortunately, I left the office and moved to the Office of the Press Secretary so I didn't get the chance to implement it on the ground. Fortunately though, my successors followed through, although lately, I was told it was changed a bit and renamed into another program under the Aquino administration.

BANGKOK TIDBITS — NIGHT MARKETS — They are practically everywhere. At sundown, sidewalks bloom with stalls and remain open deep into the night.

BAHT — One Thai baht is equivalent to P1.50 Php. One US dollar is 30.80 bahts vs. P41 pesos

BUKO — One coconut for buko juice in the sidewalks costs 20 baht or 30 pesos.

TOURISM — Tourists are everywhere. This is Thailand's biggest dollar earner.

Republic of the Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION  
BRANCH 59  
Baguio City

(ADDITIONAL FAMILY COURT OF BAGUIO)

IN RE: ADOPTION OF THE MINOR KASELY NICOLE K. DACANAY

SPS. JAN MICHAEL G. NAVARRO AND SHEENA GRAIL D A C A N A Y NAVARRO,

-versus-

OFFICE OF THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET,

Respondents,

X \_\_\_\_\_ X

SPL PROC CASE NO: 400A

ORDER

The petitioners-spouses Jan Michael G. Navarro and Sheena Grail K. Dacanay

Navarro filed this verified amended petition praying that the petition be granted and that the Honorable Court issue a Judgment declaring the minor Kasely Nicole Khayog Dacanay as the adopted child of the petitioners and directing the Local Civil Registrar of La Trinidad, Benguet to issue a new certificate of live birth reflecting the new status of said minor.

Finding the amended petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be heard before the Regional Trial Court, Branch 59, Baguio City on October 1, 2012 at 10:30 in the morning, at which place, date and time, the petitioners shall prove their case. Any person interested may appear and show cause, if any there be, why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the petitioners in the Junction Newspaper, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Baguio and Benguet Province once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks.

The petitioners-spouses are directed to make an appointment with the Court Social Worker for the purposes of conducting the required case study on

## Community Medical Effort Serves 4,000

How do you serve over 4,000 residents coming in for check-up and healing of all kinds of afflictions in a day-long medical-dental-optical mission accenting on Baguio's 103<sup>rd</sup> anniversary theme, "Fostering a Sense of History, Community and Continuity"?

Bring in all the local chapters of the Rotary and the Lions, the Red Cross, the operatives of the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council, Baguio Emergency Medical

the minor Kasely Nicole K. Dacanay. The Court Social Worker is required to submit to the Court the case study not later than September 26, 2012.

SO ORDERED.

DONE IN CHAMBERS, this 14th day of August 2012 at Baguio City, Philippines.

By (SGD) ILUMINADA P. CABATO Judge

Publication Dates: Sept 1, 8 and 15, 2012

Service and the Baguio-Benguet Public Information Civic Action Group (BB-PICAG the Philippine Nurses Association, the doctors, dentists, lawyers and such.

That's what the city did, aside from tapping Victory Liner for the medicines to beef up what the Lions and Rotarians brought to the Baguio Convention Center last Sept. 8 in an outreach spearheaded by city health officer, Dr. Florence Reyes and city administrator Carlos Canilao.

The mission ended as a one-for-all, all-for-one reaching out to the poorest of the city, as predicted by project action officer, Dr. John Tinoyan and city councilor Joel Alangab, president of the Association of Barangay Councils.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan cited the sense of community of the various sectors in his opening message as hundreds began filling up the bleachers. Many came as early early,

sounded off by the ABC and the village chiefs of the city's 128 barangays, to avail of free consultations, medicines, eye check-up and glasses and dental services.

Include ultrasound and X-ray procedures through the mobile unit of the Baguio Rotarians who added to the food brought in by Victory Liner and the city.

The Baguio City National High School, the CDRRMC, Pines City Lions, BB-PICAG and the staff of the Convention Center provided the tables, chairs, lighting and tents, as per report of Mel Marilla, head of the BB-PICAG which served as the secretariat.

A total of 3,000 came for medical check-up; 1,000 for tooth extraction, another thousand for optical service, 117 for blood sugar test. While waiting, those with high blood sugar content or with relatives suffering from diabetes listened to the Baguio Everlasting Lions how to manage the disease.

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## PNPA exams on Oct. 28

BAGUIO CITY – Interested and qualified Cordillerans are invited to take the Philippine National Police Academy (PNPA) Admission Test on October 28, at testing centers here in Baguio and Lamut, Ifugao.

This was the content of a letter from PNPA Director Atty. Clarence Guinto to Mayor Mauricio Domogan, for those interested to pursue the course Bachelor of Science in Public Safety.

The deadline for submission of application forms is on September 24, the letter further stated.

Applicants should be natural born Filipino citizens, male or female, of good moral character and without any derogatory record, 17 to 21 years old at time of admissions, single and with no parental obligation.

He or she should at least be a high school graduate,

physically and mentally fit for cadetship training,

He or she should also be able to hurdle the minimum required physical fitness exercise, and as height requirements: 5' 4" for males and 5' 2" for females; except for indigenous people.

Tattoos and "other brotherhood marks," and other congenital or physical defects, among others, may be grounds for medical disqualification.

Successful applicants shall be government scholars and would serve the government either in the Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) or Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP), two years for every year of scholarship.

The examination shall cover communication skills, logical and reasoning ability, math and sciences, general information and current events, and values and aptitude for the service.

The duly accomplished application should be

submitted together with a self-stamped window envelope to the office of the registrar or mail to: The Director (Attn: Registrar), Philippine National Police Academy, Camp General Mariano Castaneda, 4129 Silang, Cavite.

Applicants can log-in to [www.pnpa.edu.ph](http://www.pnpa.edu.ph) or may contact the PNPA registrar at CP nos. 09178169415 or 0939933769 or landline 0495455939.

Other testing centers are in Vigan City; Dagupan City; Tuguegarao City; Cauayan, Isabela; Cabanatuan City; City of San Fernando, Pampanga; Calamba City; Lucena City; Odiongan, Romblon; Dasmariñas City; Legazpi; Naga City; Iloilo City; Bacolod City; Kalibo, Aklan; Cebu City; Tacloban City; Catarman, Northern Samar; Zamboanga City; Pagadian City; Cagayan de Oro City; Davao City; General Santos City; Quezon City; Manila; Butuan City; Cotabato City; and Bongao, Tawi-Tawi. / juliegfianza

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FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION  
Branch VII  
2nd Floor Justice  
Hall, Justice Hill  
La Trinidad,  
Benguet

PHILIP S. KEITH,  
*Plaintiff,*

-versus-

SALOME M. KEITH,  
THORSSON M.  
KEITH,  
CHRISTOPHER M.  
KEITH AND KEN-  
WIN W. KEITH  
*Defendants,*

x-----x

CIVIL CASE NO.  
12-CV-2796

FOR: Recovery of  
Possession and  
Damages

SUMMONS BY  
PUBLICATION

Plaintiff, through  
counsel, filed a  
verified complaint  
with this court on  
January 20, 2012  
quoted as follows:

“COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, through  
counsel, unto this  
Honorable Court,  
most respectfully  
states that:

“1. Plaintiff  
PHILIP S. KEITH is of  
legal age, Filipino  
Citizen, married with  
residence and postal  
address at D-17,  
Molave St., Namnama  
Village, San Fernando  
City;

“2 Defendants  
are all of legal age,  
Filipino citizens, with  
civil statuses, to wit:  
SALOME M. KEITH,  
widow; THORSSON  
M. KEITH, single;  
CHRISTOPHER M.  
KEITH, single;

KENWIN M. KEITH,  
married; and all with  
residences and postal  
addresses at AC 174  
Poblacion, La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
where they can be  
served with summons  
and other court pro-  
cesses;

“3. Plaintiff is  
the owner and prior  
possessor of a 2-  
storey residential  
building located at  
AC 174 Poblacion, La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
declared for taxation  
purposes under As-  
sessment of Real  
Property No. 99-001-  
04122 of the Munic-  
ipal Assessors Of La  
hundred pesos (Php  
130,800.00). A copy of  
the said tax declara-  
tion is hereto at-  
tached as Annex “A”  
and made an integral  
part hereof;

“4. Plaintiff’s  
building is erected on  
a parcel of land origi-  
nally registered un-  
der the name of  
Charles Keith under  
Original Certificate  
of Title No. P-889, and  
now registered under  
the name of defend-  
ants Kerwin M.  
Keith, Thorsson M.  
Keith and Christo-  
pher M. Keith under  
Transfer Certificate  
of Title No. T- 71393,  
a copy of which is  
hereto attached as  
Annex “B” and made  
an integral part  
hereof;

“5. In 1986, the  
spouses Charles  
Keith and Virginia  
Sarape Keith exe-  
cuted an Affidavit of  
Consent allowing  
plaintiff to erect a  
residential building  
upon the former’s lot.  
Plaintiff then pro-  
ceeded to construct  
the subject residen-  
tial building solely  
from his own funds.  
He started residing  
thereon when the  
building was parti-  
ally completed and  
became habitable in  
the latter part of 1986.  
A copy of the Affida-  
vit of consent dated  
May 2, 1986 is hereto  
attached as Annex

“6. Sometime in  
1990, Charles Keith  
and Virginia Sarape  
Keith move in with  
plaintiff at his resi-  
dential building when  
the latter’s residence  
was damaged by an  
earthquake. In 1991,  
Plaintiff an employee  
of the H.D.M.F., was  
transferred to San  
Fernando, La  
Union. In the mean-  
time, the plaintiff al-  
lowed Charles and  
Virginia Keith to re-  
main at his building;

“7. In 1992, the  
health of the spouses  
Charles Keith and  
Virginia Sarape Keith  
took a turn for the  
worse. Upon initiative  
and invitation off  
complainant, Victor  
Keith along with his  
family, herein defend-  
ants, moved in osten-  
sibly to care for the  
aging couple;

“8. Charles Keith  
and Virginia Keith  
both died in 1992, and  
the defendants con-  
tinued staying at  
plaintiff’s residential  
building. Plaintiff al-  
lowed defendants to  
stay in his building  
since Victor Keith be-  
came bed-ridden. Fur-  
thermore, plaintiff  
had already estab-  
lished residence at  
San Fernando, La  
Union.

“9. Victor Keith  
died on April , 2009.  
Shortly thereafter,  
Plaintiff taking note  
of the instituted re-  
pairs. Defendants  
however prevented the  
hired workers from  
making further re-  
pairs. It was during  
this time that defend-  
ants started assert-  
ing their alleged own-  
ership over the resi-  
dential building;

“10. Plaintiff ap-  
proached defendants  
and explained his  
ownership over the  
building. Defendants  
denied plaintiff’s  
ownership rights  
thereto. Left with no  
recourse, the plaintiff  
demanded that the de-  
fendants vacate his

building. A copy of the  
demand letter is  
hereto attached as  
Annex “D” to form  
part of this complaint;

“11. Defendants  
continue to claim  
ownership of the pre-  
mises and to withhold  
possession thereof  
from plaintiff despite  
the latter’s demand  
for them to vacate and  
turn over possession  
of the premises.  
Worse, when plaintiff  
visited the premises  
sometime on the  
third quarter of 2011,  
he discovered that  
significant renova-  
tions of the subject  
premises ha been un-  
dertaken by herein  
defendants;

“12. This matter  
has already been re-  
ferred to the Barangay  
for concilia-  
tion. However, no  
settlement was  
reached by the par-  
ties. A copy of the  
Barangay Certificate  
to File Action is hereto  
attached as Annex “E”  
and made an integral  
part hereof;

“13. On account  
of defendants bad  
faith - in wanton dis-  
regard of plaintiff’s  
valid ownership and  
refusal to restore pos-  
session of the pre-  
mises to the latter,  
plaintiff was com-  
pelled to institute  
this complaint, and  
plaintiff has suffered  
and continue to suffer  
serious anxiety,  
social humiliations ,  
besmirched reputa-  
tion, sleepless nights  
and similar agonies  
for which defendants  
should be ordered to  
pay moral damages in  
the amount of P  
30,000.00;

“14. That defend-  
ants’ irregular,  
fraudulent, illegal  
and anomalous ac-  
tuation has caused  
and still continue to  
cause damage and in-  
jury to plaintiffs own-  
ership and right to  
possession over the  
property in question  
and therefore he is  
entitled to be paid  
reasonable rentals of

the premises to be  
computed from May  
2009 up to the day ac-  
tual possession shall  
have been restored to  
plaintiff;

“15. To set an ex-  
ample for the better-  
ment of the public  
good and in order to  
deter other persons  
who, like the defend-  
ants, are unmindful  
of the damage and  
prejudice they cause  
to others, defendants  
likewise be ordered  
to pay exemplary  
damages in the  
amount of  
P30,000.00;

“3. That I further  
certify that; (a) I have  
not therefore com-  
menced any other ac-  
tion or proceeding in-  
volving the same is-  
sues in the Supreme  
Court, the Court of  
Appeals, or any other  
tribunal or agency;

(b) to my knowledge,  
no such action is  
pending before the  
Supreme Court, the  
Court of Appeals, or  
any other tribunal or  
agency; and (c) If I  
should thereafter  
learn that a similar  
action or proceeding  
has been filed or is  
pending before the  
Supreme Court, the  
Court of Appeals, or  
any other tribunal or  
agency, we undertake  
to report that fact  
within five (5) days  
therefore to this Hon-  
orable Court.

IN WITNESS  
WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set our  
hand this 14th day of  
January 2012, at  
Baguio City,  
Philippines.

(SGD) PHILIP S.  
KEITH  
Prof. Driv. Lic. A04-  
94-049252  
Valid until 2014/11/  
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SUBSCRIBED  
AND SWORN to be-  
fore me this 14 day of  
January, 2012, affiant  
having exhibited to  
me his competent  
evidence of identity  
appearing below his  
name above.

W H E R E A S ,  
plaintiff through

counsel filed a Motion  
for Leave to Serve  
Summons through  
Publication, which  
motion was granted in  
the Order of this  
court dated 14 August  
2012.

NOW THERE-  
FORE, you defendant  
Kenwin Keith, who is  
a resident of AC 174  
Poblacion, La  
Trinidad, Benguet, is  
hereby summoned  
through this medium  
of publication and you  
are required to file  
with the Office of the  
Clerk of Court, Re-  
gional Trial Court,  
Branch 8, La Trinidad,  
Benguet, your plead-  
ing and/or answer to  
the above-quoted  
complaint within  
sixty (60) days from  
the date of the last  
publication, serving at  
the same time a copy  
of your responsive  
pleading and/or an-  
swer upon plaintiff’s  
counsel

Atty. Servillano A. Abenes,  
Jr., Room B-202 Lopez  
Building, 40 Session  
Road, Baguio City.  
Your failure to do so  
within the said period  
will enable the plaintiff  
to take the judgment  
against you for the re-  
medies and reliefs prayed  
for in his complaint.

Let summons be  
published at the ex-  
pense of the plaintiff,  
once a week for three  
(3) consecutive weeks at  
The Junction Newspa-  
per, a newspaper of gen-  
eral circulation in  
Baguio City and the  
Province of Benguet,  
the first publication to  
be made not later than  
September 2, 2012.

WITNESS THE  
H O N O R A B L E  
MARYBELLE L.  
DEMOT MARINAS,  
Presiding Judge of this  
Court, this 28th day of  
August 2012 at La  
Trinidad, Benguet, Phil-  
ippines.

By: (SGD) MARIBEL  
B. MACARIO  
Acting Branch Clerk  
of Court

Publication dates Sept.  
1, 8 & 15, 2012

## Kakampi mo ang Batas

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Lastly, our neighboring countries could even be angered or at least dismayed by the administrative order because that would mean unilaterally repudiating their own claims.

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**WHY PROCEED WITH PUNO PROBE IF IT IS ILLEGAL?** If the Senate investigation against former Interior and Local Government Undersecretary Rico Puno scheduled for September 14, 2012 is not authorized by its rules and is not accompanied by the usual resolution or privilege speech, what is the point in conducting it?

That investigation will only paint a very grim picture of our senators once again—as officials who not only plagiarize and act merely on their personal interests, but who flagrantly violate their own laws. As I see it, this Puno investigation invites more anarchy in our country, because it will encourage ordinary Filipinos to similarly disregard our laws.

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**MANILA ORDINANCE WILL DEPRIVE RESIDENTS OF BASIC SERVICES:** I agree with Manila Mayor Alfredo Lim that any ordinance removing the oil depot from Pandacan should come up with alternatives that would remedy the loss of tax revenue that such a removal will entail. Any loss of tax revenue, if not remedied, will impact negatively on the welfare of city residents who could be deprived of basic services if the finances of the city will be lessened or depleted.

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**REACTIONS?** Please call me at 0917 984 24 68, 0918 574 0193 or 0922 822 43 96. Email: batasmauricio@yahoo.com.

## Editorial

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in the coconut levy? A judicial robe does not disguise hypocrisy. Embroidered phylacteries didn’t spare Pharisees from denunciation by the Master. “An ounce of hypocrisy is worth a pound of ambition”.

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

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

## City

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(PB Julita Sagun), Upper Q.M. (PB Andres Remorque, Jr.) and Upper Rock Quarry (PB Luis Badecao, Jr.).

The Board of Judges who conducted evaluation for the search was chaired by Junior Chamber International representative Atty. Ronald Perez who represented the non-government sector with members Hermonico Guanzon of the City Health Services Office, Juliet Gumangan of the DILG field Office, Nerissa Bayan of the Barangay Affairs office, Cynthia Langagan of the City Social Welfare and Development Office, Engr. John Retuya of the City Planning and Development Office, Edna Chona Cirilo of the Baguio City Police Office, Jones Gas-ib of the City Environment and Parks management Office and Paul Apilis of Centro-Pacdal.

The search covered the period January to December, 2011 taking into consideration barangay administration and governance, environmental management and protection, infrastructure development, peace and order and public safety, health and nutrition program management and social welfare development./paul rillorta

## Baguio

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those falling within the next economic level.

Participants were also enjoined in a workshop to identify the issues and concerns they want to be addressed. Their outputs were presented to reactors from City Planning and Development Office, the Department of Interior and Local Government, National Anti-Poverty Commission, Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council, Department of Labor and Employment, Baguio City Police Office, Baguio City Market Associations and the city Public Order and Safety Division./JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

## Peza

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nance hauling, tipping and miscellaneous expenses.

The mayor earlier assured that the long-awaited fund will be dispensed with proper consultation with the city council.

Farinas said he expects that the mayor's suggestion will be received by the city council without much difficulty as everyone is aware of the urgency of the waste problem.

"I for one am with the mayor on this concern because we cannot deny that solid waste management is our primary concern at present. We cannot take for granted our cleanliness and sacrifice the health and safety of our constituents," Farinas said.

"It's true that we are spending too much on solid waste but if we will not do it then what will happen to our city? What we need is political will to do this and we will not just stand there and watch our city go filthy and

unsanitary," he added.

After a long wait, the city will soon receive P85 million share from the BCEPZ operations after Dept. of Budget Management (DBM) Secretary Florencio Abad ordered the DBM Cordillera to release of the amount.

The amount is part of the P125 million that the city is collecting from the national government from the tax payments of business locators operating at the Loakan and Camp John Hay economic zones./A Refuerzo

## City Cemetary

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terials after due notice by the city to the owner;

\*Stalls, ambulant vendors, and selling within the cemetery compound and periphery shall not be allowed. No stalls of any nature shall be allowed to be put up at the cemetery;

\*The City Cemetery access roads and open spaces must be accessible at all times for those availing cemetery services and those visiting the grave of their loved ones, hence, the use of the cemetery roads and open spaces as parking areas, whether at day or at night, by vehicle owners from the adjacent areas shall be strictly prohibited. The Baguio City Police Office shall enforce the no parking policy within the city cemetery;

\*Remaining alleys, paths and access points shall not be allocated as burial lots. The CEPMO staff in charge in the cemetery shall see to it that the same is enforced;

\*Paupers' burial shall comply with the requirements prescribed by City Ordinance No. 82 series 2009 such as certification from the Office of the City Social Welfare and Development Officer (OCSWADO) and endorsement from concerned barangay officials, and concerned national and local offices and authorities to be accommodated;

\*The relatives of the buried dead person shall have the responsibility to cause the cleaning and hauling out of garbage and waste materials such as food packaging materials and non-biodegradable materials brought into the cemetery during the burial and other occasions. A refundable polluters bond of P150 shall be collected to ensure compliance of cleaning and hauling out;

\*All efforts shall be exerted to inform and notify the relatives of the buried dead person in case the tomb or interment area is damaged or eroded due to typhoon or other natural reasons. However, the City shall reinter/rebury the dead body after a reasonable period if the relatives fail to act on the notice. If deemed necessary, the dead body shall be reburied/reinterred immediately for public health concerns without further notifications; and

\*No person shall be allowed to establish domicile within the cemetery compound whether authorized by the lessee/renter.

The technical working group is composed of the city assessor's office, the city building and architecture office (CBAO), HSO, Local Finance Committee, city planning and development office with CEPMO officer-in-charge Cordelia Lacsamana as convenor

and CEPMO staff Jones Gas-ib, Engr. Arturo Killip and Josephine Cosep as the secretariat./A Refuerzo

## Community

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mated the total cost of the out-reach program at P1.555 million.

Marilla and the rest who served, however, could not measure in figures the sense of community triggered by this humanitarian feature of the city's charter anniversary./Ramon Dacawi.

## MT. Province

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tive Director Jocelyn T. Pendon of the MDFO in her letter to Provincial Governor Leonard G. Mayaen.

The DOF through the MDFO has developed the Performance-Based Incentive Policy (PBIP) aimed at improving the local government units' performance by linking the incentive to the achievement of a set of governance conditions and progressive performance-based targets.

Under the PBIP, the performance-based grant (PBG) could be in the form of capital grant (CG) and capital building grant (CBG).

The CG is a monetary incentive to local government units (LGUs) that are able to demonstrate improved performance based in a given set of standard in a form of Governance Conditions and Performance Measures.

The CBG, on the other hand, is a monetary incentive that would be provided to LGUs to overcome functional gaps identified during assessments.

To qualify in this program, the local government unit is required to submit letter of intent to avail of the PBG; Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution authorizing its local chief executive to submit a letter of intent, prepare, enter into and execute the "Contract to Reform" with the MDFO should the grant be approved, and authorizing the PBGS-Technical/Steering Committee specifically its team of assessors to conduct site visits, ocular inspections and appraisal/evaluation visits; 2012 statement of receipts of expenditure; financial and annual audit report with no adverse audit findings for the year ending December 31, 2011.

It also requires the submission of Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan updated within three years (revised from 2009 to 2011); 2012 annual investment plan; 2012 Sangguniang Panlalawigan approved budget and appropriation ordinance for the current fiscal year; Local Chief Executive approved composition of Bids and Awards Committee (BAC); 2012 state of the local government report at LGU website/printout; composition of Local Chief Executive approved

LGU-Bids and Awards Committee compliant to Republic Act 9184 and certification by the Local Chief Executive that BAC is functional.

Under this program, an equity contribution equal to ten percent of the Capital Grant will be required from the province to establish better LGU stake and commitment, Pendon stated.

Last Monday, members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan here passed a resolution authorizing Mayaen to submit a letter of intent to avail of the Performance-Based Grant. (JDP/JBS-PIA CAR, Mt. Province)

## The Peace Combatant

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Clearly, all the hype on the RH bill is not justifiable by health data. The other sources or origins of death are more dangerous or at levels several ten thousand percent higher in terms of mortality rate compared to abortion. As emphasized earlier, we do not want to trivialize or make a small issue out of abortion but compared to other health issues, the concern addressed by the RH bill pales by so much in comparison. Even the top sources of maternal deaths have essentially nothing to do with reproductive health issues.

Instead of the RH bill, health advocates should instead focus their attention on how to improve the effectiveness of our hospitals in diagnosing and treating an ailment. For instance, our hospitals must be able to see to it that our citizens have access to the most advanced laboratory and diagnostic facilities. So many things are missing in our hospitals. We do not have good EEG machines, citiscan equipment, and other advanced diagnostic equipments. Moreover, even if an ailment is known, therapy is difficult because we do not have dialysis machines, for example. Clearly, health advocates should focus their larger attention elsewhere rather than on the RH Bill.

(The author can be contacted through artboquiren2040@yahoo.com, 0927-536-8431, and Facebook)

## Affected

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behalf of the affected residents, wrote a letter dated August 28, 2012 to Philex Mining Corporation Vice President for Operations – Resident Manager Libby Ricafort seeking his intervention for Philex Mines to take steps on their damaged and lost properties.

A total of 39 owners furnished the office of Amuasen the list of damaged and lost properties which include a shanty, stone wall or riprap of a property, livestock and agricultural crops. Also in the list were machine for water pump and acces-**Cont. on page 10**

## Sports

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ciaries are burn victim Geoffrey Alipio Malag of Upper Dagsian, cancer patient Ma. Elena Rimando of T. Alonzo St., car accident victim Tommy Fabro of Engineer's Hill, cancer patient Jacklyn Onal of Outlook Drive, and Rodrigo Santiago of South Sanitary Camp who is suffering from a complicated medical condition.

The remaining P14,630, will be given to cancer victim Elenita Soriano, a grade IV teacher at the Rizal Elementary School who has been bed-ridden for months now.

"This is in recognition, too, of the efforts of the parents, teachers and pupils of the Rizal Elementary School led by principal (Brendalee) Celino who hosted the run," said Mike Arnaiz, acting SBP chair and village chief of Outlook Drive Barangay.

Run coordinator Michael Lawana, also a director of the Benguet Electric Cooperative and punong barangay of Lower Dagsian, offered to round up Soriano's fund to P15,000.

Soriano was recently fetched home from her radiation therapy in Dagupan City by operatives of the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council. The operatives, together with volunteers of the city's Emergency Medical Service led by Dr. John Tinoyan, served as medical team of the run.

Shoshin, a foundation led by former world shotokan karate champion Julian Chees, earlier contributed P10,000 to teacher Soriano's fight while former movie star Connie Angeles, now chair SM Foundation provided her with a wheelchair.

In the race for medals, Albert Seno topped the 7-kilometer men's Open while Sandy Abahan, led the women's side. Sixty two-year old Perfecto Fiaching bested the field in the senior's class in the 4-K, with Jason Seno and Grace Mayos, kagawad of Gibraltar, took the male and female titles.

In a repeat of their performance in the first Run for Life earlier this year, brothers and cousins Yussep, 11, McReyvenz, 12, Hussein, 9, and Hassan, 9, all surnamed Lorana, finished first, second, third and fourth in that order in the 4-K for children.

"I'm sure the Lorana brothers were the first to finish," texted veteran runner and race organizer who urged competitive participants to support the fun-run and paid her registration fee even if she was unable to participate

Aice Trisha Parrocha towed the field in the 4-K for girls, followed by Hannahlyn Gundran, Colleen Sagalen and Jessa Tabareng.

Among the participants were police officers, city councilor Nick Aliping and his brother, Engr. Lao, barangay officials and tanods.

The Baguio Contractors Association (formerly United Baguio-Benguet Contractors Association) headed by Brent Quanggey

sponsored tickets worth P4,000. Former city councilor Leandro Yangot Jr. and Noants travel agency contributed P2,000 each while an anonymous Samaritan handed over P1,200.

Gallons of drinking water came from Zacky's Water Delivery, kagawad Rodones Cayat of Mines View and Mr. Dagdagan while Dane's Bakeshop delivered bread.

"Those we missed to acknowledge will understand that we are also very grateful to them," Arnaiz said. "We apologize for a lot of lapses and will make up when SBP launches Run for Life III for those in need." /Ramon Dacawi.

## Samaritans

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treatment for kidney failure.

"Thank you ti nagadu (Thanks so much)," said 34-year old Linbeth Lestino, a college graduate and former salesgirl from Cruz, La Trinidad, Benguet who began treatment in May last year.

For one who skips a treatment session every other week just to cope with the continuing expense, yet risks dire consequences for trying to survive on empty, she can not be too profuse in her gratitude.

Her gratitude is for Engr. Leonard Licanio. He met her at the KFC Centermall branch last Sept. 11 and handed her P2,000. It goes to Dexter, most probably an overseas Filipino worker who, from his base in Qatar, sent P5,000. It's for Victor Dictag, who met her at the Malcolm Square before noon last Sunday to hand over P3,000.

The three, whoever and wherever they are, were the same guys who contributed similar amounts to Linbeth's friend, fellow Ibaloi and dialysis patient, Madeline Ranille, 40 and mother to five kids from Gueweng, Abiang, Atok.

Madeline received support from Engr. Licanio earlier, as Linbeth was then attached to tubes attached to the blood-cleansing machine that does what their kidneys used to do before the organs that filter body waste failed.

Neither can 22-year old kidney patient John Mark Tiyad hold back his elation after two Samaritans and a political party list pooled P12,000 for his twice-a-week treatment at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center.

A certain "Uncle" met John Mark at the Baguio Cathedral afternoon of Aug. 24 and handed P5,000. A lady who wants to remain anonymous met him afternoon of Aug. 30 at the Eastpark "Wagwagan" along Harrison Rd. and gave an equal amount. Kalinga Partylist, through Ms. De Vera, issued a certificate of assistance worth P2,000, according to the patient's sister, Gloria.

John Mark, fourth child of an Ifugao woodcarver, was forced to drop his first year college subjects and became a laborer due to fund lack. He is now on the Tues-

day-Friday dialysis schedule at the BGHMC.

Madeline and Linbeth initially met at the Benguet Renal Center, the hemodialysis unit inside the Benguet General Hospital in La Trinidad. Their friendship, forged by a common ailment and steered by suffering, led them to knocking on doors together the other week.

Madeline's husband, Nestor Sr., manages a small vulcanizing shop in Gueweng. He can hardly earn enough to support their children: Ryan, 19 and a senior computer science student at King's College in La Trinidad; Jayson, 16 and first year civil engineering at St. Louis University; Rinlee, 10 and in grade V; and Nesline, 9 and in the fourth grade. Nestor Jr., the eldest at 21, is a hand in an automotive repair shop.

It helps that Ryan is on the dean's list while Jayson got a scholarship from the Benguet provincial government for topping the graduating class last summer at the Atok National High School.

Linbeth, the youngest of three siblings, finished Bachelor of Elementary Education from the Benguet State University in 1999. She lost her father to bladder cancer in 2004. She was working as a salesgirl at SM Quiapo, Manila in May last year when she was diagnosed for kidney failure.

When told she would have to undergo lifetime dialysis treatment, she quit her job and came home to her mother at 048 Oliweg, Cruz, La Trinidad.

As this was being written, Mary Anne Adian, whose husband Sabino is also undergoing dialysis sessions at the BGHMC, texted that a Samaritan had texted her, saying they would also meet at the EastPark "Wagwagan".

Mary Anne's eyes welled when the lady donor, who declined to identify herself, handed P5,000. She and Sabino, marginal farmers from Nueva Vizcaya, recently traveled to Baguio to be near the treatment machines.

Complications of diabetes also rendered Sabino blind. If it's any consolation, the couple has no children to raise. A pastor has taken them in to his home in Pinsao.

People who want to help may ring up Mary Anne's number (09397288672), Gloria's for her brother John Mark Tiyad (09297661705), Linbeth's (09198575207) and Madeline's (09109781449). /Ramon Dacawi.

## People's....

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are city department heads, national government agencies, barangay district coordinators and city councilors including the vice-mayor.

The participants will be divided into fifteen workshop groups where they will discuss issues, concerns and possible course of action for the city.

Inputs and information which will be gathered will be considered in preparation of

the City Legislative Agenda.

Tabanda said, "the event aims to solicit ideas and views of stakeholders and the general public on matters that can be addressed by an effective and responsive legislation".

"We wish to harness the participation of Baguio residents in the formulation of the legislative agenda of the city and gather inputs which will be embodied in legislation", She said.

"Our aim is 'people participation in governance', she stressed. /paul rillorta

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

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

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sories, fishing boats, fish traps, fishing nets, water hose, sluicing and panning equipment and other tools.

As stated in the letter of Amuasen, the livelihood of the residents was greatly affected. They are hoping that the company will act on the matter immediately.

It can be recalled that tailings Dam No. 3 of Philex Mines in Padcal, Tuba had a leakage last August after heavy rains for two weeks brought about by typhoons Ferdie and Gener resulted in an unusual and heavy accumulation of rainwater in the tailings pond affecting the community downstream in Itogon. This prompted the Mines and Geosciences Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to suspend the mine's operation until such time that the integrity and safety of its tailing pond has been assured.

The letter was also furnished the office of the governor and the Benguet provincial board for their information. /SCA PIA-CAR/Benguet

## BJMP-CAR Urged to Continue Passion in Providing Efficient Jail Services

BAGUIO CITY - Jail officers in the region are urged to continue the same passion that they are currently providing to ensure an effective jail service and inmate transformation program.

Bureau of Jail and Management Penology (BJMP) OIC Jail Chief Superintendent Diony Mamaril, in a message delivered by J/Chief Superintendent Romeo Elisan made this call during the 21st anniversary program of BJMP-Cordillera held here at Teachers' Camp here last week.

Mamaril, in his message, commended BJMP-CAR for being among the top performing regional offices in the country and J/Supt. Julian Mangmoc Jr., who is the BJMP's Best Regional Director of the Year awardee, exemplifying the region's unwavering effort and initiative in pushing for better jail services.

He encouraged BJMP-CAR to continue with the same passion that drives them in doing jail service, "Huwag kayong magsawang magpursigi at magsulong ng mga magagandang programa, (Do not stop to persevere and continue pushing for good programs)", Mamaril stressed.

At the same time, he urged them to continue with the desire to transform the lives of inmates for the better by ensuing 'after care' programs and engaging the community and other private partners through various community programs and service.

Mamaril also disclosed that through its Medium Term Development Plan, BJMP is pushing for an increase in budget for the procurement of additional short and long firearms and other needed equipments such as metal detectors and computers or laptop, as well as for facility improvement.

Meantime, Elisan announced that BJMP will be launching by October the Top Ten Best Jail Officers Award to give recognition to exemplary effort of the jail officers in the country who will serve as role models for others to emulate. This will be opened to all BJMP regional office nominees.

It was a day of recognition and fun activities for BJMP-CAR. Aside from giving recognition to their best personnel, units, service provider and private partners, various BJMP-CAR provincial units also provided intermission numbers and joined a friendly showcase of talent contest./JDP/CCD-PIA CAR

## Lawmaker Backs a Department of Fisheries

Senator Chiz Escudero said he is supporting calls for the creation of a Department of Fisheries.

"Every department should have a field of expertise. Fishing is one of our main sources of income that can compete with the exports of other countries. We should focus on this instead of just focusing on imports," Escudero said during a recent visit to General Santos City for the 14th Tuna Festival.

The fisheries subsector accounted for 18.81 percent of the country's total agricultural output. Production reached 5.15 million metric tons in 2010 valued at P221.05 billion.

The Soccsksargen Federation of Fishing and Allied Industries Inc. in Southern Mindanao wants the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources upgraded into a separate department.

BFAR is an agency under the Department of Agriculture.

But Escudero said any move to create a new department will have to wait since the Aquino administration is undertaking a rationalization program to streamline the government bureaucracy.

"The creation of a Department of Fisheries is currently being pushed in Congress but the current thrust of President Aquino's administration is to minimize the bureaucracy and red tape, and the only department the President has agreed to be created is the Department of Housing," Escudero said.

"We have been spending a lot in various government agencies that sometimes do not really function at all. Maybe after we have rationalized all government agencies," he added.

The proposed bill for the creation of a Department of Fisheries is still pending with the House of Representatives, and the Senate has yet to tackle the issue. But Escudero vowed to support the department's creation if the proposed measure reaches the Senate.

According to the DA's Bureau of Agricultural Statistics, the country's fisheries subsector continued to register a decline in production.

Downtrends in production were observed for marine and inland fisheries as well as aquaculture. Gross receipts for fisheries amounted to P117.4 billion at current prices. This represented an increase of 3.07 percent from last year's level.

At the same time, Escudero reiterated his support for the country's tuna industry.

"As chairman of the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, the tuna industry is one of our priorities. I want to make sure that the country's tuna industry gets full support and at the same time ensure that production is sustainable," the senator said.

Tuna was the country's top fisheries export in 2010, earning P15.12 billion.

Escudero pledged continued support for the tuna industry, as well as the fisheries subsector of the country's agricultural sector.

"My late father (Rep. Salvador Escudero) was a former Agriculture secretary under two presidents. Agriculture is near and dear to me," the senator added./Office of Senator Chiz Escudero



"LAST HOORAH" – Prosecutor Evelyn Tagudar is greeted by Mayor Mauricio Domogan and NBI Director Nonnaya Caesar Rojas during her retirement party, 65<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration and her last day in government service last September 9, 2012 at Supreme Hotel. She is escorted by her husband Pedro Tagudar. Photo by Paul Rillorta

## Sports: 250 Run, Jog, Walk for Six Patients

They were 250 strong, coming from all walks and ages and barangays of the city. They assembled at dawn break last Sunday as if they belonged just to one neighborhood-as Baguio used to be during its formative years.

Most opted to run and jog seven or four kilometers in "Run for Life II", a fun-run-for-a-cause that started and ended in front of the Rizal Elementary School. A few others took the third option—a two-kilometer leisurely walk.

The promised cups of steaming

brewed coffee at the finish line weren't there. It was a sure sign of preparatory glitch by a group unfamiliar with running such event, yet inspired enough to reach out to six people in their grim struggle for the chance to grow old like normal people.

The participants, however, understood the sense of common behind the collective effort. They were just glad to make do with cold water and, for the early finishers, a munch of pandesal that was not enough to be

would still be given this week.

What was of import was "Run for Life II" grossed P72,930, of which P8,300 was used for the participants' numbers, certificates, tarpaulin announcements and other expenses. That means a net of P64,630 to prop up six seriously ill patients in six barangays.

In their assessment last Thursday, members of the Samahang Barangay Pangkalisasan (SBP), an aggregation of barangay chiefs in the city that sponsored the run-for-a-cause, agreed to deliver P10,000 each to five of the patients.

The beneficiaries...  
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## Samaritans Reach out to Four Dialysis Patients

Four hemodialysis patients – woodcarver's son and one blinded by diabetes – can't help but be ecstatic over the quiet kindness of strangers who recently contributed to sustain their twice-a-week

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