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Promises, Promises

''If a problem is too difficult to solve, one cannot claim that it is solved by pointing at all the efforts made to solve it.''
- Hannes Alfven

If the Chief Executive can make outrageous political promises with a straight face, so presumably can his officials.

Since the Filipino public is famously known for its short memory and forgiving nature, making promises should not pose any problem.

Alternatively speaking, since bad news is absolute anathema to President Noy Aquino, Cabinet and senior officials either tend to feed on the President's weakness for flattery, and penchant for happy tidings, or they tend to window-dress their reports, or zero in on his gullibility as the President is not known to be a studious or a hands-on leader.

First, now comes honest and hardworking Public Works Secretary Rogelio Singson and shell-shocked MMDA Chairman Francis Tolentino bravely assuring President Benigno Aquino that Metro Manila flooding will be a thing of the past by yearend when the typhoons and the southwest monsoon rains and floods

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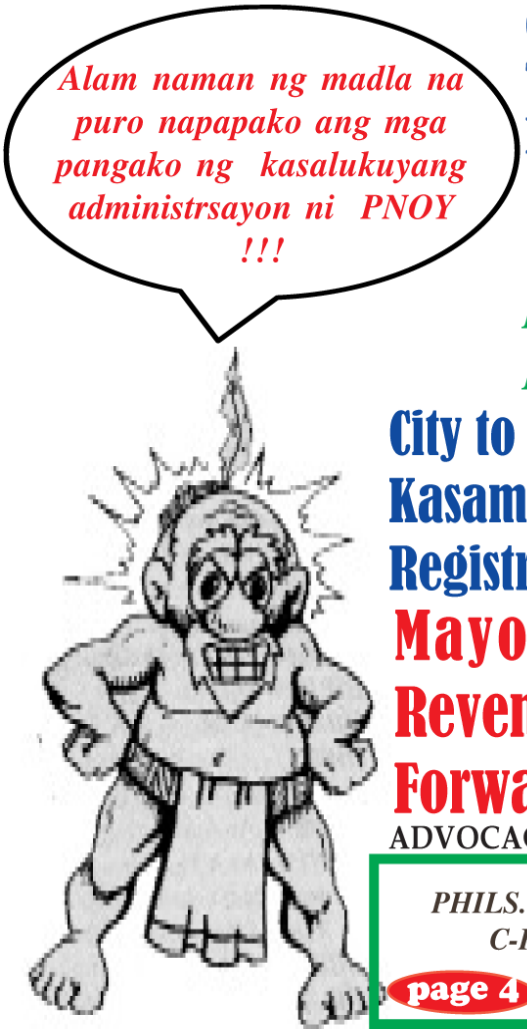

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City to Hold Batas Kasambahay One-Stop-Shop Registration

BAGUIO CITY - In support to the Batas Kasambahay, the city government of Baguio in partnership with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) will be conducting a one-stop-shop registration for all kasambahays together with their employers on Monday, July 15 from 8:00 A.M. until 5:00 P.M. at the City Hall lobby.

Personnel from the Social Security System (SSS), Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (Philhealth), Pag-IBIG, Public Employment and Services Office (PESO) of the Mayor's Office will be backing and assisting in the processing of their documents. This is for the convenience of both employers and kasambahays to expedite the processing of documents needed.

Labor and Employment Officer Romelda Frances Escaño stressed that both the employer and kasambahay will have to register together. The kasambahay should bring her birth certificate authenticated by the National Statistics Office (NSO) or baptismal certificate, marriage certificate for those married kasambahays, and birth certificates of their children, if any.

It is recalled that the Batas Kasambahay or the Domestic Workers Act through the passage or Republic Act 10361, "An Act Instituting Policies for the Protection and Welfare of Domestic Workers", was approved by the Senate and House of the Representatives November last year and subsequently signed by President Benigno Aquino III last January 18 and took effect June 4.

The said Act will give the household helpers the chance to establish their rights for a better treatment and welfare.

Accordingly, the minimum wage of domestic workers shall not be less than P2,500 a month for those employed in the National Capital Region (NCR), P2,000 month for those employed in chartered cities and first class municipalities, and P1,500 a month for those employed in other municipalities.

Kasambahays will also be entitled to a 13th month pay, as mandated by House Bill 4753, service incentives and leaves under the law.

Mayor Domogan gave a piece of advise to employers to hire directly kasambahays. "If possible, kumuha kayo ng kasambahay na galling sa mga probinsiya niyo at alam niyo ang family background nila. It is hard to hire kasambahay now a days", mayor said./Jho Arranz

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AUREA VILLANUEVA
Applicants
Case No:94-CAR-462

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 9th day of July 2013.

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

The Most 'Dishonest' Institution for Pinoys

Despite anti-corruption efforts of the Aquino administration, Filipinos think corruption continued to exist over the past two years, especially in the police ranks.

Nearly seven out of 10 Pinoys tagged the police as the most dishonest institution, a new global report showed.

Of the 1,000 Filipinos surveyed by Transparency International, some 35 percent said corruption "decreased a little" in two years while 2 percent said it "decreased a lot."

On the other hand, some 19 percent of respondents in the said corruption "increased a lot" and 12 percent said it "increased a little."

For 31 percent of respondents, corruption in the Philippines "stayed the same," the poll dubbed the "Global Corruption Barometer" released Tuesday showed.

The same report said Filipinos worry about corruption with 61 percent considering it "a serious problem" and 19 percent saying it is "a problem."

Another 12 percent think of corruption as a "slight problem" while only 3 percent of the respondents believe it is "not really a problem," the report said.

If you ask Pinoys, the police are part of the most dishonest institution in the country. About 69 percent of respondents said cops have been affected by corruption.

Next to police were public officials and civil servants who have been tagged as corrupt by 64 percent of respondents, political parties (58 percent) and the judiciary (56 percent).

Corruption was also seen to have affected lawmakers (52 percent), military (43 percent), education systems (32 percent) as well as medical and health services (31 percent).

The media were meanwhile seen as least dishonest, with only 14 percent of respondents thinking they have been affected by corruption.

Next to media were religious bodies, seen as corrupt only by 15 percent of respondents, nongovernment organizations (25 percent) and business (30 percent).

Filipinos who think the government's anti-corruption efforts bear fruit, meanwhile, outnumber those who think measures being implemented are not working.

Some 10 percent think the fight against corruption is "very effective" while 30 percent think it is effective.

This compares to 19 percent who consider efforts "ineffective" and 9 percent who find the anti-corruption campaign "ineffective."/ *By Kim Arveen Patria/Yahoo! Southeast Asia Newsroom*

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Case No:2003-CAR-395

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(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
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Grassroots Disaster Training Center Established in the City

BAGUIO CITY – the local governments in the Cordilleran hinterlands are now in the forefront of grassroots based effort in addressing the effects of climate change through education.

The City government of Baguio thru Mayor Mauricio Domogan and the University of the Philippines (UP) thru its chancellor Dr. Raymundo Rovillos signed July 9 a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishing the Knowledge and Training Resource Center (KDRC) for climate change and disaster risk reduction.

The new facility will serve as a center for training and information exchange on disaster risk reduction and climate change for the city of Baguio, the province of Benguet and the Municipalities of Atok, Buguias, Kapangan, Kibungan and Tublay.

The center will also hold a database of information on climate change and develop modules and design field school-format training on disaster risk reduction management.

It will also be used as an information center on potential risks in case of typhoons, flooding, landslides to the community through an Infoboard SMS system which will be coordinated with local government units and Smart.

The project was funded from support of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the United Nations World Food Programme (UN-WFP) in cooperation with the University of the Philippines (UP) and the City of Baguio.

Meantime, the representative and Country Director of the UN-WFP Praveen Agrawal, the UN-WFP Disaster Preparedness and Response (DPR) Programme Coordinator Onuora Daniels and representatives from the USAID came to the inauguration of the center July 11 at the UP Cordillera Studies Center.

Agrawal said, 'the Philippines is among the countries in the world most vulnerable to disasters brought about by natural calamities.'

One tenth of calamities happening all around the world comes from the Philippines, he said.

'It is imperative that we build a resilient community towards coping with this, Agrawal said.

He said, the community have to use knowledge regarding disasters and calamities appropriately in order to build a resilient community.'

Agrawal added, 'the province of Benguet has one of the most rainfall in the country and it is appropriate that a center will help prepare us for landslides which is common in this areas.

It important that we are prepared and we have partners which will help us towards this end, Agrawal said.

Also present are Baguio Secretary to the Mayor Rafael Tallocoy, representatives from the central and regional offices of the DSWD, DILG, Office of Civil Defense, Jaime V. Ongpin foundation and project partners from the different municipalities of Benguet.

Interested individuals may visit the KTRC or access online resources and materials via the KTRC website at http://cordillerastudies.upbaguio.ph/ktrc

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Permit to Carry Guidelines, Stricter

Manila, Philippines — Want to get a permit to take your gun out of your homes? Read on first.

The Philippine National Police (PNP) has come up with actually stricter guidelines for issuing Permit to Carry Firearms Outside of Residence (PTCFOR), a move that an official said would promote responsible gun ownership and removed fixers.

Senior Supt. Reuben Theodore Sindac, chief police information officer, said the main feature of the new process is that all the applicants must appear at Camp Crame or at police camps in the provinces to personally submit biometric fingerprint specimen and be photographed.

"So unlike before, all licensed gun owners who wish to apply for PTCFOR have to personally appear at Camp Crame and in police camps in the province during the application," said Sindac.

First, applicants should comply with all the requirements like clearances from the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) and the police's Directorate for Intelligence (DI) for background checking, photocopy of firearms license and threat assessment from the local police where the applicants live.

Government officials and members of the government uniformed service must present Appointment Orders (for government employees) and Oath of Office (for Elected Officials).

After the requirements are complied with, that is the time that the application form will be given to be filled up by the applicants.

"Photocopied application forms will no longer be honored. This is part of the stricter measures. So applicants should secure a copy of the application form only after all the requirements are complied with," said Sindac.

After the evaluation of the requirements and the application form, Sindac said the applicants will be subjected to fingerprinting process at the PNP Crime Laboratory at Camp Crame and in some regional police camps in the provinces, as well as the taking of photos./MB

Residents' Cooperation Sought as City Ups Typhoon Preparation

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan urged the public to cooperate in the upkeep of drainage and waterways to prevent clogging that leads to flooding during heavy rains and typhoons.

"The city is doing its best to maintain our drainage but if we will not cooperate, it's also us who will suffer the consequences of flooding and filth," he said.

He said that while personnel from the city building and architecture office (CBAO) and city environment and parks management office (CEPMO) are on hand to maintain these waterways, residents should also do their share in keeping these waterways unobstructed by refraining from dumping wastes and by constantly cleaning the openings.

He said residents living in critical areas should be more conscious of clearing their drainage and waterways particularly at the City Camp lagoon tunnel and at the city market.

The city is presently preparing for the typhoon season by ensuring that contingency measures are in place to avoid damages and loss of lives during howlers.

As in the past years, concerned city departments have mapped out emergency measures in the event of massive devastation and the city's isolation due to typhoons to ensure enough food supply, evacuation centers, effective rescue operations, infrastructure restoration and other needs.

The City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (CDRRMC) operations center will automatically be reactivated at the lobby of city hall during storm signal number 2 to respond to emergency situations. The mayor will also have the discretion of activating the center as the need arises during storm signal number 1 or during heavy downpour. The CDRRMC hotlines are 442-1900-1905.

The evacuation and relief operations will be spearheaded by the city social welfare and development office and other agencies.

The city health office is also on guard for the outbreak of rainy day-related diseases.

For the suspension of classes, the Department of Education rules remain in which classes in the kindergarten level will be suspended upon the lowering of storm signal number 1. Storm signal number 2 would mean suspension of classes in kindergarten, elementary and high schools and signal number 3 would mean no classes in all levels.

The mayor has the discretion of suspending classes in any level regardless of typhoon signals during inclement weather that poses health and safety risks to students./A Refuerzo

BCPO Ordered to Implement 'No Parking' During Rush Hours

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan in a memorandum ordered the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) thru BCPO Chief Jesus Cambay, Jr. and Traffic Chief James Logan to strictly implement the 'No Parking" policy along the stretch of Session Road here.

Domogan's directive came in the heels of numerous complaints being received by his office on reported bumper to bumper traffic experienced in the area due to the double parking of vehicles especially during peak hours.

'you are hereby directed to strictly enforce our 'No Parking Policy' along Session road and other main streets in the central business district especially during peak hours, 'the memo read.

Peak hours as per the directive is from 6 am to 9 am and from 4 pm to 7 pm daily.

Domogan also said, 'motor vehicles of businessmen should not be spared from the implementation of the said policy and has also ordered the removal of reservation signs placed by business establishments in their frontage.'

Domogan said, 'the strict implementation of the no parking policy will help reduce heavy traffic among major roads aggravated by unabated parking and double parking of vehicles resulting to the inconvenience of the public./paul rillorta

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 26th day of June 2013.

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Attorney IV

JOB WELL DONE - Streetsweeper Esther Potacag receives a "pat on the shoulder" from Mayor Mauricio Domogan and Vice Mayor Daniel Fariña for rendering 32 years of dedicated service to the city government during simple" Salamat Paalam" recognition rites during City Hall's flag raising ceremony July 8./By Bong Cayabyab

Domogan to Critics: Criticism is Welcome But We Need Alternative Solution

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan on Wednesday challenged anew his critics to offer alternative solutions to the problems and issues being faced by the city rather than spew criticisms that do not help the city in any way.

The mayor said it will be more helpful if people first strive to know the situation and present alternatives on solving them rather than object outright without presenting better options.

"We all know that nobody has the monopoly of knowledge and we are aware that (our programs and advocacies are) not perfect, so anybody can make suggestions on how we can improve them and we are very open to these suggestions," the mayor said.

The mayor has recently been the subject of criticisms over his programs on Burnham Park and garbage collection. His campaign to pursue autonomy has also been the target of opposition by some quarters.

The mayor reiterated that Burnham Park will not be privatized and the plan to develop Athletic Bowl and selected areas in the park and the putting up of gates does not mean commercializing and closing off the park from public access.

He said the city has to avail of acceptable means to generate revenue for the park which he said requires P36-P40 million to maintain the park but these ventures should not go the extent that the park will be commercialized and the public will be barred from the enjoyment of it.

On the garbage issue, the mayor said the city has been doing its best to address the garbage problem and ill will by some definitely serves as stumbling block in achieving the city's goals.

The mayor was referring to the botched plan to relocate the city's waste transfer and sorting station to a lot in Lamtang, Puguis in La Trinidad which went kaput allegedly due to the interference of two city councilors.

He said it is ironic that the councilors who pledged to serve the city should be the same ones to thwart the city's efforts.

He said these councilors kept on criticizing his programs but they themselves do not offer any solution at all.

The mayor said that following the failed deal, the city managed to locate another lot also in Lamtang where the transfer station will be relocated.

On the bid for autonomy, the mayor also urged the people to study the draft and offer suggestions to the provisions that need improvement.

"Read it and suggest ways to improve the provisions. Huwag naman basta object ng object," he said./A Refuerzo

Second 100 days

"I can't wait to see how the rest of this story turns out," John Carr of Georgetown University wrote. Late June, Francis completed 100 days as the 256th pope after Peter. He shunned robes, red handcrafted shoes and offered a chair and a sandwich to a tired—and startled—Swiss guard. "There's enough room for 300 here," Francis said of the papal apartments, then lodged at the spartan Vatican hostel. "Here's a pope who knows how to pope," wrote a Protestant.

From Day One, Francis began changing the Vatican, not the other way around. "[He] is adapting the customs of the papacy to his pastoral manner," from washing the feet of prisoners on Holy Thursday to naming a "gang of eight"—a council of cardinals from all regions who'd recast the bureaucracy in the Curia. In a sacramental church, symbols are substance. "He's Our Francis, Too," says the evangelical publication Christianity Today. However, his call is muffled in Burma (Myanmar). There, a Buddhist extremist movement ravages minority Muslims, notes the Times of India.

EDITORIAL

"Marking the first 100 days is an arbitrary measure," wrote Alessandro Speciale in The Guardian. The Catholic Church is "a 2,000-year-old institution that thinks in centuries." But this most unconventional of popes lifted the gloom clamped by issues. Francis grappled with a scandal at the start of his second 100 days.

"Monsignor Cinquecento" was how his hometown of Salermo dubbed Nunzio Scarano, the Economist reported. A banker turned priest, he doled out 500 euro notes by the fistful. The Vatican suspended him early June, saying he had laundered donations. Scarano served in the Institute for the Works of Religion. Founded in 1942 by Pope Pius XII, IOR manages assets for religious or charitable works and Vatican employees' pension system. It doesn't perform key banking activities, like loans.

"Neither St. Peter nor St. Paul had any bank accounts," Pope Francis said in his June 11 homily. "When St. Peter had to pay taxes, the Lord sent him to the sea to catch fish and find the money in the fish, to pay." Few took special notice until two weeks later when Francis launched a commission, with carte blanche powers, to probe the IOR. By then Italian police had arrested Scarano and two conspirators: a police officer and a broker. They were zapped for trying to smuggle 20 million euros from the families of Neapolitan shipowners to duck taxes.

"Pope Francis' new attempt this week to impose transparency and clarity on the Vatican's financial dealings could not be more timely," BBC noted. "Though awkward for the Vatican, the latest case will strengthen Pope Francis' arm as he sets about trying to reform one of the darkest corners of his domain," the Economist added.

"Creation of the commission suggests Francis has not been completely 'reassured' by the financial watchdogs that Benedict XVI installed," Italian journalist Andrea Tornielli wrote. The assignment means Francis is saying, "Trust with reluctance but verify deeply." What if the five-man commission recommends padlocking the bank?

Would the principle of tantum quantum by St. Ignatius of Loyola then kick in? "Whatever brings you to God, use it," the founder of the Jesuits taught. "Whatever leads you away, avoid." If this Jesuit pope concluded, after perusing the commission's report, that the IOR compromised the Church, will he shut down the carnival? Our take is he would.

Beyond the Vatican Bank, two encyclicals are on the way. Francis is completing Benedict's encyclical on faith. And he's writing one his own that focuses on the poor and challenges the silence on poverty in public life. He also flies to Latin America for World Youth Day.

Will Pope Francis reveal, in this home continent, that the stalled beatification cause for Archbishop Oscar Romero will proceed? The bishop of El Salvador denounced government death squads and was shot while saying Mass in March 1980.

That'd ripple to the Philippines, where paramilitary goons in North Cotabato cut down 59-year-old Fr. Fausto "Pops" Tentorio in October 2011. For over 33 years Father Pops shepherded the lumad with the sacraments and programs from child immunization to adult literacy. The murderer hasn't been nailed.

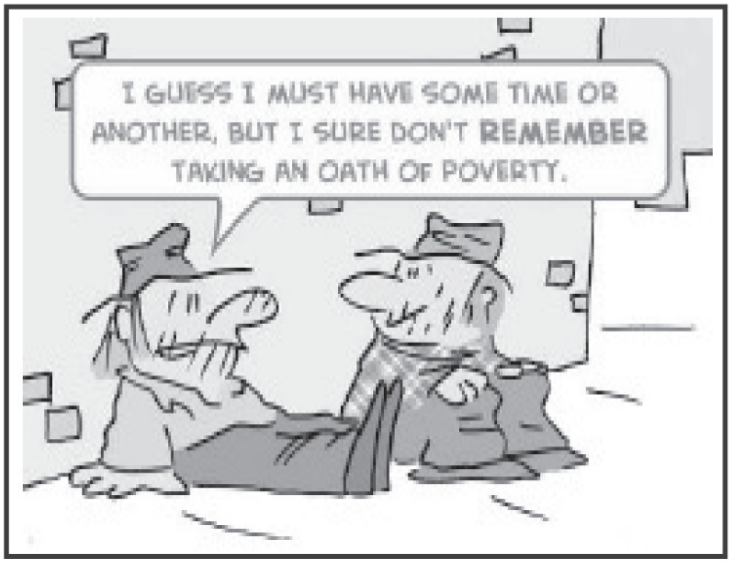
Personnel is policy: Who Francis chooses to lead key Vatican offices is decisive. Some focus on the next secretary of state. More crucial is who will be named bishops around the world. Give me names of pastors who will shepherd, not princes who demand to be served, Francis told a meeting of papal nuncios.

That resonates here, where some bishops lost in their partisan campaign against the supporters of the reproductive health bill. We were "not pleased," Lipa Archbishop Ramon Arguelles told the Inquirer. Isn't this the "self-referential" syndrome Francis denounced?

"Sisters matter." How Francis deals with the Leadership Conferences of Women Religious is crucial. "In a battle between the religious and the Curia, most lay Catholics come down with the sisters." The signs are mixed. This matter has taken on symbolic meaning for many on how the Church treats all women.

Who will Francis look to actually lead the Church? Synods became frustrating forums for endless five-minute speeches in the past. There's little genuine listening and discussion on issues from clerical sexual abuse to poverty. Who is accountable to their flocks? Local churches or Vatican structures?

"Look at the peacock," Francis suggested. "It's beautiful if you look at it from the front. But if you look at it from behind, you discover the truth."/(E-mail: juan_mercado77@yahoo.com)



ADVOCACY MINDANOW

PHILS. Vs. CHINA? C-R-A-Z-Y!

By: Jesus Dureza

During my long, informal chat with Chinese lady Ambassador MA KEQING in Manila sometime ago, I learned that there are about 14 countries that abut China where they share common borders. And of those, there are already 12 territorial agreements mutually forged that were quietly done on a bilateral basis. The remaining two left, INDIA and the KINGDOM OF BHUTAN, are still work in progress. So, why can't we Filipinos, also consider that route, without of course abandoning in the meantime international arbitration as another avenue? Since there are several cases on how China settled its border disputes peacefully with almost all its neighbors in the past, why can't our Dept of Foreign Affairs study them first before Foreign Affairs Secretary ALBERT DEL ROSARIO (whom I deeply respect and held in high esteem by the diplomatic world) go on his now trademark strong blast?

The reality is: we have to deal with China bilaterally even if we pursue third party arbitration. Why? Simply because there are no existing implementing mechanisms even if the United Nations rules in our favor. In that favorable event, our victory is euphoric, at the most. We still have to deal directly with China, I repeat, on a bilateral basis to have it done. C'mon, let's all admit it. Assuming, arguendo, that China gets an unfavorable ruling, it will harden all the more. This is human nature. It will be more Asian if we detour from that route early and go straight to China and fight for our rights across the table with them. We can even shout at each other across the negotiating table, but that is done behind closed doors in quiet diplomacy. I bet you, we can get better results there than force the issue with an arbitration body that does not have teeth at all and whose process will only widen the gap and further alienate China from us. And please don't place all our bets on our allies. Each country has its own internal interest foremost. Don't expect the US or JAPAN or the rest of our friends to go to war for us. Let's not fool ourselves!

And please, let's not grandstand or boast about getting war materials in preparation for the worst. It's good to raise the morale of Filipinos. And achieve some respectable level of preparedness. But not for war. Otherwise, other countries can't help but giggle behind our backs!

Lately, I read somewhere that in spite of the "hot media exchanges" with China, it has quietly and patiently watched from the sidelines and did not interrupt, disrupt or interfere with the usual entry of Philippine Navy vessels into AYUNGIN SHOAL to replenish the supplies of Filipino forces stationed in the disputed area. Take note that Chinese naval forces have literally and effectively cordoned the area. But yet, it kept its peace. Yesterday, I read that the Chinese fleet reportedly left quietly, for one reason or another. (I hope Defense Secretary Gazmin refrains from crowing about it in the newspapers as if the Chinese is retreating.) This is something worth watching because if we allow the relationship to further deteriorate, that is an area that can be a sure-fire flash point. What if in the next re-supply trip, China does a blockade because we have "upped the ante"? Are we prepared to deal with it? C'mon guys, this is not a "Captain America" movie.

I think both China and the Philippines have sufficiently eyeballed each other in strong words and rhetoric. We're lucky these bombardments remained an "acoustic war" just in the media. Before the situation escalates further beyond words and into some real trouble, let's cut all those crap and pipe down. Publicly, no country would like to appear as a loser in this standoff. They will have to say things what their own citizens or audiences would like to hear. Both sides have shown how macho each one is. And how they zealously guard and uphold their respective territorial integrity and sovereignty. Their defense ministers have done this sufficiently **Cont. on page 6**

KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

"More votes than voters" also in other MM cities

BY: BATAS MAURICIO

LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "… when you and your children return to the Lord your God and obey him with all your heart and with all your soul according to everything I command you today, then the Lord your God will restore your fortunes…" (Deuteronomy 30:2-3, the Holy Bible).

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DID LAWMAKERS RECEIVE DONATIONS FROM MONOPOLIES? The claim of two senators that they will keep "watchful eyes" on existing monopolies on water and other utilities providing basic services to Filipinos is a bit amusing to me. Indeed, without intending to belittle the attempt to monitor these monopolies by Senators Francis Escudero and Vicente Sotto III, may I ask: how can two senators alone make a difference in championing the cause of abused consumers?

Two votes in a collegial body of 24 will hardly make a dent, especially in passing legislation to curb abuses, unless the other senators would be willing to help. But then, supposing some of these colleagues received campaign donations from these monopolies in past elections? Will those who received donations from the monopolies be as eager to investigate their alleged abuses?

I guess that the only way that Escudero and Sotto can really help consumers to jumpstart their fight against abuses by monopolies is to expose the extent of the monopolies' influence among lawmakers, by compelling them—the monopolies, I mean—to disclose who they supported and how much they contributed to each and every lawmaker in all the elections participated in by them in the past.

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WHAT DOES "WEALTH SHARING" MEAN? Pardon my ignorance, but can chief government peace negotiator Miriam Coronel Ferrer explain the Constitutional and statutory bases for entering into a "wealth-sharing" agreement with known rebel groups, like the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), in recent developments?

I mean, is there a law that justifies a duly-constituted and sovereign entity like the government of the Republic of the Philippines to be sharing the natural resources of the country which, under the so-called regalian doctrine in political law, all belong exclusively to the State or to the Republic? Would not sharing the wealth and natural resources of the country amount to giving up its sovereignty? And while we are raising these questions, can Ms. Ferrer explain what do they mean when they say "wealth sharing" with the MILF?

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"MORE VOTES THAN VOTERS" HAUNT OTHER METRO MANILA CITIES: At a press conference Friday, July 05, 2013, that tackled the petition I filed for a group of Pasay City residents seeking a declaration of failure of elections in the city on account of clearly manipulated and padded election results which came from the very precinct count optical scan (PCOS) machines that were used there last May 13, 2013, it appeared to everyone present that the same manipulation and padded results happened in other cities and municipalities, too.

One of the reporters present during the press conference told me that in a town in Cavite which is geographically very near Metro Manila, a candidate also noticed that the total number of votes credited for all the candidates in a single-official position exceeded the total number of ballots that the PCOS machines counted, just like what happened in Pasay City.

Then, information also reached us that other cities in Metro Manila experienced the same phenomenon, except that the losing candidates are no longer interested to complain, either for fear of possible reprisals from the Commission on Elections or from other Cont. on page 6

PALSIIT

ADDA NGATA NAANANAY A KAPPIA?

BY: LEONARDO ROSQUETA AGUNOY

KALPASAN ti naruay a simparat a pinarnuay ti politica iti kallabes a panagpipili, kalikaguman ti nadumaduma a timpuyog dagiti umili ti masasao a peace and reconciliation. Adda man kasta a maisayangkat a panagkikinnappia, kasano ngata met iti kinapudno dagita a saritaan? Adda kadi met kadagiti maseknan a kasasayaatan ti ITA a panagsasarita a saan ketdi a pampanemnemen lattan ti guranggura iti tunggal maysa? Maisayangkat ti panagsasarita tapno maagasan ti sugat a pinarnuay ti panagsisinniwasiw ti turongen dagiti gagem nga agserbi kadagiti umili.Naruay a taktika ngamin ti naipakat tapno adda pangabil/pangabak ti tunggal maysa kadagiti politico.Ti kas-angna, adda dagiti napasamak a narugit a taktika. Adda dagiti naidasay iti katapokan gapu iti rupak ti politica.Dagitoy a biktima ti agsapsapul iti umno a justicia. Adu ngamin ti biktima iti panagpipili. Dagiti naulila, agsapsapulda ti justicia dagiti ipatpategda iti biag.

Trabaho ti kasapulan.Agtrabaho dagiti napabulodan iti panagtalek.Itakderda itan ti kinatan-okda a kas leader.Leader a mapagtalkan. Saan ketdi a leader a nadangkok ken mapagbutbutngan. Adu unayen a kinamanagbaybay-a dagiti immun-unan nga agtuturay. Batay met laeng daytoy ti naruay a sayangguseng, reklamo a naipaima iti ima dagiti pangukoman.

Saan koma ngarud a bin-ig a kinnasir, sinnukir ti maaramid. No maipaima kadagiti dap-ayan dagiti maipagarup a nalalag-an laeng a problema, saan koma a maidalanen iti naig-iget pay a panagsisinnarita. Ngem, ketdi, babaen iti naimpusuan a panagsasarita ti agsinnumbangir a partido wenno grupo.Ipapuso ti aramid.Litopaan ti nagkurangan ti tunggal maysa. No ngamin ipatanuynoy ti pannakaitantan ken pannakabaybay-a ti agrinrinnisiris a kawayan, itundana ti agpada a pannakasugat ti kudil dagitoy, agingga nga adda madadael. Kasta met ti kaipapanan ti kadawyan a panaglinnangen ti dua a maseknan a di madagdagus a marisut ti kadawyan a parikutda.

Umuneg ngamin a gura ken ibulbulonna ti naununeg a panggep ti panagibales no kua no mabaybayan ti parikut ti tunggal maysa.

No maminsan, adda daytay purua (pride) a di maikkat iti panunot gapu iti kinaadda ti pagtaktakderan a principio. Ngem, padasentayo man nga ipakumbaba ti intayo pannakilangen, pannakilinnawag, kitaentayo ti banagna, saan ngata a nalamuyot ken naballigian a panagkikinnaawatan ti banagenna?

Kuna ni Jeremy Taylor: Saan a ti kadakkel ti riribuktayo no di ti kinabassit ti panunottayo ti mangparnuay iti reklamotayo. Wen, pudno unay daytoy, kakabsat.Gapu iti saantayo pannangisaad ti pannakaawat ti bassit a circumstances, parnuayenna ti reklamotayo a mangitunda ti isusupring wenno igugura iti pada a tao.Dayta no kua ti pangrugian ti adu a reklamo nga agbanag a guranggura ti tunggal maysa.

Luktantayo ti pusotayo.Pagturayentayo ti ayat iti pusotayo.Tapno agtalinaed a naragsaktayo ken adda nga agnanayon ti rag-o iti barukongtayo. Nasayaat a nakaisem nga agnanayon tapno isemannatayo met dagiti makasinnabattayo. Pukawentayo ti innilem, ginnura.

PANAGYAMAN: Bumaknang ti biblioteca ken panunottayo iti libro nga insagut kadatayo ni Apo Melchor B. Jallorina ti DIVINE GOVERNMENT OF GOD iti San Nicolas Ilocos Norte. THE SOUND OF THE SEVENTH TRUMPET ti pulo ti naagapad a libro. Awan ngalayna a panagyaman!

PAGPAMPANUNOTAN: Dagiti kasayaaatan ken kapintasan a bambanag iti lubong, saan a makita ken masagid; mariknada laeng iti puso. – Helen Keller.#

MAGKASANGGA TAYO

Faith Healer of Fake Healer [EXCLUSIVE EXPOSE] 1st part

BY : NESTOR CASTRO

Dito sa ating bansa may isang **scam, swindling o panlilinlang** na lantarang nagaganap, na ang kadalasan, ang natatamaan o nabibiktimahan ay ang foreigners na may malubhang na sakit o karamdaman. Eto ang scam o swindling ng Faith Healing o kung tutuusin ay **FAKE HEALING,** bagama't hindi ko nilalahat at sinasabing fake ang lahat ng faith healers, sapagkat iba't ibang uri ng healing ang mayroon sa atin. May mga arbolaryo, manghihilot, pychic and prayer healers na gumagamit ng dasal, at yung sinasabing psychic surgeons na nakapag sasagawa daw sila ng isang pisikal na operasyon. Kahit sino sigurong doktor o medical professional physician ang inyong tanungin kung tutuo nga na ang isang healer ay kayang magsagawa ng isang pisikal na operasyon na gamit lamang ang kanilang mga kamay at wala ng iba ay pagtatawanan kayo ng medical practitioner at sasabihin na huwag kayong magpapaloko.

Eto ngayon ang masakit sa ginagawa ng mga ganitong klaseng fake healer na sa pamamagitan ng bilis na galaw ng kanilang kamay (slight of hand/switching) kung isa kang manonood ay posibleng akalain o paniwalaan mo na tunay nga silang nakapagsasagawa ng tutuong psychic surgery, ngunit sa totoo lang ay fake healing at fraudulent trickery lamang ang kanilang ginagawa.

Ngayon, ang sasabihin naman ng ibang magpapatunay na sila ay napagaling ng ganitong uri ng manggagamot (fake healer) ito ay simple lamang na maipaliwanag ng sinasabing placebo effect and/or belief in the almighty God. Ang ibig sabihin nito ay una sa lahat, hindi naman talaga sila malubha (bakit dokumentado ba ng espesialista ang kanilang karamdaman at siguradong hindi sila na misdiagnose?!?) at kung mayroon man silang karamdaman, yuon ay hindi malubha o yun sinasabing akala lang nila na mayroon silang karamdaman. Kaya pag nahawakan sila ng fake healer at pakunwaring na-operahan sila ay akala na nila ay okay na sila at napakitaan na sila na may nakuhang mga lamanlaman o mga litid –litid kunwari ngunit sa totoo lang yun ay laman at litid na mula sa mga hayop (kadalasan ay baboy o manok), at ang karamihan na healing na totoo naman ay yung healing through one's faith and belief in the almighty God at walang kinalaman ang kamay ng fake healer.

Ayon naman sa Bibliya, kapanahunan pa ni Kristo Jesus ay sumasagawa na si Kristo ng healing sa pamamagitan lang ng dasal at paniniwala, ngunit never ka makakabasa sa Bibliya na si Kristo ay nagsagawa ng isang psychic surgery kung saan si Kristo ay nagsagawa ng operasyon at kumuha ng mga laman loob.

Mabuti na lamang at ang karamihan ng ating mga kababayan ay hindi nagpapaniwala sa ganitong uri ng panloloko! Isang dahilan dito ay yung tindi rin ng singilan ng mga UNNGOY na fake healers na ito. Ang mga iba sa mga yan ay US$100 o 100 Euros ang singil sa isang sesyon na tatagal ng ilang minuto lamang.

Sa loob-loob ng ating mga kababayan ay ano kayong mga fake healer kayo **"Hilo", ano kayo Sinusuwerti** at magbabayad ako ng $100 or Euros (singko mil o limang, libong piso kada sesyon, eh iistirin pa nila na kailangan daw na hangang 10 sessions) para pakitaan mo lang ng laman loob at dugo ng baboy na kunwaring galing sa **pasyente/ biktima**!!!

Sa mga susunod na kolum ko ay ating tatalakayin ang mga sumusunod: **[1]** Kung ano ang ginagawa ng ating gobyerno hinggil dito, **[2]** Ano ang dapat gawin ng mga ahensya ng gobyerno, **[3]** Anong klaseng mga tao ang nagsasagawa nito **(sinusuog na kaya ang kanilang kaluluwa habang buhay pa sila), [4] A**no ang dapat gawin ng mga foreign embassies in coordination with the DFA, DOT, DOJ, NBI., **[5]** Paano ginagawa ng fake healer ang ganitong raket, sino-sino ang kontak ng mga healer sa abroad, **[6]** Paano mapapatunayan na fake ang isang uri ng psychic surgery, **[7]** Bakit napapaniwala ang mga foreigner sa ganitong uri ng katarantaduhan at panloloko, etc…. ***Abangan!***

Kakampi mo ang Batas...

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government officials who are interested to uphold the accuracy of the elections, or simply because they have started preparing for 2016, having learned their lessons from 2013.

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IF RPIS "TROUBLEMAKER", WHAT SHALL WE CALL CHINA? If the Philippines is a "troublemaker" because it is pursuing its ownership of the islands located at the West Philippine Sea, what should we call China with its insistence on deploying warships in the area—a "peacemaker" out to maintain peace and order in the troubled region, such that it is driving away other claimants by the sheer strength of its naval forces? I am sure that China's provocations will one day boomerang, not only on its officials, but even against its nationals in the Philippines.

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Advocacy Mindanow...

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enough. Well and good! But should we allow it to escalate to the next level? That's C-R-A-Z-Y! (In capital letters). ENOUGH OF THIS CRAP!

Let's not forget. Filipinos and Chinese have a long history together. We even have one umbilical chord as Asians. We know how to deal with each other. We can sort things out amongst ourselves.

But this can be done only in a quiet and healthy engagement. This is the work of diplomats. This is what the Foreign Affairs office should be doing. Unfortunately, this is not happening.

Enough of those angry and threatening words. They lead us nowhere. Back to quiet and sober diplomacy, everyone!/*Author is the new Chairman/President of the Philippine Press Institute and former Philippine Minister in the Brunei-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines EAST ASIAN GROWTH AREA. He served as Presidential Adviser for Mindanao, a peace negotiator, Press Secretary and Chief Presidential*

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JULIET BOADO
Applicants
Case No:2001-BC-281

NOTICE OF HEARING

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

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on on July 31, 2013 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 8th day of July 2013.

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ANTHONY BAYAS/ BY:NELIA PACUBAS
Applicants
Case No:98-BC-1018

NOTICE OF HEARING

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

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FRANCISCO M. RUNES
Applicants
Case No:2003 - CAR-439

NOTICE OF HEARING

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PEDRO SILVINO
Applicants
Case No:88-01-1004

NOTICE OF HEARING

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

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MARLO CAOILI
Applicants
Case No:94-CAR-220

NOTICE OF HEARING

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

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SPS. PABLO & ERLINDA PALMA
Applicant
Case No:88-01-3208

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience with Change Engine to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA -U.P VILLAGE (gate) - MARVILLE (irisan) and Vice Versa with the use of One (1) Unit.

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FLORINDA GARCIA
Applicant
Case No:88-01-303

NOTICE OF HEARING

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

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 4th day of July 2013.

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MAXIMO TAKINAN
Applicant
Case No:99-01-1347

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Exte[illegible]n of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to opera[illegible] TAXI Service for the transportation of passengers and fr[illegible]ts on the Line: BAGUIO CITY TO ANY POINT IN CAR and [illegible]e Versa with the use of One (1) Unit.

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA [illegible]LAVER - Regional Director this 9th day of July 2013.

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MAXIMO TAKINAN
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Case No:2012-CAR-1150

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA [illegible]LAVER - Regional Director this 9th day of July 2013.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. M[illegible]ZAN-NULLAR
Attorney I[illegible]

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
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JOANN REYES
Applicant
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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA [illegible]LAVER - Regional Director this 5th day of July 2013.

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lecture shall be done at Upper QM barangay.

Best gardening contest [illegible]on shall be done on July 22 and 24, for Loakan and Pacdal health districts.

Other activities are scheduled during the last week of July up to the culmination and awarding program on August 9 at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center./juliegfianza

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF
La Trinidad, Benguet

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Pag-IBIG Fund),
Mortgagee,
-versus-
NATHANIEL V. DELA ROSA,
Mortgagor,
FORECLOSURE CASE NO. 13-ExF-1704
FOR
EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE,
Under Act No. 3135 as Amended

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended, filed by HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (Pag-IBIG Fund), represented by MA. IMELDA B. ESPERANZA, OIC-Department Manager 1, herein referred to as the Mortgagee against NATHANIEL V. DELA ROSA, of legal age, single Filipino Citizen, and with postal address at CHC Taloy Sur, Tuba, Benguet, herein referred to as the mortgagor, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of May 16, 2013 amounts to FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED NINETY FIVE and 48/100 (Php 473,195.48) , PESOS, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest and penalty charges. That likewise in case of foreclosure proceedings, the Mortgagor shall pay the Mortgagee, attorney's fees equivalent to ten (10%) percent of the total indebtedness plus foreclosure expenses;

That the undersigned or any duly authorized sheriff will SELL at public auction on August 6, 2013 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in front of the Benguet Justice Hall, (Bulwagan ng Katarungan), Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the hereunder described real property together with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-016-2011001167 (Register of Deeds-Province of Benguet)

" A PARCEL OF LAND LOT 10, BLK. 15, PCS-CAR-001256, BEING CONSOLIDATED AND SUBDIVIDED OF LOT 3,CCS -131113-000040, LOT 2826, CAD-656-D, CASE 6 , LOT 2739-A PSD 131113-003133, LOT 2738-3, PSD-131113-003209, LOT 2739-A PSD-131113-003133, LOT 2738-3, PSD 131113-003209, LOT 2729-C, PSD 131113-003137, RURBAN CODE: 131113, BARANGAY TALOY SUR, MUNICIPALITY OF TUBA, PROVINCE OF BENGUET, ISLAND OF LUZON, BOUNDED ON THE SE., ALONG LINE 1-2 BY LOT 12, BLK. 15; ON THE SW., ALONG LINE 2-3 BY ROAD LOT 11 (16.50 M. WIDE); ON THE NW., ALONG LINE 3-4 BY LOT 9, BLK. 15; ON THE NE., ALONG LINE 4-1 BY LOT 11, BLOCK (OPEN SPACE) ALL OF THE SUBDIVISION PLAN. BEGINNING AT THE POINT MARKED "1" ON THE PLAN BEING S.71 DEG. 32'W., 4,355.48 M. FROM BLLM # 1-A, TUBA CADASTRE, CAD-656-D, THENCE; S.54 DEG. 59'W, 21.35 M TO POINT 2; N. 35 DEG. 40'W., 8.42 M. TO POINT OF BEGINNING; CONTAINING AN AREA OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS. ALL CORNERS ARE PS CYL. CONC. MONS. 15 X 60 CMS., BEARING : GRID : DATE OF SUBDIVISION SURVEY: JUNE 2-30 , 2007 EXECUTED BY ENGINEER REMIGIO L. REYNANTE AND WAS APPROVED ON MAY 9, 2008 ."

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date. Interested bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of said property and the encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

In case of failure in the auction sale as scheduled, the same is hereby re-scheduled on August 27, 2013 at the same time and place without need of Notice and Republication.

La Trinidad, Benguet, this 12th day of July 2013.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF
EX-OFFICIO OF BENGUET

BY:(SGD)
GREGORIO G. TADEO
Sheriff IV
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Promises, Promises...

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shall have subsided and left, replaced by the cool, dry, and pleasant northeast ''amihan'' monsoon.

However, with the blocked waterways, garbage-strewn and clogged esteros, compounded by countless jobless informal settlers and shanties preempting the esteros and canals in Manila and suburbs, Secretary Singson and Chairman Tolentino are aware that they are misleading the President as their December deadline is unrealistic and near impossible to accomplish.

A promise that may be more doable is a commitment to dredge and clean all the esteros and canals by yearend and come up with a 5-year timeline to relocate the informal settlers.

Second, it seems that everyone wants to please President Noynoy Aquino with rosy predictions and mesmerizing statistics that may eventually result in disappointment and disservice to the nation.

Thus, if you ask a newly appointed AFP Chief of Staff or a PNP Chief, they will promise the President that the CCP-NPA insurgency will be wiped out in one year which predictions and promise have been unfulfilled in the last 40 years.

Likewise, except for a brief interregnum of peace and prosperity during the Fidel V. Ramos administration, the simmering Muslim secessionist and independence movement have not really receded or been mollified.

Third, the scope of President Aquino's ''Reform Agenda'' had never been clearly defined and internalized. It remains vague and ambiguous.

In the same manner, the avowed mission of cleansing society of the culture of corruption remains on the drawing board while all the alleged malpractices of the previous administration are not only being continued but are also revived with gusto.

Incarcerating former President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo for corruption and plunder without trial and conviction makes a mockery of democracy and due process but has been a useful and successful propaganda tool for Pres. Aquino for international consumption and investor confidence.

The question is: Are political promises meant to be broken or forgotten?

When all is said and done, there are too many self-serving promises and commitments by Aquino officials that are made either to please the President or to perpetuate themselves in their positions.

As Richard Whately would put it, ''Speak not because you have to say something, but because you have something to say." You be the judge./(For comments and views please email chaff_fromthegrain@yahoo.com.ph)

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The Department of Social Welfare and Development, Cordillera Administrative Region (DSWD-CAR) with address at # 40 North Drive, Baguio City is looking for the parents and relatives of the child:

Baby Boy a.k.a. VON CARLO, male approximately 1 day old, fair complexion and black hair who was found by Mr. John Carlo Gonzales y Tolano, 25 years old, scrapper from San Pedro, Laguna and residing at No. 168 Military Cut-off, Baguio City at around 12:50 am on May 16, 2013 in the Waiting Shed of Jungle Town, Leonard Wood, Baguio City. The Baby Boy

was wrapped with peach towel and placed in a green bag. The Policemen on board of Mobile 85, Police Station 5 brought the said baby boy at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center and Women and Children Protection Unit for medical treatment. On May 22, 2013, he was referred by the WCPU to RSCC, DSWD-CAR for temporary care.

Parents and relatives of the said child are advised to get in touch with DSWD-CAR with telephone no. 442-7919 or RSCC, DSWD-CAR with telephone no. 074-422-0946. Failure to do so will compel the DSWD to facilitate the declaration of abandonment for eventual adoption.

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AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION BY SOLE HEIR OF ESTATE OF DECEASED PERSON

That an Affidavit of Adjudication by Sole heir of Estate of Deceased Person, was executed by Jaime L. Pahate being the only son of Avelina L. Pahate who died on October 10, 1997 and Jorge B. Pahate who died on September 20, 2006. That the said deceased left an estate consisting of a parcel of land measuring Three Hundred Fifty Square Meters (350 sqm) located in the City Of Baguio as evidenced by ARP. No. 01-01003-42093, Property Index No. 102-01-003-01-L084, was entered into the Notarial Registry of Atty. Jed Allan Reyes Bejar, under Doc No. 4; Page No. 2 ; Book No. 1; Series of 2012

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Mayor Says Good Revenue Will Move City Forward

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan laid down plans for the city's priority direction for the next three years to the city's department heads and administrative officers during the Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS) orientation workshop here.

Domogan said, 'the main priority of the city which it cannot do away with is its revenue.'

'We cannot do a lot of things if we do not have funding, we have to make good in our performance in the revenue programs of the city government,' he said.

The mayor also pointed out the need for the updating of the city's old ordinances to cope up with the present situation.

We have to update and look into our old ordinances like the appraisal values of real properties, he said pointing out thelong period in which the city was not able to upgrade the same.

Domogan also tackled on the upgrading of fees collected for sewerage and garbage.

He said, 'the city has been collecting twenty pesos a month per household which is already too low.'

'We only collected 18 million for garbage fees in 2012 and yet we are spending more than 100 million for garbage, ' he said.

'There is a lot of challenge that something must be done, ' he said.

Domogan is also pushing for the modernization of the different offices in city hall to be at par with other cities.

'It's about time that we have to computerize the Assessor's Office, the Licensing Office, the Treasury Office and the Accounting Office as a starting point, it must be done, he stressed.

Domogan said, 'If the city has good revenue then it can address social concerns administered by the Social Department like senior citizens, livelihood, youth, values formation and others. '

'The peace and order program of the city government is anchored on how much we can continue to augment the budget of the national government for the BCPO to implement a good peace and order program for the city, he said.

Domogan also said, 'the Health Services Office reported a tremendous increase in dengue cases compared to last year, again we have to increase the amount we should use to address this problem.'

'The tourism programs of the city government rely on how much we can collect to really run an investment program for our city, he said.

Finally, the mayor hopes that he can accomplish a lot in improving the revenue programs of the city for the three year period.

'We are happy to say the report from our business taxes, the City Treasury Office has already exceeded its revenue estimate for 2013 to the tune of 43 Million, 'Domogan said.

Domogan said, 'the city's revenue estimate for 2013 is 182 Million and last week, it has already collected 228 Million.'/paul rillorta

Nutrition Month Celebration Launched

BAGUIO CITY – Nutrition issues should be taken seriously as a parental responsibility, primarily for the family, Mayor Mauricio Domogan emphasized during the launching of the 39th nutrition month, done last Monday at the city hall grounds.

Parents should personally supervise their childrens' wellbeing, making sure of good physical health and emotional upbringing, the mayor said. Councilor Joel Alangsab who delivered the key message pointed out that through Presidential Decree 491, poverty and hunger should be eradicated by 2015 as part of the Millenium goals. The Cordillera region having provinces with some "hungriest"areas; including some barangays of the city of Baguio, should work harder to surpass challenges of poverty and hunger, including malnutrition, he said. The practice of good nutrition, exclusive breastfeeding for babies up to 2 years of age, gulayan sa bakuran, support for feeding programs, and avoidance of food wastage should be done, Alangsab added.

Committee head on Health and Sanitation, Ecology and Environmental Protection Councilor Fred Bagbagen introduced the calendar of activities for the 39th nutrition month, with the theme: "Gutom at Malnutrisyun, Sama-sama Nating Wakasan," spearheaded by the Baguio City Nutrition Council (BCNC).

Seedling and menu books for 4P's parent leader beneficiaries were also distributed while the feeding of identified 4Ps families were done with cooking demonstration at the City Camp Youth Center, by the Mt. Province Mission, Seventh Day Adventist, and Urban Science and Technology Center, Department of Science and Technology (USTC-DOST).

The 3rd nutrition summit at the Crown Legacy Hotel, hosted by the BCNC was also done last July 12 with aims to address and take action as to malnutrition and hunger issues.

Barangays Bakakeng Central and St. Joseph Village have opted to celebrate nutrition month, among other activities, through a healthy lifestyle advocacy walk to Mt. Cabuyao and eco-walk on July 18 and 19, respectively.

On July 22, Sta. Scholastica Village and Imelda Village shall work out their way to health through Zumba Fitness, Taebo, Hataw or aero exercise.

Cooking contests, cooking demonstrations, cookfest, recipe contests and "going to the market," shall be done in Sta. Scholastica on July 17, at Victoria Village on July 19, at Scout Barrio, Burnham Legarda, San Antonio barangays on July 20, at Imelda Marcos on July 21, at Pinget and Imelda Village on July 22, Hillside on July 23, and Sto Nino on July 24.

Swine and Poultry management contest shall be conducted at Happy Hallow on July 22.

Cleanest and greenest purok contest, household backyard/pot gardening clean-up, tree planting, food preservation, green brigade, distribution of seeds, reduce-reuse-recycle, gardening contest shall be done at West Quirino Hill on July 17; at Bayan Park, South Sanitary Camp, Trancoville on July 19, at Upper QM, Lower and Upper Rock quarry, Lopez Jaena, Ambiong, East and West Modernsite, Lourdes Extension, West Modernsite on July 20; at Irisan on July 15 to 20, Happy Hallow on July 22, and Dominican-Mirador from July 22 to 31.

Healthiest baby and mother, and bright child contests, day care children nutrition program shall be done on July 15 at Brookside, July 17 at West Quirino hill, July 18 at Fairview, and July 20 at Alfonso Tabora.

Information dissemination on dengue control, dental health, health and nutrition seminar/forum/ lectures shall be done at Brookspoint on July 19, Brookside on July 15-31; West Modernsite and A. Tabora, Gibraltar, Imelda Marcos, Lourdes Extension, Balsigan and City Camp Central on June 20, MRR Queen of Peace on July 22.

Medical missions are simultaneously scheduled at Gibraltar, West Modernsite and Holy Ghost Proper barangays on July 20.

Trancoville barangay shall have cleanest and nutritious eatery contest on July 15.

Other activities such as slogan and poster, essay, drawing/coloring/draw and tell/ nutri-tula contests are slated on July 20 at West Quirino Hill and Scout Barrio, July 22 to 26 at Upper and Lower Dagsian, at Fairview on July 18, Rizal Monument on July 22, and MRR Queen of Peace on July 19.

Giving of vitamins to underweight and most improved underweight, cooking and vegetable garden contest shall be done at Middle Quirino Hill covered court on July 17, while on July 19, recycled pot making, landscaping of gardens, healthy lifestyle exercise, and nutrition Cont. on page 6

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Pahayagang Palaban!!!

FINEST AMONG BAGUIO"S FINEST - PO2 Geofrey Bantule and SPO1 Ceferino Tangalin proudly show off their plaque of commendation after receiving accolades from city officials headed by Mayor Mauricio Domogan, Vice Mayor Daniel Fariñas and City Police Director Jesus Cambay Jr. for the arrest of suspected robbery suspects in implementing "Manhunt Charlie" in relation to "Oplan Tugis" and resulting to immediate solution of crime robberies respectively during City Hall's flag raising ceremony./By Bong Cayabyab

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