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SK Election Postponement Approved

Baguio Representative Nicasio M. Aliping, Jr. announced last week that Sangguniang Kabataan Election Postponement is now approved and reschedule to October 2016 to be synchronized with the Barangay Election.

Aliping is one of the primary authors of the approved bill. Republic Act No. 10656 is entitled An Act Postponing the Sangguniang Kabataan Elections to the last Monday of October 2016.

The Act was passed by the House of Representatives on December 1, 2014 and amended by the Senate on February 2, 2015. The amendment was concurred in by the House of Representatives on February 9, 2015. The bill was signed by President Benigno S. Aquino III on March 25.

Aliping said that "the postponement of the election was brought about by the urgent need for reforms in the Sangguniang Kabataan"

The election will be a synchronized nomination of Barangay and SK officials, which is a rational reform since the officials will be working closely together in their respective barangays."

"We appeal to our fellow lawmakers to accelerate the deliberation of the proposed amendments before the end of the 16th Congress so that the desired reforms will be firmly in place giving our youth leaders sufficient time to familiarize themselves with their roles, functions, duties and responsibilities before the next election," said Aliping./ Carl C. Taawan



This holy week has seen all sorts of Catholic religious rituals, one of which was the re-enactment on the crucifixion of Christ Jesus which was held last Good Friday (April 3) for the first time in the Cordilleras at the Santuario Dela Sagrada Catolica at Ambuclao Road, Sitio Marooc, Itogon, Benguet./ Photo by Sermi Agus

Marami-rami na rin ang na isasabatas na mga panukala itong si neophyte Congressman Nicasio Aliping, yaan marahil ang dahilan sa umiiral na crab mentality ng MGA NA-IINGGIT SA KANYA kung saan kaya maraming mga panirang mga walang basehan ang ibinabato sa kanya !!!

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Bontoc Ili Showcased in MP's First Synchronized Barangay Assembly 2015

BONTOC, Mountain Province - The most populated barangay Bontoc Ili of this capital town was showcased in the first nationwide synchronized Barangay Assembly Day 2015 held last March 28.

Presidential Proclamation No. 260 mandates the holding of a Barangay Assembly Day on the last Saturday of March and every second Sunday of October of every year.

Bontoc Ili barangay Chairman Alexander Fana-ang delivered his State of the Barangay Address focusing on their accomplishments and financial report for the second semester of last year and the first three months of this 2015.

Fana-ang comprehensively discussed where their barangay funds were used- in personal services, maintenance and other operating expenses, 20 percent development fund, 5% calamity fund and 5% gender and development fund.

Chairmen of Committees on Peace and Order, Disaster Preparedness, Health, Solid Waste Management, environment protection and "Ugnayan ng Barangay at Simbahan" in the barangay council also alternately discussed their accomplishments, on-going programs and plans on these key programs.

Bontoc Ili with population of 4,783, has an In-

ternal Revenue Allotment of P2,767,625.00 in 2014.

Councilor Jerome Tudlong, who represented Mayor Frank Odsey as guest of honor, challenged the barangay officials to continue giving their best services to their constituents as this will be a legacy they will leave to their barangay.

In the same affair, Bontoc Municipal Local Government Operations Officer Marites Carino read a prepared message of Department of the Interior and Local Government Secretary Mar Roxas to the barangay assembly.

Roxas talked on the importance of people's participation in local governance adding that the local residents should get involved in barangay assemblies. He said it is in the barangay assembly where their local official reports on their accomplishments, on-going programs and plans as well to where their funds are spent.

Roxas added the barangay assembly could be a venue for a healthy dialogue where issues and concerns will be raised and addressed by concerned officials and offices.

Also gracing the occasion were heads and representatives from the municipal and provincial governments and national offices who took turn in disseminating their respective programs./JDP/ABD-PIA CAR, Mountain Province

DSWD, PNP Enhance Services to Vulnerable Sectors

BAGUIO CITY - The Philippine National Police recently tapped the expertise of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) in efforts to enhance their services to the vulnerable sector of society.

The specialized course held at Camp Bado, Dangwa, La Trinidad, Benguet, aims to deepen the understanding of the uniformed personnel in handling cases involving the marginalized sector specifically on gender based violence.

DSWD personnel discussed topics on sexual orientation and gender identity, and indigenous women and children as vulnerable sectors.

"One of our aims in the Department is to disseminate information not just on the programs and services that are available but most especially on the rights of the vulnerable sectors so that they may be empowered for them to be able to avail of what is due to them. It is very timely for the Women's Month celebration that we are able to share very vital information to our partners so that the awareness in the women sector would also be increased", DSWD-CAR Regional Director Janet P. Armas said.

The Department through the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program also conducts Family Development Sessions (FDS) where some of its modules tackle laws involving women.

"All women have important roles in development. They should be

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Change in Mindset on Solid Wastes Handling Reduces Wastes

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - A change in outlook and habits in handling household wastes will greatly help in reducing wastes that go all the way to the disposal facility.

According to Joyce Ann Almoite-Mangsats, Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Environmental Management Bureau Cordillera Regional Solid Waste Coordinator, the major source of wastes comes from the household and the remaining wastes from other institutions where people are transients.

There has to be a change in behavior to achieve waste reduction at home, Mangsats stressed adding that proper waste segregation is a matter of attitude or change in mindset.

Mangsats spoke before students of Benguet State University National Service Training Program in a Kalikasan Camp held March 28-29 at the BSU Integrated Highland Farm Systems Agriculture Training Center in Longlong, Puguig here.

She explained that the Ecological Solid Waste Management law or Republic Act 9003, requires segregation of seven types of wastes such as bio-

degradable which comprise half of the total household wastes and the other half as non-biodegradable categorized into plastics, paper, glass, metal, residual and special wastes.

Sharing her experiences, food waste could be used as pet or animal feeds while kitchen, yard and animal wastes can be developed as compost for soil conditioner. If this

Cordillera DRRM Council Braces for Typhoon "Chedeng"

BAGUIO CITY - With super typhoon "Maysak" forecasted to enter the Philippine Area of Responsibility by tonight or tomorrow morning and will threaten Northern Luzon, the Cordillera Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (CRDRRMC) Emergency Operations Center raised the red alert level today.

The CRDRRMC called a Pre-Disaster Risk Analysis (PDRA) meeting with the council's Technical Working Group and the different provincial DRRM officers who are in the city for the CRDRRMC's 2015 First Quarter Meeting.

Typhoon "Maysak" which will be named "Chedeng" once it enters the PAR, is believed to be a "Yolanda-like" typhoon packing maximum sustained wind of 215 kph (kilometre per hour) near the center and gustiness of up to 250 kph.

CRDRRMC chairperson and Office of Civil Defense Regional Director Andrew Alex Uy,

is done, half of the total wastes will be reduced at the household level, she said.

The setting up of mini-material recovery facility (MRF) at home temporarily serves as storage for non-biodegradable materials said Mangsats. If accumulated, they could be sold to recycling centers. Plastic and styro wastes are sold from P0.50 to P1.00 per kilogram.

Aside from selling the collected recyclable materials, these could be reused as containers, organizers or materials for arts craft.

The benefits of recycling in preserving and conserving the environment should be looked into other than the financial benefits, Mangsats said.

According to the waste analysis and characterization study

shared the possible scenario that "Chedeng" to traverse Northern Luzon from Cagayan to Cordillera or from regions III and IV to Cordillera. With the forecast of super typhoon, people should expect and prepare for heavy to intense rainfalls that may cause flooding, landslides, uprooting of trees and power interruptions.

Uy also called on all local DRRM Councils and local government units to synchronize their alert level with the region's DRRM Council and to start informing people of the worst case scenario and be ready to execute a pre-emptive evacuation especially in high-risk areas, such as flood and slide prone communities.

"Chedeng will be the first strong typhoon to enter PAR this year and it is always better to inform the public to be prepared for worst case scenarios. LGUs, the general public, and most especially the families are reminded to be vigilant and constantly monitor weather updates", he said./JDP/CCD - PIA CAR

(WACS) of the Asian Development Bank, wastes generated per capita per day is one person generates .25 to .50 kilogram wastes. As per 2006 WACS In La Trinidad, a person generates an average of 0.47 kg.

Whatever status in life is a person is young or old alike, each generates wastes at the time of waking up till sleeping time, she said.

Mangsats challenged the BSU students to help in advocating solid waste management at the household level in their outreach programs as their office cannot do this alone adding that they could only be effective advocates if they truly practice segregation.

"You just have to believe in yourself that you can do it and manage your garbage properly and you will make a difference," she said./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR, Benguet



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Increased Allowance for Uniformed Personnel Approved

President Benigno Aquino III signed last Friday a joint House Resolution increasing subsistence allowance of Uniformed Personnel from P90.00 to P150.00 per day.

Baguio Representative Nicasio M. Aliping, Jr. is one of the authors of the joint resolution filed last December 14, 2014.

Aliping said that the resolution was filed because the current allowance of our uniformed personnel is "no longer adequate to meet the basic needs of Filipino military soldiers and uniformed personnel in view of the increasing prices of commodities".

The increased allowance is for all officers, enlisted personnel, candidate soldiers, probationary second lieutenants, cadets and civilian active auxiliaries of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, commissioned and non-commissioned personnel of the Philippine National Police, Bureau of Fire Protection, Bureau of Jail Management and Penology, cadets of the Philippine National Police Academy, Philippine Coast Guard, including candidate coast guard men, and National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA).

Aliping said that the "amount necessary to implement the provisions of the resolution shall be charged against the savings of the DND (Department of National Defense), DOTC (Department of Transportation and Communications), DILG (Department of Interior and Local Government), and DENR-NAMRIA (Department of Environment and Natural Resources) for the current year and/or the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund."

In the succeeding years, however, Aliping a member of Committee on Appro-

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Bishop Cenzon Won't Join Calls to Oust PNoy

BAGUIO CITY - Bishop Carlito Cenzon of the Diocese of Baguio and Benguet is backing President Benigno S. Aquino III to finish his term amidst call for him step down from office.

"He is the President, let him fulfill his term," said Cenzon stressing that he will not be joining the call of his fellow bishops in the Catholic Church to oust the President.

Various sectors including the Catholic Church are calling for Aquino to step down due to many issues hounding the administration, the latest of which is the Mamasapano incident where 44 Philippine National Police Special Action Force commandos were killed.

Batangas Archbishop Ramon Arguelles and Zamboanga Archbishop Romulo Dela Cruz called

for Aquino's ouster slamming the chief executive for being "incompetent" in leading the country following the bloody encounter.

"Lahat ng tao may pagkukulang," Cenzon said and explained that people should understand the stand of the President on various issues. Unless we have something serious against him then we should call for him to step down but for now he should fulfill his mandate and responsibilities to the Filipino people, he added.

Cenzon instead called on both the President and the people to learn to listen to each other to have a harmonious relationship.

"PNoy, may mga sinasabi ang mga tao noon pa, pakinggan mo," said Cenzon. All leaders should know how to listen to the

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OCD Strengthens Partnership with Academe in DRRM

BAGUIO CITY - The Office of Civil Defense Cordillera regional office, in partnership with various schools and universities in the region, joined in the conduct of the National Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) last March 27 at the University of the Cordilleras (UC) main campus here.

With UC administration, the Baguio City DRRM Council, the Philippine Military Academy Disaster Response Task Group, the Bureau of Fire Protection, the Baguio City Police Office and the Philippine Red Cross, OCD conducted actual earthquake scenario and disaster response. A post-activity assessment was also done as a feedback mechanism that would help identify the gaps and the necessary actions that are needed to address such concern for the crafting of a better disaster response plan and actions.

NSED is regular activity that is being spearheaded by the OCD pursuant to Republic Act 10121 or the Philippine Disaster Risk

Reduction and Management Act of 2010. It serves as a key-strategy in reducing disaster risks and increasing the awareness of the public, which is important in building the resiliency of schools, universities and colleges and the local communities, in relation to the occurrence of earthquake.

OCD Cordillera Regional Director Andrew Alex Uy, in an interview, affirmed the successful conduct of the earthquake drill. Aside from demonstrating the emergency readiness of UC, which just joined the roster of Gawad Kalasag national awardees, the activity once again proved that through partnership, the region's DRRM efforts and disaster resiliency can be strengthened.

Uy, in the same interview, disclosed that their office will focus their second quarter programs in capacity building activities for universities and colleges to strengthen their DRRM and emergency response capabilities. *JDP/CCD - PIA CA*

"Aramid" Launched

BAGUIO CITY - From solar, coffee and sand art to paintings on canvas to mixed media, the Tam-Awan Village Artists (TVA) deliver a variety of visual arts in their collection gathered in a show dubbed as "Aramid".

Launched on March 30 at the SM City Baguio Atrium, "Aramid" features works by Chanum Foundation president Jordan Mang-osan, Ged Alangu, Clinton, Aniversario, Alfred Dato, Art Lozano, Tara Natividad, Edwin Macadaeg, Patric

Art Exhibit

Palasi, Mark Tandayog, Jennifer Lorenzo, Gretta Apolinar, and Marlyn Bulayo.

According to a release by the TVA, "Aramid is an exhibit that presents a collaboration of works which offers a mix of pieces from solar, coffee and sand art with contemporary works, paintings on canvas, and mixed media."

The exhibit features works by the sole solar painter in the country, Mang-osan, coffee painting by Palasi, and sand art by Macadeg. The exhibit runs until April 5, 2015. *JDP/ Pryce E. Quintos - PIA CAR*



FREE MOVIE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS - Vice Mayor Edison Bilog exchanges pleasantries with senior citizens during a public hearing and consultation at the Baguio Convention Center on the granting of incentive of 5% exemption of the gross receipts from admission fees to all cinemas here for giving free movie to senior citizens from the first screening to the last full show every Monday to Sunday. The city ordinance was introduced by Vice Mayor Bilog. *By Bong Cayabyab*

Sen. Escudero Says Bangsamoro Basic Law Needs Some Amendments

BAGUIO CITY - Senator Francisco "Chiz" Escudero is of the position that if the Basic Bangsamoro Law or BBL is transmitted to Senate as it is, it will not be approved as there are certain provisions that need to be amended in reference to the Philippine Constitution.

Escudero, in a press conference with the local media here on Saturday, pointed-out that under the BBL, the Shari'ah court's decision will be final and executory, which means it cannot be reviewed by the Supreme Court. Moreover, the only body that can discipline the judges in their court is their own Judicial Bar Council.

"These are unconstitutional as the Supreme Court is the highest court in the country and there must only be one JBC under the Constitution", Escudero said.

The senator also questioned the provisions that will give the Bangsamoro territories their own or independent Commission on Audit, Civil Service and Commission on Election.

"Why do they need a separate COA and CSC, do they have their own system of accounting and

auditing, as well as their own rules on the security of tenure of civil servants", he asked.

The 10 percent minimum voters' requirement for a barangay or municipality to be placed under the Bangsamoro region is also an issue with Escudero.

"Why should the 10 percent of total registered voters be a majority ruling and dictate the outcome for the other 90 percent voters in their area; why not bring it to at least half or even 25 percent for the vote to have a referendum", he said.

The 10% majority threshold was adopted in the creation of the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao. This should not be the case for the BBL because the other 90 percent also have the right to decide for their own future, he opined.

Escudero also called for an "opt-out clause" to be added in the BBL as under its present set-up, any area, municipality or province can be asked regularly or yearly if they want to join the BBL region but they cannot choose to get out, once they are already included. *JDP/CCD - PIA CAR*

Holy Week in the Philippines

Holy Week in the Philippines (Spanish: *Semana Santa*, Filipino: *Mahál na Araw*, English: Holy Week) is a significant religious observance for the Roman Catholic majority and most Protestant groups.

Beginning Maundy Thursday, businesses in the Philippines either shut down operations until Black Saturday or have later opening and earlier closing times. During the Easter Triduum (usually a public holiday), some local terrestrial television and radio stations sign-off (except radio stations owned by the Catholic church). Those that do operate truncate broadcasting hours feature religious programming, films, news coverage of religious ceremonies and deviates regular programming. Many communities observe Spanish-influenced Catholic rituals such as processions, with many having been syncretised with pre-Hispanic beliefs. This is evident in local practices and the many superstitions associated with the occasion.

Palm Sunday

A priest blesses palms on Palm Sunday in the church of Plaridel, Bulacan (2012).

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At Mass (liturgy) on Palm Sunday (Linggo ng Palaspás, Domingo de Ramos), worshipers carry palm fronds to church to be blessed by the priest. Many Filipinos bring them home after the Mass and place these on door lintels or windows, in the belief that the fronds (considered by the Church as sacramentals) can ward off demons and avert lightning. In some places a procession is held towards the main church before the service, sometimes starting from an *ermita/visita* (chapel of ease), with the presiding priest riding on horseback. Other parishes would have the priest bless palms in a plaza fronting or near the church.

Holy Wednesday

In the provinces of Pampanga, Bulacan, Rizal and Laguna, as well as in Makati, a procession of the Passion of Christ is held in the evening of Holy Wednesday (*Miyérkules Santo*). Except in Baliuag, Bulacan, the Passion tableaux are excluded from the Good Friday Procession.

Maundy Thursday (*Huwebes Santo*) is the beginning of the Paschal Triduum.

The first rite of the day is the Chrism Mass, in which parishioners join their parish priest for morning Mass in the cathedral, especially in the large dioceses and archdioceses. Many priests[who?] consider this to be the day when they renew their priestly vows. This Mass, over which presides the bishop of the diocese, is when the Chrism, oil of catechumens and the oil for the sick are blessed after the homily. Priests bring the oils to their respective parishes after the service and store these for future use.

The main observance of the day is the last Mass before Easter, the Mass of the Lord's Supper. This usually including a re-enactment of the Washing of the Feet of the Twelve Apostles, and is followed by the procession of the Blessed Sacrament before it is placed in the Altar of Repose.

After the mass and throughout the evening, the faithful observe the pious custom of "Visita Iglesia", or "church visit", which involves going to seven or more churches to pray in front of Altar of Repose and meditate on the Way of the Cross.

Good Friday

Good Friday, (*Biyernes Santo*) is a public holiday, commemorated with solemn street processions, the Way of the Cross, the commemoration of Jesus' Seven Last Words ("*Siete Palabras*") and a traditional Passion play called the *Senákulo*, which in some places is a week-long affair. In some communities (most

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**Jesus: "Mighty God,
Everlasting Father"**

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "...For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace..." (Isaiah 9:6, the Holy Bible).

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EPISODES IN THE LIFE OF JESUS THAT PROVE HE IS GOD AND SAVIOR: To all the members of the Anak ng Diyos Kadugo Ni Kristo (or the Children of God Blood Kin of the Christ) Church, they have been reared on the many proofs from the Bible which they can use to prove that Jesus is God and Savior, the One who was promised to come to receive the penalty intended for sinners.

In the "Basic Doctrinal Teachings" of the Church, some of these proofs have been taken from 18 episodes in the life of Jesus when He was still here in this world. From the point of view of the members of the Church, who are also called Children of God Blood Kin of the Christ, these episodes in His life unqualifiedly prove that He is God and Savior, nothing more, nothing less.

What are these episodes in the life of Jesus that show Him to be God and Savior? First, the announcement of His coming to this world (Isaiah 7:14, 9:2 and 9:6, Luke 1:26-38, Matthew 1:18-25). Second, Mary's visit to Elizabeth (Luke 1:39-45). Third, the birth of Jesus (Luke 2:1-20, Matthew 1:18-25).

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PROCLAMATION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD: Fourth, the presentation of Jesus at the Temple (Luke 2:21-40). Fifth, the finding of Jesus at the Temple (Luke 2:41-51). Sixth, the baptism of Jesus at the Jordan River (Matthew 3:13-17, Mark 1:9-13, Luke 3:21-22, John 1:29-34). Seventh, the wedding at Cana (John 2:1-11). Eighth, the proclamation of the Kingdom and the Power of God (Matthew 4:17, Mark 1:14, Luke 4:15).

Ninth, the transfiguration of Jesus (Matthew 17:1-13, Mark 9:2-13, Luke 9:28-36). Tenth, holy communion with Jesus (Matthew 26:17-29, Mark 14:12-25, Luke 22:7-20). Eleventh, praying filled with agony (Matthew 26:36-45, Mark 14:32-42, Luke 22:39-46). Twelfth, lashing of Jesus at the Temple (Matthew 27:26, Mark 15:15, John 19:1).

Thirteenth, putting a crown of thorns in the head of Jesus (Matthew 27:29, Mark 15:17, John 19:2). Fourteenth, the carrying of the cross of Jesus (Matthew 27:31-35, Mark 15:20-22, Luke 23:28-31, John 19:17). Fifteenth, nailing and death of Jesus on the cross (Matthew 27:33-61, Mark 15:22-47, Luke 23:32-56, John 19:18-42).

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"MIGHTY GOD, EVERLASTING FATHER": Sixteenth, the resurrection of Jesus (Matthew 28:1-20, Mark 16:1-20, Luke 24:1-53, John 20:21). Seventeenth, the ascension of Jesus (Mark 16:19-20, Luke 24:50-53). Eighteenth, the descent of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:1-41).

If we read these chapters and verses which depict the different episodes in the life of Jesus, we can see the proof from the Bible attesting to Jesus as God and Savior. And just so we understand this, let us

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DIMENSIONAL ROAD

Syria's Murky Road is a Global Threat

BY: MARVIN WACNAG LIDAWAN



*'Mothers giving birth to a little son
Crying in the rain of falling bombs
Father he is young but deep and wise
You see the fighter inside his eyes
Hold me cover my sight
This is no paradise
Don't show me the
Evil sides of the world.'*

From *How Many Hours*, Michael Learns to Rock

When a man-made chaos is tolerated, it will continue to thrive yielding massive destruction for humanity. The failure to end this disaster may mark the beginning of a country's human race's annihilation offering chances for other entities with dark motives to penetrate and join the bloody race in ensuring the fusion of their globally unsanctioned ideologies. This is happening in Syria- a global warning! Syria today has reached a dooming stage one couldn't ever imagine! It is a living example for the world to know that unity is a powerful component in restoring peace.

In a country encountering coldblooded civil war, millions of Syrian civilians feel that the world has forgotten them. According to Antonio Guterres, High Commissioner for United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), the Syrian war is the biggest humanitarian test of today that needs a political commitment by countries with economic stability. A dilemma created by Syrian government being the most dangerous place for children today for displacing over 6 million people of which more than 3 million are children with additional estimate of over 10 million people displaced in their country. Entities with humanitarian visions then are encouraged to join the cause.

Formerly, Angelina Jolie's charitable services to the UNHCR revealed in her touching film on *Syrian Refugees in Lebanon* that the Syrian children are a generation traumatized by violence and because of these unimaginable chaos, they learn to grow before their time in varied behavior. They are the traumatized children of war whose lives in the future will be neither in peril nor become liabilities if ignored today.

How did it happen? The clash started primarily as a civil uprising evolving from a minor protest as early as January of 2011 which eventually spread around the whole country. A movement inspired by North African and Middle Eastern protest movements known as the Arab Spring against corruption and human rights violations of which other countries were liberated to these government atrocities. Unfortunately, its impact to this country was worse than what was expected to be till today. People die every day. For those left behind in the country, people die of hunger trapped between warring parties. Millions drift in other countries with shattered dreams according to the UK-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights published in the Time Magazine.

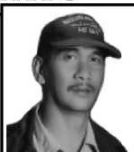
On January 2011, the Syrian opposition protesters demanded democratic and economic reforms to the present government. In response to the citizens' protest, massive arrest, torture of prisoners, police and military brutality and censorship of events surfaced.

Sources pointed out that by May 2011, President Assad released hundreds of political prisoners of whom some played significant roles in the armed opposition. The siege continued to soar from the Southern City of Darua. Syrian army was de-

MAGKASANGGA TAYO

My Opinion (by Rafael Alunan) Reprint

BY: NESTOR "PAKEN" CASTRO



After reading the comments about the CAB-BBL, and connecting it to what I personally know about the MILF's behavior from the Ramos era to the present and the history of Malaysia's long-term involvement in supporting secession in Mindanao, it is my opinion that the CAB-BBL is NOT a peace agreement but a SURRENDER agreement between the Philippines and Malaysia represented by the MILF as sole proxy, with the full consent of and approval by the highest authorities of the land.

Worse, the MILF is in bed with the global jihadist movement that complicates our national security disaster. In the event that Malaysia obtains for the MILF that sub-state which it would sooner than later declare as an Independent BangsaMoro Islamic State, not only will that country within our country serve as a security buffer zone for Malaysia, it will give jihadists a firm grip on our throats and jointly force the Philippines to give up its claim on Sabah.

This is how I see it. I join good sons and daughters of the Republic to prevent that from happening in the courts of law and public opinion, and in the battlefield if it gets to that. This is a very serious matter that every Filipino must look into NOW because this concerns the long-term future and security of Inang Laya, our nation's children and succeeding generations.

The quality of our society and government needs improvement across-the-board, from Luzon to Mindanao. ARMM's problem is a reflection of the nation's problems. The lack of good citizenship and good government is felt everywhere - corruption, ignorance, social injustice, exclusion, organized and street crime, terrorism, political monopoly. We need to fix those to resolve our fundamental problems instead of tinkering around with idiotic ideas that only promise to worsen them.

The solution to our problems is national transformation - starting with our "ugali." As we're working on that foundational issue, let us take corrective steps to make local and regional autonomy truly responsive to the people's needs through political reforms. Where ARMM is handicapped by human resource limitations, let us consciously help it with outsourced experts from here and abroad.

The problem we have is people, specifically our behavior. Giving land to jihadists and proxies of Malaysia is obviously not the answer. It's like a driver that keeps bumping his car so the solution is to change the car instead of the driver. It's **INSANE**.

ployed to stop the uprising and these soldiers fired on demonstrators across the country. Assad government ordered command on military operations against towns and cities which involved the use of tanks, infantry, and carrier artillery which cause the large-scale of civilian deaths and other forms of destructions. In the same year, a group of defecting security officers, soldiers and civilian volunteers formed a group called Free Syrian Army (FSA) against the secret police and intelligence agents who executed soldiers when they refused to shoot civilians. This became an umbrella group that represented the main opposition army seeking to topple President Bashar Al Assad from power. This military insurgency took place for several months which grew its size to 20,000 members by December 2011 and reached almost 40,000 members turning out to be Syria's National Council for anti-government group by June 2012. Within this date, the United Nation (UN) offi-

WARNING/BABALA



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Finance
Securities and Exchange Commission
SEC Bldg., EDSA, Greenhills,
Mandaluyong City

SEC ADVISORY

The Securities and Exchange Commission has received reports that SATARAH WELLNESS MARKETING based in Baguio City solicits funds from the public on a promise of interests ranging from 4% to 26% "depending on the market rates", as well as from referrals of new investors, with referral rates ranging from 4% to 12% of the placement fees of new investors.

Per verification, SATARAH WELLNESS MARKETING and its affiliates, SATARAH WELLNESS INTERNATIONAL and SATARAH INVESTMENT GROUP, INC. are not authorized to solicit investments from the public as it did not secure prior registration and/or license or permit to solicit investments from the Commission as required under Section 8.1 of the Securities Regulation Code.

In view thereof, the public is hereby advised to exercise self-restraint from investing their money into such high yield-high risk investment scheme and to take the necessary precautions in dealing with the above-named entity.

Should you have any information regarding the operation of the said entity, please call the **ENFORCEMENT AND INVESTOR PROTECTION DEPARTMENT** at telephone numbers (02) 584-7187 and (02) 584-7652 or at **SEC BAGUIO CITY EXTENSION OFFICE** at telephone numbers (074) 442-8170 and (074) 442-8171.

March 26, 2015

cially declared Syria under the state of civil war. Both parties remain at war capturing strongholds from one province to another as well as the cities.

Sources revealed that by 2013, Hezbollah entered the war in support of the Syrian Army. This Islamic militant group was conceived by Muslim clerics and financed by Iran following the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, and was primarily formed to offer resistance to the Israeli occupation. Its leaders were followers of Ayatollah Khomeini, and its forces were trained and organized by a commission of 1,500 Iranian revolutionary guards. Military supports for the Assad government arrived from Iran and Russia while Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Turkey and the USA with the efforts of other Western nations transfer weapons to the rebels that include the Sunni, Jihadists and the Sunni militant group.

It was also this year when the Syrian government controls about 30-40 per cent of the territory and 60 percent of its population. To add the nightmares of war, tens of thousands of protesters, students, liberal activists, human rights advocates were imprisoned. Reports claimed that there are widespread tortures and terrors in the state prisons. Both opposition and government were accused of these severe human rights violations.

Sources reported that Palestinian Yarmouk Camp holds an estimate of over 20,000 residents who are facing death by starvation. The UN and the Amnesty International's (AI) probes in Syria identified that between the war from 2012 to 2013, majority of the abuses were committed by the Syrian government.

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Republic of the
Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT, BRANCH 9
(FAMILY COURT
FOR BENGUET)
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
La Trinidad,
Benguet

LILIAN OKIN-
KANAZAWA,
Petitioner,

-versus-

AKIO
KANAZAWA
AND THE
CIVIL REGISTRAR
GENERAL,
NATIONAL
STATISTICS
OFFICE,

Respondents.

CIVIL CASE
NO. 15-F2255

FOR

JUDICIAL RECOGNITION OF
DIVORCE
DECREE WITH
CANCELLATION
OF MARRIAGE
CONTRACT/
ENTRIES IN THE
NSO UNDER RULE
108 OF THE
RULES OF COURT

ORDER

Plaintiff, through
counsel, filed this
verified petition praying
that after due notice,
publication and hearing
the DIVORCE DECREE
issued by the Mayor Of
Shirikawa City,
Fukushima, Japan be
judicially recognized,
validated and confirmed
by Philippine Court and
the court to order
cancellation of said
marriage with the Local
Civil Registrar of Baguio
City and declare petitioner
Capacitated to Remarry.

Wherefore, finding
the petition to be
sufficient in form and
substance, the court
sets it for hearing on
June 18, 2015 at 9:00
o'clock in the morning.

Mountain Province Celebrates its 38th Founding Anniversary and 11th Lang-ay Fest

BAUKO, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE—
Mountain Province
celebrates its 48th
founding anniversary
and 11th Lang-ay
Festival that will
be held on the 10th
to 30th of April 2015
with the theme "One
People, One Heritage,
One Direction
towards Cultural Integrity".

Congressman
Maximo Dalog invites
everyone to the said
event which is now known
as the biggest tourism
in the province

ing before the Session
Hall of this Court,
Benguet Provincial
Capitol, La Trinidad,
Benguet and all persons
interested may appear
and show cause, if
any, why this petition
should not be granted.

Let this order be
published at the expense
of the petitioner at
The Junction Newspaper,
a newspaper of general
circulation in Baguio
City and Benguet
Province, once a week,
for three (3) consecutive
weeks, the first publication
to be made not later
than April 5, 2015.

Furnish copies
hereof together with
a copy of the petition
and its annexes to
the office of the Solicitor
General, Makati City,
the Provincial Prosecutor
of Benguet; the Local
Civil Registrar of
Baguio City; The
Junction Newspaper;
the petitioner and
counsel.

SO ORDERED.

This 31st day of
March 2015 at La
Trinidad, Benguet

(SGD) FRANCIS A.
BULIYAT, SR.
PRESIDING JUDGE

Publication dates:
April 4, 11 and 18,
2015

wherein street
dances, sports fest,
foods, various performances,
and trade fairs will be seen
as the festivity goes.

"Apart from attracting
tourists, we also wanted to
concede our ancestors' bravery
who fought for our province.
We also wanted to inculcate
in the minds of our younger
generations the importance
of preserving our culture",
Pau Tumapang, Chairman
of the Lang-ay Festival
Organization Incorporated,
added.

One of the highlights
of the event is the launching
of their 11th municipality
or e-municipality wherein
people from its 10 municipalities
may converge especially
for their folks abroad
because a website or a
social media page will be
launched.

The province's 10
municipalities comprise
Bontoc, Besao, Bauko,
Barlig, Natonin, Paracelis,
Sadanga, Sagada, Tadian,
and Sabangan.

Francis Degay, Sr.
Provincial Tourism Office
Head, also assured that
hotels, hostels and transient
rooms in the said
municipalities can
accommodate all the
tourists.

Degay also said that
they will provide brochures
as long as the documentation
of the province's tourist
spots are done.

The festivity has 2
million funds which will
be provided by the local
government. Additional
funds will be raised with
the aid of the private
sectors and through the
fund raising activities that
they are conducting. /
Katrina Tabas and
Coleen Magno

Apil Encourages Small Scale Miners to Apply for Permit

The officer in charge
(OIC) regional director
of Mines and Geosciences
Bureau (MGB-CAR) Fay
W. Apil called to the
small scale mining
associations in the
Cordillera Region to
acquire their permit for
the legality of their
operations Monday
during the press conference
at the MGB conference
hall.

Aside from the
Department of Environment
and Natural Resources
(DENR) through MGB,
other sectors such as the
Provincial Mining
Regulatory Board and
City Mining Regulatory
Board regulate the small
scale miners. These
agencies are set to review
the applications for small
scale mining.

Small scale mining
can only be done on
areas proclaimed as
"Minahang Bayan" (People's
Mining Area) as prescribed
under the Executive Order
(EO) 79.

Apil said that anybody
can apply for the "Minahang
Bayan" but a process
must be followed, they
have to see to it that the
areas being applied for
are open for mining.
These areas should not
fall under protected
ones such as prime
agricultural lands,
tourism destination
areas, and residential
areas. It must also pass
the area status and
clearance.

The Benguet

HPG-CORner "GUARDIAN OF THE HIGHWAYS"



Republic of the Philippines
National Police Commission
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE
HEADQUARTERS HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP
Camp Crame, Quezon City



MEMORANDUM

FOR : Chiefs, RHPUs, Staff Divisions

FROM : AC, OMD

SUBJECT : "NO BIO, No BOTO" Program of the COMELEC

DATE : March 3, 2015

1. Reference: Memo dated February 27, 2015 from TDO with same subject as above.

2. This pertains to the ongoing program of the Commission on Elections dubbed as "NO BIO, NO BOTO" in relation to the implementation of RA No. 10367 wherein registered voters whose biometrics have not been captured must undergo validation on or before October 31, 2015, otherwise they will not be allowed to vote in the May 9, 2016 National Elections.

3. The Commission is doing all measures to inform those without biometrics to undergo validation within the allowable period soliciting the support of partner agencies in the dissemination of information.

4. In this regard, please disseminate said undertaking to all PNP personnel and their dependents whose biometrics have not been captured to undergo validation within the allowable period in coordination with the Local Election Officers.

5. PCR officers are also requested to disseminate said undertaking on regular basis through social media (facebook, twitter, etc), TV radio programs and available means of communication.

6. Submit report of action taken through e-mail to hpgomd@yahoo.com NLT March 6, 2015 for consolidation and subsequent information of the COMELEC.

7. For widest dissemination and compliance.

CONRAD LAZARO VILLANUEVA
Police Superintendent

Copy Furnished:
Command Group

Provincial Mining and
Regulatory Board issued
a resolution for the
identification of areas
that can be applied to
be declared as "Minahang
Bayan" on 2014. The
small scale miners were
the primary applicants,
they apply over the areas
that they are mining.

Apil also declared that
in Benguet there are
about 60-62 associations
and only 11 of which
have permits to engage
in mining activities.
Others are still on the
process of perfecting
their applications so
that the areas they

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NOTICE OF SOLE ADJUDICATION

That an Affidavit of Sole
Adjudication was
executed by SHARON DIZO,
of legal age, single,
Filipino Citizen and a
resident of No. 61
Honeymoon Road,
Baguio City as the sole
beneficiary of her late
parents ANDRES DIZO
and ELENA M. DIZO,
as she has hereby
adjudicated unto herself
the said amount of P
51,028.95 interests and
deposits which may
have occurred at the
Bank of the Philippine
Islands- Legarda Road
Branch, Baguio City
with Savings Account
No. 008123-0200-31 in
the name of Andres
Dizo. Furthermore that
her late parents SSS
coverage named her as
sole beneficiary. That
the Affidavit of Sole
Adjudication was
executed before Notary
Public Romeo D. Lopez
a Notary Public of
Baguio City and entered
into his notarial registry
as Doc No. 22; Page No.
9; Book No. III; Series
of 2015

Publication dates: March 21, 28 and April 4, 2015

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

IN RE: PETITION
FOR THE CHANGE
OF NAME OF AMY
NG CHA LEE TO
AMY ALONSO

AMYNCHALEE,
Petitioner,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF
MANILA,

Respondent.

SPEC. PROC.
CASE NO. 2430-R

ORDER AND
NOTICE OF
HEARING

A verified Petition for change of name in the Certificate of Live Birth of AMY NG CHA LEE is filed before this Court praying that after publication and hearing, an order be issued directing the Local Civil Registrar of Manila, to change Petitioner's name from AMY NG CHA LEE to AMY ALONSO and to reflect the declaration of the COURT and change the entry in the Certificate of Live Birth of Petitioner, specifically the column "Name of Child" to AMY ALONSO.

In support of her Petition, Petitioner states:

1. That she is of legal age, a naturalized Filipino citizen by virtue of her father acquiring Filipino citizenship in 1959, married, and with residence and postal address at No. 134 Session Road, Baguio City;

2. Petitioner has been a resident of Baguio City since 1974 and still maintains the same residence thereat;

3. That respondent Civil Registrar of Manila, where the Petitioner's birth was registered, is impleaded in his official capacity, with office at the Manila City Hall where he may be served a with summons and other processes of the Honorable Court;

4. That Petitioner was born in 18 September 1956 to parents Tian Hu Chua Lee (Lee Tian Hu) and Flordeliza Lim Ng Cha, and was given the name AMY NG CHA LEE. xxx;

5. That on 29 July 1959, Petitioner's father was able to acquire Filipino Citizenship through naturalization. Consequently, Petitioner likewise became a Filipino citizen, following the citizenship of her father. xxx;

6. That after acquiring Filipino citizenship, Petitioner's father filed a Petition for Change of name from TIAN HU CHUA LEE (LEE TIAN HU) TO ALBERTO ALONSO before the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court of Manila, docketed as Sp. Proc. No. 04091. Since the approval of the Petition, Petitioner's father has used the name ALBERTO ALONSO in all his records and documents. xxx;

7. That since 1970, Petitioner has been using the name AMY ALONSO in order to follow the surname of her father. In fact, a Petition for the change of name of the Petitioner and her sister, who were at that time minors, was filed by their father before the Branch XII of the Court of First Instance of Caloocan City on 1 August 1969. It was docketed as Special Proceedings Case No. C-351. xxx;

8. In an order dated 15 July 1970, the Court granted the petition, hence, in all her documents and records, Petitioner has used the name AMY ALONSO, as it is the

name she grew up knowing and relying on the fact that the Petition was granted by the Court. xxx;

9. Likewise, copies of the Petitioner's Passports, School Records, NBI Clearance and Marriage Certificate are hereto attached xxx and made integral parts hereof, to prove Petitioner's continuous use of the name AMY ALONSO in her documents and records;

10. Sometime in January 2015, Petitioner applied for a renewal of her Philippine Passport. Much to her surprise, she discovered that the petition granting her change of name was not annotated in her Certificate of Live Birth on record with the National Statistics Office and the Local Civil Registrar of Manila;

11. Upon verification and inquiry with the Branch Clerk of Court of Branch XII (now Branch 120) of the Regional Trial Court of Caloocan City, Petitioner discovered that the prior Petition for change of name was not listed in the Criminal/ Civil Docket and Case Inventory of the said Court. xxx;

12. Furthermore, upon inquiry with the Office of the Clerk of Court of the Regional Trial Court of Caloocan City, it was discovered that although the said Petition was docketed in their records, no entry of finality was contained thereat;

13. That the Regional Trial Court of the Caloocan City refuses to issue a Certificate of Finality considering the above circumstances, leaving the Petitioner no choice but to re-file the Petition;

14. In order to set all her personal records straight and to avoid any confusion regarding her identity, Petitioner now comes to the Honorable Court seeking the change of her name from

AMY NG CHA LEE to AMY ALONSO as the latter is the name she is known for by all his (sic) relatives, friends and acquaintances and it is the name she has used and continues to use in all her transactions, records and legal documents;

15. That this Petition for Change of Name is being filed not for the purpose of evading any obligation under the law or for the purposes which may be contrary to law.

x x x

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 September 17, at 8:30 in the morning at which place, date, and time, the Petitioner shall prove her case. Any person may appear and show cause, why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order, together with a copy of the Petition and its annexes be served upon the respondent, Local Civil Registrar Manila, who is hereby enjoined to file its comments and/or opposition, should there be any. Furnish a copy of the Order and Notice of Hearing together with a copy of the petition to the Office of the Solicitor General, and the Office of the City Prosecutor of Baguio City.

At the expense of the Petitioner, the Branch Sheriff is hereby directed to post copies of this Order and Notice of Hearing on the Bulletin Boards of the Court, the City Hall, the City Market and the Post Office, all of Baguio City. Let this Order and Notice of hearing be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and suburbs for three (3) consecutive weeks at the expense of the Petitioner.

SO ORDERED.

DONE IN CHAMBERS, this 19th of March, 2015, at Baguio City, Philippines.

(SGD)
EDILBERTO T.
CLARAVALL
Presiding Judge

Publication Dates:
March 28, April 4,
and 11, 2015

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

RURAL BANK OF
I T O G O N
(BENGUET), INC
*Petitioner-Mort-
gagee,*

-Versus-

R A M I L O
BALANBAN married
to EVELYN B.
BALANBAN,
*Respondents-
Mortgagors*

Case No.
15-EXF-1811

For:

EXTRAJUDICIAL
FORECLOSURE OF
REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGE
UNDER ACT 3135,
AS AMENDED

NOTICE OF
SHERIFF'S PUBLIC
AUCTION SALE

Upon extrajudicial petition for sale under Act No. 3135 Filed by Petitioner-Mortgagee, RURAL BANK OF ITOGON (BENGUET), INC., duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal place of business at 1993 Public Market Bldg., Km. 5 Pico, La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, against herein Respondents Mort-

gagors, RAMILO BALANBAN married to EVELYN B. BALANBAN, both of legal ages, Filipino Citizens and with residence and postal address at Bahong, La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of January 30, 2015, the mortgagors have an accumulated obligation to the mortgagee in the total amount of SIX HUNDRED SIXTY TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY PESOS (662,180.00), Philippine currency, excluding interests and penalties, filing fees, publication, attorney's fees and other expenses to be incurred relative to this foreclosure sale, the undersigned or his duly authorized deputy will sell at public auction on April 23, 2015 at 11:30 IN THE MORNING, at the main entrance of the BULWAGAN NG KATARUNGAN, Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet to the highest bidder, for cash or manager's check and in Philippine currency, the real property, together with all existing improvements, with the following description, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 016-2011002454
"A parcel of land (Lot 1-D-1), Psd-CAR-

019236) being a portion of Lot 1-D, Psd-1-05554; situated at urban code 131110, Barangay of Bahong, Municipality of La Trinidad, Province of Benguet, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NE., along lines 1-2-3 by lot 1-G, Psd-1-05554; along line 3-4 by lot 1-J, Psd-1-05554 along 4-5 by an existing road (10.00 m. wide) portion of Lot 1-J, Psd-1-05554; on the SE., along line 5-6 by road; on the SW., along line 6-7 by an existing road (10.00 m. wide) portion of lot 1-D-2 of the subd. plan; along line 7-8 & W., along line 8-9 & N., along line 9-1 by Lot 1-D-2 of the subd. plan. Beginning at point marked "1" on plan being N.07 Deg. 01 min E., 388.91 m. From BLBM# 2, Takian, La Trinidad, Benguet, to corner 1, thence, S. 03 Deg. 42 Min. W., 11.78 M to point 2; S.88 Deg., 55 min. E., 3.17 M. to point 3; S.13 deg., 22 min E., 10.75 m. to point 4; S. 13 Deg. 22 min E., 10.59 m. to point 5; S. 57 Deg. 33 M, W., 10.96 m. to point 6; N.17 Deg 46 min. W., 10.34 m. to point 7; N. 17 Deg. 46 Min. W., 18.03 m. point 8; N. 06 Deg. 09 Min. E., 12.50 M. to point 9; S. 83 Deg. 53 Min. E., 9.28 m. to point of beginning, containing an area of FOUR HUNDRED (400) SQUARE METERS, more or less."

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL
SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
WITH ABSOLUTE
DEED OF SALE

Notice is hereby given to the estate of the late AWAS TAGUID who died intestate on January 19, 2011 in Tuba, has been the subject of an instrument evidenced by EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH ABSOLUTE DEED OF SALE executed on the 12th day of February 2015 appearing in the Notarial Registry of Atty. Meshack C. Macwes of Baguio City and docketed as Doc. No. 425, Page No. 85, Book No. X, Series of 2015.

Publication dates: March 21, 28 & April 4, 2015

Republic of the
Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
La Trinidad,
Benguet

NO. 15-NC-0346

IN RE: PETITION
FOR COMMISSION
AS NOTARY PUBLIC
OF BENGUET

ATTY. RODOLFO A
BONDAD, JR.,
Petitioner.

OFFICE OF THE
EXECUTIVE JUDGE

NOTARY PUBLIC
PROCEEDING CASE
NO. 15-NC-0347

IN RE: RENEWAL OF
COMMISSION
AS NOTARY PUBLIC

IN RE: PETITION
FOR COMMISSION
AS NOTARY PUBLIC
OF BENGUET

ATTY. WILLIBROTH
B. MANAGTAG
Petitioner.

ATTY. MARCOS AL-
BAS BULIYAT,
Petitioner.

NOTARY PUBLIC
PROCEEDING CASE
NO. 15-NC-0341

NOTARY PUBLIC
PROCEEDING CASE
NO. 15-NC-0348

IN RE: RENEWAL OF
COMMISSION
AS NOTARY PUBLIC

NOTICE OF
HEARING

ATTY. JOYCE P.
DULNUAN,
Petitioner.

Notice is hereby
given that a sum-
mary hearing on the
petitions for issu-
ance/renewal of
commission as Notar-
ies Public for and in
the Province of
Benguet filed by the
above named peti-
tioners shall be held
on April 6, 2015 at
9:30 o'clock in the
morning before the
Executive Judge of
the Regional Trial
Court, La Trinidad
Benguet.

NOTARY PUBLIC
PROCEEDING CASE
NO. 15-NC-0343

IN RE: RENEWAL OF
COMMISSION AS NO-
TARY PUBLIC

ATTY. PENELOPE
BERAY-DE AUSEN
Petitioner.

NOTARY PUBLIC
PROCEEDING CASE
NO. No. 15-NC-0344

IN RE: ISSUANCE OF
COMMISSION
AS NOTARY PUBLIC

ATTY. BARTOLOME
OBANAN PALLA,
Petitioner.

NOTARY PUBLIC
PROCEEDING CASE
NO. 15-NC-0345

IN RE: PETITION FOR
COMMISSION
AS NOTARY PUBLIC

ATTY. JODEA
BRENDALYN R.
ACAY,
Petitioner.

NOTARY PUBLIC
PROCEEDING CASE

Republic of the
Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT,
BRANCH 64
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
Abatan, Buguias,
Benguet

IN THE MATTER
FOR CANCELLA-
TION OF THE CER-
TIFICATE OF LIVE
BIRTH OF
REMEDIOS PABLO
NONAN BEARING
LOCAL CIVIL REG-
ISTRAR NO. 68,

REMEDIOS PABLO
NONAN,

Petitioner,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF
MANKAYAN
BENGUET,

Respondent.

SPECIAL PROC.
CASE NO. 15-C-242

ORDER

Remedios Pablo
Nonan, through coun-
sel, filed the above-
captioned verified peti-
tion, praying that
after due notice and
hearing, her Certifi-
cate of Live Birth on
file with the respon-
dent Local Civil Reg-
istrar bearing Reg.
No. 68, be expunged
from the records of
the said registrar

Petitioner alleged
that she was born on
January 6, 1968 at
Mankayan, Benguet,
to Spouses Julieta
Pablo Nonan and
Alfredo Nonan. She
came to learn that the
fact of her birth was
registered by his fa-
ther on February 5,
1968, as evidenced by
a copy of her Certifi-
cate of Live Birth
bearing Reg. No. 68,
attached to the Peti-
tion as Annexes "G"
and "H". Her name
appearing herein,
however is Glory Fos-
ter Nunan. Later, on
February 26, 1974 her
mother again regis-
tered her fact of birth
in the same respon-
dent Civil registry
office, and her name
therein is Remedios

SO ORDERED.

La Trinidad,
Benguet, Philip-
pines, this 23rd day
of March, 2015.

(SGD)
DANILO
CAMACHO
Executive Judge

Publication Dates:
March 28 and April
4, 2015

Pablo Nonan, the
name by which she
had been using
since then, up to the
present, as shown by
her school records
and other public
transactions. Copies
of her second regis-
tration of birth like-
wise attached to the
petition as Annexes
"A" and "B". In
order to set straight
her record of birth,
Petitioner filed the
instant petition.

Wherefore, find-
ing the petition to
be sufficient in form
and substance, Initial
hearing is hereby
set on June 2, 2015
at 9:00 in the morn-
ing, at the Ses-
sion Hall of this
Court, Located at
the 3rd Floor,
Buguias Municipal
Hall, Abatan,
Buguias, Benguet,
and all persons in-
terested may appear
and show cause, if
any, why this peti-
tion should not be
granted.

Let this order be
published at the ex-
pense of the peti-
tioner in the THE
JUNCTION, a news-
paper of general cir-
culation in Baguio
City and Benguet
Province, once a
week, for three
(3) consecutive
weeks, the first pub-
lication to be made
not later than
March 29, 2015.

Furnish a copy
hereof, together
with a copy of the
Petition and its an-
nexes, to the office
of the Solicitor Gen-
eral, Makati
City; the Provincial
Prosecutor of
Benguet; the Local
Civil Registrar of
Mankayan, Benguet;
and the Philippine
Statistics Authority,
for their information;
as well as petitioner
and her counsel.

SO ORDERED.

Abatan, Buguias,
Benguet, Philip-
pines, this 25th day
of March 2015.

(SGD)
AGAPITO K.
LAOAGAN, JR.
Presiding Judge

Publication Dates:
March 28, April 4,
and 11, 2015

CASE NO. 15- EXT-1811

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All sealed bids
must be submitted to
the undersigned on
the above-stated
time and date. Pros-
pective buyers/bid-
ders may investigate
the above described
real property regard-
ing the encum-
brances, thereof, if
any. In the event the
public auction
should not take place
on the said date, it
shall be held on May
26, 2015 at the same
time and place with-
out further notice.

Done this 24th day
of March 2015, at La
Trinidad, Benguet,
Philippines.

FOR THE PROVIN-
CIAL SHERIFF
EX-OFFICIO OF
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Apil Encourages...

mine will be de-
clared as
"Minahang Bayan".
Small scale min-
ers should have area
clearances and
should get consent
from the land owners
or from the large
scale mining compan-
ies who have ap-
plied for the areas
first or who have the
mining rights over
the areas.

The occurrence
of the small scale
miners became very
evident due to the
elevation of the
price of Gold.

The government
recognizes that it is
one of the main live-
lihoods of people in
the country side but
that does not mean
that the concerned
agencies will not
regulate them.

The MGB- OIC
regional director fur-
ther explained that
they have been en-
couraging those
small scale miners to
apply for permits and

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have their areas de-
clared as
"Minahang Bayan". Also, they
have been issuing
Stoppage Orders
and Cease and De-
sist Orders (CDOs)
to those small scale
mining activities
without permits.

"The sad part
here is although we
keep on issuing
Stoppage Orders
and CDOs, we do
not have police
power, so we need
the assistance of
the Local Govern-
ment Units and the
Philippine National
Police to implement
those Stoppage Or-
ders" she lamented.

The MGB-CAR
is still actively as-
sisting the small
scale miners for
them to legalize
their activities so
that they will be
closely monitored
just like large scale
miners. /Malani,
Jordan



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[treated as] significant partners of men-partner at home and in every community undertaking. They should not be left behind because they can also speak up as women. We encourage them to share their talents and not just stay at home to care for the family and to serve the husband but they should always be involved in every undertaking for the development of their selves, their families, and their communities as well.”, Social Welfare Officer Liza D. Bulayungan of Baguio City Social Welfare and Development Office said. The city government acknowledges the role of the women sector in the development of the city, she added.

The City Government of Baguio and the PNP are just some of the Department's partners in advocating the rights of the women sector.

The activity was in line with the Women's Month celebration with the theme, “Juana, Desisyon mo ay Mahalaga sa Kinabukasan ng Bawat Isa, Ikaw Na!”/DSWD-CAR, Social Marketing Unit

Bishop Cenzon...**from page 3**

people, at one time or another, the people's voice becomes serious, he added.

He also called on the public, “Let us not only look at the mistake of the president, let us also look on how we can contribute to make things better.

In a recent report, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines President Lingayen-Dagupan Archbishop Socrates Villegas said “The CBCP cannot morally join in the calls for the President's resignation, leaving this decision to his humble and prayerful discernment of his capacity to lead and the support he has not only from officials of government but from members of Philippine society.”/JDP/ RMC-PIA CAR

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Increased Allowance for Uniformed Personnel Approved

President Benigno Aquino III signed last Friday a joint House Resolution increasing subsistence allowance of Uniformed Personnel from P90.00 to P150.00 per day.

Baguio Representative Nicasio M. Aliping, Jr. is one of the authors of the joint resolution filed last December 14, 2014.

Aliping said that the resolution was filed because the current allowance of our uniformed personnel is “no longer adequate to meet the basic needs of Filipino military soldiers and uniformed personnel in view of the increasing prices of commodities”.

The increased allowance is for all officers, enlisted personnel, candidate soldiers, probationary second lieutenants, cadets and civilian active auxiliaries of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, commissioned and non-

commissioned personnel of the Philippine National Police, Bureau of Fire Protection, Bureau of Jail Management and Penology, cadets of the Philippine National Police Academy, Philippine Coast Guard, including candidate coast guard men, and National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA).

Aliping said that the “amount necessary to implement the provisions of the resolution shall be charged against the savings of the DND (Department of National Defense), DOTC (Department of Transportation and Communications), DILG (Department of Interior and Local Government), and DENR-NAMRIA (Department of Environment and Natural Resources) for the current year and/or the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund.”

In the succeeding years, however, Aliping a member of Committee on Appropriations said that the amount shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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Muammar Khadafi under the hands of the country's civilian guerillas. Other Arab countries also faced protests that prompted the countries' governments to negotiate forms of concessions and governmental reforms to appease the rebels.

Meanwhile, a deep-rooted dark past linking to the present history informs us that Hafe Al Assad; a former Defense Minister ignited a coup for his power's restoration in 1970. His death in 2000 put his son, Bashar

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ing modules also include a session on Database Management to equip the program beneficiaries on the basics of handling, storing, and presenting information and data, which they could use in the monitoring and evaluating program implementation and tracking the status of their beneficiaries./JDP/CCD - PIA CAR

KAKAMPI MO**...from page 4**

read and find out what Isaiah 9:6 is saying.

Based on this verse, it is established that a son is born to the world, who was prophesied to be conceived by a virgin who would give birth to him. Because this son was conceived and given birth to by a human being, many will say that he, the son, would also be human. But, Isaiah 9:6 is firm: this son is to be called “Mighty God and Everlasting Father.”

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Al Assad as a president. It is a public knowledge that both father and son used terror and force to maintain their rules. The elder Assad ceased a rebellion in 1982 in Hama City killing at least 10,000 people responsible for the anti-government movement. Those were haunting pasts which revolutionary forces wanted to additionally end.

The rebellion remains to spew its wraths in Syria. Could this be a case of multi-divided forces, interests and ideology that cause the war's severing condition? Does the situation of the country justify the UN's report in 2012 when it described the civil war as “overtly sectarian in nature?”

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famously in the province of Pampanga), the processions include devotees who self-flagellate and sometimes even have themselves nailed to crosses as expressions of penance, in fulfilment of a vow, or in thanksgiving for a prayer granted. The pabasa or marathon chanting of the Pasyon (the Filipino epic narrative of Christ's life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection), usually concludes on this day.

Black Saturday

Holy Saturday (also Black Saturday; Spanish: Sábado de Gloria, “Holy Saturday”), continues the traditional silence and solemnity of the previous day. Preparations are made for the Easter Vigil to be celebrated that evening. Some parishes hang a dummy of Judas Iscariot for his betrayal of Christ; until recently, the dummy would also be burnt or set alight with firecrackers. The day's Spanish name may come from the fact that the Gloria is sung for the first time since Ash Wednesday during the Easter Vigil.

Easter Sunday

Easter (Paskò/Linggo ng Pagkabuhay) morning is marked with joyous celebration, the first being the dawn ceremony called the Salubong (Filipino for “meeting”) that re-enacts the imagined reunion of Christ and his mother after the Resurrection. Statues of the Risen Christ and the Virgin Mary are borne in two separate processions that meet at a designated area called a Galilea, usually in the plaza fronting the church. Some locales include statues any or all of The Three Marys (Mary, mother of James, Mary Magdalene, and Mary Salome), Saint Peter and Saint John the Evangelist in the processions, which are almost always sex segregated (i.e., male devotees follow Christ and the male saints; women follow the Virgin and female saints).

The Virgin Mary is clothed or veiled in black to express her bereavement. A girl dressed as an angel, positioned on a specially constructed high scaffold or suspended in mid-air, sings the Regina Coeli in Latin or in the vernacular, and then dramatically removes the black veil to signify the end of Mary's grieving. This may also be done by other “angels” who pull off the veil, or tie it to balloons or doves and release these into the dawn sky. The Virgin is then called the Nuestra Señora de Alegria (“Our Lady of Joy”) and confetti and flower petals are showered on the statues. The moment is marked by pealing bells and fireworks, followed immediately by the Easter Mass. In several parishes however, this is practiced at midnight of Easter Sunday immediately after the Easter Vigil, done in the very same manner./From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia/http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holy_Week_in_the_Philippines



The vertical height of the overpass between Baguio City Police Office and City Hall seems not enough as a trailer truck rammed and got stuck as it tried to pass through causing heavy damage to the overpass and further adding more traffic this threat this Lenten Season in the Summer Capital./By Bong Cayabyab

TESDA - Coke Project Enhances Skills of Women

BAGUIO CITY - The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority Baguio - Benguet provincial office last March 27 spearheaded the mass graduation of 450 women from Baguio City and Benguet who finished the TESDA - Coke STAR or Sari-sari store Training and Access for Resources program at the Baguio Central University.

TESDA Baguio - Benguet provincial Director Angela Gabriel, outlined the importance for women to continuously empower themselves with the knowledge and skills that they can use to improve their lives, to help their families and their communities as well as for more women to become nation builders.

"The challenge is up to you. For TESDA we are always open to continue supporting you through our programs, you just need to visit us at our office so that we can see what training programs or training scholarships we can offer you or your children", Gabriel added.

Glenda Marquez, also of TESDA Baguio - Benguet, encouraged the graduates to continuously work for the improvement of their business as well as to document their progress so that eventually it may be included in the search for successful Technical - Vocational Education and Training graduates.

Gracing the affair were TESDA Cordillera Regional Director Francisco Jucar Jr., representatives from Coca - Cola and TESDA's financial institution partner, Rangtay sa Pagrang-ay Inc.

Three program graduates also gave their testimonials on what they have learned and experienced from their training. A joint undertaking of TESDA and Coca-Cola Bottlers Philippines, the program is being implemented nationwide and targets to empower 200,000 women sari-sari store owners and operators all over the country by 2020 by giving them skills training in managing their own business.

Aside from basic entrepreneurial skills, the train-

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Bontoc SB Creates Persons with Disabilities Affairs Office

BONTOC, Mountain Province - The Sangguniang Bayan here recently enactment an ordinance creating a municipal Persons with Disabilities Affairs Office (PDAO).

It is provided in the ordinance that the local chief executive, through the proper orders and or issuances, shall appoint a person with disability who shall manage and oversee the operation of the created office.

The differently-abled persons in this municipality headed by Manuel Sumeg-ang had earlier requested the SB to facilitate the creation of a PDAO to ensure the implementation of programs and services for said sector.

The PDAO is mandated to carry out the functions as enumerated under Republic Act No. 10070 as well as other laws involving PWDs with the endpoint of empowering them as well as enhancing their potentials./JDP/JBS-PIA CAR, Mt. Province

Tabuk City Acts Against Illegal Drugs

TABUK CITY, Kalinga - City Mayor Ferdinand B. Tubban rallied the various sectors to join hands with authorities in the fight against illegal drugs in the city.

"We've seen and heard how drug abuse could cause further problems among families, in the schools and in the entire community. Let us all work together to stop drug abuse in our place before bigger problems related to it would come to our city, Tubban stressed during the anti-illegal drugs summit last week.

Other speakers cited the health hazards and serious social ills that come together with drug abuse, aside from its implications on peace and order.

An agreement reached during the summit is to strengthen police-community watch down to the barangays.

The top barangays in Tabuk on the police illegal drugs watch are namely Bulanao, Calanan, Casigayan, Laya and Nambaran.

Let us guard own homes, communities and barangays and immediately report to authorities anyone involved in the illegal activity, summit leaders said.

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Benguet Drafts 5-year Coop Devt Plan

LA TRINIDAD, Bengue - A five-year development plan which serves as blue print in carrying out the program thrusts and priorities of the cooperative sector was recently crafted for the provincial government to undertake together with its partners in the government and private sectors.

In setting the directions for the five-year period, among the thrusts identified include the conduct of coop trainings for officers to strengthen their capabilities; information dissemination campaign to local chief executives and human resources management officers for them to appreciate the role of coops as drivers of economy; lobby for the creation or designation of MCDOs whose roles are critical in support to coop movement at the municipal level; provision of livelihood assistance to viable coops, and coop profiling to determine the gaps, issues and concerns of coops for proper intervention.

Accordingly, coops serve as practical vehicle for promoting self-reliance and harnessing people's power for economic development and social justice. Ultimately, it will uplift the living conditions of coop members and their families.

The provincial government's role is to push and support coop programs and projects to foster creation and growth of coops.

The planning workshop was attended by members of the Benguet Provincial Cooperative Development Council composed of representatives from the government, private sector, and cooperative sector together with the Municipal Cooperative Development Officers and council members./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR, Benguet

The summit led by the City and Barangay Anti-drug Abuse Councils carried the theme, "A message of hope - drug use disorders are preventable and treatable." (JDP/LL-PIA CAR, Kalinga)

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