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## Pahayagang palaban!!! Preventive Suspension Of BIR Top Exec Gets SC Thumbs Up



BAGUIO CITY -- Still a common sight along most city streets here including tourist areas, an old Igorot woman begs from her own kind along Session Road. Photo by Ace Alegre

BAGUIO CITY-- The preventive suspension of BIR Large Taxpayers' Document Processing and Quality Assurance Division chief Beatriz Peliño got a thumbs up from the high Tribunal on Thursday reversing and setting aside the Court of Appeals permanent injunction stopping the Ombudsman and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue (CIR) from suspending the BIR executive over dishonesty, grave misconduct, perjury, and unexplained wealth charges.

In a 24-page unanimous decision penned by Justice Consuelo Ynares-Santiago, the Supreme Court En Banc ruled that it is within the Ombudsman's power to order the preventive suspension of Peliño, given her high rank and delicate office and the gravity of the charges against her.

Docketed as OMB-C-A-05-237-F, her misdeeds include illegally acquiring and accumulating property and investments amounting to Php10,891,009.11; incurring expenses and liabilities

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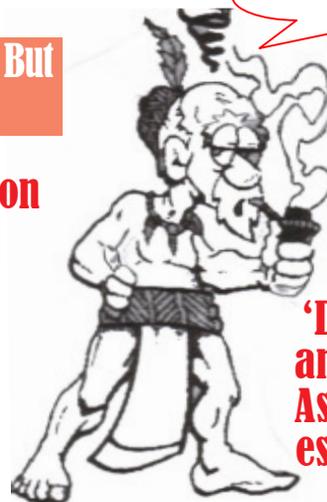
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## More Than A Thousand Careers Ready For Baguio, CAR Jobseekers

BAGUIO CITY—More than a thousand careers here and abroad are waiting for jobseekers in Baguio and the rest of the Cordilleras with the upcoming “Jobs Fair” on May Day here.

At least 50 private and manpower recruitment agencies for local and overseas placement are joining the jobs fair on May 5-6 at the Baguio Convention Center, said Labor Market Information Officer Irene Bungay of the Public Employment Services Office of the Baguio City Mayor’s Office.

It is a chance ev-

erybody seeking jobs should not miss, Bungay added because the success of jobs fair in Baguio City had been making strides towards fulfilling government’s efforts to lessen unemployment in the region and the rest of the country.

On November last year, at least 1,900 job seekers from all over the Cordillera region trooped to the jobs fair at the Convention Center where 42 firms processed them for placement.

Also on Baguio

Day, September 1, Bungay said, another jobs fair is scheduled to coincide with the Baguio City government’s projection of providing more frequent avenues for Baguio resident to get jobs and progress on their own. “Indeed, it is our own fervent wish to provide jobs for everyone,” said Mayor Reinaldo Bautista Jr.

The jobs fair, a special project of the PESO as mandated by the PESO Act of 1999, is supported by the DOLE, POEA, OWWA, TESDA and PLDT. Ace Alegre

## Real Estate Industry In NL Gears For Real Professionalization

BAGUIOCITY—Gearing to professionalize the real estate industry in Northern Luzon, the National Real Estate Association-Baguio-CAR chapter is holding its 4<sup>th</sup> regional convention on May 2 and housing exhibit in the on May 2 to 6 at the Pines View Hotel Malcom Square here.

Elisa Namoca, president of NREA Baguio-CAR chapter said, “we plan to revolutionize the housing and building trend in the Northern Luzon area with this year’s conference”.

“I believe this (the conference) would pave way into the real professionalization of the (industry),” she said.

More than a hundred participants from the different parts of Northern Luzon are attending the conference and exhibit, Namoca added.

This year’s theme, she said is “a

better outlook in Philippine real estate: Building local, selling global, developing green.”

During the Conference, world renown Arch. Felino A. Palafox who will be talking on High Density Development, its myths and its facts; Ret. Gen. Edgar Aglipay, chairman of the Philippine Retirement Authority, who will be giving a presentation on the Standards for Retirement Facilities and Services; while Arch. Nestor S Mangio, chairman of the Clark Int’l Airport Corp., will be giving a lecture on Identifying and Connecting with the Global Market.

Other presenters are: Emmanuel D. Pablo, managing director METROASIS International Real Estate Consultants, speaking on Global Marketing; Norbert D. Vitug, regional director BIR-CAR, on Taxes on Real Estate Transaction; Jocelyn Necisito, branch

head, Pag-Ibig Fun, on Pag-Ibig Housing Finance; Rebecca F. Torres, regional officer, HLURB, on Protection of Buyers and Incentives Program; and Sr. Supt. Moises Guevarra, Baguio City Police Director on Peace and Order.

“The convention aims to provide a suitable and conducive venue where the concerned stakeholders in the industry offer updates on recent developments and trends, as well as, the latest technical and economic innovations on products and services,” Namoca said.

“Positively, both the conference and the housing expo exhibits, shall definitely represent the direct intended investors and market audience and spectators, which are not only limited locally but also caters to out foreign clients as well,” she added./Ace Alegre

## Baguio’s Street Kids Gets Hope From Euro and Fil Foundations’ Help

BAGUIO CITY - Two foundations have joined hands and will give at least one hundred children a fresh start in life with the concept of a free boarding school and orphanage starting May this year.

The Jun Labo Childrens Foundation (JLCF) based here and the Pro Kids Foundation based in Europe will accommodate seventy to one hundred street children at Nagoya Inn, Naguilian Rd. here.

The building is owned by faith healer

Jun Labo.

Labo said, there are lots of street children who are deprived of education because they have to beg for money or scavenge trash just to meet their daily food needs.

These children, he said sometimes do drugs early in life and are recruited by bad elements and syndicates capitalizing on their youth and poverty to do their dirty jobs.

With our tie-up (JLCF and Pro Kids Foundation) we are

now giving new hope to the kids, Thomas Frietag, managing director of Pro Kids Foundation said.

In my stay in the Philippines, there are lots of street kids asking for money, for food, and when I ask them why they are not in school, they answer, that they are busy asking for money for them to survive, Frietag explained.

With the orphanage, we will now give a chance for some street kids to go to school, to get a good

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## Abras Third Killing In Two Days Sends Shivers But Authorities Claim Otherwise

La Trinidad, Benguet -The third gruesome murder in the capital town of Bangued in Abra Monday afternoon is sending shivers to Abrenos though authorities calmly thinks the cold-blooded slayings werent related at all.

Monday afternoons killing of alleged woman drug lord Vangie Valera is being suspected by the Cordillera police as a case of infighting or rivalry between drug syndicates, said Cordillera police director Chief Supt. Eugene Martin.

They are not related at all, added Abra police direc-

tor Sr. Supt. Alexander Pumecha.

Valera, an alleged drug lord distributing shabu in the province and as far as Ilocos and La Union province, was gunned down in front of the Lans grocery shop 8PM Monday night, at least 27 hours after a security guard was gunned down inside the Bangued town hall Sunday night and some 35 hours before a 75 year old lawyer was also gunned down inside his law office cum house.

Sr. Supt. Pumecha said that Valera, a well-known drug pusher/drug dealer and is listed in the Order of Battle of the polices anti-drugs operations, was shot several times by still unidentified gunmen inside the tricycle she

hired. The gunmen who are now being hunted fled aboard a motorcycle.

Monday nights killing, Martin reiterated it should not be misconstrued as anything like a resurgence of violence in Abra, which he claimed has become peaceful more than ever before when it was regarded as Cordilleras Killing Fields.

Guns-for-hire linked to politicians have been neutralized, the Cordillera police director said.

He explained that the motive behind Atty. Demetrio Pres killing Sunday afternoon is very deep.

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**BAGUIO CITY** – Partylist groups in the country are dreaming of more seats in Congress purportedly for a wider representation of “marginalized sectors” in mainstream Philippine governance and politics. To date, said lawyer Neri Colmenares (right), third nominee of the partylist Bayan Muna, “not even half of the 20 percent allotted for partylist representation in Congress has been filled up.” Joining Colmenares when they faced the Supreme Court on Tuesday afternoon for oral argumentation were Atty. Manjaya Bayang (left) and two other lawyers.--Artemio A. Dumlaog

## Medical mission responds to mother's plea

Cordillera expatriates keep tab of news back home and sometimes e-mail them to us when we're too busy to have read them.

Dr. Lauro San Jose, a 50-year old neurosurgeon based in La Trinidad, Benguet, got one recently from Denver Marines, of San Diego, California. It's about Joshua, a five-year old boy whose head has been swollen by too much fluid in the brain. Aside from this condition, medically diagnosed as hydrocephalus, Joshua has a pesky tumor at the base of the

skull, a growth doctors call posterior fossa mass lesion.

When told he needed two surgeries estimated to run in the hundreds of thousands, Joshua's mother, Fortunata, who is unemployed, started knocking on doors. She's fortunate Marines opened the Baguio news websites – and then the door.

The only child of a cook who is estranged from his wife, Joshua will meet San Jose tomorrow morning, for the preliminary tests to determine the kid's fitness to undergo the initial procedure to drain the excess fluid from his brain. As soon as Joshua's ready, San Jose would then do the more delicate tumor excision, also pro bono, in

keeping with the mission of Shunt for Life, a foundation he co-founded and to which Marines belongs.

“I haven't had time to read the local papers and it took Denver to tell me about Joshua's plight,” San Jose said. He recalled that Shunt for Life evolved after a medical emergency in 1999. That was when San Jose was sought out to remove a blood clot from the brain of a patient who was comatose.

The patient was the father of Melecia Madrid, a nursed based in San Diego, California. Their family was on a homecoming here when Melecia's dad suf-

fered a stroke.

Only three days after the surgery, the patient was able to fly back to San Diego.

A year after, San Jose visited his sister in San Diego. He met Melecia and the idea for a foundation to reach out to indigent patients took form. Melecia broached the idea to fellow nurses and other Filipinos in the West Coast.

“The scheduled first medical mission to the Philippines was supposed to be in 2001, if not for 9-11,” Dr. San Jose recalled, referring to the terrorist plane-bombing of the New World Trade Center. Lugging medicines and medical equipment and paying their own travel tickets and accommodations, Melecia and 14 other

foundation members finally made it to the first mission in 2002, at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center.

“Everybody thought it would be a one-shot deal, until it was over, when

somebody asked ‘Saan tayo next year?’,” San Jose said. So the mission returned, and returned, each time the medical volunteers and members had stocked up on

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### PROBLEMA Sa Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB-CAR)?

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## Flawed Headcount

"Better to learn late than never". Does this old proverb fit Proclamation 1489? In this just-published document, President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo reports that the overdue national census counted 88,574,614 Filipinos as of August 1 last year.

Thus, there are four of us today where only one stood in 1948. That was when we had first post-war census. Wait there's more. Earlier, the United Nations Population Division projected that there'd be 86 million Filipinos by 2010. The President's proclamation means we overshot that forecast by a good three years.

DDT spraying, at the end of World War II, brought malaria to heel and cut death rates by half. Look at these "milestones": 1960 census—27 million Filipinos who increased to 36.6 million by 1970. Ten years later, the census counted 48 million. By 1990, this crested at 60.7 million. And the turn-of-the-century census reported

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76.5 million.

And now is it 88.5 million? Or are there more of us really?

This present headcount should have been conducted in 2005. But Congress, which funds just about everything else, didn't allocate a census budget until two years later. Scientists, researchers and policy-makers, in interim, "flew blind".

Internal Revenue Allotments, for instance, are sliced by patronage-hungry congressmen partly on basis of population. The slabs were cut using data that had been outstripped by demographic changes. Cebu's population ballooned to 3.85 million today from 3.51 in year 2000. In-migration into urbanized areas and slow decline in fertility, saw to that. Are today's rice imports jiggered in accordance with the new headcount?

Others had to navigate by figures culled from previous censuses. "Every 24 hours, 5,800 kids are born," ex-health undersecretary Mario Tagiwalo explains. "That tacks on the equivalent of three more barangays daily".

A governor or mayor has a tenure of three years. "In that span of time, 6.4 million more will be born," he adds. "That's equal to one whole Western Visayas region".

Or take the President. Given a ban on re-election, a President serves for six years. From the time a President is sworn in office, at Luneta, and leaves Malacanang six years later, roughly 12.6 million will have been born. "That's equivalent to another National Capital Region," Tagiwalo adds.

Given the slow decline in fertility rates, government statisticians, in fact, expected the 2007 census would show that population breached the 90.4 million mark, admits National Economic and Development Authority's Augusto Santos. It did not.

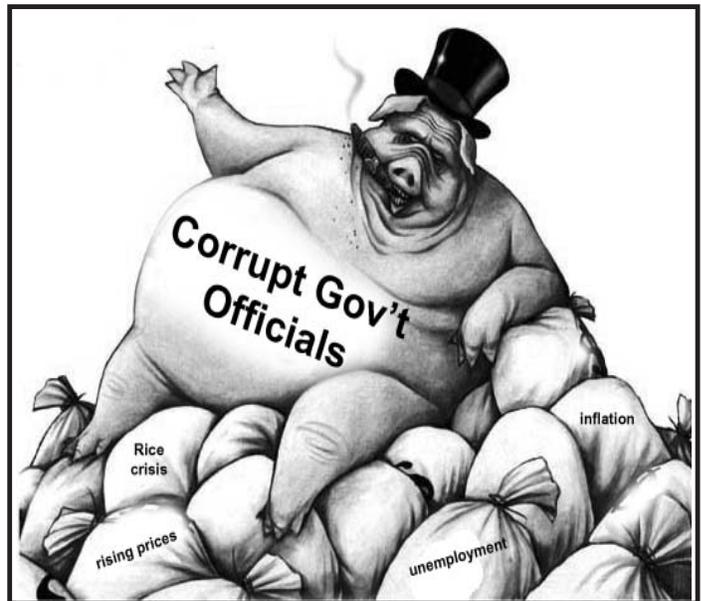
Santos papers over misgivings that roil demographers, even journalists. Census-takers, in 2007, stumbled into "a high rate of non-response". Others didn't make needed visits. "We didn't enumerate everyone," admits an official. Ad-hoc measures massaged the proclamation draft. The President wanted it by February 29.

A partial enumeration, however, produces the fiction of a smaller population. But no body is served by fudged data, let alone the President. There are doubts emerging whether flaws in the 2007 census will permit comparison with the previous censuses. Demographers at UP, Xavier University, San Carlos Office of Population Studies, the UN and other centers are starting to analyze the complete results.

In due time, we'll hear from them. The Arroyo regime, in the meantime, reels from criticism, by reputable economists like Ateneo's Cielito Habito and UP's Felipe Miranda, for primping up family income data. These are "sunshine press releases." We need more controversy in this minefield that is population like a hole in the head.

"For more than 30 years now, the 'population debate' has divided segments of Philippine society," observes sociologist John

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## DIRETSAHAN

*Nawawalang Piskal?*

BY RUDY "BANTAY SIYASAT" GARCIA



Sa patuloy at walang humpay na pagtaas sa presyo ng mga bilihin, masasabi natin na talagang inutil ang ating gobyerno dahil sa kawalan nila ng kaukulang aksyon para mapigilan ang naturan.

Kawawang Juan De La Cruz na pinagkakasya na lamang ang kaya ng kanyang bulsa. Kawawang pinoy sa pagkakaroon ng ganitong klase ng gobyerno, pero sino ang dapat sisihin? Ang gobyerno? Si Juan ba o si Pedro? Mag isip isip na po kayo mga suki!

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Mga "pasaway" na criminology students sa isang kilalang unibersidad dito sa Lungsod ng Baguio, nambugbog na naman ng kostumer sa loob ng isang bar at bilyaran sa upper mabini st. miyerkules ng gabi, abril 22, 2008.

Ayon sa mga nakasaksi dumaan lamang daw ang kawawang biktima sa harapan ng tatlong "ungas" eh walang kaabog abog umano siyang pinagsusuntok at pinagsisipa ng mga naturang mayayabang at aroganteng estudyante ng criminal justice "kuno".

Mabuti nga lamang daw at naagapan ang pagmistulang gulay ng biktima sa maagap na pagresponde ng mga kawaning pangseguridad sa nasabing establimento.

Napag-alaman ng direktsehan na mayroon na palang rekord ng panggugulo itong mga "ungas" sa nasabi ring bar joint dahil na para sila ay mairereport sa mga kinaaukulan ng eskwelahan na kanilang pinanapasukan.

Ang siste, mukhang dinedma lang ito ng eskwelahan kaya't lumakas ang "apog" ng mga "ungas" kaya't ayon nambugbog ulit itong mga lintek nilang mga estudyante ng pagkapulis. Makailang beses ko na bang "sinaltik" ang mga unibersidad na maraming mga estudyanteng "pasaway" at walang disiplina pero mukhang nagbulbulag bulagan at nagbibingi bingihan lamang ang mga ito. At ano rin kaya ang sey ng ating Commission on Higher Education, CAR? HOY GISING!

Atensyon Bcpo Chief Superintendent Moises Guevarra, pakitingnan mo mga bos, tsip at baka ang 3 ungas na Crim. Studes ay nasa rolyo ng inyong police interns! PAKIBUSISI!

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Gaano kaya katotoo ang sumbong ng mga pulis sa aking "bubwit" na hindi raw nila umano mahagilap ni makontak man lamang ang nakatokang inquest Fiscal op da day na ayon ay isang Fiscal Espinosa noong Abril 23, 2008, miyerkules ng gabi.

Dahil "daw" sa nahirapan silang makontak si piskal kaya't maraming kaso ang "nabitin" sa kanilang opisina dahil kinakailangan umano ng tamang disposisyon mula sa "inquest fiscal" bago nila ito magawan ng pinal na

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**THE PEACE COMBATANT***Tight supply also means shortages***BY ARTURO BOQUIREN**

In government and even media statements, there is a myth circulating that we do not have a shortage of rice and food. Those who have the view that we do not have rice and food a shortage point out the abundant harvests in Nueva Ecija and other provinces. Yes, there is abundant harvest in Nueva Ecija but it is only one province and cannot supply all the needs of the Philippine population. Further, we have been importing for several years now and our major sources are the United States, Vietnam, Thailand, Pakistan, and China. So talk that our rice production has been adequate is plain falsehood.

Yes, it is possible (speculative because we are not seeing the figures yet) that world food production is still adequate to feed the world's population. But for food purchases to be fluid, there must be a surplus. In rice, for instance, our homes do not have stocks good for only one day. Many homes stock rice good for a week, several weeks, a month, and several months. So if the bodegas and the warehouses do not have the usual stocks, hoarders come in. Thus, it is actually not the hoarders that create the shortages; the hoarders only exacerbate a real shortage. Otherwise, if supplies are adequate, hoarders will not be able to effectively push prices up and will not be able to earn.

Hoarding is a by-product of real shortages or a tight supply situation rather than the creator of shortages. Now what do we mean by a tight supply situation?

Total food supply in a country may be adequate at a particular point but the supply may not provide an ample amount of stocks. Stocking of food are normal because it is costly and a waste of time to buy rice immediately before we need them. We usually do not buy just a kilo of rice for the next meal. We buy rice good for several meals. Thus, if supplies are not enough to make provisions for these, we become vulnerable to hoarding. Real shortages can take place.

Why is food supply, rice included, today so tight? The character of today's development differs from the past. In the past, industrialization was accompanied by rising farm productivity and industrialization even supported agricultural growth through technology, farm inputs, and market. Today's developments, however, involve the conversion of farmlands into non-agricultural uses. Further, an emerging biofuels market is converting farmlands into non-food agricultural land. Industry facilitates the reduction of farmlands devoted to food.

Some analysts express the view that instead of a food crisis, we actually have a price crisis. They argue that rice supply is sufficient and what is merely happening is that prices are soaring very fast. In Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, a local columnist reported that there are no rice queues or rice lines. However, a consultant of the World Bank who is a friend of mine based in Washington D.C. narrated to me yesterday by email that two big shops in the area are rationing rice. Clearly, there is a real shortage but some countries are just a little better in managing a food shortage than others. Some administrations, like the Arroyo administration, tend to panic rather than effectively manage the situation. For example, this panic can be seen in the use of military trucks and military men to distribute rice. In the process of panicking, the Arroyo administration encouraged hoarding and worsened the problem.

We in the economics profession know that supply and price are interlinked. If supply is short or tight, inevitably, there will be an impact on prices: prices will be higher. Even if production costs are higher but supplies are abundant or in state of surplus, prices will be lower. Thus, rather than a refutation, all talk of a price crisis should be taken as evidence that there is a real shortage in the country and worldwide. Prices are higher because a food shortage exists and production costs are higher. The lack of government support given rising production costs is the main reason why food supply is tight and shortages erupt.

Unfortunately, in a food shortage and food price crisis, it is the low income groups who would be most vulnerable and they are the ones who are mostly like to queue and suffer the heat and inconvenience of lining up for hours.

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**FAIR AND SQUARE***What's Wrong With Franchising In The DOTC-CAR- A Sequel***BY JAMES S. VALEROS**

When to follow up long pending CPC applications in the DOTC-CAR takes days for applicants to queue up, and yet they do not obtain quick relief or even satisfactory response from its personnel concerned, there must really be something wrong with franchising in the DOTC-CAR, undoubtedly.

Believe it or not but this is what is happening now. Thus, at the rate DOTC-CAR is acting on or disposing applications for franchises, it will not be strange if in time soon, mere extensions of validity of expiring franchises will, on the average, take some two or three years or even more, to be resolved. Many applications left by Director Mondiguing a year ago, in fact, are yet to be disposed of.

How did this come about?

Hard to say but the following may have something to do with it, or they may be able to explain - ONE. When the DOTC-CAR assumed the franchising functions from LTFRB Region I, there was no formal and thorough turn-over of franchising records in the possession of the latter. Now that the present management of DOTC-CAR should like to cleanse its records of spurious and irregular franchises issued during the period of moratorium by his predecessors, it could not do so without incurring delays due to the verification or investigation of the history of the cases being acted upon. Reason, the prior records of original cases were either waylaid or lost or were not one of those transmitted by LTFRB Region I to the DOTC-CAR.

TWO. While a system of filing of records were adopted when franchising functions was delegated to the DOTC-CAR, the latter, however, failed to adopt a system of "aging" thereof for the efficient and systematic handling of pending cases, supposedly. What prevails now therefore, in the absence chronological aging of cases, is a selective and individualized prioritization of what cases to be disposed of depending on who make sustained follow ups from among the applicants.

THREE. The review process undertaken before resolution of cases is an "overkill," not sustainable by man-hours of available personnel. The strict processing made by Technical Evaluation, by Records and the hearing by Legal should have been sufficient basis for resolving cases by the Regional Director. As it is, however, the additional review of the applications made at the Regional Office by one or two employees, aside from being redundant, unreasonably contribute further to the delay in the resolution of cases.

FOUR. The shuttling of records of the cases from the Franchising Office in Pacdal to the Post Office for the action of the Regional Director, is also causative of delay in the disposition of CPC applications. The time and the efforts alone that go with the preparation of Transmittal and the orderly handling of the records of the cases, eats up much of the man-hours of the limited number of personnel which otherwise could have been used for other essential purposes.

FIVE. Assigning alone the inspection of garage which is required in the grant for CPCs to the personal Secretary of the Regional Director who has other duties to perform will never facilitate the disposition of cases but it will the more impedes it, even if such inspection is done during weekends which in the first place is uncalled for. This function would have been better delegated as additional duty to the 19 operations personnel who can make the inspection during weekdays and even before the filing of applications.

SIX. The time devoted by the Regional Director on his job in franchising is observably lacking as may be shown in the many motions, complaints, issues, queries, petitions submitted to him but have remained not acted upon by him for months. As head of the agency who reports to the office after 10, who attends no less than six (6) conferences and dialogues a month on the average and in all these no one takes his place, one may wonder how he would be able to perform even the most basic functions in franchising.

These are how this writer sees the facts (and there are actually more) as they happen. If any one believes these are but my personal opinion, as the good Regional Director would usually have it, then let us leave them at that.

## G-SPAT

*The World Needs Single People*

BY GRACE BANDOY



Ninety – eight point five percent (98.5%) of my friends are married, 99% of my workmates are married, and 100% of my crushes are married.

The only unmarried people on earth right now are the minors – those who are 11 years old and below (twelve-year-olds are considered adults now because they know more about sex and being liberated than my 40-year-old spinster aunt), widows and widowers, those who are separated/divorced and...the very, very, very few who choose to remain single for holy or unholy reasons.

And let me just stress - when I say ‘married’, it doesn’t necessarily mean ‘happily married’, because I feel that in reality, most of these married people regret they ever did it at all. Well, that’s just what I feel and conceive of them.

I tremendously sense that most of the married people I personally know are not happy at all, others are candid and admit how they wish they just stayed single (how else do you fucking explain the enormous rate of people getting divorces and annulments?!), while some of them deny it.

But of course there are a chosen few who are blissfully married and contented in the truest meaning of the word.

In a global scale, I also think that more than 90% of the world’s population are already married, marrying or will marry and have their own families.

When God said ‘go forth and multiply’, the world responded hastily, with gusto and never stopped since – they said ‘oh God, you bet we will go and multiply, and we can’t wait, we’re goin’ and multiplyin’ now! And we can do it forever if you wish!’

I am so like not disrespecting the sanctity of marriage here and I am definitely not justifying my staying single forever because how else should I be writing this if it weren’t for my parents who shackled it up BUT it’s just that today, people seem to be rushing into marriage like it’s the only thing to do on earth – (*lahat ng tao wala ng ibang alam gawin kundi maghanap ng aasawain!*) I mean what the hell?!

Just because that ‘go forth and multiply’ biblical phrase is the most well-esteemed and memorized commandment God has ever given, that all humanity should just literally go have sex and produce a gazillion kids?!

The world today is becoming overly populated with everybody hooking up and having kids. With that, is the inevitable rise of poverty, hunger, wars, environmental degradation, all forms of abuses against humans, crimes...

The non-stop explosion of the world’s population will eventually set off the inexorable end of humanity itself. Because it is slowly happening that mother earth can no longer supply the demands of the world’s increasing number of humans and their needs.

The end of the world is truly near if you come to think of it, the horrific effect on the environment being the most fundamental cause. We should be thankful there are people out there who are willing to sacrifice themselves to still make this world a better place to live in and dedicate their whole life to aid the underprivileged members of our societies.

Picture the world without the United Nations, the Red Crosses around the world, the Peace Corps volunteers, without the religious and non-religious groups out there who are helping the needy, the protectors of our environment and all the individuals and humanitarian associations who are helping those in need – victims of wars, the hungry, the homeless, the sick...?

Imagine if we’re all committed to support our own families and spend all our time making money and giving them the food, shelter and clothing they need?

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## PINUPUNA AT PINAPANSIN

*Piskal na Magaling!!!  
Pulis Na Bad Egg!!! Mga  
Kawawang Medias, Tanggap  
sa Jueteng, Latak!!!*

BY ODELL “BOMBITO” AQUINO  
Email: [aquino\\_odell@yahoo.com](mailto:aquino_odell@yahoo.com)



**PULIS NA BAD EGG**- Nuong nakaraan nating kolum ay marami tayong nakuhang mga text inquiries hinggil sa kung sino itong tinutukoy natin na si SPO0 Bad Egg na ito na isinubong sa atin ng isa nating miyembro. Para duon sa mga kakilala natin ay ating ibinunyag kung sino itong bad egg na ito at atin ring pinayuhan ang ating miyembro na sampahan na sa Office of The Military Ombudsman at sa Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) itong si SPO0 bornok at tolones na pinangalanan natin na si alias Dolphy Fernando. Tinatanong rin kasi ako ng mga ibang texter kung saan naka destino itong si SPO0 Bornok at Tolones, ngunit sa ngayon ay hindi ko pa maibunyag kung saan naka assign itong si SPO0 na ito kung sa Cordillera o sa Region 1, 2 or 3 naka assign itong si SPO0 na ito. Ngunit isang bagay lang ang mapapangako ko sa ating mga texter, at yuon ay malalaman nyo rin kung sino itong si SPO0 na ito pag dating ng pahon , kapag na isampa na ang lahat ng reklamo laban sa UNGAS na ito na isang tunay na Bad Egg at walang naitulong sa organisasyon na PNP kung hindi kahihyan. Kung pano naman kasi naging Pulis ito at bakit pinayagan siyang dayain ang kanyang mga academic records at iba pa...!!!

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**PISKAL NA MAGALING** - Sino itong magaling na piskal na ito na nuong araw ay inabswelto ang isang grupo na matinding multi million peso scam na naganap sa isang lungsod sa Luzon??? Sino itong piskal na sa halip na napakalakas ng ebidensiya laban sa mga nag sagawa ng multi-million peso scam na kung saan ay maraming mga chinoy ang tinamaan ay ibinalawala ang lahat ng ebidensiya at dinismis ang reklamo laban sa mga scammer? Magkano kaya ang tinanggap ni Mr. Magaling na Piskal??? Maliban dito, itong si Mr. Magaling na piskal ay kilalang nakapatong sa iba’t ibang mga sugalan at mabilis gumawa ng kung ano anong kadahilanan pagdating sa prosekusyon ng mga involved sa mga asunto ng iligal na droga kung san korte siya naka assign. Sabi ko nga sa aking ipormante na dapat ay ma-expose itong si **PISKAL PATONG** ng iligal na droga at iligal na pasugalan. At sino naman at saan naka-asign itong si Piskal na Magaling na ito? SECRET!?!?! Sa mga darating na panahon ay lalabas din sa media kung sino itong si Piskal na magaling na ito. Sa ngayon ay tawagin muna natin itong magaling na piskal na ito sa alias na Retired but Trained

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**KAWAWANG MGA MEDYAS** – Ayon sa isa nating impormante, marami raw sa mga medyas ang kaawa-awang tumatanggap ng patong mula sa juteng na nagkakahalaga sa P500 tuwing kinsenas o di kaya ay P1000 per month para sila ay mag bulag- bulagan at mag bingi-bingihan sa laganap na Jueteng. Nakakaawa naman talaga mga dear readers, sa napakaliit na halaga ay napipilitan ang maraming mga medyas na **MAGPAKA PUTA!!!** Bagamat naiintindihan natin na dala na rin ng kahirapan ng buhay at dala na rin ng pananaw na di rin naman mapapatigil ang jueteng kaya mabuti na raw na tangapin na lang natin – ito ang madalas na katwiran (justification) ng maraming mga medyas. In fact, mismong isa nating kaibigan sa PNP na mataas ang rangko ay nuong araw pa na sinabi sa akin na napakaliit ang tingin ng PNP at ng mga Jueteng operators sa mga kawani ng medyas sapagkat bigyan lang daw ng latak at barya barya ay OK na sa kanila!!! Isang bagay lang ang masasabi ko hingil dito- **KUNG GUSTO NINYONG GALANGIN, KUMILO NG KAYO NG KAGALANG GALANG AT TANGGIHAN ANG NAKAKA INSULTONG PATONG NA MASAHOL PA SA IBINIBIGAY SA PATAY GUTOMNAASO!!!**

TELL IT AS IT IS

What's up this week....

BY JENNY OCAMPO-ANDRES



How was your week? Thank you to those who sent me emails and messages .. informing me and sharing to me problems from ineffective hair gels to desperate mistresses and social climbers hahaha..

One even writes me about some people who continue to spread rumors to justify their evil acts and guilt..another mail was about people who continue to deceive even their sick relative just to get material help ..shameless and inconsiderate... though times are hard ..it is not an excuse to be an opportunist or a bitch. Yes are would be times people need people for help.. ran out of cash or supply but to deceive even relatives with cancer to get material help ..don't you think it's shameless and inconsiderate? Well, maybe the sick relative can afford it but is that the right thing to do?

Anyway from hair gels to inconsiderate people we go to what's up around us... Read on.. Have a great weekend. thank you for your messages of encouragement.. emails .. thank you so much.

The latest news...

Hillary Clinton defeats Barrack Obama in Pennsylvania primary Return of the payroll system for OFW's proposed Department of Agriculture urged to use traditional rice varieties Department of Transportation and Communication blamed for airport rehab delay United Nations reports Darfur conflict worsening Doctors blamed for commercialization in medical profession Philippine consul confirms death sentence of Pinay worker GMA 7 starts new primetime show "Dyesebel"

For your messages email me @ jennyjlaw@yahoo.com

G-SPAT..

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Who will take care of the world's growing number of kids infected with HIV? of Africa's starving citizens? If we're all bent on taking care of our own families and would not care about the harsh realities happening around us, this world would not be the same. Oprah would not have been able to uplift the lives of thousands she assisted if she had five kids of her own, I swear.

The world urgently needs single people and well, married people who care about the world and who would care more about the abysDIRE TSAHAN

Sa patuloy at walang humpay na pagtaas sa presyo ng mga bilingin, masasabi natin na talagang inutil ang ating gobyerno dahil sa kawalan nila ng kaukulang aksyon para mapigilan ang naturan.

Kawawang Juan De La Cruz na pinagkakasya na lamang ang kaya ng kanyang bulsa. Kawawang pinoy sa pagkakaroon ng ganitong klase ng gobyerno, pero sino ang dapat sisihin? Ang gobyerno? Si Juan ba o si Pedro? Mag isip isip na po kayo mga suki!

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RP's Partylist Groups Dream Of More Congress Seats

BAGUIOCITY - Partylist groups in the country are dreaming of more seats in Congress purportedly for a wider representation of marginalized sectors in mainstream Philippine governance and politics.

To date, said lawyer Neri Colmenares, third nominee of the partylist Bayan Muna, not even half of the 20 percent allotted for partylist representation in Congress has been filled up.

Only about 21 party list seats have been filled up in the House of Representatives after the May 2007 polls compared to at least 54 seats these groups are allotted under the Party List System, a representative system introduced 10 years ago in the country from the Europe's model of wider participation of sectoral groups in law making

Since after the 1998 elections when the partylist system was enacted however, the trend of not even half of the allocation for seats of marginalized sectors into Congress was filled up.

This prompting partylist groups including Bayan Muna, A Teacher and Abono to petition the Supreme Court to decide if Comelec's alleged impositions for a 3-seat cap and first party rule are constitutional. In their petition (G.R. No. 179295) on September 7, 2007 with the Supreme Court, the groups said that the principle of proportional representation, which is an essential feature of genuine

people empowerment, has been gravely distorted.

Atty. Colmenares in behalf of these groups faced the governments Solicitor General Agnes Devanadera on Tuesday afternoon before the High Tribunal, now on summer sessions here until April 25, to argue that these two impositions by Comelec defeats the Constitutional mandate of proportionally allotting representation of Philippine marginalized groups into the law making body. How can we expect that these sectors voice are well represented if not even all those allotted for them are not filled up because of Comelec's unilateral rulings? Colmenares raised.

The COMELEC, then headed by Chairman Benjamin Abalos, imposed the first party rule which allocates a maximum of only three seats to the first party regardless of the votes of the other parties.

Buhay partylist which garnered 7.2% of the party list votes was given 3 seats while Bayan Muna which garnered 6.5% of the votes was only given two seats because of the first party rule.

The 3-seat cap provides that any party will only get a maximum of 3 seats even if its vote entitles it to more than 3 seats.

The First Party Rule and the Three Seat Cap rule violate the proportional representation mandated by the Constitution which requires that the party list groups are allocated, Colmenares insisted.

Sol Gen Devanadera however insisted before the Court these two rulings by Comelec are very constitutional.

Millions of Filipino Voters Disenfranchised?

Colmenares however told Phil. Star that The First Party Rule and the Three Seat Cap disenfranchised a total of 5,053,132 voters in the 2007 elections since only 23 of the 54 party list seats are currently filled up.

Thirty-eight seats were not filled up after the 1998 party list pools, while 32 seats remained vacant after the 2001 elections. In 2004 only 24 of the 53 party list seats were occupied.

These Comelec impositions, the lawyer said, specifically violate Article VI, Section 5 (1) and (2) of the Constitution on the party list system which intends to empower and enfranchise the marginalized majority via party-list representation in the House.

Colmenares also asserted before the SC that the major political parties should not be allowed to participate in the party list elections.

The Supreme Court, which ordered the petitioners to submit in 15 days their Memoranda while gave Sol Gen Devanadera a month to submit the government's memo, in 2001 decided in favor of Bayan Muna to disqualify those who are not marginalized or underrepresented from participating in the party list election.

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION  
OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF  
BAGUIO CITY

SUMMIT BANK (RURAL BANK OF TUBLAY (BENGUET), INC,  
*Mortgagee;*

-versus-

SPOUSES RICARDO and CECILIA NAYAL,  
*Mortgagor;*

x—————x

FORE. CASE NO. 08-30-S

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF AUCTION SALE

Upon petition for sale under Act.3135, as amended by Act.4148 filed by SUMMIT BANK (RURAL BANK OF TUBLAY (BENGUET), INC. hereinafter referred to as the MORTGAGEE, executed on April 18,2005 by SPOUSES RICARDO and CECILIA NAYAL both of 60 Bonifacio St/ 5 Malvar St., Aurora Hill, Baguio City, hereinafter referred to as MORTGAGOR, to secure their mortgage obligation which as of date, amounts to TWO MILLION THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FORTY TWO & 17/ 100 (P2,003,342.17) PESOS, and other expenses of foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned Sheriff, will sell at public auction on May 27, 2008 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the Hall of Justice Lobby, Baguio City, and all the improvements existing thereon and more particularly described as follows:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

NO.T-94110

“Beginning at the point marked “I” of lot 16, Blk-3, on plan Bes-2032-D. being S-89-49’E, 1218.84 m. from Triangulation Station “Skylin”, Baguio Townsite, Thence N. 55-32’W., 8.80 m. to point 2; N. 55-32’W., 4.18 m. to point 3; N.34-56’E., 24.53 m. to point 4; S. 54-15’E., 13.30 m. to point 5; S. 35-15’W., 24.25 m. to point 1, point beginning on the SW., along line 1-2 by lot 4 Blk-3, Bes-2023-D; on the SE, along line 2-3, by Lot 5, Blk-3, Bes-2032-D; on the NW., along line 3-4 by lot 15, Blk.-3, Bes-2032 D; on the NE., along line 4-5 , by Block 11, Bes-2032-D; on the SE., along line 5-1, by lot 17, Blk-3, Bes-2032-D. Bearings True. This lot was surveyed under authority of Chapter IX Commonwealth Act. No.141., as amended and accordance with the existing regulations of the Bureau of Lands, by A.G. Espiritu, Private Land Surveyor from March 25 and December 1, 1931, 1950 and approved on July 29,1953.”

Prospective bidders may investigate the Title, rights and improvements of the property with regards to encumbrances, if any there be.

Baguio city, Philippines, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2008.

**REMEDIOS VALDERAS-REYES**  
Ex-Officio  
Sheriff  
RTC, baguio City

By: (SGD)

THOMAS G. DANNANG  
Deputy Sheriff  
April 26, May 3, & 10, 2008

**NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE**

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late Sineona Malag, who died intestate on April 17, 2000 at Pinsao, Baguio City, has been settled by her heirs on April 24, 2008, through a deed of extrajudicial settlement recorded in the Notarial Registry of Atty. Melita Amylesha D. Macaraeg as Doc. No. 387 on Page No. 078, Book No. V, Series of 2008.

April 26, May & 3, 10, 2008

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

**RENEE ROSE D. AYSON**  
Applicant  
Case No. 2005-BENG-CAR-1279  
**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 -TRANCOVILLE and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.  
Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on May 20, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.  
At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.  
Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and may if they so desire, appear during the hearing.  
This application shall be acted upon 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 FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 22th day of April 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.  
Hearing Officer

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

**JOSE GALINATO**  
Applicant  
Case No. 88-01-731  
**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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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 FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 24th day of April 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.  
Hearing Officer

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

**FE ROSSANA FUERTES**  
Applicant  
Case No. 2005-BENG-CAR- 011  
**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 -TRANCOVILLE and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.  
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(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.  
Hearing Officer

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

**MARTHA ALBERTO**  
Applicant  
Case No. 88-01-0186  
**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 -IRISAN and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.  
Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on May 20, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.  
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WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 22th day of April 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.  
Hearing Officer

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

**MELINA JULIAN**  
Applicant  
Case No. 2005-BENG- CAR-1298  
**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 -U.P. VILLAGE (gate), MARVILLE (Irisan) and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.  
Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on May 20, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.  
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WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 24th day of April 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.  
Hearing Officer

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

from female to male and his father's middle and family name be corrected from Pogoen and Natuplag to Puguon and Natoplag, respectively. He likewise prays that his mother's maiden surname be corrected from Pinkihan to Pinkihan.

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

CUIDNO, a.k.a. SMAISHA CUIDNO CHACAPNA Petitioner,

-versus-

Chacapna to Esmeralda Generis Himson Cuidno to avoid confusion or misidentification on her part.

than APRIL 27, 2008.

IN RE: PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME, CORRECTION OF GENDER AND OTHER ENTRIES IN THE CIVIL REGISTRY OF TUBA, BENGUET

WHEREFORE, finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the court sets it for hearing on AUGUST 27, 2008 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning before the Session Hall of this Court, Capitol, La Trinidad, Benguet and all persons interested may appear and show cause, if any, why this petition should not be granted.

IN THE MATTER OF THE DECLARATION OF ILLEGITIMACY OF MINOR CHILD, CHANGE OF HER FIRST NAME FROM SMAISHA L TO ESMERALDA GENERIS AND CORRECTION OF ENTRIES IN HER CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH

THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET AND THE NATIONAL STATISTICS OFFICE, MANILA Respondents.

SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS CASE NO. 08-C-1464

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ORDER Petitioner, through counsel, filed a verified petition praying after due notice, publication and hearing that she be declared illegitimate and her name be changed from Smaisha Cuidno

WHEREFORE, finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the court sets it for hearing on AUGUST 27, 2008 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning before the Session Hall of this Court, Capitol La Trinidad, Benguet and all persons interested may appear and show cause if any, why this petition should not be granted.

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 La Trinidad, Benguet the Administrator and Civil Registrar General of the National Statistics Office; the Junction Publishing Company, the petitioner and her counsel.

SO ORDERED.

DONE IN CHAMBERS this 8th day of April, 2008 at La Trinidad, Benguet Philippines.

(SGD) FRANCISA BULIYAT, SR. Presiding Judge

April 12, 19, & 26 2008

NESTOR PINKIHAN NATOPLAG also known as GIRL P I N G K I H A N P U G U O N N A T O P L A G , MARTIN PUGUON NATOPLAG AND ROSITA GUINULPIAN PINHIKAN-NATOPLAG Petitioners,

Let this Order be published at the expense of the petitioner in The JUNCTION, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, once a week, for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made not later than APRIL 27, 2008.

ELVIRA HIMSON CUIDNO, for and in behalf of her minor child, ESMERALDA GENERIS LHIMSON

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF AUCTION SALE

Let this Order be published at the expense of the petitioner in The JUNCTION, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, once a week, for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made not later

Baguio, Prov. Benguet, Island of Luzon x x x containing an area of THREE HUNDRED SEVENTEEN (317) S Q U A R E METERS." (Complete technical description appears in the title)

Prospective bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the property and the encumbrances thereon, if there be any.

Baguio City, Philippines, April 14, 2008,

ATTY. REMEDIOS BALDEARES-REYES Clerk of Court VI & Ex-officio Sheriff

BY: (SGD) DELFIN E. ARIAGA Sheriff-in-Charge

April 20, 27, & May 4, 2008

THE MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF TUBA, BENGUET AND THE NATIONAL STATISTICS OFFICE, MANILA Respondents.

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 Tuba, Benguet, the Administrator and Civil Registrar General of the National Statistics Office, The Junction Publishing Company, the petitioners and their counsel.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL REGION Baguio City

OFFICE OF THE EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF

PHILIPPINE SAVING BANK, Mortgagee,

-versus-

CECILIA A. MANGALIAG, Mortgagee,

x-----x

FORECLOSURE CASE NO. 08-26-S

EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE M O R T G A G E UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED

Upon verified extra-judicial letter-petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended filed on April 8, 2008 by PHILIPPINE SAVINGS BANK, through counsel, hereinafter referred to as the MORTGAGOR, the outstanding obligation which as of March 26, 2008 amounts to THREE MILLION EIGHTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT PESOS & 36/100 (Php. 3,088,738.36), inclusive of interests, other charges and attorney's fees, but exclusive of sheriff's fees and expenses incidental to the fore-

closure proceedings, the undersigned or any duly authorized sheriff will sell at public auction on May 20, 2008 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the lobby of the main entrance of the Hall of Justice Building, Baguio City to the highest bidder for CASH and in PHILIPPINE CURRENCY, the real property together with all existing improvements thereon which is more particularly described as follows:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-94127 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, BAGUIO CITY

"A parcel land (Lot 2, Block 8, Psd-1-013349, being a portion of Lot 76-A, Rs-463-D, (AP-12320), L.R.C. REC. No) x x situated at Res. Sec. "J", City of

SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS CASE NO. 08-C-1462

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ORDER

Petitioners, through counsel, filed a verified petition praying after due notice, publication and hearing that in the Certificate of Live Birth of Nestor Pinhikan Natoplag, his name entered as Girl be changed to Nestor, the entry as to his sex be corrected

SO ORDERED

DONE IN CHAMBERS this 8th day of April, 2008 at La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines

(SGD) FRANCIS A. BULIYAT SR. Presiding Judge

April 12, 19, & 26 2008

**Editorial..**

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Carroll, SJ. The debate has been marred "by mutual suspicions, one-sided arguments and caricatures of opposing positions.

"The outcome has been two groups, each dominated by it's more 'hard-line' spokespersons," he writes in A Balancing Act, published by the Philippine Center for Population and Development. "(They) talk past each other, without taking time to listen... We must move past the deadlocked debate into an area of respectful discussion..."

"Rapid population growth alone can not explain poverty," Dr Ernesto Pernia and 21 other colleagues in the UP School of Economics stress. "Bad governance, high wealth and income equality and weak economic growth are the main causes."

The UP economists underscore the "dependency burden": Poverty incidence, among families, with one child is 9.8 percent. But where there are nine children, penury blankets over half (57.3 percent) Seven out of ten unplanned pregnancies are aborted, a UP Population Institute study notes.

"Are church social teachings our best kept secret?," "Are church social teachings our best kept secret? In fact, Vatican Council documents support responsible family planning.

They ask parents to "thoughtfully take into account both their own welfare, and that of their children, those already born and which the future may bring... They should also consult the interests of the family group, temporal society and the Church..."

Will Proclamation 1489 help move the population debate from deadlock to debate? Or will it muddle the controversy further?/JL Mercado

**City: no need..**

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He said the NFA might consider courting the distribution of the government staple through the barangays because it is the barangay officials who know their constituents so they would know whom to prioritize in the sale of the staple.

As to the possibility of hoarding, Farinas said the city is monitoring the rice dealers through its market office alongside with the monitoring team from the Department of Trade and Industry local office.

NFA provincial manager Rolando Rufo earlier said they have ample stocks which will further be augmented as harvest season comes and with the implementation of rice augmentation measures normally adopted in preparation for the lean months which fall from July to September.

Rufo said the problem is not on the supply but on the cost of rice which has really increased at source due to abnormal rice production worldwide.

Rufo said that at present, the NFA Baguio-Benguet has a buffer stock of 75,000 bags and more supply is expected within the next months.

Reports said NFA is also mulling to increase the Bigasang Bayan outlets to address the growing demand for the government-subsidized rice./aileen.p.refuerzo

**'Discriminating amnesia'..**

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AHR in 1994 without city authority. Catbagan died even before the lease expired in 1996.

Ruiz said, "Facts show when Sinot assumed the AHP from Catbagan, he acknowledged the fact Catbagan never had a right more superior than a mere lessee of the city government."

"Moreover," the CLO IV said, "he cannot even claim he is supposed to pay monthly rental lower than P5,000 since he had earlier acknowledged that he paid the Catbagans said rate since assuming AHR operations in 1994."

He added, "Surely, if he was more than willing to pay P5000 to the Catbagans, we do not see any well-argued reason why he should not pay to the city – the rightful owner of the property – the same amount."

As early as year 2000, the city via resolution 109-2000 moved to recover the property from Sinot, directing the CLO to file necessary civil action.

Later in 2002 however, councilor Nicasio Aliping proposed resolution seeking to annex the earlier council resolution to give Sinot a new lease. The resolution was eventually referred to the drawer due to election season.

Curiously, while the city placed demandable monthly rentals at P5,000, the proposed monthly dues was cut to P3,000 under the draft agreement contained in the 2002 botched negotiations.

Ruiz observed, "Sinot signed the 2002 proposed agreement which was devoid of any acceptance by the city government."

"He cannot thus claim that it should be made the basis of computation for his arrears," he added.

While the monthly proposed rental was pegged at P3,000 in the Sinot draft agreement, he later proposed to pay measly P2,500, which, according to some city managers, "hints of bad faith." /ISL

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**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING  
 AND REGULATORY BOARD**  
 Cordillera Administrative Region  
 Baguio City  
**REYNALDO ESTIGOY**  
**Applicant**  
**Case No. 88-01-540**  
**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-LA TRINIDAD and Vice Versa with the use of five (5) units.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on May 20, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Paodal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and may if they so desire, appear during the hearing.

This application shall be acted upon 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 FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 23th day of April 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUYA, JR.  
Hearing Officer

**Diretsahan..**

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aksyon.

Ano kaya ang sey ng ating butihing city prosecutor centeno? Totoo hu ba itong naisumbong? Kung totoo, aba, pakisabi naman sa inyong mga prosekkyutong "este prose-kyutor na huwag naman silang magtago, period!

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Bilib talaga ako sa mga "bata" ni Bos tsip Guevarra ng BCPO lalo na iyong mga "S.W.A.K." este SWAT na hanep kung magronda sa kalsada at iyong iba ay talagang naka full battle gear ang mga porma.

Ang tanong, ilang notoryus karakter na kaya ang kanilang nahuli? Basta't ang alam ko, mga pulis la Trinidad, benguet ang "nakatimbog" sa ibang kilabot na "bekkel gang"! ang iba, gumagala pa at nambibiktima sa ilang bahagi ng Baguio City, at mukhang malayo pa silang mai"swak" ano sa palagay nyo mga bro sa swat? Bilib din naman ako sa inyo pati mga vendors at taxi draybers "niroondahan" ninyo hanggang umaga, He! He! MAGKANO?

ooOOoo

Panawagan naman ito kina Punong baranggay Claver Alisto Burger ng Upper Burgos at Antonio Tamayo ng Lower Zamora na magtalaga naman sana sila ng kanilang mga tanod sa may parteng upper Magsaysay at upper Burgos. Lalo na sa gabi.

Marami na ang mga pangyayaring bugbugan at holdapan sa mga nabanggit na lugar at paborito rin itong lungga ng mga masasamang karakter gawa ng wala man lang kasi kahit isa man lang barangay tanod na nagbabantay.

Kamakailan ay may sinaksak na isang minero sa may upper burgos. Ayon sa mga nakasaksi, galing umano ang biktima sa beerhouse malapit sa lugar at pinaniniwalang nanlaban pa ang biktima, at kung meron daw sanang barangay tanod na kaagad na nakapag responde ay baka naagapan pa raw ang insidente at nahuli ang mga salarin.

Kaugnay nito, lumalabas sa imbestigasyon na holdap ang motibo sa pamamaslang at maari di umano na natiktikan ang biktima mula pa sa beerhouse na pinag inuman nito at maaring may kinalaman ang mga empleyado o weytres gro na naka teybol ng biktima. Sa nasabing inuman.

Pakibusis nga po ito Bcpo Chief Supt. Moises Guevarra at mga bosing sa Cidg-Car. Baka pwedeng pakilusin ninyo ang inyong Intelligence department para puspusang manamanan ang mga galaw ng mga establisimentong inuman at masahian sa mga nabanggit na lugar. Mukha kasing may "sabwatan" sa mga empleyado at kawatan na "yumayari" sa mga naturang lugar. Manmanan!

Atensyon din PB Tamayo at Burgor lagyan niyo naman ng mga tanod na magbantay sa inyong mga lugar na nabanggit lalo na sa gabi. Huwag naman sana ninoyng hintayin na mayroon na namang masamang mangyari bago kayo kumilos. Gayahin ninyo si kapitan Amagen ng lower Magsaysay, laging alerto at alisto! KILOS NAAAAA!!!!!!

**Preventive Suspension.....****.... from page 1**

ties grossly disproportionate to her income and earning capacity as a government employee; failure to disclose material information in her Statement of Assets, Liabilities, and Net Worth (SALN); and false declaration of information in her Personal Data Sheet (PDS).

However, considering that OMB-C-A-05-237 has already been submitted for decision, the Court held that "respondent (Beatriz S.) Peliño may no longer be placed under preventive suspension, as the necessity therefore no longer exists."

The Court found that the order of preventive suspension was issued only after Peliño had filed a sworn explanation detailing her defenses to the charges made against her and after an assessment of her defenses had been made. "There was hence no abuse of the exercise of the Ombudsman's discretion," the high Tribunal said.

The Court stressed that preventive suspension is "merely a preventive measure, a preliminary step in an administrative investigation; the purpose thereof is to prevent the accused from using his position and the powers and prerogatives of his office to influence potential witnesses or tamper with records which may be vital in the prosecution of the case against her"

In 2005, the Field Investigation Office (FIO) of the Office of the Ombudsman, as nominal complainant through its Graft Investigation Officer Maria Olivia Elena A. Roxas, lodged a complaint against Peliño charging her with 18 counts of perjury under Article 183 of the Revised Penal Code and RA 6713 or the Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees for filing a false SALN; dishonesty and grave misconduct under EO 292 or the Administrative Code; and unexplained wealth under RA 1379, Declaring Forfeiture in Favor of the State Any Property Found to Have Been Unlawfully Acquired by Any Public Officer or Employee.

After Peliño's filing of a Sworn Explanation in her defense, the Ombudsman issued the preventive suspension order for a period of six (6) months and directed her to file her counter-affidavit.

Before the Ombudsman's ruling, Peliño sought the Court of Appeals via a petition for certiorari with application for the issuance of a temporary restraining order (TRO) and/or writ of preliminary injunction against the Ombudsman and the CIR.

After granting Peliño's application for TRO and a writ of preliminary injunction, the appellate court later made permanent the writ of injunction enjoining the Ombudsman and the CIR from enforcing the preventive suspension order. Peliño was charged together with Joseph Albert Peliño Cuaki who is allegedly his son as appearing on the latter's birth certificate, but is denied by the former in her PDS./Ace Alegre

**Baguio Street kids.....****.... from page 2**

start in life, he added.

According to Labo, who once was mayor of this upland resort city, the orphanage will accommodate around seventy to one hundred children with the ages five to nine who were abandoned by their parents.

They are now in the process of hiring professional teachers who will mould the children in the orphanage.

These teachers will undergo a six-month all expense training at the Oxford English School in East Grinstead, London.

We will also be hiring social workers, cooks, and other employees who will manage and take care of the children, while they are in the orphanage, Labo said.

Initially, Pro Kids Foundation will be contributing around \$300,000 to \$400,000 as start up fund for the orphanage, perhaps the first institution of such kind in this city./Ace Alegre

**Abra Third Killing ...****.... from page 3**

We are looking at several angles including his dealings (with clients), Martin said.

The slaying of the septuagenarian lawyer and a security guard just several hours in between on Sunday right inside their own turfs could break the still precarious peace established in the province.

At 11 o'clock also on Sunday, 32-year old security guard Efren Bersalona was slain inside the town hall in Bangued.

The Bangued town hall is also just a few meters away from the provincial capitol building where Pres. Gloria Macapagal Arroyo met with National Security Council officials and Cordillera leaders last week regarding the peace situation in CAR.

Supposed gunmen armed with long firearms also barged into the Bangued town hall where the security guard was on duty and cold-bloodedly killed him there.

Martin hinted that investigators are looking at the angle of personal rivalry among the town hall guards as possible motive behind the shooting but promised the public they will soon nail down the killer.

This even as a veteran lady lawyer said the rash of killings in the province sends chill among trial lawyers like her who handle adversarial political cases.

But some residents claim that the drug lords killing was good for her and even thanked the killers because accordingly, the lady drug lord is making business out in the open as if taunting everyone in the province./Ace Alegre

**ERRATUM**

In a Notice of Hearing Extension of Validity of CPC published in this paper issue of April 5, 2008 under Case No. 2007-CAR-0087, the family name Lawagan as published should have been spelled as Lawangen and not as erroneously published.

**Medical mission.....****.... from page 3**

medicines, equipment, vacation leaves and personal savings for the cost of travel and other expenses.

Shunt for Life has healed over a hundred lives, mostly children suffering from hydrocephalus and meningocele, the out-pouching of brain matter. For his humanitarian vision and action, Dr. San Jose was back in the United States last year, to receive the Ten Outstanding Filipinos Award from the Ten Outstanding Filipinos Foundation.

The neurosurgeon is a very busy man. Last week, he found respite, or so he thought, with a much-needed rest day in Manila. Instead, he got a call. One of his former classmates at the Fatima University in Bulacan where he finished his medical course just figured in an accident. The victim needed emergency brain surgery.

Hours after conducting the procedure, Dr. San Jose was on his way to Cagayan de Oro for a planning session with the YMCA of Baguio, which he serves as assistant treasurer. On the plane, he thought of Joshua, the ailing boy he'll meet tomorrow./Ramon Dacawi

**RPs Partylist.....****.... from page 7**

The major political parties such as Kampi, Lakas-NUCD, and Liberal Party with their massive resources and machinery are not marginalized or underrepresented and their participation will take seats away from deserving party list representatives of the people, Colmenares argued.

We hope that the Supreme Court which we believe had perfectly taken cognizance of the petition as very important on their cue that they let us orally argue before them will turn in our favor, Atty. Colmenares said. This will give flesh to the clear intent of the Constitution, all that is needed is to adopt the formula outlined in RA 7941, the party list law, so that the 20% allocation for the party-list representatives can be filled up.

Under the 20 percent formula, said Colmenares, Buhay which garnered 7.2 percent during the 2007 polls should have 7 seats, while Bayan Muna which got 6.5 percent should have 6 seats while CIBAC 5; Gabriela 4; Apec 4; A Teacher, Akbayan, Alagad and Coop-Natcco 3 each.

In the 2001 polls, Bayan Muna which topped the polls among other partylist groups was given three seats but according to Colmenares, the Comelec did not apply the 3-seat cap and gave three seats to those getting more than 2 percent per seat votes. We did not raise a brow then because all we wanted was more partylist groups into the legislative process for more empowerment of Filipinos, he said.

Other members of the Bayan Muna who joined the legal panel in the oral arguments were Atty. Manja Bayang, Atty. Jonel Torregosa and Prof. Lex Muga of the Ateneo de Manila University Math Department./Ace Alegre

## City: No need to panic over rice concerns

BAGUIO CITY – Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas Thursday appealed to constituents here to keep calm and to refrain from panicking over rice concerns as authorities have repeatedly assured that there is enough supply of the staple food.

“There is no cause for panic because we have enough supply. Even if we are not a rice-producing locality, we still have grains com-

ing from many sources,” Farinas said over the Ugnayan Panlungsod radio program aired over Radyo ng Bayan.

“Besides, the NFA (National Food Authority) has repeatedly assured that we have enough supply and we ourselves saw that their warehouse is full so we just have to trust them,” he added.

Farinas was reacting to the long queues for NFA rice which has become a regular sight at the

city market and other areas where NFA rice is peddled.

“There’s a seeming panic induced by reports insinuating that there is shortage in rice,” he said.

Farinas said the problem is not on the supply but on the proper management of the distribution of the NFA supply.

He said there is no problem on the distribution of commercial rice but there is indeed a need to employ an effective distribution system for the NFA rice as the demand for this has really shot up due to the rising cost of the commercial kind.

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# THE WEEKEND JUNCTION



“WE SURRENDER” - Mayor Reinaldo Bautista and Bishop Carlito Cenzon show they’re “hands up” when it comes to Mother Earth as both lead participants in celebrating Earth Day.— By Bong Cayabyab

## ‘Discriminating amnesia’ may place Asin ‘Kingpin’ in estoppel

BAGUIO CITY – Poorly thought out statements are never forgotten... especially when one shake hands with a clenched fist.

City legal officer (CLO) IV Dennis Ernest Ruiz last week brushed off bizarre calls by one Roger Sinot for a government invitation so he could “enlighten” city managers as to how much he is supposed to pay for operating the Asin Hot Springs Resort (AHR).

Ruiz said, “The first domino has been tipped,” referring to a demand letter for Sinot to vacate the AHR and to pay his unpaid AHR rentals at a whopping P1.4-million since 1984.

He said, “Upon receipt of the city’s demand letter, we are expecting him to

make representations to correct whatever it is he feels must be corrected and not the other way around.”

“If he doesn’t make formal representations, we believe the city has no other recourse but to lean on legal process to protect its interests.”

He added, “I hope Sinot too realize we have established processes and ventilating positions in the newspapers isn’t one of them.”

Sinot in earlier reports chided the city government saying “the city’s demand is unrealistic.” He likewise said he is ready to face the city in court.

After reproaching city managers for alleged “discrepancies” in the computation of his obli-

gations however, he backpedaled saying a meeting with concerned city officials would be better than both parties slug-ging it out in court.

Ruiz however maintained, “I don’t see how our financial experts may have overlooked some

facts as what Sinot now avers.”

“In the first place,” He said, “Sinot assumed the obligations of the former AHR operator when the city called his attention after his ‘de facto’ operation was discov-

ered.”

Sometime in 1967, adverse claimant Bernardo Catbagan, Jr. filed a case of recovery of property against Baguio over the AHR. The case dragged on until

the Court of Appeals, which in 1980 dismissed the Catbagan complaint.

Catbagan, in 1976 however, was able to secure a 20-year AHR lease. The same expired 1996 and Sinot assumed operations of the

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