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BAGUIO CITY AND BENGUET

LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

Busol Squatters Asked to Cooperate

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan appealed to the illegal occupants of the Busol watershed to cooperate and voluntarily give up the premises to allow the City to undertake its programs for the preservation and protection of the city's biggest watershed that supplies a third of the city's water needs.

"We are calling on those obstructing the watershed to stop blocking our efforts because if we do not protect our watershed, what will happen to our city?" the mayor said.

The mayor said that as much as possible, the City does not want to resort to filing criminal cases against the lot claimants.

"I hope they will just cooperate so that we will not go to the point of filing criminal cases against them."

The city is working out the demolition of the illegal structures

within the watershed including the shanties built within the area designated for the Busol Tree Nursery and field office.

Last May 7, anti-squatting operatives were set to undertake the dismantling operation of the five structures but were fended off by occupants who barricaded the area.

The mayor said the City will pursue the demolition anytime in collaboration with the concerned law enforcement agencies.

The mayor said they will also issue demolition notices to the owners of the small and large structures in the other parts of the watershed.

He also directed the investigation of alleged new structures and the filing of new cases against those who will continue to defy the law.

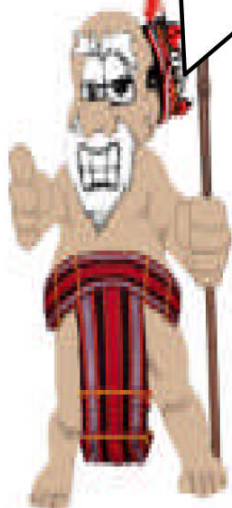
The Supreme Court in a decision issued last year sustained the City Government's bid to demolish illegal structures numbering 33 located in three sections of

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Cong. Nic M. Aliping delivering his speech as a key note speaker at the Baguio Convention Center to the Philippine Councilors League (PCL), Luzon Island Congress with the years congress theme "TOURISM AND SUSTAINABILITY"./Photo by RG

Ano ka'niyo
Mayor? Hinihingi niyo sa mga squatter ng Busol na mag-cooperate? Ma walang-galang po ng panandali. Nagpapatawa po ba kayo? Abogado po kayo at alam naman ninyo na ang pagiging isang squatter ay ilegal. Kung si Mayor Duterte kaya ang tatanungin kung ano ang gagawin niya sa mga ilegal na iskwat, ano ang kanyang gagawin?!?!
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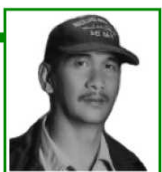
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Nakakatakot ang nagaganap na matinding problema sa west Philippine Sea!!!

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Tourists Still Choosing Baguio Despite Traffic Problem

BAGUIO CITY – The City continues to get its fair share of tourist arrivals despite the inconvenience caused by the various road repair projects being undertaken in the central business district and other roads leading to the city's tourist spots.

Councilor Elmer Datuin on Monday said hotels and other accommodations in the City have been reporting full bookings for the past weeks indicating that the City remains as a favorite tourist destination despite the traffic snarls caused by the road and drainage rehabilitation works.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan said contractors of the road projects have been advised to fast-track or be methodical in undertaking the road works to minimize the traffic discomfort borne by motorists.

Only last week, the mayor complained to Baguio City District Engineer Alexander Castañeda on the discontinued project along Rimando Road which was abandoned due to unresolved contractual issues.

The mayor said the work has resumed and is now being fast-tracked. "I am glad that contractors are heeding our advice. I hope they will work 24 hours to speed up the projects so these will be completed in time for the opening of classes in public schools," the mayor said.

He directed the city police to continue manning the chokepoints to ensure that vehicle flow

will continue despite the obstructions.

The mayor also concerned offices to continue to address concerns on peace and order to continue to contain traffic and crime problems, utilities to ensure enough water supply, smooth garbage collection and the tourist-oriented establishments to ensure hassle-free stay for the vacationers.

City budget officer Leticia Clemente said the City continues to host big conventions so the venues must be maintained properly.

As per report from the city tourism office, the city had close to 730,000 guests for the first quarter of the year. The number only came from accredited hotels and inns and did not include those unaccredited that include the numerous inns and transient houses all around the City.

The number also did not include the establishments that were accredited but did not submit reports to the tourism office. According to the tourism office, only 83 of the 142 accredited accommodation establishments were submitting reports on guest arrivals.

Last year, the city had a total of 932,292 guests billeted in these accredited hotels, according to the Department of Tourism Cordillera (DOT-CAR). *A Refuerzo*

Planning Chief Clarifies Melvin Jones Issue

BAGUIO CITY – the Chief of the City Planning and Development Office (CPDO) has come forward to put to rest issues of a multi-level parking facility at the premier park here.

Architect Evelyn Cayat in a letter to the public belied allegations of a planned multi-level parking to rise within the Melvin Jones Football field circulating in the social networking site facebook.

Cayat stressed, "there is no planned construction of a multi-level parking in the site."

Cayat said, "there is indeed a conceptual plan prepared by Architect Ignacio Estipona, the former City Architect and Parks Superintendent of the city government which incorporated a parking facility within the Melvin Jones Football Field area intended to address the parking demand within the Central Business District (CBD) at that time."

It was however shelved due to lack of funds.

Recently though, the city government received a proposal from an Australian firm to conduct a feasibility study for a parking facility within Burnham Park at the proponents own expense.

The results of the feasibility study showed two options as viable, the first is the construction of a multi-level parking at the Ganza **Cont. on page 9**

DOST Road Train on Track

BAGUIO CITY – the Feasibility Study (FS) to assess the potential of operating an Automated Guideway Transit (AGT) or road train as an alternative mode of transportation in this mountain resort is now in its final stage.

This was reported by the Metals Industry Research and Development Center (MIRDC-DOST) in coordination with the University of the Philippines-National Center for Transportation Studies (UP-NCTS) who is currently undertaking the study to know if the AGT project is a viable mode of transportation for Baguio and La Trinidad.

A proposed expansion of the project would also cover the adjoining municipalities of Itogon, Sablan, Tuba and Tublay.

The update on the AGT Feasibility Study

was presented to the different stakeholders last week with the full feasibility study completion before July, this year.

Initial reports for the AGT project showed transportation problems being faced from Baguio City to La Trinidad such as congestion and rapid vehicle population increase, too many existing franchises on Public Utility Vehicles (PUV), duplicated lines of service routes, lack of off-street loading and unloading stations.

The team also observed problems in traffic management rules, smoke pollution, pedestrian-motorists conflicts, undisciplined drivers and pedestrians on the streets, lack of traffic enforcers to direct traffic especially along the Central Business District (CBD) during peak hours in the morning and afternoon.

Location of schools, hospitals and other commercial establishments along the CBD also contributes to traffic congestion and the lack of parking management strategy to effectively reduce the private vehicles, space for loading and unloading zones for private vehicles and the lack of implementing body and **Cont. on page 9**

Binay 'Dummies' Closing Accounts Since Senate Probe

The Court of Appeals says it is urgent to freeze 242 bank accounts and investments of Vice President Jejomar Binay, his family, and his alleged dummies

MANILA – The Court of Appeals (CA) issued a freeze order on 242 bank accounts and investments of Vice President Jejomar Binay, his family, and his alleged dummies, saying it found probable cause these were related to "unlawful activities."

The CA resolution, copies of which were shared with the media by Binay critic Ernesto Mercado, cited the findings of the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC) investigation that Binay, his wife Elenita, their son Makati Mayor Jejomar Erwin "Junjun" Binay Jr, and alleged dummies had "large and frequent" bank transactions from 2008 to 2014.

This was the period when the Makati City Hall parking building and Makati Science High School building were constructed. These two projects are the subject of investigations of the Office of the Ombudsman and the Senate for allegedly being over-priced due to kickbacks.

The freeze order is effective immediately and covers a period of 6 months.

The CA, citing the AMLC report, stressed the urgency of freezing the accounts of Binay and his alleged dummies, saying some were already closed after the Senate started looking into the corruption claims in August 2014.

"Both Limlingan and Baloloy started selling securities, conducted inter-account transfers within the same bank, pre-terminated their time deposits and investment placements, encashed checks, and withdrew bank deposits after the commencement of the Senate hearings," the order said.

The CA and the AMLC said there is probable cause that the Binays and their dummies violated the anti-graft law, and the anti-money laundering act.

"Unless frozen, the funds in the subject accounts will certainly be withdrawn thereby placing these beyond reach/recovery," the CA said.

This is the first time in recent history that the CA issued a freeze order on the bank accounts of the country's second highest official. The opposition leader, Binay is also the front runner in the 2016 presidential polls.

"The AMLC observed increases in the net worth of said government officials which were not commensurate to their declared incomes, assets, liabilities, and business interests," stated the CA in a 33-page freeze order dated Monday, May 11.

The court granted the ex-parte petition of the AMLC for a freeze order after the Ombudsman asked the agency to probe possible violations of the Anti-Money Laundering Act (AMLA). The CA First Division issued the order.

The AMLC investigation looked into the Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth (SALN) of the officials, Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) records on the alleged dummy companies, Commission on Audit (COA) findings, and testimonies during the Senate probe.

The order also covers the bank accounts, investments, and insurance policies of Binay's alleged dummies, including the following:

- Gerardo Limlingan Jr, Binay's financial officer and alleged bagman
- Eduviges Baloloy, Binay's longtime secretary
- Antonio Tiu, Binay's close friend
- Former Makati Vice Mayor Ernesto Mercado, Binay's ally-turned-foe and whistleblower
- Alleged Binay dummy Lily Hernandez Crystal

While Binay repeatedly denied allegations he used dummies to earn kickbacks from the construction projects, the AMLC found that the supposed dummies maintained bank ac- **Cont. on page 8**



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Solon Respects CA Decision on Writ of Kalikasan

BAGUIO Representative Nicasio M. Aliping Jr. of this city respects the decision handed down by the Court of Appeals (CA) on the petition for a Writ of Kalikasan filed by two Catholic bishops last year.

The decision of fifth division written by Associate Justice Ramon Cruz granted the petition of Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) president and Lingayen-Dagupan Bishop Socrates Villegas and Baguio-Benguet Bishop Carlito Cenzon to permanently stop any development in Mt. Sto. Tomas straddling Baguio City and the municipality of Tuba, Benguet.

The 54-page decision also made permanent the Temporary Environmental Protection Order issued last year on the forest reserve by the Supreme Court.

Aliping said that he respects the decision of the CA but that he may appeal the ruling.

"We respect the decision but we will avail of our legal remedies available to us as part of the procedural process," Aliping stressed.

Aliping has tax declarations covering 2,688 hectares at Mt. Sto. Tomas which he plans to develop into a resort.

But the CA put a stop to this plan when it ordered a halt to any land development including flattening and undertaking of earth moving activities, constructing any

structure and opening of roads. "We have not yet received a copy of the decision," lawyer Ron Perez, Aliping's counsel in the case, said as he added that until he receives the ruling he will not be able to comment or even talk about their next moves.

The decision also stops Tuba Mayor Florencio Bentes from issuing any kind of permit for any activity involving the Mt. Sto. Tomas forest reserve.

Aside from Aliping's claim, there is a community at the area including farm lots for vegetable production - which is part of Barangay Poblacion of Tuba; a number of relay towers of major television and radio stations; a military base; and adits of small scale mining activities.

The decision stops the Tuba mayor from granting business, occupancy or building permits at the forest reserve.

It also directed concerned agencies to find a solution to the soil erosion experienced at the Amliang Creek which supplies water to a portion of the south western side of Baguio City.

The CA also said that the DENR should criminally charge those who violated the environmental laws, including those involved in illegal mining, illegal logging and illegal squatting in the Mount Sto. Tomas Forest Reserve. /

Carl C. Taawan

Master Plan for City Drainage/Sewage Sought

BAGUIO CITY - A comprehensive master plan and sufficient funds is needed for the total rehabilitation of the city's drainage and sewage system, and later, a specific office and technical staff to oversee and monitor its operations.

This was the collective view presented at the city council last week, with the newly-appointed Councilor Lilia Yaranon now a member

of the Public Works and Social Services committee.

Meeting members of the council during the regular session were City Environment and Parks Management Office (CEPMO) head Cordelia Lacsamana, Water Wastewater Ambience Management Division head Engr. Moise Lozano, Engr. Alexander Castaneda of the Department of Public

Mayor Not Against Declaration of Historical Sites in the City

BAGUIO CITY - Mayor Mauricio Domogan is looking forward to have a clearer and more precise historical sites declaration in this mountain resort.

The city government here is currently dealing with two issues involving the historical sites being declared by the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP).

Recently, Burnham Park was declared as a national heritage site aside for the on-going improvement of the city hall grounds.

Domogan stressed and reiterated that the city government does not oppose the declaration of heritage sites, however decries that the city hall was kept in dark and needs to be enlightened.

He disclosed during his weekly forum that in a letter dated May 6 of the NHCP, they said that the city hall and areas surrounding the building such as the parking and flagpole areas are included in the building landscape and therefore form part of the city hall. Also, city hall bears an NHCP marker thus signifying the same that it is a heritage and historical building.

Dr. Maria Serena Diokno of the NHCP stressed that the fencing and improvement of the city hall grounds would be acceptable provided that they do not obstruct the view and prominence of the structure and enhance the overall architectural integrity of the site.

Meanwhile, since the city is still planning to have an off-street park-

ing facility at Melvin Jones, NHCP requested for a copy of plan and development of burnham park for the NHCP's approval.

In response to the said letter, Domogan assured that the on-going city hall improvement will not in any way cause obstruction of the view but instead enhance and improve the city hall grounds and at the same time protecting and securing the safety of city hall.

On the other hand, Domogan recently formed a TWG to evaluate the possibility of developing an off-street parking area at Melvin Jones.

"We are not opposing the declaration of historical sites in the city, but we have to follow what is required under Republic Act 10066," said Domogan.

"The City Hall building was declared under the old law. However, under R.A. 10066, the city government did not comply with the requisites in declaring the city hall building as historical site because there was no public hearing and there was no resolution of the city government for the declaration of the city hall building," added the mayor.

For the meantime, the city council invited representative of the NHCP, National Commission for Culture and Arts (NCCA) and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR-CAR) on May 18 to shed light relative the on-going construction project at the city hall. /

Jho Arranz

a composite team's walk-thru in the main drainage tunnel along T. Alonzo street.

The composite team was created last April by an administrative order "to inspect the drainage and sewerage networks in the city of Baguio, and submit its report and rec-

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FACTS AND ISSUES ON K TO 12 SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL - Mayor Mauricio exchanges issues and concerns on DepEd's K to 12 Senior High School which is beneficial to all students for their future employment, business and college studies. With Domogan are Baguio City National High School principal Elma Donaol and Dep-Ed-CAR regional director Ellen Donato during the K to 12 Caravan Cum Forum which was attended by various sectors of the society. - by Bong Cayabyab

TWG Formed to Evaluate the Possibility of Melvin Jones Parking Plan

BAGUIO CITY - The city government here through the office of mayor Mauricio Domogan received the result of the feasibility study of the CW Development Inc. and Parkwise Philippines, Inc. with regards the possibility of having a parking facility at Melvin Jones football grounds.

The proposal of the CW Development Inc. and Parkwise Philippines, Inc. is to develop and operate an undercover, off-street parking facility at Melvin Jones football ground and still taking into consideration that said football ground will be integrated in the overall development.

Accordingly, the development will craft over 3,000 parking slots which will be of great help in addressing the urgent need for off-street parking especially in the Central Business district (CBD).

Said project is to be run as a Built Operate Transfer (BOT) scheme under a Public, Private Partnership (PPP) arrangement.

Parkwise Philippines, Inc. submitted the feasibility study for the possible establishment of a one floor parking area at Melvin Jones together with a three to four storey parking opposite Ganza and Solibao Restaurants.

The proponents assured that "this type of development has been undertaken successfully throughout the world, and has the potential to provide significant economic and social activation to the city of Baguio."

The composition of the Technical Working Group (TWG) Domogan formed through Administrative Order No. 045, series of 2015 tasked to evaluate the feasibility study submitted by the Parkwise Philippines, Inc. will be headed by city engineer Leo Bernardez, Jr., with members sangguniang panlungsod committee on Tourism and special events and SP committee on public utilities chair, councilors Elmer Datuin and Joel Alangsab, city budget officer Leticia Clemente, city treasurer Alicia Onoza, city accountant Antonio Tabin, city planning and development officer Evelyn Cayat, city administrator Carlos Canilao, city assessor Nilda Navarro, city general services officer Romeo Concio and city environment and parks management officer Cordelia Lacsamana.

Domogan has given the TWG 30 days to evaluate said feasibility study and to submit recommendation for a possible off-street parking in the city of Baguio.

An off-street parking at Melvin Jones will ease up traffic congestion and address the lack of parking spaces in the city while maintaining the surface of the football grounds, stressed the mayor. /Jho Arranz

PHL Slams China for Questioning its Actions in the West Philippine Sea

The Philippines on Wednesday shot back at China for questioning its action to bring journalists to Manila-claimed Pag-asa Island off the South China Sea, insisting it has "full sovereignty" over the feature.

"We have all the right to do such actions and no one can question it because we own it," Foreign Affairs spokesman Charles Jose said in the latest trade of diplomatic barbs with China.

Led by Armed Forces of the Philippines chief Gen. Gregorio Pio Catapang, local journalists visited Pag-asa Island on Monday, sparking criticisms from Beijing, which claims nearly 90 percent of the resource-rich waters, including areas that fall within the country's sovereignty.

Beijing called the Philippines a "rule-violator" and "troublemaker" for arranging the trip to the island also known by its international name, Thitu.

China's Foreign Ministry said the Philippines was endangering international law, a Reuters report said.

"China has made clear on many occasions that it opposes the Philippines' futile and illegal occupation," said ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying. "The reality of the situation has again proven the Philippines to be a rule-violator and a troublemaker."

Jose maintained that no violation was committed by the Philippines.

"It is not a violation because Pag-asa is within our sovereign territory," he said.

For his part, Armed Forces Western Command chief Vice Adm. Alexander Lopez said that China could do the same and invite media to the islands where they started reclamation work.

"We tried to be as transparent as we can to further emphasize 'yung policy ng administration na we are compliant doon sa declaration of code of conduct. So the foreign media was there, the Chinese media was there. They have seen for themselves na wala tayong ginagawa. We were compliant. Kumbaga, we respected the provision, unlike China," he said.

Lopez reiterated that there is nothing wrong with sending media to Pag-asa since the trip was part of Catapang's schedule.

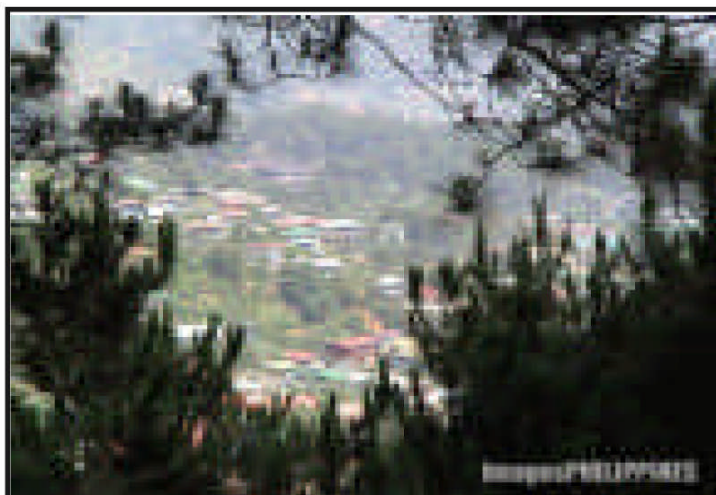
"In the first place, automatic 'yan basta kung saan pumunta si chief of staff eh may bitbit na media 'yun, 'yun lang naman 'yun," he added.

Manila and Beijing have been locked in years-long conflict over South China Sea territories, where undersea gas and oil deposits have been discovered in several areas.

It also pointed out that it was China who violated international law for undertaking massive and rapid reclamation of seven features in the waters, including those that are within Philippine waters.

China's reclamation in the South China Sea, Manila said, is not only illegal, but is intended to advance its so-called nine-dash line claim which covers almost the entire waters.

Other governments, such as Brunei, Malaysia, Vietnam and Taiwan, also have overlapping claims with China in the South China Sea which analysts feared as Asia's next potential flashpoint for a major armed conflict. By MICHAELA DEL CALLAR May 13, 2015 2:31pm/with Tricia Macas/KG/RSJ, GMA News



The Busol Watershed, a major water source of Baguio and a squatters' haven.

ADVOCACY MINDANOW

Why I have American Blood in my Veins

BY: JESUS DUREZA



A few days ago, I got reminded, during a recent clan reunion in my late father **Martin's** hometown **JANIUAY** in **Iloilo**, that I have **American** blood in my veins. I was one year old and born in another Iloilo town **GUIMBAL** when our family migrated down south to **Davao** where I grew up and have taken permanent residence since then up to now. I am a **Dabawenyo** but an **Ilongo** forever. Going back to the family "memory lane" and meeting seldom-seen relatives are always a source of unending joy. It's reconnecting with the past that we never lived but only heard about, that's valuable.

FAMILY STORY — Last Saturday, on our way to the venue of the **Dureza** clan reunion, we were passing through an old bridge being re-constructed, in entering the town when someone told us that the old, concrete turret or structure with openings for gun implacements at the foot of the bridge was where our late father, **Martin, Sr.** almost died during the war years when he was still a teenager.

Hearing that, we all immediately jumped out of the vehicle! Ah so this is what our father always told us about when we would sit by his side and he would regale us with his exploits as a young boy.

Here's his story. He was a teenager when Japanese occupation soldiers barged into their nipa hut, roused them up in the dead of the night and rounded up all males in the neighborhood. His father (our grandfather) was among those taken. Luckily our father **Martin** jumped out of the window and escaped. The following day, at daybreak, word got around that the men taken the previous night were all beheaded by the Japs. At nightfall, his family recovered his father's headless body using a carabao-drawn sled. The young **Martin**, with revenge in his heart did not return home and volunteered to join the local guerillas and in no time, he earned the local reputation of being a Japanese hunter-killer. He volunteered to be in the front lines during raids. One important mission for him one fateful day was to clear the bridge of the armed sentry guard to allow a guerilla dawn entry into town by silently killing without firing a shot the Jap soldier manning the gun turret. He volunteered, climbed the wall and engaged the Jap sentry. It was mission accomplished. But before the Jap gave his last gasp, he was able to thrust his bayonet at **Martin** who fell to the ground below mortally wounded. He however survived after months of treatment at an American hospital where it was said that he was saved because of the transfusion of American blood. Were it not for the massive transfusion, he would have died. (All 8 of us **Dureza** siblings would not have been around today.) Truth to tell, up to this day, I never stopped believing I have American blood in our veins — but still wondering why we don't have the American GI looks! (Lol)

CONNECTED — Being "connected" nowadays is a given. The cyberspace age makes this a normal "must do" with all the devices like phones, computers, IPADS, tablets, etc. While many of us consider this advance technology as breakthroughs, there are downsides to consider.

CLONING — I remember what a young, school-aged scion grandson of tycoon **Henry Sy, Sr.** told me while we were on a private

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

Unity of RP Christian Churches Pushed

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "... So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God..." (Ephesians 4:13, the Holy Bible).

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HUGE REACTIONS ON ISSUES OF SPIRITUALITY: I am greatly encouraged by reactions to what we have been writing in our columns about spirituality, particularly our invitation for men and women who want to be pastors or preachers of the Word of God by undergoing a Bible course through radio and Internet. Many have responded and signified they wish to be part of this Bible course.

Then, I am also receiving a lot of reactions, for and against, about our claim here that there is actually no doctrine of "born again" in the Bible, because what Jesus Christ, our God and Savior, really said to Nicodemus in John 3:3 was that, in order for man to enter the kingdom of God, he must be "born of God" and not "born again."

I thank each and everyone for all these reactions. Indeed, issues of spirituality would always generate so much interest among many Filipinos, whether for or against any views or perceptions articulated by people who have been given inspiration to talk about God and His Word. More importantly, I thank God in the Name of Jesus that people are even publicly reacting.

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INDEPENDENT CHRISTIAN CHURCHES SEEK BONDING AND UNITY: But then, I am also receiving calls from Christian churches which are not affiliated with any big religious groups, inquiring not only on how they could send their members, particularly the youth, to the Bible course, but also on the possibility of those churches federating or affiliating with the Anak ng Diyos Kadugo Ni Kristo (AND KNK), or the Children of God Blood Kin of the Christ).

These churches, though calling their members "born again" followers, are independent churches, and are functioning all by themselves. While they are already trying to study the Bible, it would seem they are interested in bonding with other spiritual groups who share their beliefs and their aspirations of becoming members of the "body of Christ".

I asked the leadership of AND KNK about this and the response was terrific: AND KNK is willing to federate, bond together, and accept into its fold independent Christian churches from the provinces and even from abroad, subject only to the acceptance of AND KNK's principal doctrine that Jesus is God and Savior, and that He is God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, all rolled into one, as it were.

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AND KNK WILLING TO TALK WITH CHRISTIAN CHURCHES: Consequently, I have been asked to announce that our Church, the AND KNK, is ready, able, and willing to accept independent Christian churches from anywhere in the Philippines and in the whole world which may want to federate, associate, bond, or affiliate with us, or which may simply want to inquire of our doctrinal teachings or beliefs.

Please do not hesitate to send me text messages at my numbers, 0917 984 24 68, 0918 574 0193, and 0922 833 43 96. I will also entertain email inquiries through my email addresses **Cont. on page 8**

DIMENSIONAL ROAD

Global and National Competitiveness through Filipino Youth's Prudent Career Decisions: Republic Act 7722

BY: MARVIN WACNAG LIDAWAN



"The function of education, therefore, is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. But education which stops with efficiency may prove the greatest menace to society." Martin Luther King Jr.

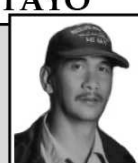
Entering colleges and universities for most students in the country will soon commence after three months or so and for this reason, the fast-approaching higher education opening provides ample and appropriate time for parents and students to resolve educational matters to determine the right career path the latter will undergo as a lifetime basis of livelihood and to be contributory in the country's vision to provide efficient graduates reliable around national and global industries at par with the ASEAN community not to mention graduate's pertinent qualifications to other regions of the world. At this juncture, the urgent need to decide wisely must be performed the soonest possible time. Course decision for future careers should have two outstanding factors to remarkably note despite other underlying barriers that may confront the learner in the acquisition processes. One thing to consider is the student's passion on studying that implies interests towards an efficacious future degree and the other is suggested as the Return of Investment (ROI) in pursuing the course. It is in this regard that interests propel the students' accomplishments of courses that await return of investments or its ability to be utilized for an occupational purpose or livelihood. But how will ROI be guaranteed from an achieved degree? The probability is great since the students and the parents are guided by the CHED memorandum order No.01 series of 2014 which demands the Republic Act No. 7722 otherwise known as the Higher Education Act of 1994 based on the country's National development plans and manpower demands for academic year 2014-2015 and DOLE jobs Fit 2020 vision. It simply perceives that education attained should be relevantly applied which pave way to a broader job opportunity pointed out in ASEAN vision 2020.

According to this commission's memorandum, this is a result of the inter-agency convergence held on September 30 and October 24, 2013 through the representatives of Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Philippine Association of State Universities and Colleges (PASUC), Philippine Association of Colleges and Universities (PACU) and view of the commission en Banc Resolution No. 872-2013 Dated December 4, 2013 which specifies the CHED priority Courses for AY 2014-2015 to 2017 to 2018 where qualified beneficiaries of the CHED student Financial Assistance Programs (StuFAPS) shall be directed to enroll. Not all students qualify for this educational opportunity. However, as parents or students who have a target career in mind disregarding the articulated scholarships, it would be prudent to follow points raised under this Republic Act 7722 being aware that the ultimate aim of the country is to level up the technical and academic knowledge of the nation anchored with the ASEAN Vision 2020 catering to varied areas of disciplines. These areas of intensive learning urgently needed are: Information Technology, Agriculture and other related fields, Teacher Education, Science and Math, Engineering, Health Sciences, Arts and Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Business Admin- **Cont. on page 7**

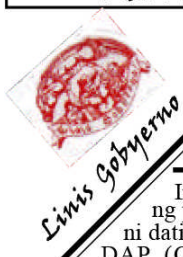
MAGKASANGGATAYO

Nakakatakot ang nagaganap na matinding problema sa west Philippine Sea!!!

BY: NESTOR "PAKEN" CASTRO



Sa kasalukuyan ay dapat lang na tunay na mabahala ang lahat ng Pilipino hingil sa nangyayaring pag aangkin at pagpapatayo ng China ng mga base military sa disputed west Philippine sea of south China sea. Sa kabilang dako naman ang kasalukuyan problema ng Muslim extremism o yun mga teroristang muslim na mismong andiryan lang sa Mindanao na anytime ay pupuwedeng lumipat sa bisaya at sa Luzon anytime (sa susunod kong kolum ay aking tutumbukin ang hingil sa mga muslim extremists). Unahin ko munang tumbukin kung gaanong ka seryoso ang isinasagawa ng mga intsik hingil sa pagpapatayo ng base militar. Ito ay ubod na sersoyo hingil sa ating seguridad at kapakanan-ekonomiya, tunay na isang world class military and economic power na ang china at kahit na anong ingay pa sa facebook, on-line at pag mamartsa ang gawin ng mga kumukontra dito at puros lamang ito kiao-kiao, tignan nyo ang nagyayari sa hong kong. Sa aking palagay ay mas makabubuting mag negotiate sa mga intsik with the international community as our supporter ng mapayapa hingil sa kung paano tayong lahat puwedeng makinabang sa maidudulot na economic benefits ng isang mutual economic development agreement na makakamit ng ating bansa sa pag develop ng west philippine sea. Samantalang ang kasalukuyan resulta ng paghahabla ng Pilipinas sa UNCLOS ay hindi rin naman papansinin ng china, so ano pa ang isasanga natin sa mga intsik, ang pansit canton o lumpiang shanghai?! Sa kasalukuyan ay wala akong nakikitang isang lider liderato ng gobyerno o boses na mayroon bayag at kagalang galang ang stature na kayang tumapat sa mga intsik, kaya tayo pinagtatawanan lang ng mga intsik. Maraming magaling lamang mag-ingay, ngunit puros ingay lang at kiao-kiao mga yan at tanuning mo sila kung handa silang ibuwis ang kanilang buhay para ipaglaban ang ating sovereignty o sumuporta man lang ng pinansiyal sa kasalukuyan laban?!? Nang sinubukan ng mga instsik ang Japan sa isa rin nilang disputed Japanese island, pinakita ng mga hapon na kakasa sila, ng kinanti ng mga intsik ang isang fishing vessel ng Vietnam pinakita ng Vietnam at tinakot nila at piñata pa ang mismong ilan intsik na nasa Vietnam, eh ang Pinoy, matagal ng kinakanti at sinusubukan eh anong ginagawa - WALA, KAIN LANG NG CHINESE FOOD SAPAGKAT MASARAP!!! At dun naman sa umaasang tutulungan tayo ng amerika o estados unidos, aba, **nananaginip kayo ng gising.** US visa nga lang para tayong tangang mga Pinoy na nagpapakahirap at nagbabayad ng malaking halaga for visa fee para sa wala, samantalang ang Japan at South Korea ay mayroon visa waiver kaya anytime pwede silang pumunta sa US. Ang gagawin ng amerika sa kasalukuyan west Philippine sea dispute at the most ay magiging neutral sila sa usapin na ito, at bakit? Op kors, sa laki ng utang ng amerika sa mga intsik, ilan trillions na nga ba ito, not billions of dollars but trillions (3 trillion na ata). Saan ka naman nakakita ng isang taong mayroon malaking pinag kakautangan at patuloy na nangungutang ang mangungunang makikipag away sa isang nagpapatang sa kanya? Sa usapin ng regional security, alang problema sa mga kano sapagkat anjan lang naman sa tabi-tabi ang kanilang mga aircraft carrier etc..., at ang kanilang mga base sa Guam kaya no problem para sa kanilang seguridad. Ang hindi na lang babanggain ng China sa ngayon (sa kasalukuyan-for now) ay ang Japan sapagkat matindi ang kamandang ng Japan (economically speaking), ngunit ang Pinas ay isang dispensible saling pusa sa mga usapin na ito. Masakit man tangapin ang katotohanan ngunit yan ang katotohanan na mismong ang ating sarili rin ang nag hain nito at pumayag na maging isang saling pusang walang galang sa international community ang mga Pinoy



Dating Congressman Bernardo Vergara sangkot daw sa ma-anomalyang pag gamit ng kanyang DAP ??? (Part 1)



Former Congressman
Bernardo Vergara

Inyong mababasa, ang liham with attachment na pinadala ng pahayagang ito hinggil sa diumano ay ang pagka-kasangkot ni dating Congressman Bernardo Vergara sa paggamit ng kanyang DAP (Congressional Pork Barrel Fund) sa kadudaduda at kwestionableng NGO nagkakahalaga ng mahigit anim na milyones (PHP 6M +), ito ay na-aayon sa isang report na inilabas ng Commission on Audit (COA). Inyo ring mababasa ang naging agarang kasagutan (e-mail reply) ni Cong. Vergara through his PR Executive Mr. Ferdie Balanag. Sa ngayon ay atin pang sisiyasatin, beberipikahin sa pamamagitan ng mas malalim na research and verification ang hinggil sa isyu na ito at maging kung ano man ang kalalabasan ng ating research and verification ay makatitayak kayo na ating ipaalam sa inyo ang buong resulta ng ating deep research and verification at kung kakailanganin at mamarapatin ay ang Linis Gobyerno na mismo ang magsasampa ng reklamo sa kinaukulang opisina ng gobyerno. ABANGAN ang mga susunod na LG Komentaryo na tunay na isang Palaisipan hinggil sa isyu na ito!!!

Re: Vergara- DAP and PDAF issue

Ferdinand John Balanag (ferdiejohn@yahoo.com)
To The Junction (thejunctionnews@yahoo.com)

May 15, 2015 , 11:22 AM

Contrary to recent news which has raised speculations on the legitimacy of the Kagandahan ng Kapaligiran Foundation, Inc., is not a bogus non-government organization recommended by former Congressman Bernardo Vergara to implement a series of livelihood and training seminars conducted in Baguio City for 595 beneficiaries of the program.

The Kagandahan ng Kapaligiran Foundation Inc., went through the stringent process of registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission and underwent a screening prior to the approval of the National Commission of Muslim Filipinos to implement Congressman Vergara's recommended livelihood project.

Former Congressman Vergara's participation in the livelihood project is limited to recommending it to the NCMF and monitoring the implementation and conduct of the livelihood trainings and seminars.

The Livelihood Seminars and Training conducted by the KKFI took place at the Baguio Benguet Community Credit Cooperative sometime in December 2012. Step-by-step, hands on training in meat, fish, and fruit processing, as well as dimsum and paper flower making were conducted by the Kagandahan ng Kapaligiran Foundation, Inc. and NCMF. Field tested livelihood technology kits were distributed after each training session consisting of a set of 5 books which introduces various livelihood activities that may provide alternative means of additional income.

https://www.facebook.com/bernie.vergara.9/media_set?set=a.4060609085863.2140375.1601269454&type=3

The KKFI is not in any manner associated with Janet Napoles.

The funds were sourced from the president's DAP coursed through the NCMF and not from the Congressman's PDAF.

There must have been a clerical error in the news released by the PDI and Manila Bulletin. PDI says the amount in question is 6.8M while Manila Bulletin says 3.67M

The P3,670,000 and has been properly bidded, disbursed and liquidated, duly audited, certified and supported by documentation of the actual project implementation.

There are many other projects that were recommended and implemented whose funds were sourced from the DAP by former Cong. Bernardo M. Vergara like the fencing of Burnham Park, Barangay Mushroom Livelihood Venture, Bamboo reforestation of the 7 watersheds, Emergency Medical Kits, Bicycles, Radios for the Barangays, new Patrol Cars for the BCPO and new Firetrucks for the Fire Station and many more.

In light of this issue, former Cong. Bernardo Vergara suggests that an investigation must first be conducted by the National Bureau of Investigation so that the truth of the matter can surface before publicity of unsubstantiated information that may misconstrue the facts.

The Junction Newspaper letter dated May 12, 2015 sent to former Congressman Bernardo Vergara

The email reply of Mr. Ferdie Balanag, PR Executive of former Congressman Bernardo Vergara

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VALENTIN P.
CALANGO,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

JULIA INGOSAN,
Mortgagor.

FORECLOSURE
CASE No. 15-569-S

EXTRA-JUDICIAL
FORECLOSURE
OF REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGE
UNDER ACT 3135,
AS AMENDED

SHERIFF'S NOTICE
OF AUCTION SALE

Upon petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended, filed by VALENTIN P. CALANGO, herein-after referred to as the MORTGAGEE, for the satisfaction of the mortgage indebtedness of JULIA INGOSAN, hereinafter referred to as the MORTGAGOR, which as of the filing of the petition, amounts to P65,000.00, Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest but excluding attorney's fees and other expenses incidental to the foreclosure, the Ex-Officio Sheriff or her undersigned Deputy Sheriff, will sell at public auction on JUNE 2, 2015, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter, at the lobby (fronting the main entrance) of the Hall of Justice Building, Baguio City, the following described mortgage properties and all its improvements existing thereon, to wit:

ASSESSMENT OF
REAL PROPERTY No.

ADVOCACY MINDANOW

plane enroute to **General Santos City** sometime ago to visit the **SM mall** there. He was on summer break from schooling abroad and accompanied his father **Hans, Sr.** to an inspection trip. I was surprised at his thoughts when we started talking about how the world advanced. He said that modern technology is both good and bad. The downside, according to him, has something to do with creating a clone of your private

2014-01-001-1480950
(LAND)

Boundaries: North:
ASS LOT NO. 140
South: ASS LOT
NO. 138
East: ASS LOT NO.
140
West: ASS LOT NO.
138
Actual Use:
Residential
Area: 811 square
meters
Market Value:
P121,650.00
Assessed Value:
P14,598.00

**ASSESSMENT OF
REAL PROPERTY
NO. 2012-01-001-
150665 (BUILDING)**

Actual Use:
Residential
Total Market Value:
206,497
**Total Adjusted
Market Value:**
P185,847.30
**Total Assessed
Value:** P18,584.73

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

Baguio City, Philippines, this 6th day of May, 2015.

(SGD)
LINDA G.
MONTES-LOLOY
Clerk of Court VI &
Ex-Officio Sheriff

(SGD)
RUBEN I. ATIJERA
Sheriff-in-Charge

Publication: May 9,
16, and 23, 2015

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self and storing it in your phone or device. The privacy risk is allowing others to gain access to your innermost self or your complete persona given that there is yet no foolproof security shield discovered by modern science to completely guard against such access. That's the reason why if one is separated from that phone or device, you either feel incomplete or insecure. You created your own clone for the outside world to see or pry into. This is one thing about being "connected" we should take into account.

"NETWORK" — In last Sunday's homily, I heard a priest-celebrant at the **Greenbelt Chapel** in Makati an interesting thought that is worth sharing. He said that in today's cyber-age, everyone is "connected" by phones, the computer, in the Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. He noted how we become so distressed or feel incomplete if we suddenly discover that our cell phone is lost or nowhere to be found. Or when the Internet or network is lost. When the "network signal" is lost or gone, we all become disconnected. Even the most expensive phone or most modern computer is less useful if it is not connected to a network.

The priest intoned: *If we all want to be always connected with one another and feel complete, let God be our "network". God is the uninterrupted "wi-fi".* Good thoughts/ADVOCACY MINDANOW FOUNDATION, INC. (AMFI)

DIMENSIONAL ROAD

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istration and related courses, Architecture, Maritime, Communication among other courses to be determined by the country's regions where needs to offer the course show relevance.

To be specific, Information Technology covers Multimedia, animation, Programming, Computer Sciences, Information system Management, Library Science & Information System for Systems Analysis; Agriculture and related fields includes Agro-forestry, Veterinary Medicine, Agricultural Engineering, Agribusiness and Management, Agricultural Entrepreneurship, Agricultural Technology, Agriculture, Fisheries, Food Technology, and Agricultural Economics. Teacher Education needs Majors in Math, Science, Physics, Chemistry, Reading, English, Educational Media and Technology, Special Education, Human Kinetics, Physical Education and Sports Science, Early Childhood Education, Environmental planning, MAPEH, Music Education, Art Education and Health Education. Science and Math covers BS Mathematics, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Marine Biology, Applied Physics, Geology, Earth Science, Applied Mathematics, Statistics and Applied Statistics, Atmospheric Science and Environmental Science. Engineering adds Mechanical, Electronics, Communication, Metallurgical and Mining, Computer, Biomedical, Chemical, Geodetic, Electrical, Meteorological, Mining, Geological, Sanitary Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Petroleum Engineering, Bio Chemical Engineering. Health Sciences focuses on Pharmacy, Radiology Technology, Medical technology, Physical Therapy and Nutrition. The Arts and Sciences particularizes Creative and Performing Arts, Religious Education, Philosophy and Theology. Social and Behavioral Sciences specifies courses in Psychology, Social work, Human Development, and Guidance Counselling. Business Administration and related courses itemizes Accountancy, Data Outsourcing, Business Process Outsourcing, Construction Management and Tourism. Architecture focuses on Architecture, landscape Architecture, Interior design, Environmental Planning, Fine Arts and Urban Planning. Maritime studies adds learning in Maritime Transportation and finally for Communication, it prioritizes Communication, Journalism, Broadcasting and Development Communication.

It is then understood that for graduates to be highly competitive, targeting a passing mark is less accepted. All graduates of these courses are expected to be theoretically and practically functional in varied industries which they plan to be with in the future. With the growing numbers of graduates today, competition perceives the depth of knowledge graduates have acquired contributory to any industry's growth. These knowledge are reflected to the marks, graduates earned chronicled in their transcripts of records. Students then should be concerned about the degree of marks they have obtained in the learning process.

This inter-agency effort is anchored with the vision of the ASEAN which partly states that "We envision the ASEAN region to be, in 2020, in full reality, a Zone of Peace, Freedom and Neutrality, as envisaged in the Kuala Lumpur Declaration of 1971. ASEAN shall have, by the year 2020, established a peaceful and stable Southeast Asia where

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Baguio City

FLORENCIO A. FANGONILLO - Vendor

RUDY G. BUMILAC - Vendee

Applicant(s)

Case No: 2000-01-2358/ 15-CAR-214

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for the Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ-Jitney service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the Line: Baguio Plaza - Scout Barrio and vice versa with the use of one (1) unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on June 3, 2015 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Paadal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her 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 CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 16th day of April, 2015.

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

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Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City

AUREA M. BUSTAMANTE

Applicant(s)

Case No: 2007-CAR-059

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a TAXI service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the Line: Baguio City to any point in CAR 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 27, 2015 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Paadal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 8th day of May, 2015.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
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Baguio City

RAMOS E. TACUDOG

Applicant(s)

Case No: 98-BC-1155

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 freight on the Line: Baguio City - Buyagan and vice versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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Attorney IV

each nation is at peace with itself and where the causes for conflict have been eliminated. *to be continued*

Binay 'dummies'...

counts with Binay, were designated beneficiaries, or conducted multiple high-value investment transactions.

"The AMLC observed large and frequent transactions made between the period 2008 to 2014 involving the aforementioned accounts of VP Binay, maintained individually or jointly with either Limlingan or Lily Hernandez Crystal. The AMLC likewise observed that these transactions were not commensurate to the income declared by VP Binay in his SALNs for said years," the order stated.

The AMLC found that money was transferred to banks outside of the Philippines.

"Considerable amounts of US dollars were transferred from Philippine to Canadian banks in the years 2008 to 2014, the period when the subject buildings were constructed. The US dollar transferred originated from accounts held either individually by Limlingan, or jointly by Limlingan and VP Binay at Rizal Banking Commercial Corporation, Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company, or BDO Unibank, Inc."

The AMLC, the CA said, also found huge transactions involving the bank accounts of Mayor Binay for the same period.

"At least 78 large transactions and five notable transactions involving Mayor Junjun Binay's aforementioned accounts were observed to have been made from 8 April 2003 to 8 January 2015," the order said.

How did dummies get millions?

The Senate has tried and failed to summon Limlingan and Baloloy to its probe. Rappler reports showed that Limlingan, Binay's "dear friend" and close associate, al-

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legedly monopolized security and janitorial services in Makati. Baloloy is known as the "trusted aide" and "girl Friday" of the Vice President.

Despite the absence of their testimonies, the AMLC found that their bank accounts contained amounts way beyond their income.

Based on the client information recorded by Landbank, Limlingan received an income of P30,000 in 2011 and 2013. Baloloy's source of income is her employment with the Makati city government.

"The AMLC's investigation would however disclose that in 2007 to 2014, cash deposits, transactions, majority of which were in millions of pesos, were applied to the individual and joint accounts maintained by Limlingan and Baloloy in BDO, Metrobank and Security Bank," the CA said.

The court added, "Other large transactions conducted by Limlingan and Baloloy involved funds that apparent have been placed in investment management fund accounts."

Mercado previously told the Senate that he delivered bags of cash to Mayor Binay, Limlingan, and Baloloy. These funds allegedly represented the 13% share of the Vice President in every project in Makati.

The AMLC investigation also revealed large transactions with other alleged Binay dummies, including Tiu, the billionaire businessman supposedly fronting as the owner of the 145-hectare property in Rosario, Batangas, known as "Hacienda Binay."

"The investigation into the bank accounts of Greenergy, Earthright, and Sunchamp revealed multiple transactions involving receipt of award remittances, in-

ter-branch fund transfers, cash withdrawals and cash deposits among the accounts of these entities, of the SPCMB Law Office and of Tiu from 30 June 2014 to 2 July 2014 alone," the order said.

"The investigation further revealed that despite Tiu's supposed business losses in 2013 and comparatively small net profit of P22.45 million in 2013, the accounts under this name showed multiple large transactions."

Liberal Party conspiracy?

On Tuesday, May 12, the Binays denied having knowledge of the freeze order, and lamented the disclosure of the court document. It criticized the AMLC for being part of the "conspiracy" to malign Binay.

Binay spokesperson Joey Salgado blamed the ruling Liberal Party (LP) and its president-on-leave Interior Secretary Manuel Roxas II for the release of the court order, and the AMLC report.

"This is all about the 2016 presidential election. This is all about unleashing the agencies of government to harass and malign the Vice President in the hope-however dim - that the LP's presumptive candidate will benefit from the demolition campaign."

Binay's spokesperson for political affairs Rico Quicho branded the release of the court order as a "malicious leakage."

"[This] is another blatant attempt to engage the Vice President in trial by publicity and to deprive him of his right to due process provided by the Constitution. It is also an indirect way to pressure and preempt the independence of the courts, which would eventually decide on the controversy," Quicho said.

Quicho added Binay will address the accusations in court. **Rappler.com**

Master Plan for City...

ommendation to the city council."

Engr. Lozano made it known that the city has a complementary pre-war and drainage done in the 80s which serves key areas in the city. Recommendations include the rehabilitation of both drainage and sewerage lines, with constant monitoring to prevent leakages, clogging and illegal connections.

A re-piping of lines, an estimated 5.2 km., is needed, Lozano said.

The tunnel upslope should be corrected by the (DPWH) with the installation of security gates, storm drainage inspection manholes with ladders for access, he said.

A database of permitted and non-permitted structures, including

waste water and storm water connection should be available at the City Building and Architecture Office (CBAO), it was also recommended.

The tapping of overflow from septic tank to drainage canals or bodies of water should be strictly prohibited, with permit and regulatory system

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for connection to a storm drainage for a fee.

Earlier it was reported that the waste water treatment facility treats more than its capacity of 8,000 cubic meters daily. New and complementary water treatment facilities are recommended, including the use of new technological methods to accommodate bulk wastewater, Councilor Peter Fianza said.

Councilor Isabelo Cosalan, Jr. said the profile of the old and new lines should be properly integrated with the rehabilitation plans.

City market wastewater treatment facility is being reiterated to treat all waste water generated within the market prior to dis-

KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS**...from page 5**

batasmauricio@yahoo.com, mmauriciojr111@gmail.com, melaniolazomauriciojr@outlook.com, and through my Facebook account, attybatas.

The objective in all these is to come up with one united group of believers who feel they have been called to do the work of God during the end times, at the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, which is to preach the Gospel of Salvation to all the nations, and thereby snatch souls from the fire and worms of hell. Call now!!!

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REACTIONS? Please call me at +63 917 984 24 68, +63 918 574 0193, +63 922 833 43 96, or Skype (batasmauricio), Viber (+63 918 574 0193) and Line (+63 917 984 24 68). Email: batasmauricio@yahoo.com, melaniolazomauriciojr@outlook.com, mmauriciojr111@gmail.com.

charge into the drainage system. A CBD integrated plan is being considered, it was known.

A meeting with big business establishments disposing of big volumes of waste and sewerage water is being scheduled, it was known. Inspection walk-thru at the City Camp Lagoon and other tunnels are also in the

offing. A representative from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (/DENR) shall also be invited.

Desludging of septic tanks should be done after four to five years, and information on proper waste water disposal should be done, Lozano further said. **Julie G. Fianza**



Branded o hindi, lahat made in China, BAKIT..... magtitiis sa high Price branded merong low Price RUSI naman.

Trade-in accepted

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Teacher Reaches...

last Tuesday morning, using her passport to validate her identity and assuring that the receipts covering the medicines and other expenses for the treatment of her children would be submitted to liquidate the donated sum.

Her travel document showed her stint as a domestic help for three years in Malaysia. She, however, decided to come home when she learned two of her six children were seriously ill.

"Desiree is back at the Baguio General Hospital due to pneumonia and complications," she explained. "Ralph had undergone surgery for multiple angioliopoma and is now confined to a wheelchair for bladder, kidney and heart problems."

Doctors advised Marissa to have an oxygen tank ready to help Desiree breathe and be able to recuperate at home when she would be released from the hospital. The item would cost P11,000.

Ralph Benedict, on the other hand, was recommended for an MRI (magnetic resonance imaging), estimated at P25,000.

Aldrin, the eldest of the siblings at 23, together with Jemar, 21, works as a construction laborer like their father, 42-year old Jerry. Mark is 17 and out-of-school, while Anjay, 11, is in

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grade 4.

Those who can help Marissa's family can ring her up at 0948-537-8418. They can visit the family at JD-147 Bayabas, Pico, La Trinidad, Benguet.

Meanwhile, P5,000 from a fund support of P25,400 raised recently by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Baguio chapter will be used this Monday for the eighth chemotherapy session of Mordayne Maslangan, a five-year old girl from Nueva Vizcaya who is suffering from acute lymphocytic leukemia.

Earlier, P5,000 from the donation went to the purchase of medicines for Helen Ballesteros Vicente, a 61-year old widow and mother of nine who is coping with diabetes and its complications.

The VFW members, mostly United States Navy retirees led by incoming and out-going post commanders Willy Totanes and Larry Senato, raised the humanitarian fund during their induction of officers last month.

Chapter member Bob Aliping triggered the pool by offering copies of "Boba Songs", a CD of his original folk and country compositions, saying the proceeds would go to easing the burden of indigent patients. / *Ramon Dacawi.*

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Proceeds from the derby will be managed by a committee led by Tanding and from which will be drawn support to dialysis patients, prioritized according to their difficulty in maintaining their treatment.

The disbursements will be subject to full disclosure through periodic reports to the derby participants and supporters and through news releases to be published in the local papers.

Over at the Tabora Sports Complex in Tuba, Benguet, Engr. Tony Boy Tabora, president of the United Baguio-Benguet Breeders Asso-

ciation also announced a fund P68,000 from the association's share from the national "Bakbakan" derby series, also to be used for relatives of cockfight enthusiasts who are undergoing hemodialysis.

The first beneficiary, a 62-year old bet-taker or "kristo" afflicted with diabetes, received over P4,000 worth of medicines. The second, who was recently diagnosed for kidney failure, had his expenses for medicines worth P2,400 reimbursed. / *Ramon Dacawi.*

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The Comparative Average Monthly Crime Rate (AMCR) in the city based on the 1st quarter rating period decreased from 338.78 in 2014 to 260.09 in 2015 or a 23.23 percent decrease per 100,000 population.

Miranda also reported a total of 196 persons were arrested through police response, 144 wanted persons were put behind bars, 15 drug personalities were also arrested with 3,575,336.50 worth of illegal drugs confiscated.

16 persons were also arrested for Illegal gambling, 2 for illegal logging, 3 for intensified campaign against loose firearms.

For the implementation of City Ordinances, 17 were apprehended for Peddling, 15 for Littering, 13 for Urinating, 190 for Smoking, 385 for Jaywalking, 13 for Graffiti and 6,976 for traffic violations.

18 minors were also rescued from vices and involvement in crimes while 2,477 were apprehended for the 'Zero Obstruction Campaign' / *Paul Rillorta*

DOST Road Train...

authority to manage all transport and traffic operations, rules and standards, engineering, and education of public transport operations was also observed.

As per reports, there are at least 1,437 jeepneys registered with different routes traveling from Baguio City to La Trinidad and vice versa.

A proposed 4 to 5.2 kilometers of elevated track along Balili River from La Trinidad to Baguio City was presented with four stations which will be located in the Provincial Capitol of La Trinidad, Kilometer 5 (BSU first gate), kilometer 4 and Slaughter House, Magsaysay, Baguio.

Estimated total cost for the proposed 120 seater coach AGT is 1.348 billion which includes development cost of proposed 6 coaches worth 66 mil-

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port to the relentless crime prevention and solution efforts of the BCPO to accomplish its mandate in making Baguio a safer place to live, study, visit, work and do business," the certificates for the adult crime fighters read.

"Such noble endeavor bespeaks of (your) invaluable volunteerism in helping the victim without expecting anything in return and further exercising the Filipino value of '(pagiging) makatao' as a responsible citizen of Baguio that is worthy of emulation," the minors' read thus.

The six barangays cited for having the lowest crime incidence for the first quarter of the year are Andres Bonifacio, Upper Dagsian, Lucban, Palma-Urbano, Phil-Am and Sto. Tomas.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan lauded the awardees for their concern for the community. "Hopefully, others will likewise be encouraged and inspired to do their share in keeping our city peaceful," he said. / *A Refuerzo*

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lion, developmental cost of 5.2 kilometer elevated track worth 1.122 billion and developmental cost of proposed 4 stations worth 160 million.

The projected annual fare revenues for the 10-year period for the AGT starting 2016 is P86,563,873,359.56 with annual ridership of 30,860,561 which would grow to P158,864,703,122.00 with annual ridership of 56,636,258 by 2026.

Although it is still partial results of the feasibility study, the possibility of deploying a locally developed mass transportation system technology in Baguio City and La Trinidad shows promise financially and if recommended, can be on a Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) Scheme under a Private-Public Partnership (PPP). / *Paul Rillorta*

Busol Squatters...

the watershed during the time of former mayor Reinaldo Bautista Jr. in July, 2009 which did not materialize after the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) issued a temporary restraining orders and later a preliminary injunction.

The High Court upheld its decision in February 4, 2009 quashing the jurisdiction of the NCIP to issue similar orders in 2006 to stop the implementation of the three demolition orders issued by then Mayor Braulio Yaranon for the dismantling of the illegal structures owned by three lot claimants.

In the said case, the structure occupants filed a petition for injunction and restraining orders before the NCIP Cordillera claiming that the lots within the watershed are their ancestral lands and that their ownership of said lots "have been expressly recognized in Proclamation No. 15 dated April 27, 1922" which declared the areas as a forest reservation.

In the order, the higher court maintained that the lot occupants' ancestral land claim was not expressly recog-

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nized by Proclamation No. 15 which should have justified the issuances made by the NCIP.

The court said Proclamation No. 15 "does not appear to be a definitive recognition of private respondents' ancestral land claim."

"The proclamation merely identifies the Molintas and Gumangan families, the predecessors-in-interest of private respondents, as claimants of a portion of the Busol Forest Reservation but does not acknowledge vested rights over the same. In fact, Proclamation No. 15 explicitly withdraws the Busol Forest Reservation from sale or settlement," the decision reads.

"The fact remains, too, that the Busol Forest Reservation was declared by the Court as inalienable in Heirs of Gumanagan v. Court of Appeals. The declaration of the (reservation) as such precludes its conversion into private property. Relatedly, the courts are not endowed with the jurisdictional competence to adjudicate forest lands," the court added. / *A Refuerzo*

Planning Chief...

Area and another multi-level parking at the Solibao Area leaving the field intact which could accommodate more or less 2,484 vehicles while the second option would be to include the redevelopment of the football field that will have more or less 3,000 vehicle capacity.

This week, Domogan directed the creation of a Technical Working Group (TWG) to evaluate the feasibility study submitted by Parkwise, Inc.

The TWG will be chaired by the City Engineer with members composing the chair of the Sangunian Panglungsod Committee on Tourism and Special Events, SP Committee chair on Public Utilities, the City Budget Of-

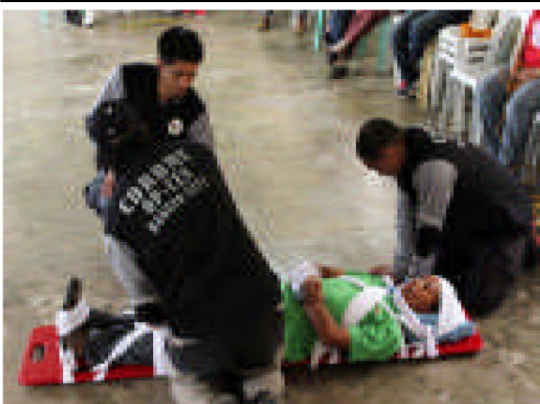
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ficer, City Treasurer, City Accountant, City Planning and Development Officer, City Administrator, City Assessor, City General Services Officer and City Environment and Parks Management Officer.

The TWG was given 30 days to submit their evaluation and recommendations.

Domogan said, "the evaluation of the TWG including their recommendations will be endorsed to the City Council."

Domogan said, "the city government will not push through with any project that could destroy the park or have detrimental effects on the environment." / *Paul Rillorta*



DISASTER PREPAREDNESS - City Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council (CDRRMC) conduct a three day seminar and training on Joint School-Barangay Risk Reduction at Pinsao Pilot Project May 13-15. CDRRMC aim to disseminate the preparedness of every individual specially the barangay council and school faculties during the disaster, nature or man-made. They taught the participants on how to respond during disaster, basic first aid, knot-tying and carrying the patient using a stretcher. - Rj Cayabyab photos

BCPO Reports Drop in Crime Volume for 1st Quarter

BAGUIO CITY - To address recent concerns about crime in this mountain resort, the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) OIC-Police Director Rolando Miranda provided city officials here a patch report for the first quarter of 2014 and 2015.

The report, compiled by the BCPO, compared crime rates from January to March 2014 vs. January to March 2015 which included the comparative crime volume, index crimes and non-index crimes.

According to the crime situational report, Baguio City is seeing a decline in crime rates this year.

Miranda said, "the crime volume for the 1st quarter last year is 3,427 while the same period this year is 2,631 with a significant drop of 796 or 23.22 percent."

Last year, Index crimes totalled 1,620 for the first quarter and this year, it is 1,219 which is 24.7 percent lower," he said.

Non-index crimes also showed 1,807 last year while 1,412 this year for the first quarter with a 21.85 percent drop.

The prevalent crimes in the city are theft, physical injuries and robbery.

Theft remains highest in index crimes for 2015 which has reached 633 cases for January to March, 2015.

For the same period last year, there were 927 theft cases or a 31.71 percent drop.

Physical Injuries is second highest with 423 this year comparing to the same rating period last year of 518 or a 18.33 percent drop.

Robbery cases last year is 163 while this year, there are 118 cases for the same rating period.

Other crimes reported for the period January to March are; Murder 1(2014), 3 (2015); Homicide 5 (2014), 8 (2015); Rape 4 (2014), 18 (2015); Carnapping 2 (2014), 16 (2015).

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Cockfight Aficionados Raise P54,000 for Kidney Patients

Top cockfight enthusiasts hereabouts banded up in a three-cock derby-for-a-cause last May 8 at the Shilan Sports Complex in La Trinidad, Benguet, netting P54,155 to be used as support to indigent patients who have to maintain twice or thrice-a-week hemodialysis treatment for total kidney failure.

Promoted by sportsman Gilbert Tanding, the derby drew 20 entries and was supported by top aficionados Raul Molintas, Eugene Martin, lawyer Rene Cortes, Badong Villanueva, Abe de Castro, Jolden Acay, Gilbert Sibayan, Tony Boy Tabora and Dr. Edward Dugui-is.

Cortes' entry "Janica" swept its assignment to emerge solo winner in the winner-takes-all format prepared by Tanding and Dugui-is.

Among those who joined were Butch Dimas with two entries, Dr. Victor Tiong, Baucan Brothers of Pinsao Pilot, Ricky Acay, Percy Bandonill, Clifford Bangcawayan, the tandems of Amang Cajucom and Rommel Toledan, and Steve Palangdao and Andot Flores, Eugene Buyuccan and Ador Kilakil.

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Teacher Reaches Out to Mother in Distress

A lady educator's own pain has not blinded her to the suffering of others.

While her husband recently began life-time hemodialysis treatment for kidney failure, the teacher took time last Monday to turn over P10,000 to help a young mother cope with the financial - and emotional - strain of caring for two of her own children afflicted with serious illnesses.

"I couldn't contact her through the cellphone number she gave in her appeal for help recently published in our local papers," the donor said last Monday, a day after Mother's Day.

"We just wanted to help," she said as she requested anonymity.

She was referring to Marissa Pasyalen, a 38-year old former overseas worker whose daughter, Desiree, 14, is confined at the Baguio General Hospital for pneumonia and whose son, Ralph Benedict, 19, is bed-ridden for kidney, heart and bladder problems.

Marissa received the amount Cont. on page 9

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Pahayagang Palaban!!!

Police Cite 8 Civilian Crime Fighters, 6 Barangays with Lowest Crime Incidents

BAGUIO CITY - Eight individuals including three minors who contributed in the fight against crimes and six barangays which posted the lowest number of crime incidents received awards last Monday from the Baguio City Police Office and the city government.

Feted during last Monday's flag-raising rites were security guard Allan Bermudo of the Eagle Matrix Security Agency, barangay kagawads Bernardo Torcedo of Hillside, Cesar Malicdan and Abraham Padilla of Quezon Hill Proper, Teodoro Fabia of San Luis Village and minors Chadrick Kyle Sanchez, Michael Velasco and Mark Osias.

Bermudo was instrumental in a total of 18 apprehensions of shoplifters and the subsequent filing of theft cases that happened between February and April this year at the SM store

and retail affiliates.

Torcedo was credited for the solution of a "salisi" theft case and robbery with force committed last March 25 and April 13, respectively while Malicdan and Padilla helped in the immediate arrest of one John Carlo Tantico for a case of frustrated murder last April 12 at Purok 5 Quezon Hill Proper and Fabia for the arrest of Mhelbert Gomez also for frustrated murder on April 15 at San Luis Village.

The three teenagers Sanchez, Velasco and Osias were cited for their prompt action in taking one Ariel Oligario, a victim of frustrated homicide, immediately to the hospital last April 12 also at Purok 5 Quezon Hill.

They were all awarded certificates of commendation by the city police headed by Sr. Supt. Rolando Miranda.

"Such noble contribution bespeaks of (your) invaluable sup-

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