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# Mayor warns public on scammers



BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan here Thursday called on residents especially the Senior Citizens to be extra careful in dealing with strangers as they can fall victims to swindlers.

This as reports of criminal elements notably members of the dreaded 'Budol-Budol Gang' have been victimizing senior citizens in the city.

The Baguio City Police office (BCPO) reported an increasing trend of swindling incidents targeting mostly unsuspecting victims.

"I believe they are doing research on their would-be victims and pose as old acquaintances or relatives," Domogan said.

Over the weekend, Domogan has ordered the Baguio City Police office (BCPO) to step-up its campaign against criminality in the city more particularly theft, robbery and swindling.

Authorities say victims are approached by strangers posing as a friend or an old acquaintance and start a friendly conversation until they convince the victim on a double-your-money ploy.

Usually, the swindlers pretend to leave bundles of money to a potential victim and ask them to give valuables such as jewelry

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Strike 2, both Philippine Senators Estrada and Revilla now under detention for alleged Plunder charges. Will the court be lenient enough to grant them bail??? One to go as we await the arrest of Senator Enrile!!!! Photo - mb.com.ph

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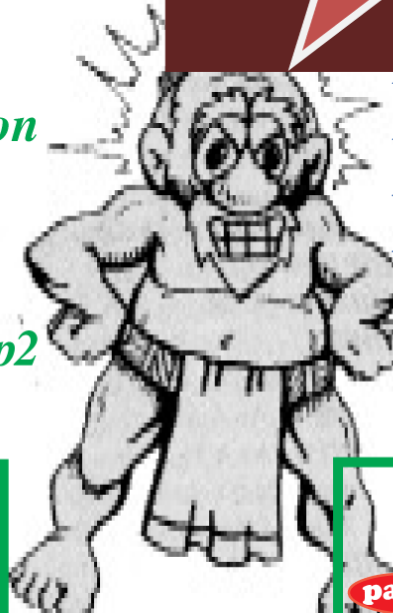
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## PIA Chief Urges Info Officers to Help Build Community Movement v.s Climate Change

BAGUIO CITY - People working together, united as a community,

as a movement that is guided by the right knowledge and information on climate change adaptation and mitigation.

This is the climate change mitigation and adaptation approach that Philippine Information Agency Director General Jose Mari Oquiñena wants to bring to every Filipino and in every community in the country. He bared this in his inspirational talk during the PIA - National Capital Region- led Association of Information Officers in Metro Manila (AIMM) Skills Enhancement Seminar and Climate Change Forum here last week.

Oquiñena pointed out that climate change mitigation and adaptation is not only about dealing with the science of it but also about building a movement, a united front against climate change in minimizing its impact especially on loss of lives, because it cannot be done by any single institution or even by the government bureaucracy as a whole.

"We have to stop looking into climate change as a science but as threat to our way of life, wherein we need a way for us to bond together for survival," he said.

Oquiñena encouraged the participants that as information officers and communicators, to help bond people together as a united front that will bring more strength in the fight against climate change.

He shared that they have spent a month in Yolanda- stricken areas and personally experienced the grief brought about the devastation though as they initiated a "Bayani Challenge" movement, he also shared that than 1.6 million people joined to help in rehabilitation efforts.

For the climate change advocacy campaign, Oquiñena also encouraged them to help bring in new and creative approach in order that the younger generation will be well informed about climate change so that they will be more prepared to deal or face the threat that climate change brings. They could also be examples to others.

Oquiñena pointed out that with communication as a powerful tool, as information officers they have the responsibility of giving the right information that will better equip them with the knowledge and skills in dealing with climate change.

"It is truth versus responsibility. I am not telling you to stop saying the truth but at the same time we must also help the younger generations become more successful Filipinos than us (as far as climate change adaptation and mitigation is concerned)," Oquiñena stressed./JDP/CCD - PIA CAR

## Asean Integration to Open more Opportunities For Phil Tourism Industry,

### DOT says

BAGUIO CITY - Regional integration for ASEAN Economic Community 2015 will open the door for more opportunities for the country's tourism industry.

Department of Tourism (DOT) Policy Formulation and Evaluation Division Alex Macatuno, in the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)- led AEC 2015 Forum here on Monday, said that AEC 2015 will open more opportunities for people in the tourism and hospitality sector. Filipinos he said have already established a very good track record and a competitive edge in the global market.

"Our workforce are very good and more competitive compared to other member states in the tourism industry. I say this not as a Filipino but it can be said on how many Filipinos are working on hotels abroad, how many are performers overseas and how many are in the cruise industry; so this is actually an opportunity primarily to our people," Macatuno said.

He also informed that locally, AEC 2015 can bring in more foreign investment especially in hotels and restaurants, which could create more employment for the country's tourism and hospitality workforce, as well as increase in tourist arrivals from neighboring ASEAN

countries.

For the mobility of tourism professionals and workers, Macatuno reported that skills enhancement trainings are already being implemented to prepare tourism workforce. He said that the possible influx of Filipino workforce abroad will not create a vacuum in the industry as studies show that there are more than enough students going into the industry'.

"It is just a matter of giving them the opportunity to enhance their skills and potentials", Macatuno said.

For boosting the country's tourism industry in preparation for AEC 2015, Macatuno pointed out the need to develop new products and in bringing in more tourism infrastructure development projects.

Macatuno disclosed that the country, through DOT is set to sign a Cruise tourism development project with Vietnam.

In terms of foreign tourist arrivals, though it increased from around 3.5 million in 2012 to 4.2 million in 2013, the Philippines still ranks sixth among the 10 ASEAN member countries. Macatuno reported that more work needs to be done on tourism infrastructure.

"Connectivity and seamless travel on air, water and land, for both foreign and local tourist is very vital for the tourism industry", he stressed.

He reported that the DOT and the Department of Public Works and Highways road infrastructure projects are already gaining ground and the national government is also already investing on the airports and seaport development projects./JDP/CCD - PIA CAR

## City Records Increasing Cases in Renal Disease

BAGUIO CITY - Mayor Mauricio Domogan is alarmed over the increasing number of patients undergoing Hemodialysis in this mountain resort.

The mayor announced his concern Thursday during the Ugnayan Presser aired live on Sky Cable and DZEQ Radio ng Bayan.

Domogan said, "the lifestyle and lack of exercise among city residents might be a factor in the bloating number of dialysis patients in the city."

"Diet, Exercise and Attitude are the key factors for a healthy body," Domogan said.

As per reports from the Department of Health-Center for Health Development-Cordillera Administrative Region (DOH-CHD-CAR), there is an increasing trend of patients undergoing Hemodialysis in the region.

The top three leading causes of End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) it said are Hypertensive Nephrosclerosis, Diabetic Nephropathy and Glomerulonephritis gathered from the hemodialysis clinics in CAR.

This however does not show the true picture of the region because only the province of Abra, Baguio City and Benguet have Hemodialysis units with which the data was gathered.

Presently, there are 6 hemodialysis clinics in Baguio, 1 in Benguet and 1 in Abra.

Other patients of the Cordilleras seek consultation in nearby regions, the report said.

The report showed the Hemodialysis Clinics cater to 79.6% of total cases from CAR while 20.4% are from other regions.

36.8% of new cases annually come from Baguio City, 27.8% come from Benguet, 6.3% from Abra, 6.1% from Mt. Province, 1.2% from Kalinga, 1.1% from Ifugao and .3% from Apayao.

15.7% come from Region 1, 2.9% come from Region 2 and 1.7% come from other regions.

To address this, the CHD's strategy for this year is to work closely with Lifestyle-Related Diseases Program in doing information and education campaign on the prevention of renal diseases.

Priority of such activities would be the City of Baguio and La Trinidad which have the highest ESRD cases.

The CHD will also be conducting Renal Disease Screening through urinalysis for Grade 5 pupils in the region for the early detection of renal disease./Paul Rillorta

## Dads Seek Public Consultation on New Anti-Smoking Ordinance

BAGUIO CITY - seven years after it was first enacted in this mountain resort, the comprehensive anti-smoking ordinance is yet to see its needed amendment to attain its full objective for a smoke free city.

The ordinance entitled the 'New Comprehensive Anti-Smoking Ordinance of Baguio seeking to prohibit the use, sale, distribution and advertisement of cigarettes and tobacco products in this mountain resort has been put-on hold by the city council here.

The proposed ordinance Numbered 78 series

of 2013 introduced by Councilors Richard Carino, Elmer Datuin and Fred Bagbagen was deferred Monday during the regular session to pave way for a public consultation prior to its approval and eventual implementation.

The new 'smoke free ordinance of 2013' is seen as an amendatory ordinance to the existing Comprehensive Anti-Smoking Ordinance of the city approved in 2008.

The said 'new smoke free ordinance' for the city as Vice mayor Edison Billog pointed-out is already a repetition of a national law.

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## City Eyes Long Term Options to Ease Traffic

Baguio City – the planned Monorail in this mountain resort might work magic in addressing the congested streets of the summer capital.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan sees the monorail project of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) as a welcome development in addressing the over-crowded streets of Baguio.

Domogan said, "a mass transport can effectively lessen public transport which usually crowds the Central Business District (CBD)."

"We are very optimistic that the project of the DOST can be piloted in our city and if it pushes through then we will address the clamor of the public transport sector regarding their livelihood," Domogan said.

The public transport sector is sold on the proposed monorail project as this could have a big impact on their livelihood.

Domogan however stressed the public transport sector will be part of the project if they are willing to organize themselves.

"They are a priority if the project pushes through, they will be tapped and proper coordination between the city and the transport sector will be done," he assured.

The local government is looking into long-term solutions to the worsening traffic congestion problem including air pollution in the city which is attributed to the increasing number of vehicles plying the city's streets.

Domogan said, "the clamor to pedestrianize Session Road will be thoroughly studied considering that it is a major thoroughfare."

"We have to pinpoint alternative routes which will not cause traffic build-up if we decide to close it down as a promenade area, this is a good concept but we have to consider everything first," he said.

The city is still awaiting the result of the study on the proposed monorail project which is also being groomed to service the BLISST area including the feasibility study of an Australian Firm on the planned parking complex for the city.

The two projects will not only address the ballooning traffic congestion being experienced in the CBD but will also add to the city's coffers if feasible.

Domogan also said the city is not closing its doors to other similar feasibility studies and project proposals from interested groups./Paul Rillorta

## CANA, NUJP Conduct Training on Public Transparency and Accountability

BAGUIO CITY - The duty of reporting about corruption issues does not only lie in the hands of journalists, but of citizens as well.

This was the encouragement of the Citizen Action Network for Accountability (CANA) and the National Union of Journalists of the Philippines (NUJP) when they trained local journalists, civil society organization members, barangay leaders, women's organization members, jeepney drivers, and youth who participated in their workshop called "Monitoring and Reporting Public Transparency and Accountability".

The workshop included group discussions on qualities and issues of local governance, orientation public finance management, the pork barrel issue, and the Freedom of Information Bill. NUJP Director Sonny Fernandez and Atty. Jose Mencia Molintas served as resource speakers.

Participants were also encouraged to submit reports on accountability and transparency issues and other local government unit affairs, and other investigative reports to CANA through their website [www.citizenaction.net](http://www.citizenaction.net).

The seminar was part of a series of workshops focused on monitoring and reporting public transparency and accountability. It was made possible through the collaboration of NUJP, The Institute of War and Peace, MindaNews, and the European Union./JDP/Pryce Quintos- PIA CAR

## Ifugao RTC Judge Reminds Witnesses of Their Civic Duty to Testify in Court

LAGAWE, Ifugao - The presiding judge of the Regional Trial Court Branch 14 here reminded witnesses of their civic duty to testify in court in order to help in the speedy and effective administration of justice.

Judge Romeo Habbiling made this reminder following his order for the dismissal of a case involving suspected communist rebels Grayson Naagsan and 17 other co-accused due to the failure of the Prosecution to present its evidence because of the non-appearance of the witnesses to testify during the trial period.

The charge of murder and frustrated murder against the accused arose from the Complaint and Information filed by the IPPO headed by Atty. Joseph Tumapang on October 20, 2011 wherein it alleged that in the morning of February 26, 2011, a platoon of soldiers of the 86th Infantry Battalion led by 2Lt. Mark Anthony Bernardino and guided by two former New People's Army members conducting security patrol in the municipality of Asipulo were waylaid by the communist guerillas resulting to the killing of three and wounding of four soldiers.

The three witnesses who belong to the 86th IB and are now transferred in the province of Isabela, failed to appear during the court trials because of the distance they have to travel and the time, effort and expenses they have to incur in order to testify in court located in the capital town of Lagaawe.

The prosecution for several times was not able to present the witnesses and other evidence to prove their case against the accused within the period allotted for them in the litigation, hence the order of dismissal.

The non appearance of witnesses during trials is a big blow in the dispensation of justice, Habbiling claimed./JDP/DBC- PIA CAR, Ifugao

## EMB-DENR Sets up Regional Ecology Center

BAGUIO CITY - A linkage hub on solid waste management called the Regional Ecology Center (REC) for the Cordillera region is now being established at the Environmental Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Cordillera (EMB-DENR-CAR) office here.

The firming up of partnership with the various sectors is underway with its launching and forging of a memorandum of agreement tentatively set next month.

The ecology center is expected to provide technical expertise, information, training and networking services in the implementation of Republic Act 9003 or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act.

Aside from functioning as a hub, the center will facilitate training and education in integrating the solid waste management concept. It will also promote the development of a recycling market and act as the clearinghouse for clean production or clean technologies on solid waste. It will provide or facilitate expert assistance in



**SEAL OF GOOD GOVERNANCE** - City officials headed by Mayor Mauricio Domogan and Vice Mayor Edison Bilog answer queries from Seal of Good Governance Regional Assessment monitoring team during an exit conference held at SP Session Hall last June 24./By Bong Cayabyab

## Mayor Lists Priority Projects for Funding

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan is in high hopes for the eventual funding of the city's priority projects which remain un-finished in this mountain resort.

The projects which were conceptualized previously or have been started but needs additional funding have been brought to fore to attain the city's goals towards development.

Domogan said, "a list of priority projects needing funding is already provided to the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) which he personally handed Wednesday.

The list includes projects for solid waste management particularly for the set-up of the Integrated Solid Waste Management System (ISWMS) which he said is of major concern.

The mayor asked for additional funding for the renovation of the Baguio Convention Center which is being used on special occasions and programs.

Also included for funding is the provision of the Legislative Building beside the Baguio City Hall and a Livelihood Center.

The mayor said the provision for a rain harvesting facility beside the Baguio Convention Center is also being prepped-up.

Also included in the list for priority improvement is the concreting of the road leading to the Philippine Science High in Irisan, rehabilitation of the Mines View Park and improvement of the Botanical Garden among others.

The fund which is being asked from the national government totals more or less P800 million.

The city is also pursuing a Public-Private Partnership venture for the development of the Burnham Park, the Asin Mini-Hydro Electric Plants and the Abattoir./Paul Rillorta

pilot modeling of solid waste management facilities among other functions.

EMB-DENR-CAR Director Oscar Cabanayan stressed the need of the REC as mandated saying that "we will be accountable with our participation to the center."

Aside from MOA signing among partners from the government, academe and the private sector, best practices on solid wastes management will also be showcased during the REC launching./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR, Benguet

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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.

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This application shall be acted upon by 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 23rd day of June 2014.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR  
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## Polarizing vigilantes

Are you a Catholic, Protestant, Sikh, Taoist, or Buddhist living in or visiting Malaysia? Watch it. You are not to use the word "Allah" referring to God, that country's highest court said in a 4-3 decision this week. Only Muslims may do that under the law.

Suppose you're Catholic, Protestant, Sikh, Taoist, or Buddhist just touring, or even living in, the state of Sarawak, the population of which, according to the 2010 head count, is 44 percent Christians, 30 percent Muslims, and the rest from other faiths. You may address God as "our Father" who causes "his sun to rise on the good and the evil and rain to fall on the just and unjust."

The edict applies only to the Catholic weekly Herald, Kuala Lumpur said after the decision was issued. Since 2007, the Herald had been ordered to cease using "Allah" on grounds of "national security and public order." Malaysian Christians may use "Allah" in church. Herald editor Fr. Lawrence Andrew sued, saying: "We have a responsibility to uphold religious freedom."

"Conflicting interpretations of the ban only added confusion to a debate that inflamed religious tensions," wrote The Associated Press' Eileen Ng. Ethnic Malays form two-thirds of Malaysia's population. Chinese and Indians number 22 percent and 7 percent, respectively. Christians number about 9 percent.

This ruling "shows how fast religious tolerance is falling in Malaysia," the New York-based Human Rights Watch noted. "Government should work to promote freedom of religion rather than politically exploit religious wedge issues."

Indeed, the ban appears "politically motivated," writes William Case at the City University of Hong Kong's Department of Asian and International Studies. Prime Minister Najib Razak's party failed to win a majority in the last election. He's strapped to recapture support of the country's ethnic Malay, and mostly Muslim, community.

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"It's too soon to tell how government will implement the ban,"

Case adds. The judiciary may say one thing, the Cabinet another. "That would lead to further attacks on churches as Malaysia has become more polarized on ethnic, and increasingly religious, grounds. However, verbal threats against religious groups in Malaysia seldom translate into the kind of violence seen elsewhere..."

The decision doesn't stipulate the penalty for violating the ban. But it appears that a newspaper using the term would lose its publishing license. Whatever, Christians will continue to use "Allah" in bibles and during church gatherings, said the Christian Federation of Malaysia chair, Rev. Eu Hong Seng, as they did even before Malaysia split from Singapore.

In January, authorities confiscated 300 bibles in Selangor state. In late 2009, it impounded 15,100 bibles imported from Indonesia. Two Bible Society officials were investigated for breaking a state law that bans non-Muslims from using the word "Allah," BBC reported.

As of 2012, at least 17 nations (9 percent worldwide) have police that enforce religious norms, according to a new analysis of data, says the Pew Research Center. "In Malaysia, state Islamic religious enforcement officers and police carried out raids to enforce the Sharia law against indecent dress. [They] banned publications, alcohol consumption and khalwat (close proximity to a member of the opposite sex)," according to the US State Department.

Religious intolerance spawns even body snatching, blogs Mariam Mokhtar, who heads the Perak Liberation Organisation. "The most prominent [victim] is former chief justice Mohamed Suffian Hashim. A Cambridge scholar, he married Buny, a British Christian. She wanted to be cremated. But before services at the Cheras crematorium, religious officials took [the body] to Kuala Kangsar for burial according to Muslim rites."

Mokhtar cites similar body-snatching cases, including that of 74-year-old Gan Eng Gor.

Malaysia is "an ethnically polarized society," the New York Times' Thomas Fuller noted earlier. "Talent often does not rise to the top of government because of patronage politics within the ruling party dominated, until now, by the United National Malays Organization."

"A system of ethnic preferences blocks minorities, mainly ethnic Chinese and Indians, from government service. Ethnic Malays corner nearly all top government positions and receive a host of government preferences."

The local press is muzzled by licensing laws. "There has always been a kind of wait-for-instructions-from-the-top attitude." Authoritarian laws help keep an ascendant opposition in check, as the opposition's Anwar Ibrahim found in recycled sodomy charges. "The government is accustomed to getting its way. When you are not challenged in any meaningful way, you get complacent."

Late March, a once-unthinkable interfaith meeting gathered in Kuala Lumpur, after Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 disappeared. The imam cupped his palms to invoke Allah for the 239 passengers and crew. "The prayer was not unusual," wrote the AP's Eileen Ng. But the setting was a Damansara Perdana shopping mall.

"Today is a rare occasion for us to bring unity and harmony," prayed a Buddhist monk. "We are all in tears waiting for you," said Shanthi Venugopal, the Hindu representative. The Taoist priest beseeched for divine intervention, while the Sikh leader pleaded for closure. A Catholic read from the bible.

The rites "would have been inconceivable" before March 8 in a country "where religious bigotry is often openly displayed," the AP reported.

Tali lega lembar tak suang-suang putus, a Malay proverb says. A rope of three strands takes some breaking. Alas, it unwound too soon./Juan L. Mercado/E-mail: juanlmercado@gmail.com

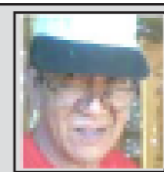


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*Public Statement of  
Jesus Durez*

**BY: JESUS DUREZA**



STATEMENT OF FORMER PRESIDENTIAL PEACE ADVISER JESUS G. DUREZA RE CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES ON MILF PEACE AGREEMENT:

"THE RECENT STATEMENTS OF PRES AQUINO THAT THERE ARE NO CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES BUGGING THE COMPREHENSIVE AGREEMENT ON THE BANGSAMORO (CAB) ARE RE-ASSURING — IF CORRECT AND TRUE.

HOWEVER, WITH DUE RESPECTS, I HAVE SERIOUS RESERVATIONS TO THE PRESIDENT'S SEEMINGLY "CAVALIER" ASSESSMENT THAT "ALL IS WELL AND OK". ALTHOUGH I HAVE NOT SEEN THE DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED BANGSAMORO BASIC LAW (BBL) I HAVE SERIOUS DOUBTS ABOUT THOSE PRESIDENTIAL ASSURANCES SIMPLY BECAUSE THE MILF REPEATEDLY AND CONSISTENTLY REJECTED AND REFUSED TO USE THE PHIL CONSTITUTION AS ONE OF THE FRAMEWORK "REFERENCES" DURING THE WHOLE COURSE OF THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS. AS A MATTER OF FACT, EVEN THE MERE MENTION OF THE PHIL CONSTITUTION IN ALL OF THE AGREEMENTS SIGNED WAS REJECTED BY THE MILF ALL THROUGHOUT. (GO CHECK THE 12 SIGNED AGREEMENTS FROM 1997 UNTIL 2014 TO SEE WHAT I MEAN.) I KNOW BECAUSE I WAS THERE BEFORE. THE MILF SIMPLY REFUSED TO BE CANALIZED BY THE CONSTITUTION, UNDERSTANDABLY, BECAUSE SOME PROVISIONS OF OUR BASIC LAW COULD VERY WELL BE THE REASON WHY THERE WERE HISTORIC INJUSTICES SUFFERED BY THE BANGSAMORO WHICH THEY WANTED REDRESSED. HENCE THE PRESENCE OF CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES MUST BE EXPECTED AND SHOULD NOT BE A SURPRISE TO ALL. SO, LET'S NOT GLOSS OVER IT OR JUST PRETEND IT IS NOT THERE. INSTEAD IT SHOULD BE DEALT WITH DECISIVELY. THAT WAS THE PRECISE REASON WHY THE CAB, ANTICIPATING THIS, MANDATED AND EXPRESSLY DIRECTED THE TRANSITION COMMISSION TO CRAFT ACTION PLANS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, IF THE NEED SHALL ARISE. I MAY BE WRONG BUT A CURSORY READING OF THE CAB AND ITS ANNEXES POINTS TO THE NEED FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. UNDULY STRETCHING THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF OUR BASIC LAW TO ACCOMMODATE BORDER-LINE ISSUES IS RISKY. POSSIBLE CHALLENGES OF CONSTITUTIONALITY BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT SHOULD BE AVOIDED, AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. THERE ARE ALREADY DISSENTERS WHO ARE JUST MERRILY "WAITING IN AMBUSH" TO HAVE THE CAB STRIKEN DOWN. LET'S DENY THEM THAT PLEASURE. THE FAILED MOA-AD DURING OUR TIME SHOULD BE INSTRUCTIVE.

TO IGNORE IT IS NOT PRUDENT. WE CANNOT — AND SHOULD NOT — RISK A REPEAT.

MY UNSOLICITED ADVICE IS TO GRAB THE BULL BY THE HORNS AND GO FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, HOWEVER LONG AND ARDUOUS THE ROAD MAY BE. A BIG RESERVOIR OF SUPPORT FOR PEACE IS OVERFLOWING ITS BRIM RIGHT NOW. WE NEED TO INVEST ONLY A LITTLE MORE TIME AND SOME AMOUNT OF PRESIDENTIAL POLITICAL GOODWILL — WHICH IS ALSO REPUTEDLY OVERFLOWING — TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. WE CANNOT SURVIVE A SECOND DEBACLE!/ADVOCACY MINDANOW FOUNDATION, INC. (AMFI)/Follow us at Twitter: [AMFI\\_Mindanao](#)/Email us: [info@advocacymindanow.org](mailto:info@advocacymindanow.org)/Visit us: [www.advocacymindanow.org](http://www.advocacymindanow.org)



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Part 1

BY: FREDDIE J. FARRES



(Screen shot of www.gracebandoy.com/ June 28, 2014 )

I learned about the above website as a friend (Art Boquiren) called me up asking if I have any idea as to who could possibly have some information about it and also about a certain Remando Martinez whom it appears had written a letter and posted at FB, questioning and commenting on what appears to be the continuous non-stop malicious and vicious attacks of Grace Bandy against Mayor Domogan and Congressman Aliping and his family. For a quick rundown of the site ( but before that, just a little summary on how I know Grace). It is obvious that this site was not created by Grace Bandy, although she could also have created this for reasons known only to her.

I do have some personal knowledge about Grace as she was one of our columnists for the period 2001-2004, and she was also an active member of the LG (remember Grace our numerous attendance at the Senate CA hearings, the LG opposing the appointment of then DOTC Sec. Pantaleon Alvarez?). Although we did have some sort of a falling out when this paper remained silent against then Candidate Cong. Bernardo Vergara during the 2004 elections and she admittedly was rooting for candidate Braulio Yaranon. When then Mayor Yaranon lost to Peter Rey Bautista, we would occasionally meet. She would also come around during this paper's anniversary and other occasions.

Once again, our paths crossed last elections when she texted me that according to Ferdie Balanag, I or this paper was demanding for a certain amount from the then candidate Vergara and that is why this paper was critical of Vergara as they did not give in to our demands. What I did then was to email to her this paper's proposal for campaign ads solicitation (given to F. Balanag as early as February 2013), likewise copy furnished the parties concerned. I also explained to her that these paper as a rule, sends to all political campaign candidates solicitation proposals for campaign ads and related PR services. It is an accepted fact and legal at that for a media outfit to solicit for campaign ads before the elections (who doesn't?). And the funny thing is, this paper's criticisms against candidate Vergara stemmed from issues raised by the LG as far back as the year 2012, which candidate Vergara simply ignored. As to why Grace Bandy seems to take seriously verbal information from Ferdie Balanag was a bit of a puzzle.

Just recently, my path with Grace had come across again when we invited her for dinner to discuss possible small scale minning venture as she ( and her relative) had previously visited a property of mine several years ago (upon her offer) to look into the possibility of small scale minning, as she claims that she has relatives engaged in such.

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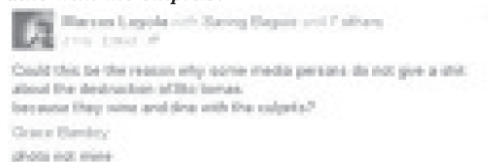
Getting back to the www.gracebandoy website, I actually do not see anything offensive about it. I in fact find it humorous. I believe that those of us who have the capacity to dish it and dish it hard should also have the capacity to receive it and receive it hard; or us some would put it, when you work hard you

should also know how to play hard. I also in fact find the website to be quite factual except for a tinge of sarcasm, but nothing compared to the sarcasm Grace had been dishing out to the Mayor and the Congressman as I had learned from the recent information shown to me by a source, and of course there appears to be quite some non-stop malicious and vicious comments of Grace as indicated at the website. But, what concerns me more at this point is the letter of Remando Martinez when he said that he will divulge information that is under oath as he has a witness(es) who will attest that Grace needed something from the mayor and the congressman.

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To disgress for the meantime from the website referring to Grace, let us take a look at this blatant false inuendo against the media in general!

One example on the use of Facebook on how one can take out of context the following photo (this photo was provided to me by a source) which appears to have been posted by a certain Marcos Loyola and re-posted by Grace Bandy at her FB Page, and thus basically the whole media was placed under a questionable light, as prior to this photo there had already been quite an extensive thread and/or discussion about the seeming bias of the media. While the comment seems to be in an inquisitive/questioning manner there is nevertheless a conclusion with the use of the words "culprit". *"Could this be the reason why some media persons do not give a shit about the destruction of Sto. Tomas because they wine and dine with the culprits?"*



Having seen this, I asked around and I was informed by one media person (who prefers to remain anonymous) that the photo was taken during the birthday of Congressman Eric Singson last June 15, 2014. So how come whoever released the photo did not bother to indicate such an important piece of information and clearly wanted to make it appear that the affair (whatever affair it was) was hosted by the Baguio Congressman? The intent and purpose was clearly to mislead! I don't need to defend the media, but have you forgotten Grace that you yourself are part (or used to be part) of media and in one of your columns you related that you and some others from media were invited to spend an overnight at the beach house of the newly elected Mayor Braulio Yaranon? So what's the difference with these guys in the photo and with your actions? In fact, Bing is trying to recall another incident when you informed her that you and your media friends were also dined by a politician. Once she recalls the incident and I confirm it, I will state it. Now, let's not be hypocrites. Certainly you must have had even a cup of coffee or even a banana cue with the former Mayororal candidate Atty. Joemol, and if you did, well, I see nothing wrong with that as well as I see nothing wrong with media persons attending an affair hosted by a politician, unless it is an official policy of their outfit that does not allow it. I myself, once invited would attend such as long as I happen to have the time. So what's the big deal??? The objectiveness and independence of a media person simply cannot be measured by the affairs he or she attends.

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(Screen shot of www.gracebandoy.com/ June 28, 2014 ) Here is one perfect example of a low blow that I was not expecting to come from someone like Grace (there are a lot more but due to space constraints, I will come out with the others on succeeding columns). Quoted herein is the first sentence (FB comment at Grace FB on June 14) that was provided to me by a source and to which Grace replied as you can see at the 2nd sentence.

"Ay inayan sa. Adi taku matagotago. How can an ifontok own an ibaloi land. How come the ibalois will not rise to defend what is theirs since time immemorial"

"June 14 at 11.01 am · Like · 2 · Grace Bandy its also my concern, the Ibalois should not take this sitting down being "shy mango", a land grabber comes to own their land and destroy it, its unacceptable!"

So when my partner Bing brought this up to you as to how come you seem to be fomenting some racial issues between the Ibalois and the Kankana-eyes, your answer was "Ha-ha. Wen ya, bay-am to isuda ti agaapa. Haan ko pay nga maawaten jay nag-uuneng nga sau da." My golly, what kind of a damn answer is that, and you know very well that Bing just like you is also a full blooded Igorota who traces her roots from Mountain Province. What I can say to you Grace is grow up. Almost anything and everything evolves. Surely, you must have heard the saying "the only thing constant is change." And the nice thing about Baguio and Benguet politics and for which this is something we all can truly be proud of is that right after elections you can see the loosing candidate being friendly and at times even supportive of the winning opponent. They move on and wait until such time that the campaign fever comes around. Apparently, or should I say obviously in your case, you have not moved on as you hardly took a break from lambasting continuously the Mayor and the Congressman, that not even the hardest hitting media personalities in the country has the privilege or has engaged in your one-sided tirades! (to be continued)

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On my next column, I will touch on what Facebook was intended to be and what it is all about, comment on the Remando Martinez FB letter, more on the website - www.gracebandoy.com, Grace bandoy handling of her FB page, dinner with Grace Bandy (myself, my son, and Bing Dawang) on June 20, 2014 at a Korean Restaurant, media accountability to the public etc. Oh by the way, Grace, feel free to send over any reply or comment of yours on this column. As you know me, we never refuse to publish even critical replies/commentaries against the paper or yours truly.

## Kakampi mo ang Batas

from page 6

Vice President for Benefits Administration, said the pension hike covers about 17,200 active EC pensioners under SSS as of August 31, 2013 for permanent partial disability, permanent total disability and survivorship. Meanwhile, SSS claimants of EC funeral grants for deaths dated September 1, 2013 onwards are entitled to the higher P20,000 benefit.

President Benigno S. Aquino III approved the EC benefit upgrades under Executive Order No. 167 issued last May 26. The EC Program - which provides additional benefits for employees with work-connected sicknesses, injuries and death - is administered by SSS for the private sector and by the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) for the public sector.

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**REMINDERS:** Please tune in: "Tambalang Batas at Somintac sa DZEC", at 1062 kHz on the AM band, Mondays to Fridays, at 6 a.m., simulcast, real time, over [www.eaglenews.ph](http://www.eaglenews.ph); "Kakampi Mo Ang Batas sa Radyo Trabungko FM", at 103.7 mHz in Don Carlos, Bukidnon, Mondays to Fridays, at 7 a.m.; and "Kakampi Mo Ang Batas sa DYKA" at 801 kHz on the AM band (Panay Island), Mondays to Fridays, at 10 a.m.



## FAIR AND SQUARE

### What's Wrong With City Council's Resolution Nr. 115, Series of 2014

BY: ATTY. JAMES VALEROS



On 16 June 2014, the City Council passed the above Resolution prohibiting public utility vehicles including jeepneys (PUJs) from picking up passengers along existing intra-city routes granted in their Certificates of Public Convenience. The Resolution was approved by the City Mayor on 19 June.

What then is wrong with the Resolution? Quite plenty, for instance, the following:

1. The Resolution was passed and promulgated without notice to or consultation with affected operators in the inter-city routes except for Beckel, Labilab, Sabkil and Lamut operators plying the routes along the Ambuklao trunkline. All other affected inter-city operators in the Red, Blue, Green and Yellow trunklines were not notified, consulted or given their day in court, so to speak.

2. The Resolution was passed by the City Council notwithstanding the contrary opinion of DOTC / LTFRB-CAR representatives given during the meeting on 3 April 2014 presided by Councilor Alangsab, Chairman of the Committee on Public Utilities, Transportation and Traffic Legislation.

3. The Resolution empowered the City to modify the terms and conditions in the Certificates of Public Convenience issued to inter-city jeepneys which power, supposedly, is vested by the Public Service Act and Executive Order No. 202 exclusively to the Land Transportation and Franchising Regulatory Board.

4. The Resolution, moreover, violated the law and jurisprudence on the matter when it directed that a Memorandum of Agreement entered into between intra-city operators (CGMVODA) and inter-city operators (BAMATODA) on their common line prohibiting the latter to pick-up passengers along the Townhouse area, Felipe Street and Mansion House, to be complied with. For, such agreement is illegal (even unconstitutional), the same being in restraint of trade.

5. The City Council was in error when it categorized in the Resolution that inter-city route is a point-to-point route whereby operators therein cannot pick and drop passengers similar to Vehicles-for-Hire (VFH), Point-to-Point (P2P) Service and the UV Express Service. The truth is, PUJs like PUBs are allowed by their franchises to pick and drop passengers anywhere along their authorized routes.

6. The Resolution is confusing to both law enforcers and drivers concerned, since it is tentative and uncertain on whether or not violations of the Resolution would be meted with penalties.

While the City Council indeed has the power to approve and promulgate ordinances and resolutions necessary to an efficient and effective city government, however, it cannot do so if it infringes and it usurps the powers exclusively given by law to other agencies of government which in this case is the LTFRB. Unlike the LTFRB, it has no power to issue authorization or franchise to operate overland public transportation. Similarly, it has no power to amend and modify such authorization or franchise which powers are exclusive to the LTFRB, as provided under Sec. 16 (m) of the Public Service Act.

The City Council has already transgressed on this power of the LTFRB when it passed before Resolution Numbered 217, Series of 2005 legalizing the illegal operation or franchise of Vehicle-for-Hire vans in Baguio City. That act of the Council, similarly as in the instant case, are both ultra vires.

It cannot go on doing this!

## KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

### Erap protégés in 2000, nemesis in 2014

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



**LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS:** "...My Spirit, who is on you, will not depart from you, and my words that I have put in your mouth will always be on your lips, on the lips of your children and on the lips of their descendants—from this time on and forever," says the Lord..." (Isaiah 59:21, the Bible).

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**ERAP'S PROTEGES IN 2000, HIS NEMESIS IN 2014:** Here is an interesting disclosure in Facebook, obviously dealing with loyalties and changing fortunes at the highest levels, coming from my cousin, Mr. Renato Mauricio, a guy who is quite knowledgeable about the many visits of former President Joseph Estrada, now Manila mayor, to the United States of America.

My cousin (called Rey by us, his relatives) wrote: "In August 2000, then President Joseph Estrada went to the USA for a ten-day official visit with, among others, his Cabinet officials and a few members of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

"Before President Erap delivered his speech in front of the Fil-Am community in Los Angeles which was held at the plush Westin Bonaventure, I noticed that only two members of his delegation were given special mention, and both came forward and stood on center stage as their names were called.

"They were Secretary Mar Roxas of the Department of Trade and Industry and then Tarlac Congressman Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III. They were then Erap's protégés, turned nemesis a decade later". Rey included a photo to accompany this Facebook post of his, which shows President Estrada with his Presidential Security Group Commander, Gen. Rodulfo Diaz. Interesting, yes?

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**BIBLICAL WARNINGS VS. TREACHERY:** And, what do you know! The Bible has some warnings about treachery. In its Isaiah 24:16-18, we read the following: "From the ends of the earth we hear singing: 'Glory to the Righteous One.' But I said, 'I waste away, I waste away! Woe to me! The treacherous betray! With treachery the treacherous betray!'

"Terror and pit and snare await you, people of the earth. Whoever flees at the sound of terror will fall into a pit; whoever climbs out of the pit will be caught in a snare. The floodgates of the heavens are opened, the foundations of the earth shake..."

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**BIGGER SSS BENEFITS GIVEN RETROACTIVE EFFECT:** Following Malacañang's approval, the Social Security System (SSS) will now give a 10-percent across-the-board pension increase for work-related claims under the Employees' Compensation (EC) Program and the doubled EC funeral grant, which now stands at P20,000. Both increases will be implemented retroactively, with September 2013 as the date of effectivity.

Agnes San Jose, SSS

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## Guv Urges Academe to Start Talking about AFTA

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet) – Governor Nestor Fongwan urges the academe to start talking about the effects of the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) agreement and instituting good agricultural practices to be at par with our neighboring countries upon the implementation of the AFTA in 2015.

Fongwan, who was guest of honor and speaker during the 98th Foundation Anniversary of the Benguet State University (BSU), said that "while there is more money in circulation if we talk about mining industry, there are more people depending on the vegetable industry that is why let us not allow the vegetable industry to collapse."

More than 50 percent of the people in the province depend on agriculture as their livelihood.

The AFTA which is to be implemented in 2015 within the member countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), will lift trade quotas and adopt zero tariffs on the importation of vegetables and other agricultural products.

The objective of AFTA is to increase the ASEAN region's competitive advantage as a production base geared for the world market.

He said that the vegetable industry of the province is most particularly threatened by China which has the same production, even the same variety of semi-temperate vegetables grown in the province.

"Let us now start educating our farmers on how we are going to compete your program now on organic production which is one of the solutions that would save the vegetable industry," Fongwan said.

We have to inculcate in the minds of our people the importance of practicing good agricultural practices, he added.

He pointed out that if there is an over production in China, it finds its way in the 3rd world countries like the Philippines because we have very lax regulation, that's why we should see to it that good agricultural practice shall be in place.

Fongwan also stressed that by 2015, quarantine laws should be fully enforced. The Bureau of Plant Industry should be the one to inspect inland bound vessels and no longer personnel from the Bureau of Customs, he said. /JDP/MAWC – PIA CAR

*In Loving Memory Of*

**Wife: Yolanda**

CHILDREN:  
1. ARNEL RASH JORDI  
2. RENALDY JAYME

SISTER: HENRY B. (M)  
MOTHER: ARGENIA (M)

BROTHERS AND SISTERS:  
1. NORMA & ROLANDO HALL CHA  
2. ANTONIO & NORA LIMPIAS  
3. PRIMA & ADRIANEN BLASEI  
4. ROHAN (M) & JANEY RODRIGUEZ  
5. LORENZ  
6. FERNANDO (M) & JANE INOYAN  
7. RHODA & HIRSH GASPAN  
8. MELBA (M)

FATHER-IN-LAW: JIMMY SAGUID  
MOTHER-IN-LAW: CONSERVIA (M)

BROTHER-IN-LAW:  
1. SIMON PETER A. ADEGA LANG (M)

SISTER-IN-LAW:  
1. MAXIMA  
2. GENELYN  
3. ABUNCION

**HENRY B. LONGAY JR.**  
Born November 22, 1978  
Died June 19, 2014



REPUBLIC OF THE  
PHILIPPINES  
REGIONAL TRIAL  
COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION  
OFFICE OF THE  
CLERK OF COURT  
LA TRINIDAD  
BENGUET

IN THE MATTER  
OF PETITION  
FOR EXTRA-  
JUDICIAL FORE-  
CLOSURE  
OF REAL ESTATE  
MORTGAGE  
UNDER  
ACT NO. 3135 AS  
AMENDED

CONCEPCION  
B. TAJUDEEN,  
*Petitioner/Mort-*  
*gagee,*

-versus-

SPS. MARTIN G.  
CARIAS and  
ERMELINDA H.  
CARIAS, herein  
Represented by  
MARTIN G.  
CARIAS

*Respondent/  
Mortgagors,*

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CASE NO. 14-EXF-  
1776

NOTICE OF  
EXTRA-JUDICIAL  
SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for sale under Act 3135 filed by CONCEPCION B. TAJUDEEN, of legal age married, Filipino Citizen and with present residence and postal address located at no. 24, Torres Bugallon, Aurora Hill, Baguio City, Philippines, herein after referred to as the MORTGAGEE, against SPOUSES MARTIN G. CARIAS and ERMELINDA H. CARIAS, of legal ages, Filipino Citizens, and with present residence and postal address at JD 235 Bayabas, Pico La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, herein referred to as the

Mortgagors, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of May 31, 2012 amounted to TWO HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND (P217,000.00) PESOS ONLY, Philippine currency, excluding interest, charges, and other charges, ten percent (10%) of the total indebtedness as attorney's fees and other incidental expenses for the foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned deputy sheriff will sell at public auction on July 8, 2014, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in front of the Benguet Justice Hall (BULWAGAN NG KATARUNGAN), Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine currency, the following described real property including all the improvements thereon, to wit:

**Transfer Certificate of Title no. T-58682**

"A parcel of land (Lot H-27, of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-64889, being a portion of Lot H, described on plan (LRC) Psd-30137, LRC (GLRO) Record no. 13894), situated in the Barrio of Irisan, Municipality of Tuba, Province of Benguet, Island of Luzon, Bounded on the NE., points 2 to 3 by property of Bisguy (F-26421) on the SE., points 3 to 4 by Lot H-1; on the SW., points to 1 by Lot H-26; and on the NW., points 1 to 2 by Lot H-25, all of the subdivision plan. Beginning at a point marked "1" on the plan being N.82 Deg. 48', w. 2727.10M. From Triangulation Station "Limestone", Baguio Townsite; thence

Containing an area of EIGHT HUNDRED ONE (801) Square meters, more or less, and is covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-58682 of the records of the Register of Deeds for the Province of Benguet xxxxx."

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date. Nonetheless, in the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on July 29, 2014 at the same place and time without further notice.

Interested bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of said properties and the encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

Let, therefore, a copy of this Notice of Extra-judicial Sale be published at the THE JUNCTION NEWSPAPER, a newspaper of general circulation, on June 15, 22 and 29, 2014;

Likewise, let a copy of the same be posted in three conspicuous places, one each in the bulletin boards of the Municipal Hall of Tuba, Benguet, Regional Trial Court-office of the Clerk of Court and at the Benguet Provincial Lobby, all at La Trinidad Benguet.

La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014  
FOR THE EX-OFFICIO PROVINCIAL SHERIFF OF BENGUET  
BY (SGD): JOHN MARIE O. OCASLA  
Sheriff IV

Publication Dates  
June 14, 21 and 28,  
2014

REPUBLIC OF THE  
PHILIPPINES  
REGIONAL TRIAL  
COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION  
BRANCH 6,  
BAGUIO CITY

IN THE MATTER OF  
PETITION FOR THE  
CANCELLATION  
AND/OR CORREC-  
TION OF ENTRIES  
OF IN THE CERTIFI-  
CATE OF LIVE  
BIRTH OF JENNIFER  
S. FERNANDEZ TO  
DELETE THE DATE  
AND PLACE OF  
MARRIAGE OF

PARENTS, NAME  
OF HER FATHER  
FROM GERRY TO  
JERRY  
JENNIFER S.  
FERNANDEZ,  
*Petitioner,*

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL  
REGISTRAR OF  
BAGUIO CITY AND  
THE CIVIL REGIS-  
TRAR GENERAL,  
*Respondents.*

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SPL. PROC NO.  
2359-R

NOTICE OF  
INITIAL HEARING

In her verified petition, petitioner alleges that she is one of the children of SPS. JERRY S. SOMERA and NERISSA C. FLORES, who cohabited together for several years before they decided to get married; petitioner was born out of wedlock on May 20, 1972 to said parents at Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center, Baguio City; her mother as informant and having the best interest of petitioner in mind and upon the prodding of relatives to conceal the illegitimacy of the petitioner and to save the family from profound embarrassment, made it appear that the parents got married on November 29, 1971, at Sison Pangasinan, although no marriage had actually taken place between them on the said date; while petitioner's parents were not married at the time of her birth, there was no legal impediment for petitioner's parents to marry during that time, and in fact, petitioner's parents subsequently got married on March 14, 1983, at a wedding ceremony held at Saint Vincent Church, Baguio City. Furthermore, in the same certificate of live birth, the name of petitioner's father was incorrectly

spelled as "GERRY" instead of "JERRY" which is the correct spelling. Petitioner thus prays that the date and place of marriage of parents be deleted and the entry under name of father be cancelled from Gerry to Jerry.

Let the petition be set for hearing on August 14, 2014 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning at the Regional Trial Court, Branch 6, "Bulwagan Ng Katarungan" (Justice Hall), Baguio City at which date, time and place, all persons interested may show cause why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Notice of Initial Hearing be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks at the expense of the petitioner.

Let a copy of this Notice of Initial Hearing be posted in (4) public places at the Bulletin Boards of the City Market, the Post Office, the City Hall and the Regional Trial Court, all in Baguio City at the expense of the petitioner.

Let copies of this Notice of Initial Hearing and its annexes be furnished the Office of the Solicitor General at No. 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, Makati City, the Office of the City Prosecutor in Baguio City, the Local Civil Registrar in Baguio City and the National Statistics Office, Manila.

Serve copies of the Notice of Initial Hearing upon the petitioner Jennifer S. Fernandez, and her counsel.

SO ORDERED.

June 3, 2014. Baguio City, Philippines.

By: (SGD)  
CELICIA  
CORAZON S.  
DULAY-ARCHOG  
Acting Presiding  
Judge

Publication dates:  
June 21, 28 and July  
5, 2014

# Search for Outstanding Volunteer 2014 now open

BAGUIO CITY -The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) has opened the search for the Outstanding Volunteer 2014 in the country.

The Search for Outstanding Volunteers (SOV) aims to highlight the exemplary performance and dedication to service of Filipino volunteers in helping people and communities and to recognize the role of volunteerism in development and nation-building.

This is open to all individuals and organizations currently providing volunteer assistance in the Philippines. Nominees should be an individual of Filipino citizenship; Filipino or local chapters of foreign/international non-profit organizations; and a Filipino or local chapters of foreign/international corporate organizations.

Volunteer refers to individual/s who for reasons arising from their socio-developmental, business and corporate orientation, commitment or conviction, contribute time, service and resources, whether on full-time or part-time basis to a just and essential social development cause, mission or endeavour in the belief that their activity is mutually meaningful and beneficial to public interest as well as to themselves.

Non-profit refers to non-stock, non-government organization including academic institutions that implement volunteer programs by mobilizing and engaging volunteers to provide services and assistance in socio-economic, humanitarian, civic and cultural development activities.

A corporate refers to companies that implement volunteer programs either as a component of Corporate Social Responsibility or initiated and supported by the employee group, where employees are mobilized and engaged to volunteer their time, skills and resources for socio-economic, humanitarian, civic and cultural development activities.

The awards are categorized as Volunteer Lifetime Achievement Award (VLAA) and National Outstanding Volunteer Award (NOVA). The VLAA is conferred to an individual or organization for consistent and outstanding volunteer service and whose achievement is regarded as an inspiration and role model in the field of volunteerism.

The NOVA on the other hand, is conferred to an individual or organization for outstanding volunteer service that has made a significant contribution to uplifting the lives of people and communities served. NOVA may be in youth or adult category and either for non-profit and corporate organization.

Furthermore, Special Citation in



Republic of the Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT OF THE BAGUIO CITY FIRST JUDICIAL REGION  
BRANCH 3

IN THE MATTER OF PETITION FOR CANCELLATION AND/OR CORRECTION OF ENTRIES IN THE CERTIFICATE OF ENTRIES IN THE CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE OF MARGARETA LAKI HOLZNER-ACOSTA

MARGARETA LAKI HOLZNER-ACOSTA

*Petitioner,*

-versus-

OFFICE OF THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF BAGUIO CITY.

*Respondents,*

x————x

SPL. PROC. CASE NO. 2351-R  
TO:

1. The Solicitor General;
2. The Local Civil Registrar;
3. National Statistics Office;
4. Atty. Sarah D. Lalata-Navarro; and
5. Publication.

### ORDER

A verified petition was filed by petitioner through counsel alleging that:

1. "Petitioner MARGARITA LAKI HOLZNER-ACOSTA is legal age, German citizen, married and with residence and postal address at No. 23 1<sup>st</sup> Road, Quezon Hill, Baguio City. She may be served with notices, order, processes and judgment of this Honorable Court through the undersigned counsel whose address is hereinafter indicated;

2. Respondent Local

Civil Registrar of Baguio City is being sued in her capacity as a local government officer whose powers and duties include, among others, the registration and recording of all live births, deaths, marriages, annulments and such other entries pertinent to the civil status of an individual. She may be served with summons, notices as well as other processes of this Honorable Court at the Office of the Local Civil Registrar, T. Alonzo St., Baguio City;

3. Respondent Civil Registrar General is likewise being sued in her capacity as a government employee in charge to carry out and administer the provisions of Act. No. 3753 and other laws on civil registration. She may be served with summons, notices as well as other processes of this Honorable Court at her office address at national Statistics Office, Ground Floor, Sollicarel Building 1 I Magsaysay Blvd., Sta. Mesa, Manila;

4. Petitioner is the only child of SPS. JOSEF BEITER HOLZNER and LUISA LEONIDA LAKI HOLZNER, both German nationals, who celebrated their marriage on April 3, 1978, at 1184 Mabini St. Ermita, Manila;

5. Petitioner's father, the late JOSEF BEITER HOLZNER, is a natural born GERMAN citizen;

6. Petitioner's moth, LUISA LEONIDA LAKI HOLZNER, acquired German citizenship after her marriage to JOSEF BEITER HOLZNER;

7. Petitioner was born on May 24, 1990, at Baguio City, Philippines. Petitioner's parents being German citizens it follows that Petitioner is also a German National as correctly stated in her birth certificate. Moreover, the respective citizenship of her birth parents reflected in her birth

certificate is "German";

8. On October 8, 2012, petitioner got married to RONALD AVESTER ACOSTA;

9. However, in the certificate of marriage of the petitioner, it was stated under entry no. 4b therein, that her citizenship was "FILIPINO", when in truth and in fact her citizenship should be "GERMAN" in view of the fact that her parents are both GERMAN citizens;

10. Also, in the said marriage contract of the petitioner, the citizenship of Petitioner's parents were erroneously entered as "FILIPINO" under entry No. 9b and No. 11b despite the fact that Petitioner's parents are both German nationals;

11. The entries under 4b, 9b and 11b in Petitioner's Certificate of Marriage are bracketed as ANNEXES "F-1", "F-2" AND "F-3";

12. Petitioner respectfully requests to the Honorable Court that the erroneous entries on her Certificate of marriage be rectified; to change her citizenship and that her parents from FILIPINO to GERMAN;

13. To rectify such grave error, Petitioner humbly implores the understanding and help of this Honorable Court to rectify said entries and respectfully submits the instant petition to this Honorable Court consistent with the provisions of Rule 108 of the Revised Rules of Court."

That petitioner prays that:

"X X X after due notice, publication and hearing, an Order be issued directing the respondent Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City to:

a. CHANGE THE CITIZENSHIP AS STATED ON HER MARRIAGE CONTRACT FROM "FILIPINO" TO GERMAN"; AND

b. CHANGE THE CITIZENSHIP OF

PETITIONER'S PARENTS AS STATED ON HER MARRIAGE CONTRACT FROM "FILIPINO" TO "GERMAN".

It appearing that the instant petitioner is sufficient in form and substance, the same is set for hearing on September 9, 2014 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning, before this Court at its Session Hall, Justice Hall Building, Baguio City. Any person may appear and show cause, if any, why said petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the petitioner at The Junction Newspaper once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication of which should not be later than June 29, 2014, in a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City to determine by raffle pursuant to the provision of Presidential Decree No. 1079; let copies hereof together with the copies of the petition and its annexes be furnished to the Solicitor General, 134 Amoroso St., Legaspi Village, Makati City, Metro Manila, National Statistics Office Quezon City, and the Local Civil Registrar, Baguio City.

Baguio City, Philippines, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year of Our Lord, 2014.

By: (sgd)  
EMMANUEL CACHO RASING  
Presiding Judge

Publication dates: June 28, July 5 and 12, 2014

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

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF MINOR JHON RUSSEL VASQUEZ by SPOUSE JAY DE

ASIS MARTINEZ AND HAZEL GUARDIANO MARTINEZ WITH CHANGE OF NAME,

SPOUSES JAY DE ASIS MARTINEZ AND HAZEL GUARDIANO MARTINEZ,

*Petitioner,*

x————x

SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS CASE NO. 14-A-1019

### ORDER

Petitioners, through counsel filed this verified petition for Adoption praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, the court grants this petition and issue a Decree of Adoption declaring; JHON RUSSEL VASQUEZ as their child and his name to KARL NATHAN G. MARTINEZ and direct the Local Civil Registrar of Taguig City, Metro Manila to effect said adoption in his birth certificate.

The Court Social Worker of this court is directed to conduct a Child and Home Study Report and said report should be submitted to the Court before the initial hearing of the petition set on August 28, 2014 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning.

WHEREFORE, the Court Social Worker of this Court is directed to conduct a Home and Child Study Report in this case, incorporating therein there recommendation and to submit the same to the Court, furnishing a copy thereof to the trial prosecutor deputized to represent the State.

The petitioners are directed to meet with the said Court Social Worker, for purposes of the Home and Child Study Reports.

Let this Order be published at the expense of the petitioner-

## OCD to Launch new DRRM tool

BAGUIO CITY - The Office of Civil Defense (OCD) is set to launch new disaster risk reduction management (DRRM) tool called as "Batingaw" in time for the observance of National Disaster Consciousness Month (NDCM) this July.

This is in line with theme of this year's observance, "Kahandaan at Kaligtasan ng Pamayanan, Pundasyon ng Kaunlaran (A prepared and safe community - the cornerstone of economic progress)". This aims to give focus on the importance of preparedness and safety, to each people and every community, before, during and after disaster, in ensuring sustainable and inclusive growth to all Filipino and the country as a whole.

OCD Cordillera Regional Director Andrew Alex Uy shared that the DRRM tool is a project of the National DRRM Council in partnership with Smart Telecommunications Inc.

With "Batingaw" (Bell), Smart phone subscribers can convert their cellular phone into handy electronic safety disaster tool, Uy said.

From the regular features such as siren, compass and flashlights, Smart users can also browse an e-library containing e-books, files and videos on DRRM as well as safety tips and description of different types of hazards.

ers in the Junction Newspaper, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made not later than June 29, 2014. All persons interested may come to Court and show cause, if any, why the 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; the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet; the City Civil Registrar of Taguig City, Metro Manila; the Junction; the petitioner and counsel.

SO ORDERED.

This 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014 at La Trinidad, Benguet.

By: (sgd) FRANCIS A BULIYAT Sr.  
Presiding Judge  
Publication dates: June 28, July 5 and 12, 2014

Nationwide, the NDRRMC has directed the conduct of earthquake drills to all regional, provincial and municipal DRRM offices for the NDCM.

In Baguio City, the OCD will spearhead a motorcade, mass and blessing of rescue emergency vehicles on July 1 to kick-off the month-long observance.

It will be formally launched in a kapihan forum at the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Regional Training Center on July 2. Other activities include conduct of training, seminars and drills that will enhance preparedness in times of emergencies. / JDP/CCD - PIA CAR



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Philippines  
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COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION  
BRANCH 8  
La Trinidad,  
Benguet

La Trinidad,  
Benguet

EMILIO CAFIER rep-  
resented by his  
Attorney-in-Fact  
PATRICIA C.  
MAYAMNES,  
Plaintiff,

-versus-

SPOUSES VIDAL  
ANG and LILIA G.  
ANG  
Defendants.

-versus-

x———x

SPS. VIDAL ANG  
and LILIA ANG,  
Defendants.

CIVIL CASE NO. 14-  
CV-3014

x———x

CIVIL CASE NO.  
14-CV-3014

FOR: Revival of  
Judgment of  
Execution of  
Judgment After  
the Lapse of Five  
(5) Years from  
Date of Entry

FOR: REVIVAL OF  
JUDGEMENT  
etc.

SUMMONS BY  
PUBLICATION

ORDER

Plaintiff through  
counsel filed a  
Motion for Leave of  
Court to Issue  
Summons by  
Publication as the  
defendants have  
moved to Canada.  
Finding merit to the  
motion, the court  
grants the same.  
WHEREFORE, let  
Summons by  
Publication issue on  
defendant Spouses  
Vidal Ang and Lilia  
Ang to be published  
in the Junction, a  
newspaper of  
general circulation  
in Baguio City and  
Benguet Province.  
SO ORDERED.  
Done in Chambers,  
this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June  
2014, at La Trinidad,  
Benguet.

By: (SGD)  
MARYBELLE L.  
DEMOT MARIÑAS  
Presiding Judge

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Republic of the  
Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL  
COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION  
BRANCH 8  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Justice  
Hall, Justice Hill

Plaintiff, through  
counsel, filed a veri-  
fied complaint with  
this court on February  
28, 2014, quoted as  
follows:

COMPLAINT  
WITH DUE RE-  
SPECT TO THE HON-  
ORABLE COURT:

Plaintiff through  
counsel comes before  
the Honorable Court  
and respectfully al-  
leges as follows:

1. Plaintiff, is  
the atty-in-fact of Pe-  
titioner, she is of le-  
gal age, married to  
Roberto D. Mayamnes  
and with residence  
and postal address at  
AO 12, Tawang, La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines while the  
defendants are also of  
legal ages, Filipino  
citizens and with last  
known address at KB  
35 Cruz, La Trinidad,  
Benguet, Philippines  
where they may be  
served with summons  
and processes of the  
Honorable Court.  
Copy of the Special  
Power of Attorney is  
hereto attached as  
Annex "A";

2. Petitioner was  
the Plaintiff in a case  
before the Regional  
Trial Court Branch 8,

La Trinidad, Benguet  
which was docketed as  
Civil Case No. 90-CV-  
0459 entitled SPS.  
EMILIO CAFIER and  
LOURDES CAFIER  
versus SPS. VIDAL  
ANG and LILIA G.  
ANG

3. A DECISION  
in the above-men-  
tioned case was issued  
by the Honorable  
Court on October 6,  
1992. The DECISION  
was based on a Com-  
promise Settlement  
submitted by the par-  
ties. This DECISION  
has not been appealed  
and an ENTRY OF  
JUDGEMENT and  
CERTIFICATE OF FI-  
NALITY was issued on  
November 17, 1992.  
Copy of the DECI-  
SION, ENTRY OF  
JUDGEMENT and Cer-  
tificate of Finality are  
hereto attached as An-  
nex "B", "C" and  
"D";

4. A Writ of Exe-  
cution was not issued  
since no motion has  
been filed for the exe-  
cution of the DECI-  
SION of the Honorable  
Court. More than  
five (5) years lapsed  
since the finality of  
the Decision of the  
Honorable Court,  
Branch 8, hence this  
Complaint;

5. The DECI-  
SION of the Honorable  
Court quoted the  
Compromise Settle-  
ment as follow:

1. xxx xxx xxx

2. That the defen-  
dants, for their part,  
shall voluntarily sur-  
render the owner's  
copy of T.C.T No. 21579  
and forthwith execute  
a deed of sale in favor  
of Patricia C.  
Mayamnes, daughter-  
heir of the plaintiffs  
covering the property  
subject of the above-  
entitled case;

3. xxx xxx xxx

WHEREFORE, in  
view of the foregoing,  
judgment is hereby  
rendered enjoining  
the parties of faith-  
fully comply with the  
terms and conditions  
of their compromise  
agreement.

XXXXXXX

6. The defendants  
in the above-men-  
tioned case surren-  
dered the title of the  
property subject of the  
case, however, the cor-  
responding Absolute  
Deed of Sale over the

property was not ex-  
ecuted for the trans-  
fer of the property to  
Patricia C. Mayamnes;  
7. Plaintiff had  
been going back and  
forth to the old resi-  
dence of the defen-  
dants at KB 35, Cruz,  
La Trinidad, Benguet,  
but they are nowhere  
to be found;

8. The said judg-  
ment is not barred by  
the Statute of Limita-  
tion. Plaintiff then  
begs the indulgence of  
the Honorable Court  
for the Revival and Ex-  
ecution of the Judg-  
ment in the above-  
mentioned case. Plaintiff  
further prays that the  
corresponding Deed of  
Absolute Sale of T.C.T  
No. 21579 be executed  
for and in favor of the  
Patricia C. Mayamnes.

PRAYER

"WHEREFORE,  
plaintiff respectfully  
prays of this Honorable  
Court that after due  
notice and hearing,  
the Judgment in  
Civil Case No. 90-CV-  
0459 entitled SPS.  
EMILIO CAFIER and  
LOURDES CAFIER  
versus SPS. VIDAL  
ANG and LILIA G.  
ANG be revived and  
executed so that an  
Absolute Deed of Sale  
of T.C.T. No. 21579 will  
be executed in favor of  
Patricia C. Mayamnes.  
Plaintiff further  
prays for such other  
reliefs and/or reme-  
dies just and equi-  
table under the cir-  
cumstances.

Respectfully sub-  
mitted, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 2014 at La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines.

(SGD) MATHEW L.  
DATI

Counsel for Plain-  
tiff PTR No. 3553956;  
1-02-2014; Baguio  
Benguet IBP No.  
937814; 1-02-2014;  
Baguio Benguet Roll  
No. 50531; May 04,  
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ance V No. 0000136,  
06-20-2013

DATI LAW OFFICE  
ALS BLDG. CAPI-  
TOL DRIVE KM. 6, LA  
TRINIDAD, BENGUET  
VERIFICATION  
AND CERTIFICATION  
I, PATRICIA C.  
MAYAMNES, of legal  
age, married, Filipino  
Citizen with residence  
and postal address at

AO-12 Tawang, La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines atty-in-  
fact of Emilio P. Cafier  
under oath, hereby de-  
pose and state that:

1. I am the atty-in-  
fact for the petitioner/  
plaintiff in the above-  
entitled case. I have  
caused the preparation  
of the foregoing peti-  
tion/complaint, read  
all the allegations  
therein the same are  
true and correct of my  
own knowledge and  
belief and based on  
authentic records;

2. I hereby certify  
that, to the best of my  
knowledge, there is no  
other action or pro-  
ceeding involving the  
same issue or issues  
filed with and/or pend-  
ing in any other court  
or agency of the gov-  
ernment;

3. I hereby under-  
take that if I should  
learn at anytime in  
the future of any case  
or proceeding involv-  
ing the same issues  
pending before any  
other court or agency  
of the government I  
will report the same to  
the Honorable Court  
not later than five (5)  
days from knowledge  
thereof.

IN WITNESS  
WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Febru-  
ary 2014 at La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines.

(SGD) PATRICIA  
C. MAYAMNES  
Affiant

SUBSCRIBED AND  
SWORN to before me  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Febru-  
ary, 2014 at La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines, affiant  
exhibiting to me her  
CTC No. indicated be-  
low her name and sig-  
nature.

(SGD) MATHEW L.  
DATI Notary Public  
Until December 31,  
2014 PTR No. 3553956;  
1-02-2014; Benguet  
IBP No. 937814; 1-02-  
2014; Baguio-Benguet  
Roll No. 50531; 05-04-  
05, Manila

WHEREAS, plain-  
tiff through counsel  
filed a Motion for  
Leave to Serve Sum-  
mons by Publication,  
which motion was  
granted in the Order  
of this court dated  
June 3, 2014.

NOW THERE-  
FORE, you defendants

SPOUSES VIDAL ANG  
and LILIA ANG, who  
are residents of KB 35  
Cruz, La Trinidad,  
Benguet, are hereby  
summoned through  
this medium of publi-  
cation and you are re-  
quired to file with the  
Office of the Clerk of  
Court, Regional Trial  
Court, Branch 8, La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
your pleading and/or  
answer to the above-  
quoted complaint  
within sixty (60) days  
from the date of the  
last publication, serv-  
ing at the same time a  
copy of your responsive  
pleading and/or an-  
swer upon plaintiff's  
counsel Atty. Mathew  
L. Dati, ALS Bldg.,  
Capitol Drive, Km. 6,  
La Trinidad, Benguet.  
Your failure to do so  
within the paid period  
will enable the plain-  
tiff to take judgment  
against you for the  
remedies and reliefs  
prayed for in her com-  
plaint.

Let summons be  
published at the ex-  
pense of the plaintiff,  
once a week for three  
(3) consecutive weeks  
in The Junction, a  
newspaper of general  
circulation in Baguio  
City and the Province  
of Benguet, the first  
publication to be made  
not later than June 22,  
2014.

WITNESS THE  
HONORABLE L.  
MARYBELLE L.  
DEMOT MARIÑAS,  
Presiding Judge of  
this Court, this 11<sup>th</sup> day  
of June 2014 at La  
Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines.

By: (SGD)  
M A R I B E L  
B R I L L I A N T E S  
MACARIO  
Branch Clerk of  
Court

Publication Dates  
June 14, 21 and 28,  
2014

authority as chair, with members from  
the Civil Service Commission De-  
partment of the Interior and Local  
Government, the Philippine Infor-  
mation Agency, and private sector  
representatives.

The SOV-RSC is tasked to con-  
duct targeted search, validation and  
documentations for the nomina-  
tion.

For more information, please  
visit the official website of the SOV  
via [http://www.pnvsca.gov.ph/sov/sov\\_about.php?purpose](http://www.pnvsca.gov.ph/sov/sov_about.php?purpose).

/JDP/Sonny Cosme-PIA CAR

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## Baguio Mayor Receives Ulirang Ama Award

BAGUIO CITY - Baguio City Mayor Mauricio Domogan is among this year's "Ulirang Ama" awardees.

Domogan to-

gether with his wife, Becky, and daughters Janice and Joy received the plaque and certificate for Ulirang Ama Award for

Government and Public Service from former Supreme Court Chief Reynato Puno during the simple but meaningful ceremonies on

Father's Day, June 15, at the Manila Hotel.

Organized by the National Mother's Day and

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## OCD-CAR Starts Capacitating

### RDANA Teams

BAGUIO CITY — Lessons learned from the 'Yolanda experience' prompted the Office of Civil Defense – Cordillera Administrative Region to strengthen the local disaster risk reduction and management councils (LDRRMCs) in the region by forming and capacitating Rapid Disaster Assessment and Needs Analysis (RDANA) Teams.

Around 50 participants from the region were trained on Basic RDANA on June 17-19, 2014 at the Ridgewood Residences in Baguio City. The training course covered 10 modules on the principles and mechanisms of RDANA with the first two days devoted to lectures and discussions that prepared the trainees for the simulation exer-

cises on the third day.

The simulation exercise was a test of how much the trainees have absorbed the theoretical inputs as well as gave them a feel of real life situations during and after calamities. It likewise gave the trainees the opportunity to execute the actual RDANA where triangulation of all sources of information is a necessary component in analyzing the needs of the disaster impacted areas.

Results of RDANA are vital inputs for planners and implementers of disaster response that guide them in addressing the needs and problems of disaster impacted areas.

The training staff headed by Engr. Jojo Valera,

Assistant Regional Director of the OCD-CAR, emphasized the need for accurate and quick RDANA because it helps government and other responders to determine appropriate response and for more effective and efficient deployment of services and resources in disaster impacted areas.

The RDANA

graduates are challenged to form teams in the local DRRMOs and prepare them for quick disaster response in the future.

Regional Director Alex Uy assured support to all local DRRMCs that would request their technical assistance. /JDP/ MTBB – PIA CAR, Abra

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

**LORENZO POLON**

**Applicant**

**Case No: 89-01-184**

### NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for the 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 - SAWILI SABLAN and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on July 16, 2014 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Paochal, 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 by 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 5th day of May 2014.

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

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

**BONG DIBAG - Vendor**

**JOVEL GUMPAC - Vendee**

**Applicant**

**Case No: 2008-CAR-277**

### NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for the Approval of SALE and TRANSFER of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - TUBLAY and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on July 16, 2014 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Paochal, 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 by 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 18th day of June 2014.

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



BENGUET ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Alapang, La Trinidad, Benguet "Quality Service is Our Way Of Life"

Tel. Nos. 422-2000/422-2110/422-2969

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTIONS

Pursuant to Board Resolution No. 39-2014, Dated May 7, 2014, Setting the Special District Elections for the Five (5) districts of Benguet Province on July 26, 2014, the following are the qualifications, disqualifications and requirements:

#### QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1.) He or she is a Filipino citizen;
- 2.) He or she is a graduate of a four (4) year course;
- 3.) He or she is between twenty one (21) and seventy (70) years old on the date of election;

- 4.) He or she is of good moral character;

Good moral character may be established with the submission of a certificate issued by any of the following:

- a. Barangay where the candidate resides;
- b. National Bureau of Investigation;
- c. Philippine National Police; or
- d. Leader of religious sect where the candidate is affiliated.

- 5.) He or she is a member of the EC in good standing for the last five (5) years immediately preceding the election or appointment and shall continue to be a member in good standing during his or her incumbency;

A member of good standing shall mean that said member:

- a. Must have no unsettled or outstanding obligation to the cooperative during his membership in the cooperative whether personal or commercial or industrial connection of which he or she is the owner or a co-owner; An unsettled or outstanding obligation is an account which has not been paid within seven (7) days after the due date. For incumbent members of the Board who will seek re-election, unsettled or outstanding obligation includes power bills, cash advances, disallowances (including NEA Audit findings) and materials and equipment issuances. At any given time during his membership in the cooperative, he or she must be totally free of any unsettled or outstanding indebtedness and/or disallowances with the EC.

- b. Has not been apprehended for electric pilferage;

A mere apprehension of electric pilferage by the EC, even without conviction for such offense by any court, shall be a valid ground of disqualification. The word "apprehension" should be taken in the strict context as used in Republic Act No. 7832, otherwise known as "Anti-Electricity and Electric Transmission Line or Materials Pilferages Act of 1994" which means that a person is caught in *flagante delicto* for violating the provision of the said Act;

- c. Has not been removed means for cause as a director or an employee from any EC;

In general, removal or termination of service from the EC is caused by a grave offense or violation/s of policies, rules and regulations. A former director or employee with a record of termination/removal for cause from public service or for just causes as defined in Article 281 of the Labor Code as amended shall not be qualified to be elected or appointed as director of an EC.

- 6.) He or she as actual resident and consumer in the district that he or she seeks to represent for at least two (2) years immediately preceding the election; and

- 7.) He or she has attended at least two (2) Annual General Membership Assemblies (AGMA) for the last five (5) years immediately the election or appointment.

#### DISQUALIFICATIONS:

Pursuant to Section 26-B of PD 269, as amended by the Act, any person shall be ineligible to be elected or to be appointed as member of the board of directors or officers of an EC if:

1. Such person or his or her spouse holds any public office. For purpose of disqualification, any person holding an elective position / an appointive position with a salary grade of sixteen (SG 16) or higher or its equivalent shall not be eligible to be elected as member of the Board of Directors or officer of an EC;

2. Such person or his or her spouse has been a candidate in the last preceding local or national elections;
3. Such person as been convicted by final judgment of a crime involving moral turpitude;

4. Such person has been terminated from public office/government employment of private employment for just cause as defined in Article 282 of the Labor Code. For this purpose, termination from public office shall mean removal;

5. Such person is related within the fourth civil degree of consanguinity or affinity to any member of the EC Board of Directors, Department Manager, NEA- appointed Project Supervisor (PS) or Acting General Manager (AGM) or its equivalent or higher position; and

6. Such person is employed by or has financial interest in a competing enterprise or business of selling electric energy or electrical hardware to the cooperative or doing business with the EC including, but not limited to, the use or rental of poles;

"Doing business" shall refer to the transaction related to the core or main line business of the EC, which is conveyance of electricity through its distribution facilities.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FILING OF CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY:

1. Duly accomplished and notarized Certificate of Candidacy (3 copies) with (3) copies 2" x 2" picture;

2. Court Clearance; (Municipal/Regional);

3. Xerox copy of Tax Identification Number (TIN);

4. Birth Certificate (NSO);

5. Barangay Captain's certification that the candidate is an actual resident of the barangay/district he/she seeks to represent for the last two (2) years;

6. Certificate from the Commission on Election (COMELEC) that he/she was not a candidate on any election immediately preceding the Electric Cooperative District Election;

7. Transcript of records of diploma (graduate of a 4 year course);

8. Certification of Good Moral Character issued by any of the following: Barangay, National Bureau of Investigation, Philippine National Police, Leader of Religious Sect where the candidate is affiliated.

9. Certification from the EC:

- a. That the candidate is a bonafide member-consumer of the cooperative in the district he/she seeks to represent for the last five (5) years and actual consumer for the last two (2) years.

- b. That the candidate is a member of the cooperative in good standing.

- c. That the candidate has attended at least two (2) Annual General Membership Assemblies (AGMA) for the past five (5) years.

June 23, 2014-Start of the release of Certificate of Candidacy (COC) form and filing of Certificate of Candidacy.

July 04, 2014-Last day of filing of Certificate of Candidacy (Monday 5:00 PM)

July 26, 2014-Election Day (Saturday)

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**ROLAND BALABAG - Vendor**  
**ELEANOR N. CADNONA - Vendee**

**Applicant**

**Case No: 2013-CAR-667**

### NOTICE OF HEARING

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 18th day of June 2014.

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



## Mayor warns... from page 1

as guarantee.

After getting cash or jewelry from the victim, the perpetrators will disappear leaving behind the bundles of money that would eventually turn out to be cut-out paper.

Authorities advice the public not to trust strangers and never deal with people you meet in public locations.

Always assess situations and transactions especially when involving huge amounts of money.

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## Dads... from page 2

already governs the advertisement, distribution and sale of tobacco in the country and the passage of the smoke free ordinance will be in clear contradiction particularly its penal provision," Billog said.

Billog stressed," instead of pushing through with the ordinance, the body should just implement the provisions of the national law."

Councillor Richard Carino however said arguments on the matter will be brought to the council on second reading after publication including other matters pertaining to said ordinance for discussion.

The Committee on Health and Sanitation, Ecology and Environmental Protection earlier recommended for its approval.

Heart of the ordinance is the prohibition of the use, sale, distribution and advertisement of cigarettes and other tobacco products in certain places and imposing penalties for violations thereof.

Prohibition in certain places as referred by the ordinance include enclosed or partially enclosed public places, workplaces, public conveyances be it mobile or stationary.

Public places as defined means all places, fixed of mobile that are accessible or open to the public or places of collective use, regardless of ownership or right of access, including establishments that provide food and drinks, accommodation, merchandise, professional services, entertainment and other services.

It also includes outdoor spaces where facilities are available for public or where a crowd would gather such as playgrounds, sports grounds or centers, church grounds, health and hospital compounds, transportation terminals, markets, parks, resorts, walkways, entrance ways, waiting areas and the like.

The proposed amendatory ordinance also prohibits persons-in-charge to allow, abet or tolerate smoking in places enumerated.

Selling or distributing tobacco products in schools, public playgrounds and other facilities frequented by minors or within 100 meters from any point in the perimeter of these places is also unlawful.

Selling or distributing tobacco products to minors or purchasing tobacco products from minors is also prohibited.

Other prohibited acts are placing cinema and outdoor advertisements of tobacco products, placing, posting or distributing advertising materials of tobacco

products such as leaflets, posters and similar materials even if it is inside the premises of point-of-sale establishments when the establishment is not allowed to sell or distribute tobacco products.

Penalties under the proposed ordinance ranges from P500.00 to as high as P5,000.00 and imprisonment including the revocation or suspension of license to operate for establishments or public conveyances violating the same.

Violators who are unable to pay the fine will undergo community service.

A Citation Ticket System (CTS) will also be put in place for enforcement of said ordinance including a Smokefree Task Force and a Smoking Cessation Program for assistance to smokers and violators who are willing to quit.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan sees the ordinance as a welcome development in the fight against smoking to attain a smoke free environ.

The said proposed ordinance is seen to reinforce Republic Act No. 9211 or the Tobacco Regulation Act of 2003 lo-

cally.

The anti-smoking drive has been incorporated in the pollution component of the City Government under the Alay sa Kalinisan, Inc. (ASKI) which reports such violations weekly./Paul Rillorta

## Land Distribution... from page 12

partment still has one and a half year of work as far as distribution of lands is concerned.

De Los Reyes reported (as of January 1, 2014), DAR still has land acquisition and distribution (LAD) balance of 771,795 hectares, which include 220,520 hectares that were tagged as problematic landholdings.

The Secretary remains optimistic that President Benigno Aquino III will mention again the NOC Extension bill (as a priority bill) in his July State of the Nation Address, so that Congress can immediately pass it into a law.

He also assured DAR employees that there will be no re-organization for the department yet as there are still no law enacted or an Executive Order signed for such purpose./JDP/CCD - PIA CAR

## Baguio Mayor... from page 10

Father's Day Foundation Inc., headed by its President, Mr. Wilfredo M. Talag, this prestigious award recognizes outstanding Filipino fathers who have shown significant achievement in their respective field of endeavor and/or career while fulfilling their role as head of their respective families.

The committee awarded Domogan the "Uligang Ama" in recognition for his exemplary performance as a public servant since he was elected as city councilor in 1988, and serving his first term as mayor in 1992 and lone representative of the city at the House of Congress for three terms from 2001 to 2010 and then coming back as the father of the city.

In his 26 years of public service, the Mayor together with his wife who is also active in civic and public affairs, guided their three daughters to become professionals. Eldest daughter Janice Marie is a lawyer while Jillian April is a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Air Force. The youngest, Allison Joy, is a registered nurse./JDP/RMC-PIA-CAR

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SUNNY LEGSON - Vendor  
JONATHAN MERIS - Vendee  
Applicant

Case No: 2004-BAG-CAR-1533

### NOTICE OF HEARING

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 18th day of June 2014.

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

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AND REGULATORY BOARD/Cordillera  
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MENCHIE G. AROMIN  
Applicant

Case No: 98-BC-149

### NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for the 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 CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on July 9, 2014 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Poadal, 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 25th day of June 2014.

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

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AND REGULATORY BOARD/Cordillera  
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MARTIN ANGLOG - Vendor  
FLORENCIO A. FANGONILLO - Vendee  
Applicant

Case No: 93-CAR-611

### NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for the SALE and TRANSFER of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight 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 July 16, 2014 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Poadal, 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 3rd day of June 2014.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR  
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LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING  
AND REGULATORY BOARD/Cordillera  
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NORMAN KUITO Represented by:  
CARLO GALUTAN  
Applicant

Case No: 2011-CAR-693

### NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for the 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 CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit.

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REYNALDO CLIFFORD BONGSALO  
Applicant

Case No: 97-01-1285

### 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 PLAZA - UCAB - MIDAS and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit.

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 20th day of June 2014.

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

## EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE JIMMY PLACIDO SR. WITH SIMULTANEOUS WAIVER OF HEREDITARY RIGHTS AND SALE

Notice is hereby given that the estate of the late JIMMY PLACIDO SR. who died on December 5, 2011 at PA 326 Upper Wangal, La Trinidad, Benguet consisting of two (2) Public Utility Motor Vehicles, was the subject of an Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with simultaneous waiver of Hereditary Rights and Sale entered in the Notarial Registry of Atty. Robles G. Calabias of Baguio City as per Doc. No. 275; Page No. 55; Book No. CV; Series of 2014.

Publication dates: June 21, 28 and July 5, 2014



## Establishment of Halfway House in Benguet Pushed

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - The provincial government is pushing for the establishment of a halfway house to cater to abused children with the alarming cases reported in the province.

The Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development during recent Provincial Peace and Order Council meeting reported a total of 97 child abuse cases in the province for the period January to May 2014. This capital town registered the most with 53 cases.

Majority of the cases are physical abuse with 27, followed by rape (20) which includes incest and acts of lasciviousness (11).

Governor Nestor Fongwan said the halfway house which is planned to be constructed this year will serve as shelter for victims of abused children including women before court disposition. It will be built in the area returned by the Department of Public Works and Highways - CAR in Wangal, this town.

Admitting that handling of child abuse cases is not an easy task, Fongwan pointed out that perpetrators especially the minors should also be looked into.

La Trinidad mayor Edna Tabanda also suggested the allocation of funds for research and development on child abuse cases to come up with baseline data as basis in giving interventions. She also batted for a comprehensive approach which seeks to harmonize efforts.

As intervention to address child abuse problems, Fongwan also forwarded the formation of a Child Abuse Prevention and Intervention Network (CAPIN) in all towns.

The CAPIN which involves the private sector, is an approach that promotes and implements a strong multidisciplinary intervention to child protection. It involves stakeholders in a community composed of police, social workers, lawyers, doctors among others working together to create an efficient and effective network to help child abuse survivors creating a locality responsive to the needs of survivors.

Fongwan stressed the need to support the children as 'we all have the power and the responsibility to do so'. /JDP/SCA-PIA CAR, Benguet

## Dengue Cases in CAR Lower; DOH Reminds Public to Stay Vigilant

BAGUIO CITY - There may be only 66 reported cases of dengue in the Cordillera Administrative Region from January to June of this year compared to the 197 cases for the same period last year, but the Department of Health-CAR Office reminds the public to stay vigilant in the fight against the disease. This they remind as the rainy season in the country officially begins.

DOH-CARO Assistant Regional Director Dr. Amelita Panganiban said the drop in cases is not an assurance to the public but rather a note to encourage more communities to be more vigilant, cautious, and be alert to any breeding ground that mosquitoes might thrive in.

The Health Department also continues its efforts and projects to the barangays such as the Aksyon Brigada Kontra Dengue and the "4 o'clock habit" or the habit of checking for and eliminating breeding grounds of mosquitoes at four o'clock every afternoon. Their efforts extend as well as to schools by giving out curtains with long lasting insecticides. They have also requested the Department of Education to allow all students (especially female students) to wear pants during the rainy season so as not to be vulnerable to mosquito bites. /JDP/Pryce E. Quintos and Erika C. Petrola, PIA Intern

## Land Distribution to Landless Farmers can go Beyond CARP Extension- DAR Sec.

BAGUIO CITY - Distribution of agricultural lands to landless farmers can go beyond the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program's (CARP) extension deadline by 2016.

Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) Secretary Virgilio de Los Reyes announced this during a press conference at the Eurotel Hotel here, which topics include the Anniversary of CARP and the UN declaration of 2014 as the International Year of Family Farming.

De Los Reyes pointed-out that the government's duty to distribute lands to landless farmers is not bound by any deadline since it is a constitutional mandate. He also expressed that CARP will not expire even with Republic Act 9700 - the law that extended the program until 2016, because there are still agricultural lands in the country that are not yet covered by the program.

"There is a database in 2009 (for landholdings to be distributed under CARP) but the problem is there is no existing database in the country that shows us which land is CARP covered

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**WE WILL BE WATCHING YOU** - Mayor Mauricio Domogan reacts to the latest weekly peace and order situational report by the Baguio's Finest headed by City Police Director PSSupt. Rolando Miranda. Mayor Domogan promised to fasttrack the installation of more CCTV Cameras to monitor "hot spot" areas in the city to curb criminality and fast reaction of the police in time of emergency situation. /By Bong Cayabyab

or not", de Los Reyes said.

He explained that subtracting the 6,964,119 hectares of CARP distributed lands from the 14,194,675 total hectares of Alienable and Disposable (A&D) land in the country, there are still 6,323,904 hectares of A&D lands in the country where some can be un-identified agricultural lands that can also be distributed to farmers under CARP.

"The problem here is in

the issued land titles, it is not identified if a land is agricultural or not. We cannot also rely on tax declaration or to zoning ordinances (in identifying agricultural lands)", de Los Reyes stressed.

Meantime, as both House of Congress went into recess without passing the CARP - "Notice of Coverage" extension bill, de Los Reyes affirmed that the De-

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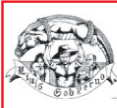
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