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# City to operationalize CCTV surveillance system soon

**B**AGUIO CITY – The city's own closed-circuit television (CCTV) surveillance system project will soon be operationalized.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan led city officials last Thursday in inspecting the newly constructed Baguio City Public Safety and Security Command Center at the Baguio City Police Office which will serve as the nerve center of the system where CCTV footage monitoring and response will emanate.

An inspection of the 70 CCTV cameras and the fiber optic cable installed at the central business district was also conducted last Friday while the training of personnel to man the command center will begin next week.

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**LOOK OUT...WE ARE WATCHING YOU!** - City Budget officer Atty. Leticia Clemente briefs city officials headed by mayor mauricio domogan and the Baguio's Finest headed by Acting City Police Director PSSupt Ramil Saculles on the city's surveillance project with 70 CCTV cameras installed at the central business district and the system will soon be monitored by the command center to be manned by trained personnel of the City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council and the city police./By Bong Cayabyab

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## Latest revision of proposed schedule of market values results to lower rates

**B**AGUIO CITY – The proposed schedule of market values underwent another revision which resulted to a general lowering of the tax rates than those proposed in the 2014 proposal.

City assessor Almaya Addawe said they also decided to pursue only a tax revision on land values and forewent earlier proposals for buildings and improvements after observing that realty taxes covering them are still relevant.

Addawe last Wednesday presented the new schedule to Mayor Mauricio Domogan who expressed hopes that the schedule will finally be adopted by the city council before the year ends for implementation by January 2017.

The valuation processes used to determine the current and fair market value for land were through “geographic stratification” where areas having similar characteristic were identified and grouped under one sub-classification, “sales comparison approach or market data analysis” using sales data and through consultations with bank appraisers, real estate brokers and assessors.

Comparing the 2014 and 2016 schedules, Addawe said the rates in the 2016 schedule of values in both residential, commercial and industrial classifications were generally lower than in the 2014 set-up.

“There are some areas where rates were increased after this last revision but the rates in most areas considerably decreased,” she said.

The latest revision was effected following the suggestion of Rep. Marquez Go and Mayor Domogan recently to review the stratification of the taxable areas as well as the market values of the 2014 schedule to make them more appropriate.

She said this entailed having to go through the process of gathering data anew but was done just the same to capture inputs and more current sales and market data.

They also updated the proposed assessment levels for land from the current assessment levels of 12 percent in residential lands to just six percent; 35 percent for commercial and industrial land to just eight percent and 12.5 percent for cultural, scientific and hospital to just five percent.

Addawe again justified the proposed increase citing that it is mandated under section 219 of the Republic Act 7160 or the Local Government Code that the city assessor undertake a general revision of real property assessments within two years after the effectivity of the code in 1992 and every three years thereafter.

“The first and only general revision undertaken by the city government was by virtue of ICT Ordinance No. 101

series of 1995 that took effect in 1996. This was implemented in three phases thus the revision was fully implemented in 1998. Had we complied with the law, there should have been six revisions to date,”

“Due to our failure to update our schedule of market values, the city was cited by the Department of Finance in its LGU Fiscal Sustainability Scorecard as ‘non-compliant’ in the regular updating of schedule of market values and conduct of general revision of property assessment and was given a poor rating the area of revenue generation capacity for the years 2010, 2011 and 2013,” she said.

Addawe said that for the last 19 years, real property values are assessed at their 1996 levels which are abnormally low considering that the real property market was still affected by the memory of the 1990 earthquake.

Over the years when the city bounced back from the calamity, the city’s population ballooned and the demand for real property and consequently the market value of land also increased but the city still appraises real properties at their 1995 values, she said.

“It is about time that we achieve the main purpose of a general revision of real property assessments in compliance with the law which is to reflect the true market levels of properties based on updated

base unit values rationalizing the real property tax base therefore providing for the equitable and fair distribution of tax burden,” she said. *Aileen P. Refuerzo*

## Giant Christmas tree has new home, new concept

**B**AGUIO CITY – The city’s giant Christmas Tree, the city’s holiday centerpiece, will have a new home in Rose Garden at Burnham Park.

The move from the tree’s usual spot at Session Road to the heart of the city’s most popular promenade center is for practical purposes, according to Mayor Mauricio Domogan who approved the recommendation of the city buildings and architecture office under Engr. Nazita Banez based

on the proposal of Arch. Aris Go and 90 Design Studio whom the city consulted for this year’s project.

He said the consultant deemed it more apt to move the tree in an area where people can take a look at, gather around, take pictures of and frolic about the tree with convenience which they cannot do at the old spot being at the center of a busy intersection.

The mayor agreed that people can appreciate

the tree better in its new location.

The construction of the tree will also take on a new concept which is to use recycled materials fashioned out of metal scraps as a means of cutting on costs and helping in the waste management and environmental programs of the city.

Arch. Homer Soriano said that with the recycled material concept also initiated by the consultant, they hope to realize a

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## Itoyon LGU includes drug surrenderees in livelihood program

**L**A TRINIDAD, Benguet, - Drug surrenderees in all barangays of Itoyon are now being organized into associations for the possibility of extending livelihood opportunities in order to mainstreamed as productive members of the community.

Itoyon Livelihood and Cooperative Development Officer Patrick Alcedo said livelihood is one of the priority programs of Mayor Victor Palangdan aimed to reduce poverty, provide alternative employment and increase family income of organized groups or associations.

Drug surrenderees numbering to 187 to date were included in the livelihood program of the local government anchored on the national government’s campaign on illegal drugs.

Through the Municipal and Barangay Anti-drug Abuse Council (MADAC/BADAC), Alcedo said surrenderees in all of the nine barangays are being organized and are ongoing registration with the Department of Labor and Employment as one

of the requirements for accreditation.

The organized groups need to be accredited with the local government so they can avail of livelihood programs depending on their field of specialization, said Alcedo.

Among the initially identified skills of surrenderees are carpentry, auto-machinist, tailoring, souvenir-making, and photo printing.

For the holistic engagement of surrenderees for

their further rehabilitation, aside from their weekly monitoring by the Philippine National Police, the surrenderees are also engaged in a spiritual program called “Ugnayan ng Barangay at Simbahan” (UBAS) in partnership with the church through a weekly fellowship every Sunday.

Also part of their involvement is a community service under the town’s clean and green program./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR, Benguet



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## DSWD stresses importance of community support for children in conflict with the law

**B**AGUIO CITY - The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) here stresses the importance of providing emotional support to children in conflict of the law who are undergoing rehabilitation.

"Aside from the interventions being provided

by the rehabilitation centers, support from the family and the community can help the children cope with the process" shared Social Worker Novelia Naisod, head of the Regional Rehabilitation Center for the Youth (RRCY) located in Sablan, Benguet.

"We want the CICLs to be rehabilitated and be reintegrated in the community through various activities like spiritual enhancement program, psychological and educational services and others, but putting them in the center is the last resort. Let us be

reminded that there are other ways of helping these children through community-based intervention and diversion programs", Naisod said.

Aside from center-based treatment, there are also community-based intervention programs for CICLs.

"Not all CICLs are required to go to the centers. The children could stay in the community but this is based upon the gravity of their case and upon the assessment of our social workers. Through a program designed and implemented in partnership with the

barangay government and the local social welfare and development office, the children are guided towards his or her rehabilitation", Naisod added.

Since January 2016, there are 26 clients served in the RRCY of the DSWD. Three of the cases

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## Outstanding Barangay Peace and Order Council honored

**B**AGUIO CITY - The Barangay Peace and Order Council (BPOC) has a very significant role in the citywide implementation of peace and order initiatives in this mountain resort.

During the 24th Local Government Day celebration Monday, October 10, the ten most outstanding BPOC were honored for its commitment in sustaining crime prevention to the peace and order program of the city government here.

Middle Quirino Hill barangay headed by punong barangay Ignacio Gallente is this year's most outstanding BPOC receiving plaque of recognition and Php20,000 cash incentive.

The first runner-up is Irisan headed by PB Thomas Dumalti, second runner-up is Lower Quirino Hill headed by PB Oliver dicing and third runner-up is Atok Trail headed by PB Federico Codley.

They received plaques of recognition and cash incentives amounting to Php15,000, Php10,000 and Php7,000, respectively.

The other six finalists received certificates of recognition plus Php4,000 cash incentives each are barangays City Camp Proper, San Antonio Village, Camp Allen, Sto. Tomas Central, Asin, and Pucsusan.

It is recalled that said 10 barangays were nominated and recommended by the precinct stations in Baguio and subsequently assessed and evaluated by the assessment team.

The assessment team headed by the Department of Interior and Local Government-Baguio Field Office together with the Baguio City Police Office, Bureau of Fire Protection, Liga ng mga Barangay and Special Services Division of the Mayor's Office conducted an on-site visitation in the respective barangays last March.

"Criminality continues to pose a serious threat to peace and order, thus, the preservation and maintenance of peace and order in the city is the prime concern of the city government here. Recognizing the BPOC of the barangay would be encouraging all the 128 barangays to ensure an enhanced involvement, mutual assistance and coordination among all sectors of the community in the attainment of peace, law and order, public safety and security in the barangay level," stressed mayor Mauricio Domogan.

Last year's most outstanding BPOC was Pinsao proper headed by PB Raymund Laxamana./Jho Arranz

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# It's Time to Suspend America's Alliance with the Philippines

The United States has an unfortunate history of acquiring ugly authoritarian allies even when America's security interests do not justify making such moral compromises. Malou Innocent and I described many of those unfortunate relationships in our book *Perilous Partners*, noting that a majority of the security relationships did not involve situations in which America's vital interests were imperiled.

Washington faces another increasingly problematic relationship: its alliance with the Philippines. As I've noted previously on this site, Philippine president Rodrigo Duterte is the personification of a "loose-cannon" ally. Among other things, he referred to President Obama as "a son of a bitch," and made it clear that he had no intention of necessarily following Washington's lead on foreign policy.

Since I wrote that article, his erratic behavior, both domestically and internationally, has grown worse. After indicating that he wished to conclude alliances with both Russia and China, Duterte stated that there will be no further military exercises with U.S. forces because China objects to such exercises. Now he has

**EDITORIAL** compared himself to Adolf Hitler, affirming that he was gladly slaughtering thousands of alleged drug dealers and drug users—all without the inconvenient obstacles of due process—and would like to kill millions, just like Hitler killed millions of Jews.

U.S. officials seem strangely tone-deaf to the outrages of their East Asian ally. Even as Duterte was cozying up to China and waxing about Hitler, U.S. Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter was affirming that Washington's alliance with the Philippines was nothing less than "ironclad."

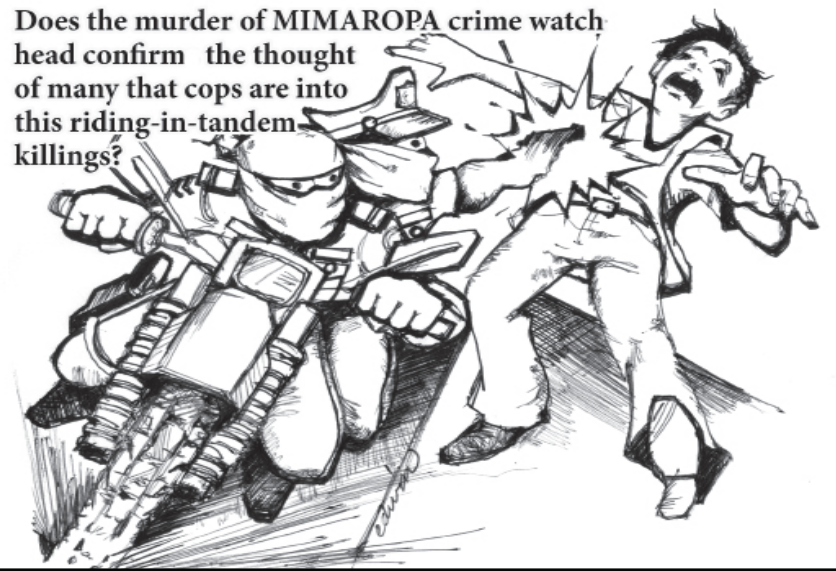
That is an unwise position for several reasons. First, it is generally a bad idea for a great power to pass out security guarantees in a promiscuous manner, since any one of them has the potential to entangle it in a dubious military confrontation. The United States has violated that rule in a spectacular fashion, undertaking explicit, treaty-bound security obligations to more than four dozen countries and implicit commitments to many more. The "mutual" defense treaty with Manila is actually one of the older obligations, having been concluded when the Philippines were granted independence in the late 1940s. But the venerable nature of the treaty does not make it a wise one.

A second reason a great power should avoid alliances like the relationship with Manila is that the security client's agenda can create embarrassments or even great dangers. The Philippines have ambitious territorial claims in the volatile South China Sea—along with several other countries. At a minimum, having a treaty ally in that position creates a headache for the United States.

Finally, a security relationship makes America at least indirectly culpable for the domestic behavior of the client regime. Throughout the Cold War, Washington embarrassed itself (if not shamed itself) by its close relationships with an assortment of thuggish "allies." American officials may have deluded themselves into believing that such relationships were essential for the republic's security, but in the vast majority of cases, that simply was not true. Now in the absence of the kind of existential threat that the Soviet Union posed, the justification for tossing basic moral values overboard is even weaker.

The United States needs to take an immediate stand regarding the Philippines. It is absurd for America to be putting its security on the line to defend a country ruled by an individual who is showing his unreliability on foreign policy issues and engages in utterly odious domestic behavior. Washington should suspend the alliance with Manila indefinitely. In the 1980s, the United States suspended its defense commitment to New Zealand through the ANZUS pact because Wellington would not allow U.S. nuclear vessels to operate in its waters. Duterte's actions are vastly worse than that and at least warrant a similar response. / By Ted Galen Carpenter/This article appeared on National Interest (Online) on October 1, 2016./CATO Institute

Does the murder of MIMAROPA crime watch head confirm the thought of many that cops are into this riding-in-tandem killings?



## KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

*Is there basis for Ramos' claims vs. Duterte?*

BY: ATTY. BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATION: "... Lead out those who have eyes but are blind, who have ears but are deaf..." (Isaiah 43:8, the Holy Bible).

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**IS THERE BASIS FOR RAMOS' CLAIMS VS. DUTERTE?** So, okay, former President Ramos is not satisfied with the performance of President Duterte during the first 100 days of the Duterte government. According to Ramos, Duterte focused principally on the illegal drug trade, virtually leaving out issues on poverty, living costs, jobs, and foreign investment.

The question, however, is this: is there a factual basis for the claim of Ramos that nothing has been done by the Duterte government about poverty, living costs, jobs, and foreign investments during its first 100 days? It is significant to note that what Ramos offered in support of his claims are mere generalizations, without appropriate data to back him up.

This is dangerous as it is misleading, especially since it came from someone who, for all intents and purposes on account of his being Duterte's personal representative on the South China Sea row, is a part of the Duterte government. People may entertain---as indeed, many, especially from those who oppose Duterte, are now entertaining the possibility that Duterte really failed in his first 100 days, as what Ramos said.

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**DUTERTE GOV'T IS DOING ALL ITS CAN TO ADDRESS PROBLEMS:** I mean, it is one thing to say that nothing is being done about something, and another to say that nothing is being reported about what the government

is actually doing to address the many problems that have been inherited by President Duterte from past administrations, including that of Ramos.

What, to me, is happening at this point, is that, each and every department of government under the Duterte administration are discharging their respective duties and responsibilities, in an attempt to achieve the goals set out by President Duterte when he assumed the presidency on June 30, 2016.

Let us take the example of the Department of Agriculture, under the leadership of Sec. Manny Pinol. In July, he ordered the release to farmers and their organizations some P2 billion worth of farm equipment and machineries, which were simply kept and undistributed under the Aquino government. This certainly empowered farmers and their organizations towards greater agricultural production.

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**OBJECTIVITY KEY TO APPRECIATING WHAT DUTERTE HAS DONE:** Then, in line with Duterte's objective of taking away our people's fascination and dependence on gambling, the Duterte government decisively shut down a company whose franchise allowed it to operate gambling facilities through the Internet, also during its first 100 days.

The company is still trying to win back its franchise but at this point, gambling through its outlets or stations have been stopped. There is no doubt that removing gambling from our people's way of life would improve their lives better, with more productive use of the time that they have been spending on games of chance.

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## MAGKASANGGA TAYO

- *Senador na Cocaine user?!*
  - *'Di kailangan ng Pinas ng AID mula sa US/UN/EU!!!*
- (reprint from last week)



BY: NESTOR "PAKEN" CASTRO

**Senador/a na Cocaine user** - Isang napakatin-sding info ang pinasabog ni Vice Mayor Paolo Du30 na may isang senador o senadora na cocaine user o addict daw. Ngayon, dapat rin na pangalanan ni VM Du30 kung sino ang Senador o Senadora na ito sapagkat kung hindi niya ito ibubunyag ay magiging unfair sa mga senador na inosente at hindi gumagamit ng cocaine. Kaya ang panawagan ko kay Senate President Pimentel ay huwag babakla-bakla at siguraduhin na pangalan ni VM Du30 kung sino ang senador o senadora na yuon.

Sa aking analysis, ang suspetsa ko na posibleng mga user ay ang mga sumusunod SEN. ZUBIRI, SEN. GATCHALIAN, SEN. SOTTO, wala naman po akong info o ano mang basehan kung hindi ito ay suspetsa, hinala, at palagay ko lang na ang isa sa tatlong pangalan na aking nabanggit ang siyang cocaine user. Tama kaya ako? Ma-tsambahan ko kaya ang hula-hula ko? Kayo mga dear readers, sino ang sa palagay ninyo???

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**Hindi kailangan ng Pinas ng AID mula sa US/UN/EU** - Yan ang aking Pangulo, nung kanyang sinabi ng direksahan na hindi natin kailangan ng AID mula sa USA, sa UN at sa EU. Hep Hep Hooray! Hep Hep Horay!!! At kanya pang sabi na we will survive. Yehey, yan ang tama Mr. President, you are trying to instill national pride and patriotism. Sinigundahan pa ni Commissioner on Anti Poverty na si Liza Masa na "oo" at hindi natin kailanagn ng AID sapagkat maraming mga programa ang gobyerno para sa anti poverty. Clap! Clap! Clap! Samakatwid ay hindi natin kailangan ng tulong pinansiyal, etc mula sa mga ibang bansa.

Teka, sandali, kung ang AID ba ay galing sa China o sa Russia ay atin itong tatanggapin? Nagtatanong lang po sa aking mga kapwa-Dutertards, na katulad ninyo at katulad ko rin ay mga certified Dutertards tayong lahat. Hi! Hi! Hi! Eh kung tutuusin nga ay mas malaki pa ang minimum wage sa Pinas kaysa sa America, hindi po ba sapagkat ang minimum wage sa US ay \$7/per hour or \$56/per 8 hours /day, eh sa atin ay P450 per day sa Metro Manila ang minimum wage. O, di malinaw na mas malaki ang minimum wage natin, kitang kita naman ninyo 450 komparado sa 56. Isang patunay lamang yan na ang ating ekonomiya ay siyang maganda at matibay. Hi! Hi! Hi!

Katunayan nga ay nabasa ko sa FB mula sa isang netizen Dutertard na kanyang sinabi na maganda itong tumataas ang palitan ng piso sa dolyar sapagkat patunay raw yan na gumaganda ang ekonomiya sapagkat ang mga padala ng mga OFW sa kanilang pamilya ay magkakaroon ng maganda at mas mataas na palitan ng piso kaya lalago daw ang ekonomiya. YES! Yan ang mga analohiya ng mga kapwa dutertards ko! Kaya dapat siguro ay ang maging palitan ng dolyar sa piso ay maging \$1 = P70! Anong say ninyo mga ka-dutertards, oks na oks kapag ganito ang palitan ng dolyar ano??? Very Good! Very Good! Very Nice! Very Nice! Hi Hi Hi!

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## PALSIIT

*Piliem ti Maikanatad  
a Balikas*



BY: LEONARDO R. AGUNOY

**M**AYSA a sardam iti bulan ti Abril. Nagpaingak ti Mayuyangko a waiting shed aglalo no kadagaang ti panawen. Addaak iti pantok ti waiting shed a semento. Dito ti nagpaldagak. Kalepleppasko a nagsurat idi iti daya a sardam.

Adda nagsardeng a lugan iti asidegko. Maysamay-sa ti dimsaag a kagiddato iti panagsaludsod dagiti lallaki. Armado dagitoy. Bimmangonak manipud iti nagiddaak. Kastoy man ti saludsodda: "Apay, ania ti kaaddam ditoy? apay, guardiaka kadi ditoy?"

Rinagupko a sinungbatan ti saludsodda: imbagak a ditoy rabaw ti waiting shed ti ayuyangko iti tunggal sardam. Malaksid a naulimek iti aglawlaw ti nadakamat a waiting shed ta nagsaad ngamin iti sulit ti kalsada-barangay ken kalsada-provincial a nalebleganen agsipud ta nagbalin metten a karayan iti kasurdongna a kumamang iti kabangibang a barangay. Maanaraaran ti silaw dagiti pagtaengan iti ayanko. Sumiblosiblok ti pul-oy iti ayanko. Isu a nasayaat a pagpaldagan no kasta a nadagaang iti sardam. Naulimek ta awan unay ti matatao.

Patrol car dagiti pannakabagi ti linteg ti nagsardeng a lugan iti batogko gayam. Pannakabagi ngarud ti linteg dagiti armado a lallaki a naturay a nagsaludsod kaniak iti: "Apay, ania ti kaaddam ditoy? apay, guardiaka kadi ditoy?"

Inurayko nga immasideg dagiti pannakabagi ti linteg iti ayanko. Sinilawannak ti daulo dagitoy. Nalasinnak a dagus ti pannakabagi ti linteg. Nagtimek: "Sir, sika met gayam. Pasensiakan, sir..." mababain ti daulo dagitoy a pannakabagi ti linteg. Malasinnak gayam.

Masansan ngamin a mapmapanak mangal-ala kadagiti police blotter iti police headquarters. Daytoy met a daulo dagiti pannakabagi ti linteg a mangsitsita kaniak ti masansan a makasarsaritak ken mangit-ited kadagiti police blotter kaniak tapno adawek dagitoy nga isuratko a news report kadagiti pagpapaayak a pagiwarnak.

Natalgedak iti pagpapaingak a waiting shed. Naulimek ti lugarmi. Kalintegang dagiti pannakabagi ti linteg ti mangsita iti asino man. Ngem, iti ayuyangko a waiting shed, public a lugar ti nagsaadanna. Saan met a curfew hour iti kanito a kaaddak dita.

Subliak daydiay saludsod dagiti pannakabagi ti linteg: "Apay, ania ti kaaddam ditoy? apay, guardiaka kadi ditoy?"

Kayatko a maiyatur dagitoy a tema ti panagsaludsod dagitoy a pannakabagi ti linteg a taklin ken talged dagiti umili. Mabalina koma nga agsaludsodda iti natakak-neng a wagas: "Kabsat, di la mabalina a maammuan ti gapuna nga addaka ditoy iti kastoy nga oras? Pannakabagikami ti linteg," saan ngata a mammanakman iti kasta a panagsaludsod? Sakbay a nalasinda iti kinataok, agsasaruno ti panagsaludsodda kaniak. Naturayda. Daytoy ti kayatko a maiyatur nga ugali dagitoy nagubsang a pannakabagi ti linteg. Iyaturtayoy pay ti saludsodda: "Apay, guardiaka kadi ditoy?"

Nanumoak a mannalon ken makipagnaed iti lugarmi. Saanak a dakes a tao. Kamengak ti local media, iti man print ken broadcast.

Kayatko a makatungtong iti napapaut pay a kanito dagitoy a pannakabagi ti linteg a nangsita kaniak. Awan nagangganabda. Nasingada iti pannakailibayko iti daya a sardam. Ngem, kasla masinsinit iti beggang dagiti dapanda. Nagpakadada nga insegida idi mabigbignak ti daulo dagiti pannakabagi ti linteg. Nagpadispensarda. Impasingkedko nga awan danag. Inyiddak. Imadayon ti patrol car iti ayanko.

## KAKAMPI MO...

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order, crime and criminality have gone down tremendously. What is more, crimes attributable to insurgency in the countryside have decreased dramatically, in the light of the on-going peace talks with various rebel groups who have fought the Philippine government for so long a time. If one is objective enough, it is not difficult to appreciate what Duterte has done in his first 100 days.

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**PLEASE LISTEN:** "Ang Tanging Daan" (The Sole Way): a Bible study and prayer session online could now be heard, 24 HOURS a day, in the Philippines and the world at [www.facebook.com/angtangingdaan](http://www.facebook.com/angtangingdaan) or [www.facebook.com/ANDKNK](http://www.facebook.com/ANDKNK) (and look for "Ang Tanging Daan" broadcasts). Phone: 0922 833 43 96, 0918 574 0193, 0977 805 9058. Email: [batasmauricio@yahoo.com](mailto:batasmauricio@yahoo.com).

## Gian Christmas tree...

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considerable saving on the cost of the tree which they project to amount to less than P500,000.

They asked the public to chip in to the project by donating household junk like discarded pipes, broken appliances, bicycles and any scrap steel and metal.

Donations may be brought to the CBAO office at DPS barangay or call 442-2503. Arrangement for pick-up may also be done for donations in bulk.

The CBAO said the tree's design is that of a traditional Christmas tree fashioned out of welded scrap steel and the customary Christmas adornments.

The past Christmas tree designs had elicited criticisms for failing the public's expectations on design and grandeur.

This year with the new location and concept, the city hopes that the tree can live up to the public's discriminating tastes. / *Aileen P. Refuerzo*

## DOT partners with stakeholders in beautifying Session Road

**B**AGUIO CITY - The Department of Tourism Cordillera Regional office in partnership with the city government, enjoined the cooperation of commercial establishment along Session Road on plan to re-green and beautify the city's most popular thoroughfare.

In a meeting with the Session Road Businessmen Association, DOT Regional Director Venus Tan with city councilors Elmer Datuin and Elaine Sambrano presented the proposed beautification plan.

The plan includes putting up of uniform potted plants and flowers in every commercial establishment along Session.

This is part of the DOT's REV - BLOOM Baguio program, a campaign that aims to rev-up community participation in re-greening and beautification of the city; revive it to its grandeur as **Cont. on page 8**

Gibusak daytoy a salaysayko iti termino ti maysa nga empleada ti maysa a chief executive iti maysa nga ili: "Apay kadi?" Saludsodna iti maysa nga umili a mapan agpatulong iti salinong daya a public office. Kayatko a maiyatur ti saludsod nga "Apay kadi?"

Public office, no kunatayo, isu ti ayan ti public servant. Aggapu iti buis dagiti umili ti sueldo dagiti empleado ti gobierno. Rumbeng ngarud a sidadayaw dagiti agpapaay iti gobierno a mangipaay iti serbisioda kadagiti umili. Kastoy koma ti nadaydayaw a panagsaludsod daya nga empleado: "Ania kadi ti nanumo a maipaay ti oficina iti nadayaw a biangyo, kabsat?"

No maikanatad dagiti balikas a maiyebkas, agbalin a natan-ok ti tao nga agsasao kadagitoy, saan kadi, kakabsat?#

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

**MYLICK B. LAGASAN**  
**Petitioner**  
**CASE No. 2015-CAR-675**  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a TAXI Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO CITY TO ANY POINT IN CAR and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit which CPC expires on October 31, 2017.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Board shall hear this application on October 25, 2016 at 2:00 PM the LTRFB Office, Pacdal Baguio City in which date and time 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) daily newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

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

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this 12th day of October 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

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

**CRISTO A. LAGYOP**  
**Petitioner**  
**CASE No. 91-CAR-540**  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA – AMBIONG - LUBAS and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Board shall hear this application on October 25, 2016 at 2:00 PM the LTRFB Office, Pacdal Baguio City in which date and time 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) daily newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this 13th day of October 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

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

**EDDIE AMANDO**  
**Petitioner**  
**CASE No. 99-01-1436**  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA – LABEY via HILLTOP and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Board shall hear this application on October 25, 2016 at 2:00 PM the LTRFB Office, Pacdal Baguio City in which date and time applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this 13th day of October 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

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

**JUANITO PANGISBAN**  
**Petitioner**  
**CASE No. 98-BC-1389**  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO PLAZA – LABEY via HILLTOP and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this 13th day of October 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

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

**EDWARD B. ASPOWEN**  
**Petitioner**  
**CASE No. 2002-BC-133**  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: SAGADA – BONTOC and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Board shall hear this application on October 25, 2016 at 2:00 PM the LTRFB Office, Pacdal Baguio City in which date and time applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this 13th day of October 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

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

**AGUSTIN JR. OLAZO DELOS REYES**  
**Applicant/s**  
**CASE No. 97-01-726**  
**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 CAR and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Board shall hear this application on October 25, 2016 at 2:00 PM the LTRFB Office, Pacdal Baguio City in which date and time applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this \_\_\_\_\_ 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

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

**HERMAN D. ANOR**  
**Applicant**  
**CASE No. 05-BENG CAR-356**  
**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 TO ANY POINT IN CAR and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this \_\_\_\_\_ 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

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

**HERMAN D. ANOR**  
**Applicant**  
**CASE No. 2011-CAR-094**  
**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 TO ANY POINT IN CAR and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) unit.

NOTICE is hereby given that this Board shall hear this application on October 25, 2016 at 2:00 PM the LTRFB Office, Pacdal Baguio City in which date and time applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

WITNESS, the Honorable ATTY. JOSE EDUARDO L. NATIVIDAD, Regional Director, this \_\_\_\_\_ 2016.

**GREGORIO R. RETUTA**  
Hearing Officer

**EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT  
OF ESTATE WITH SIMULTANEOUS  
DEED OF SALE OF MOTOR  
VEHICLE WITH FRANCHISE**

Notice is hereby given that an Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Simultaneous Deed of Sale of Motor Vehicle with Franchise was entered into and executed by the surviving legal heirs of the late ORLANDO P. IBASCO who died intestate on January 18, 2015 at Baguio City. The Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Simultaneous Deed of Sale of Motor Vehicle with Franchise was done on September 17, 2016 before Atty. Isagani Z. Mamaril and entered into his Notarial Registry as Doc No. 347; Page No. 70; Book No. XII; Series of 2016.

October 1, 8 and 15, 2016

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

SOLIVEN CARLOS  
AND BRYCE  
AIGNER SOLIVEN  
CARLOS

MARY JANE DAOS  
SOLIVEN,  
Petitioner,

-verus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL  
REGISTRAR FOR  
BAGUIO CITY AND  
JOSE LAZARO  
V A L D I S N O  
CARLOS,  
Respondent.

SPL. PRO. CASE  
NO. 2570-R

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**ORDER**

A verified petition was filed by petitioners, through counsel, praying to the Honorable Court to render judgment:

1. ORDERING the Civil Registrar for Baguio City upon payment by the petitioner of all legal fees, therefore:

a. to delete/cancel the DATE AND PLACE OF MARRIAGE OF PARENTS in the Certifi-

cate of Live Birth of John Larry Soliven Carlos and Bryce Aigner Soliven Carlos;

b. to effect the appropriate correction of the middle name of petitioner in the Certificate of Live Birth of Bryce Aigner Soliven Carlos from “Daus” to “Daos”;

c. further effect the correction of entry in the certificate of Live Birth of John Larry Soliven Carlos of father's name from “Larry Valdisno Carlos” to “Jose Lazaro Valdisno Carlos; and

d. furnish a copy of the DECISION to the office

of the Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) for annotation/record purposes.

Other measure of relief just and equitable are likewise prayed for.”

It appearing that the instant petition is sufficient in form and substance, the same is set for hearing on November 25, 2016 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 once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication of which should not be later than October 16, 2016 in a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City to be determined 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 (now known as Philippine Statistics Authority PSA) – Solicarel Bldg. I. R. Magsaysay Blvd. Sta. Mesa, Manila and the Local Civil Registrar, Baguio City.

Baguio City, Philippines this 7th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, 2016.

(SGD) EMMANUEL  
CACHO RASING  
Presiding Judge

Publication Dates:  
October 15, 22 and 29,  
2016

IN RE: PETITION  
FOR CORREC-  
TION AND/OR  
CANCELLATION  
OF ENTRIES IN  
THE CERTIFICATE  
OF LIVE BIRTH  
OF JOHN LARRY



Republic of the  
Philippines  
REGIONAL TRIAL  
COURT  
FIRST JUDICIAL  
REGION  
BRANCH 8  
2nd Floor Justice  
Hall, Justice Hill  
La Trinidad,  
Benguet

IN RE: In the Petition  
for Correction of  
Entries in the Certifi-  
cate of Live Birth/  
Report of Birth of  
Chloe Dangilan  
Carias

SPOUSES RICARDO  
A. CARIAS and  
GINALYN D.  
CARIAS

Petitioners,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL  
REGISTRAR OF  
LA TRINIDAD,  
BENGUET, and the  
CIVIL REGISTRAR  
G E N E R A L ,  
MANILA,

Respondents.

SPEC. PROC.

CASE NO.

14-C-1829

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ORDER

Petitioners through  
counsel filed this Amended  
Petition praying that the  
court after notice, publica-  
tion and hearing, renders  
judgment directing the  
Local Civil Registrar of  
La Trinidad, Benguet and  
the Civil Registrar General  
of Manila to cause the  
necessary corrections/  
cancellations in the Cer-  
tificate of Live Birth of  
Chloe Dangilan Carias  
particularly the status

of her parents from NOT  
MARRIED to MARRIED  
and the maiden surname  
of the mother of CHLOE  
DANGILAN CARIAS  
which is item 12 of the  
column DETAILS OF  
PARENTS from COPICOP  
to DANGILAN.

WHEREFORE, finding  
the Amended Petition to  
be sufficient in form and  
substance, the court sets it  
for hearing on November  
29, 2016 at 8:30 o'clock  
in the morning in the  
courtroom of this court,  
Rm. 202, 2nd Floor,  
Justice Hall, Justice Hill,  
La Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines.

All persons interest-  
ed may appear and show  
cause, if any, why this  
petition should not be  
granted.

Let this Order be  
published at the expense  
of the petitioners in the  
Junction, a newspaper of  
general circulation in  
Baguio City and Benguet  
Province, once a week,  
for three (3) consecutive  
weeks, the first Publica-  
tion to be made not later  
than October 16, 2016.

Furnish copies hereof  
together with a copy of the  
Amended Petition and  
its annexes to the Office  
of the Solicitor General,  
Makati City; Philip-  
pine Statistics Authority,  
Solicare Building I and  
II, Ramon Magsaysay  
Blvd., Sta. Mesa, Manila;  
the Provincial Prosecu-  
tor of Benguet Province,  
Justice Hill, La Trinidad,  
Benguet; The Local Civil  
Registrar of La Trinidad,  
Benguet, the Junction  
Newspaper; the petition-  
ers and their counsel.

SO ORDERED.

La Trinidad, Benguet,  
Philippines, this 10th day  
of October, 2016.

(SGD) CECILIA  
CORAZON S.

DULAY-ARCHOG  
Acting Presiding Judge

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2016

REPUBLIC OF  
THE PHILIPPINES  
REGIONAL  
TRIAL COURT OF  
BAGUIO CITY  
First Judicial Region  
BRANCH 4  
Baguio City

FAMILY COURT  
OF BAGUIO CITY

IN RE: PETITION  
FOR ADOPTION  
OF MINOR  
KURT REILY F.  
LAM-OKEN

S P O U S E S  
REYNALDO B.  
SUELLO and  
MARILYN L.  
SUELLO,

Petitioner,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL  
R E G I S T R A R  
OF KALINGA  
PROVINCE

Respondent.

SPEC. PROC.

CASE NO. 508-A

For: ADOPTION

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ORDER

The petitioners,  
Spouses Reynaldo B.  
Suello and Marilyn L.  
Suello, filed this verified  
petition praying for the  
Honorable Court that  
upon due notice and  
hearing, judgment be  
entered adjudging that  
the minor child KURT  
KEILY F. LAM-OKEN be  
freed from all legal obli-  
gations of obedience and  
maintenance with respect  
to his biological parents  
and that he be declared

serve as nerve center of all city offices and  
agencies where all real-time events and infor-  
mation relating to public safety, security and  
even disaster preparedness can be monitored  
by a centralized command center and acted  
upon with dispatch by concerned agencies.

Computer Maintenance Technologist II and  
assigned project manager Francis Castaneda  
the fiber cable trenching or excavation to install  
underground facilities covers 44.7 kilometers  
and is being done with care to ensure that the  
fiber network infrastructure being installed is  
of high quality, efficiency, durability and reli-  
ability to accommodate succeeding expansions  
and to ensure long-term use.

He said the city was able to save on expenses  
as the company from which the city procured  
the cameras agreed to bankroll the expenses  
for the infrastructure.

The command center will operate based on

for all legal intents and  
purposes, the legitimate  
child of the herein peti-  
tioners and that his  
surname be changed to  
that of the petitioners.

Finding the petition  
to be sufficient in form  
and substance, let the  
same be heard before  
the Regional Trial Court,  
Branch 4, Baguio City on  
December 14, 2016 at 8:30  
o'clock in the morning, at  
which place, date and time,  
the petitioners shall prove  
their case. Any person  
interested may appear and  
show cause, if any there be,  
why the petition should  
not be granted.

Let a copy of this  
Order be published at the  
expense of the petition-  
ers on the The Junction,  
a newspaper of general  
circulation in Baguio City  
once a week for three (3)  
consecutive weeks not  
later than October 14,  
2016.

The Judicial Affidavits  
of the Petitioner and her  
witnesses together with  
their exhibits are due for  
submission not later than  
November 29, 2016.

Furnish copies hereof,  
together with copies  
of the Petition and its  
annexes to the Office of  
the Solicitor General, the  
Office of the City Pros-  
ecutor of Baguio, the  
Court Social Worker of  
the Regional Trial Court  
in Baguio City, Local Civil  
Registrar of Kalinga,  
DSWD CAR and petition-  
er through counsel.

SO ORDERED.

DONE IN OPEN  
COURT, this 27th day of  
September 2016 in Baguio  
City, Philippines.

(SGD) MIA JOY C.  
OALLARES-CAWED  
Presiding Judge

Publication Dates:  
October 15, 22 and 29,  
2016

## Old peso bills can be exchanged in banks until Dec. 2016 only

BAGUIO CITY - Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) encourag-  
es individuals who still have old bank notes or peso bills (New  
Denomination Series) in their possession to exchange these with  
the New Generation Currency (NGC) Series in banks until December  
31, 2016 only.

Old bank notes that have not been exchanged or surrendered will be  
demonetized or will no longer have monetary value starting January 1,  
2017, said BSP La Union Regional Director Rogel Joseph del Rosario  
during the kapihan media forum here last week.

Del Rosario explained that demonetization is the process by which a  
central bank removes the monetary value of a legal tender currency it  
issued and can no longer be accepted as payment for goods and services.

The BSP is demonetizing the old banknote series which have been  
in circulation for 30 years as a way to safeguard the integrity of our  
currency, he said.

He informed that there are still remaining 10 percent of old bank  
notes that have not been exchanged or surren- **Cont. on page 8**

## DOT partners with stakeholders...

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the Summer capital of the Philippines; revisit and assess Baguio's past to  
relive and promote its history, culture and tradition, as well as to re-  
vitalize multi-sectoral efforts and partnership in project implementation.

REV - BLOOM it not a tourism promotion campaign alone but  
a call for responsible tourism, a call for volunteerism and engaging  
community participation, she explained.

City Council Tourism committee chair Datuin gently reminded  
the Session Road businessmen of local ordinances that also mandate  
them to beautify their respective establishments, as he also assured  
their help through the City Environment and Parks Management Office  
and from their P2 million budget for plants in the central business  
district's pedestrians.

The meeting ended in a good note with business group accepting the  
partnership with the DOT and the city government for the re-greening  
and beautification of Session Road./JDP/CCD - PIA CAR

## DSWD stresses importance...

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have been dismissed by the court, seven discharged for trial reintegra-  
tion, and one client discharged for drug rehabilitation.

"Though these children have committed activities against the law,  
they are in some ways victims too. We try our best to provide them  
the interventions that they need for them to be reintegrated to their  
communities and become productive members of such. We ask the  
support not only of their families but most especially, the communi-  
ties that they are in because these children deserve a second chance",  
Noised explained.

The RRCY is a facility designed to provide intensive treatment in a  
residential setting for the rehabilitation of CICL whose sentences have  
been suspended. It serves as a nurturing out-of-home placement for  
children in need of rehabilitation.

The Center caters to CICL aged 15 years to not more than 18 years  
old male, who have committed an offense and ordered by the court  
to undergo rehabilitation. CICL who are on suspended sentence may,  
upon order of the court, undergo any or a combination of disposition  
measures appropriate to their rehabilitation and welfare./Nerizza Faye  
G. Villanueva-DSWD CAR

standard operational framework or standard operations procedure to  
be adopted for the purpose.

The whole operation will be covered by an executive order from the  
city mayor and approval by the city council.

The second phase of the project will involve the installation of more  
CCTV cameras at the parks and areas near schools and establishments  
to prepare for the third stage or the so-called "enterprise automation"  
that will make all the components work as one system by 2018.

With enterprise automation, the city expects to run and maintain  
all systems including the CCTV footage monitoring, communica-  
tion, traffic management, disaster preparedness and even criminal  
intelligence.

Similar facilities are now in place in the cities of Davao, Balanga,  
Makati, Mandaluyong, Pasig and Manila./Aileen P. Refuerzo

## City to operationalize... from page 1

Clemente said this constitutes only the first  
phase of the project with an initial funding  
of P12 million.

She said the command center is envisioned  
to operate in a "coordinative approach method"  
manned by capable individuals that will  
implement a "systematic, pro-active, aggres-  
sive and immediate" response to any type of  
situations and emergencies.

The project is envisioned to provide a  
"pro-active, aggressive and immediate"  
response to situations of public concern.

The entire system, when completed, will



## Old peso bills can...

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dered.

The BSP also clarified that there is no actual shortage of coins as there are 25 billion pieces of coins in circulation. The problem is that some people keep coins idle in piggy banks, or jars and not re-circulate them.

Del Rosario said "consumers should know that we now have a law, the No Shortchanging Act or Republic Act 10909, which protects consumers of their right to receive exact change". The law also prohibits business establishments

from giving customers candies as substitute for their change.

Violators will be subjected to penalties, and the gravity of the penalties will depend on the frequency of the offense, he said.

Del Rosario urged the public to use their coins in paying for their goods or bills./JDP/JBZ- PIA CAR

## PNP urged to submit shortlist of qualified BCPO chief

**B**AGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan wants the leadership of the Philippine National Police (PNP) to immediately submit to him the shortlist of qualified senior officers from where the screening committee will select the next City Director of the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) after the unceremonious relief of the local police chief who was subjected to the regular screening process at the local level.

The Mayor said the PNP should be the first one to comply with the provisions of the law that expressly provides that the maximum tour of duty of an officer-in-charge should be 30 days and not for the organization to grossly violate it by circumventing the law to suit their own interests.

"The PNP should not again wait for another two years before submitting the shortlist to us. We will no longer tolerate an officer-in-charge who will again serve for nearly two years without passing through the process that we had established at the local level where all concerned sectors will have their own voices

heard in the selection of the next BCPO chief," Domogan stressed.

He branded the way the PNP unceremoniously relieved former BCPO officials and the serious delays in the submission of the shortlist as circumventing the provisions of existing laws, rules and regulations in the assignment of police officials to suit the interest top regional police officials assigned to the region.

According to him, the unpredictable transition of police officers being assigned to certain areas will definitely deprive the local government, in partnership with the police force, in formulating long-term peace-keeping and anti-criminality programs towards maintaining law and order in the city, especially that Baguio city is one of the preferred tourist destinations in the country with a huge volume of tourists visiting the city year-round.

Domogan reminded the PNP leadership that people blame the local officials when peace and order in very poor in the city that is why the wayward assignment of police officers deprives

the local chief executives the power to select the police officer whom they know will really work for the attainment of lasting peace in the city.

He explained he does not outrightly select the BCPO chief. The members of the screening committee will decide whom to recommend as BCPO chief for a term of two years. In the case of Senior Superintendent George D. Daskeo, he only served three months, while in the case of Senior Superintendent Jesus Cambay, he was booted out of office after one year and four months as BCPO chief.

Domogan questioned the PNP leadership on why are the assigned police officers being unceremoniously replaced without justifiable reasons, when in fact, those who were replaced were doing well in exercising their duties and responsibilities that resulted in a significant decrease in the volume of crimes committed around the city during their respective tour of duties while those who were assigned as officers-in-charge had lackluster performances./By Dexter A. See

## Mayor reiterates call to strengthen anti-mendicancy campaign

**B**AGUIO CITY – With the Christmas season nearing and tourism is peaking, the local government of this mountain resort moves for the strict implementation of the "anti-mendicancy" ordinance of the city with the expected

increase of beggars.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan during his weekly Ugnayan media forum reiterated his call to concerned officials to strictly execute the ordinance.

Domogan specifically mentioned to look on

minors seen begging and serving as taxi barkers in the central business district and those in the parks.

Our children should be in school learning and after dismissal they should be home helping in the family household



**ELDERLY'S FORUM** - Mayor Mauricio Domogan listens intently to Office of Senior Citizens Affairs head and former DENR-CAR executive director Isaias Barongan during a forum for the elderly as part of the 2016 Filipino Elderly Octoberbest activities. Mayor Domogan thanked the Senior Citizens of Baguio for their active participation in supporting the city governments drive to bring back discipline and good moral values during the said affair./ - By Bong Cayabyab

## Social pension program benefits over 70,000 indigent elderlies in CAR

**B**AGUIO CITY - The Department of Social Welfare and Development reported that there are 70,287 target beneficiaries of the government's social pension program for the Cordillera.

Rojhelea An Marie Clair of the DSWD reported in the kapihan forum on Wednesday that the Social Pension program has 16,515 target beneficiaries in Abra; 8,128 in Apayao; 14,511 in Benguet, 12,219 in Ifugao, 11, 303 in Kalinga, and 7,601 in Mountain Province.

The Social Pension program as provided under Republic Act 9994 provides P500 per month pension to indigent senior citizens to help them on their basic needs and maintenance medicines. The pension given quarterly is delivered either through DSWD pay-out activity, fund transfer to local government units or door-to-door delivery.

chores, Domogan said.

Domogan also called on family members and relatives of the elderly mendicants in the parks clad in indigenous attire who make their daily living by begging.

"We do not want our visitors to have a different perception about the Cordillerans,"

Clair also explained Republic Act 10868 or the Centenarian Act of 2016 which was signed by then President Benigno Aquino III in June 23, 2016 or barely a week left into his term, and whose Implementing Rules and Regulations was approved by Pres. Duterte last month.

The Centenarian Act primarily authored by Albay Representative Edcel Lagman in the House of Representatives aims to pay tribute to Filipinos who reached their 100 birthday prior to the effectivity of the law on October 30 (2016), whether living in the Philippines or abroad, with a letter of felicitation from the President and a cash gift of P100,000.

The cash gift to be provided by the DSWD for this initial year will be awarded during the celebration of the National Respect for Centenarian Day, Clair explained.

Domogan emphasized. "I ask the family members and relatives not send them our begging because these are old people who should be staying at home," he added.

Betty Fangasan of the City Social Welfare and Development said they are upset about children

For the succeeding years, the cash gift will be included in the annual General Appropriations Act and a national committee will be formed that will ensure that the incentive will be awarded not later than the date of birth of the centenarian, she added.

Clair reported that in the Cordillera Region, there are 47 senior citizens who are 100 years old and above based on their initial list. Eight are from Abra, five from Apayao, five from Ifugao, three from Kalinga, nine from Mountain Province and 17 are from Baguio City. The province of Benguet is still finalizing its list.

The DSWD – CAR led Kapihan media forum was part of the Filipino Elderly Week celebration and to drumbeat National Week for Overcoming Extreme Poverty which observance is set this October 17 to 23./JDP/CCD-- PIA CAR

being used to beg, they ask them to stop but after sometime they are back in the streets.

On the part of the police, they assured that law enforcers will continue to apprehend beggars and bring or send them back to their families./JDP/JBZ- PIA CAR



# OPLAN Kaluluwa 2016 on *DOLE* conducts info drive on labor laws to stop ENDO

**B**AGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan during the media Ugnayan last week expressed with certainty that Oplan Kaluluwa for All Saints' day, November 1, is running smoothly with all committees working together.

The mayor heads the committee overseeing all activities for Oplan Kaluluwa, with the Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) city hall executives, punong barangays, communication, medical responders, volunteers and socio-civic leaders as members. Parking areas, utilities and services for the exodus to cemeteries are being looked into,

with two meetings done. "Everything is taken care of, but we improve from last year's experiences and observations," in our communities, in the roads, and in the public and private memorial places, Domogan said.

Oplan Kaluluwa is an annual activity to put in order and regulate all activities for a peaceful conduct of All Saints' Day in all public and private cemeteries.

In the midst of the preparations, the mayor contemplates on a much-needed Baguio cemetery extension along Sto. Tomas-Apugan-Camp 7 with an area of about 40 to

50 hectares. This would, however, include a housing facility, and the integrated solid waste management project, Domogan added.

The need is urgent, as Baguio Cemetery is over full, actually spilling over, he said.

When asked about the condominium-type tombs touted to contain more as it is multi-level and closely located, the executive said access roads are needed to the location. Either that, or families of deceased persons opt for cremation, for need of burial space, Domogan further said. *Julie G. Fianza*

## Christmas activities to kick-off...

Immaculate Conception Day festivities is on December 8 starting 9 am with a Thanksgiving Holy Mass for Peace, Solidarity and Progress at the NCCB Shrine of the Brown Madonna, Km. 7, Asin Road, Tuba, Benguet.

On December 11 is the Baguio City High School dancing and singing Christmas Tree starting 2 am at Malcolm Square hosted by the Baguio-Benguet Market Plaza Multi-Purpose Cooperative and the SLU-SVP Housing Cooperative.

A Special Day for Special People program is set on December 17 at 6:30 am with a wheel-athon for the orthopedically impaired and walkathon for the visually impaired at

South Drive and chess tournament for the blind at Malcolm Square.

At 8:30 am is the Children's palaro participated by handicapped youngsters at Malcolm Square.

The Quest for the Baguio Lucky Foreign Visitors will be conducted from December 9 to 12 in partnership with the Department of Tourism-CAR and offices of the La Trinidad Mayor and Benguet Governor.

On December 25 is the Quest for the Baguio Lucky Christmas Baby hosted by the CSWDO, the Office for Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) and Baguio balikbayans. Padilla, in a Santa Claus costume, will also walk the city's roads on this day.

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The Baguio Lucky Balikbayan and CAR Sportsmen Day is on December 30 starting 9 am with a welcome reception, presentation of tokens and conduct of a "Pinikpikan" food festival at Sunshine Park.

On January 1, 2017 is the Quest for the Lucky New Year Baby hosted by the CSWDO, OSCA and Baguio Elderly Assembly.

The Silahis ng Pasko 2016 ends with the 29th Annual Kafagway Sports Award Program starting 9 am at Malcolm Square with the presentation of Achievement and Proficiency Awards to the year's outstanding athletes, sportsmen and supporters of sports development in Baguio and Cordillera. *Gaby Keith*

## Barangay Ampucao officials oppose ISRI mining application

**I**TOGON, Benguet – The barangay officials of barangay Ampucao, this town, expressed their strong opposition through a resolution to the Mineral Produc-

tion Sharing Agreement (MPSA) application of Itogon-Suyoc Resources, Incorporated (ISRI) within the area.

The company is currently applying for

MPSA with the Mining and Geosciences Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. As a prerequisite, it has to secure project approval

**L**AGAWÉ, Ifugao - In line with President Duterte's directive to put a stop to the practice of contractualization, the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Field Office conducted an information drive to 50 members of the Ifugao Tripartite Industrial Peace Council (ITIPC) regarding DOLE's Department Order No. 18-A (DO-18A) and other policy issuances on labor and employment at the Gazebo Garden Restaurant here.

DO-18A contains the rules implementing articles 106-109 of the Labor Code regarding contracting and subcontracting that applies to all parties of contracting and subcontracting arrangements where employer-employee relationship exists including cooperatives engaged in contracting or subcontracting arrangements.

DOLE-Ifugao Field Office Officer-In-Charge Isabelita Codamon explained that contracting and subcontracting arrangements are allowed by law but subject to regulations for the promotion of employment and the observance of the rights of workers to a just and humane conditions of work, security of tenure, self-organization and

or endorsement by at least majority of the Sanggunian concerned.

ISRI Resident Manager Engr Michael Tauli presented before the barangay council and Council of Leaders and Elders of the Indigenous Peoples and the Indigenous Cultural Communities of the area the details of the company's application which is located in Poblacion and also in Ampucao.

collective bargaining but labor-only contracting is prohibited.

Contractors are any person or entity including a cooperative engaged in a legitimate contracting or subcontracting arrangement providing either services, skilled workers, temporary workers or a combination of services to principal under a service agreement while contractor's employee includes one employed by a contractor to perform or complete a job, work or service pursuant to a service agreement with a principal.

Principal, on the other hand, refers to any employer whether a person or entity including government agencies and government-owned and controlled corporations who puts out or farms out a job, service or work to a contractor.

Codamon further explained that labor-only contracting is prohibited which refers to an arrangement whereby the contractor does not have substantial capital or investment in the form of tools, equipment, machineries, work premises, does not exercise the right of control over the performance of the work of the employee and the employees recruited and placed are perform-

ing activities which are usually necessary or desirable to the operation of the company or directly related to the main business of the principal within a definite or predetermined period regardless of whether such job, work or service is to be performed or completed within or outside the premises of the principal.

On the question of probationary employment raised by some participants it was answered that an employee must render six months probationary work to become a regular employee wherein his service is necessary and desirable to the usual operation of the business or trade.

By increasing their awareness on management and labor on the issue of endo, DOLE hopes that ITIPC help in the implementation, monitoring of compliance and collective bargaining agreements between employees and employers and to determine the functions that can or cannot be farmed out or contracted out by a legitimate contractor including the terms and conditions of the workers' engagement under the arrangement. *JDP/DBC-PIA CAR, Ifugao*

The barangay local government opposed the MPSA application of the said company as they claim it would greatly impact the barangays occupied by indigenous people in the area.

The area being applied for covers residential areas and will affect their resources such as water supply sources and watersheds and livelihood of the people in the agricultural areas.

Copies of the resolution will be furnished the Office of the Commissioners of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples, NCIP-CAR, Department of Environment and Natural Resources Secretary Regina Lopez, DENR-MGB Central Office, and DENR-MGB-CAR for proper information and appropriate action. *JDP/SCA-PIA-CAR, Benguet*



## City awards top elderly achievers

**B**AGUIO CITY – The city government through the office of the city social welfare and development office in partnership with the senior citizens organizations will award a core of 12 most outstanding senior citizens during the closing program of the 2016 OCTOBERFEST celebration on October 29 at the Baguio Association of Retired Persons (BARP) Center auditorium along Bokawkan Road.

Baguio Elderly Assembly (BEA) president Nars Padilla, overall executive chair of the award and recognition committee and OCSWADO head Betty Fangasan said the awardees were chosen for their leadership excellence in their respective professions, unblemished faith and ardent devotion to God, loyalty to flag and country and to their fellowmen.

Sportswoman Rebecca “Bec” Watanabe, a bemedalled world tenpin bowling champion and veteran journalist Aurelio Galacgac head the roll of honorees who will receive the prestigious Gintong Tala Luminary Award for exemplary leadership and extraordinary services in the city’s community development efforts.

Watanabe won 11 golds,

two silvers and three bronze medals during her stint as a member of the Philippine national tenpin bowling team. Her prolific medal tally included her master titles in the Asian FIQ, Southeast Asian Games and several inter-city international bowling tournaments held overseas.

On the other hand, Galacgac climbed the ladder of success in the field of journalism as a working student and as staffer of the Philippine News Agency Baguio-Cordillera bureau which he later on headed for almost 20 years. He finished his law course at the University of the Cordilleras where is presently a law professor.

The roll of awardees include Rev. Edison Cabrito for religious and spiritual service; retired city engineer Leo Bernardez for government service, executive branch; Atty. Betty Lourdes Tabanda for government service, legislative department; and incumbent city prosecutor Elmer Manuel Sagsago for government service judicial department.

Also in the pool of achievers are Dr. Elma Donaal in the field of education; Dr. Romeo Abiog for medicine; Councilor Roberto Ortega

for law enforcement as a former chief of the Baguio City Police Office; Michael Del Rosario as business and trade developer; Edgar Jularbal for tourism and special events and Editha Ibarra, president of the Federation of Baguio Senior Citizens Association for civic-social and fraternal services.

“As model citizens, the awardees contributed in distinct and commendable manners to the sustained vision, unwavering development, thrust growth and progress of the city in particular and the country in general,” Padilla said.

The Octoberfest celebration is jointly sponsored by the OCSWADO, Office of the Senior Citizens Affairs (OSCA) and the BEA.

The members of the awards committee are Philippine Information Agency Cordillera (PIA-CAR) regional director Helen Tibaldo, DZRH correspondent Romeo Gonzales, ABS-CBN TV Patrol Northern Luzon anchor Dobie De Guzman, the Public Information Officer of the City Mayor’s Office, BARP president Federico Balanag with Fangasan and OSCA head Isaias Barongan as advisers. /Aileen P. Refuerzo

## Christmas activities to kick-off on December 1

**B**AGUIO CITY – Ho! Ho! Ho!

With more activities for this year’s Christmas in Baguio celebration still being ironed out, events under “Silahis ng

Pasko 2016” on its 43rd year, are set to kick-off on December 1.

The annual Yuletide offering is sponsored by the city government through the city social welfare and

Club of Baguio (NCCB) headed by newsmen and former councilor Nars Padilla.

A grand opening day extravaganza is slated on December 1 with a children-parents Christmas mardigras at 8 am followed by a grand opening program 9 am at Melvin Jones grandstand, Burnham Park with Mayor Mauricio Domogan and Congressman Mark Go to deliver Christmas messages.

Little Miss and Mister



**APPREHENSION OF ILLEGALLY PARKED VEHICLES** - Adding more teeth to solve the traffic mess in the city and barangay roads, Acting City Police Director PSSupt Ramil Saculles briefs members of the Traffic Transport Management Committee attended by Councilor City Councilors Michael Lawana and department heads concerned on the heavy traffic situation in the City. The City government started its anti-obstruction campaign to clear roads of illegally parked vehicles and led to the confiscation of more than 800 car plates. The strict implementation along the barangay roads will soon see light with the deputation of barangay tanods in the barangays. /By Bong Cayabyab

## Flowers and candle-selling guidelines

**B**AGUIO CITY – The City Treasurer has issued a call for applicants for candle and flower-selling on October 26 to Nov. 1 at the Jadewell Parking Area, to prepare pertinent documents for submission on Oct. 18 at city hall.

The applicant must be a bonafide resident of Baguio City, of legal age, and must not have any violations from the past years of selling candles and flowers.

Together with a properly filled up application form from the Campaign and Investigation Division, Treasury Office, applicants must submit two copies of 2” x 2” photo, barangay business clearance, (Baguio city) residence certificate, 2016 Official Receipt of Residential Garbage payment, and

Photocopy of any valid Identification Card.

The applicant’s documents are evaluated, followed by the assignment of stall number. Fees and taxes totaling P1,020.00 are paid at the One-Stop-Shop, Other Fees Section, after which the applicant proceeds to the Permits and Licensing Office for submission of all documents, and preparation of a special permit.

Some 125 stalls measuring 6 feet x 6 feet each are prepared, but may be extended, if needed. Parking goes on, at the right side of the selling area, it was known.

There should be no swapping of stalls, no cooking, no gambling, no sub-leasing, and sanitation should be observed. The special permit issued should be posted at all

times in the stall, and violation of the policies would mean no permit for the next three years.

There should be no retail of flowers in the bagsakan areas, and tents; which may be obtained from a supplier, must be uniform in size and color, the guidelines from the city treasury office states.

The assignment of stalls are strictly on a first-come, first-served basis; only applicants with complete requirements are accepted; and only candles, flowers and floral arrangement materials are allowed to be sold.

Candle and flower-selling is an annual undertaking of the city government in coordination with concerned bodies for All Souls and All Saints days’ commemoration. /Julie G. Fianza

Silahis ng Pasko sa Baguio talent show, children’s “kultora-o-rama” and dance fest with day care centers is at 2 pm at Malcolm Square.

On December 3 is Share A Joy, Baguio children’s Christmas fun alley and raffle joys with little helping hands, newspaper boys, shoeshine boys, baggage

boys and bag sellers. A palaro and raffle for gift items is set at 9 am at the Camp John Hay bell amphitheater hosted by the John Hay Management Corporation.

A PMA Cadet’s Day at the Park is set on December 4 with a silent drill exhibition 10 am at Burnham Park followed by a PMA band concert

2:30 pm at Malcolm Square.

On December 3 and 4 is the Quest for the Baguio Lucky Christmas Family 2016 who will be given a red carpet reception, accommodations, sightseeing tours including courtesy calls to ranking government officials.

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