

# BGHMC strengthens patient-friendly and effective hospital service

BAGUIO CITY - The Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center(BGHMC) will open on Monday the “Alagang Pinoy” kiosks at the out-patient department at the Flavier building and at the entrance of the hospital’s main building.

To make their hospital visit a happy and worthwhile experience, the kiosk will serve as patient assistance and information center and Philhealth registration booth. It will be manned by compassionate and caring health personnel with pin tags bearing the “Ate/Kuya Nars” and Ate/Kuya Dok” who are committed to treat patients with courtesy and smile.

BGHMC HI5 Program coordinator Dr. Conceisa Padilla, in a kapihan media forum his week, disclosed that the launching of the kiosks is part of the institution’s National Hospital Week activities.

Simultaneous with the observance of Hospital Week is the launching on Monday of the “Alagang Pinoy, Alagang BGHMC, Alagang Kalusugang Pangkalahatan” campaign that is anchored on the HI5 or High Impact 5 program of the Health Department, Padilla said.

She explained that the “Alagang Pinoy” brand is one of the four main components of the DOH’s program that focuses on five health priorities namely, maternal, under 5 children and infant care, the establishment of Service Delivery Network and addressing the concern on HIV/AIDS.

Under the “Alagang Pinoy” brand, aside from the continuing programs to improve the quality of service to their clients, the campaign primarily aims

## City Holds Livelihood Summit

BAGUIO CITY – the city government through the City Social Welfare and Development Office has successfully held the first Livelihood Summit in this mountain resort.

The said summit is in line with the observance of the Micro Small Medium Enterprise (MSME) Month with the theme” Strengthening MSME’s Participation in Global and Regional Trade.”

The event was held at the Pines View Hotel from 8 am to 5 in the afternoon.

Participants are mostly clientele of the CSWDO who has availed of capital assistance and the different barangay based organizations.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan during the summit inspired the different organizations to sustain the financial support being

offered by the government.

Domogan said,” the city government has been extending financial and technical assistance to the different organizations in the city for the past years.”

“But you have to help yourselves, you have to improve to make this endeavour a sustainable one and you have to be sincere in conducting this livelihood,” he said.

The mayor explained some organizations did not take care of the grant which the government has extended to them in the past.

“It would be better if the assistance is in the form of a loan with no interest

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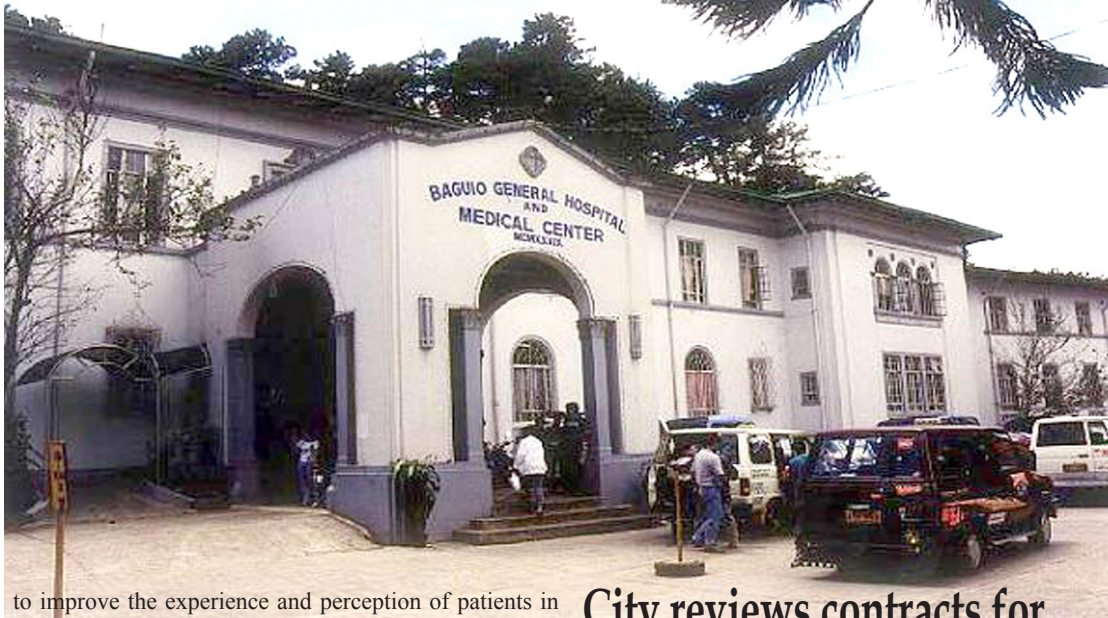
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to improve the experience and perception of patients in DOH (government run) hospitals, she added.

BGHMC Administrative Officer Priscila Galiste, in the same forum, also assured that their hospital is continuously working in improving their facilities.

Galiste disclosed that BGHMC is waiting for a P50 million allocation from DOH to fund the improvement of the BGHMC’s Flavier Building and the centralization of the hospital’s power system.

As BGHMC assures that they have capable medical professionals and personnel and equipment, they are looking into increasing the hospitals bed –capacity and spaces to accommodate more patients.

“We currently operate on a 400- bed capacity but our recent records show that the hospital’s clients are reaching 125 to 130 percent or around 500 to 520 a day, in which we are working to bring our license to operate to 500 bed capacity, she said./JdP/CCD – PIA CAR

## City reviews contracts for Sto. Nino brgy stall holders

BAGUIO CITY – the city government is set to review the contracts of stallholders at the Sto. Nino Compound here.

This after Mayor Mauricio Domogan met with affected vendors in the area to discuss concerns on stall rights.

Domogan said, “at least 90 percent of stall holders in the Sto. Nino

Slaughterhouse Baran-gay’s contract of lease will end this year.”

“We are pushing for an increase in rentals of the stalls considering that it has been years since the city government implemented an increase,” he said.

The current lot rentals in the slaughter-

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## Aliping is Ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in Congressional Accomplishments

BAGUIO CITY - Baguio Representative Nicasio M. Aliping, Jr. is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> on a recent ‘statistical report’ by the House of Representatives.

Tying with Aliping in the top 4<sup>th</sup> position was Nueva Ecija first district Representative Estrelita B. Suansing. The report was based on bills they authored and co-authored that were enacted into law as of July 28, 2015.

Topping the list was Rep. Marlyn Primicias-Agabas of Pangasinan 6<sup>th</sup> District followed by Rep. Gustavo Tambunting of Parañaque 2<sup>nd</sup> District tying with Rep. Isidro Tom Ungab of Davao City 3<sup>rd</sup> District.

Third rank is another tie between Rep. Celso Lobregat of Zamboanga first District and Mariano Piamonte representing the Teacher Party List.

Rep. Aliping also ranked no. 19 on bills approved by

Congress on third reading. Among his 34 approved bills, 6 are for local application and 28 are for national applications. The coverage of the ‘statistical reports’ of the Lower House covers the period from July 1, 2013 to July 28, 2015.

Bills with local applications include House Bill (HB) 4772 otherwise known as “An act revising the charter of the City of Baguio”. Also approved was HB 2262 otherwise known as “an act creating two additional branches of the municipal trial court in cities and two additional branches of the regional trial court in the first judicial region to be stationed at the City of Baguio.”

“We are grateful that our efforts are paying off,” said Aliping upon seeing the statistical reports./Carl C. Taawan

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**CREEK-REHABILITATION** - Congressman Nicasio Aliping, Jr., Mayor Mauricio Domogan, Councilor Isabelo Cosalan, Jr., with barangay officials led by Lower Quirino Hill Punong Barangay Van Oliver Dicang inaugurate the Flood control and Creek Rehabilitation Project in the area making it safer for residents./Photo by Paul Rillorta

Basta’t trabaho lang nang trabaho ng tama sa kongreso, Apo Congressman Aliping at suporta kayo sa inyong mga constituents, for in the end of the day, your accomplishments will speak for itself!!!



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# Cayetano To Binay: Dapat TSALN Muna Bago TSONA

Show your true SALN first before talking about the true State of the Nation

“Bago sana siya naglabas ng tinatawag niyang True SONA, sana ay naglabas muna ang bise presidente ng kanyang True SALN.”

This is what Senate Majority Leader Alan Peter Cayetano said in reaction to Vice President Jejomar Binay’s “true State of the Nation Address (SONA)” on Monday.

In a 42-minute speech which he delivered at the Cavite State University (CvSU) gymnasium, Binay expressed dismay over President Benigno Aquino III’s failure to include several issues and controversies in his own SONA last week.

Cayetano, for his part, took a swipe at the Vice President’s decision to deliver a counter-SONA at a time when he himself is being tagged in several corruption issues.

“Ang bise presidente natin ay laging handang magsalita laban sa administrasyon. Sa tinatawag niyang true SONA, sinabi niyang pagkatapos ng limang taong paglilingkod ng Presidente, marami pa rin daw ang naghihirap at wagas na nangungurakot. Pinuna pa niya ang tapat at malinis na paglilingkod sa ilalim ng Daang Matuwid ng administrasyon,” Cayetano said.

“Nakapagtataakang naririnig natin ito



CAYETANO

## Mainit and Maligcong folks commit to protect Mount Chomanegcheg

BONTOC, MT PROV – The two barangays of this municipality that were subject of news in regional newspapers on alleged massive tree cutting in Mount Chomanegcheg, specially since it is the subject of a boundary dispute between Barangays Mainit or Maligcong. Nonetheless, the two barangays declared their continuing commitment to conserve the environment and resources for the benefit future generations.

According to the officials of both barangays, photos and articles on the alleged tree cutting at the mountain gave the public a perception that massive destruction has been caused for the benefit of small scale mining activities in Mainit.

To verify the accuracy of the allegations and to clear the good name and honor of both barangays, officials and the community conducted a joint inspection and investigation resulting to the passing

of a joint resolution about the issue.

In a joint resolution of the barangay officials of Mainit and Maligcong during their meeting in the presence of Bontoc Councilor Herman Farnican, the chair Committee on Environment on July 24, 2015, the officials stated that people who are currently residing in both barangays are continuing their ancestor’s legacy, since time immemorial, of responsible stewardship over respective natural resources even when pressured by corporate entities. “This is why both our barangays have tirelessly opposed the countless bids of multi – national corporations to exploit our mineral, forest, and other resources. We maintain that our resources, when we use them, are for the benefit of all the people in our respective communities, keeping in mind the heritage of our future children and not of corporate interest,” officials of both barangay stated.

## Plan International Holds Pro-Child Training for Media

LAGAWE, Ifugao- - The Plan International (PI) is conducting training on child protection and child-sensitive media reporting for Cordillera and Cagayan Valley media practitioners on August 6-7 in Baguio City.

This collaboration with the Philippine Press Institute (PPI) and the Kapisanan ng mga Broadkaster ng Pilipinas aims to ensure that media practitioners are aware of child protection laws and protocols for journalists. Target participants are reporters, announcers and writers based in the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) and Cagayan Valley Region, Jayson Lozano, the project manager

discrepancies in his latest Statement of Assets, Liabilities, & Net Worth (SALN).

In his 2014 SALN, the Vice President declared that he has P38.843 million worth of cash on hand and in his bank accounts. But the testimonies of witnesses and the documentary evidence obtained in the hearings conducted by the Senate Blue Ribbon subcommittee revealed that Binay has over P600 million worth of cash deposited in several bank accounts jointly owned by him and his dummies.

“Up to now, he has not provided a

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In the joint inspection and investigation, there has been a cutting of trees in Mount Chomanegcheg. However, barangay officials of Maligcong and Mainit said that a total of 57 pine trees have been cut and not “massive” as the photo suggested that was published in a regional newspaper. It was found out that tree cutting was done by several residents and descendants of Mainit and Maligcong for the construction of their family homes and granaries. Only a portion of the lumber was to be used for the small scale mining, of which a great number of Mainit residents are engaged as a source of livelihood.

The barangay officials further explained that in the Igorot practice, individuals are allowed to cut the trees planted, maintained, and protected by their forbears for their family use for optimum utilization – in the construction of family homes, rice granaries, and for livelihood as long as the cutting is not indiscriminate and not depriving relatives and family members the equal opportunity from these communal lands. They added that it is also an unwritten rule in Igorot communities that seedlings are to be planted, for the benefit of next generations, to replace trees that have been cut. “It has been determined that the cutting was not indiscriminate; it was infact carefully selective as only trees of harvestable size and age were harvested. The published photo in question shows that trees of insufficient size and age were left to grow,” stated in the joint resolution.

Barangay officials of both barangays also clarified the contributed photo of a cut lumber interspersed with standing trees published in a regional newspaper on June 28, 2015. The photo was allegedly taken in Mount Chomanegcheg. However, upon investigation by the barangay officials, it has been found at that

said. Topics to be discussed will include why child protection, children in the media, guidelines on reportage of children, from child rights to local and national agenda, beyond the headline: reconfiguring the norms, championing best practices and positive discipline.

The PI Inc. is an international humanitarian, child-centered, development organization working in 70 countries implementing a project called The Collective Action to Promote Non-violent and Protective Society for Children.

“With the support of the European Union and in partnership with the Philippine Legislators Committee on Population and Development and LihokPilipina Foundation, the project aims to contribute to the protection of children from all forms of violence,” Lozano explained./JDP/MBL-PIA CAR, Ifugao

the photo was in Liang, Guina-ang, a neighbouring barangay and not in Mount Chomanegcheg. Accordingly, the lumber in the photos are to be used by Guina-ang residents for the construction of their family homes in their barangay.

It was included in the joint resolution that contrary to the information to the news published in a regional newspaper on June 21, it was the Sangguniang Pambarangay of Maligcong that requested an inspection of the small scale mining activities. In the interest of transparency, the request was immediately granted by the Sanggunang Pambarangay of Mainit and a joint inspection was conducted on June 10, almost two weeks before the local and regional media outfits released news on alleged illegal cutting, and small scale mining activities. It was determined that the small scale miners have not encroached into the territorial jurisdiction of Brgy Maligcong and are not in any way, threatening the water source and rice fields of Maligcong. Despite this, both agreed to conduct annual inspection subject to request by the Sangguniang Pambarangay of Maligcong and upon mutual agreement.

As of this writing, both barangays agreed to conduct a joint tree planting at the site in question on August 8, 2015. It was agreed that 1,000 pine and Kopang seedlings shall be planted and both barangays shall exercise joint stewardship over the growth of that they will plant. This is in continuing the practice of the ancestors to replace cut trees with new seedlings for the benefit of the children and in accordance to government’s environmental programs.

Copies of the joint resolution was forwarded to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB), Office of Governor Leonard G. Mayaen, Office of Bontoc Mayor Franklin C. Odsey, and other concerned agencies. /Alpine L. Killa

## Mayor Warns Bogus Urban Poor Members as City, PCUP Agree to Closer Working Relationship

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan warned residents taking advantage of urban poor associations to advance their unscrupulous interests of their liability to the law.

The mayor issued the warning as he presided over the awarding of the certificate of accreditation to an urban poor association in the city, the Everlasting Pinegold Community Association Inc.

last week. He admonished that those merely posing as indigents to qualify as members of the urban poor associations will be found out in time and will be charged in court.

He also reminded them that membership to the urban poor groups “is not a license for you to squat” or occupy lots illegally.

The mayor met with Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor (PCUP) chair Hernani Panganiban last week and agreed to forge closer working ties in addressing the city government’s concerns on urban poor.

Domogan said Panganiban expressed reception to his suggestion to closely coordinate with the city government actions on matters affecting the city’s anti-squatting campaign.

This is to avoid a repeat of the Benguet-Ifugao-Bontoc-Apayao-Kalinga (BI-BAK) lot incident where the PCUP interceded for the supposed urban poor to be affected by the city’s demolition plans and which turned out to be a sham as the PCUP later found out that the occupants of the structures were not genuine members of the urban poor.

“PCUP’s tendency was to ask for deferment of the implementation of demolition orders so I suggested to Commissioner Panganiban that instead of issuing the

of an additional corral pending the recommendation from the council committee on market was also approved by the body.

Corral users led by one Salvador Basbas expressed objection to the construction of another corral saying there is no need for another cage and there is hardly a space left for such. The aldermen also adopted Councilor Fred Bagbagen’s suggestion for the city legal officer to shed light on the jurisdictions of the city veterinary office and the BCMA under the city treasury office over the abattoir after confusion arose as to what office will implement some functions relative to the management of the facility. The body also set a meeting with the health secretary, the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council head, the city planning officer and the city veterinarian to shed light on the planned segregation of a portion of the slaughterhouse

treasurer Alicia Onoza to submit a summary of the collections and collectibles from all abattoir business concessionaires. This after Onoza revealed that many lessees in the area have not been paying their proper dues resulting to a shortfall in revenues being collected from the facility. The aldermen also adopted Councilor Peter Fianza’s motion to ask Onoza on one hand to provide the procedure or the minutes of the meeting during the bidding of stalls at the abattoir and the concessionaires on the other, to submit their position paper. This is to shed light on claims that some stalls were bid out by the Baguio City Market Authority even if these are still occupied and despite their lease holders having paid their dues which the BCMA denied. Councilor Joel Alangsab’s proposal to maintain a status quo on the proposed construction

letters, he can just give me call to verify the real situation to avoid wasting time and resources and fortunately he agreed,” the mayor said.

He said Panganiban also acquiesced to his request for a Baguio City representation in the PCUP which is a welcome move as the presence of a city representative in the commission will facilitate coordination between the local government and the commission.

Panganiban, according to the mayor, made it clear that the commission’s mission is not solely to cater to the needs of the urban poor but also to serve the good intentions of the government. He also clarified that their requests for deferment of demolition orders were mere appeals and should not be treated as orders to the city government./A Refuerzo

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## Couples encouraged to join mass wedding

BAGUIO CITY - The city government here will sponsor the mass wedding this September 29 at the Baguio Convention Center, thus, young couples, live-in partners with children are encouraged to join the said event.

The mass wedding is an institutionalized activity of the city government through the City Social Welfare and Development Office during the month-long city’s celebration of family week in September.

City social welfare officer Betty Fangasan emphasized, aside from being an institutionalized event of the city’s family week celebration, is also part of the social responsibility of the city government to its constituents.

Interested couples aging more than 25 years old and who have lived-in for more than five years are required to secure community tax certification at the treasury office. Together with the birth certificates, the couple must also secure certificate on no marriage (CENOMAR) from the NSO. They must secure Affidavit of Cohabitation for the public attorney’s office (PAO) or any legal officer.

While applicants securing a marriage license at the local civil registrar’s office must first obtain CENOMAR from the NSO, attend pre-marriage counselling (PMCO at the health service office which is scheduled every Tuesday from 1-5PM and every Thursday from 8 AM to 12 noon. These must be submitted at the CSWDO not later than Sept. 8.

Couples aging 18 to 20 need parents’ consent while couples aging 21 to 24 needs parents’ advice.

They are also required to attend Marriage Enrichment Seminar on Sept. 16 at the Baguio city multi-purpose hall.

“We want to help couples who are living together without the benefits of legalizing their partnership considering the expenses in needed in the preparation of wedding. Because of this, the city government is providing them opportunity to legalize their relationship as husband and wife without spending too much,” said Fangasan./Jho Arranz

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at the Baguio City Post Office Postage Prepaid, directed to defendant YOUNG ME YOU. WITNESS, the HONORABLE EM-MANUEL CACHO RASING, Presiding Judge of the Regional Trial Court of Bagu-

io City, Branch 3, this 29th day of July, 2015.

(SGD) ATTY. GAIL M.BAC-BAC CLERK OF COURT V

Publication Dates: Aug. 1, 8, and 15, 2015.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL REGION BAGUIO CITY

OFFICE OF THE EX-OFFICIO CITY SHERIFF

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG), -versus- CALVIN B. DE GUZMAN, Mortgagor. FORECLOSURE CASE NO.

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

IN RE: PETITION FOR CANCELLATION OF THE SECOND CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF RACHEL ANNO SAB-IT a.k.a. RACHEL ANNO QUELEME And CHANGE OF NAME IN HER FIRST CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH From GIRL SAB-IT NONES TO RACHEL ANNO SAB-IT,

RACHEL ANNO SAB-IT PER-FAS a.k.a. RA-

inafter referred to as the MORTGAGOR, as of July 1, 2015 in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED NINETY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY ONE PESOS & 65/100 (P492,561.65), Philippine Currency, exclusive of attorney's fees and expenses incidental to the foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned or any duly authorized sheriff will sell at public auction on August 27, 2015 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the lobby of the main entrance of the Justice Hall, Baguio City to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the real property more particularly described as follows:

TRANSFERT CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-100332 REGISTERED OF DEEDS, BAGUIO CITY "A PARCEL OF LAND LOT 7, BLOCK 6, PCS-CAR-001212, BEING A PORTION OF CONSOLIDATING-SUBDIVISION OF LOT 2-Y-2, 2-Y-3, 2-Y-4, 2-Y-5, 2-Y-7, 2-Y-

Roxas vs. Binay... from page 6

Where were they during martial law?

Where, and what were Roxas and Binay doing during the Marcos dictatorship are also in the sharpest contrast. Roxas was doing what his elite class was doing, and Binay was doing something else, of course.

After finishing high school at the Ateneo de Manila in 1974, Roxas attended the Wharton School of Economics at the University of Pennsylvania, earning a degree in economics in 1979. For the rest of martial law, Roxas was making money for the American capitalists as an investment banker, becoming an assistant vice president of the New York-based Allen & Company, a small, privately held boutique investment bank.

At that time, Roxas was being groomed by his clan as its corporate CEO, while his elder brother Gerardo 'Dinggoy' Roxas, Jr. would be the politician.

That plan fell through, when his brother Dinggoy died in 1993, and Roxas, as the only son had to come home. Through a special election that year, Roxas assumed his brother's post as congressman of the First District of Roxas City. That was the start of his political career. As early as that time, he started to dream — and plan — of becoming Philippine president, even organizing a think-tank to draft his program of government.

While Roxas was in Wall Street planning mergers and acquisitions, Binay in the 1970s was in the thick of the political struggle against the Marcos dictatorship. He was with a group of idealistic lawyers such as Joker Arroyo and Rene Saguisag that provided free legal services to those imprisoned by the Marcos dictatorship — MABINI, or the Movement of Attorneys for Brotherhood, Integrity and Nationalism. He himself was detained for four months by the Marcos regime, on charges — unproven — of being a “subversive.”

Aquino and Roxas have been the favorites of two powerful media institutions owned by the elite, ABS-CBN, and the Philippine Daily Inquirer, with the latter in fact having undertaken (and probably will continue) one of the most intense character-assassination campaigns against a political personality in our modern history. If Binay wins, the hegemony of the media controlled by the rich over the electoral process would be broken.

Binay is of low or middle-class origins, and his rise to the political firmament has been a fluke. What if Cory's political henchman, Aquilino Pimentel in 1986 had changed his mind and withdrew his offer for the human-rights lawyer Binay to be Makati officer-in-charge?

While the Yellow Crowd — noisily by 1970s singer Jim Paredes, now an Aussie — claims Binay is just a traditional, corrupt politician, he has positioned himself as the working-class champion. Whether you believe that or not, you certainly can't delete his class origin\ that is in very sharp contrast to that of Roxas.

The choice for voters really would be between somebody from the lower classes who might be corrupt on the one hand, and on the other, the Philippine elite's man, a CEO who could be a good-hearted hacendero taking care of his serfs.

The election next year would be

By: (SGD) LINDA G. MONTES-LOLOY Clerk of Court VI and Ex-officio Sheriff

(SGD) EDGARDO F. ANCHETA Sheriff IV

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pense of the petitioner in the The Junction , a news paper 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 August 2, 2015.

Furnish a copy hereof, together with a copy of the Petition and its annexes, to the office of the solicitor General, Makati City: the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet; the Local Civil Registrar of Mankayan, Benguet; and the Philippine statistics authority, for their information, as well as petitioner and her counsel.

SO ORDERED.

Abatan, Buguias, Benguet, Philippines, this 27th day of July, 2015

(SGD) AGAPITO K.LAOGAN „JR. Presiding Judge

Copy furnished 1. Petitioner- Rachel Sab-it- Perfas (Petitioner)- Bulalacao, Mankayan, Benguet

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PSA, RDC call for public support in population census

BAGUIO CITY- - The Philippine Statistics Authority and the Regional Development Council in the region call for public support for the 2015 Census of Population which enumeration is set to start this Monday, August 10.

Cordillera RDC vice-chair and National Economic Development Authority Regional Director Milagros Rimando, in a kapihan forum this week, outlined the importance of the Census of Population, which aside from the use of its data by government planners and policy makers, can also be used by business and industry as well as in research and academic institutions.

Rimando also stressed that population data is also essential in the computation of the annual budget or Internal Revenue Allotment of every local government units.

PSA Cordillera Interim Regional Director Olivia Gulla, in calling for public support to the 2015 PopCen, stressed that it is every Filipinos right to be counted and to participate in the census because to provide complete and accurate data which will lead to right planning and translate to appropriate government services for the people.

She also assured the confidentiality of the population data that they will provide, as it is protected under Section 26 and 27 of Republic Act 10625 or the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013.

Gulla assured that PSA and stakeholders are all set for PopCen 2015 with 2,478 personnel hired and trained to act as census area supervisors, team supervisors and enumerators to cover 138 census areas in the 77 municipalities and two cities in the Cordillera.

Census Coordination Boards at the regional, provincial, municipal and city level have been convened all over the region to help PSA in the conduct of the 2015 Census of Population which enumeration period is from August 10 up to September 6, she said.

A mid-decade population census, PopCen 2015 is a complete enumeration of households in the country designed primarily to take an inventory of the population of the entire country and aims to provide government executives, policy and decision makers and planners with population data that can be used for social and economic development plans, policies and programs.

The last census of population conducted in the country was in 2010./JDP/CCD – PIA CAR



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MARKET CONCERNS - City Mayor Mauricio Domogan leads the dialogue between the city government and the market stall holders on the increase in fees and other concerns. With him are City Treasurer Alicia Onoza, City Budget Officer Leticia Clemente, City Planning and Development Officer Evelyn Cayat, and City Assessor Nilda Navarro./Photo by Paul Rillorta

City Inks MOA with Private Partner to Sustain Waterways

BAGUIO CITY - stakeholders of the ‘Salaknib ti Waig’ program of the city government is growing with yet another river adoptor here. Mayor Mauricio Domogan representing the city government, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR-CAR) represented by Regional Executive Director Engr. Ralph Pablo and Willowtree Development Corporation represented by its Vice president for marketing and Sales Ulysses Gaerlan formally signed the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the adoption of the inland waterway within its area of operation at Brent International School.

Also present during the MOA signing are Councilor and Committee on environment, Health and Sanitation Chair Fred Bagbagen, ABC president and Councilor Michael Lawana, EMB-CAR OIC Regional Director Engr. Ma. Dorica Hipe, CEPMO Head Cordelia Lacsamana, Imelda Village Punong Barangay Arturo Rapelo, Jr. and Julie Cabato of the Baguio Regreening Movement.

Among the parties undertaking would be the reduction of pollution at the Sagudin-Balili River and its tributaries with the ultimate goal of maintaining acceptable water quality redounding to improving the conditions of the Balili River.

The parties have agreed to coordinate during the term of the MOA and participate with regular planning and implementation with the view of firming up the agreement with an action plan including its

Mayor Issues Budget Call

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan has issued a budget call for all department heads to begin the preparation of the executive budget for 2016.

The mayor issued Budget Memo Circular No. 2015-1 prepared by city budget officer Leticia Clemente setting the guidelines in the preparation and submission of the budget proposals for next year.

As in the past, the mayor is expected to convene the City Development Council which will screen the priority programs and projects and come up with the Annual Investment Plan (AIP) to list the projects that will

be funded in next year's budget.

In the circular, the mayor named six bases as framework for the 2016 budget.

First is the bottom-up budgeting approach which aims to engage “grassroots communities, basic sector organizations and civil society when allocating resources to ensure that the development needs of the community are considered.”

“Further, this approach increases ‘citizens’ access to local service delivery through a demand-driven budget planning process’ while it strengthens ‘government accountability in local public service provision.’”

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# The Scrum: Of First Ladies and a VP

Korina Sanchez, Elenita Binay and Chiz Escudero may be campaign issues

For the past 5 years, we have not been distracted, awed or angered by a First Lady.

We sort of liked having a bachelor president, our first. The media fed us gossip on President Aquino’s serial dates, inserting questions on his love life even during his press conferences in foreign trips.

Aquino seemed to be entertained by these queries and answered them with humorous lines. Remember this? “My love life is now like Coca-Cola. Before, it was ‘regular,’ then it became ‘light,’ now it’s ‘zero.’” This was his way, perhaps, of diverting attention from more pressing problems of the day.

Today, as we scan the contenders for the 2016 presidential elections, the issue of who will be the First Lady is back. But really, when voting for a president, does his or her choice of spouse matter?

I am posing this question because Korina Sanchez and Elenita Binay, wives of the 2 declared presidential candidates, are strong personalities who, most likely, are in the first circle of influence surrounding their husbands. You can pick up threads of conversation on this subject on Facebook and during discussions with friends.

So when the Ateneo Eagle Watch asked me to paint scenarios for 2016 in its August 6 mid-year briefing, I listed “spouse” as among the potential issues to be raised against Jejomar “Jojo” Binay and Manuel “Mar” Roxas II. I thought it useful to put this subject on the table.

Apparently, there are no surveys on whether a candidate’s spouse figures as a plus or minus when deciding to vote for a president. Or whether it is considered at all.

But in our intense personality-driven politics, this cannot be easily dismissed.

## Korina, Elenita

Sanchez, a broadcast journalist, has been in the public eye for decades and continues to host “Rated K,” a weekly human-interest TV show on ABS-CBN. For years, she was co-anchor of the prime-time news show “TV Patrol” and radio commentator as well; she has been on leave for some time. (READ: ‘This is my husband’s calling’ - Korina Sanchez)

Sanchez had her share of controversies and rubbed some people the wrong way. But she connects to the masses as “Rated K” remains to be among ABS-CBN’s highest-rating shows, undefeated. Could it be that the sentiment against her is a Metro Manila thing?

For Binay, the negative factor is not just a matter of perception. She faces 7 graft and malversation charges before the Sandiganbayan for rigged purchases, overpricing of supplies and excess purchases when she was mayor of Makati.

Binay is a medical doctor and was active as an obstetrician



before entering politics. She also runs a flower shop business, Blooms and Bouquets.

## Escudero as VP?

How about Senator Grace Poe, the woman of the hour, the most wooed candidate?

During the Ateneo Eagle Watch briefing, I listed her potential choice of vice president as a likely negative issue—should she decide to run for president.

A lot has been reported on her sentiments about her friend Senator Francis “Chiz” Escudero. She has often said that she is “comfortable” with him. Escudero even joined Poe in meetings with President Aquino, when he was pursuing her to be part of the administration’s 2016 team.

Poe and Escudero have given strong hints about a possible tandem. It seems like he is her oxygen. Escudero comes across as intelligent and competent. But at times he speaks with a forked tongue that doubts about his integrity persist.

Somehow, this reminds me of Aquino’s overwhelming regard for personal ties, above the common good. If Poe joins the race and wins, will Escudero be what former police chief Alan Purisima was to Aquino? (READ: Aquino, General Purisima and the past that binds)

After apparently sensing negative reaction, Poe said she would always value “service over friendship.”

## Spouse vs VP

There’s also the question of who can weigh in more during a president’s decision-making process: Is it the spouse or his/her vice-president? How First Ladies/Gentlemen behave depends on the cues they get from their spouses.

Similarly, how a vice president performs depends upon his/her relationship and political alliance with the president. What’s significant, of course, is that a vice president succeeds the president in case of death or disability.

The answer, really, lies in the big C, the character of the president. It still boils down to this. (Marites D. Vitug/Rappler. com/”The Scrum” is Rappler’s take on issues and personalities of the 2016 elections. Derived from a media term that refers to reporters surrounding politicians to press them to answer questions and respond candidly, “The Scrum” hopes to spark smart conversations on politics and elections.)

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DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION  
(Kumsung) is a do-  
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duly registered under  
Philippine laws and  
with office address at  
Queendom Tower, No.  
6 Moran St., Gibralt-  
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represented in this suit  
by its director MR.

SEUNG YOUNG OH,  
Korean, of legal age,  
married and a resident  
of 1401 Queensdom  
Tower, No. 6 Moran  
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MRS. YOUNG ME  
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YOUNG OH to make  
demands to the defen-  
dant. At the same time,  
board director MEMB-  
LAKANG was appoint-  
ed to collect the rentals  
of Kumsung’s units;  
9. On January  
19, 2014, Kumsung  
Opened its BDO Bank  
Account under Account  
No. 00018303652301  
purposely for You  
to deposit and remit  
all her collections;  
10. However,  
despite repeated de-  
mands, You failed to  
remit and deposit in  
the said account of  
Kumsung the rentals  
she received much to  
the corporation’s dam-  
age and prejudice;  
11. You, through  
her counsel, replied  
to said demand letter  
which Kumsung found  
to be unacceptable;  
12. Nevertheless,  
Kumsung still gave  
You another chance  
and sent her another  
demand letter but she  
still failed to do remit  
Kumsung’s money;  
13. Thus, by rea-  
son of defendant’s re-  
fusal to comply with  
her obligation and the  
demands duly made,  
plaintiff is constrained  
to institute this suit  
for which it will spend  
P80,000.00 as attorney’s  
fees plus P3,000.00 per  
hearing attended by its  
counsel as appearance  
fee and incur an estimat-  
ed sum of P100,000.00  
as actual damages and  
litigation expenses;  
ALLEGATION  
IN SUPPORT OF AP-  
PLICATION FOR A  
WRIT OF PRELIMI-  
NARY ATTACHMENT  
Plaintiff repleads  
all the foregoing by  
way of reference and  
further states that:  
14. Instead of com-  
plying with Kumsung’s  
demand for her to ac-  
count and remit her  
collections, You is now  
offering to sell her con-  
dominium unit located  
at Queendom Tower,  
No. 6 Moran Street,  
Gibraltar, Baguio City  
covered by Condomini-  
um Certificate of Title  
No. 018-2011000320,  
obviously for the pur-  
pose of said property  
out of the reach and  
claim of Kumsung and  
of defrauding said cor-  
poration. In fact, per  
information gathered  
by Kumsung, You ap-  
pears to have already  
executed a deed of do-  
nation in favor of her  
daughter Jihye Lee.  
She is also poised to  
leave the Philippines  
and go back to Korea  
once she is able to dis-  
pose off her property;  
15. If You succeeds  
in disposing of said con-  
dominium unit, she  
has no more property in  
the Philippines against  
which Kumsung can  
proceed to recover its  
valid claim and there is  
no other sufficient se-  
curity for Kumsung’s  
claim that could be  
enforced by this ac-  
tion and the amount  
due it is as much as  
the sum for which an  
order of attachment  
may be granted above  
all legal counterclaims;  
16. The plain-  
tiff is willing to post  
a bond in the amount  
that this Honor-  
able Court may fix;  
17. The affidavit  
of merit of Kumsung  
director MR. SEUNG  
YOUNG OH showing  
that plaintiff is entitled  
to the writ applied for.

PRAYER  
WHEREFORE,

in view of all the fore-  
going, plaintiff most  
respectfully prays  
of the Honorable  
Court as follows;

1. Pending the  
hearing of this case,  
a writ of preliminary  
attachment be issued  
against defendant  
covering her condo-  
minium unit located  
at Queendom Tower,  
No. 6 Moran St., Gi-  
braltar, Baguio City  
covered by Condomini-  
um Certificate of Title  
No. 018-2011000320;

2. After due notice  
and hearing, judgment  
be rendered order-  
ing defendant to pay  
plaintiff the following:

a. FOUR MIL-  
LION EIGH HUN-  
DRED SIXTEEN  
THOUSAND PE-  
SOS (P4,816,000.00)  
more or less, plus  
legal interest from  
the filing of this com-  
plaint until fully paid;  
b. P80,000.00 as  
attorney’s fees and  
P3,000.00 as appear-  
ance fee per sched-  
uled hearing and

P100,000.00 or such  
amount as plaintiff  
may prove as actu-  
al damages and lit-  
igation expenses.

Other  
measures of relief  
just and equitable under  
the premises are like-  
wise being prayed for.  
Baguio City,  
March 10, 2014.

BERNARD O. BA-  
GANG  
Counsel for Plaintiff  
Room 405-Baguio  
Cityland Office  
3rd floor  
La Azotea Bld.,  
Session Rd.,  
Baguio City

WHEREAS, on  
July 22, 2015, the plain-  
tiffs through counsel  
filed with this Court,  
a Motion for Leave of  
Court to Serve Sum-  
mons by Publication,  
it appearing that de-  
fendant Young Me You  
is reportedly abroad  
is unknown, and there  
is a need to publish  
the summons to com-  
ply with due process,  
which was Granted by  
the Court in its order  
dated July 23, 2015.

NOW THERE-  
FORE, you, the de-  
fendant YOUNG ME  
YOU is hereby sum-  
moned through this  
medium of publication,  
and therefore required  
to file with the Office of  
the Clerk of Court, Re-  
gional Trial Court of  
Baguio City at Justice  
Hall Baguio City, Phil-  
ippines your answer  
to the above-quoted  
complaint within SIX-  
TY (60) DAYS from  
date of last publica-  
tion hereof, serving at  
the same time a copy  
of your answer upon  
the plaintiff’s counsel  
ATTY. BERNARD  
O. BAGANG, Room  
405, 3rd floor La  
Azotea Bld., Session  
Road, Baguio City.

Let this summons  
be published at the  
expense of the plain-  
tiff in The Junction, a  
newspaper of general  
circulation in Baguio  
City and its suburbs  
for three (3) consec-  
utive weeks not later  
than August 9, 2015.

Furthermore,  
there has been depos-  
ited a copy of the sum-  
mons, together with  
that of the amended  
complaint and the or-  
der dated July 23, 2015  
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Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communications  
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING  
AND REGULATORY BOARD  
Cordillera Administrative Region  
Baguio City  
Spouses Freddie Tobias  
and Teresita Tobias  
Applicants  
Case No: 2012-CAR-1123  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
This is an application for Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO CITY - PICO and vise versa with the use of one (1) unit.  
Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on August 19, 2015 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Paodal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.  
At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.  
Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and may if they so desire, appear during the hearing.  
This application shall be acted upon the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.  
WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 24th day of July 2015.  
(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR  
Hearing Officer

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communications  
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING  
AND REGULATORY BOARD  
Cordillera Administrative Region  
Baguio City  
Norman Kuito - Vendor  
Carlito Galuten - Vendee  
Applicants  
Case No: 2011-CAR-693  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
This is an application for Sale and Transfer 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 with the use of one (1) unit.  
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Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Transportation and Communications  
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING  
AND REGULATORY BOARD  
Cordillera Administrative Region  
Baguio City  
Ernesto Moreno  
Applicant  
Case No: 98-BC-205  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
This is an application for Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO CITY - PNR and vise versa with the use of one (1) unit.  
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Cordillera Administrative Region  
Baguio City  
Gregorio Taltala, Sr. - Vendor  
Rosario Cawilan - Vendee  
Applicants  
Case No: 2004-BAG-CAR-2156  
**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
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Hearing Officer



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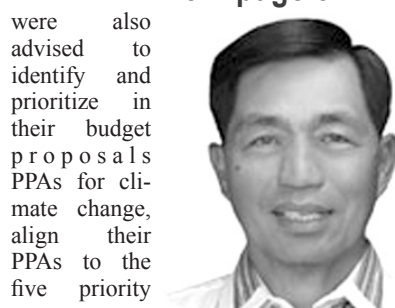
clear-cut explanation regarding his alleged ill-gotten wealth. The public deserves transparency, the truth, & honest leaders who are accountable for their actions. VP Binay has given them nothing but motherhood statements and mere politicking,” the senator said.

The senator further questioned Binay’s ulterior motives in criticizing the Aquino administration. He said the Vice President could simply be castigating the President’s performance in order to divert the issue away from the corruption allegations against him.

“Panay ang banat ng bise presidente sa administrasyon. Pero hindi ba’t naging parte siya ng administrasyong ito sa loob ng limang taon? Sa panahong iyon, ano ba ang kongkretong nagawa niya bilang presidential adviser for OFWs, lalo na sa isyu ng human trafficking at labor concerns?”

“Isa lang ba itong panibagong uri ng diversionary tactic ng Binay camp para hindi matuon ang atensyon ng tao sa korapsyong kinakaharap ng kaniyang pamilya?” Cayetano quipped.*/Office of Senator Alan Peter Cayetano*

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were also advised to identify and prioritize in their budget proposals PPAs for climate change, align their PPAs to the five priority areas pursuant to Executive Order No. 43 series of 2011 namely anti-corruption/ transparent, accountable and participatory governance; poverty reduction and empowerment of the poor and vulnerable; rapid, inclusive and sustained economic growth; just and lasting peace and the rule of law; and integrity of the environment and climate change mitigation; and include PPAs that promote gender and development, rights of senior citizens and persons with disabilities, protection of children and for the prevention of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

As per the circular, a preliminary budget forum will be conducted on August 11 with the civil society organizations (CSOs).

The departments will prepare the PPAs with corresponding detailed estimates from August 12 to Sept. 15 but departments will have to submit their proposal budgets to the local finance committee on Aug. 17 while budget hearings with the CSOs will be conducted from Aug. 18-27. Three days after the hearing, the departments will have to submit the final departmental budget proposals.

The LFC will finalize the 2016 budget estimates from Sept. 28 to Oct. 9. The mayor is expected to approve it by Oct. 10 before its submission to the city council on Oct. 16 for deliberation.*/A Refuerzo*

# Feature: Binay vs Roxas: A class-war simulation

President Aquino’s endorsement of Mar Roxas as his political heir and the Liberal Party’s candidate for the 2016 elections would really be his biggest gift to the nation, for a reason that I don’t think he can ever understand or accept.

The contest between Vice President Jejomar Binay and Manuel (“Mar”) Araneta Roxas II would be a simulation of a class war.

With Aquino’s anointment of Roxas, Filipinos would be given a clear choice to make: whether to choose an executive of the elite, which has dominated the presidency since the Republic was set up, or a product of the middle-classes, which historically has been the class that takes up the cudgels for the working-masses.

Marcos vs. Cojuangco-Aquino in 1985; Ramos vs. Santiago in 1992, Estrada vs. de Venecia in 1998; Arroyo vs. FPJ in 2004; Aquino vs Villar in 2010 — these contests didn’t present Filipinos with such a choice between leaders of distinctively different class origins.

You can’t get a better embodiment of the Philippines’ enduring economic-political elite clans that originated during the country’s Spanish colonization than Roxas. He is the progeny of two Philippine ruling-class “noble” houses, if I may use that term: the Roxases and the Aranetas.

The two clans are the progeny of Basque adventurers who joined the Manila-Acapulco trade to eventually gobble up huge tracts of land to turn these into sugar haciendas, or into a huge central business district in Metro Manila. The names itself reflect the origins of the ancestors: Araneta means “abundance of space” in Basque while “Roxas,” a variation of Rojas, meaning “red,” which was a common family name in the Basque region of Galicia-Asturias.

In contrast, I haven’t read or heard of somebody named “Binay,” other than the Vice President and his family.

“Binay” is in the genre of such fam-

ily-names as Pabalinas, Erana, Tria, An-niban, Tabdi and those of the other 39 Special Action Force heroes with obscure names which you’d never hear as those of your friends.

These lowly names are those of the great unwashed, Filipinos during Spanish times who lived so far away from the poblaciones, the centers of power and wealth that they couldn’t be reached by the friars who assigned names to the indios or allowed those they seduced (or raped) to use their names for their off-springs.

### Economic elite cadre

While one of the most competent senators we ever had, Mar’s father Gerardo Roxas unmistakably was his economic-elite clan’s cadre in the political realm. That was a common practice of many of our richest families, notably the Lopezes and the Osmeñas in the era before martial law, and continued today by such tycoons as the Romualdez and the Villars.

Roxas grandfather Manuel, whom he wants to emulate, was the country’s president from 1946-1948, the period when the country’s ruling class recovered most of their wealth destroyed or sequestered by the Japanese occupiers.

And reflecting the practice of the elite marrying only an elite, Roxas mother Judith Roxas is the eldest child of “Don” Amado and “Doña” Ester Araneta, who owned vast tracts of sugarcane lands in Negros island, one of the country’s biggest sugar mills. The clan, headed now by Judith, had diversified into property by buying in the 1950s a huge tract of land that would become the Araneta Complex, into mining (Atok Big Wedge), and into the fast-food business (Pizza Hut and Wendys).

In sharp contrast, Binay’s father was a librarian in some forgotten public library in Batangas province, his mother a schoolteacher in a public school. Both died when Binay was nine, and adopted

by an uncle, a lawyer in the Senate, who made him do the chores in the household, even requiring him to collect the slop (“kaning baboy”) in the neighborhood for his backyard piggery, a common source of income in that era even in urban neighborhoods.

There is no question whom the traditional Spanish-descended and landed elites like the Ayalas and Lopezes would support: Roxas.

The Philippine elite actually live in a very small world, unknown to us hoi polloi, and as far away as “Elysium” is in that sci-fi movie of that title.

They even mostly live in one neighborhood in the Forbes Park and Dasmariñas Village a rea. They are all mostly on a first-name basis and chance upon each other often in their country clubs, Manila Golf Club (for the golfers, and costing at least P40 million to get into), Manila Polo Club (for the tennis players, membership closed for years now), Tagaytay Highlands for the cool air.

Most of the elite spend half of the year in their residences in New York, Los Angeles, London (allegedly the Ayala’s favorite homes), and starting only in the past decade in Shenzhen and Shanghai. The Philippines for most of the elite is just a market to make money in, not really where they live.

I’m sure that isn’t Binay’s world. I don’t think he was even ever invited for lunch in those clubs during his years as Makati mayor. Roxas, as he himself told me once, almost spent every morning playing golf at Manila Golf Club when he resigned as Estrada’s trade and industry head in the months leading to his downfall in January 2001. Roxas without a shadow of a doubt is one of the Philippine elite’s, as Aquino is.

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defenders, and the grave violations to International Humanitarian Law as in the incident in Lacub, Abra. These are crimes not only against indigenous peoples, but against humanity.



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emulating, and another good practice of self-determination.

As we celebrate IP Day, we reflect on the challenges and victories indigenous communities have confronted in the Cordillera peoples’ struggle for self-determination. Let us remember our heroes and martyrs and draw inspiration from their lives of sacrifice, in defense of our cultural heritage, ancestral lands and human rights. Let us continue to take pride in our culture and identity while building solidarity and unity with other sectors and advocates in advancing our common goal for genuine peace and development.

For until our right to self-determination is recognised, and genuine regional autonomy in place under a truly sovereign Philippines the only recourse for indigenous peoples is to press onward with the struggle. Sulong, mga katribu!*Abigail Anongos, Secretary General/Jude Baggio, Public Information Commission/Cordillera*

## KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

*More details vs. PNoy  
please, VP Binay*

BY: ATTY. BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE’S INSPIRATIONS: “... Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah: ‘I am the LORD, the God of all mankind. Is anything too hard for me?’...” (Jeremiah 32:26-27, the Holy Bible).

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WHY IS MALACANANG SILENT ON BINAY “TSONA”? Did you notice the virtual silence of President Aquino and of the Office of the President about the accusations made in the “true State of the Nation Address” of Vice President Jejomar Binay?

It seemed to me that Malacanang is trying to deliberately ignore Binay’s latest rants, and is choosing not to say anything in reply, except a terse “he was part of the government for the last five years and he was one of those who gleefully applauded the President in previous addresses to the nation”.

What does this indicate? Many things, of course. The first meaning of that silence maybe that, ignoring the accusations would shoo them away. Second, it could be that Malacanang knew only too well that what Binay had been ranting about are all correct, and that talking about them some more would only be counter-productive.

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BINAY HAS THE RIGHT TO DELIVER “TSONA”: Some administration hacks have been saying however that Binay did not have any right to be castigating the President and his government, particularly on the issue of corruption, since he, the Vice President himself, is also facing a host of corruption and plunder charges which he has not bothered to answer.

This is a funny and desperate argument, if you ask me. The fact is that, assuming that Binay is himself guilty of the corruption and plunder accusations being hurled against him by Malacanang and its allies, that does not remove Binay’s right to speak out against Aquino and the graft, corruption, and plunder, among his friends and allies and, if we are to believe a foreign ambassador, even among his relatives.

After all, Binay remains a citizen of this country, and, like the rest of us, he is still entitled to live under a government free of graft-prone and plunderous officials, especially those who have been farcically espousing the so-called “righteous path” doctrine.

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MORE DETAILS VS. PNOY PLEASE, VP BINAY: Of course, what Binay is doing is clearly against what Jesus, our God and Savior, said in Matthew 7:1 of the Bible: do not judge, so that you will not be judged yourself, for the measure you use in judging others will be the same measure that they will use against you when they judged you, too.

But then, is not the President himself the principal exponent of judging others about their performance in government, particularly his predecessor, the now-detained and sickly former President Gloria Arroyo? So, true indeed, when one judges others in violation of what the Bible admonishes, he gets the same treatment or the same fate of being judged, rightly or wrongly.

As far as I am concerned, I am for everyone in government blaming one another, for that is the only way by which the citizenry can come to know of wrongdoings which are usually hidden from public view, particularly when the officials involved are up there at the top where many are covering up for them. I hope Binay can come up with much specific details against Aquino as election nears.

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## MAGKASANGGA TAYO

*Mar Roxas –Good  
or Bad?  
(Reprint)*

BY: NESTOR “PAKEN” CASTRO



Bakit mababa ang rangking ni Mar Roxas sa mga surveys? Bakit hindi siya kasing popular sa surveys katulad halimbawa kay Binay na isang ubod ang KORAP, o isang Poe na ALA PA NAMANG ACCOMPLISHMENTS, o isang Duterte na WALANG PAGGALANG SA KARAPATANG PANTAO? Ilan lamang ‘yan sa mga bumabagabag sa aking isipan at dam-damin. Kung tutuusin ay nasubukan na natin ang lahat ng klase ng tao para presidente, ngunit parang hindi na tayo na dala-dala. Mula kay Marcos na isang ubod ng talino ngunit ubod rin ng KORAP, isang FVR na OK lang naman ngunit bitin pa rin, isang Erap na PANAY ABS ang inatupag, Presidente na nga ABS pa (Alak, Babae at Sugal). Isang Gloria na ubod rin ng talino ngunit ubod rin ng KORAP at ang mas-masama pa ay kay Gloria nag simula ang pagsira at pagwasak ng marami sa ating political institutions! Isang PNOY na mataas sana ang ekspektasyon ng sambayanan ngunit siya mismo ang sumira dela ng kanyang DAANG HINDI MATUWID at lalo pang tumindi ang KORAPSYON.

Sa aking mga nabanggit, mukhang ang dapat na lang na maging basehan sa pagpili ng isang presidente ay ang hindi popularidad o ano pa mang katangian, at dapat siguro ang basehan ay ang sinasabing the lesser evil at yung pinakamalinis at pinakamaraming accomplishments.

Tingnan natin ang track record ng mga sumusunod na kandidato:

>Grace Poe – no substantial accomplishments para sa pinakamataas na posisyon ng bansa, apelyedo lang ang meron!

>Joejmar Binay – mayroong konting accomplishments ngunit UBOD NAMAN ANG KORAP NA MAGNANAKAW, gusto ba natin ng isang ganitong lider na siguradong lalong hihirap ang ating mamamayan kapag siya na ang pangulo! >Dutere-ang tanging accomplishment ay sa peace and order lamang at nang isang lungsod lamang, tandaan natin na ibang-iba na ang scenario kapag pangulo ka na at hindi na oobra ang mga diskarte ng isang local official, at ang masama pa kay Duterte ay walang paggalang sa karapatang pantao!

>Ping Lacson – so far so good, consistent at walang bad record hinggil sa Korapsyon.

>Mar Roxas- sabi nila mahina mag-desisyon, kulang ng lakas at mister teka-teka at isa rin daw trapo, ngunit walang bad record sa korapsyon at marami rin namang accomplishments.

Ang problema kasi, sa aking palagay, kahit sino ang maging presidente at hindi rin niya kayang tularan ang sistema ni Lee Kuan Yew ng Singapore ay walang mangyayari sa ating bansa at patuloy ang paglubog ng Pinas.

Ibang-iba po ang ugali, sistemang politkal at kultura ng Pilipino kung inyong ikokompara sa ating mga kapitbahay sa Asia. Kung tutuusin ay isa o dalawang bansa na lang yata ang hindi pa lumalampas sa atin pag-dating sa ekonomiya at ganda ng buhay, bagama’t napakaraming likas na natural and other resources ang ating bansa kompara sa ating mga kapitbahay na dala ng laki o liit ng kanilang populasyon. China (1.2 billion population - super power), India (1 billion ang population), South Korea (45 million ang population), Japan (110 million ang population), Vietnam (90 million ang population). Ang mga bansa na ito ay nalampasan na tayo. Cambodia (25 million ang population), Lao (6 million ang population) etong dalawa na ito ang kapanatay lang natin at ang Myanmar (dating Burma) ang mas mababa lang sa ating. Ngunit, hindi kataka-takang isipin na sa susunod na 10 years ang Cambodia ay malalampasan din tayo.

Kaya sa daratang na halalan, kayong mga intelligent voters (mga bobotante) tanggapin ang suhol mula sa mga pol-politiko, pero sa botohan gamitin ang inyong utak at piliin ang lesser evil na walang bad record ng KORAPSYON.

Matagal ko ng sinasabihhhhhh na Korapsyon ang ugat ng lahat ng ito, bali-baliktarin man natin, ang KORAPAY ASAWA NG MAGNANAKAW at ang kanilang anak ay KASAKIMAN, PAGKA GAHAMAN, AT PAGIGING MAKASARILKI. Hi !Hi ! Hi !

And op kors parating pakatatandaan - ITS MORE FUN IN D PILIPINS!!!

## FEATURE

*No Recourse  
but Struggle  
for Self-Determination*

*What is the most precious thing to man? Life! If life is threatened, what ought a man do? Fight! This he must do, otherwise he is dishonoured. That will be worse than death. If we do not fight and the dams push through, we die anyway. If we fight, we die honourably. Thus I exhort you all, kayaw (struggle)! –Macliing Dulag, Kalinga Chieftain*

34 years ago since the successful opposition of the Bontoc and Kalinga peoples to the World Bank-funded Chico Dams, this challenge penned in the words of Macliing Dulag, one of the many elders who led our people in asserting right to land and life, remains true, current, and inspirational as we join fellow indigenous peoples in celebration of the International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples on August 9. Indeed, the story of the Chico struggle is a timeless example of self-determining indigenous communities.

We celebrate landmark victories at the international level, such as the declaration of August 9 itself as international IP Day by the UN General Assembly, the establishment of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the adoption of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), the establishment of UN mechanisms for the recognition of IP rights such as the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the appointment of a Special Rapporteur on Indigenous Peoples Rights.

More importantly, we salute the communities on the ground that gave breathe to movements for the recognition of indigenous peoples rights and self-determination. On this note CPA conveys its utmost solidarity and salutes all indigenous communities in other parts of the world and in our home country struggling for ancestral land rights, life and dignity against the backdrop of development aggression, State terrorism and neo-liberal globalisation.

From Tinoc, Ifugao, to Pasil and Tanudan in Kalinga to Mankayan and Kapanagan in Benguet, to Lacub in Abra; to Mountain Province and Apayao, communities are asserting right to Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) in the face of the collusion of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) with some local government units and officials, energy and mining giants such as Hedcor, SN Aboitiz, Quadriver, Sta. Clara, Chevron and Far South Gold Fields, Golden Lake Mineral Resources and more. These self-determining practices of communities and their organizations exemplify good practices that

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