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Why FOI was not Mentioned in SONA 2014

Why didn't President Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III mention the Freedom of Information (FOI) bill in his State of the Nation Address (SONA)?

This was one of the questions people asked after the President delivered his fifth SONA on Monday, July 28.

State of the FOI bill

A few days before the SONA, Inday Espina-Varona, campaign director of Change.org, said in a dzMM interview, "Simula nang umupo si PNoy, 'yun na 'yung sinasabi niya. Sana. Pumirma siya bilang senador, ipinangako niya habang nagkakampanya, bago lang siya mag-inauguration, binanggit niya uli."

Varona noted, however, that Aquino had not picked a specific date for approving the FOI. "Wala pa. Ang sinabi niya lang, ang pinaka-klarong nasabi niya...na ipapasa ng gobyerno ko ang FOI bago matapos 'yung termino niya. Kung kailan 'yan, hindi natin alam," she said.

But according to Presidential Spokesman Edwin Lacierda, the FOI bill was not included in the latest SONA because the President already made clear his commitment to getting the

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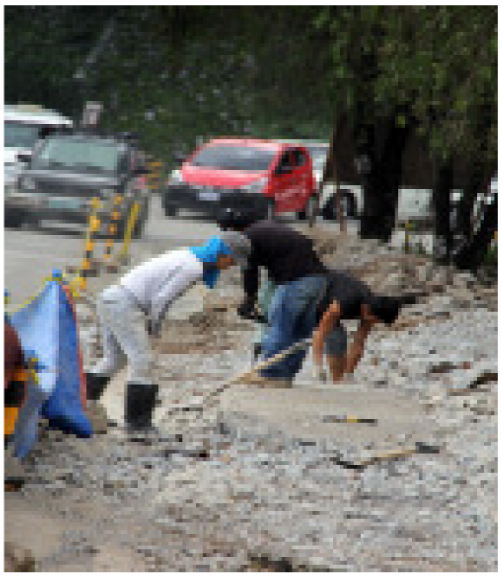

"PALPAK" - The Kayang Street Extension road project was finished on time, but the ramp's angle was too high to allow vehicle maneuvering in the parking space alloted to the City Prosecutors at Justice Hall forcing re-construction of the ramp in the area./By Bong Cayabyab

Eh bakit naman i papa-approve ni PENOY ang FOI Bill eh mayroon pa siyang natitirang 2 years sa poder eh d mapapadali ang pag silip ng mga anomalya ng kanyang administrasyon!!! Kung saka-sakali seswertehin baka makalusot ang FOI Bill sa 2016 bago magbago ng administrasyon, baka lang yun (it could be a long shot!!!).

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Acting City Mayor Bilog: Implement Zero Vending Policy with Maximum Tolerance

BAGUIO CITY - Vice mayor Edison Bilog was designated acting city mayor for the period July 28 until August 8 since mayor Mauricio Domogan will be attending the 58th annual conference of the sister cities international as conference speaker on July 31 until August 2 in San Jose California; sister-city visit to Vallejo, California together with Baguio delegation this August 3 to 5 and a trade mission together with some city officials to visit existing waste to energy facilities in Los Angeles, California on August 5 until 7.

Acting mayor Bilog convened the anti-peddling team of the Peace and Order Safety Division (POSD) last Monday to remind the POSD personnel on their duties, responsibilities as well as their limitations in the implementation of the zero vending policy of the city.

Executive Assistant Policarpio Cambod was also present during the said meeting who was recently designated chief of the POSD by mayor Domogan.

Bilog advised the law enforcers of anti-peddling to perform their duties and responsibilities with maximum tolerance as well as to respect human rights to avoid unpleasant occurrence.

On the other hand, Bilog also urged vendors to cooperate and to abide by the rules and regulations of the zero vending policy of the city.

"I hope that the 12 days of being the acting city mayor, there will be no substantial setback in the implementation of the anti-peddling campaign. Let us help maintain peace and order to our city," said Bilog. /Jho Arranz

Young Mother of Two Appeals for Help in Fight Against Big C

Barely a week after she stopped her daily radiation therapy for Hodgkins lymphoma, Remedioos Walleng, a 35-year old mother of two, was surprised to find that a lump has bulged from her neck,

That the growth came so fast surprised her, as she just had 15 of her 22-day radiation therapy at the Villaflor Doctors Hospital in Dagupan City by using up her benefits from Philhealth,the government medical insurance system.

"Much as I wanted to complete the 22-day treatment, I fell short of seven days as I can't just figure out where and how to get hold of P3,500 per session, or P24,500 to cover the treatment not covered by Philhealth," she disclosed.

She was trying to renew a public appeal for help in her battle against cancer of the lymph nodes that was diagnosed Christmas the other year.

Unlike last Christmas, when she initially sought publication of her call for support, Remedios was not wearing mask. Her left cheek has been disfigured, dented by the surgical removal of cancerous tissue.

Jereka, her year old daughter, was on her lap while Jeremy, her three-and-a-half-year old son, was clinging to her hand.

"I had to leave them with my mother during those 17 days I had to commute to and from Dagupan for the radiation therapy, " she said. "I wish this medical service is available here in Baguio."

Her main worry now is how to go back to Dagupan with the amount needed to complete the radiation treatment so as to stem the sudden growth in her throat.

"Let me renew my appeal, for the sake of my two kids and my husband," she said, referring to her partner, Jeremias Piaoan, a taxi driver who had worked double time to support her initial 12-cycle chemotherapy treatment at the Baguio General Hospital after the diagnosis.

What he could raise was augmented by Samaritans the likes of Nicanor and Jocelyn Taule-Sison Sr. and Elmer and Carmen Taule-Coma-ad, two expatriate couples who contributed P12,000 they coursed through Engr. Taule of the La Trinidad Water District in Benguet.

Also responding to her appeal last December, a certain Manuel aboard a Mitsubishi Montero vehicle met Remedios infront of the UCCP Church here in Baguio and handed P10,000 support.

Remedios, a native of Alillem, Ilocos Sur, had worked as a domestic in Malaysia until her three-year contract expired in 1998. Her family rents in a boarding house at FA-301, Km. 4, Balili, La Trinidad, Benguet.

Samaritans out there who can help may ring up her cellphone number (09487802466)./ Ramon Dacawi.

Cordillera Posts 6% Economic Growth in 2013

BAGUIO CITY - The Cordillera Administrative Region posted a better economic conditions in 2013 wherein from the one percent growth in 2012, the region's economy accelerated to six percent growth last year with a Gross Regional Domestic Product (GRDP) of around P227.92 billion.

National Statistical Coordination Board (NSCB) Regional Head Benjamin Navarro, in presenting the Cordillera's 2013 GRDP in a press conference at the Casa Vallejo here, reported that the 6% 2013 economic growth of Cordillera ranked number 10 among 17 regions and ranked number three among regions in terms of per capita (growth per person or population) GRDP and just behind by 1.2% compared to the average national economic growth of 7.2 %.

Navarro explained that the faster economic growth of the region in 2013 is attributed to the recovery of the industry sector and the continuing growth in the service sector.

"The industry, which accounted for nearly half of the region's economy at 48.8% in 2013, rebounded from negative 3.9% in 2012 to 4.1% in 2013 while services (which accounts 40.8% of the economy) accelerated from 7.9% in 2012 to 9.6% in 2013," Navarro reported.

On the industry sub-sectors, construction posted the fastest growth at 17.2% followed by Electricity, Gas and Water Supply at 16.9 %; mining and quarrying at 12.7%, and manufacturing at 1.4 %.

For the Services sector, Navarro pointed-out that the increase in growth is mainly due to the sub-sector of Real Estate, Renting and Business activities, which includes Business Process Outsourcing wherein from the 9.1% growth in 2012, it doubled to 19.7% in 2013.

Meanwhile, Navarro reported a slowdown in the Agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing. From the 1.5% growth in 2012, it decelerated to 1% growth in 2013.

National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Planning Division chief Dolores Molintas affirmed a more robust economic year for Cordillera in 2013. The 6% growth she said even surpassed the region's target of 4.5 – 5.5% under the Regional Development Plan.

To sustain the region's growth and even bring it to a higher level, Molintas stressed the need to continue the promotion of investment enterprise, business development and infrastructure development, as well as in continuously improving the business climate, the ease of doing business and the promotion of productivity and industrial peace, especially in the mining, manufacturing and service sector.

In improving and strengthening the region's agricultural sector, the major employment generator in the region, Molintas highlighted the need to increase the production and in bringing in higher value- adding as well as to give focus on how to address the effect of climate change to the sector./JDP/CCD – PIA CAR

Measure Passed Granting Scholarship to Top 10 Graduating High School Studes

A bill granting automatic college admission and scholarship to the top 10 graduating public high school students was approved by the Senate on third and final reading today.

Sen. Pia Cayetano, chair of the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture and sponsor of Senate Bill No. 2275, said the measure, also known as the Iskolar ng Bayan Act of 2014, seeks to make quality higher education more accessible to the underprivileged youth.

Senate President Franklin M. Drilon also hailed the passage of the measure, saying that such initiatives can help address the challenge of providing complete and quality education for the Filipino youth.

"Binilisan natin ang pagpasa nito, upang sa susunod na pasukan ay maging ganap na batas na ito at mapakinabangan ng ating mga kabataan. Sa batas na ito, kahit mahirap ka, basta magaling ka, ikaw ay may laban na makapasok nang libre sa mga state universities and colleges," he said.

Under the proposed legislation, Cayetano said, the top 10 public high school students of their graduating class would be accorded automatic admission to State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) of their choice within their provinces or nearby provinces, depending on the size of the SUCs and their course offerings.

However, she said, the University of the Philippines (UP) will be excluded in the list of SUCs due to its institutional autonomy as the national university unless it would come up with its own scholarship program for the top 10 public high school students.

"It is an unfortunate fact that college education is out of reach of majority of the Filipinos," Cayetano lamented during her sponsorship speech.

Cayetano cited a study conducted by the Department of Education which showed that out of the 45 students who graduate from high school, only 26 students actually enrol in college. According to the study, the high cost of education is the primary reason for the low turn-out of enrolees in college.

"The youth are either employed or would rather search employment. The quality of higher education must be more accessible to the students," Cayetano stressed.

She said once the bill was enacted into law, the scholars would be provided with free tuition fees, textbook allowance and a monthly living allowance.

"The *Iskolar ng Bayan Program* provides a big incentive for high school students to work hard and excel

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Kalinga Solon Pushes for Planting of Rubber Trees

TABUK CITY, Kalinga - Kalinga Representative Manuel Agyao is pushing for the propagation of high value commercial crops (HVCC) like rubber tree in North Luzon as it is feasible and viable industry that provides income and help balance the ecosystem.

To lead this campaign, Agyao planted a one hectare land at Mapaoay this province with rubber trees and is now producing raw products of rubber. His plantation is now six years old and already producing rubber plates ready for sale.

Last week, investors and officials of state colleges from Cagayan and Isabela doing research on HVCC came to visit his farm with demonstration on seed germination and budding conducted by government researchers and private rubber tree growers.

Representatives from the Bureau of Agricultural Research and Rubber Research and Development Program of the Department of Agriculture were also here to share their expertise on the industry.

Ernie Camacho, regional rubber industry coordinator of Region 9 in Zamboanga, discussed the potential and economic promises of rubber tree. Zamboanga he said is the only province in the country producing rubber.

Camacho said there are various uses of rubber foremost is for the production of tires. You can produce two tons of dried rubber in a one hectare plantation or an earning of P150,000," he said adding that production could triple if the plantation is managed well.

Meanwhile, Agyao informed that the Rubber Institute created by law is soon to open. The new office will establish research on the industry and its mass propagation nationwide./JDP/PAB-PIA CAR, Kalinga

BAHAY KUBO - *City Hall Day Care Center pupils perform an interpretative song and dance number "Bahay Kubo" during the observance of the 40th Nutrition Month culminating program with the theme Kalamidad Paghandaan: Gutom At Malnutrisyon Agapan! held at the baguio Convention center August 1./By Bong Cayabyab*

OCD-CAR Intensifies DRRM – CCA Trainings and Advocacy in LGUs

BAGUIO CITY - In ensuring disaster-resilient communities and aiming for zero casualties during this rainy season, the Office of Civil Defense (OCD – CAR) continues to intensify its support for the conduct of Disaster Risk reduction and Management and Climate Change Adaptation (DRRM – CCA) training and advocacy in the region.

On Thursday(July 30), through the initiative of Mayor Edna Tabanda, OCD opened in La Trinidad, Benguet a three-day Contingency Plan Formulation Workshop which aims to help the municipal DRRM Council in crafting preparedness and response plan for worst case scenario of specific disaster hazards such as flooding and earthquake.

Next on OCD's schedule is the conduct of Incident Command System (ICS) training for the municipality of Mankayan, Benguet on August 5 to 6, an initiative of Mayor Materno Luspian for their local DRRM Council.

ICS is a vital tool in organizing on-scene disaster response and management mechanism to mitigate and reduce vulnerabilities of local communities through the infusion of disaster management best practices that would ensure the safety of responders and other stakeholders, achievement of tactical objectives and for the efficient use of resources.

Earlier this month, OCD, in partnership with the municipal government of Luna, Apayao also spearheaded the conduct of Water Search and Rescue (WASAR) Training Course designed to enhance the skills of local responders in water, flood and rope rescue in order to increase effectiveness and limit liabilities during emergency operations.

Last July 9, OCD also closed its last leg of provincial DRRM summit for this year with the Benguet Summit held at the Provincial Capitol, in partnership with the Provincial DRRM Council chaired by Governor Nestor Fongwan.

OCD – Cordillera Regional Director Andrew Alex Uy, in an interview, outlined the importance of forging continuing partnership with the different LGUs, local DRRM councils and other stakeholders in the region, in enhancing and strengthening DRRM and CCA activities and advocacies in every community, towards a disaster – resilient Cordillera.

"We have to continue working together and maintain a pro-active approach in ensuring disaster-resilient communities in the region. We must learn from our experiences in past disasters and continuously aim for zero-casualty", he added./JDP/CCD – PIA CAR

DENR Stops Special Patent Application of BCDA Over CJH

BAGUIO CITY – the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) here stood by the city government in not finalizing the application of a special Patent in favor of the Bases Conversion Development Authority (BCDA) covering Camp John Hay here.

In a letter of DENR-CAR OIC-Regional Director Paquito Moreno, Jr. addressed to the Land Management Bureau, Manila last week, it was stressed that the Completed Staff Work (CSW) needed for the issuance of a special patent over Camp John Hay reservation could not be finalized due to the standing Baguio City Resolution No. 362 series of 1994 which sets the 19 conditionalities in the turn-over of CJH to BCDA.

Moreno said, "the segregation of the 14 barangays within CJH reservation which includes Green Water, Country Club, Upper Dagsian, Lower Dagsian, Sta. Escolastica, Hillside, Happy Hollow, Loakan Apugan, Atok Trail, Loakan Proper, Camp 7, Loakan Liwanang, Lucnab and portions of Outlook Drive is not yet implemented."

"Relative to the segregation process, it is paramount importance to delineate the boundaries of the respective barangays through conduct of segregation survey and determine which of these barangays are untitled and which are covered by titles, " he said.

Condition Number 14 of City Resolution 362 mandates the BCDA to exclude all affected barangays from the John Hay reservation.

'It is an institutional policy that a presidential proclamation is required for the segregation of untitled barangays," Moreno said citing that once the untitled barangays are segregated, the DENR being the sole authority in the disposition of public lands, shall take the lead in disposing the lot covered by these barangays pursuant to the provisions of the Public Land Act.

Moreno also said, "it is also necessary that the ERDS-DENR area be segregated from CJH reservation stressing their research and development activities has been done in the area since the 1970's, even before BCDA existed, hence the matter should also be addressed.

Furthermore, DENR stressed Camp John Hay by its origin and use is exclusively military, even with its incidental Pine stands and well maintained hydrologic conditions, it may be assumed the status of a veritable watershed, still it is a military reservation in the absence of an act reclassifying the same.

Finally, the letter also states the BCDA has yet to submit the requirements stipulated under MC. No. 28, series of 1993 and DAO No. 97-02.

The move of the DENR strengthened the resolve of the city government in appealing to the BCDA compliance with the 19 conditionalities for the development of the facility.

The mayor directed the city legal office to study the filing of a case for specific performance against the BCDA for breach of the conditionalities set under Resolution Numbered 362, series of 1994 recently.

The city government has over the years appealed to the BCDA to honor the 19 conditionalities to no avail./paul rillorta

Tuba Strengthens Disaster Preparedness Program

TUBA, Benguet - The Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (MDRRMC) here has intensified its program on disaster preparedness in line with this year's theme of the National Disaster Consciousness Month, "Kahandaan at Kaligtasan ng Pamayanan, Pundasyon ng Kaunlaran".

Clarita W. Lardizabal, Environmental Specialist 1 and the MDRRM officer –designate, said this year's celebration is focused on upholding disaster preparedness and awareness among stakeholders with the mission of establishing safe and resilient communities against disasters which is strongly believed as one of the factors toward achieving progress and development.

The local government through the MDRRMC has lined up various activities such as drills, DRRM trainings and summits.

The MDRRMC conducted Emergency Responders Course (ERC) training to barangay volunteers last July 7-11 at the River View Water Park in Nangalisan, Tuba.

An orientation for school heads regarding the conduct of earthquake drills in the different schools was also conducted in partnership with the Bureau of Fire Protection last July 18 at the municipal hall.

Earthquake and fire drills were also conducted schools along Kennon Road July 24, schools along Marcos Highway on July 25 and schools along Asin road on July 30.

An orientation of Barangay Emergency Response team was also held at the municipal social hall on July 28./JDP/MAWC – PIA CAR

Tutorial

"MARNURSURO TI tunggal kaaruba," an Ilocano proverb says. "Each neighbor is a teacher."

Next-door Indonesia provided a tutorial when 187 million voters, in 17,000 islands across three time zones, elected Jakarta Gov. Joko "Jokowi" Widodo as the country's seventh president. Voters handed Widodo a 6-percentage point victory, or 8 million votes, over ex-general Prabowo Subianto

US President Barack Obama led the queue of those who called Widodo to offer congratulations.

"Through this free and fair election, the people of Indonesia have once again shown their commitment to democracy," he said.

Indeed, "the outcome defines the thrust and direction, over the next generation, for a 250 million-strong country," said The Jakarta Post, reprinting a July 15 Inquirer column. "It's the first election to see power transferred from a directly-elected leader to another in what was once a dictatorship." It bucks disputed polls in Malaysia and Cambodia and the military junta rule in Thailand.

"Jokowi is a different animal," wrote Elizabeth Pisani in her recently published book: "Indonesia, Etc.: Exploring the Improbable Nation." She compares Widodo with previous presidents and concludes: "He'll be embedded within well-formed contours of Indonesian politics—one of the most transactional political systems in the world."

Loser Subianto claimed "an estimated 52,000 polling stations have reported irregularities." Subianto's wealthy tycoon-brother, Hashim Djojohadikusumo, vows to press a legal challenge.

A tarred human rights record during the Suharto dictatorship haunts Subianto. He married into power, his former wife being a daughter of Suharto. He failed to shuck off

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charges of human rights abuses while in the army where he led Indonesia's special forces.

Many Indonesian activists morphed into desaparecidos allegedly on Subianto's orders. Most were victimized during the 1998 protests that toppled Suharto. This is his third unsuccessful bid to bag the presidency.

A challenge of the 2014 election is unlikely to succeed, analysts say. "That would not prevent Widodo from taking office in October," predicted David Hill of Asia Research Center at Murdoch University in Perth, Australia. "The Constitutional Court will politely hear any formal challenge, but it will find no major corruption of the election occurred."

Indonesia is one of Asia's more stable democracies. Its political system is mired in murky money deals that hobble economic growth. "The election of a relative outsider, with no connections to the Suharto era, represents an important opportunity to get the country back on track," Capital Economics, an independent research firm, said in a note released Tuesday.

Widodo assumes office with less than 40 percent of lawmakers backing him, writes Simon Roughneen, the Irish journalist long based in Asia. He'll need to emerge from the shadows of the old guard. That includes former President Megawati Sukarnoputri, a key campaign supporter. Vice President Jusuf Kalla's party backed Subianto.

"I'll see your election victory proclamation, and raise an unbreakable 5-year parliamentary coalition plan," Roughneen quotes Subianto as saying. Subianto meant a "permanent" amalgam of parties in Indonesia's incoming parliament. The bloc corrals over 60 percent of its seats. "This is an overall coalition in the national and the regional and district legislatures," declared Subianto.

Subianto's coalition will make it difficult for Widodo to govern. They fired a warning shot across the bow even before the first ballot was cast in the presidential election. It is more democratic to make the post of parliament speaker an elected role, Subianto's supporters argued.

Currently, the job goes to a member of the biggest party in parliament. That would be Widodo's Indonesian Democratic Party of Struggle (PDIP). But, with a majority of seats, Subianto's coalition can aim at least to win the house speaker gig in the next parliament.

Will it hold firm? Or will defectors abandon ship to join the winning party? Philippine experience shows mass defections occur and parties cross over to whoever occupies the Palace.

That is likely to fragment Subianto's coalition. It is currently backed by Golkar, a self-styled "party of government." It is the second-largest party in parliament after PDIP, but Suharto's death left a vacuum.

Kalla, Widodo's running mate and incoming vice president, remains popular among Golkar members. Some are already pushing to oust current leader Aburizal Bakrie, a prominent Subianto backer. Even before Widodo is sworn in, Golkar—or a bloc of the party—could already scramble to scram fast.

"Anyone wishing to join us to build the nation will be accepted," Widodo told Antara. An alliance reduces Widodo's vulnerability to opposition filibuster, Roughneen writes. But it courts interest groups he would have to appease. And they'd constrict Widodo's intent to be his own man.

What is it about Subianto twisting in the wind that resonates here?

He is the face of a generation seeking to recover what Suharto's dictatorship squandered. That's like Sen. Ferdinand Marcos Jr. trying, a generation later, to reenter Malacañang after the Marcos plunder.

Younger Indonesians barely recall the massacre of dissidents. In Suharto's home-

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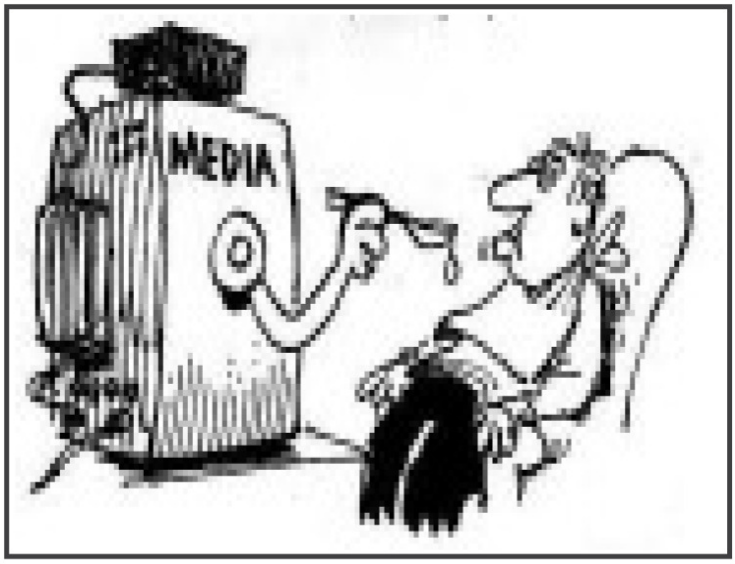

ADVOCACY MINDANOW

AN EMOTIONAL PRESIDENT

By: Jesus Dureza

When President Aquino choked a bit trying hard to hold back tears towards the end of his SONA last Monday, he was obviously emotion-filled. Contrary to what critics say, I think it was normal and spontaneous. He is human just like you and me. And he succeeded in putting a check to it but not before it was noticed by a whole nation watching. If not for the TV cameras zooming in on presidential sister Kris and the other Aquino sisters who were also shedding tears in the gallery, it would have been no big deal.

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END IS NEAR —- His emotions got the better of him when he recalled his late parents, Ninoy and Cory, and that he did his best to continue their legacies — with acceptance that his end was near as president, with about less than 24 more months left. And beleaguered in all fronts with his survey results now plummeting due to recent setbacks and missteps. It sounded to me like a "swan song", saying an early goodbye. I don't blame him for feeling bad. But he should not also bedrudge the Pinoys for it. This trend happens to all previous presidents when the end is near. They become lameducks and P-noy is no exception. How he will handle this is what is crucial.

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SAVE THOSE TEARS — Of all presidents I have seen (some I personally served) this is the first time I saw a head of state becoming emotional while facing the whole nation. FVR was able to rein in his volatile temper with a smiling facial veneer when in public, although we could see his jaw tighten in some difficult instances. GMA managed adroitly her Hello Garci "I'm sorry" speil, although the infamous "Hyatt 10" still abandoned ship nonetheless. ERAP kept his jovial self for the public while unceremoniously removed and imprisoned. Yes, presidents should be made of sterner stuff. They need emotional strength not only in confronting challenges while in office but most important when they are no longer in office as the floodgates of accountability and responsibility shall then be wide open. The way President Aquino exacted these standards on others (like GMA, JPE, Senators Bong and Jinggoy, etc) during his watch, he should likewise measure up to them after 2016. He must steel himself when that time comes. So save those tears for now, Mr. President.

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INKs VS CATHOLICS? — I was amused reading some heated exchanges in the social media, obviously between a few Catholics and INKs as a result of what the INK head said when he mentioned about the "dwindling" Catholic church during its centennial celebration. The Iglesia church is homegrown and has gathered its millions of flock far and wide all over the globe, but retaining the distinct Filipino way of faith and nationalism. There is really no reason for this enmity if we listen to the way His Holiness Pope Francis had been conducting his papacy: ecumenism and unity are hallmarks. We can all be one. Let's all be one!

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RENEGOTIATION — I'm glad to know that the GPH and MILF panels are holding a marathon 10-day meeting in Davao City to take a 2nd look (aka "renegotiate") at what was signed and crafted that did not pass the constitutional review of Malacanang. The Supreme Court ruling on the DAP was a reality check for all those who thought the Constitution could be malleable and flexible enough

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Why I embrace social media.

By: Freddie J. Farres

This is a Re–Print of last week's Column

(Published at The Business World Newspaper, July 15, 2014

By: Rafael Alunan III [To Take A Stand])

You might ask me, "Why are you active in social media?" I actually have many reasons to be active in social media, particularly Facebook.

It hones my writing skills. I've been writing this column for over 25 years. It began with Business Day before it became Business World shortly after Ninoy Aquino was murdered. I'm also in the process of writing a book. It helps me to try finding new ways to keep it brief and interesting.

It allows me to be myself. On some days, I function as a deejay posting music videos from YouTube. These range from retro songs dating back to the '60s and '70s, to my family's favorite songs, to current hits.

On other days, I want to make people laugh with humorous stories, jokes and funny videos. At other times, I go on a poster binge that I find on other walls that give food for thought and calm the soul.

A favorite is Gandhi, like this one:

We live in a world we've created where there is: Wealth without work, pleasure without conscience, knowledge without character, commerce without morality, science without humanity, worship without sacrifice, politics without principles.

It allows me to share experiences and exchange views on various topics. I've always considered media, where knowledge and information circulate freely, as the public's teacher. I gain new perspective and insights from such exchanges as much as I hope others do from the content that I share or provide.

Through social and mass media, I'm able to contribute to institutional knowledge by sharing my experiences during the terms of Presidents Cory Aquino and Fidel Ramos.

People are hungry for the truth and good information, but one has to be discerning about the garbage that freely circulates in social media from the ignorant, the mentally impaired and those with hidden agendas.

It helps me connect – with new virtual "friends" and reconnect with old and real friends, here and abroad. I've been able to develop a network of real and virtual friends in various parts of the world.

The unbelievable reach that one obtains from the integration of social media sites inspired me to create a YouTube channel to expand my communication too kit. Entitled "Thinking Out Loud," my first uploaded opinion piece focused on China's nine-dash line fairy tale that I then linked to Facebook, Twitter and my personal blog.

I will soon upload the documentary Tagaligtas that I produced in collaboration with former President Fidel V. Ramos, founder of the Special Action Force (SAF). What SAF did before and during the time when I stood witness to its performance has significant educational and historical value that the public ought to know.

It's an effective advocacy platform and mobilization tool. I used Facebook to co-convene the West Philippine Sea coalition to protest China's incorrigible imperialist conduct before the Chinese Consulate in Makati on July 24 last year; and the press conferences and rallies that followed in coordination with Filipino groups here and overseas.

Because of it, many Facebook communities have sprung up relating to the defense of the West Philippine Sea. One site has even resorted to using an app where maritime locations of Chines vessels moving about the West Philippine Sea are posted to help the authorities.

Facebook and Twitter were also very effective in

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

2016 option: coup by Aquino gov't

By: Batas Mauricio

LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "…Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority…" (Hebrews 13:17, the Holy Bible).

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TRILLANES DISCLOSURES DESTABILIZING PNOY: Come to think of it, the disclosures of Sen. Antonio Trillanes IV about coup attempts being launched to destabilize or topple the Aquino government should be taken really seriously. Fact is, whether or not Trillanes' disclosures had some truth in them, his having talked about coup attempts to oust President Aquino is already destabilizing the government.

So, if Trillanes intended to prevent the destabilization of the government by publicly disclosing attempts to kick Aquino out of the presidency by retired and active military generals, he miserably failed to do so, precisely because, with his disclosures, the government is already shaken once again as coup jitters floated wildly around.

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WHY DID TRILLANES ANNOUNCE COUP VS. PNOY?This is a very classic case of burning the whole house down in order to kill just one single cockroach or rodent, and, considering his own background as a coup plotter himself, I am sure Trillanes knew the effects or consequences of opening his mouth about ouster attempts against the President, especially in the middle of a political crisis that is even now furiously engulfing his government.

The question therefore is: why did Trillanesstill proceed with his public announcement of a supposed conspiracy to remove Aquino from the presidency, if he,even beforehand,knew that such an announcement would have a negative effect on the President and his beleaguered administration?

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WINNING BACK PUBLIC SYMPATHY FOR PNOY: It would seem to me that the objective in all these was simple. It was to create an outpouring of public sympathy for the embattled President, whose popularity and trust ratings kept plummeting down in recent months, as a consequence of widespread dissatisfaction with him on account of his failure to fulfill his campaign promise to end graft and corruption, and of his inexplicable defense of erring allies over the pork barrel issue.

Trillanes' disclosures could in fact be considered as the "part two" of an on-going political drama to win back support for Aquino, with the first part thereof having been started by Aquino himself earlier, during his fifth State of the Nation Address (SONA) last July 28, 2014, when he publicly shed a tear or two talking about the attempts on his life during coup attempts against his mother, the first President Aquino.

Talking about attempts to unseat Aquino now, by retired and active generals upon the alleged prodding of detained former President and now Pampanga Representative, Gloria Macapagal Arroyo, was aimed at propping the President up in the eyes of the people. Unfortunately, however, Filipinos were not enthusiastic about this scenario, giving a hint that they couldn't really care less anymore, forcing Aquino's rah-rah boys to play those attempts down.

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2016 OPTION: COUP BY AQUINO GOV'T: But then, I suspect that this is not the end of these coup talks yet. Having been rebuffed by the public's lack of interest on whether Aquino will be ousted by a coup or not, I expect that the spin masters of the government would now shift their attention to finding out how Aquino can either put his own man in Malacanang in 2016, or allow him to remain in power after that date.

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MAGKASANGGA TAYO

IDOL DOBBIE DE GUZMAN NG TV PATROL!!! SONA ni PENOY – BITIN NA BITIN !!!

By : Nestor Castro

IDOL DOBBIE DE GUZMAN NG TV PATROL- Saludo talaga ako sa ABS-CBN Baguio news head na si Mr. Dobbie de Guzman ng ABS-CBN TV Patlor este Patrol. Alam ninyo mga dear readers, itong si Mr. Dobbie de Guzman ay ang news head at news reporter na rin ng ABS-CBN Baguio kung saan mula Lunes hanggang Biyernes, siya at ang ilan niyang mga kasamahan ay nagrereport ng mga nangyayari sa lungsod ng Baguio. Katunayan niyan ay kailan lamang ay tumawag ako sa ABS-CBN Baguio sa dahilang nais kong magrequest ng ilan sa kanilang mga news reports partikular na sa mga news reports ni Idol Dobbie hinggil sa diumano ay mga paglalapastangan ng kalikasan ni tongressman este Congressman Aliping sa Mt. Cabuyao. Dismayado po ako sapagkat nu'ng tumawag ako sa ABS-CBN Baguio at nakausap ko ang isang babaeng ang pangalan ay Chery May Ladyonga, sinbi niya na hindi raw sila nagpapaunlak ng mga request for news footages. **VAKIT NAMAN? WHY, WHAT'S WRONG? ANYTHING TO HIDE???** Dismayado talaga ako sa nalaman ko sapagkat iniidolo ko pa naman itong si Idol Dobbie, eh ngayon ay baka hindi ko na mapanuod ang kanyang mga excellent at makatotohanan reports hinggil sa **Mt. Cabuyao –Aliping Tree Massacres**. Anyway, dahil dito ay sumulat ako sa ABS –CBN Baguio Station Manager na si Mr. Bernie Aldana at sa ABS-CBN Manila News and Current Affairs head na si Ms. Ging Reyes na siyang Assistant Vice President for News & Current Affairs. Sayang naman kung tutuo nga na hindi ko na makita ang mga magagaling at factual na reporting ni Idol Dobbie. Ngunit umaasa ako na ako ay mapapagbigyan ng pamunuan ng ABS-CBN Main Office para sa ganoon ay kapulutan nating lahat ng magagandang aral ang mga truthful and factual reporting ni kagalang-galang na Idol Dobbie. Abangan natin ang kasagutan ng ABS-CBN Main hinggil sa ating request. Kaya sa ngayon ay inutusan ko na ang isang staff ng pahayagng ito na huwag kakalimutan na tuwing TV-Patrol Baguio ay irecord niya ang kabuuang episode lalong lalo na ang mga **FANTASTIC** reports

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Baguio City Cooperative Bank Organizing Committee Formed

BAGUIO CITY - Mayor Mauricio Domogan recently created a Baguio City Cooperative Bank Organizing Committee to take the lead, spearhead and facilitate the organization and establishments of the Baguio City Cooperative Bank through Administrative Order No. 085.

Accordingly, Republic Act 9520 otherwise known as the Philippine Cooperative Code of 2008 declared that it is the policy of the state to foster the creation and growth of cooperatives as a practical vehicle for promoting self-reliance and harnessing people power towards the attainment of economic development and social justice, encourage the private sector to undertake the actual formation and organization of cooperatives and shall create an atmosphere that is conducive to the growth and development of these cooperatives.

The city mayor will chair the Baguio City Cooperative Bank Organizing Committee together with the chairperson of the Baguio City Cooperative Development Council as the co-chairperson.

The members of the said committee include representatives from the Cooperative Development Authority-Cordillera, Cooperative Union of Baguio City and Baguio-Benguet Bankers Association, City Planning and Development Officer and sangguniang panlungsod committee on employment, livelihood, cooperatives and persons with disabilities chairperson.

Said committee will formulate guidelines and strategies for the promotion, establishment and operation of non-government organizations as active partners in the delivery of basic services to enhance the economic and social well-being of the people.

The staff of the Special Services Division of the City Mayor's Office will serve as the secretariat of the committee.

673 Scholarship Slots Given to TESDA Kalinga

TABUK CITY, Kalinga - A total of 673 scholarship slots of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) was awarded to the province this year.

John Adawey, provincial TESDA director, here said the slots are distributed to the different training qualifications offered at the provincial training center and in private technical and vocational institutes accredited by TESDA.

Under the Training for Work Scholarship program (TWSP), 68 slots were given to those undergoing training at their own industry while 42 slots went to those enrolled at the provincial training center.

Under the private education student financial assistance, Adawey said 73 grants went to four private schools: 15 each to Kalinga Colleges of Science and Technology and St. Louis College of Bulanao; 20 to the International School of Asia and the Pacific, and 23 to Cordillera A+ Computer Technology College.

He said 150 slots went to language skills institute or English proficiency, and 50 to National Certificate II holders who want further enhancement training.

Under the Grassroots Participatory Budgeting or the Bottoms Up Budgeting (BUB), 50 went to construction workers at Seet, Tanudan doing two months rehabilitation of a school building. "Aside from being scholars, they are given P60 allowance a day," Adawey said.

In this city, 240 scholars from Nambaran, Bado Dangwa, Masablang, Agbannawag are targeted to benefit from this free training also distributed to different short courses./JDP/PAB-PIA CAR, Kalinga

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Let everyone sweep in front of his own door, and the whole world will be clean.
- Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe -
A public service message brought to you by Coun. Elmer Datuin

MR OPV mass immunization campaign pushed

BAGUIO CITY - In order to interrupt and stop the transmission of measles and rubella in the Philippines and to protect the population from the consequences of importation of wild polio virus, the Department of Health in the city of Baguio decided to add Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) to the Measles-Rubella (MR) Mass Immunization (MI).

It is recalled that the Philippines has enjoyed a polio-free status since 2000 when the Western Pacific Region was certified polio-free. Also, our country experienced a significant reduction in measles cases due to the measles mass immunization in 2011 and the rubella transmission in 2012. In spite of this, measles cases have begun to spread in 2013 leading to some significant outbreaks.

Because of this, mayor Mauricio Domogan encourages the full implementation of the Measles-Rubella Oral Polio Vaccine Mass Immunization campaign of the Baguio Health Services Office with the Cordillera Administrative Regional Office-Department of Health (CARO-DOH) in the city of Baguio this coming September 2 until September 30.

Domogan issued Administrative Order No. 086, encouraging the full participation of parents of target children zero to 59 months. MR vaccine for nine months to 59 months (less than five year); while OPV is from birth to 59 months.

In the order, "every health center will conduct immunization everyday from 8:00 to 5:00; and every barangay will have access to at least one fixed site immunization post open for the whole day starting 8:00 in the morning. The fixed sites become mobile immunization teams in the afternoon – mobilizing, checking and immunizing missed children door-to-door as needed."

"In support to the national project, partner agencies like City Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), City Social Welfare and Development Office (OCSWDO), hospitals, Baguio Benguet Medical Society (BBMS), Philippine Pediatric Society (PPS), schools, academe, Philippine Nurses Association (PNA), Family Planning Organization of the Philippines, churches and Muslim Affairs and other agencies are enjoined to participate in the implementation of the campaign," said the mayor./Jho Arranz

DOST-CAR outs P4.87M to boost SMEs' competitiveness

BAGUIO CITY- - With the ASEAN integration 2015 just around the corner, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) is continuously bringing in Science and Technology (S&T) innovations and technology transfer assistance to boost their competitiveness.

DOST – Cordillera headed by Regional Director Julius Caesar Sicat, distributed around P4.87 million worth of technology assistance for 26 non-government and people's organizations all over the region during the 2014 Cordillera Unity Gong Relay in all the provinces and cities of the region from July 9 to 14.

DOST distributed assistance to one project in Abra worth P191,200; P615,700 in Apayao for five projects; P424,999 in Benguet for two projects; P382,500 in Ifugao for two projects; P1,532,488 in Kalinga for eight projects, and P1,728,420 in Kalinga for eight projects.

The assistance is for the enhancement and upgrading of community enterprises in coffee, fruit wine, rice wine, sugarcane, heirloom rice, mushroom, vermiculture (organic fertilizer, veggie noodles soap, and nutri-snack, among others.

The S&T assistance is in partnership with the different local government units in the region and facilitated under the DOST's Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SET-UP) and S&T Enhancement for the Advancement of Municipalities (STEAM).

Sicat, in a statement, clarified that ASEAN integration is an opportunity for entrepreneurs that comprise 95 percent of the businesses in the country. What is needed he said is to work together in boosting the competitiveness of the SMEs in terms of financial capacities, entrepreneurial skills, improving product qualities and boosting production at lower production cost.

He also encouraged local government units through their municipal/city S&T coordinators, to help boost the competitiveness of the SMEs in their localities by submitting more proposals that can be funded under DOST's SET-UP and STEAM./PIA CAR

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
BAGUIO CITY
OFFICE OF THE EX-OFFICIO CITY SHERIFF

BHF RURAL BANK INC.-BAGUIO CITY REP. BY MS. EMELDA B. MENDOZA,
Mortgagee,

-versus-

JULIUS P. ODSEY married to BEATRICE D. ODSEY,
Mortgagors.

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FORECLOSURE CASE NO. 14-510-S
EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135 AS AMENDED
SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF AUCTION SALE

Upon verified petition for foreclosure and sale extra-judicially under Act 3135 as amended filed by BHF RURAL BANK INC.-BAGUIO CITY BRANCH, hereinafter referred to as the MORTGAGEE, for the satisfaction of the mortgage indebtedness of JULIUS P. ODSEY married to BEATRICE P. ODSEY, hereinafter referred to as the MORTGAGORS, as of June 30, 2014 in the amount of TWO MILLION ONE HUNDRED FORTY SEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE PESOS and 71/100 (P 2,147, 681.71), Philippine Currency, excluding attorney's fees, other charges and expenses incidental to the foreclosure proceedings, the undersigned or any duly authorized sheriff will sell at public auction on August 28, 2014 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 the Philippine Currency, the real properties and all of the improvements erected thereon more particularly described as follows:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-65781 REGISTER OF DEEDS, BAGUIO CITY

"A parcel of land (Lot 6-D, of the subdivision plan, Psd-131102-003827), being a portion of Lot 6, (LRA), Pcs-31136, situated Res. Sec. "K", City of Baguio, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the SW., along line 1-2 by Lot 6-F, on the SW., along line 2-3 by Lot 6-E, on the SW., along line 3-4 by Lot 6-C, on the NW., along line 4-5 by Lot 6-B, all of the subdivision plan; &on the NE., along line 5-1 by Lot 10 (LRA) Pcs-31136, Existing Road. Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan x x x to point of beginning; containing an area of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THREE (163) SQUARE METERS, more or less."

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-65782 REGISTER OF DEEDS, BAGUIO CITY

"A parcel o of land (Lot 6-B, of subdivision plan, Psd-1311102-003827), being a portion of Lot 6, (LRA), Pcs-31136, situated in Res. Sec. "K", City of Baguio, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the SW., along line 1-2 by Lot 6-A of the subdivision plan, on NW., along line 2-3 by Lot 5, (LRA) Pcs-31136; on the NE., along line 3-4 by Lot 10, (LRA) Pcs-31136, Existing Road; on the SE., along line 4-5 by Lot 6-D; &on the SW., along 5-1 by Lot 6-C, both of the subdivision plan. Beginning at a point marked "1"on plan x x x to point of beginning; containing an area of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THREE (163) SQUARE METERS, more or less."

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

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated date and time.

Baguio City, Philippines, July 30, 2014.

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

By:(SGD) EDGARDO F. ANCHETA
Sheriff IV

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Is PNoy out for Revenge?

Is it out of revenge when the leader of the nation goes after people suspected of serious wrongdoing? Or is it an attempt to change society for the better by cleansing it of undesirable elements and putting in place lasting reforms?

There seems to be a school of thought out there that President Aquino has been going after current or former officials who allegedly abused their positions because he has a grudge against those people.

Past government officials, chiefly former Pres. Gloria Arroyo, are on the dock for alleged crimes that revolve mainly around abuse of power. And currently, of course, three senators are detained for the alleged crime of plunder, stemming from the now-infamous pork-barrel scam.

Sundry government officials and a few private individuals have been implicated in the pork scam. Its alleged chief operator, Janet Napoles, is also in detention.

In 2012, the country's chief magistrate, was impeached, convicted, and ousted from office for not declaring all of his assets, some of which allegedly were ill-gotten.

According to some commentary, the Aquino administration has done all these because he wanted to exact revenge on the people involved.

Mrs. Arroyo, for withdrawing the security detail for the president's mother, former Pres. Cory Aquino. Isn't this too petty a reason for PNoy to haul Mrs. Arroyo off to court and keep her in detention for a long period of time now? Is Mr. Aquino really that petty and vengeful?

Chief Justice Renato Corona for allegedly being a stooge of President Arroyo and who would have done everything to get her off the hook no matter how many cases the current administration might have thrown at her?

Sens. Juan Ponce Enrile, Jinggoy Estrada, and Bong Revilla principally for being in the opposition and supposedly as being a threat to Aquino's chosen candidates in 2016 and his plans to dominate Philippine politics for a long time beyond his term?

Ergo doesn't know Mr. Aquino and cannot fathom what's on his mind. These accusations may or may not be true. His critics may or may not actually know the president's motivations. They may or may not have the power to read his mind.

But Ergo thinks that the suspicion of revenge on the part of Aquino emanates from a certain mentality prevailing in our country that politics is all personal. The suspicion also comes from the mindset that when a leader goes after some personalities, no matter that they're accused of serious crimes supported by credible evidence, then that's revenge.

In countries that are serious about governance, if the government doesn't go after crooks, it would be gravely remiss and pilloried by an indignant citizenry for it.

In this country we have a system that says "that happened in the past, let's forget about it, let's move on." According to that mentality, it's a waste of time to focus on what happened in the past. Worse, the nation suffers from a feudal zeitgeist that accepts that abuse and stealing by people in power is bound to take place anyway so there's not much point in worrying about that now.

That's been the rule in Philippine politics for a long time: Let's not worry about shenanigans in the past, that's over.

That worked in the past because the business of politics then was stealing from the national treasury. So the thinking was, forget what others did before us, it's now our time to steal and make ourselves rich.

Nobody went after previous crooks because politicians took turns raiding the nation's coffers and helping themselves to the people's money. Investigating the crimes of past politicians was not on the agenda and was a waste of time when that time could be more profitably spent stealing from the people.

So now it seems odd for people to see an administration that says it wants to put in reforms and a system that would punish the shenanigans that happened before. People aren't used to an administration pursuing crooks because that never happened before. They find it unusual that, instead of maximizing its turn to steal, the present government has other priorities instead.

So are they doing things because they're out to do revenge on some people?

They may or they may not. But shouldn't the more important and appropriate question be: Did the accused really commit the crimes they're accused of? Did they really steal? Did they really amass illegal wealth and hide it?

If these questions are answered in the affirmative, then Aquino's motivation, revenge or duty, is irrelevant. What's relevant is, did the crimes really take place? If they did, what's wrong with going after those who committed them?/MB

Nutrition Workers Awarded

BAGUIO CITY – "Nutrition is a very critical concern during emergencies," National Nutrition Council-CAR Regional Coordinator Rita Papey emphasized during the culminating program and awarding ceremonies at the Baguio Convention Center last Friday.

Papey served as speaker for the 40th year of nutrition month celebration, together with Acting Regional Director of the Office of the Civil Defense-CAR Andrew Alex Uy who stressed that everyone should be prepared for any emergency.

As July is also national disaster consciousness month, Uy stressed that in emergencies, death should be prevented and vulnerable persons and areas protected.

The theme for this year's celebration is "Kalamidad Paghandaan: Gutom at Malnutrisyon Agapan!"

Various activities were done for the month, but should not end there; nutrition and health workers said. Among the nutrition-focused activities were "biggest loser," "most improved underweight," medical missions, feeding of underweight children, contests in poster-making, poems, essay-writing, song and talent shows, cooking contests. Healthiest puroks and nutrition gardens were judged, sustainable livelihood trainings were done, educational campaigns, lectures on recycling and Dengue-prevention were conducted.

All activities are done in coordination with the city government, Nutrition Council of the Baguio City Health Department (BHD), Philippine National Red Cross (PNRC), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Urban Science and Technology Center (USTC), Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center (BGHMC) and the different health districts in the barangays.

A nutrition quiz was conducted at the Health Services Office where Kristine Lim from Magsaysay ES, Victor Asuncion of Dona Aurora ES and Jennica Rae Las-sin of San Luis Elementary Schools won first, second and third places, respectively, bringing home gift packs and certificates of recognition.

Loakan, Fort del Pilar, Rizal, Dominican, Sto. Tomas and Brookspoint elementary schools were also represented during the quiz.

For the high school category, Pines City National High School placed first, with Quezon Hill National High School and Baguio City National High School main, second and third, respectively.'

At the convention center, loyal nutrition workers in the offices and barangays received plaques, certificates and cash awards.

Among those awarded were MRR Queen of Peace with Punong Barangay Catherine Quinones ; Imelda Village with PB Arturo Rapelo, Jr., and Pacdal with PB Roberto Medina, with cash prizes of P15,000, P13,000 and P11,000, respectively.

Lourdes Subdivision Extension with PB Benjamin Macadangdang received P9,000, West Quirino Hill with PB Rodolfo Rimando received P7,000, while Gibraltar with PB Edward Aclopen, Upper Quezon Hill with PB Lilia Farinas, Lourdes Subdivision Proper under PB Bonifacio QuichoIII, and SLU-SVP under PB Benjamin Lacasandile received certificates.

As Outstanding Barangay Nutrition Scholar, Purita Perez of MRR Queen of Peace received P5,000 as cash prize; Margarita Zapanta of Upper Quezon Hill received P4,000; Brenda Padopad of West Quirino Hill, P3,000; Monica Sicat of City Camp Proper, P2,000; Zenaida Dana of Gibraltar, P1,000; and Imelda Tibalao of SLU-SVP and Jane Liwan of Gibraltar received certificates.

Best Performing Barangay Nutrition Action Officer Marilou Batara MRR Queen of Peace received P5,000; Myrna Rodriguez of Lourdes Subdivision Extension, P4,000; Juliet Wakit of West Quirino Hill, P3,000; Bernadette Quicho of Lourdes Subdivision Proper, P2,000; and Vovelyn Hermano of SLU-SVP, P1,000.

City Nutrition Evaluation Team Chairperson Amor Lapastora of the Department of Interior and Local Government City Field Office, Alberto Tomas of the City Mayor's Office; Bernadette Brillantes of the Planning and Development Office; Frolaine Aprilyn Dannang of the Liga ng mga Barangay/ABC; Janine Abalos of the City Social Welfare and Development Office, and Albert Jose Sumadchat of the Red Cross Baguio Chapter were also acknowledged.

Angelita Tayaban Sabado City nutrition program coordinator was also awarded for 25 years of service; retired health officer Dr. Florence Reyes, 20 years of service, Nurse Purificacion Serna, 15 years; Emilia Tallongen, for serving 10 years as secretariat of the Baguio City Nutrition Council, and member of the Technical working group Jo Ann Alvez.

Remedios Martinez of Engineers Hill was awarded for 20 years of service as Barangay Nutrition Scholar, Elsie Bacod of Happy Hallow and Jo Ann Alvez of Salud Mitra were also awarded for 15 years of service.

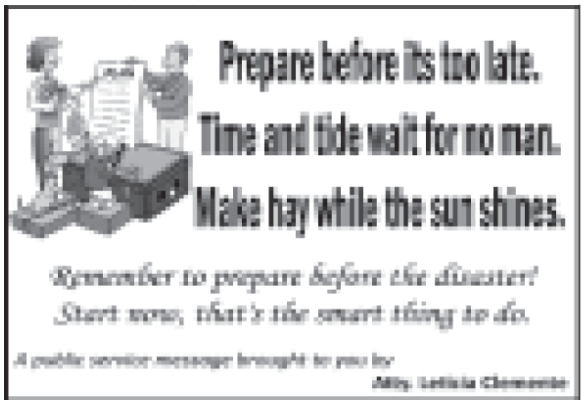
For 5 years service P1,000 each was given to Virginia Alagon, Louela Mina, Magdalena Saturnino, Luz Laop, and Aida Malanta, all of Irisan; Marilyn Bona of ABCR; Janeth Cuello of Honeymoon-HolyGhost; Ma. Elena del Rosario of Sto. Nino; Imelda de Vera of Trancoville, Noemi Garcia of T. Alonzo, Cristina Limayog of Pinsao Pilot, Sheila Marie Mancio of Sto. Tomas Proper, and Lourdes Miguel of Padre Zamora barangays.

For 10 years of service as Barangay Nutrition Action Officer (BNAO), Madonna Adam of North Central Aurora Hill, Cristene Benbenen Sto. Tomas Central, Marcelina Ciano of Happy Hallow, Edith Garado of Gabriela Silang, and Myrna Rodriguez of Lourdes Subdivision Extension, were given P2,000 each.

For 5 years of service as BNAO, P1,000 each was given to Remedios Canite of Poliwes, Jocelyn Dilan of Fort del Pilar, Loida Dumagas of Upper Rock Quarry, Noemi Garcia of T Alonzo, Vovelyn Hermano of SLU-SVP, Rosario Mancio of Sto. Tomas Proper, Jeanette Graal Suliva of Pinsao Pilot.

The certificates were awarded by Acting Mayor Edison Bilog, Councilors Betty Lourdes Tabanda, Fred Bagbagen and Joel Alangsab.

Acting Mayor Bilog acknowledged the awardees and stressed that in all aspects of life, everybody should be well-prepared. Faith in God should always be in our everyday deeds, as during emergency situations, he also said./juliegfianza



Magkasangga tayo

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nitong si Idol Dobbie, kung saan ang kanyang mga reports ay supposed to be are **FACTUAL, TRUTHFUL, FAIR, and BALANCED** sapagkat hindi naman siya katulad ko na isa lamang kolumnista o yung sinasabing opinion writer/columnist kung saan ang inyong mababasa sa aking kolum ay pawang aking mga opinyon lamang at hindi parating nanganagahulugan na ang aking sinusulat ay isang **FACTUAL, TRUTHFUL, FAIR, and BALANCED.** Tama ba idol Dobbie?!! Abangan sa mga susunod kong kolum ang ilan pang mga paghanga kong napansin at opinyon at (exclusive exposes) hinggil kay idol Dobbie!!!

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SONA ni PENOY – BITIN NA BITIN !!!- Ano ba naman itong drama ni Pangulong PENOY, isang malaking drama na pang pamas award, may paluha-luha pa ni Kris Aquino the super drama queen. Ni wala siyang binanggit hinggil sa kanyang campaign promise na FOI Bill at kung anong plano niyang gawin hinggil sa DAP. Ang nakalulungkot at kahit na ano pang mga statistics ang kanilang ipalabas sa publiko ay malinaw pa rin sa masa at sa karamihan na ang salitang "Daang Matuwid" ay mananatiling isang **FANCY SLOGAN – NO MORE NO LESS, JUST ONE FANCY MEANINGLESS AND USELESS SLOGAN**. Malinaw pa rin ang mga pigura na tumaas ang un-employment sa kasalukuyang panahon kompara sa kaparehong panahon ng nakaraang taon. Malinaw pa rin ang mga pigura na nadagdagan ang poverty o ang mga mahihirap, eh bakit madadagdagan ang mahihirap kung nababawasan ng korpasyon? Ang mga taong nagsasabi na nababawasan ang korapsyon ay maaaring sila ay ILUSIYONADO, BULAG, O NAG-BUBULAG-BULAGAN, O MGA MALALAKING SINUNGALING SILA sapagkat sila ay kasalukuyang nakikinabang sa daang korap este daang matuwid. **TAMA NA NGA ANG KA-IPOKRITOHAN AT MAGPAKATUTUO TAYO NG HINDI TAYO PINAGTATAWANAN SA BUONG MUNDO?!!!**

Double Dialysis Treatment Support, Baguio Asks Philhealth

Hope springs eternal, even for the growing number of kidney failure patients desperately seeking fund support to maintain their costly twice- or thrice-a-week hemodialysis treatment that they must undergo for life.

Their hope is now anchored on their urgent request, coursed through city mayor Mauricio Domogan and Baguio Rep. Nicasio Aliping, for Philhealth, the government medical insurance system, to make good its plan to double its hemodialysis treatment support to each member-patient from 45 to 90 sessions a year.

Aliping recently submitted the plea, a resolution signed by over 100 patients and members of the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center Dialysis Patients and Partners Association, to the office of Philhealth president Alexander Padilla.

"We are fully aware of the compelling need for the grant of greater medical support for hemodialysis patients whose number is constantly on the rise, especially here in Baguio, the medical center of Northern Luzon where those suffering from kidney failure and other serious illnesses coming from the Cordillera and neighboring regions flock for treatment and deliverance," Aliping said in his letter to Padilla.

Also attached to the resolution was the endorsement of mayor Domogan and a resolution of the city council pressing for the doubling of the dialysis sessions Philhealth members suffering from kidney failure are entitled.

.In a letter to Padilla, mayor Domogan said: "As pointed out in our dialogue during the inauguration of the new Philhealth Office here in in Baguio (last June), the number of hemodialysis patients is increasing, giving rise also to the number of families who have to continuously cope with the strees – financial and otherwise."

The city council, through a resolution co-authored by councilors Peter Fianza, Joel Alangsab and Fred Bagbagen, likewise called for doubling the dialysis treatment sessions under Philhealth's care to 90 sessions a year.

The city officials noted that the 45 sessions-per-year Philhealth support falls miserably short of the 156 sessions those needing three times a week treatment have to undergo and 52 treatments short for those with a twice-a-week schedule.

In a press conference at the inauguration of the new Philhealth office here, Padilla confirmed there were plans to up the treatment sessions for dialysis patients, adding that if so, they also have to pay higher dues.

"Additional dues won't be a problem to us compared to our having to scrounge for funds to cover the deficit in the number of treatment sessions," noted Rev. Fr. Richard Justo, a patient and president of the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center Dialysis Patients and Partners Association which came up with the resolution-request.

As of latest count, the BGHMC serves 192 patients, up from the 170 recorded the other year. The patients come from various provinces of the Cordillera, Region 1 and Region 2, as they are drawn to Baguio because of the lower cost of the treatment compared to the rates of medical facilities in the lowlands.

Only last June, mayor Domogan ordered the inclusion of a city-managed fun run dubbed "Straight into Baguio's Heart" in the city's 105th charter anniversary activities to build a support fund for dialysis patients being served by renal centers here and in Benguet.

"The run will give a humanitarian dimension to the city's observance of its fouding," the mayor said as he rallied individuals and groups to contribute to the fund drive.

Corporate and individual donors can coursed their support through Banco de Oro account number 000940248018 opened at BDO Baguio-Legarda Branch which will be administered by jointly by the BGHMCDPPA under guidance of the city through city social welfare and development officer Betty Fangasan.

The mayor noted that the fund will not be exclusively for patients undergoing hemodialysis at the BGHMC but will include others being served by other dialysis centers in the city and in Benguet./Ramon Dacawi.

13 Barangays in Aurora Hill to get CCTV

BAGUIO CITY – Thirteen barangays in Aurora Hill district will soon be equipped with Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) cameras soon as the city council on Monday approved the realignment of the budget for the gadgets.

The body passed the ordinance dispensing with the first and second readings noting that the matter has long been delayed.

Councilor Richard Carino who proposed the realignment ordinance explained that the original budget amounting to P2 million was included in the 2012 annual budget and was approved by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the body only needed to change the project title to qualify the appropriation.

The gadget and installation cost was pegged at P150,000 for 11 barangays and P100,000 for the two others.

The 13 barangays which are all within the jurisdiction of the Baguio City Police station 6 are Ambiong, Aurora Hill Proper, West Modernsite, Bayan Park Village, South Central Aurora Hill, North Central Aurora Hill , Leonila Hill, San Antonio Village, East Modernsite, Honeymoon-Holyghost, Brookside, East bayan Park and Brookspoint.

Carino said the matter was originally covered in Ordinance No. 42 series of 2012 but remains unimplemented up to now.

"Considering that (the ordinance) remains to be unimplemented, the different barangays under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Baguio City Police Office Station 6, deemed it proper that the funding be divided equally and realigned to their barangay needs," he noted.

Another barangay, Lopez Jaena, will devote its P150,000 budget for the rehabilitation and improvement of their multi-purpose hall. – A Refuerzo

CSWDO, Partners Observe White Cane Safety Week

BAGUIO CITY - The City Government of Baguio through the City Social Welfare and Development Office in partnership with regional line agencies and persons with disability(PWDs) organizations will observe White Cane Safety Week with a program and parade this August 4 at the Baguio Convention Center.

City Social Welfare and Development Officer Betty Fangasan, in a kapihan media forum at the CSWDO Wednesday, said that pursuant to Republic Act 6759, every first week of August the country celebrates "White Cane Safety Week, which aims to promote and protect the physical, moral, and social well-being of all persons with visual impairments.

"For this year's celebration, it adopts the theme, "Puting Baston: Tungo sa Katuparan ng Karapatan ng mga Taong may Kapansanan sa Paningin", (White Cane: towards the attainment of the rights of visually impaired persons)", Fangasan added.

The kapihan media forum which was spearheaded by the SWADO also served as a culmination of the city's observance of National Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation Week (July 17 to 23) wherein Fangasan and partners from DSWD, DILG, TESDA, DOLE, BIR, DOTC, DPWH and representatives from Baguio federation of PWD organizations promote the rights and welfare of PWDs as well as the programs and services that each government agencies have for them.

Among the PWD concerns tackled in the forum were compliance to the Accessibility Law of both public and private establishments/ building, discounts on transportation, medicines and basic commodities, blue lanes (pedestrian crossing for PWDs and education/ skills training assistance, as well as health and social development services.

In the same forum, Fangasan reported that based on their registry there are 1,644 PWDs in Baguio City which include orthopedically, hearing and visually-impaired persons, persons with learning, mental, psychosocial or multiple disability./JDP/CCD – PIA CAR

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the celebration, and city tourism officer Alhambra following the executive and working committee meeting last Wednesday.

The final program of activities will be formally announced during the regular weekly "Kapihan with CARE" on August 14 at the city hall, following the return of city mayor Mauricio Domogan who leftfor the United states last Sunday to represent the city in its renewal of sisterhood ties with Vallejo, California.

"We hope by then to also be able to announce who will be our guest of honor and speaker during the traditional program at the Baguio Convention Center," Datuin said.

Highlight of the ceremonies will be the conferment of awards to this year's winners in the annual search for the "Outstanding Citizens of Baguio" in recognition of their contributions to the development of this upland resort founded by the American colonial fathers on September 1, 1909.

The search is being undertaken by the organization of former winners of the city's highest award under the Society of Outstanding Citizens of Baguio (SOCOB) founded by educator and civic leader Reinaldo Bautista Sr.

This year's observance has taken on a humanitarian dimension with a medical mission to open the festivities and a foot race for a cause dubbed "Straight into Baguio's Heart on September 28 to raise funds in support of dialysis patients being treated here and in Benguet.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan said the run will, "indeed, set a tradition and culture of caring that will mark future celebrations of the Charter Anniver4sary of Baguio, thereby serving as a rallying point to sustain n a sense of community among this city's residnets, neighbors. Friends and visitors who treasure fond memories of their visits to the Summer Capital of the Philippines".

The traditional parade will follow the awards ceremony and program at the Baguio Convention Center, this time without the historical motif that marked previous celebrations given the limited time for the schools to prepare their depictions of the stages in the city's history.

Also on tap are the Hotel and Restaurant Association of Baguio Week which will feature culinary arts accenting on the city's importance as a major tourism destination of the country, the annual search for "Miss Baguio", the Baguio Day Golf Tournament and other sports events.

In last Wednesday's meeting, civic leader Moises Cating called on his peers in the business industry to contribute their time and resources for a fruitful observance.

As revealed by tourism officer Alhambra, the city's budget for the celebration totals only P500,000, or P1 million short of the one allotted for last year's founding anniversary festivities./Ramon Dacawi.

DOH,JICA

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and Neonatal Care) – certified facilities and two hospitals – Benguet General Hospital and Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center into CEmONC or Comprehensive Emergency Obstetrics and Neonatal Care.

Of the 174 health facilities, 82 were upgraded under the DOH Health Facility Enhancement Program while the 92 others were upgraded in partnership with Japan International Cooperation Agency(JICA).

Pangilinan pointed out that more focus are given into geographically inaccessible and depress areas and with the expanded health facility enhancement program, upgrading is now not only limited to provincial hospitals and RHUs but also barangay health stations.

Focus is also given on strengthening of community health teams not only for pregnancy tracking, bringing in children for immunization, multivitamins and deworming as well as senior citizens to be immunized with pneumonia and influenza- like illnesses or ILI, Pangililinan said.

"We need to link every family to see that they are PhilHealth-enrolled. We want every family even in the farthest and remotes barangay to have access in quality health care services and information", she added.

For Cordillera, DOH in partnership with JICA, have a region-wide project for the strengthening of the local health system for effective and efficient delivery of maternal and child health services which project sites include Apayao, Benguet and six municipalities in Abra namely Villaviciosa, Lagangilang, Pilar, Peñarubia, San Juan and Dolores.

JICA Project Manager Makoto Tobe, in the same forum, disclosed that their joint project with DOH mainly aims to prevent birth delivery at home by bringing in more Maternity Care Package – accredited health facilities down at the community level.

The project includes upgrading of provincial hospitals, rural health units and BHS in terms of equipment and capable health personnel, expanding Philhealth coverage and empowering community health teams and other health volunteers, he added.

For the Cordillera project sites, Tobe reported an increase in facility-based deliveries wherein for Abra from the 73 percent recorded in 2012, it increased to 86 percent in 2013, and for Apayao from 67% in 2012 to 80% in 2013. For Benguet, facility-based delivery increased to 87% in 2013 compared to the 83% recorded in 2012.

For maternal death, Tobe reported 23 cases in 2013 and five cases for the first quarter of this year. Though he noted a decreasing trend in maternal death, he reiterated their goal to ensure no that no mother would die while giving birth by achieving a 100% health facility – based delivery in the region. /JDP/CCD – PIA CAR

Local Body on Disability Affairs Formed

BAGUIO CITY – Acting city mayor Edison Bilog last week ordered the creation of the Local Committee on Disability Affairs (LCDA) to spearhead the implementation of development programs for persons with disabilities (PWDs) in the city.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan will chair the committee with city council committee on handicapped and differently-abled persons Councilor Isabelo Cosalan Jr. as vice chair and city social welfare and development officer Betty Fangasan as action officer.

The members are heads or representatives of the city offices for health, buildings and architecture, engineering, administration, accounting, environment and parks management, budget, treasury, community affairs, planning and development, tourism and public employment services, Baguio City Police Office, Department of Education city schools division, Special Education (SPED) Center, Easter College SPED, Baguio School for the Deaf, Baguio Federation of PWD organizations, Caritas Baguio-PWD sectoral council, San Lorenzo Ruiz Institute Deaf Resource Center.

The committee will have subcommittees on accessibility, education, health, employment, training and livelihood and on social protection and social justice to take charge of the specific concerns.

Based on the OCSWDO data, there are 1,654 PWDs needing assistance in the city as of May 2014.

"The city of Baguio believes that there is a need to create the LCDA to strengthen the implementation of disability-inclusive development programs composed of stakeholders from the line agencies of the LGU, Disabled Persons Organizations (DPOs), civil society, religious and business sector," Bilog noted.

The body's creation was based on the provision of Executive Order No. 709 series of 2008 which redefines the functions and organizational structure of the National Council for the Welfare of Disabled Persons.

OCSWDO head Betty Fangasan said the creation of the committee was an offshoot of the stakeholders' consultation-forum on disability affairs held last July 1 and participated in by concerned departments and partner agencies.

The LCDA will be tasked to formulate policies and proposed legislations on the rights and well-being of PWDs and lead in the implementation of programs and services for the sector.

It will also conduct consultative meetings, prepare symposia and undertake program evaluation and monitoring to ensure that programs and services are adequate and accessible to PWDs; CONDUCT RESEARCHES AND STUDIES TO PROMOTE RIGHTS OF PWDS; ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A DATA BANK OF PWDS AND LINKAGES AND NETWORKING WITH REGIONAL AND NATIONAL DISABILITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEES TO GENERATE RESOURCES.

The body will promote and monitor the implementation of PWD related laws and policies, assist in the establishment of self-help groups of PWDs in the community and will formulate plan of action in response to the Third Decade of PWDs./A Refuerzo

Republic of the Philippines
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LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARDCordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City

LERIO L. BUCLAY
Applicant
Case No: 2012-CAR-551

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for the Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a TAXI Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the Line: BAGUIO CITY TO ANY POINT IN CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on August 13, 2014 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

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

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

WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 28th day of July 2014.

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

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE with SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

Notice is hereby given to the Estate of the deceased SERAFIN BANSIL who died on November 6, 1998 has been the subject of an Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate with Special Power of Attorney executed by the heirs of said deceased on July 25, 2014 in Baguio city and registered and docketed as Doc. 55 Page No. 11; Book VIII; Series of 2014 of the Notarial Book of Atty. Meshack C. Macwes of the City of Baguio.

Publication dates: August 2, 9 and 16, 2014

Republic of the Philippines
CITY GOVERNMENT OF BAGUIO
OFFICE OF COUNCILOR RICHARD A. CARINO

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"The rights of every man are diminished when the rights of one man are threatened." – John F. Kennedy

A public service message brought to you by Coun. Atty. Richard A. Carino

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terminals, waiting sheds nearby schools, and other points of public convergence.

The very objective of resorting to this kind of anti-criminality approach is to remind and at the same time, to provide knowledge to motorists who are either motor vehicle or motorcycle users, of what courses of action to be practiced in order to avoid from becoming an another unfortunate victim of carnapping. Notably, carnappers nowadays have become more brazen in executing their criminal activities, exhausting all possible means just to take away their target items. Record shows that carnapping incidents happen even in broad daylight and in crowded and deemed to be secured places. Trend analysis presumes that car thieves have evolved into a more cunning and hardened criminals, apparently in the first instance, no longer hesitant to commit crime even in the face of a big possibility of being caught by law-enforcers. Hence, the effective proactive deterrent factor against carnapping is to deprive the carnappers of any iota of opportunity.

Why FOI

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measure passed before he steps down in 2016.

Merging with Open Data?

Lacierda noted that Batanes Rep. Henedina Abad and Camarines Sur 3rd District Rep. Leni Robredo are interested in incorporating the President's Open Data Initiative to the FOI bill.

Abad is the wife of Budget Secretary Butch Abad, while Robredo is the widow of the late Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) Secretary Jesse Robredo.

Lacierda explained, "We have said we're going to integrate open data—the President's Transparency Initiative where the government is going to publish data sets in one portal called data.gov.ph."

Lacierda likewise pointed out that the President made the commitment to pass the FOI Bill in the Daylight Dialogue with the World Bank.

FOI questions in 2013

In 2013, people also questioned why the FOI was not mentioned in Aquino's SONA that year.

Back then, deputy presidential spokesperson Abigail Valte has explained, "Alam niyo po, marami ring nagtatanong, hindi lang po necessarily 'yung FOI. But given the limited amount of time, meron nga pong suggestion na baka raw po dapat mag-checklist na lang si Pangulo tapos banggitin lahat ng sector. Pero kung gagawin po natin yun ay baka dalawang araw din po tayo nagsoSONA," Valte said.

She had added, "So doon ho sa pagve-vet ng information at pagbubuo ng data na pwede pong gamitin sa SONA, it is really the judgment of the President na mukhang ito po 'yung mga pwede nating banggitin. But again, 'di naman po ibig sabihin na hindi nabanggit ay wala po tayong ginagawa o kaya'y hindi po 'yun importante sa atin."/ANC Channel

Editorial

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town of Godean, they see him as a Javanese sultan. Younger Filipinos have amnesia about Ninoy Aquino's assassination. And the Ilocos, which pretends that People Power never occurred, displays a dictator's mummy.

Suharto's wife Tien was dubbed "Madame Ten Per Cent." Marcos' widow has been called far worse. Indonesians this year voted against a return to sleaze. Does that tutorial hint at the Filipino electorate's choice come 2016?/Juan L. Mercado/E-mail: juanlmercado@gmail.com

Advocacy Mindanow

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to accommodate the "borderline" issues on constitutionality in the CAB and the draft BBL. (I thought we learned lessons from the failed MOA-AD!) It also disabused the minds of all, especially among the MILF leaders that what Malacanang wants, it can get. That trust has been eroded. That confidence is no longer there so it is prudent to mitigate the risks and do some readjustments while we still can.

My unsolicited advice is: a) for the MILF to consider changes with an open mind instead of digging in and proclaiming that what was signed was cast in stone and no longer subject to renegotiation; b) for the GPH to first own up and acknowledge its mistake of making the MILF believe that what was already signed was good and okay and who gave false and misleading assurances that the unamended Constitution was flexible enough, only to change gears at the last minute; and c) get the stakeholders on board in the renegotiation.

One final word: If there are persons on either side who cannot accept these parameters, I now strongly advise them to stand aside, resign and be not in the way in the difficult search for that still elusive formula for peace. Someone has to take the bullet!/ jessdureza@gmail.com)/**ADVOCACY MINDANoW FOUNDATION, INC. (AMFI)**/*Follow us at Twitter: AMFI Mindanow /Email us: info@advocacymindanow.org/Visit us: www.advocacymindanow.org*

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Baguio City

ANTONIO PARAN (Deceased) - First Party
Rep. by Heirs: Jonathan Paran, Et.AL.
PATRICK P. BRYAN JR.- Second Party Applicant
Case No: 98-BC-1170/2014-CAR-594

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an Application for Change Party with Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation of passengers and freight on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - QUEZON HILL and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit

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Kakampi mo ang Batas

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The stakes are too high, if Aquino will cease being in power, by himself or by his surrogate, after 2016. The example of two former presidents being jailed being experienced by Aquino himself is just too horrific to be ignored, especially now that the Supreme Court declared his "disbursement acceleration program" or DAP as illegal, and could constitute a solid basis for either a plunder or graft case. A coup by the Aquino government itself could therefore be a highly appealing option!

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REMINDERS: Please tune in: "Tambalang Batas at Somintac", at 1062 kHz on the AM band, Mondays to Fridays, at 6 a.m., simulcast, real time, over 1080 kHz in Dagupan City, 711 kHz in Naga City, 1260 kHz in Lucena City, 1224 kHz in Davao City, and worldwide, at www.eaglenews.ph; "Kakampi Mo Ang Batas", at 103.7 mHz in Don Carlos, Bukidnon, Mondays to Fridays, at 7 a.m.; and "Kakampi Mo Ang Batas" at 801 kHz on the AM band (Panay Island), Mondays to Fridays, at 10 a.m.

Fastrack

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mobilizing enraged citizens over the Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF) issue that led to the Million Man March at the Luneta in August last year. That event brought to mind the text brigade that mobilized hundreds of thousands of protesters at EDSA in 2001 that led to then President Joseph Estrada's downfall.

Farther back, I witnessed the use of other social media tools like the Pocketbell pager messaging before, during and after the 1986 People Power Revolt, and at the time of the two most violent coup attempts against President Cory Aquino.

I also use Facebook to advocate for national security, good governance, poverty reduction, responsible citizenship and reproductive health that I consider indispensable to nation building; and to feel the pulse of the Facebook community on these issues. Facebook is also an effective medium to disseminate weather warnings and call for assistance, as well as coordinate efforts for rescue and relief when other channels of communication break down or prove ineffective.

It is a major source of information – for personal milestones such as new relationships, weddings, births, birthdays, graduation, anniversaries, trips, deaths, wakes and funerals. At times, I come across friends and relatives who need care and solace due to illness or a family crisis.

Social media also provide useful information about my alma mater, breaking and headline news, fine and casual dining, travel, movies, the performing arts and sports.

At the FIFA World Cup in Brazil, two of my favorite teams clashed for the championship – the teams of Pope Francis and Pope Benedict. I think the sauerkraut community will be celebrating all year long starting today.

I've noted that the uniformed services have been using social media for communication and information dissemination. It has tremendous potential for other purposes:

Military news, connectivity for networking, morale-welfare, family guidance and child care, crisis communications, rescue-relief-rehabilitation operations, educational courses, operations, security guidance, online shopping and banking, spouse or partner employment support, cyber security education, location services.

A personal caveat: I'm careful about discussing confidential information in social and mass media that, if revealed, could be harmful to the national interest. I'm also aware of the deluge of misinformation and disinformation out there that must be discerned. Cyber security begins with self, and what not to say or reveal is vital to our national wellbeing.

Let me end with another quote from Gandhi. The advice he gives is timeless:

Keep our thoughts positive because they become our words;

Keep your words positive because they become our behaviours;

Keep our behaviors positive because they become our habits;

Keep our habits positive because they become our values;

Keep our values positive because they become our destiny.

Measure Passed

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in their academics in order to rank within the top 10 of their graduating class and be afforded the benefits of this measure," Cayetano said, adding: "Poverty and lack of opportunities will not hinder the crème de la crème of our public high school system from pursuing higher education."/ Patrishia Catilo

Outstanding Citizens

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tee for the annual search.

Atty. Edilberto Tenefrancia will chair the said committee for the SOCOB 2014-2015 with members Dr. Priscilla Macansantos, Dr. Elma Donaal, Dr. Divina Bautista and Dr. Julie Cabato.

The city search committee will accept screened nominees for the SOCOB 2014-2015 and will interview and validate submitted supporting documents by the nominees for the said search.

In the order, nominees will be judged based on the following criteria namely: leadership qualities (10%), community involvement for not less than ten years specifically on the impact of involvement to the community (25%) and sustainability (15%), personal traits such as community perception of the nominee/integrity (15%) and relationship with the people he works with or the people/community where nominees' activities are being undertaken (15%); family relationship/background (10%), and interview (10%).

The judging committee will submit to the city mayor all nominations to the SOCOB to allow scrutiny of the same whether or not the nominees are deserving to receive the recognition.

Awardees will be named and recognized on September 1 in time for the 105th celebration of Baguio Day./Jho Arranz

The JUNCTION
Pahayagang Palaban!!!

MORE TREES FOR BAGUIO - *Employees under the City Mayor's Office led by Secretary to the Mayor Rafael Tallocoy take time out from city hall to plant pine tree seedlings at South Drive as part of the National Greening Program and city's reforestation campaign. - by Bong Cayabyab*

Outstanding Citizens Search Judges Named

BAGUIO CITY - As a continuing program of the city government here, the annual search for outstanding citizens of Baguio (SOCOB) was institutionalized through city ordinance no. 37, series of 2008.

City Mauricio Domogan formally signed Administrative Order No. 087, creating the judging commit-

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Baguio Charter Anniversary Launched this Monday

The city's activities marking Baguio's 105th charter anniversary will be launched immediately after the flag-raising ceremony infront of the city hall this Monday.

This was announced by city councilor Elmer Datuin, co-chair of

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DOH, JICA Report Increase in Facility-Based Delivery in Cordillera

BAGUIO CITY - Ensuring the health and safety of every mother and child during birth delivery is the continuing goal of the Health Facility Enhancement Program of the Department of Health.

DOH-Cordillera Assistant Regional Director Amelita Pangilinan, in a recent kapihan media forum, reported that 174 health facilities have already been upgraded into BEmONC (Basic Emergency Maternal

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HPG-CORner
"GUARDIAN OF THE HIGHWAYS"

Among the continued methods and techniques being employed by the PNP-Highway Patrol Group in its campaign against carnapping across the whole archipelago, the RHPU-COR on its part, has adopted and applied the system of conducting information dissemination to the public, most specifically refer-

ring to motorists and motor vehicle owners. As such, RHPU-COR personnel had roamed around Baguio City last Thursday and simultaneously affixed tarpaulin-made anti-carnapping tips posters at various conspicuous places such as outdoor parking areas of

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