

THE WEEKEND JUNCTION

Treated unfairly by newspapers that refuse to publish your response? Write us.



Philippine Press Council c/o Philippine Press Institute
Rm. 312 BF Cond. Bldg.
A. Soriano Ave., Intramuros Mla.
Tel. No. 572-9632 Fax 527-3390



MABUHAY ANG PILIPINO!!! BAGUIO CITY, AND LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

Pahayagang palaban!!!

City braces for court battle as dumpsite folks asks CPO to inhibit



Ms. Beverly "Panging" Rosales Choplin liason of the Association of Philippine Physicians in America and the Laguna and Friends Project Tulong for the victims of Typhoon Frank in Iloilo presents 4 dialysis machines to Janiuay, Iloilo Mayor Bienvenido Margarico (R) and Federico Roman Tirador Sr. Memorial District Hospital Director, Dr. Roy Gigare (center) part of the 30 million pesos worth of hospital equipment the US based physicians sent to this hospital that was submerged 7 feet below water when Typhoon Frank with its cascading waters cover almost all of Iloilo and Panay./PINOY GONZALES/ PNS

BAGUIO CITY - Three government officers, it was revealed last week, filed a joint affidavit-complaint dated September 12 against a number of Irisan, Asin and Tadiangan folks for allegedly preventing the former from performing official functions at Irisan dumpsite.

City Environment and Parks Management Office (CEPMO) chief Colleen Lacsamana and her staff Jimmy Pugoy and Anthony Saguco in the sworn statement said, on August 18, a city dump truck was on its way to Irisan waste facility when about 20-persons blocked the main gate.

The protesters were allegedly led by Leonardo Taganas, John Siloy, and Amadeo Binwag, all barangay officials from Irisan and Asin, respectively.

The private complainants recalled, on or about 8am to 9:00am of said day, they tried pleading with the protesters to allow the truck to enter the premises.

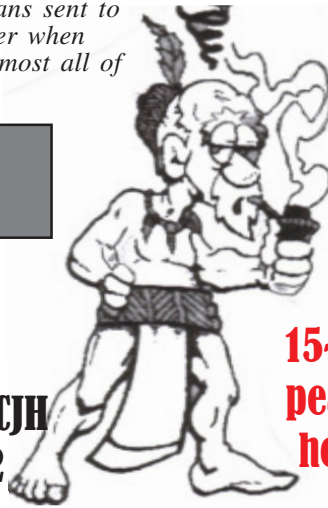
Instead of hearing their pleas, they were met with resistance as the gate to the facility was chained and

Cont. on page 10

Puputol na naman sila ng mga puno sa John Hay!!

Penalty for unauthorized waterway diggings sought.....p3

15-Gangs ink pact for peace; gives birth to "hip hop network".....p12



City turns to stakeholders for garbage solution.....p3

Doctors push for support to psychiatric care.....p2

Permit issued to cut 497 trees at CJH for moog expansion.....p12

THE PEACE COMBATANT

Military is producing martyrs and millions of NPA sympathizers
BY: ARTURO BOQUIREN



on page 5

KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

RP into graver economic peril as OFWs lose jobs abroad
BY: BATAS MAURICIO



on page 5

Musicians banding up for ailing boy

> Newsman-folksinger David March Fianza is striking up the > country bands for a benefit concert dedicated to a 10-year

> old ailing boy on Oct. 28 at the Amarillo Bar and Restaurant > here.

> At least 15 individual soloists and group performers have > signed up for "Songs for Mark Anthony", a four-hour > evening treat supported by the

DPS Barangay where the boy > lives in a rented room with his widowed father and elder > sister.

> His dad, 50-year old Ernesto Viray, a part-time taxi and > family driver, said the kid was supposed to be in the fifth > grade, but quit after his ailment - Hodgkin's lymphoma > - was confirmed by biopsy last August.

> Taking on his fight, Fianza rang up the bands, hoping

> could raise some amount to help keep the boy's dream > alive. Mark Anthony dreams of becoming a pilot one day, his > father said.

> "Idi pay laeng tallo tawen n a , panpanunoten nan ti > agsakay ken agsuray nga agpatayab idi nakakita ti eroplano > (Since he was three, he has been dreaming of riding and > learning to fly a

Cont. on page 10

More incentives mulled for school bands

BAGUIOCITY - Vice Mayor Daniel Farinas has proposed additional financial assistance and incentives to members of bands in all elementary and high schools and colleges in the city.

In a proposed ordinance, Farinas said school bands whether drum and lyre bands, drum and bugle corps or marching bands are composed of struggling pupils and students who, by way of their skills see themselves through as scholars probably from elementary on towards even their college years.

"The humble efforts of these students are not only expressive of how devoted they are to their music but more of their dedication to their scholastic pursuit, and of finishing their studies by way of their God-given talents," Farinas noted.

"The City Government of Baguio must sympathize with our poor talented constituents espe-

cially because these musical associations have to be continuously sustained for the more important reason to support their studies and scholarships the only means they can," he said adding:

"Problems from lack of musical instruments, lack of uniforms, transportation fares during occasions, to food and snacks during practices hound these associations that it is only fair for the City Government of Baguio to at least level with their hardships by providing a little easement for their struggles and a little more freedom from such miseries."

In his proposal, Farinas suggested that all elementary, high school and collegiate schools, especially public schools having musical organizations such as Drum & Bugle Corps, Drum & Lyre, and other Marching and/or Parading Bands whose members are scholars and those whose scholarships are dependent on these organizations for their academic

pursuits are hereby mandated to submit to the City Government of Baguio, through the Committee on Tourism, Special Events, Parks & Playgrounds of the S a n g g u n i a n g Panlungsod an inventory of the following information Band Name; Affiliate School or School being represented by their respective band a s s o c i a t i o n ; Coaches, Music Teachers and Band Officials managing the band/s; the Number of Band Members, Band Members' Names, including their status (ages, grade levels, etc.), and backgrounds (family, financial status, etc.); Band Standing (inventory of musical instruments, awards and recognitions, etc.); Annual Budgets (uniforms, needed musical instruments, maintenance of musical instruments, schedule of practices, allowances, food and fare allowances, salaries of coaches and music teachers, etc.).

The committee **Cont. on page 10**

Doctors push for support to psychiatric care

It's a medical issue that's often ignored. It's seldom talked about, partly because of the uncalled-for stigma attached to mental illness. As a result, psychiatry service has yet to receive the push it deserves, both from government and the public.

At the receiving end of this neglect are the thousands of patients whose courageous battle against the affliction is compounded by their having to live with this undesired mark of discredit from a misunderstanding public and commu-

nity. Because of the stigma, some of those being served by the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center are even embarrassed to be seen within the premises of its psychiatry wards.

Out-patients in psychiatry have yet to be covered by the Philhealth, which describes itself as a "premier government corporation that ensures sustainable, affordable and progressive social health insurance which endeavors to influence the delivery of accessible quality health care for all Filipinos."

Even in-patients were not included in

the coverage when the health insurance system was under Medicare, Philhealth's predecessor.

All over the country, you can hardly find a public hospital with a mental health ward, much less a department of psychiatry. There are private facilities, but confinement and treatment in these are financially costly.

In all of Northern and Central Luzon, the BGHMC is the only regional medical center or local public hospital that has a psychiatric ward, aside from a department of psychiatry.

Cont. on page 10



THE JUNCTION

Bing Dawang - Editor (on leave)

Odell "Bombito" Aquino - OIC

Atty. Thomas Tayengco-Legal Adviser

Support Staff:

Nelson Tuaño
Danilo B. Javier
Gerry P. Binwagan
John T. Bagayan
Orwen Trazo

Regular Columnists:

Rudy Garcia
Atty. James S. Valeros
Atty. Batas Mauricio
Arturo Boquiren
Annabelle Pedronio
Jenny Ocampo Andres
Grace Bandy

Opinions expressed by the opinion writers are their own and do not necessarily reflect the position of this paper.

*Our articles and stories (news/features) are ready to go for printing without the involvement of the editor and publisher who happen to be on leave.

The Junction is printed and published by Farco Trimedia Ventures, Inc. (FTV, Inc.) every weekend, with office address at Ground Floor PCEC Bldg., Happy Homes, Campo Sioco, Baguio City. Mobile Phone Nos.: (0917)5069123; (0917)5069126; E-mail Address: thejunctionnews@yahoo.com Mailing Address P.O. Box 1588, 2600 Baguio City Entered as Second Class Mail at the Baguio City Central Post Office PCC-CAR 01-04-99

Member:



Press Foundation of Asia
Philippine Press Institute

JUETENG NOTICE TO OUR DEAR READERS

This paper or any of its official staff members are not receiving any payoffs, bribe(s) and/or any other form of benefits from the illegal numbers game known as JUETENG or from any other forms of illegal gambling presently operating within the City of Baguio and Benguet Province, unlike other MEDIA outfits/entities who are restricted and cannot disseminate to the general public the news and information on Jueteng as they are beholden (their hands are tied and their mouths are gagged) to the Jueteng operators/financiers due to their acceptance of dirty jueteng bribe money. This paper has no restrictions and welcomes any and all information concerning Jueteng operations, its proponents, adherents, protectors etc... more so information concerning the involvement of the members of Media, the Philippine National Police (PNP), the Mayor's Office etc... All information received by this newspaper on the issue of Jueteng is guaranteed to see print immediately upon verification and confirmation. (SGD) Odell P. Aquino
The Junction- OIC

Penalty for unauthorized waterway diggings sought

BAGUIO CITY – Vice mayor Daniel Farinas has proposed an ordinance penalizing unauthorized excavation of the city's waterways.

In his proposal, Farinas said it is high time for the city to put its foot down and stop the indiscriminate practice of some residents to excavate canals to redirect their water refuse from their households or otherwise their commercial activities from their kitchens, bathrooms, lavatories, urinals, and even probably their toilets.

"These diggings are not only unsani-

tary and unsightly, but may be the breeding grounds of bacteria, germs, mosquito larvae, and other disease-causing vermins," he said.

"More importantly, these illegal excavations most often encroach on public and private properties which are beyond the metes and bounds of these perpetrators' properties," Farinas added.

"These unwarranted diggings are not only illegal but they also ran against good engineering practices which may

not only destroy the aesthetic value of our city but could also jeopardize the safety of other people and our environment."

The measure seeks to penalize "all persons and/or establishments whether residential, commercial or industrial, found to have excavated canals and other similar waterways beyond their rightful property lines encroaching either public or private properties, and without the necessary permits and licenses issued by competent authority to do so."

The proposed
Cont. on page 11



HOT AIR BALLOON. A hot air balloonist in Estancia, Iloilo prepares to let fly his small hot air balloon while children gather around him looking in amazement what kind of a balloon that is. **PINOY GONZALES/ PNS**

City turns to stakeholders for garbage solution

BAGUIO CITY – The city government will now enlist the active involvement of the public in finding solution to the garbage problem that has been haunting the city for months now.

Acting Mayor Daniel Farinas announced during the Ugnayang Panlungsod media briefing last Thursday that the city will hold a series of summits on the garbage problem beginning tomorrow (Monday) after the flag-raising ceremonies at the Multi-purpose Hall.

He said the stakeholders are encouraged to attend and share their ideas, recommendations and suggestions on how the

city can go about solving the problem during the summit which is also expected to be participated in by officials and offices concerned with the waste management program of the city.

Farinas admitted that the need to find a solution to the problem has become very urgent and crucial considering the need to maintain the city's status as a tourist, educational and convention center and consider-

ing the huge funds required for the present system of hauling out the wastes.

He said that with the summit, the city aims to focus more attention to the problem with the hope of finding an appropriate solution to it.

To date, the city's efforts to pursue its programmed solutions – the establishment of mate-

Cont. on page 11

City inclusion in plane monitor screens sought

BAGUIO CITY – Councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda sought to request all airlines operating servicing the Philippines to include Baguio City in the maps shown in their "inflight monitor screens."

Tabanda in a proposed resolution said most airlines operating to, from and within the Philippines have inflight monitor screens which give information on flying time and conditions, including maps indicat-

ing location of the aircraft.

She said that in the maps, the names and location of major cities of the Philippines are indicated but Baguio is not included.

"Baguio's inclusion will familiarize the passengers with the city, and may boost our tourism programs, considering that

our city is a tourist destination in the Philippines," Tabanda said.

Tabanda, in her measure, sought the help of the Department of Tourism Cordillera (DOT-CAR) in facilitating the request.

Tabanda's measure will be discussed by the city council soon./
Aileen P. Refuerzo

RESEARCH & STATISTICS

- implementation of research or research job outsourcing
 - statistics encoding, computation, construction of statistical tables, interpretation, analysis
 - research design, advise, and training in/out of Baguio
 - program/project evaluation or appraisal market, business, feasibility, development issue, risks, and policy research.
- Email: researchfordev@yahoo.com or call/text **0928951-5680/Landline (074)-426-0178**
www.geocities.com/researchfordev

PROBLEMA Sa Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB-CAR)?

Send us an email at info@hlurb.net or text/call **0917-5069123** and we will post the information at www.hlurb.net.

Magsumbong at mag-ingay para mabawasan ang katiwalian sa Gobyerno!!

We believe that the Golden Rule applies to animals, too. We don't accept the prevailing notion that "people come first" or that "people are more important than animals." Animals feel pain and suffer just as we do, and it is almost always humans making animals suffer and not the other way around. Yet in spite of how cruelly people behave towards animals – not to mention human cruelty to other humans- we are supposed to believe that humans are superior to other animals. If people want to fancy themselves as being of greater moral worth than the other creatures on this earth, we should begin behaving better than they do, and not worse. Let's start treating everyone as we would like to be treated ourselves.

- Public Service Message from Linis Gobyerno

www.linisgobyerno.org

A Statement of concern from U.P. Baguio

We, the administration, faculty, students, staff, and concerned alumni of the University of the Philippines Baguio (UPB) express our extreme alarm and distress over the possible enforced disappearance of James Balao (Bachelor of Science, Psychology and Economics, '83, UP Baguio). James was on his way to spend a few days at his family's residence in La Trinidad on 17 September 2008 when all contact with him ceased. Every attempt by family and concerned colleagues to reach him or track him down has failed since.

The Cordillera Peoples Alliance (CPA), of which James is a founding member, and the Cordillera Human Rights Alliance (CHRA), now suspect operatives working for the Intelligence

EDITORIAL

Security Unit (ISU) of the Armed Forces of the Philippines to be

the perpetrators of these actions. Our worse fears, that he may have been illegally abducted and is now detained some place for an indeterminate period by state security forces, are stoked by the well known facts of James's active political advocacy for Cordillera peoples' rights, his visible and decisive presence in critical fora and activities ventilating the Cordilleran campaigns for social justice, autonomy, and ancestral domain, and his unwavering exposition of and opposition to government repression of Cordillera peoples' organizations and initiatives within the last two decades since his graduation from UP Baguio.

As Amnesty International (AI) points out in a circular about his case issued on 25 September, the possible enforced disappearance of James can only be understood in the larger context and longer history of enforced disappearances, unresolved abductions, extrajudicial killings, and systematic repression of dissenters or perceived subversives that have characterized government and military policy in the Philippines since the Marcos regime and have picked up in intensity, impunity, and scope after Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo came to power in 2001. With a government security operation like Oplan Bantay Laya in effect under Arroyo's all-out counter-insurgency program, and whose blanket categorization of progressive organizations and leaders, NGO or civil society activists, and critical journalists and citizens as "leftist" or "left-leaning" has often led to human rights violations and abuses so unparalleled in their impunity and violence as to be the object of UN Special Rapporteur Philip Alston's alarmed calls for immediate government and international redress, it is no surprise if James, with his reported listing by the Oplan as a senior member of the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) in the Ilocos and Cordillera regions, may have become the latest casualty of the Arroyo regime's now globally notorious and reprehensible strategies of repression.

We are proud of the accomplishments of James Balao as a graduate and alumnus of UPB, particularly his decision to use his academic training and many talents in the service of the Cordillera region and the interest of Cordillera peoples. He is the sort of graduate in whom UPB best realizes the wisdom of its chosen focus on Cordillera studies and concerns since the early 1980s, when the university, struggling to find its footing toward autonomous status within the UP System and to define its relevance to the region in which it is located, decided to orient the training of its students, the substance of its majors programs, the research specializations and critical pedagogy of its faculty, and the thrusts of its public service and extension work toward the development needs, cultural revitalization, and social reconstruction of Cordillera communities. James decided to forego other opportunities to distinguish himself and establish a brilliant career in various academic and professional areas for which his many talents and gifts otherwise amply prepared him. In-

Cont. on page 9



DIRETSAHAN

Anak Ng Diyos!

BY RUDY "BANTAY SIYASAT" GARCIA



(This is a Re-Print of last Week)

Dapat itapon sa kangkungan itong mga "ungas" na mga kongresistang nasa likod ng "text tax bill". Kundi ba naman sila mga unggoy na kunwari ay makakabuti raw ito at ang madlang pipol daw ang makikinabang! Dapat palakpakan natin sila... sa magkabilang tenga, aba eh, hindi yata sila nakuntento sa VAT at ngayon naman ay iminumungkahi itong isa na namang dagdag pasanin ni mang juan! Mga buwisheeeett!!!

ooOoo

Espesyal na anak ng diyos kaya itong si Claudio Teehanke, Jr. ang "convicted criminal" na bumaril at nakapatay sa isang Maureen Teelhanke at binigyan ito ng palasyo ng "executive clemency"?.. at dumaan ba ito sa tamang proseso? At nasaan na rin itong si teehanke na nakalabas na raw sa new bilibid prisons? At bakit mukhang ayaw lumantad itong itong si ex-convict sa publiko at magsalita? Nakakapagtataka rin na walang solidong pahayag ang NBP kung nasa hurisdiksyon pa nila si teehanke, jr. o wala na noong kasagsagan ng pag-uusisa kung nasa NBP pa si teehanke o nakalabas na! hindi kaya isa na naman itong kapalpakan ng malakanyang at ang department of injustice, este... justice pala? Kung sakali, aba malapit na palang makamit ng palasyo ang world record na isa sa may pinakamaraming "palpak".

ooOoo

Matinding seguridad umano ang ipinagkakaloob ng otoridad sa huling minero na nakaligtas sa itogon, benguet dahil sa kanyang "waranto de aresto" kung saan nakalusot man itong si joseph anayasan kay kamatayan, siguro naman ay hindi siya makalusot sa mahabang kamay ng katarungan. Hindi kaya naiisip ni anayasan na kung hindi dahil sa trahedyang sa minahan ay nakalusot pa rin sana siya ngayon? May paraan talaga ang diyos, diba mga suki?

ooOoo

Hinihimok ngayon ang malakanyang na magpataw ng imbestigasyon sa mga dahilan ng nagaganap na trahedyang sa itogon benguet at isa sa gusto nilang matukoy ay kung may pananagutan dito ang benguet mining corp.

Oh, ano pa ang hinihintay ng malakanyang?, dapat na silang magpatawag, ang problema, baka ang mga maaatasang mag-iimbestiga ay sila rin pala ang "salarin", hindi kaya mga bosing sa DENR at mga buwayang local na opisyal? BUSISIIN!

ooOoo

Nakabinbin pa sa opisina ni konsehal Thomas "rocky" balisong, kumite tserman ng public utilities ang usapin sa paglilipat ng BENEKO sa responsibilidad ng pagmimintina at pagbabayad ng makukunsumong kuryente sa mga streetlights ng baguio city.

Kung maaapruha ito, ang lokal na pamahalaan na ang magbabayad at magmimintina sa mga ilaw ng kalsada sa nakalululang milyones na halaga kada

Cont. on page 9

THE PEACE COMBATANT

Military is producing martyrs and millions of NPA sympathizers

BY: ARTURO BOQUIREN



It is very unfortunate that the military establishment has failed to learn the more important lessons from history: revolutionaries are defeated from a high moral ground rather than from a low moral ground.

Insurgency is more than a test of might. History has shown that the small can defeat the big. Ragtags can defeat tanks and armor. David defeated Goliath. Vietnamese using inferior weapons defeated the United States military empire.

History has also shown that one does not win over revolutionaries when one's sense of values is similar with those of the barbarians. Revolutionaries have a sense of purpose and mission. They usually come from a higher ground of moral principles. Serving the people is the dictum of revolutionaries. How do you defeat this? You do not defeat this when your moral compass is corrupted. You do not defeat this when you are on a lower ground of bad moral principles.

Modern revolutionaries seek to achieve their purpose through a people's war. They need broad support and they will get that broad support whenever the military become as morally bankrupt as terrorists, rapists, and criminals.

One can only defeat a revolution by being a revolutionary himself or herself. One must adopt a sense of purpose. One must overcome barbarism and barbaric methods. Those who seek to defeat a revolution must use an uncorrupted moral compass.

Revolutionaries are on a high moral ground. Therefore, the military must be on a high moral ground themselves. They, too, must become revolutionaries.

With the abduction of James Balao by men believed to be in the military establishment, the military only produced a new martyr and created a potential that millions of people would sympathize with the New People's Army (NPA).

Take for instance the comment of Conrado de Quiros, a columnist in a leading paper, on James Balao and on his abduction by men believed to be in the military. De Quiros said, "...if that is what it means to be a communist, then let us all become communists. If that what is what it means to be an enemy of the people, then let us all become enemies of the people."

Does the military want feedbacks like this? But that is the type of feedback the military will get if it continues to abduct men and make them missing. We are supposedly in a society where the rule of law applies. Why resort to barbarism in supposedly protecting that civil society?

If the military continue to operate this way, it will only be shooting itself in the foot. It will be immobilized by itself. It will only win more enemies rather than allies.

Or perhaps the military is not concern with have been said? Does it have the interest of the people at heart? Or does it simply desire to follow the wishes of the elite? Is the military protecting the elite?

Indeed, for the military to defeat a revolution, the establishment itself must adopt revolutionary values: serving the people, upholding the rule of law, defending human rights, and allowing the mechanisms for dialogues and peace as the PRINCIPAL means for ending insurgency rather than arms.

The insurgency problem is basically a political problem and the solution to the problem is political rather than military. Abductions and killings would only bring support for revolutionaries rather than reduce revolutionaries.

The military must also understand this: revolutionaries continue to exist in our society because of corruption and because many of those leading our nation have lost legitimacy. Thus, the solution is not really military but political.

(The author maintains a website at www.geocities.com/arturoboquiren and can be contacted through artboquiren2040@yahoo.com and 0927-536-8431)

KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

RP into graver economic peril as OFWs lose jobs abroad

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



OFWs RETURNING HOME, FUTURE BLEAK FOR RP: The future is really grim and foreboding for around 12 million overseas Filipino workers (OFWs), as they stand to lose their employments abroad due to the on going economic meltdown affecting the US, Great Britain, and almost all the other countries of the world where our countrymen have been deployed and are working.

In the last two days alone, 80 OFWs returned to the Philippines, 52 of them from Mundo Star, a Romanian garments factory which failed to pay the agreed salaries of the Filipino workers as a result of dwindling exports to the US.

But the sad story here is not that the OFWs lost their jobs and have no assurance of when they can find overseas employment again.

What is going to hurt here all the more, actually, is the forthcoming overall and countrywide difficulties and hardships that are sure to befall our people as a whole, who will surely be plunged into a graver economic peril as the country starts to lose the OFW dollar remittances that have, in the past, mercifully kept the Philippines economically afloat.

Indeed, it is not just a very bleak Christmas that we see for OFWs in the horizon. What I see is a bleak future for the entire Filipino nation, especially the 90 percent of the people who are now mired in poverty and who will experience more sufferings in the days to come as the meltdown continues to wreck havoc in the world.

Be that as it may, did you know that sending our children and our people to look for jobs abroad constitutes a curse from God, given to a nation that has turned its back on Him, and to a people which has refused to follow His commands, laws and decrees, according to the Bible?

In Deuteronomy 28:32, the Holy Book says: "Your sons and daughters will be given to another nation, and you will wear out your eyes watching for them day after day, powerless to lift a hand."

In Deuteronomy 28:33, it is said: "A people that you do not know will eat what your...labor produce, and you will have nothing but cruel oppression all your days..."

This curse is not beyond healing, though. The Bible itself, in its 2 Chronicles 7:14, quotes God as saying we can make a turn around, but if, and only if, we learned to humble ourselves before God and pray, seek His face, and turn from our wicked ways.

ooo
VISIT OF MARY TO ELIZABETH CONFIRMS BLESSINGS TO MARY: "Visitation" is what Roman Catholic Christians call the second mystery in the Mysteries of Joy (or Joyful Mysteries) of the Holy Rosary, and it is an account of Mary, the Virgin Mother of Jesus, visiting her ageing cousin Elizabeth, wife of Zechariah, just after Mary had an encounter with Gabriel, the Angel of God.

The account of the "Visitation" is narrated in Luke 1:39 to 45 of the Bible, and there we will see that upon Mary's arrival at the house of Elizabeth and Zechariah, the baby which was in the womb of Elizabeth leaped inside her, with the Holy Spirit coming down upon mother and baby.

In a loud voice, Elizabeth exclaimed to Mary: "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear", confirming Mary's status as someone blessed by God, as well as the holy status of her child.

Significantly, these words of Elizabeth are now enshrined in the Holy Rosary where the faithful intone: "Hail Mary, full of grace, blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus."

What is more, the greeting in that prayer, "hail Mary, full of grace", is the very same greeting that Mary got from Gabriel, the Angel of God, when it was announced to her that she will be with a child who will be called Jesus (Luke 1:28).

Elizabeth then confirmed the blessings that would come to anyone who believes in God, when she said to Mary: "Blessed is she who has believed that what the Lord has said to her will be accomplished..."

ooo
NONPAYMENT OF BENEFITS CAN SEND EMPLOYER TO JAIL:
Cont. on page 9

PINUPUNA AT PINAPANSIN

Why Is The Philippines Poor?

BY: ODELL "BOMBITO" AQUINO
Email: aquino_odell@yahoo.com



(This is a Re-Print of last Week)

Mga dear readers, nais kong iparating sa inyo ang isang artikulong ipinadala sa akin sa internet. Sang ayon ako sa opinyon ng sumulat nito. Kaya sana, sa maraming mga opisyaes at empleyado sa gobyerno, maging lokal o national government medyo bawas ang inoyng pango-ngo rakot. **Hindi ba Suzie?** Malaki ang kinalaman ng kahirapan ng ating bansa at ng sabayanang Pilipino sa mga hinayupak na ubod ang ganid at suwapang na mga **MAGNANAKAW SA GOBYERNO !!!** Kaya makisapi sa Linis Gobyerno, tumulong labanan ang korapsyon at katiwalian sa gobyerno. Visit the Linis Gobyerno website www.linisgobyerno.org

####

Here is a good article sent by Dr. Arsenio Martin of Fort Arthur, Texas.. Enjoy reading.

THE DIFFERENCE

The difference between the poor countries and the rich ones is not the age of the country:

This can be shown by countries like India & Egypt, that are more than 2000 years old, but are poor.

On the other hand, Canada, Australia & New Zealand, that 150 years ago were inexpressive, today are developed countries, and are rich.

The difference between poor & rich countries does not reside in the available natural resources.

Japan has a limited territory, 80% mountainous, inadequate for agriculture & cattle raising, but it is the second world economy. The country is like an immense floating factory, importing raw materials from the whole world and exporting manufactured products.

Another example is Switzerland, which does not plant cocoa but has the best chocolate in the world. In its little territory they raise animals and plant the soil during 4 months per year. Not enough, they produce dairy products of the best quality! It is a small country that transmits an image of security, order & labor, which made it the world's strongest, safest place.

Executives from rich countries who communicate with their counterparts in poor countries show that there is no significant intellectual difference.

Race or skin color are also not important: immigrants labeled lazy in their countries of origin are the productive power in rich European countries.

What is the difference then? The difference is the attitude of the people, framed along the years by the education & the culture & flawed tradition.

On analyzing the behavior of the people in rich & developed countries, we find that the great majority follow the following principles in their lives:

1. Ethics, as a basic principle.
2. Integrity.
3. Responsibility.
4. Respect to the laws & rules.
5. Respect to the rights of other citizens.
6. Work loving.
7. Strive for savings & investment.
8. Will of super action.
9. Punctuality.
10. and of course...Discipline

In poor countries, only a minority follow these basic principles in their daily life.

The Philippines is not poor because we lack natural

Sustainability, transparency in mining urged

Sustainable development and transparency are two pillars needed for a responsible mining industry in Mindanao. Romeo Trono, Conservation International Country Director said that there must be an "enabling environment for responsible mining."

In his presentation during the Mindanao Mining Consultative Forum held last month, he said that there must be transparency through an open dialogue with stakeholders and strict compliance of existing laws. Likewise, there must be strong and effective enforcement of "good mining laws".

He added that it is also important to conduct complete environmental and social impact assessment and implement a comprehensive closure and reclamation project. Sustainable development, respect for IP rights, sharing of mining benefits and strict enforcement of environmental and social provisions are major criteria for responsible mining under the national policy on the revitalization of the mining industry.

Undersecretary Virgilio Leyretana, chairman of the Mindanao Economic Development Council (MEDCo) said that sustainability in mining should look into the effects and benefits of

mining for the next generations to come.

MEDCo, he said, is urging the national government for the equitable sharing of mining proceeds through the review of taxation laws. In a resolution signed by the participants at the forum, they "recognized the possibility of sustainable regional development through a strengthened mining industry" which "can only be done through responsible mining technologies and practices".

Aside from accountable, sustainable development and environment-friendly technology, the resolution also accounts good governance practices and management principles as criteria for responsible mining.

Further, it also states that there must be an environmental "stamp of approval" and "so-

cial license" given by the community. Vicente Lao, chairman of the Mindanao Business Council said that the mining forum enabled participating mining companies to introduce their corporate social responsibility practices.

As a result of the forum, Lao said that they will be organizing a Mindanao Working Group on Mining to address non-compliance of environmental procedures and urge government to ease mining application processes. He said that the delay in the processing of mining permits has caused investors to speculate rather than engage in the industry.

Lao said that the working group will be private sector-led, including representatives from the government, civil society organizations and environmental groups. (MEDCo)

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

PETER DANES

Applicant

Case No: 98-BC-1002

NOTICE OF HEARING

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

Notice is hereby given that this Board shall hear this application on October 28, 2008 at 9:30 A.M./P.M. at the LTRB Office, Paodal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

At least FIVE (5) 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 FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 14th day of October 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

Cont. on page 11



BENGUET ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Alapang, La Trinidad, Benguet
 “Quality Service Is Our Way Of Life”
 tel. Nos 422-2000/422-2110/422-2969

NOTICE TO BENECO MEMBER-CONSUMERS, BAGUIO CITY

Relative to the forthcoming District Elections scheduled on October 25, 2008 for Baguio City Districts for member-consumers to elect their representative to the BENECO Board, the polling centers, precincts and participating barangays are as follows:

POLLING CENTERS	Precinct	PARTICIPATING BARANGAYS/SITIOS
DISTRICT I - Baguio City		
1. Quezon Elementary School	1, 2 & 3	Marcoville, Cabinet Fill, Teachers Camp, DPS, Engineer's Hill, Green Water Village, Military Cut-off, Salud Mitra, South Drive
2. Doha Aurora H. Bueno Elementary School, Camp 8	4	Camp 8, Sta Escolastica
3. Laurel Elementary School	5 & 6	Scout Barrio, Sta. Scholastic, Hillside, Gabriela Silang, Lower Dagsian, Upper Dagsian, Camp 8
4. Rizal Elementary School	7, 8 & 9	Gibraltar, Lualhati, Lucnab, Mines View Park, Outlook Drive, Paadal, Pucusan, St. Joseph Village
5. Fort Del Pilar Elementary School	10 & 11	Apugan-Loakan, Atok Trail
6. Baguio Country Club Brgy. Hall	12	Country Club Village, Happy Hallow
DISTRICT II - Baguio City		
1. Baguio General Hospital Brgy. Hall	1	BGH Compound & Phil-Am
2. Manuel Roxas High School	2	Imelda Marcos, Bakakeng Central
3. Bakakeng Norte Elementary School	3	Bakakeng Norte, SLU-SVP Housing
4. Balsigan Brgy. Hall	4	Balsigan
5. San Vicente Elementary School	5 & 6	San Vicente, Poliwes
6. Camp 7 Elementary School	7	Camp 7 Barangay
7. Sto. Tomas Elementary School	8	Sto. Tomas School Area
8. Dontogan Elementary School	9	Dontogan
9. Sto Tomas Dav Care Center	10	Sto. Tomas Proper, Loakan-Liwanag, Loakan Proper
10. Loakan Elementary School	11	Fort del Pilar, Kias
11. Fort Del Pilar Elementary School	12	Sto. Rosario Village, Ferdinand Brgy
DISTRICT III - Baguio City		
1. Baguio City National High School	1	Lower QM, Upper QM
2. Aguinaldo Elem School	2	Middle Rock Quarry and Lower Rock Quarry
3. Lower Rock Quarry Brgy. HALL	3	Upper Rock Quarry
4. Upper Rock Quarry Day Care Center	4	City Camp Proper, City Camp Central and Burnham Legarda
5. City Camp Day Care Center	5	Kayang Extension, Palma Urbano
6. Pine City Nat'l. High School	6	Lourdes Extension, Lower Lourdes Subdivision, Lourdes Proper, MRR Queen of Peace
7. UC Laboratory School	7	Dominican-Mirador
8. Dominican-Mirador Flem. School	8	San Luis San Roque
9. San Luis Village Brgy. Hall	9	AZCKO Barangay, Rizal Monument, Camp Allen
10. Baguio Central School	10	Andres Bonifacio (Lower Bokawkan), Cresencia Village, Guisad Surong, Guisad Central, Fairview Village
DISTRICT IV - Baguio City		
1. Bonifacio Elementary School	1 & 2	Camp Allen, Campo Filipino
2. Josefa Carifio Elementary School	3 & 4	Middle Quezon Hill, Quezon Hill Proper, Upper Quezon Hill, Victoria Village
3. Quezon Hill Elementary School	5 & 6	Pinsao Pilot Project
4. Pinsao Elementary School	7	Pinsao Proper
5. Pinsao Proper Brgy Hall	8	Pinget
6. Pinget Elementary School	9	Dizon Subdivision, A. Tabora, Happy Homes--Lucban, Camdas, East Quirino Hill, Lower Quirino Hill, Middle Quirino Hill and West Quirino Hill
DISTRICT V - Baguio City		
1. Lucban Elementary School	1, 2, 3, 4	Upper and Lower Magsaysay, T. Alonzo, Sto. Nino, Slaughter Cmpd., New Lucban, ABCR, Kagitingan, Magsaysay Private Rd.,
2. Magsaysay Elementary School	5 & 6	P. Burgos, P. Zamora, Bagong Lipunan (Makt Area) Kayang Hilltop, Upper Market Subdivision
3. Baguio Central School	7	North Sanitary Camp
DISTRICT VI - Baguio City		
1. North Sanitary Camp Brgy. Hall	1	South Sanitary Camp
2. South Sanitary Camp Brgy. Hall	2	Honeymoon-Holy Ghost Brgy, Holy Ghost Proper and Honeymoon-Holy Ghost Extension Brookside and Trancoville
3. Don Mariano Elementary School	3, 4 & 5	Ambiong
4. Ambiong; Barangay Hall	6	Imelda Village and M. Roxas Brgy
5. Imelda Village Brgy. Hall	7	Lopez Jaena, Malvar-Sgt. Floresca, West Modernsite. East Modernsite, North Central Aurora Hill, South Central Aurora Hill, East and West Bayan Park
6. Dona Aurora Bueno Elementary School	8 & 9	San Antonio Village
7. San Antonio Brgy. Hall	10	Bayan Park
8. Bayan Park Brgy. Hall	11	Session Road, Malcolm Square, Hamson-Carantes. Lower General Luna., Upper General Luna, and Kabayanihan
9. Malcolm Square Stage.	12 & 13	

REGIONAL TRIAL COURT OF BAGUIO FIRST JUDICIAL REGION BRANCH 59

(Additional Family Court of Baguio)

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF THE MINOR NAMED ALVIN NOEL ALBANO ALCAN,

SPOUSES LUISITO TIGLAO TUBIG Also known as LUISITO TIGLAO TUBIG

and BETY VICENTE ALBANO-TUBIG also known as BETTY or ELIZABETH VICENTE ALBANO-TUBIG

Petitioners,

-VERSUS-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF BAGUIO CITY and NOEL ASUNCION ALCAN,

Respondent.

X——X

SPL. PRO. CASE NO. 320-A

ORDER

The petitioners-spouse Luisito Tiglao Tubig also known as Lucito Tiglao Tubig and Bety Vicente Albano-Tubig also known as Betty or Elizabeth Vicente Albano. Tubig filed this verified amended petition praying that upon due notice, publication and hearing, judgment be rendered adjudging;

"1. That minor ALVIN NOEL

ALBANO ALCANO be declared for all legal intents and purpose, the adopted child of herein petitioners with all the rights and obligations of a legitimate child;

"2 That his sumame be changed from ALCAN to TUBIG;

"3 That the local Civil Registrar make the necessary changes to the Certificate of Live Birth of ALVIN upon order of the court"

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be heard before the Regional

Trial Court, Branch 59, Baguio City on January 21, 2009 at 10:30 o'clock in the morning, at which place, date and time, the petitioners shall prove their case. Any person interested may appear and show cause, if any there be why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the petitioners in the Junction a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Baguio and in Benguet province once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks

Oct 11 - 18 & 25, 2008

The petitioners are directed to make an appointment with the court Social Worker for the purpose of conducting the required case study on the minor court the case study not later than January 19, 2009.

SO ORDERED

DONE IN CHAMBERS, this 29th day of September, 2008, Baguio City Philippines.

(SGD)

ILUMINADA P. CABATO Judge

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL REGION OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET

H O M E DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND,

Mortgagee,

- VERSUS -

SPOUSES FRANCIS D. NADNADEN & MYRNA B. NADNADEN:

Mortgagers.

X——X

Case NO. 08-ExF-1305 For:

EXTRA-JUDICIAL, FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135, AS AMENDED BY ACT 4148

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under act 3135, as amended, filed by Home Development Mutual Fund. represented by its Branch Head, Mary Jocelyn Necosito-Retuya, of legal age, with postal address at Pag-IBIG Fund, Baguio Branch Office, G/F Insular Life Building, Abanao Street Cor. Legarda road, Baguio City, herein-after referred to as the mortgagee, for the satisfaction of Spouses Francis D. Nadnaden and Myrna B. Nadnaden of legal age, Filipino citizens, with residence and postal address at No. 85 Quezon St., Dagupan, Tabuk, Kalinga, to satisfy the mortgage obligation/ indebtedness which as of September 10, 2008 amounts to NINE HUNDRED FIFTY FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY SIX AND ONE CENTAVO (P 955,786.01), Philippine Currency, representing the principal, interest, insurances, amortization, and excluding sheriff's fee and other expenses relative to the sale, the undersigned

or his duly authorized Deputy will SELL at public auction on November 4, 2008 at 10:00 O'clock in the morning or soon thereafter, in front of the main entrance of the Benguet Provincial Capitol building, La Trinidad, Benguet, to the highest bidder, for CASH, and in Philippine Currency, the following described property with all its existing improvements thereon to sits

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-58949 BENGUET REGISTRY

A parcel of land of Lot 4-A-4-F, psd-Car-012259, being a portion of Lot 4-A-4, Psd-CAR-011731; Turban code; 131114, Barangay rice, Municipality of La Trinidad, province of Benguet, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the R., along line 1-2 by Lot 4-A-5, Pad-CAR-01173-1; on the E, 9 along line 2-3 by Public Land; on the S., along line 3-4 by Lot Is (LRC), P08-7238; on the W., along line 4-5 by Lot 4-A-4-B, of the subdivision plan; on the Not along line 5-g-1 by Lot 4-A-4-ti (Road 74t) of the subdivision plan. Beginning at the point marked

"I" on the plan being E. 83, deg.

41'W., 1419.83 m. from Triangulation station "SOUTHHOUSE" to corner 1, thence xxx Notice of Sheriff's public Auction L."-q page - two -

8.72 dog. 23'E., 10.01 so to point 2; 8. 17 dog. 361w., 11.24 m, to point 3; N. 81 dog, 17.04 a, to point 4; N. 08 dog. 57'E., 10.00 @o to point 5; 8. 81 dog. 03'E., 5.80 e, to point 6; N. 58 dog. 07'E., 4.02 n. to point of beginning xxx containing an area of TWO HUNDRED (200) SQUARE METERS. All Corners are PS cal. cent, none, 15 x 40 CEO.; Bearings true; Date of subdivision survey; October 18, 2004, executed by Engineer

Orlando G. Sabado and was approved on February 2, 2005. This Notice of Sale will be published in the JUNCTION, a weekly newspaper of general circulation in the City of Baguio and in the Province of Benguet and suburbs, once a week for three (3) consecutive sundays, the first publication to take place at least twenty (20) days before the date of auc-

tion sale. Likewise, three (3) copies of the same will be posted in the Barangay Hall of Pico, municipal bulletin board and public market, all it the municipality of La Trinidad, Benguet and also at the: Benguet Provincial Capitol building, Lt Trinidad, Benguet, where the auction sale shall take place.

All sealed led bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the abovesated time and date. Interested bidders/buyers are hereby enjoined to investigate for them-

selves the Title of the subject property of any encumbrance/thereon, if there be any. La Trinidad, Benguet Province, Philippines, this 9th day of October, 2008. FOR THE CLERK OF COURT VI AND EX-OFFICIO PROVINCIAL SHERIFF OF BENGUET

BY: (SGD) EDUARDO C. CATANES Sheriff IV TIN 19-981-886

Oct 12 - 19 & 26, 2008

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

GLENN A. MALAMNAO Applicant Case No: 2007-CAR-0010 NOTICE OF HEARING

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

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on October 28, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB 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 by the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 13th day of October 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR. Hearing Officer

Batas

.... from page 5

TANONG: BATAS Naghi2rap na po kame dahil hndi po binigay ung 13mnth pay namin at mag 11wiks npng dlay sweldo namin. Ngbi2gay lng po 250, o kya 300. Tulungan niyo po kami (639196778318):.

SAGOT: Salamat po sa inyong pagtitiwala sa aming kakayahan upang sagutin ang tanong na ito.

Sa ilalim po ng Labor Code of the Philippines, o ang Presidential Decree 442, as amended, ang employer o kompanya ay may tungkuling magbayad ng tamang pasahod at iba pang mga benepisyo sa mga panahong itinatakda ng batas.

Kung hindi ito magbabayad ng nasabing mga sahod o iba pang mga benepisyo sa takdang panahon, maari itong mademanda sa paglabag ng Art. 116 at Art. 288 ng Labor Code of the Philippines, na nagpapataw ng kaparusahang pagkakabilanggo ng mula sa tatlong buwan hanggang tatlong taon.

Kaya lamang, bago ang pagsasampa ng kasong kriminal laban sa employer o sa mga opisyaales ng kompanya, kailangang padalhan muna sila ng demand letter upang hilingin mula sa kanila ang pagbabayad ng tamang sahod at benepisyo.

Kung hindi tatalima ang employer o ang mga opisyaales ng kompanya sa kahilingang ito, maari na silang masampahan ng kasong kriminal, o paglabag sa Labor Code of the Philippines.

ooo

BATAS PARTY LIST: Interested parties can now become members of the BATAS Party List, or the Bagong Alyansang Tagapagtuguyod ng Adhikaing Sambayanan. Please send your names and complete addresses to us, through text, at 0919-609-64-89, or you can call (02) 433-75-49, (02) 433-75-53, or send an email to www.batasnews.com, or at batasmauricio@yahoo.com, or you can write us at 18 D Mahiyain corner Mapagkawanggawa, Teachers Village, Diliman, Quezon City.

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL REGION OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT La Trinidad, Benguet

M A R C I A N A TALAKAN,

Petitioner-Mortgagee,

-versus-

SPOUSES MARIA D U Y O T LAWANGEN, AND JOSE LAWANGEN, *Respondent-Morgagors.*

CASE NO. 08-EXF-1306 For:

Extra-Judicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage Under Act 315, As Amended

X———X

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial petition for sale under Act 3135 filed by MARCIANA TALAKAN, married, of legal age, Filipino, with residence at Sagada, Mountain

Province, herein referred to as the Petitioner-Mortgagee against SPOUSES MARIA DUYOT LAWANGEN AND JOSE LAWANGEN, both of legal age, Filipinos and with residence and postal address at KC-121 Cruz, La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, herein referred to as the Respondent-Mortgagor to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of March 5, 2001 amounts to THREE HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND (P368,000.00) PESOS, Philippine Currency, excluding interest, attorney's fees and all other related expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned deputy sheriff will set a public auction on November 11, 2008 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in front of the Benguet Justice Hall (BULWAGAN NG KATARUNGAN), Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet, to the highest bidder for CASH and in Philippine Currency, the following described real property with all the buildings and improvements now existing or which may hereafter be erected or constructed thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-22100

"A parcel of land (Lot 4-B of the subdivi-

vision plan (LRC) Psd-329615, approved as a non-sub-division project, being portion of Lot 4, Psd-1-06144; L.R.C. Record No. Free pat.), situated in the barrio of Cruz, Municipality of La Trinidad, Province of Benguet, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NE., points 3 to 4, by Lot 3, Psd-1-06144; on the SE, points 4-1, by Lot 4-A of the subdivision plan; on the SW., points 1 to 2 by Lot 8; and on the NW, points 2 to 3, by Lot 1, both of Psd-1-06144, Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan, being N. 42 deg. 42'E., 761.83m. from triangulation station. "North Base", La Trinidad, Benguet, thence N. 51 deg. 41 (W., 14.16 m to point 2; thence N. 45 deg.17'E., 14.50 m. to point 3'E., 12.20 m. to point 4; thence s. 36 deg. 37'W., 17.12 m. to the point of beginning; containing an area of TWO HUNDRED FOUR (204) SQUARE METERS, more or less. All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground as follows: points 2 and 3, by Old Ps. and the rest by P.S. Cyl. Nons. 15 x 60 cm., bearings true; date of original survey, April 20-21, 1975, and that of the subdivision survey, executed by Clemencio P. Pagnas, Geodetic Engineer, on May 1975."

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned on the above-stated time and date. Nonetheless, in the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on December 2, 2008 at the same place same place and time without further notice.

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

Let, therefore, a copy of this Notice of Extra-Judicial Sale be published at the JUNCTION, a newspaper of general circulation. Likewise, let a copy of the same be posted in three conspicuous places, one each in the bulletin boards of the Municipal Hall of La Trinidad, Regional Trial Court-Office of the Clerk of Court and at the Benguet Provincial Capitol Lobby, all at La Trinidad, Benguet.

La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, this 13th day of October 2008.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF'S EX-OFFICIO OF BENGUET

BY: (SGD)JOHN MARIE O. OCASLA Sheriff IV

Oct 19 & 26 Nov 2, 2008

Editorial

.... from page 4

stead he has devoted his life and expertise in a selfless and more socially responsible commitment to the requirements of regional development and social well-being. James Balao's life is a rare affirmation of UPB's institutional vision in making its academic work and public service programs centrally responsive and sensitive to Cordilleran concerns and contexts.

We therefore appeal, strongly, to authorities concerned, to release or surface James Balao unconditionally; to the government and its relevant agencies to exert every effort in investigating his case so as to make accountable those responsible for his disappearance and, more importantly, to trace his whereabouts if state security forces are unavailing; and to all alumni of UPB and

concerned citizens of the country to raise their voices against human rights violations and state-sponsored violence such as this and against so many like James. To do nothing about this insupportable situation—as true of James as of so many else similarly punished for their social consciousness and activism—is nothing less than an omen for a culture of impunity and violent regime to reign rampant and to lead toward a revival, in another guise, of dreaded martial rule.

Diretsahan

..... from page 4

buwan. Kung maaaprubahan din ito, malaking halaga na naman ang makakaltas mula sa kaban ng baguio buwan-buwan. Bukod kasi sa basura, eto na naman ang usapin sa gastusin ng kuryente! Kung sinuman ang mga nasa likod nito, aba maawa naman kayo, baka mabangkarote na ang ating siyudad! BANTAYAN!

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

SPS. RUBEN & ELIZABETH CASTANEDA
Applicant
Case No: 2004-BAG-CAR-0649
NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience with Conversion to LPG fed Engine to operate a Taxi Service for the transportation of passengers and freights 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 October 28, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Paodal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

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

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

WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 13th day of October 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

City braces

.... from page 1

padlocked.

"Taganas and Binwag," they claimed even threatened, "We will bring tribal war in Baguio if the government will open a transfer station here at the lime kiln."

The closure of the Irisan Dumpsite as a controlled dumping facility currently remains in effect by virtue of an order from mayor Reynaldo Bautista, Jr.

However, an identified area within the facility was opened "strictly for purposes of a sorting bay for garbage going to the Capas dump facility."

As a result of the closure, private complainants claimed, "the operations of CEPMO have been paralyzed causing great damage to the city's constituents."

Meanwhile, Atty. Dick Mark Dinamiling representing the protesters filed a motion for inhibition, asking the City Prosecutor's Office (CPO) to inhibit from conducting preliminary investigation (PI) on the case.

He claimed, "[The CPO] is receiving additional emolument and compensation from the City Government of Baguio."

"[I]n view of avoiding any color of bias and partiality in the investigation of the case, the respondents believe that the CPO should inhibit itself from investigating the case," he added.

As of press deadline, the protesters have yet to file a counter-affidavit refuting the allegations of the private complainants.

Earlier, assistant prosecutor III Gloria Agunos inhibited from the case. Sources said her inhibition was due to the fact that some of the respondents were known to her.

The case was reassigned to assistant prosecutor III Raymond Tabangin, who, according to a CPO staff, "will appreciate the complaint and counter-affidavit based on evidence presented by the parties."

Tabangin is currently on leave.

If, after PI, Tabangin finds prima facie evidence warranting a court case, the protesters may find themselves as accused in a suit for "grave coercion" and "tumults and other disturbances of public order," with maximum prison terms of up to 6-years each./PIO

Musician banding....

.... from page 2

plane when he saw one)," Ernesto said.

> Performing with Fianza are the Cruise Control, Blue Graz,

> Shakilan, Dalluyon, Munay (bamboo flute artist from > Bolivia), Mix Emotions, NYT Moves, musician-lawyers Bubut > Olarte, Rolly Vergara, Nes Mondok, Angire Cabrera and Sara,

> weekly publisher-editor Alfred Dizon, Art Mina, Liza and > Sumitra, Brix, Mike Santos and Co., Dick and Libnah Oakes.

> The DPS barangay council headed by village chief Narcisa >

Laguitan gave its blessings to the musicians' effort in a > meeting with Fianza and the boy's father. The medical case > was referred to Samaritans by DPS councilman Boying de > Guzman, a brother of expat Samaritan Freddie de Guzman. > Mark Anthony is due for his third chemotherapy. His first > two sessions were supported by former world traditional > karate champion Julian Chees and other donors. Chees, head > of the Shoshin (Beginner's Mind) Karate School in Southern > Germany, contributed P20,000.

> Just last week, the boy received a gift package from expat > couple Paul and Jenelyn Balanza in Midland, Michigan. It > included a model airplane.

> Marichu Sarmiento, director of PAL Foundation, also called > up Friday, saying the airlines is willing to have him on a > simulated plane ride once doctors clear him for it./ > Ramon Dacawi.

More incentives....

.... from page 2

will then collect the requirements; determine the amounts and other incentives necessary to support said musical associations in order to assess, quantify and qualify these expenses for an equitable distribution of funds and call for a Public Hearing inviting the concerned musical associations in order that the problems they frequently encounter may be addressed and be given due resolution to.

The committee will also be mandated coordinate with other line agencies such as but not limited to the City Administrator's Office, the Baguio Centennial Commission, and others to complete the tasks.

Farinas also proposed an initial outlay of P500,000 for this purpose.

Farinas' proposal will be discussed by the city council soon./Aileen P. Refuerzo

Doctor push....

.... from page 2

As such, the BGHMC serves patients as far as Regions 1, 2 and 3 – and beyond, according to Dr. Acela Casem, head of its psychiatry department.

It's against this backdrop that health authorities here and in the Cordillera will open tomorrow a three-day observance of National Mental Health Month on the theme "Making mental health a global priority (by) scaling up services through citizen advocacy and action".

The observance is spearheaded by the Department of Health led by regional director, Dr. Myrna Cabotaje and the BGHMC under Dr. Manuel Factora.

Last year, BGHMC's psychiatry department served 439 in-patients, 75 of whom were from Baguio and 93 from the Cordillera provinces, according to the year-end report of Dr. Casem. Patients from outside the region totaled 271 including 173 from Pangasinan, 49

from La Union and 25 from La Union.

It also served 8,988 out-patients, 2,596 of whom were from Baguio; 2,589 from Pangasinan; 1,384 from Benguet; 1,339 from La Union; 345 from Ilocos Sur; 158 from Mt. Province; 101 from Abra; 96 from Nueva Ecija; 90 from Ifugao; 86 from Nueva Vizcaya; and 82 from Tarlac.

The total figure of patients served last year - 9,427 – were mostly charity cases, underscoring the continuing stress on the regional facility's limited resources and staff.

Dr. Casem is just grateful that a new psychiatry building is being constructed at the BGHMC. When finished, the structure - part of the BGHMC's upgrading and expansion program supported by then Senator Juan Flavio - will have 40 beds and a facility to serve out-patients.

Dr. Casem is crossing her fingers tomorrow's "Citizen March for Mental Health" would generate public support. The march will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Baguio Cathedral and end at the Malcolm Square for an opening program, with acting city mayor Daniel Farinas as guest speaker.

Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. at the BGHMC Auditorium, Cabotaje and Factora will open a fair featuring "primary prevention" booths on mental health – during disaster, in the workplace (stress management and effective communication), in primary health care (preventive and early intervention), mental health for the elderly, women, children, adolescents and the disabled.

There will be movie reviews and film showing, aside from services focused on the treatment of psychiatric illnesses, a care givers' program and psychological testing.

October 22 is set for the awarding of winners in poster and slogan contests and the closing symposium at 9:00 a.m. at the BGHMC auditorium, with Dr. Justice Appiah Kobe discussing mental health in family relationships./Ramon Dacawi.

Republic of the Philippines
 Department of Transportation and Communications
**LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING
 AND REGULATORY BOARD**
 Cordillera Administrative Region
 Baguio City
GLORIA R. PULMANO
 Applicant
Case No: 2004-BAG-CAR-0036
NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a Taxi Service for the transportation of passengers and freights on the line: BAGUIO CITY TO ANY POINT IN 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 October 28, 2008 at 9:00 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 FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 14th day of October 2008.
 (SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
 Hearing Officer

Penalty

.... from page 3

penalties are: First offense: Issuance of a Cease and Desist Order from either the City Council, the City Engineer's Office, the City Buildings & Architecture Office, the City Mayor's Office, the Public Order & Safety Division of the City Mayor's Office, the Baguio City Police Office, from the Barangay, or from any other agency having competent authority that this Ordinance may allow, ordering offenders to immediately stop such illegal diggings, and to replace and revert the same to their original status; Second offense: Fine of P2,000; and Third offense: P3,000 and additional P1,000 for every succeeding offense thereafter.

Farinas' measure will be discussed by the city council soon./Aileen P. Refuerzo

City turns

.... from page 3

rials recovery facilities and residual containment areas as a short-term solution; and the construction of an engineered sanitary landfill – had all been futile due to the lack of appropriate area.

Several offers had been made for the sanitary landfill but these are still being studied. A number of proposals had been counted out due to opposition by officials and residents concerned.

Farinas confirmed that the recent setback came from Virac, Itogon where residents petitioned against the city's setting up of the city's waste facility.

Farinas said the city council members who were grouped into teams to look into each of the offers will report out updates on their respective prospects during its session tomorrow.

At present, the city still relies on the hauling out of the wastes to the disposal facility in Capas, Tarlac which entails millions of pesos./Aileen P. Refuerzo

Permit issued

.... from page 12

Forested Bacullo lauded the move of the DENR secretary to saving trees that are subject for execution inside the reservation, however, express doubt and fears that the trees might eventually die considering the process of earthballing or transplanting of trees.

"Many factors are considered in earthballing like tree kind/specie, roots system, diameter, age, height, habitat, and time. Once any of the aspect is affected this will complicate or affect the survival of a certain tree", Bacullo said.

During the operation, duly authorized representatives from CEPMO and DENR will perform direct supervision until the earthballing process will expire on April 2009 or 150 days from date of issuance as stipulated in the permit. The earthballed trees will be transplanted within the open space of lot 14 and 15 of John Hay Reservation./Danny Killip.

15- Gangs ink.....

.... from page 12

Bautista earlier reached inside his own pocket to aid a graffiti-painting and beautification walk by youngsters coming from erstwhile warring organizations. He was joined by administrator Peter Fianza and Baguio City Police Chief Wilfredo Franco as witnesses to the signing.

In the MOU they themselves prepared, HAN declared they recognize and "adhere to local and national laws and the spirit upon which the same has been promulgated as means to enhance unity, peace, and understanding among youth groups in the city."

They added, "We [likewise] believe in encouraging free speech and free exercise of individual beliefs amongst our peers as an avenue where we can become contributing members of our community."

They vowed, "We shall uphold peace above all as we believe [and recognize] that fellowship and service to our community is the greatest prayer of all."

Meanwhile, BCPO public information officer Vio Hidalgo observed, "From the time these youngsters got involved in the Network, meeting regularly since August 30, there has been a notable decrease in gang violence in the city."

"Further," he added, "It has been easier for local cops to determine who the ring-leaders and instigators of violence are in the city."

There are 28-groups in the "order of battle" of the BCPO. With 15-groups signing up in the Network, local cops are left with only 13-other groups to keep extra vigilant eyes upon.

Franco earlier said, "While I agree that there is a need to revert back to the old laws regarding the age of criminal liability, I would very much be willing to be a father to these kids—extending my hand to them,

giving them the protection they deserve [from a father], and guiding them whenever they need guidance or ask for it."

Franco and city administrator Peter Fianza were instrumental in providing the kids, who themselves volunteered to end street wars by sitting down and talking, a venue where they could talk amicably.

Meantime, an older member of HAN who spoke on condition of anonymity appealed, "We hope our local leaders do not put any premiums or conditions on us being a network; or being a member of our respective organizations if they are really bent on listening to us."

"I hope they just trust us. After all, trusting must not have any conditions."

The HAN member, referring to Ordinance 63-2007 added, "Concerned city officials should review the ordinance in light of Constitutional guarantees to protect the right of every person to free association."

He continued, "Our leaders should likewise remove conditions in exchange for supporting youth groups or allowing them to participate in government-led programs."

Ordinance 63-2007 provides for penalties for groups and individuals who fail to register with the Social Welfare and Development Office.

But the Han member asked, "Aren't the penalties directly opposed to the very provisions of the Juvenile Justice Welfare Code in that minors cannot be punished for offenses that authorities cannot punish adults with?"/ISL

Pinupuna at Pinapansin

.... from page 6

resources or because nature was cruel to us. In fact, we are supposedly rich in natural resources.

We are poor because we lack the correct attitude. We lack the will to comply with and teach these functional principles of rich & developed societies.

If you do not forward this message nothing will happen to you. Your pet will not die, you will not be fired, you will not have bad luck for seven years, and also, you will not get sick or go hungry.

But those may happen because of your lack of discipline & laziness your love for intrigue and politics, your indifference to saving for the future, your stubborn attitude.

If you love your country, let this message circulate so that many Filipinos could reflect about this, & CHANGE, ACT!

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING
AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City
ROSITO B. CODOD
Applicant
Case No: 97-BC-764
NOTICE OF HEARING

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

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on October 28, 2008 at 9:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Paoldal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her/their evidences.

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

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

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

WITNESS, the Honorable FEDERICO J. MANDAPAT, JR. - REGIONAL DIRECTOR this 3th day of October 2008.

(SGD) GREGORIO R. RETUTA, JR.
Hearing Officer

Permit issued to cut 497 trees at CJH for moog expansion

BAGUIO CITY – The City Environment and Parks Management Office (CEPMO) has confirmed that a permit is now issued to the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) on its quest to remove 497 trees within the Camp John Hay Reservation.

The 497 trees obstruct the proposed projects of PEZA which is exclusively for the expansion of MOOG Control Corporation inside a four hectares portion of John Hay reservation.

Forester Villamor Bacullo of the Forest and Watershed Man-

agement Division – CEPMO said that no less than the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Jose “Lito” Atienza signed the two pages “No-Cutting” permit and forwarded said permit to Mr. Tesoro Panga, Zone Administrator of PEZA last October 6.

In the Permit, Secretary Atienza said to PEZA Zone Administrator, “we (DENR) find the reason of your request meritorious considering the site development and construction of two production building at the area leased by

PEZA within Camp John Hay Reservation.

However, we are of the position that subject trees should be saved from cutting. Instead, a Permit to Earthball the affected trees is hereby granted”.

Six month ago, tree lovers were shocked over the report that PEZA will cut hundreds of trees inside Camp John Hay Reservation. This prompted Senator Madrigal to introduced a resolution during a senate session in April 22, 2008 directing the committees of Environment and Natural Resources, and Tourism to investigate the reported cutting of trees inside Camp John Hay to give way to the expansion of the Export Processing Zone.

Cont. on page 11

THE JUNCTION WEEKEND



PEACE PACT. Leaders of feuding youth “gangs” sign a covenant of peace during their on-street concert Saturday night. The pact, initiated by city administrator Peter Fianza, was witnessed by mayor Reinaldo Bautista, Jr. and city police director P/Sr. Supt. Wilfred Franco./Ramon Dacawi

15-Gangs ink pact for peace; gives birth to “hip hop network”

BAGUIO CITY – Fifteen gangs traded youthful indifference for genuine concern for the community, October 11, inking a pact cum “rules of decorum” that may hopefully reduce incidence of raging hormones going amuck in the city.

The signing kicked off the “Rap Jam for Peace” concert along Abanao Street, beefed with hip hop music with themes ranging from “rudiments of love” to the downright patriotic.

Leaders, now composing the officers of a Youth Council, signed an 8-page Memorandum of Understand-

ing signifying their respective posses “in” the newly established “Hip Hop Action Network” (HAN).

They represented Asul de Pamilya, Crazy Asiatic Pinoy, Hukbong Lirikkal, Pinoy True Crips, Rappers Delta Foundation, Reckless Asiatik Gangstah, One Mic Productionz, Sandatahang Kritikal, Lam-Ang Warriors, Radicalz, Katuta Krew, Samahang Ilokano, Baguio’s Pride, and Booyah Bity High.

Mayor Reinaldo A. Bautista, Jr. who was one of the witnesses to the MOU

welcomed the act saying, “Any avenues for unity amongst the youth are a welcome respite from turf wars in the streets.”

“They said, they simply wanted to be heard... we are here to safeguard their right to free

speech and give them their chance to shine and show the city that there is more in our local youth than just

raging hormones. There is friendship through music and community work,” he added.

Pinoy, kaya natin ito! Yes the Filipino can!

ACI Learning Systems

Home-based correspondence and/or on-line learning

Be a Professional Medical Transcriptionist (MT) and/or Legal Transcriptionist (LT) right at your own home!

- Learn and train at your own pace & time.
- No more hassles of stiff and rigid schools/training centers
- Cheap, affordable, practical.

After completion of training, choose among the following:

- Avail of ACI's job hunters support program
- Be an independent medical and/or legal transcriptionist and do home-based transcription from our local and/or US based affiliate MT/LT companies
- Be an MT/LT with any of the local Medical/Legal Transcription companies

www.itdynamicsphil.com
09175061005

THE JUNCTION Ad Rates

1 page : P11,000.00
1/2 page : 5,500.00
1/4 page : 2,750.00
foots ad: P750.00
1 col. cm. P65.00

Rate discounts available depending on volume of ad placements

Judicial Publication Rates:
80% of commercial advertising rates as per PD 1079 and SC. A.M. No. 01-1-07

Tired of Graft & Corruption?

mobile phones: (0917) 5069123, (0917) 5069126 or you can write to P.O. Box 1588, 2600 Baguio City
e-mail: info@linisgobyerno.org
website: www.linisgobyerno.org

Linis Gobyerno is an anti-graft, corruption prevention and detection office.