

Clark, Subic clusters tap 4,230 volunteers

BY ASHLEY MANABAT

CLARK FREEPORT – The upcoming 30th Southeast Asian (SEA) Games on November 30 has drawn a total of 4,230 volunteers that will serve in the Clark and Subic clusters of the games.

“The spirit of volunteerism and nationalism joined us together to ‘Win as One.’ The passion and power of volunteers are the heart and soul of the SEA Games,” Philippine South East Asian Games Organizing Committee (Phisgoc) deputy director for volunteers program, Chris Tiu, said during Friday’s Volunteer Pro-

gram launch.

The Clark cluster will be fielding 2,250 volunteers while events in Subic will be tasking 1,980 volunteers.

The Phisgoc said in total, about 9,000 volunteers will serve in the biennial multi-sport event. It added that 3,150 volunteers will be assisting in Metro Manila events while 1,620 will be assigned in other clusters.

“Out of 20,686 who have expressed their interest to join the volunteers program, 14,683 applied through the official SEA Games volunteers’ online portals, which include 2,960 foreign applicants while

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SEAG VOLUNTEER PROGRAM. CDC president-CEO Noel F. Manankil (5th from right, 2nd row) with other CDC executives and officials show support during the launching of the Southeast Asian Games Volunteer Program at the ASEAN Convention Center. Also in photo are Pampanga Gov. Dennis Pineda, Phisgoc COO Ramon Suzara, Philippine Sports Commission chairman William Ramirez, Capas Mayor Reynaldo Catacutan and other Phisgoc officials. **Contributed photo**

TRIBAL EXECUTION THWARTED

Pineda calls for review of Aeta customary laws

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Gov. Dennis “Delta” Pineda has called for the review of tribal customary laws that almost caused the execution of an Aeta male in Porac town last week.

Pineda has asked the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office (PSWDO) to coordinate with national and regional agencies and legal minds for a thorough examination of the cus-

tomary laws governing the Aeta tribes here that may run in conflict with the laws of land.

Last Thursday, Pineda thwarted the execution of Anton Santos,

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AC dad seeks total truck ban along Clark circumferential road

ANGELES CITY – A city councilor wants a total truck ban along the Clark Circumferential Road covering baran-

gays Cutcut and Sto. Domingo here as well as Calibutbut in Bacolor and Telabastagan in the City of San Fernando.

Councilor Jesus “Jay” Sangil said he has proposed an ordinance completely banning trucks, especially gravel and sand trucks, along the circumferential road.

“The trucks pose danger to residents and damage the roads,” Sangil said. “The trucks also contribute to the traffic congestion along the road.”

He noted that the government, through

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Anton Santos (in orange shirt) thanks Gov. Dennis “Delta” Pineda for saving him from death, a sentence handed down to him by the family of a man killed by his father in 2013. **PHOTO COURTESY OF PSWDO**

BITTER IRONY

Coco Week celebrated, copra prices plunge

CLARK FREEPORT – As the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) marked last week the 33rd National Coconut Week, farmers pointed out the “irony of millions of coconut farmers nationwide reeling from the effects of depressed copra prices.”

“We have raised this urgent issue of plummeting copra prices to the PCA early this year but the farmers’ plea and demands fell on deaf ears,” Kilusang Magbubukid ng Pilipinas (KMP) chair Danilo Ramos said in a statement yesterday.

This, as the KMP urged new PCA administrator Atty. Gonzalo Duque and Agriculture Sec. William Dar to reveal “the actual status and whereabouts of the P75-billion coco levy fund and other assets derived from the Coconut Levy Fund (CLF).”

“Even the Commis-
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Sangil



Barangay Alion chair Al Balan hands out a kilo of commercial rice to a resident who presented mosquitoes under the "200 lamok kapalit isang kilong bigas" program. PHOTO BY ERNIE ESCONDE

Checkpoint set up to prevent entry of swine diseases

BY ERNIE B. ESCONDE

BALANGA CITY -- The provincial government on Thursday set up an animal quarantine checkpoint in Hermosa town to prevent entry of swine diseases.

Dr. Alberto Venturina, provincial veterinarian, said they installed the checkpoint in Barangay Palihan manned by veterinarians and members of the Philippine National Police and Metro Bataan Development Authority.

"Lahat ng baboy na papasok sa Bataan ay dapat ma-check at kailangan may mga permit tulad ng veterinary certificate na ang nag issue ay ang city o provincial veterinarian kung saan nanggaling ang mga baboy at shipping permit mula sa Bureau of Animal Industry," he said.

He clarified though that there was no report yet of pigs inflicted by swine disease in the province.

"Ayon sa report sa akin at maging sa monitoring namin at inspection sa mga farms, wala pang namamatay na baboy sa Bataan," Venturina said.

He disclosed that there are 35 commercial piggery farms in 11 towns and one city with 5,411 sows. The number, he said, does not include those in backyards.

Aside from setting-up a quarantine checkpoint, he said that he left specific instructions to avoid hogs in Bataan farms from being infected with any disease.

"Sa mga commercial piggery at backyard piggery, sinabihan natin na huwag silang mag-introduce ng new stocks. Kailangan ang mga buyer nila ay sa gate lang ang transaction at huwag papasok. Ang mga sasakyan dapat disinfected," Venturina said.

The provincial veterinarian said that Agriculture Secretary William Dar described the incidents in Rizal province as severe swine disease outbreak and not yet confirmed as African Swine Fever pending results of laboratory tests.

Venturina said the Department of Agriculture has issued an administrative order detailing guidelines on food safety measures and veterinary quarantine procedures.

Village anti-dengue trade-off: 1 kilo of rice for 200 mosquitoes

MARIVELES, Bataan -- An upland village here on Monday launched its unique program of catching mosquitoes with the use of cooking oil in exchange for rice to eradicate dengue.

Barangay Alion chair Marcialito "Al" Balan named the program as "200 lamok kapalit isang kilong bigas," in support of their search and destroy drive against dengue-carrying mosquitoes.

"Unang-una pa rin ang paglilinis, pangalawa itong panghuhuli ng lamok. At

least mababawasan ang lamok sa amin," Balan said, adding that "hindi natin alam na baka carrier ng dengue ang mahuhuling lamok."

He explained that "moving left and right a plate or basin with used cooking oil, mosquitoes will be caught easily." When presented to the barangay hall, every 200 mosquitoes will be rewarded with a kilo of commercial rice.

Marilyn Podol was the first beneficiary of the program when she presented a plateful of mosquitoes and got a kilo of rice in return.

"Patuloy akong manghuhuli para maubos ang lamok," she said.

Barangay tanods in colorful uniform said they will be hunting the mosquitoes.

Balan said there was only a single case of dengue Alion that was even contracted in another village. He said there are more than 5,000 people in their village.

"Sana suportahan ng lahat ang programa para patuloy na mawalan ng kaso ng dengue sa aming barangay," the village head said.

-Ernie Esconde

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2 killed in drug buy-bust

BY ARMAND M. GALANG

CABANATUAN CITY - Two suspected drug pushers were killed in separate buy-bust operations in Nueva Ecija in a span of four hours, police reported.

Police identified the suspects who both died at the hands of "retaliating" policemen as Nelson Orozca, of Purok 5, Barangay Imelda, and Mario Sagnit, of Barangay ACCFA, both of this city.

Police Lt. Col. Ponciano Zafra, city police chief, said Orozca allegedly fired a .45 pistol against the operatives "but missed" during the buy-bust hatched at around 11:30 p.m. Sunday at Purok Amihan, Barangay Barrera here. Forensic investigators recovered from the suspect ten sachets of suspected shabu, the marked P500 bill and the pistol, Zafra said.

Sagnit, on the other hand, succumbed to bullet wounds in his chest after allegedly engaging anti-narcs policemen in a buy-bust in Barangay Nagmisahan, Cuyapo town, at around 3 a.m. Monday.

The suspect reportedly yielded a homemade .38 revolver, three plastic sachets of suspected shabu, and three P500 bills used as marked money.

Rains fail to dampen Oddisee music, arts fest

BY JOANN M. VALENCIANO

CLARK FREEPORT – The show must go on despite the inclement weather over the weekend as a celebration of Philippine independent music and arts went on at the Events Ground of Filinvest Mimosa+ Leisure City here.

Unhampered by the continuous rains, the Oddisee Music and Arts Festival pushed through in showcasing the lush greeneries and open spaces of Filinvest Mimosa+ and the culture of independent music and arts scene of local “indie” artists.

Organized by DocDef Productions, the music fest aims to elevate the independent music by giving local indie artists the opportunity to perform and showcase a genre that is simple yet defined with well-textured, lo-fi (low fidelity) music.

Indie music is not as common as it is with the mainstream. But it holds a different kind of vibe that is unknown yet with the unique familiarity of the genre in melody.

The line-up at the 5th leg of Oddisee was a mix of indie pop and lo-fi soul to post punk revival and new rock rev-



Paolo Sandejas takes the stage as the crowd rocks with him amidst the rain.



Jack Daniels all set up to booze up the night.

olution from The Cosmic Misfits, Carousel Casualties, The Ransom Collective, Leanne and Naara, Indayo, Munimuni, Wicked Adobo, and many more.

Previous legs of the event were held in Manila starting July this year.

“I am still happy with the turn out despite the weather,” said Paolo Sandejas, son of celebrity host Christine Ja-

cob-Sandejas who was also present at the event to show full support for her son’s craft.

The Cosmic Misfits were also looking forward to perform in the music fest by coming all the way from Las Piñas City said the band’s guitarist, Carl.

With the rainy weather, the show went on full blast despite the low crowd turn out in an open space area at the Events

Ground.

The vibe went with the feel of a “la Fête de la Musique” rather than the mainstream mood of the “Coachella.”

It was indeed a celebration of Pinoy indie music to match the hipster ambiance with Jack Daniels offering booze from their hippie mobile liquor bar.

Watch out for more events and updates happening at Filinvest Mimosa+ Leisure City.

Ramen, sushi madness at Irobeshi



Chef Ariel Gutierrez on his passion for sushi making and Irobeshi.



Specialty maki best sellers.

ANGELES CITY – Somewhere hidden in a busy suburban area here where most students reside sits a good ramen and sushi bar that is now slowly gaining popularity.

Irobeshi ramen and sushi bar is the newest craze in town. Located at the Altaclaro food park in Barangay Claro M. Recto here, it is the perfect place to experience Japanese cuisine.

Irobeshi is playfully coined from the phrase, “I love sushi,” by owners Philip Gutierrez and chef Ariel Gutierrez.

“We wanted to have a place that serves real good ramen with a kick of umami by using authentic ingredients combined with our love for Japanese food,” said Ariel who studied culinary arts at the Clark Education City.

He used to work in a 7-star hotel in Dubai which steered him to discover his passion for Japanese cuisine and the art of sushi making by honing his skills through his practice abroad.

Their menu consists of a variety of ramen selections with special broths and toppings and a wide range of Japanese maki rolls.

Irobeshi serves Hosomaki which is a form of sushi that is rolled with rice and nori as the outside layer.

Crazy Maki is their best seller. Uramaki is the one with two or more fillings with the nori rolled inside while Nigiri is the famous form of sushi that is rolled like a ball smeared with wasabi and topped with raw fish or other seafood.

Sashimi, as we know, are the small pieces of raw fish that we dip in soy sauce and wasabi.

They also serve Temaki which is the cone-shaped type of sushi and the Gunkan sushi which holds its main ingredient on top of the rice like a boat as its vessel.

Tempura and gyoza are also in the menu. Dragon maki, volcano maki, caterpillar, and hot Christine are some of the must-try maki specialties.

Irobeshi is located at Altaclaro Food Park behind Security Bank along McArthur Highway near the Angeles University Foundation. –Joann M. Valenciano



Irobeshi ramen, tempura and gyoza.

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Editorial

We still await justice

IT HAS been 117 months since 58 persons, 32 of them media workers, were waylaid and butchered on a hilltop in the town of Ampatuan, Maguindanao.

All because the leading members of a powerful and wealthy political clan could not countenance any challenge to their almost absolute rule over their province and believed they could get away with mass murder.

Nine years and nine months on, with the trial finally wrapped up, we are told we can finally expect a verdict before the 10th anniversary of the slaughter, the worst incident of electoral violence in recent Philippine history and the single deadliest attack on the press ever.

While convictions will surely be welcome, we cannot shake off the fact that taking close to a decade – though we have to stress, through no fault of the judge – to resolve a case involving so heinous a crime is already a gross injustice to the victims' families and an indictment of our still badly damaged justice system.

We also cannot overlook the fact that many of the close to 200 accused remain at large after all these years and may ultimately evade the accounting they deserve.

And, as several kin of our fallen colleagues themselves have said before, while resolving the Ampatuan massacre may bring relief, it will not even begin to solve the festering culture of impunity that encourages not only the murder of journalists – we have thus far lost 186 since 1986, 13 under the current administration – but also the resort to violence for everything, from shortcutting the judicial processes, to the suppression of legitimate criticism and dissent, to the settling of personal scores because so many more killings remain unresolved, so many cries for justice unanswered.

The quest for real justice and democracy in our country remains a long, hard struggle but it is one we cannot afford to lose.

Let us all remain firm in defending our rights and liberties. Let us not be cowed into silence but continue to speak truth to power.

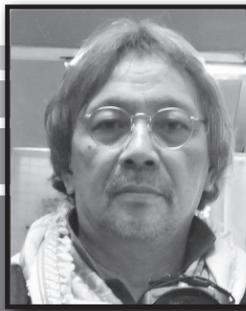
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Opinion

A day off heroes

NATIONAL HEROES Day is dedicated to men and women, known or unknown, who sacrificed their lives for Philippine freedom.

A national holiday, the day has become – rather than an event to remember our heroes – one more delightful excuse for malling, vacationing, and just loafing.

Most pronounced this year as it fell on a Monday, hence an automatic long weekend. Or have you not noticed the traffic gridlock going to Baguio, the overcrowding of malls, the extra vibrancy in party places?

On the contrary, the quietude at the heroes' monuments, save for the perfunctory wreath-laying rites.

Save your tears ye who hold this day sacred, the very law governing the current celebration of National Heroes Day – RA 9492, signed by Pres. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo on July 24, 2007 – was crafted precisely to hew to her so-called "holiday economics," making most holidays "movable" to Mondays and thus, long weekends for vacation breaks, malling, and other economic generating activities. Thereby putting premium on commercial profit from the non-working day over the nationalistic, if sentimental, remembrance of all who consecrated their lives that this nation shall not perish.

Aye, the day **of**, indeed, **for** heroes turned by the stroke of a pen to the day **off** heroes.

It is then left to us hero-worshipping sentimentalists to do our own private remembering, and weep.

In my long-gone days of youth, Jose Abad Santos shared equal space with Andres Bonifacio, Jose Rizal, and Macario Sacay in my pantheon of heroes.

Those endless school plays of the last hours of Abad Santos highlighted by his admonition to his son Pepito to "show these people that you are brave...that not everyone is given the opportunity to die for his country" fixated in my thought processes the parallel lives of Bonifacio-Rizal, Sacay, and Abad Santos.

Martyrs all at the major epochs of our history as a people: the Spanish Colonization for the first, the American Period for the second, the Japanese Occupation for the third. Joined in later by Ninoy Aquino and Evelio Javier during the home-grown dictatorship.

In my teens, at the onset of my conscientization of socio-economic and political issues, Jose Abad Santos was relegated to lesser lights in my own hierarchy of heroes, in favour of another Abad Santos, his sibling Don Pedro.

Born to the landed gentry, Don Pedro became a traitor to his class when he embraced socialism and devoted his whole life to the propagation of the cause. I saw in Don Perico a conversion, albeit secular, akin to that of Francis of Assisi, on the spiritual plane. The son of a rich merchant named Pietro di Bernardone, the monk called Brother Sun renounced his father's wealth and turned to a lifetime of prayer and devoted service to the poor.

Through the years, my list of heroes grew longer: Mahatma Gandhi, Martin Luther King, and Angelo Roncalli, also known as Pope John XXIII; Karl Marx, V.I. Lenin, Ho Chi Minh, and Mao Zedong; Che Guevara, all alone; Yassir Arafat as well as David Ben-Gurion; Emiliano Zapata, whom I tend to believe, not without conceit, was my great, great grandpa; Chino Roces, and Lorenzo Tanada.

Heroic ground

Varied as they are, there is a common ground for my heroes, for all heroes, for that matter. The essence of heroism draws from

both the Messianic and Mosaic elements found manifest among revolutionaries and liberators, as well as among those who set the order of things through laws, norms or standards of human conduct.

The sum of a hero's life impacts on the times and the world beyond his own. Thus, the collective epitaph for heroes: "He left this world a better place than when he came in." Better yet: "Now, he belongs to the ages," as said of Abraham Lincoln by his Secretary of War Edwin Stanton. As indeed, heroes belong to all ages. Revisionists, be damned.

Comes to the mind the question: Are heroes born or made? Better phrased yet: Do heroes create circumstances, or do circumstances create heroes?

The latter has traditionally been the preferred position buttressed by historical epochs. Without the American Revolution would there be a Washington? Without the Civil War, a Lincoln? Could Turkey's Ataturk have arisen without the Ottoman persecution? Or Lenin sans the Romanov's enslavement of Russia? And for that matter, Ninoy without the Marcos dictatorship?

If memory serves right, I think it was Arnold Toynbee that provided the synthesis to hero-born versus hero-made contradiction, to quote liberally (from faded memory): "When he has in him to give, and the situation demands of him to give, he has no other recourse but to give." Aye, even if one possesses all elements of heroism in him – generally thought of as intelligence, honor and integrity, courage, selflessness and commitment to a cause, self-sacrifice and love for others – absent a situation that will warrant the extraction and expression of these elements – a triggering mechanism of sort – the hero will not come out of him. Akin here the lamentation in Gray's *Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard*: "...Full many a gem of purest ray serene, The dark unfathom'd caves of ocean bear. Full many a flower is born to blush unseen, And waste its sweetness on the desert air..."

The essence of heroism inheres in the person and is drawn out of him by the circumstance. Both born and made is the hero then. Bonifacio-Rizal. Sacay. Abad Santos. They all had in them to give. Placed in the situation, they gave it all. So, we remember them. Bonifacio-Rizal with shrines, countless monuments, educational institutions, even a match brand and a bank for the latter, movies and books, streets, barrios, towns, even a province, again for the latter. Ninoy too.

About Sacay? One forgotten movie. About Abad Santos? A few schools and streets, and the P1,000 bill shared with two others.

Oh yes, I remember. The Abad Santos ancestral home in San Fernando designated as a shrine by the National Historical Institute had long been torn down. With nothing to even suggest it ever existed. Its NHI marker perhaps sold to the nearest junk shop. What sacrilege! If that is our way of remembering our heroes, then, indeed, we are a nation accursed. Is it not said – and said so truthfully – that a nation that does not honor its heroes is doomed? Again, Santayana: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

What future lies for us if we have opted not only to forget but even to disgrace our heroic past?

Most despicably disgracefully so, as in interring the remains of the dictator at the Libingan ng mga Bayani.

A love of tradition has never weakened a nation, indeed it has strengthened nations in their hour of peril; but the new view must come, the world must roll forward. –Sir Winston Churchill



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Opinion

Scandal in Holy Masses in Pampanga, elsewhere?

HONESTLY, HOW do you feel when, during Mass, the priest asks you to look at the person (stranger or not) beside you and ask: Mahal mo ba ako? Mabango ba ako? Makasalanan ka ba? Naligo ka na ba? Etc.

This is widespread practice at least in Pampanga, making me wonder whether the Archdiocese of San Fernando had at one time mandated or at least recommended this for some purpose.

The practice is at times done at the start of the Mass when the priest requires all to greet the other Good morning or Good afternoon or Good evening. This would appear to be safe, although unnecessary.

But during the homily a dose of such social interaction is often liberally imposed, pushing the faithful to brief bursts of laughter, or shy half compliance, or other reactions that divert from the initial solemnity.

I am fully convinced of the wrongness of it.

It's not as a matter of ego as of insult that some ignore the socialization call which, I feel, is not even worthy of kindergarten consideration. It's beyond good reason to impose declarations that could lead to extreme awkwardness, even disrepair of human relationships, as when the next person is physically unattractive or has halitosis when the priest demands that everyone inquire into the beauty or fresh breath of the other.

It's not good to impose such practice on people who, perhaps by reason of religious zealotry or simple friendly accommodation or being simpletons, would comply with an imposition often outside the scope of fine breeding. Nay, beyond the liturgical peripheries.

It's a practice that puts to shame Catholicism amid the backdrop of such groups as Ang Dating Daan or Iglesia ni Cristo whose ministers deliver sedate, well prepared, and yet effectively delivered sermons, totally shorn of comedic maneuverings to keep their audiences awake.

Liturgical improvisations flowered after Vatican II. But then, here's what Zenit.org had to say about such improvisations:

"Before Vatican II there weren't any surprises when it came to the Mass. Now in many parts of the United States you'll find priests improvising as they go along. Even archbishops issue pastoral letters directing things at odds with liturgical regulations. As Pope John Paul II noted in a 1998 *ad limina* address to the American bishops of the western states, not all of the changes in the liturgy "have always and everywhere been accompanied by the necessary explanation and catechesis; as a result, in some cases there has been a misunderstanding of the very nature of the liturgy, leading to abuses, polarization, and sometimes even grave scandal."

In the Church's vocabulary, the word

"Scandal" means just what it means in the Bible: a stumbling block, something that obstructs a person's way to the faith (Matt. 18:6-9).

Some would probably say that the socialization practice during homilies conform to the provisions of Vatican II which encourages "full participation" of the faithful in the liturgy.

So, let us recall what St. Pope John Paul II said about this, He said:

"The sharing of all the baptized in the one priesthood of Jesus Christ is the key to understanding the Council's call for "full, conscious and active participation" in the liturgy (Sacrosanctum Concilium, 14). Full participation certainly means that every member of the community has a part to play in the liturgy; and in this respect a great deal has been achieved in parishes and communities across your land. But full participation does not mean that everyone does everything, since this would lead to a clericalizing of the laity and a laicizing of the priesthood; and this was not what the Council had in mind. The liturgy, like the Church, is intended to be hierarchical and polyphonic, respecting the different roles assigned by Christ and allowing all the different voices to blend in one great hymn of praise."

More explicit was Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI who said: "Wherever applause breaks out in the liturgy because of some human achievement, it is a sure sign that the essence of liturgy has totally disappeared and been replaced by a kind of religious entertainment." The statement obviously also applies to extreme socialization practices.

He added: "We do at least need a new liturgical consciousness, to be rid of this spirit of arbitrary fabrication. Things have gone so far that Sunday liturgy groups are cobbling together the liturgy for themselves... The most important thing today is that we should regain respect for the liturgy and for the fact that it is not to be manipulated."

This is not to say that humor is out of place in the liturgy, particularly in the homily. Why, Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen often started his sermons with funny anecdotes. One time, he related the case of a diabetic patient who was told by his doctor that one of his legs had to be amputated; soon after the amputation, the doctor arrived with a bad news and a good news. The bad news was that the amputated leg was the wrong one; the good news was that the remaining leg was regaining health. And then Fulton went on seriously with his captivating, mesmerizing homily that left his audience knowing God, His Church and living well better.



Napag-uusapan Lang
Felix M. Garcia

'A case of possible connivance'

SA ANONG tanggapan ng ating gobyerno puedeng isumbong ang isang abogado ani Magda, (di tunay na ngalan nito) na hiningan na n'yan kung ilang libo

Pero hayan halos mag-iisang taon na ang nakalipas di pa nai-'file' itong dimanda na inaasahan umanong maisampa sa lalong madaling panahon.

Ang kaso ay hinggil sa pekeng 'deed of sale' na kung saan ang isang 'nine-door-apartment, ni Irineo 'which he assigned for his child,' Its title was transferred to one, and to others.

They made it to appear that the owner itself Had sold the property while he's already dead At the time the bogus sale was executed Before a notary public who's also fake!

Di kaya itong si 'Atorni Agaton' ay 'double blade' kaya laging pino-postpone ang pag-file ng kaso, 'at the expense' nitong kawawang kliyente na taga San Simon?

Sabi niya kay Magda, di pa raw nakuha yata ni 'Agaton' ang kanyang lisensya kaya hindi muna raw niya maisampa sa korte ang anumang klaseng dimanda.

Di ba dapat bilang isang propesyonal ay 'intact' ang lahat ng kinakailangang sertipiko at/o permisong hawak n'yan para sa propesyon niyang ginagalawan?

'To be exact' kahit simpleng dokumento 'Even as notary public,' ay di nito mapirmahan ng naturang abogado dahil sa kung anong di pa n'yan na-'renew'?

Kaya lang, papano na itong kliyente ng taong 'yan ngayong ang 'real property' na dapat mabawi agad ay tumindi ang danyos ng dahil na rin kay attorney?

Kaso yan ng 'recovery of property,' at talaga namang pineke lang bale, ng kung sinong kakutsaba r'yan sa RD nitong lubhang eksperto sa pamemeke.

Kilala ko lahat halos ang datihang mga abogado't saka naging piskal nang kapanahunan ng ating 'Provincial Prosecutor Villamor Dizon; kung saan

Siya ang pangulo ng aming samahang "AGTACA" at ako ang Kalihim bilang, maliban sa isa ako noong araw sa 'writers' ng magazine niyang pang-simbahan.

Bilang kolumnista, kakila ko rin ang 'judge' na natiklo r'yan sa kakaunting barya lang, at saka ang isang Piskal din na nasilo habang siya'y kumakain.

Isinulat ko ang hinggil sa kanila sa 'national papers,' sa lokal pati na upang sila'y di pamarisan ng iba na napakadaling masilaw sa pera.

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Pineda calls for review of Aeta customary laws

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19, of the upland village of Camias in Porac by members of his own tribe.

Santos was to be killed as payment for his father's killing of one "Siete" in 2013. As his father had died, Santos had to take his place as directed by their tribal justice system called "manablas" (retaliation) in their local dialect.

Aside from sending troopers of the 1st Pam-

panga Provincial Mobile Force Company to rescue Santos minutes before his execution, Pineda also organized a team including representatives from the indigenous peoples to conduct negotiations and settle the blood debts of Santos with the family of the victim identified as the Serranos.

The Serrano's demand for P100,000 in cash as blood money, two carabaos and three goats was complied by the Santos. The par-

ties thereafter signing a peace and settlement agreement with invocation to God and the Aeta deity Apo Namalyari.

At a subsequent call at the Capitol, the parties and accompanying elders were told by Pineda "the right entity to render justice was the government's justice system," as the Philippine Constitution is supreme over customary tribal laws.

For a start, Pineda directed the PSWDO to conduct seminars on the

legal system to be attended by the IP's, especially their council of elders.

"Our governor instructed us na magconduct ng mga orientations to help the Aetas understand and recognize not only their customs but also ang mga batas ng ating gubyerno," said PSWDO chief Elizabeth Baybayan.

She said her office will also conduct coaching sessions about life and morality to help Ae-

tas balance their customs and beliefs with the laws of the government.

As of January 2019, census from the National Commission on the Indigenous People (NCIP) shows that at least 5,855 families or 21,684 Aeta

individuals reside in the province.

Baybayan added they will immediately start the orientation after their coordination with the NCIP. — **Bong Lacson with Luise Rutao/Pampanga PIO**

Clark, Subic clusters tap 4,230 volunteers

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6,003 were committed by their respective schools," Tiu said.

Partner institutions in the Clark cluster include Mabalacat City College, Jocson College, Angeles University Foundation, Philippine State College of Aeronautics, Gentry International School, Our Lady of Fatima University, and Ifugao State University.

The City College of

Angeles, Holy Angel University, Tarlac State University, Clark College of Science and Technology, Systems Plus College Foundation, the city governments of Tarlac, the Pampanga Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc., and the Colegio de Sebastian Pampanga also committed as partners.

In Subic, the partner institutions include the Lyceum of Subic Bay, Subic Bay Colleges,

Columban College, Gordon College, Mondriaan Aura College, President Ramon Magsaysay State University, Philippine Merchant Marine Academy, and St. Joseph College-Olongapo.

The SEA Games 2019 will be the biggest edition of the biennial meet to date with 530 events in 56 sports.

The Clark cluster will be hosting aquatics, athletics, obstacle course sports, pentanque, lawn

bowls, shooting, archery, rugby 7s, baseball, softball, dance sport, golf, kurash, judo, jiu jitsu, arnis, sambo, wrestling and wakeboarding.

The Subic cluster will host canoe/kayak, dragon boat, chess, muay, pencak silat, table tennis, triathlon, duathlon, aquatics-open water swimming 10km, modern pentathlon, wind surfing, sepak takraw, beach handball, beach volleyball, and rowing.

AC dad seeks total truck ban along Clark...

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the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), and city spent millions if not more than a billion pesos in the repair and construction of the road from Cutcut to Sto. Domingo up to the boundary of San Fernando.

Sangil said what is being compromised

is the health condition of residents, students, teachers, workers and other people living and doing business in the area.

He said the circumferential road is prone to accidents. He noted that billowing dusts is endangering students who are mostly preschoolers from Holy Family Academy, Noblesse Interna-

tional School., STI and Westfield as well as villages like the Heritage Village, Mansfield, Villa Dolores, Montenegro, Leoncia Subdivision, LnS Subdivision and Trinidad Village.

Sangil said an average of 1,500 trucks pass along the circumferential road on a daily basis.

However, he said

"light trucks carrying perishable goods will be exempted if they apply for exemption."

Sangil said his proposed ordinance was passed and approved for first reading in last Tuesday's (August 20) regular session. It was referred to the committees on public works and engineering and laws.

— **Ashley Manabat**

Coco Week celebrated, copra prices...

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sion on Audit has not issued an audit report on the coco levy fund and assets despite repeated demand of the congressional oversight committees," said Ramos who also noted that "small coconut farmers are being shortchanged and duped anew through long-standing denial to access the coco levy fund."

Ramos said "We have been demanding the return of the coco levy fund for ages. We have had so many Congress and Senate hearings about this national concern."

He also noted that "farmers have marched from Mindanao to Malacanang to demand the return of the coco levy."

Ramos lamented that "Duterte even vetoed the

approved coco levy bill because he didn't want a strong farmers' representation in the Coco Levy Trust Fund Committee that is tasked to manage the fund and assets."

"Since 2018, farmers nationwide have been demanding an increase in copra prices and seeking urgent government support," he said.

Ramos reported that in Bicol, the prices of copra have plunged to as low as P10 per kilo. In Mindanao, copra prices have also considerably gone down to only P14 to P17 per kilo.

"In some areas in Caraga region, farmers have stopped selling copra because of the huge losses," he said.

"The situation is not much different in Quezon province, a major coconut-producing prov-

ince whose farmers contributed the most to the coco levy fund in the '70s to '80s. Across towns in Quezon province, copra prices range from P13 to P14 per kilo while whole coconuts are priced at P4 per piece and lower," Ramos also said.

"Sobrang hirap na ang kalagayan ng mga magniniyog. Epekto ito ng pagbagsak ng presyo ng aming produkto -- ng kopra at buong niyog," coconut farmer Eliseo Batarlo of Macalelon, Quezon told KMP.

Ramos said that since April, farmers in Quezon have been asking local governments to declare a state of calamity and allocate the calamity fund to affected coconut farmers to help alleviate their economic conditions.

"However, in May, farmers have noted in-

stead the increasing deployment of AFP soldiers in their communities particularly in San Francisco, Lopez, Catanuan, Macalelon, and Lopez towns," he said.

Ramos lamented that while "the farmers were sincere in asking the government to squarely address the problem of copra prices the government's response was militarization and human rights violations."

"Progressive organizations including Anakpawis Partylist, were even declared 'persona non grata' in five villages in Lopez, Quezon. Farmers cannot even return to their homes and farms because of threats from the military, particularly from the 85th IB led by Lt. Col Arnold Gasalatan and Lt. Col. Randy Bobis," KMP reported.

— **Ding Cervantes**

Bagong Diwa Home Owners Association Pulung Bulu, City of San Fernando, Pampanga

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Punto! Central Luzon: August 12, 19 & 26, 2019

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of RICARDO LISCANO MANALO who died intestate on June 16, 2019 in Angeles City executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate, more particularly described as follows:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 123167 Registry of Deeds of Angeles City

A parcel of land (Lot 68-E-7-B of the subdivision plan Psd-035401-052441, being a portion of Lot 68-E-7, Psd-03-045645, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Barrio of Pulungbulu, City of Angeles;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 045-2012004675 Registry of Deeds of Angeles City

A parcel of land (Lot 68-E-7-D-2 of the subdivision plan Psd-03-191905, being a portion of Lot 68-E-7-D, Psd-035401-052441, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Barangay of Pulungbulu, City of Angeles, Island of Luzon;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 616620-R Registry of Deeds of the Province of Pampanga

A parcel of land (Lot D-8, of the subd. plan Psd-03-149093, being a portion of Lot D, Psd-03-069033 (AR) LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Balite, City of San Fdo., Prov. of Pamp.;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2019008776 Registry of Deeds of the Province of Pampanga

A parcel of land (Lot D-9, of the subd. plan Psd-03-149093, being a portion of Lot D, Psd-03-069033 (AR) LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Balite, City of San Fdo., Prov. of Pamp.;

before Notary Public Arnel D. Berato as per Doc No. 340, Page No. 70, Book No. 02, Series of 2019.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 19, 26, & September 2, 2019

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of CRISPULO CANLAS CASTILLO who died intestate on September 17, 2016 in Mabalacat City, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 30, Blk. 20 of the subd. plan (LRC) Pcs-035409-004168, being a portion of the consolidated Lot 71, Mabt. Cad.; and Parcel 32, Lot 29, Psu-3908, L.R.C. Rec. No.) with improvements thereon, situated in Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 191339 (337202-R) in the Registry of Deeds of Pampanga, before Notary Public Avelino C. Gorospe as per Doc No. 82, Page No. 18, Book No. 160, Series of 2019.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 26, September 2 & 9, 2019

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of JACINTO P. GANA who died intestate on April 7, 2015 in Mabalacat City, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Deed of Absolute Sale and Waiver of Rights of his estate, more particularly described as parcels of land, to wit:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198357

Lot 4-B-2-H of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198351

Lot 4-B-2-B of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198352

Lot 4-B-2-C of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198353

Lot 4-B-2-D of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198354

Lot 4-B-2-E of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198355

Lot 4-B-2-F of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198356

Lot 4-B-2-G of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 198358

Lot 4-B-2-I (Road) of the subd. plan Psd-03-182575 being a portion of Lot 4-B-2, Psd-03-172371, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Sapang Biabas, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga;

before Notary Public Arnel S. Santos as per Doc No. 382, Page No. 33, Book No. XXXI, Series of 2019.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 26, September 2 & 9, 2019

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **EMELITA BATIO-AN RIVERA** who died intestate on February 4, 2019 in Mabalacat City, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on her estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot No. 1-E-1-A-1 of the subd. plan Psd-03-221668) with existing improvements, located in Barangay Camachiles, City of Mabalacat, Island of Luzon and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2017004171 (S.N. 2016016851790), before Notary Public Ponciano V. Dela Cruz Jr. as per Doc No. 318, Page No. 78, Book No. XIII, Series of 2019.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 19, 26 & September 2, 2019

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
Petitioner-Mortgagee,

EXTRA-JUDICIAL
FORECLOSURE OF
REAL ESTATE
MORTGAGE NO. 27-19

~ versus ~

OMAR S. SALUNGA married to
RONALYNN R. SALUNGA

Respondents-Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

WHEREAS, upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act No. 3135 as amended by the Act No. 4118, filed by **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND**, Mortgagee, with postal address at Suburbia Commercial Center, Maimpis, City of San Fernando, Pampanga against **OMAR S. SALUNGA married to RONALYNN R. SALUNGA**, Mortgagors, with postal address at 329 Harvard St., Marisol Village, Angeles City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of November 29, 2016 amounted to **SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN PESOS AND 29/100 (PHP 728,857.29)** Philippine Currency, excluding penalties, Attorney's Fees and expenses of the foreclosure, the undersigned authorized Sheriff IV, will sell at public auction on **September 26, 2019 at 9:00 in the morning** or soon thereafter at the Regional Trial Court, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to the highest bidder in **CASH** or **MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency the property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 706172-R

A parcel of land (Lot 75, blk. 4 of the cons.-subd. plan Pcs-03-015720, being a portion of lots 3008-P-4, 3008-P-5, 3008-P-7, Psd-141126, lots 3008-P-6-A to 3008-P-6-H, Psd-03-159018, LRC Rec. No. 151), situated in the Bo. of Calibutbut, Mun. of Bac., Prov. of Pamp. Is. of Luzon x x x containing an area of **FORTY FIVE SQUARE METERS & FIFTY SQUARE DECIMETERS (45.50) more or less x x x**

Prospective bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title of the above-described property and to the encumbrance existing thereon, if any there be.

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **October 3, 2019** at same time and at the same place mentioned above without further notice.

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, July 31, 2019.

REGINALDO D. SERRANO
Sheriff IV
(Regional Trial Court Br. 48)

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HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
Suburbia Commercial Center, Maimpis, CSFP

OMAR S. SALUNGA and RONALYNN R. SALUNGA
329 Harvard St., Marisol Village, Angeles City
Lot 75, Blk. 4, Xevera Subd., Calibutbut, Bacolor, Pampanga

PUNTO! Central Luzon: August 19, 26 & September 2, 2019

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 49
GUAGUA, PAMPANGA

IN RE: PETITION FOR CANCELLATION OF
CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH (BIRTH CERTIFICATE)
WITH REGISTRY NO. 86-1604 OF RAMON ZITA GARCIA.

RAMON ZITA GARCIA,

Petitioner,

SPL. PROC. NO. G-19-2734

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF LUBAO, PAMPANGA
AND THE CIVIL REGISTRAR GENERAL IN MANILA,
Respondents.

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ORDER

On 07 August 2019, petitioner through counsel, the PUBLIC ATTORNEY'S OFFICE by Atty. Eigue V. Galacgac, filed the instant petition praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, the petition be granted and the Local Civil Registrar (LCR) in Lubao, Pampanga and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), representing the Civil Registrar General, be ordered to cancel his Birth Certificate with Registry Number 86-1604.

WHEREFORE, finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the court hereby: (a) sets the case for hearing on **15 October 2019 at 8:30 in the morning**; (b) orders the petitioner to serve within seventy-two (72) hours from receipt hereof copies of the petition and its annexes to the Office of the Solicitor General of the Philippines at 134 Amorsolo St., Legaspi Village, Makati City; the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; the Local Civil Registrar of Lubao, Pampanga; and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), Manila; (c) directs the Civil Registrar General and any person having or claiming any interest in the Birth Certificate which is sought to be cancelled, to file a written opposition to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted within fifteen (15) days from notice of the petition, or from the last date of publication of such notice; (d) orders all persons interested in this petition to appear on said date and time before this court; and (e) directs the Office of the Solicitor General to enter its appearance in this case for the State, together with the deputation to the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Pampanga within seventy-two (72) hours from receipt hereof.

Further, the petitioner, at his expense, is ordered to cause the publication of this Order before the date of hearing for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Pampanga in accordance with P.D. 1072.

Furnish copy hereof of the petitioner, his counsel, the Solicitor General, the Provincial Prosecutor of Pampanga, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), and the Local Civil Registrar of Lubao, Pampanga.

SO ORDERED.
Guagua, Pampanga, 19 August 2019.

JESUSA MYLENE C. SUBA-ISIP
Presiding Judge

Punto! Central Luzon: August 19, 26 & September 2, 2019



Spotlight Arci Pineda

Derek recalls getting lap dance from Andrea: 'She is in control, like in bra and panty'

DEREK RAMSAY opens up about doing love scenes with Andrea Torres in *The Better Woman*.

The GMA-7 actor pointed this out how different is it doing a love scene with someone that you like?

Derek laughed before answering, "I like naman all my leading ladies. They're all beautiful."

Turning serious, he pointed out:

"I'm very professional. I shut myself down.

"It's not Derek. It's the character.

"I get asked, 'Do you get carried away?' No, because I shut myself down. I don't want to disrespect my leading lady.

"I've mastered how to shut myself down and do the scene, do it right, do it quick.

"One take lang pero it doesn't get awkward between the two of you.

"But if you like the girl, it makes it a lot easier."

When it comes to his current leading lady, he narrated how he became close to Andrea while doing their Kapuso prime-time series.

"It's strange, Andrea and I just clicked.

"It started off with the station ID. I'd never met her.

"Nagpunta ako sa set, tinago nila ako coz I was the new star of GMA.

"Literally, dinala ako sa set, doon ko siya nakilala. Agad, we had to do a romantic [scene]...

"Naka-bikini siya, naka-topless ako.

"What a way to be introduced to each other!"

In the summer station ID of GMA-7, Derek and Andrea had sultry moments on a beach. Derek wrapped his hands around Andrea and they chased each other while playing in the water.

He laughed at the memory before describing the way they started working in *The Better Woman*.

"Then we started the teleserye and that was the second time we met each other, lap dance galing sa kanya.

"Everything just happened so fast.

"Usually, sa mga eksenang ganun, I'm used to being in control but in this one, I'm the one who is reluctant and she is in control, like in bra and panty," he said with a laugh.

"She was giving me a lap dance. That was something new for me."

The actor thought back then if these kinds of sexy scenes would be allowed by the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board (MTRCB).

"Naisip ko nun, pwede ba sa TV ito? Parang hindi pwede sa TV ito.

"That's the challenge I like about our teleserye. It's very mature.

"With all the restrictions you have on TV, paano namin naitatawid? We found a way to do that.

"With that said, we shoot it like a movie para sa Netflix."

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DANIEL PADILLA is proud that his girlfriend Kathryn Bernardo stars in two of the top-grossing Filipino films of all time.

"Ang tagumpay niya ay tagumpay ko rin," declares Daniel Padilla who is proud of his girlfriend Kathryn Bernardo and the recent box-office success of her movie, *Hello, Love, Goodbye*.

"Kanina nga nagsimba kami para lang magpasalamat sa lahat ng mga blessings na natatamo niya at natatamo ko rin. Ang tagumpay niya ay tagumpay ko rin," Daniel triumphantly asserts.

Hello, Love, Goodbye,

Kathryn's OFW-centric romance film with GMA-7 actor Alden Richards, has a reported worldwide box-office gross of PHP 838,514,653.70 as of August 23, 2019.

Meanwhile, the 2018 romance film *The Hows of Us*, which stars Kathryn and Daniel, still stands as the highest-grossing Filipino film of all time with a total gross of more than PHP900 million.

With these two achievements, Kathryn has the recognition of being the only actress to lead both of the top two highest-grossing Filipino films of all time.

Acknowledging this, Daniel says with pride, "O, panis, nobya ko iyan."

Daniel teases that there are projects lined up for him, but refuses to divulge details.

He says, "Soon, soon. Hindi pa tayo pwede mag-spill, e, pero soon.

"Alam niyo naman ako. Sa shadows ako gumagalaw. Sa mga anino."

Will Daniel consider working with an actress from GMA-7 as well?

He answers, "Depends kung sino, di ba? Pero iyon na nga sabi ni Kathryn, e.

"Hindi naman natin sinasara yung mga pinto natin sa mga ganung oportunidad."



Andrea Torres

Inverted art unveiled at SM Clark

ANGELES CITY – Somewhat of a novelty in the local art scene was unveiled Friday at the SM City Clark.

Inverted art – actually, sketches in the negative, as in film negatives, using reversed color palette – looks fuzzy or blurred to the naked eye. It comes to light – and in all vibrancy of colors and textures – viewed from the mobile phone using a set application.

Probably a pioneer in this art genre is Rommel Uy Antonio of Porac town, better known as RUA in the art circle, who mounted his solo exhibit at the SM City Clark last Aug. 23, as part of the mall's creative project that regularly features the works of outstanding Kapampangan artists. The exhibit runs till Sept. 1.

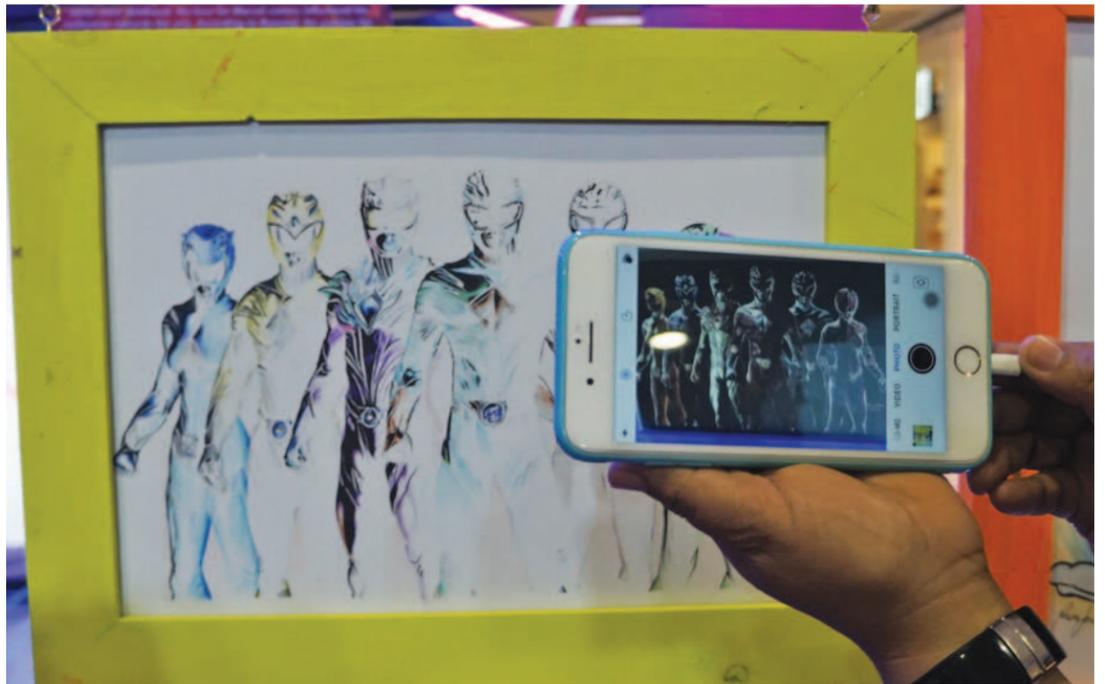
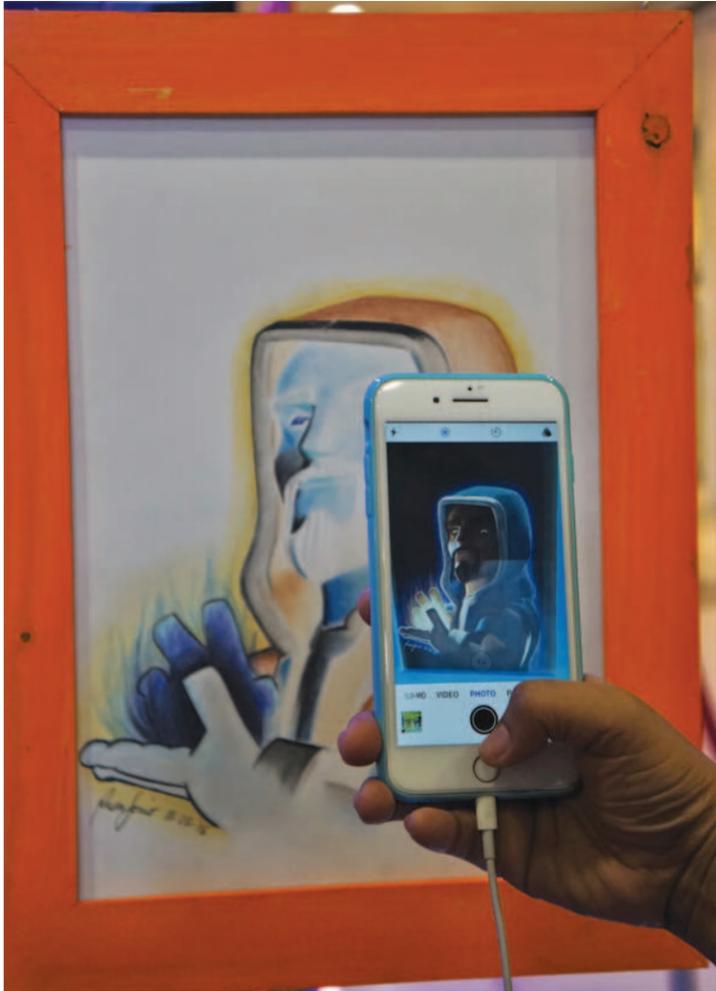
Fantasy characters made up most of Antonio's featured artworks. His passion for inverted art started in 2014, a result of his experimentation in different art forms and media like charcoal, pastels, colored pencils, and paper quilling -- likewise a still-not-too-widely exposed genre locally. Paper quilling is described as "the art of cutting paper into long thin strips, rolling and pinching the pieces into different shapes, and then gluing the shapes together to form decorative art."

Now, there's another RUA exhibit to look forward to.

– **Bong Z. Lacson**



The artist with his work. **PHOTOS BY BONG LACSON**



Ho Cha located at ground floor Newpoint mall.



Black Sugar Oreo.



Lychee lemon galaxy.



Brûlée product series.

Catch up with the milk tea craze at Ho Cha Newpoint mall

By **JOANN M. VALENCIANO**

ANGELES CITY – Catch up with your cravings on the milk tea craze at the Newpoint mall here with Ho Cha, the newest milk tea shop in town that offers authentic Taiwanese milk tea with a hook-on specialty.

Philip Gutierrez and Jasmin Dela Paz decided to franchise Ho Cha from Iloilo and bring it here in Pampanga as the first specialty milk tea store that has its own special recipe and techniques.

Using automatic equipment and proper handling in preparing their milk tea variants which allows consistency in every drink, Ho Cha has that

distinctive taste that makes all the difference.

Their milk tea selection emphasizes on the specialty kind aside from their aesthetically pleasing and Instagramable presentations.

The menu line up consists of the milk tea classics from wintermelon to their best seller ho duo.

They also have a split of flavor and color with their Layered Milk Tea offerings from chocolate, strawberry, matcha, and ube.

The cosmic effect of their Galaxy Milk Tea gets its tartness from their lychee lemon and lemon yakult galaxy teas as one of their best sellers.

Their newest concoction is the brulee with sugar torched on top to caramelize for an extra touch of nectar.

Add-ons come in pearl, pudding and coconut jelly. Several fresh teas and fruit teas are also available.

Ho Cha Newpoint is the first in Pampanga and their 8th franchise to date. Several branches across Iloilo and Manila are already operational and well under way.

Satisfy your good tea cravings every day from 10 a.m. – 9 p.m. at the ground level, Newpoint mall.

Current promo runs for the whole month of August, Buy 1 Take 1 for only P120 every Mondays to Fridays, and 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. on selected products.

Check out their Facebook page for franchise inquiries and other updates.

3 nabbed with P240-K shabu

BY JOHNNY REBLANDO

OLONGAPO CITY - Three suspected drug pushers were arrested by elements of Police Station 4 of the Olongapo City Police Office in a buy-bust operation at Pinagpala Street, Purok 4, Barangay New Cabalan here.

Report reaching the office of city director Col. Benjamin Sembrano said operatives headed by Police Captain Jerry Abaigar, head of Police Station 4, led the buy-bust that resulted to the

arrest of Niel David y Cristal, 30, of Pinagpala, Barangay New Cabalan; Resley Layugan, 45, of Barangay West Bajac-Bajac; and Lemuel Bantugan, 40, resident of Juan Luna Street, Purok 2, Barangay New Cabalan, all in Olongapo City.

The suspects were arrested in the act of selling a transparent plastic sachet of shabu worth P300 to a police poseur-buyer. In a subsequent search, the suspects yielded 36 transparent plastic sachets of

shabu worth P240,000 and the marked money.

The suspects were all detained at Police Station 4 detention cell facing charges for violation of RA 9165 (Comprehensive Dangerous Drug Act of 2002).

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REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
City of San Fernando, Pampanga
Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff**

GUAGUA SAVERS BANK, A RURAL BANK, INC., REPRESENTED BY REYNALDO DAVID,

Petitioner-Mortgagee,

~ versus ~

DONNIE RAY T. RAZAL,

Respondent-Mortgagor.

E.J.F. No. 61-19

Real Estate Mortgage Under Act 3135 as Amended by Act 4118

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135/1508 filed by **GUAGUA SAVERS BANK, A RURAL BANK, INC.** represented by **REYNALDO DAVID**, mortgagee, with its postal address at Guagua Savers Bank Bldg., Sto. Cristo, Guagua, Pampanga, against **DONNIE RAY T. RAZAL**, with residence and postal address at 174 Prk. 3, Sta. Monica, San Luis, Pampanga, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of April 11, 2019 amounts to **ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY ONE and 73/100 PESOS (Php1,400,761.73)**, excluding penalties, attorney's fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned authorized deputy sheriff will sell at public auction on **September 19, 2019 at 10:00 A.M. or soon thereafter** at the main entrance of the **Regional Trial Court, Capitol Compound**, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to the highest bidder for **CASH or MANAGER'S CHECK** and in **Philippine Currency**, the following property with all improvements, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2017008018

"IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, that certain land situated in BARRIO OF STA. MONICA, MUN. OF SAN LUIS, PROV. OF PAMPANGA, ISLAND OF LUZON, bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO. : 1697-B
PLAN NO. : (LRA) PSD-E2017001147
PORTION OF : LOT 1697 CAD 280, SAN LUIS CADASTRE L.R.A. (CAD) REC. NO. 1979
LOCATION : BARRIO OF STA. MONICA, MUN. OF SAN LUIS, PROV. OF PAMPANGA, ISLAND OF LUZON
X X X
AREA : ONE THOUSAND SQUARE METERS (1000), MORE OR LESS
X X X

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"IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, that certain land situated in BARRIO OF STA. MONICA, MUN. OF SAN LUIS, PROV. OF PAMPANGA, ISLAND OF LUZON, bounded and described as follows:

LOT NO. : 1697-C
PLAN NO. : (LRA) PSD-E2017001147
PORTION OF : LOT 1697 CAD 280, SAN LUIS CADASTRE L.R.A. (CAD) REC. NO. 1979
LOCATION : BARRIO OF STA. MONICA, MUN. OF SAN LUIS, PROV. OF PAMPANGA, ISLAND OF LUZON
X X X
AREA : ONE THOUSAND SQUARE METERS (1000), MORE OR LESS
X X X

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on September 26, 2019, without further notice.
City of San Fernando, Pampanga, August 6, 2019.

ANGELITO B. DOMINGO
Sheriff IV
RTC-Branch 47, CSF(P)

- CC: 1. **GUAGUA SAVERS BANK, A RURAL BANK, INC.**
- Guagua Savers Bank Bldg., Sto. Cristo, Guagua, Pampanga
2. **DONNIE RAY T. RAZAL**
- 174 Purok 3 Brgy. Sta. Monica, San Luis, Pampanga
3. **ATTY. CHELYN Y. DAYRIT**
- Sto. Cristo, Guagua, Pampanga
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PUNTO! Central Luzon: August 12, 19 & 26, 2019



DTI-Tarlac director Agnes B. Ramirez (left) leads the launching of the Consumer Corners in one of the local malls in Tarlac. **PHOTO COURTESY OF DTI TARLAC**

DTI-Tarlac opens consumer corners in local malls

BY ASHLEY MANABAT

TARLAC CITY – Three Consumer Corners at this city's local malls were launched recently by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

The DTI Consumer Corners were opened at My Metrotown Mall, Citywalk Mall and Sector 7 Mall here.

Agnes B. Ramirez, DTI provincial director,

said the establishment of Consumer Corners aims to strengthen and promote consumer welfare and protection by providing consumers ready access to DTI consumer-related information materials.

"The information education and communication materials include posters, tarpaulin and brochures on such topic as consumer rights, exact change, product cer-

tification and standards, consumer vigilance, Philippine standards and import commodity clearance marks, consumer complaints and other consumer related topics," Ramirez said.

Aside from monitoring the supply and prices of basic needs and prime commodities, Ramirez said regular visits at major stores and supermarkets will also be conducted by the DTI Tarlac

to capacitate the personnel of these establishments and enhance their knowledge of consumer rights and the responsibilities of sellers.

For consumer complaints or concerns on buying transactions, Ramirez reminded consumers to call the Consumer Hotline at 1-384 or message the DTI's social media account using the handle @DTI Consumer Care.

PAMAMARIL SA PALENGKE

2 patay, bata sugatan, suspect huli

BAGAC, Bataan -- Isang barangay kagawad at isang dating overseas Filipino worker ang patay samantalang malubha naman ang isang bata nang barilin sa public market dito Sabado ng umaga ng suspect na agad namang nahuli.

Kinilala ni Police Captain Albert Manabat, Bagac police chief, ang mga biktima na sina barangay kagawad Edwardson Galazi ng Pag-asa, at Herbert Lozada, 33, ng Binukawan, mga barangay sa Bagac.

Nasa malubhang kalagayan ang anak ni Lozada na si Huean Aevric, 11.

Ang agad nahuli ng mga pulis sa mismong pangunguna ni Manabat ay si John Michael delos San-

tos, 30, ng Barangay Pag-asa.

Nahuli raw ito sa Barangay Banawang, Bagac alas-10:25 ng umaga o isang oras matapos mamaril.

Ayon kay Manabat, ang talagang target ng suspect ay ang kagawad ngunit nadamay ang mag-amang Lozada. Agad namatay sa tama ng bala sa ulo at ibang bahagi ng katawan si Galazi at tumumba sa pasilyo ng palengke.

Namatay si Lozada habang ginagamot sa isang ospital. Ang kagawad at mag-ama ay namamalengke.

"Kalalaya lang ng suspect, nakulong sa illegal drugs. Suspect bumabalik sa dati," sabi ng hepe ng pulisya.

May alitan umano ang suspect at ang kagawad ngunit naayos naman daw ito sa barangay. "Matindi siguro ang galit ng suspect kaya inabangan ang biktima sa palengke at doon binaril. May nadamay na mag-ama. Kaso ng suspect – murder," sabi ni Manabat. Naitapon, aniya, ng suspect ang baril na ginamit.

Ayon kay Enrique Galazi, Jr., mabait ang kanyang anak at maraming kaibigan. "Lubos akong nagpapasalamat at agad-agad nahuli ng mga otoridad ang pumatay sa anak ko."

Sinabi ni Pag-asa barangay chairman John Harry Carreon na may naging kaalit nga ang kagawad. – **Ernie Esconde**



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