

## MIDYEAR REVENUE

# SBMA posts P1.66-B

BY MALOU DUNGOG



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**S**UBIC BAY FREEPORT — The Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority posted positive records in most of its key performance indicators this year, including a P1.66-billion operating revenue that surpassed last year's first half profits by 8.62 percent.

In a report to the Office of the President, SBMA chair and administrator Wilma T. Eisma said the Subic agency "capped its 2021 first semester performance with major accomplishments in its key measures" even when a few

areas remain impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic and recorded actual decline.

"The general trend is upward where the SBMA was able to accelerate growth and surpass its performances in the previous year," Eisma added in her report dated July 15.

Among the measures showing positive growth from January to July 2021 were operating revenue, port operations, employment, business registration,

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## Royale Beauté Celebrating 12 years of Beautéderm

BEAUTÉDERM Corporation is all pumped-up with über gusto and pizzazz as it celebrates its 12th anniversary as a major leader in the beauty and wellness industry in a

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## HIGHEST IN PAMPANGA

# AC registers 4K jabs daily



LAZATIN

ly basis.

This, as Mayor Carmelo "Pogi" Lazatin Jr. ramped up the city's vaccination program with the opening of the second vaccination site at the Angeles City National High School (ACNHS), which is adjacent to the City College of Angeles (CCA), the first vaccination site.

ANGELES CITY -- The city government is vaccinating more than 4,000 individuals per day, the highest number of people inoculated in Pampanga province on a dai-

The second vaccination site at the ACNHS opened last June 29 to fast track inoculation of at least 70 percent of 462,928 population by November in a bid to

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# Delta wants price cap on Covid meds

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO — "We are in an emergency situation and the Delta variant is on us. This is no time to milk dry people who are infected of the virus. Your provincial government is intervening by regulating the prices and penalizing violators."

Thus, declared Gov. Dennis "Delta" Pineda before officials of government agencies and the sangguniang panlalawigan at the Capitol on Wednesday in activating

the local price coordinating council (LPCC) to set price ceilings on medicines used in treating Covid-19 patients.

Pineda said he has been receiving complaints from patients and their families of being made to pay exorbitant prices for medicines in treating the virus.

Cited as an example is the drug Remdesivir which is usually pegged at P3,500 per 100 mg vial. But some private hospi-

tals charge from between P8,000 to P22,000, a PhilHealth official reported, which a Department of Health executive confirmed. These exceed the P1,500 to P8,200 suggested retail price set in DOH Department Circular No. 2021-0291.

The National Bureau of Investigation and the Criminal Investigation and Detection Group are monitoring the sales of Remdesivir and other essential medicines in the market.

The agencies have not received complaints of fake Remdesivir so far.

At the request of the governor and Vice Gov. Lilia "Nany" Pineda, board member Atty. Jun Canlas pushed for the full activation of the LPCC.

Canlas said the price council, chaired by the governor, has the mandate to set price ceilings and file criminal charges against violators of the The Price Act of 1992 or RA 7581. **Pampanga PIO**



## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Medical Center 20 years of delivering healthcare

BY JOANN MANABAT

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO — Two decades of delivering health care. The Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Medical Center (OLMCMC) celebrated

its 20th founding anniversary at the College of the Our Lady of Mt. Carmel here July 16.

The event was attended by OLMCMC president and medical director Dr. Monet Briones with husband,

chairman of the board Engr. Adrian Briones, chief operating officer Dr. Carmela Briones-Diaz, corporate secretary Engr. Jesus Gerard Briones, and treasurer Bernadette Lucia Briones together

with the doctors, administrators, teachers, staff of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel group of companies.

OLMCMC is a tertiary hospital with 140-bed capacity

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## P50-B SCRP

# Live, Live, better than Build, Build

BY ASHLEY MANABAT

ANGELES CITY — In what it considers as the better alternative for the benefit of the people, the advocacy group Pinoy Gumising Ka Movement is now pushing for "Live, Live, Live" instead of "Build, Build, Build" and prevent what it said is "Kill, Kill, Kill."

On Tuesday, the PGKM said the Department of Transportation will be better off if the P50 billion cost of the Subic, Clark Railway Project (SCRP) under its Build, Build Program will instead be spent for purchasing more vaccines or giving financial aid to the people as Filipinos



TUGADE

fight to survive the lockdowns amidst the raging pandemic and call it Live, Live, Live Program.

Rupert Cruz, PGM chair, said Transportation Secretary Arthur P. Tugade might even make it to the Senate, along

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# Gitnang Luzon for Ping Lacson launched in NE

BY ARMAND M. GALANG

SAN LEONARDO, Nueva Ecija - Several personalities and sectoral leaders from various Central Luzon provinces joined forces in an assembly at Mavin's Event Center here Monday to throw their support to the presidential bid of Sen. Panfilo Lacson.

Branding their campaign Gitnang Luzon for Ping Lacson or GL4PL, the group said Lacson's presidency is too save the country from the supposed five years of "incompetence" of the administration of Pres. Duterte.

"Ang higit na kailangan ng bansa, matakpos ang limang taon na walang kakayahan at walang direksiyong pamamahala, ay isang pinuno na may tapang, talino at katapatan," the group said in a statement. Lacson, they asserted, has these qualities.

"Aanhin natin ang tapang na walang taliño, at talino na walang katatagan? Ang kailangan natin ay isang lider na hindi lamang matakang kundi may sapat na katalinuhan at kakayahan para tumbasan ang kanyang katapangan," said Teofilo "Ka Boodgie" Juatco, GL4PL spokesperson.

Juatco is a farmer-leader, organizer, writer, and an environmental activist who was a political detainee in the 1970s.

The GL4PL launch coincided with the 222nd birth anniversary of martyred Fr. Mariano Gomez in Cavite, who along with Fr. Jose Burgos and Fr. Jacinto Zamora comprised the trio of martyred Filipino priests during the time of Spanish colonization collectively known as Gomburza, a portmanteau of their family names.

The GL4PL noted that Lacson who has been pushing for the Philippine's claim over the West Philippine Sea was also born in Cavite.

The people from Central Luzon, they added, should support a presidential bet who fights for the country and against corruption considering the region's history of resisting colonizers.

"Mula noong panahon ng pananakop ng Espanya, Amerika, at Hapon, ang mga taga-Gitnang Luzon ay aktibong lumaban sa iba't ibang anyo ng pakikibaka para sa kalayaan ng bansa. Ito ang dahilan kung bakit aming sinusupportahan si Senador Ping Lacson na naninindigan para sa kasarinlan ng bansa sa pamamagitan ng pagbatalikos sa pala-sukong patakaran ng kasalakuyang administrasyon," they said.

Juatco said that Lacson has been consistent in his fight against corruption, specifically in the use of countrywide development fund or pork barrel.

"Hindi siya kailanman gumamamit ng pork barrel. Dahil dito, mahigit P2-bilyon halaga ng taxpayers' money ang naprotektahan at napunta sa mga mahahalagang panlipunang serbisyo at programa," Juatco said.

They ceremonially hit glasses with spoons which, Juatco said, symbolizes Lacson's unhampered service to the Filipino people. They also signed manifesto of support.

GL4PL, he said, is composed of farmers and agriculture workers, fishermen, small businessmen, youth, women, former government workers from both local and national agencies.

Among them were Roosevelt Morabe, an entrepreneur from Pangasinana; Mark Figueras, community organizer from Zambales; Fernando Ramos, good governance advocate from Bulacan; Wax Joaquin, president of Navara Nation-Nueva Ecija; and Cris Agustin, young entrepreneur.

Some participants had to attend virtually, it was learned.

Lacson was named standard bearer of Reporma with Senate Pres. Tito Sotto as running mate.



Suspect Mayo during initial investigation at the SBMA-IIO office. PHOTO BY MALOU DUNGOG



Batting for Ping Lacson. PHOTO BY ARMAND M. GALANG

## P78-M smuggled cigarettes seized

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Two container shipments of smuggled cigarettes worth P78 million were seized by the Bureau of Customs-Port of Subic on Monday.

As early as July 13, pre-lodgment control orders have been issued against the two 40-footer containers said to contain laminating film consigned to Mysticflare Import and Export Co.

Both shipments underwent non-intrusive examination (X-ray inspection) which the THSCAN Container Inspection System Images marked "For Verification."

The subsequent physical examination conducted in the presence of representatives from BOC, the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency, Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority, Chamber of Customs Brokers Inc., Japan Tobacco International, and

PMFTC Inc. yielded boxes of cigarettes including Kings, Two Moon Premium Filter Kings, D&B Light, D&B American Blend, Mighty Menthol, Mighty Full Flavor, Two Moon National Blue Star. Warrants of seizure and detention were immediately issued against the shipments for violation of the National Tobacco Administration (NTA) Memorandum Circular No. 03, series of 2004; NTA Board Resolution No. 079-2005; Section 155 of R.A. 8293 (Intellectual Property Code of the Philippines in relation to Section 1113 (f) of Republic Act No. 10863 otherwise known as the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA)).

"The Port of Subic will remain committed in securing the country's borders against smuggled and illegal goods" said district collector Maritess Martin. **BOC-Subic PR**



## PNP, SBMA operatives nab Zambales's most wanted

BY MALOU DUNGOG

SUBIC BAY FREEPORT – A joint operation by members of the Philippine National Police in Zambales and investigators from the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority led to the arrest recently of a most wanted person in the province of Zambales.

According to a report forwarded to the Zambales Provincial Police Office, suspect Jomar Mayo y Sarmiento who is facing a rape case in Zambales, was located last Friday, July 30, while working in a company at the Subic Techno Park in this free port.

The 37-year-old suspect, who is single and a native of Barangay Guisguis in the town of Sta. Cruz, Zambales, worked as a forklift operator at the

G-1 Boton Area of Juken Sangyo Philippines Corp., a Subic-registered business locator.

Operatives from the Zambales police command and the SBMA Intelligence and Investigation Office conducted the operation on the strength of a warrant of arrest issued by Judge Josefina Farrales of Regional Trial Court Branch 69 in Iba, Zambales.

Mayo is charged with rape in relation to Republic Act 7610, or the act providing for stronger deterrence and special protection against child abuse, exploitation and discrimination. The warrant of arrest has a no bail recommendation.

Following initial investigation here, Mayo was brought to the Zambales police office for documentation and disposition.



Royale Beauté...

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month-long festivity aptly titled as Royale Beauté – that would surely delight its countless loyal customers and supporters not only in the country but around the world as well.

From its humble beginnings 12 years ago back in 2009 where President and CEO Rhea Anicoche-Tan established the company with a modest Php3,500.00 start-up capital as an after-work sideline, Beauté-derm Corporation exponentially grew in the passing of each year into a foremost key player in the business with hard-work, determination, fortitude, and faith coupled with a steadfast commitment to improve the lives of its sellers and franchisees as well as the beautification of the lives of its end-users as the chief ingredients that made the company the overwhelming success that it is today.

With thousands of sellers and franchisees, over 70 celebrity brand ambassadors, and millions of solid users, Anicoche-Tan championed the spirits of faith and gratitude on Instagram as she expressed the overflow of joy in her heart now that Beautéderm has reached its 12th year. “As I look back to the 12 wonderful years that Beautéderm Corporation has been around, my heart overflows with gratitude because no one accomplishes any level of success alone. I had help. I had support,” says Anicoche-Tan.

“God surrounded me with people who continue to believe in me and in my vision to create a company that wishes to change and beautify the lives of other people with honesty,

integrity, and hard work serving as the main foundations of what is Beautéderm today. “Beautéderm is heavily seasoned with love. Love is the main driving force that keeps us all going – first we love ourselves – we take everything in – the good and the bad – and we accept ourselves so we can extend that very same love to others since we could give only that which we have.

“So I extend not only my gratitude but also my love to my wonderful brand ambassadors, to my dedicated sellers and franchisees, and to every individual who put their trust to Beautéderm – our buyers who motivates us every day and who serve as an inspiration for us to work even harder so that we could serve them better to the best of our capacity – I thank you all and I love you,” Anicoche-Tan continues.

And as a way of giving back, Beautéderm has whipped up the grandest and most spectacular anniversary celebration this August – fit for the royalty that every seller, franchisee, and user are, as instrumental partners in making what Beautéderm is today – thriving and stronger while triumphing over every obstacle and challenge especially in the midst of the pandemic.

For Royale Beauté, Beautéderm honors that hard-work of every seller and franchisee as well as the loyalty of every user as the company assembles a fabulous sampling of its biggest and brightest brand ambassadors such as Marian Rivera-Dantes, Korina Sanchez-Roxas, Dingdong Dantes,

Piolo Pascual, Darren Espanto, Sylvia Sanchez, Gabby Concepcion, Lorna Tolentino, Sanya Lopez, Rita Daniella, and Bea Alonzo to mention just a few of the brand’s amazing ambassadors in a month-long extravaganza that offers the biggest sales and promos, life-altering prizes, the highly-anticipated return of Beautéderm TV which streams for free on Facebook and YouTube, and brand new products such as La Fraise Gommage Instant White Polish Scrub and Lipo Gommage Anti-Cellulite Body Scrub that will now be officially part of Beautéderm’s iconic roster of products as Beauté L’ Elixir Skin Set, Etré Clair Mouth Spray, K-lagen Collagen Drink, Beau Charcoal Soap from the Spruce & Dash Men’s Collection, the marvelous candles and room sprays of the exquisite Beautéderm Home Collection, and Cristaux Supreme among many other fantastic products form the Beautéderm collection.

“Beautéderm could never have lasted for 12 years without all of you and it is my hope that we will all be together, stronger than ever with Faith, Hope, and Love in the next chapters of Beautéderm’s journey – to the next 12 years and beyond. I love you all and I thank you all from the bottom of my heart. Cheers and God Bless,” Anicoche-Tan says with a royal glow in her eyes.

For more information about Royale Beauté and exciting updates on Beautéderm’s 12th anniversary celebration, follow @beautédermcorporation on Instagram, like Beautéderm on Facebook, and subscribe to Beautéderm TV on YouTube.



FIND THE X  
THIS WAY TO  
THE SECRET DOOR  
OF THE BOAR  
BROTHERS



BY JOANN MANABAT  
PHOTOS BY PEABOH DAVID

ANGELES CITY – A speak-easy gastropub where X marks the spot, Boar Brothers has become the go-to underground bar in this city. What started in the US during the 1920s prohibition era when bars started offering alcoholic drinks secretly to its customers, this city’s speak-easy scene paved the way during the easing down of the lockdown periods and liquor bans. Owned by brothers Matthieu and Mykhael Mangubat together with Chef Dani Steel, Boar Brothers has evidently initiated the speakeasy scene in this city.

According to Mykhael, the idea of Boar Brothers started during the height of the lockdown period when Matthieu needed to close down his jiu-jitsu gym due to the impact of the pandemic and create a venue where they can manage the guests in order to keep up with the health protocols. “My brother (Matt), he has a Wine Craft mobile bar for events. But during the pandemic, he had to close down his other business here which was the jiu jitsu gym as it is a contact sport. That’s when he decided to open Wine Craft as a bar which is now Boar Brothers,” said Mykhael. “Since we also want to



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Speak it  
easy and  
enjoy  
the night  
behind  
the secret  
doors of  
the Boar  
Brothers.

A docket of bar  
chows, picas,  
steak platters  
and chicken  
wings by Chef  
Dani Steel.

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# To the Point

## Sampung Malinaw na Idolatry

1. Idolatry ang pagkunsinti sa “Kill, Kill, Kill.” Mahal mo pa ang idol mong political leader kaysa sa Diyos na ipinagbawal ang pagiging hayok sa dugo at ang anumang walang katarungang patayan.
  2. Idolatry ang pagiging okay lang sa iyo na nilapastangan ang Diyos. Diyan ay very clear na hindi mo Siya mahal.
  3. Idolatry ang i-justify ang pagmumura. Mas mahal mo pa ang idol mo kaysa mga anak at apo mo na natututo ng mali at kabastusan.
  4. Idolatry ang mag-admire ng mayabang. Then mahal mo pala ang mga arrogant na hate na hate ni Lord.
  5. Idolatry ang magwalang-kibo sa korapsyon. The earth is the Lord’s and all its fullness, okay lang pala sa iyo na nakawan si Lord at ang taumbayan, basta’t mapasaya ang mga idol mong magnanakaw.
  6. Idolatry ang sabihing okay lang ang sinungaling na lider.
- Wala ka palang pagmamahal kay Jesus na Truth and God of Truth.
7. Idolatry ang mag-accept ng duwag na lider. Saan ka nakakita sa Bible na okay ang taong duwag kay Lord?
  8. Idolatry ang pagtanggap ng kalaswaan at ang paghalakhak at pagpalakpak dito. Sabi ni Jesus, yung lustful thoughts pa lang, adulterous na, ano pa yung sama-samang nageenjoy ang audience sa kababuyan?
  9. Idolatry ang mag-approve ka ng leadership na tutulog-tulog sa panahon ng sakuna.
- Idolatry ito ‘pagkat hindi mo mahal ang iyong kapwa na nasa panganib kaya’t okay lang sa iyo na violated ang greatest commandments ni Jesus.
10. Idolatry ang kagustuhan mong magpatuloy pa sa kapangyarihan ang abominable na tao ayon sa Proverbs 6:16-19.
- Wala ka talagang pagmamahal sa Salita ng Diyos.

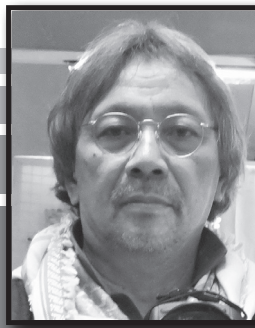
**-Maria Lourdes Sereno, naging punong mahistrado ng Korte Suprema**



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## Opinion

### Horse trading

**“YES, NAG-UPO kami — kasama ko rin si Senate President — with Vice President Leni. At the time, kasama niya si [former] Sen. Bam Aquino.” So, 2022 presidential pretender Sen. Ping Lacson confirmed a meeting with Vice President Leni Robredo, herself a presumed presidential timber.**

“Di ko lang ma-divulge yung pinag-usapan dahil wala naman akong authority sa kanya para i-share yung aming pinagusapan. Pero nag-usap na kami,” Lacson added.

Similarly, another president-wannabe Sen. Dick Gordon: “I don’t know if I’m allowed by the Vice President, we had a chat last week. But I don’t want to say anything about what we talked about.”

Asked if they spoke about a possible “partnership” in the 2022 elections, Gordon said: “Yes, for transparency’s sake because lalabas at lalabas ‘yan. Pero hindi namin pinag-usapan kung sino ang kandidato.”

Another presidentiable, Manila Mayor Isko Moreno, is reported to have met also with Robredo. This, on top of their various “meet-ups” in their joint vaccination programs for the marginalized sectors in Manila.

Lacson. Gordon. Moreno. All have had their date with Robredo. Come now the lamentations from a spurned suitor –

“Simula January, ako/Magdalo, and later on through Tindig Pilipinas, ay nagre-request ng meeting kay VP Leni para masimulan na ang preparation. Subali’t ayaw niya kaming i-meet dahil kasalanan daw sa Diyos nap ag-usapan ang 2022 elections habang may pandemya,” former Sen. Sonny Trillanes rued on Facebook.

The Veep’s spox, Barry Rodriguez riposted: “I’d imagine there should be an easier way to ask for a conversation than throwing a tantrum on social media, right?”

Trillanes, reports said, has not been kept out of the loop of the VP’s intent to build the “broadest unity” possible in 2022.

“Discerning” is how Robredo’s approach to her presidential bid is described.

“The more pragmatic Vice President argues that she needs a fighting chance to push through with her presidential bid – otherwise, someone else might be a better option than her in 2022,” so it was reported. Hence, the imperative to touch base with others who are not necessarily allied with the opposition.

What is generally accepted as “par for the course” in the run-up to the elections, Trillanes considered “crossing the red line.” Convinced as he is that only Robredo has the right to the banner of the opposition.

Thus, Trillanes: “We don’t buy this pretext that she can’t win therefore we need to compromise our principles by aligning with these Duterte enablers. I don’t buy that crap.”

Principles. The senator there instantly dredging memories of columns past, this one from the long defunct Pampanga News (Jan. 19-25, 2006), excerpted:

#### Politics and the rule of law

PRINCIPLED politics is a contradiction in terms: mutually exclusive, diametrically opposed, for in politics “no one acts on principles or reasons from them.”

There is that generalization arising from the fixity of our intellectual habits that deems the recurring characteristic trait of a segment of one species as representative of that species, if not of the whole genus. Thus, taken on the whole, politicians are “... the vilest and the narrowest of sycophants and courtiers that humanity has ever known; their sole end basely to flatter and develop all popular prejudices, which, for the rest, they but vaguely share, never having consecrated one minute of their lives to reflection and observation.”

And, Monsieur Leroy Beaulieu did not even live long enough to read of the Filipino politician, writing as he was of the French kind in the 1890s. So what’s the difference between a Filipino politician and dalag? One is a voracious filth-feeding bottom dweller. The other is a fish.

Expediency and convention, utility and interests – self-serving, vested interests, are the fundamental matters – I could not dare write principles here and desecrate the word – whence politics breeds...

Aye, where principles end, politics begins. And thrives.

## Iglesia Filipina Independiente mananatiling maka-Diyos, makabayan

Ni ERNIE ESCONDE

SAMAL, BATAAN -- Ang sikreto ng tagumpay ng Iglesia Filipina Independiente ay dahil ang buhay nito ay nakasalalay sa pananatiling maka-Diyos at makabayan na nakabatay sa turo at aral ng Panginoong Hesucristo, pahayag ng parish priest ng bayang ito.

Ang pahayag ay ginawa ni Rev. Fr. Roderik Miranda sa araw ng paggunita sa proclamation anniversary ng IFI na 119 taon na mula noong Agosto 3, 1902.

Sinabi ng butihing pari na pagkatapos ng 119 taon ay maraming kuwento ng hirap, tagumpay, pagkabigo at pag-asa ang naisulat at dinaanan ng IFI na tinatawag ding Aglipayan Church.

“Ang kasalukuyang saganang bunga ng misyon ng IFI ay dahil na rin sa angkin nitong katangian na mahalin ang Diyos at ang bayan. Katumbas ng pagmamahal sa Diyos ay katumbas ng pagmamahal sa bayan,” sabi ni Fr. Miranda.

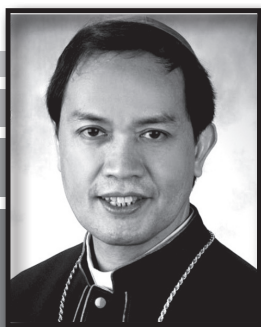
“At namumunga ang ating buhay bilang Aglipayano sa pamamagitan ng pag-ibig sa kapwa na naipapakita sa gawa na kumikilala sa kapangyarihan ng Diyos higit sa lahat!,” dagdag pa nito.

Inamin ng pari na sa nakalipas na 119 taon ay maraming pagsubok at hindi pagkakasundo na dinaanan ng simbahan ngunit dapat umanong maunawaan na dapat itong mapagdaanan upang mas lalong lumalim pa ang pagiging matatag bilang isang simbahan.

“Kung ang IFI ay hindi mananatili sa turo at aral ng Panginoong Hesus hindi ito mananatili ng 119 taon. Kaya napakahalaga para sa ating simbahan ang manatili sa pagtupad ng kalooban ng Diyos. Kung nais nitong tumanggap pa ng higit na pagpapala, kailangan nitong maging maka- Diyos at makabayan,” paalaala ni Fr. Miranda.

Hindi, aniya, nakikita ang paglago ng simbahan sa ganda ng istraktura kundi sa bilang ng mga mananampalatayang ipinapakita ang





## Opinion

### Shepherd's Call

Bishop Pablo Virgilio S. David

## What prayer does

**I HAVE told you already a few days ago what prayer did to Moses. How it changed his appearance and made his face glow. In today's first reading you realize that prayer did more than that to Moses. It had a profound effect on his character. He became not only meek and humble but also merciful and forgiving.**

The story in the book of Numbers gives a very unflattering account about Miriam, the sister of Moses, and Aaron, his spokesman. It must be one of the clearest references in the Bible about racism and how it provoked the Lord.

We are told that Moses had married a black woman. Why do we know that she is black? Because she is described as a Cushite, meaning, an Ethiopian. Cush was the ancient name for Ethiopia.

Among Africans, the Ethiopians are known to stand out in terms of beauty and height. But even that did not seem to be favorable enough for Miriam and Aaron. Both of them are expressing their disappointment with Moses over his decision to marry a girl who did not belong to their race. It is for this reason that they are now questioning Moses' sense of discernment.

They say, "Does the Lord let his mind known only to Moses? Does he not speak through us too?" In plain language, "Should we not have been consulted about this?" The writer tells us God got very angry with their racist attitude.

There are indeed people who equate beauty with being white or fair skinned. Look what a big industry the skin whitening products are in the Philippines. Wasn't there a time when only fair-skinned mestizos and mestizas were considered as actor- or actress material (in Tagalog "artistahin")? I think the trend in the 70's that made the likes of Nora Aunor into a superstar was precisely a reaction to our own racist tendencies.

Listen to how the author describes the punishment of Miriam for not wanting a black woman for a sister-in-law: she became "snow white as a leper," or like "a still-born baby that comes forth from its mother's womb with its flesh half consumed." It's like poetic justice. The woman who didn't like her black sister-in-law turned white as snow with leprosy. And yet, Moses himself even intercedes to God for forgiveness on behalf of his sister.

Among the four Gospels, it is St. Luke who says Jesus was at prayer when he was transfigured before Peter, James and John. In our Gospel today from Matthew, we also hear that Jesus was at prayer when his disciples experienced a storm at sea and they saw him walking on water. I wonder if Matthew is suggesting that through prayer, Jesus remained connected to his disciples even from afar.

That he became aware of the storm at sea which the disciples were experiencing right at that moment.

I remember reading a short story by Leo Tolstoy when I was in high school. It was about three old hermits who met a bishop whose boat had to dock for repair in a nearby island. The bishop was surprised to know that the hermits were Christians but did not know a single Christian prayer. The only prayer that they knew, and which they recited in unison was, "Three are ye and three are we, have mercy on us."

And so the bishop taught them the Our Father instead. But since they were quite old already, it took them several days to be able to memorize it. After the bishop had departed, the captain saw through his binoculars the three hermits running on the sea to their direction. When they got near the boat and saw the bishop, they shouted, "Dear Bishop, we forgot what goes after 'Thy will be done'."

And the bishop, still amazed at what he was seeing, asked the three hermits to recite again their prayer, which they said together in unison. The bishop said, "That is good enough. Forget about what I taught you. Please pray for my poor soul."

How could it not be good enough, if they, with such a prayer, could walk on water and he, with all his theology could not?

Matthew must be trying to tell us in this Gospel that Jesus did not just teach his disciples how to pray. He also taught them to "walk on water". He taught them the prayer that could give them the courage to walk on even through the most turbulent times such as this pandemic that we are going through.

I hope you at least noticed the little bit of humor that Matthew is suggesting in the Gospel. Look, the professional fisherman, who should be the expert at sea, is saved from drowning by the carpenter from Nazareth! I think this story was meant to be funny. As funny as that first meeting by the lakeshore when the professional fishermen came home and caught nothing, only to be taught by the carpenter from Nazareth how to make a huge catch.

With prayer, we can also learn to walk on through the storms of life. It takes just one baby step at a time.

**(Homily for Tuesday of the 18th Week in Ordinary Time, 03 August 2021, Mt 14:22-36)**

## Filipina Independiente...

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malasakit at pagmamahal sa simbahan at higit sa lahat nagpapahalaga at nakakaramdam sa buhay at kalagayan ng kanyang kapwa lalo na ang bayan.

Dapat, sabi ng pari, na tandaan na hindi ang lawak ng lupain at malalaking unibersidad, mga gusali o pasilidad ang magbibigay tingkad sa ika 119 taon ng simbahan kundi sa patuloy nitong pagsaksi, pagbabad at pakikibahagi sa patuloy na paghahangad ng pangako ng Diyos na buhay na kasiya-siya para sa lahat.

"Habang hindi natin nakakamtan ang lahat ng ito, ang simbahan ay hindi mananatiling nakatunghay na lamang, pinapanood at binabale-

wala ang mga nangyayari sa kanyang kapaligiran dahil ito naman ang tunay na dahilan kung bakit ang simbahan ito ay naitatag," sabi ni Fr. Miranda.

"Ito'y bunga nang paghahanap at paghahangad ng tunay na kalayaan hindi lamang sa pananampalataya kundi makamtan din ang buhay na ganap para sa lahat," dagdag pang pari.

Isang awit-alay na pinamagatang "Pagsamba ng Bayan" na titik at musika ni Rev. Fr. Elmerick Azucena ang binigyang-buhay ng mga kasapi ng Youth of IFI choir nitong Martes.

Noong Linggo ay nagdaos ng Banal na Misa ang IFI-Samal at nagtampok ng sayaw at awitin ang mga kababaihan at kabataan bilang selebrasyon ng proclamation anniversary.



### Napag-uusapan Lang

Felix M. Garcia

## 'DELTA Variant,' panakot lang sa ayaw magpabakuna?

SA KABILA nitong napakahigpit na pagpapatupad ng bakunado muna ang sinuman bago pahintulutan sila na makalabas ay dedma lang sa iba.

Sa kadahilanang higit na marami ang walang makain kaya di masisi ng administrayon ang di makumbinsi sapol itong 'Covid-19' umatake.

At hanggang ngayon ay tuloy ang pagsipa ng bilang ng mga nahawaan kaya itong sina Isko at Eric lang yata ang di makitaan ng hapis ang mukha?

Ito ay ayon na rin sa sabi-sabi na may komisyon ang magkasanggang ire, sa gumawa r'yan ng iba't-ibang klase ng bakuna kaya't ang kita terrible?

'Yan ay kung totoo itong akusasyon na kaya lumobo r'yan ang transmisyon ng 'variant' ng Covid dahil sa pagtutol n'yan na 'Ivermectin' na itong isulong.

Kung saan kumpara sa alin mang 'vaccine' na gaya ng AstraZeneca, ng Pfizer, at nitong iba pang walang 'healing power, contrary to above mentioned 'Ivermectin'.

At kung saan pati mga dalubhasang Doctor ay nagsabing delikado nga raw na ipagamit ang bakunang nariyan, nang di dumami ang mga namamatay.

Sa madaling sabi, 'now that no guarantee' na di mahawaan ang ating katabi sa sasakyan at/o tayo itong bale ma-'infect,' bakuna itong walang silbi.

Kundi ng lalo pang tayo'y malalagay sa mas matindi pa r'yang kapahamakan, kapag tayong ito ay nabakunahan ng 'AstraZeneca' o ng alin mang 'brand'?

Marami na itong maging sa ibang bansa tutol sa 'lockdown' na ipinanukala at pinapatupad kung kaya nga't dagsa na r'yan ang protesta sa kabi-kabila.

Dalubhasang doctors na itong nagsabi, "Ivermectin is good", ngunit sina Duque at Domingo tutol, kaya di nangyari ang inaahasaang mas makabubuti.

Kaya maaaring pananakot na nga lang sa lahat-lahat na ng pamahalaan, partikular na ng D.O.H. kabayan ang hinggil dito sa sabi'y 'DELTA variant'.

Sana naman, bigyang pansin ni Pangulo ang nararapat na aksyon tungkol dito, nang matigil na ang grabeng panloloko ng mga dorobo sa ating gobyerno.

At ng kung sino pang halang ang bituka na maaring pati kaluluwa nila, kay Satan na kaya't hindi tablan sila ng makatao't maka-Diyos na konsensya?!





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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF BACOLOR, HELD ON MARCH 3, 2021, SB SESSION HALL, POBLACION, BACOLOR, PAMPANGA

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Wilfredo H. Balingit	Presiding Officer/Municipal Vice-Mayor
Hon. Ron Earvin E. Dungca	Sangguniang Bayan Member/Pro Tempore
Hon. Emily Batac-Valerio	Sangguniang Bayan Member
Hon. Lucky Ferdinand V. Labung	Sangguniang Bayan Member
Hon. Joel D. Samia	Sangguniang Bayan Member
Hon. Ariel C. Sta. Cruz	Sangguniang Bayan Member
Hon. Ener C. Lampa	Sangguniang Bayan Member
Hon. Nilo M. Caballa	Sangguniang Bayan Member
Hon. Voltaire J. San Pedro	Sangguniang Bayan Member
Hon. Jo Derek P. Hizon	LnB President/Ex Officio Member
Hon. Danlohp D. Danganan	PPSK President/Ex Officio Member

**ABSENT:**

None

**Ordinance No. 03, S-2021**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS “ARBOR DAY” IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACOLOR, PAMPANGA AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

<b>Author:</b>	<b>Hon. Wilfredo H. Balingit - Presiding Officer/Municipal Vice Mayor</b>
<b>Sponsors:</b>	<b>Hon. Ener C. Lampa - Chairman, Committee on Environment</b>
	<b>Hon. Ariel C. Sta. Cruz – Chairman, Committee on Agriculture</b>

**WHEREAS**, the second largest volcanic eruption in this century was when Mt. Pinatubo erupted in June 15, 1991, where it had caused significant global environmental effects;

**WHEREAS**, in October 1, 1995, over 20 feet of lahar from the slopes of Mt. Pinatubo buried the entire barangay of Cabalantian among many others, killing hundreds of people, 18 out of 21 barangays of Bacolor were buried;

**WHEREAS**, the possibility and potential threat of the occurrence of lethal lahar during extreme rainfall cannot be underestimated;

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Bacolor in its desire to diminish the unfavorable effects of climate change and protect its people and its entire territorial jurisdiction on the possible treat of lahar and revive its damaged environment, hereby adopts R.A. 10176 “ An Act reviving the observance of Arbor Day by authorizing the Local Government Units (LGU’s) the responsibilities for the celebrating the day for tree planting as an annual event” which was signed and approved by His Excellency Benigno S. Aquino III last September 12, 2012”;

**WHEREAS**, one positive result of the lockdowns due to the COVID-19 pandemic is gardening of plants and growing of vegetables in one’s home yard;

**WHEREAS**, to adapt to the “NEW NORMAL” established by the government, now is the perfect time to institutionalize our people’s interest in gardening, tree and vegetable planting, thus developing innovation and creativity in home yard farming and community greening;

**WHEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Bacolor, Pampanga, that:

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be otherwise known as “**GREENING ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACOLOR, PAMPANGA**”.

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.**

- 2.1 To support Philippine Agenda 21 vision of reducing poverty and maintain ecological integrity.
- 2.2 To create greener spaces in the municipality thus curbing the threat of lahar, pollution and other risks brought about by the climate change.
- 2.3. To encourage home-based agriculture whose effects are reduced cost of farm produce, availability of healthier foods and food stability.





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- 2.4 To enhance green landscape adding to the aesthetics of the municipality.
- 2.5 To enhance productivity by using idle lots and open spaces by transforming them into green spaces.
- 2.6 To help reduce poverty by encouraging self-sustaining programs such as backyard to table food programs thereby encouraging residents to grow organic produce in the comforts of their homes.

The local Government of Bacolor adheres to the policy of the state under Proclamation No. 643 which amended Proclamation No. 396 that encourages the **“ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENT- OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, PRIVATED SECTOR, SCHOOLS, CIVIL SOCIETY GROUPS AND THE CITIZENRY IN TREE PLANTING ACTIVITY AND DECLARING JUNE 25, 2003 AS PHILLIPPINES ARBOR DAY”**, to combat our deteriorating resources, damaged environment and shield from the possible lahar treat, we protect and advance the right of the people to a balance ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature by conducting a tree planting activity in our municipality and provide effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability.

**SECTION 3. DECLARATION OF ARBOR DAY** - It is hereby declared that every 1<sup>st</sup> day of October of every year as “Arbor Day” in the Municipality of Bacolor, Pampanga. The said day will also be declared as Public Working Holiday in order to ensure the participation of the government employees and different sectors in our municipality.

**SECTION 4. CREATION OF COMMITTEE** – A GREENING OF BACOLOR COMMITTEE is hereby created that shall be responsible for the municipal wide management of tree planting, gardening and greening activities in the municipality as well as programs for beautification.

There is hereby created an Arbor Day Committee (ADC) to ensure the effective and efficient implementation of this ordinance. The ADC shall be composed of the following:

Chairman	-	Municipal Mayor
Vice- Chairman	-	Municipal Vice Mayor
Members	-	SB Committee on Environment
	-	SB Committee on Agriculture
	-	Municipal Agriculturist
	-	MSWDO
	-	School Heads, public & private (all levels)
	-	Liga ng mga Barangay President
	-	SK Fed President
	-	DILG-MLGOO
	-	PNP
	-	BFP
	-	NGOs
	-	MENRO
Secretariat	-	

**SECTION 5. FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE**

- 1. Formulate and develop the Municipal Greening Plan in consultation with stakeholders and oversee its implementation, monitoring and evaluation.
  - 1.1 To specify or identify the area where to plant trees.
  - 1.2 To coordinate the program to the different stakeholders.
  - 1.3 To provide the seeds and identify the kind and variety of plants to be used for tree planting.
  - 1.4 To ensure the maintenance and sustainability of the planted trees.
- 2. Supervise the municipal Tree planting and vegetation practices.
- 3. Conduct information dissemination, community awareness and advocacy activities in support of the Municipal Greening Plan to succeed.
- 4. Provide on a regular basis, incentives for outstanding GREEN barangays, schools and other participants.

**SECTION 6. FUNDING.** The Municipal Government shall ensure appropriation of funds under the General Fund for this purpose subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures.





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**SECTION 7. SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION OF SEEDLINGS.** The Municipal Agriculturist shall be responsible in the supply and distribution of seedlings for the tree planting and home-based gardening program of the Municipality.

**SECTION 8. PLANTING OF TREES.** All able-bodied citizens residing in the Municipality, who are at least Twelve (12) years of age, shall be encouraged to plant one (1) tree every year.

**SECTION 9. AREAS COVERED BY TREE PLANTING AND GARDENING.** The Greening of Bacolor Committee shall specify the area within the Municipality to be planted with trees and utilized for gardening or growing of plants and vegetables. For tree planting, the Committee shall encourage the use of the endemic or indigenous species.

The tree planting and gardening or growing of plants and vegetables activities shall be done in any of the following areas after consulting the owners:

- Open spaces in public schools and Child Development Centers or Day Cares;
- Open spaces in private schools;
- Idle or vacant private lands;
- Public open spaces

**SECTION 10. BARANGAY PARTICIPATION.** The 21 barangays with their respective Sangguniang Kabataan shall be mandated to initiate its greening program with specific budget allocation in their Annual Barangay Youth Investment Plan (ABYIP).

**SECTION 11. MAINTENANCE OF TREES AND PLANTS.** The barangay officials and deputized non-governmental organizations shall be responsible for the maintenance of such trees and plants.

**SECTION 12. SUPPLEMENTARY CLAUSE.** On matters not provided in this Ordinance, any applicable laws and their corresponding implementing rules and regulations, executive orders and relevant issuances therefore shall be applied in a supplemental manner.


**SECTION 13. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision of this Ordinance or the application of such provision to any person or circumstances is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Ordinance or the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected by such declaration.

**SECTION 14. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All existing ordinances and resolutions found to be inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 15. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

**APPROVED.**

I HEREBY CERTIFY, to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

  
**VICENTA PAGCU-PINEDA**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

  
**HON. WILFREDO H. BALINGIT**  
Presiding Officer/Municipal Vice Mayor

APPROVED:

  
**HON. EDUARDO G. DATU, GEO.,MPM**  
Municipal Mayor



Boar brothers...

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control the crowd because of Covid, we thought this is the right time to initiate a speak-easy. So our guests are vetted, it will be less of a worry for us to get infected because we know the people who are coming in,” he added.

Mykhael furthered they try to systemize in selecting their guests through reservations to match the vibe of the night to make them feel comfortable through shared common interests in order to also find and create new networks, connections, and friendships.

Officially opened in January, Boar Brothers serves a docket of bar chows, picas, and their well-loved steak platters and chicken wings by Chef Dani to match and pair with their line of liquor selections, cocktails, and mocktails prepared by its in-house bartender Whyt Gonzales.

Boar Brothers is already known for their

myriad of hardcore booze and handcrafted cocktails from the traditional negronis to aperitifs and shooters, to their very own selections and must-try drinks of Happy Trail, Boar Bombs, and prohibition era line up of a punch.

Having the prestige that comes with exclusivity, Boar Brothers hopes to expand their space to create a much more intimate vibe by having a separate underground bar for a more Tartarean speakeasy concept.

Located where the X marks the spot, Boar Brothers is open Mondays to Saturdays from 5 p.m. to 12 midnight. For location details and table reservations, you may send a message via Boar Brothers’ socials on Instagram and Facebook. They also accept private functions for meetings and small events.

\*An exclusive 10 percent discount awaits guests when you show this article upon reservation. Limited slots only.

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **EMILIA TARUC BALINGIT** who died on May 31, 2021 at Sto. Tomas, San Luis, Pampanga, executed an Affidavit of Extra-Judicial Settlement on his estate, leaving certain bank accounts/deposit maintained with LANDBANK, JASA Road, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, under Account No. 0081-3118-89 and BANK OF THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (BPI FAMILY BANK) San Agustin Branch, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, under Joint Account No. 5203-3380-17, before Notary Public Avelino C. Gorospe, as per Doc No. 395, Page No. 80, Book No. 181, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 19, 26 & August 2, 2021

NOTICE OF SELF-AJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **MELITA O. DE LEON**, single, of legal age, Filipino citizen and with residence and postal address at #2 Daisy St. San Isidro, San Fernando, Pampanga and heir of **EDITHA O. DE LEON** who died on May 2, 2020 at #2 Daisy St. San Isidro, San Fernando Pampanga, executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication of the estate of deceased person, more particularly described as A parcel of land (Lot 11 Blk. 2 of the subd. Plan Psd-03-07886 4, being a portion of Lot 22, Blk. 11 (LRC) Pcs-14569, LRC Rec. No. situated in the Mun. of Arayat, Prov. of Pampanga. before Notary Public Leila Mae M. Estabilloas per Doc No. 30, Page No. 7, Book No. 9, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 19, 26 & August 2, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **LUZ C. GUANLAO**, died intestate at Porac, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on her estate, leaving a cash award/incentive/entitlement by reason of her having attained the age of 95 years prior to her death, she having been born on March 14, 1925 and having died only on March 21, 2021. before Notary Public Avelino S. Buan as per Doc No. 204, Page No. 54, Book No.III Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 26, August 2 & 9, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **LEONARDO A. DAVID** who died on May 28, 2021 at Magalang, Pampanga, executed an Affidavit of Extra-judicial Settlement on his estate, more particularly described as follows:

PORAC BANK  
Magalang, Pampanga Branch  
Account No. 3835-002-01-109664-2  
Account Name: **LEONARDO A. DAVID**  
AMOUNT: P179,329.33

before Notary Public Almario D. Marimla, Doc. No. 1929, Page No. 17, Book No. LXXXIV, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 19, 26 & August 2, 2021

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **WILFREDO M. GUEVARRA** who died on October 21, 2020 in City of San Fernando, Pampanga leaving no will and debts whatsoever, executed an Affidavit of Extra-Judicial Settlement on his estate, the decedents have left his rights and interest over a certain housing allocation (house and lot) from the National Housing Authority (NHA), which is particularly identified as Block 10 Lot 05, San Fernando Heights, Malpitic, City of San Fernando, Pampanga; before Notary Public Mariline M. Lee, as per Doc No. 410, Page No. 82, Book No. XCIII, Series of 2021.

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City of San Fernando, Pampanga

Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff

HOME DEVELOPMENT  
MUTUAL FUND,

Petitioner- Mortgagee,

~ versus ~

E.J.F. No. 175-17  
Real Estate Mortgage Under  
Act 3135 as Amended by Act 4118

EDILBERTO M. DIANO, JR.,  
Married to DOLORES N. DIANO  
Respondents-Mortgagors.  
X-----X

NOTICE OF EXTRA - JUDICIAL SALE

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under **Act 3135 / 1508** filed by **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND**, mortgagee, with its postal address at Suburbia Commercial Complex, Mc. Arthur Highway, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, against **EDILBERTO M. DIANO JR.**, married to **DOLORES N. DIANO**, Mortgagors with residence and postal addresses at No. 12, San Juan, Lubao, Pampanga, and/or Lot 23,-B, Cerhil Subd., Quebiawan, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of May 31, 2016 amounts to **TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIVE and 14/100 (Php.,276,105.14)** excluding penalties, attorney’s fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned duty authorized deputy sheriff will sell at public auction on **August 11, 2021 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. 042-2011004609

“A parcel of land (Lot 23-B of the cons. Subd. plan, Psd-035416-051312, being portion of lot 23, blk. 1 (LRC) Psd-37035, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Quebiawan, Mun. of San Fdo., Prov. of Pamp. x x x containing on area of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (150,000) square meters more or less. x x x”

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **August 18, 2021**, without further notice.

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, July 5,2021.

RICHARD C. LOPEZ  
Sheriff IV

CC:  
1. HOME DEVT. MUTUAL FUND  
-Petron Mega Plaza Bldg., 358 Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City  
-Suburbia Commercial Complex, Mc. Arthur Highway, City of San Fernando, Pampanga  
2.EDILBERTO M. DIANO, JR. And DOLORES N. DIANO  
-No. 12 San Juan, Lubao, Pampanga  
-Lot 23-B, Cerhill Subd., Quebiawan, City of San Fernando, Pampanga  
3. PUNTO CENTRAL LUZON

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NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **LEOPOLDO T. JOVEN**, who died on August 7, 2009 in the City of Manila, Philippines and **LORETO P. JOVEN** who died on July 26, 2018 in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate, more particularly described as follows:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 275391-R  
Registry of Deeds for the Province of Pampanga

A parcel of Land without any improvements located in Tinajero, Bacolor Pampanga, Philippines and having an area of 5,366 square meters more or less, which parcel of land does NOT belong to the conjugal partnership of gains as it had been inherited by the late LEOPOLDO T. JOVEN from his parents (hereinafter referred to as the FIRST PROPERTY);

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 196874-R  
Registry of Deeds for the Province of Pampanga

A parcel of Land without any improvements located in Cabetican, Bacolor Pampanga, Philippines and having an area of 601 square meters more or less, which parcel of land forms part of the conjugal partnership of gains (hereinafter referred to as the SECOND PROPERTY);

before Notary Public Carlota Dela Cruz-Manalo as per Doc No. 329, Page No. 66, Book No. XXXIII, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 2, 9 & 16, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **CORAZON MALIT VDA. DE MANINANG**, who died on September 14, 2020 in California, USA executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on her estate, more particularly described as follows:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 367243-R  
Registry of Deeds for the Province of Pampanga

A parcel of Land (Lot B-2-A of the subd., plan Psd-035408-064039, being a portion of Lot B-2 (LRC) Psd-45968 LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo of Santiago, Mun. of Lubao, Prov. of Pampanga;

before Notary Public Ambrosio Brian F. Enciso III as per Doc No. 3624-3627, Page No. 111, O.R No. 111669, Service No. 1013-1016 Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 2, 9 & 16, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ADELIA D. DUNGCA** who died on April 2, 2021 in Angeles City executed an Affidavit of Extra-Judicial settlement with Specific Waiver and Renunciation of Rights by way of Donation on her estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 136445 and more particularly described as follows, to wit:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION

A parcel of land (Lot 8-1-2-B-1 of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-85412, being portion of Lot 8-1-2-B, described on plan (LRC) Psd-78760, LRC Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrio of Cutcut, City of Angeles,

before Notary Public Joanne D. Vitug-Evangelista as per Doc No. 73, Page No. 72, Book No. VI, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: August 2, 9 & 16, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. ANDRES ALIMURUNG** and **CARMELITA M. DAVID**, who died on August 8, 2009 in Angeles City and February 12, 2018 in Angeles City, executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Sale on his/her estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 6 of the sonsolidation-subdivision plan (LRC) Pcs-14631, being portion of the consolidation of Lots 4, 6-11, Block 11 (LRC) Pcs-5403; L.R.C Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrio of Pampang, San Nicolas & Lordes, City of Angeles, Island of Luzon. and which is covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 68365, before Notary Public Orlando R. Pangilinan as per Doc No. 431, Page No. 54, Book No. LXIII, Series of 2021.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 26, August 2, & 9, 2021

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **MELVIN Y. YTURRALDE** who died on August 1, 1984, in Angeles City, executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights and Deed of Absolute Sale on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 45-A, of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-160104, being a portion of Lot 45, Psd-76713, LRC. Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrio of San Jose, City of Angeles, and which is covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 52346 before Notary Public Willie B. Rivera as per Doc No. 759, Page No. 97, Book No. XCIV, Series of 2017.

Punto! Central Luzon: July 19, 26 & August 2, 2021

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ELIZABETH PINGUL DIMATULAC** who died on December 4, 2015 in 15 Purok 3, Baliti, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, executed an Affidavit of Extra-Judicial Settlement with Special Power of Attorney on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot No. 4231-A-2, of the subd. plan Psd-03-175795, being a portion of Lot No. 4231-A, Psd-03-033370, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Baliti, Mun. of San Fdo. Prov. of Pampanga and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 704967-R, Registry of Deeds for the Province of Pampanga, before Notary Public Bryant R. Canasa, CPA as per Doc No. 527, Page No. 05, Book No. VI, Series of 2021.

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OLMCMC president and medical director Dr. Monet Briones during her welcome remarks at the OLMCMC's 20th founding anniversary.



Some of the loyalty awardees who rendered their service, dedication, and hard work through the years. --PHOTOS BY RIC GONZALES

## 20 years of delivering...

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equipped with state-of-the-art medical facilities and instruments. Founded on July 16, 2001 in honor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, the OLMCMC aims to provide quality service through healthcare facilitation, education and promotion. According to Dr. Briones, there may have been a lot

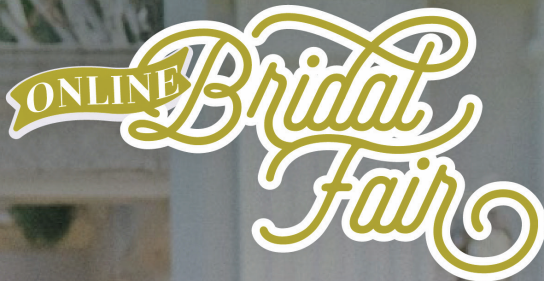
of problems and challenges that they have encountered for the past 20 years yet they remain steadfast especially amidst the pandemic. "Initially during the first few months of the Covid-19 situation, there were doctors and nurses who had worries about going to the hospital or even just going out of their homes. But despite the pandemic, they didn't leave

us. Our doctors, nurses, our staff, we saw their love, dedication, and loyalty," said Briones. Hence during the event, OLMCMC honored its frontliners and awarded its doctors, nurses, administrators, teachers, and staff who rendered eight to 20 years of service, dedication, and hard work. Briones shared OLMC-

MC plans to complete its services and laboratories for their doctors and patients as they are already constructing its coronary bypass unit to start putting their plans in motion. "We are currently constructing a coronary bypass unit. All of our services, laboratories, as much as possible we want it to be complete so our patients won't need

to go to a different hospital for the services they will need. Hopefully, it will be like a one-stop-shop soon," Briones said. OLMCMC envisions itself to be the best in the medical field by providing the collaborative delivery of its services with compassion and care to become a world-class hospital within the reach of everyone.

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## SBMA posts...

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and import and export performance. Only tourism income, non-containerized cargo volume, and committed investments have yet to pick up, Eisma said.

For starters, SBMA's operating revenue increased from P1.53 billion in the first six months of 2020 to P1.66 billion in the same period this year. Eisma said that while this was still short by P226 million, or 11.96 percent, when compared to the pre-pandemic record of P1.88 billion in 2019, "it still shows how fast Subic is able to recover from the effects of the Covid-19 health crisis and the resulting global economic slowdown."

## Subic's revenue growth

in the first half is boosted by a P718-million collection from leases, P685 million from port operations, P189 million from regulatory fees, and P69 million from miscellaneous sources.

Meanwhile, SBMA's port revenue reached P645.8 million in the first semester, which was 17 percent higher than last year's figures. The increase came mainly from a 14 percent increase in containerized cargo, which rose from 107,740 TEUs in 2020 to 122,862 TEUs this year, even when non-containerized cargo slid by 2.5 percent from 3.54 million metric tons in 2020 to 3.46 million MTs this year.

Eisma also pointed out that Subic performed bet-

ter in terms of import and export, with \$842.29 million in imports that was 40 percent higher than the \$601.8 million last year, and \$636.8 million in export value that was 86 percent higher than last year.

Meanwhile, the Subic Bay Freeport workforce kept growing despite the pandemic. From a total of 134,268 in 2019, it grew to 138,110 by the end of 2020 to 138,964 in the first half of 2021. The services sector employed a total of 101,390 workers or about 73 percent.

Likewise, even when the 2021 first semester committed investment total of P873.75 million was 14 percent lower than that of last year's, the number of

registered Subic investors continued to grow from 1,691 in 2019 to 1,706 in 2020 and to 1,744 by mid-year 2021.

In terms of tourism, meanwhile, Subic posted a modest growth of 32 percent with 3.2 million same-day visitors in the first half of 2021; a slight increase in tourist arrivals from 149,951 in 2020 to 206,229 this year; as well as a modest growth in hotel occupancy, which increased from 20% in 2020 to 26.7 percent this year.

Eisma attributed the growth in key sectors to sound economic policies, best practices in anti-Covid measures, and a vision for renewed growth under the new normal.

# Live, live, better...

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with his peers in the administration, if he does the ultimate sacrifice for the benefit of the people. "As it is, he stands no chance of winning a senate seat especially now that his insensitivity is underscored," Cruz said.

The PGKM vehemently opposes the alignment of the multi-billion SCRP calling the project redundant among others. Cruz said a freight railway, at this time is unnecessary. It costs billions of pesos when the money could very well be spent to buy vaccines and

use for financial aid as thousands lost their livelihoods, he said.

“Why is it now that there is a pandemic that the government is insisting on this project? Cruz asked.

"The shortest distance between Subic and Clark is the alignment of the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX), why realigned the SCRPP to populated areas that will affect developed and ongoing development? Cruz asked.

The project will “kill, kill, kill” the established commercial enterprises, res-

idential areas, even the developments such as mix-use townships and business centers already planned in the areas the railway alignment will traverse, Cruz said, adding "Tugade's purpose in changing the alignment is questionable."

The PGKM chair noted that President Duterte himself had said that we have no more money.

"I cannot give food any more and money to people," said Duterte in published reports on Monday as more lockdowns are set to fight

the new strain of Covid-19, the Delta variant.

The President said on Sunday: “Ngayon, magsabi kayo i-lockdown mo na ang Maynila, ang ibang lugar, the entire Philippines para talaga wala nang mahawa.... Problem is wala na tayong pera.”

“There is money if the government can pursue a Live, Live, Live Program instead of the Build, Build, Build Program instead, Cruz said. “The time to use this is now. Or else, aanhin pa ang damo kung patay na ang kabayo?”

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REGIONAL TRIAL COURT  
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT  
ANGELES CITY**

**FIDENCIO CRUZ GALLARDO, JR.,**  
Petitioner,

-versus-

**SP. PROC NO. R-ANG-21-02167-SP  
FOR: PETITION FOR  
CANCELLATION OF ENTRY IN  
THE CIVIL REGISTRY**

**THE CIVIL REGISTRAR OF MABALACAT  
CITY, PAMPANGA THE PHILIPPINE  
STATISTICS AUTHORITY, and  
MARISSA JIMENEZ DAVID**  
Respondents,  
X-----X

**ORDER**

A verified Petition for Cancellation of Entry in the Civil Registry has been filed by petitioner Fidencio Cruz Gallardo, Jr., respectfully moving and praying to the Honorable Court, that after due notice, publication and hearing, the Honorable Court grant the petition and issue an Order to public respondents to cancel the entry of marriage of petitioner Fidencio Cruz Gallardo, Jr., and respondent Marissa Jimenez David.

Finding the Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, notice is hereby given that the petition is set for initial hearing on September 15, 2021 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning at the sala of this Court located at Rm. 209, Hall of Justice Bldg., City Hall Compound, Pulung Maragul, Angeles City at which date and time, all persons interested may appear and show cause in writing why the petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation chosen by raffie and further served together with a copy of the petition and annexes to the Office of the Civil Registrar of Mabalacat City, Pampanga, the Office of the Solicitor General, the Civil Registrar General, Philippines Statistics Authority, Quezon City, and the City Prosecutor's Office of Angeles City.

**SO ORDERED**

Angeles City July 26, 2021.

**RODRIGO I. DEL ROSARIO**  
Presiding Judge

Punto! Central Luzon: August 2, 9 & 16, 2021

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES**  
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**TEODORICO T. TUAZON**  
**Mortgagee,**

**FC CASE NO. 2021-2144**  
**EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE**  
**OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE**  
**UNDER ACT NO. 3135**

-versus-

**LYNN BERNALES CORPIN**  
**Mortgagor,**  
**x-----x**

**NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135, as amended filed by the above-named Mortgagee against the Mortgagor **LYNN BERNALES CORPIN with residence and postal address at No. 638 Montalban Street, Malabanas, Angeles City, Pampanga**, to satisfy the total obligation secured by real estate mortgage which as of May 06, 2021 amount to **TWO MILLION THREE HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND (2,304,000.00)** Philippine Currency, the undersigned Sheriff will sell at public auction on September 15, 2021 at **10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in the OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT OF PORAC**, Province of Pampanga to the highest bidder, for cash or manager's check and in Philippine Currency, the following parcel of land with all the improvements existing thereon, to wit:

**TCT NO. 042-2019016729**

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 25, BLOCK 25, BLOCK 24 OF THE SUBD. PLAN (LRC) PSD-233161, BEING A PORTION OF LOT 3 (LRC) PSD-229572, LRC CAD REC. No. 372) SITUATED IN THE BO OF STA. CRUZ, MUN. OF PORAC, PROV. OF PAMP., ISLAND OF LUZON BOUNDED ON THE NE., PTS 2 TO 3 BY ROAD LOT 2; ON THE SE., PTS 3 TO 4 BY ALLEY 2; ON THE SW., PTS. 4 TO 1 BY LOT 26; AND ON THE NW., PTS 1 TO 2 BY LOT 23, BOTH OF BLK. 24 OF THE SUBD. PLAN x x x CONTAINING AN AREA OF ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180) SQUARE METERS.

Interested bidders/buyers may investigate for themselves the above mentioned property for their information and protection.

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 22, 2021 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning without further notice.

Angeles City, August 2, 2021

**FLORIAN P. BANABANA**  
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**LYNN BERNALES CORPIN**

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## HABAGAT LASHES PAMPANGA

# P268-M damage to crops

BY BONG Z. LACSON

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Persistent rains caused by the southwest monsoon or habagat have caused P268,365,663 damage to crops and fisheries in Pampanga.

The office of the provincial agriculturist said the assessment came from eleven municipalities that submitted reports on the damages covering their areas.

As of Tuesday, the damage in the palay sector has reached P183,125,542, with Lubao town suffering the most at P78,938,895, followed by San Luis with P41,526,267, and Apalit with P34,418,807.

The other towns with their corresponding amount of damages in palay crops are Candaba at P 21,679,177, Mexico at P5,289,600, and Magalang at P106,665.

While Minalin town listed a minimal damage of P31,500 in palay, it registered P100,000 in high value crops.

Magalang also sustained losses on its corn crops worth P50,625.

In the fisheries sector, total damage is currently at P85,089,496. Most of the losses were reported in the fourth district towns of Minalin with P35,895,950; Masantol with P25,986,620; and Macabebe with P8,007,660.

In the second district, Sasmuan reported P15,199,266 worth of damage to its fisheries sector.

Per report of the provincial disaster risk reduction and management office on Monday, 120 barangays in Pampanga remained underwater at depths of one to three feet.



# ECQ looms in Bataan anew

BY ERNIE ESCONDE

BALANGA CITY -- Gov. Albert Garcia on Wednesday announced that Bataan any time will be placed under the enhanced community quarantine, except the town of Mariveles which will be under ECQ with heightened restrictions.

Mariveles, home of the Freeport Area of Bataan, is considered as the epicenter of the coronavirus disease in the province where there are thousands of workers. For the past weeks,

it has registered daily with the most number of new confirmed cases of Covid-19.

The governor said the decision was unanimously approved during Tuesday's meeting of the provincial inter-agency task force and mayors in Bataan.

He said that they were waiting for the approval of the national IATF as to when the new community quarantine status will start. Bataan used to be under the modified enhanced com-

munity quarantine.

"Gamitin ang panahong nalalabi sa paghahanda para sa ECQ ngunit pinaaalalahanan lamang ang lahat na huwag mag-panic buying dahil bukas naman ang mga palengke at supermarket para sa mga essential needs," Garcia said.

He said that vaccinations will continue.

The provincial health office reported that Bataan as of August 2 has 1,981 active cases of the coronavirus disease from the 14,233 total

number of those who tested positive of the virus.

Of the active cases, Mariveles got the highest with 1,149, then Balanga City – 217, Limay – 173, Dinalupihan – 123, Orion – 99, Orani – 75, Abucay – 49, Bagac – 32, Hermosa – 31, Samal – 26, Pilar – 25, and Morong – 18.

There were 18 Delta variant cases listed among the total number of those who were found positive of the virus.

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