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453rd Pampanga Day celebrations kick off

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – Pride in Kapampangan heritage and history kicked off the 10-day celebration of the 453rd Aldo Ning Kapampangan at the Capitol grounds here on Dec. 2. **PAGE 11 PLEASE**



PAMPANGA CAPITOL ALL AGLOW.

The Pampanga Capitol gets the full measure of Christmas lights and colors to cap the kickoff ceremonies for the celebration of the 453rd Aldo Ning Kapampangan.

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PAMPANGA PIO



Raising the symbolic star of hope and joy of the cabalens, acting Gov. Lilia "Nanay" Pineda leads the kickoff for the Pampanga Day celebrations.

PHOTO: PAMPANGA PIO

TCTs awarded to BCDA project-affected landowners

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – A total of 68 Transfer Certificate of Titles (TCTs) were handed out recently to landowners affected by the Subic-Clark-Manila-Batangas (SCMB) railway project.

at the Benigno Aquino Hall at the Capitol grounds here, Richard Brian M. Cepe, OIC-SVP of the Bases Conversion and Development Authority, commended the landowners from the towns of Porac and Flor-

In ceremonies held

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AC inaugurates P400-M market



ANGELES CITY – Mayor Carmelo "Pogi" Lazatin, Jr. officially inaugurated the new and modernized P400-million Pampanga Public Market on Nov. 29 with Sen. Imee Marcos as guest of honor.

The 30,685-sqm. state-of-the-art facility serves as a concrete manifestation of the city government's commitment to support the livelihood of the local vendors while providing residents with a safe, convenient, and accessible marketplace.

The 3-storey market features a 2,682-sqm dry goods section on the ground floor, alongside a spacious food court.

The second and third floors house steel

parking facilities with 251 slots and a dedicated elevator, ensuring accessibility for both vendors and patrons.

A separate wing, with 50 stalls, caters to carinderias, transforming the market into a commercial hub.

"This new Pampanga Public Market is not just a building; it's a symbol of our dedication to uplifting our local vendors and ensuring that Angeles City remains a hub of trade and commerce," the mayor said.

The project, completed in 588 calendar days, replaces the original market, which was destroyed by fire in 2020.

Lazatin meanwhile

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EXTRAVAGANZA OF LIGHT

The night sky sparkles with a dazzling fireworks display as SM City Pampanga's Biggest Lantern of Hope lights up with 17,664 dancing LEDs upping the excitement for the joy of Christmas and brighter hopes for the New Year.

PHOTO: BONG LACSON



CRK-SIARGAO STARTS

SURFING'S JUST a two-hour hop away. Philippine Airlines commenced today, Dec. 3, its 3X weekly (Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) flights from the Clark International Airport to the Philip-

piners' Surfing Capital – Siargao. PR 2875 departs CRK at 11 a.m., arriving in Siargao at 1:05 p.m. The return service, PR 2876 leaves Siargao at 1:35 p.m., arriving in CRK at 3:40 p.m.

In attendance at the launch of the maiden CRK-Siargao flight were Luzon International Premier Airport Development Corp. president Noel Manankil, Clark Development Corp. PCEO

Atty. Agnes VST Devanadera, Department of Tourism-3 director Dr. Richard Daenos, and Bases Conversion and Development Authority VP for communications Lani Macasaet.

Top leisure destinations Basco (Batanes), Caticlan (Boracay), and Busuanga (Coron) are also served from the CRK by the nation's flag carrier. **PUNTO Lifestyle Team/Contributed**

CIAC among top performing GOCCs

CLARK FREEPORT -- The Clark International Airport Corp. (CIAC) was cited as among the top performing government-owned and -controlled corporations in the country during the Annual Governance Commission for GOCCs (GCG) Awards ceremony held recently in Manila.

CIAC president and CEO Jojit Alcazar received the award from Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin during the ceremony where the CIAC was cited for being among the top ten GOCCs based on the GCG's Corporate Governance Scorecard and Performance Evaluation System.

The evaluation system is the process of appraising the accomplishments of GOCCs in a given fiscal year based on a set of performance criteria, targets, and weights reported in a performance scorecard.

Alcazar, who was accompanied by CIAC chief finance officer Nancy Paglinawan and chief operations officer Brando Aguilera, said the award affirms the CIAC's collective efforts to achieve corporate excellence and its targets.

"This citation will drive CIAC further to realize the seven flagship projects of the Clark Aviation Capital as the country's aviation-centric business center

under the Marcos administration and the One Clark vision," Alcazar said.

GCG chairperson Atty. Marius Corpus emphasized to the audience of about 400 guests composed of officials from the executive branch, GOCCs, national government agencies, and institutional partners, that "GOCCs remain steadfast in fulfilling (their) commitment to the people they serve. In fulfillment of their significant growth, GOCCs are cornerstone institutions that support inclusive growth, promote social welfare and ensure service delivery."

As the premier aviation and land development arm of the Bases Conversion and Development Authority, CIAC manages the 2,367-hectare Clark Aviation Capital primed to be the country's aviation-centric business center. It is also tasked by the Department of Transportation to exercise oversight functions over the operations of the Clark International Airport.

The GCG, created under RA 10149 (GOCC Governance Act of 2011) is the central policy-making and regulatory body mandated to ensure the operations of GOCCs are transparent and responsive to the needs of the public. **CIAC-PAD**



CDC PCEO Atty. Agnes VST Devanadera (sixth, left) with Energy Secretary Raphael P.M. Lotilla (center) after presenting the solar potential of Clark Freeport Zone. With them (L-R) are DOE Asec. Ronald Conquilla, CDC building and facilities permits division anager Engr. Leoncio Tan, communications division manager Astrud Aguinaldo, VP for legal affairs group Atty. Gloria Victoria Yap-Taruc, and Usec. Rowena Guevara. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

CDC heats up solar energy drive in Clark

TAGUIG CITY — In a bid to advance renewable energy, Clark Development Corp. presented the solar potential of Clark Freeport Zone to Energy Secretary Raphael P.M. Lotilla on Dec. 2.

CDC president and CEO Atty. Agnes VST Devanadera showcased the 20 locators with existing solar rooftop installations and identified 23 additional locators with potential rooftop space in the freeport. She highlighted the benefits and aimed to help businesses leverage incentives to improve efficiency and sustainability.

During the meeting, Deva-

nadera shared insights from the 2023 study, "Shedding Sunlight on Clark's Potential for Rooftop Solar," by Thinking Machines Data Science. The study identified 246 hectares of potential rooftop space in Clark Freeport, with an estimated solar installation capacity of 246 MW.

This presentation followed a recent discussion with Asec. Mylene Capongcol, director of the Renewable Energy Management Bureau at the Department of Energy, about the DOE's enhanced rooftop policy and the Expanded Roof-Mounted Solar Program (ERSP).

CDC aims to fully utilize this potential through various initiatives and collaboration with the DOE. Currently, only 1.3% of the potential solar rooftop area in Clark is being used, and CDC is dedicated to increasing this figure.

The ERSP's goals align closely with CDC's commitment to promoting renewable energy within the Clark Freeport Zone. This program supports CDC's vision of a sustainable, energy-efficient environment for its locators, aligning with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7: Affordable and Clean Energy.

CDC-PR



CIAC PCEO Jojit Alcazar (center) poses with Executive Secretary Lucas Bersamin (3rd from left) after receiving the award as one of the top ranking GOCCs. With Alcazar are CIAC CFO Nancy Paglinawan (3rd from right) and COO Brando Aguilera (2nd from right). Bersamin was assisted by GCG commissioner Atty. Brian Keith Hosaka (left), GCG chairperson Atty. Marius Corpus (2nd from left) and GCG commissioner Atty. Geraldine Marie Berberabe-Martinez (extreme right). **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

ANGELES CITY – A celebration of academic pride and excellence pervades the inauguration of the Nursing and Criminology buildings of the Systems Plus College Foundation on Nov. 29, in furtherance of its commitment to provide quality education and meet the diverse academic needs of the community. A thanksgiving Mass and Christmas tree lighting highlighted the inauguration. **PUNTO LIFESTYLE TEAM.**



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To the Point

Centers of formation, not 'achievement factories'

THERE IS no need for educational models that are mere "achievement factories" without a cultural plan that enables the formation of people capable of helping the world turn over a new leaf by eradicating inequality, endemic poverty and exclusion.

The world does not need sleepwalking repeaters of the status quo, but new choreographers, interpreters of the potential within humans, new social poets.

[Schools, universities and cultural centers must teach people] to desire, to stay thirsty, to have dreams, [rather than to] passively accept the current state of the world.

(Pope Francis' message in a plenary assembly of the Dicastery for Culture and Education, 21 November 2024)

Take the 'rights' path

ENDING AIDS as a public health threat by 2030 is achievable.

But reaching this goal requires breaking down the barriers keeping people from vital services.

Every 25 seconds, someone in the world is infected with HIV.

One-quarter of people living with HIV — more than nine million people — lack access to lifesaving treatment.

Discriminatory laws, policies and practices punish and stigmatize vulnerable people — especially women, girls and minorities — preventing their access to proven preventions, testing, treatment and care.

This year's World AIDS Day reminds us the fight against AIDS can be won if leaders take a rights-based approach to ensure that everyone — especially the most vulnerable — can get the services they need without fear.

The inspirational advances made in the global HIV response have been powered by global solidarity and human rights.

We will overcome AIDS if the rights of everyone, everywhere, are protected.

I call on all leaders to heed this year's theme and take the "rights" path.

(UN Secretary-General António Guterres' message for World AIDS Day, 1 December 2024)



Shepherd's Call

Bishop Pablo Virgilio S. David

Opinion

Attentiveness

SOMEONE ONCE asked me what our Kapampangan word for listening is. I said "Makiramdam." He seemed puzzled because he knows that "makiramdam" is also a Tagalog word and it means "to feel." So how do you say, "to feel" in Kapampangan?" was his follow up question. And I said, "makiramdam."

It was only then that it dawned on me that in Kapampangan — listening "pakikinig" and feeling "pakikiramdam" were one and the same word. It means that for us, to listen is not only to hear with our ears but to feel with our whole being, to be sensitive, to pick up not just what is said but also that which is unsaid.

I think pakikiramdam comes closer to the kind of attentiveness that the Lord says we need in today's Gospel, in order to be able to interpret the signs of his coming. Let me propose two points for reflection for this first Sunday of Advent. First, about the need to learn how to deal with distractions if we want to develop attentiveness. And second, about the discipline that comes with attentiveness, which includes concentration or focus, vigilance or alertness. There is a charismatic action song that says something like that. It says, "I am alive, awake, alert, enthusiastic..." Alive (you touch your toes), awake (your knees), alert (your shoulders) and enthusiastic (you wave your hands).

Let's reflect a bit more on each one: first, about DISTRACTIONS. Obviously, "distracted" is the opposite of "attentive." The first part of the Gospel has to do with dealing with the "anxieties of daily life..." It is warning us about allowing our hearts to get "drowsy from carousing," such that we are prevented from paying attention to the signs of God's coming. That is how the people in the time of Noah are described earlier in Luke chapter 17: that people were "eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage until the day Noah entered the ark..." And then in the next verse he says the same was true in the time of Lot, people were busy "eating, drinking, buying, selling, planting and building... until the day fire and brimstone rained down from the sky." In short, they were complacent. And so, they were caught unawares and met a tragic end.

I checked the word "Carousing." It means "engaging in noisy, carefree and boisterous partying, alcohol binge, or wild revelry." The closest examples I can think of are those who indulge in loud karaoke or videoke sessions until the wee hours of the morning, not caring about disturbing the neighbors. To behave this way is to say, "I do

not care." It is the typical attitude of some people who are in power. They do not have a sense of accountability or responsibility towards anybody. Advent is a time to be reminded that there is going to be a day of reckoning!

And now let us reflect on the other discipline that comes with attentiveness: concentration or focus, vigilance or alertness. The image that comes to my mind is an adult circus tightrope walker teaching his nervous son how to walk on a tightrope and how to succeed in crossing over to the other end of the rope suspended between two posts. The father positions himself on the other end and asks his son to just feel the rope with his feet, not to look down or look around but to look ahead, to fix his gaze on the eyes of his father who is there waiting at the other side.

The other imagery which I have used very often has to do with the secret of winning the hit-the-pot game while blindfolded. The technique is simple: listen to only one voice you can trust—perhaps your father's, and not to mind all others. Apply this now to the spiritual life. I think you will understand now if I say prayer is really about spiritual attentiveness. It has to do with familiarizing ourselves with God's will, God's ways, God's voice. The problem is the devil is often a "third-rate trying hard copycat." Gaya-gaya siya. He tries to imitate or mimic God, precisely to mislead us or confuse us. That is why prayer is essential to our growth in another spiritual discipline: discernment, the capacity to sort out, to distinguish between what is from God and what is not from God.

If we do not have time anymore to be silent, to reflect and meditate, we will tend to be more easily distracted or misled. We will never learn to sort out the many voices that compete in our own heads. That is the reason why I keep telling you, that while it is natural to talk to God in our prayer, what matters most is that we dispose ourselves to listen, to be attentive, when it's God's turn to talk to us. And so, we can never learn discernment without prayer, understood more basically as the exercise in listening to God.

(Homily for 1st Sunday of Advent, 1 Dec. 2024, Lk 21:25-28, 34-36)

Nothing can quench the Christmas spirit in the Filipino heart

...THIS IS the most important part of every Filipino's calendar. This is the time for us to be with our friends, with our family, to enjoy a little bit of quiet time, a little bit of relaxation. And to think of the year that came back — that has just passed and start to think about the year that is coming.

And it is joyful time for all the Filipinos. But as we celebrate, I would like to ask you to hold a thought for all those people who up to now are trying to recover from the effects of the six

typhoons that we suffered in twenty-three days. Many of them are still in shelters. Many of them are still in need.

And all of these disasters, like I just came and saw some victims of fires. All of these people, let's just keep them in mind and do what Filipinos do. Let's help each other.

And my Christmas wish is that despite everything, that no Filipino has — every Filipino should feel somehow Christmas. Because after all, no matter how many typhoons they throw at us, no matter how many problems are thrown at us, there's nothing that will quench the Christmas spirit in the Filipino heart. In every child, man, woman Filipino, hindi mo na matatangal sa Pilipinas 'yan.

And rightly so, we all deserve Christmas. It's been a tough year. But, never mind, we are Filipinos, we always stand up. And why not? After all, it is the time to celebrate, to be with our loved ones, to put the — the trials and tribulations that we have been through in the past year — put them to one side, we will come back to them. But put them to one side for just a little bit. And, enjoy the benefits of family, their affection, and all that comes with Christmas.

So, I wish you all a very, Merry, Merry Christmas.

I know that everybody that's here, you all deserve it certainly. The entire Philippines deserve it. Maligayang Pasko, Pilipinas!

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. at the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting in Malacanang, 1 Dec. 2024



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Jun Sula

Remembering history

Two very prominent Filipino leaders remembered history recently. They appealed to the ethos and example of the Great Plebian, Andres Bonifacio.

The two leaders, described so in the ordinary sense of the word, unlike the hero they extolled, are the president and the vice president who are at "war", figuratively. Erstwhile, they were the best of friends, politically speaking. Not anymore.

Both recalled history incompletely and, therefore, not truthfully.

The English novelist Samuel Butler would have understood why. God, he said, cannot alter the past, but historians can. And politicians, too, apparently.

The other half of the untold story is that Bonifacio was assassinated by other Filipino leaders on the imprimatur of a high official who is blamed for the assassination of another Filipino revolutionary general.

Apolinario Mabini, known as the brain of the Philippine revolution, noted in a memoir that the redemption of the official who is blamed for the death of two Filipino revolutionaries requires one thing: he must die in a battle. It did not happen and, therefore, there could have been no redemption.

The president and the vice president conveniently glossed over Mabini's recommendation. It is probably not politically correct to do so, given history and its implications.

Remembering history and its redemption would require, at the very least, apologizing for why and how things went wrong. In a word, repentance, or a 180 degrees turn toward a correct posture and direction.

The president is the only son of a discredited dictator who was thrown out of power into an exile in the aftermath of a peaceful people uprising. The dictator had overstayed the people's welcome, in addition to human rights issues, among others, hidden wealth included.

The vice president is the daughter of another tyrant who is now the front and center of a criminal probe by an international court for the crime against humanity brutally inflicted in the infamous war against drugs. She is also somehow linked to the crime.

The president, who came back to power after decades of cobbling back history in a myth, is

rewriting the past as Butler figured it out. Politicians and historians are not exactly unbiased authors of the forgettable narratives. Victims die, victors edit.

The president is still eerily silent about the billions in estate tax due government as ruled by the Supreme Court. In fact, he is still fighting the order, in the interest of fairness, justice and due process otherwise known as delay. It worked in another case dismissed by another court which lost valuable witnesses on account of the delay.

The president and his vice president seem to agree on the idea of opposing the criminal probe on the latter's father issue of crime against humanity by invoking sovereignty as a defense. Patriotism has been invoked repeatedly ad nauseam for the killing of no less than 30,000 people because of the drug problem.

There are other voices that whisper or shout the same slogan as *modus vivendi* or *modu operandi*.

There is honor even among thieves. History and politics are not so neat and nice as Mabini wrote about. After all, they are about imperfect people in an imperfect world. *Sin pecado cosa vida*, a borrowed prayer from a colonizer that hid people in the dark for centuries in feudal bondage.

Politics here is mostly that: feudal. That's why votes are chattel. Each election is always an auction for the people to sell their votes, sometimes pricing themselves out of the market. It's a sellers' market but buyers are smarter. The vice president, who has an axe to grind, says vote buying has been made legal through other means in the present economy. Guess who wins in the process?

The latest news, which is really old news, an impeachment case has been filed in the House of Representatives against the vice president. The president has made it known through a leak from sympathetic or sycophantic lawmakers – what did he expect? – he does not support it. The president forgot about feudal and thought, authentically, he

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Ad Lib

Rey Yumang

A crisis of grit and values

A RECENT study in the Philippines reveals that there has been a monthly average of 40 deaths by suicide, with more than half by individuals below 30 years old. According to an official report from the Department of Health, one out of ten students seriously attempted suicide in 2023. On the other hand, the Department of Education reported that between 2021 to 2022, a total of 414 students died from suicide while 2,147 tried to end their lives.

Just a week ago, our SFC group chat received a report that a young and promising member of the LGBTQIA+ who was also an elected sangguning kabataan official committed suicide and died. If my memory serves me right this is already the fifth case among the students in the neighboring towns of Macabebe and Masantol in a span of two years.

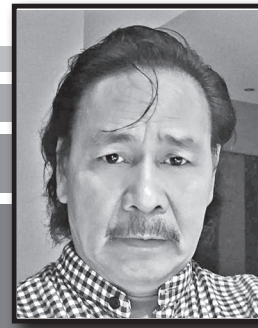
This piece of news became a timely and engaging talking point in our SFC group chat. Let me make it clear, we do not and will never attempt to invalidate the multi-faceted challenges and struggles that young Filipinos face and go through nowadays. In fact, we are one in saying that the pressures on Filipino teens today are truly overwhelming. Some of the forces that contribute to their emotional burden include academic expectations, family obligations, peer pressure, social media standards, and economic challenges.

But then a good friend, a former gay beauty

pageant icon who is now based abroad posted a question that sent us all in a serious introspection mode, totally away from the usually light and free-spirited banter in our group chat. According to her, except perhaps for social media standards, didn't we all face the same struggles during our youth? We couldn't agree more. Truth be told, our generation even faced a more hostile period when society was not as accepting, welcoming and understanding of the LGBTQIA+ community as it is today.

No one in our group was from a well-to-do family; no one came from what we fondly called a DBF – "de buena familia." We all embraced our humble beginnings, and proudly called ourselves the "purita ledesmas" who were bent on one thing – to chase our dreams, carve a brighter future and provide a better life for ourselves and our families. So, ending our lives at a time when we

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Napag-uusapan Lang

Marvel V. Garcia

Utang sa kuryente ng munisipyo ng San Simon umabot ng P7 milyon

1. Ang utang sa kuryente ng munisipyo ng SAN SIMON diumano'y umabot na ng halagang PITONG MILYON mula raw 2021 hanggang sa panahon ngayon ay hindi binabayaran kaya ito ay naipon ito'y ayon sa pahayag nitong INCUMBENT VICE MAYOR na si ROMANOEL SANTOS na ngayon ay oposisyon
2. Ngunit ito ay sinagot agad ng kabilang panig sa pamamagitan nitong si misis BELLA MANLAPIG dahil si mayor PUNSALAN ay tila ba iniipit sa utang ng munisipyong pitong milyon na mahigit pati si dating mayora LEONORA WONG ay nabanggit sa ginawa nilang utang pangalan ay NADADAWIT
3. Ang utang daw sa kuryente ayon pa kay MADAM BELLA taong TWENTY ELEVEN daw nang ito ay mag-umpisa samantalang nang matapos ang tatlong term ni MAYORA ONE HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE MILLION ang perang iniwanan niya na kung ating susuriin ang pondo ay SOBRA-SOBRA upang bayaran ang PELCO sa pagkakautang nila
4. Kung nagsimula ang utang sa taong TWENTY TWENTY ONE bakit hanggang sa panahon ngayo'y di pa NABAYARAN hindi ba't ang vice mayor at ang alkalde nitong bayan? ay dating magka-alyado sa KONSEHO MUNICIPAL? ngunit ngayon ang dalawa sa twina'y NAGBABAN-GAYAN kung sino ang pabaya at mayroong PANANAGUTAN
5. Bakit hindi na lang sila gumawa ng RESOLUTION upang itong suliranin ay mabigyan ng SULUSYON di ba't si DADING SANTOS ay naupo na bilang mayor nang si ABUNDIO PUNSALAN ay patawan ng SUSPENSION subalit hindi rin naman daw KUMILOS at UMAKSIYON ayon na rin sa komento ng mga taga SAN SIMON
6. Ngayon ay nagtuturuan kung sino ang RESPONSABLE at ang dapat managot sa naging utang sa KURYENTE kahit na magkatunggali ang VICE MAYOR at ALKALDE ay dapat lang magtulungan wag na munang MAG-IN-ARTE kung laging nagbabanatan ang IRINGAN ay TITINDE sa kanilang relasyon ay hindi na MAGKAKAIGE
7. Bakit hindi pag-usapan ng maayos ang problema kung paano sulusyunan nang hindi na lumala pa tigilan na ang BANGAYAN at ang mga PATUTSADA di na kayo mga BATA kayo ay MATATANDA na malayo pa ang HALALAN kayo muna'y MAGKAISA suliranin sa kuryente upang inyong MARESOLBA

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MPTC to intensify promotion of safer roads for children

MANILA -- Metro Pacific Tollways Corp. (MPTC) continues its commitment to promoting sustainable and inclusive growth through its tollway operations by integrating child rights and road safety into its core initiatives.

Over the years, its business units — NLEX, MPT South, CCLEC, and MPT Mobility — have launched impactful programs, educational campaigns, and partnerships aimed at fostering a brighter future for young generations.

“As a company and as individuals dedicated to fostering economic and social development in our communities while minimizing our environmental impact, we stand united with various socio-civic organizations and the private sector to further this mission. Together, we strive to uphold children’s rights — ensuring they are heard, empowered, and provided with a safe and healthy environment,” said Atty. Cynthia Casino, MPTC chief corporate governance and head of sustainability.

“At MPTC, our goal is to create safer roads for our children, enabling them to pursue their future and lead healthy, happy, and productive lives,” she added.

In line with MPTC Group’s road safety efforts, NLEX Corp. launched a picture book titled “Ang Bida ng Kalsada” at the National Library of the Philippines to educate young minds on the values of responsible road usage. Featuring engaging stories and illustrations, the book aims to teach children about road safety. NLEX Corp. has distributed 2,000 copies to Grades 3-6 students in 20 public schools within its host communities and to other organizations.

MPT South also launched an updated version of its “Bayani ng Kalsada” (Bayani Ka) book that teaches kids about road signs and familiarizes them with road safety, both in and out of expressways. The book has reached over 1,000 students, with over 420 copies of the updated book donated to participating schools, various libraries,



and institutions.

On Nov. 20, MPTC lit several of its key structures in blue to demonstrate its commitment to creating safer roads for children in celebration of World Children’s Day. These structures included NLEX Corp.’s headquarters in Balintawak, Caloocan; the NLEX Drive and Dine motorists’ rest stop in Valenzuela; MPT South’s LEED Gold-Certified South Hub in Imus City, Cavite; and the iconic Cebu-Cordova Link Expressway in Cebu.

As part of this initiative, MPTC also

echoed the message of this year’s World Children’s Day by utilizing its expressway network assets through billboards that promote road safety for children and highlighting its shared commitment to provide a safer and empowered future for them. This message was also replicated on its online channels with the help of its business units.

MPTC took a significant stride this year to further integrate Child Rights and Business Principles (CRBP) across its organization and reinforce its commitment to child rights and safety. The company held a four-day workshop in partnership

with the Ateneo Human Rights Center (AHRC), with key representatives from its sister companies PLDT Inc. and Smart Communications, Inc. To fortify its efforts, the organization is also preparing for its initiative to conduct a Child Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) in 2025.

MPTC Group’s campaigns on child road safety have been recognized by numerous organizations, including the Department of Health’s Healthy Pilipinas Gold Award, the Asia CEO Awards, and the prestigious ESG Business Awards 2024. **Press release**

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Honoring tradition, cultivating creativity

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO — “This has always been my dream – to go back home and create a space that blends heritage and modernity. Through food and art, we can honor our family’s legacy and pass on the stories of our ancestors to the next generation.”



“There were sleepless nights, but with faith and family support, we pushed through and completed it,” Aida shared.

Her twins, Hannah Nikole and Hannah Mikaela, were the quiet force behind the project, their support fuelling the family’s perseverance. The transformation of the space was a stunning result of collective effort and a deep-rooted support for Kapampangan culture.

Matuang Bale is more than a business venture; it is a tribute to Kapampangan heritage. “We want to remind people of their roots and the greatness of the Kapampangan heritage,” noted Aida.

This commitment was vividly demonstrated during a fashion show on November 30, celebrating Kapampangan heritage with traditional and modern designs. The event showcased the timeless beauty of traditional Kapampangan designs.

Aida expressed profound gratitude to the mentors who have guided her and her family. She underscored the importance of honoring their parents and mentors, whose wisdom and love for Kapampangan culture have been invaluable. This event was a heartfelt tribute to them, preserving their rich heritage for future generations.

Following this tribute,



the runway came alive with colors and textures, each piece telling a unique story. Traditional fabrics intertwined with contemporary designs, creating a stunning fusion that captivated the audience. The Lazatin family, adorned in intricate patterns and vibrant hues, moved gracefully, embodying Kapampangan heritage.

Culminating the afternoon, the opening of Matuang Bale was a living tribute to the past and a hopeful glimpse into the future. History and innovation merged seamlessly, leaving a profound impact on everyone present. The vibrant designs, heartfelt speeches, and sense of community created an unforgettable celebration of Kapampangan culture.

Punto Lifestyle Team



Thus, spoke Aida Lazatin, co-owner of Matuang Bale Cafe and Arts Studio, a veritable reincarnation of the iconic Essel Supermarket into a vibrant cultural hub envisioned as a year-round sanctuary for Kapampangan art and culture in the very heart of the city.

Matuang Bale – old house in Kapampangan – offers a permanent venue for local artists to showcase their work. “The concept of Matuang Bale reminds us to go back home and pay tribute to our roots, a trait that makes the Kapampangan people great,” enthused Marco Lazatin.

Designed as a living art space, Matuang Bale invites visitors to experience the creative process first hand. Currently, it serves as a cozy café offering breads and pastries, complementing Pampanga’s culinary heritage. “I invite everyone to Matuang Bale Café and Art Studio. We have good coffee, good bread, good company, and we just want to feature everything that is Kapampangan,” said Jonathan Lazatin, son of Aida and Marco.

The café not only offers a warm atmosphere with a selection of breads and pastries but also features the Villa Rosa Flower Shop and a showroom displaying world-class pieces by Kapampangan artists.

The journey to establish Matuang Bale was marked by sleepless nights and unwavering determination.



SFELAPCO warns public vs. pilferage

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO – The San Fernando Electric Light and Power Company (SFELAPCO) recently issued a stern warning against the practice of electric power pilferage and the theft of electrical components.

Atty. Catherine Diaz, the official spokesperson for SFELAPCO, emphasized that the power firm is committed to taking decisive legal action against individuals or groups found in violation of the anti-pilferage law.

This comes in light of the serious implications of pilferage, which not only results in substantial system losses and damage to power lines but also poses risks to public safety, contributing to injuries and fatalities.

Republic Act No. 7832, also known as the “Anti-Electricity and Electric Transmission Lines/Materials Pilferage Act of 1994” seeks to mitigate the rampant theft of electricity and tampering with electrical infrastructure prevalent throughout the Philippines. Among the prohibited acts under the law include illegal use of electricity, meter tampering, unauthorized sale of transmission materials, and the destruction of power infrastructure. The law penalizes both individuals and entities engaged in unauthorized power usage and the destruction of electric transmission lines and materials. Offenders may face severe penalties, including imprisonment ranging from 12 to 20 years and substantial fines between ₱50,000 and ₱100,000, potentially even facing both punitive measures. For larger-scale operations pertaining to pilferage, particularly involving organized groups, the penalties become markedly more stringent. RA 7832 grants electric utility companies the authority to conduct inspections and disconnect services for unauthorized connections, with repeat offenders likely facing restrictions that hinder access to grid reconnection unless all liabilities are resolved. Sfelapco will cease to accept mere payments from customers for the stolen energy along with associated fines and penalties; instead, the company will focus on initiating legal actions and pursuing court sanctions against offenders. Sfelapco also urged the public to provide credible information leading to successful prosecutions of pilferers. “By confronting the pervasive issue of electricity pilferage, the law not only aids in maintaining fair electricity pricing but also fosters reliable power distribution and enhances public safety,” Diaz said.

Press release

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NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **CHARITO ROSARIO LECCIONES VICORY**, Filipino, of legal age, widow, and with postal address at #Block 52 Lot 17 Gurierrez St., Sunset valley Homes, Cutcut, Angeles City, Pampanga, Philippines; and heirs of **DALE KEITH VICORY**, American Citizen, who died on September 9, 2022 at the Medical City Clark, Clark Freeport Zone, Mabalacat City; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication on his estate, That the deceased left a real property with improvements and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 34, Block 6, of the subd. plan, Psd-03-175078, being a portion of Lot 3, (LRA) Pcs-35560, LRC Record No.), situated in the Barangay of Pampang, Municipality of Angeles City, Province of Pampanga; containing an area of One Hundred Fifty Nine (159) square meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 045-2019003088 Registry of Deeds for Angeles City; before Notary Public Romeo L. Yusi Jr., as per Doc No. 670, Page No. 70, Book No. 48, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **REYNALDO R. CAÑETE** who died on June 11, 2017 at Adoces Beach Resort Magbalayong, Bataan; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his estate; and more particularly described as follows;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2015000726

A parcel of land (Lot 685-C-40-0, of the subd. plan, Psd-035415-063751, being a portion of Lot 685-C-40-V, Psd-035415-063751, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Cangatba Mun. of Porac, Prov. of Pamp. Containing an area of One Hundred Eighty Three (183) Square Meters;

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2015000727

A parcel of land (Lot 16, Blk. 1, of the subd. plan, Psd-03-088138, being a portion of Lot 685-C-40-V, Psd-035415-063751, L.R.C. Rec. No.) situated in the Bo. of Cangatba Mun. of Porac, Prov. of Pamp. Containing an area of Two Hundred Sixteen (216) Square Meters;

before Notary Public Ma. Danela Q. Yalung, as per Doc. No. 179, Page No. 37, Book No. I, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPS. ANDRES H. GUECO JR. and MERLITA T. GUECO** both who died on June 30, 1983 and November 10, 2021 in Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 15, Block R-2 of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-78758, being a portion of Lot 12-E-2-F described on plan (LRC) Psd-50014, Rec. (GLRO) Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrio of Cutcut, City of Angeles; containing an area of Two Hundred Fifty (250) square meters; covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 56174; before Notary Public Karl Alen Yu, as per Doc. No. 410, Page No. 103, Book No. I, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **SPOUSES HIGINIO M. KABIGTING and OLEGARIA L. KABIGTING** who died on January 23, 2012 and June 13, 2020; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement on his/her estate; and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 18, Block 10, of the subdivision plan, Psd-53202, being a portion of Lot 625-B, described on plan Psd-10209, L.R.C. Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrio of Malabañas, Municipality of Angeles, Province of Pampanga; containing an area of Three Hundred Fifty (350) Square Meters; and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 50275; before Notary Public Marie Eugene Lourdes B. Abeleda, as per Doc. No. 592, Page No. 17, Book No. IX, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **PRISCILA SALATAN MERCADO** who died on April 13, 2024 at Sapang Biabas, Mabalacat City, Pampanga; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on her estate; and leaving as her estate a parcel of land with improvements, located at Block 41, Lot 23, Phase I, Mauaque Resettlement Center, Mabalacat City, Pampanga and containing an area of Ninety Four (94) sq. meters; before Notary Public Franco G. De Guzman, as per Doc. No. 301, Page No. 61, Book No. XLVI, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **JEAN R. CALINAO**, of legal age, Filipino citizen, married, and residing at Purok 1 Orchid St. Brgy. Margot Angeles City, Pampanga; and heirs of **ROLANDO C. ROSARIO** who died on June 10, 2013 at Angeles City; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication on his estate, That the deceased left in the Philippines the Bank Account and more particularly described a BDO SSS Pensioners Account-Angeles Nepo Mart Branch with Account Number: 005780016144; before Notary Public Kathlene P. Pineda, as per Doc No. 170, Page No. 5, Book No. II, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **ROSE ANN T. GARCIA**, of legal age, single, and a resident of 266 Arellano St., San Nicolas, Angeles City, Pampanga; and heirs of **SPOUSES RAMSYS G. GARCIA and ERLINDA T. GARCIA**; executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication with Sales on his/her estate, and more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 15-A at the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-259119, being a portion of Lot 15, Block 27 (LRC) Pcs-5403, LRC Card Rec. No. 124) situated in Barrio of San Nicolas, Angeles City; containing an area of Seventy One (71) square meters and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 91627; before Notary Public Bryan Matthew O. Nepomuceno, as per Doc. No. 1310, Page No. 43, Book No. XI, Series of 2017.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ELSA KABIGTING YUMANG** who died on December 22, 2015; executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on her estate; and that the decedent's estate consists of her share in the real property with improvements located in Malabañas, Angeles City Pampanga; covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 50275 of the Registry of Deeds for Angeles City; before Notary Public Marie Eugene Lourdes B. Abeleda, as per Doc. No. 590, Page No. 16, Book No. IX, Series of 2024.

Punto! Central Luzon: December 2, 9 & 16, 2024

453rd Pampanga Day...

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Reflective of this year's theme "Kapagmasurian at Kapasalamatan King Pamana at Kasalesayang Pakamalan," a Thanksgiving Mass concelebrated by San Fernando Archbishop Emeritus Paciano Aniceto, Fr. Manny Sta. Maria, Fr. Noli Fernandez and Fr. Omar Defensor, commenced the celebrations presided by acting Gov. Lilia

"Nanay" Pineda. Joining Pineda were board members Benny Jocson, Fritzie David-Dizon, Atty. Ananias Canlas, Jr., Nelson Calara, Pol Balingit, Cherry Manalo and Atty. Claire Lim; provincial administrator Atty. Charlie Chua, SP secretary Theresa Guevarra, and the department heads.

Also present were mayors Tonton Torres of

Guagua, Lina Cabrera of Sasmuan, Madir Alejandro of Arayat, Bobong Flores of Macabebe, Ruding Gonzales of Mexico, and acting Mayor Ron Dungca of Bacolor.

The Day 1 activities centered on the youth with a seminar on Pampanga's heritage and history and the distribution of educational assistance to 961 scholars, including Aeta

students from Porac and Floridablanca, and recent board exam passers.

Also slated on the first day are the opening of agri business trade fair and the Christmas lighting ceremony at the Capitol grounds.

For Day 2, Dec. 4, a province-wide job fair is set at SM City Pampanga.

An inter-town Zumba competition and the 2024

Dream Assessment Awarding Ceremony will be held on Day 3, Dec. 6.

On Day 4, Dec. 9, a Christmas chorale competition will be staged at the Laus Group Events Center.

The Mutya ning Kapampangan pageant will be on Day 5, Dec. 10, at the Bren Z. Guiao Convention Center.

The Most Outstanding Kapampangan Award honoring the "best and the

brightest" of the cabalens for the year will be held at the Kingsborough International Convention Center on Day 6, Dec. 11.

On Dec. 14-15, a NAsFOR (National Association of Filipino Off-Roaders) 4X4 off-road competition with the Pampanga Off-Roaders Inc. will be staged at Megaworld Capital Town.

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AC inaugurates...

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thanked Marcos for her "unwavering support" to Angeles City.

"Senator Marcos has been a steadfast partner in Angeles City's progress. Her contributions, including the P20 million she facilitated for the repair of the old Rafael Lazatin Memorial Medical Center, demonstrate her commitment to public service and community development," Lazatin said.

Joining the inauguration were Pampanga 1st District Rep. Carmelo "Jon" Lazatin II, Vice Mayor Vicky Vega-Cabigting and the city councilors, Barangay Pampang captain Carlos Dela Cruz and council, Barangay Lourdes Northwest captain Nicanor Soriano and council; and Barangay Sta. Teresita captain Joel Sanchez and council; and the market vendors. **Angeles CIO**



Landowners raise their TCTs. Joining them are BCDA OIC-SVP Richard Brian M. Cepe and VP Jocelyn L. Caniones, along with board members Fritzie David-Dizon and Sajid Khan Eusoof. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

The Public Space

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is Machiavellian. Ideology can be as confusing as economics, and loyalty is as volatile as the law of supply and demand and the stock market.

The president has vowed to ensure that the rule of law, not the law of rule, reigns. His revelation that he is not for it is sending mixed signals, which is a Machiavellian recipe for deception. There are three more years left to his presidential term and he doesn't want those who voted for him to lose heart.

The vice president has told everyone and sundry who was responsible for his winning after a long exile and gaining the Palace at Pasig handsomely. She apologized profusely to the monolithic ascent of Apollo Quiboloy's flock to her call, the shepherd with a wolf garment now at sick bay while in jail while waiting for a miracle of sort to happen.

The president may be the expected miracle worker. The vice president

has cut and cut cleanly from the short-lived political conjugal partnership. She has left no doubt in the public mind — forget about the rabble rousing former president of a father—that she wants nothing from the one on top of her, politically. Not when she quit her being part of his Cabinet. Not when she showed in public how she imagined decapitating him. Not when she threatened to dig the late dictator from his grave and dumped it/him—pronoun is a matter of choice—in the West Philippine Sea. Not when she bared her sinister plan of a meditated plot to eliminate him, his wife and his first cousin from what she later described as revenge from the grave.

How did Bonifacio inspire or motivate her and the president with their contrasting ethos? Heroes are not for the ordinary men and women alone but for leaders like them?

It's a shameless disservice for these leaders to even mention the hero's name vain.

TCTs awarded...

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idadablanca as "partners for development" for sharing their property for the implementation of the SCMB railway project, formerly known as the Subic-Clark Railway Project.

"Isa sa mga pinakamalaking hamon sa pamahalaan ay ang pagseguro ng tinatawag nating right-of-way, kaya napakalaking tulong po na kayo ay handang magpaubaya at makipagtulungan upang mabilis na maisakatuparan ang proyektong ito," Cepe told the landowners, citing BCDA's experience in building the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX) where the cooperation of the project-affected landowners paved the way for the speedy completion of the project.

Cepe noted that the SCMB railway is part of the Marcos' administration's

"Build, Better, More" infrastructure program. The national government aims to develop the Luzon Economic Corridor to generate more economic opportunities with the assistance of the US and Japan.

"Sa pamamagitan ng tren na ito, ating pag-uugnayin ang apat na sentrong pang-ekonomiya, mula sa pantalan ng Subic, sa paliparan ng Clark, hanggang sa mga pantalan

ng Maynila at Batangas. Napakalaking bagay po nito upang mapabilis ang komersiyo at daloy ng mga produkto at serbisyo. Sa ganitong paraan, mas makakahikayat tayo ng maraming namumuhunan sa ating bansa," he furthered, expressing thanks also to Gov. Dennis "Delta" Pineda and Vice Gov. Lilia "Nanay" Pineda for their support to the project and for soliciting the cooperation of the Kapampangans.

In a brief message read for her by Pampanga 2nd District board member Fritzie David-Dizon, the vice governor said: "[The handing out of the] TCTs is a symbol of our commitment to ensuring that the rights of our citizens are protected and respected. As these certificates will be turned over, we recognize the challenges that our lot

owners have faced and we acknowledge the patience and resilience they have shown. We also recognize the importance of this project in driving economic growth and development in our province."

In response to the efforts of BCDA and the provincial government, chairman Randy Guevarra of Barangay Calantas, Floridablanca said that they support the project with utmost trust that it will bring more economic activities in Pampanga.

"Ang amin pong mga ka-barangay ay buong-pusong nakipagtulungan sa ating gobyerno dahil alam namin na magbibigay ito pakinabang sa mga kabayanan dito. Nagpasalamat din po kami kina Gov. Dennis Pineda at kay Vice Gov. Nanay Baby sa kanilang malasakit sa Pampanga at sa aming mga kabalen," he said. **Punto News Team/BCDA Public Affairs**

Ad Lib

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were still miles away from achieving our goals was never an option. In spite of the many stumbling blocks, we just had to get going at all costs.

I think one concerning observation among today's youth is the slow and steady erosion of grit—that distinct ability to persevere and work harder in the face of repeated and countless failures. For one reason or another, today's generation seems less prepared to face life's adversities. I have seen this trend among many students even prior to the Covid-19 pandemic. For years, they have been accustomed to the many benefits of technology and the joys of instant gratification and instantaneous rewards so much so that they could not handle even the most

minor of setbacks.

The conversation in our group chat also tackled how today's youth seem to be struggling with weaker moral and spiritual values. Although none of us went to Catholic schools, we grew up in very conservative families and we were taught even at a young age that killing oneself was a mortal sin. As such, you would never enter heaven and that your soul would suffer in eternal damnation in hell. We even grew up believing that for their burial, those who committed suicide would not even be given the rites of a Mass or a simple blessing from the priest because they committed a mortal sin.

Call it archaic, backward, unfounded fear, or even a wrong interpretation of Catholic teachings. But looking

back, I do not mind growing with those deeply ingrained beliefs. Sadly, in today's increasingly secular and competitive world, the spiritual and moral grounding that once guided young people is being replaced by a focus on appearance, wealth, and status.

The rise of teen suicide in the country has become a critical health crisis and a silent moral issue that requires immediate attention. As the Filipino youth continue to struggle in facing unprecedented pressures, let us provide them with the mental support they desperately need. Let us also try to equip them with grit and foster moral values that will come in handy as they navigate life's challenges with courage, resilience, and hope.

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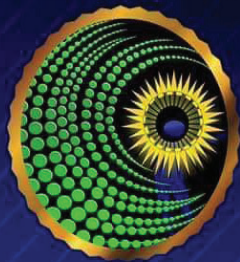
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(ALL UNREDEEMED LOANS GRANTED FROM SEPTEMBER 1-30, 2024, ARE ALREADY SUBJECT FOR AUCTION.)
Lahat ng mga nangangailangan SEPTEMBER 1-30, 2024 na hindi pa natatapos ay karama na sa subasta sa DISEMBRE 11, 2024.
Pasaad niyo po pang tubuan ang mga ito ng may karamangang interest at panaly hanggang sa DISEMBRE 10, 2024.



453RD ALDO-NING KAPAMPANGAN Most Outstanding Kapampangan Awards 2024



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ArtiStaRita
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453rd PAMPANGA DAY Celebration



KAPAGMASUSIAN AT KAPASALAMATAN KING PAMANA AT KASALESAYANG PAKAMALAN

DAY 1: DECEMBER 2, 2024

I. PAMandaun Kapasalamatan: Thanksgiving Mass

Time: 6:00 AM
Venue: Capitol Grounds



II. PAMangabyayan: The Agri- Business Trade Fair Launching

Time: 7:00 AM-5:00 PM
Venue: Arnedo Park

III. PAMana at Kasalesayan: Seminar on the Heritage and History of Pampanga

Time: 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
Venue: Benigno Aquino Hall

IV. PAMagmasusi keng Aldong Malugud: A Love Pampanga Day Official Opening Ceremony and Christmas Lantern Lighting Ceremony

Time: 6:00 PM
Venue: Capitol Grounds

DAY 2: DECEMBER 4, 2024

I. PAManintunan: A Province- Wide Job Fair

Time: 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
Venue: SM City Pampanga - Event Center

DAY 3: DECEMBER 6, 2024

I. PAManerak keng Bukas: An Intertown Zumba Competition

Time: 5:00 AM onwards
Venue: Capitol Grounds

II. 2024 Dream Assessment Awarding Ceremony

Time: 8:00 AM onwards
Venue: Kingsborough International
Convention Center, CSFP

DAY 4: DECEMBER 9, 2024

I. PAMamuge keng Kapaskwan: Christmas Chorale Competition

Time: 1:00 PM onwards
Venue: LausGroup Event Centre,
CSFP

DAY 5: DECEMBER 10, 2024

I. PAMangilala keng Lagu at Gelingang Kapampangan: Mutya Ning Kapampangan 2024

Time: 7:00 PM-11:00 PM
Venue: Bren Z. Guiao Convention
Center, CSFP

DAY 6: DECEMBER 11, 2024

I. PAMamuge keng Daing Kapampangan: Most Outstanding Kapampangan Awards

Time: 5:00 PM
Venue: Kingsborough International
Convention Center, CSFP

DAY 7: DECEMBER 14-15, 2024

I. NASFOR 4x4 Off-Road Competition (Pampanga Off-Roaders Inc.)

Time: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Venue: Megaworld - Capital Town,
CSFP

