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PAL boosts Clark, Davao, Cebu hubs

Fresh routes, expanded fleet

DAVAO CITY – The country's flag carrier, Philippine Airlines (PAL), has broadened its wings as it soars to new heights in terms of fresh routes and acquisition of additional aircraft.

PAL president and COO Jaime J. Bautista said at the Marco Polo Hotel here last week that the airline company decided to make its announcement in this southern city because it is no longer "just a Manila-centric airline."

He said "the future of Philippine aviation lies in the new economic centers of the country, here in Mindanao, in the Visayas and in other parts of Luzon" as PAL vowed to strengthen its hub at the Clark International Airport in Pampanga, Mactan-Cebu International Airport in the Visayas and at the Francisco Bangoy International Airport here. "New hubs mean new hopes for a growing economy,"

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PAL president-COO Jaime J. Bautista (7th from left) joins other airline officials for a photo opportunity in front of its newly acquired Bombardier Q400 NG aircraft at the Davao International Airport last week. PHOTO BY ASHLEY MANABAT

Florida folk give virtual OK to planned sanitary landfill

BY ASHLEY MANABAT

FLORIDABLANCA, Pampanga – A virtual, sounding stamp of approval was given the proposed sanitary landfill/waste-to-energy project in this town during a public hearing here on Tuesday.

The public hearing, attended by hundreds of villagers, was conducted at the covered court in Barangay Pabanlag here where the proposed project will be built.

An audio-visual presentation of the Bukit Tagar Sanitary Landfill/ Waste-to-Energy Plant which services Kuala Lumpur in Malaysia and how it operates was presented by the project proponent Floridablanca Enviro Corp. (FEC), a subsidiary of Berjaya Philippines, Inc.

Conspicuously absent were the reported opponents of the project.

According to Michael Tapang, consultant of FEC, invitations were sent to the opponents of the project but they sent word that they won't attend the public hearing.

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Berjaya Philippines Inc. country manager Paulino Soo during the public hearing on the proposed landfill and waste-to-energy facility in Floridablanca, Pampanga. PHOTO BY RIC GONZALES



SALANGIAN ART EXHIBIT. Shown here are some sculptures featured in the art exhibit reflecting the cultural artistry and heritage of the Kapampangan. PHOTO COURTESY OF CDC-CD

AT CLARK MUSEUM

'Salangian' to showcase Kapampangan artworks

CLARK FREEPORT—The biggest gathering of Kapampangan artists in an exhibit dubbed as 'Salangian', which will feature various pieces of arts, will be staged at the Clark Museum here starting on April 27.

Noemi Julian, manager of Tourism and Promotions Division of Clark Development Corporation said that about 80 Kapampangan artists will join the event and more than 200 of their artworks will be exhibited at the Gallery 2 of Clark Museum.

'Salangian' which means to light or to ignite, will have a gala on April 26 and will be open to the public the following day, Julian said.

Andy Alviz, one of the featured artists and lead organizer, said the activity will serve as a platform to celebrate the creativity and artistry of Kapampangan painters, sculptors and other artists. He also cited the suitability of Clark as the location for the event.

"It's high time we celebrate the artistry and creativity of the artists. Clark is booming and there will be a lot of demands for art pieces for hotels, condos, offices

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Rice 'shortage' further jacks up price by P4 per kilo, says group

By Ding Cervantes

ANGELES CITY- The price of rice has jacked up further by as much as P4 per kilo amid alleged rice shortage being allegedly "peddled" by the National Food Authority (NFA).

This was reported yesterday by the Pambansang Lakas ng Kilusang Mamamalakaya ng Pilipinas (Pamalakaya) which put the blame on the Duterte administration. It said that a sack of rice is now costlier by P50.

"This new round of rice price hike will pose additional burden to the fishing sector which belongs to the country's poorest of the poor. While Duterte's band-aid solution to import another batch of 250, 000 metric tons of imported rice is anti-Filipino and negates the country's pursuit for rice self-sufficiency," Pamalakaya said in a statement.

Pamalakaya chairman Fernando Hicap lamented that "instead of ensuring that the NFA will procure locally-produced palay from the farmers, the Duterte government maintains the existing anti-farmer, anti-consumer programs that surrender local palay to private sector, while letting imported rice to flood the local market."

This, even as the independent rice watchdog Bantay Bigas said "the government's long-standing policy on rice is under the framework of World Trade Organization – Agreement on Agriculture (WTO-AoA) where the country is committed to import rice. Therefore, the NFA patronages imported rice not only because it is cheaper but to comply with the government's commitment to the foreign-dictated WTO."

"The government's neglect in ensuring rice sufficiency is an economic injustice both to the fisherfolk and poor consumers. The government seems to be backing an artificial rice crisis to make rice importation justifiable. The NFA should purchase more of the local palay as it would not only help the country's local farmers, but also boost food security in the country," Hicap also said.



Gov. Lilia Pineda explains the importance of establishing OFW assistance centers during the signing of the memorandum of agreement and launching of Pampanga OFW Welfare Assistance Program Processing Centers at Kingsborough International Convention Center. Together with her are OWWA administrator Hans Leo Cacdac, Labor Secretary Silvestre Bello, and TESDA-3 director Dante Navarro. **Photo courtesy of Jun Jaso/Pampanga PIO**

Capitol, OWWA ink agreement on OFW assistance centers

CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, Pampanga – The Provincial Government of Pampanga together with the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA) and the City and Municipal Governments of Pampanga signed a memorandum of agreement establishing the OWWA-Pampanga Welfare Assistance Program Processing Centers held at Kingsborough International Convention Center here.

These centers shall ensure a more effective and timely delivery of services to the OFWs and their families.

Present in the agreement signing are Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Secretary Silvestre Bello III, Governor Lilia "Nanay" Pineda, OWWA Administrator Hans Leo Cacdac, DOLE-3 Director Ma. Zenaida Angara-Campita, TESDA-3 Director Dante Navarro, OWWA-3 Director Ma. Lourdes Reyes, Department of Trade and Industry-Pampanga Director Elenita Ordonio, and the Department of Science and Technology-Pampanga Director Ma. Michelle Quiambao.

According to the memorandum of agreement, there shall be centers in Mabalacat City; Sta. Rita, Lubao, Macabebe, and San Luis towns; and in the Provincial Capitol compound representing the four districts assigned in consideration of their unique geographical characteristics.

The identified centers shall determine the eligibility of overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) and their families availing medical and bereavement assistance under the Welfare Assistance Program. They will also be providing information as well as accepting applications for the other programs and services of OWWA.

All local government units are tasked to provide employees and other support for the full operation of the assistance centers.

In her message, Governor Pineda lauded the efforts of DOLE under Secretary Bello for the welfare of the OFWs. She also said that OWWA's assistance will augment the already existing financial assistance of the province to the OFWs.

"The President noted that the families of our OFWs are the ones who need the government's help. They are having a hard time coping with the absence of their loved ones, that is why we are taking action in lending our hands to them," she added.

She also bared that she and Secretary Bello are discussing a program converging DOST, DTI, TESDA, Pagibig Fund, including the Philippine National Police and the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency to fully assist the families of OFWs.

In aid with the OFWs and their families with their healthcare, the provincial government will assign special wards in Jose B. Lingad Regional Memorial Hospital and in all of the hospitals of the Capitol attending to their health needs.

"They will be prioritized in our public hospitals in return for their valuable service for our province and country," she said.

Bello meanwhile said that the assistance centers will bring accessibility for the OFWs and that these will bring faster processing of their benefits.

He added that they are already laying out a command center for OFW concerns in Quezon City which is operational 24/7.

"They can call the DOLE hotline 1349. We are hoping that eventually as soon as we get the budget, we will be assigning centers to the region or better, up to the municipal level," he said.

Also present in the event are the municipal and city mayors led by Pampanga Mayors' League President Mylyn Pineda-Cayabyab, Board Members Cherry Manalo, Gerome Tubig, Rolando Balingit, and Olga Frances David-Dizon, and the city and municipal Public Employment Services Officers.

According to the 2016 Survey on Overseas Filipinos, Central Luzon, including Pampanga, is third among the regions with the biggest share of overseas workers with 12.7 percent following CALABARZON and National Capital Region with 21.0 percent and 12.9 percent, respectively.

– Philip Ocampo/ Pampanga PIO

CDC to hold 2018 Summer HOTS jobs fair

CLARK FREEPORT— Over 4000 job vacancies will be available on the Summer HOTS or "hired on the spot" jobs fair organized by Clark Development Corporation (CDC) on April 27 at SM City Clark Event Center.

In commemoration of its 25th year, CDC in partnership with more than 80 locator companies in this Freeport will offer employment and other opportunities during the activity. The jobs fair will start at 8:00 in the morning until 3:00 in the afternoon.

The fair is open to all applicants with various educational backgrounds. They include professionals, college graduates, vocational graduates, high school graduates, and undergraduates.

During the jobs fair, free training will also be offered and conducted to help ensure employment. The said event is an annual activity conducted by the state –owned firm as it remains true to its mission of generating employment and investments in the Freeport and in the country.

Interested applicants are encouraged to pre-register at www.jobsatclark.com.ph. For more information about the event, applicants may contact telephone numbers (045)-499-2265 or visit Jobs at Clark on Facebook.

–CDC CommDep

150 riders attend road safety seminar

BALANGA CITY -- More than 150 members of motorcycle riding clubs in Zambales and Bataan attended the two-day road safety seminar held at the conference room of Camp Tolentino and Sitio Maluang, Barangay Cupang Proper here.

The seminar was spearheaded by Inspector Marlon Agno, provincial officer of the Highway Patrol Team-Bataan.

"Itinuro ko sa mga riders ang tamang pamamaraan ng pagmamaneho sa daan, ang pagbabawal sa maingay na tambutso ng motor, paglalagay ng nakakasilaw na ilaw at ang tamang pagsita sa mga motorsiklo o tricycle na gumagamit ng malalakas na ilaw, malalakas na stereo at naglalakasang busina," said Agno.

The seminar is in relation to HPG campaign plan "Balik Disiplina sa Kalsada, Disiplinadong Driver."

Founders and members of the Road Security Riders Inc., Dinalupihan Assorted Riders Club and Police Hotline Movement Inc. Zambales-Bataan Chapter attended the seminar.

–Johnny R. Reblando

Widus Clark breaks ground on Tower Four project

By Ashley Manabat

CLARK FREEPORT – A $1-billion luxury integrated resort will soon be completed beside the soon-to-open Marriott Clark Hotel on a 130,000 square meter property in this freeport.

This developed after Friday's groundbreaking of Widus Tower Four that will have a total floor area of 20,000 square meters in the $500-million luxury integrated resort.



GOLDEN SHOVELS. Leading the groundbreaking rites are (L-R) Widus GM Tarek Aouini, Tenman HK Ltd. executive director Nick Boekel, PAGCor president-COO Alfredo Lim, PAGCor chair-CEO Andrea Domingo, Widus president-CEO Daesik Han, Asia United Bank president-Abraham Co, Widus AVP for corporate planning and development Neki Liwanag, CDC president Noel Manankil and Angeles City Vice Mayor Bryan Matthew Nepomuceno. **Photo by Bong Lacson**

"With Widus Tower Four, we are not only building a new hotel. We are creating a new experience of luxury hospitality," Widus Philippines Inc. (WPI) president-CEO Daesik Han said during the ceremonies at the Widus Complex.

Han said WPI shall have invested to date a total of $1 billion to the luxury integrated resort upon completion of Widus Tower Four including another half a billion dollar investment slated for the development of a mixed-use commercial area at the WPI's newly-acquired property located at the former Duty-Free Philippines complex here.

The groundbreaking ceremonies led by Han had as special guests Bases Conversion and Development Authority president-CEO Vivencio Dizon, Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corp. president-COO Alfredo Lim and chairperson Andrea Domingo as well as Clark Development Corp. president-CEO Noel F. Manankil.

During his speech, Han referred to Widus Tower Four as "the iconic new addition of Widus towards being a world-class one-stop leisure destination."

When completed in the last quarter of 2020, the 19-storey building will boast of modern architecture aesthetically complemented by nature and lush green landscapes.

It was learned that its façade will showcase lines and contours flaunting structural impressions of the Banaue Rice Terraces.

A one-of-a kind water park nestled in a tropical haven will also be constructed. To add to its distinct features, it will incorporate traditional as well as modern elements of Korean architecture, pop culture, cuisine, beauty and even cosmetics, Han said.

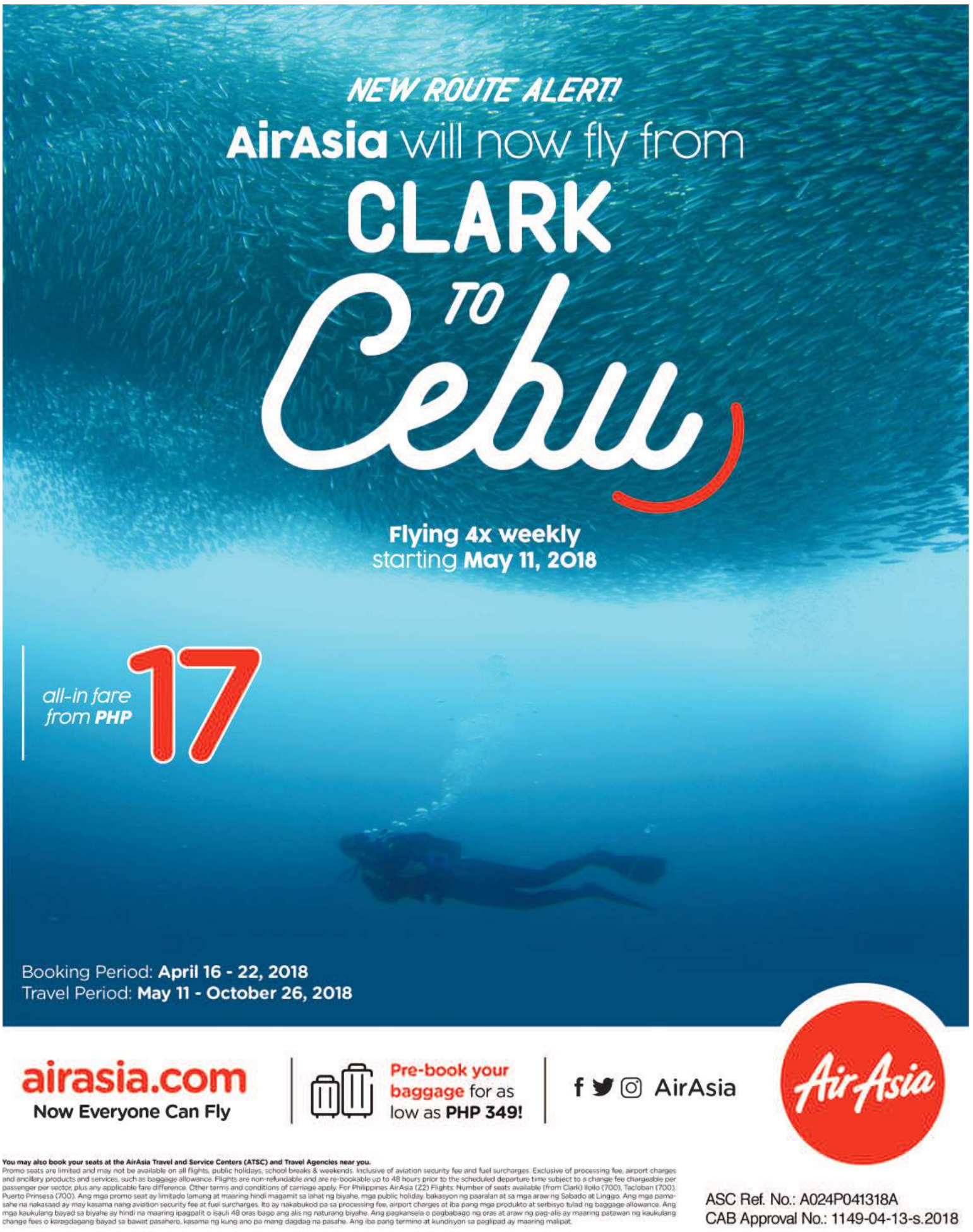
Upon its completion, the project is estimated to dramatically increase employment by creating over a thousand job opportunities by 2022 adding more value to its community.

Widus AVP for corporate planning and compliance Neki Liwanag said: "We envision the much-anticipated opening of Widus Tower Four to definitely be a game-changer in the regional hospitality landscape. We strategically planned this development to serve the community even better by opening more opportunities to the locals while at the same time catering to both the business and tourism market."

Liwanag also said the billion-dollar undertaking aims to bring Widus at par with premier leisure and gaming destinations here and abroad.

Widus Tower Four will feature 380 well-appointed rooms along with luxurious five-star facilities and amenities such as specialty dining options, retail outlets, swimming pool, executive lounge plus event venues such as ballroom and function rooms.

To stay true to its nature of being a family destination, it is also set to bring to guests of all ages breathtaking entertainment, world-class amusements, state-of-the-art virtual gaming experience and interactive wellness activities.



Bye Clark Freeport, hello New Clark City?

By Ding Cervantes

CLARK FREEPORT - Goodbye Clark Freeport, hello New Clark City?

This was the quizzical impression left by Finance Sec. Carlos Dominguez during his guesting last week at the press conference for the country's hosting of the 51st annual meeting of the Asian Development Bank (ADB), where he neither confirmed nor denied reports that the five percent gross income earned (GIE) tax privilege enjoyed by investors in this and other freeports would be scrapped under the proposed Package 2 of the proposed Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Law.

But Dominguez virtually affirmed the scrapping of the GIE privilege, which the government had been bannering over the years to entice foreign investors to come to Clark, by saying that some firms have been enjoying such privilege "too long."

He instead cited plans under Package 2 to impose lower 25 percent instead of the current 30 percent corporate tax.

Later asked by Punto whether some firms would still be given perks, Dominguez said "yes" but added that such firms need not be located within freeports, even as he emphasized the need for investors to focus on transparency, time-bounded targets, and based on performance of investors.

"We have to modernize and make incentives more relevant to attract new industries. The work atmosphere is changing with new industries such as robotics and data analytics. Artificial intelligence is poised to take over lower end outsourcing services," he noted.

Punto later asked Transportation Sec. Arthur Tugade, former president of the Clark Development Corp. (CDC), what would happen to the CDC in case GIE privileges of Clark investors are gone, he replied "I really don't know." CDC is the government firm that manages this freeport.

Dominguez said he expected Package 2 of TRAIN Law to be passed within this year.

Concern

Investors at Clark and Subic Bay freeports have expressed concern of the proposed TRAIN Package 2, saying it would drive away investors in their areas who were lured to invest by the offer of a mere five percent GIE. They said some investors have already suspended plans to expand their factories and offices here and are considering establishing in either Vietnam or Cambodia.

But it's not all bleak for Clark as Dominguez and other cabinet members touted better future for Clark not only because of plans to fully develop the Clark International Airport, but also the New Clark City in Tarlac.

"Clark captures what the Build, Build, Build Program aspires— to achieve a coherent national logistics circuit that will support our country's rapid and inclusive development," Dominguez said.

He said the Bases Conservation and Development Authority's New Clark City would lure investors as will the Philippines' first and smart and green city that will highlight real estate developments, agro-industrial park and a food processing terminal.

"NCC has a National Government Administrative Center that will ensure continuous business operations and services in the country at the onset of natural disasters," Dominguez added.

This, even as National Economic and Development Authority Director-General Ernesto Pernia urged businesses and other stakeholders to make use of the Philippine economy's Goldilocks period.

"Over the past two years, our economic growth is pegged at an average of 6.8 percent. This means that over the recent years, economic growth has swarmed sharply upwards and in a sustained fashion," Pernia said.

He attributed this economic progress to the rising contribution of investment on the spending side as well as the resurgence of manufacturing vis-a-vis the service sector.

"Our total factor productivity has also been on the rise, making it now the fastest among the major Southeast Asian countries at 6.1 percent," Penia said, noting a sharp increase in foreign direct investments with its bulk going into manufacturing.

"This vibrant economy translates into more and better jobs. More jobs reduce unemployment and better jobs simply mean that there are more wage and salary types of jobs that are being created compared with previous years," Pernia added.

"Starting this year, we aim to raise this economic growth performance to between 7 and 8 percent. And I think this is achievable given that this year, you will see the phrenetic activity in the groundbreaking of several major projects as well as minor projects in the provinces and towns of our regions," he said.

Pernia said that aside from physical infrastructure, the government is also determined to improve human capital investment through quality education and health care.

"We are also determined to initiate and sustain economic reforms. Among these, the comprehensive tax reform program is going to be completed hopefully by the end of the year. And so is the ease of doing business, the cutting of red tape to the minimum, the lifting of restrictions on foreign investment in different areas and activity of the economy," he also said.



HMAS Success of the Royal Australian Navy maneuvers during arrival at the Subic Bay Freeport on Thursday for a four-day goodwill visit. Another Australian vessel, the long-range guided-missile frigate HMAS Anzac, can be seen in the background. **Photo by Malou Dungog**

Aussie ships in Subic for goodwill visit

By Malou Dungog

SUBIC BAY FREEPORT – Two Royal Australian Navy (RAN) vessels, Her Majesty's Australian Ship (HMAS) Anzac (FFH 150) and the HMAS Success (OR 304), docked Thursday morning in this premier Freeport as part of a four-day goodwill visit to the Philippines.

The Barko ng Republika ng Pilipinas (BRP) Emilio Jacinto (PS35) met the two ships off Morong, Bataan and escorted them to dock at the Alava Wharf here.

Philippine Navy (PN) Officer-In-Attendance Judith Palamos said that the arrival of the Australian Navy here "underscores the continuing efforts to further strengthen the ties between our governments and navies (and) fortifies the PN's firm commitment to maintain good relationship with other navies."

She said that personnel from the two naval services will conduct confidence-building activities aimed at enhancing maritime understanding and cooperation to further contribute to the promotion of peace and stability through naval diplomacy and camaraderie.

Defense Attaché of Australia to the Philippines Capt. Bradley White and the commanding officers of the two ships, HMAS Success Commanding Officer Grant Zilko and HMAS Anzac Commanding Officer Michael Devine, are scheduled for a courtesy call with Rear Admiral Allan Ferdinand Cusi, who is commander of the Naval Education and Training Command (NETC) in San Antonio, Zambales.

Australian and Filipino sailors will also have luncheon aboard the HMAS Anzac, some goodwill games, and a "boodle fight." A send-off ceremony with customary passing exercise will cap the goodwill visit, which will include a replenishment-at-sea operation with PN personnel invited to board RAN ships for observation.

HMAS Anzac is the lead ship of the Anzac-class frigates in use with the RAN and the Royal New Zealand Navy (RNZN). Entering Australian service in 1996, the frigate operated as part of the INTERFET peacekeeping taskforce in 1999. In 2003, she was involved in the Battle of Al Faw, and became the first RAN ship to fire in anger since the Vietnam War.

On the other hand, HMAS Success is a Durance-class multi-product replenishment oiler serving in the RAN. The ship was part of the Australian contribution to the 1991 Gulf War, and was deployed to East Timor in response to incidents in 1999 and 2006.

Green Film Festival 2018

SM CITY OLONGAPO has kicked off another round of ***Green Film Festival(GFF)*** *for 2018.* This is one of the many programs of ***SM Cares***, the CSR arm of SM Prime Holdings Inc., under the Environment Committee that aims to *educate* and *raise awareness* on the current state of environment and encourage positive action towards preserving the eco-system through the visual information campaign.

Through partnership with DepEd , students were gathered to experience a free film screening and had a glimpse of SM's environment protection advocacy program .



Chief CID DepEd, Olongapo Ariel C. Lansang speaks before students on the need to clean our environment and be able to save Mother Earth.
Contributed photo

Around 200 students from the various public elementary and high schools attended the educational screening about "Tayo ang Kalikasan", "Tubbataha-Beyond Beauty","Tugunan ang Climate Change", "Keep our Environment Healthy", "Hangin ay Ingatan Tungo sa Malinis na Kalikasan", NSWMC Solid Waste Management Communities", "Estero Mo'y Estero Ko", and "Sustaining Eco-Friendly Schools in the Phils.".

Chief CID Dep Ed, Olongapo Ariel C. Lansang in his speech expressed his thoughts about encouraging people to save the environment and to save Mother earth from uncaring people.

Green Film festival is a series of film festivals featuring *environmentally-themed movies* and station-produced *documentaries.*

Aside from GFF, SM Cares environment committee has other projects such as: the Trash to Cash recycling market held every first Friday and Saturday of the month; The Green Retail Agenda Forum for mall tenants, contractors, suppliers, students as well as communities and the use of SM Green Bag. ***–SMOL-PR***

Editorial



Every bit of me

I am the earth
and the earth is me
Each blade of grass, each honey tree,
Each bit of mud, And stick and stone
Is blood and muscle, skin and bone
And just as I need every bit of me
to make my body fit,
So earth needs, grass and stones and
tree and things that naturally grow here.
That's why we celebrate this day
That's why across the world we say:
As long as life
As dear, As free
I am the earth and the earth is me.

(Earth Day by Jane Yolen)

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From Cong to Kap

OLD SOLDIERS make the very antithesis to old politicians, in at least one instance.

Old soldiers never die, they simply fade away. As Gen. Douglas MacArthur immortalized in his farewell speech to the US Congress circa 1951.

Old politicians never fade away, they just die. As…okay, take your pick of all those curmudgeons hogging the hustings from Aparri to Jolo, and everywhere in between, every election year.

Like this year, this very May.

Deader than dead, thus readily consigned to political limbo after his epic loss to Atty. Edgardo Pamintuan in the Angeles City mayoralty contest in 2013, Carmelo "Tarzan" Lazatin, first ever three-term city mayor and four-term representative of Pampanga's 1st District, has risen, flexing his muscles anew for the barangay elections, with the chairmanship of Balibago, the city's premier village, as one more addition to his championship belts, so to speak.

So, who was it who likened old politicians to old boxers? Ring the bell and they rise, if only to shadowbox.

But not this Lazatin prizefighter. His age of 80++, notwithstanding. In fact, making the very ground of the feasibility of his candidacy. Indeed, quite possibly of his very winnability.

How can one simply put aside Cong Tarzan's hundreds of bills filed, a number ultimately enacted into law, in his long stint at the House?

Easily come to mind at least two, both conversions: Of the Municipality of Mabalacat into Mabalacat City, and the Pampanga Agricultural College into the Pampanga State Agricultural University. That makes Cong Tarzan as famous for siring children – two juniors themselves rising in the political firmament: sitting Pampanga 1st District Rep. Carmelo "Jonjon" Lazatin, and incumbent city councilor Carmelo "Pogi" Lazatin -- as for fathering a city and a university. Beat that.

"By the grace of God, by the sovereign will of the people, we are now a city!" So, joyfully screamed the tarpaulins put up by the also famously fathering Mayor Marino "Boking" Morales after the overwhelming result of the cityhood referendum in Mabalacat.

The once-forever and now-future mayor was but two-thirds right. "By the act of Cong Tarzan" should have been placed there, between God and people. Lest my faith be misconstrued, there's nothing theological, but everything political there, whether impressions or implications.

How can one simply set aside Mayor Tarzan's long service to the people of Angeles, which redounded to their well-being, socially, moreso economically? The city earning direct taxes from SM City Clark instead of it being but a part of local government's share in the gross income earned as locator in the Clark Freeport.

"The last battle," not a few opinion influencers would readily impact upon Cong Tarzan's getting into the barangay fray, as though he were the grizzled lion in winter.

Others laugh this off as some reductio ad absurdum – okay, Direk Ronnie Tiotuico, a reduction to absurdity – noting how the former congressman, former mayor diminished his political stature to the lowest level of local politics.

"Pang-derby ne, liban na pa ing bularit." As some *sabungero* would put it. As Cong Tarzan knows only too well, being, himself, a cockfight aficionado. But to the man who truly serves, no position is too small or too insignificant.

And that is what matters most to his thousands of loyal supporters: the service of their man institutionalized in a cursive L inside a heart inscribed *"Mula sa Puso."*

Hence, his losing notwithstanding, instead of fading away, much less dying, Cong Tarzan fights on. Serves on. Lives on.

May forever.

TODAY IN PHILIPPINE HISTORY

General Malvar surrenders in Tanauan Batangas

ON APRIL 16, 1902, General Miguel Malvar surrendered to General Franklin Bell in Tanauan, Batangas, after having been surrounded by forces of Bell, General Mariano Trias, and General Juan Cailles. In the words of Felipe Buencamino, Trias and Cailles "cooperated a good deal" with Bell to effect the surrender of Malvar.

General Mariano Trias received from General Adna Chaffee, 200 rifles to pursue and fight Malvar around the outskirts of Cavite. General Juan Cailles, who also received 200 rifles from General Chaffee, pursue Malvar through the outskirts of the province of Laguna. General Malvar surrendered being caught between the forces of General Bell in the interior of Batangas, and being surrounded from Cavite and Laguna by the forces of Generals Cailles and Trias.

Felipe Buencamino, speaking (through interpreter Frank Joannini) before the Committee on Insular Affairs of the United States Congress on May 31, 1902, said the following about General Malvar.

... Batangas was the heart of the trouble of the war against America, while Cavite was the center of operations of insurrection against Spain. Mabini, the head of the irreconcilables, is a native of Batangas, and Agoncillo and Ilustre, the principal members of the Hongkong junta, are natives of Batangas, and Senior Lopez, who lives in Boston, also an irreconcilable insurgent, is also a native of Batangas. All these men belong to very prominent families of Batangas. They are all honest and intelligent men. I believe they are working in good faith, although in my opinion they are completely wrong. These men were those who were encouraging Malvar to continue the war against the United States, but by means of the strong and humane work of General Bell, it was made possible that Malvar instead of being captured should surrender because his surrender decides the political question, and his capture would have been nothing but the expression of a victory of the Army.

The surrender began the previous day at about 3:00pm when Malvar was taken out of the woods of Rasario with the actual surrender taking place at 8:00am before General Bell in Tanauan.

After his surrender, Malvar lived a quiet and comfortable life. He graciously declined the offer for him to become governor of Batangas Province.

General Malvar died on Oct. 13, 1911, of a liver ailment in Manila. He was 46. His remains were brought to Santo Tomas, Batangas and was buried with military honors.

*A God that can be understood is no God. Who can explain the Infinite in words? –**W. Somerset Maugham***



Napag-uusapan Lang

Felix M. Garcia

Pakapalan na lang ba?

KUNG ganyang kung alin ang dalawang sangay
ng ating hustisya, (itong Kagawaran
ng Katarungan at ang 'Highest Tribunal')
ang tila may bahid ng pagka-immoral;

Gaya ni dating DOJ Sec Aguirre
na pinagbitiw ni Pangulong Duterte
dahil sa isyu ng pagbasura pati
ng Piskalya sa kaso ng 'celebrity'

Na si Kerwin Espinosa, kamakailan
na umaming sangkot sa gawang iligal,
pero naabsuwelto, at naging dahilan
ng pagbitiw ni Sec sa puesto niyang tangan.

At ito namang si Chief Justice Sereno,
na may 'cloud of doubt' ang kanyang pagkapuesto
sa 'Supreme Court,' saan na kaya patungo
ang 'justice system' sa isang tulad nito?

Kung ganyang umano kahit may nilabag
na 'rule of court' mismo sa Saligang Batas
ang atin pa manding pinaka-mataas
na hukom ng bansa ang hindi matinag?

At kapit-tuko sa kinauupuhan
sa kabila nga ng itong Malakanyang
ang nagpapababa sa tungkuling tangan,
na bigay ng kanyang Pangulong sinundan?

O 'yan ba'y nang dahil sa itong nagluklok
kay Sereno ang siyang matibay na moog
mismo nito (PNoy) sakali't umabot
sa puntong siya ay sa Munti mapasok?

Kaya nga't malinaw mang may nilabag na
mga panuntunan itong kwenta 'Reyna'
sa 'ting pinakamataas na tribuna,
'yan ay di mabaklas sa upuan niya.

Ano bagang silbi nitong 'quo warranto'
na sandigan minsan sa ating husgado
para magamit sa legal na proseso
kung di rin lang pala maipatupad ito?

Ipagpalagay nang hindi 'co-terminus'
ang 'chief justice' sa kung sino ang nagluklok
(na Pangulo), pero itong nakaluklok
'at present has no hand to push Sereno out?'

Kung kagaya nga r'yan na tila may 'lapses'
ang 'chief justice' sa di nito pagsa-'submit'
ng SALN at iba pang mga papeles,
bago ang opisyal nitong 'oath of office'.

At kung ganito ring ang ilang kasama
ni Sereno mismo sa hudikatura,
di rin niya kasundo – ano't di pa siya
kusang bumaba sa kinalalagyan niya?

(Maliban na nga lang sa hinala natin,
na kaya di nito magawang magbitiw
ay dahil na rin sa posibleng gamitin
siya ni 'tulo laway' sa kanyang usapin

Na anumang oras posibleng isampa
ng 'blue ribbon committee' o kamara,
ang kaso ng SAF 44 at saka
itong hinggil sa lintik na 'Dengvaxia'.

Kung saan kabilang sina Janette Garin
at Florencio Abad sa mga maaring
makasuhan sa pag-bili ng nasabing
bakunang ang dulot sa lahat ay lagim!)

Mangingisda, residente ng coastal barangay palaban sa planong int'l airport sa Bulacan

Ni Rommel Ramos

BULAKAN, Bulacan -- Nagsagawa ng kilos protesta ang mga mangingisda at residente ng coastal barangay ng Taliptip kontra planong pagtatayo ng pamahalaan ng isang international airport dito.

Kanilang tinututulan ang pagtatayo ng tatawaging "Aeropolis" dahil sa maaapektuhan ang kanilang paghahanapbuhay bilang mangingisda at maging ang mga residente na tatamaan ng proyekto.

Ayon kay Guilbert Sebastian, pangulo ng samahan ng mangingisda ng Barangay Taliptip tutol sila sa proyekto dahil sa pitong sitio ng barangay ang tatamaan.

Nasa 450 na pamilya ang napipintong maaapektuhan hindi pa kasama dito ang hindi rehistradong mangingisda sa lugar.

Pangingisda sa dagat ang kanilang pangunahing hanapbuhay at dito rin sila kumukuha ng makakain ng kanilang pamilya at hindi na daw sila makakapangisda kapag itinayo na ang airport.

Nasa 3,000 ektarya aniya ang napapabalitang lawak na kakailanganin sa proyekto.

Iginiit pa niya na hindi lang kabuhayan sa pangisdaan ang apektado kundi pati ang mga panirahan sa lugar at sa oras na maisakatuparan ang proyekto ay tiyak hindi na sila makakapangisda pa doon.

Hindi sila tutol sa development ngunit kinakailangan nilang malaman ang kanilang katayuan sa proyekto kung saan sila ilulugar o kung mabibigyan ba sila ng relokasyon o hanapbuhay.

Mensahe niya sa gobyerno ay mabigyan sila ng kaayusan at pangkabuhayan.

Wala naman daw nakikipag-ugnayan sa kanila mula sa pamahalaan ng Bulakan kung kayat naglunsad sila ng pagkilos at humingi ng dayalogo sa kanilang punongbayan upang makakuha sila ng impormadyon at mailatag ang kanilang mga hinaing.

Nangangamba din sila na baka kung nakatayo na ang paliparan sa hindi na sila makapangisda at maglagay na ng "no fishing zone" sa kapaligiran.

Ayon naman kay Avelino Valiente, OIC ng Sitio Bunutan ng Taliptip, ay siguradong mawawalan ng hanapbuhay ang mga mangingisda at tiyak na babahain pa lalo sa kanilang baranggay dahil maputol na ang mga puno na nagsisilbing pamigil sa tubig kung tumataas ang level nito.

Inuumpisahan na ang pagpuputol ng puno sa lugar ngunit ang mga naputol na kahoy ay nakakalat lamang sa ilog.

Hindi naman sila tutol sa kaunlaran ngunit malaman lamang nila kung saan lugar sila dadalhin.

Baha

Ayon naman sa residenteng si Francis Salita lalo silang babahain sa kanilang lugar kung matatayo ang paliparan dahil sa mga itatambak na lupa sa kailugan.

Ayon naman kay Engr. Val Concepcion, hepe ng municipal planning and development ng Bulakan, ay una pa lang na pag-usapan ang proposed project na ito nuong taong 2004 bago nagkaroon ng bilihan ng pribadong lupa ang unang sinabi ng kanilang alkalde sa Silver Tide na hindi pababayaan ang lahat ng nasa coastal area ng barangay.

May nakalaan naman na lugar sa paglilipatan ng mga maaapektuhan ng pagtatayo ng paliparan.

Sa ngayon ay nasa soil testing pa lamang ang may hawak na ng proyekto sa kanilang bayan. Umaasa naman sila na makakapasa ang kanilang lupa para sa proyekto ng mamumuhunan sa kanilang lugar.

Sa ngayon base sa kanilang pagkakaalam ay pasado na sa NEDA Board at endorsement na lamang ng Pangulo ang kailangan ngunit wala pa silang hawak na dokumento bilang patunay.

Handa naman daw ang bayan ng Bulakan sa pag-unlad na ito.

Maglalagay naman daw ng coastal highway at hindi maapektuhan ang loob ng kakalsadahan ng Bulakan

Nasa 60 porsiyento ng mga residente sa lugar ang kinakailangan na makapagtrabaho sa proyekto ayon na rin sa kanilang ordinansa.

Mensahe niya sa mga residente ay matagal na inasam na makuha ang proyektong ito at huwag silang mag-alala dahil hindi sila umano matutulad sa ibang proyekto na basta na lamang inaalis ang mga residente sa kanilang tirahan.

Sa pagkakataon na magsimula na ang proyekto ay walang pangamba at tiyak na magkakaroon daw sila ng isang bagong komunidad sa lugar.

PCSO's 'Tokhang' winning over illegal numbers game operations

By Elmo Roque

CABANATUAN CITY – Employing Oplan Tokhang-like campaign, the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) is winning over many operators and bettors of the illegal numbers game to the legal side, PCSO general manager Alexander Balutan said on Saturday.

"Many of them (suspected illegal number games operators/financiers) have switched to the legally operating Small Town Lottery (STL)," Balutan said. "When I started with PCSO in (September) 2016, 18 joined STL operations, now there are 81 of them and nine more are awaiting their papers to be approved as authorized operator (of STL)."

Balutan, a retired major-general of the Philippine Marines, said the PCSO campaign is hinged on a continuous public appeal and persuasion for the suspected financiers/operators of illegal numbers games to abandon the illegal lottery and support or join the STL. He said those involved and continuously patronizing the illegal numbers games, notably jueteng, masiao, and last-two, are also addressed not to support them as they do not contribute to the welfare of the government and the general public.

The PNPs Tokhang uses the strategy of knocking at the doors of suspected illegal drug users and dealers and persuading them to abandon their bad practice.

"We leave it to the PNP to carry out the punitive aspect of our drive to stop the illegal numbers game," Balutan said. "We have a continuing coordination with them to the campaign against illegal gambling."

Balutan was at the medical-dental mission at the Nueva Ecija High School gym here Saturday carried out by PCSO in partnership with batch '77 of the NEHS.

He hails from Zaragoza, Nueva Ecija. He attended his secondary schooling in this city after which he entered the Philippine Military Academy and graduated in 1983.

"We are doing our best to end illegal numbers game as directed by Pres. Duterte," Balutan said. "We hope that all the provinces and highly urbanized cities will have the STL to overwhelm the illegal ones soon."

There are 81 provinces and 33 HUC cities in the country, with some HUCs authorized to have more than one operating STLs.

"We suppose the general public is supporting PCSO in its drive to kill the illegal numbers games operations as they slowly see the benefits accruing from the operation of STL," Balutan said. "For charity contributions alone for those needing financial assistance for their medical needs, the PCSO is giving out from P100,000 to P1 million daily to each of our (total of 63) respective branches."

The revenue from the STL operation that goes to the coffers of PCSO has gone up, with at least P2 million a month, he said. They add up to the revenues from PCSOs lotto, sweepstakes and others, he said.

Florida folk give virtual OK to planned sanitary landfill

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Officials of Berjaya Enviro Corp., parent company of Berjaya Philippines, which operates and manages the Malaysian sanitary landfill and waste to energy plant, led by its president Chock Eng Tah, director Eng Hwa, chief operating officer Koh Chee Yong and senior general manager Peter Wong were present in the public hearing as well as Berjaya Philippines, Inc. country manager Paulino S. Soo and other FEC executives.

Village chiefs in the town took turns in telling the people what they saw in Malaysia debunking speculations that it will be similar to the Payatas and Smokey Mountain dumpsites in Quezon City as opponents of the proposal want to project.

A question and answer portion in the program followed later where queries from the villagers were answered by the said officials. And at the end of the public hearing, a roll call was made on the present village officials who all signified their approval of the proposal.

When asked by the media, Pabanlag barangay captain Ernesto Manasan said they have already passed "a resolution of no objection" to the proposed sanitary landfill/waste-to-energy project in December last year.

"Masalese ya ampo dakal a benipisyu ing maganap kekami (It is suitable and it will give us a lot of benefits)," Manasan said.

But what struck him most, he said, was the absence of foul smell and flies in the Malaysian site as well as its state-of-the-art leachate treatment facility.

The village chief said he went to Malaysia with some members of the provincial board of Pampanga last year and saw for himself how the sanitary landfill/waste- to-energy plant is being managed and operated.

On April 7, four more village chiefs and two village councilmen as well as members of the media visited the said sanitary landfill/waste-to-energy plant in Selangor which is about 50 kilometers from Kuala Lumpur.

Manasan said a certain Senen Tongol, who is opposing the project, has been misleading his barrio mates by showing them photos of the Payatas and Smokey Mountain dumpsites in Quezon City.

Meanwhile, Tapang said a similar resolution of "no objection" was also passed by the municipal council here.

He said at the moment, all needed documents and requirements are being met by FEC.

"We are still complying with the requirements. There are still some soil testing and boring tests that have to be done," he said.

Tapang said as soon as the Environmental Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources issues an environmental compliance certificate for the proposal, construction will immediately start on the project which will take about 18 months to complete.

The project site will sit on a 100-hectare property in Barangay Pabanlag here just a short distance from the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway.

PAL boosts Clark, Davao, Cebu hubs

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he said.

Bautista said the fleet expansion is geared as "Philippine Airlines bids to become a full-fledged player in the global aviation industry."

Bautista also announced PAL's recognition as a four-star airline accorded by Skytrax, a prestigious United Kingdom–based consultancy which runs an airline and airport review and ranking site.

"We are proud and gratified that Philippine Airlines recently achieved a 4-Star Global Airline Certification by Skytrax. This 4-Star rating was the fruit of two years of transformation in fleet, cabins, products and services that demanded millions of dollars in hard investments and the concerted efforts of all members of the PAL organization," Bautista said.

As the top-to-bottom transformation continues, Bautista said more and more route and fleet expansion will focus on PAL's hubs in Cebu, Clark and Davao.

Last month, in time for Holy Week, Bautista said PAL opened a link from Davao to Siargao, a fast-rising destination for surfers and adventure seekers.

Siargao joins Tagbilaran, Zamboanga, Manila, Clark and Cebu as destinations that the airline now serves from Davao. "We are now increasing our Davao-Bohol flights to daily and we plan to increase Davao-Clark flights in the coming months," he said.

Clark

"Clark is the newest jewel in our crown," Bautista said. "Just 15 months ago, we had no flights out of Clark at all. Today, we fly to 15 local and international destinations out of Clark, the greatest number of flights and routes operated by any airline," he announced. "Later this month, we will be adding flights from Clark to Busuanga and Cebu, and we are looking at daily flights from Clark to Cagayan de Oro later on, so that we can better serve Mindanao's second tourism growth center," he added.

PAL's Cebu hub includes direct flights to 16 domestic and seven international points. From Tagbilaran, PAL is the only carrier flying non-stop to South Korea, placing Bohol firmly in the global map for leisure tourism, Bautista said.

To compensate for the impending closure of Boracay, Bautista said PAL will increase flights to different vacation destinations throughout the country. "We expect Visayas, Mindanao and Palawan to benefit as we re-direct more flights from China, Korea and Taiwan to Cebu and Puerto Princesa, with some traffic flowing on to Siargao, Camiguin, Coron and Butuan," he said.

"More routes will open as we take delivery of new airplanes," he said.

Expanding fleet

Bautista said PAL's current fleet of 85 aircraft is already the largest in Philippine history. "We are aiming for 100 aircraft by 2020, which places us in the league of a major carrier. But we are not merely adding more planes we are constantly upgrading the cabins, seats, amenities, inflight entertainment and technology," he added.

Last year, PAL introduced the Next-Generation Bombardier Q400 turboprop that is powering the airline's domestic hub expansion to island resorts. Bautista announced that five new Q400s will arrive this year.

Also last year, PAL started converting Airbus A330s from a 414-seat high-density configuration to a premium quality airplane with just 309 seats and all-new Business Class, Premium Economy and upgraded Economy cabins," he said. "We now have eight transformed A330s delighting our passengers on prime routes to Honolulu, Sydney, Melbourne, Tokyo, Bangkok, Singapore, Osaka and by June to Auckland, New Zealand as well," he added.

Game-changers

For this year, PAL will launch two new aircraft that Bautista said are "expected to be true game-changers" - the luxurious Airbus A350-900.

He said the A350-900 will arrive in June, allowing PAL to fly the longest commercial flight in Philippine history from Manila nonstop to New York City, flying over the North Polar region of the world.

Bautista said also in the pipeline are new routes to Europe and to other USA cities such as Chicago and Seattle.

"When our first Airbus A321neo comes in next month, PAL will be the first in Southeast Asia to offer a single-aisle aircraft equipped with full-flat business class seats and enough range to fly up to 8-hour trips."

The PAL president said because of the additional aircraft, the airline will be happy to answer the call of Tourism Secretary Wanda Corazon Teo to open a new nonstop route to New Delhi and Bombay in India later this year. "This plane gives us the right size and range performance to develop viable nonstop flights to Australian destinations such as Perth and Brisbane, as well as to Sapporo in Japan," he said.

"Secretary Teo also challenged us to consider international routes from Davao and we are working on the needed market evaluations," Bautista said. "We will unveil such plans in the coming months," he vowed.

"More service innovations are under way. New and bigger Mabuhay Lounges are being constructed at Terminals 1 and 2 of NAIA and at the new Mactan Cebu Terminal 2. Other lounges here and abroad are being renovated," he said.

Bautista also said PAL will be offering high-quality novelty items for sale at the PAL Boutique and will replace the regular blankets on certain long-haul flights with a 'duvet' that provides added insulation and comfort to allow passengers restful sleep while cruising above 30,000 feet.

"We are adopting the full Amadeus Altéa Suite, a complete Passenger Service System that will streamline and improve reservations, inventory, departure control, and flight management systems, so our passengers will enjoy a smoother experience from booking to boarding," Bautista said in keeping with the advancing technology.

"New wings, new hubs, new products are good, but they must all be complemented by heartwarming service, inspired by our innate Filipino hospitality," he said. "Our Buong Pusong Alaga service culture will help us to ensure that this is delivered consistently, and from the heart," he added.

"Thus, for PAL, our journey continues. Today, we are the Philippines' only 4-Star airline, and we serve 76 destinations in four continents," he said.

"Our 4-Star certification is just a stop-over point. Together with our partners in government and the travel industry, we will work even harder to sustain our hard-won gains and make the next big leap to full 5-Star Global Airline status by the year 2020," he vowed.

"But we will only succeed if we can continue earning the support and satisfaction of our beloved passengers. That is our commitment to the Filipino people," he said

–Ashley Manabat

Republic of the Philippines
Office of the Municipal Civil Registrar
Hermosa, Bataan

Publication Notice
R.A. 9048/10172

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In Compliance with the publication requirement and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No.2013-1 Guidelines in the Implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 Series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 9048/10172) Notice is hereby served to the public that **ENRICO F. COSTALES** has filed with this office, a petition for **CORRECTION OF ENTRY IN CHANGE NAME** from **"ENRIQUE" to "ENRICO"** in the certificate of live birth of **ENRIQUE F. COSTALES** at **Hermosa, Bataan** and whose parents are **ERNESTO V. COSTALES and FLORENCIA D. FAJARDO.**

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this office not later TEN (10) working days.

ANTONIO ARIEL JR. E. INTON
Municipal Civil Registrar

Punto! Central Luzon: April 20 & 27, 2018

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **TERESA M. SANTOS** and **JUSTINO L. SANTOS** who died intestate on August 4, 2000 and December 13, 2008, respectively, both in Angeles City executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Special Power of Attorney on their estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 1011-A-2-B-6-H, of the subd. plan Bsd-03-000813, being a portion of Lot 1011-A-2-B-6, Psd-03-002658, L.R.C. Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Sto. Domingo, Mun. of Mexico, Prov. of Pamp. and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 412193-R, before Notary Public Rowena Cunanan-Mundo as per Doc No. 298, Page No. 61, Book No. I, Series of 2018.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 16, 23 & 30, 2018

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **PLARIDEL Q. DAVID** and **MARIETTA V. DAVID** who died intestate on June 7, 2013 and August 3, 2015, respectively, both in Angeles City executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Sale on their estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 25-D-3-C-1, of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-177065, being a portion of Lot 25-D-3-C, (LRC) Psd-151307, LRC Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrio of Pampang and Cutcut, City of Angeles and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 54602, before Notary Public Cecil L. Andin as per Doc No. 64, Page No. 13, Book No. XI, Series of 2018.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 16, 23 & 30, 2018

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
Third Judicial Region
BRANCH 44
City of San Fernando (P)

IN RE: PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF ENTRY IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF ANGELICA CRUZ PADILLA WITH REGISTRY NO. 3519 UNDER RULE 108 OF THE REVISED RULES OF COURT,

SP. PROC. CASE NO. 5915

ANGELICA CRUZ PADILLA
Petitioner,

- versus -

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA AND THE CIVIL REGISTRAR GENERAL,
Respondents.

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ORDER

This is a verified petition filed by the petitioner, by counsel, praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, the petition be given due course and **Judgment** be rendered ordering the respondents to correct Entry No 06 of petitioner's date of birth in her Certificate of Live Birth by changing the date from "November 21, 1965" to "**December 12, 1968**".

Finding the aforesaid petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the Court hereby sets the hearing thereof on **June 29, 2018 at 8:30 in the morning at the Session Hall of this Court, 2nd Floor, RTC Building, City of San Fernando, Pampanga**, when and where all persons who may have interest in the said petition may appear and to show cause, if any, why the same should not be granted.

The petitioner is ordered to serve, within five (5) days from receipt of this Order, copies of the petition and its annexes to: (i) the Office of the Solicitor General at 134 Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City; (ii) the Local Civil Registrar of City of San Fernando, Pampanga; and (iii) the Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority, Quezon City, and to show proof of said service to this Court.

Let the petitioner at her expense, publish this order for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Pampanga.

Furnish copies hereof the: petitioner, her counsel, the Office of the Solicitor General, Makati City; the Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority, Quezon City; the Local Civil Registrar of City of San Fernando, Pampanga; the Office of the Clerk of Court, RTC, City of San Fernando, Pampanga.

SO ORDERED.

ISSUED IN CHAMBERS this 11th day of April in the City of San Fernando, Pampanga.

ESPERANZA S. PAGLINAWAN-ROZARIO
Presiding Judge

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Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF BATAAN
Municipality of Mariveles
Office of the Local Civil Registrar

Publication Notice
R.A. 10172-9048

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirements and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No.___ Guidelines in the implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172) Notice is hereby served to the public that **MARSES S. MENDOZA** has filed with this office, for correction of clerical error in gender in his certificate of live birth from **FEMALE** to **MALE** at Mariveles, Bataan and whose parents are Aida C. Santiago and Moises A. Mendoza.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this office not later than ten days.

ROSELLER R. ROMERO
Municipal Civil Registrar

Punto! Central Luzon: April 9 & 16, 2018

Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF BATAAN
Municipality of Mariveles
Office of the Local Civil Registrar

Publication Notice
R.A. 10172-9048

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the publication requirements and pursuant to OCRG Memorandum Circular No.___ Guidelines in the implementation of the Administrative Order No. 1 series of 2012 (IRR on R.A. 10172) Notice is hereby served to the public that **SHIVA EDEM VINLUAN** has filed with this office, for correction of clerical error in gender in his certificate of live birth from **FEMALE** to **MALE** at Mariveles, Bataan and whose parents are Edwin G. Vinluan and Rose D. Edem.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this office not later than ten days.

ROSELLER R. ROMERO
Municipal Civil Registrar

Punto! Central Luzon: April 9 & 16, 2018

Republic of the Philippines
Regional Trial Court
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
City of San Fernando (P)
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT & EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND,
Petitioner-Mortgagee,

~ versus ~

Extra Judicial
Foreclosure No. 28-18
(Punto Central Luzon)

MICHAEL ALVIN E. DAVID married
to MA. ANGELA O. DAVID,
Respondents-Mortgagors.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

Upon Extra-Judicial Petition for Sale under Act 3135 as amended, filed by **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (otherwise known as Pag-IBIG Fund)**, Petitioner-Mortgagee, with principal office at **Petron Megaplaza Building, 358 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City and branch office at Suburbia Commercial Complex, Mc Arthur Hi-way, Maimpis, City of San Fernando, Pampanga**, against **MICHAEL ALVIN E. DAVID married to MA. ANGELA O. DAVID**, Respondents-Mortgagors, postal address at **51 Rizal St., Poblacion, Santo Tomas, Pampanga**, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of **November 29, 2017,** amounted to **SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY ONE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR PESOS & 81/100 (P 741,484.81),** excluding penalties, attorney's fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned Deputy Sheriff will sell at public auction on **May 17, 2018, at 9:00 A.M. or soon thereafter,** at the **Main Lobby** of the **Regional Trial Court, Capitol Compound, City of San Fernando, Pampanga,** to the highest bidder/s **for CASH or MANAGER'S CHEQUE** and in Philippine Currency, the following property/ies with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2013016657

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BO. OF SEBITANAN, MUN. OF MEXICO, PROV. OF PAMP., bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 48-Y-1-K OF THE SUBD. PLAN PSD-03-094462 BEING A PORTION OF LOT 48-Y-1, PSD-03-093237 LRC REC. NO.), SITUATED IN THE BO. OF SEBITANAN, MUN. OF MEXICO, PRO. OF PAMP. X X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF FIVE HUNDRED (500) SQUARE METERS. X X X DATE OF THE ORIG. SURVEY, JULY-DEC. 1916 AND THAT OF THE SUBD. SURVEY, MAR. 8, 1998 AND WAS APPROVED ON MAR. 26, 1998.

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 042-2013016658

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that certain land situated in BO. OF SEBITANAN, MUN. OF MEXICO, PROV. OF PAMP., bounded and described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (LOT 48-Y-1-L OF THE SUBD. PLAN PSD-03-094462 BEING A PORTION OF LOT 48-Y-1, PSD-03-093237 LRC REC. NO.), SITUATED IN THE BO. OF SEBITANAN, MUN. OF MEXICO, PRO. OF PAMP. X X X CONTAINING AN AREA OF FIVE HUNDRED (500) SQUARE METERS. X X X DATE OF THE ORIG. SURVEY, JULY-DEC. 1916 AND THAT OF THE SUBD. SURVEY, MAR. 8, 1998 AND WAS APPROVED ON MAR. 26, 1998.

Prospective buyers/bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the title to the said properties and encumbrances thereon, if any there be.

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **May 24, 2018**, at the same time and place without further notice.

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, April 02, 2018.

GENEROSO YULO FERNANDEZ
Sheriff in-Charge

cc: **HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND**
Suburbia Commercial Center
Maimpis, City of San Fernando,
Pampanga 2000

MICHAEL ALVIN E. DAVID AND MA. ANGELA O. DAVID
51 Rizal St., Poblacion, Sto. Tomas
2020 Pampanga

Punto Central Luzon

Lot 48-Y-1-K, 48-Y-1-L
Sebitanan, Mexico
2021 Pampanga

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Spotlight
Arci Pineda

After 14 years with the Kapuso Ryza Cenon moves to ABS-CBN

RYZA CENON on her network transfer.

"Nag-stay ako ng fourteen years sa GMA and, I think, napakita ko naman ang loyalty ko and natanaw ko rin ang utang na loob ko. Nagpaalam ako nang maayos. Hindi ako umalis nang basta-basta."

The villainess in the now defunct show "Ika-6 Na Utos", knew that she will be receiving negative comments regarding her transfer to ABS-CBN. Some people say Ryza is "inggrata" and "walang utang na loob".

"For me naman, normal lang naman ang mga reactions nila. Pero kasi minsan, for me, ha, hindi kailangang mag-react dahil hindi nila alam kung ano ang totoong nangyari talaga. And I think, yung Viva ang makakasagot niyan, hindi ako. Yung Viva na ang dapat mag-explain."

Viva Artists Agency handles the career of Ryza. Ryza is a product of the reality-based artista search of GMA StarStruck Season 2, were she was proclaimed as the Ultimate Female Survivor.

Her last project with GMA, "Ika-6 Na Utos" made her as one of local showbiz's "kontrabida. But it seems that Ryza is not affected with all the negative comments.

"I think, ginawa ko yung tamang proseso."

How did GMA top executives reacted to this?

"Okey naman, tinanggap naman nila, and naintindihan naman nila kung ano yung napag-usapan ng Viva."

Last week, Ryza signed a two-year contract with ABS-CBN.

"Siyempre, bago pumirma, kinakabahan ako. Sobrang kabado ko. First time kong makikita sila. First time kong papasok sa ABS na building, sobrang first time. Iba ang experience, nakaka-amaze!

"'Tapos, habang pumipirma ko, sobrang lamig ng kamay ko, kabado ako. Sabi nga sa akin ni Ma'am Cory [Vidanes], 'Relax ka lang, hindi kami nangangain, huwag kang matakot.'"

Everyone was stunned upon knowing that Ryza is one of the cast of :The General's Daughter", ABS-CBN's newest soap. Topbilled by Angel Locsin, Janice de Belen, Eula Valdes, and Maricel Soriano.

"Nakakagulat, kasi after that, yun na ang script reading namin ng bagong show, kay Ate Angel. Nakaka-excite, kasi yung cast, sobrang laki. Kailangan talagang galingan."

Prior to "the General's Daughter", Ryza will be seen first in "Ang probinsyano" with Coco martin. The actress cleared that it wasn't easy for for her to decide moving out of GMA.

"Yung paglipat kasi siyempre, hindi naman puwedeng ako lang. Kaya ako nag-hire ng manager para siyang humawak sa career ko. And ibinigay ko naman sa kanila yun at nag-decide sila na ilipat ako sa ABS-CBN."

Now at 30, Ryza sees this as a new chapter in her life.

"Oo, new chapter talaga ng buhay ko 'to, sa lahat. Kinakabahan ako, siyempre nae-excite ako sa mga makakatrabaho ko. Pero siyempre, hindi pa rin mawawala yung kaba. Sabi naman nila, okey lang daw yun.

"Okey lang daw yung may kaba kesa wala."

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BILLY CRAWFORD is so excited to walk down the isle with Coleen Garcia

"I'm ready for this new journey for me." he said.

The wedding is scheduled on April 20. Toni Gonzaga made the announcement in their show "Pilipinas got Talent" together with Billy.

"Nais din naming i-congratulate at sasamahan na rin natin ng best wishes dahil sa darating na Biyernes na po ang inaabangang kasal ni Billy and Coleen. We celebrate your love and your union. Mula sa iyong pamilya dito sa Pilipinas Got Talent, we're so happy for you in this this new journey you're about to embark on." says Toni.

On the other hand, Billy thanked the cast and crew of the said show...

"We really just wanna say thank you and thank you Lord. I'm ready for this new journey for me."

It will be a beach wedding for Billy and Coleen. December 2016 when the 34-year old "It's showtime" host made the proposal to Coleen after being on for two years.

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A LOT of people were surprised by Kristine Hermosa's TV comeback via the ABS-CBN prime-time series Bagani. Even ABS-CBN executive Laurenti M. Dyogi, the Kapamilya Network's head of TV Production, was astonished by her decision. Dyogi revealed how the role of Malaya was pitched to the comebacking actress.

He said, "Well, noong ginawa naman talaga yung kwentong yun, merong character na ganon.

"Tapos noong kina-cast na, iniisip namin sino yung bagay, sino yung hindi pa nakikita at matagal na. So when the Bagani team pitched it to Kristine, we're surprised na nagustuhan niya."

Kristine has always been vocal about saying that she prefers not to work on soap operas, which is why the executives of Bagani were surprised when she accepted the project.

Dyogi continued, "Kasi ang tagal na ring ayaw na talagang mag-soap ni Kristine, so we're surprised that she wanted it, she liked it."

In the series, Kristine plays Malaya, a fairy-like character who has a connection with Ganda, played by Liza Soberano. Prior to her appearance, Bagani's drama unit Star Creatives launched an online teaser saying, "Ganda sa Ganda."

Of this, Dyogi said, "It's actually a pleasant surprise for us, so we're happy, ang gaganda, we have Liza and Kristine, two of the most beautiful faces in showbiz, you'll see them in one screen, so it's a feat for the Bagani team."

After Bagani, will Kristine continue doing projects with the Kapamilya Network?

Dyogi answered, "Hindi kami nakapagplano ng ganoon kalayo kasi pamilyado si Kristine, so we don't know also her plans but we will always be open to working with Kristine.

"Si Kristine naman yata kasi, hindi naman na kailangang magtrabaho talaga so ang gusto niya lang, kung maganda yung project at naibigan niya yung role, I suppose she's willing to do it."

Kristine started her career via ABS-CBN's kiddie gag show Ang TV, which became the training ground for Star Magic's homegrown talents. She then became part of popular TV shows such as Gimik and Flames.

In 1998, she played a major role in the 1998 mini-series Kung Kailangan Mo Ako as the love interest of Marvin Agustin. However, it was in year 2000 when she got her biggest break—the lead role in Pangako Sa 'Yo, which became a phenomenal success. Her EchoTin love team with Jericho Rosales was tapped for several movies and teleseryes.

In 2010, while doing the prime-time series Noah, Kristine decided to leave the series to prepare for her wedding with husband Oyo Sotto. After six years, Kristine returned to television in 2016 via the GMA-7 blocktimer sitcom Hay, Bahay!, where she worked with Oyo and Vic Sotto.



Ryza Cenon

EX-MAYOR, EX-CONGRESSMAN

Tarzan seeks barangay post

By Ashley Manabat

ANGELES CITY – Public servant Carmelo "Tarzan" Lazatin won't retire just yet as he joined the fray for the coming barangay elections on May 14.

The former congressman and city mayor filed his certificate of candidacy (COC) on April 14 seeking the post of barangay captain of Balibago.

Information emanating from the Lazatin camp (Jungle base) said the "veteran, incorruptible and dedicated public servant Carmelo "Tarzan" Lazatin on April 14 formalized his comeback by filing his certificate of candidacy for Barangay Balibago chairman."

Lazatin, five-term representative of the First District of Pampanga and the first three-term mayor of this city, vowed to bring good governance to Barangay Balibago, focusing on free health care and scholarship programs.

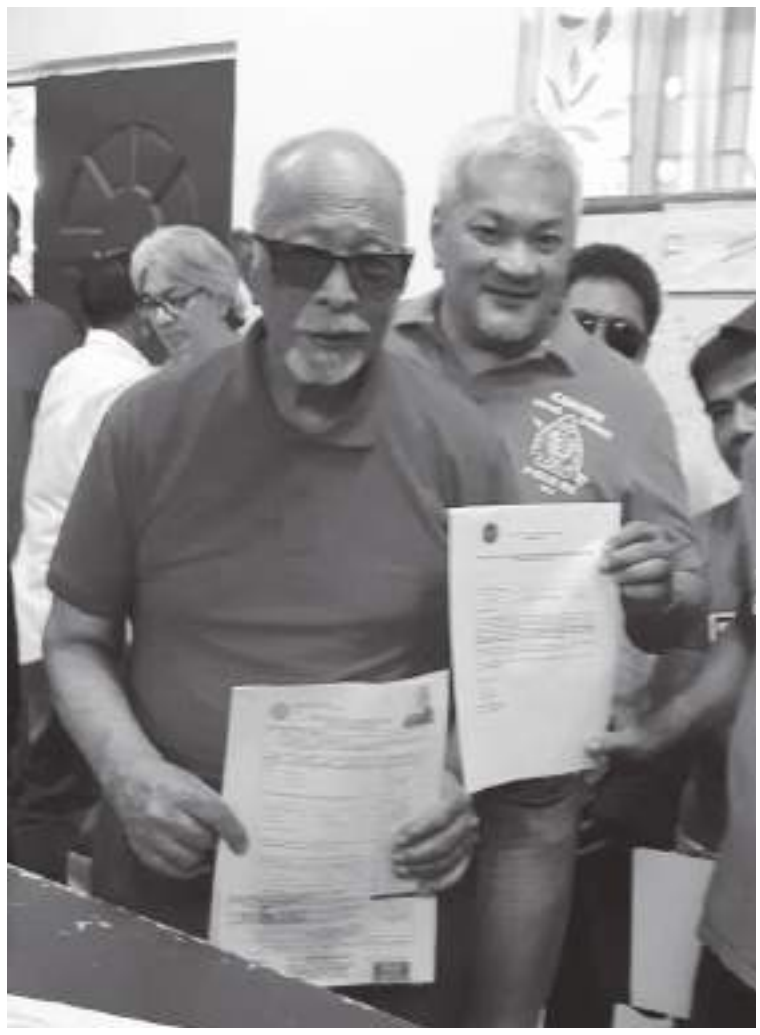
Lazatin was accompanied by his sons City Councilor Carmelo "Pogi" Lazatin Jr. and 1st District Rep. Jonjon Lazatin and hundreds of supporters during the filing of his COC.

Former Lazatin chief of staff IC Calaguas who is now with the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) posted on Facebook: "Ang tunay na paglilingkod, walang pinipiling posisyon (Real public service chooses no position)."

Prominent surgeon Dr. Vic Lugue said Lazatin is "a man I personally truly admire and consider as a true and loyal friend."

Lazatin will reportedly square off with Maria Teresa Mamac, wife of incumbent barangay captain Tony Mamac and graduating city councilor Jericho Aguas in the barangay polls.

But as of press time, only Lazatin has filed his COC.



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AS ELECTION PERIOD KICKS OFF

Checkpoints set up in Bataan

By Ernie B. Esconde

SAMAL, Bataan -- The election period for the barangay and sangguniang kabataan election on May 14, 2018 kicked off in the province with the setting up of checkpoints starting 12 midnight of Friday.

Senior Supt. Marcelo Dayag, Bataan police director, and Lawyer Gilbert Almario, provincial chief of the Commission on Elections, at dawn of Saturday made the round and inspected checkpoints in the province like in Samal, Bataan.

"Kumpleto na at inplace na preparation ng pulisya pagdating ng election. Handa na rin ang security plan namin. Sa tingin ko, hindi na magkaka-problema," Dayag said.

The provincial police director said that checkpoints should be well-lighted and must have signboards that show the names of the election officer and chief of police of the respective towns and city with their contact numbers.

Listed in the checkpoint signboard in Samal are the names of Election Officer Maribeth Abadecio and Chief Inspector Emelito dela Cruz, town police chief.

"Ang checkpoint random, hindi lang dito kundi palipat-lipat para mapansin na merong pulis. Hindi lang sa gabi kundi maging araw man," Dayag said.

Almario said that even Comelec–Bataan is all set for the barangay and sangguniang kabataan election.

"Handang-handa na. Since last year, patuloy paghahanda. Ngayon kumpleto na mga teachers to serve in the election. Mga ballot boxes nakahanda na rin sa mga munisipyo," the provincial election supervisor said.

"Sigurado nang mangyayari ang election sa May 14, 2018. Sa tingin namin wala nang makakapigil," Almario answered when asked if the election will surely go through.

Maribeth Abadecio, Samal election officer, said the checkpoint will be enforced during the election period from April 14 to May 21, 2018.

"Paparahin lang ng pulis ang sasakyan, pabubukasan ang ilaw at titingnan lang. Bawal palabasin ang tao o kapkapan o maghalungkat sa sasakyan. Visual lang," she said.

Ecija police net 395 guns

CABANATUAN CITY – The police's intensified drive against loose firearms netted a total of 395 assorted weapons, including high powered firearms, in Nueva Ecija since the start of this year, police said.

Senior Supt. Eliseo Tanding, director of the Nueva Ecija police office, said the firearms were either recovered from criminal elements in series of police operations or surrendered by owners who failed to renew their respective licenses under Oplan Tokhang/ Bilang Boga.

The guns were presented to the media hours before the implementation of total gun ban, in connection with the start of election period on April 14, 2018 for the forthcoming barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections.

"Magsasagawa na rin tayo ng tuloy-tuloy na gun ban checkpoint," Tanding said.

He said police will continue to knock on the doors of people who have failed to renew their firearms to make sure they will not land on the hands of criminal elements.

Checkpoints, he said, that will be conducted in Nueva Ecija's 27 towns and five cities in coordination with the provincial elections office, led by Atty. Panfilo Doxtor, aim to ensure the peaceful conduct of the elections.

– Armand M. Galang

NUEVA ECIJA

Drug testing sa 400 kakandidato

Ni Armand Galang

ALIAGA, Nueva Ecija – Mahigit sa 400 aspirante sa nalalapit na barangay at sangguniang kabataan elections ang boluntaryong sumailalim sa drug test sa bayang ito nitong Miyerkules.

Ayon kay San Juan barangay chairman at Association of Barangay Councils president Erwin Javaluyas, nagsama-sama ang mga aspirante sa 26 na barangay ng Aliaga sa grupo na tinawag nilang Samahan ng Bayanihan ng Mamamayan at ito ang nakipag-ugnayan sa iba't ibang ahensiya ng pamahalaan para sa drug testing.

Kumbinsido raw kasi sila sa kampanya ni Pangulong Duterte laban sa ipinagbabawal na gamot.

Nilinaw ni Javaluyas na hindi naman pre-requisite sa pagkandidato ang drug test at hindi rin nila mapipilit ang ibang aspirante na sumailalim dito.

Pero kung kaanib nila sa samahan ang makukumpirmang positibo sa paggamit ng droga ay hihilingan nila ito na sumailalim sa rehabilitasyon at huwag na munang kumandidato.

Hanggang sa ngayon, ay wala pa namang nagpositibo sa drug test.

Nilinaw rin ni Javaluyas na pribadong pera ang ginamit sa proseso ng drug test.

'Salangian' to showcase Kapampangan...

From page 1

and restaurants. Now is the time for artists to come to Clark, " Alviz said.

Alviz also furthered that the "openness and support to the Kapampangan art and culture" are factors which make Clark their ideal spot for the exhibit as he also cited the support of managers of this Freeport.

"Clark was chosen for the exhibit because of its openness and support to the Kapampangan art and culture. Bases Conversion Development Authority President-CEO Vivencio B. Dizon and Clark Development Corporation President-CEO Noel F. Manankil are both excited and gave an all out support for the biggest gathering of Kapampangan artists," he said.

Last year, various Kapampangan artworks and craftsmanship were featured during the 31st Association of South East Asian Nation (ASEAN) Summit. They were showcased at the ASEAN Villas, Clark International Airport Corporation (CIAC) VIP lounge and ASEAN Convention Center.

They included the Pidayit by Philip Torres. Pidayit from "piday-it-dayit," a Kapampangan word that means putting together to form a new one and combining with creative traditions and techniques of embroidery, beadwork, and crochet with diverse style and intricate expressions, all made by hand.

Part of the exhibit are works of to be displayed inside the museum are the artworks of sculptor Willy Layug, painter Rafael Maniago, among others. Both Layug and Maniago are recipient of Most Outstanding Kapampangan Awards (MOKA) for the contribution in the world of arts and culture.

The exhibit is also part of the 25th Anniversary of CDC and the creation of this Freeport.

–CDC CommDep

Sta. Monica Pawnshop, Inc.

Notice of Public Auction

Date: April 30, 2018
Time: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM
Address: B. Mendoza St. Sto. Rosario, CSFP, 2000
Contact no: (045) 961-3540

Branches Covered:

Main: B. Mendoza St. Sto. Rosario, CSFP
Branch 1: Unit H, Essel Commercial Bldg, Essel Park, Telebastagan, CSFP
Branch 2: Emerald Business Center, MAH Dolores, CSFP
Branch 3: Stall#118 Jumbo Jenra Mall MAH, Sindalan, CSFP
Branch 4: No.1 Maligaya St, Sindalan,CSFP
Branch 5: Stall No.2, Santiago, San Vicente, Apalit, Pampanga
Branch 6: Stall B2 Bldg. Bulaon Public Market Bulaon CSFP

(ALL UNREDEEMED LOANS GRANTED FROM JANUARY 1 – 31, 2018 ARE ALREADY SUBJECT FOR AUCTION.) Lahat ng mga nasangla magmula Enero 1 - 31, 2018 na hindi pa natutubos ay kasama na sa subasta. Maaari niyo pa pong tubusin ang mga ito na may karampatang interest at penalty hanggang sa Abril 30, 2018).



Casa Real ribbon-cutting ceremony led by Bacolor Mayor Jomar Hizon with Solana Land chairman and CEO Primo Valerio and VP for marketing Eloisa Valerio last April 6.

Solana Land launches Casa Real Bacolor

By Ashley Manabat

BACOLOR, Pampanga – Prime real estate developer Solana Land has launched Casa Real Bacolor here on April 6 with all units in its phase one development sold out.

Primo Valerio, Solana Land chairman and CEO, could not hide his elation as he thanked the company's partners and workers for a job well done.

"As we celebrate the grand launching of Casa Real Bacolor today, we pay tribute and give thanks to all our partners, buyers and workers. And we have good news because as of now, phase one of Casa Real is sold out, all units were sold," he declared.

"In Solana Land, we consider our employees as important assets of the company. We offer this celebration to all," he added.

Carlo Valerio, Solana Land president, said the Solana Land Foundation is "a core identity of the family which is giving back to the community not the business." He added that "with small of acts of kindness, we were able to implement community based projects for the foundation."

Mayor Jomar O. Hizon, who led the ribbon cutting, was joined by Solana Land officials who welcomed guests in the thanksgiving celebration.

Casa Real was the provincial building in 1757 when this town was the provincial capital of Pampanga under the Spanish rule.

According to Eloisa L. Valerio, Solana Land vice president for marketing, Casa Real Bacolor is a well-planned subdivision that is designed to reflect the rich history of the town and its promising future.

"A modernize take on the traditional Filipino-Spanish architecture, each of the unique model houses leverages the warm light and tranquil views of Bacolor's golden fields."

She said at Casa Real Bacolor, all features and facilities are fully built including the entire road network up to phase four, park, greens, clubhouse, swimming pool, play areas and basketball court.

She assured that they will be ready for use when the buyers move into their new homes.

Casa Real Bacolor is located in Barangay Cabalantian here along Jose Abad Santos Avenue (JASA, formerly Olongapo-Gapan-San Fernando road).

AirAsia enhances connectivity to Clark

Clark-Cebu as low as P17

AirAsia, the World's Best Low Cost Carrier, continues to expand its domestic network in Clark Airport in Pampanga with new flights between Clark and Cebu starting 11 May 2018.

AirAsia Philippines CEO Captain Dexter Comendador said, "Our commitment is to make air travel more affordable, convenient and accessible to travellers especially outside Metro Manila through our superb service and signature low fares. We are thrilled to be painting Clark and Cebu skies red with introductory fares now up for grabs from as low as P17 only!"

To celebrate AirAsia's newest flight, all-in promo fares for Clark to Davao are now available from as low as P17.00, one-way fare only, until 22 April 2018 at www.airasia.com for travel period between 11 May 2018 and 26 October 2018.

At a recent Philippine Economic Briefing 2018, the Philippine government has envisioned the New Clark City to be a hub of agro-industrial activities, cutting-edge technology and logistics companies and government centers with world-class sports facilities.

Alongside this development, Clark International Airport (CIA) will have a new terminal building to accommodate a projected 8 million passengers per year and a new railway system connecting to Manila and neighbouring provinces. The expansion of CIA according to government transport authorities will help decongest Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) in Manila. The expansion project for the Clark airport broke ground last December.

"AirAsia is here to support the government's flagship projects to boost tourism and trade. We aim to better connect Clark to secondary cities within the Philippines like Iloilo, Davao, Tacloban and Cebu followed by inter-Asean connectivity where the AirAsia Group has massive network covering over 120 destinations in the whole of ASEAN, in greater Asia, Australia, United States and beyond," Comendador added.

Aside from Clark- Cebu route, AirAsia also offers several flights to and from Clark, Iloilo, Davao, and Puerto Princesa.

AirAsia launched its first commercial flights from Clark with only two planes in March 2012 before transferring its hub to Metro Manila following a strategic partnership with a local carrier in 2013. AirAsia has since been operating on a much larger scale with a fleet of 20 aircraft from Metro Manila and has expanded its domestic and international network with flights from hubs in Manila, Cebu, Clark and Kalibo.



NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **GLORIETA S. REYES**, of legal age, Filipino, widow, with residence and postal address at San Nicolas 1, Magalang, Pampanga and sole heir of **VENANCIO REYES** who died intestate on March 29, 2014 at Arayat, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 16-B of the subdivision plan (LRC) Psd-217699, being a portion of Lot 16, Blk. 3, (LRC) Psd-97726, LRC Cad Rec. No. 128) situated in the Barrio of San Nicolas, Mun. of Magalang, Prov. of Pampanga, before Notary Public Almario D. Marimla as per Doc No. 350, Page No. 96, Book No. LII, Series of 2018.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 16, 23 & 30, 2018

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **EDUARDO DEMAPENDAN** who died intestate executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Sale on his estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lote No. 35, Block No. 15 del plano subdivision Psd-3066, parte el Lote No. 590 590 de la modicion catastral de Angeles GLRO Cad. Rec. No. 124), situated in the Barrio of Lourdes, Angeles City, Pampanga and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 71366 in the Registry of Deeds of Angeles City, before Notary Public Vincent Joseph T. Encarnacion as per Doc No. 873, Page No. 58, Book No. XXX, Series of 2018; Doc No. 875, Page No. 58, Book No. XXX, Series of 2018; and Doc No. 877, Page No. 59, Book No. XXX, Series of 2018

Punto! Central Luzon: April 16, 23 & 30, 2018

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **RAFAEL BALUYUT** and **PRIMITIVA GOROSPE BALUYUT** who died intestate on December 7, 2006 and December 4, 2007, respectively, both in San Vicente, Mexico, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Deed of Absolute Sale on their estate, more particularly described as a parcel of land (Lot 14 of the subdivision plan Bsd-03-001869 (OLT), being a portion of Lot 1323, Mexico Cadastre L.R.C. Rec. No.__), situated in Bo. of Sta. Cruz, Mun. of Mexico, Province of Pampanga and covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 6146, Emancipation Patent No. A-143462 in the Register of Deeds of Pampanga, before Notary Public Gener C. Endona as per Doc No. 505, Page No. 102, Book No. 57, Series of 2018.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 16, 23 & 30, 2018

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

(AFFIDAVIT OF SELF-ADJUDICATION AS THE SOLE HEIR OF THE ESTATES OF SPOUSES JOSE C. TOLENTINO & AURELIA A. TOLENTINO)

NOTICE is hereby given that the estates of the deceased Spouses **JOSE C. TOLENTINO & AURELIA A. TOLENTINO** who both died intestate on 11 November 1993 and on 01 May 2013, respectively, in Angeles City, Pampanga, consisting of the following properties:

a. 320 s.q.m. lot with improvement located at No. 221 Vanderbuilt St., Marisol Village, Angeles City, Pampanga covered by TCT No. 30693 registered under the name of Jose Tolentino;

b. House (only) located in Bonifacio St., Angeles City, Pampanga covered by Tax Declaration Number ("TDN"): B-020011-01020R registered under the name of Jose Tolentino;

c. House (only) located in Asuncion St., Angeles City, Pampanga covered by TDN: B-020010-02047R registered under the name of Jose Tolentino; and

d. 200 s.q.m. lot with no improvement covered by TCT No. 43813 registered under the name of Aurelia A. Tolentino

are the subject of an affidavit of self-adjudication by their only child and only heir, Mr. Jose A. Tolentino, Jr., as per Doc. No. 2; Page No. 1; Book No. I; Series of 2018 executed in Mandaluyong City before Notary Public Atty. Crystal A. Mercado.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 2, 9 & 16, 2018

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL REGION
BRANCH 55
MACABEBE, PAMPANGA

IN RE: PETITION FOR CANCELLATION
OF BIRTH CERTIFICATE OF LORENA
MONTACE BUENA

LORENA BUENA FUJITA,
Petitioner,
-versus- SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS NO. 18-0908(M)

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF
APALIT, PAMPANGA AND THE CIVIL
REGISTRAR GENERAL,
Respondents.
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ORDER

On March 6, 2018, petitioner Lorena Buena Fujita filed the verified "Petition" dated March 2, 2018 praying that the Local Civil Registrar of Apalit, Pampanga, and the Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority, Quezon City, be ordered to cancel her Certificate of Live Birth with Local Civil Registry No. 1174 on file in said offices.

This court finds the petition to be sufficient in form and substance.

WHEREFORE, this court hereby (a) sets this case for hearing on the petition on **May 23, 2018** at **11:30** in the **morning** at the **Session Hall of the Regional Trial Court, Branch 55, Macabebe, Pampanga**; (b) orders the petitioner (i) to cause the publication of this Order once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in an accredited newspaper of general circulation in the province of Pampanga at her own expense; (ii) to serve within twenty-four (24) hours from receipt of this Order, copies of the petition and its annexes to the Office of the Solicitor General of the Philippines, the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Pampanga, the Local Civil Registrar of Apalit, Pampanga, and the Civil Registrar General of the Philippines; and (iii) to show proof of said service to this court on said date and time of hearing; (c) orders all persons interested in the petition to appear before this court on said date and time of hearing and to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted; (d) orders this court's OIC – Branch Clerk of Court to furnish copies of this Order to the petitioner, her counsel, the Office of the Solicitor General, the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Pampanga, the Local Civil Registrar of Apalit, Pampanga, the Civil Registrar General of the Philippines and the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Macabebe, Pampanga; and (e) directs the Office of the Solicitor General to enter its appearance in this proceedings within twenty-four (24) hours from receipt of this Order.

SO ORDERED.

Macabebe, Pampanga, March 8, 2018.

MARIA JOSEPHINE M. ROSARIO-MERCADO
Judge

Punto! Central Luzon: April 9, 16 & 23, 2018

SSS maternity notification now available via Text-SSS

The Social Security System (SSS) has announced that voluntary and self-employed female members can now use the Text-SSS facility in submitting maternity notifications as part of its mandate to continuously provide better service.

SSS President and Chief Executive Emmanuel F. Dooc said that with the Text-SSS facility, individually-paying members have another way of notifying SSS about their pregnancy aside from the current practice of submitting maternity notifications directly to any SSS branch.

"With just one text away, expecting mothers can now inform SSS of their pregnancy. It is more convenient for them since they no longer need to go to SSS personally to comply with the notification requirement," said Dooc.

Dooc added that members will not be required initially to submit a proof of pregnancy when notifying the SSS using the facility. However, the proof of pregnancy must be submitted to SSS once the member applies for reimbursement of her maternity benefit.

The agency chief also emphasized that maternity notification via Text-SSS is only for individually-paying members for now, and that employed members must still notify the SSS through their employers.

Submission of the maternity notification via text message should be in the following format: SSS MATERNITYNOTIF <SSNumber> <PIN> <Expected Delivery Date MM/DD/YYYY> <Total Number of Pregnancies (including this pregnancy)> to be sent to 2600.

Each text costs P2.50 for Globe /Touch Mobile and smart subscribers and P2.00 for Sun Cellular subscribers. The member will receive a confirmation once the maternity notification is successfully received by SSS.

Aside from the Text-SSS facility, maternity notifications can be done online thru the My.SSS portal in the SSS website. Members will be asked to provide information such as expected date of delivery, number of delivery, and date of last delivery or miscarriage.

"Text-SSS and online facilities are our answer to the growing need of members for a more convenient and accessible means of transacting with SSS for their maternity claims. Rest assured that SSS will also devise more friendly means for other benefits," said Dooc. –***PR***

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the heirs of **ALICIA TINIO-TUAZON** who died intestate on March 13, 2017 in California, U.S.A. executed an Affidavit of Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights on her estate, more particularly described as parcels of land, to wit:

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 114762
Lot 4-A, of the subd. plan Psd-03-106233, being a portion of Lot 4, Blk. 8, Psd-52364, LRC Rec. No.) situated in the Barrio of Sto. Cristo, City of Angeles;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 114763
Lot 4-B, of the subd. plan Psd-03-106233, being a portion of Lot 4, Blk. 8, Psd-52364, LRC Rec. No.) situated in the Barrio of Sto. Cristo, City of Angeles;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 129285
Lot 8, Blk. 27 of the cons.-subd. plan Pcs-035401-003862, being a portion of consolidated Lot 1 and 6 (LRC) Psd-289688, LRC Rec. No.) situated in the Barrio of Sto. Cristo, City of Angeles;

Transfer Certificate of Title No. 129286
Lot 8, Blk. 27 of the cons.-subd. plan Pcs-035401-003862, being a portion of consolidated Lot 1 and 8 (LRC) Psd-289688, LRC Rec. No.) situated in the Barrio of Sto. Cristo, City of Angeles;

before Notary Public Reydon P. Canlas as per Doc No. 483, Page No. 98, Book No. 68, Series of 2018.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26, 2018

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

HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND,
Petitioner-Mortgagee,
~ versus ~
RALEIGH R. DAYRIT,
Respondent-Mortgagor.
EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE NO. 43-18
x----------x

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

WHEREAS, upon Extra-Judicial Petition for sale under Act 3135 as amended by the Act 4118, filed by HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND, mortgagee, with postal address at Suburbia Commercial Center, Maimpis, City of San Fernando, Pampanga against RALEIGH R. DAYRIT, mortgagor, with postal address at 1158 Cubul, Supali Butol, Angeles City to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which as of November 30, 2015 amounted to ONE MILLION EIGHTEEN THOUSAND NINETY SIX PESOS AND 93/100 (PHP1,018,096.93) Philippine Currency, excluding penalties, Attorney's Fees and expenses of foreclosure, the undersigned authorized Sheriff IV, will sell at public auction on ***May 10, 2018 at 10:00 in the morning*** or soon thereafter at the Regional Trial Court, City of San Fernando, Pampanga, to the highest bidder in **CASH** or **MANAGER'S CHECK** and in Philippine Currency the property with all the improvements thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. 691531-R
REGISTRY OF DEEDS FOR THE PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA

A parcel of land (Lot 40, Blk. 67 of the cons-subd. plan Pcs-03-015720, being a portion of cons. lots 3008-P-4, 3008-P-5, 3008-P-7, Psd-141126; 3008-P-6-A, 3008-P-6-B, 3008-P-6-C, 3008-P-6-D, 3008-P-6-E, 3008-P-6-F, 3008-P-6-G, 3008-P-6-H, Psd-03-159018, LRC Rec. No.), situated in the Bo. of Calibutbut, Mun. of Bacolor, Prov. of Pamp. x x x containing an area of FORTY FIVE SQUARE METERS AND FIFTY SQUARE DECIMETERS (45.50) more or less x x x.

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

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

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on ***May 17, 2018*** **at same time** and at the same place mentioned above without further notice.

City of San Fernando, Pampanga, March 23, 2018.

MICHAEL B. MANANSALA
Sheriff IV
(Regional Trial Court-42)

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HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND
Suburbia Commercial Center
Maimpis, City of San Fernando, Pampanga

Raleigh R. Dayrit
1158 Cubul, Supali Butol, Angeles City
And/or
Lot 40, Blk. 67, Xevera Subd.
Calibutbut, Bacolor, Pampanga

PUNTO! Central Luzon: April 9, 16 & 23, 2018

NOTICE OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that **MARILOU V. REYES**, of legal age, Filipino Citizen, married, a resident of 15-21 Unit 2 Dao St., L&S Subd., Sto. Domingo, Angeles City and sole heir of **LETICIA U. WILLIAMS** who died intestate on March 28, 2018 in Angeles City, executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication of her estate more particularly described as BDO Dollar Savings Account No. 105230100037 (Angeles City – Nepo Mart Branch) and BDO Peso Savings Account No. 005230334917 (Angeles City – Miranda St. Branch), before Notary Public Regina C. Gopez-Agustin as per Doc No. 259, Page No. 4, Book No. XXI, Series of 2018.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 12, 19 & 26

NOTICE OF SELF-ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that **ELIZABETH ELEANOR ANACLETO ARENAS**, of legal age, Filipino Citizen, resident of Mayflower St., Timog Park Subd., Angeles City and sole heir of **MELITA ANACLETO SHILTON** and **ANTHONY THOMAS SHILTON** who died intestate on May 26, 2017 and July 16, 2017, respectively, both at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Medical Center, CSEZ, Mabalacat City, Pampanga executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication of their estate, more particularly described as Savings Account No. 377-3-37751784-0 and Current Account No. 737701266 at Metropolitan Bank & Trust Co., Clark Branch, before Notary Public Genaro N. Montefalcon as per Doc No. 491, Page No. 100, Book No. XXIX, Series of 2017.

Punto! Central Luzon: April 5, 12 & 19, 2018

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

ALICIA MAGCALAS,
Mortgagee,
-versus-
MARILYN Q. SIENA represented by her attorney-in-fact JONATHAN QUILLEGEN SIENA,
Mortgagors.
FC CASE NO. 2018-1707
Extrajudicial Foreclosure of Real Estate Mortgage under Act 3135 as amended by Act No. 4118
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Upon extra judicial petition for sale under Act 3135 as amended, filed by the above-named Mortgagee against the Mortgagors **MARILYN Q. SIENA represented by her atty-in-fact JONATHAN QUILLEGEN SIENA,** with residence and postal address at **No. 3191 Malakas St. Brgy. Duquit Mabalacat City Pampanga** to satisfy the mortgage debt which **as of February 15, 2018** amounts to **SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND PESOS (Php.715,000.00)** Philippine Currency, inclusive of interest as of February 15, 2018 but without prejudice to costs and all other expenses arising out or incidental to this foreclosure proceeding, the undersigned Sheriff IV will **sell** at public auction on **May 8, 2018 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** or soon thereafter **at the Municipal Trial Court of Mabalacat, Xevera Mabalacat City, 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. -623535-R

"A parcel of land (Lot 22, Block 49-A of the subd. plan, (LRC) Psd-222163, being a portion of Lot 29-B, (LRC) Psd-197421, LRC (GLRO) Rec. No. 11732), situated in the Bo. of Dau, Mun. of Mabalacat, Prov. of Pampanga, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NE., points 3-4 by Lot 20; on the E., points 4-1 by Lot 21; on the SW., points 1-2 by Lot 24; all of Blk. 29-A, on the W., points 2-3 by road lot 58, all of the subd. plan. x x x **Containing an area of ONE HUNDRED NINETY FOUR (194) SQUARE METERS more or less. x x x"**

Prospective buyers may investigate for themselves the above-described property and encumbrances thereon, if there be any.

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 **May 17, 2018 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning** without further notice.

Angeles City, March 26, 2018.

GLENN P. CARLOS
Sheriff IV

Copy furnished:

ALICIA MAGCALAS
No. 3449 Matiaga St.,
Brgy. Duquit, Mabalacat
Pampanga

MARILYN Q. SIENA
JONATHAN QUILLEGEN SIENA
No. 3191 Malakas St.
Brgy. Duquit, Mabalacat
Pampanga

PUNTO! Central Luzon: April 9, 16 & 23, 2018