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In the wake of the killing of Mayor Aquino

Calbayog city police chief, others sacked

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TACLOBAN CITY- The chief of police of Calbayog City was relieved from his post in the aftermath on the killing of Mayor Ronaldo Aquino.

The relief of Police Col. Neil Montañó was announced by PNP officer-in-charge Lt. Gen. Guillermo Eleazar on Sunday (March 14).

In a statement, Eleazar said that the order is with the concurrence of the Chief PNP, Police General Debold Sinas who is on leave.

Eleazar said that the action is in connection with the incident in March 8 which resulted in the death of Mayor Ronaldo Aquino and five other people, including three police personnel and at the same time, the irresponsible

conduct of his intelligence officer in relation to the letter request to the local court.

He added that these two unfortunate incidents are currently under investigation and PLtCol Montañó was ordered relieved for command responsibility.

Eleazar further informed that PLtCol. Montañó will be replaced by PLtCol Rodolfo Albotra while Police Major Ruel Burlat, on the other hand, will be designated as the new chief of intelligence unit, to replace PLt Fernando Calabria Jr. who was also relieved from

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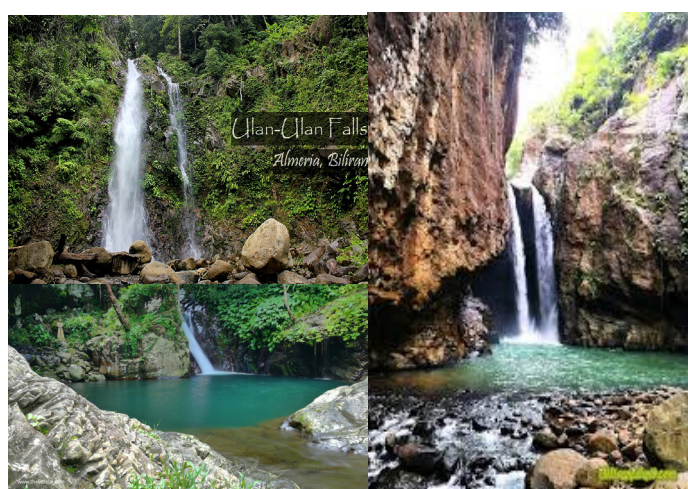
MAYOR RONALD AQUINO. The remains of slain Calbayog City Mayor Ronald Aquino now lie in state at the Calbayog Sports Complex where the Calbayognons can pay their last respects to the 59-year old mayor who died on March 8. The family claims that he was ambushed by the police operatives, who in turn, insisted that what happened was a shootout. (CALBAYOG CITY INFORMATION OFFICE)

3 Biliran towns now ready to accept tourists again; health minimum standards need to be followed by guests

TACLOBAN CITY - After a year since closing its borders to all visitors, the provincial government of Biliran has greenlighted for the grandular reopening of its tourism destinations.

This was confirmed by provincial tourism officer Jun Oliva who said that tourists who will visit the towns of Kawayan, Almeria and Maripipi, the three towns which are among areas in the province that agreed to reopen their tourism sites, have to

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The provincial government of Biliran is slowly reopening its tourist destinations with extra caution as tourists would be required to practice all the minimum health standards. Among the tourist attractions guest could now visit are the Recoletos and Bagongbong Falls, both in Almeria town. (Photo Courtesy)

Tacloban hosts a 10-day training on community waste composting

TACLOBAN CITY- To strengthen the institutional capacities of local government units (LGUs) in composting community waste and to reduce farm-

ers' reliance on commercial fertilizers, agricultur-

ists, and representatives

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The city government of Tacloban through its City Environment and Natural Resources Office, is playing host to agriculturists and environmentalists from different provinces of the country on composting community wastes. (TACLOBAN CITY INFORMATION OFFICE)



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Relief of Calbayog chief of police part of the ongoing probe, says PNP-8 spokesperson

TACLOBAN CITY- The relief of the Calbayog city police and his intelligence chief should not be considered as they have something to do on the killing of Mayor Ronald Aquino.

Thus said Col. Ma. Bella Rentuaya, regional police information officer, reacting on the relieved of Police Col. Neil Montaña as chief of police and Lt. Fernando Calabria, chief of the intelligence unit of the said police station.

The relief order of the two officials were signed by Lt. Gen. Guillermo Eleazar, officer-in-charge of the PNP last week.

“No, their relief from their posts should not be interpreted that they are guilty. It just to ensure that they could (not influence) of the ongoing investigation. Its part of the process,” Rentuaya said in a phone interview.

It was learned from Rentuaya that Montaña, who was assigned as Calbayog police chief in 2019, was temporarily detailed at the regional police headquarters in Palo town, Leyte.



Col. Ma. Bella Rentuaya

He was replaced by Lt. Col. Rodolfo Albotra who assumed his post on Monday (March 15).

Calabria was reassigned at the Samar Police Provincial Office along with nine non-commissioned officers purportedly to undergo refresher seminar.

Calabria was replaced by Major Ruel Burlat. It was not clear yet why the nine non-commissioned officers were also relieved from their Calbayog city police assignments.

Rentuaya assured the public that the ongoing investigation regarding the March 8 incident is ‘fair and impartial,’ de-

spite of the fact that two police members were also killed in the said incident.

Mayor Aquino, 59, was killed while he was on his way to attend the birthday party of his son, Mark on that day in Barangay Lonoy. Also killed were his police security escort, S/Sgt. Rodeo Sario and driver Dennis Abayon. Wounded was the mayor’s civilian close-in staff, Mansfield Labonite.

On the side of the operatives, killed were Capt. Joselito Tabada, chief of the provincial anti-drug enforcement unit and S/Sgt. Romeo Laoyon.

S/Sgt. Neil Cebu was

wounded.

A civilian, Clint Jan Paul Yaunder, who was riding on a separate vehicle, died due to the cross-fire.

The police claims that it was a shootout while the Aquino family and their supporters insisted that it was an ambush.

Meantime, a source of the Calbayog clerk of court, who asked not to be named, said that Judge Reynaldo Clemens, the presiding judge of Regional Trial Court-Branch 31, was livid when he learned on the request of the police, as signed by Calabria, seeking for them to release the names of lawyers who are representing individuals suspected to be members of the New People’s Army or communist group.

“He was so angry when he learned about it. He want the cops to explain about it,” the source said.

He declined to comment further saying he was not authorized to issue any statements regarding the matter.

(JOEY A. GABIETA)

P74M earmarked for over 600 ENGP family-beneficiaries in Northern Samar

A total of P75 million has been earmarked for calendar year 2021 in the implementation of the Enhanced National Greening Program (ENGP) using the family approach strategy.

It will benefit more than 600 impoverished families from identified municipalities in the province of Northern Samar that includes the municipalities of Palapag, Mapanas, Laoang, San Roque, Catubig, Las Navas, Silvino Lobos and Catarman, among others.

The amount will be distributed to the family-beneficiaries who are tasked to plant an area covering 3, 195 hectares that will be planted with bamboo, agroforestry and indigenous species. On the part of the family-beneficiaries, they will be given a budget for their seedling production, plantation establishment and for the 1st year maintenance activities.

“The National Greening Program (NGP) was conceptualized mainly as poverty alleviation and food security initiative by the government. The welfare of the people is given importance and because the program espouses participatory strategy, they are themselves involved in the advocacy for environmental protection and con-

servation”, says Forester Joselito L. Eco, OIC-Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer of PENRO-Northern Samar during the signing of the Letter of Agreement (LOA) between the ENGP beneficiaries and the DENR.

In Silvino Lobos, a 4th class municipality in Northern Samar, 50 families recently signed LOAs with the DENR for the implementation of the ENGP in their area. The said family-beneficiaries are under contract with the Department to plant an area comprising of 131 hectares of bamboo and agroforestry plantation with an approximate total budget of Php2.5 million to be distributed to the family-beneficiaries for year 2021 alone.

“This family-based approach will directly benefit the families themselves and the plantation will have a greater chance of success because of a higher sense of belongingness coming from the beneficiaries,” says OIC PENRO officer Eco. (PR)



Calbayognons pay their last respects to their slain mayor; remains now at sports facility

TACLOBAN CITY- The remains of the slain Calbayog City Mayor Ronald Aquino were transferred at the sports facility from their residence on Sunday (March 14) where his supporters and friends could pay their last respects to their departed leader.

Mark Aquino, the son of the late long-time official of the city, said that they are overwhelmed with the outpouring of ‘love and support’ from the Calbayognons.

“We are very thankful and grateful for their love

and support to our father, to the mayor. This only shows how they love my father,” the 38-year-old son said in a phone interview.

The collective call of the city residents, he added, is for justice be served for his brutal slaying.

The mayor was killed by police operatives on March 8 while he was on his way to attend the birthday celebration of Mark, his eldest son.

The family has yet to decide when will be the schedule for the burial of Aquino, the second city mayor of Calbayog to be slain while in office, as they still wait

for the arrival of one of her two daughters who now live in Canada.

Aquino’s predecessor, Reynaldo Uy, was gunned down while attending a fies-

ta celebration in Hinabangan town 10 years ago or in May 1, 2011. His killing

remains to be unsolved.

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Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico "Mic" Petilla received Lt. Col. Ernesto de la Rosa Jr. (right), the commanding officer of the 14th IB and Lt. Col. Jasper Justito Pecson (left), the commanding officer of the 93rd IB, who paid him a courtesy call on March 9, 2021 at his office at the Government Center, Candahug, Palo, Leyte. (Gina P. Gerez)

Task group expected to release results findings on the killing of Calbayog mayor this week

TACLOBAN CITY – The special investigation task group (SITG) formed to look into the killing of Calbayog City Mayor Ronaldo Aquino will come up with its first full report on the incident any time this week.

Col. Ma. Bella Rentuaya, regional information officer of the Philippine National Police (PNP-8), said the report will be completed soon in time for the scheduled press briefing on the case at the PNP national headquarters.

"Our appeal to the public is to be patient since we are doing everything to gather all facts. It takes time to identify all policemen involved and complete the ballistic examination," Rentuaya said in an interview last March 12.

"One of the key objectives of the investigation is to find out if the incident was a shootout or an ambush. We are gathering facts not just from policemen, but from civilians as well who witnessed the incident," she added.

The SITG has so far received the sworn

statements of four police officers reportedly involved in the bloody firefight between the camp of the mayor and policemen along Laboyao Bridge in Barangay Lonoy, Calbayog City at 5:30 pm on March 8.

Killed on the spot were Mayor Aquino, his security personnel S/Sgt. Rodeo Sario and his driver Dennis Abayon. An aide of the mayor, Mansfield Labonite, was wounded with another civilian, who was on board with another vehicle, Clint Jan Paul Yaunder, also killed.

Based on the police report, Aquino and his group were heading north on board a white van, one of his security personnel fired at the vans, which they allegedly thought were tailing them.

Other vehicles, later identified to be carrying PNP personnel from IMEG (integrity monitoring and enforcement group) and DEU (drug enforcement unit), then fired back.

Killed among them were Capt. Joselito Tabada, chief of the provincial anti-drug enforcement unit; S/Sgt. Romeo Laoyon, as-

signed at the provincial intelligence group. S/Sg Neil Cebu, assigned at the K9 unit of the Samar police provincial office, sustained gunshot wounds and remain at a hospital.

Earlier police regional director Brig. Gen. Rolando De Jesus said in a radio interview that all police officers involved in the incident are all accounted for but the official declined to disclose the numbers. (LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

SSS urges members, covered employers to ensure correctness and validity of disbursement account for online enrollment

The Social Security System (SSS) asks its members and covered employers to ensure the correctness and validity of their respective disbursement accounts when enrolling in the Disbursement Account Enrollment Module (DAEM) through the My.SSS portal.

SSS President and CEO Aurora C. Ignacio said incorrect input of account number or uploaded proof of account result in the rejection of disbursement account enrollment application. "We urge our members and covered employers to triple-check the informa-

tion they have entered before submission to the SSS to avoid inconveniences in their disbursement account enrollment," Ignacio said.

When registering, members and employers must ensure that their bank account is with a Philippine Electronic Fund Transfer System and Operations Network (PESONet) participating bank. The member's name or the employer's business name registered in the SSS should be the same as the bank account name being enrolled. They must also make sure that they are entering the bank account

number and not the ATM card number.

For cash cards issued by banks, they must ensure that the bank allows its use for SSS disbursements. Bank account numbers must be written as a continuous string of numbers, without spaces or any non-numeric characters.

For e-wallets and Remittance Transfer Companies (RTCs)/Cash Payout Outlets (CPOs), mobile numbers must be written in the format 09171234567 or 09181234567, without spaces or non-numeric characters.

As an additional verification process to avoid fraudulent enrollment of disbursement account and to validate the enrollee's ownership, members and employers must also upload a proof of account through the DAEM.

Acceptable proofs of accounts include: photo or scanned copy of passbook, ATM card, validated deposit slip, bank certificate/statement, or foreign remittance receipt; or screenshot of online/mobile banking account, or mobile app account (for

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New mayor, vice mayor now assumes their posts

Police 'request' on list of lawyers shock son of slain Calbayog Mayor Aquino

TACLOBAN CITY-The son of slain Calbayog City Mayor Ronald Aquino expressed his shock on a "request" of the police for the court to disclose the names of lawyers who are representing personalities alleged to be members of the communist group.

Mark Aquino said that this particular request by the Calbayog city police raises suspicion rather than any possible legal reasons.

"Why only now? Are they trying to link my father to the New People's Army just like they are trying to claim that my father was engaging in the illegal drug trade which is never true at all?" he said in a phone interview.

"Are they trying to sabotage and muddle the ongoing investigation? How can they link my father to the NPAs when he always asked for help from the Philippine Army whenever there is a problem in the villages that need their intervention?" the younger Aquino added.

Also, he said, their request to have soldiers as their security during this time would not be approved by Major Gen. Pio Diñoso III, the commanding officer of the 8th Infantry Division based in Catbalogan City if they have link with the out-

lawed armed group.

To recall, a letter-request purportedly signed by PLt. Fernando Calabria, Jr., chief intelligence officer of the city police, addressed to the Office of the Clerk of Court requesting for list of lawyers who are representing personalities tagged as "communist terrorists."

Calabria was relieved from his post effective Sunday (March 14).

The son of the slain mayor said that his father has sustained at least 39 bullet wounds as based on the autopsy conducted by the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI).

"They really intent to kill my father. Of the 39 bullet wounds he sustained all over his body, six of them were on his head alone. They really wanted to kill my father," he said.

The 59-year old city mayor was on board on his vehicle when the incident happened in Barangay Lonoy on March 8 at around 5:30 pm. on his way to attend the birthday party of his son, Mark.

The police claimed that there was a shootout while the family insisted that the last term mayor was ambushed.

Mark said that considering that the suspects were

policemen, they have to secure assistance from the Army and sought for security during this time.

"While we are not receiving any threats, the situation calls for us not to be complacent of our own safety," he said.

He, however, stressed that they are not saying that the entire police organization should not be trusted.

Meantime, Vice Mayor Diego Rivera, 73, and Councilor Rey James Uy, 37, have already assumed as mayor and vice mayor of the city, respectively, on March 9, the day Aquino was killed.

Councilor Charlie Conejos said the two have to assume their new posts as per directive of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and to avoid any vacuum of power at the city government.

Incidentally, the new vice mayor is the son of Mayor Reynaldo Uy who was gunned down in 2011 while attending a fiesta celebration in Hinabangan town, also in Samar.

Aquino, who was then the vice mayor, succeeded Uy. (JOEY A. GABIETA)

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Pandemic pollutants

The perils brought about by this COVID-19 pandemic are not just limited to health issues, death, economic collapse, and other related misfortunes; it has also prompted a steady rise of waste materials that eventually contribute to garbage accumulation.

Anywhere we go, we can see some protective items that were not properly disposed of. They litter in residential areas, particularly in urban communities peopled with squatters and all who are not conscious and cooperative enough in observing proper hygiene and sanitation. The facemasks, which are rather lighter, can be blown by the wind and scatter around.

If not collected and properly disposed of, these used facemasks, face shields, syringes and other leftovers in swab testing can be swept by rainwa-

ter to the drainage networks and thereby clog the same, causing floodwater to rise in low-lying areas. If further dragged by water current all the way to the sea, these materials can either poison marine life or choke them to death.

Imagine such accumulated materials worldwide, how they can aggravate pollution in general! In our country alone, these discarded materials can already create mounds or hills of used protective items on a daily basis. Add to these their packaging covers and all, and you can perhaps create mountains.

It is then imperative that, as much as possible, everybody should cooperate in limiting the use and disposing of these materials so as not to contribute to the worsening proliferation of pollutants in our environment. Be responsible, and try to help mitigate the effects of this pandemic on our collective habitation—the earth in general.



Things To Mind

DOMS PAGLIAWAN

Wrong expectations

Amid the confusion and debate as to what vaccine is the most effective and what to accept in case they are finally introduced to us and we are allowed to choose, I was able to eavesdrop on a conversation between two, elderly Filipino-Chinese

gentlemen in a shop by one of them.

They were obviously old friends, one being the host, the other, a visitor. As I was shifting my weight from one leg to the other while assessing the items for sale in that shop, my attention was

drawn to their conversation. They were boisterously discussing the vaccines that are now out for emergency utilization.

Both of them had accordingly instructed their children and grandchildren living in Manila to choose Sinovac over the other existing and developing vaccines. I immediately thought that such a choice was explained by their being Chinese by blood. Understandably, they would go for something Chinese, or made in China, on account of their race, and to patronize their own product as Chinese.

I was also expecting that, aside from their patriotism and nationalism shown through their sup-

port for Sinovac, they would also feel the same way toward the Chinese people living in mainland China. That they would also come to the defense of Chinese citizens who are being accused and condemned worldwide for the corona virus that started from their country.

I was wrong, surprisingly wrong in both expectations.

First, their opting for Sinovac was not because they are Chinese, or they are patriotic or nationalistic, but because of one emphatic reason—the Chinese know better what antidote to produce for coronavirus. According see *Wrong* /page 7 ...



What's New Mr. Q?

TENTE U. QUINTERO

Cebu PDP-Laban leaders ask DU30 to run for V-President in 2022!

Why was PDP-Laban President, Sen. Manny Pacquiao absent in the secret party gathering; not even a signatory in the controversial PDP-Laban Resolution?

Yep, this early, still Fourteen (14) months from the May 2022 Elections, the "Electio-nitis Virus" has already affected so many local government officials, and several PDP-affiliated officials in Cebu openly expressed their support for specific personalities as their choice/s for national leadership in said national elections.

Energy Secretary Alfonso Cusi, who sits as the vice-chairman of the PDP-Laban, disclosed the duly-approved & signed resolution, passed in a private meeting attended by Cebu officials last Wednesday, 10 March 2021.

The following 25 PDP-Laban affiliated Cebu Provincial Board Members, City Mayors, Municipal Mayors & Two (2) Congressmen, signed a Joint Resolution asking and pledging their all-out support for President Rodrigo Duterte to run for Vice-President in 2022, after he steps down from Malacanang.

Cebu 4th District Representative. Janice Salibangon and Cebu 6th District Representative Emmarie Ouano-Dizon.

Cebu Provincial Board Member Glenn Soco * Cebu Provincial Board Member Jerome Librando and Cebu Provincial Board Member

Jovito Ouano

Mandaue City Mayor Jonas Cortes * Carcar City Mayor Mercedita Apura * Naga City (Cebu) Mayor Kristine Vanessa Chong * Talisay Mayor Gerald Gullas and Lapu-lapu City Vice-Mayor Celedonio Sitoy.

- Cebu Municipal Mayors -

Asturias Mayor Jose Antonio Pintor * Consolacion Mayor Joannes Alegado * Cordova Mayor Mary Therese Sitoy-Cho * .Daanbantayan Mayor Sun Shimura and Ginatilan Mayor Dean Michael Singco.

Malabuyoc Mayor Lito Narciso Creus * Medellin Mayor Joven Mondigo, Jr. * Minglanilla Mayor Elanito Pena * Moalboal Mayor Paz Rozgoni and Ronda Mayor Terence Mariano Blanco

Sibonga Mayor Leonel Bacaltos * San Fernando Mayor Lakambini Reluya * Tabagon Mayor Zigfred Duterte and Tabuelan Mayor Rex Casiano Gerona.

... And the Chairman & Board Members of the Metropolitan Cebu Water District.

Because of the constitutional ban on re-election as president, the officials above - listed supported the continued presence & leadership of President Rodrigo Duterte in national level politics, believing that (by then) Vice-Presidential candidate Rodrigo Duterte would easily win the position in 2022, because even at this stage, as outgoing Malacanang resident, the popularity rat-

ing of President Digong is still so very high!

They jointly insisted that President Duterte should still get involved in national-level politics, in order to drastically diminish, if not totally end his unfinished war on drugs, his unfinished war against insurgents in the country, and the no-holds-barred unfinished war on corruption in the country.

Many believe that only President Digong and/or his daughter Davao City Mayor Sara Duterte could complete DU30's "Structural Golden Age", through his Build, Build, Build...

And this Columnist, being a true-blue "Waraynon" is particularly supportive in Duterte's presence in national politics, so that the following big projects, the massive construction of which, have already been started, would be

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Automatic for the People

CLEMELLE MONTALLANA

The Antidote

Start by doing what is necessary,

Then do what is possible and suddenly

You are doing what is impossible

- Francesco di Pietro di Bernard one

(Francis de Assisi)

As the Vaccine comes knocking at our doors, in our localities, we feel the aura of hope. We are celebrating the first necessary balm to the aches and breaks of both our lives and our chance on life. The health aspect and the economic implications are hoped to be slowly harmonized by the availability of the vaccine and easing of health protocols.

The United Nations Framework for the Immediate Socio Economic response for COVID 19 says; During the Ebola outbreak in West Africa in 2014, more people died from the interruption of social ser-

vices and economic breakdown than from the virus itself. This should not have happened, and the world cannot let it happen again. As the world enters the deepest global recession since the Great Depression, we need to connect health needs to social, economic and environmental well-being, linking the present to the future. We are all interconnected and need borderless solidarity. People everywhere must have access to social services and social protection; jobs, businesses and livelihoods must be protected; and a safe and equitable recovery of soci-



Commentary

FR. ROY CIMAGALA

The relevance of St. Joseph today

AS we celebrate another Solemnity of St. Joseph on March 19, let us revisit the crucial role the foster father of Christ played in the whole economy of salvation if only to instill in us more deeply that the devotion to him is ever relevant, especially these days when we are into very uncertain times.

Yes, we can say that St. Joseph is the saint of uncertain times for the simple reason that he carried out his role as spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and

foster father of Christ, taking care of the most important persons in mankind's history, no less than our savior and his mother, with a great sense of fidelity and creativity amid many trials and difficulties.

Let us recall some of the difficult decisions and tasks he had to carry out in obedience to God's will: how he decided to marry Our Lady when at first he already thought of not pushing through with the marriage, how he immediately took Mary and the child Jesus

in the middle of the night to flee to Egypt and escape the planned killing of innocent children by King Herod, etc.

Of course, the most important task was how to bring up the child Jesus who though a divine person was also a man who needed to be taken care of, especially during his childhood, and to grow and learn many things. It must have been a very challenging duty of his as well as very rewarding.

St. Joseph may strike us as only a very ordinary character, a carpenter with hardly any notable accomplishment to his name. But he was chosen by God to be entrusted with the most delicate responsibility, precisely that of being the head of the Holy Family on earth.

His life and his vocation should gladden and edify us who for the most part may only be occupying humble positions in life,

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eties and economies must be set in motion as soon as possible.

Speed is of the essence; but how we accelerate our development offer of support must be fully consistent with the principles that underpin the United Nations Secretary-General's global call. The responses should aim to protect people and planet; pre-serve gains across all the SDGs; ensure equality; promote transparency, accountability, and collaboration; increase solidarity; and place the voice, rights and agency of people at the center.

With people at the center, our development

framework must be focused on people. How can a government enable its people to respond to the challenges brought about by the new normal? What interventions can be added to the many already activated?

My take would be these start with the reminders that we are not off the virus even with vaccines present. Explain and inform to people the efficacy of the vaccines. Citing scientific data not fake news nor myths then systematic administering of the vaccinations starting the

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Pray the Holy Rosary daily
for world peace and conversion of sinners
(The family that prays together stays together)

Prayer for the Nation and for Those who Serve in Public Office

God, our Father, you guide everything in wisdom and love. Accept the prayers we offer for our nation, by the wisdom of our leaders and integrity of our citizens, may harmony and justice be secured and may there be lasting prosperity and peace.

Almighty and eternal God, You know the longings of our hearts and You protect our rights in your goodness, watch over those in authority, so that people everywhere may enjoy freedom, security and peace.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, Amen. (Courtesy of Daughters of St. Paul)

N.Samar Police seizes P117K worth of hot logs

CAMP CARLOS DELGADO, CATAR-MAN, Northern Sa-mar-- The Northern Samar Police Provincial Office (NSPPO) under the lead of PCol. Arnel J. Apud, provincial direc-tor, has collared three il-legal-loggers and confis-cated P117,000 worth of undocumented lumbers during an operation in San Isidro, Northern Sa-mar on March 13, 2021.

The San Isidro Munic-ipal Police Station led by PLt. Lyndon T. Dagalea, officer in-charge, seized a total of 105 good lum-bers and 12 boat keels of assorted sizes, as part of NSPPO’s strict enforce-ment of Presidential De-cree (PD) 705 or the An-ti-Illegal Logging Law.

In a report, opera-tives caught the offenders

in the act of loading the lumber products onto a “balsa” along Seven Hills River that would be trans-ported without pertinent documents.

Violators will face charges under PD 705, while the confiscated lum-bers are yet to be turned over to proper authorities.

PD Apud commend-ed the effort of San Isidro MPS for another accom-plishment in its campaign against illegal logging ac-tivities.

“The arrest of the three offenders should serve as a stern warning to all il-legal loggers in the prov-ince. We will ensure that illegally-gathered forest products are confiscated and those responsible will be charged with accord-ingly,” PCol. Apud said. (PR)

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doing very ordinary tasks, mostly hidden with hard-ly any great social impact. But if we follow the exam-ple of St. Joseph, we would be convinced that whatev-er our status in life, if we do things with faith, hope and love the way St. Joseph did his, then whatever we do may not have some so-cial impact, but they would have a great spiritual and supernatural effect.

That is why it is highly encouraged that we devel-op this devotion to him. He is a good teacher in the art of prayer, in having an in-timate relation with Christ and Mary which is so cru-cial if we want our spiritual life to really grow, mature and be fruitful.

Let us approximate the sense of proximity and intimacy that St. Joseph enjoyed in his life with Je-sus and Mary. Such sense of proximity and intima-cy would truly help us to live presence of God all throughout the day, and to maintain a spiritual and supernatural bearing while

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completely finished during the next 2022 to 2026 administration --

-- The 18-km long Bridge from Northern Samar to Matnog, Sor-soson in Bicol..

-- The 20-km long Bridge from Southern Leyte to Surigao in Mindanao.

being immersed in our dai-ly temporal affairs. It would turn us into real contempla-tive souls in the middle of the world.

It would make every-thing in our life, including the many trials, difficulties and the many uncertainties, most meaningful. It would make us realize that every-thing in our life, whether good or bad according to human standards, is and should be an occasion to be sanctified by offering it to God, and to be sanctified by it as well.

St. Joseph’s life and ex-ample would help us never to forget what is truly essen-tial in our life.

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-- The 5-km long Bridge from Leyte to Bohol

-- And even the first of its kind in the coun-try -- the 36-km Sub-way Train System from NAI, passing under-ground through Maka-ti City, Taguig City up to Quezon City.

As I said, we’ve got to admit it -- our government has never done soooo many in-fra-structure projects of this magnitude ever before; and it took a Duterte to do it!

So, will there be another Duterte Part Two after 2022? Aban-gan ang Susunod na Kabanata!

frontlines. Finally, similar the whole of nation ap-proach in the anti-insur-gency, we must also have a whole of nation of end-ing the COVID menace. The approach and actions must be comprehensive tapping educators and the whole bureaucracy. It needs our efforts and help.

In my own little way I am doing this writing for us to be enlightened and give the best coopera-tion. With union there is strength and life too. The cure for COVID is unity , collective and true , we can defeat the virus.

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that PACITA O. LUMACTUD, heir of the late GREGORIA OBINA executed an Affidavit of Adjudication over a parcel of agricultural land located at Brgy. Sabang, Suribao. Borongan City, Eastern Samar covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg P-17888 under Lot No. 7358, Cad 434-D, Case-8 containing an area of 1,951sq.m., A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of EDITHA N. RAMASTA married to RENATO C. RAMASTA as vendees of the above-described parcel of land with all improvements existing thereon, free from all liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 344, Page No. 70, Book No. XII, Series of 2019, Notary Public Atty. Charles B. Culo, CPA. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late FRANCISCO CASILLANO extraju-dicially settled over a parcel of agricultural land covered by Lot 5671, Case 6, Cad 434-D with OCT No. 1815 containing an area of 1,197sq.m., more or less situated at Brgy. Ca-bong, Borongan, Eastern Samar. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of SPS. ARNOLD G. COSIPAG AND GEMMA C. COSIPAG as vendees of the above-described parcel of land free from liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 106, Page No. 23, Book No. XXXI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Rhoda Montes-Cebrius. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH ABSOLUTE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late MILAGROS A. AMOSCO extraju-dicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land containing an area of 244sq.m., more or less designated as Lot No. 8602, Case-9, Cad 434-D situated at Brgy. Maybacong, Borongan, Eastern Samar covered by OCT No. P-17802. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of CLARITA PROMEDA LUSTRE as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 174, Page No. 36, Book No. XXXI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Rhoda Montes-Cebrius. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

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Province of Samar
Municipality of Zumarraga

MUNICIPAL SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE



The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office of LGU Zumarraga, Samar would like to call the Attention of EMILYN ROSAL ISANAN and MARK AGANG SUCHANEK, JR. whose daughter BAMBILYN JADE ISANAN SUCHANEK, born on September 4, 2007 in Angeles City, Pampanga, is being sought for adop-tion by a childless couple, Mr. Scott May and Mrs. Charita Isanan-May from the United States of America, the maternal granduncle and grandaunt of the child. The said child is currently under the care and custody of her maternal grandfather Medy Isanan and the latter’s partner, Jac-queline Pujol in Brgy. San Isidro, Zumar-raga, Samar since May 11, 2014. Accordingly, the whereabouts of the child’s parents are unknown since they lost contact with them for more than six years now.

The Parents, relatives or any interested party of the child, BAMBILYN JADE ISANAN SUCHANEK are requested to see Ms. Nerissa L. Bulan, Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer of Zumar-raga, Samar or contact her on this mobile number 0995-471-7820 to discuss/plan for the child’s welfare. Failure of any of them to appear at MSWDO, Zumarraga, Samar will serve as basis for filing a Petition for Administrative Declaration of the Child Legally Available for Adoption, as required under RA 9523.

NERISSA L. BULAN, RSW
MSWDO

LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS OF SINFOROSO S. MORADA WITH ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SINFOROSO S. MORADA extraju-dicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 6 parcels of land particularly described as; 1) A parcel of land covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-93790 situated at Brgy. Tagaytay, Bato, Leyte with an area of 2,000sq.m., designated as Lot No. 7570, Cad 745-D (Equivalent to Lot 4060-A, Csd 08-007030-D); 2) A parcel of land covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-93788 situated at Brgy. Tagaytay, Bato, Leyte with an area of 994sq.m., designated as Lot No. 7571, Cad 745-D (Equivalent to Lot 4060-B, Csd 08-007030-D); 3) A parcel of land covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-93787 situated at Brgy. Tagaytay, Bato, Leyte with an area of 1,078sq.m., designated as Lot No. 7572, Cad 745-D (Equivalent to Lot 4060-C, Csd 08-007030-D); 4) A parcel of land covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-93789 situated at Brgy. Tagaytay, Bato, Leyte with an area of 992sq.m., designated as Lot No. 7573, Cad 745-D (Equivalent to Lot 4060-D, Csd 08-007030-D); 5) A parcel of land covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-93786 situated at Brgy. Tagaytay, Bato, Leyte with an area of 1,023sq.m., designated as Lot No. 7574, Cad 745-D (Equivalent to Lot 4060-E, Csd 08-007030-D); 6) A parcel of land covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-93785 situated at Brgy. Tagaytay, Bato, Leyte with an area of 1,065sq.m., designated as Lot No. 7575, Cad 745-D (Equivalent to Lot 4060-F, Csd 08-007030-D). A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of EVE-LYNDA DAGORO BASAY as vendee of the above-described property. Per Doc No. 166, Page No. 34, Book No. VII. Series of 2020, Notary Public Atty. Josenilo Marquez-Reoma. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH DEED OF PARTITION AND DEED OF ABSOLUTE SALE OF PORTIONS OF REAL PROPERTY

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CORAZON S. JADOC AND BENJA-MIN JADOC extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land known as Lot 311, Cad 9730D situated at Barrio Tingib, Basey, Samar covered by OCT-27642 with an area of 13,117sq.m. A Deed of Absolute Sale was executed in favor of SPS. CATALINO S. JADOC AND MARUJA G. JADOC as vendees of a portion of the above-described prop-erty measuring 7,714.8sq.m., Per Doc No. 410, Page No. 83, Book No. I, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Joan Christine C. Valdivia. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH DEED OF SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late RODULFO G. PLECEDRA extraju-dicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a motor vehicle described as: Make: Mitsubishi, Chassis No.: 124-75163, C.R.: 58674958, Motor No.: 4DR5-770490; Plate No.: GKY838; O.R. No. 1805202383. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of ABU BAKR KHALID, as vendee for the above-described motor vehicle; per Doc. No. 749, Page No. 153, Book No. XIII, Series of 2021 of Notary Public Atty. Mario Lydinno R. Opeña. *LSDE: March 9, 16 & 23, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late JANICE ABLAY SURPIA, namely: JerryDwan Ablay Surpia and Jerja Anne Ablay Surpia extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a Bank Account with Land Bank of the Philippines and parties being of legal and minor aga hereby presents, agreed to claim deposit and waive their rights in favor of their grandfather PAQUITO ABLAY, husband of the deceased Caridad Margallo Ablay; per Doc. No. 191, Page No. 40, Book No. X, Series of 2021 of Notary Public Atty. Reynaldo P. Martillo. *LSDE: March 9, 16 & 23, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given heirs of the late ELIAS B. APA extrajudicially settled, parti-tioned and adjudicated over 2 parcels of land with improvements thereon situated at Tigbao, Tacloban City, described as: 1) A parcel of land, Lot No. 78-B-10, containing an area of 1,278 square meters more or less, embraced with TCT No. T-52838; 2) A Parcel of land, Lot No. 78-B-8, containing an area of 324 square meters, more or less, embraced with Tranfer Certificate of Title No. T-52836 and heirs hereby waive all rights, interest and participation and above-mentioned real property, thereby Cede, Transfer, Convey and assign infavor of ROSALIA B. APA of legal age, widow do hereby accept the above waiver of right of her children; per Doc. No. 431, Page No. 88, Book No.LXXXVII, Series of 2018of Notary Public Atty. Edwin B. Jomadio. *LSDE: March 9, 16, 23, 2021*



The Reception and Study Center for Children (RSCC), Pawing, Palo, Leyte would like to call the attention of parents and relatives of a baby boy a.k.a. Cuatro de los Santos, who was approximately 7 months old when found by a certain Maricel Dutado Astorga on December 22, 2013 at around 9:00 in the evening at Imelda Park, Catbalogan City and brought to Catbalogan City Police Station by the finder on the same date. On December 23, 2013, said child was turned-over by PO2 Joebelle F. Magsanoc, of the Wom-en and Children Protection Desk (WCPD), Catbalogan City Police Station for appro-priate intervention. Accordingly, while

Maricel and her two children were walking at the Imelda Park, Catba-logan City, she saw a couple with a crying baby boy whom she asked on what was wrong with the child. The couple informed her that the baby was not their son and he was left to them by a woman who was looking for a comfort room but did not return anymore.

On August 14, 2018, the baby boy a.k.a. Cuatro de los Santos was referred and escorted to the Reception and Study Center for Children (RSCC) Pawing, Palo, Leyte, by Ms. Nida R. Aroza, City Social Welfare and Development Officer and Ms. Ana A. Ocenar, Social Welfare Officer III, both from the Local Government Unit of Catbalogan City for further intervention.

The parents, relatives or any interested party of the said child are re-quested to see, NIDA V. JUSAY, Center Head of the Reception and Study Center for Children (RSCC), Pawing, Palo, Leyte or contact her at mobile number 09214222708 to discuss permanently plan for the child. Fail-ure of any of them to appear will serve as basis for filing a Petition for Administrative Declaration of a Child Legally Available for Adoption, as required under RA 9523.

NIDA V. JUSAY

SWO III/Center Head-RSCC

LSDE: March 16, 23 & 30, 2021

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE OF DECEASED JUAN P. LLUZ AND REMEDIOS C. LLUZ WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. JUAN P. LLUZ AND REMEDIOS C. LLUZ extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 3 parcels of land particu-larly described as; 1) An agricultural land denominated as Lot 3844, Pls-24 covered by TCT No. T-312 located at Nabug-an, Brgy. San Jorge, Las Navas, Northern Samar containing an area of 102,681sq.m.,; 2) An agricultural land denominated as Lot 2456, Pls-24 covered by TCT No. T-312 located at Nabug-an, Brgy. San Jorge, Las Navas, Northern Samar con-taining an area of 12,811sq.m.,; 3) A residential lot denominated as Lot 49, Cad 1254-D covered by OCT No. 2021000051 situated at Brgy. H. Jolejole, Las Navas, Northern Samar containing an area of 252sq.m., and heirs hereby adjudicate unto ourselves in equal shares the above-mentioned parcels of land covered by TCT No. T-312 while the residential lot covered by OCT No. 2021000051 is hereby adjudicated in favor of EFREN C. LLUZ and we hereby waived, renounced and surrender all our rights, interest and claims over the said residential lot in favor of EFREN C. LLUZ. Per Doc No. 588, Page No. 14, Book No. 2, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Jonathan D. Loberio. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH PARTITION

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late ESTELA RENEGADO AND JUAN RENEGADO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 4 parcels of land described as; 1) A parcel of land identified as Cad Lot 281 located at Brgy. Ma-asin, Hin-dang, Leyte declared under TD No. 08-15015-00581 with a total area of 4,217sq.m.,; 2) A parcel of identified as Cad Lot 40 located at Brgy. Ma-asin, Hindang, Leyte under TD No. 08-15015-00585 with an area of 3,279.12sq.m.,; 3) A parcel of land identified as Cad Lot 290 located at Brgy. Ma-asin, Hindang, Leyte for taxation under TD No. 08-15015-00586 covered by Certificate of Title No. P-48523 with total area 6,475sq.m.,; 4) A parcel of land identified as Cad Lot 669 located at Brgy. Poblacion 1, Hindang, Leyte under TD No. 08-15001-10733 covered by Certificate of Title No. P-46392 with a total area of 7,519.10sq.m., Per Doc No. 103, Page No. 21, Book No. XXXIX, Series of 2018. Notary Public Atty. Rosarie A. Peteros-Phua. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE (MCH UNIT) OF THE LATE FELICIDAD D. ARPON

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late FELICIDAD D. ARPON extraju-dicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over an MCH Unit described as follows; Unit Type: HONDA TMX 155, PLATE NO. HX4422; Engine Type: KB509E261017; Chasis No: KE3D9261012; Body No: 0719. Per Doc No. 84, Page No. 17, Book No. 100, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Edwin Y. Chua. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that NICANDRO PEÑERO CANALEJA, sole surviving direct compulsory heir of SPS. LUCIA P. CANALEJA AND SINFOROSO CANALEJA executed an Affidavit of Self-Adjudication over a parcel of land situated at Brgy. Ana-haway, Palo, Leyte designated as Lot No. 9125, Case 9, Cad 407 containing an area of 14,455sq.m., covered by Katibayan ng Orihinal na Titulo Blg. P-55683. Per Doc No. 307, Page No. 63, Book No. XVI, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Enrico D. Asis, CPA. *LSDE: March 2, 9 & 16, 2021*

DPWH-Eastern Samar collects 1-truck garbage during coastal clean-up

In celebration of the 2021 Quincentennial Commemorations in the Philippines (2021 QCP) this March 18, 2021, the Department of Public Works and Highways-Eastern Samar District Engineering Office (DPWH-ESDEO) initiated a coastal clean-up along the shore of the surfing area in Calicoan Island, Guiuan, Eastern Samar on March 5, 2021.

The said activity was started at 7 o'clock in the morning led by the District Engineer Ma. Margarita Junia and participated with the 33 employees.

Among the most collected were dried coconut husks, tree branches, plastic food wrappers, ropes, plastic bottles, bottle caps, slippers as well as tiny pieces of foam and resulted in the collection of 10 cu.m of trash.

According to ESDEO District Engineer Ma. Margarita C. Junia, the coastal clean-up is timely because the district is now conducting road maintenance along Guiuan-Sulangan Peninsula Road in preparation for the 2021 QCP celebration in the province.

"Though the seashore of the surfing site in Guiuan is no longer within the road right of way of the national road and is not within the jurisdiction of DPWH ESDEO, we still initiated to conduct coastal clean-up because taking care of envi-

ronment is a responsibility of every individual. This is also our own way of helping the local government in the preparation of the Quincentennial Christianity in the Philippines which is to be held in Guiuan, Eastern Samar," said DE Junia.

She also shared that the initiative of having coastal clean-up was started when she and her granddaughter who loves to surf visited the said beach and noticed the trashes on the seashore.

"I suggested to our Maintenance Chief of the district office to conduct coastal clean-up in the area together with the district maintenance crew. And I am very happy with the positive response of Engr. Casillano (ESDEO Maintenance Chief) and his team that my request was granted earlier than expected," said DE Junia.

After the coastal clean-up activity, DE Junia took a pose on the signage "OKAY LANG NA AKO ANG IWAN MO, WAG LANG ANG BASURA MO" wanted to send a message to the public to be more responsible in their garbage especially to the local residents and to the guests visiting the area. The DPWH Eastern Samar District Engineering Office installed garbage cans in the area which are visible for the lo-

cals and tourists to observe proper waste disposal.

DE Junia also shared that there is happiness in doing extra work in public service especially activities preserving nature.

"The coastal clean-up was very fulfilling. All sweats and sunburns were paid off. Actually, in my previous assignment in Southern Leyte, we are active in conducting coastal clean-up like this and also in tree planting, and I would like to do the same here in Eastern Samar," added DE Junia.

Meanwhile, barangay council Allan Bagasin of Sulangan, Guiuan said in an interview that he is thankful to ESDEO for conducting a coastal clean-up activity in the said area.

"This is beneficial for us since it will attract more tourists and will also help boost the revenue of our barangay and the Municipality as well," said Bagasin. "The garbage cans installed by DPWH are very useful. Tourists and residents will no longer throw their trash anywhere," added Bagasin.

Moreover, Bagasin disclosed that they are also conducting a coastal clean-up every third week of the month.

(MAY ANTOINETTE O. NABLE, PIO STAFF)

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strictly follow all the health minimum standards during their stay.

Almeria is home to major waterfalls like the Ulan-Ulan, Bagongbong, and Recoletos Waterfalls and its versions of rice terraces located in the villages of Sampao and Iyusan.

In Kawayan town, its major tourist attractions of them were found on his head.

Meantime, one of the suspects in the brutal killing of Mayor Aquino was buried on Saturday.

S/Sgt. Romeo Laoyon, 38, was buried in a public cemetery at his native town of Zumarraga, also, in Samar province.

It was learned that Laoyon has left his wife and four children and served the Philippine National Police organization for 13 years. **(JOEY A. GABIETA)**

include the Busai Falls, Masongsong spring swimming pool, and the Tingkasan Bat Cave.

Sambawan Island, a major tourist attraction of Maripipi, however, will start to welcome tourists beginning April 10.

"All incoming travelers will undergo verification and health screening at the border checkpoint, after which the tourist assistance center (in each town) will assist them," Oliva said.

At the border checkpoint, tourists will undergo clinical and exposure assessment.

Tourists are required to wear face masks and face shields while undergoing the process then they will have to present their valid identification card.

Foreign tourists who will be visiting the province will have to present a negative RT-PCR test taken two days before their arrival.

Those with symptoms will be prohibited from en-



COMPUTERS FOR STUDENTS --- Ferdinand Martin "Marty" Romualdez Jr. (2nd right), representing his father Majority Leader and Leyte Rep Martin Romualdez, and Tingog Party List 2nd nominee Jude Acidre (right) representing Tingog party-list Rep. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez turn over four unit of complete set high tech desktop computer to Tolosa National High School Principal Jenia Mendoza-Diston (2nd left) and GPTA president Lani Cinco (left) to help teachers and students for their online classes at Tolosa National High School in Tolosa Leyte.

Photo by Ver Noveno

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his post effective March 12.

Aside from PLtCol Montañon and PLt Calabria, nine other Police Non-Commissioned Officers (PNCOs) of the Calbayog CPS were also relieved and were reassigned to Samar Provincial Police Office to undergo refresher seminar he added.

Eleazar said that the relief of these officers and the designation of their replacements were also based on the recommendation of the Regional Director, Police Regional Office 8, Police Brigadier General Ronaldo De Jesus.

"This reorganization is intended not only to im-

tering Biliran while those who are asymptomatic will be advised to proceed to Step 2 process which is filling up an arrival form at the Tourism Assistance Center.

The tourists will also be requested to present proof of hotel booking or sponsorship of a homeowner where they will be staying.

Those who do not have accommodation will be assisted by tourism personnel to book in a facility accredited by the Department of Tourism.

After their visit to the province, tourists are also required to visit the tourism assistance center to inform, and to properly record their departure.

They may also provide feedback and suggestions to what they experience and observe during their visit in the island province. **(ROEL T. AMAZONA)**

prove the investigation and intelligence capacity of the Calbayog City Police Station in the light of the two incidents that happened but also to infuse new ideas and strategies on peace and order with the deployment of new police officers in the area" Eleazar in a statement said.

The order includes the designation of PMaj Mariano Estoño as the new company commander of the Calbayog City-based 1st Samar Provincial Mobile Forces Company, which was also recommended by PBGen De Jesus.

It was learned that PMaj Estoño has just finished his commando course and Eleazar expects that his deployment in Calbayog City will calm the tension and address security apprehensions of the local residents as a result of the incident involving Mayor Aquino.

"We are also continuously conducting the needs assessment for the Calbayog CPS to improve its investigation, intelligence and operational capabilities through PBGen De Jesus and his regional command group" said Eleazar.

Eleazar also said that based on consultation with the Chief PNP, police officers concerned are also ordered to refrain from making any comment on the case of Mayor Aquino, and just wait instead for the final result of the investigation.

"We appeal to all the parties concerned to do the same" he added.

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to them, the Chinese scientists and pharmaceuticals are more reliable, authoritative, and dependable in battling with this virus for the main reason that it is they who had "produced" this virus.

While scientists in other countries are still busily studying this virus, the Chinese according to them were already vaccinating their own people in the later part of 2019, long before the virus entered other countries. They were kind of saying: China had created this virus with a ready antidote and cure for it. That's an unbeatable advantage, indeed.

There's more: they were angrily criticizing the Chinese "originators" of this virus, condemning them to a high degree. In fact, they were so mad curses were coming off their big mouths. They are not, after all, defensive of their highly-criticized fellow Chinese in the mainland. They are equally harsh and judgmental, blaming these "idiots" for plunging the world into chaos.

Hay naku, when it comes to this virus, we really make a lot of mistakes, calculations, and expectations. Make no mistake of me; am just sharing this episode. Watch out for the next.

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e-wallets).

Members must guarantee that the photos or scanned documents are readable and colored.

Proofs of accounts are no longer needed for the following: Unified Multi-Purpose Identification card enrolled as an ATM (UMID-ATM); bank accounts migrated from the Sickness and Maternity Benefits Payment thru the Bank (SMBPB) Module; and DBP Cash Padala thru M Lhuillier, an RTC/CPO.

Benefit and loan disbursement channels

SSS members and covered employers are advised that benefits and loans have varying disbursement channels.

At present, Retirement, Disability, Unemployment, Sickness and Maternity Benefits of individual members, as well as Funeral and Death Benefits of beneficiaries who are SSS members themselves are disbursed through UMID-ATMs, Union Bank of the Philippines (UBP) Quick Cards, PESONet participating banks, e-wallets, and RTCs/CPOs.

Employer's Sickness and Maternity Benefit Reimbursements are also paid through PESONet participating banks.

Pension Loans and short-term member loans such as Salary, Calamity, and Emergency are released through UMID-ATMs and UBP Quick Cards. Short-term member loans may also be released through PESONet participating banks.

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First PRC saliva test in Southern Leyte yields 6 COVID-19 negative results

MAASIN CITY- Six out of seven clients of the Philippine Red Cross (PRC) tested negative of COVID-19 while one was rejected after undergoing the first saliva RT PCR test in Southern Leyte.

According to Southern Leyte Chapter Administrator Jonas Maco, the seven clients submitted themselves for the saliva RT PCR test at PRC – Abgao Gym in Maasin City in the afternoon of March 10, 2021.

All the saliva samples collected were shipped out safely to Cebu via Hilongos on board Gabisan Roble ship in the evening. Upon arrival in Cebu at 4 o'clock early morning, it was immediately received at the

ceiving a high volume of applications in the DAEM. In response to this, we have assigned more employees to verify applications," Ignacio said.

"We advise our members to refrain from going to our branches to follow-up on their disbursement account applications. Rest assured that we are continuously looking for ways to improve and expedite the DAEM verification process," she added.

Last year, the SSS implemented the mandatory enrollment of disbursement accounts with PESONet-participating banks, e-wallets, or RTCs/CPOs in the DAEM for a faster, more secure, and checkless means of benefit and loan disbursements.

For more information, follow the SSS on Facebook at "Philippine Social Security System," Instagram at "mysssp," Twitter at "PHLSSS," or join the SSS Viber Community at "MYSSSPH Updates." **(PR)**

PRC Molecular laboratory for further processing.

At 11 p.m. on March 11, the results were forwarded to concerned individuals and/or offices, Maco explained.

Six out of seven results turned out negative while one sample was rejected due to the presence of phlegm inside the container and was endorsed to concerned Red Cross Chapter for repeat testing.

For the first batch of clients, who were bound to travel to places like Cebu, Bohol and Aklan, all sought the saliva test at the local Philippine Red Cross testing center.

The provincial government in Bohol widely honored the PRC saliva test, as gleaned from the Bohol Island News shared by Chapter Adminis-

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from different provinces in the region had a series of hands-on training in this city.

The training on Capacity Enhancement on the Operations of Composting Facility for Biodegradable Waste (CFBW) conducted at the city's Materials Recovery Facility, was spearheaded by Agricultural Training Institute-Regional Training Center 8, in partnership with Bureau of Soils and Water Management (BSWM), an attached agency of Department of Agriculture, and the local government through City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) Head Jonathan Hijada, who facilitated the demonstration on the processing and packaging of fertilizers during the actual session.

Meantime, BSWM Region 12 Coordinator Leolito D. Siase, who likewise graced the activity, was met

trator Maco.

Each test costs P2,000, he added.

PRC local chapter recently launched in the province earlier this month the first Saliva test for COVID-19 across Eastern Visayas region. It was formally held last March 3, 2021 in Maasin City.

He further said that a minimum of 50 collected samples will be transported to PRC Cebu Molecular lab once a week.

The validity of the result is 72 hours or three days from the date of the certification, he said.

For more inquiry, PRC Southern Leyte can be reached through CP number 09171244718, he said.

(Idl/esg/PIA8 SoLeyte)

with evident eagerness and enthusiasm by the participating LGUs as he talked on the composting process, noting "to learn this will help improve and promote the organic farming system and will alleviate the burden of buying commercial fertilizers that are expensive and detrimental to the environment."

Siase was also joined by other BSWM personnel led by Area Coordinator Armando Arcamo.

Since the program implementation in 2018, a total of 57 LGUs in Region 8 have inked in promoting organic farming, in support of food security measures, especially during this pandemic.

Meanwhile, the said face-to-face training which started Wednesday (March 10), is limited only to 16 participants per day, to observe the proper health protocols, and will last until March 19, 2021.

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Comelec-Maydolong gives freebies to female registrants on women's month special registration

BORONGAN CITY- The Commission on Election (Comelec) Maydolong gave hair ties as freebies to all-female registrants on the Special Registration for Women and Young Girls as a token to mark women's month.

A discount card from a popular beauty care center was also given as a special prize to the first registrant of the said event.

According to Remmie Vivian Accion, Comelec officer of Maydolong, the giving of tokens was an initiative of their office to urge people to register especially women who are qualified to vote in this coming national elections.

Accion said that the special registration was done for three days, from March 9 until March 11.

"Our office will also conduct a satellite registration to barangays to ensure that every qualified voter

can register and the registration will last until September 30, 2021," Accion added.

Accion stated that their office will only conduct registration on Tuesdays until Saturdays.

Every Monday is the disinfection day of their office to ensure the safety of their clients and employees.

Those who will register for the first time, they will need a birth or baptismal certificate.

Those who have already voted on the SK Election will not need to register anymore.

Their office also accepts clients who need a transfer of registration, change of status, and verification of the registration status if active or inactive.

The town of Maydolong has more than ten thousand voters.

(nbq/rdt / PIA E.SAMAR)

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE AMONG HEIRS

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late HARRY P. RUMOHR extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 6 parcels of land, 1 shares of stock and 6 bank deposits particularly described as: **1)** 1/2 share in a parcel of land with an area of 374sq.m., and covered by TCT No. 120-2020000167 designated as Lot No. 4, Plan No. Pcs 08-001734-D situated at Brgy. Rawis, Calbayog City, Samar; **2)** 1/2 share in a parcel of land with an area of 163sq.m., covered by TCT No. 120-2020000140 designated as Lot No. 5, Plan No. Pcs 08-001673-D situated at Brgy. Rawis, Calbayog City, Samar; **3)** 1/2 share in a parcel of land with an area of 3,635sq.m., covered by TCT No. 120-2020000042 designated as Lot 3607-B-6-A-5 situated at Brgy. Bagacay & Rawis, Calbayog City, Samar; **4)** 1/2 share in a parcel of land with an area of 8,834sq.m., covered by TCT No. 120-2016000033 designated as Lot 3607-B-6-U-5-D-15-C-3-D, Plan No. Pcd-08-033580-D situated at Brgy. Bagacay, Calbayog City, Samar; **5)** 1/2 share in a parcel of land with an area of 175sq.m., covered by TCT No. 120-2020000032 designated as Lot 1, Block 10 Psd-08-024757-D situated at Brgy. Rawis, Calbayog City, Samar; **6)** 1/2 share in a parcel of land with an area of 2,680sq.m., covered by TCT No. 120-2020000105 designated as Lot No. 1-A-B, Plan No. Pcd-08-033677-D situated at Brgy. Rawis, Calbayog City, Samar; **7)** Shares of stocks in Narcisia Hills Development Corporation and St. Ignatius Memorial Park, Inc. with business address at Brgy. Rawis, Calbayog City; **8)** BDO Calbayog Peso Savings Account under account number 012420025780 in the name Harry Rumohr or Lourdes Rumohr; **9)** BDO Calbayog Dollar Savings Account under account number 112420024016 in the name Harry Rumohr or Lourdes Rumohr; **10)** Metrobank Calbayog Peso Savings Account under account number 3-294-32233-8 in the name Harry Rumohr or Lourdes Rumohr; **11)** Metrobank Calbayog Dollar Savings Account under account number 294 00593 0 in the name Harry Rumohr or Lourdes Rumohr; **12)** RCBC Calbayog Longtime Certificate Deposit under account number 000000-9025700962 in the name Harry Rumohr or Lourdes Rumohr; **13)** AUB Calbayog Dollar Savings Account under account number 218-19-000041-1 in the name Harry Rumohr or Lourdes Rumohr. Per Doc No. 255, Page No. 51, Book No. XI, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Joseph Dinoy. **LSDE: March 16, 23 & 30, 2021**

AFFIDAVIT OF ADJUDICATION OF SOLE HEIR

NOTICE is hereby given that CECILIA MATEO-LIBRES heir of the late NIMFA PAGLINAWAN MATEO executed an Affidavit of Adjudication over a 1/2 parcel of land known as Lot 401 containing an area of 32,223sq.m., more or less covered by TCT No. T-5860 covered by TD No. 2008-04010-00084 of the Municipality of Babatngon, Leyte with market value og Php41,005.42 and Assessed value of Php14,930.00 situated at Babatngon, Leyte. Per Doc No. 33, Page No. 8, Book No. I, Series of 2020. Notary Public Atty. Rosulo U. Vivero. **LSDE: March 16, 23 & 30, 2021**

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