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Granting amnesty to NPA members

Gov. Petilla endorses proposal to ELCAC-EV

ROEL T. AMAZONA

TACLOBAN CITY- Providing amnesty to the members of the communist terror group, the New People's Army (NPA), in the region is not a remote.

This after Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico Petilla revealed that he will bring the matter at the regional panel of the End Local Communist Armed Conflict (ELCAC).

The proposal to give amnesty to rebels was pushed by Fr. Edwin Perito, representing the religious sector of the Leyte

peace and order council, as a way to encourage more NPAs to surrender and give up their armed struggle.

The priest said that one of the problems that they have received in convincing NPA members to surrender is when they brought up the cases filed against them.

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'Lannie' forces Biliran LGUs to cancel work, classes

TACLOBAN CITY- Local government units in Biliran province have suspended works and classes on Monday (Oct.4) amid the threat of Tropical Depression 'Lannie'.

Among the local government units that issued the suspension were the towns of Almeria, Cabucgayan and its provincial center, Naval.

However, medical and frontliners will continue to work despite of the suspension.

The Coast Guard based in Naval also issued suspension of voyage of all type of sea vessels and watercrafts as the entire

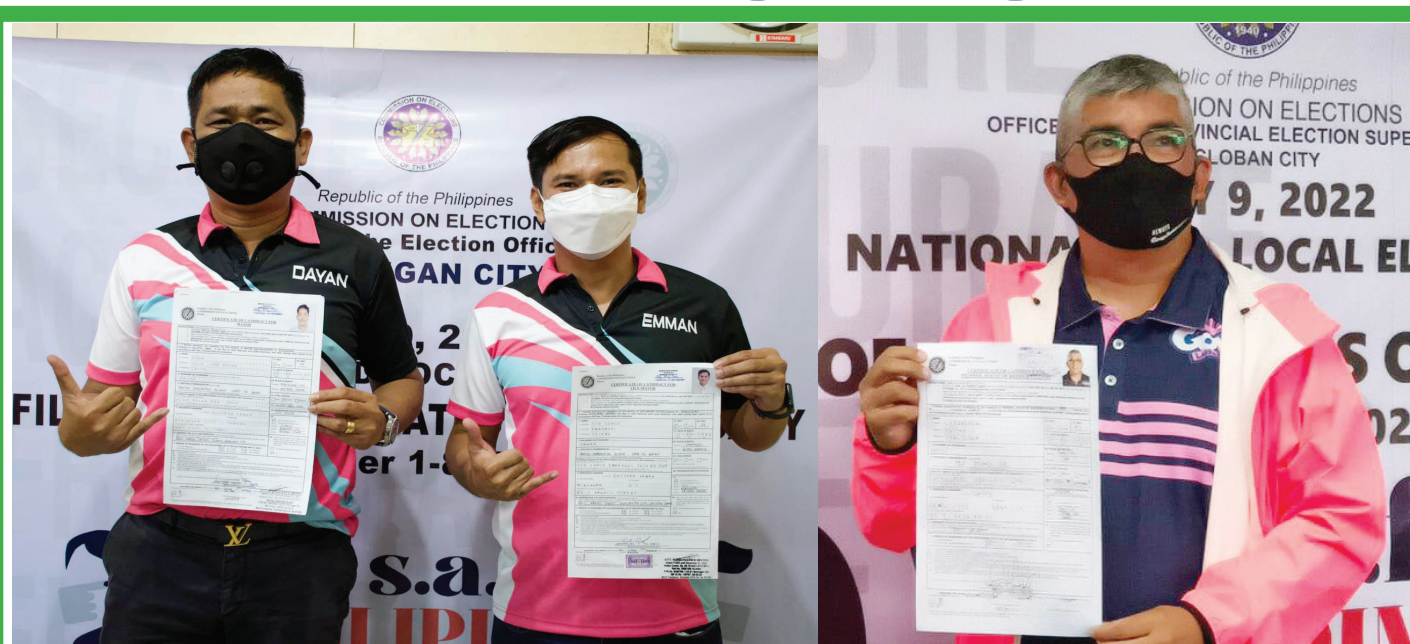
province was placed under signal number 1.

The suspension will be lifted once the weather improves, the Naval Coast Guard said on its notice to mariners.

In Eastern Samar, a road section located in Barangay Binaloan, Taft was closed to all motorists due to a possible occurrence of landslide amid heavy rains, Governor Ben Evardone said.

The National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council has issued advisory of heavy rains that may result to landslides in Eastern Visayas due to Lannie.

(JOEY A. GABIETA)



CANDIDATES. Candidates who want to run for next year's elections, continue to file their certificates of candidacy. Among those who filed their CoCs were reelectionist Borongan City Mayor Jose Ivan Dayan Agda and Vice Mayor Emmanuel Tiu Sonco and former elections commissioner Gregorio Larrazabal (right) who is running for Leyte's fourth congressional district.

(BORONGAN CITY INFORMATION OFFICE/ROEL T. AMAZONA)

Mayor Romualdez leads Tacloban in marking the Consumer Welfare Month celebration

TACLOBAN CITY- The city government here in partnership with Leyte ConsumerNet, joined the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) Leyte Provincial Office in its celebration of 2021 Consumer Welfare Month.

To mark the occasion, the 11th Consumer Information Market & Exhibit, which ran from October 1-2, 2021, was held at Robinsons North Tacloban.

Revolving around the theme, "Digital Consumers: New Normal," said exhibit was aimed at "institutionalizing networking among government



Tacloban City Mayor Alfred Romualdez lead in the marking of the Consumers Welfare Month which opened on October 1. A consumer information market and exhibit was held at the Robinsons North here in the city. (TCIO)

agencies with consumer displaying Leyte consumer member agencies' protection functions and er services to the see Mayor /page 6 ...

DPWH rehabilitates Rawis-Catubig road in Cangcahipos

NSSDEO, Brgy. Burabud, Laoang, Northern Samar- With the supervision of District Engineer David P. Adongay, Jr., the rehabilitation/reconstruction/upgrading of

project which include reblocking, installation of 1,460 meters guardrails including concrete posts and construction of 659 meters reinforced concrete drainage canal (RCDC) at the right side

of the roadway funded under GAA FY 2021.

This project aims to apply the new standard national secondary roadway that is durable and safe and prevents the deterioration of concrete pavement due to the damaging effects of overloaded vehicles.

Once completed, this project will provide a comfortable and stress-free travel; accessible even during inclement rainy season because of wider lanes to accommodate the increasing volume passing along Rawis-Catubig Road. **(REY M. ORSUA, INFORMATION OFFICER/PR)**



damaged paved roads along Rawis-Catubig Road under contract with Solid M Construction is nearing completion with 97.99% work accomplishment. It is located at Brgy. Cangcahipos, Laoang, Northern Samar second district.

It is a P31M road



Over 560 inmates at the Tacloban city jail now fully vaccinated

TACLOBAN CITY – A total of 563 inmates at the Tacloban City Jail are now fully vaccinated against coronavirus disease (COVID-19).

This after the city's mobile vaccination team conducted the inoculation for the second dose of Sinovac vaccines to the inmates, or persons deprived with liberty, last Oct.1.

The prisoners received their first dose last September 3.

Prior to their inoculation, the mobile vaccination team first conducted last August vaccination

among 42 women prisoners.

The women inmates received their second dose of Sinovac vaccines last September 15.

Bureau of Jail Management and Penology Regional (BJMP) Director S/Supt Delvic Oreiro expressed his gratitude to the city government for administering the vaccines against the inmates.

As mitigation to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the facility, the BJMP 8 for more than a year now is implementing jail lockdown, disallowing family visits

and large gathering inside the facility as mandated by the Inter-Agency Task Force. **(ROEL T. AMAZONA)**

Businessman Tacoy to challenge incumbent mayor whose family ruled the town for over three decades

MATAG-OB, Leyte- A businessman will try to challenge the reelection bid of the incumbent mayor of this town, Michael Torrevillas.

Bernardino 'Bernie' Tacoy has filed his certificate of candidacy for mayor of this fourth-class municipality with his son Vincent Lybern as his running mate Sunday afternoon.

"I want to show to the people of Matag-ob of my sincerity why I decided to run. That I am true to my wish to serve and bring unity to this town," Tacoy said.

Tacoy added that while he does not have any political experience, he believe that he could bring unity among the people of his town.

But more than bringing unity and peace to this town, Tacoy said that he is more incline to provide a good and decent condition among his people.



Leyte Governor Leopoldo Dominico "Mic" L. Petilla lead in the cutting of the ribbon during the turnover and inauguration of a multi-purpose hall with stage amounting to P1. 9 million on September 28, 2021 at the Mayorga National High School. Joining him were board member Raissa Villasin of the 2nd district of Leyte; Mayorga Mayor Alexander De Paz; Sherlita Andrade, secondary principal II; Major Ronald Odchimar, executive officer of the 141B Philippine Army; and Arman Calamaya, GPTCA president. The activity was held at the multi-purpose hall. (GINA P. GERESZ)

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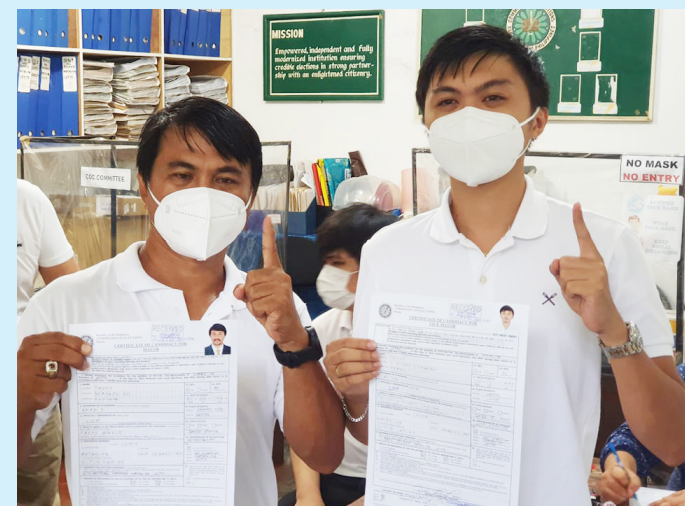
are never measured by experience and length of service but a heart that is truly willing to serve.

He said that their tandem maybe new in the political arena but they have been doing what politicians does

which is serving the people and helping people especially in Matag-ob.

The whole of Tacoy's team are running under Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino (LDP).

(LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)



Businessman Bernardino 'Bernie' Tacoy has filed his certificate of candidacy for mayor of Matag-ob, Leyte with his son Vincent Lynbern as his running-mate. The two vows to bring development to their sleepy town. (LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

He lamented that the family of the sitting mayor has ruled their town for more than 30 years and yet it continue to lag behind in terms of development and progress to its nearby municipalities.

Completing Tacoy's line up for municipal councilors are Eduardo Toledo, Evangelina Carino, Paolo Antonio Laurente, Artemio Almoroto, Ricardo Giva Sr. Romeo Albarida, Joel Denoy and Orlando Viacrusis.

Over 1,000 supporters joined the group of Tacoy who held a caravan around main areas of the town before they filed their CoCs at the town office of the Commission on Elections.

Tacoy said that he is grateful of the support of the people that will result to their poll victory.

The younger Tacoy, who is running for vice mayor, admitted that he is new to politics but said that politicians

PNP Eleazar commended 2 cops for saving woman who slipped from a falls in Biliran

TACLOBAN CITY - Philippine National Police (PNP) Chief Police General Guillermo Lorenzo Eleazar commended two policemen from Biliran province who saved the life of a woman who fell from a waterfall.

"I commend these police officers for risking their own lives to save the victim. Sa kabila ng malakas na agos ng tubig at mga malalaking bato na nakaharang sa kanilang daanan ay hindi nila ito ininda para lang mailigtas ang buhay ng isa nating kababayan," Eleazar said.

"Saludo ako sa ginawa ng aming dalawang pulis dahil ito ay isa sa napakarami nang patunay na handa ang pulis na ilagay ang buhay nila sa alanganin makatulong lang sa ating mga kababayan," he added.

Police Major Michael John Astorga, chief of police of Naval Municipal Police Station, and Major Jefferson Relente of the Police

Regional Office 8 Finance Service were taking photos in the area when they saw a woman falling from the falls as she accidentally slipped.

The victim was identified as 51-year-old Luzviminda Taruyo who lost consciousness due to the impact of the fall from an approximate 30 meters high.

The incident happened past 11:00 am last October 2 at the vicinity of Ulan-ulan Falls, a 90-feet high waterfall, a famous tourist destination in Almeria town.

The two police officers suffered bruises while trying to save the victim who was being drifted by strong current.

After the victim was rescued and saved by the two police officers, their companion, Staff Sergeant Arla Pacencia, a registered nurse, gave first aid to the victim before she was taken to the Biliran Provincial Hospital for proper medical attention.

(ROEL T. AMAZONA)



PNP Chief Guillermo Eleazar commended the gallantry of Police Major John Astorga, chief of Naval Municipal Police Station, and Major Jefferson Relente of the Police Regional Office Finance Service for rescuing a 51-year woman who slipped and fell at the Ulan-Ulan Falls in Almeria, Biliran last Oct. 2. (PHOTO COURTESY)

Region 8 voters urged to take advantage of registration extension

TACLOBAN CITY - The Commission on Elections (Comelec) in Eastern Visayas has asked voters on Thursday to take advantage of the extended registration deadline.

Comelec Eastern Visayas assistant regional director Felicisimo Embalsado asked voters to register early and not wait for the Oct. 30, 2021 deadline.

"The extension of the deadline from September 30 to October 30 is very welcome to us because we want everyone qualified to be registered for them to exercise their right to vote," Embalsado told the Philippine News Agency (PNA).

The poll body on Wednesday approved the extension of voter registration for more than two weeks from October 11 to 30.

Embalsado said in a phone interview the ex-

tended voter registration would be held from Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For this period, all services will be offered such as reactivation and registration for new voters and reactivation.

From Jan. 1 to Sept. 18, 2021, a total of 262,551 applications have been received by Comelec offices in Eastern Visayas.

These applications are still subject to the Election Registration Board (ERB) hearing.

In Tacloban City alone, an average of 150 to 200 registrants are being accommodated daily since the start of September, above the daily average of 100 voters.

Aside from enlisting new voters, the Comelec also handles the transfer of voter records to another area; transfer see Region 8/page 8 ...

32nd NSM celebration takes off in October 2021

Once again in October 2021, the Philippine Statistics Authority - Regional Statistical Services Office VIII (PSA-RSSO 8) enjoins the public to support the

32nd National Statistics Month (NSM) celebration with the theme:

"NSM@32: Revving up for Economic and Social Recovery Through Evidence-Based Policies."

PSA upholds this annual tradition amidst the COVID-19 health issues while all sectors reel and attempt to rebound from its impact to the socio-economic life of the country. In this regard, activities in

support of NSM must give due consideration to the health protocols and guidelines imposed by the Inter-agency Task force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) and local government units (LGUs). Activities may be in the form of symposia, workshops, orientation seminars, exhibits, slide shows, webinars, online conferences, online quizzes/contests, audio-visual presentations, streamers, dashboards, and other digital display and publications of statistical reports or indicators with emphasis on see 32nd NSM /page 9 ...

Father and son tandems to square off in Matag-ob town Borongan Mayor Agda formalizes bid for a second term

TACLOBAN CITY- The incumbent mayor of Borongan City in Eastern Samar, Jose Ivan Dayan Agda, has filed his certificate of candidacy (COC) on Sunday (Oct.3) to formalize his bid for a second term.

Dayan was joined by his entire slate, headed by reelectionist Vice Mayor Emmanuel Tiu Sonco, in the filing of the COCs at the city office of the Commission on Elections at around 11 am.

The slate of Agda are running under the admin-

istration's PDP-Laban.

Seven out of the 10 seats of the city council are all seeking for reelections with three others are new to the team who included an outgoing provincial board member and former political rival.

In Guiuan, also in Eastern Samar, incumbent Mayor Annaliza Gonzales Kwan has also filed her CoC on Sunday for a possible second term.

She was joined by Vice Mayor Veronica Ramirez and eight incumbent mu-

nicipal councilors. All are affiliated with the PDP-Laban.

In Matag-ob, Leyte, the fight for the top two elective posts will be a contest between father-and-son tandems.

The reelection bids of Mayor Michael Torrevillas and his son, Vice Mayor Bushi Torrevillas will be challenged by Bernie Tacoy and his son, Vincent.

The Torrevillas, who filed their CoCs on Oct.1 and running under the PDP-Laban, has ruled the

town for more than three decades with the Tacoys, who belong to the Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino, both filed their CoCs on Sunday, just an upstart in the local politics.

"For 33 years, they have ruled our town which remains poor and without much development. By running for mayor, I hope to have some developments in our town which has been left out by our neighboring municipalities in terms of development and progress," the mayoralty bet said.

"We may not be politicians but we are acting as if we are politicians as we have been open in helping our town mates," the mayoralty candidate said.

For his part, the 32 year old Vincent said that while they don't have any political experience, what is important is they are ready and willing to help their town mates.

(JOEY A. GABIETA)

NPA couple surrenders to Army officials

TACLOBAN CITY-A couple who were members of the communist terrorist group, the New People's Army (NPA), surrendered to the 14th Infantry Battalion based in Leyte last Oct.1.

The couple, only identified as alias 'Grace,' 61, and

alias 'Bart,' 56, were said to be members of the now inactive Evelyn Dublin Command, South Leyte Front, Leyte Island Committee of the Eastern Visayas Regional Party Committee.

The former rebels also surrendered a caliber 38 revolver, 13 pieces of live

ammunition, and two 5.56 mm ammunition to Lt Col. Ernesto de la Rosa, Jr., the commanding officer of the 14th IB whose headquarter is based in Mahaplag town, Leyte.

Based on the report of the 14th IB, the couple operated in the western part of

Leyte but in 2002, they left for Metro Manila.

However, Grace, 61, continued with her involvement with the rebel group by helping to locate rebels from Leyte living in Metro Manila and arranging meeting places for ranking party leaders and cadres in

Metro Manila and nearby Rizal province.

She said to also help in the propaganda movement by sending their press releases to media outlets in Metro Manila.

Grace also actively joined in several protest see NPA/page 9 ...

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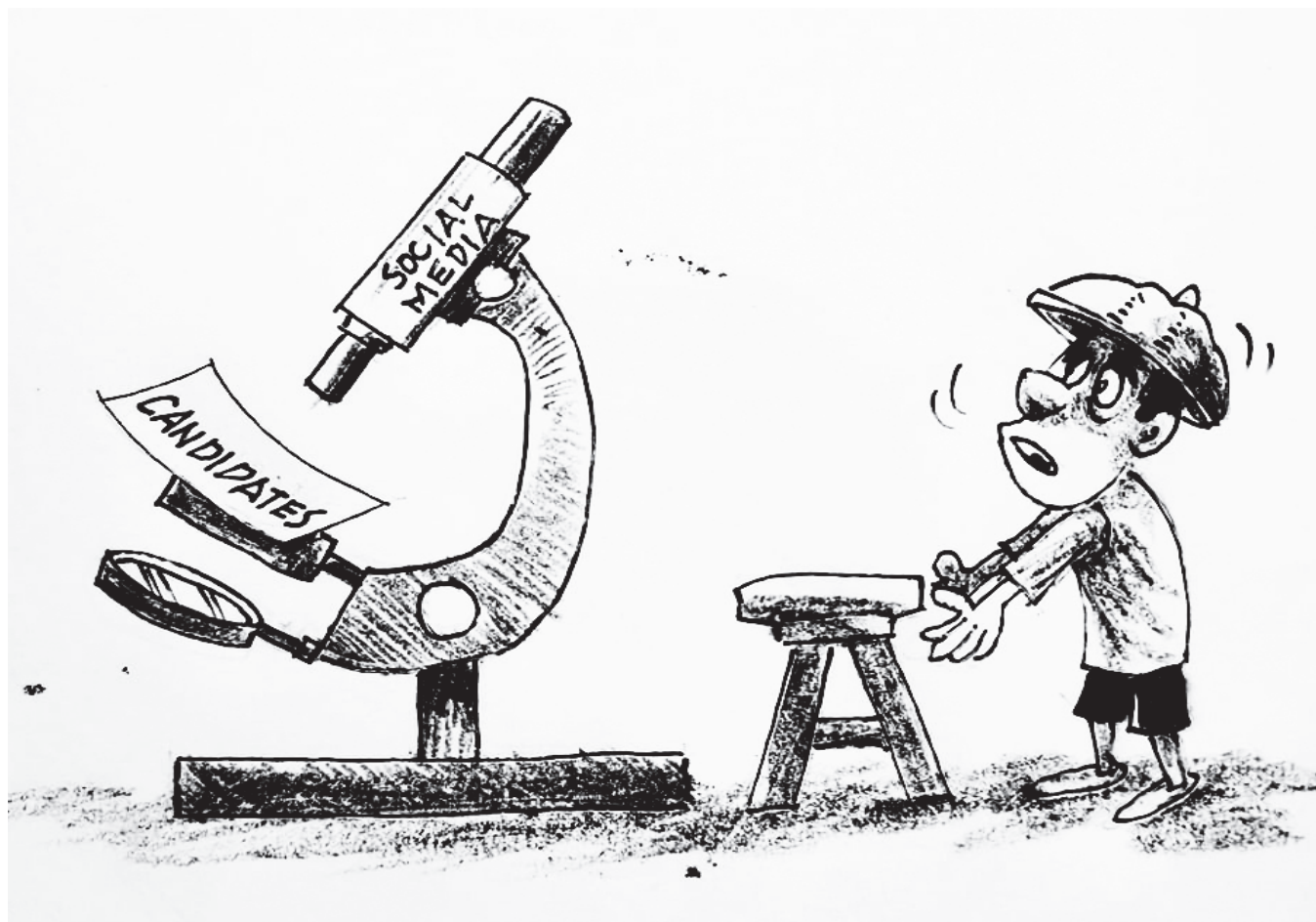
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Socmed rules

We have once again embarked as a nation into another milestone in our political history wherein candidates for various positions are filing their certificates of candidacy for an upcoming election, that's next year to be exact, and are then preparing for their campaign sorties, even doing it now in subtle ways.

Being in this era of hyper active social media, everything seems to be beyond control, particularly in the area of information dissemination. Things are wide open and transparent nowadays, like open books for all eyes to feast on. One-sided issues no longer have a monopoly of information as it could be digitally accessed in many ways for everyone to know.

And so, whether good or bad, issues that concern political aspirants are being tossed to and fro by both critics and supporters in social media. It's as if the candidates are being placed under a microscope, and people get to know them even before they open their mouths. While the supporters are

posting the good sides of their candidates, the critics are likewise posting the bad sides, thus enabling the readers to weigh the candidates' worth or insignificance.

In social media, too, you get to discover many secrets that historians and mainstream media had omitted and purposely covered up. One such example is the fact that, in the 70's and early 80's, the Philippines was already a superpower in Southeast Asia, and second only to Japan in the whole of Asia. It is because, during this time, the AFP's weapons were already advanced, with their Philippine-made rockets, jet fighters, rocket launchers, tanks, ships, etc. All these were just abandoned and allowed to rot by the succeeding regimes.

Clashes between opposing supporters, then, are already taking place this early. There's a word war going on in various social media platforms as the 2022 election nears. Somehow, though, this could be a healthy sign of our democracy, not that the people are controlled militarily like Marcos' time, nor via information control like what the Yellow exclusive narratives do.



**Didactic
Tales**
DOMS PAGLIAWAN

Changing for good

Starting today, my column title will no longer be THINGS TO MIND; it's going to be DIDACTIC TALES.

Didactic tales are stories that are moralistic in

nature. They narrate stories that are full of lessons and morals, that readers can actually learn from. In short, these are narratives that teach, almost to the point of being ser-

monic.

But the learning of lessons does not necessarily come from the writer urging people to heed the lessons. This is not forcing virtues into someone's throat, leaving him with no option but to accept those values. Rather, this is merely narrating what the tale is all about, using a mixture of narration and dialogue.

In the process, as one reads the story, he will discover for himself that some morals are there to pick up. These could be in the form of principles, experience, and other devices that are being uti-

lized in literature for various ends.

You will notice that, in most writing, the aim is to get the reader's attention towards something. It jolts and rouses the reader so that his awareness will focus on something that the writer deems to be very important. This could be done in many ways—through commentary, through analysis, through argumentation, and many more.

In fact, in most if not all newspapers, it is through these means that issues are treated
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Commentary
FR. ROY CIMAGALA

The great value of spiritual childhood

THE gospel of St. Luke 9,46-50, shows us how being childlike in spirit would enable us to accept Christ as he is as well as to accept everybody else irrespective of how they are. It's a great lesson we have to learn if we want to be truly Christian.

In that gospel, Christ clarified how being simple and humble like a little child would enable one to accept Christ. "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me," he said. "And whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. For the one who is least among all of you is the one who is the greatest."

This clarification of Christ came as a consequence of the apostles talking among themselves about who among them

was the greatest. It can be supposed that they must be feeling important since they realized they had the fortune of knowing and being with Christ.

But that was not enough. The gospel somehow links being simple, humble and childlike with the capacity to be accepting and to be able to have a good working relationship with everyone irrespective of who and how they are, despite the unavoidable differences and conflicts among them. This point Christ established when he said, "Whoever is not against you is for you."

We have to realize that if we want to be with God always and to know the fine points of his mysterious will and ways, we need to be always simple and childlike. Christ may have

told us also to be clever and shrewd like serpents, but that quality which is also a necessity in our life here on earth should never compromise our simplicity. In fact, that cleverness should also spring from our simplicity.

Christ is quite clear about this point. "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth," he said, "for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike." (Mt 11,25)

Christ reiterated this necessity of being childlike a number of times during his preaching. "Unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Mt 18,3) "Let the children come to me. Do not prevent them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these." (Mk 10,15) St. James, in his letter, made the same affirmation. "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." (4,6)

We need to devise an interior mechanism, more spiritual than material, to keep ourselves like children even as we grow in worldly knowledge and skills, and prone to thinking that we can already live by ourselves, independently of
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lowances of frontliners and cash/ayuda to distressed Filipinos and workers – thanks for the Legislative Branch support in terms of relevant laws passed (Bayanihan 1, 2) for budget approval, etc. The national leadership had to borrow/loan money to supplement fund for the COVID-19. Of course, the Philippine government has many countries to acknowledge for the vaccine donations and the WHO for their many assistances as the Philippines struggles to combat the pandemic. The emergence of Variants (e.g. Delta, etc.) has added to the country's agony, trying to contain the effects of COVID-19. However, our Bio-Medical researchers/scientists are not about to surrender as agencies like the DOST and other research academic institutions are testing herbal plants for phytochemicals against the virus. Are the Filipinos ready to exist side
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Automatic for the People
CLEMELLE MONTALLANA

Holding out for a leader

To fight the rising odds

Isn't there a white knight upon a fiery steed
Late at night, I toss and I turn

And I dream of what I need

-Bonnie Tyler (Secret Dreams and Forbidden Fire Album)

At the onset of the 2016 Presidential Elections, the rising sentiment was the need for a strong leader who can curb and topple the brazen drug syndicates and oligarchs who create onerous and untold riches by way of exploiting the people's weakness and seeming inability to fight these titans. The callous oligarchs who perpetuate their return on investments are immense and gargantuan at the ex-

pense of the country's natural resources. In that era, the people were holding out for a hero who can dramatically make their streets quiet and safe free from bullies in drug users, and violent thugs. Indeed, the closed fist lay as the best and most appropriate symbol of a hammer willing and ready to fall against criminality and whatnot.

The Bravado and Propaganda were so successful that they catapulted



What's New Mr. Q?
TENTE U. QUINTERO

Christopher Bong Go For Vice-President

This Columnist composed this piece, as he watched on television, the October 2nd "latest political developments" -- with Senator Christopher Lawrence "Bong" Go file his Certificate of Candidacy for the position of Vice-President, after he was officially nominated by the PDP-Laban's Alfonso Cusi, president of the Cusi-faction of the administration political party.

As expected. Senator Bong Go's long-time political ninong & mentor, President Rodrigo Duterte and PDP-Laban President Alfonso Cusi accompanied the vice-presidential wan-

nabe file his COC.

At the same occasion, President Rodrigo Duterte announced that he'd be retiring from politics at

a Local Chief Executive from far-off Mindanao and the rest is history.

At present we are faced with billions of pesos worth of questionable transactions unfolding in the Senate Blue Ribbon Committee and House of Representatives. The contrast to the way the hearings are conducted, this author will not pass judgment on how they are conducted but one can clearly contrast how they differ, one is trying to find the truth and the other obviously seeks to prescribe a convenient truth. One hearing is bent on looking for ways how the alleged onerous deal was consummated the other hearing is aimed at parrying doubts and sweeping them under the rug. It is clear what house sides with the people and what side sides with politics.

As 2022 draws near we the people are collectively holding out for a hero who would be for the Filipino people not skewed
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the end of his term in June of next year.

Gosh, major political developments have been a-happening since yesterday, October 1st -- the first day when candidates can file their COCs for the May 2022 elections.

Yesterday, Senator Manny Pacquiao filed his certificate of candidacy for president, while former Manila Mayor Lito Zitneza filed his COC as Pacquiao's vice-presidential running-mate.

Now, I admit I was
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Two major problems confronting humanity - i

(This article is divided into Two Parts:
1. Pandemia and 2. Global Warming)

There are two (2) major pressing problems that mankind the world over are confronted with. These are **Pandemia** and **Climate Change**, both formidable foes, killer, too, which find humanity in the receiving end. The **Philippine Scene:**

1. The Pandemia

1. The Pandemia was brought to fore following the discovery of the virus in China (Wuhan?), popularly known as Coronavirus

or COVID – 19. The carrier (Vector) is still a topic of debate – BATS! As I write (25 Sept. 2021), the Philippine Tally of COVID-19 Cases areas follows: Confirmed – 18569, Deaths – 0 – 37,405, Recoveries – 9,088 – 2,240,599 and Total: 2,493,328.

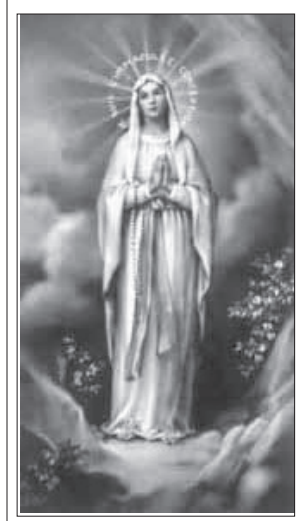
The Philippine government has invested Billions of pesos to purchase vaccines, medicines and medical paraphernalia, for salaries, al-

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)



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

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God.

To be childlike would also enable us to be accepting of everyone and to be able to work with everyone, irrespective of who and how they are. The mere fact that everyone can be presumed to be looking always for what is true and good, even if they are wrong in their pursuit, can signify that we have a common

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by side with COVID-19 while the search for the rightful, effective vaccines/ medicines continue to challenge our biomedics? Or, will Pandemia be a part of the Filipino lives

Suffice it to say that in a recent statistics, The Philippines rank No. 8 world wide COVID – 19 cases tally! I could have contributed to the statistics

EXTRAJUDICIAL DECLARATION OF HEIRSHIP WAIVER OF RIGHTS AND SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

NOTICE is hereby given that FELINO G. LACBANES, LEAH GRACE LACBANES-ARILLO, ROEHL D. LACBANES, JAY EDGAR D. LACBANES, DINAH L. FERNANDEZ AND JOVANNA D. LACBANES, heirs of the late ROSARIO DAILAN LACBANES executed a Deed of Declaration of Heirship over a conjugal share of a real property designated as Lot 2, Block 18, Pcs 08-001030-D situated at Brgy. Dalakit, Catarman, Northern Samar containing an area of 375sq.m., under TCT No. T-116-2011000093 AND heirs, FELINO G. LACBANES AND LEAH GRACE LACBANES-ARILLO hereby WAIVED all rights and participation of the above-mentioned property. That further, we hereby name, constitute and appoint ROEHL D. LACBANES OR JAY EDGAR D. LACBANES as our Attorney-in-fact, for our names, place and stead, to transact, inquire, negotiate, to make representations with appropriate entity, institution and agency in our behalf and to distribute to us our respective adjudicated shares. Per Doc No. 401, Page No. 82, Book No. XLVII, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Albert Yruma.

LSDE: October 5, 12 & 19, 2021

Republic of the Philippines Department of Transportation and Communication LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD Regional Office No. VIII Palo, Leyte	Republic of the Philippines Department of Transportation and Communication LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD Regional Office No. VIII Palo, Leyte
R8-EV/PA-UV-2021-09-20200214 Case No. VIII-2020-0214	R8-EV/PA-UV-2021-09-20200236 Case No. VIII-2020-0236

Application for **Extension of Validity** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a UV EXPRESS Service

Application for **Extension of Validity** of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a UV EXPRESS Service

VS GRAND TOURS CORPORATION,
Applicant/s
X-----X

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Applicant/s
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NOTICE OF HEARING

Applicant is a grantee of a Reconstituted Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a **UV EXPRESS SERVICE** for the transportation of passengers and freights along the line: **TACLOBAN CITY-RAWIS VIA ALLEN & VICE VERSA**. with the use of **FIVE (5)** unit/s which Certificate is valid and subsisting until **APRIL 14, 2021**.

In the present application, applicant request authority for extension of validity of the said certificate using the same number of unit/s.

NOTICE is hereby given that this application will be heard by this Board on **OCTOBER 19, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.** at its office of the above address.


At least **TEN (10)** days prior to the above date, applicant/s shall cause the publication of this Notice of Hearing once in a newspaper of local circulation.

This application will be acted upon by this Board on the basis of its records and documentary evidence submitted by the parties, unless the Board deems it necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.


WITNESS the Honorable **GUALBERTO N. GUALBERTO**, Regional Director, this **28th** day of **SEPTEMBER, 2021**.

(Sgd.) **ATTY. GIL D. MENGULLO**
Attorney IV


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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On the **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)** of the proposed **PIER UNO TO BARANGAY BUNUANAN RECLAMATION PROJECT** of the **PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF SAMAR** to be located along the **COASTAL WATERS OF BARANGAYS BUNUANAN, GUINSORONGAN, POBLACION 6, POBLACION 8, AND POBLACION 9, ALL IN CATBALOGAN CITY, SAMAR.**

Notice is hereby given to all parties who wish to give their opinion regarding the implementation of the proposed **PIER UNO TO BARANGAY BUNUANAN RECLAMATION PROJECT** to attend the Public Hearing on:

Date	Time	Zoom Details
15 October 2021 (Friday)	2:00 PM <i>Registration starts at 1:30 PM</i>	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82630032524?pwd=UnhWZU9pWk8vcUtpVzNRRkhoejd4QT09 Meeting ID: 826 3003 2524 Passcode: 284655

The Public Hearing is being conducted in connection with the review of the EIS of the aforementioned project by the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The following is the project information:

Project Name	Pier Uno to Barangay Bunuanan Reclamation Project
Project Location	Along the Coastal Waters of Barangays Bunuanan, Guinsorongan, Poblacion 6, Poblacion 8, and Poblacion 9, all in Catbalogan City, Samar
Project Area	25 hectares reclamation area
Proponent	Provincial Government of Samar

All interested parties who wish to attend or participate in these Public Hearings should preferably confirm their attendance/participation and may give their opinion(s) in a concise position paper to the **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT DIVISION (EIAMD)** of this Office through mail or through email at eia@emb.gov.ph, at least three (3) days before the Public Hearing schedule. Those who will not be able to register or submit written positions may be given the opportunity to share their issues on the day of the hearing itself.

The project's EIS and Executive Summary for the Public are downloadable at our website: www.eia.emb.gov.ph (kindly access the Notice of Public Hearing/ Consultation link found in our website) while copies will be available in the following offices:

- EMB Region 8**
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- Catbalogan City Hall**
San Roque Street, City of Catbalogan, Province of Samar
Tel. No. (055) 543-8000

For more details, please contact the EIAMD Division at this Office at telephone number (02) 8539-4378 loc. 116 through the project casehandlers Engr. Jason Paolo Esguerra and Engr. Dexter Tabada.

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LSDE: Sept. 28 & Oct. 5, 2021

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and favoring citizens and businesses of countries which is not the Philippines. We need a leader who would shelter us from the incursions and project a fighting stance against incursions and breaches of territory. W need a leader who is capable of instilling discipline and capable of disciplining its own Cabinet members especially when they are giving us double talks, saying one thing and doing the other . We need a leader who can

spell corruption correctly and is really willing to dismantle its roots and not keen on doing what are obvious double standards.

We are at the crossroads of history where we see a fork of a road, one road leads back to where we are and the other road will lead us to a better tomorrow.



Mayor...
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consuming public.”

Meanwhile, Mayor Alfred S. Romualdez, who spearheaded the ribbon cutting ceremony on Day 1 of the two-day event, thanked, thru his Facebook page, the different agencies who organized the said purposeful event.

Joining the city mayor were DTI Regional Director Celerina Bato, BIR Assistant Regional Director Zennen Tabanao, FDA Region-

al Field Supervisor Benedict Ortega, DTI Leyte Provincial Director Araceli Larraga, Leyeco II Department Manager Christopher Garcia, and Save the Children Project Manager Hector Tuburan.

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and introduced to readers. Unknown to many of us, a thing that we want people to focus on could be introduced in various ways, and the most effective of which is through story telling.

Why do I say that story telling is more effective than thorough discussions of morals and other issues? It is because people are very fond of stories. They love stories, an attitude that started from childhood when parents and grandparents would put their young to bed through bedtime stories.

In good, didactic stories, readers need not be told what the lessons are all about. They can tell it themselves as they glaringly show in the story.

In fact, some people are pissed off when spoon-fed with morals and principles from what they read. Leave them alone, then, to digest those lessons for themselves.

And so, realizing that lessons and principles can be learned more effectively through stories, I am venturing into this kind of column writing wherein issues will be tackled via narrative techniques. It's up to the readers to find those moral gems in the tales. This could be a new way of presenting facts, issues, and principles wherein you may enjoy and be entertained by the stories at the same time.

Watch out for the first such tale in the next issue of this paper. Happy reading.

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Tacloban City

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance to Section 5 of R.A. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that

ARCHIE D. MERCADO has filed with this
(Complete name of petitioner)

Office a petition for change of first name from
UNIQUE to KURT-UNIQUE in the Birth
(First name to be changed) (New first name to be adopted)

Certificate of UNIQUE CASTILLO MERCADO
who was born on FEBRUARY 2, 2019 at Tacloban City
and whose parents are VIDAYLYN CASTILLO
and ARCHIE DE PAZ MERCADO.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than October 19, 2021.

(Sgd.) IMELDA A. ROA
City Civil Registrar

LSDE: October 5 & 12, 2021

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. ZACARIAS LABONG AND ISABEL CABAEL-LABONG extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot 574, Pls 658-D covered by OCT No. 11145 located at Brgy. New Minarog, Motiong, Samar containing an area of 42,246sq.m., more or less. Per Doc No. 19129, Page No. 74, Book No. XXX. Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. Pedro M. Labid.

LSDE: October 5, 12 & 19, 2021

AFFIDAVIT OF SELF ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late CARMENCITA B. ROBIN heir of the late Herminia Mataganas Rostata executed an affidavit of self adjudication over a parcel of agricultural land situated in Binongto-an, Culaba, Biliran covered by Tax Dec No. 00314, with an area of 0.235800 hectare, designated as Survey Lot No. 2778 with market value of P31,608.58 and assessed at P4,750.00 and covered by O.C.T. No. OCL-1599; per Doc. No. 474, Page No. 95, Book No. II, Series of 2020 of Notary Public Atty. Clemencio C. Sabitsana, Jr.

LSDE: September 21, 28 & October 5, 2021

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late BALDOMERO ARIZO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over 4 parcels of land particularly described as; 1) Lot No. 1297 situated at Brgy. Astorga, Tunga, Leyte consisting 1,672sq.m., more or less, OCT No. OC-10578; 2) Lot No. 1307 situated at Brgy. Astorga, Tunga, Leyte consisting 4,672sq.m., more or less, OC-11299; 3) Lot No. 981 situated at Brgy. San Pedro, Tunga, Leyte consisting 7,342sq.m., more or less, OCT No. OC-10591; 4) Lot No. 1139 situated at Brgy. San Pedro, Tunga, Leyte consisting 642sq.m., more or less, OCT No. OC-11222. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor JERRY Y. MILAGROSA as vendee of the above-described property free from liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 224, Page No. 46, Book No. 78, Series of 2018. Notary Public Atty. Jaress Amores Neri.

LSDE: September 28, October 5 & 12, 2021

DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
WITH ADJUDICATION AND ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late SPS. VICENTE SAN VICENTE CUBILLA AND NATIVIDAD ANTONI-CUBILLA extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land designated as Lot No. 718, Case 7, Cad 667 situated at Brgy. San Vicente, Tunga, Leyte containing an area of 5,239sq.m., more or less covered by OCT No. P-39620. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor MARY JOY T. RAQUIZA as vendee of a portion equivalent to 1,047sq.m., from the above-described property free from liens and encumbrances. Per Doc No. 52, Book No. 39, Series of 2021. Notary Public Atty. David G. Apostol.

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Notice is hereby given to all parties who wish to give their opinion regarding the implementation of the proposed **BARANGAY MERCEDES RECLAMATION PROJECT** to attend the Public Hearing on:

Date	Time	Zoom Details
15 October 2021 (Friday)	9:00 AM <i>Registration starts at 8:30 AM</i>	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83761080712?pwd=dk5maHFGLzBIMlFtQnZCMjhrWlpDdz09 Meeting ID: 837 6108 0712 Passcode: 241668

The Public Hearing is being conducted in connection with the review of the EIS of the aforementioned project by the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The following is the project information:

Project Name	Barangay Mercedes Reclamation Project
Project Location	Along the Coastal Waters of Barangays Mercedes, Poblacion 3, Poblacion 4, and Poblacion 5, all in Catbalogan City, Samar
Project Area	35 hectares reclamation area
Proponent	Provincial Government of Samar

All interested parties who wish to attend or participate in these Public Hearings should preferably confirm their attendance/participation and may give their opinion(s) in a concise position paper to the **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT DIVISION (EIAMD)** of this Office through mail or through email at eia@emb.gov.ph, at least three (3) days before the Public Hearing schedule. Those who will not be able to register or submit written positions may be given the opportunity to share their issues on the day of the hearing itself.

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[Signature]

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LSDE: Sept. 28 & Oct. 5, 2021

SELF-ADJUDICATION WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given ALBERTO C. CANDELA of legal age that I am the sole heir of my late father FLORENCIO CANDELA, who died intestate on October 07, 1996 executed an affidavit of Self-Adjudication with Sale over a certain parcel of land located at Brgy. Catmon, Tanauan, Leyte, more particularly described as follows: A parcel of land designated as Lot 10442, situated at Brgy. Catmon, Tanauan, Leyte, Tax Declaration No. 38027 00107 containing an area of Three Hundred Thirty-One (331) square meters, more or less. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of FERNANDO A. TUKMO, of legal age, Filipino, single, a resident of Brgy. San Fernando, Palo, Leyte. Per Doc. No. 166, Page No. 35, Book No. IX, Series of 2021 before Notary Public Atty. Yako Caroline C. Watanabe.

LSDE: September 28, October 5 & 12, 2021

DEED OF SELF ADJUDICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that heir of the late FLORENTINA SANGCAP. The late FLORENTINA SANGCAP, left among others a parcel of land described hereunder. It is a parcel of land situated at Larrazabal, Naval, Biliran, under Tax Declaration No. 00628 declared in the name of Florentina Sangcap, Cad/Survey Lot No. 2112, Assesor's Lot No. 11 with an area of 0.243100 has. Per Doc. No. 5695, Page No. 1140, Book No. XII, Series of 2020 before Notary Public Atty. Mario Lydinno R. Opeña.

LSDE: September 28, October 5 & 12, 2021

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH CONFIRMATION DEED
OF ABSOLUTE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heirs of the late ABRAHAM V. ENERO extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated over a parcel of land, with Lot No. 1891, Tax Dec. No. 08-24030-163, covered by OCT No. P-43465, containing a total area of 2,712 square meters and sold a portion of 600 square meters infavor of PHILIPPINE BENEVOLENT MISSIONARIES ASSOCIATION, INC. represented by VIRGINIA A. ACEDERA as vendee and heirs hereby AFFIRM, CONFIRM and AFFIRM that they sold, convey and transferred by way of Absolute sale in favor of the Vendee, Philippine Benevolent Missionaries Association, Inc., represented herein by VIRGINIA A. ACEDERA, per Doc. No. 289, Page No. 59, Book No. VII, Series of 2021 of Notary Public Atty. Rex L. Flores, RN.

LSDE: September 21, 28 & October 5, 2021

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT AMONG HEIRS OF VERNO
AMPARADO ARROYO (With Waiver of Rights)

NOTICE is hereby given that the surviving spouse and the legitimate children and sole heirs of the late VERNO AMPARADO ARROYO who died in Tacloban City on September 11, 2021, extrajudicially settled partitioned and adjudicated with waiver of rights over the following bank accounts more particularly described as follows: 1.) Landbank of the Philippines (Main Office-Sagkahan Tacloban City) 2.) Banco de Oro-BDO and 3.) Union Bank (Justice Romualdez). That in adjudicating unto ourselves the above-mentioned bank accounts, we ARMAND ROY A. ARROYO and LEAH ANNE A. HERMANO, as the capacitated children of the late Verno A. Arroyo hereby waives and quitclaims our rights over the said bank accounts in favor of our mother Anna A. Arroyo. That I, Anna A. Arroyo acknowledge and accept the assignment of rights made by my children in my favor. Per Doc. No. 128, Page No. 27, Book No. III, Series of 2021 before Notary Public Atty. Von Kaiser M. Soro Jr.

LSDE: September 28, & October 5 & 12, 2021

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE WITH SALE

NOTICE is hereby given that heir of the late LEONCIA CANDELA BUENDIA who died intestate on March 17, 2015 extrajudicially settled, partitioned and adjudicated with sale over certain parcel of land particularly described as follows: A parcel of agricultural land designated as Lot No. 10113, situated in Brgy. Catmon, Tanauan, Leyte, containing an area of One Thousand One Hundred Seventy Four and 69/100 (1,174.69) square meters, more or less with tax Declaration No. 3802700151 R13. A Deed of Sale was executed in favor of MELANY C. CARIÑO, of legal age, Filipino, married, with residence address at Brgy. Catmon, Tanauan, Leyte Per Doc. No. 153, Page No. 32, Book No. IX, Series of 2021 before Notary Public Atty. Yako Caroline C. Watanabe.

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2022 NATIONAL BUDGET PASSED --- House Members led by Majority Leader and Leyte Rep. Martin Romualdez (center) lauds House Speaker Lord Alan Velasco after they approved on third and final reading Thursday night the proposed P5.024 Trillion National Budget at the plenary of the House of Representatives which focused on getting the Philippines back on the road towards full recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. photo by Ver Noveno

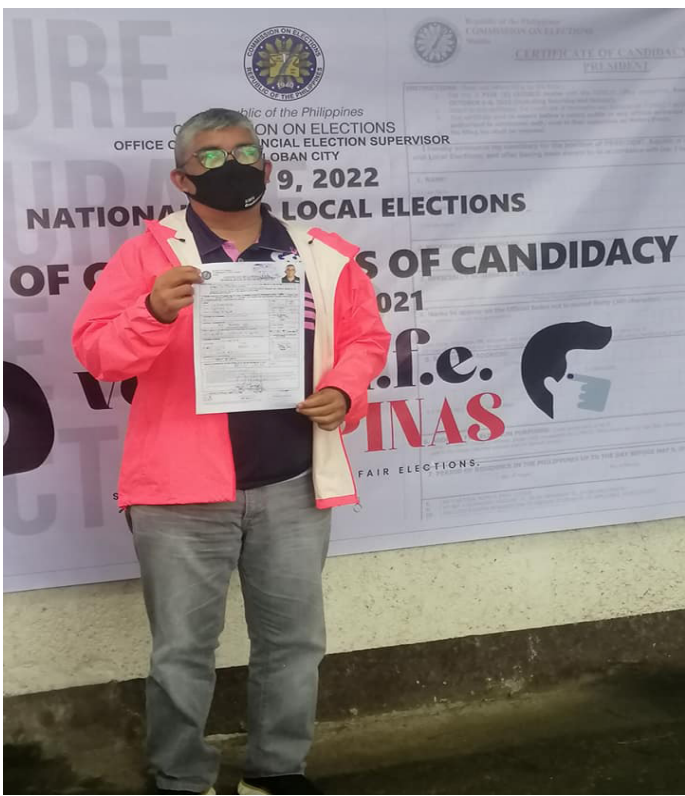
Former Comelec commissioner Larrazabal files CoC for Leyte’s 4th congressional district

TACLOBAN CITY-Former elections commissioner Gregorio Larrazabal has officially made his known to run for congressman in Leyte as he filed his certificate of candidacy (CoC) on Monday (Oct.4) afternoon for the province’s fourth congressional district.

The 50-year old former elections official said that he decided to throw his hat to the political area to ‘serve as an option’ to the people of the district which counts the city of Ormoc whose current mayor, Richard Gomez, will be his political opponent.

The current congressional representative is Lucy Torres Gomez who is said to be running for mayor of Ormoc City.

“I have cross the rubicon. I offered myself as an option to the



GREGORIO LARRAZABAL

people of the fourth district,” he said during a media interview after he filed his CoC at the provincial office of the Commission on Elections

(Comelec),this city, at past 2 pm.

Larrazabal, who also served as Comelec regional director in Eastern Visayas from 2007

to 2009, said that among his priorities once elected into office is the revision of some provisions of the Omnibus Elections Code.

He also said that he will proposed legislations that will geared towards the upliftment of the people in the district which is composed of the city of Ormoc and the towns of Albueria, Kananga, Isabel, Matag-ob, Merida, and Palompon.

Larrazabal is from Ormoc City whose mother, Adelina, served for a brief term as governor of Leyte. He is running under Nationalist People’s Coalition, Promdi, and the People’s Reform Party political parties.

Meantime, Gomez cancelled his supposed filing of CoC on Monday (Oct.4) due to inclement weather.

(JOEY A. GABIETA/ LIZBETH ANN A. ABELLA)

offices have transferred the venue for purpose of the COC filing to give ample space for the filers and their supporters while strictly enforcing the health and safety protocols.

Covid-19 marshals, including policemen or military, will also be deployed in Comelec offices to ensure an orderly filing of certificates of candidacy. **(SARWELL Q. MENIANO/ PNA)**

Christopher...
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wrong when I projected that the vice-presidential candidate of Pacquiao would have been Senator Koko Pimentel -- the man behind the ascendancy of Pacman into the controversial presidency of their PDP-Laban faction.

Well, I know for a fact that former Manila Mayor Lito Atienza is a close friend & supporter of boxer Manny Pacquiao, as he was usually the city mayor behind the big welcome group which met Manny Pacquiao, after a successful match in USA; and he always stood beside Pacman in the truck converted as their motorcade front vehicle, waving to the thick crowds on city streets.

Oh yesterday, there was the expected yelling crowd that met Senator Pacman’s entourage entering the Comelec office.

And as the campaign really starts, expect big crowds meeting & yelling their support fo President Manny, since the political “tsismis” is -- that thousands of “reasons” will always be given away, every time the presidential wannabe Manny Pacquiao arrives.

But, after Pacman left in his huge campaign bus yesterday, many people were grumbling na “hindi daw sila nabigyan ng ‘alams na!’”

Well, as they say, politics is the best way to implement the “trickle down to the grass roots manner”

of money distribution.

The political tsismis that’s spreading now is that the “come-on gimmick” of the campaign staff in enticing political leaders is their favorite line -- “Kung gusto niyo maging milyunario, mag-campaign leader kayo ni ‘Alams na!’”

Meanwhile, supporters of presidential and vice-presidential wannabes Isco Moreto & Doc Willy Ong or ISCOG Team of Aksyon Demokratiko, Ping Lacson & Tito Sotto or PISOT Team of the Nationalist Peoples Coalition, just stood “nakatunganga” at the “envelopmental distribution” of some of the candidates.

Now, with the COC filing for vice-president of Senator Bong Go, the guessing game starts; and the following questions were noted by the reporters.

Question No. 1 - Totoo na ba yan na si Bong Go talaga ang Candidate for Vice-President? Won’t he withdraw in favor of President Duterte’s choice for President & Vice-President later on?

Question No. 2 -- With Mayor Sara Duterte’s known “dislike” for Bong Go, will she still run for President with Bong Go as her VP ca-tandem?

Question No. 3 -- Where does that put our Region 8’s favorite, former Senator Bongbong Marcos?

Abangan ang Susunod na Kabanata !

Region 8...

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of voter records within the same city or municipality; reactivation of voter records; change of name or correction of entries; a combination of transfer, reactivation, or correction of record; inclusion of record in the book of voters; reinstatement of name in the list of voters; and transfer of voter record from the overseas absentee voting list.

Meanwhile, the filing of the certificates of candidacy will run from October 1 to 8, 2021 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., including Saturday and Sunday.

“Since the Comelec requires the physical filing of COC, the commission enjoins everyone to follow the health and safety protocols. There will be a limit as to the number of people allowed in the receiving office,” Embalsado added.

An aspirant will only be allowed to bring two escorts or companions inside the Comelec office during the filing.

“The supporters cannot go inside the election office or receiving office, they have to stay outside. But just the same, they have to strictly follow the health and safety protocols, especially the physical distancing, they should wear masks,” the official said.

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 DATE: 09-21
 TIME: 12:00
 BY: DARAB-LEVTE

EMILIANO BALMORIA
 HUSBAND OF LEONARDA CASTRO,
 Landowners,
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 DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0032-2021**
 FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To: **EMILIANO BALMORIA
 HUSBAND OF LEONARDA CASTRO**
 Pob., San Isidro, Leyte

JOSEFINA CORAZON TURLA
 PARPO II
 DAR Prov'l., Office
 Real St., Tacloban City

FIEL M. PEDROSA
 Head
 Agrarian Operations Center-
 LANDBANK
 Real St., Sagkahan District
 Tacloban City

Greetings,

Please take NOTICE that this Office, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of R.A. 6657, as amended and its implementing rules and regulation, will conduct a summary administrative proceedings on **October 06, 2021 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning at DARAB, Office of the Provincial Adjudicator, Sto. Niño Extension, Tacloban City**, to determine the just compensation of the property of **EMILIANO BALMORIA HUSBAND OF LEONARDA CASTRO** under **Original Certificate of Title No. N-1782, Lot No. 146-B-1,2,3,4,6,7,8,10,13 to 19, 21 to 24, with an area of 151.1130 has., area acquired is 9.9886 hectare/s and located at Brgy. Cabunga-an, San Isidro, Leyte**, subject of Compulsory Acquisition scheme of R.A. 6657.

The proceeding being summary in nature, you are directed to submit within thirty (30) days from receipt hereof your respective memorandum/position paper and affidavits, supported with pertinent documents and evidence as to just compensation of said property. Parties may examine the claim folder in the Adjudicator's Office.

Attached please find 1.) Memorandum of Valuation; 2.) Field Investigation Report; 3.) Land Valuation Worksheet and 4.) Advise to DARAB/Adjudicator to Conduct Administrative Proceedings, for your ready reference.

DAR, Provincial Office, Sto. Niño Extension, Tacloban City., September 3, 2021.

FOR THE ADJUDICATOR
Mesalina M. Pamat
MESALINA M. PAMAT
 Clerk of the Adjudicator

LSDE: September 21, 28 & October 5, 2021



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LUIS TIRSO RIVILLA, SR.,
 MARRIED TO LOURDES C. RIVILLA
 Landowners,
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 DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0030-2021**
 FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

To: **LUIS TIRSO RIVILLA, SR.
 MARRIED TO LOURDES C. RIVILLA**
 Bagaba-o, Leyte, Leyte

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FOR THE ADJUDICATOR
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LSDE: September 21, 28 & October 5, 2021

USAID Partners with Department of Agriculture to Improve Philippine Fisheries Sector

Manila-The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Department of Agriculture (DA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on September 30 to for-

mally launch a new partnership that will improve the Philippine fisheries sector's performance and help national and local governments take an ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management.

Under this partnership, USAID and the DA's Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources will work together to support the conservation and rehabilitation of habitats for fishery resources; institute reforms to address overfishing and illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing; and incentivize conservation through private-sector engagement.

"Our two countries share an enduring partnership in the areas of sustainable fisheries and marine biodiversity conservation," said U.S. Embassy Chargé d'Affaires, a.i. Heather Variava. "I am proud to say that our relationship grows stronger over time as we learn from each other and find more ways to collaborate around our shared goals."

This new partnership will bolster collaboration on the Philippines' Fisheries Management Areas and further align USAID programming with the Philippine government's priorities for fisheries management and conservation, including the department's "One DA" approach to directly benefit resource-poor farmers and fishers.

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rallies in different parts of Luzon.

But her son, who was also a rebel but earlier surrendered to the government, was able to convince the couple to return to Leyte and surrender to the authorities.

Aside from being convinced by their son, tired of running around and false promises by the NPA leadership were among the reasons why the couple has decided to return to the folds of the law after almost two decades fighting the government, Major Ryann Velez, spokesperson of the battalion said.

"The two are now in our custody as we process their documents for them to receive assistance," he said in a phone interview. (JOEY A. GABIETA)

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the theme and the agency's sub-theme.

At the regional level, among the major activities lined-up for the month are the following: one -minute stat vlog contest; Let's Rap It Up Contest; CBMS TikTok Challenge; Data Cartooning Contest; Data Storytelling Contest; FB Stats Go! 32nd NSM Virtual Fun Run; Run for a Tree; and 32nd NSM Infographics Contest for LGUs

The annual observance of the NSM is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation

No. 647, "Declaring the Month of October of every Year as the National Statistics Month," issued on 20 September 1990 by then President Corazon C. Aquino. Memorandum Circular No. 2021-10 further enjoins all agencies of the government, LGUs, academic institutions, state universities

Gov. Petilla...

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"They are afraid to surrender because they are facing charges," Perito said.

"Do we have a local amnesty to encourage them surrender?" Perito asked.

"We can discuss that matter with the ELCAC if we can suggest that," Petilla replied.

"In ELCAC we have discussed many programs but we never talked about amnesty," the governor added.

He stressed that those who surrenders are provided with livelihood and financial assistance under the enhanced comprehensive local integration program.

"Several of those who surrendered were given assistance under E-CLIP which does not cover relative to the cases filed against them," Petilla said.

He added that aside from discussing the matter at the regional ELCAC level, this concern should also

be brought to officials in the national level for them to decide.

Giving amnesty to rebel members is not part of the ELCAC program of the national government.

The program which aims to convince rebel members to return to the fold of law to start a new life in normal community mainly focuses on the "whole-of-nation approach" wherein government agencies and their partners provide government services to areas affected by insurgency problem.

A resolution filed at the House of Representatives has been filed calling to grant amnesty not only to the NPA members but to include the members of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front, the Moro National Liberation Front, and the Rebolusyonaryong Partido ng Mangagawa ng Pilipinas/ Revolutionary Proletarian Army/Alex Bonyacao Brigade.

Mapanas by-pass road nears halfway completion



NSSDEO, Brgy. Burabud, Laoang, Northern Samar-The construction of the By-Pass/Diversion Road in the municipality of Mapanas, Northern Samar which started last March 20, 2021 is now 46.15% accomplished and is expected to be



completed on October 17, 2021.

This P47M road project is under contract with JUPA Construction aims to decongest the traffic along national road within the poblacion of the municipality.

The work items include the opening of 2,366 meters roadway and

construction of reinforced concrete box culverts which aims to provide quality and safe infrastructure facility that connects and speed up movement of people, goods and services as well as connect regions by an integrated transport system.

The road opening will be of great signifi-

cance to the road users giving them alternative routes to accommodate the increasing volume of vehicles passing the Pangpang-Palapag-Mapanas-Gamay-Lapinig (PAMAGALA) Road.

This project will also reduce traffic for vehicles

carrying vast goods/products travelling through poblacion Mapanas thereby making travel more convenient and faster.
(REY M. ORSUA, INFORMATION OFFICER/PR)

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This MOU is being implemented under the five-year Development Objective Grant Agreement for Enhanced Ecosystem and Community Resilience, which was signed between USAID and the National Economic and Development Authority on February 3, 2021.

For the past six decades, USAID has been collaborating with the Philippine government, private sector, and local organizations to improve everyday lives, investing more than Php259 billion (\$5.1 billion) toward shared development goals since 1961. **(PR)**

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DARAB CASE NO. **LV-0801-0031-2021**
FOR: FIXING OF JUST COMPENSATION

SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF HEARING

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