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DOH encourages public to undergo voluntary HIV testing

BAGUIO CITY - The Department of Health (DOH) calls for a more vigorous voluntary HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) testing in the different provinces in the Cordillera region this whole month of May.

In observance of the International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and in line with the National HIV Testing Week, the DOH-CAR will be conducting free HIV testing at the various hospitals, rural health units and social hygiene clinics in the region.

The HIV testing centers will be at opened this month of May from 8AM to 5PM at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center and the City Health Services social hygiene clinic in Baguio City; the Bangued RHU and the Abra Provincial Hospital in Abra; the Mankayan RHU in Benguet; Tabuk RHU in Kalinga and the Bontoc RHU in Mountain Province.

In Ifugao, testing centers will also **Cont. on page 5**



NO LONGER DRUG DEPENDENT - Mayor Mauricio Domogan congratulates 83 former drug dependents and pushers (only two failed the drug test conducted by PDEA) during the Awarding and Recognition Rites of Persons with Substance Use Disorder (PSUD) who finished the 36 module sessions under the integrated participatory community building program of the City Government of Baguio with the support of various religious groups, drug rehabilitation institutions, non government units and concerned line agencies. There are 2,362 PSUDs who voluntarily surrendered to the police since the drug crackdown when President Rodrigo Duterte came into power./By Bong Cayabyab

Ang dami na ng nagkaka-HIV at marami mga bata pa! Eto na ang resulta ng mga mali o walang kaalaman sa safe sex. Ano mas gustuhin niyo, magkasakit ang mga bata, or ma-equip sila ng tamang kaalaman para sa kanilang kalusugan?!



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City recognizes PSUDs Cordillera economy posts

BAGUIO CITY - Eighty three Persons with Substance Use Disorder (PSUDs) in the city of Baguio were recognized by the city government here through the city social welfare and development office Friday, May 12 at the Baguio City multi-purpose hall.

Said PSUDs completed their sessions catered by the Calvary Ministries International, Inc., Jesus Our Shepherd, Christ Lives in Me Ministry, International Christian Ministries Inc., Church of Christ at Camp 7, Jesus Reigns Ministry, Gospel of Christ Fellowship Inc., New Life Baguio, Irisan Assembly of God, Maxfaith Church, Life in the Light Fellowship Church, Jesus is Lord, Word and Life Assembly of God, and Church of the Open Doors.

Out of the 177 PSUDs who participated in the Integrated Participatory Community Building program of the city and finished the 36 modular sessions, 83 PSUDs

qualified to graduate. The activities given to the PSUDs that helped in their transformation include family day, health and wellness, individual counseling among others before undergoing random drug test.

“The conduct of the random drug testing will determine if the PSUDs have truly reformed into a better individual,” said city social welfare and development officer Betty Fangasan.

Apart from recognizing the PSUD completers, special awards on punctuality, supportiveness, undeniable change and dependability were also given to some of them.

Seven PSUDs were also recognized as Outstanding PSUDs for showing their genuine commitment to transform into a better individual.

In his inspirational message, Domogan challenged the PSUDs to continue to help themselves to truly reform and never to go back to the said illegal drugs, may it be as pushers or users and

at the same time urged them to encourage other people who are engaged to illegal drugs to join the Integrated Participatory Community Building program of the city.

Domogan also acknowledged the different private sectors and religious groups for volunteering and sacrificing so as to help the PSUDs who are willing to help themselves reform.

Meanwhile, 27 PSUDs who have completed their session catered by the Bless Our Cops and IMPACT will be recognized by the city government on May 19.

In Baguio, it was reported that a total of 2,362 individuals engaged in illegal drugs surrendered to authorities.

Despite inadequate funds for the campaign on war against drugs, the city government here through the CSWDO in partnership with other private and religious sectors continues to serve and assist said PSUDs who are willing to help themselves. //Jho Arranz

2.1 percent growth in 2016

BAGUIO CITY - The Cordillera Administrative Region posted a Gross Regional Domestic Product of around 137 billion in 2016, a 2.1 percent growth compared to the estimated P134 billion GRDP in 2015.

Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) Regional Director Villafe Alibuyog reported this in a kapihan media forum at Venus Parkview Hotel here last May 4.

As per economic indicators, the industry sector accounted for most of the region's economic output at P65.35 billion (49 percent of the GRDP), followed by the services sector at around P50.14 billion (41.7 percent) and AHFF (Agriculture, Hunting, Forestry and Fishing) at around P13.2 billion (8.8 percent).

Though still a positive growth for Cordillera, the region's 2016 economic

performance shows a slowdown compared to the 4 percent growth posted in 2015.

The industry sector posted a decrease from around P67.61B in 2015 to P67.51B in 2016; AHFF also slowed down from around P12.65B in 2015 to P12.08B last year.

Showing stronger performance for the region remains to be the service sector posting a 6.5 percent growth from around P53.71B in 2015 to around P57.04B in 2016.

Alibuyog shared that country as a whole continues to show a strong economic performance with an accelerated growth of 6.9% compared to the 6.1% growth in 2015.

National Economic Development Authority Assistant Regional Director Jedidia Aquino outlined that though the

region's economic performance slowed down, still the Cordillera has been showing respectable positive growth since 2013 indicating the region's resiliency.

Aquino also pointed out that while the service sector is the most reliable source of growth, there is a need to diversify the sources of growth for Cordillera such as the industry sector. Instead of relying much on electronics export, maybe the region must also look into the development of the CAR's hydro power potentials. More needs to be done in increasing agricultural productivity, she added.

She stressed that pushing for the attainment of regional autonomy is another effort to fast track progress and development in the region. //JDP/CCD with Pau Antonio-PIA/UPB Intern

10 city hall personnel to be deputized

BAGUIO CITY - Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan revealed that the Cordillera office of the Department of Transportation and Railways (DOTR) coordinated with his office for the identification of ten personnel of the local government to be deputized by the agency to help in the intensified implementation of the Land Transportation Code of the Philippines

as part of decongesting traffic in the various city and barangay roads.

The local chief executive said DOTR-CAR officials personally got in touch with him to get the names of the local government officials and employees who can be deputized by the agency to help in the strict implementation of traffic rules and regulations and to instill discipline among motorists

and pedestrians alike to prevent untoward incidents that pose a serious threat to life and limb.

“We are elated because DOTR-CAR officials and employees have become aggressive in the implementation of the mandate of their office to help our law enforcers rid the city and barangay roads of obstruction and improve the compliance

City government vehicles parking at motorpool mulled

BAGUIO CITY - Parking space for the city's taxpayers going to the Baguio City hall is seen to be a concern of the city officials of Baguio.

At the present situation, the city government here as a total of 13 offices located

in the city hall building having a total of 48 vehicles.

Considering the significant number of city's government vehicle including some employees' vehicles, there is insufficient parking space for taxpayers especially during the peak

season of paying taxes in the first quarter of every year.

Thus, councilor Michael Lawana proposed an ordinance prohibiting the unauthorized parking of motor vehicles on spaces

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terminals around the city to compel bus operators and drivers and even operators of terminals to observe cleanliness and orderliness in their terminals to help in improving the image of the city among those patronizing the terminals.

According to him, there is a need for concerned government agencies and the local government to closely work together in curbing traffic violations and instil discipline among the motoring public to achieve less stressful travel from their points of origin to their

desired points of destination.

Domogan said he will closely coordinate with the concerned departments in the local government to identify those competent enough to be deputized to implement traffic rules and regulations to help improve the traffic situation.

He stated there is a need for the strict implementation of traffic rules and regulations to teach erring motorists on the need to adhere to stringent traffic rules and regulations to achieve orderliness and safety along major city

and barangay roads.

He said motorists apprehended by deputized traffic enforcers should pay their prescribed fines to the concerned agencies and the local government and learn to observe traffic rules and regulations when plying the major roads around the city and the different provinces.

Domogan requested DOTR-CAR officials to give the local government time to identify those deserving personnel who will be deputized by the agency for this purpose. //By Dexter A. See

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of motorists to traffic rules and regulations,” Domogan stressed. He also appreciated the efforts of some DOTR-CAR officials to frequently visit the v a r i o u s

Mayor affirms tax amnesty will be the last, pushes for grant of more incentives for early taxpayers

BAGUIO CITY - There will be no more tax amnesty in the offing for the city government. Instead, more incentives will be given to those paying their taxes early.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan on Monday

echoed the earlier pronouncement of city treasurer Alex Cabarrubias that this will be the last time that the city will implement a moratorium on real property tax delinquencies as this is deemed counterproductive and

unfair to those complying with the law.

“Let us agree that we will not pass another measure implementing tax amnesty and what we should pass instead are measures granting more incentives for the early

payers to encourage them to further support our tax campaign,” the mayor told the city council led by Vice Mayor Edison Bilog.

Cabarrubias said the same piece last week when Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Inc. Baguio-Ben-guet Chapter president Modesto Imayaho Sr. chided the city for granting the penalty moratorium to benefit erring taxpayers rather than those who religiously pay their taxes on time.

Cabarrubias assured that no more tax holiday will be implemented during his term.

The mayor has in the past been discouraging the imposition of tax amnesty the same way that he frowned upon the grant

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Surviving spouses, dependents of PNP/AFP duty casualties undergo skills training

BAGUIO CITY - Surviving spouses and dependents of 50 battle/duty casualties of the Philippine National Police and the Armed Forces of the Philippines from the different parts of the country are undergoing capacity training at the Baguio City School of Arts and Trade (BCSAT) under the Comprehensive Social Benefits Program (CSBP) of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte.

Joycelyn Cabaña of the Department of Interior and Local Government and CSBP Program Manager for Uniformed Personnel Killed in Action and Wounded In Action outlined that the training is in line with the directive of President Duterte to ensure comprehensive social benefits for heroes and their dependents.

Under the CSBP, PNP or AFP personnel who died while performing their duty are given an outright financial assistance of P250, 000 within 24 hours after the spot report is filed. The capacity training is a requirement for the second tranche of another P250, 000 for livelihood assistance, Cabaña explained.

In the capacity training, Cabaña said Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas provides lecture on financial literacy. Department of Trade and Industry gives an orientation on entrepreneurship while TESDA provides the training.

TESDA Director for Scholarship Management Sonia Lipio outlined the importance of providing the surviving spouses or dependents the necessary livelihood skills competencies such as food processing and fruit preservations that the beneficiaries are taking - up in BCSAT, to help them properly manage their resources and sustain it for life.

“We, at TESDA also open our scholarship program to them because learning something and having skills training is very important in getting employed and earning a living”, Lipio added.

Aside from the financial and livelihood assistance, Cabaña also outlined that the CSBP program under President Duterte also includes shelter assistance, health care and educational assistance, on top of the scholarship programs of the PNP and AFP.

Since the President took office in July 1, 2016 the program already covered 131 casualties from legitimate police and military operations, Cabaña added. /PIA CAR

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A press under siege

Under Duterte's draconian regime, press freedom in particular is under siege. He keeps shoving it, and it keeps retreating, not even digging in, or defending, much less fighting back.

Doubtless many of us, not just in this town but in many other places, have become anxiously preoccupied by the thought of freedom.

Indeed, there would seem an anti-freedom virus going around if you observed the temperament of present-day leaders; these, by the way, are no power-grabbers, as were the previous kind, but leaders installed by popular vote, which is why the phenomenon is called populism, a generous, though not altogether unsuitable, description.

Strictly, populism is a kind of party movement in itself, as such organized; it's not people making an accidental common choice.

At any rate, we have, as it happens, an example of each kind. Of the previous kind, there was Ferdinand Marcos, who simply took power one day and ruled for 14 years as a martial-law dictator. And of the present kind, there's Rodrigo Duterte, who received his popular mandate under no pretense; those who may regret having voted for him have no excuse: from the beginning, he has not only professed idolatry for Marcos, but anointed Ferdinand Jr. as his successor.

The phenomenon proving intractable, it is put down to "something in the air", and, World Press Freedom Day falling around this time, it should particularly concern the very profession called upon by the Constitution to stand up to the likes of Duterte and Marcos – the press.

As a journalist who has known no other profession, thus always anxious for self-assurance and jealous with his freedom, I seize freedom as a birthright. Admittedly, freedom does not work so simplistically; it has to be fought for, constantly. Anyway, what choice do I really have? What choice does the press have?

EDITORIAL

Enemy of freedom
On May 3, the day declared by the United Nations as World Press Freedom Day, two journalists asked me for a meeting for the same day for whatever I, as an old hand, might have to say of any worth about press freedom. One came, the other cancelled, saying "they" – whom I took to be his superiors – voted down, "for obvious reasons", his idea for a commemorative piece.

The reasons are not really so obvious to me, but, observing how the press covers President Duterte, I may have an idea. I've watched the press let him say anything little challenged. If only it felt less cowed and probed more, his word might just prove not good enough, if not outright inaccurate.

As it is, much of his word stands as he has passed it off, as fact – drugs are the plague of the times and that plague translates into 3 million addicts and, until those 3 million are exterminated, this nation will continue to languish in poverty (where did he get that number when the last credibly sourced one was 1.8 million?); or as credible promise – 8 trillion pesos will be spent on infrastructure during his six-year term (where will he get that money?) and there will be no poor Filipino by 2040 (wouldn't he be safely dead by then?).

To be sure, Duterte could be an intimidating figure – profane, narcissistic, authoritarian. But then he is precisely the sort of character press freedom is ranged against. In fact he personifies power, the natural enemy of freedom, in the extreme.

And, under Duterte's draconian regime, press freedom in particular is under siege. He keeps shoving it, and it keeps retreating, not even digging in, or defending, much less fighting back.

Yes, indeed, part of the exercise of any democratic freedom is fighting back, and, for the press it consists in asking questions in the very least. As one newspaper motto goes, "If you ask no questions you will be told no truths."/ Vergel O. Santos /Rappler.com

Pablaak ti Cordillera Peoples Alliance kasilpu iti Appointment ni Roy Cimatú kas DENR Secretary

Napinget a supsupyaten ti Cordillera Peoples Alliance ti pannakadutok ni sigud nga Armed Forces chief Roy Cimatú kas secretary ti Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

Sino ni Roy Cimatú, a baro a nadutukan kas environment secretary? Inggana ita ket saan pay nasungbatan ken nawlawlawagan ti akusasyon kaniana a binumtak idi 2001 a senate hearing no

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

Napoles acquittal, a C.A. collegial decision



BY: **ATTY. BATAS MAURICIO**

LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "... An honest witness does not deceive, but a false witness pours out lies..." (Proverbs 14:5, the Holy Bible).

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NAPOLÉS ACQUITTAL, A C.A. COLLEGIAL DECISION: While it maybe assumed that certain things are happening "behind the scenes" in the acquittal of Janet Lim Napoles by the Court of Appeals relative to her conviction by a Makati City court of the charge of serious illegal detention, it should not be forgotten that the decision of acquittal was arrived at by highly learned justices of the appellate court after a serious study of the facts and the evidence.

What cannot be denied is that the verdict of conviction against Napoles was reversed through a unanimous decision of the three justices who composed the Court of Appeals division that reviewed the conviction. There was no dissenting vote, and this presupposes that the three magistrates fully agreed with one another to set Napoles free.

Of course, it helped Napoles greatly that Solicitor General Jose Calida submitted a brief explaining why Makati City Regional Trial Court Judge Elmo Alameda erred in convicting her, but, in point of law, with or without that Calida brief, the Court of Appeals justices who voted in her favor had to decide one way or another. Ultimately, it was their own perception of the facts and the law that truly carried the day for Napoles.

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CRITICISMS VS. NAPOLÉS DECISION UNFAIR: It is therefore highly contemptuous and highly disrespectful for certain persons and groups to be attributing malice to the Napoles acquittal, on the theory that this was a maneuver of the Duterte government to enable the erstwhile businesswoman who is now derisively called the "pork barrel queen" to become a state witness in the pork barrel cases and subsequently implicate former President Aquino and his officials in the scam.

That may indeed be the end result of her having been given a favorable decision by the Court of Appeals, but it is absolutely unfair, and is a gross assault against the integrity of the existing justice system, to say that Napoles is now being given special treatment by the Duterte government to achieve its purposes, with the aid of the judiciary.

I would like to believe that, despite its many weaknesses and imperfections, the Philippine justice system is still working, upholding the majesty of the law, and dispensing justice to everyone, whether rich or poor, or whether strong or weak, without fear or favor. There maybe some rotten bad

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FASTRACK

- *What's in a title?*
- *Madam Auring as Director for National Intelligence!*



BY: FREDDIE J. FARRES

What is all the brouhaha about Mocha Uson's appointment as Assistant Secretary? What is the job of an assistant secretary anyway, what is expected of her, what are her qualifications? These and many more questions are actually irrelevant. For a political appointee appointed by no less than the President, no other qualification is necessary as the appointee works and serves at the "pleasure of the President". Let me repeat myself, "pleasure of the President." When we speak of pleasure, I guess Miss Uson is capable and qualified to provide ample "pleasure" to the President, therefore knowing that, all these noise, nasty comments and what have you are all out of line. Inggit lang kayo at hindi kayo ang n-appoint as Ass Sec. Don't get me wrong, I personally am not in favor of this appointment, but then again who are we to judge? Why don't we first give her the benefit of the doubt and see how she "performs?" Ha! Ha! Ha! She is after all used to "performing," ha ha ha ha ha. But seriously speaking, all that is needed to be appointed to these lofty positions is the trust and confidence of the appointing authority, in this case the president, therefore, we are safe to assume that Ass Sec Mocha uson most definitely has the trust and confidence of the President. How deep and how wide this thrust I mean trust is for Mocha and PDigong to let us know. Who knows, perhaps in one of the forthcoming speeches of the President he just might talk about the depth of the thrust, I mean trust and confidence he did I mean he has in Mocha Uson, which the Sec Andanar most definitely cannot provide.

After all the President is not an AC-DC or attack and collect, defend and collect, like a lot of media practitioners are. Ha Ha Ha Ha.

Actually, I would like to see our dear President appoint Madam Auring also as an Ass Sec for National Security and/or Director for Intelligence. I am sure Madam Auring would be highly qualified. Just imagine, all she has to do is look into her crystal ball and in seconds crystal clear intel is what you get. How about my suggestion Mr. President? Please consider Madam Auring as Director for National Intelligence.

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be opened at the Panop-dopan District Hospital in Lamut, the Aguinaldo People's Hospital in Aguinaldo and the Lagawe Municipal Health Office in Lagawe.

In Apayao, testing centers will be available at the Far North Luzon General Hospital in Luna, Apayao District Hospital in Kabugao and Santa Marcela District Hospital in Santa Marcela.

On May 23 and 24, the City Health Services Office will collaborate with an NGO for the conduct of a HIV testing at the Malcolm Square People's Park.

Trained healthcare

personnel as well as counselors will be stationed at the different HIV testing centers to ensure that testing process will be done correctly.

The public is encouraged to take part of the HIV testing but youth aged 18 and below should have consent from their parents or guardians. Under R.A. 8504, or the Philippines Comprehensive Prevention and Control Act of HIV/AIDS, HIV testing is voluntary.

Meanwhile, the AIDS Candlelight Memorial aims to bring heightened attention and active support of everyone in addressing the alarming HIV incidence. The 2017 AIDS Candlelight

EL MAESTRO SPEAKS

The teacher's cross



BY: CLYDE B. SACPA

When the k-12 was implemented years ago, the government promised that everything has been well-thought off and there is enough budget for the materials needed. That was five years ago. Fast forward to this moment, the materials for the implementation of k-12 curriculum for grade 5 and grade 6 is still not available. The reason? Well there's a lot of reasons. And as the years go by, the teachers at the field are suffering.

Teachers at the Department of Education are, the most hardworking, the most innovative, the most patient, the most flexible, the most resourceful and more. You name a great characteristic that a person must have and for sure these teachers at the DepEd have it.

But like our non-renewable resources, these traits can also become depleted if we force and pressure people to demonstrate it all the time. This is the situation teachers of Deped are in right now. When the teachers ask for materials needed for the implementation of the new curriculum, the reply they'll get is; "you don't need materials to teach this, be resourceful." "We don't have the materials yet, be resourceful." And sometimes, they'll question the dedication of the teacher.

Please stop treating the teacher as a mule. Instead of telling them to be resourceful, which they already are, why not press the Department to do everything on its disposal to produce the material that the teachers and pupils must use. Being resourceful WITH materials yield a result which has more quality than being resourceful without the necessary tools. You say that the k-12 curriculum is a modern curriculum which can be compared to a modern tourist who has all the things he needs in going to a virgin island but as to my observation it is now akin to a person who is in an island without anything struggling for his survival.

If this continues to happen, regardless of the effort our dear teachers; regardless of changes in our curriculum; the quality of our education will continue to diminish. To move forward, our teachers needs a tool. Provide them the tool if you cannot give the tools. Don't send a soldier to war without weapons, because no matter how good he is, he won't be as useful as the soldier with a weapon.

Memorial has a theme of Ending AIDS Together.

On May 25, Baguio City will commemorate the candlelight memorial with a parade of the different sectors advocating AIDS awareness from the local government unit, government agencies, civil society and other stakeholders along Session Road and will be converging at the People's Park for the program.

Data from the DOH shows that in February 2017, there were 849 new HIV antibody sero-positive individuals reported to the HIV/AIDS & ART Registry of the Philippines (HARP). This was 13% higher than the same period last year (751).

Eighty-nine percent of those were asymptomatic at the time of reporting.

Most (95%) were male. The median age was 28 years old (age range: 1 year - 64 years). More than half belong to the 25 - 34 year age group while 30% were youth aged 15 - 24 years.

The regions with the most number of reported cases were: NCR with 310 (37%) cases, Region 4A with 129 (15%) cases, Region 3 with 102 (12%) cases, Region 7 with 79 (9%) cases, and Region 11 with 52 (6%) cases.

In the Cordillera Region, at least 307 patients of HIV and AIDS have been recorded. /PIA CAR

MAGKASANGGA TAYO

Cimatu, Cayetano, and na ano lang!!!



BY: NESTOR "PAKEN" CASTRO

Former AFP Cheap este Chief of Staff Ret. General Roy Cimatu ang bagong appointed na DENR Secretary. Kuwalipikado kaya siya para sa isang napaka-tinding posisyon at responsibilidad? Kung sabagay ay wala nang ibang makukuha pa kung hindi mga ex-military. Alam naman natin na lahat ng magagaling ay ex-military na Pmayer pa, at sa pribadong sektor ay wala namang may kagalingan na katangi-tangi lamang na nasa ex-military na Pmayer, tama ba mga Ayer? Kayo lang naman ang anak ng diyos hindi ba??? Kaya ating aabangan sa mga darating na araw ang mga magagandang gawain at hakbangin nitong si bagong DENR Secretary Cimatu. Isang bagay lang ang aking matitiyak sa inyo at sigurado ko na wala nang Mining Company ang magreklamo mula ngayon. Hi! Hi! Hi! Mabuhay ang mga milyonaryo at bilyonaryong Mining Magnates and Businessmen!

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Secretary Cayetano unang sabak pa lamang sa UN ay palpak na. Hindi pa man naa-appoint formally ay sinubukan na siya bagama't palpak ang ipinakita niya at hindi niya kayang depensahan ang mga EJK. Kaya ayang ating bagong DFA Secretary na siguradong susunod sa kagustuhan ng ating mahal na Presidente na parating pakatatandaan nating lahat na hindi kayang labanan ng Pinas ang China kaya kalimutan na ninyo ang mga isla at teritoryo na dapat ay tunay na sa atin. Hi Hi Hi! Kaya nga para sa akin ay mas magiging maunlad ang ating bansa if we become a province of China at masakupan na rin tayo ng China. Anong say ninyo mga dear readers. Palayasin na lahat ng mga Kano at ibang mga banyaga at welcome to the Philippines a sovereign Province of the Republic of China or PPROC (Philippine Province of the Republic of China). Why not, that's surely a nice thought. Sigurado ko kapag mangyari ito ay unang bibitayin ay ang halos lahat (hindi lahat) ng mga Senador, Tongressmen, Governors at Mayors. Hi! Hi! Hi! Pinag-iisipan ko nga na mag-umpisa ng isang petisyon kontra Federalismo or Federalism but instead ay ang aking petisyon ay para gawin probinsya ng China ang Pinas. Tandaan niyo, sa ilang taon na lang, mga 5 to 10 years ay ang China na ang magiging number 1 economy; right now ay No. 2 na sila at siguradong malalampanan na ng China ang Amerika. Kaya wala tayong dapat na ikatakot at magiging parang Hong Kong na lang tayo na isang maunlad na probinsya. Remember the DOT slogan, it's More Fun in China (Gèng duō lèqù 更多乐趣).

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Na ano lang kaya ang utak nitong si Senador Sotto? Unang palusot niya ay ayon sa kanya pagdating sa Commission on Appointments is anything under the sun ay pu-puwedeng tanungin sa isang aplikante. Pangalawang palusot niya is nagbibiro lang naman daw siya.

Para mas maintindihan natin ang ibig sabihin ng na ano lang ang utak at pagkatao ni Sotto, hinggil sa kanyang unang palusot na "anything under the sun can be asked" ay tutuo naman, ang problema nga lang is hindi naman tanong yung binitawan niyang salita kung hindi ay isang nakakainsultong komento. Jok nga lang daw.

Sa pangalawang palusot niya na nagbibiro lamang siya ay ang aking masasabi ay dapat lang na mag resign ka na lang Mr. Sotto at atupagin mo na lang ang pagiging komendyante mo ng sa ganuan ay sa bawat bukas ng iyong bunganga ay puros jok jok ang lalabas. You like my suggestion Mr. Senator Na Ano Lang Joker?!

Ang problema kasi sa mga tuta ni Digong na katulad ni Cheap Bato, Sotto, Gordon, Lacson etc ay sinusubukan nilang gayahin ang istayl ng kanilang amo, bagama't hindi naman talaga nila kaya. Ipaubaya niyo na lang ang mga biro at nonsense na komento kay PDigong at huwag na kayong gumaya at hindi ninyo kaya!

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL REGION Baguio City OFFICE OF THE EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF

SUMMIT BANK (RURAL BANK OF TUBLAY, (BENGUET), INC.) Plaintiff,

-versus-

THERESA FIGUERAS, Defendant,

CIVIL CASE NO. 5870-R

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NOTICE OF SALE ON EXECUTION OF REAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2016, the Honorable Court, Regional Trial Court, Branch 60, Baguio City issued a Writ of Execution in the above-entitled case against defendant Theresa Figueras to pay plaintiff bank the amount of Php 32,236,009.90 plus basic interest of 22% and penalty rate of 12% and in case the defendant fails to pay the amount due, the mortgage property subject matter of the above-entitled case shall be foreclosed;

WHEREAS, the Writ of Execution was served to defendant Theresa Figueras with demand that she comply with the decision of the Honorable Court in the above-entitled case in favor of plaintiff bank, however, she failed, hence, on March 31, 2017, levy was made upon all rights interest, title and participation which defendant Theresa Figueras has or have over that real property subject matter of the above-entitled case which is also the subject of the Real Estate Mortgage dated April 10, 1999 in favor of plaintiff bank, the real property together with all existing improvements thereon is particularly described as follows:

KATIBAYAN NG ORIHINAL NA TITULO Blg. P-2204 Registry of Deeds, Baguio City "A parcel of land (Tsi-

131102-222). Beginning at a point marked "1" of Tsi-131102-222, Res. Sec "C", South Drive, Baguio City, being S., 21-11 W., 36.56 m. from Triangulation Station "Noble" Baguio Townsite: x x x x x. Containing an area of FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX (476) SQUARE METERS. All points are marked on the ground by B.L. Cyl. Conc. Mons. 15x 40 cms." (Complete technical description appears in the title)

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the said Writ of Execution and in accordance with Section 3, Rule 68 and the provisions of Rule 39 of the 1997 Rules of Civil Procedure, as amended, the Ex-Officio Sheriff through the undersigned will SELL at public auction to the highest bidder for CASH and in PHILIPPINE CURRENCY on May 30, 2017 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter at the lobby of the main entrance of the Hall of Justice Building, Baguio City the real property above-described in order to satisfy the said Writ of Execution together other legal fees and expenses incidental to the execution proceedings. Prospective buyers/bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the property and its encumbrances thereon, if there be any, for their protection and guidance.

Baguio City, Philippines, April 28, 2017.

FOR THE EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF: By: (SGD) DELFINE E. ARIAGA Sheriff IV

Publication Dates: May 6 and 13, 2017

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FIRST JUDICIAL REGION BRANCH 59 ADDITIONAL FAMILY COURT OF BAGUIO CITY

IN RE: PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF MINOR MARY ANN BERNALDEZ ANGELES WITH CHANGE OF NAME FROM MARY ANN BERNALDEZ

ANGELLES TO MEANN SARAH GOUDY HENDERSON,

SPOUSES MARK KENNETH HENDERSON AND CLAIRE GINA GOUDY HENDERSON,

Petitioners,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF QUEZON CITY, PHILIPPINES

Respondent.

Sp. Pro. Case No. 510-A

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ORDER

The petitioners Mark Kenneth Henderson and Claire Gina Goudy Henderson file this verified amended petition praying that:

a.) After due notice, trial and hearing, the adoption of minor Mary Ann Bernaldez Angeles be granted;

b.) The adoptee's name be changed from MARY ANN BERNALDEZ ANGELES to MEANN SARAH GOUDY HENDERSON; and

c.) The Office of the Civil Registrar of Quezon City be ordered to cancel the adoptee's birth certificate and issue a new one reflecting the aforementioned changes.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be heard before the Regional Trial Court, Branch 59, Baguio City on October 10, 2017 at 10:15 o'clock in the morning, at which place, date and time, the petitioner shall prove their case. Any person interested may appear and show cause, if any there be, why the petitioner should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the petitioner in the Junction, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Baguio and Benguet province once a week for (3) consecutive weeks.

The petitioner is directed to make an appointment with the Court Social Worker for the purpose of conducting the required case study on

the minor MARY ANN BERNALDEZ ANGELES. The Court Social Worker is required to submit to the Court the case study not later than October 10, 2017.

SO ORDERED. DONE IN CHAMBERS, this 2nd May, 2017 at Baguio City Philippines.

(SGD) IVAN KIM B. MORALES Judge

Publication Dates: May 13, 20, 27, 2017

Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, BRANCH 9 (FAMILY COURT FOR BENGUET PROVINCE) FIRST JUDICIAL REGION La Trinidad, Benguet

IN RE; PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME IN THE CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF AYRA CHEONG TIGGANGAY BEARING LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY NO. 70 (b-79) AND CANCELLATION OF CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH BEARING LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY NO. 91-01111 IN THE NAME OF AYRA CALAOA CHEONG,

AYRA CALAOA CHEONG - WAGSAYEN A.K.A AYRA CHEONG TIGGANGAY,

Petitioner,

-versus-

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF ITOGON, BENGUET and THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY, QUEZON CITY,

Respondents.

SPECIAL PROCEEDINGS CASE NO. 17-C-1891

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ORDER

Petitioner, through counsel, filed this verified Petition, praying that after due notice, publication and hearing, the court directs the Local Civil Registrar (LCR) of Itogon, Benguet and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) to correct as well as cancel the following in the Certificate of Live Birth of Ayra Calaoa Cheong-Wagsayen a.k.a. Ayra Cheong Tiggangay, viz.:

1. The middle name and last name, respectively, in Certificate of Live Birth bearing Local Civil Registry No. 70(B-79) issued by the LCR of Itogon, Benguet, from Cheong Tiggangay to CALAOA CHEONG; and 2. The CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH bearing LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRY NO. 91-01111 issued by LCR of Itogon, Benguet be cancelled.

WHEREFORE, finding the Petition to be sufficient in form and substance, this court sets it for initial hearing on September 7, 2017 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning. All person interested may appear and show cause, if any, why this Petition should not be granted.

Let this ORDER be published at the expense of the petitioner in the Junction, a newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City and Benguet Province, for three (3) consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made not later than May 14, 2017.

Furnish copies of this ORDER, together with copies of the Petition and its annexes, to the Office of the Solicitor General; the Office of the Provincial Prosecutor of Benguet; the Local Civil Registrar of Itogon, Benguet; and the Philippine Statistics Authority. Also, furnish copies of this ORDER to The Junction newspaper, the petitioner and counsel.

SO ORDERED. This 5th day of May 2017 at La Trinidad, Benguet.

(SGD) MARIETTA S. BRAWNER-CUALING Presiding Judge

Publication Dates: May 13, 20, 27, 2017

City government...

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officially reserved for city officials, taxpayers, senior citizens, differently-abled persons and city hall employees at the city hall parking spaces.

Apart from the said proposed ordinance and to satisfactorily serve the taxpayers during the period of renewal of various licenses in Baguio City hall, the city government is contemplating of utilizing the compound of the city engineer's office, motorpool as parking space for government vehicles once the construction of the disaster operation center building is finished.

This will address the parking space allotted for taxpayers coming to city hall, stressed Lawana. /Jho Arranz

Mayor affirms tax...

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of free rehabilitation and livelihood programs for drug addicts which he said should also be given to drug-free people similarly in need of livelihood aids.

"If we can give these incentives to these drug surrenderers law then we should also give those who are free from drugs equal opportunities for livelihood," he said.

The city government pursuant to a city council ordinance granted a one-time six-month amnesty on all fines, surcharges, interests or arrears on real property taxes as of Dec. 31, 2015.

The amnesty runs from March 22 to Sept. 21. /Aileen Refuerzo

Pablaak ti Cordillera...

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sadinno ket naibutaktak ti P80-M kas "pabaon" a naawat kanu ni Gen. Cimat manipud iti Provisions for Command-Directed Activities ng AFP chief-of-staff, nu sadinno a 10% porsiento lang ti mapmapan kadagiti kameng a soldados ti AFP.

Segun iti Karapatan ket isuna ti AFP Southern Command chief manipud Sept14 2001 to May 21 2002, idi mapasamak ti makuna a Basilan 72, dagitoy ket civilians a parbo a naakusaran kas Abu Sayyaf members, ken illegal a naaresto. Inggana ita ket kaaduan kadagitoy ket adda pay lang iti pagbaludan.

Aktibo daytoy kas AFP chief idi maitakder ti Investment defense force tapno ikkan seguridad dagiti kumpanya ti pagminasan.

Idi panawen ni Gen. Reyes kas DENR secretary agresibo ti panagserrek dagiti mining companies kadagiti komunidad ti nainsigudan nga umili, adu a pammapatay kadagiti lider ti komunidad a saan a makinkayat iti makadadael a panagminas, bakwit ken masaker. Iti kastoy a kapadasan iti maysa a nagapu iti military a mang iggem iti nasao a pwesto awan dua dua a mapasaran manen dagiti umili daytoy nu agtugaw ti maysa a heneral iti DENR.

Ipaganetget mi a saan koma a magapo iti military ti mang iggem iti posisyon ti DENR ta iti kapadasan ket militarizado dagiti komunidad nga ayang dagiti aplikasyon ken operasyon ti daddakkel a panagminas. Iti agdama ket isu ti mapasasaran dagiti nainsigudan a komunidad dagiti nainsigudan nga umili manipud Minadanao, Visayas ken Luzon.

Imbes nga ipuwesto ni Pres. Duterte ti maysa a military iti DENR mas denggen na koma ti pukkaw ken dawat ti umili a pannakaisardeng ti militarisasyon ken panagpanaw dagiti militar iti komunidad dagiti nainsigudan nga umili./ Santos Mero, Deputy Secretary General, Cordillera Peoples Alliance

Kakampi mo ang Batas
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eggs, yes, but the good ones far outnumber those whom a former president of the country labeled as "hoodlums in robes".

-000- OMBUDSMAN IS AN OBSTACLE TO NAPOLES AS A STATE WITNESS: Having said that here, I would like to add, quite urgently, that there is a very formidable obstacle that must be hurdled by the Duterte government before Napoles could be utilized as a state witness in the on-going trial of some lawmakers in connection with the P10 billion pork barrel scam. This obstacle is Ombudsman Conchita Carpio Morales.

With due respect, her record as graft buster

relative to these pork barrel scams does not inspire the belief that she would be interested to make Napoles a state witness. First, in the early stages of the pork barrel cases, she chose to investigate and then prosecute only those who opposed the government of the president that appointed her as Ombudsman, leaving out this president and his allies from the cases.

Second, she chose to remain silent and not to pursue, vigorously or otherwise, the Supreme Court's directive clearly addressed to her to investigate and then hold liable the officials of the Aquino government who master-minded and executed the

biggest scam of all time, which was the diversion of some P150 or so billion in government funds to favor lawmakers who voted to oust Chief Justice Renato Corona.

-000- OBSTACLE MUST BE SIDETRACKED: This diversion was carried out under a high-sounding name, "disbursement acceleration program", but the Supreme Court struck it down as being unconstitutional. Morales then employed legal gobble-dycook---or legal mambo-jumbo, if you will---to allow Aquino to escape from any liability, and to charge then Budget Secretary Florencio Abad with a very insignificant criminal case. Because she is an obstacle, the Ombudsman must be sidetracked!

Baguio now has rights...
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orders him to submit to a physical or mental examination by a health care professional; (b) when public health and safety so demand; and (c) when the patient waives this right;

"Right to Information - The patient, next of kin or immediate family has a right to a clear, complete, and accurate evaluation of the nature and extent of his disease, the contemplated medical and surgical procedure and its probable outcome, economic costs, impact on lifestyle and work including side-effects and after-effects of the treatment, possible complications and other pertinent facts regarding his illness. However, if the disclosure of information to the patient will cause mental suffering and further impair his health, or cause the patient not to submit to medically necessary treatment, such disclosure may be withheld or deferred to some future opportune time; Provided, That his next of kin shall be consulted and given the relevant information.

"Right of Privileged Communication - The patient has the right to demand that all information, communication and records pertaining to his care be treated as confidential. A physician is

not authorized to divulge any information to a third party who has no concern with the care and welfare of the patient, except: a) when such disclosure will benefit public health and safety; b) when it is in the interest of justice; and c) when the patient waives the confidential nature of such information;

"Right to Choose his Physician - The patient is free to choose the health care professional to serve him except when (a) seeks medical treatment in a government hospital; (b) he is confined in a charity ward; and (c) he has entered into a contract with a health maintenance organization or any other health insurance organization which stipulates that the patient can only be served by a health care professional affiliated with the organization;

"Right to Self-Determination - The patient has the right to refuse diagnostic and treatment procedures; Provided, That (a) he is of legal age and of sound mind; (b) he is informed of the medical consequences of his refusal; (c) he releases those involved in his care from any obligation relative to the consequences of his decision; and (d) his refusal will not jeopardize public health

and safety;

"Right to Religious Belief - The patient has the right to refuse medical treatment which may be contrary to his religious beliefs, subject to the limitations described in the preceding Subsection; Provided, That such a right shall not be imposed by parents upon their children who have not reached the age of legal discretion;

"Right to Medical Records - The patient is entitled to a summary of his medical history and condition which shall be accomplished by the attending health care professional. He has the right to view the contents of his medical record upon consultation with his attending physician. At his expense and within a reasonable period of time, he may obtain from the health care institution a reproduction of the same record, whether or not he has fully settled his financial obligations with the health care professional or institution concerned;

"Right to Leave - The patient has the right to leave a hospital or any other health care institution regardless of his physical condition;

"Right to Refuse Participation in Medical Research - The patient has the right to be advised if the health care provider plans to



HERITAGE MAPPING – The Baguio Heritage Mapping Project team held a meeting last May 8 to present results and suggestions after seeing the Malcolm Square area and the old post office. The activity with the NCCA is an initial step to assess built heritage in the city. In photo are (seated from left to right): Elvira Albino (Plaza Building), Dr. Rowena Boquiren (project leader), Councilors Elmer Datuin, Mylen Yaranon, Leandro Yangot Jr. and Benny Bomogao; (standing left to right): Aileen Refuerzo (public information officer), Mita Dimalanta (Pine Cone Movement), Engr. Nazita Bañez (City Buildings & Architecture Officer), Archt. Aris Go, NCMS Head Ivan Henares and Archt. Jayson Portem./Contributed photo

involve him in medical research, including but not limited to human experimentation that may affect his care or treatment. Such human experimentation may be performed only with the written informed consent of the patient;

"Right to Correspondence and to Receive Visitors - The patient has the right to communicate with relatives and other persons and to receive visitors subject to reasonable limits prescribed by the rules and regulations of the health care institution;

"Right to Express Grievances - The patient has the right to express complaints and grievances about the care and services received. The Baguio City Health Services Officer, in consultation with the Department of Health-Cordillera Administrative Region, health care providers, consumer groups and other concerned agencies, shall establish a grievance system wherein patients may seek redress of their grievances. Such a system shall afford all parties concerned with the opportunity to settle amicably all grievances; and

"Right to be informed of his Rights and Obligations as a Patient - Every person has the right to be informed of his rights and obligations as a patient. The Baguio City Health Services Office in coordination with the department of Health-Cor-

dillera Administrative Region (CAR), health care providers, professional and civic groups, the media, health insurance corporations, people's organizations, local government units, and other government agencies and non-governmental organizations, shall launch and sustain a citywide information and education campaign to make known to people their rights as patients, as declared in this Ordinance.

"It shall be the duty of health care institutions to inform patients of their rights as well as of the institution's rules and regulations that apply to the conduct of the patient while in the care of such an institution," the ordinance mandates.

Violators will face

sanctions of fines ranging from P2,000 to P5,000 and/or imprisonment of not less than six months or both.

Administrative sanctions, including the suspension or revocation of the violator's license to practice his profession, shall be imposed in addition to the penalties provided.

The implementing rules and regulation will be framed by the Baguio City Health Services Office, in consultation with the local chapters of the Philippine Medical Association and the Philippine Hospital Association, concerned private agencies, non-governmental organizations and people's organizations within 180 days from the effectivity of the ordinance.

/Aileen P. Refuerzo

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Igorot karateka continues humanitarian mission

Financial support to three patients at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center marked the latest humanitarian homecoming here of former world karate champion Julian Chees.

While here on a twice-a-year homecoming last April, Chees was guided by social worker Rhea Tabor of the BGHMC in extending a total of P20,000 worth of medicines to the three patients confined at the medical center.

Support of P10,000 was extended to four-month old Emmanuel dela Cruz of Sta. Maria, Alfonso Lista, Ifugao who was confined for brain abscess formation.

Support of P7,000 was given for seven-year old Sarah Dulce Bautista, a

seven-year old girl from St. Patrick, San Carlos Heights, Baguio City who was confined at the pediatric intensive care unit for cerebral palsy, epilepsy and hepatic encephalopathy.

Since January this year, Chees, a former member of the German National Karate Team and now a respected instructor of the Japan Karate Association of Germany, used up P155,194.60 as support to patients in the Cordillera.

From last December, Chees extended medical support of P50,000 for the eye operation of Gaspar Kawaren of Bontoc, Mt. Province; P10,000 to dialysis patient Romeo Garcia of Mankayan, Benguet; P20,000 to Marilou Pakias; and P2,314.35 tp

the Kawaren family of Bontoc, Mt. Province.

The former world champion in kata also used up P25,000 for a village parachute for Maligcong Villa here in Baguio.

A native of Maligcong, Bontoc, Mt. Province, Chees was one of the outstanding students of the late Shihan Kunio Sasaki who established the JKA in the Philippines, and Edgar Kapawen Sr., chief instructor of the JKA chapter based at the YMCA of Baguio.

In keeping with the tenets of his discipline, the Igorot karateka established over 10 years ago Shoshin Kinderhilfe, a humanitarian foundation extending support to the needy in his native Cordillera region. /Ramon Dacawi.

Cervical cancer in health kapihan

BAGUIO CITY- A high rate of survival for cervical cancer patients is expected if detection is done during the earliest stages, it was known from Medical Specialist Dr. Jimmy Billod in a health kapihan at the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center (BGHMC) last week.

Dr. Billod, from the BGHMC Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology said malignant cervical cancer along with breast and lung cancer is one of the top three causes of mortality, but is preventable and curable.

In 2015, 50 new cases were listed and in 2016, there were 60 new cases; with 10 to 15 patients seen at the BGHMC every week. Seventy-five

percent of BGHMC's cervical cancer patients are from the neighboring provinces, with a portion from the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), Billod said, most of them 30 to 45 years old.

A part of the female reproductive system, the cervix is the "collar" or "neck" of the uterus which is accessible to infection which may result to cancers. Ladies, at 18 years of age could submit themselves to screening, later to Pap smear and regular check-up, or even avail of the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine to protect their health, Billod added. DNA testing every five years could be done, except for its prohibitive cost, Billod said.

Human Papilloma Virus, which could be contracted with people having the illness, through sexual contact.

The practice of safe sex, having the HPV vaccine, healthy lifestyle, no excessive vices, and regular check-up would lessen the risk of having cervical cancer, it was known. Abnormal bleeding, spotting or discharges, low back or pelvic pain, or edema would merit a visit to the doctor for Pap smear or screening, Billod further said.

Billod is joined by several medical practitioners from the Department of Health, BGHMC during the health Kapihan at the DOH Secretary's cottage, where cervical cancer, hypertension, world no tobacco month, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS), Epidemiology updates along with road safety concerns were discussed.

May is cervical cancer consciousness month, it was known.

In addition, early



FREE DIALYSIS SUPPORTERS - Students make themselves counted by signing the campaign for free dialysis initiated by the Baguio Correspondents and Broadcasters Club and the Philippine Information Agency Cordillera. Last week, members of the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center Dialysis Patients and Partners Association submitted the petition and the signature campaign for the provision of free dialysis treatment to all kidney patients in the country to President Rodrigo Duterte, the Congress of the Philippines and the concerned national government offices through the assistance of the Benguet Electric Cooperative Inc./PIO photo

Baguio now has rights of patients ordinance

BAGUIO CITY - The city council on Monday approved on third reading the Baguio Patients' Rights Ordinance which spells out the privileges of persons availing of medical care services in the city.

Authored by Councilor Edgar Avila, Ordinance No. 42 series of 2017 "aims to equalize the contractual relationship between a patient and his health care provider by stating the rights of patients."

It also "defines the duties and responsibilities of patients and those of health care providers and the health care delivery organization."

"The observance of these rights and responsibilities will enhance the health care professional-patient relationship and lead to a more effective patient care and greater satisfaction for the patient, the health care professional and the health care delivery institutions and entities. Hence, adherence to patient's rights is a vital

warning signs such as change in bowel or bladder habits, a sore which does not heal, unusual bleeding or discharge, thickening or

factor for the fulfillment of the primary purpose of medicine - the prevention and treatment of diseases and the maintenance of the health of patients," the ordinance reads.

Under the ordinance, the following are rights of the patients along with their brief explanations:

"Right to Medical Care and Treatment - Every person has a right to health and medical care corresponding to his state of health, without any discrimination and within the limits of the resources available for health and medical care at the relevant time;

"Right to Informed Consent - The patient has a right to a clear explanation, in layperson's term, of all proposed procedures, whether diagnostic or therapeutic, including the identity of the person who will perform the said procedure, possibilities of any risk of mortality or serious side effects, problems related to recuperation, and probabilit-

ity of success, and he will not be subjected to any procedure without his informed consent; Provided, That in cases of emergency, when the patient is unconscious and/or incapable of giving consent and there is no one who can give consent in his behalf, then the health care professional can perform any diagnostic or treatment procedure as good practice of medicine dictates without such consent; Provided, further, That when the law makes it compulsory for everyone to submit to a procedure, a consent is not necessary;

"Right of Privacy - The patient has a right to be left alone when this will not prejudice the provision of necessary medical care. The patient has a right to be free from unwarranted publicity, except in the following cases: (a) when his mental or physical condition is in controversy and the appropriate court in its discretion

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Billod also debunked beliefs that cervical cancer is hereditary; as 99% is due to the

unexplained anemia and sudden weight loss; would warrant a visit to the doctor, the medical practitioners cautioned. /Julie G. Fianza