

Labatt puts 'on hold' top agency

By Philip C. Tubeza

LABOR Attaché Jalilo dela Torre has temporarily stopped processing contracts from the top provider of Filipino domestic workers in Hong Kong after it was ac-

cused of offering non-existent jobs in the United Kingdom.

Dela Torre said he "put on hold" on June 20 the processing of contracts submitted by Emry's employment agency after eight Filipino domestic workers accused it of

violating the Philippine government's ban on third-country deployment.

"Pinaexplain natin pero wala pang explanation. We're asking (the owner) to explain kung bakit nagrecruit (for UK)," Dela Torre said in an interview.

"Kung wala siyang sagot, we will forward that to the POEA (Philippine Overseas Employment Administration) with our recommendation---either cancellation (of license) or suspension," he added.

The agency allegedly offered jobs in the United Kingdom to at least 200 applicants who paid \$10,000 each.

Dela Torre told Hong Kong News earlier that he checked with the POLO in London and discovered that there were no job orders for the work Emry's was offering.

"Public interest yan. Ang daming nagreklamo (pero) hanggang ngayon wala pang nadedeploy, pinapahintay hanggang October," he said.

Emry's is said to be the biggest provider of Filipino domestic helpers in Hong Kong, submitting an average of eight contracts to the POLO every day.

POLO records showed that, since January this year, Emry's had submitted 676 FDH contracts, including 614 new contracts, four renewals, and 58 transfers.

The owner of Emry's had insisted to POLO officials that she did not intend to dupe the jobseekers and promised that she would refund the applicants.

She also complained about the POLO decision to stop the processing contracts submitted by Emry's, saying that this was



NO TO third-country deployment. Labor Attache Jalilo dela Torre has "put on hold" the processing of contracts from Emry's employment agency after it was accused of offering non-existent jobs in the United Kingdom.

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500 FDHs to take LET

By Philip C. Tubeza

AROUND 500 Filipino domestic helpers are expected to take the upcoming Licensure Examination for Teachers (LET) to get a chance to go home to the Philippines and teach, Labor Attaché Jalilo dela Torre said.

Dela Torre said the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) had approved holding the exam here in Hong Kong on September 25.

"Five hundred ang expected takers. May nagsusubmit na ngayon," Dela Torre said in an interview.

He said the Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) was also planning for a civil service exam and a nursing board exam next year.

"Isa rin yung civil service exam sa mga tinatarget natin. Ang dami ng opening sa gobyerno ngayon. Maganda ng magkaroon rin ng civil service exam dito. At saka, mas madali yun ipasa," Dela Torre said.

He said the nursing exam in Hong Kong

could be held in June next year because the PRC had no budget this year.

Dela Torre said the National Organization of Professional Teachers Inc. (Nopti) has agreed to conduct review classes at the Bayanihan Centre in Kennedy Town for those who will take the test.

Those who want to take the exam should register online through the PRC website. For repeaters, the deadline is on July 22. Those who are going to take the exam for the first time should register by July 29.

The requirements include photocopies of their transcript of records, passport, NSO certificate of marriage (for married applicants with inconsistent entries in their passports and other documents), and four Philippine passport size colored ID pictures.

The originals must be present when these are submitted to the POLO. For those who have questions, please call Gloria at 2866-0640 (POLO landline), 5529-1880 (POLO hotline), or leave a message on the POLO-HongKong SAR Facebook page.

POLO to open on Saturdays for OECs

By Philip C. Tubeza

STARTING on July 9, the Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) in Admiralty will be open for those who want to get an OEC (overseas employment certificate), Labor Attaché Jalilo Dela Torre said.

Dela Torre made the announcement as the number of applicants began to rise since July is peak season for OEC applications.

"We had 1,000 on Sunday (June 26) so magbubukas kami ng Sabado kasi bayad na rin naman yung rent plus aircon. Comfortable pa sila dito," Dela Torre said in an interview.

He said the POLO would open its doors on Saturdays while it closes its post at the PLDT Hongkong Smart Pinoy Center in Worldwide House, which had been issuing OECs on Saturdays.

"So, ililipat natin dito sa POLO kasi maliit yung lugar sa PLDT sa Worldwide," Dela Torre said.

He added that the POLO would also double its personnel at the Metrobank branch in United Centre, Admiralty which issues OECs on Sundays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Overseas Filipino workers line up in Admiralty to get an OEC

"Baka mag-Shatin din kami sa Metrobank doon. Di nga lang masyadong sentro. Yung sa Tsuen Wan sana magandang lugar pero ang sabi ng Labour Department (nakapila ang gustong gumamit dun. So, hanap pa kami ng ibang alternative," Dela Torre said.

The number of OEC applicants at the POLO had earlier gone down by 40 percent after it decided to issue OECs in other parts of Hong Kong.

Besides the Metrobank branch in United Centre, OECs can also be secured at the

PNB Global Remittance Shop No. 122 in Worldwide from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on Sundays.

Dela Torre earlier said he was already talking with banks and remittance companies so that OECs could be issued in their branches or offices in Tsuen Wan, Tseung Kwan O, Sai Kung, and even Yuen Long in the New Territories.

"We want this so that our kababayans in the New Territories won't have come all the way down here (in Admiralty) to get their OECs," said Dela Torre.

'Don't make wards feel sexually offended'

By Peter Castillo

SAYING that Hong Kong takes crime against children very seriously, members of the police advised foreign domestic workers to avoid making their wards feel "sexually offended or intimidated," the Equal Opportunities Commission (EOC) said.

The EOC said it conducted a workshop with representatives from the Eastern District Police Station and RainLily, a crisis

centre for victims of sexual violence, for FDHs to learn about sexual harassment.

"During the workshop, one of the participants asked what they should be aware of when they are looking after the employer's children to prevent accusation of indecent assault or sexual harassment against employer's children," the EOC said in a statement.

"It was advised that domestic workers should not commit any acts that may make their employers' children feel sexually of-

fended or intimidated. Certain acts, such as fondling someone's genitals, kissing on the lips or touching the buttocks, should not be taken lightly as children could feel intimidated or offended by these," it added.

The EOC said another participant asked whether a person can file a report of rape if she was unconsciousness at the time of the assault.

"The police explained that any sexual intercourse without consent is considered rape and consent could not be obtained by force, fraud or deception. Therefore, a victim of rape under these circumstances can file a report to the police for rape," the EOC said.

It added that if the perpetrator of the rape were an employer or a co-worker, then the victim can also lodge a complaint with the Equal Opportunities Commission as the perpetrator may also have civil liabilities under the Sex Discrimination Ordinance.

Under this ordinance, sexual harassment refers generally to unwanted sexual attention, including unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature in circumstances in which a reasonable person would have anticipated that you would feel offended, humiliated or intimidated.

Examples are touching, comments of a sexual nature, making sexual noises or gestures, asking to touch someone, or asking someone for sex.

Another form of sexual harassment is a sexually hostile working environment where there are actions, languages or pictures of a sexual nature.

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Herminia Garcia now back in PH

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

HERMINIA Garcia, the former domestic helper and the mother of a teenager who jumped to her death from a luxury apartment in Repulse Bay in April 2015, is now back in the Philippines.

Vice Consul Fatima Guzman-Quintin,

head of the assistance to nationals section of the Philippine Consulate General, said Garcia was released from jail in the first week of June.

After being released, Garcia was taken to the airport for her flight back to the Philippines.

Garcia co-habited with British insur-

ance executive Nick Cousins and they had two daughters.

The eldest, then 15, apparently committed suicide in April last year, leading the police to discover Garcia's overstaying in Hong Kong and the couple's failure to register the births of their children, who did not have Hong Kong identity cards.

In October 2015, Garcia was sentenced to one year imprisonment

Garcia came here to work as a domestic helper but she decided to stay on after her visa reportedly expired in 1994. She met Cousins a year later. Their first daughter was born in 1999, and the younger one, a year after.



Cousins and Garcia

Employer backs FDH caught stealing

By Philip C. Tubeza

THANKS in part to her employer, a Filipino domestic helper caught stealing in a supermarket in North Point avoided imprisonment.

Eastern Magistrates Courts Principal Magistrate Bina Chainrai ordered G.R. Santos to pay a fine of \$2,000 after she admitted to stealing several goods worth over \$1,000 from a Wellcome supermarket.

"You are convicted on your own plea and your admission of the facts," Chainrai told the defendant on June 17.

The stolen items included coffee, one box of candy, shampoo, baby oil, cocoa, butter and rice.

The prosecution said the incident happened at around 9:21 a.m. on May 22 inside a Wellcome supermarket along King's Road in North Point.

The manager of the store was watching the CCTV when he noticed Santos put the stolen items inside a bag. She then went out of the store without paying for them.

The manager told one of the store employees to go after the domestic worker, who was apprehended outside the store. She admitted to the crime.

"I plead guilty," Santos told Judge Chainrai after the charge was read to her.

The defendant, who is 43 years old, has two sons (and 10 and 17 years old) and a daughter (20 years old) back in the Philippines and they are all studying. Her husband is unemployed.

"She was in a tight financial situation and she committed the crime out of momentary greed. She is remorseful and asks for leniency," Santos' lawyer told the court.

Santos first arrived in Hong Kong in 2014 to work as a domestic helper. She is now in her second contract with her employer, who came to court to express her support for the defendant.

"Her employer is still willing to employ her because of her good performance at home," Santos' lawyer said.

Judge Chainrai said that since the defendant pleaded guilty, and it was her first offense in Hong Kong, she would be fined \$2,000. Under Hong Kong law, the maximum jail sentence for a person convicted of theft is 10 years imprisonment.

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Labour chief lauds Filcom's input in proposed agency code

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

"VERY constructive."

This was how Labour and Welfare Secretary Matthew Cheung described the recommendations from members of the Filipino community on the Draft Code of Practice (COP) for Employment Agencies.

The Labour Department had set June 17 as the deadline for suggestions and other input to be included to the COP, which would seek to promote professionalism among employment agencies in the city.

"The suggestions were from the Filipino community and also from...Labor Attache (Jalilo dela Torre) in Hong Kong, and they are very constructive [and now] we are finalizing the Code of Practice," Cheung said in an interview on June 14.

Hong Kong News was able to interview



Cheung and Catalla (PCG photo)

Cheung during the diplomatic reception hosted by the Philippine Consulate General to mark the celebration of the 118th Proclamation of Philippine Independence.

"The Labor Attache, in fact, consolidated the views of the domestic workers and organizations here...We are determined to protect the interests of all domestic helpers in Hong Kong and [we want them to

stay here and be] safe, happy, and continue to love Hong Kong," Cheung added.

In May, Consul-General Bernardita Catalla said Hong Kong authorities invited the Philippine government to submit its input on the COP, following a meeting with Cheung and Dela Torre on April 15.

Catalla said other consuls general of "labor-sending countries" to Hong Kong were also invited to the meeting and were asked to submit their own views and recommendations as well. There are over 300,000 foreign domestic helpers in the city and half of them are Filipinos.

An announcement posted on the Labour Department's website said it is "conducting a consultation on a draft Code of Practice for Employment Agencies."

It added that the Code "aims to promote professionalism and quality services in the employment agencies industry."

A recent report by the NGO Justice Centre said migrant domestic workers in the territory often fall prey to unscrupulous employment agencies that may overcharge them for various "costs" associated with recruitment.

These costs often exceed legal limits in source countries like Hong Kong, which allows agencies to collect only up to 10 percent of the worker's first monthly salary.

Justice Centre also said that although the Employment Agencies Administration of the LD received 170 complaints against employment agencies, most of which related to overcharging the migrant domestic workers, only four were convicted.

In 2015, the LD prosecuted 12 agencies, and nine of them were convicted of overcharging job-seekers. The conviction rate, according to Justice Centre, was "low".

Overcharging is top complaint

OVERCHARGING remained the top complaint against employment agencies that supply foreign domestic helpers (FDHs) in Hong Kong, Labour Department (LD) records showed.

The LD said there were 120 complaints filed in 2013 against agencies for overcharging FDHs, 114 in 2014, and 102 last year.

The second biggest complaint was operating without a license. There were 43 complaints of unlicensed operation against agencies in 2013, eight the following year, and 32 in 2015.

The other complaints were related to the quality of the services provided by the agencies, services fees, and the replacement of FDHs.

The LD said it has established an "inter-departmental regular liaison mechanism" with the consulates-general of countries that send FDHs to Hong Kong and other law enforcement agencies to combat any illicit activity of employment agencies.

For enquiries about unlicensed operations or overcharging by agencies, please call the Employment Agencies Administration at 2115 3667 or visit its office on Unit 906, 9/F, One Mong Kok Road Commercial Centre, 1 Mong Kok Road, Kowloon.

Peter Castillo

HK OFWs prepare wish list for Duterte

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

FILIPINO migrant workers in Hong Kong are hoping to hold a meeting here with the incoming Labor and Foreign Affairs secretaries of President-elect Rodrigo Duterte.

Some 120 Filipino migrant organizations agreed on June 19 during a meeting to present a wish list to Duterte and his cabinet members within the first 100 days of the incoming administration.

Dolores Balladares-Pelaez, chairperson of the United Filipinos in Hong Kong (UNIFIL), said they were banking on the promised "change" of the Duterte administration.

"Consistent naman siya sa mga pronouncement niya tungkol sa mga pagbabago at may mga aksyon din naman siya



The Filipino Migrants' Summit

na ginawa halimbawa gaya ng pagtatalaga ng mga opisyal sa major departments sa Pilipinas na progresibo o maka-kaliwa," Balladares-Pelaez said.

During the Filipino Migrant Workers Summit 2016 held at St. John's Cathedral in Central on June 19, leaders of Filipino migrant organizations agreed to submit a letter listing their concerns so that the Duterte administration can address them.

These demands included a rollback in the prices of consumer goods, tuition, the voluntary contribution to the Social Security System, lifetime membership to Philippine Health Insurance Corp., and banning age discrimination in hiring of employees.

Other demands were the reversal of the inclusion of terminal fee to tickets, legal assistance to OFWs in distress, uniform minimum wage for all the regions in the Philippines, the prosecution of airport personnel involved in the "tanim-bala" scam, and additional pages or longer expiration period of Philippine passports, among others.

Eman Villanueva, chairman of Bayan Hong Kong & Macau, asked those present during the meeting to tell other Filipino migrant workers about the wish list that they would be submitting to the Duterte administration.

Asked if the group is confident that incoming Labor chief Silvestre Bello III and incoming Foreign Affairs chief Perfecto Yasay would be able to visit and meet with Filipino migrant workers here in Hong Kong, Balladares-Pelaez said they would be seeking the help of the Philippine Consulate General here and incoming Labor Undersecretary Joel Maglunsod, vice chairperson for Mindanao of the Kilusang Mayo Uno.

"Ang ginagawa naman natin, susulat tayo. Kung sa DOLE (Department of Labor and Employment) iyan, pwedeng tumulong ang undersecretary si Joel Maglunsod and coursed thru din iyan sa Consulate para tumulong sila para ipaabot ang dialogue na ipapatawag natin," she said.

She said they would be looking for an appropriate venue to hold the dialogue.

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Ate Aida's passing mourned

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

SHE may have been strict but she gave out loving service.

Aida Guerrero, the longtime church worker who served distressed Filipinos in Hong Kong for nearly three decades, was remembered by friends during a memorial

service held in Central on June 15.

Guerrero, 55, was supposed to come back to Hong Kong on that day, but instead a concelebrated Resurrection Mass was held at the Catholic Centre in Central in her honor. Father Rodolfo Jacobo Jr. led the Mass.

Guerrero had taken a 120-day leave

to be in the Philippines to recover from cancer. She was scheduled to be back at work in June, but before she could return, she died of her illness. Before her demise, Guerrero was an assistant to Sister Felicitas Nisperas, director of the Catholic Centre.

Adrielle Panares, International Social

Service Hong Kong Branch migrant programme director, said Guerrero as the "Ate ng Bayan" did not mince her words and would tell it as it is.

"All of us who left the Philippines, our prayer is to be a good servant...and Aida she was that to us," Panares said during the service.

Panares previously told Hong Kong News that Guerrero worked in Hong Kong for 20 and was "well-known to the Filipino community."

"Siya ang unang kumakausap sa mga Filipinas who were in distress," Panares added.



Nisperas

Alma, Guerrero's landlady in Peng Chau for six years, said the church worker was tireless in helping Filipinos in Hong Kong.

"Siya din ang breadwinner ng family niya at bahagi siya ng pamilya ko for so many years. Mapagmahal siya sa pamilya," Alma said in tears.

Sis of FDH who died in airport bemoans slow probe

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

THE family of the Filipina who died after falling from a height in the airport was advised to submit their request to view the CCTV recording of the incident to the Regional Consular Office of the Department of Foreign Affairs in La Union.

Vice Consul Fatima Guzman-Quintan said the request of the family of Salva Solomon would then be coursed through the Office of the Undersecretary for Migrant Workers Affairs.

"If the family doubts it, then the family can request to view it, and then we can request to the [Hong Kong] police kung pwede i-release ang CCTV recording," she said.

Usually, next-of-kin who requests CCTV recording of an incident from the

Hong Kong Police do so personally, Guzman-Quintan said.

"We always tell them the investigation here is fair and ongoing siya. Kumbaga wala namang inconsistencies, walang pagmamadali sa investigation at hindi haphazard.

"But of course, official video iyon, so the police can't just release it to anyone," Guzman-Quintan said.

She also advised the Solomon family to make their request official.

"Alam nila ang number ni Kuya Danny (Baldon, an assistance to national officer). They can call Kuya Danny, May direct contact naman sila sa amin," Guzman-Quintan said.

Solomon, 27, was suspected of jumping to her death at the Hong Kong international airport in April.

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FDH escapes, says employer hit her

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

A 28-year-old mother of two was taken to the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration shelter after she had an argument with her employer in Happy Valley that led to the latter hitting her.

M. Peralta of Ilocos Sur told Hong Kong News on June 20 that her employer - a certain S. Wong - hit her and threatened her during an argument about rest days.

Peralta, who said she was forced to seek work here in Hong Kong after her husband lost his job as he underwent a kidney stone operation in January, said the argument took place on the evening of June 19.

"Nag-agawan kami ng kontrata, tapos nang nakatalikod siya, hinablol ko ang kontrata at pinalo niya ang kamay ko. Tapos nagpunta ako sa CR kasi talagang sasaktan niya ako. Sinarang ko ang pinto, pinuwersya niya, at tumama ang pinto sa daliri ko," Peralta said, showing her bandaged right forefinger.

After the door was forced open, the employer allegedly took Peralta's bag, passport and Hong Kong ID. The Filipina then locked the door of the toilet and called the police.

"Nang pumunta ang Hong Kong police, nilagyan nila ng band-aid itong daliri ko. Pero ang sabi lang nila sa akin may dalawang options lang kami, either bababa na ako at babayaran ko ang employer ko o susundin naming parehas ang nasa kontrata," Peralta said.

She chose to stay with her employer, she said, because she had no money to pay for the contract and that she still owed half of the P80,000 she paid her employment agency in the Philippines for training and medical fees.

When the policemen left, the employer allegedly showed the Filipina photos of her husband and two children in the Philippines.

"Sabi niya 'may picture ako ng anak mo at asawa mo,' at pinakita niya sa akin ang picture. Tapos sabi niya 'alam ko ang address ninyo sa Pilipinas.' Tapos sabi niya 'marami akong pera, maraming marami akong pera,'" Peralta said.

It was then that the Filipina decided to leave her employer's house at around 1 a.m. of June 20.

Before leaving, her employer, and the latter's parents kicked Peralta's cellphone because they wanted to take it away. Per-



Peralta

alta said she had video recordings of her and her employer's arguments and even when the latter hit her hand.

They also inspected her bags and checked her belongings, a practice that they also did whenever Peralta leaves the house for her rest day.

"Kahit naliligo po ako, kumakatok siya. Hindi siya titigil hangga't hindi mo siya binubuksan ng pinto. Kahit nakahubad ka kailangang buksan mo. Ilang ulit na ganun

ang ginagawa niya," she said.

Prior to the incident, Peralta said her employer was abusive and disrespectful of her. She said she argued with her employer because the latter still required her to work in the morning and at night during her rest days.

She also said that while she was given the \$900 food allowance, she could not find the time to buy food and cook her meal.

"Kahit pagligo, wala akong oras, From Monday to Saturday, hanggang (hatinggabi) o one or two o'clock ng umaga ako nagtatrabaho kasi gusto niya tapusin ko lahat ng plantsahin ko," she said.

Still, Peralta added, she did her job and took care of her employer's three-year-old child.

She said she survived her four months of employment because another Filipina who lived in the same building would regularly give her food.

"Naawa siya sa akin, kaya kapag nagtatapon ako ng basura, binibigyan niya ako ng pagkain. Sabi niya sa akin ako na daw yata ang pangsampung helper na nakita niya sa amo ko," Peralta said.

She said she also sought the assistance

of the Philippine Overseas Labor Office to blacklist her employer as another Filipina domestic helper is set to arrive in July. Peralta said her employer wanted to have at least three helpers - one for taking care of the child, another to clean the house, and the last to cook meals.

She said her family in the Philippines knew of her ordeal and told her to come home.

"Sabi nga ng asawa ko, 'uwi ka na lang, wala talagang swerte yata sa iyo ang pag-aabroad'," she said. Her husband used to work at a convenience store before he fell ill. Peralta, meanwhile, was sales attendant at SM Supermarket in Manila.

According to her, she only spent 20 days in her first employment in Hong Kong when she arrived in February. She was terminated when her lady employer became pregnant and Peralta, who has seven-year-old and four-year-old daughters was told that they could no longer afford to pay her salary.

"Ang sabi sa akin iyon na lang daw nanay ng babae ang mag-aalaga. Nagpunta ako sa agency ko dito at binigyan nga nila ako ng bagong employer pero nagbayad ako ng \$3,000," she said.

Pinay testifies vs employer for making her do illegal work

By Philip C. Tubeza

A Filipino domestic helper testified against her employer for making her work illegally in his store in Mong Kok that sold snacks.

The government witness, with initials E.F.J., testified at the Sha Tin Magistrates

Courts on June 21 and said she washed food containers, cut octopuses, and prepared the French fries and ingredients for the waffles they sold.

"That was the instruction of my employer," the domestic worker told Magistrate Colin Wong.

Her employer, S.T. Au, was charged

with "aiding, abetting, counselling or procuring the breach of condition of stay" of the Filipina.

The domestic worker was arrested on December 1 last year when the police raided the store along Soy Street in Mong Kok and found her working there. She was charged with breach of condition and she

pleaded guilty.

"I washed in the shop delivered some stuff like the French fries which they sold," E.F.J. said.

She said she arrived in Hong Kong to work as a domestic helper on May 28 last year but, the following day, her employer told her to work in the Mong Kong store. She said she did not receive any extra pay.

"After cutting up the octopus and preparing the waffle mix, I'd bring them to the shop. I'd prepare the ingredients, bring them to the shop, and cook them there," the worker said.

E.F.J. said she stayed in a flat near the store and prepared the cooking ingredients there. She did not stay or work in her em-

ployer's home in Mei Foo.

The worker said she told her employer she did not want to work at the shop anymore and she was already planning to resign but she did not leave because she had a debt to pay.

"I have a loan I wanted to pay so I did not talk anymore," E.F.J. said.

The worker said she also told her sister-in-law, who also works here as a domestic helper, about her objections to her employer's decision to make her work in Mong Kong. It was her sister-in-law who recommended her to the defendant.

But despite her airing her objections, E.F.J. said her sister "did not respond" to her complaints.

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Saleslady gets 14 years for cocaine

By Philip C. Tubeza

A 33-year-old Filipino saleslady was sentenced to more than 14 years in prison after trying to smuggle into Hong Kong nearly one kilo of cocaine.

High Court Justice Maggie Poon sentenced Ma. Cristina D. Dia, a saleslady from the Philippines, to 14 years and eight months after she pleaded guilty to drug trafficking.

Dia was caught at the Hong Kong International Airport with 940 grams of cocaine in September last year.

"Its retail value was \$1.3 million... Defendant is convicted on her own plea and admission of the charge," Justice Poon said on June 24.

Records of the case showed that the defendant arrived on September 25 from Manila. She claimed that she came here for some "mobile network business" but was stopped by Customs officials at the Chek Lap Kok international airport.

"During Customs clearance, (an) X-ray check on a suitcase carried by her revealed suspicious images. In-depth examination led to the discovery of a slab of suspected



Dia's luggage

cocaine being concealed inside the false compartment of the suitcase," a government statement said.

While Hong Kong does not have the death penalty, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence under the city's Dangerous Drugs Ordinance. The maxi-



The contraband

mum penalty is life imprisonment and a fine of \$5 million.

The Filipina, aged 33, at first denied that she was involved in drug trafficking but she later admitted to the crime.

Barrister Kevin Egan, Dia's lawyer, said the defendant was used by a syndicate headed by Ugandan Rufus Katumba, who was based in the Philippines.

"There are about a dozen young Filipin-

nas who were used by the syndicate. (Dia) is one more victim of the syndicate," Egan said.

He said Katumba was later arrested in the Philippines by the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), together with his partner, Marilyn Ramos.

They were nabbed in Sta. Rosa City in Laguna in October last year. The authorities confiscated 10 kilos of cocaine and

two kilos of methamphetamine hydrochloride or shabu from the two.

Katumba was also said to be behind the four Filipino drug mules who were caught at the airport in October last year with 1.86 kilos of cocaine.

Egan said that Dia had provided information to PDEA that could help secure the conviction of Katumba and his partner.

Egan said that Dia also shared her story with Fr. John Wotherspoon, a prison chaplain who has launched a campaign to educate girls in Africa and the Philippines to stop them from becoming drug mules.

"The defendant fully admits what happened and expresses extreme remorse," Egan told the court.

He added that she has three children back in the Philippines who were aged 19, 13, and 11.

Because of Dia's guilty plea, Justice Poon reduced her jail sentence a by a third and then reduced it further by one year for helping the authorities until it was set at 14 years and eight months.

"She was lured into the business by this African syndicate like many innocent girls," Justice Poon said.

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Gina Ortiz

HK seeks transfer of 7 prisoners from PH

By Peter Castillo

THE government is seeking the transfer to Hong Kong of seven of its residents who are serving jail sentences in the Philippines, Secretary for Security Lai Tung-kwok said.

Lai told the Legislative Council (Leg-Co) on June 8 that the seven Hong Kong residents wanted to serve the remainder of their sentences here.

"The HKSAR Government is currently handling seven applications from Hong Kong residents sentenced in the Philippines for transfer to Hong Kong to serve their remaining sentences," Lai said.

"The seven applicants are aged from 45 to 70 and have been awarded sentences in the Philippines from 25 years' imprisonment to life imprisonment," he added.

Lai said their applications were referred to the HKSAR Government from the Chinese Embassy between 2002 and 2012.

He said the government has approached the Philippine Government "a number of times to obtain the documents required for those cases."

"To date, we are still awaiting responses from the Philippine side," Lai said.

He said the HKSAR Government will continue to follow up the cases with the Philippines "through various practicable channels with a view to obtaining the basic information required and confirming the consent of the Philippine Government as soon as possible."

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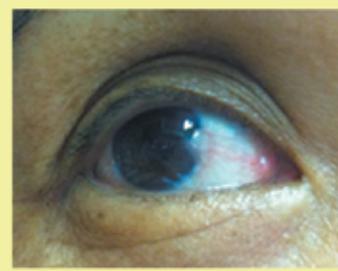


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'AU\$55,000 salary awaits Pinay nurses in Australia'

By Philip C. Tubeza

THE Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) will hold a forum in September for Filipino nurses working as domestic helpers here in Hong Kong so that they can find more advantageous jobs in other countries, Labor Attaché Jalilo dela Torre said.

Dela Torre said registered migration agents from Australia and the Philippine Association of Service Exporters Inc. (PASEI) would attend so that they can brief the nurses on employment opportunities in Australia, New Zealand, Germany, and Qatar.

"Sa Australia ang laki (ng salary). AU\$55,000 to AU\$59,000. Entry level yan. Ang minimum (wage) is AU\$16 or 20 cents an hour," said Dela Torre, a former labor attaché to Australia.

"We will also have people from PASEI who are deploying to Germany kasi may mga opening ngayon sa Germany for nurses, and sa Qatar. So, they will talk about the terms and conditions and yung employment opportunities in those coun-

tries," he added.

Dela Torre said they decided to hold a nursing forum after finding out that there are many registered Filipino nurses who are working as domestic helpers here.

"May sobrang two years (experience). Hindi ko nga alam kung bakit pumunta pa (dito). Sana nag-apply na lang sa ibang labor market kasi may two years ka na. Nakikita ko sa profile nila," he said.

For those who want to take the nursing board exam, Dela Torre said that could happen next year.

"Next year na kasi yung nursing licensure hindi na-budget ng (Professional Regulation Commission) this year but they're prepared to do that next year so the earliest we can have is June next year," he said.

Dela Torre said he was not encouraging FDHs here to go to Japan, where Filipino household service workers are now welcome.

"I'm not really very keen about that kasi mataas nga yung sweldo pero live out. Ang matitira sa iyo halos pareho rin dito (sa Hong Kong)," he said.

Employers vow to help

By Philip C. Tubeza

LABOR and migrants rights group have launched a campaign which aims to enlist the help of employers in the fight of foreign domestic workers against abusive recruitment agencies.

The Hong Kong Federation of Asian Domestic Workers Unions (FADWU) and the Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions (HKCTU) on June 19 launched the "My Fair Home" campaign which also aims to establish a "harmonious relationship" between employers and FDHs.

"Ang objective ng My Fair Home ay para magkaruon ng harmonious relationship yung employer at saka employee," Shiella Grace Estrada, chair of the Progressive Labour Union of Domestic Workers in Hong Kong, said in an interview.

"Plus, makuha yung support from employers kagaya nung pagpledge nila kani-na na, kapag may mga cases na excessive recruitment fees from agencies, the employers are willing to support if they are going to file a case against employment agencies," she added.



Employers sign manifesto supporting FDHs

Estrada said seven employers attended the launching, which was held in Central, and they signed a manifesto of support for FDHs

"I will ensure fair wages are paid to domestic workers in my home (at least the minimum wage) and that domestic workers in my home have reasonable work hours and time to rest," the manifesto read.

The employers also promised to negotiate the terms and conditions of employment with their domestic worker, "ensuring a mutual understanding through a

written agreement."

By signing the manifesto, the employers committed themselves to ensure a work environment that is free from abuse, harassment, and violence; that domestic workers in their homes would have access to "decent healthcare;" and that they are able to make complaints against unfair employment agencies.

"I will ensure that domestic workers in my home will enjoy decent living conditions and a safe, secure private bedroom," the manifesto said.

Makinis na maputing kutis at sexy curves nakamit

Matagal nang pangarap ni Juliet Lindo na magkaroon ng maputing, flawless na kutis at sexy body tulad ni Marian. Ang mga kababaihan ay nangangarap na pumayat sa mabilis na paraan. Kaya naman inisip ang mga posibleng paraan upang maging seksi, magkaroon ng hugis ang katawan na magbunsod upang mapaligong ang kalalakihan.

Minsan naguusap sina Juliet at ang mga kaibigan tungkol sa mga paboritong artista. Nalaman na karamihan sa kanila ay gumagamit ng isang partikular na lotion para magkaroon ng maputing kutis at seksi na pangangatawan. Ito daw ay upgraded version Dream Love 1000 5 in 1 body essence lotion, gawa sa England. Ang naturang lotion ay clinically proven na nakakatunaw ng taba sa katawan at nakokontrol ang cholesterol level tungo sa malusog na pangangatawan. Nakakatulong din ito upang

lumambot ang kutis dahil sa Vitamin D&E at upang magmukhang bata ang balat. Naging curious si Juliet kaya nang sumunod na day off ay nagpunta sa World Wide House upang bumili nito mula sa Fiesta Mart sa halagang HK\$98 lamang.

Bumili si Juliet ng ilang tubes, pagkauwi ay sinimulang mag-apply sa buong mukha at katawan ayon sa instruction sheet. Makalipas ang ilang linggo, napansin na lahat ng mga peklad dahil sa tagihawat ay nawala. Lumambot din ang kanyang kutis. Nabawasan siya ng 2½ inches na taba sa baywang at 2 inches naman sa balakang at hita. Nagkaroon din ng korte ang kanyang katawan. Tuwang tuwa na rin siya ngayon tuwing tinitignan ang sarili sa salamin at sa wakas nakamit niya ang kutis artista at sexy body.



Before After

Leonelie Amba

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'FDHs have only 6 months to complain'

By Philip C. Tubeza

FROM the time they are victimized, foreign domestic workers in Hong Kong have only six months to file a complaint against abusive employment agencies that overcharge them, Labor Attaché Jalilo Dela Torre said.

Dela Torre said in an interview that the prescription period for labor claims in the Philippines was three years but only six months in Hong Kong.

"Sa atin, three (years) basta labour claims. Dito, against agencies, six months. May time bar sila," Dela Torre said.

"Ang dami ngang na-time bar," he added.

This means that FDHs who are overcharged by HK agencies should file their complaint within six months after they are overcharged.

After that, they can no longer go after the erring agency.

Dela Torre made the clarification after the licensee of Gold Union Employment Agency in Fanling was convicted and fined \$9,000 at Eastern Magistrates' Courts on June 23 for overcharging an FDH.

In December 2015, Indonesian domestic worker Sundari complained to the Employment Agencies Administration of the Labour Department that Gold Union had overcharged her 32 times more than the allowable amount. This is the fourth agency convicted for overcharging this year.

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New vice consul loves music and culture

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

MEET Vice Consul Robert “Bob” Quintin, who is a musician, cultural advocate, and the husband of Vice Consul Fatima Guzman-Quintin.

Quintin now leads the Cultural Section of the Philippine Consulate General, assuming the position from Vice Consul Alex Vallespin who moved to the Assistance to Nationals section.

Guzman-Quintin, meanwhile, took over the Political-Economic portfolio of Consul Charles Andrei Macaspac who went back to the Philippines after completing his six-year post in Hong Kong.

Unlike many diplomats, Quintin said he never thought he’d be joining the Department of Foreign Affairs in Manila owing to a number of reasons: born and bred in Baguio, he never thought of leaving his hometown for Manila; he did not know what foreign service was; and besides his interest in music, he was set to become a teacher.

Good thing he gave the Foreign Service Officers exams in 2008 a try because it led him to meeting Guzman-Quintin, whom he would marry in 2014.

Quintin said he was glad that his first overseas post was Hong Kong.

“Kasama na siyempre that we want to

build a family sana, but we know na dito kung ano man ang mga kaalaman ko, may opportunity pa dito na mahasa ako sa lahat ng aspect na kasama sa trabaho namin because this definitely will not be my last posting,” Quintin said.

His interest in folk and indigenous music (he plays the guitar, bamboo instruments and the gong) began when he was 11 and his father took home a guitar.

Seeing the boy would spend time playing it, Quintin’s father gifted him with one on his 12th birthday. Quintin’s youngest sister is the soprano Stefanie Quintin.

After completing the five rounds of exams to be a foreign service officer, Quintin

then underwent a cadetship training at the DFA where he met his future wife. They both started their cadetship training in 2010.

“We became friends. There were 21 of us in the batch, 14 women and seven men. Doon lang kami nagkita. We became really good friends, and sometime in 2012 we decided to take it to the next level,” Quintin added.

Asked what drew him to her, Quintin said Guzman-Quintin “gets” him.

“She is low maintenance, hindi mahirap dalhin. We became friends and we found na kahit hindi pareho ang interes namin, we get each other,” he said.



Quintin

NGO celebrates 9 years of serving migrant workers

“I thought I would be a senior citizen first before I could go back home for good. Thanks to Enrich workshops and financial empowerment, going home for good will come earlier than expected,” with breaking voice and tears in her eyes, Warlita Manera, a 52-year-old Filipino domestic worker said during the ninth anniversary celebration of NGO Enrich.

Enrich celebrated its founding anniversary on June 23 and Lenlen Mesina, Enrich executive director, said Manera is one of the reasons why the NGO continues to empower migrant women by educating them and helping them make informed choices for their finances.

Manera, who said she started attending Enrich workshops and classes after receiving a free scholarship voucher, added that she also finished the six-month mentoring session in May.

“After the Enrich workshops and the mentoring session, I was able to budget and manage my salary using the envelope system provided by Enrich,” she said.

Manera shared that she learned to track her expenses “using the spreadsheet from Enrich” and set up her goals with “specific time frame for each goal.” Her plan is to return home for good after one more two-year contract with her employer who lives in the Mid-Levels.

Upon her planned return to the Philippines, Manera said she would be helping her husband farm their three-hectare land in Ilocos Sur.

Besides learning how to budget and save money for her goals, Manera said she also became “assertive and confident” in communicating about finances to her family members in the Philippines.

She was also able to send to school her niece who will be in their year in the university, taking up Medical Technology degree. CMA

Emgoldex leader yet to refund investors

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

THE Filipino domestic helper who was identified by some 20 complainants as the leader of the recruitment for the fraudulent investment scam Emgoldex had yet to refund the money that she promised.

Assistance to National Officer Hermogenes Cayabyab Jr. told Hong Kong News that one of those who gave money to MJ went to the Philippine Consulate General on June 26 to complain that the Filipina could not be contacted.

“Sabi ni Jacquelyn tinatawagan nila si MJ, pero hindi na nila makonmtak. Tinawagan din namin noong Linggo ng limang beses pero nagri-ring lang ang telepono at hindi kami sinasagot,” Cayabyab said.

Jacquelyn told Cayabyab that she was planning to file a formal complaint against MJ with the Hong Kong police.

In March, MJ told Hong Kong News

that she signed a document at the PCG that required to refund the some P255,000 for the seven accounts at Emgoldex that were not encoded.

The complainants alleged that MJ was able to buy a car and a water-refilling station business in the Philippines from her Emgoldex earnings. They also said she used to brag that she received a P2-million bonus because she had 13 accounts in Emgoldex.

When these details were revealed during a February 21 meeting between the complainants and MJ at the PCG on February 21, MJ remained silent.

During the meeting in the PCG it was alleged that 488 Filipinos in Hong Kong as well as their kin have invested P36,000 in a single account in Emgoldex. MJ said those she would be unable to refund the money of those investors whose accounts have been activated because the money is now with the “Germany-based” company.

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POLO to ban 'terminators'

By Philip C. Tubeza and Cheryl M. Arcibal

THE Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) will ban employers who "frequently" terminate Filipino domestic workers, said Labor Attaché Jalilo dela Torre.

Dela Torre said he has ordered that those who terminate and change FDHs several times a year will be included in the POLO's blacklist.

"Pag within a period of one year, for example, ganyan uma-appear ng uma-appear yung pangalan ng employer na yan, iwatch list na rin namin," dela Torre said.

"Ibig sabihin, pumipili at madalas magterminate. Nasa radar na rin namin

yan," he added.

Dela Torre said that there are currently "50 plus employers" who are in the POLO's blacklist.

"Hindi sila makahire. Kaya minsan, ang nangyayari pangalan ng asawa or kapatid ang sinusubmit. Sinabihan na namin na i-blacklist pati yung address. Kasi ganun nga yung ginagawa. Same address pero ibang pangalan," he said.

"Na-plug naman natin yung loop-holes," he added.

Dela Torre also urged FDHs who are not given their food allowance or those who do not get enough food to report these to the POLO.

"Before they go to (the Labour Depart-

ment), pwede dito muna para matawagan yung agency. Yung agency, tatawagan yung employer. Kasi pag nag-Labour, baka itermine," he said.

Meanwhile, leaders of migrant groups scored the decision of the Immigration Department to deny the working visa applications of 519 FDHs for "job-hopping."

Dolores Balladares Pelaez, chairperson of the United Filipinos in Hong Kong (UNIFIL), denied claims that some FDHs were "job-hopping."

"Consistent ang aming posisyon na hindi totoo na nagjo-job-hopping ang mga domestic workers. In fact, hangga't kayang magtiis sa trabaho, magtiis dahil mahirap maghanap ng employment,"

Blladares-Pelaez said.

"Mahirap kapag nawalan ng employment, magbabayad ka uli sa recruitment agency. So, kailangan makipag-usap sa Immigration Department at magpaliwanag sa local community na hindi iyan ginagawa ng mga domestic workers na magpunta sa Hong Kong para maglipat-lipat ng employment," she added.

Shiella Grace Estrada, chair of the Progressive Labour Union of Domestic Workers in Hong Kong, said in an interview that the Immigration Department should also ban employers who frequently terminate FDHs.

"Paano kung naging malas ka sa nakuhanag employer? Pagnagsign ka ng con-

tract, hindi naman natin alam na maganda kahihinatnan natin sa kanilang mga bahay. May mga employers nagterminate how many times. Dapat binaban din employers para maging fair...yung terminator employers," Estrada said.

She also denied that some FDHs were job-hopping, adding that it would cause "more pain" for the workers.

"Paano magjob-hop kung ikaw nagbayad ng malaki? Gumagastos ka ng pagnagterminate ng kontrata. Wala kang house to stay. May two weeks rule ka. Maghahanap ka ulit ng amo so magbabayad ka ulit sa agency. So, more pain and burden sa workers kaysa employers," Estrada said.

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done "without due process."

Dela Torre said Emry's also asked that it be given 14 days to reply to the charges of third-country deployment.

He said the agency has until July 4 to reply.

"They've asked for 14 days from the receipt of the letter (putting the processing of contracts on hold). We will forward the reply and copies of the complaint sa POEA for appropriate action," he said.

Dela Torre said the POLO could also forward the complaints to the Labour Department, especially those who do not get a refund.

"What the complainants can do is they can file sa Labour Department or the EAA (Employment Agencies Administration) or the police kasi nga nakabayad na sila wala pa ring (trabaho)," he said.

Dela Torre also reminded Filipinos in Hong Kong to "stop believing ads" from agencies here offering jobs in other countries.

"Ang importante is to stop patronizing or believing in those ads for third country deployment. Ilang beses na naming sinabi yan pero ayaw maniwala," he said.

Dela Torre said the POLO will be publishing online the names of agencies it has accredited so that FDHs and employers would know who are the legitimate recruiters.

He also reminded the public that "third-country recruitment" is considered illegal by the Philippine government.

"Again, third-country deployment is illegal because those agencies that are doing third country recruitment and deployment are not licensed to do so by the POEA," Dela Torre said.

"Our OFWs in Hong Kong should be

wary about these agencies. Ilang beses na namin nilalabas ito. Walang mapapala pag third-country (recruitment)," he added.

One complainant, who went to the POLO on June 28, said she was terminated after she told her employer that she was applying for a job in the UK.

She said she paid Emry's \$10,000 in March.

"Magparefund ako kasi naganap ako ng job pero mahirap kasi break ako," the worker said in an interview before she went to the Philippine Consulate General-Assistance to Nationals Section to have her complaint notarized.

She said she exited to mainland China and came back here as a tourist so that she could pursue her claim against Emry's.

"May malaki raw na company na hahawak sa UK. Sabi niya two to three months magkaroon kami ng job order pero hindi naman dumating," she added.

Escape to Rizal

By Niña P. Calleja

IT'S next to impossible to find a patch of wilderness in bustling Metro Manila. With available green spaces becoming scarce, if not absent, a lot of travelers seeking adventures in the great outdoors would skip Metro Manila outright and satisfy their craving for nature elsewhere.

But those in Manila wanting to take a respite from the chaos of the metro and breathe fresh air may not look too far.

A commute for one to two hours from Metro Manila to nearby Rizal province could just be their thing. With a budget of roughly P1,000, you can find what you want, adventures and all.

My friends and I, who all work in Metro Manila, would often find ourselves along the rugged terrain on the way to a mountain's peak for a weekend day trip.

Here are the four of the off the beaten tracks in Rizal province for nature lovers and mountaineers:

1. Mt. Daraitan and Tinipak River

Located at the border of Tanay in Rizal and General Nakar in Quezon province, Mt. Daraitan is nestled on the southern reaches of the Sierra Madre. No wonder mountaineers call it a gem of Sierra Madre.

For at its summit of jagged limestones, you are treated with a sight of lush green rainforests as far as the eye can see and a river meandering through the mountains.

The 600-meter trek to the summit lasts for four to five hours and can be challenging for beginners. But it is totally worth it.

After scaling its heights, reward yourself by taking the trail going to the



Take a dip in one of the Sierra Madre's rivers

Tinipak or Daraitan river for your descent. This pristine emerald-blue river is rendered otherworldly by surrounding ivory-white marble rocks.

It was previously named as one of the cleanest rivers in the country, bagging the annual "Gawad ng Pangulo sa Kapaligiran" award from the Philippine president in 2001.

We went there one Saturday in August by taking a public jeepney from Edsa-Shaw Boulevard going to Tanay town proper before sunrise.

From the town, we took another jeepney ride to Barangay Sampaloc, where you have to rent a tricycle for a ride to the Daraitan River. Be prepared for a bumpy tricycle ride. We all huddled on a wooden raft and crossed the river.

On the other side, we took another tricycle to the barangay hall of Daraitan. Our day trek expenses reached PHP1,100, which included the P500 we paid to our tour guide.

2. Batolusong and Kay-ibon falls

Another mountain in Tanay, Rizal is rightfully called Batolusong, a combination of the words bato, which means "rocks," and lusong which means "descend". The trail includes river streams to cross, rocky portions to scale, and steep ascents and grassy slopes to conquer. But all of these are worth it because, upon reaching the top, you are given a stunning 360-degree view of the vast Sierra Madre.

As a side trip, you may visit the nearby Kay-Ibon falls. A dip in its pool of cold refreshing waters is perfect to cap off the whole day-trek.

To reach Batolusong by commute, ride a jeep or FX going to Cogeo in Antipolo City from Cubao, Quezon City. Take a jeep to Batangasan and then ride a tricycle going to the barangay hall of San Andres, where you will pay the registration fee and hire a guide.

3. Mt. Binacayan

Negotiating the boulders and sharp rocks of Binacayan on the way up is

the main challenge here. We realized we would need a pair of gloves when we arrived at jump-off point in Barangay Wawa in Rodriguez, in Rizal. Good thing, residents of Barangay Wawa had already thought about it and so you can find a pair being sold by the street at P20.

Some mountaineers would pair Mt Binacayan, which has an altitude of 424 meters above sea level, with an adjacent mountain: the slightly higher Mt. Pamitinan. My travel buddies and I contented ourselves with Mt Binacayan and did not regret the decision since the three to four-hour trek to the summit was grueling enough.

After passing by farm fields and some gradual ascent, we were confronted with steep limestone boulders and sharp rocks. But the pain of the trail was gone when we reached the top and got treated with the glorious vistas of the mountain range, the skyline of Rizal and the meandering Wawa River.



Mt. Binacayan

4. Mt Ayaas

If you like river-trekking, forest trails, and grass lands, then Mt. Ayaas in Rodriguez, Rizal is for you. For four hours, we trekked river streams and took on steep hills to reach the summit.

The province of Rizal has at least seven other mountains to trek and others which have yet to be discovered. It is always your choice whether to take a day trip or pitch your tent and enjoy overnight camping in the wild.

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ISIS calls on fighters to go to PH

By Maia Lopez

THE extremist terror group Islamic State has called for an Asian pivot, urging its followers to go to the Philippines, particularly in Mindanao.

In its recent propaganda video, IS showed three fighters – whom it said were from Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines – simultaneously decapitating three captives whom the terrorist group claimed were spies.

The three men in the video also took turns to address supporters in their home countries, warning governments that stood in the way of their “jihad” in IS’s Southeast Asian branch, the Khatibah Nusantara.

The Malaysian fighter, Mohd Rafi Udin, called on IS believers to look up to one Abdallah al-Filipini, who was later identi-

fied by security forces as Isnilon Hapilon, leader of the Abu Sayyaf Group.

Udin said in Malay: “If you cannot go to (Syria), join the muhajideen in the Philippines.”

Hapilon, who carries a bounty of \$5 million, is on the FBI’s most wanted list for his role in the kidnapping of 17 Filipinos and three Americans in 2001.

A part of the video, which has subtitles in Filipino, showed Udin calling on IS supporters to be merciless in their offensives.

One of the men, whose statements were subtitled in Filipino, added: “We are slaughtering these murtad (apostates), and tomorrow, our brothers in your land will slaughter you...We will use the language of swords and bullets.”

Another man in the same video who spoke in Filipino urged his “brothers” not



ISIS supporters

to hesitate in their fight, trying to downplay the counterterrorism “tactics” of President-elect Rodrigo Duterte.

“Take care and be strong, do not be swayed by the deceptive tactics of the newly-elected Duterte. May he be cursed

by Allah,” the man said.

Duterte earlier warned the Abu Sayyaf that the kidnappings and beheadings must stop when he assumes the presidency on June 30.

“I don’t want to pick up a fight with anybody, but there will be a time I have to confront Abu Sayyaf. Their kidnapping must stop. It has given us a very bad image,” Duterte said.

Duterte also warned his fellow Mindanaoans not to join the bandit group, saying he would unleash a war on them.

“Never be a member of that Abu Sayyaf because there will be a reckoning one of these days,” the president-elect said.

The Abu Sayyaf has recently kidnapped seven Indonesian sailors after they beheaded Canadian hostage Robert Hall when their demand for ransom was not met.

Duterte names more Cabinet members

By Philip C. Tubeza

DAYS before his inauguration, President Rodrigo Duterte bared the names of four more individuals who will join his Cabinet.

Duterte chose Health Assistant Secretary Pauly Ubial to head the Department of Health, Wanda Teo as Tourism Secretary, businessman Ramon Lopez as Trade chief, and Regina Lopez as Environment Secretary.

Ramon Lopez was a top executive of the RFM Corporation handling strategic planning and business development,

mergers and acquisitions. He was also the executive director of Go Negosyo, which promotes micro- and small-scale enterprises across the country.

Teo, owner of Mt. Apo Travel and Tours and president of the National Association of Independent Travel Agencies, is the sister of broadcaster and known Duterte supporter Ramon Tulfo.

The appointment of Regina Lopez, on the other hand, caused volatility in mining stocks as investors cautioned against her strong anti-mining stance.

Stock analysts said investor jitters may continue until Lopez presents her

mining policies.

But Duterte’s spokesman, Ernesto Abella, quickly assured mining stakeholders that Lopez’ policies will be aligned with the president-elect’s position supporting responsible mining.

“The fact that she accepted it means that she is willing to adjust her position,” Abella said.

“The president is not anti-mining. He actually supports each and every venture that contributes to the health of the Philippine economy. What the president is demanding is that those who do that must be very careful,” he added.

P-Noy vetoes bill for nurses

By Maia Lopez

PRESIDENT Benigno Aquino III has vetoed a bill that would have raised the minimum monthly salary of public nurses to almost P25,000.

Communications Secretary Herminio Coloma Jr. said Aquino, through Executive Order No. 201 signed earlier this year, has already raised the total guaranteed annual compensation from P228,924.00 to P344,074.00.

In his veto message, the President said the proposed increase “seemingly disregards the financial capacity of most local government hospitals.”

Aquino said the measure may also lead

to the downsizing of hospital personnel and consequent increase in health care costs.

“The President said that the bill, which proposes to further increase the entry level salary for nurses by four grades, will undermine the existing government salary structure and cause wage distortion not only among medical and health care practitioners but also other professionals in the government service,” Coloma said.

“The President explained that granting the said increase will place the salaries of nurses over and above their other similarly situated counterparts, such as optometrists and dentists,” the Palace official added.

Ang Nars party-list Rep. Leah Pacquiz, one of the authors of the House version of the bill, lamented the President’s veto.

Pacquiz said the measure was supposed to provide relief to Filipino nurses by providing a P24,887 entry-level monthly salary for nurses in public hospitals, with yearly salary increases.

The vetoed bill also prohibits contractual, job order, on-job-training, and volunteer nurses.

Outgoing House minority leader and Bayan Muna Rep. Neri Colmenares said the veto ensured that Aquino will leave behind a legacy of being “anti-people” and “anti-poor.”

“It is a trademark move of President Aquino to veto laws that would be of great benefit to our countrymen like the (Social Security System) pension hike bill; and now the salary increase for nurses. But he throws all his support for the bonuses of the SSS board or the salary hikes of high government officials,” Colmenares said.

Earlier this year, Aquino vetoed the SSS bill, which would grant pension hike.



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Comelec row over Soce

By Maia Lopez

COMMISSION on Elections commissioner Christian Robert Lim has resigned as chief of the Campaign Finance Office after the poll body extended the June 8 deadline for the filing of the statement of campaign and expenditures (SOCE) for the Liberal Party and its standard bearer, defeated presidential candidate Manuel Roxas II.

In his memorandum, Lim made clear his position denying the request of the LP and Roxas, citing Republic Act No. 7166 stating that submission of SOCE should be made within 30 days after the elections.

Lim described the Comelec en banc's decision as "unacceptable" as it is tantamount to amending the law.

"To grant the request for extension would not only be unfair to other candidates and parties who complied within the prescribed period but also would be a reversal of the Commission's own resolution on the matter," he said.

"There should be no dispute that the failure of the LP to file its SOCE on or be-

fore June 8 is entirely due to its own fault or omission. It is a fault or omission that the commission, a regulatory body, is not duty bound to fix and resolve in accordance to the whims of the ruling party with nary a sanction for such blatant disregard of the commission's rules," Lim added.

He noted how all presidential candidates, except Roxas, were able to file their campaign expenses on time "regardless" of the voluminous nature of the report.

"It is worthy to note that even presidential candidate, Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago, was able to comply with the submission of her SOCE through her representative on June 8 despite being on medical leave and her confinement in the Intensive Care Unit of the Makati Medical Center a few days before the deadline," Lim said.

Roxas submitted his SOCE 14 days after the June 8 deadline, with his lawyer bringing a truck-load of boxes containing receipts and other supporting documents.

Roxas' SOCE showed that the administration candidate received a total of P469.2 million in campaign donations.

'Free political prisoners'

By Maia Lopez

THE Communist Party of the Philippines-National Democratic Front has asked for the release of 21 jailed "consultants" - all of them facing criminal charges for murder and other violent crimes - in time for the resumption of formal peace talks with the Duterte administration in August.

The CPP is expected to sign a ceasefire pact with the government a week after President-elect Rodrigo Duterte delivers his first State of the Nation Address next month.

The 21 "consultants" include include Benito and Wilma Tiamzon, former chairman and secretary-general of the CPP who were arrested on murder charges in Cebu in March 2014, and Adelberto Silva, who reportedly replaced the Tiamzons as the head of the rebel group.

Incoming member of the government peace panel Hernani Braganza said that both sides would have to assess who should



The Tiamzon couple

be granted safe conduct passes under the Joint Agreement on Safety and Immunity Guarantees (Jasig).

"It's not just about those who will be moved out of jail. It includes their staff, as their team of experts who will face the government's experts. Their security personnel and their secretariat will also be covered by Jasig so that they can also move freely and consult with their constituency," Braganza said.

The list also includes Tirso Alcantara; Emeterio Antalan and Eduardo Friginal, both charged with murder, kidnapping and illegal possession of firearms; Eduar-

do Sarmiento, detained at the Philippine National Police custodial center in Camp Crame for arson and illegal possession of firearms; Jaime Soledad, detained at the Leyte provincial jail for multiple murder; Alfredo Mabano, arrested for double murder and robbery charges; Pedro Codaste, a top NPA leader in Agusan del Sur who was arrested in December for multiple murder cases; Ma. Concepcion Araneta-Bocala, a former UP Journalism student who led the NPA ranks in Panay Island; Renato Baleros Sr.; Porferio Tuna; Ariel Arbitrario; Kennedy Bangbang; Ruben Saluta; Renante Gamara; Alan Jazmines; Ernesto Lorenzo; Ma. Loida Magpatoc; and Leopoldo Caloza.

Braganza said there are currently 543 political prisoners from the CPP-NDF, 18 of whom are NDF consultants, 88 of whom are sick, and 48 of whom are elderly. He said militant lawmakers in the House of Representatives might sponsor a measure to grant a general amnesty to all political prisoners.

Maternal mortality ratio up in recent years

By Maia Lopez

RE-ELECTED Quezon City Rep. Alfred D. Vargas III has expressed concern over the country's increasing maternal mortality ratio in recent years.

"It is disturbing to note that maternal health, as part of the country's Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), is not so encouraging," Rep. Vargas noted.

Insisting that the government should improve maternal health in the country, Vargas is not giving up on his 16th Congress initiative under HB 6476 which seeks to establish an Office of Pregnancy Support Services (OPSS) under the Department of Health.

Expected to re-file his bill come 17th Congress in July, Vargas acknowledged that the country has initiated moves to improve maternal healthy by 2015 as part of

the nation's MDGs but came short of its target.

He noted that according to the 5th Philippine Progress Report on the MDGs, it can be inferred that the country "may have not met its MDG target on maternal health as the maternal mortality ratio increased from 209 deaths per 100,000 live births in 1990 to 221 in 2011, failing to meet the 2015 target of 52."

The proposed OPSS-, Vargas said, will be tasked to encourage and assist pregnant women to carry their children to live birth by providing services during and after pregnancy.

"Our initiative seeks to alleviate pregnant women and their families from the difficulties that may otherwise lead to abortion or death of a child during childbirth," Vargas explained.

Pregnancy support services refers to

services offered by the government, faith-based, and other providers, during and after pregnancy that include the following:

- 1) Material assistance, including maternity and baby clothing, diapers, baby food (including formula), and baby furniture;
- 2) Referrals for adoption, job training, housing, assistance with domestic violence, and food stamps and other assistance;
- 3) Crisis hotlines, including for violence or suicide prevention;
- 4) Pro-bono obstetric and prenatal care services for women intending to carry their children to live birth, including services during pregnancy and following childbirth, and neonatal services, including referrals for such services;
- 5) Pro-bono legal services to assist women who wish to carry their children to live birth and parents with newborn children;
- 6) Child care services;
- 7) Services to assist parents to care for, and prepare to care for, a child with Down Syndrome or another prenatally diagnosed condition, and to facilitate the adoption of such children as appropriate;
- 8) Life skills mentoring, including the enhancement of the following competencies:
 - I) Strengthening of marriage;
 - II) Communication and conflict management for building healthy marriages and families;
 - III) Decision-making and relationship-building skills prior to marriage; and
 - IV) High-risk behavior awareness.

Under the measure, the DOH Secretary shall develop a comprehensive publicly accessible, and user-friendly database, to be known as the Pregnancy Care Information Service, to serve as a consolidated source of information on pregnancy support services. It shall include information on the providers of pregnancy support.

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Qatar pardons 15 OFWs

By Maia Lopez

THE Emir of Qatar has pardoned 15 jailed Filipinos in time for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan.

The Philippine Embassy in Doha said preparations are underway for the immediate repatriation of the 15 Filipinos.

In Qatar, the practice of granting clemency covers only those jailed offenders who have served a substantial portion of their sentence.

Pardons are issued twice a year—during Ramadan and the other occasion is the Qatari National Day, which is observed every December.

Malacañang has thanked the Emir,

Sheikh al-Thani, for the pardon. It said the clemency was a manifestation of a continuing good relationship between the Philippines and Qatar.

“We are appreciative of the kind gestures of the kingdom of Qatar,” said Catholic Bishop Rupeto Santos, chairman of the bishops’ Commission on Migrants and Itinerant People.

“We must be protective of our OFWs and value their sacrifices and services to provide us better lives,” he added.

In last year’s Ramadan, the Emir pardoned 12 Filipino prisoners. The emir also granted reprieve to 10 Filipinos on the occasion of Qatar National Day in 2015.

Shanghai blast casualty

By Maia Lopez

A Filipino passenger was injured in an explosion at the Pudong International Airport in Shanghai on June 12.

Foreign Affairs spokesman Charles Jose said the Filipino, whom he declined to identify, suffered only a minor injury when a man hurled an improvised explosive device at the ticketing area.

“Based on the report of our consulate, the Filipino suffered foot injuries from the debris,” Jose said, adding that the victim has already returned to the Philippines.

Four other people, including the suspect, Zhou Xingbai, were wounded in the blast.

The suspect attempted to commit suicide by slashing his own neck with a knife.

Zhou has been described by authorities as a “gambling addict” who was mired in

debts.

“The suspect indulged in online gambling and lost all his savings. He regularly borrowed from friends to get by,” Shanghai police investigators said.

The blast has sparked a major security alert at the main international airport in China’s commercial hub.

“According to an initial police investigation, the man took self-made explosive materials in a beer bottle out of his backpack and threw it at ticketing counter,” the Shanghai government said in a statement.

The Xinmin Evening News said there were two explosions within five seconds, originating from two pieces of luggage placed about 15 metres apart.

Online video clips showed dense grey smoke rising to the ceiling of the terminal, with paramilitary security forces rushing into the building immediately.

Saipan bishop is Pinoy

By Maia Lopez

POPE Francis has named Father Ryan Jimenez, a native of Dumaguete, as the new bishop of the Church in Oceania, Saipan.

The 44-year-old prelate will lead as the second bishop of the Diocese of Chalan Kanoa in Saipan, the largest island of the Northern Mariana Islands.

He succeeded Bishop Emeritus Tomas Camacho, who served the diocese for 25 years until his retirement in 2010.

The position of bishop in the Northern Marianas has been vacant for six years since Camacho retired.

Archbishop Martin Krebs, apostolic delegate to the Northern Marianas, will be the primary consecrator at Jimenez’s ordination as bishop on August 14.

Jimenez was ordained in Saipan on June 8, 2003, by Camacho, the first bishop for the now 32-year-old diocese.

Since his ordination, he took on various



Pope Francis and Bishop Ryan Jimenez

roles at the Diocese of Chalan Kanoa, including as diocesan chancellor, parochial vicar, rector and superintendent of Catholic schools.

The diocese, which covers 184 square miles on more than a dozen islands, some of them uninhabited, currently has 11 parishes and one mission church.

Catholics make up about 60 percent of the estimated 72,000 people of the Northern Marianas.

Jimenez finished his Bachelor of Arts degree in Pre-Divinity from the Ateneo de Manila University before heading to Saipan in 1997. He also studied at the St. Patrick Seminary and University in the US.

29 Filipinas rescued in Borneo

By Maia Lopez

TWENTY-NINE Filipina human trafficking victims were rescued from two bars in Bintulu in Sarawak on the island of Borneo.

According to the Philippine embassy in Kuala Lumpur, the rescued Filipinas were brought to Sarawak as tourists.

The victims were promised jobs by converting their social visit passes to work visas in exchange for money — the usual modus of human traffickers.

“Under Malaysian immigration law, so-

cial visit passes (tourist visas) cannot be converted to work visas,” Philippine Ambassador J. Eduardo Malaya said.

The women were rescued from the Republic and Kiss Kiss Discovery pubs.

Embassy officials went to Sarawak and coordinated with the Bintulu Royal Malaysian Police, which raided the two pubs.

Three Filipinos serving as agents and caretakers of the girls were arrested.

“We thank the Bintulu branch of the Royal Malaysian Police for their swift action to provide assistance and rescue of the trafficked Filipinas,” Malaya added.

Malaya said the Filipino victims have been transferred to the Women’s Shelter Home in Kota Kinabalu after a court granted their application for temporary protection.

Malaya reminded Filipinos to be vigilant and not to deal with unlicensed individuals or placement agencies.

“Proper employment visas from by the Malaysian Embassy in Manila and work permits approved by the Philippine Overseas Employment Agency in Manila are needed by any Filipino entering Malaysia for work,” he added.

FDH dies in Milan

By Maia Lopez

A female overseas Filipino worker died after she got hit by a car in Milan, Italy.

Myrna Reyes, who worked as a domestic helper, was struck by an SUV while she was on her way home, causing her to suffer head trauma.

The victim was immediately brought to a hospital but she died after an hour due to internal bleeding.

The Overseas Workers Welfare Administration said it is now working to bring the victim’s remains back to the Philippines.

Meanwhile, a Filipino sailor was evacuated from his ship off the coast of Mangaluru in India after suffering a minor heart attack.

Ryan Frugalidad, 33, was escorted off the Eagle Strait by the Indian coast guard after the merchant vessel requested medical assistance. He admitted at the AJ Hospital and Research Center in nearby Kuntikana.

The 186-meter long bulk carrier Eagle Strait was on its way from Kwangyang, South Korea to Mundra Port in Gujarat when the Filipino sailor fell ill.

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We also hope that the young learn to use their freedom in a constructive way, to help in nation-building.

But then again, as one esteemed professor would always tell us, the Philippines is a free country and anyone is free to make a fool of themselves.

Still, we hope that Filipinos refrain from making a fool of themselves and waste the gift that was bequeathed them by heroes past and recent.

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Health Alert

Vaginal tablet recalled

THE Department of Health (DH) on June 15 endorsed a licensed drug wholesaler, Deltapharm Ltd, to recall all batches of Candinox Vaginal Tablet 100mg (registration number: HK-41076) from shelves due to a quality issue.

During the DH's market surveillance, samples of the above pharmaceutical product were collected for analysis. Testing results from the Government Laboratory showed that all samples failed the disintegration test, which might affect the efficacy of the product. Deltapharm hence recalled the product from the market.

"We have instructed Deltapharm to report the root cause upon investigation by the manufacturer in Thailand. Our investigation is continuing," a spokesman for the DH said.

According to Deltapharm, the product has been supplied to local private doctors and pharmacies, and exported to Macau.

The above pharmaceutical product contains a Part 1 poison, clotrimazole, and is used for the treatment of vulvovaginal candidiasis. It can only be supplied at a pharmacy under the supervision of a registered pharmacist.

Deltapharm has set up a hotline (3113 6103) to answer related enquiries. The DH

will closely monitor the recall.

So far, the DH has not received any adverse reaction reports in connection with the above product.

People who have used the above product should consult their healthcare professionals when in doubt or feeling unwell after use.

Vulvovaginal candidiasis or vaginal thrush, is excessive growth of yeast in the vagina that results in irritation. The most common symptom is vaginal itching, which may be severe.

Other symptoms include burning with urination, white and thick vaginal discharge that typically does not smell bad, pain with sex, and redness around the vagina. Symptoms often worsen just before a woman's period.

Vaginal yeast infections are due to excessive growth of candida. This yeast is normally present in the vagina in small numbers.

It is not classified as a sexually transmitted infection; however, it may occur more often in those who are frequently sexually active. Risk factors include taking antibiotics, pregnancy, diabetes, and HIV/AIDS. Eating a diet high in simple sugar may also play a role.

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Ang Aking Inaabangan

SAYANG, dahil nang simulan kong sulatin ang kolum na ito ay ilang araw pa bago ang inagurasyon ni President-Elect Rodrigo Duterte. Matapos kasi ang serye ng mga kontrobersyal na pahayag niya sa media kaugnay ng sanlaksang isyu, parang kaabang-abang kung ano sa mga iyon ang talagang totoohanin niya. Siyempre, lahat ng sinabi niya bago siya sumumpa bilang Pangulo ay salita pa lamang. Hindi pa naman siya nasa posisyon. Wala pa siya sa katungkulan.

Kaya inaabangan ko talaga ay ang kanyang inaugural speech kasi iyon na ang kauna-unahang opisyal niyang talumpati. Makakasimula tayo ng kilatis.

Tulad ng marami, ako man ay naka-abang kung papanindigan nga niya ang kanyang sinabi na siya ang kauna-unahang "Leftist" na president sa kasaysayan ng Pilipinas. Napakarami na rin niyang binitawang pangako ng pag-aksyon sa maraming problema ng taumbayan

na dala kung hindi man pinalala ng nakaraang administrasyon. Isasagawa nga kaya niya?

Kumbaga, "excited" din ako tulad ng iba na masilip ang tsansa ng pagbabago. Change is coming, ayon nga sa kanya.

Magtutuloy-tuloy nga kaya ang usapang pangkapayapaan sa pagitan ng gobyerno ng Pilipinas at ng NDF-CPP-NPA at sa MILF-MNLF?

Tutuparin nga ba ang pahayag niya na pakakawalan ang mahigit 500 political prisoners sa bansa? 300+ nga sa mga ito ay ikinulong sa ilalim ng gobyerno ni PNoy. Karamihan sa kanila ay mga legal na lider at aktibista na sinampahan ng mga gawa-gawang kriminal na kaso. Ang iba naman ay mga consultants sa peace negotiations na dapat ay napo-proteksyunan ng kasunduan sa safety at immunity na isinantabi nga ni PNoy. Mapapalaya ng aba sila?

Paanagutin nga ba ang Pork Barrel King

at Disaster King na si PNoy? Masasampahan ba siya ng kaso dahil sa ilegal na imbentong presidential pork barrel na DAP. Mapapanagot ba siya sa Mamasapano at SAF44? Eh yung kapabayapaan sa libong biktima ng bagyong Yolanda at Pablo?

Matitigil ba ang counter insurgency na Oplan Bayanihan pati na ang mga atake sa human rights?

Sasagot kaya siya sa iharap na agenda ng mga OFWs sa kanya kaugnay ng pagbasura ng walang kwenta at perhewisong OEC, isyu ng tanim-bala at balikbayan box? Kikilos na ba para palayain si Mary Jane Veloso?

Itataas nga ba ang pension ng 2,000 piso sa SSS? Masususpinda baa ng K to 12? Ititigal na nga ba ang Endo o kontraktwalisasyon? Maipapamahagi na ba ang Hacienda Luisita?

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paligid dito kaya halos walang hangin kang maramdaman.

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GALLERY



Members of the Asian Western cooking class of the Culinary Arts Centre pose with Chef Mommy Sonia. For enquiries, please call 2850 7714 or 2850 7724.



The United Migrant Entrepreneurship & Livelihood Association (UMELA), headed by Ofelia Baquirin, marked its 8th Anniversary and Culmination and Recognition Rites on July 19 at Bayanihan Centre. The event also featured the Coronation of Miss UMELA -HK 2016 and the induction ceremony of UMELA officers for 2016.

Filipino travel agency celebrates 21st anniversary in Hong Kong

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Allied Express has weathered many ups and downs in tourism and the Hong Kong economy and has continued to grow over the years. So, what's next? Ms. Briones shared with us Allied's strategic plans to expand into underserved sectors and regions, refine the agency's operating mod-

el, and deepen corporate relationships.

Most recently, the agency partnered with an American software company to help improve client experience, efficiencies, and staff productivity.

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We wish Allied Express Travel a Happy 21st Birthday and continued success into the next decades. The agency represents

an exemplary member of the Filipino community in Hong Kong.

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A travel group in China



Allied Express Travel owner Daisy Briones (first from the left) and her husband, Jassen Trenkow, pose with their staff members.



Opening of their new office



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PrimeCredit Superstar Search Season 4

By Jean Aurelia

LAST June 12, 2016 at Chater Road in Central, PrimeCredit and Prime Gold held the 1st Elimination Round of Superstar Search Season 4. This is the fourth Superstar Search singing contest held since 2010.

Out of the 32 contestants, only 12 were selected by judges Nobel Gabasan (in-house judge and musical director), Estella Cada, Bebe Flores and Aldian Guter. The 12 contestants who successfully got the

nod of the judges are (by order of performance):

- Benjamin Bolibol, Fatima Lorete
- Janette Sumaga, Janice Bellosa
- Jerick Mora, Joy Carbonell
- Joycee Federeso, Lance Garciano
- Ma. Cristina Villamor, Maridel Bernadas,

Ruth Gaily Tejada, Zyra Olmos

They are all one step closer to becoming the next singing Superstar; the semi-finals will be held in September after a few more audition rounds and another elimination round. Prizes awaiting the winner include PHP 150,000, a recording album,

professional training with Nobel Gabasan, among others. There are 3 more audition rounds this July. For details of the schedule, visit www.facebook.com/PrimeGems.

The event was hosted by Eric Quizon and Jun Paragas, during the 118th Philippine Independence Day celebration.



The 1st elimination round winners

New TESDA center in HK

By Philip C. Tubeza

THE Bayanihan Centre will be designated as the new Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) center in Hong Kong later this month, Labor Attaché Jalilo dela Torre said.

Dela Torre said once Bayanihan is designated as a TESDA, the Philippine Overseas Labor Office would now be able to hold assessments for those who want to obtain their National Certificate II (NC II).

"We will have a soft launch one month from now. Inaayaos lang yung facilities and requirements. After that, may soft launch," Dela Torre said.

"Ibig sabihin, doon na mag-aassess at magtrahin. Assessors need not come from the Philippines," he added.

Dela Torre said TESDA on June 19 designated 12 assessors who are now in Hong Kong but two of them are planning to go home to the Philippines.

"Ang dami ring kailangan sa Pinas na assessors. Ok lang naman yan pero tayo ang nawalan. But (once Bayanihan is designated as) an assessment site, then tayo na bahala na magschedule ng mga assessments," he said.

The TESDA awardees on June 19 included 12 assessors and those who received their NC IIs.

The assessors included Linafer V. Madrigal, Joevina C. Nobleza, Benilda D. Umbania (for Bread & Pastry); Febelyn M. Parane (Cookery); Grace Sheila P. Manlangit and Jessica T. Samson (Food & Beverage); Jenelyn Pagal, Agnes S. Rafael, Allyne D. Tuburan (House keeping), Crisanta Guevarra, Pacita T. Malenab, Marifi C. Reyes (Massage Therapy).

Those who received their NC II for Bread & Pastry were: Carmelita B. Bola, Sheryl P. Arcona, Michelle C. Algona, Jessica C. Candidisimo, Techie V. Labinghisa, Jennifer D. Soriano, Maribel L. Tupas, and Marites B. Waga.

For Housekeeping, the awardees were Rodyna O. Balala, Emily J. Banggo, Leila V. Manzo, Aniceta M. Javier, and Cristy I. Relis. For Cookery, the new NC II holders included Ma. Cecilia L. Espiritu, Socorro A. Manduriaga - (from Macau), Estrella G. Pineda, and Marygine N. Lancion. For Massage Therapy, the awardees were Shella Marie F. Biscarra, Elenita Estillore,

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GALLERY

Elizabeth Alaan and Merly Padual are all smiles after winning Kata F2 mobile phones that were raffled off during the 4th Anniversary of Kathy Travel (HK) Ltd last June 26. For airline bookings and inquiries, you may call Kathy Travel at 9181 4814 / 3486 8538.



It was a fun-filled celebration as Kathy Travel (HK) Ltd. held its 4th Anniversary last Sunday, June 26 at the Kathy Travel office in Central. Friends and clients were treated to unlimited food, drinks, and prizes such as free mobile phones, door-to-door boxes and a round-trip ticket. Pictured above are owners, Ronald and Kathy Lewis, together with their staff member, Mark, as well as some of their loyal customers.

Sabik matulog si Angie Hindi magkasundo sa ulam

By Imelda Mae Bustinera

HALOS lahat o kung hindi man, karamihan sa mga kasambahay ay excited sa araw ng pahinga para makipagkita sa mga kaanak at kaibigan, mamasyal, magshopping, maipakita ang bagong gamit, cellphone, damit, bag o sapatos at magsalosal sa niluto na delicacy ng kanilang lugar.

Kung maari lang na hilahin ang pag-sikat at paglubog ng araw ay ginawa na para mapabilis ang pagdating ng araw ng pahinga. Subalit iba ang kinasasabikan ni Angie 38, may asawa at anak at tubong Camarines.

Mahigit isang taon na si Angie na naninilbihan bilang kasambahay sa mabait niyang amo pero kulang na kulang siya sa tulog, kaya kinasasabikan niya ang araw ng pahinga na lumabas para makatulog.

May sarili naman sana siyang kuwarto kaya lang hindi rin siya makatulog kung araw ng pahinga kasi may mga gamit ang amo sa silid na nakalaan sa kanya kaya labas masok pa rin ang amo.



Pahinga siya pag day off

Kaya masaya at sabik palagi si Angie makalabas at matulog kahit na hindi maganda sa kalusugan ang lugar na kanyang natuklasan na pwede siyang makahiga. Pagbaba niya ng bahay ay magre-remit muna siya kung kailangan at bibilhin ang

pansariling pangangailangan.

Pagkatapos, babalik na siya sa lugar nila kung saan may maliit na lugar sa ilalim ng gusali para sapinan niya ng karton para makahiga. Makalipas ng dalawa o tatlong oras ay aakyat na siya para balik trabaho.

By Imelda Mae Bustinera

MAY mga bahay na dalawa o higit pa ang kasambahay dahil sa malaki ang mga ito, maraming aktibidades ang mga alaga, at may alagang kinakailangang bantayan buong panahon o okupado ang oras mo.

Kagaya ng dalawang kasambahay na sina Alma 30, dalaga at tubong Pampanga, at Lorna, 38, may asawa at anak, at tubong Iloilo, tig-isa sila ng alaga at may mga activities ang mga ito.

Sinabihan sila ng kanilang amo na magtulungan sa trabahong bahay kaya maayos naman ang takbo ng pag-aasikaso ng tahanan.

Ang hindi nila mapagkasunduan ay ang

ulam nila. Food allowance kasi ang bini-bigay sa kanila kaya hiwalay ang ulam na niluluto para sa amo. Ang gusto ng isa ay isda at ang isa naman ay gulay.

Ang ginawa ni Alma ay naglakas loob siya na sabihin sa amo and di pagkakasundo dahil siya ang nauna sa bahay at medyo matagal ng naninilbihan. Ang suhestiyon niya ay magkanya-kanya na lang sila ng luto ng ulam.

Tinanong ng amo si Lorna kung nag-away daw ba sila at sinabi ni Lorna na hindi. Nagalit at hindi pumayag ang amo dahil aksaya lang daw sa oras at gas kung magkaiba pa sila ng ulam. Simula noon ay hindi na nagreklamo si Alma at naging maayos na ang pakikitungo kay Lorna.



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NASA tiyan pa lang ang bunsong alaga ni Grace 48, may asawa at anak, at tubong Quezon, nang magsimulang mamasukan bilang kasambahay sa kasalukuyang pinaglilingkuran.

Ngayon ay malaki pa kay Grace ang alaga at magtatapos na sa elementarya ng nangunguna sa klase kaya kailangan magbigay ng amo mang bagay bilang memorabilia sa lahat na mag aaral na magtatapos.

Naisipan ng amo bag ng sapatos ang ipami-gay at lagyan ng pangalan ang bawat isa. Nabili na ang mga bag na mahigit isang daan para sa lahat ng apat na section. Kakabitan ang mga ito ng titik ng umpisa ng pangalan sa pamamamagitan ng pagplanta para dumikit.

Pero hindi dumikit kaya sinubukan gamitan ng pandikit na super glue pero iminungkahe ni Grace na itahi na lang, at maayos naman ang kinalabasan ng unang bag kaya itinahin na lang. Hindi biro ang tusok sa kamay ang tinamo ni Grace.

Ang laki ng pasalamat ng amo kay Grace at sana raw hanggang sa pagtatapos ng alaga sa high school ay naninilbihan pa rin siya sa kanila.

IMB

Vina Morales, umalma sa ex-BF niya

By Cristy Kasilag

HINDI pinalagpas ng singer na si Vina Morales ang ginawang pagtanggap ng kanyang dating boyfriend--ang negosyanteng si Cedric Lee--sa kanilang 7-taong gulang na anak na si Ceana.

Nagtungo ang 40-anyos na si Vina San

Juan Regional Trial Court para magsam-pan ng reklamo sa dating kasintahan na si Cedric, na tumangay sa bata ng siyam na araw.

Ayon sa kampo ni Vina, hindi sinunod ni Cedric ang utos ng korte na nagsabi na sa loob ng isang linggo ay isang araw lang niya pwede bisitahin ang kanilang anak, at

ito ay tatapat sa araw ng Sabado.

Ang sabi ni Vina ay matagal na siyang nanahimik para sa kanyang anak, pero kailangan na niya ilabas ang katotohanan.

Ipinaubaya raw ng korte ang anak niyang si Ceana sa kanya kaya natatakot siya na baka, dahil sa pananatili ng bata sa ama nitong si Cedric, ay magdulot ito ng

trauma sa mura niyang edad.

Ang kwento niya ay wala siyang bini-gay na pahintulot na manatili si Ceana sa piling ng kanyang amang si Cedric ng ilang araw. Nung mga panahon na yun ay wala si Vina sa bansa dahil kasama niyang nagbabakasyon ang kanyang boyfriend na si Mark Lambert.



VINA at CEDRIC

Juday at Ryan, nagrenew ng

VOWS

By Cristy Kasilag

NAPAAGA ang renewal of wedding vows ng showbiz couple na sila Judy Ann "Juday" Santos at Ryan Agoncillo.

Kung ang ibang mag-asawa ay inaantay muna ang kanilang silver wedding anniversary or pagkatapos ng 25 taon pag-sasama, or golden wedding anniversary o kung 50 taon na sila magkasama, iba ang mag-asawa.

Pitong taon pa lamang mag asawa sila Ryan at Juday pero narenew na sila ng vows nuong ika-30 ng Abril sa kanilang bagong bahay sa Batangas.

Ayon sa dalawa, ang dahilan ay ang kanilang limang taong gulang na unico hijo na si Juan Luis o Lucho.

Naikwento ng mag-asawa na palagi raw gustong mapanuod ni Lucho ang kasal nila nuong ika-28 ng Abril 2009 sa San Juan de Nepomuceno Church sa San Juan, Batangas.

At nung minsang napanuod ng bata ang wedding video nila Juday ay nakita niya duon ang kanyang Ate Yohan o Johanna Louise. Mula nuon ay madalas na niyang tinatanong sa kanyang mga magulang kung nasaan siya nung kasal nila.

Kaya naman nung nagpunta si Fr. Tito Caluag sa tahanan nila Juday para pangunahan ang isang Misa, hindi na pinalagpas ng 37-taong gulang na si Ryan ang pagkakataon at binanggit na nagbabalak silang magrenew ng vows.

Nung una, ang plano ay gawin lamang sa isang lote sa tapat ng bahay ng mag-asawa sa Alabang ang ceremony, dahil ginagamit din ang lote na ito para sa Misa at iba pang klaseng selebrasyon.

Pero, naisip ni Ryan na gawin na lang ang renewal of wedding vows sa kanilang bahay sa Batangas dahil patapos na rin magawa ito. Maganda raw na isabay na rin ang pagbless ng kanilang bagong tahanan.

Nagawa nilang planuhin ang lahat sa loob ng isang linggo. At ganun na nga, sa isang lugar malapit sa beach ito ginawa.



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Sunshine, may unos na pinagdadaanan

By Cristy Kasilag

PALABAN.

Yan ang dating ng 32 anyos na magaling na aktres na si Sunshine Dizon sa matinding unos na pinagdadaanan niya at ng kanyang pamilya sa mga panahon na ito.

Hindi man nagpapahayag ng buong kwento si Sunshine sa likod ng kanyang mga Instagram posts, inamin naman ng kanyang asawa na si Timothy Tan, isang piloto, na nagkahiwalay na silang dalawa.

Nagpost si Sunshine ng isang handwritten letter na ang sabi ay, "When I tell you I love you, I don't say it out of habit. I say it to remind you that you're one of the best

things that ever happened."

Sa naturang post, inilagay ni Sunshine ang caption na ito: "Hello Clarissa! Clang Sison, Claris of St. Lukes Clarissa Soriano Sison".

Nabangit ni Sunshine na si Clarissa ay nakatira sa kaparehas na building kung saan naninirahan ang kanyang pamilya. Kinamusta pa niya ang bakasyon ni Clarissa sa United States.

Madami tuloy ang nagtataka kung pinaparinggan ng 32 anyos na si Sunshine si Clarissa. Kung pinatutukuyan ba niya na ito ang naging third party sa relasyon nila ng kanyang asawa si Timothy.

Inamin ni Timothy na may problema



SUNSHINE

silang mag-asawa at nagkaroon na ng pagbabago sa kanilang samahan. Pero, kahit may gusot sa kanilang pagsasama, sinigurado niya na hindi niya pababayaan ang kanilang dalawang anak at patuloy niyang susuportahan ito.

Kaisa-isang anak si Timothy na nagmula sa isang maykaya sa buhay na pamilya sa Pampanga.

Sinabi ni Sunshine na kahit na hindi na sila nagsasama ng kanyang mister ay wala itong balak sa ngayon na i-annul ang kanilang kasal noong 2010.

"There is no forgiveness for what you did. No annulment for you. I will seek justice. I will see you both in court," ang sabi

ng aktres.

Sinisigurado din niya na tatapusin niya ang labang ito. Inamin niya na ito ang pinakamalaking hamong dumating sa kanyang buhay.

"I'm trying my best to keep everything private but my situation as an actress makes it difficult to keep everything away from the public. Please bear with me in this difficult situation as I am preparing for battle," sabi niya.

Iniiisip din niya na nawa'y may mapulot na aral ang ibang tao sa pinagdadaanan niya at ng kanyang pamilya.

Sexiest Pinay, malalaman na

By Cristy Kasilag

SA susunod na buwan na malalaman kung sino ang pinaka sexy na Filipina ngayon taong 2016.

Nagsara na ang botohan ng men's magazine na FHM para sa taunang contest nila na "Sexiest Women".

Mula nang buwan ng Abril hanggang itong Hunyo ay binuksan ng FHM ang online voting para sa sexiest na Pinay at nung nagsara ang botohan kamakailan ay ang Kapamilya actress na si Jessy Mendiola ang nanguna sa botohan.

Liban sa online voting, makakakuha din ng puntos ang mga candidates para sa sexiest Pinay sa mga balota na nakal-akip sa mga FHM magazines na issue nuong buwan ng Abril hanggang Hunyo.

Punong-puno ng ka sexy-han ang 23



JESSY

anyos na si Jessy sa kanyang Psylocke na blue costume na may red sash belt.

Sa mga mahilig sa komiks na X-Men, si Psylocke ang tinuturing ng karamihan na pinaka sexy na karakter at nung nakita nila ang litrato ni Jessy, may mga nagtanong kung sino ang mas hot sa kanilang dalawa na suot ang Psylocke

costume.

Pumangalawa sa online na botohan ang isa pang Kapamilya star na si Nadine Lustre. Sa katunayan, siya ang nanguna nung simula ng buwan ng Hunyo pero nalagpasan siya ni Jessy.

Ang nanalo noong nakaraang taon, ang aktres at singer na si Jennylyn Mercado, ay pumangatlo na lamang.

Palagi din nasasama sa listahan na sexiest ng FHM ang pumang-apat na si Angel Locsin. Panglima naman si Rhian Ramos.

Pang anim si Arci Munoz na agaw pansin ang kanyang bagong purple na kulay ng buhok dahil bumagay ito sa kanya at lalo siyang nagmukhang "hot" sa pananaw ng karamihan. Marami ang nagsasabi na malamang may mga babae ng gagayahin ang kanyang hair style.

Aiza, Liza, at Pia nakiramay sa mga LGBT

By Cristy Kasilag

NAKIRAMAY ang mag-asawang si Aiza Seguerra at Liza Dino sa marahas na pagpatay sa 49 katao sa Orlando, Florida nuong ika-12 ng Hunyo, ang petsa kung kailan ipinagdiriwang ang kalayaan ng Pilipinas.

Kilalang lesbian couple sa showbiz industry ang singer na si Aiza at multi-awarded na aktres na si Liza.

Gamit ang social media ay magkahiwalay na nanawagan ang mag-asawa sa publiko na ihinto na ang diskriminasyon at ang galit sa kapwa tao na napabilang sa Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transsexual (LGBT).

Sinabi ni Aiza na isang "hate crime" ang naganap sa isang gay nightclub sa Orlando kung saan 49 ang namatay at mahigit 50 ang nasugatan nung nagpapatok ng baril ang isang Omar Mateen.

Nag-post si Aiza sa kanyang Instagram ng isang makulay na larawan na nagsasabi na: "I'm gay. I'm lesbian. I am bisexual. I am transgender. I am like you. I'm human."

"Nakakalungkot isipin na dahil lang sa kung sino kami at mga pinili namin mahal, akala ng mga ibang tao, wala na kami puwang sa mundo," sabi ni Aiza.

"Sana huwag ninyong kalimutan na ang LGBT ay mga tao rin, at may mga taong nagmamahal sa amin at nagbibigay ng pagpapahalaga sa aming buhay, kagaya ng mga pamilya at kaibigan," sabi niya.

"Hindi porke iba ang tingin ninyo sa amin ay mayroon na kayong lisensiya para murahin kami, pagkaitan ng karapatan at kalayaan, pagtawanan, bastusin, saktan at patayin. Tao kami. Kagaya ninyong lahat," aniya.

Noong nangyari ang pamamaryl sa mga miyembro ng LGBT community ay nasa United States si Liza para dumalo sa SOHO Film Festival sa New York para sa kanyang documentary film na "Traslacion," na tungkol naman sa mga LGBT couples.

Si Miss Universe 2015 Pia Wurtzbach ay nagpahayag din ng pakikiramay sa mga biktima at sinabing may mga kaibigan siya na myembro ng LGBT. Kabilang ang gender equality sa kanyang advocacy.

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Capricorn December 22 to January 19
Wala namang ikabubuti kung magkukulong ka pa din sa nakaraan. Kalungkutan lang ang dala nito.

Aquarius January 20 to February 18
May mga bagay na nangyayari na hindi natin inaasahan. Huwag mawalan ng pag-asa.

Pisces February 19 to March 20
Maging flexible. May mga planong kailangang baguhin at ayusin para sa ikabubuti ng nakararami.

Aries March 21 to April 19
Humanap ng taong tunay na makauunawa sa iyo. Kailangan mo ng totoong kaibigan sa mga panahong ito.

Taurus April 20 to May 20
Tandaan na kung ano ang pananaw mo sa buhay ay siyang nangyayari. Kung negatibo ka, mangyayari ito. Kung positibo naman ang pananaw mo, ganito din ang mangyayari sa iyo.

Gemini May 21 to June 20
Huwag matakot. Hindi lahat ng bagay ay magiging problemado. May ganda pa rin ang mundo.

Cancer June 21 to July 22
Walang masama sa pagiging malungkot. Kailangan mo iyan upang tuluyan kang maghilom.

Leo July 23 to August 22
Pakiramdam mo man ay maliit na tao ka lamang, dapat mong malamang may halaga ka. Tandaan mo iyan.

Virgo August 23 to September 22
Huwag sayangin ang panahon. Gugulin ito sa mga bagay na kapaki-pakinabang.

Libra September 23 to October 22
Makinig sa payo ng ibang tao. Mainam na tanggapin din ang sinasabi nila, ngunit kailangan mo pa ding suriin ito.

Scorpio October 23 to November 21
Maging adventurous kahit minsan lang. Walang mangyayari sa iyo kung lagi ka lamang killjoy.

Sagittarius November 22 to December 21
Magbigay ng payo sa mga nakababata sa iyo o sa mga taong nangangailangan nito. Kailangan nila ang tulong mo.

What's Cooking?

Nothing beats a delicious and healthy meal. In fact, this is what we should all aim for when preparing food for our loved ones. So for this issue, we give you just that—a healthy dose of protein and antioxidants, and mix of spices—with our **Baked Fish Roulade in Creamy Sauce**.

Ingredients:
2 fish fillet
6 pcs. basil leaves
1 Tbsp. dill
2 Tsp. kosher salt
Pepper to taste
2 sliced cheddar cheese
2 Tbsp. vegetable oil
Procedure:
4 ounces of butter
2 Tsp. Worcestershire sauce
Salt & pepper to taste
1 cup heavy cream
¼ cup sour cream
2 tsp. chopped garlic

Method:

1. Lay out fish fillet, tail towards you. Place on top for each fillet 3 pieces of basil leaves and then top again with a slice of cheese. Lay skewer crosswise on the closest end of the fish fillets. Brush fish with vegetable oil and season with dry ingredients.
2. Roll up the fish fillet with fillings and pin the roulade in place with toothpicks and remove skewer.
3. In the meantime, place all ingredients in a saucepan until well-blended.
4. Place fish roulade on a baking pan then pour the white sauce and bake for 10-15 minutes. Serve hot.



By Chef Jay Dator

For more recipes, enroll at Culinary Arts Centre Room 502, 5/F, Winfull Commercial Bldg., # 172-176 Wing Lok St. Sheung Wan, Hong Kong. For enquiries, please call at 2850 7714 / 2850 7724.



Hugot lines:
"Pinapaikot mo lang ako. Nagsasawa na ako. Mabuti pang patayin mo na lang ako." - electric fan

"Alam mo ba wala akong ibang hinangad kundi ang mapalapit sa iyo, pero patuloy ang pag-iwas mo." - ipis

"Ayoko na! Kapag nagmamahal ako lagi na lang maraming tao ang nagagalit! Wala ba akong karapatang magmahal?" - gasolina

"Sawang-sawa na ako. Palagi na lang akong pinagpapasa-pasahan. Pagod na pagod na ako." - Bola

"Ginawa ko naman lahat para sumaya ka. Mahirap ba talagang makuntento sa isa?"

Bakit palapat-lipat ka?" - TV

Lalaki: Kapag tayo na, magkasama nating haharapin ang mga problema...
Babae: Wala namang akong problema eh...
Lalaki: Kasi nga hindi pa tayo...Huwag kang excited...

Holdaper: Holdap ito!
Babae: And so? Walang nagtatanong!
Holdaper: SABI NG HOLDAP ITO!
Babae: So dapat pinagsisigawan?
Holdaper: Holdap nga ito! Holdap! Holdap!
Babae: Paulit-ulit? Unli tayo?
Holdaper: Hindi ka tatahimik? Papatayin kita!

Babae: Ano ito kalokohan? Akala ko holdap tapos patayan na? Ano ito, 2-in-1? Special offer?
Holdaper: Bahala ka! Aalis na lang ako!
Babae: Ay ganun? Walk out? Hindi pa tayo tapos! Bumalik ka dito!

Kuya: Bunso, bakit ang baho mo at ang dumi mo?
Bunso: Nakita mo ba ang kanal dyan sa harap?
Kuya: Oo, bakit?

Bunso: Pwes, ako hindi ko nakita. Masaya ka na?

Lalaki: Ikaw lang ang susi ng puso ko...
Babae: Weh? Eh sino iyong kaholding hands mo kanina?
Lalaki: Duplicate iyon. Baka mawala ka eh.
Juan: Pagbilan! Pagbilan! Pabili po ng Marlboro!
(Galit na lumabas ang tindera...)

Tindera: Hoy, huwag ka nga sumigaw, hindi ako bingi! Ilang Champion?

Dictionary ng mga Pinoy:

1. Survey Test - Tagalog ng ice cream
2. Followed - Sinasabi mo sa tindera pag wala nang laman ang cellphone mo
3. Due Care - Kalaban ni Batman
4. A Trust - Salungat ng abante
5. Sick Rate - Bagay na hindi mo dapat sabihin sa iba
6. Check In - Ingles ng manok
7. Korean Tea- Ito yung nawawala pag brown-out
8. The Value - Kasunod ng letrang V

Crossword Puzzle

PAHALANG

- 1 Hinuhiwa ang leeg
- 11 Dagdagan ng asin
- 12 Tikim
- 13 Ukol sa ilong
- 14 Itak
- 15 Taliwas ng bigat
- 16 Marami
- 17 ___ Joe
- 19 Ilog sa Asya
- 22 ___ Vegas
- 23 Ikod
- 25 Overtime
- 28 Dalampasigan
- 30 Nagsosolo
- 33 Ilan
- 34 Abang
- 35 Sigaw ng nasaktan
- 36 Puting loro
- 37 Tinutularan

PABABA

- 1 Grupo
- 2 Itabi
- 3 Pita
- 4 Tawag sa ama
- 5 Gallon: daglat
- 6 Sumusunod sa uso
- 7 Pakuluan
- 8 Exit sa NLEX
- 9 Tanong ng naghahanap
- 10 Nagawa
- 14 Sumunod sa pilak
- 18 Idistansya
- 20 Dinugo
- 21 Nireserba simbahan
- 24 Pag-aari niya 31 Tawag sa ama
- 26 Laman ng ballpen 32 Nandiyan
- 27 Imintis 34 Ukit
- 29 Alagad ng 36 Ikaw

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Answer to last puzzle

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