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HERE COMES THE FLOOD

Recently, parts of the province of Capiz were submerged once again due to the heavy rains brought about by the tropical storm Quinta which passed the country before 2012 came to a close. In the first quarter of 2012, some towns in the second district of the province were also flooded due to torrential rains. (Photo by the Capiz Provincial Press Bureau)

Pray Until It Settles Down

The Archdiocese of Capiz Speaks on RH Bill

By Jose Arsenio Quinzon

No matter what happens, the Catholic Church will still oppose the controversial Reproductive Health Bill which—at this writing—is awaiting the signature of PNoy.

According to Msgr. Victor Bendico, chairman for Sacred Liturgy, and episcopal vicar of Eastern Vicariates of the Archdiocese of Capiz, the local Archdiocese will “continue forming the faith of the people, and we will not keep silent [about the issue].”

Bendico stated that in February, when the Catholics will celebrate the Month of Family and Life, the local Archdiocese will conduct activities to affirm its stand against the controversial bill. “Indi mag-atras ang simbahan [sa] sina [nga issue]” (the Church will not hold back from [that issue]),” Bendico said.

During the first mass of the annual Dawn Masses (Misa Dulom), all parishes read the pastoral letter coming from the Catholic Bishop Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) stating its strong opposition against the bill, which according to the letter ‘can corrupt the whole country’ and ‘can bring more

hazard to women’.

The CBCP also stressed in a Pastoral Letter that the fund which will be used to buy contraceptives might be used efficiently for the ‘education of the Filipino children and true protection for the body.’

Msgr. Policarpio John Luza, rector of Colegio de la Purisima Concepcion, said that the Congressmen and Senators who voted ‘yes’ for RH Bill both in the upper and the lower houses were just “pressured by PNoy’s proclamation of its ‘urgency.’”

Luza said that if the RH Bill, which is during the time of this writing is not yet passed by the bicameral convention, is signed by the president, the Church’s last solution is to file a motion in the Supreme Court. “The Church, as a mother and a teacher, has the obligation to care for its people, and teach them to value life,” Luza said.

THE CATHOLIC VOTE

While 2013 Midterm Elections is pending, Msgr. Victor Bendico said that the Catholic Church doesn’t favor or condemn any particular politician who took side in the debates about the

PRAY/4

Immediate & Timely Relief for Needy Capiznons

The destruction brought about by the flooding at the aftermath of TS Quinta deeply saddened Mr. Joel P. Longares, who cannot turn a blind eye to the responsibility of helping his kasimanwas.

At the height of the flood, he advised his staff based at Mambusao Capiz to lead the relief operations to help out those constituents adversely affected by the flood.

With the participation of the volunteers of the Para sa TAwo Para sa CApiz (PATAPACA) Youth Movement, some 500 balikbayan boxes of used clothing from the US were distributed to the towns of Mambusao, Cuartero, Tapaz, Dumalag, Dao, Panay, Panitan and Pontevedra.

Relief goods were sent through Atlas Shippers International, of which he is the owner and Chief Executive Officer.

Cuartero, being the worst-hit municipality in the 2nd District, received a total of 300 packs of relief goods particularly food.

Longares believed that the timely and immediate assistance that can be extended

to people in need are not only expression of utmost concern but an affirmation of the how efficient and systematic way

To prepare for such unfortunate events, he proposes, among others, community-based

reforestation projects especially in the upland municipalities of Capiz. (Joel P. Longares Mediacom)



Relief goods donated by Joel P. Longares given to the victims of the Typhoon Quinta in the province.

of doings should be.

Longares vowed to strengthen disaster mitigation efforts given the opportunity to be of service to Capiz.

For him, the flood is a wake-up call for every concerned Capiznon especially considering the damage that has been done to the environment and to the lives of the people.

2 Career Service Exams Slated

More applicants are expected to take the Civil Service Paper and Pencil test for professionals and sub-professionals slated to be held twice this year, namely: on April 14, 2013 and on October 13, 2013.

According to the Civil Service Commission (CSC), this will establish a register of eligibles from which certification and appointment to the second- and first-level positions in the Civil Service shall be made, provided that the eligibles meet the qualifications and other requirements of the position.

Those intending to take the Career Service Professional exams will be tested in English and Filipino, vocabulary, grammar and correct usage, paragraph organization, reading comprehension, analogy, logic and numerical reasoning.

Those taking the career service sub-prof exams will tackle English and Filipino, vocabulary, grammar and correct usage, paragraph organization, reading comprehension, clerical operations and numerical reasoning.

The passing grade has been set at 80% for both professional and sub-professional exams.

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Capiz under State of Calamity

By Jemin Guillermo

ROXAS CITY—The flooded towns in Capiz have already been placed under the state of calamity.

In a session of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan (SP) of Capiz held Dec. 28, towns and barangays were put under the state of calamity after the same were affected by flood after the heavy rains brought about by Tropical Storm Quinta.

The declaration came after the Provincial Disaster Risk

Reduction and Management Council (PDRRMC) here, chaired by Gov. Victor Tanco, passed a resolution recommending to SP to declare the entire province of Capiz under state of calamity.

In its resolution, SP stressed that the devastation caused by Quinta was unprecedented—with floodwater level higher than that of typhoon Frank and the greater extent of damage on crops, livestock and properties and even lives. SP likewise stressed the need

for the provincial government to provide immediate assistance to affected families and localities—the fund source for said assistance will be charged to the calamity fund.

After deliberations, SP noted that only those localities affected by the impact of said typhoon will be declared under the state of calamity.

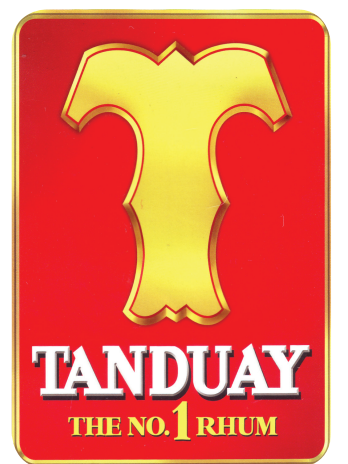
As of 6 p.m. of December 28, the PDRRMC Action Office reported that 151 barangays in Capiz, or some

14,577 families (54,962 persons) were affected by flood.

Of the total affected barangays, 26 are in Mambusao, 22 in Panitan, 15 each in Panay and Dao, 14 in Pontevedra, 17 in Sigma, 8 in Maayon, 11 in Tapaz, 9 in Cuartero, 7 in Dumalag, 4 in Dumarao and 3 in Roxas City.

Typhoon Quinta likewise claimed two lives here with one person still missing at the

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Fr. James B. Reuter, 96

From The Manila Times

A much-loved American priest who adopted the Philippines as his home quietly passed away this week. Fr. James B. Reuter was 96, and he was more than just a Catholic priest who became an honorary Filipino. He was an educator, media communicator, drama and music coach and mentor and friend to countless Filipinos whose lives he touched.

For the tried and true Roman Catholics, he was known as the face and the voice of the Family Rosary Crusade.

He had been in the Philippines since 1938, or an astounding 74 years. Father Reuter *Editorial* has been absent from the scene for the last three years, when poor health and advanced age took its toll and forced him to spend most of his time in a hospital.

Newspaper reports and history books will cite his role in setting up Radyo Bandido at the height of the EDSA People Power Revolt of 1986.

But he was so much more. In the more innocent time before martial law, Father Reuter was known to generations of high school and college kids for the musical plays he liked to direct.

Those plays served as the young generation's introduction to Broadway musicals. It is not surprising that he set up Radyo Bandido with the help of one of the former students whose talents he nurtured, June Keithley. Many of today's major stage talents will never forget the role that the American cleric played in their formative years.

Indeed, Fr. James Reuter was a treasure to Philippine education.

It is only fitting therefore that his remains will be buried here, in the land that was not his second home, but his first.

Sa Pagsugod sang Tuig

Madugay na gid nga wala ako nakasulat sa Hiligaynon, (ukon Kapisnon?), nga amo ang aton una nga panghambal, "mother-tongue" siling sang Department of Education. Siguro nakalipatan ko ayhan ang paghimo sini ukon naling-an lang. Maayo nga sa pagsugod sang tuig 2013, ako nahatagan sang kahigayunan sa pagsulat naman sa Hiligaynon.

Sang bata pa ako siguro sang nagsugod sa pagbutho sa elementarya, pirmi gid kami ginapanumdum sa bulan sang Enero nga amo man ang pagsugod sang bag-o nga tuig sang ginatawag sa Ingles "new year's resolutions". Inang mga maayo nga pagbinatasan nga luyag naton ikabuhi kag ang mga makita nton nga indi maayo nga pagbinatasan sa aton kaugalingon nga luyag naton bag-uhon.

Natandaan ko pa gid gani nga ginapasulat man kami sang formal theme sa sini nga mga "resolutions". Kag sang nagtudlo ako sa high school nga mga seminarista, akong man ini ginpahimo sa ila. Ini tungod nga bisan tubtob subong ini isa ka importante nga aspeto sang pagbag-o sang kaugalingon sang tawo. Kay sin-o lang bala abi sa aton ang makahambal nga siya perpekto, nga siya wala sang depekto?. Tanan kita may kasaypanan, kakulangan kag kasal-anan. Amo gani nga may yara kita nga dapat paga bag-uhon, pagapun-an kag pagatumbasan kag nagakaigo nga aton ini himuon sa pagsugod sang tuig.

Ang aton anay arsobispo sang Capiz, Msgr. Antonio Frondosa, may luyag nga isiling nahanungod sini. Kon pakamaayuhon kuno sang isa ka tawo ang maghimo sang bisan isa lang ka resolusyon sa kada tuig kag iya ini seryosohon gid nga matigayon, sa sulod sang napulo ka tuig may yara na siya nga mga napulo ka maayo nga pamatasan. Kag kon sa sulod

Ang Maragtas Pakadto sa Puod sang Capiz (1215–2010)

Fourth of a Series

In addition parallel documents from Muslim sources had no record of Balingnagan as a datu; there were there no traces of his twin daughters' lineage as datu's children (Majul, 1999; Datu Ontay M. Abdulmadid, Trasilala of Maguindanao Sultanate, Ontay & Marogong Net; en. wikipedia.org.wiki. Datu; en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Confederation-of-Madya-as).

In 1223, the Confederation of Madya-as took place. It created 3 districts, Irong-Irong (Iloilo), Hamtik (Antique) and Akean (Aklan). Capiz was then part, forming the Ilaya portion, of Akean who was ruled by Datu Bangkaya, Balingnagan's father. Following this logic, Balingnagan could not have authority to give the name "kapid" to the ancient Madya-as or Anipay unless he himself was a datu or unless Datu Bangkaya adopted that name earlier. Folkloric accounts could not resolve this issue until today. Again, the assumption to power of Datu Daguob in 1257, if indeed historically tenable or valid, weakens Balingnagan's story that he named the Island of Madya-as or Anipay in honor of his twin daughters.

Granting that Datu Bangkaya was 20 years old in 1215, he would have been 64 years old before Datu Daguob ruled Akean. He could have been dead at that time. This argument destroys the Wikipedia's documentation which was taken from local government sources. It also partly voids the documentation of capiz.gov.ph, the Panublion, including that of Captivating Capiz.

The Legend of the Twin discourse might hardly draw much historicity from Monteclaro's Maragtas, so-called Code of Kalantiao. A discourse which emanates from a fraudulent source is highly anomalous. Prof. Henry Scott debunked the Maragtas in his 1968 doctoral dissertation at the University of Santo Tomas. Distinguished Filipino historians like Teodoro Agoncillo, Horacio de la Costa, Gregorio Zaide, Nicholas Zafra, Mercedes Grau Santa Maria and Marcelino Forondo affirmed Scott's findings or conclusion which until today has never been challenged by any competent historian.

Sonia Zaide, in a revised 1987 book on the History of the Philippines, clarified—"Although previously accepted by some historians, including the present authors, it has become obvious

NOW & THEN

By Fr. Rey Villanoy, Jr.



sang 20 ka tuig siya nagahimo sini, siguro ini nga tawo mangin isa sa pinakamaayo nga tawo kag sarang mangin huwaran para sa iban.

Pero may isa ka butang nga sarang maka-upang sa pagpatigayon sang aton pagtinguha sa pagbag-o sang aton pagpamatasan paagi sa aton "new year's resolutions". Ginasiling nga ang Pilipino may yara nga daw indi maayo nga mentalidad nga ginatawag "ningas-kugon". Ini nga mentalidad nga masami nangin matuod amo nga sa pagsugod sang isa ka hilikuton ukon resolusyon, maayo lamang kuno kita sa pagsugod sini kag mabudlay ini nga pagapadayunon.

Sarang man ini mahanabo sa aton pagbag-o, subong abi sang pagdula sang isa nga indi maayo nga pamatasan. Sa una pa lang mabaskog gid ang aton pagtinguha nga nangin madinalag-on ukon makapadayon sa aton gin-umpisahan. Apang sa pagligad sang panahon, amo man ang paglipas sang anay mabaskog naton nga pagtinguha sa bagay nga nagaamat-amat nga nagaluya ang aton pagtinguha sa pagpadayon sang aton gin-umpisahan, kag indi lang naton madiparahang, nag-untat na gali kita sa aton dapat nga pagpadayunon.

Gani siguro nga dapat naton pakamaayuhon nga ang una nga listahann sa aton "new year's resolutions" amo ang pagdula sang mentalidad nga "ningas-kugon", agud nga kita makapadayon sa ano man nga aton maumpisahan.

Malipayon nga Bag-ong Tuig sa inyo tanan.

Point & Counterpoint

By Virgilio Clavel



that the Maragtas is only the imaginary creation of Pedro A. Monteclaro, a Visayan public official and poet, in Iloilo in 1907. He based it on folk customs and legends, largely transmitted by oral tradition."

In fairness to him, Monteclaro cannot be totally faulted. He did not feign that the Maragtas was "anything more than a collection of legends."

Much of the blame could be ascribed to misleading translations by other authors or writers who perpetrated the frauds and accepted the Maragtas as an authentic ancient document. Tom Harrison, in a 1957 preface of a Maragtas's translation written by Manuel Carrion, qualified that Monteclaro was not the author but a mere transcriber of an ancient Philippine legend. Harrison's opinion partly rationalizes the Maragtas' publisher, Salvador Laguda, who remarked, "(A)ccording to this author, this Maragtas should not be considered as containing facts all of which are accurate and true, because many of his data do not tally with what we hear from old men."

Laguda's remarks, in effect, correspond to Monteclaro's statement that his "documents did not give (me) clear and complete data on the things of the past." It is evident in Monteclaro's writings that he "did not assign any specific dates to these supposedly ancient documents"...

Many historians, nevertheless, observed that the Maragtas was based on a 1902 published work of Fr. Thomas Santaren's Historia de los Primeros datos written in 1858.

With respect to the Maragtas Code or Code of Kalantiao, Scott's findings were again sustained by aforesaid prominent historians that it was simply another hoax, this time, committed by Guillermo Santiago-Cuino. The Maragtas Code first appeared in Cuino's 1938 book which was possibly based on Monteclaro's 1907 book. The three frauds committed in 1902, 1907 and 1938 did not, however, escape the scrutiny of genuine historians whose competence and probity were beyond reproach.

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THE GOOD LIFE

By Megs Lunn



Symbol of Christmas

How is everyone after the Christmas rush, the holidays itself and the coming New Year? Attending the Misa de Gallo is quite refreshing especially when you get to listen to a good homily. The reason why most of us love to hear Mass is simply to hear a positive message that would help us go through another week of life's concerns.

As Rev. Fr. George Prado in his homily on Dec. 24, 2012 asked, "For you, what is the perfect symbol of the true Christmas?" It is the Baby Jesus in the Manger. "What then is the most significant learning about the celebration?" he asked further. It is to live a simple life. It is to make life

simple and not complicated; it is to have simple dreams and live a simple lifestyle. The 'manger' is the best symbol of Christmas.

Fr. Prado said, "A house should simply reflect a welcoming ambiance, it should reflect the first Belen (Nativity Scene).

First, Joseph and Mary were not actually materially poor. Like them, we can live within our means, according to our needs and contentment. We should not be afraid to be materially poor, as God promised, "I will not leave you, nor forsake you."

It is even said the best things in life are free—like a good relationship, love, joy, respect, etc. It also means living at peace with the world.

For one, we should be like Joseph and Mary, the parents of Jesus Christ, our Savior who exuded happiness.

To choose opportunities is to be happy and to seize the moment to be joyful.

Fr. Prado ended his homily, saying, "To achieve true happiness through simple living is to live the scene of the Belen."

May everyone have a happy and healthy 2013!

Anáyo

By Niño Manaog



Utos ng Pari

Sa National Press Congress na itinaguyod ng Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (PAPI) sa Ambassador Hotel sa Maynila noong 2003—halos isang dekada na ang nakalilipas—nakatawag ng aking pansin ang keynote address ng batikanong mediaman na si Fr. James Reuter, S.J., isang Heswitang naglingkod sa bayan ng Pilipinas nang buong buhay niya.

Sa nasabing pagtitipon, binigyang-diin ni Reuter ang value o pagpapahalaga ng tao sa kanyang sarili. Ani Reuter, ang value ng world sa ngayon ay “take”—lahat ng ginagawa ng tao sa kasalukuyan ay puro pansarili lamang. Sa halip, hinamon ng paring Heswita ang mga taga-mediang tingnan ang value ng gospel—o ang value ng “give.” Wala nang ibang tumpak na halimbawa ang pagpapahalagang ito kundi ang kahulugan ng Christmas—o ang pagsilang ng Mesias sa mundong makasalanan.

Mas naging makabuluhan ang aking pakikinig nang mag-react na ang mga media audience sa open forum pagkatapos ng lecture ni Reuter. Nang tinanong si Reuter ng isang peryodista kung anong pwede niyang gawin laban sa paglaganap ng mga smut publications sa paligid, mariin ang tugon nitong itigil ang

paglathala ng mga bold pictures ng mga babae sa mga tabloid. Subalit tulad ng inaasahan, halong reaksiyon ang sumalubong sa opinyon ng pari.

Base sa mga diskusyon ng mga peryodista, hati ang kanilang paninindigan sa usaping ito. Kampante na ang ibang mamamahayag sa pagbasura ng ganitong uri ng publikasyon. Sa kabilang dako, ang mungkahing ito ay hindi ganoon kapraktikal sa mga peryodistang diumano’y “nabubuhay” sa paglathala ng nasabing materyal dahil sila ay mga publishers ng mga ito.

Nang hinamon ng paring Heswita ang mga tagamedia na pag-ibayuhin ang value ng Gospel—“give” o maging mapagbigay sa Kristiyanong sense nito, hinamon niya na rin ang sensibilidad ng bawat peryodistang dumalo sa komperensya. Gaano ba kahanda ang mga Pilipinong mamamahayag sa hamong ito?

Ano na nga ba ang value ng media sa kasalukuyan? Ilan pa nga bang mga mamamahayag ang nagtatrabaho tungo sa kabutihan, tungo sa masasabing moral na kamalayan o pagkatao?

Harapin natin ang kasalukuyang katotohanan—iba ang sinasabi ng realidad sa idinidikta ng moralidad. Hindi natin nakikita sa tunay na buhay ang mga retorikang ibinibandilyo ng mga pangulong-tudling sa mga peryodiko, ang sinasabing kaluluwa ng pahayagan, na siya ring makapagsabi rin tungkol sa kaluluwa ng may-ari ng pahayagan.

Ang sagot sa ganitong tanong ay magpapakakilala atin sa sa dalawang uri ng mamamahayag na Pilipino. Narito ang dilema na sinasabi ng buhong na peryodista. Kung ang isang pahayagan ay nabibili dahil may mga hubad na babae ito sa cover, ano ang mangyayari kung aalisin mo ang mga come-on elements na ito. Wala bang ibang choice ang publisher maliban dito? Hindi pa maaaring mabili ang isang peryodiko kung walang Sam Pinto o Christine Reyes na nakabuyangyang sa cover?

Subalit narito naman ang sagot ng pwede nating sabihing

endangered nang journalist. Aniya, maaari ka namang makapaghikayat ng mambabasa sa iyong pahayagan kung ito’y hitik sa impormasyon, pagsisiyasat at analisis ng mga isyung nakakaapekto sa general public. Napagkasunduan din doon na walang ibang pang-akit ang isang matinong pahayagan kundi ang pagiging puno nito ng kaaalaman para sa mambabasa. Marahil ay hindi naman lubhang kailangan ng mambabasa ang sex—maliban na lang kung ang isang pamayanan ay isang sibilisasyon ng mga perverts o sex addicts.

Anila, there is more to publication come-on than sex. Mas magiging mabenta ang pahayagang puno ng makabuluhang isyu at analisis ng mga isyu. Halimbawa na lang, mas magugustuhan ng mga mambabasa ang kopya ng pahayagang hindi niya ikahihiyang basahin sa loob ng MRT dahil wala itong starlets na malagkit na nakakatitig sa parehong lalaki at babaeng pasaherong nakakaangkas ng mambabasa sa tren. Kailangan lang na ma-educate nang maayos ang mga mambabasa.

Nang sinabi ni Reuter na ang media ang pinakamakapangyarihan instrumento para magturo nang matino sa sangkatauhan, nakita kong hinamon ni Reuter ang bawat mediaman na tingnan ang kanyang sariling bakuran—at simulan niyang walisin ang lugar na yaon—tipunin ang kalat at dumi palabas ng kanyang sariling tugsaran. Sa huli, nakakaawa ang mambabasang tinuturuan ng media ng katotohanan kung ang mga katotohanang kanilang isinasaalang-alang ay iyong mga makapagpapababa ng kanilang pagkatao.

Know thyself, ika nga ng isang dakilang Griyego ng makaunang panahon. Ang mga klasikong kamalayang tulad nito ang gagabay sa atin para suriin ang ating sariling sensibilidad sa ating mga ginagawa sa kasalukuyan. Sa ganyang paraan laman natin masasabing tayo’y mga stewards ng katotohanan. At dahil diyan, tayo’y higit na magiging karapatdapat na basahin ng sangkatauhan.

STRIKETHROUGH

By Ralph John Mijares



Priceless Joys

What’s the real source of enjoyment? Is it the things that come with prestige or a price tag or the ones that are free?

I used to think that material things and bragging rights would make me happy. But for the past few weeks, I got

enlightened.

Sure, I still need sufficient amount of cash and want to be a Certified Public Accountant, businessman, philanthropist and chick magnet (being a better one than Justin Bieber, I’m kidding) but now I know what I can do without.

Aside from God, family, and friends, I find my career as a source of nirvana. It’s not about the money rather it’s about the happiness that comes with pursuing my true passion, journalism.

Fortunately, God gave me a writing job in The Capiz Times, a blessing that I never thought would come to a weird 17 year old kid like me.

In school, I’m often looked at as a part of the inferior society but at work, I feel like everyone else despite of me being young and inexperienced. Plus, this sideline gives

me a sense of purpose.

The three decade paper gave me hope despite my despairs in school. Even if some pick on me, I have another thing to hold on to when times get rough.

The office serves as my refuge from the painful realities of life. The delight that comes with encoding to good music, the cooling feeling coming from the aircon, conversations with my co-workers, and great mentoring is priceless.

Well, I don’t pay for the aircon, the paper does but you get my point.

Kidding aside about the aircon, there’s joy that comes with being true to my aspirations, not my physiological needs always. Now that’s priceless.

Others might think that these joys might be petty and senseless but I believe “the best things in life are free”.

Roxas City: Coffee Haven

Text by Jose Arsenio Quinzon and Edalyn Acta
Photos by Jose Arsenio Quinzon

What comes to your mind when you hear the name Roxas City? Probably, it would be aswang and other supernatural beings that you think creep around the metropolis. This perception is the fruit of the bad publicity our province had gained from the media years ago. But the belief that Capiz, specifically Roxas City, is an aswang haven is false—Roxas City is the home of not just

of other restaurants within the city, the main reason why she started Cafe de Roxas even without her husband’s help, who is currently working abroad.



BARAKO. Café de Roxas pioneers the use of healthy Barako Coffee beans grown and harvested in Sigma Capiz.

“We [Mrs. Delle and husband Ver] are looking for consistency in good service, and food,” she said. “We stick to our principle of consistency with the quality of [our] food though we are novice [in this business]. We are not aiming for one-time visit customer; we want the customers to come again.” She also added

that she cooks their dishes by-heart and with passion even though she had been a pre-school teacher and she graduated a course not even inclined in cooking.

Cafe de Roxas, located the Capiz Business and Government Centre, offers its budget-friendly food, and sincere service to any one, may it be foreigners, students, or employees. “We serve all walks of life because we want every people to enjoy our food,” Mrs. Parao said.

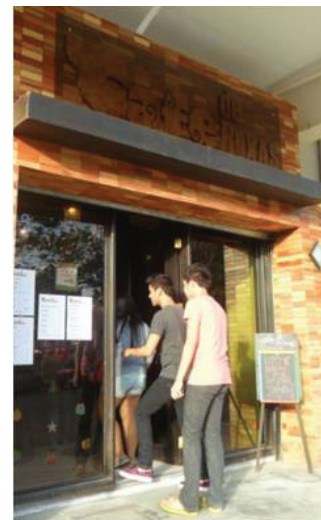


PENNY FOR PENNE. Café de Roxas’ Orange Penne is delicious yet affordable at P89, already served with a combo drink.

Cafe de Roxas is not just a restaurant dedicated to coffees and pastas but it also serves lunch with its ‘Luto Ni Nanay’, which is literally a lutong-bahay menu cooked by her mom every day. “Our business is basically a family business, with my mom cooking the ‘Luto ni Nanay’ menu every day, and I on pasta”

Mrs. Parao also brags their white spaghetti (which, she said, is different from carbonara), orange penne pasta, their best-seller taco, and their very special O’ halo (their version of halo-halo) which she said is “not the conventional halo-halo” we all knew.

By January of 2013, Mrs. Parao promised that Cafe de Roxas will add new dishes in its menu, and some board games will be available, to make the cafe livelier and enjoyable to customers. “Café de Roxas is ‘Beyond a Cup’”, she said, quoting the tagline of the cafe which means that “it is a place



OPEN FOR EVERY JUAN.

Café de Roxas is dedicated not only to well-off residents of Capiz but to everyone who wishes to experience affordable quality food and good service.

to bond, to enjoy, to relax, and to feel at home.”

So, the next time you will hear the name Roxas City again, never will you think of aswang but the food and the services the City offers, because Roxas City is ‘beyond seafood’; Like what Cafe de Roxas has pioneered in the metropolis; a cafe ‘beyond a cup’.

Cafe de Roxas also offers catering services, and is also available for religious gatherings, parties, and corporate meetings. It is located at Capiz Business and Government Centre, Stall #16, Provincial Park, Brgy. Tiza, Roxas City, with cellphone number: 0928-621-0407.

MORE THAN CUPS.

Café de Roxas is more than just a Café. Mrs. Parao said she established Café de Roxas with a promise of quality food and good service.

world-class seafood, but also quality food and foodservice. This is the notion that Cafe de Roxas wants to establish: “beyond a cup”.

During these past few years, cafe industry has boomed around the metro. Some Cafes had come and gone without leaving any legacy or identity that may help the tourism of Roxas City. But unlike others, Cafe de Roxas, which just started on the first of December 2012, has already installed its reputation as the pioneer in using coffee beans locally harvested within the province in its products offered.

“We are proud that we use coffee beans from Sigma to showcase the delicacy of Capiz,” Mrs. Delle Parao, the owner of Cafe de Roxas, said proudly. “And even all of our furniture was locally made to give our local furniture makers a livelihood and also to showcase their craftsmanship.” She also assured that they not only offer best local products but best services as well.

Mrs. Parao expressed her dismay on the services and food



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REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
6th Judicial Region
Branch 18
Roxas City

IN THE MATTER OF CHANGE/
CORRECTION OF NAME IN THE
CERTIFICATE OF LIVE BIRTH OF
KIRK ABAJAR AVELINO a.k.a.
TEODORO KIRK ABAJAR AVELINO
IN THE CITY CIVIL REGISTRAR OF
ROXAS CITY, CAPIZ

SPECIAL PROC.
NO. SP-137-12

KIRK ABAJAR AVELINO a.k.a.
TEODORO KIRK ABAJAR AVELINO
Petitioner,

—versus—

OFFICE OF THE CITY CIVIL REGISTRAR
OF ROXAS CITY, CAPIZ
Respondent.

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ORDER

Petitioner, through a verified petition sufficient in form and substance prays that, after due notice, hearing and publication, this Court issue an order directing herein respondent, as well as the National Statistic Office, to rectify, change, and supply the name of petitioner in his NSO Certificate of Live Birth and Civil Registrar's Certificate of Live Birth, from "TEODORO KIRK ABAJAR AVELINO" to "KIRK ABAJAR AVELINO".

The petition is set for hearing on January 23, 2012 at 8:30 in the morning at the Session Hall, Room 205, Hall of Justice, Roxas City. Cause a reasonable notice hereof to be served upon persons named in the Petition and this Order published at petitioner's expense once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Capiz, before the date of hearing. The Civil Registrar of Roxas City and any interested person may appear at the hearing and oppose the petition. The Solicitor General or the City Prosecutor of Roxas City should appear on behalf of the government.

Serve copy of this order to the Solicitor General, the City Prosecutor of Roxas City, the Civil Registrar of Roxas City, and the counsel of the petitioner.

SO ORDERED.
Roxas City, Philippines, December 1, 2012.

(SGD.) IGNACIO I. ALAJAR
Presiding Judge

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Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
6th Judicial Region
Branch 18
Roxas City

IN THE MATTER OF CORRECTION
OF ENTRY IN THE CIVIL REGISTRAR
OF ROXAS CITY, CAPIZ

SPECIAL PROC.
NO. SP-134-12

MANUELITA FERRE BULACLAC
A.K.A. MANOLITA A. FERRER
Petitioner,

—versus—

THE LOCAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OF
ROXAS CITY, ET. AL.,
Respondents.

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ORDER

Petitioner, through an Amended Petition, sufficient in form and substance, prays that, after due notice, publication and hearing, the entry in her name as appearing in her Certificate of Live Birth which is "MANOLITA A. FERRER" be changed to "MANUELITA A. FERRER".

The petition is set for hearing on January 30, 2012 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning at the Session Hall, Room 205, Hall of Justice, Roxas City. Cause a reasonable notice, hereof to be served upon persons named in the Petition and this Order published in petitioner's expense once a week for three (3) successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Capiz, before the date of hearing. The Civil Registrar and any interested person may appear at the hearing and oppose the petition. The Solicitor General or the City Prosecutor of Roxas City should appear on behalf of the government.

Serve copy of this order to the Solicitor General, the City Prosecutor of Roxas City, the Civil Registrar of Roxas City, and the counsel of the petitioner.

SO ORDERED.
Roxas City, Philippines, December 1, 2012.

(SGD.) IGNACIO I. ALAJAR
Presiding Judge

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**EXTRA-JUDICIAL
SETTLEMENT WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the late TESSIE DELFIN GORROCITA has left a parcel of land known as Lot 7, Blk. 2, of the Subdivision Plan Pcs-30500, being a portion of Lot 1633-O of Plan Pcd-11405, L.R.C. Record No. 337, situated in the Municipality of Capiz, containing an area of 227 Square Meters more or less covered under TCT T-24756 issued by the Register of Deeds for Roxas City. That in the provision of the pursuant of Sec. 1, Rule 74 of the Rules of Court of the Philippines, the parties hereby extra-judicially settled and adjudicate among themselves the One-half (1/2)

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controversial RH Bill in the Houses. He said the Church will campaign only against issues contradicting morals which may eventually affect the politicians' career.

"[If] Ma-campaign kami against, and i-specify namon ang politician, that would be party partisan. Probably, ma-campaign kami against issues, kag ultimately, maapektohan guhapon ang politician,"

undivided share of the said deceased over the said parcel of land and the house standing thereon, subject to the reservations provided for under Sec. 4 of the Rule 74. That for an inconsideration of the sum of SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND PESOS (P650,000.00) paid by SPOUSES BADEN B. MALLARE and MA. ELSIE P. MALLARE to the parties, the said described parcel of land hereby CEDE, TRANSFER and CONVEY unto the said vendee. Entered as per Doc. No. 346, Page No. 711, Book No. XLV, Series of 2012 under the Notarial Register of Atty. Ferdinand Jomilla.

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[[If] we campaign against a certain politician specifically, it would be party partisan. Instead, we would probably campaign against issues that will ultimately affect the politician), Bendico said.

Bendico said that "the Church will continue preaching in favor of life." Further, the Church will never change its stance against the Reproductive Health Bill no matter what "trials come

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
6th Judicial Region, Branch 18
Mambusao, Capiz

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION
FOR ADAPTION FOR SOPHIA GRACE
L. MONTINA WITH PRAYER FOR
CHAGE OF NAME TO SOPHIA
GRACE L. MARTINEZ

SPL. PROC.
NO. SP-12-0394-07

SPOUSES RUBY L. MARTINEZ
REY G. MARTINEZ,
Petitioners,

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AMENDED ORDER

In a verified petition filed on July 6, 2012, petitioners pray that after due notice, publication and hearing judgement will be rendered that the minor, SOPHIA GRACE L. MONTINA, shall be freed from all legal obligations of obedience and maintenance with respect to her natural parents and that she will be declared for all legal intents and purposes the child of the herein petitioners. Further, they pray that the name of Sophia Grace L. Montina will be change to SOHIA GRACE L. MARTINEZ.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is hereby given due course. Set the initial hearing of this petition on FEBRUARY 4, 2013 at 8:30 in the morning. The petitioners are directed to cause the publication of this Order once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in the Capiz Times, a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Capiz, so that all the persons interested in the grant or denial of this petition may be heard.

The Court Social Workers of this court is hereby directed to prepare and submit the child study and home study reports. She is likewise directed to conduct counseling sessions with the biological parents on the matter of adaption of the adoptee and submit her report and recommendation to this Court on or before the date of initial hearing on February 4, 2013.

Send copy of this Order to the Office of the Solicitor General, Manila, the Court Social Worker of this Court, the Assistant Provincial Prosecutor, Mambusao, Capiz, the City Civil Registrar of Roxas City, the petitioner and their counsel.

SO ORDERED.
Mambusao, Capiz, Philippines, December 13, 2012.

(SGD.) DANIEL ANTONIO GERARDO S. AMULAR
Judge

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Republic of the Philippines
Regional Trial Court
6th Judicial Region, Branch 21
Mambusao, Capiz

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION
OF THE MINOR CHILD, GERMAINE
FARINAS FRONTADA WITH APPLICATION
TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE MINOR
CHILD FROM GERMAINE FARINAS
FRONTADA TO GERMAINE TORRES GARRIDO

SPL. PROC. NO.
SP-12-0402-10

SPOUSES GREGORIO DOMINGO P. GARRIDO and
MARILOU L. TORRES-GARRIDO
Petitioners.

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ORDER

In a verified petition filed on October 30, 2012, petitioners pray that after due notice, publication and hearing, judgment will be rendered that the minor, GERMAINE FARINAS FRONTADA, shall be freed from all legal obligations of obedience and maintenance with respect to her natural parents and that she will be changed to GERMAIN TORRES GARRIDO.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, the same is hereby given due course. Set the initial hearing on this petition on May 9, 2013 at 8:30 in the morning. The petitioners are directed the publication of this order once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in the Capiz Times, a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Capiz, so that all persons interested in the grant of denial of this petition may be heard.

The Court Social Worker of this Court is hereby directed to prepare and submit the child study and home study reports. She is likewise directed to conduct counseling sessions with the biological parents on the matter of adoption of the adoptee and submit her report and recommendation to this Court on or before the date of initial hearing on My 9, 2013.

Send copy of this Order to the Office of the Solicitor General, Manila, the Court Social Worker of this Court, the Assistant Provincial Prosecutor, Mambusao, capiz, the Local Civil Registrar of Dumalag, Capiz, the petitioners and their counsel.

SO ORDERED.
Mambusao, Capiz, November 9, 2012.

(SGD.) DANIEL ANTONIO GERARDO S. AMULAR
J u d g e

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**AFFIDAVIT OF
CLAIM
WITH WAIVER
OF RIGHTS**

Notice is hereby given that late CLARITA ARCE-BENSAY has left Savings Deposit Account with Philippine Veterans Bank Roxas City Branch under Savings Account No. _____ with a balance of P34,990.00. That

the surviving heirs of the said deceased hereby request the Philippine Veterans Bank Roxas City Branch to release the balance of the said deposit account in favor of Kenneth Bensay. Entered as per Doc. No. 65, Page No. 14, Book No. LVI, Series of 2012 under the Notarial Register of Atty. Ferdinand Samillano.

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**EXTRA-JUDICIAL
SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS
AND INTEREST**

Notice is hereby given that the late EDILBERTO BERNAS has left a parcel of Land known as Lot 11, Block 9, Pcs-06-000524, being a consolidation subdivision of Lots 1791, Pcd-138960 situated at Brgy. Milibili, City of Roxas covered under TCT No. T-28354, containing an area of 180 Square Meters, more or less. That in the

provision of the pursuant to Section 1, Rule 74 of the Revised Rules of Court of the Philippines, the parties hereby agreed to adjudicate among themselves and also hereby waive, cede and transfer in favor of their co-heir, MARIA EDEN B. SAKAMOTO. Entered as per Doc. No. 99, Page No. 21, Book No. 1, Series of 2012 under the Notarial Register of Atty. Jomar Alyzar A. Betita.

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height of the flood. Initial report from the PDRRMC also noted against our faith, we will still continue praying until it all settles down."

16,003.37-hectare damage on rice plantation with an estimated cost of more than P16.53 million and a 386-hectare and 29-hectare damage on corn and vegetable production, respectively. Further, damage on

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Republic of the Philippines
Local Civil Registry Office
Province of Capiz
Municipality of Panay

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

In compliance with Section 5 of R.A. Act No. 9048, a notice is hereby served to the public that RONILO BILLONES BUENVENIDA has filed with this Office a petition for change of first name from NICOLAS to RONILO in the birth certificate of NICOLAS BILLIONES BUENVENIDA who has born on September 10, 1960 at Panay, Capiz and whose parents are Roberto Buenvenida and Lourdes A. Billones.

Any person adversely affected by said petition may file his written opposition with this Office not later than fourteen (14) days from the date of this notice.

(SGD.) FRANKLIN B. BILLANES
Municipal Civil Registrar

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DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Section 1, Rule 74 of the Rules of Court, MICHELLE NAVARRA MIGUEL, wife and the only surviving heir of the deceased, hereby extra-judicially settle and adjudicate unto herself the said TIME DEPOSITS of her late husband REY NORBA MIGUEL and she absolve and released the aforementioned bank from any claims that third parties may have against the said TIME DEPOSITS of the said deceased and she also further assume full responsibility whatsoever claims they may have against the said bank time deposits. Entered as per Doc. No. 320, Page No. 65, Book No. LXIII, Series of 2012 under the Notarial Register of Atty. Benjamin Distura.

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Notice is here given that the late REY NORBA MIGUEL has left a TIME DEPOSITS with the UCPB, Roxas Branch, Roxas City a CERTIFICATE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY TIME DEPOSIT NO. 718914, under Account No. 313140000380, in the amount of FOUR THOUSAND TWENTY EIGHT AND 12/100 DOLLARS (\$4028.12), excluding interest, dated December 28, 2009; and CERTIFICATE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY TIME DEPOSIT No. 719019, under Account No. 313140001218, in the amount of ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY NINE and 62/100 DOLLARS (\$1,529.62) excluding interest as of October 11, 2011, respectively. That invoking to pursuant of

DEED OF ADJUDICATION

Notice is hereby given that the late PETER MELCHOR J. ARCHES has left a Savings Account with Bank of Philippine Island, Roxas Gaisano Branch, under Savings Account No. 00928-0600-01, in the amount of 475,464.29 as of March 31, 2012. That invoking to pursuant of Section 1, Rule 74 of the Rules of Court, PETER PAUL J. ARCHES, brother and the sole heir of the deceased, hereby extra-judicially settle and adjudicate unto herself of the said Savings Account of his late brother PETER MELCHOR ARCHES, and he absolve and released the aforementioned bank from any claims that third parties may have against the said Savings Account of the said deceased and he also further assume full responsibility whatsoever claims they may have against the said bank account deposits. Entered as per Doc. No. 315, Page No. 64, Book No. LXXXVII, Series of 2012 under the Notarial Register of Atty. Rodriguez L. Dadivas.

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**EXTRA-JUDICIAL
SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
WITH SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the late ANGELINA FREIRES has left a Parcel of land known as Lot No. 652-B, Pcd-06-008379, being a portion of Lot No. 652, Pcd-30, Dumalag Cadastre, situated in San Miguel, Dumalag, Capiz covered under TCT No. T-19827 containing an area of 36,610 Square Meters, more or less. That pursuant to Section 4, of Rule 74 of the Rules of Court of the Philippines, the heirs hereby adjudicate among themselves of the said parcel land in pro-indiviso share and in the sum of SEVENTY THOUSAND PESOS (P70,000.00) paid by RAMON F. FORTALIZA unto the heirs, the said parcel of land hereby SELL, CEDE, TRANSFER AND CONVEY, by way of Absolute Sale. Entered as per Doc. No. 249, Page No. 51, Book No. XLV Series of 2012 under the Notarial Register of Atty. Ferdinand Jomilla.

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honors—no longer need to apply. Deadline of applications for the April exam is on February 28 while that of the October exam has been set on Aug. 30, 2013. Application forms are available at the nearest CSC Regional and Field offices in Region 6 or may be downloaded from the CSC website—www.csc.gov.ph. (PIA 6)



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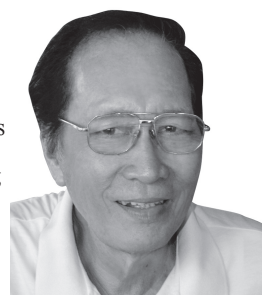


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Two-Hundred employees from the different SMDI Branches in Panay Island attended the said event.

Mr. Pablo Chu, President of SMDI, said that he was happy to see his employees enjoy his gifts for them. He also expects next year's success of his company.

Loyal employees who have been working for more than 10 years in the company were given a Lot Title with an area of 95 sq.ms.each located at Diamond Country in Lawaan, Roxas City.

Mr. Chu, who according to his employees is a good father, friend, motivator, and inspiration, also gave 89 assorted gifts, 20 sacks of Rice and a Motorcycle to his beloved employees.

"Thanks for the good values to become more responsible and good person," an employee said for Mr. Pablo Chu during an interview.

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