

VICE PRESIDENT SARA, CONCEPCION
SIGN MOA TO PROMOTE ENTREPRE-
NEURSHIP AMONG YOUTH



The Department of Education (DepEd) signed a Memorandum of Agreement with non-profit organization Go Negosyo last November 27, 2023 to promote entrepreneurship and agriculture entrepreneurship among the Filipino youth through various programs and initiatives. Vice President and DepEd Secretary Sara Duterte and Go Negosyo founder Joey Concepcion signed the MOA during the non-profit's 18th anniversary celebrations in Makati City. The programs outlined in the MOA aim to promote an entrepreneurial mindset among Filipino youth, build skills through mentorship, increase financial literacy, raise agricultural awareness, cultivate entrepreneurial skills in agriculture, and facilitate industry connections for mentorship. The programs and initiatives include the school garden project called "Pampaaralang Taniman ng mga Agribida (PTA)," a public entrepreneurship mentoring event called "Youthpreneur," and "Mentoring the Mentors," which will train teachers in teaching basic entrepreneurship concepts in the classroom. The Vice President noted how an innovative mindset among the youth will be key to achieving a truly progressive nation, highlighting how the MOA strengthens the DepEd's MATATAG agenda, and how it enables the youth to identify opportunities for creating wealth and respond to social and economic changes. Vice President Duterte also noted how agriculture is one of the strongest backbones of wealth creation. "We want to inspire a generation of agricultural leaders," she said, outlining how, with the help of private sector, high school students can be introduced to basic agriculture concepts, school gardens can be established, and make possible the cultivation of cash crops using school sites. "School gardens provide a platform for communities to come together, work toward a shared goal and promote healthy eating habits," she said. "Public-private partnership has had a lot to do with the success of Go Negosyo," said Concepcion. Already, the organization has organized the country's biggest agriculture companies under its KALAP (Kapatid Angat Lahat sa Agri Program) initiative to harness the private sector to scale up the country's agriculture sector. Concepcion also noted how young Filipinos are becoming interested in entrepreneurship. "At our public entrepreneurship events, we are getting more young attendees who are keen on starting their own business," said Concepcion. "And now with the support of the Department of Education, we can institutionalize this training so that it becomes part of the school curriculum in primary education, enabling us to reach more young Filipinos and teach them about entrepreneurship, or at least open their minds to it," he said. Last November 25, Go Negosyo held a successful pilot event of Youthpreneur, and attracted hundreds of Senior High School students from 17 schools in the National Capital Region. Concepcion said that the success of the pilot event of Youthpreneur bodes well for its future programs aimed at growing the next generation of Filipino entrepreneurs. Following the signing, a technical working group comprising members of both DepEd and Go Negosyo will be created to oversee, implement, and fulfill the objectives of the MOA. DepEd shall provide policy guidance, data, and evaluation of program implementation, while Go Negosyo will be responsible for

providing mentors, securing support and resources, and leading in its implementation in coordination with the DepEd. The signing was witnessed by the heads of some of the country's top conglomerates and business groups, as well as veteran entrepreneurship mentors that form Go Negosyo's core pool of mentors for its various programs such as Kapatid Mentor MicroEntrepreneurs, Kapatid Agri Mentor ME, and 3M on Wheels, as well as its Kapatid Angat Lahat sa Agri Program and the ASEAN Mentorship for Entrepreneurs Network. /PR

GO NEGOSYO HOLDS FIRST YOUTH ENTREPRENEURSHIP EVENT

Go Negosyo's YOUTHPRENEUR was held successfully last Saturday, November 26 at the SM City Fairview in Quezon City, with a total of 17 schools from the NCR and hundreds of senior high school students coming to be mentored by veteran entrepreneurs and successful businessmen. YOUTHPRENEUR is Go Negosyo's first entrepreneurship mentoring event specifically designed for Filipino youths.

"At our public entrepreneurship events, I notice that we are getting more young attendees who are keen on starting their own business," said Joey Concepcion, founder of Go Negosyo. "We are fortunate that the Department of Education is supporting us, and we are now exploring ways to institutionalize this training so that it becomes part of the school curriculum in primary education. With DepEd's help, we can reach more young Filipinos and teach them about entrepreneurship, or at least open their minds to it," he said. Vice President and Department of Education Secretary Sara Duterte sent her message of support for YOUTHPRENEUR, saying that the event, "serves as a beacon of hope and opportunity for young Filipinos, igniting their passion for entrepreneurship and providing them with the tools and resources they need to transform their ideas into reality."

Angkas CEO George Royeca was also on hand to deliver an inspirational message to the students, emphasizing how time management is an important skill mastered by successful entrepreneurs. Entrepreneur/content creators Kween Yasmin and Hiraya Filipina CEO Cleo Loque likewise shared their experiences as twentysomething businessmen. Prior to the event, the senior high school students were asked to select a specific sector they were interested in pursuing for business. They were then matched with veteran mentors to guide them through the process of starting a business, and what steps they should take in order to pursue their entrepreneurship dreams.

Concepcion shared that the success of YOUTHPRENEUR will help its future programs aimed at growing the next generation of Filipino entrepreneurs. /PR



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Military personnel stand guard at the entrance of a gymnasium while police investigators (background) look for evidence after a bomb attack at Mindanao State University in Marawi, Lanao del sur province on December 3, 2023.

MANILA, Philippines (Updated 4:56 p.m.) — President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. condemned Sunday the attack at the Mindanao State University in Marawi City that left at least four people dead and injured dozens. An explosion ripped through the MSU's Dimaporo gymnasium while a Catholic Mass was being held Sunday morning, coinciding with the commemoration of the Mindanao Week of Peace. In a statement posted on X, formerly Twitter, Marcos condemned what he called "senseless and most heinous acts perpetrated by foreign terrorists." The Philippine National Police, in a separate statement, said that it is working to identify the individuals or groups behind the blast. "I extend my most heartfelt condolences to the victims, their loved ones, and the communities that have been the target of this latest assault on peace," Marcos said. The president said he is in close coordination with the Bangsamoro government and has instructed the PNP and the Armed Forces of the Philippines to ensure the safety of civilians. "As reports come in throughout the day, I enjoin all of us to remain calm, circumspect, and conscientious in our collective efforts to ensure that the horrific events of this morning are not further compounded by inaccurate, unvetted, and unofficial information," Marcos said. "Rest assured we will bring the perpetrators of this ruthless act to

CHRISTMAS IN THEIR HEARTS: CHILD HAUS AND THE METRO MANILA MAYORS' SPOUSES

Christmas in their hearts: CHILD Haus and the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses



Mother Ricky Reyes (center) with SM Prime Holdings Chairman of the Executive Committee Hans Sy (5th from right) and members of the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses Foundation Inc. and their representatives, as they present Christmas gifts to 30 beneficiaries and their parents from CHILD Haus, an institution founded to be a bastion of hope for children stricken by cancer. The event, which aimed to create a memorable Christmas outing and merienda party, took place last November 28, 2023, at the SM Mall of Asia (MOA). Activities included a shopping spree at the SM Store, snacks at Shake Shack, and rides at MOA SM By the Bay Amusement Park.



Mother Ricky Reyes (center) with SM Prime Holdings Chairman of the Executive Committee Hans Sy, members of the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses Foundation Inc., and their representatives by the SM Mall of Asia's magnificent 65-foot gigantic Christmas tree.

As most know, CHILD Haus is a special home where underprivileged children, stricken by cancer, are offered an opportunity to reside in a home (along with a parent, or both parents if an infant), where they are provided food and shelter while undergoing treatment for their illness. Mother Ricky Reyes is CHILD Haus' Executive Director and guiding light; and it's through Hans Sy's continued support and status as principal benefactor that CHILD Haus has blossomed and expanded, such that two CHILD Haus locations now exist.

November 28 was a special day for the CHILD Haus residents as the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses Foundation, Inc. banded together with Mother Ricky and Hans Sy to create a memorable Christmas outing and merienda party at the SM Store, SM Mall of Asia, and at the SM by the Bay Amusement Park, alongside the mall.

Led by CHILD Haus and the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses Foundation Inc., the event included the participation of San Juan City Mayor Francis Zamora, along with his wife and President of the said foundation, Mrs. Keri Zamora. They were joined by the following members: Mrs. Tiffany Gatchalian (wife of Valenzuela City Mayor Wes Gatchalian); Mrs. Judy Chua (mother of Mrs. Tiffany Gatchalian); Mrs. Aubrey Malapitan (wife of Caloocan City Mayor Along Malapitan); Mrs. Catherine Mary "Trina" Reyes-Biazon (wife of Muntinlupa City Mayor Ruffy Biazon); Pasay City Mayor Imelda "Emi" Gallardo Calixto-Rubiano; Pasay City representative Egay Rubiano; and Mrs. Peggy Anne Riate-Sienes, sister of Mrs. Aileen Olivarez (wife of Parañaque City Mayor Eric Olivarez). They all interacted

with the children and their parents, acting as 'ninangs' and 'ninongs,' fairy godmothers, and godfathers for the day.

Even though they were unable to attend the event in person, these spouses still found ways to share their blessings with the CHILD Haus children: Mrs. Jenine Ponce (wife of Pateros City Mayor Mayor Miguel "Ike" Ponce), Mrs. Barbie Pardo-Tiangco (wife of Navotas City John Rey Tiangco), Mrs. Minnie Arte (wife of MMDA Chair Don Arte), and Vice Mayor Menchie Aguilar (Mandaluyong City).



(R-L): SM Prime Holdings Chairman of the Executive Committee Hans Sy, Mrs. Judy Chua (mother of Mrs. Tiffany Gatchalian, wife of Valenzuela City Mayor Wes Gatchalian), Pasay City Mayor Imelda "Emi" Gallardo Calixto-Rubiano, her husband Pasay City representative Egay Rubiano, Mrs. Tiffany Gatchalian (wife of Valenzuela City Mayor Wes Gatchalian), San Juan City Mayor Francis Zamora, and his wife, who is also the President of the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses Foundation Inc., Mrs. Keri Zamora. Other members of the foundation, including Mrs. Trina Biazon (wife of Muntinlupa City Mayor Ruffy Biazon), Mrs. Aubrey Malapitan (wife of Caloocan City Mayor Dale Gonzalo "Along" Malapitan), and Mrs. Peggy Anne Riate-Sienes (sister of Mrs. Aileen Olivarez, wife of Parañaque City Mayor Eric Olivarez), joined the group at the SM Mall of Asia carousel.

A shopping spree at the SM Store was followed by a hearty Shake Shack merienda, then the opportunity to indulge in rides at the SM by the Bay Amusement Park. Between the shrieks of delight and wonder from the children, there was the heartfelt desire on the part of the mayors' spouses to have both children and parents put their health troubles behind them for the afternoon, and know that there was someone ready to look out for them. CHILD Haus is all about never losing hope, and that there are prayers that are answered.



Mother Ricky Reyes (third from left) with the members of the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses Foundation Inc., along with their representatives, at the Mall of Asia's SM Store, where they conducted a Christmas shopping spree for the CHILD Haus beneficiaries.



Pasay City Mayor Imelda "Emi" Gallardo Calixto-Rubiano with the CHILD Haus beneficiaries during their Christmas shopping spree at the Mall of Asia SM Store.



A CHILD Haus beneficiary chooses a toy at the Mall of Asia SM Store during the Christmas shopping spree, supported by the Metro Manila Mayors' Spouses Foundation Inc.



Shake Shack at SM Mall of Asia provides delightful food for over 30 CHILD Haus children and parents.



The CHILD Haus kids and their parents pose in front of the MOA Eye located at SM By the Bay Amusement Park.

About CHILD Haus

CHILD Haus is a non-profit organization that provides a temporary home for indigent cancer-stricken children and their families. CHILD Haus provides a safe and loving environment for children to undergo treatment and recovery. The organization also offers support services to families, including counseling, financial assistance, and transportation.



2023....

MANILA, Philippines — The United States has described 2023 as a decisive year for implementing the US defense strategy in Asia, citing the expansion of the Enhanced Defense Cooperation Agreement (EDCA) with the Philippines to allow American access to four more Philippine facilities. US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin on Saturday noted that more progress was made with each of his trips to the Indo-Pacific this year. "In this decisive decade, 2023 will be remembered as a decisive year for implementing the US defense strategy in Asia. We're making our force posture in the Indo-Pacific far more distributed, mobile and resilient," Austin said in a speech at the Reagan National Defense Forum. ADVERTISING "We're helping our friends build up their own capabilities to defend themselves, and we're working with our allies and partners like

never before," he added. Austin cited the announcement of the EDCA expansion during his visit in Manila in February. The Philippines ramped up its military ties with the US this year and allowed greater US access to local military bases that angered China. China condemned the new sites, saying they threaten the peace and stability of the Indo-Pacific and are aimed directly at Beijing. The US National Defense Strategy describes China as America's "most consequential strategic competitor and the pacing challenge for the Department of Defense." China is the only US rival with the intent — and, increasingly, the capacity — to reshape the international order, according to Austin. "The (People's Republic of China) hopes that the United States will stumble, and become isolated abroad and divided at home. But together, we can prevent that fate, and we have

made extraordinary progress, along with our allies and partners, in meeting the China challenge — and forging a more secure Indo-Pacific," he said. The Pentagon said that the US is not seeking permanent bases in the Philippines with the new EDCA sites as it assured of activities that are responsive to the needs and priorities of local communities. The US announced that it would allocate more than \$100 million in investments at new and existing EDCA sites by the end of Fiscal Year 2023. In expanding the EDCA to include four new sites in Palawan and Northern Luzon, the Philippines and the US will increase infrastructure investments at these sites to further support combined training, exercises and interoperability between the US and Philippine Armed Forces and the Philippines' civilian-led disaster preparedness and response capacities. /PHILSTAR.COM

Pope....

MANILA, Philippines (Updated 9:32 a.m.) — Pope Francis conveyed a message of assurance to the victims of a deadly bombing at a Catholic Mass in Marawi City that killed at least four people and wounded 50 others. "I wish to assure my prayer for the victims of the attack that occurred this morning in the Philippines, where a bomb exploded during Mass," Pope Francis said in a statement on X, formerly Twitter. "I am close to the families and the people of Mindanao, who have already suffered so much," he added. The blast from an improvised explosive device occurred during a regular morning service at the gymnasium of the Mindanao State University Sunday. The Islamic State group claimed its members had detonated the bomb. In a telegram addressed to Marawi Bishop Edwin de la Peña through Cardi-

nal Pietro Parolin, the Vatican's secretary of state, the Pope said that he was "deeply saddened" upon learning about the injuries and loss of life resulting from the bombing. Pope Francis concluded his message with "prayers that Christ the Prince of Peace will grant to all the strength to turn from violence and overcome every evil with good." The United Imams of the Philippines Foundation, Inc. condemned the "apparently vicious and cowardly acts of terrorism against innocent individuals." "Terrorizing innocent people and shedding blood, constitute a form of injustice that cannot be tolerated by Islam, which views them as gross crimes and sinful acts," it said. President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. condemned the "senseless and most heinous acts" and attributed the bombing to "foreign terrorists."

Defense Gilberto Teodoro Jr. said there were "strong" indications pointing to the involvement of a "foreign element" in the bomb attack. He, however, refrained from disclosing information. The police and the military said that they are investigating whether the blast may have been a revenge attack for recent military operations against Islamist militant groups such as Dawlah Islamiyah-Philippines, Abu Sayyaf, and Maute. For the Council for Climate and Conflict Action Asia, it is too early to make conclusions or assign blame to any individual or group at this time. "We also call for calm and reflection amid attempts to polarize the situation and sow the seeds of a Muslim-Christian conflict," the group said. — with report from Agence France-Presse /PHILSTAR.COM

Most Jobs ...

MANILA, Philippines — Just around 1% of job vacancies in the Department of Labor and Employment's K-12 job fair in 2022 went to senior high school graduates, an official said on Monday, with most work available to them limited to the service industry. DOLE Undersecretary Carmela Torres told the Senate higher, technical and vocational education committee on Monday that senior high school graduates landed just 116 out of the 9,000 job vacancies advertised through its December 2022 job fair, while the rest went to applicants with higher educational backgrounds. Torres said: "116 (senior high graduates) were hired basically as cashier, sales agent and service crew." "So what we're saying is that these are the areas where they can be hired. These are the areas where we can enhance their competencies," she said in Filipino.

But even as the job fair was specifically held for senior high school graduates, Torres said, most of the available work went to applicants with college diplomas due to companies' preference. "The qualifications (required by some companies) are different. The applicant has to be a college graduate. That's why others are not hired," the labor official said. Sen. Raffy Tulfo asked Torres: "I thought you said the job fair was for senior high?" "Many job vacancies are for senior high school graduates, but there are also vacancies for college," Tulfo said. Torres did not state the specific job fair but a post on DOLE's Facebook page indicates that an event called "Pasayahin 2022 K-12 Job Fair" was held on December 1. This job fair included the participation of more than 70 local employers and 9,379 job vacancies. According to another

Facebook post by DOLE's National Capital Region office in 2022, the companies that participated in the job fair were from business process outsourcing, manufacturing, banking, retail & trade industries, among others. The job fair also included advertisements for vacancies in the Bureau of Internal Revenue. "What's the purpose of K to 12?" Tulfo asked Torres whether DOLE could come up with a job fair exclusive to senior high school graduates "to ensure that there are industries that can make use of those who finished senior high school." Senior high school graduates' lack of employment opportunities was the main concern during the Senate panel's hearing on legislative bills on the proposed Enterprise-Based Education and Training to Employment Act. "Jobs that are) typist, receptionist, you have to be a college graduate. If you were a senior high (grad-

uate), you would be turned off," Tulfo said. "What's the purpose of K to 12? So maybe this is where DepEd should come in," the senator added. Tulfo pushed for longer work immersion hours for students similar to apprenticeship programs, where trainees embed with companies for months and not just weeks. These programs should "(provide) a guarantee that by the end of their immersion, they will be employed and will receive regular pay and benefits. And the company who accepted that senior high school graduate will receive incentives," Tulfo added. According to the Department of Education's tracer study of its senior high school graduates, only around 10% of senior high school graduates landed a job, while 83% continued to higher education. In April, Sen. Sherwin Gatchalian flagged the Civil Service Commission for accepting graduates of

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both the old high school curriculum and the K to 12 program, which he said "violates" the K to 12 law. /PHILSTAR.COM



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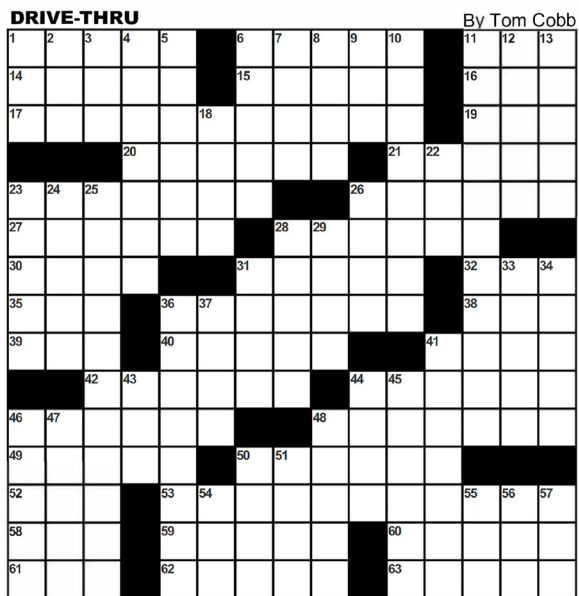
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- 1) Improbable wish
- 6) A Muse
- 11) Environmental hazard, for short
- 14) Maternally related
- 15) Ruby or diamond, e.g.
- 16) Chicken_ king
- 17) Did a gymnastic maneuver
- 19) It may have a nap on the floor
- 20) Smart_ (obnoxious ones)
- 21) Likes and dislikes
- 23) Most risqué
- 26) “_ of the Field” (Poitier classic)
- 27) Spiral-horned beasts
- 28) Type of clock or power
- 30) Rocky peaks
- 31) Brief period of time
- 32) Mauna _ (Hawaiian peak)
- 35) Hamlet’s catch
- 36) Ancient Roman magistrate
- 38) Palindromic Bobbsey
- 39) “Deep Space Nine” character
- 40) “Me too”
- 41) Aphid, to a gardener
- 42) Word on a nutritional label
- 44) Cleans the slate
- 46) New delivery
- 48) In an angry way
- 49) Nigerian currency
- 50) Cook with direct radiant heat
- 52) Add a soundtrack
- 53) Browns, as onions
- 58) Anger
- 59) Feudal vassal or lord
- 60) Sidestep, as an issue
- 61) An inferior dog
- 62) Certain church officer
- 63) Transfer, as at a nursery

DOWN

- 1) Christmas mo.
- 2) Retrovirus contents, for short
- 3) Canal site
- 4) Gains
- 5) Whimpered
- 6) Act the bouncer
- 7) Unpleasant smell
- 8) Belt-hole makers
- 9) Football formation
- 10) Aged one
- 11) Dramamine prevents it
- 12) High-pitched woodwind
- 13) Baseball backstops
- 18) Amerada_ (bygone petroleumcompany)
- 22) He fought Frazier three times
- 23) ‘80s fashions, now
- 24) How most fans cheer
- 25) Material for some bikes
- 26) Batty, in Spain
- 28) “There’s no music in...” -- Ruskin
- 29) Former Yugoslavian president
- 31) Samoan money
- 33) It might come with a few pointers
- 34) Jittery
- 36) Acme
- 37) Huck Finn’s boat
- 41) Type of resistance
- 43) Paddle kin
- 44) Ashtabula’s lake
- 45) Window-shade part
- 46) Like Sanskrit, Hindi and Bengali
- 47) South Pacific island nation
- 48) Up-and-__
- 50) Raised racehorses
- 51) Rush furiously, as a river
- 54) Feel pain, perhaps
- 55) Use the microwave
- 56) Tokyo, formerly
- 57) Fix, as a clock

CITY OF BACOR NEWS

Inagurasyon at Ceremonial Blessing | Solar Power Water Station with Filtration Project, Pinangunahan ni Cong. Lani Mercado Revilla



Isa sa pinakahihintay ng paaralan, guro at estudyante ang proyektong inilaan ni Congresswoman Lani M. Revilla katuwang sila Senator Ramon Revilla Jr, Agimat Partylist- Congressman Bryan Revilla, Board Member Ram Revilla, Speaker Martin Romualdez at ang Pamahalaang Lungsod sa pangunguna nila Mayor Strike B. Revilla, Sangguni-ang Panlungsod Members sa pamumuno ni Vice Mayor Rowena B. Mendiola.

Ang proyektong ito ay malaki ang maitutulong sa ating mga kabataang mag-aaral na nag-aaral sa Bayanan Elementary School. Target ng proyektong ito na maibsan ang uhaw ng mga magulang, estudyante at guro para hindi na kailangan pang gumastos ng mga estudyante pagbibili ng tubig.

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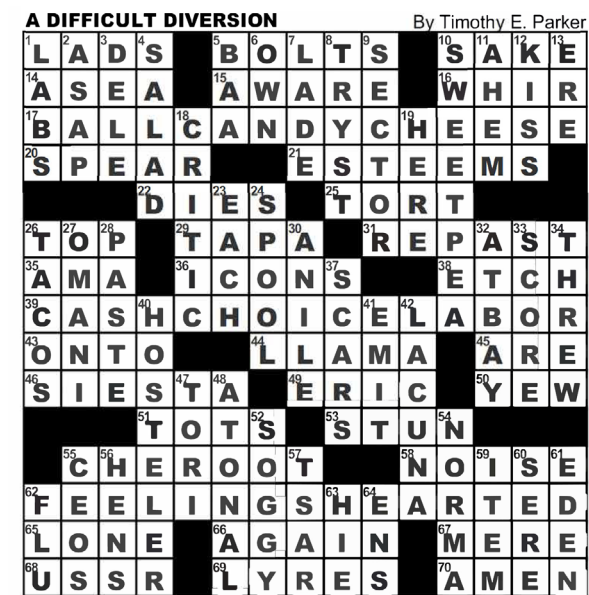
Simula Disyembre 4, 2023, alas 10:00 ng umaga sa SM CITY BACOR, muling magbabalik ang LIBRENG SINE na handog ng City Government of Bacoor sa pamumuno ni Mayor Strike B. Revilla para sa mga Senior Citizens at PWD. LIBRENG SINE GUIDELINES – Ang mga Senior Citizens at PWD ng Bacoor ay maaaring manood ng 1 pelikula tuwing Lunes kada linggo. – Kailangan ipakita ang valid Senior Citizens ID, PWD ID, at SBR CARD na ibinigay ng LGU Bacoor. – Ipresenta ang inyong Senior & PWD Booklets na ibinigay ng LGU Bacoor. Hindi Maaaring Mag-avail ang mga Benepisyaryo ng mga Sumusunod: – Special Screening, Special Events, Ang taunang 2-Weeks MMFF Newly Release Movies na may sakop na linggo. PAUNAWA: Ito ay maaaring ma-avail lamang sa SM BACOR & SM MOLINO CINEMAS only.



Ang proyektong ito ay naging matagumpay sa tulong narin ng Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) na sa sama-samang pagtutulongan ay madaling naibigay ang proyekto. Dumalo naman sila Punong Barangay Alfie Gawaran, Dr. Babylyn Pambid – OIC School Division Superintendent, Dr. Venus T. Balmolina, Assistant Schools Division Superintendent, Dr. Ma. Teresa Semino – School Principal IV at ibang PTA Officials.

Hindi natigil ang ating Pamahalaang Lungsod, Office of the Congresswoman Lani M. Revilla, Agimat Partylist Cong. Bryan Revilla at iba pang ahen-syang sa National na patuloy na natulong sa ating Lungsod.

Last week’s solution:



CAVITE WATER AND SOLID WASTE SUMMIT 2023



The Office of the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer (OPENRO) led by Ms. Anabelle L. Cayabyab organized the Cavite Water and Solid Waste Summit 2023 which was held on November 20-21, 2023 at Cavite State University International Convention Center in Indang. This year’s theme, Cavite Ecological Network; Establishing a Consortium of Academic Institutions for an Open Data Bank is a step towards addressing the many concerns on environment and natural resources management through inter-disciplinary approach and data sharing.

The two-day summit focused on research, data banking and presentation of various on-going and completed studies on environment and natural resources in Cavite. Among the speakers and presenters were: Dr. Rico C. Ancog, Dean of the School of Environmental Science and Management, University of the Philippines-Los Baños; Ms. Des’ree Lechuga, Provincial Focal Person of the Department of Information and Communications Technology-Laguna; Ms. Nancy Bermas, Regional Project Manager of the GEF/UNDP/ASEAN IRBM Project, Partnership in Environmental Management for the Seas of east Asia (PEMSEA); and Engr. Christian Ron Cossion, Focal Person for Manila Bay, DENR-Environmental Management Bureau Region IV-A.

In support of the advocacy, the Consortium of Academic Institutions for Sustainable Development of Water Resources in Cavite composed of seventeen colleges and universities in the province were present and pledged their commitment officiated by Mr. Rodel Vincent Bae, OIC-Provincial Administrator for Internal Affairs. During the course of discussions, issues as well as ideas were raised for clarification and consideration, all geared towards harmonizing actions toward water resources sustainability and improved solid waste management programs in the province.

Posters of different studies were also on display at the venue of the summit for viewing and ranking of the panel of judges. The entry from the De La Salle University-Dasmariñas for their study entitled Survey on Plastic Litter Along Imus River, Cavite, Philippines bagged the Best in Poster Award.

Among the esteemed guests who joined the program were Cavite State University President, Dr. Hernando Robles, Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs, Mr. Alvin S. Mojica, and 4th District Board Member Sher-nan S. Jar who all delivered messages of support and high hopes for the success of the environmental advocacies./PROVINCIAL INFORMATION OFFICER

SEARCH FOR THE MOST CREATIVE AUDIO-VISUAL MEDIA WORK THAT CAPTURE THE ESSENCE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP



As a prelude to the 2023 Cavite Entrepreneurship Student Conference, the spotlight focused on the audio-visual media work of students from 15 different universities in the search for the most creative audio-visual media work held on November 22, 2023 at the Sanggunang Panlalawigan Session Hall in Trece Martires City. The annual conference organized by the Office of the Provincial Cooperative Development Officer (OPCDO) in cooperation with the Department of Trade and Industry-Cavite has been a melting pot of ideas, a catalyst for innovation, and a platform for aspiring student entrepreneurs in the province.

Ms. Liza C. Gabatan, Entrepreneurial Division Head of OPCDO gave the opening message where she presented the program overview and welcomed the aspiring guests and participants. It was followed by the messages of Mr. Alvin S. Mojica, Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs, and Ms. Lilibeth R. Chavez, the OIC-Provincial Director of DTI-Cavite, who both left inspiring messages to the future generation of entrepreneurs.

The parade of creativity at the event reached new heights as students from the competing universities dazzle audiences with their creative audio-visual media works. Each participating university brought a unique perspective to the theme, weaving captivating narratives that explore the entrepreneurial spirit, underscoring the widespread interest and commitment among students from various academic institutions to explore the intersection of entrepreneurship and audio-visual media. Panel of judges who scored the artistic entries include Ms. Mia Rayray, Associate Dean of the College of Business Administration and Accountancy at De La Salle University-Dasmariñas, Mr. Mariano Sayno, an art director, photographer, designer, and travel blogger, and Mr. John Berlin Santos, a producer and video director. Exceptional entries stand a chance to be recognized, with accolades and rewards awaiting those who successfully encapsulate the entrepreneurial spirit in their audio-visual masterpieces that will be announced on November 29 during the 2023 Cavite Entrepreneurship Student Conference. The event concluded by distributing of certificate of participation of the judges and participants with the presence of Ms. Liza C. Gabatan./ OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL INFORMATION OFFICER

PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM ORIENTATION



The Office of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer (OPSWDO) organized a remarkable Orientation on the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program, with an aim of improving the level of well-being and break the intergenerational cycle of poverty, on November 17, 2023, at the Capitol Building’s Ceremonial Hall. Mr. Alvin Mojica, Provincial Administrator for Community Affairs, kicked off the event with an inspirational message, setting the tone for an informative session.

Mr. Jay O. Olaguir, Project Development Officer II, DSWD IV-A, delivered the keynote address, which navigated through the milestones of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program, which is anchored in Republic Act 11310. Participants gained a thorough understanding of the program’s framework, delving into the complexities of the Implementing Rules and Regulations that govern its implementation.

Mr. Olaguir further explained the Regional Memorandum Circular No. 001-s-2022, providing a comprehensive overview of updates on active households and the commendable progress of exit graduates in Cavite. Adding a personal touch to the proceedings, Ms. Marry Lyn Vil-lamor, Project Development Officer II of Citylink – Trece Martires City, shared her journey as a living testament and product of the 4Ps beneficiary program, underscoring the real impact on individual lives.

The diverse array of attendees, including representatives from PHO/Nutritionist, DepEd, Philhealth, 4Ps TMC, representatives from the different departments of the provincial government, and Cavite State University-Indang, showcased the combined effort towards community development. The program seamlessly integrated a workshop component, fostering a collaborative environment for knowledge exchange and strategic planning. As a fitting culmination, certificates were awarded, recognizing the dedication and commitment of the participants to the cause of advancing the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program’s objectives. The Orientation not only disseminated crucial information but also nurtured a sense of community and empowerment, emphasizing that the success of the program is a collective endeavor, uniting various sectors for the greater good of Cavite’s residents./OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL INFORMATION OFFICER