

Biotech success story continues to captivate kids in Davao City

The animated version of the only children's book in the country which attempts to explain agricultural biotechnology to young kids continues to captivate public elementary school children from

Magallanes Elementary School and Bolton Elementary School in Davao City. More than fifty students recently trooped to the Department of Education (DepEd) Library Hub

in Davao City to watch the said animation which talks about a town in Mindanao that was totally devastated by a typhoon but recovered and prospered when the town folks started planting biotech corn.

The story which was authored by Legacy Monsanto Philippines Corporate Affairs Lead, Chat Garrido-Ocampo, was inspired by the true story of Aling Conching Reyes from Lambayong, Sultan Kudarat. Aling Conching lost everything to Typhoon Frank in 2008 but still stuck to farming and was able to recover and succeed in life.

When Ocampo met Aling Conching, she was moved to write about the latter. "I really felt Aling Conching's inspiring story had to be told because not only did she get herself out of the claws of poverty through farming but she was also able to help an entire town transform from a life of poverty to that of prosperity," Ocampo said. Meantime, DepEd Library Hub Librarian Rosalie Antipuesto said that the animation is a creative way of helping children have a basic understanding of agricultural biotechnology while stirring them to look at agriculture as an interesting and promising field.

"By listening to the story, the kids were able to

appreciate better the work of our farmers." Said Antipuesto. "The kids were also inspired by how Aling Conching became successful through hard work and because her unflinching faith in God. The story effectively shared a lot of important lessons to guide these kids."

It has been eight years since Legacy Monsanto Philippines first conducted story-telling sessions based on Aling Conching's story.

When the book came out in 2011, we started our story-telling activities and we have already reached more than 10,000 kids since then," said Ocampo. "Hopefully, Aling Conching's story will find its way in classroom discussions as an excellent example of how people and communities can prosper through modern agriculture."

DILG to Mayors: Hold your Barangay Captains accountable for road obstructions

As the 60-day countdown to clear road obstructions progresses, the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) urges mayors to put their foot down, impose their authority, and hold barangay captains accountable for road obstructions.

DILG Undersecretary and Spokesperson Jonathan E. Malaya says that in clearing roads of illegal structures and obstructions, mayors are expected to take the lead

and ensure that barangay captains within their jurisdiction are cooperating and compliant.

"We have been deluged by complaints from the people about Barangay Captains who are failing to act and worse being complicit and actively tolerating road obstructions. The mayors have to make them accountable because that's their mandate and responsibility," he says.

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HEALTH CARE ASSISTANCE TO TRECEÑOS



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Consistent on its undertaking to provide quality health care assistance to the locals of Trece Martires City, volunteer doctors, dentists and other medical professionals from General Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital and the City Health Office, visited Barangay Lapidario on July 31, 2019 rendering free consultation and tooth extraction to a total of 446 patients.

Other services offered were random blood sugar testing by Multilab Diagnostic and Health Services, checking of weight and blood pressure, family planning counselling conducted by employees from the Provincial Population Office and distribution of prescribed medicines from the provincial government.

The event was graced by 7th District Board Members Ping Remulla and Lito Langit, TMC Mayor Gemma Lubigan, Vice Mayor Bobby Montehermoso and the members of the city and barangay councils. Source: cavite.gov.ph

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DepEd gives highlight to the importance of partnership on school health programs



Undersecretary Alain Del Pascua delivered his message on the 2019 Oplan Kalusugan sa DepEd national kick-off held in Banisil Central Elementary School, General Santos City.

The Department of Education (DepEd) underscored the important role of various stakeholders as partners in Oplan Kalusugan (OK) sa DepEd to help promote and provide Filipino learners with sustainable holistic school health and nutrition programs toward healthier behavior and better learning outcomes.

In a message read by Undersecretary Diosdado San Antonio during the national kickoff of the OK sa DepEd in Banisil Central Elementary School, General Santos City on July 24, Education Chief Leonor Magtolis Briones expressed her gratitude to the local government, and partners and stakehold-

ers from the non-government, business, and civil society organizations for their unwavering support to DepEd's various programs and reforms: "With 27 million learners and 800,000 teachers across the country, the Department could not carry out its constitutional mandate to provide every Filipino

with access to quality education without your help." OK sa DepEd, a convergence of the Department's health programs, plans, policies, and activities for effective and efficient implementation, focuses on the major school health programs such as: School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP); National Drug Education Program (NDEP); Adolescent Reproductive Health Education (ARH); Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools (WinS); Medical, Dental, and Nursing Services; and the School Mental Health Program.

Undersecretary for Administration Alain Del Pascua likewise highlighted the collaboration to ensure the implementation of health and nutrition programs to maintain and improve the health of school children and personnel: "Hindi natin kayang i-implement lahat ito nang walang tulong ang Department of Health, local

Cavite PNC Conducts Nutrition Forum

In celebration of Aktibo...Push Natin 'to!', the Cavite Provincial Nutrition Council through the Provincial Health Office conducted a Nutrition Forum at the Ceremonial Hall of the Provincial Capitol in Trece Martires City, Cavite on July 25, 2019. Over 130 participants comprised of employees from the different PGC Departments, Punong Barangays, Nutrition Action Officers, mem-

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PH AND MALAYSIA SIGN MOU ON HEALTH

The Health Department of the Philippines and Malaysia recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to collaborate further on the advancement of the health sector in the two countries. Secretary of Health Francisco Duque III who represented the Philippines and YB Datuk Seri Dr. Dzulkefly bin Ahmad, Minister of Health from the Government of Malaysia met in Putrajaya, Malaysia on 31st July 2019 to discuss the strengthening of the two countries' bilateral ties through collaborative activities for healthcare. Under the MOU, both countries agreed to collaborate in the areas of: primary healthcare; reproductive health; health education; human resources for health development; nutrition; exchange of information on issues related to food safety and quality including but not limited to rapid alert systems related to imported products; prevention and control of communicable diseases; prevention and control of non-communicable disease; regulatory control of pharmaceuticals; traditional medicines, herbal medicine, health supplements and cosmetic products; medical devices; health tourism; health researches; and healthcare services. The Philippines and Malaysia emphasized the importance of advancing collaboration to address cross-border health concerns amidst the rapidly changing global environment. This collaboration

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DepEd Region XII showcased the major health programs of the Department through an exhibit with the theme, "The Festivals of SOCCSKSARGEN."



Undersecretary Diosdado San Antonio read the message of Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones on the 2019 OK sa DepEd national kick-off held in Banisil Central Elementary School, General Santos City

(From page 1) nationwide starting this year, possibly in central elementary schools, in towns without municipal clinics, or in areas far from existing clinics. To support the operation of the said clinics, Pascua said he will request the Department's Curriculum and Instruction strand to deploy senior high school (SHS) students enrolled in health-related tracks to serve as clinic aides as part of their immersion program. Another immersion program for SHS students, specifically those under tracks related to food and beverages, is preparing nutritious food to be distributed to schools for the SBFP. To reach more schools and serve more learners, DepEd will likewise propose the provision of mobile clinics. Pascua added that the Department is also looking into requesting for doctors, nurses, and dentists in schools and augmenting the delivery of potable water in every school. Finally, Pascua saluted the city government of General Santos, under the leadership of Mayor Ronnel Rivera, for providing 15 dental chairs to schools in the city as part of its health-related program. Source: deped.gov.ph

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tion is crucial for the success of this program. And as elected leaders of their jurisdiction, the Mayors must exercise their power and put their foot down to ensure that barangays will follow the directive of the President seriously," says Malaya. Malaya reminds the mayors that they are the disciplining authority of barangay captains under the Local Government Code and not the national government. "Impose your authority. Huwag nang iasa pa ang pagbabantay sa mga barangay sa ating National Government." Section 32 of the Local Government Code states that "The city or municipality, through the city or municipal Mayor concerned, shall exercise general supervision over component Barangays to ensure that said Barangays act within the scope of their prescribed powers and functions." He says that if need be, in cases of resistance from barangay officials, the Mayors must exercise their political will and discipline these uncooperative community leaders. On July 29, 2019,

DILG Secretary Eduardo M. Año, through Memorandum Circular 121-121, gave mayors 60 days "to exercise their powers essential to reclaim public roads which are being used for private ends, and in the process rid them of illegal structures and constructions." The DILG's memo circular is in compliance with the SONA directive of President Rodrigo Duterte for the Department to ensure that LGUs shall clean up public roads of obstructions in order to ease traffic congestion in the metropolis. According to Malaya, now that the midterm elections are over, political affiliations should no longer be an issue because "officials must only focus on their mandate of delivering the needed service to the people." "Tapos na ang eleksyon. Trabaho na dilg.gov.ph

Regardless of whether kapartido o hindi, they should suspend or reprimand Barangay captains who do not comply with the President's directive," the DILG Spokesperson says. Malaya explains that road obstructions will not happen without the knowledge of the Barangay Captain. "Sabi nga ni Secretary Año, imposibleng wala silang alam sa pagtatayo ng mga road obstruction na 'yan. It is just proper that they rectify their actions by cooperating to the clearing operations of the local government unit," he says. The DILG Undersecretary also adds that barangay halls on sidewalks should be self-demolished by the Barangay, together with other obstructions leading to main roads and thoroughfares. Source: dilg.gov.ph

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(From page 2) both countries in tackling and resolving health issues," Philippine Health Secretary Duque concluded. Source: doh.gov.ph

LINGGO NG KABATAAN LIST OF SCHEDULE

DAY 1	DAY 2
"SEMINAR ON AI AND AUTOMATION" 8:00AM AUG 5, 2019 CARMONA COMMUNITY CENTER	"STORY TELLING AT THE PARK" 7:00AM CARMONA COMMUNITY CENTER
	"BROKEN POETRY COMPETITION" 3:00PM CARMONA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
DAY 3	DAY 4
"JUDGING OF DOCUMENTARY FILM MAKING CONTEST" 9:00AM AUG 7, 2019 CARMONA MUNICIPAL PENTHOUSE	"URBAN CLEAN-UP & TREE PLANTING" 5:30AM AUG 8, 2019 SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
DAY 5	
"PALARONG LAHI" 4:00PM AUG 9, 2019 CARMONA COMMUNITY CENTER	"PAINTING EXHIBIT" AUG 5-9, 2019 CARMONA MUNICIPAL HALL

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On July 30, 2019 a total of 420 residents of Brgy. Gregorio, Trece Martirez City availed free healthcare services including medical consultation and tooth extraction during the Provincial Government's medical and dental mission. The program which aims to promote better health was spearheaded by the OPG-Extension office in collaboration with the Provincial Health Office (PHO) that engaged the help of their doctors, dentists and staff in providing the free services. Board Members Ping Remulla and Lito Langit were present at the event to show their full support to the program together with City Mayor Gemma Lubigan, Vice Mayor Bobby Montehermoso and the city councilors of Trece Martirez. The activity was also made possible with the cooperation of the local officials of Barangay Gregorio.



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(From page 3) fully designed plans that include the feeding routes, menus, and schedule be effectively implemented. At the end, the health of our children is a collective responsibility of all community stakeholders. They are the builders of the future and as we know, building is no easy task. Hence, let us ensure that they are nourished properly so that they can possess a healthy body and most importantly, a healthy mind.

Nevertheless, the success of this mobile feeding model lies on everyone's hand. It requires continued community collaboration so that the care-

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Sa Dasmariñas, mga bata ang bida! Source: <https://www.facebook.com/barzagapidi>

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Data from the Food and Nutrition Institute (FNRI) of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) for the 2016 Updating of the Nutritional Status of Filipino Children and Other Population Groups Survey revealed that incidence and prevalence of malnutrition was increasing since 2013. In fact, two out of 10 Filipino children were found to be underweight.

It is for this alarming figure that the City Government intensified its measure to fight off malnutrition and promote proper nutrition, particularly among its young constituents. In fact, last October 17, 2018, the City Government—through the initiative and combined efforts of then Mayor Pidi and Cong. Jennifer Barzaga—purchased five (5) food trucks in the amount of Eight Million Eight Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand and Seven Hundred Fifty Pesos (P8,898,750.00). Rounding the streets of barangays, it is hard to miss the colorful truck with large pictures of City Mascots. This is to portray that with good nutrition, our children can actualize their dreams and be an engineer like Das Sipag, a doctor like Mar Dunong, a teacher like Fairy Paro, a nurse like Inas Sinop and a policeman like City Pulis.

These food trucks were blessed and launched on July 13, 2019 at Zone 11, Barangay Sampaloc IV. A total of three hundred (300) kids received a nutritious soup, ensaymada, and chocolate drink. The other food trucks drove to the covered court at Barangay Luzviminda II and fed two

hundred (200) children. Present in this momentous event were Mayor Jenny Cong. Pidi, City Councilor Kiko Barzaga, and other Sangguniang Panlungsod Members (SPMs). Undernourished children and those who were identified to be nutritionally-at-risk are given priority in this program. Through the cooperation of the City Government, on a 1PM and 3PM schedule. Last July 20, 2019, two hundred (200) kids from Barangay San Manuel I and II were served foods at the large window on each side of the food truck that pulls open to form an awning and fold out table. The number of recipient kids multiplied on July 27, 2019 totaling ten (10) barangays. All of the to One Thousand and Fifty (1,050). Children came

from the following barangays: Barangay Sta. Cristina I (100 kids), Barangay San Francisco I (100 kids), Barangay Sta. Cristina II (100 kids), Barangay San Francisco II (100 kids), Barangay San Andres I (100 kids), Barangay San Andres II (100 kids), Barangay San Simon (100 kids), Barangay Victoria Reyes (150 kids). This ready-to-go food trucks are to continuously round the City every Saturday until all the seventy-five (75) barangays.

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PGC's Medical and Dental Mission



The Provincial Government of Cavite once again provided free health care services to indigent residents of Noveleta through a medical and dental mission held at Poblacion Covered Court on July 29, 2019. Punong Barangay Jerome Alvarez, on behalf of the barangay council was very grateful for the provincial government's program for their constituents. A total of 347 patients benefitted from the medical and dental check-up and tooth extraction performed by the doctors, dentists and technical staff from Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo Memorial Hospital and OPG-Extension. Barangay Health Workers also assisted the medical team while the Provincial Population Office employees guided the parents on proper birth spacing. The mission was made possible through the request of Noveleta Municipal High School Batch 87 headed by its president Ms. Marife E. Samson. Source: cavite.gov.ph

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- ☑ Pagsusuka o Pananakit ng tiyan
- ☑ Pagdudugo

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DENGUE FEVER

Paano maiiwasan ang Dengue?

- ☑ Panatiliing malinis ang kapaligiran
- ☑ Magsuot ng damit na may mahabang manggas
- ☑ Lagyan ng screen ang mga bintana at pinto
- ☑ Gumamit ng kulambo sa kwarto
- ☑ Takpan ang mga ipong tubig
- ☑ Magpahid ng anti-mosquito lotion

"Sa unang sintomas ng Dengue, huwag itong ipawalang-bahala at kumonsulta agad sa inyong doktor."

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