



Bago City Celebrates

51st Charter Anniversary

"Together in Quest for the Best - Go, Bago!"

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RE: ARTA Rating of Bago City

Official Statement of Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo

We are deeply honored by the Anti Red Tape ratings of the CSC conferring upon Bago City as "excellent".

It is a testament to the dedication and hard work of the civil servants of city hall.

Credit belongs to the men and women, from the utility worker up to the Department Heads, who day in and day out continue their selfless task of serving the needs of the people of Bago. We are, however, at same time, humbled by this ratings and will be inspired further with this accolade to do more for our people.

While this recognition warms our heart it is the fulfillment of seeing our clientele served to their satisfaction that motivates us. On this occasion we would like to thank the Civil Service Commission!

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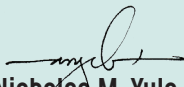
Office of the City Mayor

I congratulate my fellow Bagonhon as we celebrate the 51st Charter Anniversary of our City. Last year we marked in the best way we could our gratitude and remembrances of the first fifty years of our cityhood. Our pride for our city and our part in it was fully evident as we enthusiastically sang, "home of the champions and of the brave..." One activity, we were so proud of was the recognition and commendation of almost three hundred Bagonhon who have excelled in their different fields thereby putting Bago on the national, and even on the world map.

The first fifty years has taught us valuable lessons in building our City; one of which is that any advancement that occurs in our City becomes significant and effective only if hand in hand we work for its progress. One group alone or the Local Government Unit alone cannot do it. There is a need for all to cooperate, to do their share, to put in their talents and minds, avail and share resources in the best way possible, and utilize the availability of different linkages so significant strides can be reached in our struggle to reinvigorate and stimulate advancement in our City.

We feel so blessed to have reached and celebrated our Golden Anniversary. Further, we are renewed with the conviction that hard work and unity of efforts coupled with trust in God make us ready to face the challenges of the future. And as we do our different tasks let us do them to the best we can; thereby, bringing our city to the place where we want it to be.

"Together in quest for the best – Go, Bago!!!"


Nicholas M. Yulo
City Mayor



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Office of the City Vice Mayor



A year has passed since we joyfully celebrated the Golden Charter Anniversary of our beloved Bago City. It was a memorable celebration done with profound thanks in our hearts for God's benevolence that allowed our City to last that long.

To reflect on how Bago City came about and grew strong despite the many challenges it encountered is to remember that we "stand on the shoulders of giants". Some Bagonhons who rose to prominence in the '70s saw the potentials of Bago and worked that it be transformed into a City. Indeed, we are fortunate to be heirs of the legacy left by these men and women who believe in the capacity of our place, and in our ability to carry through the initiative of passing to brisk cityhood from rustic township.

This year we observe our 51st Charter Anniversary and while our celebration might be simpler and low key as compared to last year's; nevertheless, we welcome it and will enjoy the various activities prepared. These activities are prepared with an eye for promoting unity and pride for our City. Let us cooperate to make this celebration meaningful. Let us also help to make our City a peaceful, safe, healthy, progressive, and happy home for everyone. Everybody's effort means a lot.

Congratulations!!!


Rardon D. Torres
City Vice Mayor



51st Charter Anniversary Celebration

Schedule of Activities

February 10 to 19, 2017

DATE / TIME	EVENT	VENUE	SPONSORS
10 FEBRUARY 2017 Friday - Whole Day	Youth Summit	MYTMCCC	POP COM Ms. Yolanda Barcenilla
12 FEBRUARY 2017 Sunday - 5:30AM	ALAY LAKAD	Torres St.-Celis-Araneta-Gen. Luna -Hilario to Bantayan Park	CSSDO Ms. Ma. Elena Y. Millevo & Ms. Lea Canayon
13 FEBRUARY 2017 Monday - 8:00AM - 12:00NN	Brookside Garden Academy 23rd Foundation Day	MYTMCCC	Ms. Althea A. Millan
4:00PM 13 - 19 FEBRUARY 2017	Opening Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair One Barangay, One Product	Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)	City Mayor's Office Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Ms. Rosseni G. Mina Investment & Promotions Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar
4:00PM - 12:00MN	Bantayan Park Food Market	Bantayan Park	Ms. Ana Freida C. Mayores
6:00PM	Patik Baylan	Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)	Mr. Clem Del Castillo/Mr. Wenceslao Narrazo
7:00PM	Party @ the Park	Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)	Mr. Jose Jumabong
8:00PM	Charter Day Opening Night Polo Ravales and CJ Marin	Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)	Mr. Ace A. Balboa
9:00PM	FIREWORKS DISPLAY	Bantayan Park Bago River	City Mayor's Office Ms. Rosseni G. Mina & Mr. Joe Jumabong
14 FEBRUARY 2017 Tuesday Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair One Barangay, One Product	Bantayan Park Barangay Booths	City Mayor's Office Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Ms. Rosseni G. Mina Investment & Promotions - Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar
	Amateur Boxing	ABAP Gym	Mr. Ignacio Denila
4:00PM - 12:00MN	Bantayan Park Food Market	Bantayan Park	Ms. Ana Freida C. Mayores
6:00PM	Diwata sang Bago Pageant Night with Inigo Pascual	MYTMCCC	HRMO Ms. Tricia Y. Matti
7:00PM	Party @ the Park	Bantayan Park	Mr. Jose Jumabong
15 FEBRUARY 2017 Wednesday Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair One Barangay, One Product	Bantayan Park Barangay Booths	City Mayor's Office Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Ms. Rosseni G. Mina Investment & Promotions - Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar
2:00PM	Blessing & Inauguration of City Health Office Annex Building	City Health Office	Dr. Ferdinand Ramon Mayoga
4:00PM - 12:00MN	Bantayan Park Food Market	Bantayan Park	Ms. Ana Freida C. Mayores
7:00AM - 10:00PM	Lechon Festival/Talentadong Tatay	MYTMCCC	CSSDO Ms. Ma. Elena Y. Millevo/ Ms. Jessie G. Bautista
7:00PM - 10:00PM	The Divas... A Night of Glamour	Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)	Mr. Kenwee Alipato
8:00PM	Party @ the Park	Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)	Mr. Jose Jumabong
16 FEBRUARY 2017 Thursday Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair One Barangay, One Product	Bantayan Park Barangay Booths	City Mayor's Office Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Ms. Rosseni G. Mina Investment & Promotions - Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar
8:00AM - 5:00PM	Skills Olympics	Bantayan Park	CCO/TLDC - Dr. Felicitas S. Acosido
	DepEd Promenade	MYTMCCC	Ms. Lorlinie Ortillo, Ph D. CESO IV
1:00PM	Paindis Indis sa Pinakamanamit nga Linuto Himu sa Bugas	Bantayan Park	Soroptimist International Metro Bago
4:00PM - 12:00MN	Bantayan Park Food Market	Bantayan Park	Ms. Ana Freida C. Mayores
7:00PM	JAZZ Night featuring: WORKING STIFF	Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)	City Mayor's Office - Mr. Jose Jumabong
	Party @ the Park	Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)	Mr. Jose Jumabong

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17 FEBRUARY 2017 Friday Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair <i>One Barangay, One Product</i>	Bantayan Park	City Mayor's Office <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i> Investment & Promotions - <i>Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar</i>
	City Government Employees Day with Kim Domingo and Jon Santos	MYTMCCC	HRMO - <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i>
4:00PM - 12:00MN	Bantayan Park Food Market	Bantayan Park	<i>Ms. Ana Freida C. Mayores</i>
7:00PM	BOOM Music Fest with Boyband PH	Manuel Y. Torres Sports Center	<i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Mr. Ace A. Balboa</i>
8:00PM	Party @ the Park	Bantayan Park	<i>Mr. Jose Jumabong</i>
18 FEBRUARY 2017 Saturday - 9:00AM	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair <i>One Barangay, One Product (Judging)</i>	Bantayan Park <i>Barangay Booths</i>	City Mayor's Office <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i> Investment & Promotions - <i>Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar</i>
10:00AM - 2:00PM	10th GAWAD BAGONHON	MYTMCCC	Tourism Affairs Office - <i>Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i>
	Distribution of Certificate of Lot Award	MYTMCCC	<i>Engr. Denny Millevo</i>
1:00PM	RTNHS Play Ground Demo	Manuel Y. Torres Sports Center	<i>Mr. Fortunato Filomeno</i>
4:00PM	Funtastic Z Party	Bantayan Park <i>Stage I (Activity Center)</i>	<i>Ms. Ruby Abellar</i>
4:00PM - 12:00MN	Bantayan Park Food Market	Bantayan Park	<i>Ms. Ana Freida C. Mayores</i>
6:00PM - 10:00PM	B-Boy B-Girl Dance Battle	Bantayan Park <i>Stage II (near DENR)</i>	<i>Mr. Francis Lagradilla/Mr. Earl Montano</i>
8:00PM	Party @ the Park	Bantayan Park <i>Stage I (Activity Center)</i>	<i>Mr. Jose Jumabong</i>
	Street Party	Festival Street	<i>Mr. Jose Jumabong</i>
19 FEBRUARY 2017 Sunday - 5:30AM	Thanksgiving Mass	St. John the Baptist Church	CSSDO <i>Ms. Ma. Elena Y. Millevo</i>
7:00AM	51st Charter Anniversary Parade	Gen. Luna-Torres-Celis-Araneta-Gen. Luna-Hilario Yulo to Bantayan Park Activity Center	PNP <i>P/Supt. David Cachumbo</i> <i>Mr. Orlando Cezar/Francis Lagradilla</i>
Whole Day	Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair <i>One Barangay, One Product</i>	Bantayan Park <i>Barangay Booths</i>	City Mayor's Office <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i> Investment & Promotions - <i>Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar</i>
	Farmers Day	Bantayan Park	Office of the City Agriculturist <i>Mr. Carlito Indencia</i>
	Karabag-O Festival	Manuel Y. Torres Sports Center	City Vet - <i>Ms. Ma. Fe N. Villar</i>
9:00AM - 12:00NN	Babaylan Forum	Bago City Community Center	<i>Mr. Clem Del Castillo</i>
1:30PM - 2:30PM	Babaylan Street Dance Competition	Bantayan Park-Hilario Yulo St. Gen. Luna St. - Gonzaga St.	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Rosseni G. Mina, Mr. Clem Del Castillo</i> <i>Mr. Joseph Aunzo</i>
2:00PM - 7:00PM	"Bata Baylan" & Babaylan Stage Competition	MYTMCCC	Tourism Affairs Office <i>Ms. Rosseni G. Mina, Mr. Clem Del Castillo</i> <i>Mr. Joseph Aunzo</i>
4:00PM - 12:00MN	Bantayan Park Food Market	Bantayan Park	<i>Ms. Ana Freida C. Mayores</i>
7:00PM	Awarding & Closing Ceremonies Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair <i>One Barangay, One Product</i>	Bantayan Park <i>Barangay Booths</i>	City Mayor's Office <i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti</i> <i>Ms. Rosseni G. Mina</i>
8:00PM	I Love my Sisters - CHERUB Love Wins feat: Kristof Garcia & Myrtle Sarrosa with CTGuys	Bantayan Park <i>Stage II (near DENR)</i>	<i>Mr. Ace A. Balboa</i>
	BOOM Music Fest - All Access	Festival Street	<i>Ms. Tricia Y. Matti/Mr. Ace A. Balboa</i>
9:00PM	Charter Day Highlights featuring: Maja Salvador and Hashtags	Festival Street	<i>Mr. Ace A. Balboa</i>
10:00PM	Party @ the Park	Bantayan Park <i>Stage I (Activity Center) & Stage II (near DENR)</i>	<i>Mr. Jose Jumabong</i>
	Street Party	Festival Street	<i>Mr. Jose Jumabong</i>
10:30PM	Fireworks Display	Bantayan Park	<i>Mr. Jose Jumabong</i>

Bago sets environmental protection fee

Bago City leads the towns and cities of the country as the first Local Government Unit to implement the Environment Protection Fee.

A stakeholders forum was conducted last January 30 that was participated in by officials from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, B-Wiser, USAID and city officials led by Mayor Nicholas Yulo and Vice Mayor Ramon Torres with irrigators associations and other industrial and agricultural representatives present.

Yulo thanked the multi-partite participation and cooperation among the stakeholders for the passage of the ordinance and for the fast implementation of the Environmental Protection Fee. He said the ordinance is a comprehensive one that will help bring sustainable supply of water in the coming years.

He said the move of the city council, through the help of the B-Wiser, USAID and the DENR was a momentous one and should be replicated in other cities and towns of the province and eventually the whole country for the benefit of our forests.

"Bago City is a prime rice area of the province with perpetual need for water for its production, therefore, has to contribute for the preservation of the water sheds", he added.

Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer, Andre Untal said the environmental protection fee is recompensation for the drawing of ground water, rivers, lakes and other bodies of water for house hold consumptions, irrigations, industrial and other



The participants of the stakeholders forum last January 30 at the City Coliseum. / CENRO photo

uses. He said the fee will be collected by the LGU to support the protection of the environment, especially the forest.

"If we have healthy forest, then there will be a sustainable supply of water, if there is enough water, then we will have better productivity, there will be enough food ; it's a give and take theory", he said.

Untal also called on the LGUs of the north, especially those that benefitted from the Northern Negros forest and some coastal area where the body of water meets the sea. "It's a ridge to reef coverage program", he said.

Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer, Joan Nathaniel Gerangaya, hailed the city for its fast resolve of the program. He said political will played a part in the swift implementation of the project.

He said that, as for fee rates, a minimal amount will be charged for the household

users with a bit of difference for industrial and agricultural sectors. The Mt. Kanlaon Natural Park where the head waters of Bago River come from will be the sole beneficiary of the collected fund through reforestation and forest rehabilitation, Gerangaya added.

Meanwhile, the irrigators group of the city represented by Negros Island Region Irrigators Association president, Rosemary Caunca, expressed their willingness to pay. She said, it is but necessary and the ripe time for the consumers to pay back whatever they had used.

Caunca said that nature must be replenished and restored to its grandeur in order to provide whatever is needed by the people. "The environmental protection fee is minimal as compared to the benefit it will give to our children later", she added. / *Visayan Daily Star News*

Bago City gets 'excellent' ARTA rating

The Civil Service Commission (CSC), through its 2016 Anti-Red Tape Act (ARTA) Report Card Survey (RCS), has given the City Government of Bago an "excellent" grade in terms of the public's perception on the quality, efficiency, and adequacy of services it provides.

Bago City is the only local government unit (LGU) in Negros Occidental and in Visayas region included in the 140 agencies, sectors, and institutions in the country that received the highest ratings.

The figure comprised only 12.62 percent of the total 1,109 government service offices surveyed by the CSC from March to December last year.

CSC, in its website, said the RCS measures the service offices' compliance with the provisions of ARTA such as posting of the Citizen's Charter, anti-fixer initiatives, wearing of ID or having nameplates for service providers, having Public Assistance and

Complaints Desk, and observance of "No Noon Break" policy.

It also determines overall client satisfaction in terms of overall service quality of the agency, and perception on physical setup and basic facilities of the office, the agency said.

Selection of target agencies was based on high-density transactions and number of complaints or feedback received. Focus was also given to local government units and agencies providing social services, it added.

Bago City Mayor Nicholas Yulo on Tuesday said the "excellent" rating given by the CSC is a testament to the dedication and hardwork of the city government employees.

Yulo said the credit belongs to all City Hall workers, from the utility workers up to the department heads, who are continuing their tasks of addressing the needs of the people.

"We are deeply honored and humbled by



The Civil Service Commission is the lead agency in the implementation of RA 9485 or the Anti-Red Tape Act of 2007 (ARTA). In this year's RCS, Bago City gained a numerical rating of 90-100 with no failed or delinquent rating in any sub-area.

this rating which will further inspire us to do more for our people," he said, adding that "it is the fulfillment of seeing our clientele served to their satisfaction that motivates us." / *SunStar Bacolod News*

Lights of Bago positioned as major tourist attraction



FIREWORKS. Mayor Nicholas Yulo and Vice Mayor Ramon Torres enjoying the 15 minute fireworks show at the Sports Center. / Erwin Nicavera photo

The City Government of Bago is planning to institutionalize the annual Lights of Bago as one of its major tourist attractions.

Mayor Nicholas Yulo, who led this year's staging of Lights of Bago at the Manuel Y. Torres Memorial Sports Center, said he will ask the City Council to pass an ordinance, making it an annual tourism event. Yulo said the Lights of Bago, now on its ninth year,

draws about 50,000 people every year.

"It has put the city on the tourism map and is contributing a lot in developing the local economy," he said, adding that the Lights of Bago is the first synchronized fireworks display in the province that gathers the most number of spectators.

The mayor recalled that the idea of staging the annual event every New Year's night

was started by European Raymond Stoffel, a retired international corporate lawyer from Luxembourg, whose wife is from Barangay Poblacion in Bago City.

Stoffel, however, had to go back to Europe which paved way for the city government to assume the hosting of the musical fireworks display since its second year.

This year, the local government allocated P500,000 for the event, Yulo said.

Themed "Heal the World," the 9th Lights of Bago was a tribute to the King of Pop Michael Jackson.

Featuring a medley of Jackson's greatest hits, the 15-minute fireworks display amazed thousands of spectators from Bago and other cities and towns in Negros Occidental.

"We are paying tribute to Michael Jackson whose songs like Heal the World have inspired us to unite, be more resilient, and continue moving forward," Yulo said.

The colorful lights in the sky also symbolize the city's brighter aspirations this year, he added.

To further spur local economy, the City Government put together within the venue other segments like live bands and food kiosks that enabled resident-entrepreneurs to earn. / *SunStar Bacolod News*

Sigabong sang mga Kanyon winners named



WREATH LAYING. Bago Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo led the wreath-laying at the monument of General Juan Araneta followed by Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres and Sangguniang Panlungsod members of Bago City.



The merged Barangays of Sampinit and Ilijan won the 2016 Sigabong sang mga Kanyon competition in connection with the 118th Al Cinco de Noviembre celebration in Bago City.

They bested 11 competing merged barangays and received P15, 000 in cash prize. Barangays Sagasa and Bagroy settled

for the second place and won P10, 000 cash. Third place went to Barangays Ma-ao and Mailum with a cash prize of P7, 000.

The criteria for judging include best re-enactment of the Al Cinco revolution and the loudest sigabong of the cannons. The said event is sponsored by the City Tourism Office led Senior Tourism Operations Officer Rosseni

Mina and Balay ni Tan Juan Museum curator Clem del Castillo.

Sigabong sang mga Kanyon is a one of a kind event which was hailed as Best Tourism Event in the country for Arts and Culture category in 2009 and 2010 by the Association of Tourism Officers of the Philippines. /

Bacolod City National High School wins 8th Bago City Fancy Drill competition



CHAMPION. Bacolod City National High School receiving their award from the judges and Bago City officials as first place winner of the 8th Bago City Invitational Fancy Drill Competition last November 5.

The Bacolod City National High School was declared champion during the 8th Invitational Fancy Drill Competition, in the 118th Al Cinco de Noviembre fiesta of Bago City.

City High, also the 2010 champion of the competition, bested Enriqueta Montilla de Esteban Memorial High School which settled for second place, Negros Occidental High School which won third place, STI- West Negros University, Colegio de Sta. Ana de Victorias of Victorias City, Philippine Normal University- Cadiz City, Carlos Hilado Memorial State College-Binalbagan, Southland College- Kabankalan City and La Castellana National High School.

The group from City High went home with the top prize of P20, 000 in cash and trophy. They were also adjudged best in Produc-

tion Number and their platoon leader, Ceejay Manabat won the Best in Platoon Leader award. Each special award has a cash prize of P3, 000 each and a plaque of recognition.

The second placer EMEMHS won P15, 000 cash and trophy and the Best in Street Performance special award. Third place winner NOHS on the other hand received P10, 000 in cash and trophy with Most Disciplined Unit and Best in Uniform special awards. STI- West Negros University was awarded with Best Narration special award.

The board of adjudicators from the Philippine Military Academy chose the Bacolod City National High School as champion after the said school accumulated the highest score from the different judging areas of the

competition which include tactical inspection and street fancy drill in the morning, problem solving quiz for the platoon leaders, and the arena performance.

Bago Mayor Nicholas Yulo said that the competition was designed to make the ROTC and CAT program in the province alive. He added that the Bago fancy drill tilt is in support of the policy of President Rodrigo Duterte to revive and strengthen the military training program to instill discipline and patriotism among the youth.

Further, in his welcome message, Mayor Yulo thanked the schools, principals and university presidents for joining the competition, and urged more schools to participate in next year's competition. /

Ma-ao Central High School tops Bago stage play contest

The Ramon Torres Ma-ao Sugar Central National High School in Brgy. Don Jorge Araneta bested 6 other high schools in Bago City during the recently concluded Al Cinco de Noviembre Stage Play- A Millennial Perspective held today, November 2 at Manuel Y. Torres Memorial Coliseum and Cultural Center.

The group was coached by Mr. Mark Gil Apurado and they took home P10, 000 as cash prize and the Best Script special award.

Second and third spots went to Ramon Torres Louisiana National High School and Ramon Torres National High School- Main respectively.

The said stage play is an effort of the City Government through the Tourism Office and DepEd Division of Bago City to instill and inculcate in the youth the greatness of our heroes and heroines who risked their lives to the revolution 118 years ago and known today as the Al Cinco de Noviembre. /



The group from Ramon Torres Ma-ao Sugar Central National High School emerges as the champion of the Al Cinco de Noviembre stage play contest in Bago City. / Eugene Diano photo

Bago wins Malolos' Fiesta Republica 2017



CHAMPIONS. Tourism Office staff led by Senior Tourism Operations Officer Rosseni Mina pose with the trophy and certificate of recognition (left) and Bago City dancers proudly wave the Philippine flag in front of the historic Barasoain church before the start of the parade (right). / Wenceslao Narazo and Francis Lagradilla composite photo

Bago City bested 10 other participants from all over the country during the Dulansangan, a dance- drama competition of Malolos City in celebration of their Fiesta Republica last January 23.

Mayor Nicholas Yulo, who led the delegation, sent 80 contingents to Malolos for the competition. They participated during the parade in the morning and the arena competition in the afternoon which lasted

until early morning of the following day.

According to Senior Tourism Operations Officer Rosseni Mina, the group took home P250, 000 as cash prize, trophy, and plaque of recognition.

Dulansangan is a national street dance-drama competition showcasing historical vignettes being staged in the streets depicting the distinctive heroic event in their respective locality. The participants are

competing in three levels- local, provincial and national.

It is being held during the Fiesta Republica, a celebration of history, arts and culture of the renaissance City of Malolos.

The participating group in the national level includes Bataan, Pampanga, Tarlac, Nueva Eija, Zambales, Bago City, Malabon City, Sorsogon, Benguet, Iligan City, and San Pablo City./

Bagonhon boxer Aston Palicte victorious in USA debut

Negros- born boxer "Mighty" Aston Palicte was triumphant in his United States debut over the weekend, defeating American Oscar Cantu via split decision in Las Vegas.

Palicte, who's ranked within the top-20 in the IBF (11th) and the WBO (15th), remained as the more aggressive fighter for all ten rounds, ultimately outstriking the very-game Cantu for the split decision victory.

The previously-unbeaten Cantu, ranked fourth in the world at flyweight, had his moments, but ultimately couldn't do enough to get the judges' nod.

Recently signing a promotional deal with Roy Jones Jr. Promotions, the Cebu-based Palicte improves to 22-2 in his career, while also claiming the vacant WBO inter-continental super flyweight title and snatching Cantu's NABF super flyweight crown.

At just 25-years of age, the powerful Palicte is definitely a name to watch out for, and could be on his way to becoming a world champion in the near future. / **ABS CBN NEWS**



VISIT. Bagonhon boxer Aston "Mighty" Palicte fresh from his successful US debut visits Mayor Nikko Yulo at his office after a motorcade prepared for him by the City Government. Also present are City Treasurer Ruben Balboa, Executive Assistant for Sports Ignacio Denila, his father, and Board Member Victor Javellana.

Bagonhon Pastor wins nat'l award as outstanding farmer



AWARD. Pastor Jerry Dionson accepts his award and prize as Outstanding Organic Agriculture Farmer in the country at the PICC in Pasay City. Joining him are his family, officials from Department of Agriculture and Mayor Nicholas Yulo.

A Bagonhon pastor and farmer won the Outstanding Organic Agriculture Farmer during the 46th Gawad Saka Award held at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) in Pasay City, Metro Manila last December 12, 2016.

Jerry Dionson is a pastor and strong advocate of organic agriculture for more than a decade now. He is a resident of Brgy. Tabunan, Bago City, where he created Grace Farm, named after his daughter whom he believe was given by God to him.

Dionson is a farmer-leader, having been elected as president of Tabunan Small Farmers

Association, president of the Federation of Irrigators of Central Negros, Board Member of the Organik na Negros! Organic Producers and Retailers Association or ONOPRA, first president of Vermi Practitioners Association of Negros and president of the Federation of Irrigators' Association.

Dionson's name was consistently in the nominations roll but every year he declined as he was part of the evaluating team. In 2015 the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist prodded him to accept the nomination as there is no one in his category anymore left to be nominated.

He accepted and within a week won the regional 2016 Gawad Saka as Outstanding Farmer in Small Farmer Category. The win from the regional level qualifies him to join the national derby on the same category for the 2016 National Organic Agriculture Awards.

Prior to this, Pastor Dionson was also awarded during the 2016 National Organic Agriculture Achievers Award as Outstanding Small Farmer in the Individual Category during the 13th National Organic Agriculture Congress held at Plaza del Norte Hotel and Convention Center in Laoag, Ilocos Norte, last November 23. /

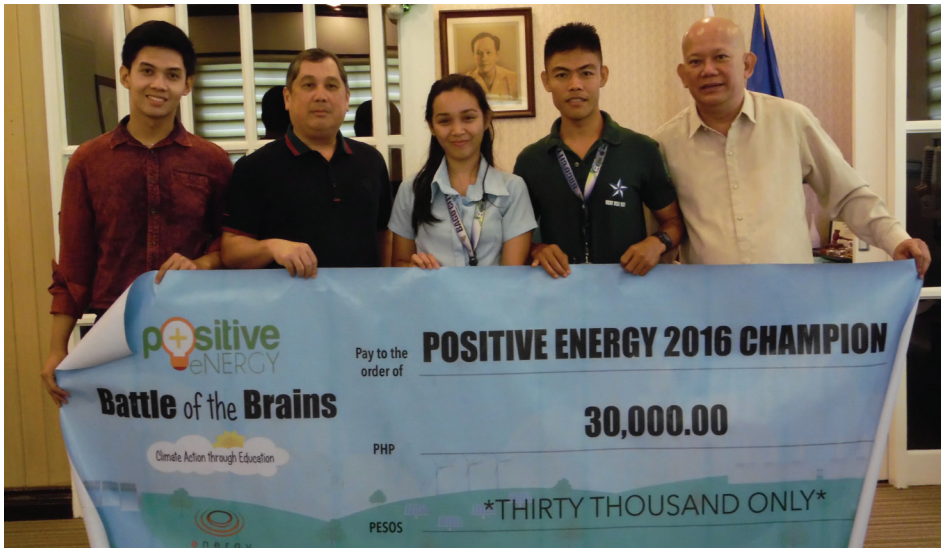


BIRTHDAY. Mayor Nikko Yulo blows the candle on his birthday cake during the surprise birthday party prepared by the City Mayor's Office for him.



MEETING. Mayor Nicholas Yulo welcomes National Irrigation Administration Chief Peter Lavina in Bago City during the latter's NIA Regional Management Conference held at the NIA- Negros Island Region (NIR) Office in Bago.

Bago City College awarded quiz bee champion in NIR



QUIZ BEE. Bago City College students Elmar Escoro and Cohlen Subere, champion in the Positive Energy Battle of the Brains sponsored by Energy Development Corporation visit Mayor Nikko Yulo at his office with their coach, Clint Eleazer Ricarse and College Administrator Gorgonio Parroco.

Bago City College in Negros Occidental was declared recently as the champion team in the grand finals of the Negros Island Region's first environmental quiz bee of Energy Development Corporation (EDC) dubbed "Positive Energy Battle of the Brains" last November 29 in Dumaguete City.

A total of P50,000 cash prize was awarded to Bago City College and student-winner by EDC.

The cash prize is divided among the student-winner Elmar Escoro and Cohlen Subere who received 20,000 and a trip to EDC's geothermal site in Valencia, Negros Oriental, while P30,000 goes to the school

along with bragging rights for being Negros Island's first Positive Energy Battle of the Brains champions.

First runner-up is Negros Oriental State University, represented by Michael Circulado and Alec Ramirez, while second runner-up is Asian College of Science and Technology in Dumaguete City, represented by Socrates Omega and Justin Capoquian.

This first NIR quiz bee focused on "climate action through education" participated in by other three grand finalists are Foundation University, Rommille Lijah Marquez and Ivan Christopher Cordevilla; Technological University of the Philippines Visayas - Jun Rey

Tabligan and Samuel Joy Francis Vargas; and Colegio San Agustin-Bacolod - Ryan Torrico and Ronalyn De La Cruz.

Knowledge is power and the only way to be able to save and fight for the environment is to learn about these topics, said Norreen Bautista, head of the Community Partnerships, External Relations, and Watershed Management Department of EDC, which spearheaded the activity.

"We chose the theme climate action through education because this quiz bee is for all of us. We need to spread awareness on facts related to climate change because it is real, it's happening, and we're all affected so we all need to do something to slow it down."

Bautista said there is still much to learn "before we can fully understand the situation of our environment and what we can do to fix it."

She added that Negros continues to be at the forefront of environmental preservation "and we, in EDC, are just glad to be a part of it as the region's only developer of abundant source of geothermal energy for the past 33 years".

The Battle of the Brains is in partnership with the Tourism Educators Council of Negros Oriental and Siquijor and media partners Drink Communications, Hush Events Solutions, Philippine Information Agency-Negros Oriental, and the Negros Press Club.

The information imparted during the event was verified by partner experts from the National Geothermal Association of the Philippines, Department of Energy Visayas, The Purpose Business, and Climate Reality PH. */PIAT7-Negros Oriental*



Bago Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo together with Councilor Joms Somcio, Myla Espende and CDRRMC Action Officer Dr. Merijene Ortizo receive the Regional Gawad Kalasag award for Bago City as the first place winner- Component City Category in the 2016 Search for Excellence in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management and Humanitarian Assistance held in Talisay City today, November 23. */Dr. Merijene Ortizo photo*



VAW-C. Bago City Mayor Nicholas Yulo together Executive Assistant Bernadette Somcio, CSSDO Ma. Elena Millevo, DILG Officer Mia Asuncion Gatilogo, Cleovel Villanueva with the delegates from Bago City join Vice President Leni Robredo President at the culmination of 18-day campaign to End Violence Against Women (EVAW) at Bacolod Pavillon Hotel last December 17.

LOB Photo Contest now on its 5th year



EXHIBIT. Opening of Lights of Bago Photo Exhibit at Robinsons Place with Bago Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres, First Lady Jarie Yulo, Bacolod City Administrator John Orola and Board Member Victor Javellana joined by City Councilors of Bago. / **Ronnie Baldonado photo**

This year's Lights of Bago photo contest was participated in by more than 66 photographers and hobbyists from all over Negros and other provinces- the biggest so far in the 5 years existence of the said event.

A total of 94 entries were displayed at the LOB Photo Exhibit at Robinsons Place- Bacolod which opened last January 6.

The contest was divided into two categories. The conventional category in which photos were taken by photographers using DSLR and mobile category where participants can submit entries using their mobile phone and tablets.

Mayor Nicholas Yulo and Vice Mayor Ramon Torres led the opening of the exhibit together with First Lady Jarie Yulo, Bacolod City Administrator Atty. John Orola, Board Member Victor Javellana, and City Councilors Carlos Mondia, Ma. Josefa Matti, Cleo Gaudite and Danilo Famoso. Also present were the city de-

partment heads and employees, guests from the tourism sector.

Judging of the said photos were done on the same day with Gary Lake Liza of Leo Vision, Dr. Jennyllind Cordero of the Provincial Tourism Office, Billy Lopue of the Camera Club of Negros, Mary Christine Tomas of Robinsons Place- Bcolod, and professional photographer Jay Jallorina.

The criteria include Visual Impact 30%, Technical Aspect to include exposure and focus 30% and Artistic Aspect including creativity and composition 40%.

Jerron Van Tomesa coveted the first place with P15, 000 cash prize in the conventional category followed by Quino Yao and John Kimwell Laluma with P10, 000 and P5, 000 cash prizes respectively.

The City also give P1,500 cash prizes to 5 runners up in the conventional category

namely; James Noel Araneta, Erwin Lim, Roberto Coscolluela, Romil Bernaje and Famelyn Villarias.

For the mobile category, top 5 winners who won P1, 000 cash prize include Nicole Arriana Resuma, Kip Hermosura, Kryshna Rae Sia, James Noel Araneta, and Ronalyn Cadigal.

Special awards were handed to the most popular photo on Facebook. The winners are John Kimwell Laluma (conventional), Nicole Arriana Resuma, Keith Nigel Picar, and Mike Melocoton (mobile). They all receive P1 thousand cash prize and a plaque of recognition.

The awarding ceremony was held on January 15, the last day of the exhibit. Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Councilor Mae Javellana, and First Lady Jarie Yulo gave the awards to the winners. /

8TH BAGO CITY INVITATIONAL FANCY DRILL COMPETITION



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**LA CASTELLANA NATIONAL
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MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL**



**3RD PLACE
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84 Boys and Girls lead City November 7-11

Eighty-four boys and girls from nine public secondary schools and five private secondary schools in the city of Bago participated in the observance of the Linggo Ng Kabataan on November 7 to 11, 2016. For a week the boys and girls held different positions in the city and with their counterparts led the City in its different functions and services as part of their training in the values of good citizenship and effective, transparent governance.

An election held during the Orientation Day on October 14, 2016 voted into office Pauline Anne Lamela and Jule Michael Alapar of Ramon Torres National High School (Main) and Our Lady of the Pillar Academy as Child Mayor and Vice Mayor respectively. Elected as B/G Sanggunian Panlungsod (SP) Members were: Princess Yulo, Ronald Rosquillo, Frij Bimbao, Rica Joyce B. Orense, Kathreen Torres, Leah Marbella, Recca Rey Jochico, Lhunar Jude Brizuela, Christel Pantajo, Princess Maravilla and Yana Angela Hermosura, ABC President. Other B/G officials and department heads have their names and positions printed elsewhere in this issue of the Citybridge.

The holding of the Linggo ng Kabataan has its basis on Chapter 10, Section 439 of R.A. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991 which mandates "that every barangay, municipality, city, and province shall, in coordination with the Pederasyon ng mga

Sangguniang Kabataan at all levels, conduct an annual activity to be known as Linggo Ng Kabataan". Whereas previous observances in Bago were held in October, since 2016 the celebration has to be observed every November in keeping with Republic Act 10661 or An Act Declaring November of Every Year As National Children's Month, signed by former President Benigno S. Aquino III on May 29, 2015. /BMS





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Conventional Category



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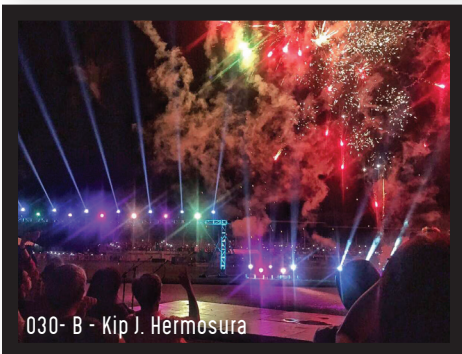
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Runners Up



Mobile Category



Facebook Winners



Conventional Category

Mobile Category



Along the Way

by: Bernadette M. Somcio

HERE WE ARE

The here and now is where we are; not in the past or in the future. The here and now is our reality; not in a time or place in which we are not present. These are not my original ideas, mind you. I read them somewhere and it has stuck in my mind and which I bring forth to the fore when I am in a quandary as to what is happening that I can not fathom nor ready to face. Or when I am in the depths of worry, problem or sadness. I always tell myself, "Focus in the here and now".

Why the philosophical tone, you may ask? Your question is quite profound. All I want to do is to muse for moment about our City and the celebrations which we have. There are two big ones you know, and there are several minor ones. The big ones are the November 5 event and the Charter Day Anniversary every February 19. These are dates which every Bagonhon knows or must know. No work, no classes? Whatever for?

We should be glad if everyone who lives in Bago has answers and realizes that the deeper search should be for the meaning of the two events. Every Bagonhon should be able to explain the rationale for the celebrations or tell of important details about the them. As Bagonhons we must be able to cite the historical values of the two important dates or we might not be considered as true blue Bagonhons. Of course we don't want to be considered "A Man Without A Country", the character in

a book of childhood that impressed on my mind the importance of having a country (a City) to be proud of, being loyal to it, and contributing something for its good.

It must be our mission therefore to know about November 5 and February 19;

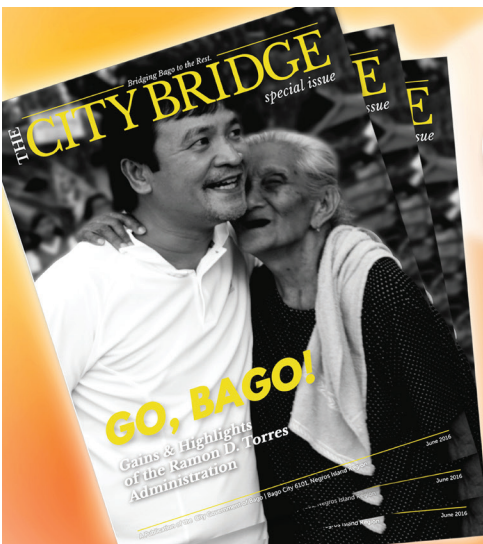
After we know why we are celebrating and we become rightfully proud of our City, we then must ask ourselves: What can we do to help make our City advance in any way? How can we share in making Bago a better place for all of us?

furthermore, to educate the young or the older Bagonhons who are "innocent" of these two events. Important in this mission are our educators because parents may also lack the know-ledge needed to fully explain. It is therefore a must for teachers to learn about these events as accurately as possible so that they convey such to their students who in turn will understand and grow up to be proud Bagonhons. The leadership in the Schools Division Office must see to it that this mission is carried faithfully year

in and year out. Maybe they can earmark a day or two when historical events and significant men and women of Bago can be introduced to our students.

Knowing, understanding and acting - keywords for us. After we know why we are celebrating and we become rightfully proud of our City, we then must ask ourselves: What can we do to help make our City advance in any way? How can we share in making Bago a better place for all of us? Young and old alike, men and women, students and out-of-school youth, well-off and not so, professionals and skilled workers, employed and not, public servants or private citizens - we have something to contribute. Our opinions and suggestions, our big and little actions count a lot. Bago can be outstanding if we do our share and we all act together.

On November 23, 1963, the young president of the United States of America was shot dead in Dallas, Texas; and I was not the only one who cried. Many of us cried not because we felt he was too young to die nor too handsome to leave the world so early. We cried because he had become a symbol of the challenge that if answered would make the world or each country, or each City, or community, a much better place to live in. On his inauguration, he hurled the famous words: "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country."/



Congratulations!

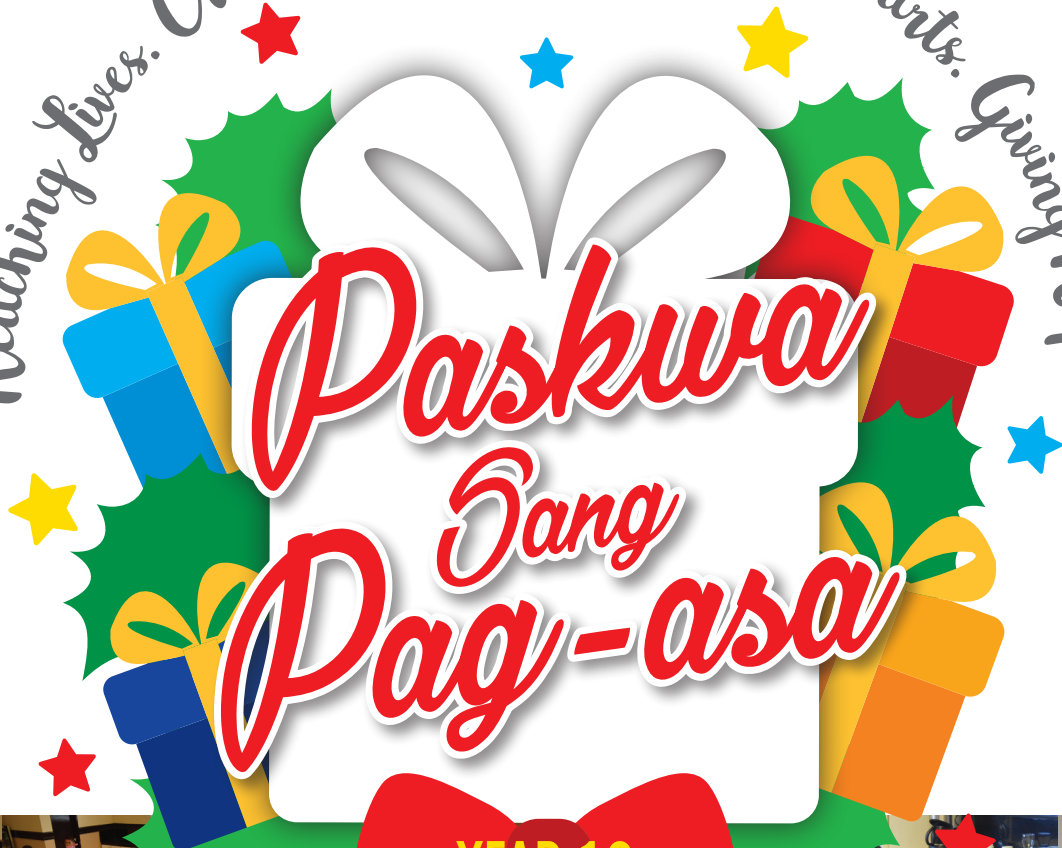
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YEAR 10





MARY JOY T. QUIAPO

- 13 years old
- Grade VI-2
- Abuanan Elementary School
- Prk. Dalia, Brgy. Abuanan, Bago City

Mary Joy is the second child among the 7 children. Susana, her mother, who earns P300 a day doing the laundry job while her father, Joeart who is suffering from kidney failure is the one who provides alone for their family because Susana just gave birth to their seventh child, Princess.

Mary Joy sometimes goes to school with an empty stomach and always has her lunch provided by the School Based Feeding Program. Her dream is to become a flight stewardess.



Sponsor: GSO



ANA CANAS

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-Gumamela
- Alianza Elementary School
- Brgy. Alianza, Bago City

Ana is the eldest among the 3 children of Aileen, a housewife and Dante who is working at a sugarcane plantation whose income is insufficient for the needs of their family.

Ana walks for about 5 kilometers on her way to school. Her wish for Christmas is to have solar emergency light to use when she study at night, a bicycle for her when she goes to school, a solar radio for them to use when there's a storm or calamity. She also wants to have enough rice for her family. She wants to be a teacher in the future.



Sponsor: CHO



SHAIRA VALLERA

- 8 years old
- Grade III-1
- A.M. Espinos Elementary Scho
- Brgy. Dulao, Bago City

Shaira is the daughter of Sherina, a housewife and Joji Vallera, a farmer and whose left eye is blind due to glaucoma. Their dream for Shaira is to finish her studies and reach her dreams. Shaira is the 2nd child among the 3 children.

Shaira's Christmas wish is to have a new bag, school supplies, and new clothes for her and for her siblings, canned goods, groceries, enough rice for their family and would like to have an emergency light for her baby brother at night.

She is a very bright child, in fact she is top 4 in their class. Her dream is to finish her studies and become a teacher.



Sponsor: City ADMIN



RHONJAY DIONES

- 7 years old
- Grade II-1
- Astro Farms Elementary School
- Brgy. DJA, Bago City

Rhonjay, 7 years old, is the youngest among the 3 children of Lanie Diones who separated twice from her former partners and whose work is their only source of living. Fortunately, Lanie's employer provides her 5 kilos of rice every week during off season. One of Rhonjay's siblings, Neon John was diagnosed with anemia.

Rhonjay walks his way to school for about 3 kilometers together with his siblings as early as 5 AM. His dream is to become a seaman to help his mother.



Sponsor: AGRI



KIM ALFONSO

- 8 years old
- Grade II-3
- Atipulan Elementary School
- Brgy. Atipulan, Bago City

Kim is an 8 year old, happy go lucky Grade II student. She is the eldest among the 3 children of Julie Pearl Alfonso, a housewife. Her father, Noli Alfonso, works in a sugarcane plantation earning P100.00 a day. The only thing that can make her happy is by having their house repaired. Her parents dream for her is to finish her studies and reach her dream becoming a chef.



Sponsor: CMO



KRISTEL ESTRADA

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-3
- J. Montilla Elementary School
- Brgy. Bacong, Bago City of Bago City

Kristel Estrada is an 11 year old, Grade VI student. She is the 2nd child of Teresita and Joel Estrada. They only have 2 lights and their potable water is from a deep well near them. As early as 6am Kristel is leaving for school together with her cousins. Of her P10-P13 allowance, she spends P3-P5 for miswa or vegetable stew for lunch. Her dream is to become a teacher, so she could teach small children.



Sponsor: CEO



RYAN R. ROMERO

- 13 years old
- Grade VI-1
- Bagroy Elementary School
- Brgy. Bagroy Bago City

Ryan is the son and third child of Nemia and Rafael Romero, who is suffering from glaucoma and could not see anything now not even a shadow. This causes him to stop working and Nemia shoulders all financial problems herself.

Ryan's teacher decided to adopt him in the school's feeding program because oftentimes he attends his class without eating anything. He is always dreaming of becoming a teacher.



Sponsor: CEO



ANA JOZA A. ROMANO

- 11 years old
- Grade IV-2
- B.S. Benedicto Elementary School
- Brgy. Binubuhan, Bago City

Ana Joza is living at Prk. Gumamela and has a twin sister Ana Jozel. Joseph, her father took the responsibility to stand as their mother and father for them because their mother, Anade died losing too much blood while giving birth to the twins. When she goes to school and doesn't have anything to eat, her teacher gives her snacks.

Ana Joza's dream is to become a teacher so she could help little children in the future.



Sponsor: CSSDO



MARK ANTHONY AMBONG

- 13 years old
- Grade IV-3
- M.L. Araneta Elementary School
- Brgy. Busay, Bago City

Mark Anthony is the second among five children of Edwin and May Grace. His parents were separated two years ago. Mark Anthony and his two siblings were left with his father while his two younger siblings were under the care of their grandmother in Bacolod City. They only have a small papag which they use as their bed. They have one small room wherein everything fits in, including their place for cooking.

Mark Anthony is very hardworking. He is always helping his father and brother in farming and taking good care of their neighbor's carabao.



Sponsor: SP



ROCHELLE DELA PEÑA

- 9 years old
- Grade III-4
- T. Morada Elementary School
- Brgy. Calumangan, Bago City

Rochelle lives at Prk. Gumamela and she is the youngest among the 5 siblings. She never got the chance to meet her family. All that she know is that her parents were separated and her father and siblings were living together in Manila. She's currently living with her grandparents.

She wants to be in the School Based Feeding Program in order to have a chance to eat a decent meal for lunch. Her dream is to become a Veterinarian.



Sponsor: CPDO



FAITH JOY SOLEDAD

- 9 years old
- Grade IV-2
- Caridad Elementary School
- Prk. Manga, Brgy. Caridad, Bago City

Faith Joy is a shy little girl. She is the eldest among the 3 children of Pamela and Mark. Faith Joy's right ear is currently being monitored because she can't hear anything sometimes.

She always walking her way to school together with her mother and younger brother. Her dream is to become a nurse. The thing that can make her happy is if someone will say "thank you" to her.



Sponsor: BCC



ARIEL TESALUNA

- 8 years old
- Grade III-1
- CA Dormido Elementary School
- Brgy. Mailum, Bago City

Ariel is the youngest among the 11 children of Arseña and Antonio. His father already died 5 years ago because of an accident. Although they are member of 4Ps Program and receiving an amount of P1600 every quarter, it's still not enough for their daily needs.

Ariel usually walks his way to school which is almost a kilometer away from their home. He wanted to be seaman so he could help his family to overcome poverty.



Sponsor: CTO



CARLO PANAQ

- 11 years old
- Grade V-1
- Vidal Cauntoy Elementary School
- Prk. Macasa, Brgy. Dulao, Bago City

Carlo is the eldest son of Rosemarie who married thrice and lives with her third husband in Manila. Carlo and her siblings live with their grandmother, Lola Herminigilda who works in a sugarcane field.

Every morning, Carlo leaves their house as early as 6 AM to start his 3-km journey to school.

Carlo is a bright student in fact he was the top one of their class when he was a Grade IV. His dream is to become a teacher.



Sponsor: Nutrition, CMO-ICE



JOEVIC SIDAYON

- 14 years old
- Grade VI-1
- Guanzon-Balgos Elementary School
- Brgy. Dulao, Bago City

Joevic is the third child of Victoria and Victor. They had 6 children and unfortunately their second child, Marvie died last year due to leukemia.

Joevic's school is 2 km away from their house. He always share his P10.00 allowance to his brother Marvin. His teacher lets him join the boy scouting for him to experience and earn extra points for his extra-curricular activities. He always dreamed of becoming an engineer to help his parents in overcoming poverty.



Sponsor: Assessor



KYLA PALMES

- 12 years old
- Grade V1-2
- R.S. Abinan Elementary School
- Brgy. Ilijan, Bago City

Kyla is a product of a broken family and the only child of Nicel Plames who separated from her husband and decided to left Kyla under the guidance of her parents to work in Bicol but didn't heard any news from her again.

As early as 6AM Kyla leaves their house to start her journey along sugarcane plantations and to cross a stream to reach the school. Despite her struggles every day, she still manages to be at the rank 5 of their class. Her dream is to become a stewardess, so she could go to different places.



Sponsor: VET, CMO - Investment



BIANCA CAMILLE QUEZON

- 12 years old
- Grade VI-3
- Jalsis Elementary School
- Brgy. Malingin, Bago City

Bianca Camille is the eldest of the 3 children of Susana, who is now married to her second husband Lory Villaruzza with 1 child. Their family usually eat 2 meals a day because their source of living is very limited and sometimes the Quezon siblings are not attending their classes for they are helping their mother chopping woods for extra income.

During rainy days, Bianca and her siblings would opt not to go to school for they don't have anything to protect themselves from getting wet. Although Bianca doesn't have shoes to wear when she goes to school, it's not a hindrance for her to dream of becoming a teacher someday.



Sponsor: Accounting



JESSA MONTESINO

- 11 years old
- Grade V-4
- J.L. Araneta Elementary School
- Brgy. Taloc, Bago City

Jessa is the daughter and third among the 5 children of Elisa and Garry. Her mother sells sea shells and would usually barter these for rice. Her father is a trisikad driver. One of Jessa's siblings died because of dengue when he was 4 years old.

Jessa is suffering from a blurry vision and her parents were not able to bring her to a doctor because their combined income is not even enough for their daily needs. Her dream is to become a nurse and her parents wanted to finish her studies and they also want all the best for Jessa.



Sponsor: SP



JENNY ROSE MARAVILLA

- 11 years old
- Grade V- Grapes
- L. Dela Rama Elementary School
- Brgy. Balingasag, Bago City

Jenny Rose is a bright child. She is the elder sister of Hanna Rose and both of them are rank no. 1 in their classes.

Jenny Rose's parents are Rosie and Rizalde who were separated several years already. She always walks 2-3 km on her way to school and whenever it rains she's only using plastic to cover herself. Her dream is to become a teacher someday.



Sponsor: LCR



RONALYN ROSES

- 11 years old
- Grade V- Mars
- Louisiana Elementary School
- Brgy. Ma-ao, Bago City

Ronalyn is a beautiful 11 year old and the second child of Pilar and Ricky Roses whose combined income is very insufficient for their family's needs. Her mother is 5 months pregnant.

Ronalyn leaves their house as early as 6 in the morning for she needs to pass of rice and sugarcane fields inorder to reach the school. She would always have her lunch under a tree with fried fish or egg as her viand. Ronalyn's dream is to work in an office in the future.



Sponsor: HRMO



ANA ROSE PARCON

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-2
- I. Lucasan Elementary School
- Brgy. Dulao, Bago City

The eldest of 5 children of Rose Jean and Richard is Ana Rose. She is excellent in drawing and always got the "well-behaved" award in their class. Ana Rose only goes to school once or twice a week because she needs to take good care of her younger siblings and do the household chores because her parents are working hard to provide for their daily expenses.

Her parents dream for her is to finish her studies and reach her dreams in life becoming a teacher someday.



Sponsor: BCC



PATRIA MAE PEDERO

- 13 years old
- Grade VI-6
- Ma-ao Elementary School
- Brgy. Ma-ao, Bago City

Patria Mae is the daughter of Ma. Aurelia and Jose Jerry. She is the third among the five children. Unfortunately, she is suffering from a certain skin disease. She's allergic to dust and air. Her skin forms blisters and everytime she scratches them, they bursts and they're very visible in her body.

Her father's income is not enough for their family needs that they sometimes can't eat rice for they cannot afford to buy it.

Patria walks 2km everyday to reach the school. Last year, her teacher gave her food for their Noche Buena and that inspires her to dream of becoming a teacher in the future.



Sponsor: CHO



JORHREN GUSTILLO

- 7 years old
- Grade II-Chico
- Mailum Elementary School
- Brgy. Mailum, Bago City

Jorhren aka "Gusti" is a cute little boy. He is the 3rd among the 4 children of Anabelle and Dominador.

Jorhren is very determined in his studies and he always attends his class even if it's raining. In fact, Gusti is an excellent reader. He goes to school barefooted and carries his slippers until he reach the school for he doesn't want his slippers to be worn out easily. His dream is to become a policeman and catch all the bad guys.



Sponsor: BCC



MEKAILA V. EGAN

- 12 years old
- Grade V-1
- R.M. Araneta Elementary School
- Brgy. Mailum, Bago City

Mekaila is a shy little girl. She is undernourished and was hospitalized last August for almost a month and diagnosed with pneumonia. Mekaila is the second among the five children of Amy and Folbert Egan. Their dream for Mekaila and her siblings is to finish their studies and to become what they wanted to be.

Mekaila goes to school with only one set of uniform. Her dream is to become a nurse so she could help poor people with illnesses.



Sponsor: Budget



CAMILLE D. VILLANUEVA

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-Jasper
- Ma-ao Sugar Central Elementary School
- Brgy. Ma-ao, Bago City

Camille is a product of a broken family and never got the chance to meet her parents for when she was still 3 months old, her parents separated and left her under the guidance of her grandmother, Lola Corazon.

Sometimes Camille goes to school without eating anything. Fortunately her concerned teacher let her join the School Based Feeding Program even if she's not qualified just to let her have something to eat. She always been dreaming of becoming a nurse.



Sponsor: CTO



JOHN WAYNE MEÑOSA

- 12 years old
- Grade V-2
- B. Araneta Elementary School
- Brgy. Napoles, Bago City

John Wayne is the youngest among the four children of Suanie and Angelo Meñosa. His parents got separated. His father has already a new family while his mother is now living with her second husband. John Wayne stays with his grandmother during the day and goes home at night because his grandmother and Suanie were not in good terms.

Everyday, John Wayne passes through several rice fields to go to school and he covers himself with plastic bag of fertilizer whenever it rains.

He see himself working in a big building in Manila.



Sponsor: POPCOM, Library, OSCA



ALEXIA E. CASABUENA

- 9 years old
- Grade IV-2
- Dr. A.R. Sian Elementary School
- Brgy. Napoles, Bago City

Alexia is the daughter of farmers, Riza and Alex whose combined income is not enough for their daily expenses. Alexia's younger brother is Alex who is currently in Grade I.

They consume 5 kg of rice every week and "pamupho" is their way of living.

Alexia leaves their house as early as six in the morning to walk for about 2 km in going to school. She's dreaming of becoming a policewoman one day.



Sponsor: COOP



JULDA BARGAMENTO

- 11 years old
- Grade VI-3
- Newton Jison Elementary School
- Brgy. Taloc, Bago City

Julda is one of the children of John Bee and Imelda. Their mother accepts laundry job from the neighborhood while her father works as a farmer. Sometimes her grandmother helps them with their daily needs.

Their house is located within the boundary of Barangays Taloc and Busay.

When she finish her schooling, she dreams to be a teacher to help and teach children to become brilliant.



Sponsor: BCH - Nursing Service



Sponsor: Tourism, BAMR, MayBank

NIÑO M. FRANCISCO

- 7 years old
- Grade II-1
- Dr. P.F. Elizalde Elementary School
- Brgy. Bacong, Bago City



Niño and his younger sister are products of a broken family. Their parents Elen and Franklin were separated several years ago. He and his sister are now staying with their grandmother, Lola Cecilia, who doesn't have any source of living and only depends on the money being sent by her children.

Despite of all the trials that Niño encounter in life at a very young age, he still managed to be the top 3 of their class. His lifelong dream is to become a painter.



Sponsor: BCH - Admin

JUSTINE ASGAR

- 10 years old
- Grade V-1
- RM Salas Elementary School
- Prk. Tangkong, Brgy. Pacol, Bago City

Justine is the eldest among the 3 children of Jane and Sandro. Justine's parents are very hardworking. Their dream for Justine is to finish his studies and reach his dreams in life.

Justine constantly walks 1-2 km every day in going to school. When he doesn't have any allowance at school her teacher would give him P5.00 for him to buy his own snacks.

He wants to be a policeman in the future.



Sponsor: Legal

ANGEL DE JESUS

- 10 years old
- Grade V-2
- Sagasa Elementary School
- Brgy. Sagasa, Bago City



Angel is the 4th child among the 6 children of Josephine and Jonie de Jesus. Their family is a member of 4Ps program and this somehow can help in their daily expenses.

Every day Angel is walking almost 3 kilometers to reach the school. Despite of poverty, Angel still made it to be one of the top students in their class and ranks number 3.

Angel's dream is to become a teacher and her parents wanted the best for her and to reach her dreams.



Sponsor: CMO-BAC

RODOLFO GANTALAO III

- 9 years old
- Grade IV
- Makilan Elementary School
- Brgy. Tabunan, Bago City

Among the 8 children of Rodolfo Jr. and Melanie, Rodolfo is the youngest. His father can no longer work because he was being injured after he fell from a mango tree while working. And now his mother is in financial difficulties because her income is insufficient for their needs.

Rodolfo usually brings rice as his baon for lunch and buys soup at school for his viand.

His dream is to become a doctor someday because he wants to help his father from his present condition.

Barangays	Date	Target Beneficiaries	Actual Beneficiaries
Paskwa Sang Pag-asa Kids	December 20-22, 2016	31	31
Inmates - BJMP	Tuesday, December 27, 2016	150	185
PWD & War Veterans	Wednesday, December 28, 2016	100	105
Brgy. Dulao	Wednesday, January 04, 2017	90	100
Brgy. Tabunan		90	100
Brgy. Bacong (w/ old clothes)	Thursday, January 05, 2017	90	110
Brgy. Malingin		90	100
Brgy. Sampinit		90	105
Brgy. Mailum		90	100
Brgy. Ilijan	Friday, January 06, 2017	90	120
Brgy. Bagroy		90	122
		TOTAL	1178

Community- Based Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Training



CDRRMC conducted series of lectures and fun activities to casual and regular employees of Bago City as part of their Community-Based Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Training (CBDRM Training) to prepare the participants to Emergency response, preparedness, preparation, and mitigation when in times, before, and during a disaster.



Road Safety Summit and World Day Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims



Last November 21, the CDRRMC holds an annual summit at the Gender Sensitive Evacuation Center, Brgy. Balingasag, promoting the road safety for public to realize the importance of life. A candle lighting ceremony was held to commemorate the victims of road crash.

Best Practice in the Implementation of VIPP



The Department of Health RO VI awarded Bago City with a Plaque of Recognition for its Best Practice in the implementation of the Violence and Injury Prevention Program (VIPP) on Road Safety, Occupational Safety, Emergency, Medical Services, and Firecracker Injury Prevention last November 29 in Iloilo City.

DSSD Update

Search for Best VAW-C Officers



Brgy. Dulao VAW-C Officer Herminigilda Alvarez was awarded as the Best VAW-C Officer in a search sponsored by the province of Negros Occidental. She received P6,000 and Barangay Dulao got P30,000 for its programs and services on women. Vice President Leni Robredo was the guest speaker during the awarding ceremony held at Bacolod Pavillion Hotel last December 17.

Pag Bag-O Wellness Camp



Mayor Nicholas Yulo and the members of the different agencies like the CSSDO, CDRRM, DILG, CHO, PNP, Bago City College and the pilot barangays Sampinit, Balingasag, Poblacion, Calumangan, Lag-asan, and Busay organized the Pag-Bag-O Wellness Camp of Bago. Last Decemebr 9, an orientation and profiling was held in establishing a community based rehabilitation program at the Community Center. Students of Bago City College were oriented to serve as enumerator for data profiling of the surrenderees. After the interview, the 200 surrenderees were given groceries.



18 Days Campaign to End VAW



The City Government of Bago through the City Social Services and Development Office sponsored one day activity in support of the 18 days Campaign to End Violence Against Women. SP04 Arlyn Torrendon from the Philippine National Police and Marie June Castro of the Provincial Council for Women were the invited speakers. A total of 110 participants from Department of Education, KALIPI/ Women, ERPAT and VAW-C officers join the event.

Did you know?

The Philippine Statistics Authority released last October 27 the Census of the Population (POPCEN) 2015 for Negros Island Region.



Bago City now has a population of 170, 981. The second most populated component city in Negros Island Region. The City of Kabankalan topped the list with 181,977 persons. Cadiz City, ranked third with 154,723.

Photo Gallery



Bago City received a Dental Health Bus from the Department of Health intended to augment the dental outreach program of the City.



Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres together with First Lady Jeanne Louise Yulo led the switch-on ceremony last December 9 at the public plaza to signal the start of Christmas season.



Mayor Nikko reads a story to the selected pupils of Bago City Elementary School during the Read-A- Loud program of the Department of Education- Bago City.



Mayor Yulo together with Councilor Andrew Torres and ABC President Sergio Piansay turn-over boxing gloves to the barangay captains of Bago as part of the Sports Development program of the City.



Mayor Nikko welcomes Visayas Bikers to Bago City last October 8.



Mayor Yulo delivers a message to the graduates of Welding Class Batch 18, a joint project of the Alternative Learning System and the City Government of Bago, at Louisiana Elementary School last November 11.



Courtesy call of Ms Earth 2014 Jamie Herrell and Ms. Imelda Precion.



Members of Bureau of Jail Management and Penology Bago City present their trophies as champion in a shoot fest to Mayor Nikko Yulo.



Mayor Nikko Yulo gave a message to the security personnel of Bago City undergoing a seminar sponsored by the HRMO.



Mayor Nikko speaks before the graduates of Scala Batch 27 and HRSC Batch 32 last October 6 at the City Coliseum.



First Lady Jarrie Yulo distributes Christmas gifts to children beneficiaries of Paskwa sang Pag-asa last December.



Mayor Nikko undergoing a random blood sugar testing at the City Health Office conducted by chief nurse Nona Obando.



Mayor Yulo and Vice Mayor Monet Torres together with Councilor Allan Galunan, Brgy. Captain Maria May Suarez and Barangay officials led the blessing and inauguration of Brgy. Tabunan Health Center.



Teachers from Ramon Torres National High School led by Principal Mr. Fortunato Filomeno present to Mayor Yulo and Executive Assistant Bernadette Somcio their trophy for winning in the Brigada Eskwela- National Level.



Barangay Busay was being chosen by the Association of Local Government Accountants of Negros Occidental as Best Performing Barangay in Financial Reporting. Barangay Busay is Hall of Famer for winning the award in three straight years. City Accountant Ruby Abellar, Barangay Captain Eddie Roque, and Treasurer is Lilibeth Jardeleza accept the award.

Photo Gallery



Mayor Nikko addresses the participants of the Barangay Anti-Drug Abuse Council (BADAC) last November 22 in Barangay Ilijan.



Mayor Nikko Yulo together with Councilor Allan Galunan and Engr. Joenil Lavadia inspect Brgy. Ma-ao Public Market.



Mayor Nicholas Yulo delivers his message before the members of the Executive- Legislative Agenda held in Don Salvador Benedicto last November 24-26.



Vice Mayor Ramon Torres gave his message during the ELA Workshop held at La Vista Highlands Mountain Resort.



Mayor Nikko Yulo together with Jenny Orcajada of Sports Office accept swimming equipment donated by the Bacold Swimming League.



Bago City Futsal team paid Mayor Nikko Yulo a visit in his office.



Mayor Yulo during the Boy Scouts of the Philippines Negros Occidental Council Basic Training Course at Brgy. Ilijan, Bago City.



Mayor Yulo, Vice Mayor Torres and Brgy. Captain Rosalina Isuga led the ribbon cutting of the new Level III Water System in Brgy. Sagasa.



Inauguration of BACIWAD- Sagasa Water Supply System last December 19 with Mayor Nicholas Yulo, Vice Mayor Ramon Torres, Dr. Martin Torres, and Engr. Leo Espada.



Mayor Nicholas Yulo congratulates graduates of Philippine National Police Public Safety Senior Leadership Course.



Mayor Yulo graces the Community- Based Psychosocial Support Training of Trainers last December 20-22 at Buenos Aires Mountain Resort.



Mayor Yulo welcomes Korean visitors of the city.



The participants of Community- Based Psychosocial Support Training of Trainers with Mayor Nikko Yulo and Councilor Joms Somcio. The training was sponsored by the CDRRMC in cooperation with the City Anti-Drug Abuse Council (CADAC), and University of Negros Occidental Recoletos Graduate School.



Mayor Nikko with the intern doctors assigned in the different barangays of the City. With them are Dr. Ramon Ferdinand Mayoga of the City Health Office and chief nurse Nona Obando.



Mayor Nicholas Yulo during the turn-over and blessing ceremonies of the new 4- room building at RM Salas Elementary School in Barangay Pacol last January 13.

Feature



Diwata sang Bago 2017

The Festival Queen Search

Diwata sang Bago 2017 Candidates



IN CELEBRATION OF ITS
51st CHARTER ANNIVERSARY



PRESENTS

BOOM

BAGO CITY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2017



ACE RAMOS

IAN CARAM

CLYDE HARRIS

MELVIN BARIDIANO

MICHELLE MURPHY

FE BRUARY 17, 2017 7PM - 3AM
MANUEL Y. TORRES SPORTS CENTER

GEN AD - 100

VIP - 300



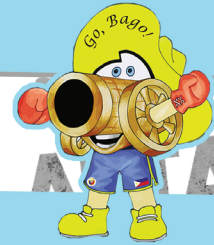
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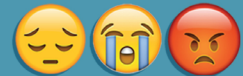


RED TAPE ANTI CAMPAIGN

ANO ANG RED TAPE?

Ini naga pa-kumplikado kag naga pa-budlay sa pag proseso sang mga kinahanglanon sang publiko sa gobyerno.

Bangod sini, ang SERBISYO PUBLIKO naga-hinay, wala pulos, kag pwede mangin kurap.



PARA MADULA ANG RED TAPE ANG GOBYERNO NAG-PASAR SANG RA 9485 UKON ANG ANG ARTA NAGABULIG PARA:

- A. MANGIN DE-KALIDAD ANG SERBISYO PAAGI SA PAG-PAHAPOS SANG MGA PROSESO.
- B. MA-KAKAS ANG MGA INDI INSAKTO NGA MGA BUHAT
- C. MA PINAHAN ANG MGA NAKA-SALA NGA MGA EMPLEYADO SANG GOBYERNO.

ARTA ANTI-RED TAPE ACT



BAGO CITY CITIZEN'S CHARTER

Ang "Citizen's Charter" isa ka dokumento nga nagapahayag sa simple nga mga pamaagi ukon proseso natuhoy sa mga "frontline" nga serbisyo nga ginahatag sa publiko sang local nga gobyerno sang Siyudad sang Bago. Ini dapat naka-paskil sa mga hapos makita nga mga lugar.



NO TO FIXERS!

Makighinun-anon direkta sa mga empleyado sang gobyerno, handa sila sa pagbulig kag pag-alagad sa inyo nga wala sang bayad nga may kalakip nga yuhom.



PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND COMPLAINT DESK

Ang Public Assistance and Complaint Desk (PACD) isa ka dalangpan kung sa diin ang mga kliyente pwede makapamangkot, makapangayo giya ukon bulig ukon makareklamo natuhoy sa iya transaksyon.

Ano ang pwede idangop sa PACD?

1. Kun indi katoltol sang opisina sa gobyerno.
2. Kun may empleyado nga wala naghatag sa imo sa maayo nga serbisyo
3. Kun wala priority lane para sa mga Senior Citizens, Pregnant Women and Persons with Disability.



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Ang mga empleyado sang gobyerno gintudluan nga mangin matinahuron kag magahatag sang insakto nga serbisyo sa inyo. Sila nagasuksok sang naga kaigo nga uniporme kag may ID nga dako para inyo makita ang ila ngalan.



NO NOON BREAK

Ang No Noon Break isa ka pagsulundan sang ahensiya nga sa diin ini wala nagasarado sa oras sang tig-palanyaga umpisa alas- dose sang ugto (12:00 noon) hasta ala-una sang hapon (1:00 pm).

PARA SA DUGANG NGA KASAYURAN, MAKIG-ANGOT SA:
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR: (034) 461-0164
HRMO: (034) 461-0807 / (034) 454-0435
PACD: (034) 454-0045

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in the

2016 Anti-Red Tape Act Report Card Survey

by the

Civil Service Commission

The Report Card Survey (RCS) measures service offices' compliance with the provisions of ARTA such as posting of the Citizen's Charter, anti-fixer initiatives, wearing of ID and/or having nameplates for service providers, attended Public Assistance and Complaints Desk, and observance of the No Noon Break Policy.

It also determines overall client satisfaction in terms of overall service quality of the agency, and perception on physical setup and basic facilities of the office.



Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo

Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres

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*A numerical rating of 90 to 100 with no failed or delinquent rating in any sub-area.

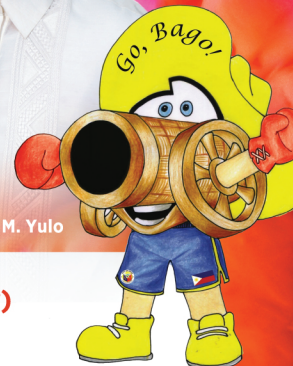
51st Charter Anniversary

"Together in Quest for the Best- Go, Bago!"

Schedule of Activities FEBRUARY 10 - 19 2017

Vice Mayor Ramon D. Torres

Mayor Nicholas M. Yulo



FEBRUARY 10 (Friday)

Youth Summit
Whole Day, MYTMCCC

FEBRUARY 12 (Sunday)

Alay Lakad
5:30 AM, Torres St. - Celis - Araneta -
Gen. Luna - Yulo to Bantayan Park

FEBRUARY 13 (Monday)

**Brookside Garden Academy
23rd Foundation Day**
8:00 AM - 12:00 NN, MYTMCCC

**Opening Agro Industrial
Cultural & Educational Fair
"One Barangay, One Product"**
4:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)

Bantayan Park Food Market
4:00 PM - 12:00 MN, Bantayan Park

Patik Baylan
6:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)

Party @ the Park
7:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

**Charter Day Opening Night
with Polo Ravales and CJ Marin**
8:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)

Fireworks Display
9:00 PM, Bantayan Park Bago River

FEBRUARY 14 (Tuesday)

Amateur Boxing
Whole Day, ABAP Gym

Bantayan Park Food Market
4:00 PM - 12:00 MN, Bantayan Park

**Diwata sang Bago Pageant Night
with Inigo Pascual**
6:00 PM, MYTMCCC

Party @ the Park
7:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

FEBRUARY 15 (Wednesday)

**Blessing & Inauguration of City
Health Office Annex Building**
2:00 PM, City Health Office

Bantayan Park Food Market
4:00 PM - 12:00 MN, Bantayan Park

Lechon Festival/ Talentadong Tatay
7:00 AM - 10:00 PM, MYTMCCC

The Divas... A Night of Glamour
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)

Party @ the Park
8:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

FEBRUARY 16 (Thursday)

Skills Olympics
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Bantayan Park

Dep Ed Promenade
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, MYTMCCC

**Paindis Indis sa Pinakamanamit
nga Linuto Himu sa Bugas**
1:00 PM, Bantayan Park

Bantayan Park Food Market
4:00 PM - 12:00 MN, Bantayan Park

JAZZ Night featuring: WORKING STIFF
7:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

Party @ the Park
7:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

FEBRUARY 17 (Friday)

**City Government Employees Day
with Kim Domingo and Jon Santos**
Whole Day, MYTMCCC

Bantayan Park Food Market
4:00 PM - 12:00 MN, Bantayan Park

BOOM Music Fest with Boyband PH
7:00 PM, Manuel Y. Torres Sports Center

Party @ the Park
8:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

FEBRUARY 18 (Saturday)

10th Gawad Bagonhon
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, MYTMCCC

Distribution of Certificate of Lot Award
1:00 PM, MYTMCCC

RTNHS Play Ground Demo
1:00 PM, Manuel Y. Torres Sports Center

Funtastic Z Party
4:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

Bantayan Park Food Market
4:00 PM - 12:00 MN, Bantayan Park

B-Boy B-Girl Dance Battle
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)

Party @ the Park
8:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)

Street Party
8:00 PM, Festival Street

FEBRUARY 19 (Sunday)

Thanksgiving Mass
5:30 AM, St. John the Baptist Church

51st Charter Anniversary Parade
7:00 AM, Gen. Luna - Torres - Celis - Araneta
Gen. Luna - Hilario Yulo St. - Bantayan Park

Farmer's Day
Whole Day, Bantayan Park

Karabag-O Festival
Whole Day, Manuel Y. Torres Sports Center

Babaylan Forum
9:00 AM - 12:00 NN, Bago City Community Center

Babaylan Street Dance Competition
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM, Bantayan Park - Hilario Yulo St.
- Gen. Luna St. - Gonzaga St.

Babaylan Stage Competition
2:00 PM - 7:00 PM, MYTMCCC

Bantayan Park Food Market
4:00 PM - 12:00 MN, Bantayan Park

**Awarding & Closing Ceremonies
Agro Industrial Cultural & Educational Fair
"One Barangay, One Product"**
7:00 PM, Barangay Booths

**I Love my Sisters - CHERUB Love Wins
feat: Kristof Garcia & Myrtle Sarrosa with CT Guys**
8:00 PM, Bantayan Park Stage II (near DENR)

BOOM Music Fest All Access
8:00 PM, Festival Street

**Charter Day Highlights
featuring: Maja Salvador and Hashtags**
9:00 PM, Festival Street

Party @ the Park
10:00PM, Bantayan Park Stage I (Activity Center)
& Stage II (near DENR)

Street Party
10:00 PM, Festival Street

Fireworks Display
10:30PM, Bantayan Park

