

Appendix D
Newspaper Notifications

Take separate cars to the next family function

DEAR ABBY: I have been in a relationship with "Ward" for two years. I love him and everything is great except for one thing. He refuses to compromise when it comes to his family functions.

He's very close to his extended family, and every time there's an event like a recent graduation party for a cousin, he never wants to leave. We were there for 10 hours, and I spent more than half of it either alone or talking to someone I didn't know well because Ward had ditched me.

I have spoken to him about this, but he's unwilling to compromise. He says his family knows him as "the social guy" and expects him to stay late and be the life of the party. It's getting old that he makes me feel like the bad guy or a party-pooper when I want to leave.

We have had big fights over this. I'm not sure what to do. This has caused a rift in our

relationship. — FAMILY-FUNCTIONED OUT IN MINNESOTA
DEAR FAMILY-FUNCTIONED OUT: When the next family function rolls around, go in separate cars. That way you can leave when you get tired, and Ward can stay as long as he wants. No harm, no foul, no fights.

DEAR ABBY: Several salespersons recently have ended our transaction by saying, "Have a blessed day." The last two times it happened, I stopped and asked, "What do you mean by that?" Both of them stammered and didn't know what to say.

One said, "I'm sort of religious." I replied that I'm atheist. I don't think these folks realize what they're saying. The next time it happens, I plan to respond by asking Zeus to be-



Dear Abby

stow blessings upon them as well.

Why do people feel they have a right to force their religious beliefs on customers? — ANNOYED ATHEIST IN TEXAS

DEAR ANNOYED ATHEIST: I seriously doubt they are trying to proselytize. The expression may be regional. Or the person may feel that "blessed" is synonymous with "good," "happy" or "safe." If you wish to invoke the blessings of Zeus upon them, feel free to do so. But don't be surprised if you have a heck of a time getting waited on the next time you visit the establishment.

DEAR ABBY: I married my high school sweetheart at the age of 24. Five years later we divorced. My current husband, "Gil," had a similar short first marriage.

Although Gil and I have chosen not to divulge any information to our two children about our previous marriages, my sister thinks we should tell them everything because they may find out later in life and be disappointed they didn't hear it from us. She has said on many occasions that we are being dishonest. That is certainly not our intention. We truly believe there's no reason to bring up a past that has no benefit in their lives.

Your advice is badly needed because I see my relationship with my sister spiraling in a downward direction. I love her, but I don't agree with her opinion. — LIVES IN THE PRESENT

DEAR LIVES IN THE PRESENT: I see no reason to make a "grand announcement" to your children, but with the rate at which marriages fail in this country, I also see no reason to keep this a deep, dark secret.

Lapsed: Focus on those who have lost faith

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An official Vatican working document for the synod cited challenges that include the sweeping advances of globalization, communications, secularism and science as well as post-Cold War encounters among the Western, Islam and Asian cultures.

The document said the new evangelization is mainly targeted at Europe and North America, where once-robust Catholic populations have flagged in numbers, devotion or both.

While the Roman Catholic

Church officially records growing numbers of American members, one major survey released this year found a decline in Catholic numbers, in part by excluding those who call themselves Catholic but rarely or never attend church.

The church's own statistics show a general decline through the decades in rates of church baptisms, marriages and funerals in the United States. That means even those who call themselves Catholic are turning less to the church during life-cycle events that it considers crucial moments for receiving sacraments.

And about a third of people who are baptized Catholic as a child in the United States are leaving the fold when they grow up — with about half becoming Protestant and the other half abandoning organized religion entirely, a 2008 survey by the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life found. The Pew Forum releases a new report Tuesday.

The Catholic attrition rate is actually lower than in several other religious groups — including Buddhists; Jehovah's Witnesses; Protestants, including those who switch denominations; and even those

raised with no religion, a majority of whom joined one.

But the Catholic exodus still represents several million disaffected from the church that baptized them — 1 in 10 American adults.

Many who left Catholicism said they just gradually drifted away from the church, stopped believing its teachings or failed to have their spiritual needs met, according to Pew.

Those who became Protestants mainly said they found their new religion more appealing while those who are now nonreligious were more likely to dissent with church stances on such things as abortion, homosexuality and artificial birth control.

Bridging the divide

The official working document for the synod focuses mainly on re-evangelizing Catholics who have lost faith rather than on those who have gone to other Christian denominations.

But the Rev. Thomas Reese, a senior fellow at Georgetown University's Woodstock Theological Center and author of books on the Catholic hierarchy, said the synod is handicapped by a growing divide between Catholic theologians and bishops over where to draw the line between what a Catholic must believe and legitimate areas where peo-

ple can question and dissent.

"What made Vatican II happen was when theologians and bishops came together in dialogue," he said, referring to the reformist council that opened 50 years ago this month.

"Sometimes I think the new evangelism is simply the catechism of the Catholic Church with a smile," he said. "And that's not selling."

Cardinal Donald W. Wuerl of Washington, who will help coordinate the synod, lamented that gulf in a Catholic News Service interview. He said church-affiliated colleges have a "long way to go" to conform their religious teachings to the catechism rather than teaching a sense of a loving God that otherwise wasn't "rooted in the creed."

Kurtz acknowledged the challenges but said opportunities abound among Catholics who may be alienated but still have pride in their Catholic identity, have contacts with Catholics and may show up for marriages, baptisms, funerals and other major church events.

"When we use categories (such as active or lapsed Catholics), we're talking about real people," he said.

Sometimes Kurtz said critics of church doctrines have a distorted view of them, and the goal should be "inviting them to understand more fully church teaching."

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Husband has obligation to tell truth about affair

Dear Annie: I have been married for 36 years. Eight months ago, I learned that my husband had been calling other women, one in particular, for the past two years. The calls included text messages and pictures.

The woman he was mostly in touch with is someone I know. She is married. My husband would call her multiple times, and each call would last nearly an hour. In addition, they would text each other 40 times during the day.

My husband refuses to explain why he started calling her and will not tell me what they talked about. This has led to some terrible fights. I don't know what to do. I love my husband very much and was devastated to learn about these calls.

He says they did not have a sexual affair, and I want to believe him. I have gone to counseling. He went once, but when the counselor

asked him to talk about the phone calls, he became angry and stomped out. I suggested going to a different counselor, but he says he doesn't need to.

I have forgiven him, but I am haunted by images of them together. I would like him to respect our marriage enough to tell me the truth, but I have no idea how to get him to open up. Am I being too demanding? — Lost in the Country

Dear Lost: You are not wrong. Your husband doesn't want to take responsibility for his affair (physical or emotional) and has made you believe that you are not entitled to the truth. But he has an obligation to be completely transparent



Dear Annie

about his motives and behavior. Since he refuses counseling, please continue on your own and work through this in whatever way is best for you.

Dear Annie: I am really concerned about my husband. He became unemployed at the beginning of this year when we were expecting our second child.

Right now, he is selling cars to get by, but the hours are brutal, and the pay is inconsistent. He went back to school to study computers and network security and applied for a job with a computer company. This is an exciting opportunity for him.

The company asked to schedule an interview. My husband told them he is busy

this time of year, but would be available as soon as he has next month's schedule and can check the dates. He left his cellphone number for them to contact him, and now we are just waiting. It has only been a few days, but I am so stressed about this. By saying he was busy, did he take himself out of the running for an interview? — Mrs. Concerned

Dear Concerned: No. Your husband should call the company as soon as he knows his schedule. The fact that he is busy with another job could actually work in his favor. There is, of course, a possibility that the company will hire someone else in the meantime, but that could have happened regardless. Concentrate your thoughts on a positive outcome. Good luck.

On the fridge



Kasuals

Kasuals will reunite at charity ball on Dec. 20

The Annual GMA-GNA Christmas Charity Ball will feature a very special reunion of the Kasuals. The event is scheduled for Dec. 20. Seating assignments are on a first-come, first-served basis. The Kasuals formed in Guam in the mid 1970s before moving to Hawaii, where they recorded "Songs About Love" and "Ebony Eyes," which received extensive airplay on radio stations in Hawaii and Guam. The Kasuals received a Na Hoku Hanohano Award for "Most Promising Artists." For more information, call 483-6600, 777-7227 or 777-8360, or email guammedicalassociation@gmail.com.

Habitat for Humanity fundraiser on Oct. 26

Quiz Nite, the Habitat for Humanity fundraiser that pits teams against each other in a battle of knowledge, returns Oct. 26 at the Marriott. Doors open at 6 p.m., with dinner at 6:30. The Quiz Nite battle for the \$600 grand prize will start at 7. Tickets are \$270 for a team of six. For more information, call 646-4667 or 565-6480, or email habitat@guam.net.

Dededo veterans group will meet tomorrow

The Dededo Veterans Organization monthly meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. tomorrow at the Dededo Community Center. All members are asked to attend and new members are invited. For more information, call the organization's pres-

ident, Joe San Nicolas, at 482-4350.

Save 50% when you adopt a dog this month

October is Adopt-a-Shelter Dog Month and GAIN's Yigo animal shelter has more than 80 beautiful, loving, four-legged guests of the canine persuasion awaiting adoption. Throughout the month, GAIN is reducing the adoption fee by 50 percent — just \$30 — in hopes of enticing the public to come up to the shelter and fall in love with one of our adorable guests. For more information, or if you're interested in volunteering or would like to donate to the shelter's operating expenses, call 653-GAIN(4246) or go online to www.firstgiving.com/guamanimalsinneed.

Volunteers sought to help plant trees Oct. 27

The Guam Environmental Protection Agency — along with the Guam Department of Agriculture's Forestry and Soil Resources Division, the United States Department of Agriculture's Natural Resource Conservation Service and volunteer groups — is seeking volunteers for upcoming tree-planting events. The events are open to the public and volunteers of all ages are encouraged to attend. The next planting will begin at 8 a.m. Oct. 27, at the Cetti Bay Overlook in Umatac. During the second planting event, volunteers are encouraged to camp overnight at the planting site until Sunday morning. Volunteers should bring sturdy shoes, a water bottle, sun screen, gloves if possible and a camera.

Get your reggae on at Mars Pub in Tumon

DHX Productions presents "Reggae on Mars Pub" every Wednesday, featuring DJ Raw Dag and special guests playing a variety of reggae music from all over the world. Music begins at 9 p.m. Mars Pub is located near Molly's, The W Pub and Route 66 in Tumon. There's no cover charge but you must be 21 or older to attend.

Peter Tosh tribute set for Oct. 21 at Green Lizard

DHX Production presents "The Toughest Birthday Bash," a tribute to "The Bush Doctor" Peter Tosh on Oct. 21 at the Green Lizard in Tumon. The party kicks off at 6 p.m., featuring live music from 4 Play, Mr. Char-

lie featuring a Peter Tosh tribute set, and DJ Raw Dag. Cover charge is \$5; you must be 21 or older.

'Call the Midwife' series airs tonight on PBS

PBS GUAM/KGTF Channel 12 is airing "Call the Midwife," a moving and intimate insight into the world of midwifery and family life in 1950s East London. The program is seen through the eyes of a young nurse, Jenny Lee, as she arrives at Nonnatus House to live and work as a midwife alongside an Order of Nuns. PBS GUAM will air the

episodes every Monday evening at 8 p.m. through Nov. 5. Local support for broadcasting of the program is made possible by Sagua Mañagu and Marianas Physicians Group.

White Cane Safety Day wave set for tomorrow

New Vision, Guam! Inc. will hold its 2nd Annual Wave in observance of White Cane Safety Day from 4 to 6 p.m. tomorrow at the ITC intersection in Tamuning. Refreshments and entertainment by DJ Daryl Lizama. For more information, call 456-3793 or Rodney Calimlim at 929-9993.

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Your friend is a small-time, chiseling con man

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend, "Dick," who wears veteran hats — "Vietnam Vet," "Proud to Be a Marine," etc. — that imply he was in the service. The problem is, Dick was never in any branch of the military at any time.

Dick claims he's "honoring" them by wearing the hats. But when he goes into a restaurant or other place that offers military discounts, he always inquires about them. And he has never refused the offer of one or admitted he wears the slogans only to honor others and was never actually in the service himself.

I come in contact with REAL military service people who deserve to wear these hats. I asked a couple of them about what to do with Dick, but you can't print their responses. Abby, what's your take? — VALUES HONESTY IN OHIO

DEAR VALUES HONESTY: The fact that I can't print the reaction of legitimate

veterans to what Dick is doing indicates how offensive and wrong it is. It appears your friend is a small-time, chiseling con man who takes advantage of people's patriotism. Why you would call someone like this a "friend" is puzzling, because you seem to have a well-developed sense of right and wrong.

A word of advice: Sooner or later, people like Dick are discovered.

DEAR ABBY: I am dating a wonderful man, "Andrew," who has two sons, ages 10 and 12. Both of them have horrible table manners. Eating with them is like watching pigs at a trough. I have discussed this with Andrew, who agrees but has done nothing to correct them.



Dear Abby

I don't know how to instill proper eating manners in the boys without coming across as though I'm better than they are. Do you have any suggestions? — THE NAPKIN GOES ON THE LAP

DEAR NAPKIN: You can't blame the boys for not knowing something they were never taught. However, lecturing them at this point would be counterproductive and could cause a rift between you and your boyfriend.

Enlist Andrew's help and discuss with his sons the difference between "casual" table manners and those that are expected when people dine in public or at a friend's house. Tell them you're willing to teach them, explain the rules, model the behavior and help them practice. Then reward

them by taking them to the restaurants and praising them if they do well.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 56-year-old man who made some bad decisions when I was 16. I stole items from a close family member to pay for a drug habit. After 30 years of sobriety, what I did continues to cause me grief and torment.

I am torn over confessing to this family member because I know that when I do, any relationship between us will end. Do I confess to clear my conscience, or do I remain silent and tormented by what I did? — DISTRAUGHT IN TEXAS

DEAR DISTRAUGHT: I think, deep down, you already know the answer to that question. You are no longer the person you were at 16, so apologize and show you are willing to take responsibility for what you did.

On the fridge

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sponsored by Ginen I Hila I Maga-taotao Siha Association (From the Tongues of the Noble People Association) will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Statue of Liberty Park at the Paseo de Susana of the Hagåtña Boat Basin. A delightful evening of just plain fun in telling stories in an open format from the general public commands the evening's program. Bring lawn chairs, mats, small flashlights, bottled water, hand fans, mosquito coils or insect repellent, umbrellas

and a willingness to talk story. For additional information, call Peter R. Onedera at 477-4234 or 486-3210 or, send email to peteronedera@gmail.com.

Conference on libraries, museums Nov. 13-16

The Guam Library Association will host the 22nd Annual Pacific Island Association of Libraries, Archives, and Museums Conference on Guam Nov. 13-16 at the Holiday Resort and Spa Guam. This year's theme is: "Reset: Information Services Trends in 2012." The pro-

gram includes information regarding new trends in delivery and access to information through technology. Attendees can earn one graduate credit/CEU by attending workshops, lectures, panel discussions, presentations and participating in tours of library and museum facilities. Highlights include Jon Fernandez, superintendent of Guam DOE, as the keynote speaker, and special guest Efrén Peñaflorida, the CNN 2009 Hero of the Year. For more information, email Cyndy Pruski at guam.library.association@gmail.com or call 789-1996.

Check out a showcase of veterans' art today

The Guam Vet Center is pleased to announce the 10th Annual Veteran's Art Showcase through today at the Agana Shopping Center's center court. The theme this year is "The New Beginning," or "Nuebu Tine Tuhon."

Katya Grineva concert has been postponed

The Katya Grineva concert to benefit the Guam Symphony Society has been postponed until further notice. Weather conditions in the East Coast have delayed the arrival of Katya Grineva, who was scheduled to headline the benefit concert. Concert promoters will announce the new date once it's been confirmed. For more information, call Jo Ann Mafnas at 588-7251 or 482-0377.

Those who remember Japanese period sought

People who remember living during the Japanese colonial period (1914-1944) are invited to be part of an ongoing research project conducted by Saipan resident Jessica Jordan, according to a news release. Research questions focus on understanding memories of the Japanese period in terms of how they are relevant for life nowadays. Stories about Japanese colonial influences in the Northern Marianas that may appear less often in mainstream sources are of special concern. Jessica Jordan, a Ph.D. candidate in history at the University of California, San Diego, is in the Northern Marianas conducting research until early 2013. For more information, email jejordan@ucsd.edu or call 670-285-9554.

Retiree Appreciation Day set for Nov. 10

Military Retirees: Retiree Appreciation Day will be held from 8 a.m. to noon Nov. 10 at the Top of the Rock club on Andersen Air Force Base. Register via email at Guam.RAO@us.af.mil or call 366-2574 and leave a message.

Keep in shape over the holidays with Bootcamp

There's still time to sign up for the Synergy Studio Holiday Bootcamp, which will run from Nov. 5-23. The bootcamp includes: a pre-assessment; a post-assessment; a

box of puretrim; a nutritional guide; and closed-off classes for bootcampers. Members of Synergy can join for free; \$100 for non-members. For more information, call 472-9642 or email synergystudio671@gmail.com.

Guma' Mami meeting will be held Nov. 30

Guma' Mami Inc., a private non-profit community-based organization providing advocacy, housing and support services to persons with cognitive/developmental disabilities and other disabilities, will hold its semiannual general membership meeting at 4 p.m. Nov. 30 at the Sinajana Community Center. Members are reminded to update their membership and RSVP by Nov. 28. For accommodations, call 477-1505/1764 or email gumamami@guam.net.

'Mind Over Magic' show set for Nov. 15-16 at FD

Master Magician Anthony Reed presents "Mind Over Magic" at 9:15 and 10:30 a.m. Nov. 15-16 at the Father Duenas Memorial School Phoenix Center. Tickets are \$12 per student, free for teachers (with some restrictions). Round-trip transportation can be provided for \$6 per person. For reservations, call 734-2571-3.

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Take job preparation and computer classes

The next session of Immaculate Heart of Mary LifeCorp American Corps computer literacy skills and job preparedness classes begin Nov. 26. For more information, call 477-9118 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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The cruise ship Sun Princess was built in 1995 and is operated by the Princess Cruises line. At the time of her construction, she was one of the largest cruise ships in the world. Contributed photo

Sun Princess cruise ship visits Guam

By Geraldine Castillo
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Variety News Staff

THE Australian-based cruise ship Sun Princess arrived last Saturday for a day visit, bringing in over 2,500 visitors to the island, a Port Authority of Guam press release announced.

The liner arrived at 8 a.m., carrying 1,941 passengers and 852 crew members. Most of the passengers are citizens of Australia and New Zealand.

The vessel arrived from Yokohama, Japan and departed Guam

at 5 p.m. for its next destination, Rabaul, Papua New Guinea, then to Brisbane, Australia and on to Sydney, Australia.

According to PAG, this is the Sun Princess' third visit to Guam and the sixth vessel from the fleet of Princess Cruises to make a port call to Guam. From 2005 to date, the Pacific Princess, Royal Princess, Dawn Princess, Sea Princess, and Sun Princess have made previous visits to the island.

"Although our primary function is cargo handling opera-

tions, the Port Authority has always recognized and will continue to be supportive of Guam's tourism industry," PAG general manager Mary Torres said. "The staff, working with the Guam Visitors Bureau, has strived, to give a warm first impression of our culture to visitors arriving."

Upon arrival, the passengers were greeted by this year's Miss Earth Guam, Miss World Guam, Miss Universe Guam and the Iremsian Taotao Tano cultural dance group.

Adelup vetoes health insurance legislation

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CONCERNS from the Attorney General's Office that Bill 513-31 may lead to legal action was cited as one of the reasons why the measure was vetoed by Acting Gov. Ray Tenorio.

In a statement, Tenorio called the legislation, which was introduced by Sen. Ben Pangelinan, another empty promise to the people, especially those who are "wrought with severe legal, factual, financial, and actuarial deficiencies in its assumptions and analysis."

The bill would pattern the government of Guam's health insurance plan after the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Although the bill should've been reviewed and acted on by Gov. Eddie Baza Calvo, the governor allowed Tenorio to take over to avoid conflict of interest since SelectCare is owned by the governor's family.

The governor was in Saipan to see how Guam can help with the hospital crisis happening there.

In his transmittal letter to Speaker Judi Won Pat, the acting governor wrote it was "alarming that the Legislature would rush to pass legislation that upends decades of a legally established methodology that allows for the competitive solicitation, expert review, and painstaking negotiations of health insurance propos-

als for GovGuam employees." "Irresponsible"

"Bill 513 is fiscally irresponsible, and this administration will not enact legislation that increases the cost of necessities on our manamko and on our hardworking employees," Tenorio stated, referring to an analysis conducted by independent actuarial consultant, the Hay Group.

The consultant cautioned that Bill No. 513 could lead to an increase in insurance costs for retirees, especially those more than 65 years old.

"We have no idea what the contribution rates required on page 9 [of Bill No. 513] are derived from nor can one tell what relationship they have to employee contributions. Depending on the full rates quoted, the employees may be paying more or less than they do currently for basically the same coverage," Maria Dufresne of the Hay Group wrote in a letter to Benita Manglona, Department of Administration director.

She also said the group was taken aback to learn there was a need to quickly pass the bill.

"We were very surprised with this rush to pass a one year RFP process bill that we very much believe will not save premium dollars. In fact, we feel that few if any insurers would be comfortable even providing a quote given the very serious constraints in the Bill. If this happens, you would have a very uncompetitive result," she said.

Caregiver services back

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THE Department of Public Health and Social Services, Division of Senior Citizens has announced that services under the National Family Caregiver Support Program for senior citizens and their caregivers that

were temporarily suspended last Oct. 1 will resume today.

The services that had been suspended until further notice were caregivers' assistance; information to caregivers; individual, counseling, organization of support groups, and caregiver training; respite care; and supplemental care.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency will hold its Regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, October 17, 2012 at 4:00pm at the CAHA Office, 1st Floor, Terlaje Professional Building in Hagatna.

Persons requiring special accommodations should contact GCAHA Office at 475-2781/2/3661 or fax at 477-2786.

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GPD Records & ID still stuck in Tiyan

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THE Records and ID Division of the Guam Police Department is still at its current location in Tiyan.

The division was scheduled to move to its new home in the ITC building in Tamuning by the first of this month.

But according to GPD Lt. Andrew Quitugua, Operations Chief for the Administration Division, the move is still pending until renovations their new land-lord is working on are completed.

"The construction to receive the unit is still in progress," said Quitugua. "As soon as they are done, we've procured a moving company to transport our sensitive items and office equipment

that needs to be moved through contract only."

The construction is comprised of countertops and dividers the division needs for their operations. Quitugua said realistically, the latest they are looking at is the end of November.

"We will be no farther than the end of November," he said.

But he reiterated Records and ID will still be closed for five days in order for everything to be moved smoothly.

"Unless they are able to receive us, we will not move workers into the building," he said.

The office space for GPD at ITC is located on the first floor. It is expected to cost the department around \$14,350 a month, inclusive of all utilities or \$172,200 annually.

Bone marrow drive Oct. 20

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A BONE marrow drive will be held on Saturday, Oct. 20 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Agana Shopping Center for 16-year-

old Kaila Garrido and 37-year-old Eugene Borja.

A painless mouth cheek swab will help physicians find a match for Garrido and Borja who need bone marrow transplants to live.



Kai-lan visit

Photo by Joy White

One-year-old Jaramesha Nuguid and mother Tricia Nuguid pose with Kai-lan after the Nickelodeon cartoon character visited the toddler at GMH's Pediatric Ward. Jaramesha was one of the few who got to meet and receive gifts from Kai-lan and Dora. These life-size Nick Jr. characters were on Guam as part of the MCV Cable Cares Kids 4 Kids Carnival.

Millionth tourist visitor for this year

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THE island warmly welcomed its millionth visitor for this year. The lucky visitor arrived at the A.B. Won Pat International Airport early this morning at around 1:30 a.m.

According to the Guam Visi-

tors Bureau, this is the first time the millionth visitor will be from Korea. In prior years, the millionth visitor arrived from Japan.

Korea is Guam's second largest tourist market after Japan, followed by Taiwan.

GVB preliminary statistics indicate that this calendar year

to date received more visitors compared to last year.

Acting Governor Ray Tenorio, Sen. Tina Muna Barnes, GVB and airport officials, and representatives from Korean Airlines, Hana Tour, and members of the GVB Korea Marketing Committee were in attendance during the ceremony.

TIP OF THE WEEK:

Tip provided by Guam Public Safety Educators



If you become drowsy while driving you need to safely pull off the road. Walking, stretching and taking deep breaths may help you to be refreshed. Don't drive drowsy.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam (GIAA) will convene its Regular Board meeting on Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. in Terminal Conference Room No. 3. In addition to regular matters, pursuant to 5 G.C.A. 58111(c)(2), Executive Session will be held to discuss pending litigation to which GIAA is a party. Parking is available in the Public Parking Lot.

For special accommodations or agenda items, please call the Board Office at 642-4717/18.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP No. GGRF-001-13

**For Medical Consulting Services
Relative to the Review, Analysis and
Recommendation on Disability Process
and Disability Benefit Applicants**

The RFP will be issued on Friday, October 12, 2012. All interested physicians are requested to obtain copies of RFP No. GGRF-001-13 at the Administrative Services Division of the Government of Guam Retirement Fund, 424 Route 8, Maite, Guam 96910. RFP copies may be picked up Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., with the exception of official Government of Guam holidays. Copies may also be obtained via e-mail request to Ms. Debbie Ulloa at dilloa@ggrf.com.

Potential offerors may submit written questions on or before Tuesday, October 16, 2012. Responses to the written questions will be made on or before Thursday, October 18, 2012. **Submission of proposals will be due no later than 5:00 p.m. (Chamorro Standard Time) on or before Monday, October 22, 2012.** Please make reference to RFP No. GGRF-001-13 on all submissions. Proposals must be received by the GGRF Director's Office on or before the due date to be considered for evaluation.

/s/PAULA M. BLAS, Director

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Another forum on Obamacare scheduled this week

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SEN. Dennis Rodriguez, chairman of the health committee, is scheduling another forum on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, or Obamacare, this week.

The forum will be held Thursday, Nov. 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the public hearing room of the Legislature.

This developed after Rodriguez received a response from the Attorney General's Office regarding the applicability of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to Guam.

The AGO indicated "the possibility of serious financial ramifications" for the island, depending on how it would proceed with implementing the provisions of PPACA applicable to Guam.

Rodriguez, in a news release, said although he is a proponent of PPACA, he believes the federal government "needs to realistically take into consideration the unique circumstances and financial constraints faced by its territories."

Under Obamacare, the federal government – if requested – is responsible in assisting the 50 states and Washington D.C. in establishing exchanges for

Sen. Dennis Rodriguez, chairman of the health committee, is scheduling another forum on Obamacare's impact on Guam. Variety file photo

The AG letter explains that Guam is permitted to elect to establish an exchange for health insurance but a decision would have to be made by Oct. 1, 2013.



"If Guam does elect to opt into the exchange program, then individuals on Guam will be required to obtain health insurance from an exchange if they do not already have health insurance," the AG letter stated. "Although individuals in the States will be charged a penalty should they fail to obtain health insurance, such a penalty will not apply to Guam taxpayers."

"It is important that healthcare providers, insurance administrators, government regulators, public health agencies, legal officers, and policy makers participate and share their opinions as to how Guam may be impacted, and the directions we should take towards ensuring broader access to affordable health care with minimal negative impact to the territory," Rodriguez concluded.



health insurance. Guam, the Virgin Islands, Samoa and the CNMI share a remaining \$75 million out of the \$1 billion Congress set aside, which the senator believes isn't enough to establish one exchange.

"As I understand it, Guam is not eligible for a federally-facilitated exchange, unlike the 50 states and Washington D.C. Guam would have to be responsible for the Premium Tax Credit," Rodriguez explained of the AG letter. "Yet, if Guam cannot or does not for fiscal or other reasons establish an exchange, there exists the possibility that a class action lawsuit could be brought for payment of the credit, much like the Earned Income Tax Credit. This is an estimated \$74 million unfunded mandate."

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During the course of the investigation, detectives from the Guam Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division arrested Francisco Pedro Reyes, 26, of Anigua, and charged him with murder, assault, public intoxication, disorderly conduct, and family violence.

Reyes was booked and confined.

Election...

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and will not be counted if the voter chooses more candidates than the number of seats available for that position, if the voter is found to be registered in more than one precinct, if the voter is in a district that he or she is not registered in, or if the identity of the voter is not verified with a picture ID.

When the poll closes at 8 p.m., the precinct officials secure all the ballots and are transported to the University of Guam Field House. Once they are there, they must count their inventory of ballots, including the used, unused

The incident remains under investigation.

The last homicide occurred on May 6 along Route 15 when 24-year-old Twency Luku, of Yigo, was arrested in connection with a double stabbing resulting in the injury of one man and the death of Fonuk Anderson, 23.

Luku faced several charges including murder as a first degree felony with a special allegation of possession and use of a deadly weapon in the commission of a felony. He remains behind bars.

and spoiled ballots.

Once the 21 precincts are present and after each and every ballot is accounted for, the tabulation of the results will begin. The GEC board and staff will feed the ballots into the four tabulating machines to calculate the results.

Ideally, if no problems arise, the ballots should be counted by about 10:30 p.m. The first set of unofficial results will be released after the first five precincts have been counted and combined at around 11:15 to 11:30 p.m. However, the final results which will come out later in the evening and early morning are not considered official until the GEC board votes to certify the results.

Computer training program finds new home

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REPORTER

The computer training program of the Philippine Consulate General on Saipan and the Philippine Overseas Labor Office has found a new home.

The Saipan Building and Fixing Computer Users Group, which volunteered to continue this program once the Consulate shuts down after Oct. 31, presented the new training venue to Consul General Medardo G. Macaraig and

Guam Consul Edgar Tomas Q. Auxilian last Oct. 7.

Founding chair Mar V. Masilungan said Friday that one of their members, Nestor Tumaqip, offered his residence in San Vicente as a place where the group can continue to offer one of the more well-received training programs of the consulate.

Masilungan said the venue can accommodate up to 30 students in a class, and is free of charge. But students will be asked to contribute \$1 per class to cover the cost of

utilities, and Masilungan said a sub-meter has been set up so the group can monitor the electricity consumption of the training program.

He said members of the SBFCUG took three weekends to complete the painting and electrical jobs needed to make the place look like a real computer class venue.

"It's really in our hearts to continue this training program even after the closure of the consulate. There is a great need for information technology training

here on island," Masilungan told *Saipan Tribune*.

He said the SBFCUG eyes conducting the training classes on weekends or same as the consulate's previous schedule, but the hours would depend on the available schedule of the volunteer instructors.

Besides Masilungan, who works for White Coconut Computer Services, other instructors are Zaldy Quebral of Pacific Amusement and Jousel Regime of O'Connor Berman Dotts & Banes law firm.

While the group has yet to announce officially the start of their training program, Masilungan said they already received a lot of inquiries from community members. He said they are looking at starting the training next month.

Auxilian, in a separate interview, confirmed that he and Macaraig visited the new training site last Oct. 7.

"We express confidence that the computer training program will continue through the initiative and commitment of the Saipan Building and Fixing Computer Users Group," he said.

Masilungan revealed that right before Sunday's ocular inspection, the group held a general membership meeting and some 50 members of the SBFCUG voted to revise the group's by-laws, allowing other community members from various ethnic backgrounds to avail of the free training.

"We saw the need for this kind of training, not just for Filipinos but for the community as a whole," he said.

According to Masilungan, their decision to open the program to everyone was driven by the move of other non-profit groups to conduct workforce

training, and SBFCUG is capable of handling the computer training program.

He noted, however, that there will be a screening committee composed of the group's officials to determine which among interested individuals are more qualified to receive the training based on a set of criteria yet to be established by SBFCUG.

Masilungan also said they will ask the Guam Consulate to sign the certificates that will be given to the trainees who will complete the training program.

To sign up for the training or for more information, email tropicmar@gmail.com.

CNMI Bar welcomes four new lawyers

The CNMI Judiciary held an Attorney Admissions Ceremony last Oct. 5 in the Commonwealth Supreme Court at the Guma' Hustia.

The ceremony was opened with remarks by then Acting Chief Justice Alejandro C. Castro. The U.S. District Court Chief Judge NMI Ramona V. Manglona delivered the keynote speech.

CNMI Bar Association president Sean E. Frink presented to the Judiciary the successful applicants who had recently passed the required examina-

tions to practice law in the Commonwealth and were therefore eligible for admission to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Island Bar Association:

■ Jennifer Dockter—J.D., Thomas Jefferson School of Law, B.S., Boise State University; Law Offices of F. Matthew Smith.

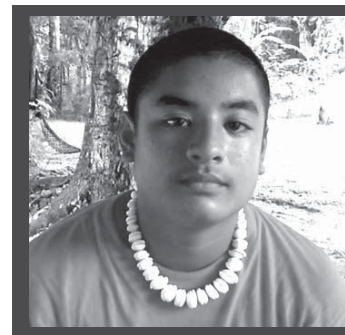
■ Frederick B. Hayes, Jr.—J.D., Whittier Law School, B.S., Vanderbilt University; Sedgwick LLP, Irvine, CA.

■ James D. Livingstone—J.D., George Washington Uni-

versity Law School, B.A., University of Connecticut; Law Office of James D. Livingstone, Boston, MA.

■ Jacinta Matagolai Kaipat—J.D., University of Minnesota Law School, B.A., DePaul University; Assistant Attorney General, Saipan, MP.

Each of the four newly admitted attorneys to the CNMI Bar made speeches providing words of appreciation; and Supreme Court Associate Justice John A. Manglona made closing remarks. (PR)



BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUT

Happy birthday Justin Lisua. God bless and many more to come. From your Dad (Paul), Eling, your siblings, and the rest of the family. CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

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Jury trial of Grandpa Ping for sex abuse begins

» 2 men arrested on Tinian for alleged sexual abuse of minor

The jury trial of Jose Ilo Santos, a 62-year-old man accused of sexually molesting a then 8-year-old girl, began yesterday in Superior Court.

As this developed, two men were arrested on Tinian and taken to the Saipan Superior Court yesterday for allegedly having sexual relations with a 14-year-old girl who is now pregnant.

Leon Joaquin Sanchez, 31, and Donald Cruz Arriola, 24, were arrested over the weekend on Tinian on charges of sexual abuse of a minor in the second degree. Their bail was set at \$25,000 cash each.

The prosecution and the defense counsel gave their open-

ing statements yesterday afternoon in the case of Santos. The prosecution then began calling in witnesses.

When *Saipan Tribune* left the courtroom shortly before 5pm, a Commonwealth Health Center doctor was still on the witness stand. The witness was among the two doctors who examined the alleged victim.

Assistant attorneys general James McAllister and Margo Brown are prosecuting the case. Assistant public defender Douglas Hartig is counsel for Santos. Associate Judge Joseph N. Camacho is presiding.

The doctor testified that the alleged victim was very fright-

ened and tearful when he examined her. He said he was unable to complete the examination at the time so he called a female doctor in.

The doctor said the other doctor examined the girl in the presence of the child's mother, a social worker, and a sexual assault nurse, and they were able to complete the examination.

The doctor said they determined that the girl had been violated and the results of the urinalysis indicated an infection so they recommended treatment.

The Office of the Attorney General charged Santos, also known as Grandpa Ping, with two counts of sexual abuse of a minor in the first degree for allegedly molesting a then 8-year-old girl on April 23, 2011, and May 7, 2011 in Tanapag. Santos

pleaded not guilty.

In the case against Sanchez and Arriola, Tinian police detective Barbara K. Arend stated in her report that a mother had her daughter take a pregnancy test at the Tinian Health Center on Oct. 2, 2012, and that the test showed that the girl is pregnant.

Arend said the girl later told a Division of Youth Services officer that she had sex with two men in the latter part of August this year and that one of them was Arriola.

Arend said that Arriola admitted in a separated interview that he had sex with the girl four times but cannot remember when.

The detective said the girl told the same DYS officer that Sanchez made her pregnant as they had sex since late July 2012. (*Ferdie de la Torre*)

J's Restaurant robbery suspect falls

Police arrested Friday night in Dandan the masked man who allegedly robbed the poker game room of J's Restaurant in Gualo Rai last Oct. 4.

Maximo S.N. Muña, 21, was taken to Superior Court yesterday morning for a bail hearing on charges of robbery, assault with a dangerous weapon, theft, and disturbing the peace. His bail was set at \$50,000 cash. Preliminary hearing will be on Oct. 24 at 9am.

Drug Enforcement Task Force detective Dennis M. Reyes stated in his report that Muña's male

companion was the supposed driver of a getaway vehicle.

The companion, however, panicked, Reyes said, when people started screaming and running to the parking lot of J's Restaurant during the robbery.

The companion allegedly drove off from the parking lot without Muña and headed south on Middle Road, where a marked police vehicle later pulled him over.

Reyes said the male companion admitted in a later interview that he and Muña were involved in the J's Restaurant game room robbery.

The companion told police that prior to the robbery, Muña came to his house in Koblerville and they smoked "ice inside the companion's vehicle.

After Muña left the companion walked to the KB Poker and Laundry in Koblerville to play poker until 3am. As he was playing poker, Muña arrived and they proceeded to 888 Poker in Garapan, where Muña allegedly asked his companion if he wants to make money.

Muña allegedly instructed his companion to go to J's Restaurant and park the vehicle near

the DEQ building close to the main road.

Muña allegedly put on a mask, took a machete from inside his pants, and headed toward J's Restaurant. After a few minutes, the companion heard people screaming and running to the parking lot of J's Restaurant.

The companion panicked and left the parking lot of DEQ and headed south on Middle Road, where a police vehicle pulled him over.

Police officer Jason Tarkong said a masked man wearing gray shorts and a green camouflage long-sleeved shirt went inside J's Restaurant at 5:35am on Oct. 4.

The suspect, who was armed with a machete, approached the cashier's counter then proceeded to the cashier's booth.

The robber then grabbed a plastic basket containing over \$120 in coins and ran outside the building.

Tarkong said police officers responded and recovered a plastic container with about \$90 in coins in the parking lot of the restaurant. (*Ferdie de la Torre*)

March housing perk for CHC staff out this week

The Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. will be releasing a portion of the housing allowance that employees have been waiting for since March this year.

Corporation board chair Joaquin Torres confirmed yesterday that affected employees would get a one-month payment of the benefit on Friday.

This applies to employees who were recruited from off-island and amounts to \$800 for those with families and \$600 for single employees.

"This is really good news for all of us. We're hoping the corporation CEO and the board will continue honor their word that they will pay us little by little until we get the full payment," a longtime employee told *Saipan Tribune*.

The corporation is behind in the release of housing benefits mainly due to the lack of funding.

Torres reiterated that the corporation still honors the remaining unpaid obligation and would satisfy the payment once funding is identified. (*Moneth G. Deposa*)

Flashback

A LOOK BACK AT PAST YEARS' HEADLINES

Oct. 16, 2000

Mayor scores CPA for delay in Rota airport project

Rota Mayor Benjamin T. Manglona on Friday expressed disappointment over what he believes was another unnecessary delay in the construction of the island's airport runway project, which is scheduled to begin in January 2001. "[W]e do not understand CPA's [Commonwealth Ports Authority] rationale in postponing the scheduled construction date for the project. We have advanced the funding to CPA because of the urgency of the project," said Mr. Manglona. In his Sept. 13 letter to CPA Board Chair Roman S. Palacios and Executive Director Carlos H. Salas, the mayor said Rota cannot wait for yet another three months to begin construction of the runway project.

More availing of US housing assistance

A strong manifestation of hard economic times, the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation has reported a significant increase in the number of CNMI families who have availed the Section-8 Housing Assistance Program during the last two years. CNMI Housing Manager Diana P. Crisostimo said more than 200 families throughout the Northern Marianas are now enjoying the benefits of the federally funded Section-8 Program, which provides housing assistance to very low and low-income families. More than 100 families are currently renting units at NMHC-administered subdivisions in Garapan, Mihaville and Koblerville on Saipan, and on Tinian and Rota, Ms. Crisostimo said in an interview.

Oct. 16, 2001

House seeks passage of youth act

Members of the House of Representatives are awaiting executive action on legislation that would establish an agency tasked to coordinate and organize youth affairs. House leaders are pushing for the signing into law of House Bill 12-322 or the Commonwealth Youth Affairs Act of 2001, envisioned to give birth to the Office of Special Assistant for Youth Affairs under the Governor. The entity will be charged with the responsibility of steering youth-oriented activities in the promotion of youth development.

Legislators avenge 'death' of dialysis centers

The Tinian and Rota delegation at the Senate will hold hostage all nominations being made by Gov. Pedro P. Tenorio until such time that the governor stops blocking the dialysis center projects for the two senatorial districts. As its initial salvo against the administration, Sen. Joaquin G. Adriano said he and his colleagues will block the confirmation of two of the four names that Tenorio nominated to the Board of Regents of the Northern Mariana College. In a retaliatory move meant to be a stinging message to the Executive Branch, Adriano said that Rota and Tinian have agreed to block half of all gubernatorial nominees that Tenorio would send to the Senate for confirmation.

Oct. 16, 2002

CDA waives over half of CUC's \$106M debt

The Commonwealth Development Authority has agreed to waive more than 50 percent of the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation's some \$106 million accumulated debt with the lending agency, government officials said. CUC Board Chair Frank Guerrero said this was contained in the utility firm's yet-to-be signed Memorandum of Agreement with CDA. "We have an outstanding amount of some \$106 million. About 50 percent of that will be credited-or waived-in our favor," Guerrero said in an interview. CUC comptroller Rufo Mafnas has also said the total debt would be cut down by "over 50 percent." The CDA had signed the MOA. It is now waiting for CUC to approve it.

Salas wants HPMR dropped

Saying that the Commonwealth would be better off without a third party administrator to handle government health insurance claims, Rep. Andrew S. Salas has discouraged the Legislature from locating funds that will be used to pay the \$1.4 million overdue medical referral bills reportedly owed to the Hawaii Pacific Medical Referral. This way, Salas hopes the HPMR would voluntarily terminate its contract with the NMI Retirement Fund, as the former had originally planned to do if the government fails to meet the payment deadlines set for Oct. 15 and Nov. 15. "We don't really need a third party administrator on island. As a matter of fact, I'll be happy if they don't renew the contract. If they pull out of their contract and consider it null and void, be my guest," said Salas.

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Why Initiative 17-12 is important to NMC

Universities and community colleges across the nation typically have a mission statement that indicates the institution's aims, values, and reason for existing. In order to remain effective, these institutions of higher education revisit their mission statements periodically to ensure that the statements are relevant, appropriate, and reflective of the community that the colleges and universities serve.

As it stands now, the Northern Marianas College's mission statement—established more than 25 years ago—is currently fixed and embedded in the CNMI Constitution. Because it is written into the CNMI Constitution, the college is limited in its ability to revisit the mission statement on a periodic basis to make necessary adjustments to reflect evolving community needs.

To change this, NMC worked with the Legislature in drafting an initiative that would amend the Constitution to give the college the authority and flexibility to es-

tablish its mission statement.

"Effective organizations, especially postsecondary institutions, must evolve responsibly in order to continually improve and grow as a reflection of the communities that they serve," according to Leo Pangelinan, NMC dean of Student Services. "Just as [NMC] must evolve and grow to reflect the community it serves, the changing economic landscape of the CNMI, and global trends in education, so, too must its mission statement."

The passage of Initiative 17-12 also helps the college better comply with accreditation standards, according to NMC president Sharon Hart, Ph.D.

These standards state that the Northern Marianas College should have a mission statement that defines the institution's broad educational purposes, its intended student population, and its commitment to achieving student learning.

Equally important, accredita-

tion standards require that the mission statement of NMC should be reviewed on a regular basis using the institution's governance and decision making processes and should be revised when necessary.

Without the passage of Initiative 17-12, the college will be limited in its ability to review the mission statement on a regular basis. Without 17-12, the college will not be able to make any updates to the mission statement without undergoing a constitutional amendment, which can be a lengthy and arduous process.

"We hope that voters see the importance of passing this initiative for the college," said Barbara Merfalen, dean of Academic Programs and Services.

NMC has been hosting outreach activities to help educate voters about the initiative, including having an information booth at the Sabalu Market, the Tuesday Market, and the Thursday Street Market. (NMC)



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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

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1. Valid CNMI Business License
2. Current Financial Statements (certified by the principle executive officer and principle financial officer)
3. 2 Years Business Gross Revenue (BGR) Tax Returns
4. 2 Years Corporate Income Tax Returns (1120)
5. Clearance Letter from the Department of Labor
6. Certificate of Compliance from the Revenue & Taxation Office
7. Workmen's Compensation Policy
8. Name of Insurance Company(ies) Currently Dealing With
9. A list of on-going/completed projects showing name of project, start and completion dates, and contract amounts
10. At least three (3) reference letters from owners of the completed projects
11. List of vendors and suppliers and at least three reference letters from them (Quarry, Ready-Mix Cement, & Hardware Store)
12. Company background
13. Articles of Incorporation & Company By-Laws, if applicable
14. Annual Report (Registrar of Corporations)

FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE ABOVE DOCUMENTS BY DECEMBER 5, 2012 WILL RESULT IN YOUR COMPANY'S ELIMINATION FROM OUR LIST OF "APPROVED CONTRACTORS."

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