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## Take No Abu Sayyaf Prisoners

MANILA - FOR President Rodrigo Duterte, the only good Abu Sayyaf is a dead one. “Do not give me prisoners. I don’t need them,” he said. “If there’s a fight and they

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## Kara Mitzki on Dirty Old Men

Lemon water is  
not a  
weight-loss  
solution

Duterte ok with  
National ID

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## GETTING THE BIG BREAK

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PCCF Pageant



LEFT, Gie Alvarez, host of TV show Frontpage Philippines gets ready to interview Miss Teen Philippines 2016 Chiara Silo. RIGHT, PCCF Miss Philippines and Miss Teen Philippines candidates pose for a group picture with the pageant chair and co-chairs.



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**Kim Chiu assures KimXi lives on**

Kim Chiu is happy over the positive reception to her reunion projects with ex-reel and real boyfriend Gerald Anderson. And far from being sidelined, Xian Lim stays close by.

“Mr. Thank You” daw ang turing ngayon ni Kim Chiu sa dating ka-love team na si Xian Lim.

Paliwanag niya, “Kasi lagi niya akong sinu-surprise, laging ang dami niyang pakulo para sa akin.

Matatandaang “Mr. Right” ang itinawag ni Kim kay Xian pagkatapos ng Star Magic Ball 2016.

Espesyal daw kasi ang style ng aktor nang ayain siyang maging kapareha nito.

Ayon kay Kim, walang nabago sa samahan nila ni Xian sa kabila na magkahiwalay ang mga proyektong ginagawa nila ngayon.

Sa tanong kung kailan uli sila magtatambal ni Xian, sabi ni Kim, “Wala pa, e, marami siyang movies ngayon, so ayun.”

KIMERALD FANS REJOICE. Samantala, masaya si Kim sa magandang resulta ng episode nila ni Gerald sa Maalaala Mo Kaya.

Ngayong palaging magkasama si Kim at ang dati niyang boyfriend na si Gerald Anderson sa teleseryeng Ikaw Lang Ang libigin, nagseselos ba si Xian?

Iling ni Kim, “Magkasama pa rin naman kami off cam, okay pa rin naman kami.

“Nagba-bonding kami.

“Selos? Hindi naman, naiintindihan niya yun.”

# Honey Shot

Elle is Filipino-Canadian Singer/Songwriter / model. She recently turned 16. An accomplished composer, she has composed two songs, one is Lovamon, and the other is Beautiful. Beauty and Brains, tall and talented, we wish Elle all the luck in her endeavour.



**Elle Renee**



**Miles Ocampo wants to write her own movie**

After attending Ricky Lee’s prestigious scriptwriting workshop earlier this year, Miles Ocampo admitted she has learned a lot from the acclaimed writer. “Okay po masaya. Natapos na namin yung writing workshop with sir Ricky Lee na dapat ten sessions lang siya pero naging 14-15 kasi sobrang naging clingy kami sa isa’t isa and ang saya ng experience na yun na siguro isa yun sa mga experience na hinding hindi ko makakalimutan yung nakaka-explore ka, yung ganyan. At meron kang bagong nalaman na kaya mo palang gawin. So masayang masaya yung experience ko,” she said.

The 19-year-old actress said one her new goals is to see one of her scripts turned into a movie in the future. “Naku sana nga po. Inaayos pa eh. Pero nasabihan ako ni sir Ricky Lee namag-pi-pitch daw. Hindi ko pa alam kung saan pero sana. Ayoko pa siya pangunahan kasi hangga’t hindi pa siya nangyayari at saka hangga’t hindi pa ako super galing talaga. Pero ipag-pray po natin na someday maging pelikula siya,” she said.

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## Duterte exposes what the Media does not

When President Duterte became president of the Philippines, I had no idea that he will be the source of secrets. When Manny Pangilinan (MVP) of PLDT told him to shut up because he (MVP) is just a bagman of Indonesian billionaire Anthoni Salim. It is a well-known secret that PLDT and all of Pangilinan’s companies in the Philippines are actually bankrolled by Salim. Aba, talo pa ni Presidente DU30 ang media. He actually exposed somebody. Now, he is taking on the Inquirer and it’s non-payment of taxes. Apparently, previous government knows this. They just do not want to mess with the media and the other media will not expose the competitor’s issues. Apparently, oligarchs stick together.

## Barry Manilow admits he is gay - in 2017

After 40 years, Barry finally admitted that he is in a romantic relationship with his manager Garry Kief for 40 years. Others in Manilow’s circle has always known that he was gay. It was what is called an “open secret.” Pop legend Barry said he kept his sexuality a secret because he was worried about “disappointing” his female fans. If Barry admitted he was gay when he was just starting, I am sure it would have affected his career for the worse. His records would not have sold millions, his concerts would not have sold out and we would probably be talking about him like “where is he now.” It also helped that he wrote best-selling schmaltzy songs that pulled your heart strings.

## Puts troops in Spratly islands - we already occupy

President Duterte orders troops to occupy islands in the Spratlys. Ironically, the islands that they occupied were already occupied - by us. Our Philippine flag is flying on those islands, according to Magdalo Representative Alejano. Magandang pakinggan. He does not want to look like that he is giving away everything to China. Magandang tignan that we are asserting our sovereignty. Kung baga, Image is Everything. Nevertheless, I hope those are enough to deter other nations from occupying them. I know China killed 64 under-equipped Vietnamese sailors when Vietnam tried to assert their sovereignty. Known as the Battle of the Paracel Islands, it was a military engagement between the naval forces of the People’s Republic of China (PRC) and the Republic of Vietnam (South Vietnam) in the Paracel Islands on January 19, 1974. The battle was an attempt by the Republic of Vietnam Navy to expel the Chinese Navy from the vicinity.

## GAME OF BLUFFING AND BLUSTER.

New report says Viva will sue US producer who publicly complained of rudeness of Jadine and breach of contract. We will find out if Viva believes their stars are angels na hindi makabasag-pinggan. If they push through, then they believe they are angels. If not, then people will know that they know that their Jadine loveteam is not as nice as perceived. Or, they can say, we never said we will sue and blame the media for exaggerating or creating the fake news. After all, it is one thing na magsagutan through the media. It is another to go to court - in the US of course, dahil doon nangyari ang issue. If you go to court, more people may come out and the decision of the court will be very hard to dispute. As it is, Viva can still sway public opinion because of the popularity of Jadine. In my opinion, Viva should not sue and quite while you are in a stalemate.

## Studio System

The studio system lives on in the Philippines. Whether it is ABS or GMA or a talent agency, they have the studio system in place. Meaning, they will defend their talents as long as they are money-makers. Their talents can be serial murderers, or rapists, the company will bribe, cajole, threaten the complainant, the police, the judge...whoever, to defend their talent who is a money-maker. When the talent is not bankable anymore, that is when they will show public remorse so they can sell the next talent to the gullible public. Siyempre, kunyari nagsisisi sila, kasi baka maapektuhan ang bagong sikat nilang talent.

## Escape from Iran

Who keeps complaining about bad service on Air Canada? Air Canada should take a lesson from United Airlines on how to mistreat customers. With the United Airlines dragging a customer in the news, what will it do to the nerves of flying passengers now? Well, Imagine the US embassy staff who managed to escape Iran in the movie Argo. Unless the plane is out of the originating country’s airspace, you will not feel relieved anymore.



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## Toronto Golden Vision Lions Club Holds Mini Concert Fundraiser

By Tony A. San Juan, OCT.

TORONTO - The Toronto Golden Vision Lions Club holds a successful Mini Concert For-A-Cause event on March 31, 2017 at Prestige By Night in North York, Toronto., Ontario. Direct beneficiaries of the 3- hour entertainment are the Covenant House of Toronto and the Lions Clubs International Foundation, both receiving a total of \$1350 cash donation. With 300 guests, the event was superbly hosted by Conida Marie Halley, Miss Philippines PIDC 2015, with TGV Lions club president Randy Bucao serving as the evening’s concert director and talent coordinator. Jan-Renee Lucas of Cardinal Carter Academy for Arts, sang the Canadian national anthem for opener.

The performers were : John Alix, Alvin Bascon of Breeding Grounds Band, Gigi Besas, Keeana Cerezo, Jan-Renee Lucas, Marylou Malicdem, Fienne Mendoza, Elle Renee, Dolly Sanchez of Aegis - Toronto, Cresny Lorenzo Smith, Britney Waito and Miss Philippines 2016 PIDC Celine Grey . The admirable stage dancers include :Dance to the Rhythm studio owner & teacher Rosalie Francisco, Allan Torres, Nadine Asmis & Claudia Oakley, and Miss Caregiver Filcore-2016 Liezel Malicay.

Among the generous corporate sponsors were : PNB Remittance Canada, Ladies of the Knights of Rizal, Mary Kay, Ready Honda, Scarborough Toyota, Homelife/ Roman, Investors Group, SoldByG,

Beauty & Wellness, North York Pinoy Athletic Association. The Individual & Family sponsors include John Alix, Amy Bascon, Imelda Cusipag, Josa Halley, Marlene Grey, Mercy Lagumbay, Ella Lorenzo, Nilo Malicdem, M. Eliza Mendoza, Marilyn Narcisa, Dolly Sanchez and Tony A. San Juan. Mark Sibul of Mary Kay Cosmetics donated two gift baskets for the raffle prizes.

TGV Lion club members present were : Chartered president Mario Cabarios and wife Elva, club secretary & past president Paul Sollano, past president Greg Velasco, club treasurer Marilyn Allanigue - Velasco and Lions Abelardo Diestro, Julita Facunla, Perfecto Facunla, Exequiel Rabanillo, Tony A. San Juan and R. Bucao’s wife and two daughters.. Also in attendance were officers of PCGB, FilCore, PIDC, Toronto Mabuhay Lions Club , Toronto Maharlika Lions Club , Mississauga Central Lions Club, Philippine Teachers Association, Toronto Barangay Clubs, and the North York Pinoy Athletic Association- NYPAA.

The Toronto Golden Vision Lions Club, founded in 1994, is a member of the 70 - club District A 711 Lions Club in the GTA and the century-old Lions Clubs International. LCI, established in 1917, is the largest service organization in the world with 1.4 million members in 210 countries and geographic areas world-wide.

## Watch this New Love Team

The love team of newcomer Joshua Garcia and former child star Julia Barretto can be likened to one of Chemistry’s major branches known as Organic. They click so much people assume that they are already making some good music in real life.

Otherwise known as JoshLia (a portmanteau of their first names), the onscreen pair first teamed up in romcom Vince & Kath & James, the highest grossing entry at last year’s Metro Manila Film festival earning over P120 million.

Now, fans want to see Joshua and Julia again in one project.

Off-cam, JoshLia still looks like a perfect pair. The rising male star helped out in the preparation for the young actress’s 20th birthday two weeks ago. It was a gesture that her family commended well on social media. On Instagram, Julia’s mother, Marjorie, shared a short clip from the celebration dinner showing Joshua sitting right next to her daughter as everyone wished her a happy birthday.

It was also in the same event when a video of them slow



dancing while wrapped in each other’s arms was taken and instantly became viral.

“It happened so quickly. It was not my plan,” Joshua explained to which Julia retorted, “From the very beginning my friends and family know that Beauty and the Beast is one of my favorite songs. Out of nowhere hinila ako ni Joshua.”

That may be a sudden and an unplanned event, but that short clip already gave their fans a glimpse of their being comfortable in each other’s company, which makes them more at ease when they face the camera. People see that, and they obviously like what they are seeing.

## Why You Should Take Off Your Shoes Before Entering The House

A new study led by Dr. Kevin Garey at the University of Hoxton has revealed that we all should be leaving our shoes at the front door after all.

The study found that the soles of our shoes are basically one of the dirtiest things around, carrying all kinds of pathogenic (bad) bacteria. And the one we should be most worried about— Clostridium difficile, which can lead to some nasty bacterial infections—is

actually present on 26.4% of shoe soles. Ew.

The study found that the best way to keep a clean and hygienic house is to leave the shoes at the front door so that the bacteria doesn’t get spread as you walk around.

Oh and if you’re thinking as long as you scrape them on the mat before you walk inside you’ll be fine, don’t be so hasty . “[...] you have to think of the person who wiped their feet before,” says Dr. Garey. “You might be picking [up] stuff they left behind.”

Liza Soberano has message to bullies

Liza Soberano caught the attention of many netizens last Sunday, April 2, when she called out bullies.



"Bullying and humiliating people isn't cool," she posted. Many Twitter users rallied behind Liza's timely message. User @tutzyrol posted "True. It's ok to dislike someone. But

it's not ok to disrespect, degrade & humiliate that person. To the bashers, please get a life!" User @iaquenhopeph tweeted, "If people want to bring you down, it only means you are above them. We love you Hopiel!" Meanwhile, netizen @navarroparker posted, "I've experience this things too hopie, It turned out that karma chased the person involved."

Liza's tweet earned 36K likes and 14 retweets as of this writing. Selena Gomez, Lady Gaga, and Kesha are some of the many celebrities who have also spoken out against bullying before.

Sharon-Gabby reunion movie is Off

Sharon Cuneta broke sad news to her avid fans about her supposed movie with ex-husband Gabby Concepcion on Facebook.



The Megastar apologized to her Sharonians for the project will not be pushing through. She also mentioned that

Star Cinema is already working on a new project for her.

"Thanks for all your prayers and I am sorry it's not pushing through. But please be happy for me -- because I am very happy with my new project which Star Cinema is now preparing! God bless us all. Good night and love you guys!" she wrote in her post.

Sharon and Gabby's film was supposed to be their first movie after their 1992 film "Tayong Dalawa."



PHOTO BY ARIEL RAMOS

Filipina Women's Network launches 2017 Summit in Toronto

The Filipina Women's Network led by Marily Mondejar its CEO and Founder, in collaboration with the Toronto Philippine Consul General Rosalita Prospero and the Philippine Department of Trade and Industries' Senior Trade Commissioner Nini Alvero, launched the Filipina Leadership Global Summit Kickoff and DISRUPTing Toronto book launch on March 26th, at the Philippine Consulate in Toronto. Keynote Speaker was Hon. Petronila P. Garcia, Philippine Ambassador to Canada.

The FWN Summit in Toronto will be held from October 25-29, 2017. Also launched was the Global Search of Filipina-Canadian influentials for nomination to the "100 Most Influential Filipina Women in the World Award." The award recognizes women of Philippine ancestry who are influencing the face of leadership in the global workplace, having reached the status for their outstanding work in their respective positions, industries and communities. They are recognized for their achievements and contributions to society, femtorship and legacy. This award was first conferred to Filipina-Canadian community leader Rosemer Enverga in 2013 in San Francisco, California. The second Filipina-Canadian awardee was Maria Greaves of Surrey, British Columbia in 2015.

Filipina Women's Network is an international advocacy organization that seeks to increase the power of Filipina women worldwide as leaders and policymakers at all levels in corporate, government, institutions and community organizations to achieve economic and social justice and women's rights. FWN provides the content, credibility and community to support the success of Filipina women in their businesses and careers. FWN provides knowledge, products, research and a worldwide network for Filipina professionals.

Announcement! To all Bicolanos and Bicolanas

The 4th. month Novena Devotions to the Virgin of Penafrancia will be on May 14, 2017, Sunday. (second Sunday of May)

Feast Day Celebrations will be on the 3rd Saturday of September, September 16, 2017.

This month's Novena Devotions: Date: May 14, 2017, Sunday ( second Sunday of May ) Place: Our Lady of Assumption Church (OLA) 2565 Bathurst St. Toronto Time: 2:00 pm Devotion starts Rosary Novena to the Virgin of Pnafrancia Holy Mass Refreshments, Kumustahan at the Church Hall

Sponsors for this month - Devo-tees of the Virgin of Penafrancia from Camarines Sur, hosted by the families of Mylce Dulce.

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## PNP struggle to stop China shabu

If demand is not dealt with, enforcement will not improve the situation

MANILA - The chief enforcer of President Duterte's war on drugs acknowledged the difficulty in halting a surge in methamphetamine (locally called shabu) imports from China despite a campaign that has claimed thousands of lives.

"We do not guarantee that we will win this war," Philippine National Police chief Ronald dela Rosa said in an interview on Thursday. "Win or lose, at least we have done something to address the problem."

Duterte has faced strident criticism from the US, the United Nations and the European Union since being sworn in last June over his efforts to tackle drug addiction – a policy that proved popular at home. The Philippine police said about 2,600 people have been killed in police operations against drug traffickers, while human-rights groups label some 4,700 other murders as "extra-judicial killings."

Duterte again rejected international

criticism of the drug war, demanding the EU "not impose your, whatever it is, your values and everything because we hate you for being a hypocrite."

Despite being a key source of drugs, China has used the issue to draw closer to Duterte and improve ties with the Philippines. Policy makers in Beijing have supported the drugs war and offered to help, with anti-narcotic cooperation among agreements reached during Duterte's trip to China last year.

Dela Rosa said that police in the Philippines are coordinating with counterparts in China. Most of the five clandestine laboratories dismantled in Duterte's first six months in office involved Chinese citizens, he added.

Recent data provided by the Philippines Drug Enforcement Agency showed that the largest quantities of methamphetamine seized had been

trafficked directly from China, according to Jeremy Douglas, regional representative of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. Methamphetamine imports into the Philippines rose to 2,495 kilograms in 2016, more than four times the amount in 2015, he said.

While better law enforcement had contributed to the rise seen in the data, other factors like treatment admissions, price, and purity trends related to methamphetamine indicated a growing demand for the drug in the Philippines, Douglas said.

"As long as market demand is not addressed, increases in law enforcement activities at a street level alone won't be able to improve the situation," he said. "We recommend addressing the market through treatment and prevention, and addressing organized crime targeting those that run the business."



Who wears it better? Heart Evangelista (left) or Angel Locsin (right) ?

## Heart reprises Angel's role

Oh no, it's not Darna though. Heart Evangelista is set to play the role of Alwina, the female protagonist in upcoming GMA Network series *Mulawin vs Ravena*, a reboot of the top-rating *Mulawin* that aired in 2004.

As expected, people were quick to compare Heart to Angel Locsin, who original played Alwina, especially upon seeing the first's costume which she revealed on her Instagram account. Moreover, fans of Heart and Angel appear to have revived a decade-old feud pitting the two actors in terms of their look and acting abilities.

## No petroleum in Benham Rise

Moves to rename Benham Rise to Philippine Rise

MANILA - Benham Rise off the coast of Aurora Province may be a rich source of minerals and other aquatic resources, but its potential for petroleum is almost zero, according to an official of the Philippine National Oil Company-Exploration Corp. (PNOC-EC).

Raymundo Savella, vice president for upstream operations at PNOC-EC, said Benham Rise lacks features that could make it a source of petroleum.

Savella however said there was potential for accumulation of gas hydrates or methane, which could be explored by the Philippines in partnership with other countries.

But there has been no large-scale commercial methane production from gas hydrate deposits.

DFA acting Secretary Enrique Manalo said that China has pending requests to

survey the potentially resource-rich territory.

Manalo had said that previous requests of China to survey the area had been denied.

### Mineral potential

Yolanda Aguilar, acting chief of the Marine Geological Survey Division of the Mines and Geosciences Bureau, said Benham Rise should be explored for its mineral potential, apart from its rich biodiversity.

Since Benham Rise is located within the Pacific Ring of Fire, there is a big possibility of finding metallic minerals in the area, including sulfides like gold and copper, she said.

But it might not be easy for the Philip-

pine government to conduct a geological survey in the area, which is almost the size of Luzon and the Visayas combined, on its own because of the cost.

Senators learned during the hearing that the government needs to spend at least \$50,000 a day just for the rental of a ship, and a survey usually takes a minimum 30 days to finish.

### Renaming

Muntinlupa City Rep. Ruffy Biazon said the proposed renaming of Benham Rise was "not only timely, but urgently necessary."

Biazon said that since no other country claims the territory, there "shouldn't be any hindrance to renaming Benham Rise to Philippine Rise."

## Asean hopes up on code of conduct

MANILA - China's positive view of a code of conduct for claimants in the South China Sea will work toward successful negotiations with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Asean) on maintaining order in the disputed waterway, Acting Foreign Secretary Enrique Manalo said.

Manalo said there here have been two

meetings between China and the Asean at the expert level and these have achieved "concrete and positive results."

"We're moving forward in the right direction and we're making good progress toward coming up with a framework," he said, adding that the framework would serve as a guide for key issues and elements that should be included in the actual code

of conduct. China claims nearly all of the South China Sea, but a ruling by an international arbitration tribunal last year in a challenge brought by the Philippines invalidated that claim.

Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines, Vietnam and Taiwan also have claims in the South China Sea, where \$5 trillion in ship-borne trade passes every year.

## Knights of Rizal Dimasalang Chapter & Toronto Kapuso Lions Club By Manuel Papa

Sir Joaquin (Jojo) T. Taturan, Jr.(left), KGOR, deputy commander of the Knights of Rizal Dimasalang Chapter, has convinced Dario Agustin, to join the Rizal Dimasalang Chapter and the Toronto Kapuso Lions Club in order to continue serving the Filipino community in Toronto and other parts of the province of Toronto.

Sir Mario Alpuerto, KGOR, is the Chapter

Commander of the Knights of Rizal Dimasalang Chapter with Sir George R. Poblete, KGOR, is the Chapter Adviser. Sir Eduardo C. Prillo, KGOR, the incumbent Regional Commandr of the Knights of Rizal Canada Region, together with Sir Jaime T. Marasigan, KGOR, Rizal Supreme Council Supreme Council Deputy Supreme Council Exchequer, belong to the Rizal Dimasalang Chapter.

Sir George R. Poblete, KGOR, and Sir Jaime t. Marasigan, KGOR, served as the Regional Commanders of the Knights of Rizal Canada. Region.

Sir Mario Alpuerto, KGOR, is the Rizal Canada Region Exchequer and chairman of



and the Toronto Kapuso Lions Club. (St. Jamestown News Service, Manuel Papa)

the of the Special Project. Sir Joaquin (Jojo) T. Taturan, Jr., KGOR, is the Rizal Canada Region Pursuivant and chairman of the Public Relations and Publicity Committee.

Dario Agustin is just waiting for the right time to officially submit his official submit his application papers to the Knights of Rizal Dimasalang Chapter



Team Canada-SMART Wins 2nd Dreamers 18U Boys International Basketball Challenge in the Philippines

Upcoming sexy star Kara Mitzki on Ellen Adarna:

# “Mas sexy naman po ako kay Ellen.”

Mukhang palaban ang bagong singer-sexy star na and 25-year old na si Kara Mitzki.

Palaban nga ba siya sa totoong buhay?

“Siguro nasa tama lang ako. Sa akin kasi, very important yung nagsi-set ka ng example sa mga kabataan.

“During my spare time, very active rin ako sa mga charity works, outreach programs.

“So, naggi-give back tayo kay Lord ng mga blessings.”

## WHOLESOME DESPITE SEXY IMAGE.

Sa kanyang pagpasok sa showbiz, naniniwala si Kara na mas matimbang pa rin ang talento kesa sa ganda.

Aniya, “Sa akin kasi ano, more on focused ako sa talents.

“Siguro yung beauty at kaseksihan, bonus na lang. At saka tingin ko, mas sexy naman po ako kay Ellen,” ang natawang sabi niya. Ang kanyang tinutukoy ay si Ellen Adarna.

Willing din daw siyang mag-pose sa isang sexy pictorial para sa isang men’s magazine.

“Yes, basta creatively done, okey po ako.”



## BETTER THAN ELLEN?

“Kung public figure tayo, dapat ang image natin, siyempre dapat nakaka-inspire rin tayo ng mga kabataan.

“Unang-una, hindi po ako lasengga.

“Hindi po ako nagbi-bisyo. “Hindi po ako nagyoyosi.

“Hindi po ako nagda-drugs.”

Pero klinaro niyang hindi niya pinapatamaan si Ellen na tanungin siya ng, “

Ang sa akin po, I’m only talking for myself.”

ENCOUNTER WITH ELLEN. Nagkasama na raw sila ni Ellen sa isang recent show sa Davao. Magkatabi pa

sila sa eroplano.

Chika ba silang?

“Hindi naman,” ang natawa niyang sabi. Mukhang hindi maganda ang encounter nila?

“Medyo, medyo,” pag-amin niya.

Paano niya nasabing mas sexy siya kay Ellen? Aniya, “Tingin ko ako, may boobs naman ako.

“At saka wala po akong retoke lalo sa face.”

Biniro tuloy namin si Kara kung wala ba silang pinag-agawan o pinag-awayang lalaki ni Ellen.

“Ay wala, wala naman po.”

THANKFUL TO ANNABELLE. Si Kara ay co-managed ngayon ng VIVA at ni Annabelle Rama.

Sa pagtanggap ni Annabelle kay Kara, tila biglang magiging aktibo itong muli sa pagma-manage ng mga talents. “Siyempre, nagte-thank you rin ako kay Tita Annabelle na finally, tinanggap niya na ‘ko.

## Gerald Anderson: ‘80 percent abs are made in the kitchen, 20 percent in the gym’

Sa TV Patrol, sinabi ni Gerald Anderson at Matteo Guidicelli na mahirap magkaroon ng abs.

Malaking tulong diumano ang diet at hindi lang pag-workout. “80 percent abs are made in the kitchen, 20 percent in the gym. Sobrang totoo yan, kasi you can’t outwork a bad diet. Isa yan sa mga motto ko sa buhay kasi kahit gaano ka kasipag at kahit gaano ka-intense yung workout mo pero after, kung diretso ka sa kusina at kakain ka ng kung anu-ano medyo wala ng silbi ang workout mo so sayang din.”

Ani Matteo, meron ding misconception ang mga tao tungkol sa pagda-diet. “People have the misconception that dieting is not eating or starving yourself. That’s a wrong concept. So eating right, dieting means a healthy clean diet.”

Ang disiplina din daw sa gym ay nadadala sa ibang parte ng buhay. Ani Gerald, “It carries over e sa ibang parte ng buhay mo. Yung natutunan mo sa gym yung disiplina mo. Para sa akin sa work ko, sa personal life ko with my family.”



## Bianca Manalo describes Fabio Ide’s family as ‘very Filipino’

Brazil holds a special place in Bianca Manalo’s heart after spending a month with boyfriend Fabio Ide and his family in the

South American country last December. The actress lauded the hospitality of her boyfriend’s family.

“Super fun, very Filipino. Lahat sila meat eater, steak eater [pero] kinakain ko lang chicken and fish so

pag nagluluto ng manok sa akin isang kilong manok. So talagang minake sure nila na inalagaan nila ako ng mabuti,” she said.

This time, she has been returning the favor as Fabio’s mom is currently in the Philippines “Yung mommy nandito, supposedly ‘yung daddy susunod pero biglang di natuloy, basta naging, busy sa Brazil kaya di na siya biglang natuloy, sayang nga eh,” she shared. Asked by the press if Fabio’s parents approve of her, she coyly replied, “Siguro naman, siyempre nakisama din naman ako kahit papano, isang buwan ‘yun.” She added that her relationship with Fabio is going strong. Meanwhile, when it comes to her professional life, Bianca is still on a break after previously starring in two consecutive shows in ABS-CBN. “We are still waiting kasi siyempre nag-dalawang sunod ako na serye sa ABS so hindi naman pwedeng ako na lang ulit.

Now that it is pageant season again, the beauty queen turned actress shared some tips to aspiring Bb. Pilipinas candidates. “Siyempre have fun and be natural. It’s a once and a lifetime opportunity. Pagnapunta sa iyo ang korona, galingan mo dahil nakasalalay sa’yo ang pangalan ng Pilipinas,” she stated.



## Team Canada-SMART Wins 2nd Dreamers 18U Boys International Basketball Challenge in the Philippines



March 28, 2017. Lucban, Philippines – Team Canada-SMART participated and dominated competition at the recently concluded 2nd Dreamers 18U Boys International Basketball Challenge held from March 24-28 at the Batis Aramin Resort and Hotel in the Philippines.

Team Canada-SMART remained undefeated throughout the tournament beating George Washington High School, PYD Blue and Lucena Karis in the eliminations, PYD Red in the quarters and Lucban Rookies in the semis. In the finals Team Canada-SMART choked the highly touted Father Duenas High School from Guam with its full court press winning the championship 115-92. Andre Cruz top scored the game with 27 markers with Robert Ocampo contributing 15 and Evyn Santiago with 14. Robert Ocampo went home to win the MVP plum and Andre Cruz was a member of the Mythical Five. The other members are Tajaun Smith, Alvin Florido, Ben Kwakumey, Brendon Ocampo, Max Cruz and coaches Mike Cruz and Dome Florido.

PYD Quezon Chapter Chairman Chikoy Capistrano mentions that the participation of Team Canada-

SMART has raised the bar of competition for the other participants. Coach Lawrence of George Washington said that definitely they will prepare better for next year’s addition hoping to get back the recently crowned champions.

The tournament was organized by Pinoy Youth Dreamers headed by Beaujing Acot. It is supported by the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO), headed by chairman Jose Jorge Corpuz and general manager Alexander Balutan and Sonny Barrios and Bernie Atienza of Samahang Basketbol ng Pilipinas.

Team Canada’s participation was made possible by Smart through Mr. Epok Quimpo and Crossover Sports Canada. Other supporters include Mr. Manolo Arnaldo of PNB Global Remit, Ms. Agnes Miranda of WFG, Mr. Manny Yanga of Scarborough Toyota, Realtor Monibel Dychiao, Ms. Elsie Altamirano of Millenium Financials, Ms. Rosary Escano and Mr. Manny Gutierrez of TFC, Ms. Judith Gonzales of Professional Career International, Mr. Rafael Nebres of Action Honda, Mr. Ferdie Baguiza of UMAC and Forex Cargo, Mr. Bong and Shai Tiaga of Medistox, Estacion Foods, Mr. Ariel Santos and Applebees Ajax. Also would like to thank NABA Commissioner Dr. Ron Damasco and his executive officers Gani Gregorio, Sonny Albano, Larry Albano, Edgar Tojino, Rizza Valera, Frank Pendon, Bob San Juan and FBL Commissioner Wallie Landicho for their support.

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## Palace assures tourists: Philippines is safe

MANILA - The Palace assured tourists that the Philippines is “definitely safe” despite travel advisories by foreign governments warning of terrorist activity in the country.

The assurance came as the military announced the release of at least 16 Abu Sayyaf fighters, despite their involvement in heinous crimes, because of the absence of warrants for their arrest.

Presidential spokesman Ernesto Abella said local and foreign tourists should not worry as security forces were running after the Abu Sayyaf, the terror and kidnap group that has pledged allegiance to the Islamic State.

The United States, Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom have issued warnings against travelling to Central Visayas, particularly Bohol and Cebu, over terror threats.

Last week, government security forces fought members of the Abu Sayyaf in Barangay Napo, Inabanga, Bohol, an island known for white-sand beaches and the “Chocolate Hills.”

Abella was confident the bloody clash would not reduce tourist arrivals in the country.

“The PNP (Philippine National Police) Regional Safety Battalion is also available in Bohol and in other areas. In other words, the administration is looking after security in the area,” he told reporters.

“As far as we can, as far as we have, we have done our due diligence regarding the matter. However, on the whole, the tourists’ interest in the Philippines continues to surge. So it will all even up,” he added.

## Filipinos urged to travel locally

A MEMBER of the House opposition bloc on Tuesday urged Filipinos to prioritize local travel over going overseas to boost economic activity in the countryside while learning more about why it is more fun in the Philippines.

Ifugao Rep. Teddy Baguilat said tourism was an industry that promoted inclusive growth, a key objective of the Duterte administration, as the revenues were enjoyed by a long supply chain that included the local hotels, restaurants, tour guides, food establishments, souvenir producers, private tour operators and the local government units.

“Local travel means more money going to our fellow Filipinos in the tourism trade and gives the locals more reason to preserve our cultural heritage and our natural wonders,” Baguilat said, noting the summer months were the times when tourism would hit its peak.

In Ifugao, for instance, Baguilat and his family support a group of weavers in the World Heritage Site of Kiangan.

“The objective is for the weavers to earn enough from their products such as tablecloths to encourage the younger generation to take up the craft,” he said.

At the same time, Baguilat urged the government to address concerns such as peace and order and infrastructure bottlenecks to make it easier for both local and foreign tourists to travel to these destinations, including his home province, home of the famous Ifugao Rice Terraces.

“A study has shown that our tourism competitiveness has dipped because of concerns such as security and this may have an effect on the arrival of tourists from abroad. Locals should take up the slack by visiting local spots and helping the domestic economy,” Baguilat said.

He added that while traveling abroad helps widen one’s horizon, local travel provides extra benefits like directly contributing to the improvement in the lives of fellow Filipinos who depend on tourism revenues for their livelihood.

“It would also do us well to know our country first. It would be unfortunate if we would know more about other countries than our own,” Baguilat said.

that attitude because of my experience as president. There were so many people in the peanut gallery telling me what to do when they don’t have all the facts at their disposal,” Arroyo told reporters.

The Arroyo administration inked a Joint Marine Seismic Undertaking (JMSU) with China and Vietnam in 2005—a pact that covered islands located within the Philippines’ 200-nautical-miles exclusive economic zone (EEZ) guaranteed under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

The legality of the JMSU pact, which lapsed in 2008, was questioned before the Supreme Court.

eventually admitted, “Yes.”

At the start of the show, Sofia also set the record straight that she and Inigo are “super good friends” despite the heartbreak. Sofia and Inigo were paired in the 2014 romantic-comedy flick *Relaks, It’s Just Pag-ibig*, and eventually became good friends.

Their friendship sparked rumors that they were already romantically involved, but both stars only described it as “mutual understanding.”

Today, Sofia is being linked to Diego Loyzaga, while Inigo was last seen with Girltrends member Kelly Day at the 2016 Star Magic Ball.

## Majority of Filipinos remain poor

More than 30 million minimum wage earners, remained working poor, earning below the standard poverty threshold level, the labor group Associated Labor Unions-Trade Union Congress of the Philippines said. Labor spokesperson Alan Tanjusay said despite the report of the country’s consistent high economic growth, majority of Filipinos remained poor.

“These minimum wage earners helped build the country’s high economic wealth but still many are living way below the standard poverty line,” he said.

Tanjusay said the chances to get out of poverty by way of job regularization and security of tenure on employment were forever shut by the recent issuance of Department Order 174. Rather than prohibiting contractualization, DO 174 of the Department of Labor and Employment ‘legalizes’ and perpetuates contractualization, he said.

Aside from having no security of tenure because they work for less than six months, contractual workers are forever tied to minimum wage. The National Economic and Development Authority standard amount needed by a family of five for them to survive in a month in the year 2015 was P9,064 or P393 a day. The average real wage amount in regions outside National Capital Region, on one hand, is P250 a day or equivalent to P6,000 per month. Thus, the buying powers of minimum wages P361 in Metro Manila and P250 in regions outside NCR are inadequate, compared with the P393 amount needed by a family to survive in a day. It means, minimum wage workers need at least P32 more and P143 more on top of their daily pay for workers within and outside Metro Manila, respectively, to stay within the threshold and considered not poor. Tanjusay said: “There has been no inclusive growth for MWEs because the buying power of minimum wage is going downward amid rising prices of basic necessities and cost of services. The ALU-TUCP has offered various measures toward helping workers cope with growing inflation, but the government should ban contractualization, provide a minimal cash amount by way of monthly subsidy while reinforcing government’s enforcement of compliance to labor and price regulations.

Employers, on the other hand, could help their employees cope with poverty by voluntarily providing across-the-board wage increase and implement in-house programs providing their employees with cash and non-cash benefits, Tanjusay said.

Government defines poverty threshold as the minimum income required to meet food and non-food needs of a family of five including clothing, housing, transportation, health and educational expenses.



## Philippines’ biggest stars sign with ABS-CBN

The country’s biggest stars, including the hottest love teams, remain as solid Kapamilyas after signing their respective exclusive multi-program contracts with ABS-CBN in the first quarter of 2017.

ABS-CBN’s love teams Kathryn Bernardo and Daniel Padilla (KathNiel), Liza Soberano and Enrique Gil (LizQuen), and Kim Chiu and Gerald Anderson (KimErald) will continue spreading kilig vibes in their various Kapamilya projects.

Love teams KathNiel, LizQuen, and KimErald remain as solid Kapamilyas

It’s Showtime and *Gandang Gabi Vice* host Vice Ganda, *Northern Lights* lead actor Piolo Pascual, *A Love To Last* cast members Bea Alonzo, Enchong Dee, and Julia Barretto, *Wildflower*’s Maja Salvador and Joseph Marco, upcoming Kapamilya series *Victims of Love* Julia Montes, *Magandang Buhay* hosts Melai Cantiveros and Jolina Magdangal, “I Can Do That” stars Pokwang and Robi Domingo, “The Better Half” star Shaina Magdayao, “Banana Sundae’s” Jessy Mendiola, and actors and actresses Erich Gonzales, Sam Milby, Isabelle Daza-Semblat, and Richard Yap also signed their respective contracts.

Some of the country’s biggest stars sign their respective exclusive multi-program contracts with ABS-CBN

ABS-CBN also welcomed returning Kapamilya singer/songwriter Ogie Alcasid after 25 years. His current project with ABS-CBN is *Your Face Sounds Familiar Kids* where he serves as one of the judges. Actresses Bela Padilla and Yassi Pressman also inked their respective contracts with the network. Padilla is currently in the primetime series *My Dear Heart*, meanwhile, Pressman is in the top-rating primetime show *FPJ’s Ang Probinsyano*.

## Atom is lucky

ONE of the most awaited films this year is the comeback movie of acclaimed filmmaker Mike de Leon, who directed such memorable films such as “Sister Stella L,” “Kisapmata,” “Kung Mangarap Ka’t Magising,” “Batch 81” and “Bayaning 3rd World”. His new movie is “Citizen Jake”, starring broadcaster Atom Araullo in his first acting role who feels fortunate to have been tapped by De Leon to play the title role.

“He’s very passionate about filmmaking,” says Atom. “It is common knowledge that he is a perfectionist and quite uncompromising when it comes to his vision about his movie. I was so surprised when he offered me the role of Citizen Jake. We have so many discussions about the project and I’m learning so much from him that I now realize how blessed I am in getting this opportunity to work with him.”



Gandang Filipina 2017 winner Michelle Arceo (center) with 2nd runner up Lady Justerinnie Santos and 1st runner up Camille Angelica Canlas

## ‘Wowowin’ crowns its first Gandang Filipina

All 23 candidates of Wowowin’s “Gandang Filipina 2017” were able to exhibit their hometown’s distinct traditions on national television, but Michelle Arceo of Mandaluyong City was the most graceful of them all. Arceo won the hearts of the people with her wit and charm. Arceo grew up in America, but she decided to go back to the Philippines and care for her mom who sacrificed a lot for their family. Now that she has been crowned as the first Gandang Filipina winner, she has decided to give back and offer her winnings to her mother. Aside from P500,000 cash, Arceo also took home a brand new car. Her fellow winners, 2nd Runner Up Lady Justerinnie Santos of Bulacan took home P100,000 cash, while 1st Runner Up Camille Angelica Canlas of Cebu won P50,000. Present ang boyfriend ni Michelle na si Albie Casino sa naturang pag-eant. Masaya raw ang aktor sa tagump-ay ng kanyang nobya.

## PROUDLY PINOY DAY CELEBRATES 150 YEARS OF ASIAN CANADIAN HERITAGE

By : Tony A. San Juan, OCT.

Once again, in fitting celebration of “Asian Heritage Month” in Ontario, the Toronto Catholic District School Board, through its Community Relations Department slates its annual Proudly Pinoy Day on May 13, 2017, Saturday, at the St. Margaret Beatrice Campus/Dante Alighieri Academy, 50 Ameer Avenue, Toronto. The one-day event, scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., will feature an array of participatory and enjoyable program showcasing Filipino cultural and musical performances, and FilCan Rachelle Cruz, ABS-CBN Balitang Amerika reporter will host the program. The parent council of St. Margaret Catholic school community is also taking an active role in the organization of the event. The yearly celebration usually draws close to 400 people. Event organizers are looking for community sponsors, donors and volunteers. Secondary school students

needing volunteer hours are encouraged to call Jody Huang at 416-222-8282 ex 2682 . Participants and guests are encouraged to register, via :<https://www.tcdsb.org/FORCOMMUNITY/HeritageCelebration/AsianCanadianHeritage/Pages/proudlyPinoy2017.aspx> . Participating organizations and individuals include : Toronto Police Services Board, TCDSB-Filipino Advisory Committee, Kababayan Multicultural Centre, Philippine Teachers Association of Canada, Filipino Canadian Association in Catholic Education, The Filipino Centre Toronto, Philippine Canadian Charitable Foundation, and various Newcomer Settlement organizations & other community-based associations and stakeholders. Proudly Pinoy Day, now on its 8th year. Come One, Come All !!! ( Tony A. San Juan).

### Loisa, bagong Sarah G?

WILL Loisa Andalio, former Pinoy Big Brother (PBB) teen housemate, make it as the next Sarah Geronimo? Well, most of Loisa’s followers predict so. Especially because naggu-glow siya as a debutante on April 21. Itanong n’yo pa sa current leading men niya sa katatapos na episode ng Wansapanataym, sina Mark Oblea at Jameson Blake. Like Sarah, when Loisa was her age,



nagpakitang gilás itong dilag ng Parañaque City (laking Santa Cruz, Manila si Sarah), bilang magaling na dancer at singer. And, of course, maging sa acting. Loisa is in the cast of the trending series My Dear Heart kung saan kasama rin niya sina Mark at James. Lead performers ng My Dear Heart, of course, are Zanjoe Marudo, Bela Padilla, Ria Atayde, Rio Locsin, Eric Quizon, Robert Arevalo, Joey Marquez and child actress Mayomi ‘Heart’ Ramos.

## Ken sends Barbie roses: Off-cam ‘romance’ excites fans

FANS who are rooting for the Kenbie loveteam of Barbie Forteza and Ken Chan in the hit primetime show, “Meant to Be”, on GMA7 are rejoicing when they learned that Ken sent a bouquet of red roses to Barbie off cam and she is



so elated to get them. Barbie is so pleased with it she sent a message to Ken: “Di mo naman ako ini-inform sa pa-roses mo. Weakness ko pa naman ito! Thank you!” To which Ken replied: “Because you are very important to me.” Their fans swooned because of this, garnering 26,000 likes on social media, and they’re now hoping that it will be Ken who’d get Barbie not only on cam in “Meant to Be” but even also off cam. But Barbie is getting four more new leading men in the show. Aside from Ken, Ivan Dorschner, Jak Roberto, and Addy Raj, the new good looking actors being introduced in the show as their rivals for Barbie’s heart and attention are Dave Bornea, Vince Vidorpe, Matthias Rhoads and Carl Cervantes.

How does Barbie feel now that no less than eight hunks are fighting for her and not just four? “Siyempre, feeling ko, ang haba-haba ng hair ko,” she laughs. “Sana, mangyari rin sa akin ‘yan sa tunay na buhay at hindi lang sa show. Sobrang nakakakilig talaga siguro.” At this time, it’s already very clear that “Meant to Be” is not just a carbon copy of “Meteor Garden”, what with the introduction of four more guys to compete with Barbie’s attention. Also, the story involving the love affairs of Manilyn Reynes, Sheryl Cruz, Tina Paner, Janno Gibbs, and Keempee de Leon makes the show even more interesting and worth watching.

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## Take no Sayyaf prisoners — Duterte

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**surrender, you refuse. You decline the offer of surrender.”**

“Let’s continue fighting. Eventually they will run out of bullets. I have plenty of soldiers to spare,” he added as he divulged that the recent clash in Bohol was timed by the ASG to embarrass the government, which is hosting meetings of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.

“The Abu Sayyaf [is there] because there is an Asean meeting now, and they went there maybe to kidnap [some people]... I told the Navy if you see them [on a boat], blast them off,” he said.



the deadly encounter with security forces in Inabanga, Bohol, last month.

The President even called up on civilians

Earlier in the day, Duterte offered a P1-million bounty for each of the six Abu Sayyaf bandits who escaped

to kill the jihadists, as he ordered an intensified crackdown on the terrorist group, even in their lairs in Sulu.

The President had earlier told security forces to finish off the Abu Sayyaf as another of the terrorist group’s sub-leaders, Alhabisi Misaya, was spotted in Negros Oriental, constituting a threat to nearby Apo Island, Sumilon Island and Siquijor.

Before that, Abu Sayyaf bandits planning a terrorist attack clashed with police and troops in nearby Inabanga, Bohol, leaving nine people dead, including the leader of the operation, Abu Rami, three soldiers and a policeman.

The Palace played down Duterte’s call to civilians to kill terrorists, however.

## Duterte open to nat’l ID system

MANILA - Malacanang said it was studying a plan to establish a national identification system as a measure to check terrorism.

Presidential spokesman Ernesto Abella said the establishment of a national ID system was “being considered.”

The Presidential Legislative Liaison Office (PLLO) is pushing for such a measure in Congress, Abella said.

“That seems to be the general tendency, the general direction, yes,” he told reporters, when asked if the Duterte administration would push for the passage of a national ID system.

“We’ll see what happens... It’s part of the, in terms of being pushed in the PLLO, I mean in the legislation,” he added.

Several proposals have been made in past congresses to establish a national ID

system, but these failed because of strong opposition from various sectors over privacy concerns.

The Arroyo administration rolled out the optional Unified Multi-Purpose Identification or UMID card scheme in 2010 that could be used with the Social Security System, the Government Service Insurance System, the Home Development Mutual or Pag-IBIG Fund and the Philippine Health Insurance Corp.

During his meeting with the Filipino community in Saudi Arabia last week, President Rodrigo Duterte said the idea of the Philippines having a national ID system was “good.”

“It’s also pending in Congress,” Duterte said in response to a query from an overseas Filipino worker who was seeking the establishment of a national ID system

similar to that of Saudi Arabia.

“We’re working on it because it’s good,” the President added.

Duterte’s ally, Pampanga Rep. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, earlier filed a bill to integrate all government IDs into a single ID system.

Under Arroyo’s House Bill No. 696, all Filipino citizens would be issued an ID Card that could be used in public and private transactions in the country.

“Every Filipino, whether residing in the Philippines or abroad, is mandated to register personal information required by the ID system, and upon application shall be issued a non-transferable Filipino ID card with an ID number that shall be valid for life, subject to replacement only under [some] circumstances,” Arroyo said.

## China shoos away Pinoys from Spratlys

MANILA - A congressman urged the government to file a strong diplomatic protest against China for firing warning shots to drive Filipino fishermen away from Union Bank, in the heavily disputed Spratly archipelago in the South China Sea.

Magdalo Rep. Gary Alejano urged the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) to demand an explanation and an apology from China for the incident.

Alejano condemned “in the strongest terms” the “aggressive acts” of the Chinese

Coast Guard, which reportedly fired warning shots to prevent the Filipinos from fishing in Union Bank.

### Within PH economic zone

One of five regions in the Spratly archipelago, Union Bank is located 230 kilometers west of the Philippine coast, well within the country’s 370-km exclusive economic zone (EEZ), Alejano said.

China claims almost all of the South China Sea, parts of which are also claimed

by Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines, Vietnam and Taiwan.

China occupies Union Bank, and has built artificial islands on three of the reefs there, all claimed by the Philippines—Mabini Reef (internationally known as Johnson South Reef), Gavin Reef (Gaven Reef) and McKennan Reef (Hughes Reef).

Television reports said the Chinese Coast Guard drove away Filipino fishermen from Mariveles town, Bataan province, from Union Bank on April 9.

## Yassi Pressman ok being linked to Coco Martin

After joining the Kapamilya series Ang Probinsyano last year, Yassi Pressman said she feels blessed to still be part of the highest rating series. “Thankful ako na pagpasok ko tinanggap rin nila ako at I felt like I was part of the family na rin,” she shared.



With the show boasting of consistently high ratings, the 21-year-old actress

admitted it’s more of gratefulness than pressure for the cast and crew of Ang Probinsyano. “Sobrang thankful namin lalo na ngayon yung ratings nationwide. Kaya nangyayari itong lahat dahil sa sobrang galing ng mga minds behind the camera,” she explained.

As for being linked to the show’s lead star Coco Martin, Yassi said she chooses to be flattered when people joke that they look good together. “Sobrang okay. Maganda kung ganun ibig sabihin na-i-in love din sila kay Cardo at kay Alyanna. Nakakatuwa. Ngayon ko lang din kasi nakatrabaho si Coco. Sobrang bait. More than anything, ang hindi ko alam dati kung gaano siya katutok sa trabaho, kung gaano siya ka-determinado sa trabaho. Hindi lang siya artista para sa sarili niya. Gusto niya lahat naaalagaan niya,” she revealed.

Yassi shared that their loyal viewers have lots more action to look forward to in Ang Probinsyano, which ABS has extended up to 2018. “Maraming salamat din sa lahat ng nagsusuporta na hanggang ngayon mag-tu-two years na Ang Probinsyano. Marami pang dapat abangan basta araw araw lang kayong manuod,” she added. She also expressed interest to be Darna.

“Kung may auditions oo naman. Pakiramdam ko it’s an honor for anyone to be called the next Darna,” she said.

## Elmo Magalona on his rendition of ‘Cold Summer Nights’: ‘Felt nostalgic’

Sa TV Patrol, ibinalita na binubuhay ni Elmo Magalona ang music legacy ng kanyang namayapang ama na si Master Rapper Francis Magalona. Binigyan niya ng bagong tunog ang “Cold summer Nights” na isa sa mga hit songs ni Francis M.

At ayon kay Elmo, “felt nostalgic. Not necessarily my memories pero I guess yung panahon ni Papa.”

March 9 ang eighth death anniversary ni Francis M. Ani Elmo, gusto din niyang gumawa ng rendition ng “Mga Kababayan.”

Ayon sa ulat, hindi rin daw totoo na hindi maayos ang relasyon ni Elmo at ng ina ni Janella Salvador na si Janine Desiderio. Aniya, “I’m really happy na we get to bond a lot more now.”



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# Meg insists there’s no feud between her and Kim

MEG Imperial is happy to be working with GMA-7 for the first time in the new afternoon show, “D’ Originals”, that replace “Pinulot Ka Lang sa Lupa.”

It’s her first time to star in a Kapuso soap and she says she owes it to the director of “D’Originals”, Adolf Alix Jr.

“My last appearance on ABS was in a guest role in ‘Ang Probinsiyano’, but last year pa ‘yon. So I said magpapaalam muna ako sa Viva, who’s handling my career, and pumayag naman si Boss Vic kasi chance ko na nga ito to work with GMA and Kapuso actors. Sayang naman ang opportunity. And I’m really thankful to get the chance to do ‘D’Originals’ kasi very warm ang welcome na ibinigay ng lahat sa akin.”

But how come there’s a rumor that she’s having a feud with co-star Kim Domingo who allegedly snubbed her? “I’m really surprised that may ganyang kuwento kasi on our first taping day, it was even Kim who approached me, introduced herself to me at nakipag-shake hands sa akin. So lahat ng rumors na may rift kami, that’s not true. Nag-uusap pa nga kami kung paano mas mapapaganda ang scenes namin together. Natatawa na lang kami ni Kim sa mga intriga about us. But sa story, totoong magkaaway talaga kami kasi ako ang number two ng mister niyang si Archie Aleman. May scene na nagbikini showdown kaming dalawa at syempre, bilang the other woman, hindi ako magpapatalo.”

Didn’t she feel insecure because Kim is so sexy and is said to be the new Pantasya ng Bayan? “Hindi naman, kasi I’m more confident with myself now. Sa ngayon, I have a more positive outlook in life and I don’t get easily intimidated by anyone. Kung anong kaya nilang gawin, I think kaya ko rin naman.”

## Bianca Gonzalez picks Sarah Geronimo or Nadine Lustre for Darna

Here’s why Bianca Gonzalez believes Sarah Geronimo or Nadine Lustre is fit to play Darna.

Just like many Darna fans, Bianca Gonzalez is also saddened to hear that Angel Locsin will no longer play the iconic Pinay superheroine, which will be made into a film under Star Cinema. Bianca said that it is “unfortunate” Angel will not reprise the role of Darna. In another tweet, the TV host said that either Nadine Lustre or Sarah Geronimo will be perfect for the part.

She justified this by saying that apart from being good actresses, Sarah and Nadine are Pinay beauties and have the X-factor for the role.

## More netizens side with Jake than Andi

It’s common knowledge that there’s a war going on between Andi Eigenmann and Jake Ejercito after Jake filed for joint custody of their daughter, Ellie. Andi is very vocal about her feelings against the Ejercitos in her social media account.

“I think it’s only right for a father to spend time with his daughter,” Jake says in an interview. “We’re not asking for much. Hindi naman aabot sa ganito kung nakakausap namin siya nang maayos. We tried to talk to her through a lot of people, including Boss Vic of Viva, pero wala. Now, pinapalabas niyang kami ang hindi marunong makipag-usap at heartless daw ang family namin. Dinamay pa niya ang buong family ko. I really don’t know

kunsaan siya nanggagaling. As it is, bihirang-bihira kong makasama si Ellie. Siguro, once a month lang, and masaya kami when we’re together.”

In her tweets, Andi says: “I still believe that real justice can prevail in this country. Even if you are up against a family with power and lots of money. I take to twitter because it seems as though they only care to take notice when it’s their image at risk. The biggest mistake I made was choosing you (Jake), over anybody else, over and over again. It sucks to know that there really are heartless people in this world. Sucks even more to know they are the ones in power.”

It seems most netizens don’t side with Andi because of her track record. It would be recalled that she first dragged the name of the innocent Albie Casino who she insisted was Ellie’s dad. Then she became involved with other guys, like Brett Jackson and her current BF. But it now appears that she hasn’t really moved on from her failed relationship with Jake, which must be the root of all the bitterness she now feels for him.

If she’s really after her child’s good welfare, she should recognize the fact that Jake and his whole family are so in love with Ellie, warmly accepting her and they even gave her a special number to participate in Erap’s recent 80th birthday party. As soon as Jake found out that he’s really the biological dad of Ellie through a DNA test, he became very vocal about wanting to give Ellie a bright future and she should be thankful that Jake did not disown the child or renege on his parental responsibility on her, which Andi initially denied. Andi should seek counseling from the Center for Family Ministries about this matter as they can give her concrete advice on what she should do for the benefit of her love child.

# Dobol B Sa News TV begins April 24 worldwide

Beginning Monday, April 24, GMA Network takes Serbisyon Tootoo a notch higher as its flagship radio station DZBB and the leading local news channel, GMA News TV, join forces in bringing the biggest news and commentaries through Dobol B Sa News TV.

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“Dobol B Sa News TV will be a milestone in the very long history of DZBB,” says Mike. “GMA started with station DZBB way back after the war as Republic Broadcasting System. So DZBB is where it all begun. This is another milestone na ‘yung morning block, the primetime of radio, ay mapapanuod na nang live sa free TV. You don’t need to be a cable subscriber. You can watch us on Channel 11,” he adds.

Responding to the ever-changing needs of the listening and viewing public, Dobol B Sa News TV showcases news headlines, weather bulletins, traffic reports, public service announcements and entertainment tidbits that only Dobol B can offer.

“We are strengthening DZBB as a radio broadcast operation. Dadalhin namin ‘yung ingay ng radio sa TV. Pero ‘yung ingay ng radyo sa Dobol B hindi mababawasan, dadagdagan pa namin. What we are essentially doing here is we are getting rid of the box. We are not thinking out of the box, we are getting rid of the box,” Mike further says.

Kicking off the morning lineup at 6 a.m. (PHT) is Saksi sa Dobol B, hosted by Imbestigador ng Bayan Mike Enriquez. From Monday to Friday, Mike dishes out the latest news in the morning and provides the public more information about the issues at hand through interviews with key personalities.

Mike is joined later on at 7 a.m. by Joel Reyes Zobel in Super Balita sa Umaga Nationwide. Together they deliver the biggest news stories and latest news updates.

Viewers can also now watch the morning kulitan of Mike, Arnold, and Ali as it happens when Sino? makes its TV debut. Sino? is sure to entertain the public with juicy blind items in politics and showbiz. And the fun continues as Mike, Arnold, and Ali give commentary on the day’s news through the musical Jeng-Jeng and Balitawit.

Dissecting further the issues that made it to the news that day are the tandem of Arnold and Ali in Dobol A Sa Dobol B.

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## DOT asks Japan, Korea to lift travel warning to Central Visayas

The Department of Tourism (DOT) has already asked East Asian neighbors Japan and South Korea to remove the travel advisories they issued to warn their citizens against traveling to Central Visayas in the Philippines.

Tourism Secretary Wanda Corazon Teo said that she already talked with the ambassadors of South Korea and Japan in Manila, requesting them to ask their

respective governments to remove the travel advisories issued amid the recent security threat in Bohol, a famous resort island in the Central Visayas.

At present, the DOT is waiting on the decision of the two countries, with the hope that Japanese and Korean travelers be given the green light to travel to the Philippine tourist destinations in the region.

Last week, military and police thwarted planned criminal activities of the bandit group Abu Sayyaf in Bohol. A gun battle resulted in the death of six Abu Sayyaf members and three security forces.

Amid this incident, the DOT assured that tourists who are planning to go to Central Visayas may still come and visit the region.

## Gov't 'anti-endo' campaign sees results

MANILA - The government has promised to continue to provide stable and secure jobs for Filipinos after more than 45,000 contractual workers have been regularized from their work.

According to a report, the Philippines' outsourcing industry faces a shortage of trained personnel after a decade of rapid growth which saw it become a pillar of the economy as booming demand overtakes the supply of trained workers.

The industry that foreign companies find cheaper to farm out abroad, has grown by about 20 percent annually since 2007.

Presidential Spokesman Ernesto Abella said the President's campaign promise to end contractualization has become a "reality," citing recent government steps to abolish such illegal labor practices.

"We remain committed to provide stable and secure jobs for the Filipino people," Abella said.

Around 45,605 workers have benefited from the government's anti-endo campaign. subcontracting work.

At the start his term, President Duterte has pushed for an end to the practice of "endo" or the hiring of workers for five months designed to avoid regularization of workers. Duterte wanted to ensure the workers will get job security when employed in companies.

## Aquino blamed for China's island-building

MANILA - China's island building spree in the disputed waters of the South China Sea should be blamed on the Aquino administration, former Justice secretary Estelito Mendoza said.

At the same briefing to launch Mendoza's primer entitled "The Ocean

Space of the Maritime Area of the Philippines" published by the UP Law Center, former President and now Pampanga Rep. Gloria Arroyo said China's move to build more islands in the disputed waters did not take place under her watch.

Mendoza said the filing of a case before the United Nations Arbitral Tribunal by the Aquino administration provoked China to build more islands in the disputed territory.

## Bill seeking to grant free kidney dialysis pushed

MANILA - Senator Sonny Angara pushed for the approval of the measure that seeks to grant free dialysis treatment to Filipinos living in rural areas.

In pushing for Senate Bill No. 1329 or the "Dialysis Center Act," Angara wants all national, regional and provincial government hospitals to establish, operate and maintain a dialysis ward or unit that will give free dialysis medical procedure to indigent patients.

The senator noted that poor patients

who are suffering from kidney disorder and living in the provinces could hardly afford the cost of traveling to urban cities to seek medical treatment.

"The optimum frequency of dialysis is three times a week, but because of its high cost and inaccessibility, some patients settle with less, thus causing their health to deteriorate more progressively," Angara said.

Citing data from the Philippine Network for Organ Sharing of the Depart-

ment of Health (DOH), Angara said close to 23,000 patients underwent dialysis treatment due to kidney failure in 2013, a huge jump from 4,000 cases recorded in 2004.

The DOH, however noted that the figures did not include those suffering from kidney failure, but who were not able to undergo dialysis treatment due to its high cost and inaccessibility, especially in the rural areas.

## Gloria to work until she can no longer remember her lines

GLORIA Romero said that we made her cry when we declared at the presscon of her new show, "Daig Kayo ng Lola Ko", that she's one star who should be a good role model to other stars since, after 60 years in showbiz, she remains to be well-loved and highly-respected in the industry.

"Masaya itong show namin, pinaiiyak mo ako," she says. "Pero nagpapasalamat talaga ako sa GMA-7 kasi sa edad kong ito, 83 na ako, nabigyan pa nila ako ng ganitong



project. As the lola here, hindi na ako kailangang lagyan ng aging prosthetic makeup kasi ayan, o, kitang-kita na lahat ng lines at eyebags sa mukha ko. And I'm proud to say that I earned all of them. After all these years, hindi pa nawawala ang passion ko sa acting and I'm always excited when I have a new show. Itong 'Daig Kayo ng Lola Ko', nakakabata para sa akin, kasi puro bata ang mga kasama ko."

In the story, she plays Lola Goreng and she has a secret. She was once a fairy who fell in love with a mortal. Playing her two grandchildren are Jillian Ward as Alice and David Remo as Elvis, who are also secret fairies like her.

She has two other wards, Chlauri Malayao as Moira, a street kid, and Julius Miguel as Jorrel, a city boy. This is under the direction of Rico Gutierrez, who uses state-of-the-art animation for the show, as seen in the first episode titled "Gracia, Taong Graza", with Marian Rivera as a rich girl with attention deficit syndrome who becomes a taong graza.

We tell Tita Glo that she now has two shows as she also plays the Lola Madonna of Jak Roberto in "Meant to Be". Doesn't she feel overworked?

"Oo nga. Buti na lang, magaling pa akong mag-memorize ng mga linya ko ngayong two scripts ang binibigay nila sa'kin every week. Kung hindi ko na kayang makapag-memorize, magre-retire na ako. Pero once a week lang naman ang taping namin sa 'Daig Kayo ng Lola Ko' and in 'Meant to Be', kunsaan, teenagers naman ang mga katrabaho ko, paminsan-minsan lang naman akong lumalabas. But I also enjoy playing my role there as the Millennial Lola. Kung minsan, 'yung mga words na pinasasabi nila sa'kin dun, hindi ko naiintindihan, like nag-MOMOL pala kayo. Sabi ko, explain nyo muna sa'kin. At ngayon, magkakaroon na ako ng sariling lovelife dun. Papasok si Ronaldo Valdez para maging love interest ko."

"Daig Kayo ng Lola Ko" starts airing this Sunday, April 30, replacing "TsuperHero" on GMA Sunday Grande, while "Meant to Be" is seen weeknights after "Destined to Be Yours".



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# Jessy decalares love for Luis

MANILA - Actress Jessy Mendiola took to social media to greet her boyfriend, actor-host Luis Manzano, who turned 36 last April 21. Mendiola did not hold back on expressing her love for Manzano, saying: “Happy birthday, my love! Thank you for making me believe in love again. So much has happened, but here I am, falling more in love with you each day.”

She continued: “You make people happy just by being yourself and I am very proud of that. You deserve good things because you are a good person inside and out. I love you very much and I will always be your Chopie.”

Manzano described his relationship with Mendiola as “very, very steady.”

The couple started going public about their relationship late last year.

Prior, they shied away from the spotlight, especially since Mendiola was tagged as the reason behind Manzano’s breakup with actress Angel Locsin.

# Will Jodi Sta. Maria and Richard Yap work together on a teleserye soon?

A year after the primetime soap Pangako Sa ‘Yo concluded, actress Jodi Sta. Maria

revealed that she is now gearing up for an upcoming TV series.

The actress, who talked to reporters at the pictorial of her upcoming Star Cinema movie Dear Other Self, said, “Definitely, yes. Magbabalik telebisyon na tayo this year. Actually magsasabay nga ‘yung promo (ng movie) and ‘yung taping ng teleserye pero ‘yun lang muna ‘yung masasabi ko. Hindi talaga ako makakapagbigay pa ng detalye.”

As Jodi was with former on-screen partner Richard Yap in ABS-CBN’s latest Summer station ID, she was asked if this is a sign that they will work again soon.

“Abangan natin ‘yan,” she cheerfully answered.

# Khalil Ramos on portraying Noven Belleza: ‘I am so inspired’

Coming from a reality show competition himself, Khalil Ramos can relate well to the experiences of Tawag Ng Tanghalan grand champion Noven Belleza. Their identical journey in the industry aided Khalil in his portrayal of the singer for the upcoming April 22 episode of Maalala Mo Kaya.

“Lahat naman ng tao may isang pangarap sa buhay na gustong abutin and like Noven, like me, when I was back in the contest, it was all about our passion and that’s what similar between Noven and I. And the story is very inspiring,” he said.

Playing the Bacolod-born singer has lead Khalil to the discovery that Noven also joined Pilipinas Got Talent. “[It] is the contest that I was from so sobrang relatable,” he shared.

Khalil was deeply moved by Noven’s story especially by his life back in the province before the singer skyrocketed to stardom.

“He came from a very simple life back in Bacolod and you know it was challenging



for me to fill in his shoes kasi grabe ang respect ko for the agricultural workers in the Philippines. Their work is so hard, nabibilad sila sa init araw-araw and just like Noven may mga pangarap din silang gustong abutin. I am so inspired by his story and I can’t wait to watch it this Saturday,” he enthused.

Apart from MMK, Khalil also portrayed an equally moving character in his recent movie 2 Cool 2 Be 4gotten. His performance received positive feedback from critics and moviegoers for which Khalil has been very grateful. “Well it is really overwhelming for the team and I. You know we put in so much work into portraying the characters and it felt really good seeing all the people raving about it,” he said.

Khalil remarked that the support from the Filipino audience inspires him to constantly evolve. “They continue to motivate me into being better and to learn more about my craft for the years to come,” he stated.

# Lovi declares after death hoax: I’m alive

A few days ago, there was news that Lovi Poe died and it quickly spread in social media, causing concern among her fans. But this is one of those hoaxes about celebrity deaths cooked up by internet trolls who have nothing better to do. “Last I checked, buhay pa naman ako,” Lovi says laughing. “Ang dami kong bagong trabaho, may new movie and may new TV show.”

Her new movie is with Regal Entertainment, a romcom titled “Woke Up Like This”, which will reunite her with comedian Vhong Navarro with whom she was first paired in an episode of “Shake Rattle & Roll 16” directed by Vhong’s manager, Chito Rono. “Woke Up Like This” also stars comedians Joey Marquez and Bayani Agbayani. Her new TV show is “Mulawin vs. Ravena” where she’s part of a huge cast that includes Dennis Trillo, Tom

Rodriguez, Heart Evangelista, Carla Abellana and many more.

With regard to her love life, it’s common knowledge she’s now cozy with her foreigner beau named Chris Johnson. Recently, she was able to talk at length with her ex-BF Rocco Nacino. It’s been a year since they parted ways but it’s only now they had a proper closure. They met at a get together of their colleagues in their former show, “Beautiful Strangers”, and had a heart-to-heart talk that lasted until the wee hours of the morning. It was Rocco who revealed that they finally got to talk about what went wrong in their romance in a very mature way and they both feel very light and relieved after their very long conversation.

# Sarah on loveteam with Daniel: Ang Tanda Ko na

Sarah Geronimo wisely rejects the idea of her playing the role of Darna. As she herself says, she’s not fit for the role as “wala po akong boobs. Ano gusto nyo, Darnang naka-jumpsuit?” Fans are also pushing for her to do a movie with Daniel Padilla. This after they did a duet in an ASAP production number after Daniel himself requested for their pairing. “Nakikita ko sa kanya ‘yung youngest brother ko. Hindi ko akalaing darating pala ang panahong may magkaka-interest na puwede kami. Na-excite ako kung anuman ‘yun pero ang feeling ko, ang tanda ko na. Hindi naman kami puwedeng gawing love team.”

Sarah is 28 and Daniel is turning 22 on April 26. It’s only a matter of six years and Sarah still looks younger for her age, so we don’t think she’ll be too “alangan” as Daniel’s leading lady. If they’d do a movie and will only play as each other’s older sister and younger brother, they might as well not do it at all.





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# Jericho sees Bela’s best when she’s ‘drunk’



JERICO Rosales is one of today’s actors who have really good PR. As Bela Padilla, his leading man in “Luck at First Sight”, says: “Walang ka-ere-ere.”

Even when he’s asked with the most innocuous questions, he remains very polite and diplomatic. He’s also very professional. His father got sick and passed away while he was shooting the movie and he didn’t want to leave their set in Bulacan. It’s their director, Dan Villegas, and their co-stars who told him, ‘Sige na, go, umuwi ka na.’

So how is he now after his dad’s passing? “I’m better. I did a long ride on a motorcycle and went to San Juanico Bridge where my father went and had a picture. Iniyak ko nang lahat dun sa tulay. I came back to Manila a better and stronger person. Medyo naka-move on na kami ng family ko.”

Echo says he’s happy that he’s the first choice to play the role of Joma in “Luck at First Sight”. “Kasi usually, second choice lang ako, but dito, ako agad ang naisip nila,” he says.

And this is true. In “Walang Forever”, he was not the first choice but he played the lead role so well he won a well deserved best actor award. So how is it working with Bela for the first time? “It’s fun and exciting to

work with her. But in this movie, I really found it easy to work with everyone in the cast, like Cholo Barretto who plays my best friend, Kim Molina and Iza Pressman who play Bela’s cousins. Naging magkakaibigan kami lahat sa set so every shooting day was fun. Gusto ko rin talaga makatrabaho si Bela after seeing her in her drunken scene in ‘Camp Sawi’. Ang galing niya doon, e.”

As Joma, he’s a gambler who believes Bela brings him good luck. In real life, does he believe in luck? “No, I don’t. I believe more in being well prepared when opportunity comes. More than anything else, I believe in hard work and in grace.”

## Beauty from Best friend to Lead Character

Beauty Gonzalez never thought she would be given her biggest break after her unexpected pregnancy in 2015.

For her teleserye comeback, the 25-year-old actress is the lead chatacter in ABS-CBN’s new afternoon series Pusong Ligaw.

At the media launch of the show last April 19, Beauty said there are a lot of things to expect in this drama series.

“Naku, marami, unang-una, this is my first drama show,” she smiled.

“Napakalayo nito sa mga ginagawa ko dati na patawa, pa-tweetums, best friend role.

“Ngayon, ito ang first drama ko na isa rin ako sa magle-lead ng show.”

“I hope na makita n’yo rin na kaya ko rin palang mag-drama. Pero nagawa ko yun with the help of the best directors on the set.

“Siyempre, hindi namin magagawa yung mga bagay-bagay kung hindi kami inaalalayan ng mga tao like, mga director and staff namin na naniniwala sa amin.”



Since Pusong Ligaw will replace the recently-concluded The Greatest Love in the afternoon timeslot, the show is also expected to do well especially in terms of TV ratings.

Beauty admitted the Sylvia Sanchez-starrer series did very well during its run.

In fact, she said, “Congratulations sa The Greatest Love, isang magandang story talaga. Every time na nanonood ako doon, naiiyak ako.”

The young actress confidently said that Pusong Ligaw will also be as competitive.

The Kapamilya actress said, “Naniniwala ako sa show namin, kasi lahat ng mga director namin sa show naniniwala sa amin.

“At naniniwala ako sa story na maganda, at naniniwala ako na papatok kami.

“Idadaan ko sa prayers yun.”

## Happy Ending for Julie Anne

Julie Anne San Jose wants to thank all her fans who voted for her song, “Tidal Wave”, that won second place in an international song competition. The winner got the top spot with only one point over Julie Anne’s song, so she’s quite satisfied with the results.

“I can never thank them enough for supporting me and my song,” says Julie Anne. “This encourages me to do better in my future recordings.”

She has finished taping the final episode of her afternoon soap, “Pinulot Ka Lang sa Lupa”. There will be a big twist in the story that will surprise viewers. Someone who is believed to have died will suddenly spring back to life for the obligatory happy ending.

After the show, Julie Anne will focus on recording a new album for GMA Records and will prepare for a new concert for this year.



## Bianca King grateful for showbiz comeback

Bianca King feels thankful for her much-awaited showbiz comeback via ABS-CBN’s new teleserye, Pusong Ligaw: “I’m excited. Parang second wind siya for me. Kasi nga I thought my time in showbiz is over.”

Ngayong nasa ABS-CBN na siya, pakiramdam daw ni Bianca King ay nagsisimula ulit siya sa kanyang showbiz career. “I’m excited. Parang second wind siya for me. “Kasi nga I thought my time in showbiz is over. “But I’m very thankful na hinanap ako ng Star Creatives para sa project na ito. “So, parang nag-uumpisa ako ulit. “Kasi parang my mindset nga was like maganda yung experience ko sa showbiz, ngayon it’s time to try something else.

“Parang yun ang nasa isip ko,” kuwento ni Bianca.

## Direk Joey’s movie tribute to househelps

Director Jose Javier Reyes must really have a soft heart for “kasambahays”. In 2013, he did the touching film “Ano ang Kulay ng mga Nakalimutang Pangarap” that paid tribute to a loyal househelp who is dumped by the people she worked for all her life when they went abroad. That was heavy drama. Now, he pays homage to helpers once again in “Our Mighty Yaya”, but this time, it’s a comedy starring Ai Ai de las Alas. “The movie is inspired by our former househelp named Teresa,” he says. “Years later, I got to talk to her grandchild at doon ko na-realize na minamahal pala tayo ng mga kasambahay natin at hindi lang dahil sa sweldo kaya sila nagtatagal sa paglilingkod sa mga bahay natin. So ito ‘yung tribute ko sa kasambahay namin.”

His last movie, “My Bebe Love”, was a huge blockbuster also starring Ai Ai. “She’s not just an actress working with me sa set but also a friend. We’re working as friends kaya mas maganda ang rapport namin kung paano mas mapapaganda ang bawat eksena at ang buong pelikula.

# Gabbi Garcia “feels great” to be going solo

Gabbi Garcia talks about the advantage of doing projects on her own. And she assures it does not mean the end of her love team with Ruru Madrid.

Ikinatutuwa raw ni Gabbi Garcia ang pagkakaroon niya ng mga solong proyekto.

Highly identified kasi si Gabbi bilang ka-love team ni Ruru Madrid sa Kapuso network, at nagkasama sila sa mga proyekto sa loob ng tatlong taon.

Kaya naman nanibago raw ang young actress gumawa ng solo projects—bilang cover girl sa recent issue ng Preview Magazine at endorser ng shampoo brand na Pantene.

Ayon kay Gabbi, “Three years ba naman kaming nagka-work and all of my shows I’ve done with him.

“It’s something new to me, something I really had to adjust to.

“But I don’t look at it as something negative and something that can pull both of us down.

“It’s a way to explore different projects, to grow as an artist and individual.”

Ano naman ang pakiramdam ng going solo?

“It feels great, don’t get me wrong, hindi ko sinasabing it doesn’t feel great with a partner, ha,” paglilinaw ng aktres.

Paliwanag pa ni Gabbi, “But it’s a different experience working with yourself. You get to know yourself better.



“You get to know your capabilities and capacities as an artist. You get to explore.”

Sa edad na 18, masaya raw si Gabbi na nagkakaroon siya ng magagandang oportunidad.

“Ang sarap sa feeling na 18 ako, I get to do all of this.

“It’s a different experience working as an individual, I would like to venture and explore more.

“Right now what’s happening is yung way ko.

“I would like to stretch it more, I would like to accept all the projects.”

HAPPY FOR RURU. Masaya rin si Gabbi para kay Ruru dahil mayroon naman daw itong bank endorsement ngayon.

Sabi niya, “And I’m also happy for Ruru for what he’s becoming right now.

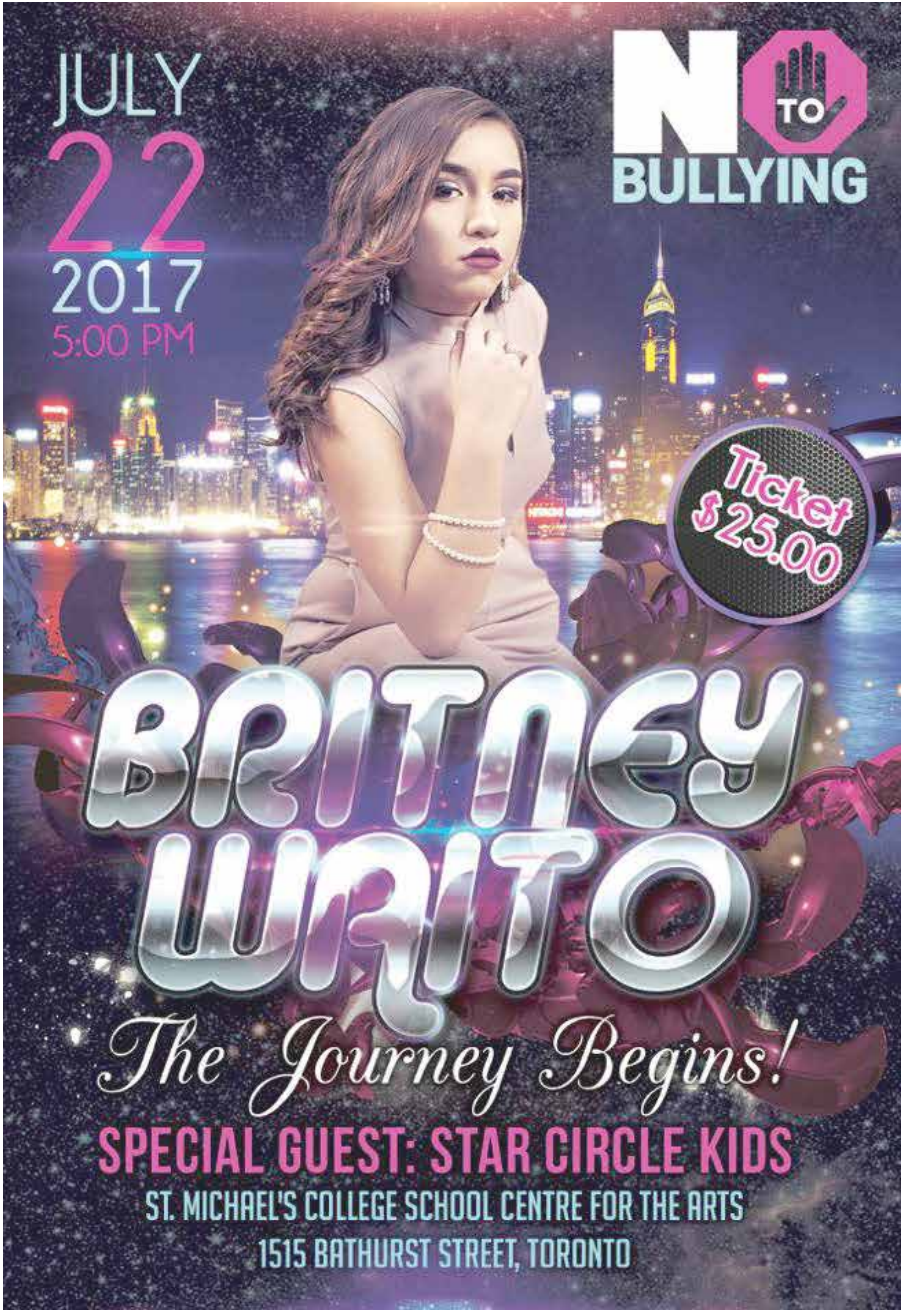
“He’s a great actor, he’s so good in his craft. “And it’s good we’re exploring individually.”

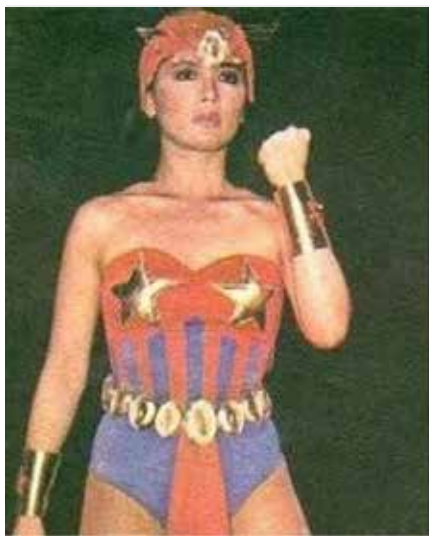
Sa GMA-7 primetime series na Encantadia ay naipapareha na si Ruru sa ibang leading ladies.

Kay Kylie Padilla sa umpisa at ngayon naman ay kay Arra San Agustin.

Pinangunahan na ni Gabbi na hindi naman daw kailangang malungkot ang supporters ng love team nila ni Ruru, na kilala sa tawag na GabRu.

Magkatambal pa rin daw sila sa Sunday Pinasaya at magkasama sa ilang commitments.





Actress Sharon Cuneta then and now.

## Sharon Cuneta's advice to the next Darna

MANILA, Philippines — Some netizens say it is time to retire Darna, the super heroine who flew her way to Filipino moviegoers' hearts for decades. Sharon Cuneta disagrees.

"The Voice Teens" coach is all for reviving the iconic character and passing her legacy to the next generation.

Sharon Cuneta has had her fill of playing Darna as a curvy 20-year-old who had a cameo as the super heroine back in 1986's "Captain Barbel" (Viva Films).

Now, it is time to look for the next young one who can play the taxing role and look smashing in the body-hugging costume with a revealing cleavage and a thick belt around her waist.

"Darna is such a strong, strong brand. It's a wonderful franchise with a sentimental value to us Pinoys. If they (the Americans have Wonder Woman), we have our Darna," she said.

Not everyone can play Darna, of course. Sharon thinks it is only for the physically fit, because the action scenes are taxing.

Back then when she played the role, there were no invisible wires to lift Darna in the air. Sharon recalled how her director, the late Leroy Salvador, asked her to lie down, head

first, while a long piece of iron held her tight on both sides of her body.

The pain she felt all over made Sharon ask her producer, the late Mina del Rosario, "Can I switch to drama? I can shed five buckets of tears if needed."

Sharon thinks all the would-be Darnas on the list (Liza Soberano, Nadine Lustre, Jessy Mendiola and Pia Wurtzbach, among others) are fit for the role. And she will be happy for the next person chosen for the role.

Sharon takes her hat off to Angel Locsin, who played Darna on TV in 2005.

"She's tough but feminine. She's also curvaceous."

But Angel cannot reprise the role anymore because of damage in her spine. It's time the role is passed on to the new generation.

Sharon offers this piece of advice to whoever gets the prized role.

"Darna is a responsibility. Take it seriously. Huwag kang umarte sa shooting (Don't be a diva during shooting). Mahiya ka kay Darna (Be ashamed before Darna)."

Meanwhile, Sharon is excited to be back as the most senior coach, this time for ABS-CBN's singing reality show, "The Voice Teens" (with Lea Salonga, Sarah Geronimo and Bamboo).

"I'm relaxed. It's nice to be back with people you've worked with," Sharon said.

## Christian Bautista admits that he wants to try vlogging + other stories

2017 is proving to be a good year for Christian Bautista as he takes on new challenges in his career and an upcoming new soap. During the Holy Week break, the balladeer shared his thoughts. "I reflected on what's my next direction and what does God want me to do with my life. Most of the time yun lang talaga naman ang lagi kong rini-reflect. Meron din naman mga times na ganun na sometimes I wanted to quit or sometimes I wanted to stop pero keep on walking. Just keep on walking. I believe you don't have to wait for Holy Week to change something. If you have to change something do it now," he shared during his Backwater body spray presscon held last April 4.

The 35-year-old singer also admitted he has started becoming interested in doing videos for YouTube. "I have christianbautistaonline.com and a YouTube channel. Wala pa akong na-po-post honestly so pasimula pa lang tayo. Parang YouTube covers na ako lang mag-shu-shoot. Kaya mo na eh, you just need to buy the right camera and the right lighting. Walang problema. Siguro papunta siya sa personal YouTube cover videos as of the moment and then a little bit of me talking about that or kung na-inspire ba kayo sa song na yun. It's still going to be more about music," he said.

### Diego and Sofia loveteam to be launched

MATAPOS ipakilala ang 18-year-old na si Sofia Andres sa teleseryeng "Princess and I" ni Kathryn Bernardo in 2012, muli siyang isinama sa hit TV series na "Forevermore" na tinampukan nina Liza Soberano and Enrique Gil. Napasama rin siya sa pelikulang "She's Dating the Gangster" na pinagbidahan ng magka-loveteam na sina Kathryn at Daniel Padilla at isa naman siya sa leads ng indie movie na "Relaks, It's Just Pag-ibig" in 2014. Napasama rin siya sa pelikulang "My Ex and Whys" nina Liza Soberano at Enrique Gil maging sa horror movie na "Puwera Usog," "Bloody Crayons" at ang Mother's Day offering ng Regal Films, ang "Our Mighty Yaya" na pinagbibidahan ng Comedy Queen na si Ai-Ai de las Alas.

Halos dalawang taon na rin ang tambalan nina Sofia at Diego pero hindi ito gaanong napapansin kaya ganoon na lamang ang

pagkabigla ng dalawa nang ipagkatiwala sa kanila ng ABS-CBN ang "Pusong Ligaw" na siyang maglulunsad sa kanilang loveteam to a higher level. "It's worth the wait," pahayag ng 18-year-old teener na si Sofia.



### Sylvia, happy and sad TGL ends

NALUNGKOT at natuwa si Sylvia Sanchez sa pagwawakas ng "The Greatest Love." Nalulungkot ang mahusay na aktres dahil mami-miss niya ang kanyang 'pamilyang' nabuo sa loob ng pitong buwan, ang kanyang apat na anak sa serye na sina Dimples Romana, Andi Eigenmann, Matt Evans at Aaron Villaflor maging ang kanyang gumanap na apo na si Joshua Garcia at ang kanyang 'greatest love' na si Peter na ginampanan ng isa pang batikang actor na si Nonie Buencamino, gayunin ang bumbuo ng cast, ang production staff at ang apat na mahuhusay na director na binubuo nina Dado Lumibao, Jeffrey Jeturian, Mervyn Brondial at Paco Sta. Maria.

Masayang-masaya naman ang pakiramdam ni Sylvia dahil alam niyang marami silang napasaya at napaiyak na mga manonood na sobrang naka-relate sa kuwento ng serye kung saan ipinakita ng character niyang si Gloria ang kanyang selfless na pagmamahal sa kanyang apat na anak, apo at maging kay Peter.

Magsisilbi itong advance birthday gift sa kanya. Ang ina ng magkapatid na Arjo at Ria Atayde na si Sylvia turns 46 on May 19.



### Sarah Lahbati reacts to Richard Gutierrez's P38M tax evasion case

Nagulat daw siya at medyo nainis sa balita.

"Kahit sino naman, magugulat saka maiinis sa ganu'ng issue. I know that he will settle it," reaksyon niya. "But you know what, it happens to all the celebrities, lagi silang tinitira.

"Laging tinitira ang celebrities when we all pay our taxes," patuloy pa niya.

Ayon sa report ng BIR, taong 2012 pa diumano hindi na-declare ni Chard ang kanyang kinita kaya kinalkal ito ng ahensya.

## Arra San Agustin gets a Role as Good as Gold

Arra San Agustin plays an enchanting royalty on TV. But it comes with a price – something she is yet to fully fathom.

Arra San Agustin has been blessed with the role of Ariana, the reincarnation of Kylie Padilla's Sang'gre Amihan on GMA Network's fantasy series "Encantadia."

But like some things in life, the good comes with the not-so-good, and in Arra's case she is now being bashed.

Apparently, some fans don't like it that the young actress has been given a high-profile role so early in her career.

Some insist that she can't hold a candle to Kylie.

Arra admitted she is hurt by these opinions but has resigned to her fate.



"Masakit pero It's part of the job kaya in-a-accept ko na lang," she said. If anything, she is using the criticisms as "motivation to do better."

Good thing her family is always there to buoy her spirits. According to Arra, her mom in particular, has been motivating her to just do her best and not mind the pundits.

"Sabi niya 'Kailangan malakas ang loob mo d'yan kasi 'pag mahina-hina ka,

uuwi kang umiiyak,'" she shared.

Not that management has been amiss in giving her love.

"Very supportive naman sila," she said. Looks like she's doing the right thing with GMA giving her projects left and right.

Apart from "Encantadia," Arra is also seen on "Bubble Gang" and "Meant To Be."

"Siyempre po happy kasi busy. Pero pinakamasaya ako na nakasama ako sa 'Encantadia' kasi ang lakas niya sa ratings eh. Tsaka ang ganda pa ng role ko, nakakatuwa."

To keep fans and her home network happy, Arra is putting in extra effort into her work. In fact, she even took Muay Thai lessons just to make her fight scenes for "Encantadia" more realistic.

### ArraRu

Meanwhile Arra dismissed rumors of a love

triangle involving her, Gabbi Garcia and Ruru Madrid.

"Hindi ko po alam kung saan galing 'yan. Wala naman po akong pinu-pursue na guy," she stressed. "Alam ko wala ako ginagawa na masama. Siguro I'm just being nice and people just put meaning to it."

Is she in good terms with Gabbi and Ruru? "Pareho silang okay, pareho silang mabait, wala po kaming problema."

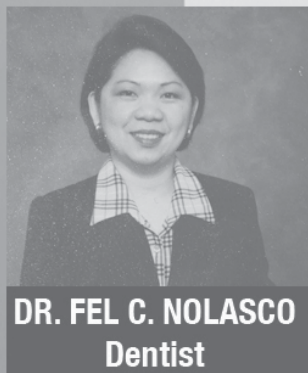
Arra maintained she is not yet eager to enter into a romantic relationship after breaking up recently with her boyfriend of four years.

But she has crushes. "Actually before po crush ko si Gerald Anderson and Dennis Trillo, pero hindi ko pa sila nami-meet."

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## Marion Aunor going to US to pursue career in songwriting

Lumipad papuntang America ang Star Records singer-composer na si Marion Aunor kasama ang mom na si Maribel Aunor.

Mag-aaral ng songwriting si Marion sa Berklee School of Music at pansamantala muna siyang mawawala sa Pilipinas.

"Maybe around six months ako do'n, I don't know. Gusto ko lang kasing i-explore yung mga stuff don. Yung teacher ko kasi, kinausap ko recently and sabi niya, maraming mga songwriting conventions don. Yung isang pupuntahan ko, si Stevie Wonder ang guest speaker, so, I want to make the most out of my trip doon," kuwento ni Marion.

Bakit kailangang sa Los Angeles pa siya mag-aral ng songwriting?

"Well, kasi sabi ng prof ko, it's a really good place to learn more about songwriting and then networking na rin at the same time.

"Mami-meet ko din for the first time yung prof ko since online lang kami at first

kasi speaker din siya do'n sa convention so I'm looking forward to that," dagdag niyang kuwento.

Sobrang na-encourage din daw siya sa feedback ng kanyang school at mga kasamahan sa style niya bilang composer kaya nag-decide din siyang mag-aral pa lalo ng songwriting.

"Dito, nakapag-establish na rin naman ako. Nalalagay naman kahit papaano sa movies yung songs ko, nabibigay sa ibang artists din tapos may album naman. Pero gusto ko din kasing mag-explore ng opportunities.

"Talagang ultimate dream ko talaga na internationally ma-appreciate din ang music ko at maging known yung music ko," deklara pa ni Marion.

Pero habang nasa States daw siya ay magpapadala pa rin siya ng mga komposisyon sa Pilipinas.

"Magse-send pa rin naman akong mga song kay Sir Jonathan Manalo para may ire-release pa rin akong mga songs dito. Tapos while I'm there, may TFC naman do'n, magiging visible din naman ako don," kuwento pa niya.

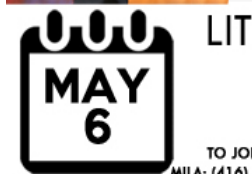


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## Ontario FilCan Catholic Parents Organization Sets 3rd Annual Conference

By: Tony A. San Juan, OCT.

Faithful to its mission and mandate, the Filipino Canadian Parents Association in Catholic Education - FCPACE will hold its Third Annual Conference on June 3, 2017, Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. Maria Goretti Catholic School, 21 Kenmark Blvd., Scarborough, Toronto, Ontario. This year's theme is: "Ensuring Successful Transition: Parental Strategies for Student Educational Success".

Purposefully, the conference aims to encourage, engage, and assist parents and guardians to determine and understand the strategies and best practices involved in school transition programs. The conference program and workshops, specifically, will afford participants an opportunity to develop and enhance their parental responsibilities and capabilities in guiding their children or wards to successfully pursue and meet the challenge of academic transitions with in the elementary, secondary & post-secondary education ladder. Discussants might also cover pertinent aspects of relevant approaches for newcomer immigrant -parents and students to effectively handle transition challenges in a new school-learning environment.

The day - long event will feature: a 30- minute mass service, keynote address & messages, parent-teacher-student workshops, short entertainment, gift raffles, networking, and fellowship. A complimentary meal and refreshment will be served. This is the second time that funding support is being provided by the Ontario Ministry of Education under

its Parents Reaching Out -PRO Grant. Invited to serve as Resource Persons and Workshop Panelists are recognized Filipino - Canadian community & religious leaders, school administrators, teachers & education practitioners, and other allied education and technical professionals.

FCPACE, organized on November 6, 2013, is an organization of FilCan parents and guardians with children and wards in Catholic school boards in Ontario. With its credo of: "Faith, Family, Formation" (Panampalataya, Pamilya at Pagkakahubog), the Association is fully dedicated to the propagation of Catholic faith & tradition and the ideals of Christianity. As a parent community advocate, its committed representation has led to the formation of the Filipino Advisory Committee (F.A.C.) in the Toronto Catholic District School Board (TCDSB). It has also established ongoing and collaborative partnership with other parent groups, community-based organizations and stakeholders.

Individuals and parents who are interested in becoming an FCPACE Member and/ or would like to attend the conference may contact: Paulina Corpuz at: jpcorpuz@gmail.com / Tel. 647-477-8722 or Joseph Redoblado at: redoblj@yahoo.com / Tel. 416-728-1964. Alternatively, email to: fcpacetoronto@gmail.com / or check out: www.facebook.com/fcpacetoronto. Mark and save the date. Come One, Come All!

## Ryza finally gets ‘there’ even if viewers are mad at her + other stories



RYZA Cenon has long been waiting in the wings for stardom ever since she won in StarStruck 2 as the female Ultimate Survivor. Now, she finally achieves it in “Ika-6 na Utos” where she plays the ultimate other woman, Georgia. The series has become such a big hit that it now airs six times a week, up to Saturday, instead of the usual Monday to Friday.

“Ika-6 na Utos” easily eclipsed the ratings of the musical variety shows in the noontime slot, which is quite a mean feat, so it’s not surprising that GMA7 has decided to extend it until the weekend. It quickly gave an exit to Dingdong Dantes’ “Case Solved”, a docu crime drama that didn’t take off since it seems out of place on lazy Saturday afternoons.

“I never expected that ‘Ika-6 na Utos’ would be this successful,” says Ryza. “Kahit saan ako magpunta ngayon, people know me now as Georgia. Kung may nagagalit man sa akin, hindi sa akin mismo kundi doon sa character that I play. Lalo nga lang dumami ang trabaho namin ng co-stars ko dahil halos araw-araw na kami nagte-taping. Pero okay lang, no complaints. Sabi nga, make hay while the sun shines.”

Her co-stars, Gabby Concepcion as Rome and Sunshine Dizon as Emma, both praise her for her effective portrayal of Georgia. What can she say about this? “Thanks, but we owe the success of the show hindi lang sa iisang tao kundi pati sa kanila, sa aming lahat. Pati sa writers, sa director naming si Tita Laurice Guillen, sa staff and crew. It’s a collaboration naming lahat. Thanks din kay Lord for His blessings at sa lahat ng viewers na sumusubaybay sa journey nina Emma, Rome and Georgia in ‘Ika-6 na

Utos’. We promise to continue giving our best in every episode.”

Right now, viewers are torn on whether Rome and Emma will still reconcile or not. “May mga gustong magkabalikan sila para maging buo uli ang kanilang pamilya, pero meron ding ayaw at maging friends na lang daw sila. Maski kami mismo, we don’t know yet what will happen, so abangan na lang nila. Ang importante, may aral na matututuhan ang viewers tungkol sa relationship namin dito, lalo na ang mga mag-asawa.”

### Joem Bascon reveals being in a long-term relationship

A happy man in a relationship, Joem Bascon however is putting his career ahead of marriage. “Ipon muna,” he says, “sinasagad ko rin yung puwedeng ma-i-offer sa akin. Naiintindihan naman niya.”

Anim na taon na pala ang relasyon ni Joem Bascon sa kanyang kasintahan na ayaw muna niyang isapubliko ang identity.

Masaya sila pero wala pa raw sa plano nila ang pagpapakasal.



Ayon kay Joem, “Ipon pa, sinasagad ko rin yung puwedeng ma-i-offer sa akin, yung pagbibida.

“Kasi once na nag-settle ka, hindi ko naman inaano, mag-iiba na yung tingin ng manonood.

“Yung mga roles kasi minsan, parang plus factor na kahit may karelasyon ka, wala ka pang asawa.

“Naiintindihan naman niya, happy naman ako sa kanya.” Maganda ang takbo ng career ni Joem ngayon.

Malaki ang kanyang partisipasyon sa bagong lalabas na serye sa Kapamilya network, ang Pusong Ligaw, na magtatampok sa love team nina Diego Loyzaga at Sofia Andres.

IGOROT LOVER. Isang igorot na nagkaroon ng romantic relationship sa karakter ni Beauty Gonzalez ang gagampanan ni Joem.

Siya ang naging dahilan kung bakit nawasak ang matagal na pagkakaibigan nina Beauty at ng karakter ni Bianca King sa istorya.

“Sobrang happy ako sa kanila,” pahayag ni

Joem tungkol sa dalawang katrabaho.

Nagkasama na raw sila ni Beauty sa hindi pa napapalabas na film ni Direk Lau Fajardo na Kasunduan.

“So medyo kampante na kami sa isa’t-isa kapag magka-eksena.

“Kay Bianca naman, nakikita ko na siya, hindi ko naman alam na makaka-work ko siya.

“Ngayong kakabalik niya bilang Kapamilya, excited akong maka-work siya.

“Very professional, nagulat nga ako kasi sobrang galing niyang umarte.”

Nangapa raw si Joem sa unang salang nilang dalawa ni Bianca sa eksena.

Sabi niya, “Bigla na lang kaming binigyan ng scene, so medyo ilang.

“Na-work out naman agad.”

### Alden Richards Tells Aldub Fans To Calm Down

ALDEN RICHARDS seems unruffled by all the controversy about a GMA scriptwriter saying that his show with Maine Mendoza, “Destined to Be Yours”, flopped at the start but has now picked up and rating well. Naturally, fans of the Aldub love team were up in arms against this writer but Alden tried to pacify them by tweeting: “Take it easy, guys. All is good. #Breathe.”



He really has nothing to worry about since more viewers now seem to be hooked to the “kilig” scenes involving Alden as Benjie and Maine as Sinag.

### Bela Padilla reacts on ex dating Angel Locsin

Bela Padilla stars in new movie “Love At First Sight” opposite leading man Jericho Rosales. (File photo) BELA Padilla is tight-lipped whether ex-boyfriend Neil Ace is now dating Angel Locsin. During the Lenten break, a photo of Locsin and Arce with friends taken in Hong Kong surfaced on social media. This fueled speculations that the two are now dating. At the recent press conference of “Luck At First Sight,” which is headlined by Padilla, she confirmed



## Duterte ‘inspired to work hard to serve the nation’

President Duterte is inspired to continue to work hard to serve the nation after earning a “very good” net public satisfaction rating based on a new survey, Malacañang said.

Presidential spokesman Ernesto Abella said the President values public trust and remains committed to pursue his campaign against illegal drugs, criminality and corruption.

“Although surveys are not his priority, it inspires the Chief Executive and the national leadership to continue their top agenda of ridding Philippine society of drugs, criminality, and corruption, or building a trustworthy government; prosperity for all; and peace within our borders,” Abella said.

“We value this public trust, and will continue to work hard to serve the best interests of the people and fulfill the vision of a nation worthy of the Filipino people,” he said.

In the Social Weather Stations (SWS) survey, the President received a +63 public satisfaction rating, the same “very good” rating he obtained last December.

The survey, conducted last March, showed 75 percent of the 1,200 respondents were satisfied with the President’s performance, 12 percent were dissatisfied and another 12 percent were undecided.

that her ex is dating again. “Actually, alam ko naman na nagdi-date na si Neil. I didn’t ask for specifics, but I’m aware that he’s already in the dating scene. I’m okay with that. Super,” she said. But when pressed if he’s seeing Locsin, Padilla said she’s not in the position to talk about it and Arce instructed her not to say anything. “I’m not sure if I’m allowed to answer these questions because he’s right there. And he firmly told me not to answer questions about him. Firmly being the operative word. Actually wala na akong say.”

## The Housewives Fight Back in D’ Originals

How does a woman protect her home from the break-in of another woman?

Beginning April 17, the wives will get even with their philandering husbands as GMA Network launches the sexy dramedy series, D’ Originals.

The Kapuso Network’s latest offering is the hilarious story of three wives and their tussles with the three women who disrupt their quiet, domestic lives.

Top billed by 2016 Cannes Best Actress, Ms. Jaclyn Jose, D’ Originals also features 2016 Gawad Urian Best Actress LJ Reyes and Bagong Pantasya ng Bayan Kim Domingo.

Together with Katrina Halili, Jestoni Alarcon, Mark Herras, Meg Imperial, Archie Alemania, and Lovely Abella, the stellar cast brings to life a sexy comedy drama about three wives, three mistresses, and the three husbands in between them.

Jaclyn plays the domestic diva whose prowess in the kitchen is matched only by

her rival, Katrina. Jestoni, meanwhile, plays the role of Jaclyn’s used-to-be loyal husband who strays when faced with the excitement of an affair at mid-life.



LJ is an entrepreneur who is forced to be the family’s breadwinner when husband Mark chooses to sit it out at home while waiting for his dream job. When his wife becomes too busy for his amorous advances, he finds more than enough comfort in the company of his sister-in-law, Lovely.

Kim plays a sexy Zumba instructor who has become a

veteran of husband Archie’s numerous affairs. However, the latest woman, Meg, is proving to be more destructive than usual. To top it off, the other woman reveals a secret that shocks the life out of the legal wife.

In an interview, Jaclyn shares what makes D’ Originals different from other shows about married couples. “[It’s] Experimental—dramedy sa hapon. Tungkol ito sa mga kababaihan na may asawa, at ang mga asawa nila ay may other women. Light ito at situational, ‘yung mga nangyayari talaga sa totoong buhay,” she said.

LJ, for her part, is looking forward for the series to start airing on GMA Afternoon Prime. “We’re very excited kasi hindi siya basta-basta soap, based on reality talaga siya. May studies din silang ginawa. May na-interview silang mga totoong tao. Based on experiences talaga,” she shared.

Having played the role of the other

woman in her last teleserye, Kim welcomes her role in this new show, adding that while the show deals with a serious topic, they will see to it that viewers have a good laugh, too. “Hindi ito ‘yung tipo na mga original na asawa na kapag nahuli nila yung asawa nila na may kabit, ‘yung tipong katapusan na ng mundo. Ito, idadaan nila sa mas magaan, may halong comedy,” she added.

Joining them are Mikoy Morales, Arny Ross, Elyson De Dios, and Chlauri Malayao. This sexy dramedy series is directed by Adolf Alix, Jr.

Three wives. Three mistresses. Three misters. How will the originals keep the other women from ruining their relationship with their husbands?

Don’t miss the faceoff between the originals and the mistresses in D’ Originals beginning April 17 only on GMA’s flagship international channel, GMA Pinoy TV

# PHL Birth Control Pills May Run Out

Buying supplies abroad is not going to be an option, if that’s what you’re thinking

MANILA - Couldn’t find your birth control pill brand? You are probably experiencing the initial stages of a looming contraceptive stockout where all hormonal contraceptives will no longer be available in the Philippines.

That sounds surreal and TBH, kind of hard to wrap your head around, but there is no other way to explain it. Contraceptives are slowly vanishing from drug store shelves and public health clinics. And by 2020, the only birth control options that will be available in the country are condoms,

abstinence (also known as natural family planning), and surgical procedures like vasectomy and tubal ligation.

That’s because a Supreme Court ruling suspended the renewal and application of contraceptive product registrations (which is like their license to sell) in 2015. That year, the High Court issued a Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) first on implants in response to the petition of a pro-life who claimed that implants cause abortions.

The following year, when the Department of Health (DOH) petitioned the Court to

lift the TRO, the Supreme Court expanded its coverage—affecting all contraceptive products that are registered under the Food and Drug Authority.

The Commission on Population (POPCOM) estimates that of the total 48 contraceptive brands (that includes pills, IUDs, injectables, and vaginal rings), about 20 brands have a lapsed product registration.

That’s how we found ourselves in this sticky situation of disappearing birth control.



## Is Rayver Cruz dating Janine?

MANILA -- Rayver Cruz posted a photo of him with Janine Gutierrez on Instagram attending a birthday party together, sparking rumors that he is dating the actress.

Cruz was seen resting his head on Gutierrez’s shoulder for the shot. Also in it was Cruz’s brother, Rodjun.

Gutierrez was all smiles for the photo, prompting fans to quickly speculate that she is moving on from Elmo Magalona with the Kapamilya actor. Her relationship with Magalona ended last year.

Gutierrez’s mother, Lotlot de Leon, was asked about her thoughts on her daughter’s new rumored beau.

“Basta kung saan siya masaya at basta maligaya siya, okay lang sa akin. Huwag lang nakikita ko ‘yung anak ko na nasasaktan,” De Leon, speaking at a press preview for her film “1st Sem,” said.

She added: “Ganoon pala ‘yon, no? Bilang magulang, kapag nakita mo iyong anak mo, iyong anak mo na nasasaktan, you feel so helpless. Hindi ka makagawa ng paraan para tumigil iyong sakit na nararamdaman niya. So kapag masaya sila, mas masaya ako.”

De Leon also explained that she already knows Cruz as she and the actor worked in a past ABS-CBN series.

“Kahit na matagal kaming hindi nagkikita, kapag nagkikita kami ulit, parang kahapon lang,” she shared. “He’s a good person. He’s a good boy. Whatever happens to him, ngayon magkaibigan sila ni Janine, I don’t know what their plans are or what his plans are, maybe siya iyong dapat tanungin natin.”

## Is Kathniel for real?

Daniel Padilla on his relationship with Kathryn Bernardo: “Exclusive po kaming dalawa. Exclusive po kami sa isa’t isa.”

Daniel Padilla reiterates that he and Kathryn Bernardo are “exclusive for each other.”



For the nth time, the onscreen couple was asked about the status of their relationship during the media launch of their upcoming movie, Can’t Help Falling In Love.

Daniel and Kathryn whispered something to each other before the actor answered the question. He said, “Ma’am, very exclusive po kami, e. Exclusive po kaming dalawa, ma’am. Exclusive po kami sa isa’t isa, ma’am.”

In an interview after the presscon proper, Daniel was asked to explain his earlier statement about his relationship with Kathryn. He jokingly said, “Baka kasi suka-suka na kayo, e. Suka-suka na rin kasi ako, e. Okay na yun.

“Kasi, baka kapag sinabi ko pa yun, ‘Alam niyo na.’ Nakaka-bad trip nga kung iisipin mo. Kaya ko sinabi yun.”

TV Patrol reporter Gretchen Fullido clarified to Daniel: “When you say exclusively dating, yun na ba yung ‘kayo na’ or hindi pa rin ‘kayo na?’”

To which, the 21-year-old actor vaguely replied: “[Exclusive] sa isa’t isa, so meaning ganun.” Gretchen asked again: “Kayo na?”

Daniel’s reply: “Yes.”

After this, he asked the reporters to move on with the interview, “Next, please?”

In another interview, Daniel said that his description of his relationship with Kathryn does not necessarily apply to their showbiz career. He said, “Exclusive ho kami sa isa’t isa, kumbaga, sa personal po naming buhay.

“Pero siyempre, sa trabaho nating ito, hindi naman puwedeng sabihin na ganun lang. “Darating tayo sa point na magkakaiba rin. “Pero sa ngayon, huwag na muna nating pag-usapan, kasi mayroon pa naman kaming bagong pelikula ngayon na magkasama.”

Kathryn Bernardo took the time to mention her onscreen partner Daniel Padilla after it was revealed that their newest flick made more than P100 million in just four days.

The actress posted a photo of Padilla kissing her hand, drawing “kilig” from her millions of followers.

“Mister ko,” she said in her post.

## Megan Young to try her luck in Hollywood

Earlier this year, Megan Young signed a contract with a New York-based artist agency to help her with her dream of becoming an actress in Hollywood. But while excited, the Miss World 2013 winner is also being realistic about her prospects.

“I don’t want to expect much—I’m starting from scratch. If I land projects, then great; if

not, at least I tried,” Megan told reporters at a recent press conference for the coming movie, “Our Mighty Yaya” (May 10).

She has always wanted to try her luck abroad. And she might as well do it now while she’s still young, she said. “I’m only 27. I believe it’s better to do it now, while I’m not married—while I don’t have a child or obligations to other people,” pointed out Megan, who’s set to fly to the United States in the summer, to undergo workshops. “There’s no harm in trying. That was my mindset, too, before I participated in beauty pageants.”

Meanwhile, asked how her boyfriend, Mikael Daez, reacted to her plans, Megan said: “He’s very happy for me. He told me to just enjoy the experience there.”

## What happened to Pangako Sa’Yo star Hazel Ann Mendoza?

Hazel Ann Mendoza was an actress who starred as the sister of Yna Macaspac (Kristine Hermosa) in the original Pangako Sa’Yo series and was also part of the youth-oriented series Berks. She was also in the 2008 teleserye Eva Fonda. Since then, Hazel took a hiatus from the limelight.

According to a YouTube clip, Hazel opted the simpler life and is now a full-time mom to her two kids with husband, director Paul Basanillo.



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## Kris Aquino, small part lang sa Hollywood film

HEART, NAG-AUDITION DIN SA HOLLYWOOD FILM!

Bukod kay Kris Aquino, nagpadala rin si Heart Evangelista ng audition video sa mga producer ng Hollywood movie na Crazy Rich Asians, pero hindi na siya nagpakita ng interest dahil sa dalawang project na ibinigay sa kanya ng GMA 7, ang Mulawin vs. Ravena at Follow Your Heart.

Hindi pa sinasabi ni Kris ang karakter na gagampanan nito sa Crazy Rich Asians, pero nauna na ang mga balita na isang prinsesa ang role niya sa movie adaptation ng best-seller book ng Singaporean novelist na si Kevin Kwan. Reportedly, para rin sa princess role ang audition video ni Heart.

May mga kakilala kami na nagsabi na maliit lamang ang participation ng prinsesa sa kuwento ng Crazy Rich Asians sa libro ni Kwan na binasa nila kaya nagtataka sila dahil ginagawang big deal ng mga Pilipino ang inclusion ni Kris sa nabanggit na project.

## Gabby strikes while the iron is hot

About the Sharon-Gabby movie, some writers said it has been thrown into trash (ibinasura na). But this doesn’t mean it is being dumped for good.

Gabby himself said he’s still willing to work with his ex-wife and do their reunion flick, but it’s just not quite possible for him to shoot a new movie at this point, simply because he’s taping for his hit afternoon show, “Ika-6 na Utos”, four times a week. This after GMA management decided to strike while the iron is hot and telecast it from Monday to Saturday as it continues to consistently garner very high ratings in its noontime slot.

Gabby’s other show, “Tsuperhero”, will be folding up soon since its title-roler, Derrick Monasterio, will have to concentrate soon on the taping of his primetime telefantasya. “Mulawin vs Ravena”. That means Gabby will have a lesser workload and maybe they can re-assess his availability to finally squeeze in shooting a movie with Sharon, by which time their fans will be more eager to watch their much awaited reunion on the big screen.

## Kapuso Network colors the season with hottest program offerings + other stories

Summer has never been this vibrant as GMA Network brings viewers new programs that are sure to add more color to the season.

Kicking off the Kapuso Network's string of offerings on a feisty note is the sexy dramedy series *D' Originals*. The show, which debuted last April 17 in North America and April 18 in Asia Pacific, the Middle East, and North Africa on GMA Pinoy TV, puts the spotlight on the hilarious story of three wives and their tussles with the three women who disrupt their quiet domestic lives. This series is top billed by 2016 Cannes Best Actress Jaclyn Jose together with 2016 Gawad Urian Best Actress LJ Reyes, Ang Bagong Pantasya ng Bayan Kim Domingo, together with Katrina Halili, Jestoni Alarcon, Mark Herras, Meg Imperial, Archie Alemania, and Lovely Abella.

Following the seductive ensemble is a docu-reality show where celebrity real or reel life couples take on the challenge of immersing as parents to their adoptive children. Follow Your Heart, hosted by Kapuso star Heart Evangelista-Escudero, will start airing on GMA Pinoy TV this April 23 in Asia Pacific and North America, and April 24 in the Middle East and North Africa.

From raising a foster family to imparting life lessons to children, *Daig Kayo ng Lola Ko* focuses on molding children's values by the stories they learn from their folks. The family-oriented show, premiering May 7 on GMA Pinoy TV, is headlined by Ms. Gloria Romero together with Jillian Ward, David Remo, Chlauri Malayao, Julius Erasga. The show will be featuring celebrity guests every week and for its pilot episode, Primetime Queen Marian Rivera-Dantes is the special guest. This child-friendly show is directed by Rico Gutierrez.

Paying tribute to the colorful, romantic, heroic, and inspiring stories of Overseas Filipino Workers is the Network's first OFW-themed weekly anthology, *Tadhana*. Hosted by Kapuso Primetime Queen Marian Rivera, *Tadhana* aims to show viewers how Filipinos abroad live, work, and love. The program will be available to Filipinos worldwide via GMA Pinoy TV starting on May 28.

Another intriguing drama that will surely make the viewers glued to their television screens is the remake of the successful TV series *Impostora*. It is also the first duced TV drama adapted abroad. noon Prime drama is headlined by Kapuso versatile leading lady Kris Bernal playing opposite her is GMA leading man Rafael Rosell. Also in the cast are versatile actors Ryan Eigenmann, Assunta de Rossi, Elizabeth Oropeza, Aicelle Santos, Vaness del Moral, Leandro Baldemor, Sinon Loresca, Yuan Francisco, Dayara Shane, with the special participation of James Blanco. *Impostora* is under helm of Albert Langitan. Also set to take flight via Pinoy TV this May is the anticipated and ground-telefantasy *Mulawin* vs.

Ravena. Headlining the biggest telefantasya of GMA this 2017 is none other than Kapuso Drama King Dennis Trillo, multi-talented Kapuso actress Carla Abellana and Kapuso Premier Actress Lovi Poe. Joining her first-ever full length telefantasya is Asia's Songbird Regine Velasquez-Alcasid. Playing very special roles are Philippine TV's Sweetheart Heart Evangelista-Escudero and versatile Kapuso actor Tom Rodriguez. Seasoned actor Ariel Rivera joins the star-studded cast. Featured in this primetime masterpiece are the hottest young Kapuso love teams: Bea Binene, Derrick Monasterio, Bianca Umali and Miguel Tanfelix. One of GMA's talented actors Kiko Estrada is also part of the soap. Completing the cast are the following: The *Mulawins* - Valerie Concepcion, David Licauco and Roi Vinzon; The *Ravenas* - Chynna Ortaleza, Dion Ignacio, Winwyn Marquez and TJ Trinidad; the actors in the mortal world - Angelu de Leon, Bobby Andrews, Joko Diaz, Charee Pineda and Nova Villa. *Mulawin* vs. *Ravena* is helmed by two of GMA's acclaimed directors Dominic Zapata and Don Michael Perez who is also the concept creator and head writer of the series.

Completing the Kapuso Network's roster of hot new shows this summer is the local remake of the hit Koreanovela *My Love from the Star*. Kapuso Ultimate Star Jennylyn Mercado breathes life to the popular character of Steffi, and for the character of Matteo, GMA Network introduces newest Kapuso actor and heartthrob Gil Cuerva who auditioned for the role. Joining them are Gabby Eigenmann, Glydel Mercado, Christian Bautista, Jackie Rice, Renz Fernandez, Spanky Manikan, Melissa Mendez, Nar Cabico. *My Love From The Star* is under the helm of acclaimed TV and movie director Bb. Joyce Bernal, and will also premiere abroad via GMA Pinoy TV this coming May.

It is surely going to be one summer to remember with all of the new program offerings of the Kapuso Network. Catch them soon on GMA's flagship international channel, GMA Pinoy TV.

Feel closer to home with the latest episodes of your favorite Kapuso programs even when abroad. For more updates on the hottest shows, artists, and international events of GMA Network, follow GMA Pinoy TV, GMA Life TV, and GMA News TV International on Facebook [www.facebook.com/GMAPinoyTV](http://www.facebook.com/GMAPinoyTV), [www.facebook.com/gmalifetv](http://www.facebook.com/gmalifetv), and [www.facebook.com/gmanewsinternational](http://www.facebook.com/gmanewsinternational), Twitter and Instagram [@gmapinoytv](https://www.instagram.com/gmapinoytv), [@gma\\_lifetv](https://www.instagram.com/gma_lifetv), and [@gmanewstvintl](https://www.instagram.com/gmanewstvintl), or visit the GMA Pinoy TV official website at [www.gmapinoytv.com](http://www.gmapinoytv.com).



## BEA B., Idinispley ang Malusog na Boobs

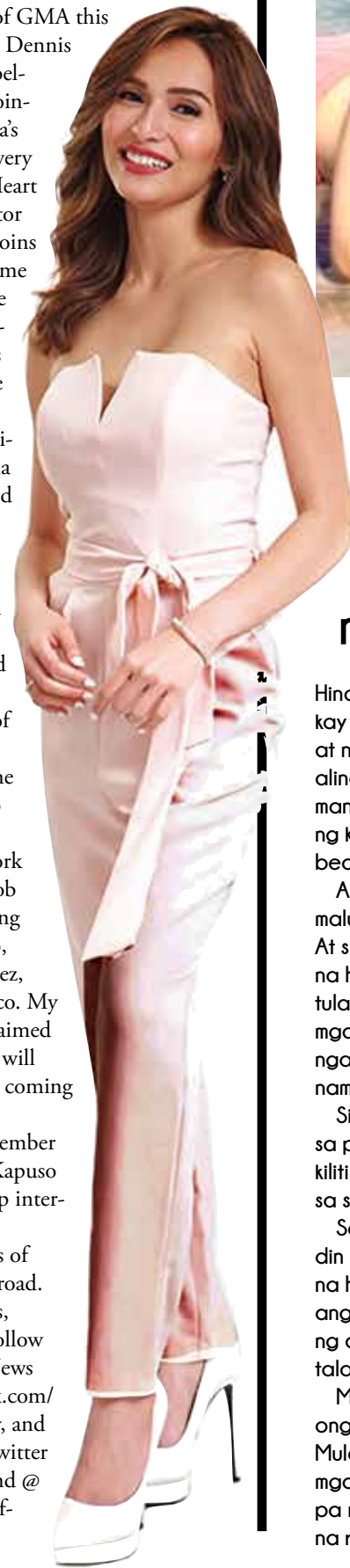
Hindi nagpakabog si Bea Binene kay Barbie Forteza. Hayun nga at nagpasilip din siya ng kanyang alindog kahit na may nakatakip na manipis na skirt sa ibabang bahagi ng kanyang two-piece bikini sa isang beach.

Ang bongga lang ni Bea, dahil malusog nga ang boobs niya, ha! At siyempre, iginiit ng mga fans nila na hindi ito retokada, na hindi nga tulad ng ibang nagpapaseksi sa mga dagat ngayon, na todo-display nga ng kanilang alam na alam mo namang niretokeng mga boobs.

Si Bea, gifted talaga pagdating sa part na 'yon. No wonder, kiliting-kiliti ang mga male fans niya ngayon sa sexy photos niya, ha!

Sa isang IG post, may picture din naman si Derrick Monasterio na hubad din ang katawan labas ang mga pandesal. Tili ng fans ng dalawa, bagay na bagay raw talaga ang dalawa!

Magkasama sina Bea at Derrick sa ongoing na *Tsuperhero* at sa coming *Mulawin* vs. *Ravena*. At sabi nga ng mga fans nila, wag nang pakawalan pa ni Derrick si Bea, lalo na at seksi na rin ito ngayon.



## Thea ready against Aldub fans

Thea Tolentino admits she was happy but nervous when she was informed that she will be joining the cast of "Destined to Be Yours", where she now plays Trish, the first girlfriend in college of Alden Richard as Benjie. It was Trish, who broke Benjie's heart when he caught her kissing a classmate, played by newcomer James Teng.

"Siyempre, medyo kinabahan ako kasi we all know how protective and Aldub fans sa loveteam nila," she says. "Naisip kong tiyak na maba-bash ako. Kaya pinauna ko na agad sa fans nilang wag nilang seseryosohin ang pang-aagaw na gagawin ko kay Alden dahil trabaho lang po ito."

So how is it so far? "Okay naman. Both Alden and Maine are friendly, easy to get along with. Si Alden, nagpakain

pa sa restaurant niya, 'yung Concha's, nung first taping day ko for their show."

Is she replacing Koreen Medina as the show's contravida? "Ay hindi. Nasa eksena pa rin siya. May pagkakikay 'yung character niya sa Marjorie. Ako naman, super maldita na in love pa rin kay Alden kasi walang closure 'yung aming paghihiwalay. It's because of me kaya si Alden, wala nang sinerseryosong babae sa story. So ngayon, nag-meet uli kami at hahabul-habulin ko siya. Abangan nyo mga eksena namin ni Maine dahil tiyak na magkakaroon kami ng mga tarayan portion. And once again, gusto ko pong ipaalala sa diehard fans niya na trabaho lang po ang lahat, kaya sana, wag silang

magagalit sa akin, please."

### Mike grows as an Actor

MIKE Tan is happy to be part of the number one hit soap in the afternoon today, "Ika-6 na Utos", whose ratings are higher than the noontime musical variety shows, so it's now being extended to be shown up to Saturday and not just Monday to Friday. "Big challenge sa'kin to be acting dito with Gabby Concepcion, Sunshine Dizon and Ryza Cenon and thankful ako na sa'kin napunta ang role ni Angelo Trinidad na in love kay Sunshine after maghiwalay sila ni Gabby," he says. "Malalalim 'yung hugot ng character ko





## RJ, NAG-QUIT SA SHOWBIZ PARA MAG-MIGRATE SA AUSTRALIA

TIYAK na hindi naging madali ang naging desisyon ng actor na si RJ Padilla (half-brother ni Daniel Padilla at isa sa mga anak ng actor na si Rommel Padilla) na talikuran ang showbiz para mag-migrate sa Australia kasama ang kanyang misis na sia Rosalie Bianca Abdelsayed-Padilla at dalawang maliit na anak na parehong babae.

Ang ex-PBB: Unlimited graduate na si RJ ay nagpaalam na rin sa longest-running gag show na “Bubble Gang” na pinangungunahan ni Michael V. kung saan siya kabilang at tinapos lamang niya ang taping ng “Destined to be Yours” nina Alden Richards at Maine Mendoza at saka siya sumunod sa Australia to join his wife and two kids na naunang umalis sa kanya.

Nasa ibang panig naman ng Australia naka-base ang ex-wife ni Robin Padilla na si Lielz Sicangco at iba nilang mga anak ni Robin.

Nalungkot man si Rommel sa pag-migrate ni RJ at pamilya nito sa Roselands, New South Wales, Australia, iginagalang naman niya ang naging desisyon ng kanyang anak at misis nitong si Rosalie.

RJ left for Australia last April 16.



Manila intercontinental Hotel, Makati 1970



Li Eron interviews Charms and Britney Waito as a pre-concert promotion for Rise of a Songbird featuring Fienne Mendoza.



March birthday celebrant, Miles, celebrated her 2017 on March 11, 2017 with her friends from Ontario Filipino Women's Club (OFWC) in Scarborough - Ontario.

## Charo Santos-Concio

ULTRA stampede is the “most painful” chapter in her TV career

Isa raw sa hindi malilimutan ni ABS-CBN Chief Content Officer Charo Santos-Concio sa kanyang buong TV career ay ang nangyaring stampede sa ULTRA PhilSports Arena noong 2006.



Matatandaang noong February 4, 2006, isa sanang masayang selebrasyon ang nakatakdang mangyari sa PhilSports Arena para gunitain ang unang anibersaryo ng noontime show noon ng ABS-CBN na Wowowee, kung saan si Willie Revillame ang host.

Subalit isang trahedya ang nangyari nang magkaroon ng stampede, kung saan 71 katao ang namatay at mahigit 400 ang nasugatan. Noong panahong iyon, si Ma’am Charo—ang tawag kay Charo sa industriya—ay executive vice president pa ng ABS-CBN. Sa libro niyang pinamagatang My Journey: The Story of an Unexpected Leader, inalala ni Charo kung paano nakaapekto sa career niya ang ULTRA stampede. Hanggang ngayon ay naalala pa rin daw ng dating presidente at CEO ng Kapamilya network kung ano ang naramdaman niya nang mabalitaan ang pangyayari. Lahad niya, “The horrors that unfolded from the time I received the news over the phone to the days and weeks immediately after it will forever be etched in my memory.

“No matter how many times I have

lived and relived those moments, the shock of having so many people die has not faded.

“They were our audience, those whom we promised to serve.” Nabanggit din ni Charo sa Foreword ng libro kung paano niya hinarap ang mga tao at sabihing hindi na matutuloy ang programa.

“As the time for our show’s scheduled airing approached, it

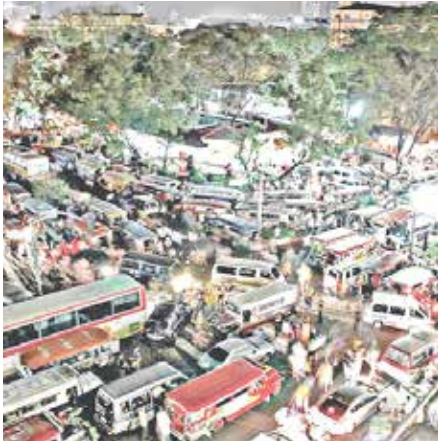
was decided that somebody had to go out on stage to tell the expectant crowd that the show would not go on. “Despite the horror of the last few hours, people still waited and hoped that the show would push through. Who knew what they could do to the bearer of the bad news? I volunteered to do it.” Inamin niyang natakot siyang humarap noon sa audience na naghihintay ng kanilang anunsiyo.

“Hinarap ko yung takot na yun kasi katungkulan ko na akuin yung responsibilidad.” Ayon kay Charo, “It was really one of the most painful chapters in my career in ABS-CBN, and that’s a lesson I will never forget.

“And I think that’s the lesson that the Kapamilyas should always remember in their hearts and in their minds. It keeps us grounded, it makes us human.

“It was a very humbling experience. There are many lessons that can be derived from that.”

## President to get emergency powers to solve traffic – Poe



MANILA -- Senator Grace Poe expects the Senate to pass a bill granting President Duterte emergency powers to address the worsening traffic in the country before the 17th Congress adjourns in June.

This as she stressed that “ending the daily agony and sufferings of commuters is long overdue” and “any further delay in solving the traffic crisis is denying them the basic rights and due service they deserve to get from government.”

Once passed, the senator assured that the massive transportation projects will be up for public scrutiny.

“While we agree to the emergency powers, we shall ensure that such will be FOI-compliant, fiscally responsible and adhering to deadlines,” said Poe, who is

principal sponsor of Senate Bill No. 1284 or the proposed Traffic and Congestion Crisis Act.

According to the senator, the Senate is expected to speed up deliberations on said bill when sessions resume after its six-week break, following a drawing up of “common priorities” by the Palace and Congress.

Malacañang and Congress officials recently met to list 10 priority measures which included the emergency powers to solve traffic in Metro Manila and other urban areas.

Poe, chair of the Senate committee on public services, had sponsored the emergency powers bill as early as December 14 last year.

The proposed emergency powers bill authorizes the President, through his appointed Traffic Crisis Manager, to use alternative methods of procurement under existing laws to expedite the implementation of key transportation projects.

The measure covers land, sea and air transport that sets parameters on how to exercise the emergency powers.

Meanwhile, Poe called on concerned agencies to implement immediate solutions to address the worsening traffic and ease commuter woes.

## Artists with no contract + other stories

The entertainment industry is no doubt one cutthroat competition. Lucky are those who get to sign lucrative contracts with major studios. Then again, there are those who prefer to go freelance, happy to choose their own projects with whomever, wherever.

It can be tricky at times but freelancing talents Emmanuelle Vera and Albie Casiño consider the set-up more ideal.

Emmanuelle, who entered the business in 2010 and has starred on several ABS-CBN series such as “IDOL,” “Got To Believe,” “Pangako Sa’Yo,” and “FPJ’s Ang Probinsyano,” among others, revealed she’s okay leaving Star Magic, the training and management subsidiary of ABS-CBN.

The 22-year-old singer-actress noted, “Honestly, I feel like it was nice to be released and to be able to explore other things in my career.”

But what prompted her decision, we asked.



“Networks kasi are very particular whom they will build up. If they decide to build up someone, there are others who get left behind.

“I don’t have any hard feeling with them (Star Magic, ABS-CBN), I’m always very thankful for all the things they’ve done for me. But, I think this is the best time for me to go and find other ways to boost my career.”

Emmanuelle is now with Cornerstone Entertainment agency. She is open to joining GMA Network in the future.

“I wouldn’t mind if Cornerstone brings me there,” she said. “But they also have Spring Films so baka I just might do some movies for them.”

Even then, she would rather be known more as singer.

“Kasi ‘yun po talaga ako eh. I’m a singer-songwriter so I think du’n ko gusto mas makilala,” said she, who joined “The Voice Of The Philippines” in 2013.

Albie, on his part, cites his battle with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) as reason for his departure from ABS-CBN.

It was in 2013 when Albie left Star Magic. He, who joined the Kapamilya network in



2009, became popular after starring on the hit remake of “Mara Clara;” and the romantic-comedy series “On The Wings Of Love.”

He is happy now doing shows on GMA, TV5 and ABS-CBN. He was last seen on the Kapuso drama anthology “Karelasyon.”

The actor now wants to do a variety of roles, noting, “At the end of the day kasi I just love acting, so for me, that’s the most important thing.”

He added, “And I want it to be na parang ‘pag sinabing Albie, ‘Ah an actor, he can do whatever role.’”

### Now online

Albie and Emmanuelle are featured on D5 Studio’s web series “The Complex.”

Is it easier to do a 10-minuter web series than an actual half an hour shows on TV, we asked the two.

“Difficult din,” Albie said. “‘Pag nakita n’yo how we shoot, parang isang TV series din.”

### Issa Pressman does not feel pressured being compared to sister Yassi Pressman

Pang-limang pelikula na ni Issa Pressman, kapatid ni Yassi, ang Luck At First Sight ng Viva at N2 Productions, pero hindi naman daw siya naiinip kung mabagal man ang pag-usad ng kanyang showbiz career.

“Ay, hindi po... hindi naman. Ako talaga, for me, in this industry, my personal opinion, fame isn’t the game.

“For me talaga is how long you could stay. ‘Yung nagtatrabaho ka and at the same time, may iba ka ring trabaho kasi I’m also into filmmaking, I make my own... not official.

“I’m a CommArts student from Miriam so ‘yung mga travel videos, mga ganu’n, my own dance videos I make, so parang I also do some personal stuff, so parang I play around the world of art. So iba-iba rin ‘yung nagagawa ko,” paliwanag ng kapatid ni Yassi.

Naniniwala din ang dalaga na pana-panahon din lang talaga ang pagsikat sa showbiz.

“I believe na you have to deserve it and in order to deserve what you have kailangang pinagtatrabahuhan mo yon. Kailangang pina-practice mo, you do your best in order to achieve something.

Para kay Issa, deserve ng kapatid niyang si Yassi kung ano man ang fame na meron siya ngayon.

mere suspicion of danger scares her.

But fans, don’t give up. If at first you fail, you can always try again. Lea herself says you can.

And don’t ever think your idol doesn’t like you.

Speaking of faraway places, Miss Saigon recently reopened to mixed reviews in Broadway. Lea’s heart goes out to the producer, Cameron Mackintosh, and the cast, some of whom — like Jon Jon Briones, Rachelle Ann Go and Eva Noblezada — are Filipino.

Lea wants the new Miss Saigon to succeed.

Lea thinks longevity, not what critics say, is the measure of a theater production’s success.

“If the company is happy, and the audience keeps on coming, that’s your last laugh. The best revenge is longevity.”

She cites the case of Les Miserablés. The musical was widely panned through the years. Yet it’s celebrating its 30th year in London’s West End.

Besides, she adds, a review is subjective. The opinion could be the critic’s alone.

### How Kara Mitzki handles Indecent Proposals

Inamin din ni Kara na ilang beses na siyang

“Pinagtrabauhan niya ‘yon. Kasi even now, eh, magtatanong pa rin siya. Minsan, nagpa-practice pa rin siya sa banyo. ‘Yung mga ganu’n pina-practice niya ‘yung skills niya.

“Minsan nahuli ko nga siya, umiiyak sa banyo, nagpa-practice pero kasi ganu’n naman talaga. Kailangan lahat ng mga bagay, showbiz man o hindi, pagtatrabahuhan mo talaga.”

Anong advice ba ang binibigay sa kanya ng kapatid?

“Marami. Kasi marami rin akong mga ginagawa, dancing and acting. Lagi siyang nag-a-advice sa akin. Like for example now, may bago akong ginawang dance video, medyo madilim, hindi niya gusto ‘yung una, nagre-shoot kami. Ginawa ko pa rin talaga kasi for her, quality. She wants the best for me.”

Wala naman daw siyang nararamdamang pressure kahit sikat ang sister niya at pinagkukumpara sila.

“No, hindi siya pressure. Parang for me, hindi ko siya tine-take as comparison, it’s like more of an inspiration. So parang hindi ko nakikita ‘yung difference namin but it’s like I’m more thankful na she’s ahead of me, she’s step ahead of me. So parang may naga-guide sa akin. And there is better na merong naga-guide, nagsu-support sa iyo,” pagtatapos ni Issa.

### Arron Villaflo why romance with Yen did not bloom

Kapamilya actor Arron Villaflo had a rather simple explanation why his friendship with Yen Santos did not blossom into romance.

“Nawalan kami ng oras pareho,” he said.

Recall the two were linked to each other when they worked on the afternoon series “All Of Me” back in 2015. In August, Yen revealed Arron was courting her.

“Lagi lang siyang nagpapadala ng mga pagkain, flowers. Lagi lang kami nagku-kuwentuhan sa set,” she was quoted to have said.

But it fizzled.

“Naging sweet-sweet-an kami. Umabot doon. Not officially na naging kami pero more than friends,” Arron said.

Arron also went on to share in a separate ABS-CBN News article that he respects Yen’s decision to prioritize her family.

“Kasi mahirap ituloy ang plano na hindi handa sa isa’t-isa or ‘yung isa handa pero ‘yung isa hindi. It’s not going to work,” he added. “Nandito lang ako, ayaw ko namang mangulit sa kanya.”



nakatanggap ng mga indecent proposals. Paano ba niya ito hina-handle?

“Marami na po akong na-encounter na ganyan kasi nga nagbabanda ako, eh. Na-handle ko naman po siya nang maayos.

“Siyempre, ano lang ako, friends lang. Ngayon, si Tita Annabelle naman ang nagha-handle sa mga ganu’n,” natatawa niyang pahayag.

Patuloy pa niya, “Mas less talaga sa akin as an artist na nadyan na si Tita A. Siya yung gumagalaw for me sa mga ganung bagay.”

Anu-ano na ba ang na-offer sa kanya ng mga DOM?

“Lahat na lang po in-offer na nila sa akin – bahay, kotse, condo, townhouse, mga mamahaling relo, bags, ganyan. Wala naman akong isyu sa age, basta sa akin kung gusto ko yung tao okey lang naman. Pero huwag naman yung mas matanda pa sa parents ko (55 years old). Hahaha!

“At saka dapat gwapo kahit may edad na siya. Parang ala-Ian Veneracion na kahit 40s na gwapo pa rin. Actually, mas appealing sa akin yung matured men,” pagtatapat pa niya.

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## Duterte: Proposed law on ROTC revival in the works

SAN JOSE, ANTIQUE – President Duterte said he will either restore the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) program or create a law that will require the youth to undergo mandatory military training to instill a sense of responsibility, discipline, and love of country.

“I’m here to announce that I am working on a law that would restore the ROTC,” he said, adding that it is the only way to assure him that the next generation can defend the country when the need arises.

“Who else will defend you? You will ask America? They will not die for you. Kayo ang magpakamatay sa bayan niyo,” he added. According to Duterte, those who will undergo ROTC training would be the ones who can guide and protect the civilians in case of violence and anarchy since they have the knowledge on handling firearms.

He said scrapping the program was shortsighted when an investigation could have been conducted in the first place. “Yung iba ayaw ng ROTC. Would you rather that I would come up with a law that would conscript you — require you to undergo military training, compulsory,” he said, citing countries like Israel and Thailand as examples. “So make a choice — either you have ROTC training so that we can depend on you to take care of the country, or [undergo mandatory military training],” he added.

He, meanwhile, advised the around 12,000 participants of the Palarong Pambansa to learn how to love the country at all cost and provide their services to the country if needed.

“Pinaka-importante ‘to — ‘yung sense of love mo sa bayan mo. ‘Wag mong hayaan na this country will deteriorate and go to the dogs,” he said.

### Beijing alarmed over Spratly visit

China has expressed alarm over the visit of Philippine Defense Secretary Delfin Lorenzana and military generals to Pag-asa Island last Friday, saying the move ran against a “consensus” between Beijing and Manila to peacefully settle their maritime row.

“Gravely concerned about and dissatisfied with this, China has lodged representations with the Philippine side,” said Lu Kang, spokesman of the Chinese foreign ministry. Lu also said the Chinese government was verifying claims by a group of Filipino fishermen that they were fired upon by the China Coast Guard last March 27.

Philippine officials are investigating the reported attack on the Princess Johann boat, which the crew said occurred near a Chinese-occupied section of the Spratly archipelago

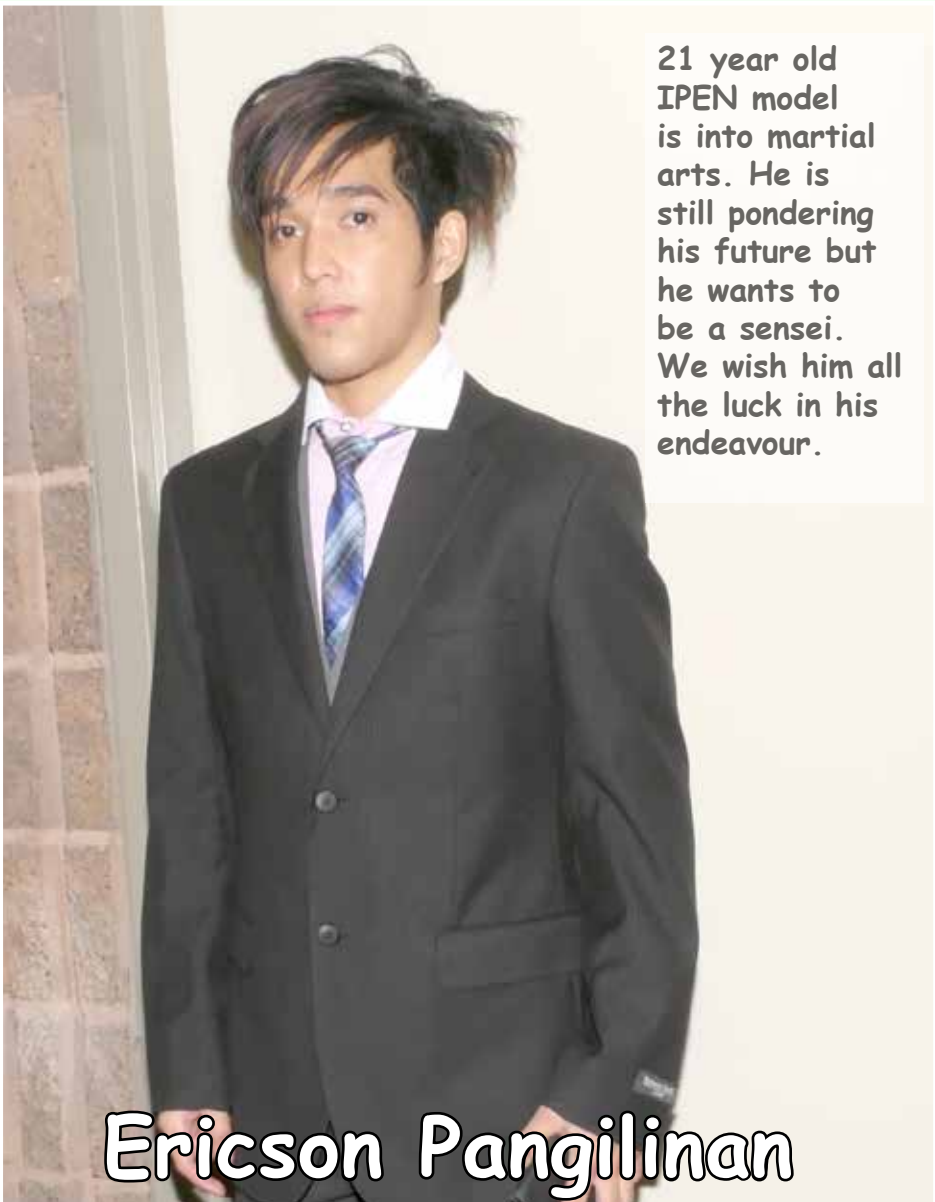
Ivan hopes Barbie would end up with him



IVAN Dorschner's first claim to fame was when pop star Katy Perry performed here in Manila in 2012 then she asked someone to come up on stage while she's performing. Ivaand tried to forget showbiz. But when James Reid came for a show there and we met, he encouraged me to return to Manila to try showbiz anew. And now, I'd like to thank GMA-7 dahil mas nakilala ako rito because of 'Meant to Be'. People who see me in public now call me Ethan, my name in the show."

It's said that his tandem with Barbie Forteza as Billie has so many supporters, calling their love team as Vanbie. "Yes, I know. But in fairness, may kanya-kanya ring supporters 'yung love team ni Barbie with the other guys. But siyempre, gusto kong kami ni Barbie would end up with each other, kaya lang, it's not for me to decide. Malayo pa naman ang tatakbuhin ng show so abangan na lang nila."

Hunk Shot



21 year old IPEN model is into martial arts. He is still pondering his future but he wants to be a sensei. We wish him all the luck in his endeavour.

Ericson Pangilinan



Tom back to wrok after fa-ther's funeral

TOM Rodriguez is back from the U.S. after attending the funeral of his dad who succumbed to the big C in Arizona. He's happy to know that two new shows are waiting for him on GMA7. First is the telefantasya, "Mulawin Vs Ravena" where he will play Rodrigo, a mortal and not a "taong ibon."

The second is a drama that's titled "I Heart Davao". No, it's not a tribute to our President and the city in Mindanao from where he hails. Someone tells us it's a serious drama about having heart transplants.

In both his new shows, Tom is paired with real life girlfriend, Carla Abellana. Our guess is that they'll just have a special participation in "Mulawin" as the parents of Bea Binene, who plays a lead role along with Derrick Monasterio. It's in "I Heart Davao" where they will focus playing the lead characters.

Senator Enverga questions immigration by lottery

Ottawa, February 1, 2017 – Today, the Honourable Tobias C. Enverga Jr., Ontario Senator, questioned the Government Representative in the Senate during question period about the new lottery-based family reunification system for parents and grandparents that the Trudeau government announced in December 2016.

"Waiting for the department currently named Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada is something all immigrants have experienced, but we expected that there is some fairness to the process in terms of having a first-come – first-served system like in so many other facets of life," Senator Enverga said in a statement. "A lottery-based system leaves the fate of deserving qualified applicants to chance

no matter how deserving one is or how long one has been waiting to reunite the family. This is not fair," the Senator continued.

The questions raised by Senator Enverga covered why the Government gave such short notice about the changes, and what algorithms will be used for the random draw.

The Government Representative, Senator Peter Harder, promised to inquire with the department and will provide answers to Senator Enverga's questions in the future.

"I can assure all members of the public, and especially those who are caught in limbo by the changes, that I will share the Government's responses once they are tabled in the Senate," Senator Enverga ended.

DON'T PRESS THE BUTTONS

You should never ignore words of advice from people who are qualified to give it – otherwise things can turn out like in this story...

A man on a flight to Chicago suddenly found himself having an urgent need to use the bathroom. He headed over to the men's room, nervously tapping his foot on the floor of the aircraft. Each time he tried the door, it was occupied.

A stewardess noticed his predicament and told him, "I'll let you use the ladies' room, but on one condition – don't touch the buttons on the wall!"

The man breathed a sigh of relief while sitting on the toilet, and his attention drifted to the buttons on the wall. The buttons were marked "WW, WA, PP and ATR".

Making the mistake that so many men make in disregarding the importance of what a woman says, the man let his curiosity get the best of him and decided to try the buttons anyway.

He carefully pressed the first button

marked "WW" and immediately warm water sprayed all over his entire bottom. He thought, "Wow, this is strangely pleasant, women really have it made!"

Still curious, he pressed the button marked "WA" and a gentle breeze of warm air quickly dried his hind quarters.

"This is amazing!" he thought, "Men's rooms having nothing like this!"

He then pressed the button marked "PP", which yielded a large powder puff that delicately applied a soft talc to his rear.

Well, naturally he couldn't resist the last button marked "ATR", and then everything went black.

When he woke up in the hospital he panicked and buzzed for the nurse.

When she appeared, he cried out, "What happened to me?! The last thing I remember, I was in the ladies' room on a plane!"

The nurse replied, "Yes, I'm sure you were having a great time until you pressed the 'ATR' button which stands for Automatic Tampon Remover... Your penis is under your pillow."

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# Nutrition Myths

Lemon water is not the ultimate solution

There are a lot of people who have no nutrition training, yet somehow manage to burn nonsensical ideas into peoples' brains -- and that's how the questions below are born.

### 1. Does lemon water help flush your organs out and detox your body?

Not only is it untrue, but my friend who is a dentist tells me that he is seeing a lot of people with eroded tooth enamel from all the lemon water they're drinking.

Drinking lemon water in the morning adds more acid to your empty stomach, which can cause you to have a gut ache. Moreover, there is nothing miraculous about lemon, especially on the 'detox' front. Drink a glass of lemon water in the morning if you must, but chase it with a glass of plain water to rinse the acid off your teeth. Don't brush your teeth right after drinking lemon water, which will grind the acid further into the tooth enamel, eroding it more.



### 2. I'm a vegetarian but why do I gain weight?

You're probably eating too much. Meat doesn't make people gain weight, eating too much food overall, and eating too much crap do. Lots of crappy food is vegetarian -- chocolate bars, French fries, McDonald's milkshakes. Eliminating meat from your diet is not going to magically make you lose weight. Actually, you can gain weight easily by going vegetarian, since cutting out meat and fish means you're cutting out several high quality protein sources, which play a major role in satiety. Make sure you fill the protein void with beans and lentils, tofu, Greek yogurt, and quinoa.

### 3. Celery is Negative Calorie Food -- I can eat as much as I want, right?

What? A negative calorie food is a food that supposedly takes more calories for the body to burn off, than it contains. The Internet is full of negative calorie websites, complete with comment sections that contain entertaining spelling mistakes such as "stomac" and "artikle," and claims such as "an apple contains 100 calories and takes 120 calories to digest." Um, okay...no. If it sounds too good to be true, it's too good to be true.

### 4. If I eat after 6 p.m., is the food going straight to my ass?

No. If you walk into a restaurant in Italy or Spain before 10 p.m., there's no one there, because it's still too early for them to eat. Yet people in both those countries are nowhere near as obese as the people in North America.

Your metabolic rate does lower slightly while you sleep, but not significantly enough that you are going to go up a pants size if you have a snack before bed. I see clients who go to bed hungry because about 10 years ago, Oprah said on her show that she doesn't eat after 6. Since when did Oprah know anything about nutrition?

### 5. I'm eating multigrain bread, that's so much better than white bread, right?

Possibly, but it depends on which bread you're choosing. "Multigrain" means that it contains multiple grains, and that's about it. Theoretically, that could mean anything from a teaspoon of wheat and rye flours in a sea of white flour, or it could be a nice high fiber loaf of bread. The claim of multigrain doesn't mean whole grain, which should be the first ingredient in your bread.

Brown bread is much the same. The brown

# Entertainment

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## Heart Evangelista-Escudero steps out of her comfort zone in Follow Your Heart + other stories

How far can relationship goals stand the ultimate test when real or reel celebrity couples find themselves in an unfamiliar world?

Beginning April 23, Sunday afternoons will be extra fun and challenging as Kapuso actress-host Heart Evangelista-Escudero joins celebrity couples as they step out of their comfort zones in Follow Your Heart.

Follow Your Heart is GMA Public Affairs' newest reality show that dares real and reel celebrity couples to face demanding challenges faced by common folk.

episode features celebrity pairs who will take on challenges raising children and money for their adoptive family.

Together, they will look after the children and perform household chores such as washing clothes and cooking. It's a show where drama, action, and entertainment are rolled into one.

The task does not end here as the celebrity couples must battle it out in a series of fun games where cash prizes are at stake for their newfound families. The winning host family will receive P50,000 while a consolation prize of P25,000 goes to the non-winning host family.

Fans will definitely see another side of Heart in her latest project. "Never been seen iyong mga ginagawa namin. Matutuwa sila dahil mas makikilala nila kami bilang mga artista, kung sino kami sa totoong buhay" says Heart.

Aside from hosting the show, Heart immerses herself in the challenges as well. "Ginawa ko iyong mga challenges. And iyong iba mahirap siyempre dahil summer pero sobrang ang dami kong natutunan," says the Kapuso actress-host. "Expect [na] nila na talagang lahat kami na mafi-

feature sa show [ay] mag-i-step out talaga sa aming mga comfort zones," she adds.

For its pilot episode, Follow Your Heart goes to Lake Pandin in San Pablo, Laguna to test celebrity couples Mark Herras and Winwyn Marquez; and LJ Reyes and Paolo Contis. From making and riding their own rafts to fishing, the Kapuso

stars will take on the various challenges to win the game.

Mark and Winwyn will accompany the hardworking couple Lotlot and Romeo Sales. Romeo builds makeshift boats that tourists ride to cross Lake Pandin. Lotlot, even while seven months pregnant, helps out by pulling the rope that moves the raft across the lake. The couple has eight children.

Meanwhile, LJ and Paolo take on the tasks of couple Orlando and Gina Tolentino. Like Lotlot, Gina also works the rafts on Lake Pandin. Orlando, on the other hand, is a fisherman. The catch he gets from the lake at dusk are sold by Gina the following morning.

Who will win between Mark and Winwyn and LJ and Paolo?

Join Heart as she steps out of her comfort zone and faces her most challenging role to date. Watch real and reel celebrity couples take on the mission of raising a family in Follow Your Heart, beginning April 23 in Asia Pacific and North America, and April 24 in the Middle East and North Africa only on GMA's flagship international channel, GMA Pinoy TV.

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### Ivan, puring-puri ng Uber Driver!

Isang Uber driver ang naglabas ng nararamdaman niya sa social media matapos maging pasahero ang Kapuso actor na si Ivan Dorschner.

Ayon sa kwento nito sa Facebook, pagbukas pa lang ng pinto ay magalang na bumati si Ivan ng magandang gabi sa kanya at patuloy itong nagsasabi ng po at opo tuwing nakikipag-usap

sa kanya. Nanghingi rin daw ito ng paumanhin matapos 'di kaagad makasagot sa kanyang mga text. Bukod pa rito, nag-offer din daw ang Kapuso actor na tulungan siyang baybayin ang lugar gamit ang kanyang cellphone dahil hindi raw gumagana ang kanyang Waze.

Sumaludo ang Uber driver kay Ivan dahil sa pagiging magalang nito at humble kahit pa isang artista na at sikat na dahil sa teleserye nilang Meant To Be sa GMA 7!

### Gabbi, Malaman ang Utak

Bilang April cover girl ng isang magazine, nagkaroon ng pagkakataon si Gabbi Garcia na iparating sa kanyang fans ang kahalagahan ng pagkakaroon ng malasakit sa bansa.

Sabi ng Kapuso star, bilang artista ay meron siyang responsibilidad na maging magandang role model sa kanyang mga fans at sa mga taong nakakapanood sa kanya.

"You have to be aware of what's happening, especially in the Philippines. What's happening in our administration, what's happening in terms of crime and everything else," kuwento ni Gabbi.

Maganda ang naging feedback ng mga readers dahil para sa kanila, may matututunan ang kabataan sa kagaya ni Gabbi na pinipiling maging socially-aware. Hindi nga lang daw beauty si Gabbi, kundi malaman din talaga ang utak nito.

(Pop-ups are not supposed to be taken seriously - EDITOR)

## Candid SPOOF



Fe Taduran and Cholo Lagdameo jhelp a Little Miss contestant during practice.

# Scenes in the City+



**Fred & Nenita Tomas celebrate 25th Wedding Anniversary**  
By Dindo Orbeso  
St. Jamestown News Service

The husband and wife team of Alfred Tomas and Nenita Tomas celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary which was attended by



relatives and close friends on April 15, 2017.  
Senator Tobias C. Enverga together with his wife Rosemer Albovias Enverga graced the very memorable occasion for which Mr. and Mrs. Tomas were given a certificate of appreciation because of their involvement as volunteers for the Philippine Canadian Charitable Foundation which has been giving support to different community programs in the Philippines like the Angcop housing projects, and among others.



Mr. and Mrs. Tomas will be volunteering during the Pinoy Fiesta and Trade Show Sa Toronto of the Philippine Canadian Charitable Foundation which will be held on June 24, 2017 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Hall A at 255 Front Street West, Toronto, Ontario, Canada and for inquiry kindly communicate at pinoyfiesta-toronto@gmail.com.  
Also attached herewith are some of the pictures during the Tomas wedding anniversary.



**LEFT, Mel Galeon (at left) of FV Foods pose with Chito Miranda, lead singer of Parokya ni Edgar. FV Foods was a sponsor of the Parokya ni Edgar concert at the Opera House. RIGHT, Mel Galeon of FV Foods poses with Coco Martin at The Meeting Place in Oakville after the concert.**



**Dance Competition#3: DAY 1 - Cassie Reyes wins 1st Place in her Novice Jazz Solo, age 8 category and 3rd Place in the Overall Novice age 8 -10 division. Cassie is the daughter of Belinda Reyes and Alex.**



A casual gathering of Bikolano "Oragons" on April 8, 2017 at Pinoy Radio station in Vaughan, L-R : Talakayan Radyo Filipino producer Jess Cabrias, radio political commentator Tony A. San Juan, Action Honda general manager Rafael Nebres and Paralegal & Buhay Migrante co-anchor Earl Francis Dacara ( Photo by: Totz Bombase.)



1. Cholo Lagdameo choreographs the PCCF Little Miss candidates. 2. PCCF Little Miss candidates pose with officers during a TVC taping. 3. Miss Philippines 2016 Krista Bella and Miss Teen Philippines 2015 Nathalie Ramos helps choreographs Miss Philippines candidates. 4. Philippine Canadian Charitable Foundation officers pose during a TVC taping. 5. Mrs. Philippines and Little Mr. Philippines pose during a TVC taping.



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