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WRITING ON THE WALL BARELY NOTICED: Old surveys' public opinion tilting in Marcoses' favor

MANILA, Philippines—"You, the people, have spoken. By your vote, you rejected the politics of division."

These were some of the words of Ferdinand Marcos Jr. on Thursday (June 30) in a speech following his inauguration as

the Philippines' 17th president.

"I am here not to talk about the past. I am here to tell you about our future," he said.

That views on the Marcos family shifted dramatically more than 36 years after the late strongman Ferdinand Marcos

was ousted from power could have been predicted by results of past surveys on people's opinion about the Marcoses.

The change in opinion, as mirrored by results of the survey mainly by the polling firm Social Weather Stations

(SWS), has not yet factored in the promises of Marcos Jr.

"A future of sufficiency, even plenty of readily available ways and means to get done what needs doing by you, by me. We do not look back, but ahead," he said in his inaugural speech.

Franz Imperial, who headed one committee for the inauguration, described the ceremony as "solemn and simple."

It was a stark contrast, however, to the inauguration held for the late strongman Marcos

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IVANA ALawi

Steps into Fame with A Family Affair



COVID-19 rising in Philippines

MANILA – All regions in the country continue to see an increase in COVID-19 infections, with 88% of provinces, highly urbanized cities, and independent charter cities showing positive growth rates, according to the Department of Health (DOH).

Based on its regular COVID-19 situationer released to the media, most areas are showing a sharp increase in cases, with the National Capital Region reaching almost 450 cases daily.

While a slight rise in cases was observed in Mindanao in mid-June, it is now showing signs of plateauing with 50 cases recorded per day.

Despite increasing infections, all regions remain under low-risk case classification. This is even if all regions have seen positive two-

week growth rates with some reaching over 200%.

The positive growth rates, however, have no effect on decisions made by the Inter-Agency Task Force as to what a region's alert level may be.

Recently, the IATF decided to heed the recommendations of experts to remove the two-week growth rate as an indicator to determine a region's risk classification and subsequent alert level.

Former Health Secretary Francisco Duque even said that the two-week growth rate has lost its significance and relevance and may in fact just be an "alarmist" metric.

In a message to reporters, DOH spokesperson and National Vaccination Operations Center chair Maria

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Make Filipino medium of instruction, not English

MANILA - Students should be taught using the language that they best understand.

The Alliance of Concerned Teachers (ACT) Philippines, in a statement issued Friday, July 1, said this in reaction to a part of the inaugural address of President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. pushing for English as a medium of instruction in schools.

ACT Philippines Vladimir Quetua noted that while the metrics of international assessments like the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) and Trends in International Mathematics and Science Study are questionable, "language barrier is a basic reason why the Philippines lag behind and our students are at a disadvantage in these tests."

Quetua pointed out that countries that usually take the top tier of these assessments are those whose main medium of instruction is

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Why orgy scene in 'Virgin Forest' not an erotic fantasy for Sid Lucero

For Sid Lucero, shooting a sexy scene with six women isn't the erotic fantasy many men think it is—especially not if it takes place under a raging waterfall.

In the much talked about "orgy" scene in the new Viva-max flick "Virgin Forest," the actor cramped up a couple of times as he and his coactors

braved cold waters, biting wind and jagged rocks.

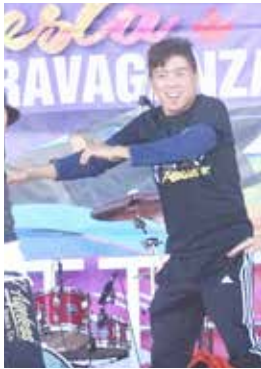
"It hurts to be honest. It's painful. It wasn't easy ... We were balancing on a tiny rock and there was nowhere else to rest any part of your body. One wrong move and you could fall. The director wants to capture something

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OTT Remit at Filipino Festivals

OTT Remit did good business at Pinoy Fiesta. 1. OTT Remit's Butch Galicia, Ace Alvarez, VP Huiyu, Evelyn Galicia MP Rechie Valdez, Gia Alvarez and PCCF's Romy Rafael; 2. Elvie Ortiz send her money by OTT Remit during the Vaughan Fiesta Extravaganza; 3. OTT Remit's Butch Galicia & Ace Alvarez facilitate the basketball HOTT ShOTTs game at the OTT Remit "On Time Tayo" booth winning prizes and give-aways for visitors.



Toronto's multi-hyphenated star Mel Galeon — FV Foods owner-D'Ageless dancer-Tiktok King - is busy these days with Filipino festivals happening non-stop. At photo on the far right, he Tiktoks with Archie Santos and Joy D'aoust.



Toronto's Golden Voices Martha Joy, Alyssa Datu and Maria Panaligan performed at Vaughan Fiesta Extravaganza.



Joshua Panaligan joined JDL and danced with them at Vaughan Fiesta Extravaganza.



Arielle Perez, Therese and Ryza Quijano of MH Talents performed at Vaughan Fiesta Extravaganza.

Kean Cipriano grateful for sold-out show after leaving Callalily

Kean Cipriano was elated as he expressed his gratitude to those who attended his recent sold-out show, which took place over a week after he revealed Callalily is "done."

The actor-musician spoke about his experience during the show and admitted that the "judgment" he gets from leaving the band has been affecting him, as per his Instagram page July 3.

"I was hella nervous before the performance especially with everything that's going on and being thrown at me when I decided to choose myself," he said. "Often-times, people will loosely label you as selfish for choosing what's best for you. Let them negate their world. I continue to eat judgment for breakfast."

Cipriano then gave fans an advice to follow what they truly desire despite the "noise," seemingly drawing it from his recent



experience. "All I can say, at this point in my career, is never let outside noise steer you away from what your soul is saying. Move if you must, jump if need be," he stated. "Thank you universe for a sold out show. I am truly grateful to each person that came through."

"Sobrang sarap ng tugtog kagabi. Ramdam na ramdam ko yung pagmamahal (The performance last night was very satisfying. I really felt the love)," Cipriano added. "Can't

wait for the next one." Cipriano recently confirmed that he and his bandmates of 17 years are "done," disclosing that they are not okay and that a Callalily reunion is not going to happen. Meanwhile, Callalily changed its name to LILY, marking "a new beginning" for its members Lem Belaro, Aaron Ricafrente, Nathan Reyes and Alden Acosta. The band also earlier asked fans for suggestions as they need a name for their new vocalist — one which, according to the band, sounds like that of someone who will "stay."

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Joseph Marco replace Kit Thompson in movie

Grabe ang naging impact ng ‘iskandalo’ na kinasangkutan ni Kit Thompson kay Ana ni, ha! Trabaho talaga niya ang nawala.

Kaya ang mga artista, sampung beses talaga na dapat mag-isip bago gumawa ng mga bagay-bagay sa buhay nila.

Anyway, tuluyan na ngang nasipa si Kit sa project ni Herlene ‘Hipon Girl’ Budol, ang ‘Ang Babae Sa Likod ng Facemask’ na prodyus ng Puregold, at mapapanood sa Puregold Channel, at pinamahalaan ni Direk Chris Cahilig at dinirek ni Victor Villanueva.

Si Joseph Marco ang pinalit kay Kit. At yes, binasura lahat ng mga nakunang eksena kay Kit. At nag-shooting na lang ulit sina Herlene at Joseph.

Doble man ang gastos, pero sabi ni Direk Chris, “Ang ganda kasi ng series kaya talagang nilaban namin despite all odds. Impressive ang commitment ng Puregold to provide quality entertainment sa netizens. Di talaga sila bumitaw,” sabi ni Direk Chris.

“Ni-reshoot namin lahat. And we love Joseph, dahil very professional at magaan sa set. He’s so committed sa project na ito. Mabuti nga rin ang pinayagan si Herlene ng BPCI na ituloy ang project,” sabi pa ni Direk Chris.

Well, again, ang mga artista, dapat sampung beses mag-isip bago gumawa ng isang bagay.

‘Patay na si Cardo’, trending sa Twitter

Number one trending nga ang bakbakan na naganap sa ‘FPJ’s Ang Probinsyano’ nitong Huwebes ng gabi, na kung saan sa huli ay makikita si Cardo Dalisay/Coco



Martin na lugmok, puno ng dugo, walang malay.

Ang tanong siyempre ng marami, patay na ba si Cardo? Katapusan na ba ni Cardo?

Marami ang naiyak sa eksenang binubuhay si Cardo, habang nagsisigaw ang karakter ni Lorna Tolentino na ‘ako ang nanalo’.

Hindi raw nila mapigilan ang maluha sa eksenang ‘yon. Na kahit lalake raw sila, talagang nagdugo ang puso nila sa eksena.

Pero, ang tanong pa rin nga, patay na ba talaga, o buhay pa ba? At kung buhay pa, paano raw nangyari? Isa raw bang immortal si Cardo, na nalampasan ang lahat ng paghihirap?

Well, marami nga ang tumutok nitong Biyernes ng gabi, para alamin kung patay na si Cardo. Pero, hula pa rin ng marami, na bongga pa rin talaga ang magaganap, dahil for the nth time, mukhang malalam-pasan ni Cardo ang kamatayan, ha!

Vilmanians, planong punuin ang mga sinehan pagbalik ni Ate Vi

May panahon na tinawag ring “movie queen” si Vilma Santos. Ang totoo nagkaroon pa ng showbiz komiks-magazine noong araw na ang title ay Movie Queen

Vilma Santos Magazine na ang publisher ay ang yumao na ring si Rudy Ner Siongco, na naging president pa ng FAMAS. Pero parang hindi nga iyon tumatak kay Vilma, at ang mas nagustuhan ng kanyang fans ay ang Star For All Seasons, na lalong naging bukambibig nang iyon din ang paulit-ulit na narinig sa kanyang highly-rated TV show noon.

Simple lang ang kaisipan ng kanyang fans, “basta sinabi kasing star for all seasons, siya na iyon,” sabi ng presidente ng kanyang pinakamalaking fan club na si Jojo Lim.

Kasi nga naman iyong movie queen ay marami, at kanya-kanyang panahon ang pagrereyna.

Matatawag kang movie queen pero depende iyan sa resulta ng pelikula mo.

Halimbawa, may panahong tinawag ng ABS-CBN na movie queen din si Bea Alonzo, noong kumikita pa ang pelikula noon sa kanila, eh ngayong matagal na siyang walang pelikula, at kahit naman noon ang kita ng kanyang mga pelikula

nalampasan ng kita ng pelikula ni Kathryn Bernardo, ngayon ba ay tinatawag pa rin siyang movie queen?

Halimbawa, ano nga ba ang masasabi mo sa 23 taon na minsan-minsan lamang

lumabas si Vilma Santos, “pero iyong minsan-minsan niya lahat naman ay naging big hits,” sabi nila pero ibigay mo na nga sa iba iyong title na iyon.

Si Ate Vi ang Star For All Seasons, gaano man siya katagal na magbakasyon star pa rin siya. Ngayong magbabalik siya sa panahon ng economic depression at ang mga pelikula ay hanggang sa internet lang at barya lang kinikita, sinasabi ng mga Vilmanian na “patutunayan naming makakagawa siya ng isang malaking box office hit sa mga sinehan. Baka nga bilang star for all seasons, siya talaga ang hinihin-tay para makabalik ang pelikulang Pilipino sa mga sinehan. Kasi kung internet lang ni hindi mo masasabing pelikula eh, video lang iyan,” sabi pa nila.

Mukhang may point naman sila. Papaano mo nga bang matatawag na pelikula iyong sa internet?

Mo Twister exerted ‘no effort’ to support daughter with disability, Bunny Paras says

Former actress Bunny Paras spoke about the condition of Moira, her daughter with Mo Twister, and revealed that the radio personality exerted “no effort” to support



her. Moira is a person with disability.

Moira suffered from Friedreich ataxia which affected her ability to walk. According to the Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center, Friedreich ataxia is an “inherited condition that affects the nervous system and causes movement problems.”

Paras recounted the few times Mo Twister spent time with their daughter, after she was asked about his participation in parenting their child, in an exclusive



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Life’s brighter under the sun



interview with comedian Ogie Diaz, as seen on his YouTube channel yesterday, June 13.

“Wala akong nakitang effort. Mabibilang ko lang,” she said. “Ang dami niyang pwe-deng participation kung gusto niya [pero] hindi ko nakita ‘yung effort.”

Paras said that she reached out and asked for help from Mo Twister “so many times,” but was only given financial help by his mother during special occasions. She also spoke about having “mixed emotions” on Mo Twister’s affection towards their daughter as he was not “consistent” in being a father to Moira.

“Ghosting, deadma — hindi [niya] ako pinansin,” she stated. “Iparamdam mo naman sa bata na part siya ng immediate family mo — ‘yun sana ‘yung gusto kong makita.”

“Parang kung may galit siya sa akin, ‘wag na niya idamay si Moira. Mahalin niya,” she added. “Hindi ko alam kung anong nasa utak niya kasi hindi naman mahirap mahalin ‘yung sarili mong anak. Sarili mong dugo ‘yan e.”

Paras then talked about her relationship with her daughter and how Moira has been her source of strength despite her disability.

“I’m just worried for the future but she makes me strong, Moira does,” she told Diaz. “Pag nakikita ko siya mas kinakaya ko kahit na I know half of me ay nasasaktan for her.” (Whenever I see her, I get to power through even when I know half of me is hurting for her.)

‘I wish them all the best’: Kean Cipriano leaves Callalily after almost 20 years

After almost two decades, singer Kean Cipriano revealed that he parted ways with his band Callalily.

Kean said he wished his former band all the best. “Yeah, Callalily is done,” he said. “Callalily is done. I’m moving on, I’ve moved on, moving forward, and I wish them all the best,” he added.

Kean admitted that the band has not

been okay for a few years now.

“I mean, we’re okay parang... I think in a group, magkakasama kayo for 17 years, marami na rin nangyari and don’t think medyo matagal rin kaming hindi okay so, alam mo ‘yon, parang ibang chapter naman for us,” he said.

He also shut down band reunion rumors for the coming years.

“Hindi na magbabalik ‘yung dating Callalily,” he said.

The band, meanwhile, changed its name to LILY Music, as seen in its Facebook account.

Callalily rose to fame in 2005 with their hits “Stars,” “Magbalik” and “Take My Hand,” to name a few.

Kean launched his own record label O/C Records in 2018 and released his debut solo album “Childlike” in May 2021.

Juliana Parizcova Segovia has funny retort to ‘mukha mo bulok’ comment

Natatawag sinagot ni Miss Q&A 2018 winner Juliana Parizcova Segovia ang isang netizen na nag-comment sa kanyang post tungkol sa kinakaing pinya

Sabi ni Juliana sa kanya post sa Facebook kagabi, July 4, 2022: “Nakain kami ni Ella Cruz ng Pinya and bagoong... Sino makikisawsaw?...go na habang fresh pa [laughing emojis]”

Isang netizen ay nilait ang mukha ng komedyante. Ayon dito: “Yung prutas fresh pa, ‘yung mukha mo bulok na emz”

Sinagot ito ni Juliana matapos niyang kilatisin ang profile ng nasabing commenter. Tanong niya rito: “Bakit nakaliyad mukha mo?”

Binura ng netizen ang kanyang komento pagkatapos putaktihin ng supporters ni Juliana.





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Angelika Dela Cruz
laments PH politics
after receiving 4 bul-
lets for death threat

Angelika Dela Cruz, barangay cap-
tain of Longos, Malabon, expressed
her dismay over Philippine politics
after she
received
a death
threat
that came
with
four gun
bullets.



The actress-politician showed a
photo of the torn letter warning her
through her Facebook page yesterday,
June 7.

“Napakadumi po [talaga] ng
politika sa ating bansa. ‘Yan po ang
sulat at bala na pinadala sa XO ng
aming barangay na nagsasabi na may
[apat] daw na susunod at kaya may
umiikot na ‘di kilala sa bahay naming
magkapatid,” she said. “Grabe naman
kayo kung sino man kayo na gum-
agawa nito sa amin.”

It is not immediately known if
Dela Cruz will take actions over
the death threat as she did not give
further details on her post. She then
received messages of support from
netizens who are hoping for her safe-
ty, via the comments section.

Dela Cruz got into politics back in
2013 when she won her bid for the
chairmanship of barangay Longos.
The actress ran again in 2018 and
won the post for the second time.

Janine Gutierrez admits she ‘imagined being in a relationship’ with Paulo Avelino

Janine Gutierrez got can-
did about her relationship
with onscreen love team
partner, actor Paulo Aveli-
no, and confessed that she
had imagined him as her
boyfriend.

The actress disclosed
this after she was asked
by Avelino if she ever
“imagined being in a relationship” with him
during a lie detector drinking game, as seen
on RecCreate’s YouTube channel yesterday,
June 13. The questions that the actors asked
each other were given by the organizers.
“Yes, of course. Syempre nag-shooting tayo



(When we did our
shoot),” Gutierrez
answered, but she was
“shocked” by the lie
detector device appar-
ently implying that
she lied.

“Sana nagsinungal-
ing na lang ako [para]
hindi ako napahiya,”

she quipped.
Gutierrez then asserted that she an-
swered the question honestly, explaining
that it is natural for actors to envision
the same towards fellow actors they are
working with.

“But syempre ‘di ba when you’re doing
a film, gagamitin mo din naman talaga
‘yung whoever you are with and what’s in
front of you,” she added. (But of course
when you are doing a film, you will make
use of whoever you are with and what is
in front of you.)

“Spoken like a true professional —
professional liar,” Avelino joked, while
Gutierrez just laughed it off.

Avelino, for his part, admitted that he
already knew that he and Gutierrez will
be “close” to each other right when they
first met.

“It’s just something you know when
you meet each other,” he stated.

Covid19 Humanitarian Service Award

The Covid19 Humanitarian Service Award
is given by MP Shaun Chen. Former MPP
Alvin Curling was special guest. Here are
the Filipino recipients.

Jeannette Rosales - “For 49 years, Jeanette
is a retired registered nurse and worked 3
years in the Correctional Forensic service.
She specialized in the Addiction Research
Foundation dealing with mental health and
substance abuse clients for 20 years. She
has also previously worked in the Canadian
Blood services for fifteen years and was
involved as a Coordinator at the Caregiver
and Family Apostolate ministry for 5 years.

Frank Cruzet - “Francisco Cruzet, Frank to
those who know him, is a retired Toronto
Police Officer after 20 years of service. He
sits on the Filipino Centre Board of Direc-
tors and has been involved in the various
community services the Centre offers. Also
a professional award-winning artist and a



MP Shaun Chen and former MPP Alvin Curling
present the humanitarian awards.

member of the Philippine Artists Group
of Canada, Frank started teaching art to
seniors for the last 2 years giving seniors
something to look forward to during the
week, learning how to paint and socialize
with fellow seniors whilst navigating Covid
protocols.”

Joey Baking - “Jose Baking publishes Little
Manila Confidential newspaper for the

Filipino community. In his spare time, he
volunteers at the Filipino Centre Toronto.
He believes that in helping, every little act
of kindness counts. In a world that seems
to be going crazy, let us all try to be nice.”

Carlos Unas - “Carlos is a volunteer at Fil-
ipino Centre Toronto and learner at FCT
Seniors Painting Class; He also started
publishing the Filipino Bulletin newspaper
in 1996.”

Wendy Arena - “Wendy has been an FCT
Director since 2000 and current treasur-
er of the non-profit organization. She is
also the current advisor and Director of
Folklorico Filipino Canada, a youth-led
non-profit organization performing tradi-
tional Filipino folk dances”

Hannah Pendon - “For almost 3 years,
Hannah Pendon has worked and been

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Robredo launches NGO for Angat Buhay programs

MANILA - Last July 1, former Vice President Leni Robredo announced the launching of Angat Pinas Incorporated that will continue the works of the Angat Buhay program, which she started during her vice presidency.

The NGO's name will be Angat Pinas Incorporated due to the existence of another company named Angat Buhay. However, the program's name will remain as Angat Buhay.

Angat Buhay NGO is poised to become the widest volunteer network in the country.

The establishment of the organization was driven by the hundreds of thousands of people who volunteered during the campaign of Robredo, who will now chair the NGO.

"Hindi dapat masayang yung magandang

nasimulan natin. Hindi man tayo nagwagi, nagtagumpay pa rin tayo. We really started something very very special during the campaign," said the former vice president. The NGO will primarily have four pillars: health, education, disaster relief and rehabilitation, and community engagement. At the height of Covid-19 crisis, Robredo, through the Angat Buhay program, managed to provide free transportation service as well as dormitories to frontline workers. Her office also provided vaccines to market vendors and drivers, and free health consultation to those in need. In terms of education, Angat Buhay provided, among others, free dormitories to children who live far away from their schools. While

in disaster relief and rehabilitation, Robredo's office responded to bring basic necessities in areas affected by typhoons, earthquakes or volcanic eruptions. Angat Buhay will have its own phone application, where interested individuals can donate. There are three choices: patron-based donations, which will be done on a regular basis; project-based donations, the funds of which will be dedicated for a certain project; and disaster relief fund, which will collect funds for future disasters.

"Yung challenge talaga sa'tin papaano natin mahaharness yung energies natin lahat into things that are productive. And we feel like the Angat Buhay will be the perfect platform for it," Robredo said.

Janine, hindi paborito

Ayun, lumabas ang isa pang dahilan ng exodus ni Janine Gutierrez sa GMA, iyong sinasabing qualified siya pero hindi siya ang binigyan ng role sa Encantadia.

Bukod diyan marami pa kam-ing narinig na ibang dahilan kung bakit pinili niyang lumi-pat sa ABS-CBN.

Siguro isa na nga riyon iyong love team. Nang mapansin ang love team nila noon ni Elmo Magalona, biglang ginawa itong ka-love team ni Julie Anne San Jose.

Lumipat sa GMA ang boyfriend na niyang si Rayver Cruz noon, ginawa ring ka-love team ng paborito ng network na si Julie Anne San Jose.

Eh bakit ka nga naman mananatili sa isang network na hindi ka naman kabilang sa paborito?

Pero mabagal din ang galaw ng career niya sa nilipatan niyang ABS-CBN, lalo na nga ngayon na wala na iyong prangkisa bagama't umingay 'yung unang teleserye niyang Marry Me, Marry You.

May ginawa rin siyang pelikula na ilalabas daw sa sinehan na ka-partner uli si Paulo Avelino na ewan ko ba naman kung bakit ayaw umamin kung sila na ba talaga o hindi ba.

Paolo Contis, Disappointed with the Spread of Yen Santos' cooked Caldereta for Him

Paolo Contis was obviously angry.

He knew about Yen Santos' caldereta, will be asked.

He was taken aback by the number of individuals who responded to his Facebook post. He said that his Face-

book account is private and that he has just a few friends, one of whom may have sent the message.

Paolo seemed to be holding back on what he wanted to say. However, he was dissatisfied with whoever his Facebook buddy released it to just for the sake of scooping.

"Masyado nang pakikialam sa buhay ng may buhay," He said

Paolo's point is that Yen was just kind enough to bring him a caldereta, despite what some haters said.

"Bakit hindi nila problemahin ang pag-taas ng gas at mga bilihin? Huwag kami," he said.

"Bash sila nang bash, busog naman ako!" he added.

I just asked Paolo if we could sample Yen's caldereta. Because the actress is reputed to be an excellent cook, she receives additional rice when Yen prepares her meal.

I followed up by asking if his adobo order had been prepared. Nothing as of yet.

Let's just see whether he publishes it and who Marites, his Facebook buddy, spreads it to.

Paolo was eager to tell us what he planned to do next.

He also appears on All-Out Sundays, and his cinematic partnership with Joross Gamboa is likely to continue. Joross is believed to be a talented actor, and he was approached about working on a project with him.

'7 years nagtiis, nagpakasal pa?' Pasabog ni Carla pinagdudahan ng mga netizen

Kalat ngayon sa social media ang eksena sa kasal nina Carla Abella, Tom Rodriguez, na ginanap noong October 2021.

Binalikan ng mga netizen ang 'vows' ni Carla kay Tom, na nagpaiyak sa mga manonood.

Ang ganda, di ba? Punong-puno ng pagmamahal.



Pero, totoo ba lahat 'yon? O bola lang talaga?

Bakit nga ba biglang-big-la ay nagbago ang lahat?

Marami ang nanghihi-nayang, dahil ang inaakala nilang 'made in heaven' na pagmamahalan ay nauwi sa

wala. Marami ang nalulungkot, lalo na at kung ganoon talaga ang naging sitwasyon ni Carla sa loob ng pitong taon, sa piling ni Tom.

Pero, marami ang nagtatanong, bakit ba sila nagpakasal, kung noon pa pala, may hindi na magandang nararamdaman si Carla? Duda nga sila sa mga pasabog ni Carla, dahil kung pitong taon na pala siyang nagtiis, bakit kailangan pa niyang paabutin sa kasal ang lahat, na dapat ay noon pa lang daw ay tinapos na niya.

Ang laki raw ng chance noon na huwag ituloy ang kasal, at makipaghiwalay, pero mas pinili niyang magpakasal pa rin.

Anyway, may suhestiyon din ang mga netizen na huwag na silang magbatuhan pa ng putik ngayon lalo na at gumugulong na raw ang 'annulment' nila.

Bagong dyowa ni John Lloyd kabaligtaran ni Ellen

Nag-celebrate si John Lloyd Cruz ng kanyang birthday sa set ng romcom serye niyang Happy ToGetHer sa GMA-7.

Kasama ng aktor ang rumored girlfriend na si Isabel Santos at ang anak niya kay Ellen Adarna na si Elias.



Sa uploaded video ng comedian actor na si Jayson Gainza ay makikitang nagkakasayahan ang grupo habang kinakantahan nila ng happy birthday ang aktor.

Komento ng netizens sa aktor.

"Buti naman naka move on na si John Lloyd, grabe inlove na inlove siya kay Ellen noon at sinacrifice nya ang kanyang career para sa love."

Husga naman ng isang commenter, "Waley nang dating ang nag-iisang JLC :("

"True. Wala na talaga. Hindi na siya gwapo. Kulang sa ningning ang mga mata nya."

Ayon naman sa isang Marites, "Mga mars, naramdaman ko 'yong kilig ni Isabel. HBD Idan"

Pansin naman ng isa, "she is the complete opposite of Ellen (no hate to her)... simpler and more easygoing which is the peace of mind anyone would want from a partner. good for you JL!"





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Pacquiao could suffer same fate as Donaire if he makes a boxing comeback

MANILA - Retired eight-division champion Manny Pacquiao would be courting disaster and could suffer a similar fate to Nonito Donaire Jr. should he decide to make a boxing comeback according to veteran boxing analyst Atty. Ed Tolentino.

Donaire, 39, suffered a second-round demolition at the hands of Japanese superstar Naoya Inoue earlier this month. Pacquiao, meanwhile, last fought in August when he was defeated by Yordenis Ugas, and it is rumored that he is looking

to make a comeback.

"It is always, always a possibility," said Tolentino answered if Pacquiao could suffer the same fate as Donaire Jr.

"When a fighter has been caught by Father Time, he is courting this kind of ending. That is the sad story of boxers, the one fight too many syndrome. They cannot admit to themselves that the reflexes are no longer there. They find it hard to accept that."

According to the respected analyst, even some of the great- est fighters in boxing history



had to exit the sport with a loss after they fought past their prime. According to Tolentino, it is about knowing when to hang it up for good.

"When a boxer becomes champion, the machismo is he is the toughest guy in the world. They cannot accept that is gone. They cannot accept that it

has been taken off and there is no more cloak of invincibility," Tolentino noted.

"That is hard for a boxer to accept when he was once the king of the world. Few won in their farewell appearance. They did not beat Father Time, they were wise enough to avoid Father Time."

Rabiya Mateo & Jeric Gonzales nag-unfollow na sa isa't isa

Winalis na ni Rabiya Mateo ang photos ng boyfriend niyang si Jeric Gonzales sa kanyang Instagram account.

Yup, kahapon nga ay wala na sa IG ng former Miss Universe Philippines ang 'proof' ng relasyon nila ng Kapuso actor.

Hindi na rin nila pina-follow ang isa't isa.

Though may ilang hindi na na-shock dahil from the start daw tal-aga ng relasyon nila, away-bati na sila. As in wala raw katahimikan ang kanilang relasyon.

Kaya hindi na raw nakakagulat ang nangyari sa kanila.

Saka ang 'style' raw kasi ni Rabiya, aawayin si Jeric tapos after a while siya rin mag-aamo sa aktor.

Emotional blackmail nga raw ang nangyayari kay Jeric.

Kasalukuyan daw nasa taping ng Start Up Philippines si Jeric.





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There’s no release date yet but the anticipation is heating up for the next ABS-CBN teleserye, *A Family Affair*.

The steamy new trailer has already racked up over a million views. The series stars Gerald Anderson and Sam Milby as brothers, and Ivana Alawi as a woman caught in the middle of their tension.

For the stars, this new project takes on a special meaning. The two-year anniversary of the ABS-CBN shutdown passed last month and they take pride in continuing to create content despite the impact of the lost franchise.

“I remember that night na nag-off air ang ABS-CBN. Hindi natin alam lahat. I don’t think anyone really knew kung ano mangyayari, kung may trabaho pa, paano bibigyan ng work yung iba, makakagawa ba tayo ng mga shows, and kasabay pa ng pandemic noon,” Anderson shared.

“But kung may mapansin kayo, everytime after mag-shutdown kami, maglabas ng bagong show ang ABS-CBN, yung quality,

Gerald, Sam on why newserye ‘A Family Affair’ is special



storytelling, journey ng characters, kung pano nagtatrabaho yung mga tao behind the camera, kung makita niyo sa comments, iba talaga ang ABS-CBN at despite kung ano yung mga pinagdaanan namin and we’re still going through, we still produce the best quality shows, para sa mga

kababayan natin sa abroad, dito sa Pinas. At wala pa tayo franchise niyan. So imagine guys kung bumalik na tayo?”

ABS-CBN’s new offering comes as Filipino artists are making waves internationally. Sam Milby, who took his shot in Hollywood several years ago, said he’s proud

of how far Filipino talents have come.

“There’s so much representation. They’re looking for so many more, different ethnicities. I think this is the time for Filipinos. I’m very proud and there’s so much great talent that can make it also. Inigo [too] is doing the FOX show, I believe there’s so much potential and Hollywood is tapping into Filipino artists,” Milby asserted.

He added, “if I have the chance in the future, syempre I would love to but madaming pa blessings dito and it’s so hard. ABS has been blessing me for how many years and I’m so thankful for all of that.”

‘A Family Affair’ will air on several platforms internationally including The Filipino Channel on cable and iWantTFC online.

Erika Poturnak laughs at “sibling love” comment on cozy pictures with Kobe Paras

Tatlong araw mula nang i-post ni Kobe Paras, 24, ang travel photos nila ng rumored girlfriend na si Erika Rae Poturnak, 20, noong June 28, 2022, ang dalaga naman ang nagbahagi ng ilang larawang kuha sa kanilang recent trip sa Bali, Indonesia.

Anim na larawan ito. Una ay picture ng kalangitan. Pangalawa ay



larawan ng pagkain.

Sinundan ito ng selfie nilang dalawa na parang nakahigang magkatabi.

Larawan naman ng dagat ang pang-apat,

at panglima ang larawan ng parang isang maliit na kalye.

Ang pang-anim na larawan ay nina Erika at Kobe na chill lang sa tabi ng isang swimming pool.

Caption ni Erika ay tatlong emojis ng ulap.

Lizard emoji naman ang tanging komento ni Kobe.

Erika Rae Poturnak posts Bali vacation pictures with Kobe Paras

Isang kaibigan nila ang nagkomento ng “cute.”

Sa thread na ito, nagkomento rin ang tila isa pa nilang

kaibigan.

Biro nito, “sibling love [heart emoji]” ang makikita sa larawan nina Erika at Kobe.

Erika Rae Poturnak posts Bali vacation pictures with Kobe Paras

Sagot ni Erika sa kanya: “@gianhernzzz HAHHAHAHAHAH t*ng i*a”

Sinundan pa niya ito ng tatlong rolling on floor emojis.

Marami namang kinilig na netizens sa mga larawan nina Erika at Kobe.

Hindi pa tuwirang inaamin nina Erika at Kobe ang totoong estado ng relasyon nila.

Pero base sa mga larawan nila, mukhang ang pag-amin na lang sa publiko ang kulang para sabihing may relasyon na nga ang dalawa.

Na hindi lamang “sibling love.”

Bea Alonzo: ‘Isa lang naman ‘yung ayokong ex’

Be Alonzo got candid with Barbie Forteza recently for her online show “Coffee Talk.”

According to Bea she would be happy to do work with her exes but that it depends as to the ex concerned.

She made clear: “Kay Zanjoe (Marudo) okay... Isa lang naman ‘yung ayaw kong ex.”

It is common knowledge that she once dated Gerald Anderson. The relationship ended rather acrimoniously after three years with Bea accusing Gerald of having supposedly “ghosted” her.

Bea explained, “Kasi kami ni Z hindi kami ugly breakup. Until now we’re friends. It would be disrespectful to our relationship if we ended it badly. Iba kapag may betrayal na factor.”

Gerald is now in a relationship with Julia Barretto.



Paolo Contis, inunahan ang bashers ng nilutong adobo ni Yen Santos para sa kanya

Inaasahan ni Paolo Contis na maba-bash na naman siya, pati ang rumored girlfriend niyang si Yen Santos, dahil sa Facebook post niya noong Linggo, June 26, 2022.

Ipinost ni Paolo ang baon niyang lunch sa studio ng All-Out Sundays — kanin at adobo na luto ni Yen.

Sabi ng aktor sa caption: “Ang sarap ng aking baong adobo! May libreng bashing pa yan mamaya! (laugh emoji) #Adobash (laugh emoji) thank yooooo babikwooh...”

Hindi nag-respond si Yen sa post ni Paolo, pero obvious



namang ang aktres ang tinutukoy na “babikwooh” ng aktor.

So far, wala pa namang nag-share sa FB friends ni Paolo ng post niyang ito kaya hindi pa ito kumakalat at hindi pa naba-bash o nabibigyan ng negative comments. Inunahan na kasi ni Paolo kaya maaring natameme na lang sila.

Sinasabi naman ni Paolo na masarap talagang magluto si Yen.

Iba raw ang luto ng adobo ng aktres na nung tinitingnan ko sa FB post ni Paolo ay mukhang tinola.

Tila pinag-aralan talaga ni Yen ang pagluluto at nag-iimbento ito ng iba’t ibang klase ng dish, kaya sarap na sarap si Paolo sa caldereta niya, lalo na raw itong adobo.

Hindi pa bumabalik si Yen sa trabaho, at hindi naman masasabi kung babalik na siya sa pag-aartista. Kaya siguro sa pagluluto muna siya nagpu-focus na nae-enjoy naman ni Paolo ang mga natitikman niyang luto ng rumored girlfriend.

Heart not gold digger

“I don’t need anyone to survive . I am a woman and a woman can be or do anything she wants if she wills it . Remember I said that,” sagot ni Heart Evangelista sa tweet na isa siyang gold digger.

Malabo nga namang maging gold digger si Heart.

Dati na siyang mayaman at ‘di ba meron nga silang pre-nuptial agreement ni comebacking Senator Chiz Escudero.

“In our case, we have a prenup, which is a complete separation of property. Whats hers is hers. What’s mine is mine,” paliwanag ng mister nitong si Sen. Chiz sa YouTube ni Heart nitong last January 14.



ALL ABOUT YOU

Antoinette Targa launched her single “All About You” composed by Edmund Perlas with a mini-concert at Xinflix Theatre.

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Antoinette Targa had a little help from her friends in the community. 1. Antoinette with composer Edmund Perlas; 2. DK Tijam 3. Maria Panaligan 5. Alyssa Escueta; 6. JDL Mississauga; 7. Precious Hernandez; 8. Special guest Pyeton Garcia; 9. Shane Aludud; 10. Jelly Kiss with Antoinette’s mentor Josie de Leon of the Josie de Leon School of Performing Arts (JDLSPA)

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Angeli ‘susulutin’ si Aljur kay AJ

Bet makatrabaho ni Angeli Khang si Aljur Abrenica sa isang proyekto.

Wala raw naman siyang nakikitang masama kung hiram muna niya ang dyowa ng kanyang kaibigan kung may project sila ni Aljur. Wala naman daw siyang balak na sulutin ito.

Aniya, hindi rin daw niya kailangang ikunsulta kay AJ Raval, rumored girlfriend ni Aljur ang bagay na ito dahil maiintindihan daw naman nito ang kanilang trabaho.

Kung sakali mang magkakaroon sila ng love scenes o maiinit na eksena ni Aljur, feeling naman niya ay hindi mageselos si AJ dahil bukod sa mature ay propesyonal ito . Bahagi lamang daw ng kanyang trabaho bilang artista ng kanyang ginagawa niyang pagpapaseksi sa pelikula.

Hindi naman ugaling mag-confide sa kanya ni AJ pagdating sa lovelife nito pero masaya raw siya para sa co-Viva



talent dahil feeling niya ay wala namang regrets ito sa kanyang pinasok na desisyon.

Sa tanong naman kung naipakilala na sa kanya ni AJ na boyfriend si Angeli, “almost” daw na nangyari ito. Pero dahil sa conflict sa schedule ng kanilang mga trabaho ay hindi natuloy ito.

Sa kaso naman ni AJ who falls for a married man na nakipaghiwalay sa kanyang wife, ayaw raw niyang mag-pass ng judgment sa dalawa.

Ani Angeli, kung siya raw ang tata-nungin, she does not want to fall for a married man o pamilyadong tao.

Neither din daw niya pinangarap na maging kabit dahil kung sakali sa simula pa lang ay sisiguraduhin niyang walang magiging kumplikasyon ang kanyang pakikipagrelasyon sa pamilya ng guy.

Dennis Padilla to son Leon: ‘What false narrative?’

Dennis Padilla has added to an earlier message he posted for son Leon on social media.

He is asking his son to make clear the alleged “false narratives” he has been feeding the public pertaining to his sisters.

The actor wrote: “I am sorry leon... Miss ko lang kyo... God bless you more! Just want to know what false narrative i said in public? I been reaching out to all of you for 15 years in private....” Leon is yet to reply.



Dennis posted a screenshot of a hand-

written note addressed to his children.

Part of it read: “I have regretfully made mistakes in my life. I may not have been there for you but I always had you in my heart.”

This didn’t sit well with some netizens, urging him to simply settle the matter with his kids in private.

It all started with Dennis chiding his children with ex-wife Marjorie Barretto for not greeting him last Father’s Day.

Though his siblings did not react, Leon posted a lengthy message for his dad.

Part of it read: “Papa, why does it seem like you enjoy hurting your kids in public? Why do you keep posting cryptic posts about us and allow people to bash us on your own (Instagram) page? Did you think it does not pain all of us to not feel protected by their own father?”



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Life’s brighter under the sun



Toronto Deputy Mayor Michael Thompson speaks at Toronto Fiesta Extravaganza as host Philip Beloso looks on.



Consul General Orontes Castro, FCT’s Wendy Arena and Fiesta Extravaganza founder Von Canton listens to Toronto Deputy Mayor Michael Thompson speak.



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“The secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age.”
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Finally, a Filipino festival in Scarborough brings in the crowds

I was about to call it the Albert Campbell Square curse after previous Filipino festivals held here failed to bring in crowds. Or the Vietnam or Afghanistan of Filipino festivals. And Philippine Canadian Charitable Foundation's (PCCF) Pinoy Fiesta festival was starting to look like it will be the latest to fail. Two days before, the forecast was for rain and



Shaughn and Samantha Esporas poses with PCCF's Rosemer Enverga.

thunderstorms the whole day.

On the day itself, the forecast seems to be coming true - when I was there at 9:30 in the morning, to help set up the OTT Remit

booth - and it was raining already and looks like it's going to stay the whole day. Then, just before lunchtime, it stopped. Well, we thought, temporarily. Fortunately, it stopped for the rest of the day. The entertainment started non-stop. And the crowds kept coming too, despite not having a Philippine entertainer to close the show. It was a good day to spend time outdoors.



Kabayan Remit Business development manager Philip Beloso poses with Jessica Cianchino and Miss Kabayan Melissa Ventocilla at the Toronto Fiesta Extravaganza.

Foursome stuns actress Rob Guinto

Halos 30 minutong natulala ang sexy actress na si Rob Guinto, matapos kunan ang isang eksena niya sa lababas na pelikulang “Virgin Forest”.

Kinuwento niyang sumalang siya sa matinding lovescene, kung saan tatlong lalake ang pumatong sa kanya, kabilang na si Markki Stroem.

Ayon sa kanya, hindi niya akalaing ganun katin-ang eksena, at tatlong lalake humahawak sa katawan niya na hubad.

“Ipinaliwanag naman sa amin ni direkt Brilante (Mendoza) ‘yung eksena, at kung paano namin dapat gawin. Saka alam ko naman bago pa nag-shoot merong ganung eksena. So, sabi ko trabaho lang ito, hindi ako ito, ‘yung character ko ang gagawa ng eksena,” sabi ni Rob.

Pero matapos ang eksena, hindi na raw siya makausap at 30 minuto siyang tulala habang nakaupo.

Panay ang sori sa kanya ng mga co-actor niya. Sagot lang niya, okay lang.

“First time kong ginawa ‘yung ganung eksena at sa hindi ko magagawa sa tanang buhay ko ‘yun!” saad niya.

Pero, nagpapasalamat si Rob kay direkt Brilante sa pagkakapili sa kanya na mapabilang sa pelikula.

Korina, not working for Villar TV

Korina denies na recruiting for Villar TV.

May alingasngas kasi na kinakausap niya at

kinukuha umano ang ilang ABS-CBN news staff.

“I really dont know what the basis of this fake news could be. I have had no communication with anyone from the supposed Villar network so far.

I, though, wish the new frequency owners only the best.”

After 18 taon: Aubrey ‘nagpatali’ na kay Troy

Legal na ang pagsasama nina Troy Montero at Aubrey Miles.

Though they have a child already and 18 years together, was only last June 9 when they made it legal.

Legally Mrs. Montero na si Aubrey. And instead of a grand wedding, it was a civil wedding at the office of Mandaluyong Mayor Menchi Abalos.

Present sa civil wedding ang mga anak nila, ang kapatid ni Troy na si KC Montero, ang Misis nito at ang kanilang anak. Gayundin ang ilan sa malalapit na kaibigan nila kabilang na si Ervic Vijandre.

Sabi nga ni Aubrey, “After 18 years together, it only takes 30 minutes to sealed it. We did it @troymontero.

“Shout out to our ninongs and ninangs @coraldeguzman cite. Also to @authentethe Mayor of Mandaluyong, Car-Mayor melita Abalos.



Maraming Salamat po.”

Cristine, Ella napiling Imee, Irene Marcos

Pinangalanan na rin ni Direkt Darryl Yap ang gaganap na Imee Marcos, pati na si Irene Marcos, sa ‘Maid in Malacanang’ na prodyus ng Viva Films.

Una nan gang pinangalanan si Ruffa Gutierrez bilang Madame Imelda Romualdez Marcos. Kasunod sina Cesar Montano, Diego Loyzaga, bilang sina former President Ferdinand Edralin Marcos, at incoming President Bongbong Marcos.

At heto nga, si Cristine Reyes nga ang napiling Imee Marcos, na ang pagpapakilala ni Direkt ay ‘The Rebellious Marcos’.

At bilang Irene Marcos, si Ella Cruz nga ang napiling gumanap. At giit nga ni Direkt Darryl, may karapatan si Ella, na tinanghal na Best Sup-



porting Actress sa 2019 Cinemalaya.

So, gaganap si Ruffa na nanay nina Diego, Cristine, Ella. Si Ruffa ay 47 years old. Si Cristine ay 33 years old. Si Diego ay 27 years old. Si Ella ay 25 years old.

At si Cesar naman ay 59 years old, na gaganap na husband ni Ruffa.

So, kung si Madame Imelda Marcos ay 92 years old na ngayon. Lumalabas na noong 1986 ay 57 years old siya. Patatandain ng 10 taon si Ruffa.

Anyway, kaaliw lang ang ibang netizen, na kung sino-sino ang sina-suggest na mas karapat-dapat gumana, ha! Na

obyus ay pang-aasar na lang.

Imagine, panay ang banggit nila sa mga pangalan nina Kim Chiu, Angel Locsin, Melai Cantiveros, at marami pang iba.

Gabbi bet tikman sina Sanya, Kylie, Glaiza

Game na game gumawa ng GL (Girls Love) series si Gabbi Garcia.

Napanood kasi ng bida ng Love You Stranger ang ginawang GL series nina



Kylie Padilla, Andrea Torres na BetChin at nagustuhan niya ang kuwento nito.

Kung sakaling gagawa siya ng GL series, gusto ni Gabbi ay kasama ang mga kapwa niya Sanggre sa Encantadia na sina Kylie Padilla, Glaiza de Castro, Sanya Lopez.

“Masaya siya! Dream role ko ‘yan, kasi sa all-girls school ako galing. Hello?! Gusto mo kaming apat pa eh, nag-aagawan kami,” tawa pa ni Gabbi.

Mukha namang hindi hahadlang si Khalil Ramos sa anumang gustong gawin ni Gabbi sa kanyang career. Pareho naman silang artists kaya may laya silang mag-experiment sa anumang roles na gusto nilang gawin.

Anyway, nakatanggap ng maraming papuri mula sa netizens ang teleserye na Love You Stranger. Hindi raw kasi ito ang tipikal na teleserye na nakasanayan ng mga Pinoy. Marami ang nag-aabang sa misteryosong anino na Lilom na siyang pinakabida sa kanilang teleserye.



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Pinoy Fiesta 2022 was a successful festival. Here are some of the participants. 1. Shaughn and Samantha Esporas, Kathryn Rodricks; 2. Sophia Sambrana; 3. Fashion Designer Kim Mahistrado and his models closed the festival with a fashion show; 4. MH Productions Talents (PHOTO BY MARIVIC FUENTES); 5. Ari Pantaleon, Melissa Ventocilla, Krista Bella, Alexa Grant, Grace Xia; 6. Krista Bella was an emcee and also walked as one of Kim Mahistrado's models; 7. Arielle Perez sang the national anthem and her original composition; 8. FV Foods did good business.

Gerald Anderson worry about Ivana Alawi in their sex scene

During the media launch of the much-awaited drama series A Family Affair, Gerald Anderson told his thoughts of some unforgettable scenes with Ivana Alawi that until now the actor couldn't grasp since they were too intense for him.

"Because Direk Jerome even went to the tent before we shot, he explained to me what to do and how to do it. I said, 'Really, direk? Really? Isn't it TV to?' He said, 'No, Netflix to!' "He shared.

I said, 'How are we going to do' this so that she will be comfortable in the scene?

Gerald admitted that because of this drama series, he became a fan of Ivana and her acting prowess. After their



shooting, he can't wait for the acting opportunities that will come Ivana's way. "From now on, I'm a fan, and I will be a cheerleader. Hopefully, after this, she will still share her talents with all of us.

Exciting what else she would do. Watch out for the very amazing Ivana here," he said.

And now, reacting to her daring scenes with Anderson, Ivana said she's happy how it turned out to be but also she's shocked by what she did. She expressed, "Actually, tumitili nga ako dito, kasama ko 'yung kapatid ko. Tinatakpan ko 'yung skin kasi nasa-shock ako!

Pero sobrang ganda, and I'm so happy with how it turned out. Ang ganda talaga, wala akong masabi."

She added that she really prepared herself for this project and added that viewers will see another side of her in this series.

Is Chie Filomeno ready to fall in love with a younger guy?

MANILA – Actress and model Chie Filomeno got real when asked about her stand on age preferences when it comes to romantic relationships.

In a virtual press conference of the upcoming series "Beach Bros," Filomeno said age does not matter when falling in love.

According to the former "Pinoy Big Brother" housemate, many have set an age of their partner but found themselves falling for someone different from their

ideal. "Ako kasi hindi mo talaga matuturuan 'yung puso mo. Like, sasabihin mo, may restriction kami sa ganito. Ayaw mo ng ganito o ganyan. But next thing you know, in love ka na dun sa tao," she said. "For me, kung saan ka dadalhin ng puso mo, you just have to follow. Mahirap control-in 'yung puso."



MP Shaun Chen presents a letter of Commendation to the two pillars of PIDC, president Agnes Miranda and former president Norma Carpio during the Philippine Independence Day Council Officers' Induction at FV Foods.



Antoinette Targa launched her single "All About You" at Xinflix Theatre.



Melissa Ventocilla and her dad Ricky pose with Philippine singer Rachel Alejandro at the Fiesta Extravaganza festival.



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Why Beauty Gonzalez won't buy luxury bags:
"Takot ako madumihan"

GMA-7 actress Beauty Gonzalez prefers buying pre-loved over brand-new designer items.

"It's just too much for me for a bag."

"I like a bag that I can, you know, let's say, an Hermès bag, I like it if namana ko from someone other than buying it for myself."

It's no secret that Beauty comes from an affluent family in Dumaguete City.



She is the daughter of Carina Arriola Luche, who belongs to a political clan in Daanbantayan, Cebu, and former professional Jai Alai player Manuel Ybarra Gonzalez.

With her family background, not to mention her leading-lady status, Beauty has the means to splurge on designer items. But when buying luxury item, she does not go for the brand but by the standards of aesthetic and

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Nadine tsipipay kulay ng buhok

Naispatan ang mag-ex na sina Nadine Lustre at James Reid sa isang event.

Pareho silang nasa The Mega Ball kaya hindi maiwasang 'di sila makuhanan ng larawan.

Post ng @alwaysjdn fan, "Our #JaDine hearts!James Reid and Nadine Lustre caught on cam at #TheMEGABall"

Pansin ng isang netizen, "James is bloated! Why???"

"ang bloated haha"

Siyempre may magtatanggal, "Ang fresh nga ni James Reid lol si Nadine may giant scorpio why???"

Pinansin naman ng isang commenter ang hair color ng actress



"Yang ganyang hair color di bagay sa morena!"

"Pwede naman basta bagay sa undertone. Kay nadine nagmukhang gray sya and she looks old"

"Couldnt agree more! My god, very cheap-looking ang hair color na yan for morena."

Sey naman ng isa, "Bakit ganun ang damit at makeup ni Nadz. Nagmumukha tuloy dragqueen."

Happy naman ang ilang JaDine fan, "My JaDine heat!!!"

"Nagkabalikan na kaya?"

May sumagot: "mi naman may jowa na si te girl asa pa rin kayo?"

"Wala na silang spark pero at least cool enough sila to be friends"

Susog naman ng isang faney, "kayo na lang ulit."

Xyriel un-aware of her boobs issue

Pansamantalang nawala si Xyriel Manabat sa showbiz dahil sa kanyang awkward age.

At pinili muna niyang ipagpatuloy ang pag-aaral. Sa ngayon ay tapos na ng high school ang actress.

Malaking bulas si Xyriel ngayong nagdalaga na siya.

Hindi nga ba't nagpaning usap-usa ang kanyang boobs?

Hindi naman aware dito ang dalaga. At ayaw man niyang aminin ay isa ito sa kanyang assets.



Mahusay na aktres si Xyriel, muli ay pinakita niya sa madla na madali pa rin siyang umiyak kahit nagbibiruan sila ng Dabarkads host.

Gumawa sila ng impromptu play ni Allan K nang mag-guest ito sa 'Eat Bulaga'.

Kahit nagbibiruan na ang grupo, hindi siya na-distract .Naipakita pa rin niya na kaya pa rin niyang umiyak

Congratulations

@logan2reno on graduating elementary school! BELOW, Logan Torreno poses with dad Marvin and mom Heather.



OTT Remit with Yam Concepcion

Gie Alvarez, Jose Baking, Evelyn Galicia of OTT Remit and journalist Fe Taturan pose with Kapamilya star Yam Concepcion at the Vaughan Fiesta Extravaganza.



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Beauty Gonzales buys ukay-ukay

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function. She said, “Mas gusto ko like this na artistic na mga cloth or what. “I don’t like bags na takot ako madumi-han. I don’t like bags na takot ako ilagay sa lapag, parang ganun. I like something na I can use everywhere.”

NOT BRAND CONSCIOUS

Her social-media followers would know she’s not the type to drop name brands for her choice of OOTDs.

“Hindi naman kailangan mahal, e.” She does have designer items in her closet, some of them from thrift stores. The Kapuso star said, “I do dress something like that. I do have [luxury items], pero iba-iba clothes ko, e. I like ukay-ukay.

“Actually, ang dami kong nabibiling jacket na ukay-ukay, e. Kung alam lang nila.”

Her favorite thrift shop is called Glorious Dias, which is located in Escolta, Manila. She also buys from ukay-ukay stores in Star Mall, Mandaluyong City.

She said, “May suki ako sa Escolta, Glorious Dias. I bought a lot of clothes from Glorious Dias. Di ba tag-one thousand yung per kilo niya?

“I go to Star Mall, I get mga Margiela Boots na bago-bago pa lang, paayos ko lang sa Quick-ie. And you know, it’s nice for me. I like getting

those stuff.” When asked about her guilty pleasures, Beauty mentioned shades, books, and art pieces. She revealed,

“Hindi ako nagtitipid sa shades. Yun yung problema ko. Shades and books. Yun yung luho ko.

“Hindi ako maluhosa gamit, e. Mas maluhosa ako sa paintings, antiques.” It helps that she is married to Norman Crisologo, an art curator, and she’s thankful for that.

As she put it, “Mas naging maganda lang yung collection ko ngayon kasi dati baduy. “Dahil, thankful sa kanya, mas na-expand yung taste ko. Dati kasi, ‘Heh, chaka!

“Ngayon, na-edit na niya. All of my money goes there.”

Catriona Gray reacts to calls for Philippines to drop Miss Grand International

Despite being body-shamed by Miss Grand Thailand 2019 Coco Arayha Suparurk in 2019, Miss Universe 2018 Catriona Gray does not believe that the Philippines should withdraw from Miss Grand International.

It can be recalled that in a viral photo, the then Miss Grand Nakhon Phanom 2019 Suparurk posted a photo of Catriona next to Miss Grand International (MGI) 2018 Clara Sosa and described Clara as “fit” and Catriona as “fat.”

Suparurk has since suffered the consequences, breaking down at a press conference and admitting that she had a “feeling of suffering for a long time” due to social media bashing following her controversial post.

Since then, Catriona has been vocal against body-shaming, saying in defense of Miss Universe 2021 Harnaaz Sandhu who was also recently body-shamed: “It affects not just Miss Universe titleholders, but all women. And by extension of that, all people in a way. It sends a message that you’re not beautiful if you don’t meet this criteria for a body type or weight, and it’s just a horrible message to put out there.”

The weight-shaming of Catriona, plus allegations that MGI is reportedly biased in

not letting the Philippines win its first-ever MGI crown even if Filipinos feel their representative deserves it, made many pageant fans to come up with “#boycottMGI” and call for its local franchise holder, Binibining Pilipinas, to drop it from its roster.

Nonetheless, Catriona reacted to clamor for Philippines to stop sending representatives to MGI.

“I think, at the end of the day, it’s the prerogative of the organization as a whole, I mean, I’m not the one to speak about what should drop what, who should drop who. It’s the prerogative of the organization. If they believe the title is still an asset to the Philippines or to send the Philippine delegate to, then all the power to them,” she simply said.

Despite having no wins yet, The Philippines has enjoyed a fair share of high placements in MGI: 2013 (Ali Forbes, 3rd runner-up), 2015 (Parul Shah, 3rd runner-up and Best in National Costume), 2016 (Nicole Cordoves, 1st runner-up), 2017 (Elizabeth Clenci, 2nd runner-up) and 2020 (Samantha Bernardo, 1st runner-up).

Kobie Brown courting Andi Abaya

MAYNILA – “Courting stage po. Courting po.” Ito ang diretsahang tugon ni Kobie Brown sa tanong kung sila na ba ng kapwa “Pinoy Big Brother” ex-housemate niya na si Andi Abaya.

Napuno ng kilig ang naging pagbisita ng dalawa sa “Magandang Buhay” lalo na nang aminin ni Brown ang estado ng kanilang relas-

yon. Nang matanong naman kung “exclusively dating” na sila, tugon ni Abaya: “We’re taking our time po kasi parang mas kinikilala ko lang si Kobie, mas kinikilala niya ako and ‘yung families po namin. So no rush.”

“I promise that I will continue to support you. Naiiyak ako,” pag-amin ni Abaya bago ituloy ang kanyang pangako.

“I know it’s not easy to go through this industry but I promise na I will always support you and I will always believe in you no matter what challenge na haharapin natin kasi naniniwala talaga ako na you will go far,” dagdag ni Abaya.

Para naman kay Brown, pinangako nito na lagi rin lang siyang nakasuporta kay Abaya.

“Ang panata ko sa iyo kahit ano ang gusto mong gawin, like sa work in anything, sa school, whatever dreams you have, I always support you. And I know na misan you don’t believe in yourself, you don’t believe you can do it, pero sobrang believe ako sa iyo na you can do anything because you are a hard worker. And I am so proud of you how far you’ve become,” ani Brown.

Sina Abaya at Brown ay dalawa sa mga bida ng pelikulang “Connected” kung saan makakasama nila ang iba pang ex-housemates na sina Amanda Zamora, Chico Alicaya, Gail Banawis at Ralph Malibunas. Parte rin ng pelikula ang “PBB” host na si Richard Juan.



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in 1986, just hours before he and his family fled as a bloodless people power revolt was starting to reach the doorsteps of Malacañang, the seat of power.

Public opinion then was heavily stacked against the Marcoses.

In a survey conducted in May 1986, just two months after Marcos’ ouster, SWS said 51 percent of Filipinos agreed with the statement that the late strongman, during his 21-year rule, had stolen billions of government funds.

Over 20 years later, if the votes—31.6 million—received by Marcos Jr. last May 9 were any indication, Filipinos’ perception of the Marcoses has indeed “softened”. As Sen. Imee Marcos said in 2018, “we don’t need to keep hating for a very long time.”

All for ‘reconciliation, unity’

In 2010, Marcos Jr. ran for senator and won with 13.1 million votes. Six years later, he launched a bid for the vice presidency. Although with 14.2 million votes, he lost to Robredo.

His sister, Imee, after governing the province of Ilocos Norte for nine years as governor, won a seat in the Senate in 2019. She received 15.9 million votes in the elections then.

This, even if in 2016, the SWS said that 44 percent of Filipinos

agreed that there was oppression when the late Marcos declared martial law in 1972 until he was ousted from Malacañang in 1986.

SWS said from 1986 to 1998, Filipinos’ perception of the late Marcos with regard to corruption allegations shifted from unfavorable to neutral. With regard to oppression, opinion shifted from neutral to favorable.

Leaving the past behind?

There was no explanation on why perception about the Marcos family has “softened” through the years. Critics said the Marcoses,

since they went back home in 1991, have engaged in a bid to restore the family’s image.

University of the Philippines (UP) Prof. Danilo Arao, convenor of election watchdog Kontra Daya, said last February that when the Marcoses returned to the Philippines, there was no “sorry” for excesses committed.

He said that without clear recognition of the past and with an appeal to “give us a chance,” the Marcoses successfully paved the way for their political comeback, especially to the seat of power. But Dr. Froilan Calilung, a political science professor at the University of

Santo Tomas, told government network PTV-4 last May that Marcos Jr.’s massive lead in the elections was because of his “simple” message of unity. He said Filipinos got “sick and tired” of the divisiveness that has defined politics in the Philippines for a “very, very long time”. He said, “In the midst of this, the message of unity from Marcos Jr. came.”

For instance, 60-year-old construction worker Florencio Collado said that he voted for Marcos Jr. on May 9 because “nothing much has changed” since the year the dictatorship came to an end.

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Piolo is single and 'not looking'

At 45 years old, Piolo Pascual is undoubtedly one of tinseltown's most eligible bachelors. While he has been linked in the past to a few actresses, Piolo remains an elusive catch. He does not deny the fact that, yes, people are pressuring him to have a significant other because marriage or a relationship is the only thing missing in his life. He's already successful and no doubt financially secure.

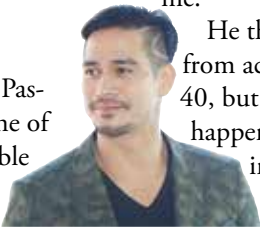
Piolo is quick to counter that he's really not "looking."

"Hindi yan hinahanap, dumaramating na lang yan."

"I believe in destiny, I will know it when the person comes and gives me that feeling," he revealed.

He noted that he has no set of criteria for his future someone. "At the end of the day, it's about the heart or my special feelings for the person."

Piolo declared that his priority right now is to "just focus on



work and see where life takes me."

He thought that he will retire from acting when he turned 40, but that obviously didn't happen. "I realized that being in showbiz is my passion. Being in the business gives my life a purpose, so I just want to continue what am doing."

The handsome actor had a face-to-face meeting with the press organized by Sun Life Insurance, where he was once again introduced as the brand ambassador for 2022.

Because he has been with the brand for many years now, he joked that the endorsement is his longest relationship.

Piolo said he started investing in insurance when he was in his 20s and now that he's much older, he can already qualify for a monthly pension from that investment.

He pointed out the importance of "saving money for the future because this is what will give you financial freedom."

Piolo bared that when he was already earning a lot as a top star,

he was wise enough to invest in real estate. He also vowed not to change his lifestyle. For example, whenever he travels with his mom and extended family, he tries to come up with a budget and plan everything ahead of time.

"You don't spend what you earn. Save it up," the actor advised.

How Bea Alonzo's loss became Ivana Alawi's gain

"The core concept was changed to make it 10 or even 20 times better than what was left behind," declared Jay Fernando, head of the creative team behind "A Family Affair," the project that Bea Alonzo had dropped when she transferred from ABS-CBN to GMA 7.

The series now has social media superstar Ivana Alawi as lead actress. "When Bea left, the creative team wracked its brains and worked on improving it," Jay pointed out. "Ivana was top of mind when we changed the entire show. You will see that Ivana is able to offer things that are modern, new and exciting

for this project. Those were what we expanded to make this show completely hers," Jay told reporters during a recent media gathering to promote the show, which premiered on June 27.

"It's common knowledge that this was Bea's, but really, the story has already changed so much," said Jerome Pobocan, who codirects the series with Raymund Ocampo. "Ivana had a hard time in the beginning, but she eventually got a hold of the character."

Here, two brothers, David and Paco (played by Sam Milby and Gerald Anderson, respectively) battle it out to win Cherry Red's heart.

"This was why Cherry Red really has to be beautiful and desirable," explained Jay. "Ivana is one of those women who is desired by men. More than that, she is actually a role model to a lot of women, which is also a characteristic of Cherry Red. She represents the modern woman—idolized by girls, desired by men."



Meanwhile, Ivana, who said it had been three years ago since she last acted in front of the camera, claimed she found it harder to shoot crying sequences compared to doing love scenes.

Ivana shot "intimate scenes" with both Sam and Gerald for the series. "I felt very safe when I was with them."

Ivana added that her interest in acting started when she was 5 years old, after watching ABS-CBN-produced TV series. "I found myself crying, too, even though I didn't really understand Tagalog that well, adding that she would later go from one audition to another when they finally flew home to Manila."

"I've experienced so many rejections then, from teleseryes to TV commercials. I had to learn how to be tough, because if I wasn't, I would have opted to quit many years ago—and I wouldn't have gotten this opportunity today," she said.



PIDC INDUCTION 2022

Philippine Independence Day Council held their Officers' Induction and 2nd part of the International Women's Day recognition last month. 1-2. Officers get inducted by Consul General Orantes Castro. MP Salma Zahid graced us with her presence; 3. Joy and Tony Sanjuan, International Women's Awardee that day Nanning Tait, Suzy Llanera and Sonia dela Cruz.



PIDC HOLDS 2022-2024 OFFICERS INDUCTION AFFAIR in TORONTO By Tony A. San Juan, OCT.

"I solemnly pledge that I will faithfully perform the duties of my position.....", with this oath 21 Executive Officers & Directors, and 31 members of the Council of Leaders took office as the newly elected governing leaders of the Philippine Independence Day Council (PIDC) for the term of 2022-2024.

The induction was held on June 10, 2022, at FV Foods Banquet Hall in Scarborough, Toronto, Canada.

Philippine Consul General Orantes V. Castro administered the oath of office and was witnessed by more than 150 guests. The dignitaries in attendance were Members of

Parliament Salma Zahid and Shaun Chen, and ex-Japanese Cultural Centre President Sid Ikeda and his wife.

In her welcome and inaugural address, President Agnes P. Miranda encouraged and challenged all the PIDC officers, directors, and members "to do more for the community in order to continue fostering utmost unity, cooperation, and success for the betterment of everyone". A. Miranda also pledged to do her best to guide and "lead the 22-year-old association to meet PIDC's established goals and mandate being the quintessential umbrella organization in the Filipino-Canadian community in Ontario". PhilConGen O.V. Castro heartily thanked the organizers and warmly congratulated the new officers. He reported that in other Canadian provinces and

municipalities, the "Filipino Heritage Month is being declared and completing almost the proclamation loop". He invited the attendees to participate in celebrating R.P. Independence Day and Filipino Heritage Month events in June across the province.

Among the PIDC Officers inducted were: Agnes P. Miranda- President, Tom Tan-EVP, Ben Corpuz- Ext. Vice- president, Gene Pardo, Int. Vice-president, Ramon Estaris-Proj.Vice-president, Rory Elefano- Treasurer, Chyrell Ronquillo- Secretary, Danny Orbillo & B.K. Jimenez-PRO, Helen Lao & Genoveva Jubilo-Bus. Mgrs. Melinda Manlapaz-Auditor, Rose Cruz & Mark Pelayo-Liaison Ofcrs., Leonor Abad, Asst. Treasurer, Rommel Lumbao-Asst. Sec., and Board Directors Aimee Maravilla, Ophelia Santiago, Sonia Balinas, Vilma Tahsin

and Pia Alfonso. The members of the Council of Leaders are Suzy Llanera, Ted Dayno, Al Tupe, Roger Tarca, Paulina Corpuz, Pedro Carpio, Anne Anders, Anita Diaz, Aris Elefano, Arnel Vicente, Joseph Guiyab, Clyde Pacis, Conida Halley, Donna Estaris, Doris Dayno, Elizabeth Leggett, Imie Belanger, Imee Binay-Espiritu, Jacqueline Tayag, Jeff Mesina, Josephine Halley, Jun Villaruz, Marlene Lucas, Meriel Lumbao, Mike Aprieto, Myrna Palmer, Nanding Ticzon, Roy Start, Ronnie Gray, Salome Mader, and Zeny Zagala. The PIDC advisers are Norma Carpio, Minda Neri, and Karen Binaday.

At the event, PIDC also celebrated International Women's Month-Part II and awarded "Medallions and Certificates of Recognition" to outstanding women in the community "for their progressive professional and personal successes in their respective careers, work,

family and community engagements". Among the more than 55 recipients were Rose Ami, Aurora Cajucum, Belinda Corpuz, Jackie Cristini, Rachelle Cruz, Cora Dela Cruz, Vivienne Dela Cruz, Josie De Leon, Li Eron, Rosary Escano, Maria Geroche, Elizabeth Leggett, Martha Joy Lim, Mariel Lumbao, Bianca Manlapaz, Marilyn Tan Miranda, Theresa Orbillo, Felisa Palumbarit, Estela Pardo, Bea Santlago, Fermer Santos, Michele Serrano, Josie Tait, Sherry Lacson Tan, and Kim Villafuerte. The prizes were donated by the World Financial Group(WFG).

The program was hosted by Danny Orbillo. Prexy Agnes P. Miranda was superbly assisted by Suzy Llanera, Melinda Manlapaz, Gene Pardo, Ben Corpuz, B. K. Jimenez, and other senior PIDC officers. The occasion was distinctively a memorable evening of fantastic food, friendship, fun, and fellowship.



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What Jake Ejercito learned about fatherhood from Erap

After starring in ABS-CBN's romantic-comedy series Marry Me, Marry You and in the infidelity-themed show The Broken Marriage Vow, Jake Ejercito once again graces TV screens in the new sexy drama A Family Affair.

Jake felt "blessed," "fortunate," and "grateful" for the consecutive projects that were given to him by the Kapamilya network, he said. We had a chat with him about his own family relations, particularly with his dad, former actor and President Joseph "Erap" Estrada.

He opened up about how Erap influenced him as an actor and as a person in general. "He always tells me to make sure your eyes are always expressive," he shared of the acting tips he received from him. "Lagi niyang sinasabi sa akin, kahit wala kang lines, mata pa lang, kailangan

umarte na." Erap also taught him the value of education and a sense of empathy for other people.



Jake with daughter, Ellie, and dad, former actor and President Joseph 'Erap' Estrada.

"People know that he didn't finish college. So ayaw niyang maranasan namin mga nangyari sa kanya 'coz he was bashed for not finishing his studies," Jake said.

This is what he likewise imparted to his 10-year-daughter, Ellie, with former girlfriend Andi Eigenmann. "I keep on instilling in her to prioritize her education. I always message her every morning, 'How's

school, What did you do today?' I guess most of all yung education and also yung empathy," he shared. "(Dad) taught us to have empathy for others," he continued.

So, does he have any plans of entering politics like his dad? "I'm not closing any doors, who knows."

With Father's Day being recently celebrated, his message to his dad was, "I just wanna thank him for being a great dad, a great provider in spite of everything that happened to us, our family. I couldn't ask for a better dad. I just wanna tell him I love him, I wanna wish him more, more life, more healthy years to come."

Jake also recalled that his favorite memory with his 85-year-old father was watching NBA Games

with him.

"Growing up when I was a kid, my dad was in public office. (He was) vice-president, president so I barely saw him. And at night lang yun kasi late siya umuwi. When I woke up wala na siya kasi he had to go to the office," he narrated.

"Nung time na na-detain siya, that's the time that I get to know my dad on a personal level. Yung bonding namin nanonood ng NBA, kasi no choice siya eh. Wala siyang bisita, wala siyang work. Siguro yun yung parang I guess some sort of a blessing in disguise," Jake, who is the son of Erap with former actress Laarni Enriquez, told us. "Kasi kahit painful yung memory, memorable pa rin siya kasi yun yung we had our moment."

AJ Raval denies pregnancy rumors

Sexy star AJ Raval is setting the record straight: she's not expecting her first child with rumored boyfriend Aljur Abrenica.

On Senyora Santibañez parody account, the admin uploaded a screenshot of AJ belying her rumored pregnancy.

"Omg hahaha

"Grabe na showbiz hahaha

"Not true," read AJ's comment.

Later, the 26-year-old actress went live on Facebook.

There, AJ showed off her sleepwear, tightening her shirt to seemingly highlight her hourglass figure. There, she also gave a quick room tour and introduced her mother to the public. According to her, she's not that active on social media of late.

"Nakakatuwa yung social media no, parang humihingi na lang ng validation yung mga tao. Pagkanagpost ka may masasabi at masasabi. Pag hindi ka nagpost hahanapan ka naman ng issue. Crazy marites. Crazy people."

Recall that issue about AJ supposedly carrying a child started circulating after she decided to drop several acting assignments to focus on studies.



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Darren Espanto wants to be an international star, graduate, open buisness

UNTI-UNTI nang natutupad ang isa sa mga pangarap ng Kapamilya actor-singer na si Darren Espanto — ang maging international artist.

Actually, may karapatan naman ang binata na maging international star dahil bukod sa kagwapuhan, pak na pak din ang talento niya sa pagkanta, pagsasayaw at pagpe-perform on stage.

Sa katunayan, nagsimula na ang kanyang journey patungo sa international scene with his recent collaboration with English singer Calum Scott.

"My ambitions? I mean unti-unti na siyang natutupad ng hindi ko ini-expect. For example, to have an international collaboration," pahayag ni Darren sa digital show na "Showtime Online U."

Aniya pa, "But yeah, I hope to release more music soon internationally

and also achieve siguro international recognition as well."

Samantala, ultimate dream naman ng binata ang makatapos ng college at magkaroon ng sariling business.

"Kung hindi naman showbiz related, 'yung makapagtapos po ako ng college. I am looking forward to doing business po siguro, parang feeling ko magagamit ko," dagdag pang chika ng aktor at singer na unang nakilala sa first season ng "The Voice Kids Philippines."

Samantala, makakasama naman si Darren sa "1MX" concert sa London na mapapanood na sa July 30 with Bamboo, KZ Tandingan and Ez Mil.

Nauna rito, ginulat ni Darren ang madlang pipol sa bago niyang



sexy-shirtless photos. Talagang handa na siya sa pagbabago ng kanyang image.

"We started doing this po last year when I got back from Canada. Pagbalik ko po ng March, my team and I sat down and we decided na it's time to kind of showcase a different Darren in terms of his image and everything—yung styling ko po, yung music ko and yung appearance ko po.

"That's why a lot of people were kind of shocked with my previous birthday pictorial na naka-sando lang ako kasi hindi daw yon yung nakikita nilang Darren and I think that was a good start," aniya pa.

COVID19 from page 1

Rosario Vergeire explained that the two-week growth rate represents the speed of case increase or decrease.

This was also how health authorities monitored the speed of infections during the Delta and Omicron surges.

"However, with very low case numbers observed over the past months, we noted that the TWGR was not a suitable metric in classifying areas' alert levels. Given the very small cases reported, minimal increases in number of new cases may translate to very high TWGRs," she said.

The two-week growth rate, according to Vergeire is still used, but only internally.

"Given that there is the risk of new variants emerging that are more transmissible or immune escaping, we utilize TWGRs

as part of our internal monitoring for earlier detection of sudden and large increases that may signal the entry or impact of these emerging variants."

As such the agency has flagged 89 areas for case increases; 57 have shown positive one-week and two-week growth rates and 32 with either a positive one or two-week growth rate. Lucena City, Bohol and Tawi-Tawi have also logged either a moderate to critical risk ICU bed utilization rate.

On a national scale, however, ICU utilization remains low-risk with a 15% occupancy rate.

The agency continues to note a decline in fatalities from the peak of the Omicron-driven surge in January with an average of one death per day in May 2022.



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PAG EXHIBIT RESURGENCE 2022

Philippine Artists Group held their exhibit called Resurgence last month at the Neilson Creative Centre.

1. Members and guests pose for a picture; 2. Guest artist Earl Dacara exhibited two paintings; 3, PCCF President Rosemer Enverga was special guest speaker; 4. A guest examines Frank Cruzet's paintings; 5.

Vilma Santos on Nora Aunor's National Artist conferment

When my mom (Inday Badiday) was still around, Ate Guy and she were super close. They rose to fame together. The Superstar saw me grow up, so every time we bump into each other at show biz parties, we would reminisce about the good old days.

At the height of the popularity of the Guy-Pip (Tirso Cruz III) love team, Nora would pop up in our house at odd hours to seek Mom's advice about heart matters. Ma was even a "ninang" (godmother) to Guy & Pip's "doll daughter," Maria Le-



onora Teresa. That's how fandom was back in the day. Ma took Ate Guy's deepest secrets to her grave. One of my fave La Aunor stories that Ma shared with me happened during their shoot of "Blue Hawaii." During a break time, Ma asked Nora to accompany her to watch the shoot of "Hawaii 5-0" (H50) the hit TV show back then.

Both of them were in total fangirl mode, so they lost track of time. When they got back to the set of their movie, Kuya Germs



(German Moreno, who was their director) was furious. He reprimanded them like they were kids who played hooky. But Ma and Ate Guy were too giddy after watching the shoot of H50, so they just ignored Kuya Germs' "sermon." Ate Guy's career would not have been as colorful without her rivalry with Vilma Santos. So I interviewed Ate Vi about La Aunor's new "honor." Now that Ate Guy is a certified National Artist, Ate Vi is definitely next in line. Here's my chat with Ate Vi: What's your message to Ate Guy on her being named National Artist?

Isang pagpupugay ang dapat nating

ibigay sa ating bagong set of National Artists. Bawat isa sa kanila ay may anking galing at talino na lubos na kahanga-hanga. I sincerely congratulate all of them. Lahat sila magaling.

Congratulations, Mareng Guy! Keep up the good work.

If you and Ate Guy would do a movie, what roles do you want both of you to portray?

Long lost friends who are reunited. I want it to be about women empowerment.

What's your fave movie of Ate Guy?

Our movies, of course. "T-bird at Ako" and "Ikaw ay Akin."

Ivana Alawi ginawang 'sugar mama', nanindigang hindi mang-aagaw ng dyowa ng iba

DIRETSAHANG sinabi ng Kapamilya actress at vlogger na si Ivana Alawi na kahit kailan ay hindi siya mang-aagaw ng karelasyon ng ibang tao.

Sa YouTube vlog na ibinahagi ng celebrity doctor na si Dra. Vicki Belo ay napag-usapan nila ang naging love life ng aktres.

Isa sa mga naitanong kay Ivana kung ano nga ba ang qualities na hinahanap niya sa kanyang ideal man.

Unang-unang sinabi niya ay ayaw niya ng manloloko

at babaero dahil na-experience na raw niya ang maloko ng ex.

"Hindi ko alam, parang hindi sila nakukuntento. Tapos 'yung minsan naman ginawa akong sugar mama," natatawang kwento ni Ivana.

Nang usisain naman ni Dra. Vicki kung gwapo ba ang trumato sa kanya bilang sugar mama ay agad niyang dinenay at sinabing hindi naman daw ito pogi.

Edad 17 raw siya noong nangyari ito.

"Ako taga-gas, taga[gastos] ng date, lahat... Akala ko kasi ganoon kapag mahal mo," pagbabahagi ni Ivana.

Na-realize raw niyang ginamit lang siya noong mata-



pos nilang grumaduate ay nawala na ito.

"Sabi ko, ang galing a. Pinag-gas lang niya ako nang pinag-gas [ng sasakyan] tapos lahat ng ulam ako," dagdag pa ni Ivana.

Ang nakakatawang nangyari ay naloko na naman siya ulit after siyang pagkaperahan ng naunang nakarelasyon.

Sumunod naman nilang napag-usapan ang kanyang bagong teleserye na "A Family Affair" kung saan kasama niya sina Sam Milby, Gerald Anderson, Jake Ejercito,

at Jameson Blake.

Nabanggit nga ni Dra. Vicki Belo ang isa sa kanyang

leading men na si Gerald at pabirong tinanong ang dala-ga kung dapat na bang kabahan ang girlfriend nitong si Julia Barretto.

"Naku, yun nga Dok. Ang daming nagme-message na ganon. I think it's very important that they know na nirerespeto ko yung tao, nirerespeto ko yung relationship niya and I wouldn't want something [like that] to happen to me na kunyari, kung anong ginawa mo sa iba, mang-yayari rin sa 'yo," diretsahang sagot ni Ivana.

Sang-ayon naman ni Dra. Vicki, "I don't think... Ivana is really not the type. I think she looks lang very sexy and hot."

Dagdag pa ng aktres sa kanyang sagot, "You'll never see me steal anyone from anyone."



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'There's Nothing Cool' About Womanizing

"Best decision of my life" is how Ian Veneracion, 47, describes settling down at age 22. He feels the same way "up to this day," 25 years since becoming husband to Pam Gallardo, who's not from showbiz.

"Sobrang sigurado ako," Ian tells Karen Davila in her vlog. "I promised to take care of this person for the rest of my life." Ian respects his wife's privacy, so there's no trace of Pam in his Instagram, except for their three children: Draco, Dids, and Duccio. "She doesn't like attention. Hindi naman s'ya mahilig sa selfie, wala siya sa social media. That's one thing I also like about her."

How Ian met his match

Ian recalls he was 18 when he first heard of Pam. He was already a TV and movie star at the time, having started acting at age 7 in a sitcom with Joey de Leon.

One day, he was aimlessly checking out some calling cards in a shoebox, presumably owned by a friend with him at that moment. "'Sino 'to?' Sabi ng friend ko, 'Wag 'yan, masungit 'yan.'" That friend was referring to Pam. "Ako naman, na-challenge. Tatal single naman ako, eh di hanap ka ng date..."

Then the phone rang, and Pam spoke on the other line. She asked, "Sino 'to?" He said "Ian," and added to emphasize his name recall, "Veneracion, "Akala ko macha-charm ko s'ya, eh...Ang sabi n'ya lang, 'Marami akong ginagawa.' Blag! 'Loko 'to, ha!' So na-challenge ako...Sabi ko, di puwede 'yun." He lets out a hearty laugh: "Eto, tatlo na ang anak namin."

Pero na-realize ko rin na, 'No, I can't imagine myself without this person.' So 'yun, that's when I knew she's the one for me."

As a husband and father

When asked in Karen's vlog the key to being a good husband, Ian turns playful even more. He quips, "Di ko sure 'yung sa pagiging mabuting asawa. Dapat tanungin mo ang asawa ko."



He soon changes tune as the topic shifts to fatherhood: "Pero sa pagiging ama, I think among all the roles I've played, that's my most favorite. That's what I'm most proud of. "Nang ipanganak ako, mag-isa lang ako. Pero nag-contribute ako ng tatlong compassionate, kind, intelligent human beings that can help other human beings. 'Yun ang proud ako."

He admits to indulging his kids' luho: "Oo, pag hiningan ka, lalo na ang daughter ko. Alam ng mga tatay na close sa mga anak na babae. Hawak nila ang switch sa puso mo. Isang smile lang nila, ang saya mo na. Pero pag sinimangutan ka, depressed ka."

He goes on describing his family members: "Draco is like my brain. Because before he came, I was the center of the universe. I was this and that. Then he came along, I had to be organized and make plans.

"Dids is my heart. 'Yun nga, she's got my emotions. Si Duccio is my lungs. He makes me what to live longer and do more things and make sure I do more activities with him. "And Pam, my wife, is the skin that holds me together. She's my biggest organ. That's how I see it. I really can't see myself as an individual apart from my family. Ha, ako lang? Wala ang family ko? Di ko kaya."

Thus his advice to his kids, particularly his two sons: "Madaling mambabae, kahit sino puwedeng mambabae. There's nothing cool about it. Pero 'yung sticking to the one you know that's meant for you, that's the right path. It takes more of a man to be like that."

Hollywood actor Michael Copon atat nang makatrabaho si Bea

Nasa Pilipinas na ngayon ang Hollywood actor na si Michael Copon. Si Michael ay bumida sa pelikulang Scorpion King 2, One Tree Hill. Isa rin siyang prodyuser, at direktor.

"What's up guys. Here in the Philippines. This is just a first day of my many days," sabi ni Direk Copon sa kanyang Instagram, na excited na ngang magsyuting. Kasama ni Copon ang kanyang misis at anak sa Pilipinas.

At syempre, bitbit din niya ang kanyang production staff, mula camera man, hanggang sa assistant director.

Sobrang excited si Copon sa pagbalik ng Pilipinas para gumawa ng pelikula.

Sila raw ni Francis Lara Ho ang sumulat ng kuwento, at nagprodys ng pelikula (1521 ang title). At si Mary Krell-Oishi ang screenwriter.

Binanggit nga niya ang bida nila na si Bea Alonzo. Ang 1521 ay tungkol sa pre-Spanish era sa Pilipinas, na kung saan ang young native princess with goddess-like beauty ay na-in love sa isang dashingly handsome Spanish soldier.

Alin nga ba ang mas mangingibaw, ang pagmamahal sa kapwa o nasasakupan, o ang pag-ibig sa isang taong gusto mong makasama habangbuhay?

Ayon pa rin kay Copon, marami pang Pinoy star ang makakasma sa pelikula.

Ang sabi, kasama rin sa pelikula sina Maricel Laxa, Hector David, Jr., Krista Kleiner. At siyempre si Michael Copon na gaganap umano bilang si Lapu-Lapu.

"I cannot wait to share more and more..." sabi ni Copon. Sobrang excited na nga ang mga fan ni Bea. Pero, ang tanong lang, maglalagare kaya si Bea sa 1521 at sa serye nila ni Alden Richards?

Aba, super busy ang aktres, ha! Kaya siguro nilulubos-lubos na nila ni Dominic Roque ang pagsasama, para pagsabak na niya sa shooting ng 1521 ay focus na siya sa trabaho.



Charlie Dizon set to star in new movie for Black Sheep

Actress Charlie Dizon is set to star in a new film, after her successful series "Viral Scandal" ended last May.

In a presscon for Star Magic's US concert

tour "Beyond The Stars," Dizon said that she will start shooting the movie in August. "Sana po abangan ninyo," she said.

Star Cinema advertising director Mico

Del Rosario teased Dizon's movie for Black Sheep as early as May. Dizon's last movie was the critically acclaimed "Fan Girl" with actor Paulo Avelino, for which she won the best actress award at the 2020 Metro Manila Film Festival.



Meanwhile, Dizon is excited to be part of Star Magic's US tour, which will have three legs: New York on August 6, San Francisco on August 12, and Los Angeles on August 14.

"Ako rin po super excited ako sa New

York kasi last time nung March, nag-visit po ako sa San Francisco and LA. So New York po ang hindi ko po napupuntahan kaya very excited po ako makita," Dizon said.

Dizon is hoping to visit museums and other tourist spots in New York.

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their national language, "that is why learning is well facilitated, and they perform better in the tests which were conducted in their own languages."

The assessment is done in English as it is the main medium of instruction.

"This is a big impediment to student learning because they have to master the English language first before they can learn science and math concepts," he explained. "In the classroom, they also cannot freely express themselves because English is not their vernacular,"

he added. Quetua added that dilemma also clips the learners' ability for "critical thinking and in formulating arguments."

While there is the Mother Tongue-Based Multilingual Education (MTB MLE) Law and the Bilingual Education Policy, Quetua said that the "reality is that English remains to be the language predominantly used in our educational system" noting that subjects such as Mathematics at Science are taught in English. Quetua pointed out that materials used in teaching written in local languages remain limited.

ACT urged the Marcos administration to strengthen the use of Filipino as a medium of instruction in schools to help students learn and understand the lessons better.

Filipino as a medium of instruction, the group said, should also be institutionalized and the efforts to strengthen it should also be given sufficient funding.

ACT also reacted to Marcos' push to "rethink the education curriculum so that students will get better jobs" — noting that the focus should also be centered on national development.

Candid SPOOF

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



Mike Cruz opens a Music Box food pop-up at the Pinoy Fiesta festival at Albert Campbell Square at Scarborough Civic Centre, near Scarbough Town Centre.

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SCENES IN THE CITY: 1. Fiesta Extravaganza founder Von Canton and Kabayan’s Philip Beloso pose with MP Rechie Valdez (MIDDLE); 2. Filipino Centre Toronto’s Teresa Sevilla, Wendy Arena, Cyrene and Hannah Pendon support the Toronto Fiesta Extravaganza; 3. Joy D’Aoust family, Fe Taturan pose with Kapamilya star Yam Concepcion; 4. Toronto multi-hyphenated star Mel Galeon – FV Foods owner-D’Ageless dancer-Tiktok King – pose with Kapamilya star Yam Concepcion. 5. Kabayan’s Chela Delmar, Managing Director Analiza Roberts, Business Development manager Philip Beloso pose with Philippine singer Rachel Alejandro (2ND FROM LEFT) at Toronto Fiesta Extravaganza.

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involved with the Filipino Centre Toronto & its community services as an administrative assistant and event volunteer. She’s currently in her freshman year majoring in

Psychology at York University and working part-time as a medical receptionist. Outside work, she enjoys reading, taking care of her pet bunny and indoor gardening.”



1. Jose Baking
2. Hannah Pendon
3. Jeannette Rosales
4. Wendy Arena
5. Carlos Unas
6. Frank Cruzet

Ivana admits Retoke

Makikita na sa kanyang Instagram story ang teaser ng ilalabas niyang vlog sa kanyang YT channel.

‘New vlog laterrr’ ang anunsyo ni Ivana.

At yes, kung susuriing mabuti, may kinalaman ang vlog na ‘yon sa pagpaparetoke ng ilong.

Anyway, 2019 ay may mga lumalabas

na nga na mga larawan ni Ivana, na

kiyeme-kiyemeng transformation niya.

Pinakita nga ang mga photo niya noon, at

kinukumpara sa mga photo niya ngayon.

Sa totoo lang, hindi naman masyadong

malayo ang itsura ni Ivana ngayon sa noon.

Siguro, dahil bata pa si Ivana sa mga

photo na ‘yon, kaya natural lang na medyo

mataba pa ang kanyang mukha, kumpara ngayon

na plakadong-palakado na taalga.

Well, sabi nga, hindi na rin naman bago ang

pagpapaayos ng mukha. Kung ikagaganda mo ‘yan,

ikasisikat mo ‘yan, na makakatulong sa iyong kabu-

hayan, go lang nang go.

Ang dami-rami na rin namang mga artista mula

noon hanggang ngayon ang dumaan sa kamay ng mga doctor. Kaya nga nauso ang ‘salamat po doktor’ na linya, di ba?

Kaloka nga, dahil may mga artista kaming kilala, na obys na manan na nagparetoke, pero kapag

tinanong mo, ang isasagot lang sa iyo ay ‘glow up’

‘yon o natural na nagbago ang kanilang ganda, pati

na hugis, lagi ng kanilang mga boobey.

Well, kanya-kanyang diskarte ‘yan,

walang pakialamanan, ha!

Ang tanong, mabago

kaya ang pantasya, tingin

ng mga kalalakhian kay Ivana,

kapag nalaman nilang retokada nga

siya talaga?

‘Yun ay kung retokada talaga, ha!

O baka mamaya, sa dulo ay sisigaw siya

ng ‘itsaprank!’ Hahahaha!

Again, sinulat koi to ng alas-dos ng

hapon, at gabi pa ia-upload ni

Ivana ang kanyang bagong

content sa YT.



Painter Frank Cruzet poses with his family in front of his paintings at the Philippine Artists Group exhibit called Resurgence last month at the Neilson Creative Centre.



Phillip Belosos’s mother, Inay Seming (SEATED CENTRE), celebrated her 90th birthday at Rembrandt with the whole family

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Regine, Karla etsapuwera kay Juday

Ang mga hurado ng TnT na sina Jed Madela, Erik Santos at Ogie Alcasid ay inuurirang ni Vice Ganda sa 'It's Showtime'.
Tinanong niya ang mga ito kung sino raw ang mahirap sabayan kapag sila ay kumakanta.
Sagot naman ni Erik, si KZ Tandingan ang para sa kanya ay mahirap sabayan. Pero, binanggit din niya si Regine Velasquez.
"Mabuti na lang nauuna ako kay Ate Reg kapag nagdu-duet kami kasi kung siya ang mauuna parang mawawala ako... mahihirapan kasi matàas ang range ng boses niya," esplicita ng male singer.



Maya-maya ay tinanong ni Vice ang contestant kung gusto niyang mag-guest sa ASAP.
Hindi lang ASAP ang binanggit ni Vice kundi kung gusto rin daw niyang mag-guest sa Magandang Buhay.
Tanong tuloy ni Vhong Navarro, "bakit sa Magandang Buhay?"

Sagot naman ni Vice, sa MB daw kasi ay malalaman ang ilang info tungkol sa mga nagiging guest nila.
Eh kaya naman pala panay ang pangookray ni Vice sa ASAP dahil mainstay ng programa si Regine.
Binanggit niya bandang huli ang Magandang Buhay dahil pinili umano ng management si Judy Ann Santos para ipalit sa Asia's Songbird.
Matatandaang si Regine ang kinuha ng management para pansamantalang ipalit kay Karla Estrada dahil nagpaalam ang host na papasok sa politika.
Ngayon, maliwanag nang hindi makabalik si Karla sa nasabing programa dahil magiging regular host na sa programa ang teleserye queen na si Judy Ann.

Heaven Peralejo to work with Ian Veneracion, Mon Confiado

Heaven Peralejo is excited to announce that she is working on a new project alongside Ian Veneracion and Mon Confiado.



The actress shared the good news recently on social media with a photo of her with the two stars, saying that she is "beyond excited" to be collaborating with the two on an upcoming Rein Entertainment project.
"It is an [honour] to be able to work with THE Ian Veneracion and THE Mon Confiado. Such incredibly dedicated and talented veterans in the industry. I will not disappoint you and I will improve myself for this project. Watch out for these guys!!" she expressed.
Mon also shared a similar

photo on his Instagram account, writing, "I'm so excited to film this movie! Grinding very soon!"
Not much has been revealed about the upcoming project, except that it will be directed by "Bagman" filmmaker, Shugo Praico.
Heaven's last film was the 2015's "Buy Now, Die Later". Her most recent acting project was the Kapamilya Channel series, "A Family Affair".

'Let's make it happen': KC Concepcion crowdfund for 'Asian Persuasion'



KC Concepcion has called on fans to help crowdfund her international movie Asian Persuasion, just weeks after production wrapped filming on the project.
KC stars in the film opposite Filipino-American actor Dante Basco, taking over the role from Toni Gonzaga.
"The filming is done, now the hard work begins. And YOU can help bring our movie to the finish line," she said in an Instagram post last June 10.

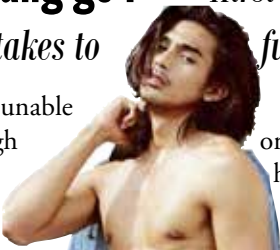
"I said yes to this movie Asian Persuasion because I grew up not seeing a Filipino who looked like me, or other girls like me, on American TV or in Hollywood films," she said.
"Having the chance to be part of this Asian-American romantic comedy as a Filipina means more to me than just getting an acting job in America. I think I speak for so many Asian actors who grew up wishing and waiting for this time to come for us to be seen, heard, and represented in all our different skin tones,

body shapes, and backgrounds," she said.
"LET'S MAKE THIS MOVIE HAPPEN!!!" she said. She then pointed her followers to the link in her bio, which leads to the film's crowdfunding page. According to the page, the team lost \$100,000 (P5.3 million) when one of their main talents contracted COVID-19 and they had to pause production for 12 days. They are hoping to raise \$100,000 for post-production.
Asian Persuasion tells the story of a chef named Mickey (Dante) who sets up a fake dating profile for his ex-wife Avery (KC) as part of a scheme to avoid his alimony obligations by getting her to remarry.
The film also stars Kevin Kreider, Paolo Montalban, Tony Labrusca, Yam Concepcion, and other American actors.
Producers plan to premiere the film in early 2023.

'Go lang nang go': Kirst Viray willing to do whatever it takes to fulfill his dreams

Though he was unable to devote enough time to acting in the past two years, model-actor Kirst Viray is now determined to make up for lost time and fulfill his show biz dreams—even if it meant accepting roles that require him to cut his signature long hair, or show some skin.
"Actually, my hair is a topic I had already brought up to my management long ago. But I think they like the long hair better on me because it creates a more memorable impression on television. But whatever look they want me to have, I will be open to it," added Kirst, who has appeared in television commercials, print ads and magazines.
Will he be willing to keep pace with other hunks when it comes to showing off his body? "Handang-handa po ako. There are many new talents coming in here in the industry. You have to be ready, always. You can't neglect your physique," he said.

Starring in a boys' love or BL series is something he won't turn down either. While his goal is to become an effective character actor, Kirst wouldn't pass up doing leading man roles, especially if he gets paired with Sanya Lopez. "I would like to work with Sanya. I really find her beautiful," he said.
Priorities
Needless to say, love life isn't on top of his bucket list at the moment. "I want to prioritize acting because the past two years, I focused on my business [a restaurant that specializes in Pangasinan dishes]. Kirst, who's also a registered nurse, admitted that he's a bit of a late-bloomer in the biz.
"However, I felt that I really wanted to be an actor and do modeling.
"There's no such thing as being late. Go lang nang go. If you want something, fight for it. And now I'm even more motivated to continue doing what I love."



'Ibalik na kitang muli sa dagat': Pokwang calls out Ella Cruz over 'history is like tsismis' remark

Comedian Pokwang called out actress Ella Cruz after Ella made her controversial "history is like tsismis" remark.
In her Twitter account, Pokwang said she respected whoever Ella supported in the recent elections but will not agree over the statement "history is like tsismis."
"Nak Ella Cruz tanggap ko pananaw mo sa politika at respeto ko ang sino man sinuportahan mo, pero sa usaping HISTORY, di ako sasang ayon sayo nak dahil mali! maling mali..." Pokwang said.



"Mabuti pang ibalik na kitang muli sa dagat nak mayaman sa iodine ang dagat nakakatalino daw yan #Aryana," she added.
Pokwang and Ella worked together in the ABS-CBN "fantaserye" (fantasy series) about mermaid "Aryana."
Ella received a lot of backlash from social media after her remarks.
"History is like tsismis. It is filtered and dagdag na rin, so, hindi natin alam what is the real history. Andoon na iyong idea, pero may mga bias talaga. As long as we're here alive at may kanya-kanyang opinion, I respect everyone's opinion," she was quoted as saying in a recent press conference for her new movie where she plays Irene Marcos.

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Is Sarah Geronimo moving to GMA?

There have been speculations about Pop Queen Sarah Geronimo moving to Kapuso Network.

According to reports, GMA has acquired the television rights to the popular singing tilt for kids The Voice Kids Philippines, which originally aired on the network from 2014 to 2019 although the former has yet to make an official announcement about it.

It is public knowledge that Sarah was one of the major coaches in the said program. Due to this, speculations began to spread that she will join the show's new installment over at the Kapuso network which if remembered, became her home when she was a guest performer in the defunct Sunday musical-variety show SOP in 2003.

However, someone close to the singer-actress's camp clarified that there's no truth to the rumor as Sarah will still stay with ABS-CBN. In fact, she is scheduled to appear again in ASAP Natin 'To this coming July. It would not be regular participation though since Sarah currently enjoys her role as homemaker and is busy preparing materials for her new album.

Raymond Gutierrez introduces 'afam' boyfriend

TV host Raymond Gutierrez introduced his boyfriend in celebration of Pride Month.

In his Instagram account, Raymond posted photos of him with his unnamed boyfriend.

"Celebrate your love! Happy Pride, Philippines," he captioned the post.

In his interview with Wil Dasovich, the twin of Richard Gutierrez admitted

that he's in a relationship. "In January, I did meet someone and we're taking it a little bit more seriously. And yeah, we are in a relationship," he said.

"There's nothing to hide. What is there to hide? If the pandemic taught us one thing, it's to live your life now," he added.

Raymond came out as a member of the LGBTQ community in August 2021.

"I'm here to formally say that I am a proud member of the LGBTQ community," he said.

"I am out to a lot of my close friends and I'm lucky that I have that support system around me to give me the confidence to really accept who I am and to love myself because not a lot of people have that," he added.

Kim Chiu Reunite with Xian Lim

Kim Chiu and Xian Lim will reunite on the silver screen via the Viva Films project titled Always. This is a welcome development for their fans who last saw them together in the Metro Manila Film Festival entry All You Need is Pag-ibig way back in 2015.

The lock-in shooting for the new pot-boiler started last week under the helm of Dado Lumibao.

In his social media post, Xian expressed his excitement by saying, "I missed sharing the big screen with you!" with reference to his beloved girlfriend. It was learned that the name of Kim's character in the film is Anna while Xian's is Lino.

Some of the stars who are reportedly part of the cast are Yayo Aguila, Joko Diaz, Gab Lagman, Ivan Padilla, Vincent Soberano, Carlene Aguilar, Ali Khatibi, and Lander Vera-Perez.

Anji Salvacion hopes to be a good role model

Anji Salvacion said that it was through Pinoy Big Brother, where she was hailed as the big winner for the show's Kumunity Season 10, that she realized her life's purpose.

The "Singing Sweetheart ng Siargao" celebrity housemate sat for an interview.

She recalled: "There was this last question that was asked before we got to the stage. They asked us, 'Bakit ikaw ang karapat-dapat na maging Big Winner?' That was the moment that I said to myself, 'Oh my God, is this a sign where I'm finally going to know what's my real purpose?'" Her answer was, "Now, I am ready to conquer and take up the responsibility and the higher calling that He has given me. This higher calling

that God has given me is to share my ultimate goal in life (which) is just to spread love and kindness."

Right at that moment, she knew her purpose in life and she was so happy and thankful that "everything was put in places where God has really built me slowly, up until that I know na my purpose in life."

Knowing her purpose was Anji's mindset from the very start. "It's because I wanted to have this impact on others, especially the children because mindset ko na din, there are children who are watching me right now, especially the younger ones. Parang napaisip ako na I should be a better and a good role model for these children. Because these children will be the people that my children will look up to in the future," she shared.

What Anji considered her most memorable inside the house was when they had a challenge but ended up getting injured. "When we won in the third game, that was memorable for us. I remembered because we made a promise ni Ate Sam (Samantha Bernardo) and Mama Brenda (Mage), na sinimulan natin 'to na magkasama, tatapusin natin 'tong magkasama."

"Kahit may bali-bali kami, si Ate Sam may sprain, ako naman baldado din po sa likod, we still did our best. What's more memorable about that was hindi na po kami na-pressure sa game, mas parang in-enjoy namin yung moment," she recounted.

"It was a funny experience and a memorable (one at the same time). Sobrang nakakaiyak din kasi everybody has an advocacy na pinaglalaban. And talagang ipinaglalaban din namin yung pangarap namin and nakikita namin dun yung unity, love and passion to win," she furthered.

Anji is also dreaming of owning a house some day for her family and slowly, she is saving up to make this a reality. She said, "It really will cost a lot. So what I'm doing now is work to really hard for it I'm because planning to just surprise one."

With her blossom-Anji wants more of her because "life as an process of In her always never to ing. You're These are steps. I of things life and I

SCENES IN THE CITY



THE FB FRIENDSHIP MYSTERY

Melissa Ventocilla and Fe Tadian met at the Toronto Fiesta Extravaganza in Scarborough. They started talking. They decided there and then to become facebook friends. But

when they were requested to add each other as friends on facebook, they found out they were already friends. They are at a lost how and when it happened. Sounds like an idea for those Hall-mark Mystery Movies.

Aida Villaruz performed with Scarborough Ontario Seniors Association at the Pinoy Fiesta.



Kapamilya star Yam Concepcion signs the palm of Skyea at the Vaughan Fiesta Extravaganza festival.

really wanted to learn more 'coz I want to set good examples for others."

"The more I learn, the more I can share with others through my experiences. And that is my goal in life — to share my learnings and spread love and kindness," she reiterated.

The singer-actress is currently working on with new songs and given the chance, she would like to play a kontrabida role in a movie or a series.

On having a love-team, she said, "Kung sino naman po yung

ibibigay sa akin ng management (I'm down for it). I trust the management. Sila din talaga ang magflourish (career) and they're the ones who will decide kung sino ang ibibigay nila na love team."

Right now, Anji is just enjoying her days as a solo artist. "It's just so fun when I am not limited to some projects because of it. It was so fun that I'm able to also achieve it first solo before I'm going to have, if ever, work to have any love teams," she added.

MELISSA VENTOCILLA MULTI-TASKING



Melissa babysits 2-year old Atlas, accompanies Winterra in handing out flyers, does promotion as Miss Kabayan Remit ambassador,



teaches Skyea and Nevea how to fold Kabayan bag into a strawberry and still have fun with friends Margaret Rodrigo, Alexa Grant,



Arianna Pantaleon. What doesn't she do?



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Ina Feleo says Italian husband knows she prefers to work in PH

Ina Feleo is thankful for the support of her Italian husband na si Giacomo Ger-vasutti sa kanyang showbiz career.

Ikinasal sina Ina at Giacomo noong December 2020, at sa nakalipas na isang taon at kalahati ay hindi raw siya nito pinilit na piliing manirahan sa Italy.

Eksklusibong nakapanayam si Ina sa launching ng Pamilya Sa Dilim.

“Alam niya gusto ko talagang mag-artista for life. Number one, alam niya yun at di niya ako pinipigilan sa mga roles.

“Kahit may sexy, okay lang sa kanya kasi supportive siya sa career ko. At the same time, I have to be here.

“Di niya ako pinupuwersa na tumira na lang sa Italy or something kasi alam niya na nandito yung work, e.

“Gusto niya talaga akong mag-prosper, gusto niya na mag-direk rin ako.”

Are cultural differences with her Italian husband a problem?

“In the beginning, akala ko magiging problem. Kaya ako, never akong nag-boyfriend ng foreigner.

“Pero surprisingly, I think you just have to find someone na nagkakaintindihan.

ON BABY PLANS

“This year kung mangyari puwede na. Kung sakali ay gusto ni Ina ng isa o dala-wang anak.

ON PLAYING YOUNG LAURICE GUILLEN

Sa pelikulang Pamilya sa Dilim, si Ina ay gaganap bilang young Laurice Guillen para sa role na Anita.

“Very dark yung story niya about abusive relationship. There will be a lot of psychological damage, trauma...

“Si Mommy kasi very intelligent actress na mararamdaman mo na malaman talaga siya so that’s the challenge. May pressure, but I love the pressure so excited naman ako.”

Bilang anak ni Laurice at yumaong Johnny Delgado, aminado si Ina na noon ay mas kabado siya na makumpara



ang kakayanan niya sa galing ng mga magulang.

“But even before naman na kinu-kumpara I take it as a challenge. And flat-tered din ako kasi pag sinabi nilang ganun, magaling talaga ang mga magulang ko kaya ako proud ako na at least ang mga magulang ko ganun.”

ON AI-AI DELAS ALAS

Napapanood si Ina araw-araw sa series na Raising Mamay na pinagbibidahan ni Ai-Ai delas.

Puring-puri din ni Ina ang husay ni Ai-ai

“Mataas ang tingin ko sa kanya even before na nakatrabaho niya si Daddy Johnny. Bukod sa magaling siya, mabait talaga si Ate Ai.

Gumaganap na kontrabida sa naturang serye, para kay Ina ay iba rin ang hamon nito.

“Gagayahin ko si ganun, ito kilala ko ang taong ito or something.’ Sa akin sometimes mas exciting ang kontrabida ka.”

Bianca Umali better as Darna

Pinahanga ni Bianca Umali ang mga netizen sa latest video post niya sa Instagram, kung saan nagpamalas siya ng husay sa martial arts.

Binahagi ni Bianca ang ginagawang training sa Tag Team Stunts Studio.

Mistulang mandirigma sa mga galaw at pakiki-pag-eskrima si Bianca sa kanyang coach.

Masisilip din sa wall ng kanyang coach na nagsasanay rin si Bianca ng defense-assault combat at sword.

Hindi makapaniwala ang mga fan ni Bianca na sa likod ng ganda, kaseksihan, natatago ang kakayahan niyang maging mandirigma.

Naisip lang namin at sigurado kaming kumbinsido rin ang mga netizen, na mas bagay sanang si Bianca ang gumawa sa remake ng “Darna” at hindi si Jane de Leon.

‘Yung angas, ganda ng mukha, hubag ng katawan ni Bianca, sakto sa costume ni Darna.

Well, matatagalan pa bago maibigay sa GMA 7 ang rights para sa “Darna” na sa ngayon ay ilang taon pang mananatili sa poder ng Kapamilya channel.



Toni Gonzaga warns against poser account using her name, asking for digital gifts

Toni Gonzaga asked the public for help in reporting a fake Facebook account posing under her name and asking for digital gifts to earn money.

The actress-TV host showed a screenshot of a post from the said account which has garnered over 3,000 Facebook reactions and about 57,000 views, via Gonzaga’s Instagram Stories yesterday, July 3.

“This is not our official account. If you could kindly report also. Maraming salamat (Thank you so much),” she said.

Gonzaga then provided a screenshot and link to her official Facebook page, Toni Gonzaga Studio.

She also showed a comment from the poser account asking fans to support the fake page by sending digital gifts.



The fake account, which has over 500,000 followers, is still up on Facebook as of this writing.

Meanwhile, Gonzaga recently sang the Philippine national anthem at the inauguration of President Ferdinand “Bongbong” Marcos Jr., held at the National Museum last Thursday, June 30.

Geneva Cruz replies to “trying hard” comment of basher

Hindi pinalampas ni Geneva Cruz ang isang basher na tinawag siyang “trying hard.”

Buwelta ni Geneva sa nagsabing “trying hard” siya: “I’m not sure if I should block you because you’re the one who’s trying too hard to shame me when all I did was dance, when you’re the one wearing sunnies indoors, so I don’t know. SMH [shaking my head].”

Saad ni Geneva, “It’s your kind who should learn how to support your fellow women instead of talking ill about them.

“Making them feel bad does not make you prettier or COOLER; it is

a reflection of how bad you feel about yourself.”

Sa kabila nito, hiling niyang maging masaya ang buhay ng basher pati na ang dalawa pang nag-like sa “trying hard” comment nito.

Mensahe ni Geneva: “I wish you happiness and enlightenment in life. Take care, you and the two others who liked you comment, which probably made by you as well.”

“I DON’T DO THIS TO SHAME THE SHAMERS”

Paglilinaaw ni Geneva sa com-



ments section, hindi pamamahiya ang pagpu-post niya ng mga negatibong komento ng netizens.

Ginagawa raw niya ito para tumigil na ang mga ito sa pambubuska at pangwawalanghiya sa iba. Aniya, “Understand me, ha, I don’t do this to shame the shamers... I do this so that they can stop doing this to other people on the internet.

“When you expose yourselves in a hateful manner, you are only hurting yourselves.

“Be loving and be kind, para ang balik sa inyo maganda rin. Di ko naman pinapakialaman na nag-sha-shades ka sa bahay mo if you think I’m too much, don’t

come here.

“Walang weight yung opinion mo sakin kasi that’s old news... you will continue to dig holes with what you’re doing.

“Don’t be a bully, or you will be bullied. Be kind, and people will be kind to you as well.

“Let us all educate these humans para sa kanila rin yan.

“Have a wonderful day, everyone!!!”

Noong nakaraang taon, naging viral ang sagot ni Geneva sa netizens na pinagdiskitahan ang kanyang singit dahil maitim daw ito.

Sagot niya sa mga ito: “It’s called ‘shadow.’ Pasensya ka na, I forgot to photoshop it for your delight.”

Ontario’s Philippine Chamber of Commerce Hosts Business Forum in Toronto

By Tony A. San Juan, OCT.

TORONTO - The Philippine Chamber of Commerce-Toronto (PCCT) has organized and sponsored a business conference in Toronto on June 24, 2022. The event was conducted in collaboration with the Philippine Investment & Trade Centre (PITC) of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Philippine Consulate General -Toronto. With its theme “Uncover the Philippine Economic Perspective”, the first series of “2022 Post Pandemic Business Forum” was held at the Filipino Centre Toronto-FCT Social Hall, in Scarborough, Toronto, Ontario.

The PCCT business forum includes the purposeful participation of official delegations from the Philippines such as the Clark Development Corporation (CDC) and the Philippine Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) led by Vice President Dennis S. Legazpi and Undersecretary Arnold i. Atienza, respectively.

Attended by Philippine Consul General of Toronto, Orontes V. Castro, Member of Parliament for Scarborough North Shaun Chen, and MP for Scarborough Centre Salma Zahid (represented by her executive assistant, Nestor Arellano), Member of Provincial Parliament and Ontario Minister for Seniors and Accessibility Hon. Raymond Cho, Member of Provincial Parliament for Scarborough Southwest Doly Begum, Ajax Councillor Lisa A. Bower (represented by social

Alden, Bea, Jeric serye puno ng aberya

Kung gaano pinaghandaan ang ‘Lolong’ ni Ruru Madrid, na dumaan sa maraming aberya, ganun din ang nangyayari sa ‘Start Up PH’ nina Alden Richards, Bea Alonzo, Jeric Gonzales, Yasmien Kurdi, ha!

Pero sana naman ay mga minor problem lang ‘yon. May mga pagkakataon kasi na bigla

na lang napa-pack up ang taping dahil sa mga problema sa production at mga hindi inaasahang pangyayari, tulad nga noong may artista na nagkasakit, lalo na ang mga main character na kailangan magpahinga o magpagaling dahil hindi nila kakayanin ang mga mabibigat na eksena.

Ngayon naman ay may



nagbabadyang mga bagyo, kaya mali-limit na naman sa indoor ang taping. Sana matapos nila ang mga taping in time para sa August pilot airing.

entrepreneur Christine Santos), and TCDSB Ward 8 Trustee Garry Tanuan.



In attendance too were leaders of the Filipino-Canadian business and communities in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)

including Monina Lim-Serrano, Agnes Miranda, Ramon Es-taris, Mary Ann San Juan, Theresa Lumanlan & Frank Cruzet of FCT, Wendy Arena of Folklorico, Rose Tijam of PPCO, Arlene Martinez of CANNEX, Al Tupe of ABC Accountants, Lapulapu & Ligaya Cana, Joseph & Lorelei Redoblado of FHHC, and Jocelyn San Juan of CNAC-O, the proceedings were aptly covered by Carlos Unas, publisher of the Filipino Bulletin, Joey Baking, publisher of Little Manila Confidential and Rose Ami of MyKapitbahay.

The Clark Development Corporation (CDC) delegation in Canada is part of its promotion to “bolster trade, investments, and business opportunities” in the former U.S. Clark Air Base located in Pampanga, Philippines. The event concluded with the usual acknowledgments, personal introductions, pleasantries, photo ops, goodbyes, and light refreshments. (Tony A. San Juan, OCT)