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QC cites lower crime rate at school opening

The Quezon City police reported a decline in the number of crimes from May 11 to June 7 this year despite the opening of classes.

During the period, the Central Police District (CPD) recorded 109 crime incidents, which account for a total crime solution efficiency of 82.35 percent.

In a report to Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., CPD chief Police Gen. Nicasio Radovan said the figure was lower than the previous 133 crime incidents registered from April 11 to May 10 this year.

Majority of those arrested from May 11 to June 7, according to Radovan, were drug dependents whose ages fall between 21 to 29 years old.

He said 95 percent of crimes reported occurred from 4 p.m. to 12 midnight.

Radovan said 90 percent of crimes committed in Quezon City were immediately solved because of the quick response by police officers, barangay security development officers and security guards.

"The police coordinating efforts with members of the community have facilitated the apprehension of criminal elements," he added.

The CPD's accomplishments during the period in review were highlighted by the arrest of 15 persons for illegal possession of high-powered firearms, the arrest of 82 persons for violation of Republic Act (RA) 9165 or illegal drugs and the confiscation of more than 160 kilograms of shabu.

The CPD also intensified its campaign against piracy, child abuse, illegal diggings and gambling.

Belmonte has reiterated the city government's continuing commitment to support the city police in its effort to rid Quezon City of all forms of lawlessness and criminality even as he urged law enforcers to continue raising their level of commitment and dedication in maintaining law and order in the city.

"The city government has provided the CPD with additional motor vehicles and communications equipment for its renewed peace and order

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CPD chief sacks erring traffic unit commander

THE Central Police District (CPD) traffic unit chief who has long been the subject of complaints by several traffic investigators and aides for mismanagement of his unit was relieved from his post.

Traffic investigators and aides cheered the relief of Chief Insp. Lemuel Mansebo, as ordered by CPD director Chief Supt. Ricardo de Leon, and his replacement by Senior Insp. Elizer Tomas.

This developed as De Leon announced the appointment of other police officers to various posts over the weekend.

CPD sources said that De Leon was prompted to order Mansebo's relief by complaints from motorists stemming from the centralization of the investigation of traffic violations in Quezon City.

Mansebo was assigned to the CPD district security and support unit. During his term as the city's traffic chief, he centralized the four traffic sectors under one unit.

The system came under fire after several motorists complained that the traffic investigators came too late to the scenes of vehicular accidents, since they all had to travel from the CPD headquarters in Camp Karingal, Sikatuna Village.

Traffic investigators said they got the blamed for the delay in traffic investigation reports since all these reports, more often than not, had to be first forwarded to Mansebo.

"Oftentimes, Mansebo wasn't in his office, and lots of people had to wait," he said.

Also reassigned in the latest CPD revamp were Senior Insp. Daniel Macatlang, to the National Capital Regional Command.

Macatlang was former deputy chief of the CPD-Criminal Investigation Division when he was ordered relieved by De Leon after he was implicated in the questionable release of some murder suspects.

Former CDP Station 1 commander Supt. Raul Medina was reassigned to the CPD headquarters following his stint at the NCRC. *FM*

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QC cops get 30 brand-new cars to boost patrol fleet

By Margaux C. Ortiz

THE QUEZON CITY GOVERNMENT HAS donated 30 brand-new vehicles to its police force in an effort to improve police visibility, patrol operations and response capability.

QC Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. said the new vehicles would benefit the Quezon City Police District's (QCPD) community precincts.

"Our primary concern is to provide safe surroundings for our residents, be it on the streets or in their homes," Belmonte said in a statement.

QCPD director Senior Supt. Magtanggol Gatdula said the patrol vehicles would be put to good use especially during their summer patrol activities.

Gatdula said he ordered the maximum deployment of mobile patrol cars and motorcycle units in crime-prone areas, subdivisions and major thoroughfares to deter criminal activities.

"We will also establish police assistance centers in strategic areas where large numbers of people usually converge," the police chief added.

In a report to the city mayor, Gatdula said police visibility would be heightened to secure MRT stations, bus terminals and other passenger holding areas during the summer months.

Gatdula said the police was set to coordinate with private security agencies hired by the MRT administration and bus companies to implement strictly the conduct of security checks.

The city has several public utility bus terminals. Buses ply Metro Manila and provincial routes including the Southern Luzon-Quezon City routes. They include Tritran, JAC and JAM Liners along Kamuning Road. Those plying the Northern Luzon-Quezon City routes include Baliwag, Victory, Partas and Dominion Bus Lines in the Cubao area.

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QC residents appeal

Residents of Barangay Doña Aurora, a populated commercial and residential block in District 4 in Quezon City, appealed yesterday to the Central Police District (CPD) and the city government for a round-the-clock police patrol of the area owing to the increasing incidence of lawlessness.

Also, they sought the suspension of the monthly allowance the Quezon City government gives to the Barangay Security Development Officers (NSDO) for alleged inability to maintain peace and order within the locality.

They said: "BSDOs or Barangay Tanods in Barangay Doña Aurora are mere parasites waiting their monthly allowances doing nothing."

It will be recalled that Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. has set aside ₱6 million as incentive allowance for the BSDOs in the 142 barangays in response to a measure filed by Councilor Resty Malañgen and passed by the city council.

The not-so-happy dwellers complaint of the rising incidence of house robberies, theft of car accessories and robbery snatching in broad daylight and at night.

According to them, seldom they see police and BSDOs patrolling the streets as an effective deterrent against the commission of crimes and other lawlessness.

Last Monday night, a group of youths armed with handguns shot and wounded the son of a Barangay Councilor (kagawad) who was then watching a billiard game on Serrano Laktaw St.

The suspects reportedly left a companion onboard a Mitsubishi "Lancer" they parked at a nearby street.

The group casually walked and aimed their gun on every terrified person they met. (Sel A. Baysa)

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QC official says bill on LGUs could pave way for corruption

Quezon City Treasurer Dr. Victor B. Endriga has criticized a move that will grant local officials the power to appoint local treasurers, saying that the measure will only serve as a blueprint for corruption and will only politicize a fiscal function.

"The bill will only compromise the local treasurer's job and make it susceptible to graft and corruption," he said.

Endriga was reacting to Senate Bill 1121 filed by Senate Minority Floor leader Aquilino Pimentel Jr. Pimentel called the bill "an act to strengthen local government units by amending certain provisions of RA 7160 or the Local Government Code (LGC) of 1991," specifically Section 443 of the LGC.

In his bill, Pimentel seeks to grant local officials the power to appoint local treasurers — a power currently enjoyed by the Secretary of the Department of Finance in accordance with existing laws.

Endriga, concurrent president of the Provincial and City Treasurers Association of the Philippines (PACTAP), said the present system has a built-in mechanism for checks and balance which safeguards the people's money and should not be tampered with.

The Harvard University/John F. Kennedy School of Government fellow cited the case of a city treasurer who readily faced death rather than surrender the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) to a mayor whose term had already expired. "The IRA is public fund, not the personal money of politicians," Endriga said.

"In a situation where the Pimentel measure is operational, the treasurer would not hesitate to hand over the people's money to his boss, the appoointing power," Endriga said.

Endriga also emphasized that the treasurer is the custodian of all election paraphernalia. "When a collusion between mayor and treasurer exists, expect a "dagdag-bawas" situation where the people's will would be thwarted and their sacred votes disenfranchised," Endriga said.

"The power of the purse should be left to an entity outside the local political structure to free it from the incubus of power politics and ensure that the treasury remains the people's coffer and not the personal kitty of would-be marauders," Endriga said.

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'Medalya ng Katapangan' for 10 cops

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By SEL A. BAYSA

For exceptional gallantry and dedication to duty, 10 police officers from the Central Police District (CPD) were accorded the "Medalya ng Katapangan" in ceremonies at the Quezon City Hall yesterday.

Mayor Feliciano Belmonte, Jr. presented the Philippine National Police (PNP) Bravery Medal to P/Supt. Franklin Mabanag, P/Insp. Roberto Razon, SPO3 Jose Fernandez, PO3 Joemar Manaol, PO2 Aniceto Herman, PO2 Glenn Consorte, PO2 Jay Calderon, PO2 Cesar Collado, PO1 Fernando Salonga and PO1 Liberty Cablin, all assigned at the Novaliches Police Station.

The award was pursuant to the provisions of the National Police Commission (Napolcom) memorandum circular.

Assisting Belmonte in handing the award was CPD Director P/Chief Supt. Nicasio Radovan.

Belmonte lauded the awardees for their relentless effort in neutralizing hardened criminals in Novaliches, Quezon City.

Led by Mabanag, the 10 police awardees were dispatched to conduct an anti-illegal drugs operation in a Muslim compound on Sarmiento Street in Barangay Sta. Monica, Novaliches, last June 10 after receiving reports that suspected drug dealers were in the area.

A firefight ensued between the police officers and the suspected drug dealers resulting in the killing of Usman Jakat Jusman and Samroding Tangkol alias Koko and the arrest of one Marseden Lopoy Dimatinag alias Joro.

Collado was reportedly hit four times on the left side of his body.

The mayor urged the awardees "to be sterling models of selfless dedication for other men in uniform."

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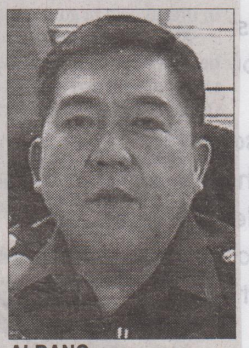
'6 arrested suspects in QC shooting binge not fall guys'

"Not fall guys."

This was the assurance given by Quezon City Police District (QCPD) operatives who arrested the six alleged suspects in the shooting spree last Sunday in Fairview, Quezon City that left seven people dead.

QCPD director Chief Supt. Richard Albano maintained they would not present fall guys as they wanted the arrested suspects to be captured alive.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The six suspects were arrested during a police raid on their suspected hideout in Fairmont Subdivision, Quezon City last Tuesday.

The raiding teams were armed with a warrant of arrest issued by Judge Aurora Hernandez of Quezon City Regional Trial Court Branch 87.

The suspects were identified as Alsaid Mindelano, 28, of Sta. Maria Street, Barangay Holy Spirit, Quezon City, the alleged driver of the red motorcycle used in the killings last Sunday; Cesar Ate, 45, of 11-A Banning Street, Fairmont Subdivision; Anmad Madcadato, 18; Bochary Mindelano, 32; Manzontawar Monib, 31, of the Darussalam Compound, and a 16-year-old minor.

The suspects attempted to escape during the raid but they were cornered by combined elements of the QCPD Criminal Investigation and Detection Unit, Special Weapons and Tactics and QCPD Station 5.

One of the alleged cohorts managed to escape, according to the police report.

Authorities were able to recover from the suspects' hideout guns, bullets, grenades, shabu and motorcycles.

The arrested suspects, however, denied they were involved in the shooting spree last Sunday but two witnesses positively identified some of them.

The witnesses reportedly identified Mindelano as one of the four motorcycle-riding gunmen behind the Fairview slaughter.

The suspects are currently detained at Camp Karingal.

Gina Peralta-Elorde

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QC gov't naka-alerto ngayong Semana Santa

Dahil sa banta ng terorismo, nanawagan sina QC Mayor Sonny Belmonte at Vice-Mayor Herbert Bautista sa Central Police District (CPD) na i-alerto ang lahat ng tauhan nito matapos makatanggap ng banta mula sa Abu Sayyaf Group na maghihiganti dahil sa nangyari sa kanilang mga kasama sa Taguig hostage crisis.

Sinabi nina Mayor Belmonte at Vice-Mayor Bautista, kailangang maging handa ang lahat dahil ang atensyon ng publiko ay nakatuon sa paggunita ng pagsasakripisyo ni Hesus.

Inatasan ni Mayor Belmonte si CPD director Nicasio Radovan na ipatupad ang malawakang pagtatalaga ng seguridad sa buong lungsod matapos makakuha ng impormasyon na nagbabalak ang ASG na umatake sa mga establisimento at Simbahan bilang pagganti sa sinapit ng kanilang mga kasamahan sa Taguig hostage crisis.

Itinalaga din ni Bautista ang mga tauhan ng Department of Public Order and Safety (DPOS) at mga barangay tanod bilang karagdagang puwersang tutulong sa pulisya sa pagbibigay ng seguridad sa mga bus terminals, palengke at mga commercial areas sa lungsod.

Magugunita na kinumpirma ng PNP na may balak na pag-atake ang ASG ngayong Holy Week bilang pagganti ay mananabotahe sila ng mga Simbahan at commercial establishments.

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QC cop falls in extort try

By RIZAL S. OBANIL

Agents of the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) arrested a Quezon City policeman in an entrapment operation after he reportedly tried to extort money from a nightclub owner.

SPO2 Allan Dela Cruz, alias "Michael" of the Central Police District-Criminal Investigation Unit (CPD-CIU), is now facing bribery charges before the Quezon City Prosecutor's Office.

Reports from the NBI-Special Task Force headed by Reynaldo Esmeralda said the complaint against Dela Cruz was lodged by Janet Panong, the owner of the Berks KTV bar located at the corner of Araneta and E. Rodriguez Avenues.

Panong told investigators that Dela Cruz went to their club two months ago with several companions and asked for the services of their guest relations officers (GRO).

Not contented with merely having a companion, Dela Cruz allegedly tried to force one of the GROs to have sex with him right inside the bar, Panong said.

The GRO refused Dela Cruz's request. Irked, the policeman allegedly drew his firearm and announced a raid.

The GROs, together with Panong, were brought to Camp Karingal in Sikatuna Village, Quezon City.

Inside the police camp, Dela Cruz threatened to file prostitution and anti-human trafficking charges against Panong.

But at the same time, Dela Cruz told Panong that she could negotiate with him if she wants the charges against her to be dropped.

Dela Cruz initially asked for ₱50,000. But when Panong told him that she couldn't afford the amount, Dela Cruz allegedly settled for ₱18,000. Panong, however, offered to give Dela Cruz ₱2,000 weekly "payola."

But Panong later changed her mind and decided to seek the assistance of the NBI.

Agents from the NBI set up an entrapment operation inside the KTV bar. There, Dela Cruz was caught red-handed receiving marked money.

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CPD peacekeeping effort cited

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. cited over the weekend the Central Police District (CPD) and other peace-keeping agencies for their well-organized efforts in securing peace during President Arroyo's State-of-the-Nation Address (SONA) at the Batasang Pambansa last month.

During the regular Executive Staff Meeting at the QC Hall, Mayor Belmonte said, "the efforts exerted by the police, military and local government agencies resulted in a very peaceful and orderly crowd outside the Batasan building for the duration of the President's annual address."

He stressed: "What made the peace-keeping efforts doubly significant is the fact that it took place at a time when peace and order is expected less."

On his part, CPD Director C/Supt. Nicasio Radovan Jr. also lauded the PNP hierarchy, the military, and various units of the city government, particularly the QC department of public order and safety (DPOS) "for helping us in achieving the feat."

Manuel Sabalza, DPOS chief, said other local government offices that contributed to the peace-keeping efforts include the environmental protection and waste management department, the engineering department, the QC Bureau of Fire Protection, the QC General Hospital and the Philippine National Red Cross (PNRC) — QC Chapter. (Sel A. Baysa)

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'Revamp QC police district'

By Rio N. Araja

MAYOR Herbert Bautista on Tuesday said the Quezon City Police Department should be revamped, following Sunday's shooting spree that killed seven people in Fairview.

"The QCPD has always been adjudged as the best police districts (in the National Capital Region). After extending allowances, gasoline (stipends), still we have those wanton killings," he told reporters.

"This is very embarrassing to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (World Economic Forum on East Asia). Quezon City is a premier city of the Philippines."

He called on Camp Crame to order a reshuffle to deal with the proliferation of drugs, loose firearms, operation of videokarera, hired killers and street crimes involving suspects riding motorcycles.

"I am frustrated. I feel bad. I represent the people of Quezon City. It is a time for a change at the QCPD," he said.

Meanwhile, authorities on Tuesday arrested six suspects over the shooting spree that killed five people in Fairview on Sunday.

At a news conference, Quezon City Police chief Richard Albano identified the suspects as Mangotawar Monib, Cesar Ate, Ammda Madicadato, Bochary Mindalano and Alsaid Mindalano as well as a 16-year-old boy following a raid in Fairmont Subdivision in North Fairview.

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Police visibility paying off in QC

By PERSEUS ECHEMINADA

Regular police beat patrols in crime-prone areas have proven to be quite effective in the arrest of suspected criminals in Quezon City.

In a report to Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., Central Police District director Chief Superintendent Nicasio Radovan said that from the 21 average street crimes committed each month, 18 arrests were made almost after their commission due to police presence and quick response of beat patrols.

Belmonte earlier directed the CPD to identify crime-prone areas and deploy more police beat and mobile patrols. Security guards and barangay *tanods* were also mobilized in the anti-crime drive of the city government.

The most recent of the solved crimes took place inside the University of the Philippines campus in Diliman, where two suspects in the killing of a graduating geology student were arrested by responding guards.

Early this month, a *balut* vendor who went on a stabbing spree was shot by responding policemen of a mobile patrol near the MRT station along EDSA in Quezon City.

Two men who also went on stabbing spree were immediately arrested early this week by a police mobile patrol that was passing near the KTV bar along EDSA.

Radovan also reported to the mayor profiles of perpetrators of various crimes based on information gathered from arrested suspects.

The CPD police chief said that most of those apprehended for petty crimes belong to the 18 to 21 age bracket. They are also jobless or meager income earners of the family.

Majority of the arrested offenders have reached or completed elementary education and most are hooked on illegal drugs. Offenders are mostly male and are not married.

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QC imposes drug test for cops

By SEL A. BAYSA

The Quezon City Council has approved a resolution requiring members of the Central Police District (CPD) and transferees from other districts assigned to CPD to undergo a mandatory yearly drug test.

Majority of the 24 Quezon City councilors approved the measure, saying this will help rid the Philippine National Police (PNP) of members who are drug dependents. District 4 Councilor Restituto Malangen authored the resolution.

Malangen filed the measure upon receipt of reports indicating that certain police officers are using prohibited drugs.

The other council members who endorsed the resolution were Councilors Antonio Inton Jr., Ramon Medalla, Godofredo Liban, Francisco Calalay Jr., Janet Malaya, Vic Ferer, Winston Castelo, Franz Pumaren and Bayani Hipol.

The measure authorizes the Quezon City General Hospital, the City Health Department, and the PNP Crime Laboratory to conduct the drug test.

Malangen said the PNP should rid itself of drug users and dependents in order for its members to effectively play their vital role as the maintainer and overseer of public order and safety in the country.

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Friday, August 5, 2005

Volunteer firemen in QC to undergo training soon

Volunteer firemen from Barangay Apolonio Samson, a populated community at District 2 in Quezon City, will undergo a three-day training on fire-fighting next week.

Resource persons from the Tactical Emergency Assistance and Monitoring (TEAM) Network, Inc. led by Johnny G. Yu and Apollo Carmona, TEAM founding chairman and operation's chief, respectively, will brief participants on, among others, fire emergency organization and suppression.

The forthcoming training was sought by Barangay Chairman Reynaldo de Jesus, in a letter to Yu, after his barangay acquired a brand new mini firetruck.

De Jesus said: "Our male-bodied residents would want to learn the various fire-fighting techniques before they are allowed to board the firetruck and participate in actual fire-combat operation."

At least 20 male residents have signed into the list of fire volunteers who would undergo the gruelling fire-fighting lesson.

Earlier, TEAM held a fire-fighting course to male residents of General Nakar in Quezon province.

To date, over 50 barangays in Metro Manila have availed of the TEAM's fire-fighting course.

Request for fire-suppression training course could be directed to the TEAM Operation's Center at No. 113 Old Samson Road, Balintawak, Quezon City. (Sel A. Baysa)

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Police asset killer slain in QC shootout

A man wanted for his alleged involvement in the death of a police officer and at least two assets of the Quezon City Police District (QCPD) was killed in a shootout in Barangay UP Village Sunday afternoon.

Mark Lawrence Escultor, 27, was declared dead on arrival at the East Avenue Medical Center following an encounter with policemen along Maginhawa street at around 2:50 p.m., said QCPD director Chief Superintendent Richard Albano.

Albano said Escultor was wanted for the death of at least three persons, the latest of which was the shooting of police informant Danny Panaligan, 27, over the weekend.

Escultor was also tagged in the killing of SPO1 Ivon Atilano on April 26, 2012 and police asset Vicente Anthony Andreza on Dec. 15, 2012, Albano said.

Atilano was previously detailed at the anti-narcotics unit of QCPD Station 9. Andreza and Panaligan were police informants.

Albano said they are conducting further investigation to find out if Escultor is connected to a drug syndicate tipped off by the slain informants to the authorities.

Chief Inspector Rodelio Marcelo, head of the QCPD Criminal Investigation and Detection Unit (CIDU), said the shootout was an offshoot of a follow-up investigation on the death of Panaligan.

Panaligan was shot dead while walking with a friend in Barangay Krus na Ligas at past midnight Sunday, said investigator SPO1 Jaime Jimena.

The suspect in the shooting was initially identified a certain Mac-Mac, who later turned out to be Escultor.

Marcelo said police officers went to Barangay Bagong Pag-Asa to arrest the suspect. However, the suspect fired at the policemen and escaped on his motorcycle.

A chase ensued between operatives and Escultor, who bumped into a parked vehicle along Maginhawa street in Barangay UP Village.

Marcelo said policemen tried to arrest Escultor, but he again fired at the arresting officers, prompting the latter to retaliate.

Police recovered from Escultor a caliber .38 handgun and ammunition for caliber .38 and caliber .357 guns.

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Monday, 14 March 2005
By SEL A. BAYSA

QC renews drive vs speed racing

45 vehicles taken to police station

It was learned that speed racing on Mindanao Ave., is held every Saturday between 1 a.m. and 2 a.m. to the detriment of residents and innocent motorists.

Police probers gathered that racing participants converged in different gasoline stations within the area before the race starts.

Powered by modified engines and fueled by aviation gas, stakes go as high as ₱100,000 per run.

Many of the drivers apprehended were minors believed scions of rich families in Quezon City and nearby cities.

This develpoed as Manuel Sabalza, chief, QC-DPOS, has ordered the regular nightly patrols not only along Mindanao Ave. but in other city streets and thoroughfares where there are speed racing activities.

He said the QC-DPOS will closely coordinate with the CPD to facilitate the effective implementation of the city ordinance penalizing the illegal street racing within the former Philippine capital.

Mayor Belmonte described the Saturday feat "as vital in the effort of promoting security and safety in the city and in preventing the loss of innocent lives and damage to properties that could transpire during the holding of the banned street activity."

At least 33 cars and 12 motorcycles were taken to the Central Police District (CPD) headquarters at Camp T. Karingal in Sikatuna Village in Quezon City early Saturday morning as the joint CPD and QC government renewed their crackdown against speed racing.

A report to Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. said the combined elements of the CPD and the QC's department of public order and safety (DPOS) have flagged down the vehicles on Mindanao Ave.

The vehicles will undergo validation to determine whether they are engaged in drag racing.

If found guilty, their respective owners shall be slapped with a ₱5,000 fine or an imprisonment of not more than one year, or both, at the discretion of the court.

Sr. Supt. James Brilliantes, chief, CPD Intelligence and Investigation Division (DIID), said the operation was in reaction to complaints over the upsurge of the nightly street racing in Quezon City, notably along the strip of Mindanao Ave.

He said the crackdown will be carried out on a regular basis to promote security and safety on residents and motorists plying the area.

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QC police mount own brand of 'Balik Paaralan' drive

The Central Police District (CPD) has started deploying police officers in and around school campuses in Quezon City as part of its Oplan Balik Paaralan.

CPD director Chief Supt. Nicasio Radovan Jr. ordered all station commanders under his command to ensure the general safety of students, most of whom will start going back to class on Tuesday.

The CPD program called for the deployment of police officers in and around school campuses not only to secure students and teachers but also to ensure the smooth flow of traffic in the general vicinity of the schools.

With only a complement of 115 police personnel to secure 36 school institutions as well as the whole of Fairview, the CPD Police Station 5 (PS-5) sought the cooperation of the community to augment its forces.

Supt. Felicidad R. Gido, PS-5 station commander, said Oplan Balik Paaralan has been in place as early as the first week of May.

School security officers and barangay tanods were given trainings and seminars during the summer vacation to orient them on security measures to be adopted in their areas of responsibility.

Drug prevention seminars in the community level were also given to provide school and community officials an insight into the drug menace.

The station had also initiated the "zone defense" strategy.

"The zone defense is meant to utilize the meager resources of the station to full capability," Gido said.

The Fairview area was divided into two zones and the station's two mobile patrol cars were assigned to each zone.

Critical and vulnerable areas were identified and given personnel priority.

Bike patrols were also utilized in school zones to augment mobile and foot patrols and enhance police visibility.

"For the first time, lady policemen are now being utilized in the bike patrols," Gido added.

These measures were fully deployed Monday morning as elementary classes began.

The fruits of Balik Paaralan were evident as Gido went the rounds of her area of responsibility.

An example is the Lagro Elementary School in Barangay Greater Lagro, Fairview, Quezon City.

Barangay tanods were utilized as traffic aides to ensure the safety of crossing students as well as to assure the smooth flow of traffic in the school area.

On the other hand, with their summer trainings coming to the fore, school security officers were more vigilant in their duty to secure the students inside the campus.

Meanwhile, with the traffic problem delegated to the community officers and campus security to school officials, the police have more time concentrating on their foot and bike patrols thus providing better security to students and teachers alike.

Dr. Angelina Avestro, Lagro Elementary School principal, lauded Gido for her efforts.

"Supt. Gido had shown that police and community cooperation is what we needed to ensure the safety of our schoolchildren," Avestro said. (Cielito M. Reganit/PNA)

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QC hall 'employee' arrested in extort try

Police arrested a man posing as an employee of the Quezon City Hall who allegedly extorted money from a group of tricycle drivers in Quezon City.

Inspector Reynaldo Medina of the Central Police District (CPD)-Criminal Investigation Unit (CIU) identified the arrested person as Arnel Marcelino, 38, also known as "Lino Reyes" or "Lino Caday,'' married, of Greenfields I, Novaliches, Quezon City.

Medina said Marcelino claimed to be an employee of the Quezon City Hall Tricycle Regulatory Unit (TRU) and was allegedly authorized to collect money from members of tricycle operators and drivers group in the city ranging from ₱500 to ₱1,000.

Marcelino was arrested by officials of the QC -TRU and CPD CIU operatives while doing his latest caper on Galas, Quezon City tricycle operators and drivers group near the Mabuhay Rotonda and United Doctor's Medical Center at about 4 p.m. Monday (Joel C. Atencio)

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Tight grouping. Quezon City Mayor Herbert Bautista takes aim during the opening of the Director's Cup shootfest in Camp Karingal on November 22, 2013 joined by city police head Chief Supt. Richard Albano and Senior Supt. Joel Pagdilao, deputy director for administration.

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Cops round up 44 drag racers in QC; violators face fines

By PERSEUS ECHEMINADA

Quezon City police and city government traffic operatives rounded up 44 people suspected of engaging in illegal street racing on Mindanao Avenue at dawn yesterday.

Manuel Sabalza, deputy city administrator and chief of the Department of Public Order and Safety (DPOS), said the arrest of the drag racers was a result of a weeklong surveillance conducted by his office and the Central Police District (CPD).

"We intercepted them as soon as they began racing, Sabalza told **The STAR**.

He said police and city traffic operatives rounded up 33 cars and 11 motorcycles from 1:30 a.m. to 3:30 a.m. along Mindanao Avenue, which has become the favorite racing strip for teenagers and young adults.

Sabalza said at least 70 officers and men from the CPD-District Intelligence Investigation Department, mobile patrol and traffic management office joined in the operation.

He said the drivers were booked for violation of a city ordinance, which prohibits drag racing on city streets.

If convicted the drag racers may face a maximum one-year prison term and a fine of P5,000.

Homeowners along Mindanao Avenue and Congressional Avenue have been complaining about the racing activities in area, which usually starts after midnight.

Sabalza said prior to the operation intelligence operatives had already identified the suspects and were ready to pounce on them as soon as the race started.

He said the suspects were eventually released after they were issued traffic violation receipts, but they will be charged before the city prosecutor's office for violation of the city ordinance.

"They will be summoned by the fiscal and they have to answer the charges against them," Sabalza said.

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. tosses a basketball for the ceremonial jump to formally open the Central Police District Mini Olympics at the Camp Karingal basketball court yesterday. Looking on is CPD director Chief Superintendent Nicasio Radovan. BOY SANTOS

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PNP BRAVERY MEDAL. Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. pins the PNP Bravery Medal to one of 10 Central Police District (CPD) policemen from Novaliches police station for bravery and dedication to duty for neutralizing hardened criminals in their jurisdiction during simple rites at QC Hall. The 'Medalya ng Katapangan' are accorded to P/Supt. Franklin Mabanag, P/Insp. Roberto Razon, SP03s Jose Fernandez, Joemar Manaol, P02s Aniceto Herman, Glen Consorte, Jay Calderon, Cesar Collado, and P01s Fernando Salonga and Liberty Cablin. Assisting the mayor are Vice Mayor Herbert Bautista (left) and CPD Director P/Chief Supt. Nicasio Radovan. (Sel A. Baysa)

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Token of appreciation. Quezon City Mayor Herbert Bautista assures QC Police chief, Supt. Richard Albano, of the city government's continuing commitment to support to the anti-criminality efforts during a recent command conference at Camp Karingal. Albano presented a token of appreciation for the Bautista's logistical assistance to strengthen the district's operational capability.

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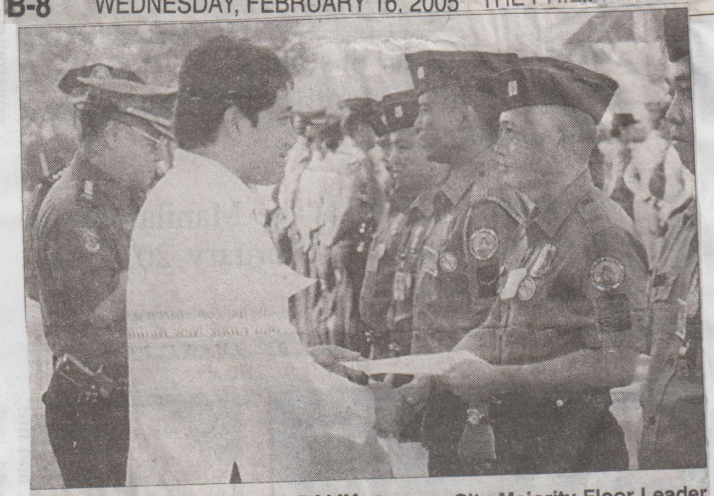

CPDO'S INSPECTION IN RANK: Quezon City Majority Floor Leader and Councilor Ariel Enrile-Inton assisted by CPDO District Director PSSupt. Nicasio Radovan Jr. gives the Lanyard of Honor and Certificate of Commendation to deserving police officers of the Central Police District Command Stations 7, 8 and 9 during the inspection in rank held last Feb. 5 at Camp Karingal, Sikatuna Village, Quezon City.

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FINANCIAL AID TO AILING CPD COPS: Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. shares a light moment with Central Police District Director Nicasio Radovan Jr. after presenting financial assistance to three CPDO police officers at the QC Hall Bulwagan. The mayor said the assistance is the city government's gesture of appreciation for the contribution of the police to the growth and development of the city brought about by the maintenance of peace and order in the city. Also in photo are Cynthia Oria, Fe Macale, assistant head of the social services development department; Alicia, wife of Col. Arturo Navarette, Radovan, wife of Captain Benjamin Cardenas and PO2 Federico Reyes.

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CPD UPDATES LEADERS ON CRIME SITUATION. Fairview Police Station chief, Supt. Felcidad R. Gido (extreme left) of the Central Police District, briefs community and business leaders from barangays Fairview, North Fairview, Greater Lagro, Pasong Putik, Kaligayahan and Sta. Lucia about the crime situation in their areas. The presentation is done using COMPSAT, which is basically a quantified and scientific analysis of the crime situation in a given area that provides the necessary data for the proper and most effective deployment of personnel and material resources. With Gido are (from left): Barangay chairs Leonito Jumadiao of Sta. Lucia; Manuel Tolentino of Greater Lagro; Nestor Reyes of North Fairview; Sr. Supt. Samuel Pagdilao, CPD Deputy Director for Operations; Chief Supt. Nicasio Radovan Jr., CPD director; Quezon City Councilor Aiko Melendez; and Arnel Quebal, chair of barangay Fairview. (PNA photo by Boy Antonio)

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QC police brief community, business leaders on peace-order

The Fairview Police Station of the Central Police District (CPD) has presented to community and business leaders the first ever crime situation update in its area of responsibility at a briefing held at the Fairview Barangay Hall.

Supt. Felicidad R. Gido, Police Station 5 commander in Fairview, reported to the different sector leaders the crime situation of their respective areas using COMPSAT or Computer Driven Crime Statistics, a format used by the police in crime reporting and analysis.

Gido said COMPSAT is basically a quantified and scientific analysis of the crime situation in a particular area and "provides us the data necessary for the proper and most effective deployment of human and material resources in our area of responsibility."

Gido noted that Station 5 covers a fast developing suburban community comprising Barangays Fairview, Sta. Lucia, Kaligayahan, Greater Lagro, Pasong Putik and North Fairview with a total estimated population of about 215,000.

Two critical installations – La Mesa Dam and a major Manila Electric Company power station – as well as three large shopping malls are under its protective responsibility.

Aside from numerous subdivisions and small business establishments, the police station also has under its wings 34 banks, 36 schools, eight hospitals, 15 stations and 26 pawnshops.

Gido said the purpose of the presentation is to educate the community and business leaders about the crime situation in their areas and how best to prevent, predict and act on it.

She stressed during her presentation the need for a broader cooperation between the police and the community in the fight against all forms of criminality. "With a force of only 151 police personnel, or one policeman for every 1,423 residents, cooperation from the community is vital in ensuring peace and order," Gido said.

For their part, the different sectional leaders present lauded Gido for her efforts and pledged their all-out support to the female police commander.

Present during the briefing were barangay chairmen Arnel Quebal of Fairview, Leonito Jumadiao of Sta. Lucia, Reynaldo Miranda of Kaligayahan, Manuel Tolentino of Greater Lagro and Jess Dungca of Pasong Putik and North Fairview as well as members of the council of elders, presidents of homeowner associations, business leaders, Muslim representatives, religious leaders and barangay watchmen from the six barangays.

Also present during the affair were Quezon City Councilor Aiko Melendez and the CPD top brass led by Chief Supt. Nicasio Radon Jr., and Senior Superintendents Magtanggol Gatdula, Alejandro Mateo and Samuel Pagdilao. (PNA)

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QC station chief, 2 cops axed

By NON ALQUITRAN

The commander of the Galas police station in Quezon City and two of his men were relieved yesterday for allegedly stealing the P170,000 cockfight winnings of a Manila barangay chairman they accused of illegal possession of shabu.

National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) director Chief Superintendent Leonardo Espina ordered Superintendent Norberto Babagay and his men, PO3 Wilberto Blanco and PO2 William Blanco, disarmed, stripped of their badges and suspended effective Wednesday.

Babagay and the two Blancos were reassigned at the NCRPO's regional police holding administrative unit while the Regional Investigation and Detective Management Division investigated the complaint of chairman Eduardo Torcelino of Barangay 711 in Malate, Manila against them.

"If found guilty, these policemen do not deserve another day in the service," a visibly irked Espina said.

Babagay said he has all the documents to prove that the arrests of Torcelino and his companion, Muntinlupa businessman Herminigildo Patdu, on Oct. 5 are aboveboard. He went to the NCRPO yesterday afternoon to submit the documents. He also said he is accepting Espina's order.

He said Torcelino's complaint was "a harassment case" and accused the official of sending feelers in an "attempt" to bribe him. "He offered me a large sum. I refused," Babagay said.

Different stories

Babagay said his men chanced upon Torcelino and Patdu in an altercation in front of a fastfood store at the Welcome Rotunda. He said his men saw Torcelino handing over a package to Patdu while another package remained with him. The two packages turned out to contain shabu, Babagay said.

He said the drug suspects underwent inquest proceedings with an initial resolution that the drug charges be filed in court, with no bail recommended. Three days later, Assistant City Prosecutor Alessandro Jurado said the case should undergo further investigation and ordered the release of the suspects.

Jurado cited the failure of the arresting officers to show that the two men are drug personalities and questioned the legality of

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QC renews drive vs urchins

The Quezon City government recently renewed its campaign to "cleanse" the streets of drug-using urchins and temporary settlers.

"Sagip-Kalinga," a rescue operation launched recently by the QC government, Department of Social Welfare and Development-National Capital Region (DSWD-NCR) and the Anti-Illegal Drugs Special Operations Task Force (AIDSOT), wants to save minors from the clutches of syndicates preying on street kids.

About 64 street urchins and temporary settlers were picked up earlier this week in rounding-up operations which were conducted along West Kamias, Kamuning, Timog Avenue, Project 6, Pag-asa and Greater Lagro.

Those rescued were immediately given supplemental feeding, counseling and material assistance such as clothing and medicines as well as referrals for admission to various rehabilitation centers, such as Bagong Buhay Rehabilitation Center in Bicutan for drug dependents and QC's Reception and Study Center for street urchins.

Supt. Erasto Sanchez, AIDSOT executive officer and task group commander, said the rescue operation will be conducted on a periodic basis or "as the need arises."

"What we are doing now is to keep these children off the streets and provide them with a decent environment that will help bring them back into the mainstream of decent society," Sanchez said. **Jing Villamente**

Sagip kalinga

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QC anti-crime drive up

By SEL A. BAYSA

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. has directed the Central Police District (CPD) to step up the drive against all forms of criminality within the country's former capital.

Specifically, the mayor ordered COD chief, Supt. Nicasio Radovan to deploy plain-clothes policemen in public places like malls, markets and churches.

Belmonte issued the order even as CPD Director Radovan reported that crimes committed against properties have dropped by 20 percent during the first quarter (January-March) compared to the same period last year.

Radovan attributed the slump to the CPD's drive to improve police authority and the continuous intensification of the integrated patrol system.

With the decrease in crimes against properties, according to Radovan, the CPD was able to register a crime solution efficiency of 73.50 percent.

Also, the first quarter reportedly saw the arrest of five members of the notorious Pagdanganan Carnap Group, the seizure of 800 kilos of explosive in Barangay Fairview and a drug laboratory in Barangay Holy Spirit.

The drive against criminals also led to the arrest of suspects involved in hold-up and robbery cases in Novaliches proper and Cubao area.

Radovan cited the role the public plays in ensuring the success of the police campaign against lawlessness in the city.

"Rest assured that your local police is at your back and call to make Quezon City, as Mayor Belmonte envisions it, a peaceful and friendly place to live in."

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Tuesday, December 8, 2009

Inspired by CNN hero, QC police to have own schools on pushcarts

By **JEFFREY G. DAMICOG**

Inspired by the achievements of CNN Hero of the Year Efren Peñaflorida, the Quezon City Police District (QCPD) will also have its own schools on pushcarts.

The QCPD launched yesterday its "Kariton Ni Kuya Ef Sa QCPD" with Peñaflorida gracing the ceremony as its guest.

"Kariton ni Efren sa QCPD is QCPD's contribution to the fight against illiteracy and poverty among the youth in the socio-educationally deprived areas of the city," said district director Chief Supt. Elmo San Diego said.

San Diego said under the project each of the 12 police stations of the district will have one pushcart while the main office will have two pushcarts.

"We will initially provide storytelling and bookreading sessions for street children," he said.

San Diego said each pushcart will have books for reading for children. At the same time, the pushcart will serve as a soup kitchen for them.

The pushcarts will be manned by chosen policemen who have backgrounds in education, he said.

But instead of the pushcarts roaming the streets, San Diego said the QCPD will designate areas where the pushcarts will be brought.

"Not only children who are deprived of education but also adults who wanted to learn are also welcome," he said.

The police official said he hopes that other groups will also follow the footsteps taken by Peñaflorida.

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Toothsome smile. First Gentleman Mike Arroyo and Quezon City Mayor Sonny Belmonte are all smiles as beneficiaries of the free dentures project, 'Bagong Ngiti sa Dating Ngebu,' try on their new sets of dentures. The First Gentleman led the distribution of the dentures during a simple ceremony held Monday at the CPD headquarters in Camp Karingal. Mr. Arroyo shouldered the cost of the dentures. PNA

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Quezon City police bare 28% drop in crimes vs property

The Central Police District Office (CPDO) has announced a 28 percent decrease in the volume of crimes against property in Quezon City during the first quarter of the year compared to same period last year.

Quezon City police chief Sr. Supt. Nicasio Radovan said the dramatic decrease of crime incidents in the city was attributed to the intensified integrated patrol system being implemented by the CPDO.

In his report to Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., Radovan also said the CPDO registered a crime-solution efficiency of 73.50 percent.

The police chief attributed the reduced crime rate to the CPD's renewed campaign against all forms of criminality and the intensified police visibility which serves as a deterrent factor against crimes.

Among the accomplishment of the CPDO during the first quarter of the year were the arrest of five members of the dreaded Pagdanganan car theft gang and Tyrone Dave Santos, alias Daud Santos.

They also seized 800 kilos of explosives in Barangay Fairview and effected the arrest of holdup suspects allegedly responsible in the strings of robbery in Novaliches, Quezon City.

In an interview, Radovan ensured Quezon City resident that they will do their best to contain if not minimize crime incidents in the city.(Rico C. Navarro)

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14,000 riot cops for GMA's SONA

By NON ALQUITRAN

At least 14,000 anti-riot policemen will be deployed to secure the Batasan Pambansa complex in Quezon City and other areas in Metro Manila during the fifth State of the Nation Address (SONA) of President Arroyo on July 25.

Metro police chief Director Vidal Querol said 7,000 men, mostly coming from the Central Police District (CPD), will be securing the five entry and exit points of the Batasang Pambansa to prevent rallyists from sneaking into the complex.

Querol met yesterday with CPD director Chief Superintendent Nicasio Radovan to fine-tune aspects of their preparations for the rally.

"I have designated taskings for the five police districts, including the crowd disturbance management (CDM) units, in our preparation for the massive rally during the President's SONA," said Querol.

Senior Superintendent Felipe Rojas Jr., intelligence chief of the National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO), said anti-riot policemen will also be fielded to secure the EDSA Shrine in Mandaluyong City and



A bazooka and a caliber .30 machine gun are positioned at a rest area of Western Police District headquarters in Manila yesterday as members of the PNP Special Action Force relax while waiting for instructions.
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PNP ready for 1 M marchers

By CECILLE SUERTE FELIPE

The Philippine National Police (PNP) is ready to deal with huge street protests and marches expected to be launched tomorrow by leaders of the opposition, which is targeting a million people to join the call for the resignation of President Arroyo.

PNP chief Director General Arturo Lomibao said the PNP, particularly members of Task Force Manila Shield, is ready to handle the crowds with the assistance of augmentation force from Region 1 (Ilocos Region), Region 2 (Cagayan Valley), Region 3 (Central Luzon) and Region 4A (Calabarzon).

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71 vintage bombs found in QC, Pasig

By **RIZAL S. OBANIL**

Seventy-one vintage bombs were found separately in Quezon City and Pasig City early yesterday.

An 81-mm World War I mortar shell was found at a garbage dump in QC at 4:30 a.m. while a scavenger was sifting through the garbage.

Members of the Explosives Ordnance Division (EOD) of the Quezon City Police Department went to the area and secured the vintage bomb.

Vintage bombs, experts said, are often found by construction workers while digging in different parts of the country. They advised the public to refrain from handling the bombs, more so from selling them to any junk shop.

The vintage bombs, although obsolete, can still pose a threat when improperly handled and should immediately be left to the care of authorities for proper storage and disposal, the experts said.

Meanwhile, some 70 vintage bombs were fished out by the Philippine Coast Guard from a portion of the Pasig River during dredging operations yesterday morning.

The vintage bombs will be turned over to the bomb squad unit of the Pasig City Police.

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QC cops have reason to smile as they get 'teeth' to enforce law

MANILA (PNA) — A total of 111 members of Metro Manila's Central Police District (CPD), including the non-uniformed personnel and their dependents, were the latest beneficiaries of First Gentleman Jose Miguel T. Arroyo's free dentures project, aptly called "Bagong Ngiti sa Dating Ngebu."

The beneficiaries included 73 policemen, 28 civilian employees, six police aides and four dependents.

Mr. Arroyo, together with Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) Director General Avelino Razon, and CPD chief Sr. Supt. Nicasio Radovan Jr. led the distribution of the free set of dentures to immediate beneficiaries during a ceremony held yesterday morning at CPD headquarters in Camp Karingal, Sikatuna Village, Quezon City.

Razon said the CPD is fortunate to be part of the First Gentleman's benevolence, thanking him for bringing his project not only to the police district but to the entire NCRPO.

"This is part of the First Gentleman's continuing projects to reach out to everyone from all walks of life and provide various kinds of services," Razon said.

"We cannot thank him enough. The least we can do perhaps is to offer him our brightest smiles," he added.

Radovan, for his part, also thanked the First Gentleman, saying that with their new dentures the policemen would have more "teeth" in enforcing the law.

The beneficiaries were represented by Lt. Delfina Perez, who is assigned at the Women's Desk of the CPD.

Visibly happy with the outcome of his project at the CPD, Mr. Arroyo challenged the police officials to get at least 1,000 more beneficiaries for the project apart from the 1,000 cataract patients.

The First Gentleman said he is willing to sponsor a cataract medical mission for Quezon City policemen and their dependents, although he wanted a bigger number of beneficiaries.

Funds for these projects come from the personal fund of Mr. Arroyo.

The beneficiaries were screened, examined and fitted dentures from Jan. 12-22 by the dental service of the CPD. Dencraft Dental Laboratory made the dentures.

The "Bagong Ngiti sa Dating Ngebu" was launched last January 6 at Manila's Western Police District (WPD). Some 115 policemen, civilian, employees and their dependents were identified as beneficiaries.

The First Gentleman is scheduled to spread his project to the Southern, Eastern and Northern Police Districts.



ALL SMILES. First Gentleman Mike Arroyo, together with Mayor Sonny Belmonte and other city officials, are all smiles as beneficiaries of the free dentures project 'Bagong Ngiti sa Dating Ngebu', of Mr. Arroyo receive and fit their new set of dentures during ceremony yesterday at the CPD headquarters in Camp Karingal. (Art Torres)

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FINANCIAL AID FOR AILING CPD COPS. Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. (4th from left) gives instructions to Central Police District (CPD) Director Nicasio Radovan Jr. after handing over financial assistance for three CPD officers. The assistance is the QC government's gesture of appreciation for the contribution of the police to the growth and peace and tranquility in the city. In photo are (from left) Cynthia Oria, Fe Macale, assistant head, social services development department, Alicia, wife of Col. Arturo Navarette and the wife of Capt. Ben Cardenas and PO2 Federico Reyes. (Sel A. Baysa)

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60 QC cops undergo search, rescue training

By **CHITO CHAVEZ**

With weather disturbances expected to frequent the country in the coming years, 60 officers of the Quezon City Police District (QCPD) went through extensive search and rescue (SAR) training at the La Mesa Dam in a bid to reduce casualties and increase efficiency in times of calamities.

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. said the police officers participating in the program were provided with brand-new rubber boats in simulating real-life dangers during emergency operations.

With climate change causing heavy rainfall, Belmonte underscored the importance of the training not only to beef up the number of emergency personnel but also to get the police officers accustomed to calamity-like situations.

He noted that getting the emergency and rescue teams from the local police fully prepared during crisis minimizes deaths, injuries and damage to properties as the program allows them to get used to adversities common in natural disasters.

Senior Police Officer (SPO) 1 Aurelio Villanueva said the extensive emergency training is the closest thing to real life calamities saying that their exposure provided with the possible scenario they might encounter during actual rescue work.

He admitted the lack of professional and rigid emergency training might have caused the loss of lives especially as panic begins to set in during impending disasters. "Don't get me wrong. I just want to explain that more lives would have been saved if the rescuers were properly trained on the modern techniques of rescue operations. It is difficult to get the job done flawlessly if the SAR groups lack proper training and the needed equipment. I salute them for risking their lives under the circumstances," Villanueva added.

Tadeo Palma, secretary to the Quezon City mayor, said the aftermath of "Ondoy" prompted the Quezon City government to acquire additional inflatable rafts for emergency cases like flashfloods.

He said that as part of the agreement the supplier of the rubber boats provided training on the use and proper maintenance of the rubber boats including maneuvering techniques and rope course which may come in handy during real life disastrous situations.

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QC's first female station commander



The boss is a lady. Gido confers with her precinct commanders.

Police station commanders are usually tough male officers. Petite, soft-spoken and kind-hearted is not usually words used to describe a policeman.

But Police Superintendent Felicidad Ramos Gido is as tough as she is soft-spoken. Recently appointed station commander of Police Station-5 in Fairview, Quezon City, Gido is the first female to be appointed to such a post in the Central Police District.

In her first talk with her all-male force, she said, "I am sure that most, if not all, of you will surely hate me. But in the end, later on, you will learn to love me."

Gido is more than just a police officer, she is also a lawyer, has a master's degree in Criminology and is currently working on her doctorate in Developmental Education. She is also an associate professor at the National Police College in Fort Bonifacio and occasionally gives lectures abroad.

She admitted that her promotion came as a surprise to her: "But I am very happy because it shows that women are accepted as equals and partners in nation-building."

Gido described herself as "a stickler for details" especially when it comes to following procedures. She lamented that in her experience, many cases go down the drain because of procedural lapses on the part of policemen.

Quirk of fate

Gido has been the recipient of numerous commendations, awards and medals. She is especially proud of being chosen one of the "10 Outstanding Policewomen" in 2002 by Zonta International.

Ironically, Gido never thought she'd end up being a police officer. The youngest of 10 children and the only girl in the family, Gido lost her father when she was only 12 years old. At that age, she learned how to deal with life's harsh realities.

"My mother was an ambulant vendor," she recalled. "Policemen would scare her off the sidewalks and she would run away to avoid arrest or paying fines."

Gido started out as a clerk with the country's police force in 1969. She described her becoming a policewoman as a "quirk of fate."

Because she was always carrying large sums of money from her part-time job as a real-estate agent, Gido approached an officer named Col. Manuel Porras to help her get a gun to protect herself. Porras did that but also convinced her to join the force.

Well-rounded person

Gido, who is the mother of six children, is married to another police officer. Her husband Bertran is a police superintendent stationed at the Davao International Airport.

In the course of her career, Gido went on patrol, worked at the Judge Advocate General Office in Camp Crame and eventually became chief of the Women and Children's Desk at the Criminal Investigation and Detection Group.

As the first female station commander of Quezon City, Gido said there is nothing extraordinary about her expectations.

"I want discipline, respect for rank, punctuality and police visibility in my station," she stressed. **PNA**

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Improvised bomb found in QC

AN improvised explosive device with enough firepower to turn a vehicle into a carbomb was discovered Thursday morning in a squatters' area in Quezon City.

Supt. Raul Petrasante, station commander of the Central Police District-Police Station 2, said the half-finished bomb was found in an apartment at 39 E-A Aries Street, San Roque I, Baranggay Bagong Pag-asa.

The police received a tip from barangay officials that bombs were being manufactured in the apartment owned by Eddie Madrigal.

The barangay councilman, Yolly Doronal, sought the help of the CPD after observing that several men frequented the house.

Responding policemen did not catch any of the men but recovered the improvised bomb, cylinders, a small amount of black powder and blasting caps.

The bomb paraphernalia were stashed in a plastic bag.

"[It's still powerful enough] to make a car explode," Petrasante told The Manila Times in a telephone interview

The CPD is looking for Madrigal to give information about the individuals who were renting the apartment.

Ronnie E. Calumpita and Claudine Torres

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A boy puts his head in the mouth of a dinosaur statue while playing at the Quezon City Circle yesterday. ERNIE PEÑAREDONDO

QCPD warns vs thieves in 'hip-hop' clothes

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) told supermarket and grocery owners yesterday to keep a close eye on customers wearing "hip-hop" or baggy clothes, saying they could be thieves who would hide stolen grocery items in their clothes.

QCPD Station 8 chief Superintendent Oscar Palisoc issued the warning after they arrested Ronald Ferrer, whom he described as a jobless man in hip-hop attire, for allegedly stealing P1,150 worth of Cadbury dairy milk chocolate bars with roasted almonds from a branch of a popular supermarket chain in Barangay Bagumbayan.

Palisoc said Ferrer was caught trying to hide the stolen items in his loose pants, which had big pockets, and camouflage the bulk with his loose shirt.

Palisoc said Ferrer, who has been charged with theft, now needs to post P10,000 bail. He added that they believe the suspect belongs to a group of seasoned thieves and police expect his alleged cohorts to bail him out today.

"They wear loose pants with big pockets inside along with loose and long shirts. They work in rotations, they have spotters and they have vehicles," Palisoc told **The STAR**. "If an operation is successful, they proceed to another target. They also have buyers of the items they steal."

Palisoc said his men regularly patrol areas in Cubao where a number supermarkets and grocery stores are located.

– Michael Punongbay



FIREARMS SEALED OFF. QC Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. tapes the gun of a policeman after sealing other 10 high-powered firearms at the City Hall Lobby. The mayor has warned CPDO policemen against indiscriminate firing of their guns. Looking on are Councilors Eric Rey Medina and Ariel Inton, CPDO Director PS/Supt. Nicasio Radovan, PS/Supt. Elmo San Diego, CPDO-QC Hall Detachment commander, Sr. Insp. Mel Lopez, P/SSupt. Oscar Mascarinas, and PAISO head Gregorio T. Banacia (partly hidden)

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Special memorial plan for QC cops

By SEL A. BAYSA

A special memorial service package will be given to Quezon City policemen, firemen and Barangay Security Development Officers (BSDOs) who die in line of duty.

The memorial service package was contained in a memorandum of agreement (MOA) entered between the Quezon City government and the La Funeraria Paz, Inc. which reads "frontline city workers shall be provided with free funeral services who shall perish in the line of duty or while in the performance of lawful discharge of their official functions."

QC Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., who led city officials during the signing with Jose Gonzales, president, Funeraria Paz, described the scheme as instrumental in easing the financial burden of the surviving families who will be shouldering the high cost of funeral services.

The package shall include the retrieval of remains from the place of death, body preparation to include embalming for five days, bathing, clothing and application of cosmetics, provision of wooden casket, use of viewing chapels, use of viewing paraphernalia and equipment in case the viewing is done at home, church or temple, documentation of the necessary interment, cremation and transfer permits and use of the vehicles from retrieval of remains to conveyance of the deceased to interment site.

The provision of the special service package shall be limited, however, within Metro Manila, for a period of five days covering 10 members per year for each service department.

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QC to launch Super Blotter

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) is set to introduce a ₱5 million worth of high technology system in a bid to improve its service and performance among the city residents.

In a report to Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. at the Bulwagang Amoranto at Quezon City Hall, S/Supt. Elmo San Diego, acting chief of QCPD, said that the district had enlisted the service of a private IT firm, which has been working four months for the system dubbed "Super Blotter Book," which is now almost completed.

San Diego urged Belmonte to support the three proposed projects of the QCPD, particularly the Super Blotter to make it available soon in the 11 police stations of the QCPD.

He explained that with the use of the Super Blotter, the police station desk officer will be systematically guided in interviewing victims of crimes, witnesses or even reporters, thus, avoiding possible mistakes in crime information brought about by poor handwritings and human error.

"With the Super Blotter, uniformity in the entries will be observed and details that maybe overlooked and not entered can also be prevented," San Diego said.

The project, the QCPD acting chief said, is very practical because it is not network dependent or no need for Internet connection can be run on older computer machines and data can be easily consolidated with the use of a flash drive. (Raul Gonzales)



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Free funeral for QC cops, firefighters

By DJ Yap

QUEZON City cops and firefighters who die in the line of duty will soon get free funeral services—from embalming to interment.

This was provided for in a memorandum of agreement (MOA) between the city government and La Funeraria Paz signed yesterday. Covered in the agreement are police officers, fire fighters and barangay security development officers.

The "special memorial service package" covers the retrieval of remains from the place of death, body preparation including embalming and application of cosmetics, wooden casket, use of viewing chapels, interment or cremation documentation, funeral personnel service, and use of vehicles from the viewing place to the interment or cremation site.

Central Police District Director Nicasio Radovan Jr. said the agreement was a "morale booster" for police officers who no longer had to worry about how their family would pay for funeral costs, should they die at work.

Quezon City social services department head Tess Mariano commended La Funeraria Paz for making the offer.

"La Funeraria Paz has always been helpful to the city government, even during the 2002 Payatas tragedy when they offered to help us bury the victims," she said.

The MOA was signed by Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. and La Funeraria Paz president Jose Gonzales Jr.

The funeral package is available to 10 people in each department every year. Services are limited to five days and subject to the availability of funeral facilities.

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13 policemen awarded with 'Medalya ng Kagitingan'

By NON ALQUITRAN

A day after a shootout that resulted in the death of three robbery suspects, 13 policemen of the Quezon City Police District involved in the operation were awarded yesterday, with the chief of the Metro Manila police saying there needs to be an immediate pat on the back for their well performing personnel.

Metro police chief Director Jefferson Soriano conferred yesterday the medals to Superintendents Alex Sintin, and Ipil Duenas, Inspector Celso Destajo, SPO1 Sandino Rodriguez, PO3 Christian Bajen, PO3 Egberg Clark Valdez, PO3 Kristo John Ramirez, PO3 Jimmy Paras, PO3 Mario Palic, PO2 Rufino Gabis, PO1 Rionaldo Sabulaan, PO1 Ganie Walter Ganiron, and PO1 Marlon Borres, all belonging to the District Police Intelligence Unit.

Records show that the DPIU personnel were conducting detective patrol in Quezon City at around 3:30 a.m. Tuesday when they received reports of a robbery incident at the Sea Oil gas station and the Goodah fastfood chain located along Tandang Sora Ave., in Barangay Culiat.

A team headed by Destajo immediately responded and intercepted the three suspects who were armed with caliber .38 revolvers.

Instead of surrendering, the suspects opened fire at the policemen, who returned fire.

The exchange of gunfires resulted in the death of the three suspects.

Soriano commended the DPIU personnel for their immediate response to the call for police assistance, which he dubbed as "an excellent display of their strong commitment to serve and protect the community."

"Their heroism has earned credit not only for themselves and the Metro police office but for the whole PNP organization. That is why they are worthy to receive the Medalya ng Kagitingan," said Soriano. – **With Reinir Padua and Cecille Suerte Felipe**

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MAYOR SB PLAYS SANTA TO POLICE DEPENDENTS. The Central Police District (CPD) grandstand at Camp Karingal in Sikatuna Village in Quezon City is the venue of the recent gift-giving activity for CPD personnel and their dependents. Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. (middle), Senior Supt. Nicasio Radovan (left) and another ranking police official, watch as the mayor hands over a gift to a tot while being carried by his policeman father. (Sel A. Baysa)

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QCPD launches unified blotter system

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The next time you go to a police station to report a crime in Quezon City, a police officer could be encoding your statement directly into a computer that will immediately churn out a spot report, complete with all the information needed in crime investigation.

The "super blotter," a project of the Quezon City Police District, is a database specifically designed to meet the city police's crime statistics need, according to QCPD director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula.

"The primary objective of the database is to simplify collection so the raw data is as accurate as possible," Gatdula said.

Chief Inspector Nicolas Torre III, chief of the QCPD-District Operations and Plans Division and the one who headed the development of the new unified blotter system, said the electronic "super blotter" will be ready for use in one to two months.

Torre said he started developing the database in 2005 and recently tapped professional computer experts to customize it for crime statistics. He said the database costs around P5 million to develop.

"The problem (with the current blotter system) is that it has no format. It has no uniform entries and there's always the possibility that some details are left out," he noted.

Torre cited that the profile of the victims is usually not included in the spot reports of crimes.

In the "supper blotter," when one reports a robbery-snatching incident, the database will immediately show the names – and even the aliases – of past robbery suspects and their pictures or artist sketches for the victim to immediately identify the culprit.

And the search can even include the modus operandi of the suspects or which gang they belong, Torre said.

It could also provide information on specific areas in the city where similar incidents have occurred in the past.

"Automatically, it (database) can generate a crime map," Torre said.

He said the "blotter extract" of the "super blotter" will be available in a shorter time compared to the spot report in the current blotter system.

The aim is "to replace the old (blotter book)," Torre said.

He said there have been similar initiatives in the past to build a crime database, such as the National Crime Information System of the Philippine National Police in the 1990s. He said these initiatives were not adopted everywhere, as the developers intended.

To avoid this, Torre said they want the QCPD's "super blotter" to be simple and easy to use, even for ageing police officers who are not as adept in using computers.

"It can run on old computers... It's being developed with Pentium 1 in mind... It doesn't need networking and it's not Internet dependent," he said.

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. plays Santa Claus to dependents of Central Police District personnel during a gift-giving program at the CPD Grandstand in Camp Karingal, Sikatuna Village. Beneficiaries of the gift-giving included children from indigent families in Barangay Botocan. Assisting the mayor are CPD director Senior Superintendent Nicasio Radovan, Senior Superintendent Samuel Pagdilao and Senior Superintendent Freddie Panen.
JOEY VIDUYA

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QC cops go high-tech

Thanks to the efforts of Quezon City Police District (QCPD) chief Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula, the whole of Camp Karingal may soon become a "wi-fi zone."

According to Gatdula, the main building of the camp located in Barangay Sikatuan is already a "wi-fi zone" where anyone could connect to a wireless Internet network.

In a recent interview, Gatdula said there is a plan to make wi-fi zones of all the buildings at Camp Karingal and even the police stations all over the city.

"We intend to do that, because we want to make all our communications paperless," the QCPD chief said.

He also cited that even the daily journal of all the police reports are now transmitted via e-mail.

QCPD's Criminal Investigation and Detection Unit (CIDU) chief, Superintendent Franklin Moises Mabanag, said this has helped them have faster coordination among all the units of the QCPD.

"Printed reports take additional time. If you could limit the time of transmission, it would be much better," he said.

Just recently, Gatdula also distributed more than 50 wireless landline telephones to all the section heads and station commanders of the QCPD.

The units, worth a total of P155,000, were given out to facilitate faster communication among key officials of the QCPD.

Gatdula also said these wireless phones would also allow the police officials to save on cellular phone bills.

According to Gatdula, all these are part of the "transformation program" of the leadership of the Philippine National Police, though the QCPD is no longer waiting for funding from Camp Crame.

Gatdula said these changes at Camp Karingal will be shouldered by funds under his operating expenses and with the help of the local government.

Gatdula said Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. has expressed support for these projects.

One of the things Gatdula said is already in the pipeline is an "investigation van" with different gadgets and equipment for the QCPD-CIDU.

"With this investigation van, for example, investigators would no longer need to bring a witness to Camp Karingal to get his statement and gather other information. The data gathering could already be done there at the crime scene," he explained.

Gatdula also revealed that a crime laboratory would also be built right beside the CIDU building at Camp Karingal. Currently, his men still bring evidence for autopsy and other laboratory work to the PNP headquarters in Camp Crame.

The QCPD chief is also eyeing the installation of close-circuit television cameras at 50 "important areas" in the city to help the QCPD prevent street crimes, which cost cost around P50 million.

Gatdula said they intend to provide the QCPD's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team with more state-of-the-art firearms to improve its capability.

– Reinir Padua

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Woman climbs MRT billboard in QC

By MIKE FRIALDE



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Precy de los Santos points at rescuers as she threatened to jump from a 50-foot high billboard scaffolding near the MRT station on Quezon Avenue and EDSA yesterday. She was eventually convinced to climb down. REUTERS

Rescuers convinced a woman to climb down from a billboard scaffolding near the Metro Rail Transit on EDSA-Quezon Avenue, from which she threatened to jump yesterday.

The Central Police District identified the woman as Precy de los Santos, 39, a vendor from Sariaya, Quezon.

Police said De los Santos was seen by witnesses climbing the billboard frame at about 4:15 a.m.

They immediately called for assistance. Police and rescue teams, led by Kamuning police station chief Superintendent Edgardo Pamitan and Inspector Randolf Vides of the Bureau of Fire Protection were deployed to the scene.

De los Santos threatened to stab herself when rescuers climbed the scaffolding and attempted to bring her down.

The woman said she wanted to kill herself because her nine-year-old daughter Jamela Amer was forcibly taken to Pampanga by her live-in partner Amier Mohammad Galander.

De los Santos said she lodged a complaint against Galander with Camp Crame, but claimed police investigators had ignored her.

She was eventually convinced to come down after rescuers promised to locate Galander.

At about 3:00 p.m., Galander and the child arrived at the Kamuning police station to fetch De los Santos, who was released without charges.

Last. Nov. 2, a woman, claiming to have won a promotional contest for a vinegar company, but was later denied of her prize, attempted to jump off a 50-foot billboard at the corner of EDSA and East Avenue in Quezon City.

She climbed down the billboard some 30 minutes later after being convinced by a police negotiator.

Last September, a man carrying his one-year-old son jumped off a 30-foot bridge on Commonwealth Avenue in Quezon City, resulting in the death of the child.

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Discipline Zone' launched in QC

By SEL A. BAYSA

The Quezon City government and the local police launched an action program against law breakers and criminalities in the city dubbed "Discipline Zone" or "Sumunod sa Batas (SB) Zone."

Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. said the SB Zone program "is the biggest experiment we ever had in terms of law enforcement and governance which we envisioned to produce well-disciplined people."

Belmonte stressed that the program would be of great help to the city and its residents in terms of peace, order, and security and safety, among others.

On hand during the launching were PNP National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) Director Geary Barias, Robert Nacianceno, general manager, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA), and Police Chief Supt. Samuel Pagdilao.

Belmonte warned motorists, pedestrians and vendors to follow existing laws and ordinances such as no-littering, no jaywalking, no vending, and all traffic rules to avoid necessary penalty set by law.

Quezon City Police District (QCPD) head Magtanggol Gatdula said the SB Zone program initially covers the five-kilometer stretch of Commonwealth Avenue, from Philcoa to Litex area, where laws and ordinances will be strictly implemented.

Director Barias said the "Discipline Zone" will also be implemented in other cities in Metro Manila.

He said: "This program that the QCPD and the local government has initiated will be adopted all over the metropolis because at this time, I can see the beauty of having a discipline zone, although it was a tough job, but the fruit of their hard labor is worthwhile."

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Criminals endangered species in Baler, QC

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Newly installed Central Police District Station 2 commander Supt. Raul Petrasanta vowed to rid his area of illegal drugs and of criminals.

On his third week as the new chief of Baler police station, Petrasanta netted a number of petty thieves and big-time drug pushers as he presses reforms for his men to shape up.

Among his accomplishments was the arrest of a notorious couple who sells drug in Barangay Bagong Pagasa over the weekend.

Eva Tayao, 32, and Zaldy Mizola, live-in partners in San Roque 1, were nabbed after a weeklong surveillance and drug buy-bust operation conducted by Petrasanta's men.

The duo yielded two heated plastic sachets containing undetermined amount of shabu and are now booked for the crime of drug pushing.

Petrasanta's order of intensified anticrime drive also netted the tandem of Glahado Panganiban and Marvin Reyes, both minors, who were caught riding tandem with a stolen motorcycle.

The vehicle owner, Maverick Regala from Manila, said the vehicle includes a side car which was used as a tricycle in Tondo, Manila.

Follow-up operation conducted by Petrasanta led to the recovery of the side car also in Tondo and the two suspects were turned over to the Western Police District anticarnapping unit.

Petrasanta conducted dialogues with barangay leaders and people's organization chiefs for a coordinated move between them and the police to thwart not only petty crimes but also to neutralize big-time crime groups if there is any in their area.

Jing Villamente

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19 TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2008

Commonwealth Avenue now a 'discipline zone'

The Quezon City government and the Quezon City Police District (QCPD) will start enforcing the strict observance of traffic laws and city ordinances along Commonwealth Avenue starting Wednesday.

Under the program, the five-kilometer stretch of Commonwealth Avenue from Philcoa to Litex will serve as a pilot "discipline zone" in Metro Manila, where authorities will crackdown on anyone violating rules against jaywalking, littering, smoking, drinking in public, squatting and vending.

QCPD chief Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula said the program would lessen, if not eradicate, crimes by addressing simple violations such as vandalism, littering, drunkenness, begging and disorderly behavior.

During the launch of the Sumunod sa Batas (SB or Follow the Law) discipline zone on Wednesday, Mayor Feliciano "Sonny" Belmonte Jr. will personally put up the slogans along Commonwealth Avenue.

The program will run for a maximum of four months.

Other guests who will grace the occasion are National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) chief Director Geary Barias and Metropolitan Manila Development Authority Chairman Bayani Fernando.

Flyers and other information materials will also be given away to inform the public how discipline will be carried out along Commonwealth Avenue.

Earlier, the QCPD and other key players of the program conducted a dry run for the discipline zone at Tandang Sora and Litex by setting up garbage cans in strategic areas and offering stalls inside the public market to illegal vendors, among others.

– Perseus Echeminada

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1,000 cops to be fielded in Quezon City cemeteries

QUEZON City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. yesterday ordered the Central Police District Office (CPDO) to deploy 1,000 policemen to provide order and security in the city's public and private cemeteries starting on the eve of All Saint's Day on Oct. 31 until All Soul's Day, Nov. 2.

The mayor also directed CPDO Director Sr. Supt. Nicasio Radovan Jr. to field personnel in bus terminals, where there will be an exodus of passengers to spend long holiday in the province.

The 1,000 CPDO police enforcers will augment personnel from the city's department of public order and safety (DPOS) and the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) in manning the streets leading to cemeteries and conducting crowd control for people entering and leaving cemeteries.

For his part, Radovan said the police have been conducting briefings on "Oplan Kaluluwa" in preparation for the commemoration of All Saints' Day. He said the police have also been working closely with DPOS personnel in finalizing the traffic re-routing scheme to be implemented during the All Saints' Day.

As this developed, city Civil Registrar Ramon M. Matabang, said his office will provide 12 portalets in the city's three public cemeteries from Oct. 31 to Nov. 2. He added that he had coordinated with Dr. Edgar Salud, medical director of the Quezon City General Hospital, for the stationing of ambulances at three public cemeteries for emergency purposes. The city's three public cemeteries are located in Bagbag, Baesa, and Novaliches.

Aside from the police, DPOS and MMDA personnel, Matabang said he had also coordinated with barangay officials for additional manpower to ensure protection and security for people visiting their loved ones on All Saint's Day.

He said doctors, health workers and volunteers will also be around to provide immediate medical assistance, in case of emergency.

Matabang said the "Oplan Kaluluwa," which his office initiated, has been successful in the last three years.

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One of QC's most wanted falls

By REINIR PADUA

A man said to be one of the 10 most wanted criminals in Quezon City was recently arrested in his hometown in Oriental Mindoro.

Pedro Rodica, 32, was arrested last April 15 almost a year after escaping from authorities on his way to a hearing for a robbery with homicide case filed against him, said Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula, director of the Quezon City Police District.

Gatdula said Rodica's group was behind the robbery of a moneychanger in Cubao in July 2006, where they also killed the victim.

Based on a tip received by the authorities, operatives of the Police Regional Office 4-B nabbed Rodica in his residence in Naujan, Oriental Mindoro.

Gatdula said Rodica, a welder, is member of a group composed mostly of former military and police personnel.

"But what they do is not just rob their victims, they also kill them," Gatdula said.

The QCPD chief said Rodica's group has been involved in similar activities in Madaluyong and Manila and other areas outside the metropolis.

Gatdula revealed that a group of moneychangers has even provided the police a list of victims of Rodica's group.

He said that because of the large amounts of money involved in the robberies staged by Rodica's group, the gang has amassed loot worth around P100 million.

Gatdula said talks with the group of moneychangers is ongoing to provide cash rewards for the arrest of the other members of the group.

He said these members include Juanito Boton, who is said to be a former member of the Philippine Marines, and a certain Watamama, who is formerly with the Aviation Security Group.

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ACROSS THE CITY

Honest cop cited

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. commended yesterday an honest police officer from the Central Police District (CPD) for returning a shoulder bag containing $6,000 and other valuables to its owner last October 5.

Belmonte commended SP02 Alfredo de Jesus Lopez, a member of the Philippine National Police (PNP), assigned at the Special Traffic Assistance Group (STAG) based at the QC Hall Complex Police Office.

He said Lopez' honesty, exemplary performance and dedication to duty led to the immediate return of the bag to its owner, identified by the police as Cindy Vijandre, of P. Tuazon St., Cubao, QC.

PS/Supt. Nicasio Radovan, Central Police District Office Director, reported the honest deed of Lopez to the mayor during the Regular Executive Staff meeting at the QC Hall Bulwagan.

Radovan said Lopez will be awarded a plaque of commendation during a formal occasion the CPD has yet to schedule, with Belmonte in attendance.

In a special report submitted to him by Quezon City Hall Detachment Commander P/Supt. Elmo San Diego, SPO2 Lopez was cruising along N. Domingo St. in barangay Horseshoe when he spotted two suspicious-looking men. One of them was carrying a black shoulder bag.

The police officer immediately sounded his siren to get the attention of the two. But instead of yielding to the call of the approaching police officer, the duo ran away and hurriedly scaled the wall of the Pepsi-Cola Compound to elude arrest.

This prompted Lopez to fire a warning shot in the air, frightening the duo and causing the shoulder bag to slip from the hold of one of the suspected robbers.

The identity and address of the owner of the bag was traced later by Lopez through identification cards he found inside it.

Succeeding police investigation showed that Vijandre lost her bag on the very same date at about 1:30 p.m. inside a beauty parlor on N. Domingo St.

Vijandre thanked SPO2 Lopez for his honesty, describing him as a model police officer. (Rico C. Navarro)

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QC bars to be sanctioned for lewd shows

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) yesterday warned that entertainment establishments in the city will face permanent closure if they continue staging lewd shows or employing minors as entertainers.

Superintendent Franklin Moises Mabanag, chief of the QCPD-Criminal Investigation and Detection Unit, said he has received an instruction from QCPD director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula to come up with a consolidated list of all the establishments raided recently and verify which among them still continue to violate rules despite police crackdown on them.

Mabanag said first-time offenders will face closure for 15 days. They will be closed for 30 days for the second offense. Permanent closure will be imposed on third-time offenders.

As this developed, Mabanag said they are now also going after customers of these bars, who he said are also punishable under the law.

According to Mabanag, Republic Act 9208 or the Anti-Trafficking of Persons Act penalizes "any person who buys or engages the services of the trafficked person for prostitution."

First-time offenders could face six-month community service and P50,000 in fine. Succeeding offenses will be sanctioned with a year in prison and P100,000 in fine.

Mabanag said that unlike in the past when raids usually targeted guest relation officers and entertainers, the new law punishes the owner of the bar and its customers.

"In the past, the law was punitive on these GROs. When the law was passed in 2003, they're considered as victims rather than offenders," he said.

A team from the general investigation section of the QCPD-CIDU led by Chief Inspector Cherry Lou Donato and Inspector Roberto Razon raided Sunday night "Encounter Disco" at Welcome Rotonda.

Thirteen female entertainers were rescued including one woman who was performing nude.

Police also arrested five employees and customers present at the bar during the raid.

– Reinir Padua

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By Tina G. Santos

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The mayor said Lopez's honesty, exemplary performance and dedication to duty led to the immediate return of the bag to its owner, Cindy Vijandre of P. Tuazon Street, Cubao. Vijandre lost her bag at a beauty parlor, but it was recovered by Lopez who saw the suspected robbers with the bag while he was cruising in his patrol car. The two suspects fled after Lopez fired a warning shot.

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QC crime rate down

By SEL A. BAYSA

A big decrease of index crimes in Quezon City has been noted by the QC Police District (QCPD) in the past two months.

QCPD chief, Sr. Supt. Magtanggol Gatdula, attributed the feat to the invaluable support the city government gives to the police district in its fight against lawlessness.

In a report to Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., Gatdula said at least 9.59 percent or 55 percent of the cases have been lessened from the total crimes committed last month with 518 compared to 573 in January.

Gatdula said that 173 were crimes perpetrated against person and 345 cases against property.

Crimes against property has reportedly slumped to 79 cases or 18.63 percent during the same period.

He said that "tutok kalawit" or street hold-ups declined by 31 cases or 25 percent while "salisi," a common type of theft, had plunged by 9 cases or 15.25 percent.

Meanwhile, carnapping incidents showed a slight decrease with 17 incidents last month.

He said that the low crime rate is a welcome development "since it is an indicaton of a good sign of good work and performance of the men and women in uniform and the non-uniformed personnel of the QCPD."

Gatdula pointed out that the donation by the city government, through Mayor Belmonte, of communications equipment and mobility was a big help in attaining peace and tranquility in the premiere city.

"Also, the strict implementation of the city ordinances against the illegal possession of deadly weapon and drinking along the sidewalk had contributed too to the downtrend of index crimes in Quezon City," the QCPD chief added.

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ACROSS THE CITY

Honest cop cited

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. commended yesterday an honest police officer from the Central Police District (CPD) for returning a shoulder bag containing $6,000 and other valuables to its owner last October 5.

Belmonte commended SP02 Alfredo de Jesus Lopez, a member of the Philippine National Police (PNP), assigned at the Special Traffic Assistance Group (STAG) based at the QC Hall Complex Police Office.

He said Lopez' honesty, exemplary performance and dedication to duty led to the immediate return of the bag to its owner, identified by the police as Cindy Vijandre, of P. Tuazon St., Cubao, QC.

PS/Supt. Nicasio Radovan, Central Police District Office Director, reported the honest deed of Lopez to the mayor during the Regular Executive Staff meeting at the QC Hall Bulwagan.

Radovan said Lopez will be awarded a plaque of commendation during a formal occasion the CPD has yet to schedule, with Belmonte in attendance.

In a special report submitted to him by Quezon City Hall Detachment Commander P/Supt. Elmo San Diego, SPO2 Lopez was cruising along N. Domingo St., in barangay Horseshoe when he spotted two suspicious-looking men. One of them was carrying a black shoulder bag.

The police officer immediately sounded his siren to get the attention of the two. But instead of yielding to the call of the approaching police officer, the duo ran away and hurriedly scaled the wall of the Pepsi-Cola Compound to elude arrest.

This prompted Lopez to fire a warning shot in the air, frightening the duo and causing the shoulder bag to slip from the hold of one of the suspected robbers.

The identity and address of the owner of the bag was traced later by Lopez through identification cards he found inside it.

Succeeding police investigation showed that Vijandre lost her bag on the very same date at about 1:30 p.m. inside a beauty parlor on N. Domingo St.

Vijandre thanked SPO2 Lopez for his honesty, describing him as a model police officer. (Rico C. Navarro)

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Tuesday, March 11, 2008

Quezon City cops ready for Holy Week

By SEL A. BAYSA

Quezon City policemen are under instruction to keep watch on residential and business establishments in the city during the observance of the Holy Week.

Also, Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. directed Sr. Supt. Magtanggol Gatdula, QC Police District (QCPD) chief, to increase police visibility in churches and bus terminals for the protection of church-goers and people going to provinces, starting Holy Wednesday next week.

Belmonte ordered Gatdula "do not let our guards down anytime in depriving bank and house robbers any opportunity to carry out their crime."

Also, the mayor ordered the QCPD and the Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO), led by Pacifico Maghacot Jr., to check and ensure that close circuit television cameras are installed in banks within the city.

The installation of this gadget in banks is being required by an ordinance designed for the security and protection of banking institution against bank robbers.

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Wed., 20 Oct. 2004

28 WW II mortar bombs discovered in Quezon City

By ELENA L. ABEN

RESIDENTS of a barangay in Quezon City were surprised to discover 28 pieces of 81 mm mortar bombs used during World War II which were recovered by elements of the Central Police District Office – Special Weapons and Tactics/Explosives and Ordnance Division (SWATEOD) from an excavation site in the area.

Senior Supt. Nicasio Radovan, CPD director, said the vintage bombs were recovered at Valencia St. corner Granada St., Barangay Valencia St., Quezon City.

Based on the report submitted by Chief Insp. Caoile Fernandez, SWAT chief, they received a call at around 4:56 p.m. Monday about the presence of a bomb in the area.

EOD elements under the team of Senior Insp. Nelvin Ricohermoso were dispatched to the area to verify the report.

At around 5:12 p.m., the EOD operatives composed of SPO4 Arnulfo Franco, SPO2 Alfonso Roland Logan II and SPO1 Christopher Marquez arrived at the site and coordinated with barangay official Nonoy De Guzman and members of the CPD police station 7 led by SPO1 Nicasio Cammayo who have jurisdiction in the area.

The EOD team conducted render safe procedure (RSP) and recovered 11 pieces of 81 mm mortar bombs.

The EOD operation continued until yesterday morning and the succeeding team under Insp. Zandro Tafalla and led by SPO4 Gilbert Pallarca recovered 17 pieces more of the vintage bombs.

Radovan said investigation, disclosed that at around 4:30 p.m. Monday, Willy Magtalas, a laborer of ZMR Construction, contractor of the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage Inc. (MWSI), was digging in the area when he found the vintage bomb at the excavation site.

Matalas sought help from the barangay which in turn informed the police about the find.

The CPD chief said the bombs may explode if they were hit by hard objects.

Police said each bomb has a maximum effectivity of up to 75 yards radius.

The CPD director also said the place was a site for Japanese and American soldiers.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2008

QC cops, transport groups join forces to fight robbers

By REINIR PADUA

The Quezon City Police District has joined hands with transport groups to prevent the occurrence of robberies in public utility vehicles (PUVs).

Superintendent Bernabe Balba, QCPD Intelligence Division chief, said they are particularly looking into major thoroughfares where there are areas that could serve as possible lairs for robbery groups.

"Most of the time, the suspects board the PUVs at a portion (of a major thoroughfare), declare the heist and then get off at a portion of the road where they have their comfort zone," Balba told **The STAR** in a recent interview

Data provided by Balba showed that these areas include parts of Quezon Avenue near Barangay West Triangle, Barangay Paligsahan, Banawe Avenue in Barangay Tatalon, and Araneta Avenue; Banlat Road near Barangay Tandang Sora; the corner of Susano Road and Austria Street in Barangay Novaliches Proper; portions of Aurora Boulevard near 20th Avenue in Barangay Socorro, and in Barangay Horseshoe; EDSA in Barangay South Triangle; the corner of Timog Avenue and Tomas Morato; and portions of E. Rodriguez Boulevard in Barangay Concepcion, and near Barangay Mariana.

Figures show that at least one robbery occurred in each of these areas last month, victimizing passengers of jeepneys, taxi cabs, or FX taxis.

These were also among the areas where robberies occurred last December, along with other areas like the corners of G. Araneta Avenue and Retiro street, Tendido and Dome streets, A. Bonifacio Road and Mayon Avenue, Aurora Boulevard and Balete Drive in Barangay Kaunlaran; Tandang Sora Avenue near Quirino Highway; and Gilmore Street in Barangay

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Horseshoe.

As part of efforts to avert these incidents, QCPD director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula has directed the commanders of all the stations of the QCPD to have at least one apprehension every month and do saturation drives in areas to determine whether these are actual lairs of criminal groups.

Balba added that the QCPD has also called a meeting with various transport groups to exchange awareness and statistics on these crime incidents.

He said stickers will soon be posted inside PUVs to inform passengers about hotline numbers they could call in case of robberies.

They also intend to utilize the radio systems in some taxicabs plying the city, he said.

He said non-uniformed police personnel would also be deployed as "bus or jeepney marshalls" who will discreetly mix with passengers.

Balba said police officers will also be deployed along major thoroughfares, and drivers could approach them if suspect that a robber had already boarded their vehicle.

He also said they have even encouraged the "profiling of regular passengers" at established terminals to monitor if possible robbers are about to board a certain PUV.

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. donates 30 computers to the Central Police District during the 14th anniversary celebration of the CPD in Camp Karingal. Shown in photo are district director Senior Superintendent Nicasio Radovan (2nd from left), Rep. Nannette Daza and Councilors Beth Delarmente and Eric Medina. BOY SANTOS

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QCPD tags alleged mastermind in death of former Abra rep

By REINIR PADUA

The Quezon City Police District has identified the alleged mastermind in the killing of former Abra Rep. Luis Bersamin Jr. The alleged mastermind in the crime was among the four suspects, who were identified by two witnesses, said Superintendent Franklin Moises Mabanag, chief of the QCPD-Criminal Investigation and Detection Unit.

In an interview with **The STAR**, Mabanag said they will file next week the murder charges against the four suspects.

Mabanag declined to name the four additional suspects but said they were all from Abra. All are still at large.

"We are just waiting for the clearance from the Philippine National Police (PNP) legal service," Mabanag said.

According to Mabanag, they have yet to get the real identities of all the four suspects as only two were identified through their real names. The other two were tagged through their *aliases*, Mabanag said.

He said the four suspects are in addition to three suspects – former Army Master Sergeant Rufino Panday, Sonny Taculao, and former La Paz town mayor Freddie Dupo – who were earlier tagged in the case and are under police custody in the PNP Custodial Center.

He said the four suspects were arrested last year, months after the former lawmaker was gunned down after attending a wedding in Quezon City in December 2006.

Panday had claimed that Dupo was the one who informed him of a P5 million contract to assassinate Bersamin and wanted him as "back-up" for P100,000.

Panday had also said that another suspect Dominador Barbosa was the triggerman who fired at Adelfo Ortega, Bersamin's bodyguard, before shooting Bersamin.



Basillo Sigiua, a victim of a hit and run, is attended by Quezon City rescuers along Tandang Sora corner Commonwealth, Quezon City.
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QC mayor lauds CPDO for arrest of suspects in rob-slay of CoA man

By RICO C. NAVARRO

QUEZON City Mayor Sonny Belmonte lauded yesterday the officials of the Central Police District Office-Intelligence Unit for a job well done after they arrested two of the suspects behind the robbery-slaying of an employee of the Commission on Audit (CoA).

District Police Intelligence Unit (DPIU) chief Rudy Jaraza identified the arrested suspects who were presented during a press conference at the Quezon City Hall as Jeric Pronda 18, single, jobless, a member of Bahala na Gang (BNG) of San Roque, Pag-asa, Quezon City and Augusto de la Peña, 25, jobless, BNG member, also of Pag-asa, Quezon City.

Witnesses identified the two as among the suspects who robbed and killed Jaime Calleja, who was recently robbed at gunpoint along BIR lane in Barangay Central, QC.

Families of the victim thanked Jaraza and his men for the immediate arrest of the two prime suspects who were identified by witnesses through cartographic sketches.

Earlier, Mayor Belmonte ordered the CPDO operatives to launch a manhunt and to arrest the perpetrators of the robbery-slaying which led to the untimely demise of Calleja.

Belmonte, during the press conference, urged the lawmen to double their efforts in arresting criminals operating in the city to avoid another incident like that of Calleja from occurring.

He commended Jaraza for their effort in going after criminals and giving justice to victims of crimes.

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Car thieves' modus operandi bared

The Quezon City Police District yesterday bared a new modus operandi of car thieves, who steal old models of cars that they use in robbery activities.

Inspector Angelo Nicolas, chief of the QCPD's Anti-Carnapping Section, said the style of these groups is to steal a vehicle in a certain region and use it in committing robbery-snatching in another area.

"They then abandon the stolen vehicle and steal another motor vehicle to repeat the cycle of their operation," Nicolas said in an interview with **The STAR**.

Nicolas cited a white Toyota Lite Ace (UGF-302) that was stolen while it was parked somewhere in Angeles, Pampanga on Feb. 9. According to Nicolas, the stolen car was reportedly used as a vehicle of suspects who were involved in a robbery-snatching incident.

"On Feb. 11, the vehicle was abandoned on Road 13, in front of a house in Barangay Pag-asa, in Quezon City. Recovered inside the said vehicle were five wallets containing different documents," he said.

The suspects then stole a white Toyota Lite Ace (PTH-478), which was used in a robbery-snatching activity in the afternoon of the same day in Barangay San Antonio in Quezon City, Nicolas said.

Nicolas recommended that tactical operation centers of different regional police offices should closely coordinate and disseminate immediately all flash alarms regarding stolen vehicles to other regions to avoid the use of the same vehicle in other crimes.

Further, a blue Mitsubishi Delica van model 1990 (RAC 945) was reportedly stolen early morning yesterday in Quezon City.

Owner Arturo Garcia, 48, said the vehicle might have been stolen while it was parked in front of his house in Barangay Salvacion. According to the owner, the vehicle was no longer there when he checked on it at around 4 a.m. yesterday. – **Reinir Padua**

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QC cops nab suspects in slay of gov't auditor

By PERSEUS ECHEMINADA and KATHERINE ADRANEDA

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Suspected members of a robbery gang operating in Quezon City are presented to Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. by Central Police District director Senior Superintendent Oscar Mariñas (left) and Chief Inspector Rudy Jaraza following their arrest yesterday. Two suspects, identified as Augusto de la Peña and Jeric Fronda, have been tagged by witnesses as those responsible for the robbery-slay of government auditor Jaime Calleja last Sunday. JOEY VIDUYA

The Central Police District Command presented to Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. yesterday two suspects in the killing of a government auditor who had refused to hand over his cell phone during a robbery inside a jeepney last Sunday.

Belmonte said suspects Jeric Fronda, 18, and Augusto de la Peña, 25, were positively identified by witnesses as members of a robbery gang operating along Quezon Avenue, North Avenue and Commonwealth Avenue.

Last Aug. 22, Jaime Calleja, of the Commission on Audit and a resident of Barangay Paltok, was killed in a jeepney holdup at around 4:30 a.m. at the corner of Quezon Avenue and BIR Lane in Barangay Central.

Calleja was with his son and 10 other passengers riding a Fairview-bound passenger jeepney when five armed men blocked the path of the vehicle and announced the heist.

At gun point, the suspects took the personal belongings of the passengers, including cash and cell phones.

Police said Calleja resisted when one of the suspects tried to remove his wrist watch, prompting another suspect to shoot him.

Calleja was hit in the back and died instantly.

The suspects then commandeered a taxi and sped away from the scene.

However, the Quezon City police eventually traced their safehouse and made the arrest.

Two homemade caliber .38 revolvers were seized from the suspects.

"These are the suspects in a series of robberies committed in the city. I commend the police for the early solution of the case," Belmonte said.

Apart from the duo, the CPD presented six other persons allegedly belong-

QCPD named Best Police District anew

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) has bagged for the second straight year the award for Best Police District in Metro Manila.

The QCPD's Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) has also been adjudged as the Best SWAT Unit in awarding ceremonies held early this week in Camp Bagong Diwa in Bicutan, Taguig.

QCPD bagged the same awards in 2006 for its excellent performance in crime-fighting ability among the five police districts in the National Capital Region.

Also cited for their contributions to the Philippine National Police (PNP) program were Sen. Ramon "Bong" Revilla Jr., Efhrain Genuino of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corp. and Ms. Amalia Gomez of the Soldiers for Christ Movement, Inc.

Other police honorees included Senior Supt. Mario de la Vega (Best Senior Commissioned Office in Operation), Chief Insp. Ramon Pranada (Best Junior Commissioned Officer), SPO2 Juanito Lazaro (Best Senior Non-Commissioned Officer), PO3 Ronaldo Marbella (Best Junior Non-commissioned Officer), Chief Insp. Clarita Equibal and PO2 Rodelisa San Buenaventura (Best Policewomen) and Mercedes Dordulaw and Manuel Araneta (Best Non-Uniformed Personnel).

The Brig. Gen. Ricardo Papa Sr., awards were given to PO2 Atanacio Allauigan of the Southern Police District who was cited for a shootout incident with a drug syndicate on April 29, 2007, and PO2 Herman Receli, also of SPD, for responding to a robbery incident last week. (Sel A. Baysa)

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ing to a robbery gang operating along Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon Avenue and EDSA.

Meanwhile, a suspected robber who was arrested shortly after victimizing an FX taxi driver along Aurora Boulevard in Cubao, Quezon City the other night.

Superintendent Benigno Durana, commander of CPD Station 7, identified the suspect as Rogelio Pasion, 26, a bus conductor and resident of 14th Avenue in Cubao.

Durana said Pasion was arrested by a policeman and a group of barangay tanods who earlier arrested two motorcycle thieves in Cubao last Wednesday morning.

Pasion was arrested by SPO2 Pedro Manaig, of PCP-1, and tanods of barangay E. Rodriguez identified as Domingo Veleta, Jhun Ayuban, Albert Dira, Leo Asuncion, John Ocampo, and Benjo Oseein.

Investigation disclosed that Pasion robbed Harold Abella, of San Mateo, Rizal, around 10:45 p.m. Tuesday, along Aurora Boulevard near Barangay E. Rodriguez.

PO2 Marlon Rivera, officer-on-case, said Abella was driving an FX taxi (TVJ-242) from Cogeo to Cubao when Pasion, who posed as a passenger, declared the heist near Oxford street.

At knifepoint, Pasion forcibly took Abella's wallet.

During that time, Abella lost control of the vehicle, which hit an electric post.

The crash caught the attention of the patrolling tanods and Manaig, who later made the arrest.

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Belmonte activates disaster council

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. ordered yesterday the activation of the city's local disaster-coordinating council to respond to massive flooding triggered by overflow of river channels in the city.

In a directive to Tady Palma, officer-in-charge of the Department of Public Order and Safety, the mayor said immediate assistance must be provided to residents affected by the heavy downpour of rains since yesterday dawn.

As early as 2 a.m., the Central Police District and other city line agencies began reporting to the mayor about the situation in various parts of the city.

At noon yesterday flooding was reported at the Roxas district where residents were evacuated to safety. The same situation was also reported along Commonwealth Avenue, Katipunan Avenue, East Avenue, Kalayaan Avenue and the Elliptical Road.

Teresa Mariano, chief of the Social Services Department, said that affected residents, particularly those living near river channels, had earlier been warned to leave the area during heavy rains.

"But the residents refused to evacuate and found themselves staying on the rooftop of their houses," Mariano said.

Belmonte directed line agencies to set up a 24-hour monitoring operation and to identify flood-prone areas so that the city government can respond accordingly to any emergency.

The city mayor also ordered the suspension of classes in elementary and public schools in the city. Private schools were given the discretion to suspend or continue with their classes.

The city engineering department blamed the flooding to the overflow of various waterways in the city. Palma said the heavy downpour of rain was the worst in the last six years.

–Perseus Echeminada

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Man arrested for driving stolen taxi

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) last Friday night arrested a cabbie for driving a taxicab that was stolen last year.

Police Officer 3 Honey Besas identified the suspect as Joel Mondia, a resident of Cubao.

Besas said QCPD police officers spotted the vehicle driven by Mondia on P. Tuazon Avenue in Cubao at past 7 p.m.

Upon checking the vehicle's chassis number, police found out that it was indeed the same one stolen in April 2007.

According to Besas, the vehicle's plate number had been changed from TWH-219 to TWH-210, and its signage changed to read PAC Taxi from its original name of DAC Taxi.

But Mondia denied involvement in car theft activities, saying a certain Arnold from Antipolo had asked him to drive the taxi.

Besas said Mondia claimed he has been driving the taxi for the past four months and that the alleged operator of the taxi told him to drive the vehicle only at night while its franchise is being processed.

Mondia also claimed he only meets the operator at a given place every time he remits his earnings.

Besas said they are preparing car theft charges against Mondia as they are also trying to locate the person who claimed to be the taxi's operator. **– Reinir Padua**

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7 policemen implicated in summary execution of 4 men in Novaliches

At least seven policemen have been implicated in the summary execution of four men whose bodies were found on August 10 at barangay Sauyo in Novaliches, Quezon city.

The identities of the policemen were revealed by the families of the slain men, including one who confessed involvement in pickpocket activities apparently on orders of the said lawmen.

In an interview, the wife of one of the slain men gave the names of the policemen, most of whom are assigned at the Central Police District Office (CPDO), as a certain PO3 Kruda or alias "Tata Kamanag," PO3 Esteves or alias "Steve," SPO4 Jerasano or alias "Tata Larry," PO3 Gulani or alias "Novie," PO3 Merced, a certain "Tata Apple," and one Inspector "Archie."

The wife she could not go wrong with the identities of the lawmen as these are the same people whom she said have been getting protection money from her husband so the latter can freely conduct his pickpocket and snatching activities particularly along EDSA.

The wife, however, said that while she admits that her husband was for sometime engaged in such activity, he was already starting a new life when he was mercilessly salvaged or summarily executed by the lawmen.

The young wife told this writer that her husband has in fact been avoiding the said lawmen as he was already decided to start a new life for the sake of their children. However, she said, there was no way to hide from the lawmen as they would come to their house to look for her husband.

She further disclosed that there are even times when the lawmen would get other people to look for her husband to compel him to give them protection money ranging from ₱2,000 to ₱5,000 a week per policeman and sometimes with a special request for one unit of cellular phone.

The wife said that is why in as much as her husband already wants to change his life for good, he is still compelled to commit a crime just to be able to give in to the demands of the said policemen. She disclosed that if he fails to "remit" to the said lawmen, they would "pick him up" and bring him to the headquarters where he would be charged with fabricated cases.

In exchange for his liberty, the wife said the policemen would ask for as much as ₱50,000. However, she said that the last time the policemen did this to her husband, they were only able to produce ₱25,000.

One day before her husband was found dead together with three others, the wife said one of the lawmen, alias "Tata Kamandag" even demanded for money and a (model 3310) cellular phone. She said her husband was able to give the cellular phone and ₱1,000 cash money. Minutes later, it was "Tata Larry's" turn to ask from her husband. She said her husband was able to give only ₱1,400 to the said policeman.

The grieving wife went on to say that two days prior to the death of her husband, alias "Steve" also called and warned them that he would no longer accept money from her husband, even telling her to just save it for his funeral.

The wife further revealed that her husband had known the policemen for over a year now. She also stressed that the victim had been wanting to change for the better adding they planned to start a small but decent business when tragedy struck them.

She also said that aside from the weekly protection money, the said lawmen also demanded for ₱10,000 "entrance fee" to anyone engaged in such activity in exchange for his protection for getting arrested.

Meanwhile, a friend of one of the victims who himself admitted that he was once also involved in pickpocket activities, said it was just fortunate that he did not go with the group when they left to attend a "gathering" the day before they were found dead.

Had he joined the group, he would have been killed also like one of the four victims whom he said is not even involved in their trade.

He said one of the four salvage victims was the brother of a lady employee at the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG).

He narrated to this writer that he indeed had a stint as a pickpocket but decided to stop his activities as only the said policemen are benefiting from this. He disclosed that there were days when all his earnings from his illegal activity would only go to the lawmen who have been regularly demanding protection money from them.

The sad part, he further stated, is that even when he already wants to stop, the policemen would do every means to locate him and tell him to produce money for them.

It was learned that there are other witnesses who are willing to come out and give their statement against the said policemen.

Those interviewed by this writer also said that they are determined to file charges against the erring lawmen.

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By ELENA L. ABEN

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Belmonte calls for closer police-community relations

By PERSEUS ECHEMINADA

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. has called on officers and men of the Central Police District Police Command (CPDC) to strengthen their ties with the community to get the full confidence and cooperation of the people in their respective areas of jurisdiction.

In a recent staff meeting, the mayor stressed that winning the hearts and mind of the people is crucial in the fight against all forms of criminality.

"Let us work harder in ensuring the safety and protection of the city residents, especially against robbers and holdup men," Belmonte said.

The mayor emphasized that the ultimate objective of the police is to help make the city a model of peace and order not only in Metro Manila but throughout the country.

To achieve this, Belmonte rallied the police to strengthen their relations with the community particularly in depressed areas where suspected criminals usually seek refuge.

He also called on members of the Barangay Security Development Office (BSDO) to interact with people who may volunteer information on criminal activities and ordered the CPD to deploy more policemen in crime prone areas to deter criminals from carrying out their modus operandi.

Although Quezon City has registered a 95 percent crime solution rate in the past several months, criminal gangs from various parts of Metro Manila occasionally carry out their operations in the city.

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QC cops closing in on Union Bank robbers

By REINIR PADUA

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) is closing in on the suspects in the robbery of the Timog Avenue branch of the Union Bank of the Philippines, with significant progress as regards the identities of the culprit, an official said yesterday.

"We now have an idea (of who the suspects are)," QCPD-Criminal Investigation and Detection Unit chief Superintendent Franklin Moises Mabanag told **The STAR** in an interview.

According to Mabanag, the "main bulk" of the suspects who were outside the bank during the heist could be members of the Ampang-Colangco group, which is eyed as the one behind last month's heist at the West Avenue Branch of the Landbank of the Philippines.

QCPD Intelligence Division chief Superintendent Bernabe Balba earlier said that the same group could be behind the robberies at the two banks.

Apart from the Ampang-Colangco group, Mabanag said other groups could have participated in the Union Bank robbery. He named the Ozamis group, based in Misamis Oriental; the Ranger group, composed of former military and police officers; and the Flores group, based in Central Luzon.

Mabanag added that some witnesses reportedly saw two Mitsubishi Adventures with civilians carrying guns at a Shell gasoline station in Balintawak right after the Union Bank robbery last Tuesday.

"We immediately sent our men but they were no longer there. Reportedly, they proceeded towards the north," Mabanag said, noting that the Flores group is based in that area.

He also said the QCPD's anti-carjacking section is in the process of verifying reports regarding the license plates reportedly seen on the vehicles on the day of the heist.

He said seven of the plates were cleared of any past incident of car theft. He said there are four license plates under investiation, one of which showed "irregularities" in its transfer.

Mabanag noted that those who participated in the Union Bank heist could be remnants of the other groups, whose leaders had been arrested in the past. "So maybe they met while inside the jail (and sometimes merge for these robbery attempts)," he said.

Mabanag also chided Rosito Pesquira for going to the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) instead of presenting himself to the QCPD.

Pesquira, an administrative aide at the Las Piñas City police, went to the NBI Wednesday afternoon and denied that he was part of the armed group that robbed the Landbank branch.

According to Mabanag, Pesquira's name was dragged into the case after he was identified "based on intelligence reports" for his alleged participation in the sale of the Toyota Tamaraw FX that was used by the suspects in the robbery.

Mabanag said Pesquira could be considered a "principal by indispensable cooperation."

He said Pesquira should have just explained himself before the QCPD instead of going to the NBI.

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Belmonte rallies police vs crimes

By SEL A. BAYSA

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. rallied the local police to strengthen their relations with the community to get the full confidence and cooperation of the public.

Presiding over the regular executive staff meeting at the City Hall Bulwagan, he urged the Central Police District (CPD) to exert more efforts in putting an end to robbery hold-ups to make residents feel secured against criminals.

Belmonte told the conference "let us work together to make our city the model of peace and order not only in Metro Manila but throughout the country."

Also, he asked members of the Barangay Security Development Office (BSDO) to monitor their neighborhood to establish better rapport and meaningful cooperation with the public, especially those in depressed communities.

Peace and order, according to the mayor, is not only for the privileged few but more so to those who have less in life.

He pointed out that peace and order is vital "in our effort of restoring faith and confidence of our people, as well as convincing the business sector to invest in our country to help propel QC to growth and progress."

Belmonte called the attention of the police based on the report of CPD officer-in-charge Police Senior Supt. Oscar Mariñas on the recent encounter between elements of the district and hold-up men at the vicinity of the Quezon City Memorial Circle resulting in the arrest of one of the suspects.

Last month, two BSDO members of Barangay Commonwealth were killed after they engaged a suspected robbery-hold-up gang in a shootout on Commonwealth Ave.

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Gatdula cited as QCPD wins best police district



GATDULA

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) headed by Senior Supt. Magtanggol B. Gatdula was awarded yesterday as the "best police district office of the year."

The award was accorded by President Arroyo during the 17th anniversary celebration of the Philippine National Police at Camp Crame, Quezon City.

Gatdula, a lawyer and a member of the Philippine Military Academy (PMA) "Magilas Class" of 1976, assumed command of the QCPD, in October 2006, deployed more policemen "on the streets" and reduced the number of personnel doing administrative job for more effective crime prevention.

Last November, Gatdula reported to Mrs. Arroyo on the occasion of QCPD's 68th founding anniversary that he assumed command with the objectives of erasing Quezon City's tag as carnapping capital of the Philippines and cleansing the streets of holdupmen, snatchers and other street crime offenders.

He said another objective was to make all residents and visitors feel safe in the city.

Gatdula cleansed the QCPD's ranks of misfits and scalawags, dismissing from service 10 police noncommissioned officers (PNCOs) and 29 personnel, including two officers.

He also placed under summary disciplinary proceedings 119 members of the police district, suspended 24, placed under preventive suspension 3, reprimanded 46 and imposed forfeiture of pay on nine.

Of the 341 cops facing cases, 190 were exonerated or absolved and one was demoted.

During the last 14 months, the district conducted trainings for 9,000 uniformed and non-uniformed personnel and civilians. The district continuously trains barangay tanods and anti-crime group on basic knowledge in fighting crime.

Gatdula launched many innovative intelligence strategies and methods to effectively deter crime. (Yul Malicse)

MANILA BULLETIN
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CPD maps out fresh strategies vs terrorism in Quezon City

By SEL A. BAYSA

FRESH strategies and approaches to combat terrorism as well as all kinds of criminalities and vices were mapped out at the recent command conference of the Central Police District (CPD) in Quezon City.

Also, Police Sr. Supt. Oscar T. Mariñas, CPD officer-in-charge and his district's field and station commanders decided to conduct spontaneous checkpoints to lessen the incidence of crimes within the former capital.

Mariñas called the conference shortly after his designation as acting CPD chief vice Director Napoleon Castro who has retired from the service.

He pointed out that the stepped up drive against crime syndicates is in support of the Philippine National Police (PNP) effort to rid Quezon City of crime elements victimizing helpless residents.

As this developed, Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. directed the CPD authorities that their presence be felt particularly in schools to ensure the safety of students.

Belmonte also ordered the local police authorities to keep a watchful eye on illegal street rallies.

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QCPD named Metro's best police district for second year

For the second straight year, the Quezon City Police District was adjudged as the best police district for the National Capital Regional Police Office (NCRPO).

Philippine National Police (PNP) chief Director General Avelino Razon Jr. handed over the best police district streamer to QCPD director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula during the seventh anniversary celebration of the NCRPO at Camp Bagong Diwa in Taguig City. NCRPO chief Director Geary Barias assisted Razon.

Superintendent Aleto Jerremy Mirasol, head of the NCRPO's regional plans and training division, said QCPD bested the four other police districts in Metro Manila by registering a total rating of 85.79 percent.

The Northern Police District (NPD) came in a close second with a rating of 81.71. The Eastern Police District, Southern Police District and the Manila Police District garnered ratings of 79.37, 78.5, and 74.99, respectively.

Mirasol said the score is broken down into 50 points for the district's performance throughout 2007, 40 points for the result of the Annual General Inspection-Operational Readiness Security Investigation and Test Evaluation by Camp Crame and 10 percent from Barias.

Gatdula dedicated the award to Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. and the city residents.

During the past year, Gatdula said the QCPD was able to curb carjacking cases and street crimes through institutionalized police visibility of more than 200 mobile cars.

"My men are also in high morale because of all kinds of incentives given us by Mayor Belmonte and City Hall officials," Gatdula told **The STAR**.

Gatdula also thanked the QCPD's officers and men for their "unwavering loyalty and all-out support to his leadership."

Gatdula, a member of the Philippine Military Academy Class '76, was named to the QCPD post in October 2006.

He is also a lawyer.

– Non Alquitran

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CPD OIC warns crime rings in QC

By RAISSA C. CORNELIO

POLICE Senior Supt. Oscar Mariñas, officer-in-charge of the Central Police District (CPD), has warned as he vowed to eradicate crime syndicates in Quezon City.

Mariñas said the command will continue to conduct checkpoints in major areas throughout the seven stations to lessen the incidence of crimes in the city.

In a command conference held last Friday, which was attended by field and station commanders of CPD, Mariñas discussed the strategies and plans of the district in its fight against terrorism and all sorts of criminalities such as carnapping and kidnap-for-ransom activities.

The police official said the intensified war against crime syndicates is in support of the Philippine National Police (PNP) drive to get rid the metro area of crime elements victimizing helpless residents.

Meanwhile, Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. has directed to have police presence felt particularly in schools to ensure the safety of students.

The mayor further instructed police authorities to keep an eye or disperse militant groups without rally permits, as he appealed for sobriety until the canvassing of votes in Congress is over.

Mariñas thanked Mayor Belmonte for his continued support to the police and called on city residents to cooperate as well for the successful conduct of peace activities in the city.

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Violence erupts during demolition of shanties in QC

Trouble erupted yesterday morning when informal settlers protested the dismantling of their shanties on a privately owned land in New Manila, Quezon City.

Superintendent Carlito Feliciano, commander of the Quezon City Police District Station 11, said two policemen and a civilian who was part of the demolition team sustained minor injuries when an unidentified resident threw a pillbox explosive. He could not readily identify the three who were injured. No one among the residents was hurt, he said.

Feliciano said that at 9 a.m., a demolition team from the Quezon City local government went to demolish the shanties on Sixth and Seventh streets in New Manila after the property owner, identified only as "Mr. Neri," secured a court order and asked for the city government's help.

However, some 300 residents were up in arms, claiming that they have been regularly paying rent in exchange for their stay in the property. After the scuffle caused by the thrown pillbox, the police negotiated and were able to convince the informal settlers to "just go to court and secure a TRO (temporary restraining order)," Feliciano said. The actual dismantling of the shanties began at 3 p.m. – **Reinir Padua**

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Superintendent Procofio Lipana presents homicide suspect Joel Ramos to Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. and Metro police chief Director Ricardo de Leon. BOY SANTOS

QC gets tough vs crime

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. ordered yesterday a crackdown on individuals and groups responsible for a series of violent crimes in various parts of the city.

In a directive to Police Senior Superintendent Oscar Marinas, Central Police District (CPD) officer in charge, the mayor said police must redouble their effort in going after criminals particularly along Commonwealth Avenue.

Belmonte ordered the additional deployment of police patrols in crime-prone areas to ensure the safety of residents and commuters, who are usually the target of criminal elements.

"You must exert extra effort to stop these criminals," he said.

The mayor issued the order as police rounded up 17 suspected criminals in their latest saturation drive in Commonwealth, Mindanao, Holy Spirit and Tandang Sora.

Among those arrested was a suspect in the killing the other day of Barangay Holy Spirit *tanods* Modesto Contawi and Melencio Incerto. The suspect, identified as Joel Ramos, was arrested in a follow-up operation conducted by operatives of the CPD.

The seven suspects were presented to Belmonte yesterday morning.

Marinas, in his report, said there has been a slight increase in crimes following the opening of classes.

But Marinas said the situation in the city is generally peaceful.

In a report for the month of May, police said they posted a 96.39 percent crime solution efficiency for crimes committed against property and 95.45 percent for crime against persons.

— Perseus Echeminada

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'SEIZED DRUGS SOLD'

QC crime lab evidence custodian, 2 others nabbed

By Jeannette I. Andrade

POLICE ARRESTED THE EVIDENCE CUSTODIAN of the Quezon City crime laboratory office (CLO), his suspected runner and alleged customer in separate buy-bust and entrapment operations Wednesday night in Quezon City.

PO2 Joseph Viguilla, who has been with the CLO for more than eight years, was arrested in the area close to SM North Edsa mall. A search of his black Mitsubishi Gallant (PSV-854) yielded shabu inside brown and white envelopes marked "EVIDENCE," police said.

Also seized from Viguilla was P5,000 in cash, believed to be proceeds from the sale of shabu and illegal drug paraphernalia.

Drug charges are being readied against those who were arrested and are now in the custody of QCPD Station 10. Administrative charges will also be filed against Viguilla that could mean his dismissal from the police service.

Supt. Asprinio Cabula, Quezon City Police District (QCPD) Kamuning station 10 commander, said the illegal drugs worth P320,000 allegedly sold by Viguilla were evidence seized from drug offenders.

Cabula told the INQUIRER the CLO would conduct an inventory to determine if Viguilla's alleged selling of confiscated drugs affected pending court cases.

Substances retrieved from the CLO custodian included those related to drug cases as

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far back as 1995, police said. The last case was filed in 2003.

The entrapment operations conducted jointly by the CLO and the Kamuning Station 10 followed a buy-bust operation conducted by Station Anti-Illegal Drugs (SAID) personnel against Viguilla's suspected runner, Melissa Vallade, 34, of Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City.

Cabula said Vallade was the wife of Viguilla's friend, a former employee of a Quezon City regional trial court. An alleged buyer, Marlon Clemente, of Scout Castor Street in Quezon City, was also arrested.

During the buy-bust operation along Scout Chuatoco in Barangay Roxas District, Vallade allegedly tagged Viguilla as the source of the shabu.

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QC cops solve 95% of crimes

The Central Police District (CPD) has reported that 95 percent of index and non-index crimes reported in the four districts of the city have been solved from April 15 to 29.

In a report to Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., Police Superintendent Franklin Mabanag said out of 193 crimes reported last month, 184 were solved.

"The average monthly crime rate per 100,000 residents is 9.44 percent and crime solution efficiency is 95 percent," Mabanag said.

He noted that during the same period only one rape case was reported which was also solved.

In the same period, two out of three murder and homicide cases and 25 physical injuries cases were resolved.

Other cases that were solved by the police were 36 theft cases, 32 robberies and the apprehension of 83 drug users and pushers in various parts of the city.

The CPD also reported that six out of seven stolen vehicles in the same period were recovered. — **Perseus Echeminada**

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QC orders crackdown on illegal firecrackers

By REINIR PADUA

Quezon City Police District (QCPD) director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula has ordered a strict implementation of the crackdown on illegal firecrackers in the city.

The crackdown was in support of the Department of Health's "Oplan Iwas Paputok," according to Senior Inspector Dorothy Du, chief of the QCPD public information office.

"The district director has ordered the confiscation of all illegal firecrackers being sold in the city," Du told **The STAR** in an interview.

She explained that the order concerns not only traders selling illegal firecrackers in the city but also those who will be caught buying and using illegal firecrackers.

Earlier, the city of Marikina and its local police has ordered a ban on the use of firecrackers during the New Year's celebrations.

The city's "Oplan Silent Night" involves going after civilian gun holders and manufacturers, sellers and possessors of firecrackers and pyrotechnic devices.

Du, however, said the QCPD would not impose a total ban on firecrackers and pyrotechnics in the city.

She said the city's police force would only impose a crackdown on firecrackers and pyrotechnics considered as illegal like *boga*, *pla-pla* and a host of other home-made devices.

She added that the QCPD would also go after vendors selling and also buying gun replicas and plastic pellet guns.

Quezon City Ordinance No. 1649 prohibits and bans the manufacture, sale, distribution, purchase and use of plastic toy guns with plastic pellet bullets that pose danger to the public.

Health Secretary Francisco Duque III has urged the expansion of the list of banned firecrackers, saying there are pyrotechnic devices that are allowed under the law but still pose danger to the public.

Firecrackers like baby rocket, *bawang*, small *trianggulo*, *watusi*, *El Diablo*, Judas' belt and *kwitis* are considered legal under the law.

Other "allowed" firecrackers include fountain, Roman candles, *luces*, *trompillo*, whistle bomb, airwolf and butterfly.

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NEW POLICE PRECINCT. Quezon City 4th District Rep. Nanette Castelo Daza (3rd from left) was the guest of honor during the blessing and turnover ceremony for the newly opened Police Community Precinct 3 along the corner of Scout Santiago St. and Quezon Avenue. Also in photo (from left) are Barangay East Triangle Chairman Xyrus Lanot, Precinct Commander Police Insp. Anita Daso, National Capital Region Police Director Ricardo de Leon; Revenue Regional Director Nestor Valeroso; Central Police District Director Napoleon Castro, and Deputy Station Commander Bernardo Banac. (Jun Ramirez)

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. leads city officials in the ceremonial sealing of the service firearms of QC policemen during simple rites held Sunday morning at the city hall grounds. The mayor personally signs the tape that seals off the service firearm of QC Hall Police Detachment Office chief Nestor Abalos. Assisting the mayor is QCPD director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula, who is sealing the service firearm of Police Inspector Robert dela Cruz. Looking on are majority floorleader Councilor Ariel Inton, Jr., and SPO4 Elias Mier. Majority of those who participated in the activity are policemen assigned at the city hall detachment.

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A MEMBER of the Central Police District Special Weapons and Tactics team inspects the getaway car of the bank robbers that was abandoned in barangay Heroes Hills in Quezon City. NONOY LACZA

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QC bank robbers strike, one employee wounded

■ By M. PUNONGBAYAN
Correspondent

A BANK employee was wounded when 15 heavily armed men staged another daring bank robbery in Quezon City and took some P2.5 million in cash yesterday morning.

Rhodora de Joya, an employee of Bank of Commerce branch on West Avenue, suffered cuts when she was hit by glass splinters when the suspects fired indiscriminately at the bank's entrance to cover their getaway.

The robbers were able ransack the bank vault which was open because an armored van had just brought in some cash from another bank branch for storage in the West Avenue branch.

Initial reports from the Central Police District (CPD) said the robbery happened around 10:15 a.m. at the corner of West Avenue and Zamboanga Street in barangay Nayong Kaunlaran.

Investigators said the robbers arrived onboard a white Mitsubishi L-300 van and a red Toyota Corolla.

Only three of the robbers entered the bank and disarmed the security guards and took over the bank while the rest the gang waited outside and served as lookouts.

Bank employees and customers were helpless and could not do anything while the robbers enter the vault and took all the cash inside placed in duffel bags.

The robbers, after only ten minutes, got out of the bank and boarded the getaway vehicles and escaped before responding policemen arrived.

Probers said before escaping the robbers fired several shots toward bank to further sow terror and prevent anyone from pursuing them.

One of the bullets shattered the bank's glass door and splinters hit de Joya whom was treated at the Capitol Medical Center.

CPD policemen arrived at the crime of the scene too late but were able to recover the getaway vehicles on General Lim Street not far from the bank.

The robbers were armed with M-14 and M-16 rifles, shotguns and .45-caliber pistols as well as bladed weapons.

CPD-District Police Intelligence Unit chief, Chief Insp. Rudy Jaraza said the robbery group was composed of at least 15 members.

Not all of those who participated in the robbery exposed themselves as holdup men since the others allegedly served as surveillance men and lookouts.

Several witnesses said they have noticed the presence of unidentified men apparently surveying the bank premises as early as Tuesday.

Three of them even ate lunch at a small canteen a few meters away from the bank while a man was seen suspiciously standing near a photo shop.

About five men allegedly ate snack at a nearby hamburger stand while three othesr three ate at a Chinese fastfood restaurant.

Jaraza said witnesses saw a woman among the robbery group which, after being described, matched the same woman who participated in the robbery at the Banco de Oro SM North EDSA branch last month.

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LPG blast rocks QC laundry shop



An explosion rocked a laundry shop on Kamias Road in Quezon City yesterday morning, injuring one of its employees.

But the Quezon City Police District was quick to rule out explosives, pointing to a leak in one of the pipes of the liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) used for the BG Laundry Shop's dryer.

"There was accumulation of fumes from the leaking LPG pipe when it was not used during the holidays," said Inspector Arnulfo Franco, chief of the QCPD bomb squad.

Franco said victim Angel Andilap had already smelled the fumes when she entered the shop. Andilap, however, ignored it and still proceeded with her work.

The explosion happened at around 8:30 a.m. when Andilap plugged in the dryer.

Franco told **The STAR** that the cost of damage at the BG Laundry Shop is less than P50,000, with the destruction of the shop's glass window, glass door, ceiling and walls.

The broken pieces of glass from the shattered door and window were thrown on to the street.

"That's a normal thing because the fumes were enclosed for a long time and these really had a pushing effect during the explosion, Franco said.

Since it was a gas explosion, Franco said the damages were relatively minimal than during a bomb explosion, only destroying soft materials inside the establishment.

He said apart from some of the clothes inside the shop at the time of the explosion, the machines owned by the establishment were not destroyed.

Meanwhile, the victim was brought to the World Citi Colleges Hospital for treatment for the third degree burns she sustained in her arms and legs.

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QC cops kill robber in market shootout

By KATHERINE ADRANEDA

A robbery suspect was killed while his cohort was arrested by intelligence operatives of the Central Police District following an encounter and a brief chase at a public market in Quezon City yesterday.

Police have yet to identify the fatality. He was described as between 30 and 35 years old, with fair complexion and around 5'6" in height. He was declared dead on arrival at the East Avenue Medical Center.

The arrested suspect, on the other hand, was identified as Ricky Rosario, 22, of Payatas-A, Quezon City. He is now detained at a CPD-District Police Intelligence Unit cell.

Chief Inspector Rodolfo Jaraza, head of the CPD-DIU, told **The STAR** that the two suspects had been the subject of an operation following reports on their alleged involvement in robberies at the Commonwealth Market.

Around 11:15 a.m. yesterday, DPIU operatives spotted the suspects armed with handguns.

Jaraza said police saw the suspects actually robbing one Dexter Rementilla, 24, a driver; and Susie Catalan, 25, a collector, both of Jordan Park Homes Fairview. The two had just came from the market and were aboard a white Kia Pride when the suspects approached them and held them up.

The lawmen quickly approached the car, introduced themselves as officers, and asked the two suspects to lay down their arms and surrender.

One of the suspects opened fire at the policemen, who retaliated and hit the gunman in the head and body.

The other suspect managed to run and tried to escape toward the market. He was apprehended after a brief chase.

Jaraza said they recovered a caliber .38 revolver and a nine-inch fan knife from the suspects.

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THE PHILIPPINE STAR

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QC cops play Santa to street children

Quezon City cops spent the holidays playing Santa Claus to more than a hundred street children from different parts of the city.

According to the Quezon City Police District, some poor children in the city had the chance to meet their "Santa cops" at Camp Karingal on Monday.

Upon invitation of QCPD Director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula, about 150 street children from different areas in the city trooped to the camp the day before Christmas.

Gatdula himself, was dressed in a red Santa Claus outfit, led the whole QCPD in the gift-giving program for less-fortunate children on Monday.

The QCPD chief was joined by Senior Superintendent Elmo San Diego and Senior Superintendent Federico Laciste, district deputy directors for operation and directorial staff, respectively, and other officers of the QCPD who were also dressed as Santa Claus.

Gatdula said that despite the plight of these children, a better prospect could still be in store for them and gifts like toys and clothes might help them appreciate the joys of the holidays.

"We see a bright future for these less fortunate children and so we thought of giving simple presents that would make them smile and feel the joy and real spirit of the season," Gatdula added. – **Reinir Padua**

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Friday, 27 February 2004

Metro 1

QC mayor orders filing of raps vs MMDA men

By ED MAHILUM & ANNA REGIDOR

QUEZON CITY — Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. yesterday directed all the station chiefs of the Central Police District (CPD) to arrest and file the necessary charges against erring personnel of the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for harassing sidewalk vendors despite a temporary permit issued by the city government allowing the vendors to sell their wares.

Belmonte issued the directive in the wake of the operations conducted by MMDA personnel along Visayas Ave., Barangay Basra where about 12 sidewalk vendors were rounded up before noon yesterday.

In his verbal order to Supt. Julius Ceasar Abanes, station commander of Baler Police Station of the Central Police District, Belmonte expressed his desire to arrest and file charges against the MMDA personnel concerned.

During the raid, at least 12 sidewalk vendors occupying Visayas Ave. were hurt when MMDA personnel, led by its team leader Doy Reyes, swooped on them at about 11 a.m.

Belmonte said the MMDA personnel allegedly violated the moratorium issued by the city government wherein some 3,000 sidewalk vendors were issued temporary premit to sell their wares in more than 100 sidewalk vending sites in the city.

Abanes told Mayor Belmonte that about 10 MMDA personnel were arrested and are now facing physical injury charges for attacking the sidewalk vendors.

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THE PHILIPPINE STAR
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QC cops cut car theft cases by 28% in 2007

With a little over a hundred cases of car theft recorded in the city in 2006, the Quezon City Police District (QCPD) believes it has successfully brought down the number of incidents of carjacking from the figures in 2006.

Inspector Angelo Nicolas, chief of the QCPD Anti-Carnapping Section, said carjacking cases in 2007 have significantly decreased from the 175 incidents recorded in the whole of 2006.

As of the end of November 2007, the QCPD has documented 125 cases of car theft in the city.

Nicolas attributes this to an order issued by QCPD director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula to all policemen on night duty to conduct anti-carjacking patrol operations.

Nicolas told **The STAR** that the QCPD has also set up permanent checkpoints at possible escape routes on the North Luzon Expressway, Sta. Quiteria in Novaliches and Mindanao Avenue.

Citing data showing the consistent decline in the number of car theft incidents since 2001, Balba said, "I don't know why Quezon City is still being tagged as the carjacking capital."

According to QCPD's tally, the number of carjacking incidents has consistently decreased from the 650 cases in 2001, 439 in 2002, 346 in 2003, 370 in 2004, 312 in 2005, 175 in 2006 and down to only 125 cases from January to November this year.

Based on the same data, it appears that the Mitsubishi Adventure seems to be the "favorite target" of many carjackers in the city in 2007.

Of the 125 stolen four-wheeled motor vehicles, 10 were Mitsubishi Adventures.

There were nine Honda Civic, eight Hyundai Starex and Isuzu Crosswind, seven Mitsubishi Pajero and six Toyota Corolla and Isuzu Hi-Lander stolen from January to November 2007.

Based on the data of the QCPD, most of the incidents of carjacking in 2007 happened during the months of July and August.

Of the 125 cases of car theft recorded from January to November in 2007, 36 were forcibly taken while 89 were stolen while parked.

Many of the vehicles that were forcibly taken from their owners were stolen from 10 in the evening until two in the morning.

With regard to the vehicles that were stolen while parked, most of the incidents happened from 2 to 6 a.m.

But according to Balba, it could be that not all reported cases are carjacking are really incidents of car theft.

Balba noted that other reported incidents are just made up by unscrupulous owners for insurance purposes or are not really cases of car theft.

Nicolas cited the perjury charges filed against call center employee Andre de Vera for allegedly using aliases to report three different cases of car theft for insurance purposes.

Police discovered the fraud through the conduction stickers of the purportedly stolen vehicles. During the separate occasions, the suspect, using different names, claimed his vehicles did not have plate numbers and only had conduction stickers.

A check with the Land Transportation Officer, however, revealed that the stickers belonged to two Isuzu Hi-Lander vans.

Based on the data provided by Nicolas, the three areas in the city with the most number of cases are Cubao, Novaliches and Project 8. He said the high number of cases in Cubao was because the houses there do not have a garage.

As for Novaliches and Project 8, Nicolas said there are many escape routes in these areas, making them attractive to carjackers.

Car theft incidents 'not that bad'

But even with the considerable bad publicity the Quezon City police received this year due to the cases of car theft in the city, Nicolas maintains that the picture is not that bad in reality.

"The figures (cases of carjacking) are still much higher in the other (police) districts (in the metropolis)... (Quezon City is just being highlighted because) most of the victims here are prominent personalities," Nicolas said.

Nicolas cited the cases involving the Hyundai Starex van owned by veteran actress Gloria Romero, which was forcibly taken from her driver last November at her residence in New Manila, Quezon City; and the Starex van of the daughter of Metropolitan Manila Development Authority executive Angelito Vergel de Dios that was stolen at a car wash last September.

Add to this, Nicolas also cited that there is a relatively higher number of vehicles in Quezon

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MANILA BULLETIN

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Crackdown on smut magazines urged

QUEZON CITY — A city councilor here the other day strongly urged the Quezon City police to crackdown on "smut magazines" and other similar pornographic materials which have been proliferating in the former capital of the Philippines.

Voltaire Godofredo Liban particularly cited a tabloid newspaper named "Boso" which he claimed contained scandalous, immoral smut and pornographic pictures and reading materials in some news-stands in the city.

Liban urged Chief Supt. Napoleon Castro, director of the Central Police District (CPD), to enforce the anti-smut and pornographic provisions of Quezon City laws. (Ed Mahilum & Ana Regidor)

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City even though most households do not have their own garage and a number of establishments, particularly the nightspots, do not have safe parking areas.

Nicolas also mentioned the escape routes within the city that lead to the carjackers' clients in the nearby Region 3 provinces, who buy and sell car spare parts.

The police officer noted that the QCPD has had a number of successes with the arrest of carjackers belonging to organized crime groups.

Supt. Bernabe Balba, chief of the QCPD District Intelligence Division, said their anti-carjacking operations resulted in the neutralization of major syndicates like the Bunggay Group, Nestor Maglalang Group, Legaspi Group, Honda Civic Group, Salisi Group and Sibuyas Group.

But according to Nicolas, the arrested members of these notorious groups do not stay behind bars for long as carjacking is considered a bailable offense.

"After they get apprehended and posted bail, they (carjackers) would just lay low for about two weeks and then operate again," he said.

In his annual report, Gatdula cited that the QCPD's partnership with the Quezon City local government under the leadership of Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. gave a big boost to the police's logistical capability.

Gatdula noted that last January, Belmonte turned over to the QCPD 40 brand new Toyota Vios, complete with communications equipment, and two Hilux pickup trucks.

Belmonte also turned over to the QCPD 30 multicabs, two Toyota Altis and 10 Honda XR-200L motorcycles to help heighten visibility, patrol operations and response capability of the police.

In a report, Gatdula said the QCPD registered a 42.28 percent recovery rate with regard to stolen vehicles.

In addition to the efforts to pursue organized crime groups involved in carjacking, Gatdula said the QCPD has also produced a video about the modus operandi of car theft groups.

"We aim to inform the public and expose the modus operandi of carnapping syndicates. We have distributed this video to hotels and restaurant owners in Quezon City. We have featured the video on *Police Hour* show on RPN 9 and *Talakayan sa Isyung Pulis* aired over NBN 4. Presently, this 15-minute video is regularly played twice or thrice a day on RPN 9," he said.

Add to this, Nicolas also said the QCPD has conducted seminars on car theft prevention in different malls, hospitals and other establishments in the city.



Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. congratulates Quezon City Police District director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula during turnover ceremonies that provided the city police with more patrol vehicles in a bid to further enhance police visibility and mobility in the city. Among those present during the turnover were Vice Mayor Herbert Bautista, members of the city council and other police and city officials.

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. pins a new shoulder board to SPO4 Reynaldo Medina, who was promoted to Police Inspector, in rites held at the QC Hall the other day. Medina also won Metrobank's search for the Country's Outstanding Policemen in Service (COPS) and the Phil. Jaycee's The Outstanding Policemen of the Philippines (TOPP) in 2003.

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NEW Q.C. POLICE CARS. Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte leads the blessing of 30 Toyota Vios cars which have been turned over to the Quezon City Police District during turnover rites at the Quezon City Hall. (Art Torres)

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QC cops foil rob attempt by Bolt Cutter gang

Operatives of the Central Police District Office (CPDO) prevented what could have been another successful hit by four suspected members of the Bolt Cutter Gang, reports revealed yesterday in Quezon City.

The suspects, identified as Julius Almasan, 29; Joel Padayan 27; Romeo Batayan, 35; and Marcos Dangalan, 25, are now detained at the CPDO-Station 1 (CPDO-Stn. 1) detention cell in La loma, QC.

CPDO-Stn. 1 reports disclosed that the incident happened at 11 p.m. in a branch of Tambunting Pawnshop located at 270 Hernani, Retiro, La loma, QC.

Residents of the area told investigators that they have been hearing noises from the said pawnshop for several nights before the heist was discovered.

When police officers checked the area, they spotted the suspects trying to saw-off the padlock at the back portion of the pawnshop.

Law enforcers then immediately went after the suspects who even tried to evade arrest by going to the ceiling.

Probers said that it was the suspects' modus-operandi to rent a nearby house to the next establishment that they will pull-off a hit.

A charge of attempted robbery will now be slapped against the four suspects before the Quezon City Prosecutor's Office. (Rizal Obanil)

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QC cops put up 'green' Christmas decor

By REINIR PADUA

Quezon City police officers are putting up Christmas décor that are made of indigenous and recycled materials.

"We want to encourage the public to help save the environment and support the clean and green project in our own simple way... (This project) which makes use of recycled and indigenous materials is the first and a one-of-its-kind project in our camp," said Quezon City Police District director (QCPD) Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula.

He admitted that the project is in response to calls by the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) and environmental groups to curb waste and pollution as the nation celebrates Christmas.

In a recent visit to Camp Karingal by CBCP public affairs chairman Bishop Deogracias Iñiguez, the prelate said Christmas celebrations need not be extravagant as the essence of the season is not found in expensive decor.

The QCPD's 11 police stations and all its operating units joined the project and adorned trees inside the camp.

One decorated by the District Operations and Planning Division used materials out of recycled cups from a popular fastfood chain.

A tree adorned by the Directorial Staff, on the other hand, was made out of scraps sold by street children.

The Christmas tree designed by the Office of the District Deputy Director for Operations had trimmings from adjoined tin cans.

Other units used materials they had on hand. The Crime Laboratory used a real skull and trimmings made from actual slugs.

This unit even used the photo of Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. on a mascot dressed as a scene-of-the-crime operative.

According to Senior Insp. Dorothy Du, chief of the QCPD-Public Information Office, all the materials used for the decorations will be brought to junk shops for recycling after Christmas.

And since it is a competition, Du told **The STAR** that Gatdula has even put up a P15,000 prize for the best Christmas tree.

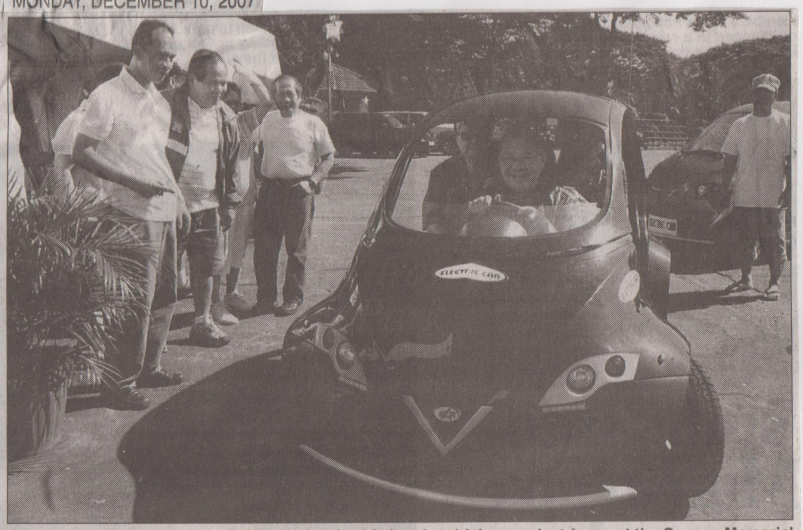
Score sheets filled up by invited students from schools in the city and some representatives from non-government organization Ecological Waste Coalition will determine the winner.

Du said that upon seeing the initiative of the QCPD, the CBCP was "impressed" with the project, which she said is their way of helping the city address the concern about waste disposal.

Rei Panaligan, a coordinator of EcoWaste Coalition who was present during the judging of the participants last Friday, also praised the project.

"We are glad with the efforts of the QCPD to connect (the concept of) zero waste to their Christmas celebration... It only shows that the environment is also a concern of the police," he told **The STAR**.

Panaligan's group is calling on the public to refrain from uncontrolled consumerism in what has become the "most wasteful and most energy-consuming festivity in the Christian calendar."



Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. tries his hand at driving an electric car at the Quezon Memorial Circle park over the weekend. The vehicle, invented by Gerry Caroro (left), runs on batteries and attains a maximum speed of 40 kilometers per hour. Enjoying the ride with Belmonte are Quezon City Parks Development Foundation president Charito Planas and park administrator Lolita Amores. Officials said people can enjoy driving the 'G-car' around the park for a fee. JOEY VIDUYA

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QC cops file assault charges vs 21 cultists

By PERSEUS ECHEMINADA

The Quezon City Police Department (QCPD) has filed before the city prosecutor's office charges of frustrated murder and direct assault upon person in authority against 21 Tadtad cult members, who attacked lawmen in North Fairview last Wednesday.

Superintendent Procopio Lipana, chief of the QCPD Criminal Investigation Division, said of the 21 accused, 13 are in police custody. Three remained confined at the East Avenue Medical Center while four others are at large.

Quezon City assistant prosecutor Reuben Ritzuko Verado, who conducted inquest proceedings against the suspects, has recommended P200,000 bail for each of the 21 accused.

Charged were Jonathan Navales, 24, Efren Verano, 46, Rolando Dipaling; 39, Florencio Palamos, 50; Erwin Panuelo, 18, Reynante Uba; 30, Ismael Mathus, 40, Romano Gicale, 20, Beunanventura Tude; 65, Arnulfo San Garios, 49, Eulalio Calpis, 36, Arnel Dipaling; 27 and Felix Rabago 48.

Still confined at the East Avenue Medical Center are Marcelo Ravalla; 43, Joven Rabago; 22, Celso Flores; 52.

Those at large were identified as Liza, Roberto and Alberto, all surnamed Gagarin and Grace Dipaling.

Police Officer 2 Wilfredo Calinao, who was wounded in the clash that resulted from an illegal takeover of a private lot, was the complainant in the frustrated murder charge while 12 policemen filed the direct assault charges.

The QCPD submitted as evidence a fragmentation grenade, caliber .38 and 357 revolvers, a Colt 45 pistol, a homemade shotgun, ammunition for various firearms, spent shells, amulets, PVC pipes laced with muriatic acid and a dagger with wooden scabbard.

QCPD director Chief Superintendent Nicasio Radovan Jr. said the policemen were responding to a complaint by a property owner.

The complainant said his 300 square-meter property on Dinar and Peseta streets in Phase 8 North Fairview was taken over by a group of armed men at 10:30 a.m. last Wednesday.

As the lawmen approached the property, one of the suspects threw a grenade. Calinao, was wounded in the blast.

The cultists, Radovan said, were acting as enforcers and protectors of a professional squatting syndicate in the area. The group often takes over vacant but titled lots by building illegal structures on them

The group, according to a report, has been able to take over several pieces of land in the area.

Radovan said a manhunt has been launched to arrest other gang members, who fled after Wedensday's firefight.

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Cubao police station commander Superintendent Procopio Lipana (right) receives a plaque from Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. during a ceremony marking the Quezon City Police District's 68th anniversary as Vice Mayor Herbert Bautista (left) and QCPD chief Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula look on. The Cubao police station was recognized as the QCPD's Police Station of the Year. BOY SANTOS

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QC deploys more cops for holidays

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. ordered yesterday the deployment of additional policemen at shopping malls and bus terminals to protect shoppers and commuters against petty crimes during the Christmas season.

In a directive to Central Police District (CPD) director Chief Superintendent Napoleon Castro, Belmonte stressed the need for heightened police visibility as a measure against criminals who mingle with the shopping crowd.

"It has been a practice among families to go shopping early, and the loss of their money intended for their noche buena would mean a bleak Yuletide season for them," the mayor said.

Belmonte ordered Castro to increase police visibility at bus terminals for the exodus to the provinces during the long holiday break.

Setting up of police desks at shopping malls and department stores was ordered to respond to complaints against petty criminals.

The deployment of officers who will be armed with handguns, two-way radios and bomb-sniffing dogs was also ordered.

Quezon City is home to several large malls, department stores and bus terminals on North EDSA, Cubao, Commonwealth and North Fairview.

The city government has donated at least P50 million worth of equipment to police force, including patrol cars, pistols, radios and bomb disposal gear and tools.

CPD patrol cars are also equipped with GPS (global positioning system), allowing the central command to monitor the movement of all police vehicles.

— **Perseus Echeminada**

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More ammo for QC police



ASSORTED AMMO SUPPLIES. Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. receives from PNP Regional Director Geary Barias (right) assorted ammunition supplies that will be used in the training of QC Police District personnel during a simple turnover ceremony at the QC Hall Bulwagan. The supplies, constituting boxes of ammunition for M-16, .9 mm, caliber .45 and shotguns, were provided by the National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) to support the ongoing firearms proficiency training of QCPD personnel. Looking on are QCPD Director Magtanggol Gatdula and QC Hall Police Detachment Office chief Nestor Abalos (left).

Some 3,000 rounds of assorted ammunition were received by the Quezon City Police District from the National Capital Region Office in support of the ongoing firearms proficiency training of QCPD personnel.

The supplies, personally received by Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. from Regional Director Geary Barias during a simple turnover ceremony at the QC Hall Bulwagan, constituted boxes of ammunition for M-16, .9mm, caliber .45 and shotguns.

At the occasion, Barias gifted Mayor Belmonte with a PNP jacket, a baseball cap, and a larnyard as a token of appreciation for his continuing commitment to improve the capabilities of the city's police force in fighting criminality and lawlessness.

The QCPD started conducting gun safety and shotgun proficiency training early this year to enhance the combat shooting skills of the city's police force. To date, almost 700 policemen have undergone the training program.

Supt. Manuel Parian, chief, district plans and training division, said, "all participants have satisfactorily completed the training program."

"The QCPD is consistent in its efforts at providing our policemen with adequate training programs for improving their capabilities in maintaining peace and order in Quezon City," Parian said.

Meanwhile, QCPD Director Magtanggol Gatdula clarified reports that a bigger percentage of QC policemen have reportedly failed a recent firearms and proficiency firing program.

Gatdula said the report was erroneous and false.

The QCPD said that 336 have passed the handgun/pistol category with only 84 making it to the bottom list while 247 passed the rifle/shotgun category as against the 32 personnel who missed the target.

The handgun safety and shotgun proficiency program was conducted for both police commissioned and non-commissioned officers.

Aside from marksmanship, QCPD personnel training also includes gun safety procedures and proper maintenance, and simulation of shootout scenarios.

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QC police accused of arbitrary detention

An officer of the Quezon City Police District (QCPD) and several of his men were accused yesterday by a couple of arbitrary detention and illegal seizure of some two truckloads of second-hand or surplus car spare and body parts from their display store and warehouse on BMA Ave., Barangay Tatalon.

Lawyer Josue G. Engano, counsel for the couple Julian and Precy Chica, said the QCPD officer and several of his men raided the Chica establishment on 42 BMA Ave. last Nov. 21 without any search warrant or court order and illegally hauled the merhandise to the QCPD headquarters.

The police team raided the J.P. Chicas Auto Surplus Supplies, claiming the couple were selling "hot car spare parts." Despite showing them documents to prove the merhandise were won by bidding from insurance companies and evidence that their establishments have the required business permits and licenses, the policemen proceeded with the raid and confiscation.

Julian and Precy Chica also denounced the QCPD officer for claiming to media that they were engaged in illegitimate business. "They made us appear as if our business was illegal. We were detained for three days together with three others, including our driver," the couple told Engano.

Surplus parts supplier Jesus Sarmiento said he will file a complaint for arbitrary detention, together with driver Romeo Homillada and Arnulfo Ebrada, a bystander who was asked to help load the seized parts. The three were detained for the three days by the police together with the Chica couple.

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QC liquor, gun ban violators arrested

By KATHERINE ADRANEDA

The Quezon City Police District has arrested 30 people as it confiscated at least 30 pieces of various deadly weapons in violation of the Election Code for the scheduled synchronized barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) elections today.

Superintendent Aspirinio Cabula, of QCPD's public information office, said that 34 persons were arrested while 15 firearms and 16 bladed weapons were seized since the interim ban under the election law took effect since Sept. 29.

The statistics recorded were as of afternoon of Oct. 28.

Moreover, the Quezon City police also reportedly rounded up 56 persons within the first six hours of the imposition of the liquor ban.

The Commission on Elections (Comelec) said the liquor ban started at 12 midnight of Oct. 28.

"QCPD director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula has ordered all station commanders to strictly observe the liquor ban and gun ban and to see to it that the Election Code will be observed not only by voters but also by all candidates," Cabula said.

"The safety and peace and order in all polling precincts shall also be ensured in coordination with Comelec officers of Quezon City," Cabula also said.

As this developed, radio reports have indicated of last-minute vote-buying and black propaganda at the end of the campaign period in certain communities. Reports said there were candidates who used groceries and cash inserted in sample ballots to lure voters.

There were reports that a candidate even gave out dinnerware such as plates and sets of spoon and fork as well as cash to get support from voters.

Further, candidates and voters alike were said to be in the habit of either deliberately "sponsoring" or seeking "donation" from candidates, respectively, for drinking binges even while a liquor ban is already in effect.

The leadership of the QCPD will deploy at least 700 policemen in the different polling places, checkpoints and visibility points in the city to ensure peace and order in today's synchronized village and youth council elections.

Some 70 policemen from Camp Crame and 80 soldiers from the National Capital Region Command of the Armed Forces of the Philippines will also be reportedly deployed in the city to augment the Quezon City police force.

The QCPD has identified earlier more than 10 barangays in the city that are included in its election "hot spot" list. These are barangays Tatalon, North Fairview, Siena, Bahay Toro, Pasong Tamo, Nagkaisang Nayon, Holy Spirit, Payatas, Batasan Hills, and Commonwealth.

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Heavily armed m'cycle cops out in QC vs bike-mounted criminals

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By SEL A. BAYSA

QUEZON CITY — Heavily armed motorcycle-mounted policemen are patrolling the city round-the-clock in an effort to flush out criminal elements like snatchers, hold-upmen, and killers onboard motorcycles, too.

Central Police District (CPD) Station 10 chief Police Supt. Cesar Binag said onboard the police prowl bikes are trained and heavily armed cops who operate on tandem.

A project of CPD chief Chief Supt. Nap Castro, the "Enduro" red-painted big bikes are the police's response to the increasing incidence of robbery, snatchings, and slayings by motorcycle-riding criminals.

Also, Binag directed the putting up of checkpoints in delinquent and crime-prone areas within his jurisdiction notably after midnight to go after persons illegally carrying firearms and other deadly weapons and prohibited drugs.

Earlier, Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. and Castro directed local police authorities to intensify their anti-criminal drive in the wake of the increasing incidence of criminality within the former Philippine capital.

Binag said his office has made coordination with security men in various commercial establishments and public offices for "a systematic anti-crime" measure notably during the long holidays.

It was gathered that motorcycle-riding cops are under stern instruction to flag down motorcycle with two men onboard for body search and inspection.

Amidst this police operation, Binag asked the law-abiding motorists "to bear with us in our effort to help maintain peace and tranquility and to make Quezon City a safe and peaceful place to live in."

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QC forms all-woman patrol unit

By SEL A. BAYSA

The Quezon City Police District (QCPD) has created the Women's Mobile Patrol Unit (WMPU) to provide immediate assistance to distressed women and children on the streets or inside their homes.

QCPD officer-in-charge P/SSupt Magtanggol Gatdula said that the WMPU will operate on a 24-hour basis "to secure the safety of women and children, and to attend to incidents they would encounter during their tour of duty."

The launching of the women's unit at the Araneta Business Center in Cubao, Quezon City, was attended by members of women advocacy groups, led by the QC Hall-Gender and Development Resource Coordinating Office (GADRCO).

Gatdula said the creation of the WMPU came in the wake of mounting public complaints stating that some cases involving women and children were not properly handled and given attention by policemen owing to the sensitivity of the cases.

He noticed that policemen are hesitant to dig deeper on cases involving women and children for fear of mishandling because of difference in gender.

"Some victims also fail to cooperate with male investigators simply because they are ashamed to divulge the truth, especially on cases of sexual abuse. These factors usually contribute to the dismissal of the case," Gatdula added.

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Suspected killer of QC barangay leader nabbed

One of the suspects in the killing of a Quezon City barangay chairman last month was arrested by operatives of the Central Police District on Thursday.

Elements of the CPD-Criminal Investigation Unit acting on a tip of a police asset, nabbed 19-year-old Sergio Ongriano, a native of Polillo island, Quezon.

Ogriano, a member of a cultural minority non-government organization named Inter-People Exchange, was arrested with three companions in their office at Mahusay st., UP Village at around 12:30 p.m.

The three other NGO members were released after witnesses only identified Ongriano. He is now detained at the CPD headquarters in Camp Karingal.

Ongriano is suspected in the killing of barangay chairman Rodrigo Borgonia of Barangay Pansol last Oct. 13. Borgonia was about to speak in a flag-raising ceremony when at least five young-looking men approached and shot him point blank in the head then fled.

Police initially said the victim was active in evicting illegal settlers in his area. **(Wendell Vigilia)**

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Quezon City Police District director Senior Superintendent Magtanggol Gatdula issues instructions to his station commanders in preparation for President Arroyo's State of the Nation Address on Monday. BOY SANTOS

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19 bodies found in just six months

By RIZAL S. OBANIL

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The consistency of victims of "salvage" (summary executions) being found in Quezon City is becoming more and more a concern for police officers after another body was discovered early yesterday, pegging the toll of such incidents at 19 in just a span of six months.

Police described the unidentified victim as between 40-45-years-old, 5'3", bearing tattoos on both sides of the chest with the inscriptions TAM 4 and BOK 5, and clad only in maong shorts

Central Police District Office-Criminal Investigation Unit (CPDO-CIU) reports revealed that the body was discovered at 6 a.m. at the corner of Rolex and Omega St., Barangay West Fairview, Quezon City.

Investigators said that the victim was also bound and gagged, and an electrical cord was also looped around his neck.

Aside from this, the victim suffered a gaping wound on the head and was believed to have been hit with a blunt object.

Before the incident, members of the Barangay Security and Development Office (BSDO) were conducting routine patrol in the area.

One of the barangay watchmen saw the victim sprawled bloodied on the pavement and lying on his side.

Police investigators believe that the victim might have been privy to some vital information about the suspects who decided to neutralize him.

CPDO-CIU investigators however admit that they still do not have a lead regarding the brutal slaying.

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Black is 'in' among car thieves in Quezon City

By Jeannette I. Andrade

OWNERS OF BLACK VEHICLES IN Quezon City, beware.

According to city police chief, Senior Supt. Magtanggol Gatdula, car thieves, for some unexplained reason, often target vehicles, particularly sports utility vehicles, that are black.

Gatdula said their observation was bolstered by the recent arrest of members of the Tablante car theft syndicate.

"Maybe it is easier for them to sell. Maybe they think that black is a macho and sleek color that men would prefer," the director of the Quezon City Police District said.

He noted that the Tablante Group stole three black Mitsubishi Pajeros parked on the University of the Philippines Diliman campus.

One of the stolen Mitsubishi Pajeros, with license plate APL 313 owned by Atoy Laynes, was recovered last Wednesday in a police raid from the alleged lair of the syndicate in Barangay Batasan Hills.

The Pajero was equippped with a global positioning system (GPS) tracking device which enabled policemen to determine its location.

During the raid, the police found the official registration and certificate of registration for another black Pajero, owned by a UP student identified as Areceli Yanu.

Gatdula, however, said that owners of black cars need not worry but should take security measures to ensure that their vehicles would be safe from car thieves.

"Most of the time, these cars are stolen because of simple carelessness on their owners' part. It is important to make sure that car owners park only in secure areas," he stressed.

He pointed out that there are many measures that can be undertaken to prevent vehicles from being stolen like installing a car alarm or a steering wheel lock.

"We just have to take the necessary precautions," the QCPD director emphasized.

Meanwhile, Traffic Management Group chief, Director Errol Pan, told the INQUIRER that the Tablante Group has been in their watch list since the 1990s, mostly for their car theft activities in Central Luzon.

"At least three Tablante brothers and their father are in our list for their suspected involvement in car theft activities," Pan said, pointing out that he was still a police major when he first heard of the Tablantes.

The Tablante Group is named after the suspected ringleaders of the syndicate, brothers Rico and Leonardo Tablante, who own a car exchange business and a bar in Quezon City. Leonardo was arrested in Wednesday's raid.

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NEW POLICE STATION: Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. leads city and police officials in the inauguration of a new Police Community Precinct (PCP) in Barangay Vasra. The police station was built through the concerted efforts of businessmen, civic-spirited groups and the police. The mayor said the city plans to build more police precincts to increase police visibility to discourage would-be criminals from committing crimes. Also in photo are (from left) Berna Romulo-Puyat, PNP-National Capital Region Director Gen. Reynaldo Velasco, Councilors Vincent Crisologo, Jun Ferrer (partly hidden), Bernadette Herrera-Dy and Rommel Abesamis.

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QC junk shop explosion kills teenager

By Margaux C. Ortiz

A TEENAGER DIED WHILE FIVE OTHER people were injured yesterday morning in a blast caused by what the police said was a rifle grenade kept in a Quezon City junk shop.

Mark Dave Tejada, 17, a worker of the GRG Junk Shop in Barangay Pasong Tamo, was declared dead on arrival at the East Avenue Medical Center.

Taken to the same hospital for treatment were Leonardo Torio, 27, the victim's employer; Jemson Tiongson, 16, a coworker; customers Bridge Camacho, 22; Jorge Dalogdog, 22; and Henry Cunanan, 51, a bystander.

According to barangay watchman Jun Torres, he and his companions heard a loud explosion at around 8:30 a.m.

Tejada apparently tried to flatten the rifle grenade—which a neighbor sold to him—by hitting it with a hard object, causing it to explode, Torres said.

"I suspected that it could explode because it looked like a vintage bomb," Tiongson told the INQUIRER.

PO2 Julius Rempillo of the Quezon City Police District said dangerous explosives such as vintage bombs and grenades were considered valuable because of their bronze casings.

"This would explain why people living in Manila and Navotas would dive into the sea to retrieve vintage bombs, even if they knew these were dangerous," Rempillo said.

He pointed out that there was no way to prevent this because of the lack of safeguards against the smuggling or trade of vintage explosives.



JUNK litters the ground after an explosion ripped through a shop in Quezon City, killing a teenager.

JOAN BONDOC

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. talks to inmates during a recent inspection at the Central Police District (CPD) Station 5 in Fairview. The mayor assured them that the city government is in the process of identifying jail sites for Quezon City. In photo with the mayor is CPD director Chief Superintendent Napoleon Castro.

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2,623 criminal cases solved in Quezon City

By SEL A. BAYSA

QUEZON CITY — A total of 2,623 criminal cases were solved by the local police out of the 2,751 cases from January to August this year.

"With this, the Central Police District Office (CPDO) is faring well with the four police districts in the National Capital Region (NCR)," said S/Supt. Freddie Panen in his capacity as chief, CPDO Police Operations.

In a report to Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., Panen said during the first eight months, the Western Police District (WPD) solved 1,537 out of the reported 1,690 crime incidents, the Southern Police Districts (SPD), 3,189 out of 3,391 cases; the Eastern Police District (EPD), 850 out of 838 cases; and the Northern Police District (NPD), 3,110 out of 3,2249 cases.

Panen's report indicated that the EPD ranked in crime-solution efficiency followed by NPD, 95.72 percent; CPD, 95.35 percent; SPD, 94.04 percent and the WPD, 90.95 percent.

"In making this analysis, however, the profile of the different police districts, area of responsibility and the number of police personnel have been taken into consideration," he added.

The WPD has 2,837 police personnel serving Manila with a population of 1,581,082, the SPD with 2,973 manpower covers Mandaluyong City, Muntinlupa, Parañaque, Las Pinas, Pasay and Makati with over 2 million population; the EPD with 1,409 men for the 1.3 million people of Marikina, Pasig, San Juan, Pateros and Taguig, the NPD with 1.2 million residents in Camanava area (Caloocan, Malabon, Navotas and Valenzuela) and CPD covering Quezon City with a over 2 million population.

Based on these figures, WPD's police-population ratio is 1 for every 557 people; SPD, 1 for every 968; EPD, 1 for every 917; NPD, one for every 319 and the CPD, 1 for every 775.

In average monthly crime rate, the NPD ranked first with 18.19 per 100,000 population, followed by SPD, with 16.14, CPD, 15.82, WPD with 13.36 and EPD, 8.30.

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. pins a Personnel Wounded Medal Award on PO3 Romulo Tarnate, who was hurt in a shootout with four holdup men inside a bus on Commonwealth Avenue the other day. Assisting Belmonte is Metro police chief Deputy Director General Reynaldo Velasco. The mayor hailed Tarnate and two bus detectives as 'heroes ready to risk their lives to make others live.'

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Manila Standard September 9, 2003



Robot? Not exactly. It's a P2.5 million bomb disposal suit which a policeman tries on and Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. (left) and Metro Manila police commander Reynaldo Velasco check out during the turnover ceremony of crimefighting equipment at Quezon City Hall. MIKE DE JUAN

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Inton vows to fight police corruption

Quezon City Council Majority Leader Ariel Inton vowed yesterday to go after erring and abusive members of the city's police force accused of harassing and extorting money from legitimate businessmen in the city, including owners of karaoke restaurants, night clubs and disco joints.

This developed as Inton, a former human rights lawyer-turned fourth district councilor, proposed the establishment of a special fund for elements of the Central Police District (CPD) to augment their salaries and benefits and serve as an incentive against police corruption and abuse.

Inton said he is finalizing an ordinance to rationalize and strengthen the city government's policies on the operation, control and supervision of Quezon City's entertainment industry which he said has reportedly suffered losses and setbacks over the past years due to alleged police extortion and harassment.

"The Quezon City government's management team, which includes not only the executive, legislative and judicial branches, but also its law enforcement arm, must move in one direction based on the mayor's priority program of increasing revenues from business taxes by providing an environment conducive to legitimate business.

"Since we are asking the city's entertainment industry to significantly contribute to this goal, we are duty-bound to help them against all forms of harassment, extortion and exploitation by removing the root causes of police corruption and abuse," Inton said.

He explained that the CPD Special Welfare Fund will be used to upgrade the incentive schemes for CPD officials and their men to boost the efficiency and effectiveness of the local police force and boost the city government's anti-crime program.

Earlier, officers and members of the Association of Clubs, Karaoke and Disco Operators of Quezon City (ACKDO-QC) wrote Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., Vice Mayor Herbert Bautista, Inton and other members of the City Council calling for a review and revision of the city's existing policy on the operation of its entertainment industry.

ACKDO president Perry Mariano also urged the Council to pass a "responsive local legislation that shall define with clear cut parameters the quality of entertainment which by standard is hospitable, progressive and most acceptable" in order to protect them from being "constant targets of harassment, extortion and exploitation from abusive local and police officials."

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New CPD building. Quezon City Rep. Nanette Daza, Mayor Feliciano Belmonte and Boy Calalay, brother of former congressman Rey Calalay, unveil the marker of a new building at the Central Police District Station 1 in La Loma, Quezon City. PNA

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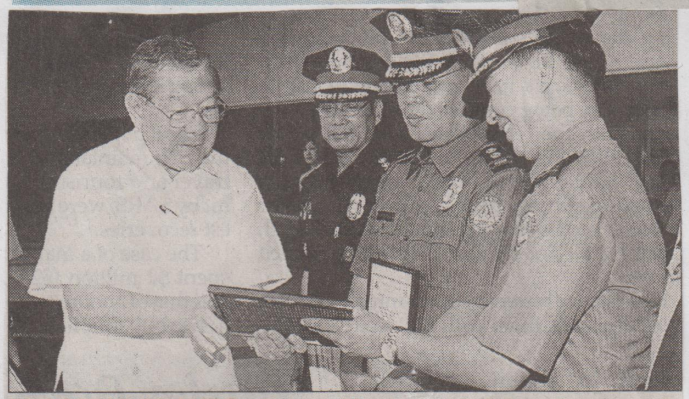

SHOOTING CHAMPS: Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. presents a plaque of recognition to P/Supt. Alfred Corpuz on behalf of the Central Police District team, who emerged as overall champion in the Chief PNP Cup Shooting Competition held at Mandaue, Cebu City recently. Members of the team are Supt. Elmo San Diego, City Hall Detachment commander, Sr. Insp. Rodrigo Bauto, PO3 Vicente Sunga Jr. and Chief Supt. Napoleonj Castro, who took the Star Rank overall champion. Corpuz represented Gen. Castro during the awarding rites held at the Quezon City Hall Lobby.

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POLICE STATION INAUGURATED: Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. joins National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) chief Gen. Reynaldo Velasco at the inauguration of a new police station at Roxas District recently. The mayor, during the occasion, reiterated the city government's continuing commitment to support the Philippine National Police in its fight against criminality and lawless elements. Joining them in photo are Councilors Ariel Inton and Barangay captain Marcos Estrada.

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Silent heist

QC bank loses P2.5 M

By KATHERINE ADRANEDA





Scene of the crime officers collect evidence inside the Union Bank E. Rodriguez branch, which was hit by robbers yesterday. Six armed men carted away some P2.5 million in the 30-minute bank

Six armed men managed to cart away more than P2.5 million from a Quezon City bank yesterday afternoon after "quietly" staging a heist that went unnoticed for almost 30 minutes.

So unnnoticed was the crime in progress that clients of the Union Bank-E. Rodriguez branch continued entering the premises, only to be robbed of their money once inside.

Officer-on-case, Police Officer 2 Andres Dulay, said the incident took place at about 1:40 p.m. at the Union Bank branch located on E. Rodriguez Avenue near Plaridel street in Quezon City.

A report at the Central Police District (CPD) Station II in Galas revealed that the suspects, armed with handguns, announced the heist after disarming the security guard manning the entrance. The guard, identified as Arnold Villafuerte was then shoved inside the bank's ATM booth.

The robbers then instructed the bank employees and customers to lie face down on the floor.

One suspect instructed bank manager Raziel Ventura to open the vault while his companions scooped cash from the tellers' booths.

CPD-District Police Intelligence Unit (DPIU) head Chief Inspector Rodolfo Jaraza told **The STAR** that three men initially went inside the bank and posed as customers before their companions disarmed the security guard.

The suspects, Jaraza pointed out, took their time and were able to control the bank for more than 30 minutes. The suspects even had time to wait for the time-delay lock of the vault to be opened.

Jaraza told **The STAR** that the suspects managed to make the bank operations appear normal at the time of the heist. Outside the bank, everything looked normal and clients were entering the bank, only to be robbed of their cash once inside.

The suspects placed all the cash, which was reported to be at least P2.5 million, inside a bag which they took from one of the bank clients.

After collecting whatever they could, the suspects just casually stepped out of the bank.

Passersby said they did not notice any get-away vehicle that could have been used by the robbers to escape.

Jaraza said he suspects the getaway vehicle might have been parked somewhere near the bank, perhaps on a sidestreet.

As of press time, witnesses are still trying to identify the suspects through a police photo

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. (center), Rep. Nanette Castelo Daza (right) and CPD director Chief Superintendent Napoleon Castro prepare to fire the opening salvo of the 1st Nanette Castelo Daza shooting competition held at Camp Karingal yesterday.

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Wednesday, July 2, 2003



Q.C. BANK ROBBERY. A security guard (left) of Ever Gotesco branch along Commonwealth Ave. in Quezon City looks at the broken glass door of Asia Trust Bank branch shot by suspected robbers yesterday noon. At right photo, a police officer examines the getaway car of the robbers left abandoned at the corner of Catbalogan and Cotabato Sts. in barangay Batasan Hills, QC. A security guard died in a gun battle during the incident. (Art Torres)

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Guard killed, 5 hurt in bank rob try in QC

By RIZAL S. OBANIL

Tension gripped mall patrons when at least five heavily armed men robbed a bank armored vehicle leading to the death of one security guard and injury to five others at Ever Gotesco in barangay Commonwealth, Quezon City yesterday afternoon.

Gerardo Bernal, security guard (Enriquez Security Agency), died at the Fairview General Hospital (FGH) due to several bullet wounds in the body.

The injured were identified as Philip Quintas, Constantino Mahilum of Crescent Security Agency, and a certain V. Gerardo who were also admitted at the same hospital, and Agustin Tadeo and Pepito Fronda who were brought to the Malvar General Hospital.

PO2 Randy Escobido, officer-on-case of the Central Police District Office-Criminal Investigation Unit (CPDO-CIU), reported that the incident happened at 11 a.m. when the suspects robbed the armored vehicle of Asia Trust Bank at Ever Gotesco that was about to transfer money.

Witnesses said that the suspects suddenly barged inside the establishment as escorts of the bank's representative was coming down from the second floor of the mall.

As soon as the suspects spotted the security guards they started to strafe them with bullets.

Almost instantly Quintas and Bernal fell down on the floor as they were hit by bullets while the shooting continued. But the security guards fended off the suspects and continued to return fire.

A witness said that the suspects seemed to have been spooked by the fierce resistance that the guards showed and decided to abort the planned heist.

The suspects started to scamper away in different directions, some reportedly even entered the women's comfort room in their haste to escape.

During the confusion, the suspects were able to evade arrest and boarded their getaway vehicle, a Toyota Altis, but not after grabbing two duffle bags containing an undetermined amount of money.

Operatives were able to recover the suspects' getaway car, a Toyota Altis (XFV-405) abandoned at the corner of Catbalogan and Cotabato Streets near Filinvest 1, Quezon City.

CPDO-CIU operatives are now conducting follow-up operations to determine the whereabouts of the suspects based on the description given by a security guard who survived the onslaught.

The security guard (who requested anonymity) said that the suspects were well-dressed and mostly in their late twenties.

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Belmonte lauds CPD for bringing honors to QC

By PERSEUS ECHEMINADA

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. has lauded the Central Police District (CPD) for bringing honors to the city as it was recently adjudged as the "Best Police District" by the National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO).

The Cubao Police Station was also adjudged as the best community precinct of the NCRPO while six other police stations – Novaliches, Baler, Lagro, Galas, Talipapa and Batasan – were rated as among the 10 top police stations in Metro Manila.

The police stations were chosen for their operational readiness, effectiveness and unrelenting efforts in addressing peace and order concerns.

Aside from the honors reaped by the police stations, two of the Ten Most Outstanding Policemen of the Philippines – Police Supt. Raul Medina Jr. of the Central Investigation Unit and SPO4 Reynaldo Medina Jr. — are from the CPD.

Chief Supt. Napoleon Castro, CPD director, attributed the achievements of the Quezon City police to the support of the city government in anti-crime campaign and police management.

Aware of the role of law enforcers in helping build an atmosphere conducive to business, Mayor Belmonte has recently turned over 25 brand new Revo patrol cars, 40 brand new Mosberg pistol grip assault shotguns, 250 brand new Taurus pistols, 84 *sando* type and 45 tactical armored vest, 28 Honda motorcycle units and 40 spectra ceramic plates to the CPD.

Mayor Belmonte has always underscored the need of law enforcers to raise the level of commitment and dedication to public service, as he assured his continued support to the PNP's drive against all forms of criminality.

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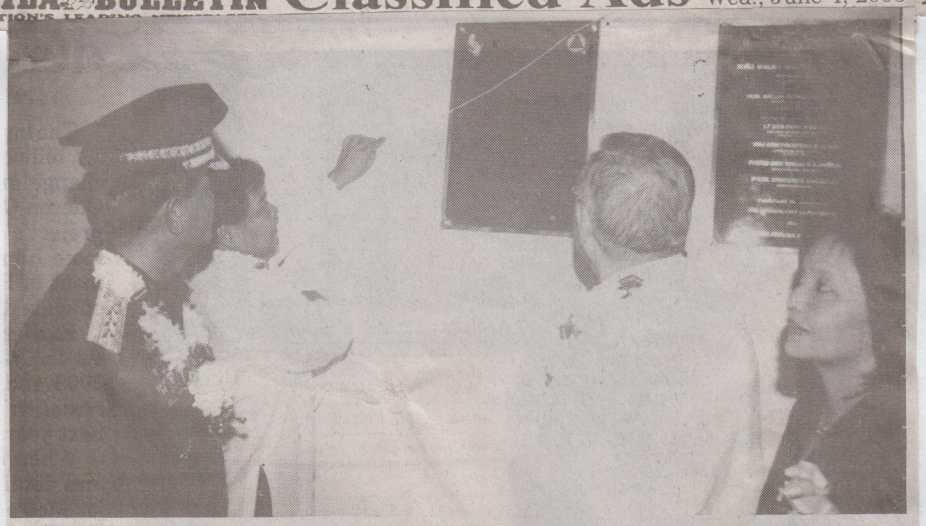

NCRPO SATELLITE OFFICE. Interior and Local Government Secretary Jose Lina, Jr. and Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte, Jr. unveil the commemorative marker during the inauguration of the New York Police Department-patterned National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) satellite office along EDSA near the corner of Kamuning Road, Quezon City. The satellite office is expected to further speed up police response to crime and intensify the all-out campaign against all forms of criminality. Looking are NCRPO Chief Deputy Director General Reynaldo Velasco and Quezon City Congresswoman Nanette Castelo-Daza. (Art Torres)

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QC policeman receives full praises from all over

Praises continue to pour for honest policeman, Senior Inspector Bert Malaza, who had returned to Deputy Director General Reynaldo Velasco, chief of the National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO), some ₱329,000 cash which he had found in a marketplace in Quezon City.

The latest commendations came from Velasco himself, Interior and Local Governments Secretary Jose Lina Jr., Philippine National Police (PNP) chief Director General Hermogenes Ebdane Jr. and other top officials.

Deputy Director General Velasco said that Senior Inspector Bert Malaza, assigned with the Central Police District Office (CPDO) Station 5, belongs to a new breed of cops in the Metro Manila police force who are dedicated to the job and are true to their sworn duty to serve and protect: Pulis Magalang, Malinis, and Mabilis.

"We have heroes in the Metro Manila police whose every day deeds come unnoticed but are heroic just the same. These are the men and women of the NCRPO, who ensure the maintenance of peace and order in the metropolis," he said.

"Police officers like Senior Inspector Malaza are the kind of cops who bring back the trust and confidence of the public in the police corps," he stressed.

He added that Malaza measures up to the dignity of being a police officer. The discovery of such a large sum of money, ₱329,000 cash, inside a knapsack made his police instinct kick in and his suspicion that the money came from illegal sources drove him to surrender the cash to CPDO District Director Chief Supt. Napoleon Castro for the arrest of the person who may have left the bag behind.

As a reward for his honesty, the officers and men of the NCRPO, from Velasco down to the command group, pitched in to give Senior Inspector Malaza a ₱20,000 cash award while an anonymous donor, who was overwhelmed by the cop's honesty gave ₱15,000 to the police officer. (David S. Cagahastian)



MOTORCYCLES FOR TRAFFIC USE. Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. tries one of the motorcycles donated by the Quezon City government to the police to be used in their traffic operation. The city government, through the initiative of Belmonte, also donated to the police 50 Toyota Revo to provide more muscle to the anti-crime campaign. Witnessing the turnover of the motorcycles are Councilors Annie "Rosa" L. Susano of District 2, Dante M. De Guzman of District 3, Toto Medalla, Godofredo Liban, and Eric Medina. (DDL)

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. examines the license plate of a stolen Mitsubishi Adventure van, one of three vehicles seized from suspect Bongabon Magsino (right) following an entrapment operation in Quezon City. Also in photo is Central Police District director Chief Superintendent Napoleon Castro. BOY SANTOS

QC cops nab 10 pushers

By MATTHEW ESTABILLO

Police rounded up yesterday 10 suspected drug pushers after a series of buy-bust operations in Quezon City, confiscating some P6 million worth of shabu, cocaine and Ecstacy pills.

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. lauded the Central Police District for their "commitment to launch a massive operation against drugs" while announcing the addition of more than 100 rookie policemen to the local force.

Suspects Joseline Chan, 41, a Filipino-Chinese businesswoman, and her driver Edward Roxas, were collared along Padre Faura, Ermita at about 6:30 p.m. Saturday while inside Chan's Honda Accord (WJW-701).

Confiscated from them were some three kilos of shabu.

In another operation, 50-year-old Crisencia Santos, of 12 Rizal street, San Jose del Monte, Bulacan, was arrested at about 10 a.m. after selling shabu to an undercover policeman in front of a fastfood joint at the corner of V. Luna and Kalayaan Road.

Meanwhile, four men were hauled off to jail after they were caught peddling Ecstacy pills and suspected cocaine to poseur-buyers after midnight the other day at a bar located at Madison Square in Libis.

Suspects Allan Dale Castro, Rocky Solarita, 23, Rejiel Orocay, 28, and Randy Salvador, 27, are now detained at the CPD headquarters. Confiscated from them were 200 Ecstacy pills and a still undermined amount of cocaine.

A few hours later, one Renato Sy Tan, 33, a Filipino-Chinese trader, offered P30,000 to arresting officers for the release of Salvador and his companions. He was immediately arrested for bribery.

Follow-up operations were immediately conducted and led to the arrest of two more suspected drug pushers identified as Frederic Bucalan, 29, and Dennis Inocencio, 33. Reports showed that they were in possession of some 200 Ecstacy pills.

Belmonte said that the arrests show that the local government and the police force are serious in their operations to eliminate illegal drugs in the city.

He added that the CPD now has sufficient personnel to stop crime because the 119 new police officers to be deployed are "well-trained" and " highly capable."

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Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. and Central Police District director Chief Superintendent Napoleon Castro inspect samples of tactical armored vests to be distributed to policemen during the turnover of some P50 million worth of patrol vehicles and police equipment at the QC Hall lobby. Belmonte cited the turnover of CPD equipment as instrumental in improving the capability of the city police in battling all forms of lawless elements. Looking on are Councilors Eric Rey Medina and Resty Malangen.

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SHABU, A-HA! Central Police District Station 5 chief Supt Jolly Dizon, Quezon City Mayor Sonny Belmonte and Central Police District director Chief Supt. Napoleon Castro inspect the P16 million worth of shabu recovered by police from an abandoned vehicle. The car owners, an unidentified couple, hurriedly ran away when the police stopped them along Regalado/Mindanao Avenue, Quezon City. NONO LACZA

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Crame-based carnap syndicate busted

BELMONTE VOWS FULL SUPPORT TO POLICE

By PERSEUS ECHEMINADA and MATTHEW ESTABILLO

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. announced yesterday the breakup of a Camp Crame-based carnapping syndicate which has been responsible for a series of car thefts in Quezon City.

Belmonte together with Central Police District Senior Superintendent Napoleon Castro presented to newsmen the alleged mastermind, Labrito Valiente, a civilian employee of Camp Crame who was caught red-handed driving a stolen vehicle right inside the Camp Crame compound. The arrest of Valiente led to the arrest of seven other suspects and the recovery of stolen vehicles including a Toyota Revo, the official car of National Anti-Poverty Commission chairman Teresita Deles which was still sporting a number 6 plate number. A Pajero owned by Baras town Mayor Jose Tevens in Catanduanes and an owner type jeep owned by a Manila policeman were also recovered.

"This is a very significant catch, because it involves the official car of a Cabinet member and the suspected mastermind operates inside Camp Crame," Belmonte said. He said the crackdown against carnappers and other organized criminal groups operating in Quezon City is part of the anti-crime campaign ordered by President Arroyo.

Belmonte said the crackdown on carnappers and other organized criminal groups is in compliance with the directive of President Arroyo for renewed campaign against criminality.



Belmonte questions two carnappers identified as Labrito Valiente and Leopoldo Platino during media briefings. BOY SANTOS

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He said Valiente, the alleged mastermind brought to the Camp Crame compound a stolen new Isuzu Crosswind and to avoid suspicion he placed Philippine Military Academy (PMA) and PNP stickers on the windshield of the vehicle. Valiente has been working in Camp Crame in the office of Comptrollership for the past 10 years. However, anti-carnap operatives of the District Intelligence Unit of the CPD conducted surveillance on his activities and subsequently arrested Valiente. Follow-up operations resulted to the arrest of other suspects and the recovery of other stolen vehicles.

Luis Eric Clemente, 32, of 5th Avenue, Caloocan City, and Ricardo Baviera, 43, of Bocaue Bulacan, were also apprehended during another operation conducted by the Central Police District. According to Chief Inspector Rodolfo Jaraza, head of the CPD-Intelligence Unit, they also arrested three other suspects who belong to the Clem-



CARNAPPERS: Seven suspected big time carnappers are presented to the media by Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. and CPD director Senior Superintendent Napoleon Castro at the Quezon City Hall yesterday. BOY SANTOS

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ente-Baviera syndicate. The three have yet to be named.

Recovered from Valiente and his cohort Leopoldo Platino were an orange 2002 Isuzu Crosswind (XEL-570) and a white Mitsubishi Pajero (BJT-358).

The vehicle is registered to one Francisco Cheng, of Summer Hills, Subdivision in Antipolo City. During interrogation, Valiente "spilled the beans" and cooperated with the police. It led to the arrest of Platino.

He was collared at about 4:30 p.m. in front of a fastfood chain along Katipunan Avenue in Loyola Heights, Quezon City. He was on board the stolen Pajero at the time.

Another of Platino and Valiente's cohorts, identified only as a certain Romer, is still at-large. On the other hand, Clemente and Bavaria, also responsible for the series of car thefts in the metropolis, were apprehended along with three of their cohorts at about 5 p.m. at the corner of Quirino Highway and Sta. Quiteria St., in Sangandaan. Recovered from them was an owner-type jeep, which belongs to SPO4 Eduardo Andaya of the Western Police District.

Jaraza said that his men spotted the vehicle traversing along the area and immediately flagged down the suspects. Instead of stopping, the five men sped-off, triggering a brief chase. Eventually, the cops' patrol car overtook the suspects' stolen jeep and blocked its path. Clemente and Bavaria immediately surrendered. Jaraza said that he expects to make "more arrests" this week.

Belmonte commended the CPD for a job well done and assured full support to the police operations in the city.

"I am commending Senior Superintendent Castro of the CPD and his men for a job well done, they have the most significant catch this time", he said.

To beef-up the police mobility and early response to crimes, Belmonte has distributed 24 more patrol cars to the peace and order councils in the city. Bullet proof vests for the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) were also given to the CPD.

Castro for his part, said that follow-up operations are being undertaken by the police to account the remaining members of the carnap gang and other organized criminal groups operating in the city. He said the group of Valiente is responsible for at least 20 car thefts in the city.

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OUTSTANDING COP CITED: Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. presents a certificate of recognition to SPO4 Reynaldo Medina Jr., detachment commander of the Balintawak PNP Assistance Center, who was named one of the country's outstanding policemen in the search conducted recently by Metrobank. Medina, brother of QC Councilor Eric Rey Medina (second from right) and Col. Raul Medina, chief of CPD's District Intelligence Unit, was the only awardee from the National Capital Region. Joining the mayor are Vice Mayor Herbert Bautista and Councilors Resty Malangen, Jorge Banal, Dante de Guzman and Jesus Suntay.

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13 QC police brass given merit medals

Thirteen officers of the Central Police District (CPD) were awarded recently the prestigious "Medalya ng Kagalingan" or the Philippine National Police (PNP) Medal of Merit for busting the two suspected members of a big drug ring in Quezon City.

Awarded the medals on orders of Metro Manila police chief Deputy Director General Reynaldo Velasco were Chief Supt. Napoleon C. Castro, CPD director; Sr. Supt. Richard A. Albano, chief of CPD Special Projects Unit and officer-in-charge of the District Drug Enforcement Group; and Chief Insp. Redentor J. Marañon.

The other awardees were Inspectors Ramon B. Arsinall and Armando C. Macaraeg, SPO3 Santiago E. Gonzales, SPO2 Nicanor Gerry B. Peralta; SPO1 Danilo M. Mante; PO3 Mohammad D. Sugod; and POs2 Ibrahim A. Panangolon, Roberto U. Diaz; Wilfredo P. De Leon, and Generoso G. Rosales.

The police team, headed by Sr. Supt. Albano under the direct supervision of Chief Supt. Castro, entrapped alleged big time drug dealers Rashid N. Mangtoma and Mike B. Steve on Lectura St., Kimco Village, barangay Sauyo, Novaliches, Quezon City on Feb. 20. (Freddie Velez)

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QUEZON CITY ASSURED. Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. (2nd from left) assures QC residents that the city government is ready for any eventuality in case the United States goes to war against Iraq during the 'Mayor SB Reports' media briefing yesterday at the Sulo Hotel in Quezon City. During the briefing, Belmonte also laid out plans against the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and terrorist threats. With the former House speaker are Dr. Victor Endriga, city treasurer; Central Police District Office (CPDO) director Senior Supt. Nap Castro, and Dr. Ma. Paz Ugalde, city health officer. (Art Torres)

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Mother turns in QC double-slay suspect

By MATTHEW ESTABILLO

The suspected brains behind the killing of a Christian missionary and her housemaid is now under police custody after his mother turned him in for fear that she would be charged as an accomplice to the crime.

Ralph Lester Roxas, 18, of 78 Dagohoy street, Pook Ricarte in Diliman, is now detained at the Central Police District (CPD) headquarters.

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. presented the suspect to the media yesterday after Leticia Roxas turned her son over to agents of the CPD–Criminal Investigation Unit at about 2 p.m.

Roxas was tagged by Jesus Austero III, 18, another suspect, as the robbery "mastermind." Austero was arrested the other day.

A third suspect, Nomer Mallo, 19, is still at large. He is believed to have gone into hiding in Cagayan de Oro City.

Roxas denied having had a part in the killing, saying that he was simply a "fall-guy." Marilyn Mallo, the mother of the third suspect, reportedly advised her son to "hide in the province until the whole thing blows over."

Last Tuesday, the three teenagers allegedly robbed and stabbed to death Myrna Loi Beebe, 58, and Jovelyn Parejo, 21, inside their residence at 13 Viola street, St. Dominic Subdivision in Barangay Culiat at 1:35 a.m.

Belmonte commended the policemen for the speedy arrests, saying that this should serve as a lesson to others that "crime does not pay."

A Gucci watch, a Nokia 3310 cell phone, assorted pieces of jewelry and about P15,000 in cash were recovered by policemen from Austero. All items belonged to the slain missionary.

Austero was arrested after a follow-up operation by elements of the CPD-Theft and Robbery Section, led by Inspector Jaime Amor.

He was collared near his home at about 7 p.m. Mallo was with Austero at the time but was able to run away, police said.

— Matthew Estabillo

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₱50-M fund for QC peace & order plan

Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. urged yesterday city residents to remain calm and vigilant as he assured the city government and the police are working round-the-clock to prevent the occurence of terrorist attack similar to the March 4 Davao blasts in the city.

Speaking before mediamen at the launching of the media briefing called "Mayor 'SB' Reports" at the Sulo Hotel, Belmonte appealed to city residents to be cautious and not to panic.

"At this time when the city is on the verge of economic prosperity, it would be counterproductive for us to panic," the Mayor said.

Mayor Belmonte said the city government has released a ₱50-million fund for the Central Police District to strengthen its capability in the maintenance of peace and order, and the city's antiterrorism drive. He said the fund will be used in the purchase of bullet-proof vests for the district's more than 2,000 policemen, mobile vans equipped with sophisticated police facilities, firearms and a portable x-ray machine to detect bombs.

The Mayor reported that the city's improved tax collection system and issuance of business permits has resulted in the first ever recorded budget surplus in QC's history.

Mayor Belmonte, however, said that while it has been the policy of the city government to be business friendly, this does not mean that the city government will allow business establishments to operate without complying the laws the city imposed on them.

During the briefing, City Treasurer Dr. Victor Endriga Jr. reported that the city's two taxpayer's lounges and the Business Permits and License Office (BPLO) will be open every Saturday for the whole year from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to accept payments.

Mayor Belmonte also reported that the city government will start its cleanup drive on the city's esteros, creeks and waterways this month in preparation for the onset of the rainy season.

He said the city, through the Environmental Protection and Waste Management Department (WPWMD), will hire people living in the area for the clearing operations, as part of the city's employment program for the city's unemployed and underemployed.

The Mayor also thanked members of the media for their attendance and invited them to attend again in the next press briefings "to share with you everything that we have."

The "Mayor SB Reports" Project, a regular media briefing scheduled every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Sulo Hotel, has been initiated by the City Treasury and Public Affairs and Information Services Office, as a venue for both the city government and the media to discuss issues affecting Quezon City and its residents.

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1 dead as 'basketbrawl' leads to riot in QC jail

By Alcuin Papa

A RUGGED basketball game between the feuding Sigue-Sigue Sputnik and Batang City Jail gangs exploded into a riot that killed one prisoner inside the Quezon City jail Thursday night. Three other inmates were injured.

The lone fatality was identified as Allan Rada, 23, accused of robbery and a member of the Sigue-Sigue Sputnik Gang. Rada died on a gunshot wound to the head while being treated at the East Avenue Medical Center.

Also treated at the same hospital were Robert Reyes, 21, accused of murder; Roger Durian, 19, who is facing robbery charges; and Noel Barsana, 26, in jail for illegal possession of firearms. All three sustained injuries in different parts of the body from improvised arrows.

The game became hotly contested as the participants started playing rough, police said.

The hard body contacts during the match turned into full-scale violence as one inmate pulled out an improvised shotgun (sumpak) and fired at Rada point blank.

Improvised arrows also started to fly from both sides.

Quezon City Jail warden Supt. Gilberto Marpuri said jail officials were still investigating who killed Rada and how dangerous weapons found their way inside the jail.

Jail authorities had just conducted an "Operation Greyhound," or a jail-wide inspection and confiscation of deadly weapons, last week.

Marpuri and his men immediately conducted an inspection for makeshift weapons.

A total of 47 sharp weapons, including samurais, kris, and improvised shotguns, were recovered inside the prison cells.

Jail officials said they would tear down some of the cell walls and floors to see if any more weapons are being concealed.



COPS frisking inmates after the riot. DENNIS SABANGAN



ONE inmate subdued by jail guard. DENNIS SABANGAN

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RECOVERED STOLEN CARS. National Capital Regional Police Office (NCRPO) chief, Deputy Director-General Reynaldo Velasco (right) presents recovered stolen vehicles to QC Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. (left), after arresting 29 suspected street criminals and carnap syndicate members in a round-up in Quezon City, which yielded 8 stolen vehicles and ₱2 milllion worth of shabu. Also in photo is Sr. Supt. Nap Castro (2nd from left), Central Police District director. (Art Torres)

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BULLDOZER THIEVES. Philippine National Police Deputy Director General Reynaldo Velasco, concurrent chief of the National Capital Region Police Office, Quezon City Mayor Sonny Belmonte, and Central Police District head Chief Supt. Nap Castro present the four suspects in the hijacking of a bulldozer to the media. The suspects are Rey Villareal, Mario Estoquia, Felino Esguerra Jr., and Felino Esguerra Sr. The bulldozer was recovered at Blk-28 Lot-1 Ki stown Subd. Caloocan City. (Art Torres)

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'PULIS MABILIS' IN QC. The National Capital Region Police Office's (NCRPO) newest member, 'Pulis Mabilis,' is formally introduced to Philippine National Police (PNP) Chief Director General Hermogenes Ebdane Jr. and Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte during the launching of 'Task Force Tulungan,' an integration of the 'Huli Agad' and 'Pulis Mabilis' programs of the Metro Manila police, at the Central Police District Office (CPDO) headquarters in Camp Karingal. Looking on are NCRPO Chief Deputy Director General Reynaldo Velasco and CPDO Director Sr. Supt. Napoleon Castro.

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LGUs back 'Task Force Tulungan'

Local government officials have expressed full support for the National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) "Task Force Tulungan," an integration of the *Huli Agad* program and *Pulis Mabilis* project, aimed at waging an all-out war against street crimes in the metropolis.

Several *huli agad* cops, motorcycle-mounted police officers, have been fielded to the different cities and municipalities in Metro Manila to augment police visibility patrols and to further intensify the campaign against street crimes in Metro Manila based on the directive of President Arroyo and Philippine National Police (PNP) chief Director General Hermogenes Ebdane Jr.

The local chief executives, particularly Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., lauded the move of the PNP — through the NCRPO — of launching an endeavor to further intensify the anti-criminality campaign in the metropolis.

Belmonte, who was among the guests of honor during the formal launching of "TF Tulungan" the other day at the Central Police District Office (CPDO) headquarters in Camp Karingal, expressed pride for his city's being chosen to be the pilot area for the project.

— Non Alquitran



Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. meets the Task Force Tulungan mascot during launching ceremonies at Camp Karingal in Quezon City. At right is CPD director Senior Superintendent Napoleon Castro. BOY SANTOS

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POLICE MASCOT. Philippine National Police (PNP) chief, Director General Hermogenes Ebdane Jr,. and National Capital Regional Police Office (NCRPO) chief, Deputy Director- General Reynaldo Velasco, welcome the PNP mascot 'Pulis Mabilis' at the recent launching of the 'Huli Agad' program of the PNP. Looking on are Quezon City Mayor Sonny Belmonte Jr. and Central Police District (CPD) Director Sr. Supt. Napoleon Castro. (Art Torres)

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CPD collars bank rob



PNP chief Director General Hermogenes Ebdane and Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. examine seized firearms during a press conference in Camp Karingal, Quezon City yesterday. Behind them is bank robbery suspect Ruben Ricabar. BOY SANTOS

Police moved a step closer to solving the EastWest Bank robbery last week in Quezon City after they arrested yesterday one of six suspects involved in the heist.

Ruben Ricabar, 45, of Purok 2-C Uni-rock, Cogeo, Antipolo City, is now detained at the Central Police District (CPD) headquarters awaiting necessary charges to be filed.

Security guards and tellers of the bank positively identified Ricabar as one of the six gunmen who held them up last Thursday.

According to Chief Inspector Rodolfo Jaraza, CPD-Intelligence chief, the suspect was apprehended after their team staked out three safehouses in different areas in Metro Manila.

Ricabar was arrested at about 6 p.m. along Chico street in Cainta, Rizal with the help of several police informants. Jaraza told

By MATTHEW ESTABILLO

The STAR that his team went to great lengths just for this arrest.

"There's a lot of money involved. We all had to endure three days of non-stop surveillance. We have just scratched the surface of the case, but we expect to make more arrests before the week is over," he said in an interview.

Other police sources, however, were not satisfied with the arrest. They said that some cops were "too late" or "too slow" in going after the five other suspects. They have yet been identified.

Reports showed that six armed men swooped down on the EastWest bank Congressional Avenue branch at about 9:45 a.m. Investigators said the bank lost P500,000 to the robbers.

They pulled it off at a time when most mobile patrols and elements of the CPD were participating in a parade for the 12th anniversary of the PNP.

Meanwhile, at least 200 crack police agents will be deployed starting today in several crime-prone areas of Metro Manila in an intensified war against street crimes, like car theft, cell phone snatching and petty robbery.

The new tact in fighting crime, dubbed as "Task Force Tulungan" took off with a big bang following the arrest of a suspect in a Quezon City bank rob.

The program is aimed at strengthening the impact projects of the National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO), like the *Huli Agad* and *Pulis Mabilis*.

Tulungan was launched yesterday by Quezon City Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr., Philippine National Police chief Director General Hermogenes Ebdane Jr., and Metro police chief Deputy Director General Reynaldo Velasco during simple rites at the CPD headquarters in Camp Karingal.

"The order of the day calls for a decisive shift in the way we do policing in Metro Manila so that our policemen on the streets can handily implement these projects and quickly respond to the public's call against lawless elements," Ebdane said. "The marching orders are clear: Win the streets and keep the families safe."

Ebdane lauded Velasco for putting face, flesh, and substance to the O.N.E. PNP program of action geared toward a safe and secure metropolis.

Under Velasco's strategy, the 200 crack police agents will be deployed in eight major police stations, which are considered crime-prone areas in Metro Manila identified through the crime-mapping system of the NCRPO.

Velasco identified the pilot areas of the Task Force Tulungan as Kamuning, Cubao and other CPD stations. He tasked Senior Superintendent Napoleon Castro to head the CPD operations. — With Non Alquitran