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### DOJ SUBPOENAS VILLARS, FIRM EXECs ON MARKET MANIPULATION RAPS

MANILA – The Department of Justice (DOJ) on Monday said it summoned officials of Villar Holdings Corp. to give their side on complaints of market manipulation, insider trading and disclosure shortcomings filed by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

"After undergoing initial evaluation, the complaint lodged by the SEC against Villar Holdings Corp. et al. with the DOJ ... will proceed with preliminary investigation for alleged violations of the Securities Regulation Code," DOJ spokesperson Polo Martinez said in a message to reporters.

Subpoenas have been served to the respondents," he added.

Named in the SEC complaint are former senator and Villar Land chair Manuel Villar Jr, former senator Cynthia Villar, and directors Cynthia Javarez, Manual Paolo Villar, Senator Camille Villar and Senator Mark Villar.

Martinez said the DOJ will determine if there is merit to the allegations by the government regulator.

"The Department of Justice remains steadfast in the discharge of its mandate to evaluate all cases based solely on the evidence and the law. We neither favor nor target any individual. Our duty has always been, and will continue to be, the fair and impartial pursuit of justice," he said.

The SEC filed a criminal complaint in January



ALL IN THE FAMILY. Senator Mark Villar, former senator Manny Villar, Senator Camille Villar and former senator Cynthia Villar (from left) during the 2025 election campaign. The incumbent lawmakers and their parents are subjects of market manipulation, insider trading and disclosure shortcomings complaints related to their firm, Villar Holdings Corp., filed by the Securities and Exchange Commission. (Contributed photo)

against Villar Land, its related entities and their officers for market manipulation, insider trading and misleading disclosures.

The regulator said they distorted the company's share prices and misled investors in connection with the alleged delays in the release of the audited assets of the company, which prompted a surge in share prices.

The SEC found the company liable for its premature disclosure of its 2024 financial statement that reported a total of PHP1.33 trillion in assets. After adjusted audited report, the total assets reached only PHP35.7 billion. (PNA)

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- Matthew 6:11-13 -



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## Moreno calls for 'dignity' for seniors at opening of Manila's first adult day care



Manila opens first private adult day care for senior citizens

MANILA — Mayor Francisco “Isko Moreno” Domagoso on Thursday, February 26, led the opening of the city’s first private adult day care center at the corner of Espiritu and P. Ocampo Streets in San Andres Bukid, describing the facility as a major step in bringing back “dignity and productivity” to Manila’s elderly.

The facility, named Olof’s Wise Adult Day Care Center, aims to provide a specialized environment for senior citizens to engage in cognitive exercises and social activities, addressing the isolation often faced by elders left home alone.

The center’s design is built on four key concepts—Home, Connect, Pause, and Renew—and is fully equipped with a living room, dining area, a small kitchen, a nap room, and dedicated spaces for music therapy and card games.

“You may call it a business, but it is the empathy and love matching our mission that stands out,” Moreno said during the ribbon-cutting ceremony. “At the very least, we can make them feel that there is a government and a community that cares for them in their remaining years.”

The center uses a “care portal” setup, which keeps groups small to ensure every senior receives personal attention. Instead of just basic supervision, the facility focuses on “cognitive care” to keep seniors mentally sharp through structured interaction.

The founder of Olof’s Wise, who developed the concept after four years of personal experience in elder care, noted that the facility also serves as a training ground for “care-rovers”—caregivers sourced from local barangays to upscale their skills in senior assistance.

Moreno emphasized that the initiative aligns with his administration’s 2026 priorities, which include expanding employment opportunities for “abled” seniors.

“Apart from nutrition and financial assistance, jobs and engagement bring back divinity to our seniors,” the mayor added.

Manila currently houses approximately 205,000 senior citizens. Moreno expressed hope that the private sector model at Olof’s Wise would be duplicated across the country to address the growing needs of the aging population.

The San Andres Bukid facility is now open for initial operations, offering four care sessions per day with a focus on residents within the district and surrounding areas. **(JLN/PIA-NCR)**

## President Marcos vows full aid to family of Filipina caregiver killed in Middle East conflict

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Sunday night assured that the government will provide all necessary assistance to the family of a Filipina caregiver killed in the ongoing conflict in the Middle East.

In a video message, President Marcos confirmed the death of Mary Anne Velazquez De Vera of Pangasinan who was struck by shrapnel while helping her ward reach a bomb shelter in Israel.

“Ikinalulungkot ko na mayroon po tayong natanggap na report na mayroon na pong casualty na Pilipino dito po sa giyera na nangyayari sa Middle East. Na-report po sa atin ay namatay po ang isang Mary Anne Velazquez De Vera na taga-Pangasinan,” the President said.

“Siya po ay isang caregiver sa Israel na tinutulungan ang kanyang alaga para dalhin sa bomb shelter, ngunit hindi na po nakaabot sa bomb shelter at inabutan na sila bago sila nakarating. Siya ay namatay dahil tinamaan ng shrapnel ng mga bumagsak na bomba,” President Marcos added.

The President said the victim has been identified by her husband, who is also an overseas Filipino worker employed in Israel, the President noted. “Na-identify na po siya ng kanyang asawa na isang OFW din na nagtatrabaho sa Israel.”

The Chief Executive assured the bereaved family that the government will extend all necessary assistance, including financial aid and other support they may require during this dif-



ficult time.

“Lahat po ng tulong na kakailanganin ng kanilang pamilya ay ihahatid ng ating pamahalaan,” the President emphasized.

Earlier, President Marcos said Filipinos in the Middle East have been moved to safe locations, with many taking shelter in designated bomb shelters, as the Philippine government continues to receive and monitor situation reports from the region.

The President likewise said authorities remain on heightened alert as tensions persist in the region, emphasizing that the government is closely tracking developments to safeguard Filipinos still in affected areas.

“Patuloy po ang ating pag-monitor sa kalagayan ng ating mga kababayan na nasa gitna nitong giyera patuloy pa rin sa Middle East. Asahan po ninyo na pagka mayroon tayong maire-report ay ire-report ko po sa inyo kagad.” **(PND)**

## PH strongly backs family resilience, empowerment as DSWD chairs ASEAN-ASCC

The Philippines, as Chair of the 2026 Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Socio-Cultural Community (ASCC), through the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), strongly supports strengthening families as the foundation of a resilient regional community.

The ASCC is one of the three pillars of the ASEAN Community, which focuses on people-centered initiatives.

DSWD Assistant Secretary Irene B. Dumlao said on Monday that the ASCC meeting is anchored on the theme RISE ASEAN, emphasizing the importance of resilient and empowered ASEAN families as the main focus of discussions at this year’s ASCC Council.

Dumlao, also the DSWD spokesperson, said RISE stands for Resilient and empowered families; Inclusive development; Smart youth and innovation; and an Environmentally sustainable and food-secure future.

The ASCC focuses on four priorities highlighted under RISE.

Underscoring ASCC’s first-priority initiative, Dumlao said the family, as the basic unit of society, is a substantial driving force in realizing an inclusive and sustainable ASEAN region.

“Family bonds are very strong in ASEAN cultures, with people relying on their families for daily support, love, and essential needs. Because of this, family is a core part of the social support system,” Dumlao said.

Dumlao acknowledged the growing consensus among ASEAN Member States to promote family resilience by improving social

protection mechanisms and development programs and policies that aid ASEAN families.

Empowering families, DSWD spokesperson said, also involves ensuring they are strong, resilient, and healthy.

In addition, the DSWD’s ASCC Chairship will give special attention to enhancing care systems that provide children with an enabling environment to grow. This is to highlight the importance of giving children a caring and nurturing family and community environment, including abandoned and neglected children currently housed in various centers and facilities.

“Shifting toward family-based care systems is one of the key initiatives that the DSWD’s Chairship will focus on in this year’s ASCC. We want to encourage a transition from long-term residential care facilities to family-based alternatives, such as foster care and kinship care arrangements,” Dumlao said, emphasizing the importance of children growing up in protective and nurturing family environments.

Between 2023 and 2025, more than 4,000 children were waiting for a family and a home in the Philippines, rather than spending their formative years in centers or residential care facilities.

The Philippines’ 2026 ASEAN Chairship has the theme “Navigating our Future, Together.”

This is aligned with the ASEAN Community Vision 2045, which underscores the importance of addressing current and emerging challenges and proactively working towards a resilient, dynamic, and people-centered region. **(PND)**

## BI arrests Korean fugitive wanted for large-scale investment fraud

MANILA, Philippines — The Bureau of Immigration (BI), through its Fugitive Search Unit (FSU), arrested a South Korean national wanted for large-scale fraud by authorities in Seoul.

Immigration Commissioner Joel Anthony Viado identified the fugitive as Jun Hwanhwi, 45, who was apprehended on February 18 along Sapphire Street, Ortigas Center, Pasig City.

The operation was conducted by BI-FSU agents in coordination with South Korean authorities, the Philippine National Police – Anti-Cybercrime Group Cyber Patrolling and Intelligence Unit, the Eastern Police District’s District Intelligence Division, and government intelligence forces.

The arrest was carried out pursuant to a warrant of deportation issued in 2021 after the subject was tagged as an undesirable alien for posing a risk to public safety and security.

An Interpol Red Notice was issued against the fugitive following an arrest warrant released by the Gwangju District Court in connection with charges of fraud under South Korea’s Act on the Aggravated Punishment of Specific Economic Crimes.

According to reports from the South Korean government, the subject allegedly orchestrated a large-scale investment scam in 2018. He



first persuaded a victim to invest in bonds, defrauding approximately KRW 500 million in two separate transactions.

He was said to have later convinced the same victim to co-purchase stocks, swindling an additional KRW 200 million. In the succeeding months, he allegedly extracted another KRW 268 million in multiple installments by falsely claiming urgent funds were needed for a sibling’s medical treatment. Total losses exceeded KRW 900 million.

Viado stressed that the case reflects a deliberate pattern of deception involving substantial financial damage.

“Foreign nationals who engage in large-scale financial fraud and attempt to evade accountability by hiding in the Philippines will be located, arrested, and deported,” warned Viado.

Hwanhwi was transferred to the Bureau of Immigration Warden Facility pending deportation proceedings.

## SSS implements multi-year pension hike for retirees, survivors



SSS Senior Communications Analyst Sherwin Dan Solibaga explains the agency’s Pension Reform Program during the Kapihan sa PIA in Tagbilaran City, alongside SSS Bohol Acting Head Dioscoro Madanguit, noting that retirees, disability, and survivor pensioners will receive phased increases over the next three years. (PIA Bohol)

TAGBILARAN CITY, Bohol — The Social Security System (SSS) has begun implementing a multi-year pension reform program that provides structured increases for retirement, disability, and survivor pensioners over three years.

SSS Bohol Branch Acting Head Dioscoro Madanguit and Communications Analyst Sherwin Dan Solibaga announced the reform during a recent Kapihan sa PIA.

“The Pension Reform Program ... is very historic because this is the first time that SSS would implement an increase in pension within the next three years,” Solibaga said.

Under the program, retirement and disability pensioners receive a 10% annual increase starting September 2025, followed by another 10% increase in 2026 and again in 2027.

Survivor pensioners are also covered and receive a 5% annual increase from September 2025 to 2027.

SSS noted that pension levels depend on members’ monthly contributions. At present, the minimum pension is P2,000, the average monthly pension is about P5,000, and the highest is around P24,000.

For example, a P2,000 pension increases to P2,200, then to about P2,420, and reaches roughly P2,682 by September 2027.

“Along with this, the SSS also assured that within that period of the PRP, there will be no increase in contributions,” Solibaga said.

In addition, SSS has reduced interest rates on loan programs beginning in 2025. Salary loan interest dropped from 10% to 8% per annum, while calamity and emergency loan rates were lowered from 10% to 7% per annum starting July 2025.

These rates apply to members with good credit standing and no penalty conditions in the past five years, SSS said.

A 1% service fee is charged on the loanable amount. Calamity loans are payable in 24 monthly installments and may be renewed after six months if payments are up-to-date. (RAHC/PIA Bohol)

## CONGRESS COMMITTEE SUPPORTS MEDICAL CANNABIS



24 FEBRUARY 2026 – Richard Nixon Gomez, General Manager of Bauertek Farmaceutical Technologies, and Rigel Gomez, President of the company, attended the 2nd Joint Meeting of the Committee on Dangerous Drugs and the Committee on Health to discuss the proposed medical cannabis legislation.

Representing the Scientific sector, Richard Nixon Gomez presented insights on the global medical cannabis market and outlined how the Philippines can strategically position itself once legalization is enacted, emphasizing regulatory compliance, patient safety, research, and economic growth.

Richard and his son, Rigel, are the inventors of CanCur, the first Philippine-made medical cannabis formulation, which won the Grand Prize at the ENNOVATE: International Innovation and Invention Summit in 2024. The proposed bill has gained support from key government agencies, including the Dangerous Drugs Board, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency, Philippine National Police, National Bureau of Investigation, Department of Health, and the Food and Drug Administration, reflecting broad institutional support for a regulated and science-based medical cannabis framework in the Philippines.

## DOST Strengthens Regional Startup Ecosystem Through the Rollout of iHubs Across SOCCSKSARGEN

As part of its continuing efforts to strengthen the startup ecosystem across the country, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) launched the activity “Strengthening the Regional Startup Ecosystem: Establishment of Provincial and Regional Innovation Hubs (iHubs)” on February 24, 2026 at Watergate Hotel in Butuan City.



By establishing Provincial and Regional Innovation Hubs (iHubs), DOST aims to provide shared spaces for ideation, incubation, mentoring, prototyping, and access to funding and technical support. In SOCCSKSARGEN, one Innovation Hub has recently been established at the University of Southern Mindanao in Cotabato Province, serving as a collaborative space for students, faculty researchers, and local innovators.

The activity gathered regional directors, provincial science and technology directors, innovation champions, and key stakeholders from across Mindanao to align strategies in building stronger, more inclusive startup communities. Representing DOST SOCCSKSARGEN were Regional Director Engr. Sammy P. Malawan and Provincial Director Dr. Michael T. Mayo of PSTO Cotabato.

The participation of DOST SOCCSKSARGEN in this national initiative opens greater opportunities to cultivate more technology-based startups in the region. Moving forward, the agency aims to establish additional innovation hubs across the region and strengthen partnerships with higher education institutions, local government units, and private sector stakeholders to further nurture a vibrant and sustainable startup ecosystem in SOCCSKSARGEN.

The event featured a ceremonial Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing, signifying the commitment of participating DOST offices and partners to establish and strengthen Provincial and Regional Innovation Hubs (iHubs). Moreover, collaborative workshops and knowledge-sharing sessions were conducted such as discussions on AI Harmonization and the Smart Office System for Government Excellence.

## DOST Grants P1 Million STI Assistance to Dagupan City for STEM, Robotics and AI Programs

The Department of Science and Technology (DOST), under the leadership of Secretary Renato U. Solidum Jr., awarded PHP1,000,000.00 in Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) Assistance to the Local Government Unit of Dagupan City to strengthen STEM education through enhanced Robotics and Artificial Intelligence (AI) support programs.



The assistance was formally received by Mayor Belen T. Fernandez on behalf of the city government. The funding will be used to upgrade robotics equipment, expand AI learning initiatives, and provide capacity-building activities for both educators and students. The program aims to equip young learners with future-ready skills in coding, automation, problem-solving, and digital innovation.

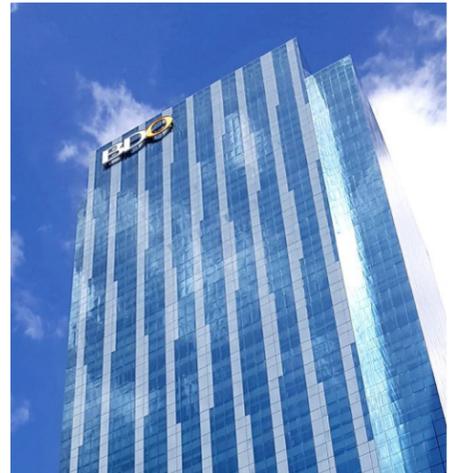


units in building innovation-driven communities and expanding access to emerging technologies at the grassroots level. This partnership highlights the shared vision of DOST and LGU Dagupan in nurturing globally competitive learners and positioning Dagupan City as a growing hub for science, technology, and innovation in the region. **(Carla Joyce B. Cajala)**

This initiative forms part of DOST’s continuing commitment to empower local government

## BDO recorded Php87.2 billion net income in 2025

We find ways. BDO Unibank reported a net income of Php87.2 billion in 2025, a 6% increase from Php82.0 billion last year.



### Highlights:

- Earnings grew by 6%, driven by expansion in core businesses; ROCE stands at 14.4%
- Gross loans increased by 13%, supported by double-digit growth across all market segments, reflecting a balanced growth strategy
- NPL ratio improved to 1.68% with NPL coverage at 133%
- Capital position remained stable with a CET1 ratio of 13.8%; Book Value Per Share rose 11% to Php119.03

BDO Unibank, Inc. (BDO) delivered a record net income of Php87.2 billion in 2025, a 6% increase from Php82.0 billion last year driven by the solid performance of its core businesses. Return on Average Common Equity (ROCE) was reported at 14.4% for the period.

Net Interest Income increased by 9% as Gross Customer Loans expanded by 13% to Php3.7 trillion, supported by double-digit growth across all market segments. Total deposits grew by 10%, with a Current Account/Savings Account (CASA) ratio of 68%. Non-interest income rose by 9%, while income from insurance operations went up by 10%.

Asset quality improved, with Non-Performing Loan (NPL) ratio declining to 1.68% from 1.83% in the previous year. NPL coverage stood at 133%.

Shareholders’ equity increased by 12% on sustained profitable operations, with Book Value Per Share up by 11% to Php119.03. The Bank’s Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) ratio was recorded at 13.8%.

In 2025, BDO advanced its sustainability initiatives with the successful issuance of its fourth Peso-denominated ASEAN Sustainability Bond in July. The issuance raised a record Php115 billion to fund eligible assets under the Bank’s Sustainable Finance Framework, support its lending activities, and further diversify its funding sources.

BDO’s market leadership and robust business franchise, supported by a strong balance sheet and solid financial performance, position the Bank well to capture long-term growth opportunities and emerging prospects.

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- 1 BAGUIO CITY, Benguet**  
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(Near St. Vincent Parish Church)
- 3 TARLAC CITY, Tarlac**  
Mondays, 7:00am to 2:00pm  
Ground Flr. Unit 4, La Maja Rica Business Center, McArthur Highway, Tarlac City  
Shade Victory Liner Terminal and La Maja Hotel, 300m from SM Tarlac
- 5 SAN FERNANDO, Pampanga**  
Mondays, 7:00am to 2:00pm  
Unit 1 Garcia Bldg., McArthur Highway, Brgy. Dolores San Fernando, Pampanga  
(20m away from Ayala near Ecing Flowerings)
- 7 MONUMENTO, Caloocan**  
Saturdays, 7:00am to 2:00pm  
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(Near Robinsons Monumento)
- 9 CUBAO, Quezon City**  
Wednesdays, 7:00am to 2:00pm  
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(Behind Cubao Elm School)
- 11 BACOR, Cavite**  
Tuesdays, 7:00am to 2:00pm  
Maria de Castro Bldg., Emilio Aguinaldo Highway, Brgy. Panapanan Bacoor, Cavite  
(In front of Papan and Panagot Bacoor)
- 13 TANAUAN, Batangas**  
Wednesdays, 7:00am to 12:00nn  
Saturdays, 9:10am to 2:00pm  
FL DIMAKUSA Commercial Bldg., A. Mabini St., Poblacion 2, Tanauan City, Batangas

- 2 CABANATUAN, Nueva Ecija**  
Mondays, 7:00am to 2:00pm  
2nd Floor VP Bldg., Maharlika Highway, Cabanatuan City, Nueva Ecija  
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- 4 BALIUAG, Bulacan**  
Thursdays, 7:00am to 2:00pm  
Unit B Violago Complex, DRT Highway, Baliuag Bulacan  
(Across SM Baliuag)
- 6 MALOLOS, Bulacan**  
Tuesdays, 9:00am to 4:00pm  
Unit 102, Pheonix Bldg., Fausta Rd., Mabalino, Malolos Bulacan  
(Across Robinsons Malolos and Intuluan)
- 8 NOVALICHES, Quezon City**  
Tuesdays, 9:00am to 4:00pm  
C/F Our Lady of Mercy Bldg., Ramirez St., cor. Quirino Highway Novaliches, Proper, Quezon City  
(Near Nova Mall and Memory Drug)
- 10 ORTIGAS, Pasig**  
Saturdays, 9:00am to 4:00pm  
Unit 101 Corinthian Executive Regency Bldg., Ortigas Avenue, Pasig City  
(Behind Robinsons Galleria & Crown Plaza)
- 12 ALABANG, Muntinlupa**  
Tuesdays, 9:00am to 4:00pm  
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**UNIONBANK OF THE PHILIPPINES,**  
*Petitioner/s/Mortgagee/s,*

-versus-

**Foreclosure No. 26-4948**

**JULIUS CEAZAR S. PORCIUNCULA,**  
*Respondent/s/Mortgagor/s.*

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**NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE**

Upon extra-judicial petition for sale under Act 3135/1508, as amended by Act 4118, filed on January 28, 2026, against, JULIUS CEAZAR S. PORCIUNCULA of #3 Tampoy Street, Project 2, Quezon City, to satisfy the mortgage indebtedness which, as of January 05, 2026, amounts to PESOS: **TWO MILLION FIVE HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY THREE AND SEVENTY-SEVEN CENTAVOS (Php2,508,553.77)**<sup>1</sup> pursuant to the **Real Estate Mortgage**<sup>2</sup>, the undersigned Acting Clerk of Court & *Ex-Officio* Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Manila, through her deputy, **Sheriff ARMELINO D. TRAMBULO**, will sell at public auction on **MARCH 19, 2026** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter but not later than 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, in front of the Office of the Clerk of Court, Regional Trial Court, Manila, Room 400, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Manila City Hall, to the highest bidder, for cash or manager's check and in Philippine Currency, the following property/ies with all its improvements, more particularly described as follows:

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
**Land Registration Authority**  
QUEZON CITY  
Registry of Deeds for City of Manila

**Condominium Certificate of Title**  
**No. 002-2021004068**

(Republic Act No. 4726)

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the unit identified and described as:  
UNIT NO. 1606 - A STUDIO UNIT, LOCATED AT THE 16TH FLOOR LEVEL OF AMAIA SKIES - STA. MESA (TOWER 1), WITH AN AREA OF 18.60 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS.

in the diagrammatic floor plan appended to the enabling or master deed of the condominium project annotated on TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE 2012004145 which embraces and describes the land located at V. MAPA COR. VALENZUELA STREET, STA. MESA, MANILA with an area of (1,717.90, 1,054.50, 824.40, 1,375.40) Square Meter, is registered in the name of:

**Owner: JULIUS CEAZAR SANTOS PORCIUNCULA, OF LEGAL AGE, SINGLE, FILIPINO**  
**Address: #3 TAMPOY ST. PROJECT 2, QUEZON CITY 1100**

All sealed bids must be submitted to the undersigned at the above-stated time and date.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on **April 23, 2026** without the need for further notice.

City of Manila, Philippines, 11 February 2026.

(Sgd.)  
**SHAIRA A. QUERUBIN**  
*Acting Clerk of Court<sup>3</sup> & Ex-Officio Sheriff*

(Sgd.)  
**ARMELINO D. TRAMBULO**  
*Sheriff-in-Charge*

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**UNIONBANK OF THE PHILIPPINES**  
UnionBank Plaza Building, Meralco Avenue  
corner Onyx and Sapphire Roads,  
Ortigas Center, Pasig City, Metro Manila.

**WARNING:**

It is absolutely prohibited to remove, destroy, or deface this Notice of Extra-Judicial Sale, on or before the date of sale, under the penalty of law.

**JULIUS CEAZAR S. PORCIUNCULA**  
#3 Tampoy Street, Project 2, Quezon City.

**NOTE/S:**

*Failure to attend the auction sale, despite proper notice, shall be construed as a waiver. Accordingly, the auction sale shall be held as scheduled.*

*The mortgagee is required to submit an updated Statement of Account before the scheduled auction sale*

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<sup>1</sup>Annex "D" of the Petition

<sup>2</sup>Dated September 21, 2022 and notarized on September 21, 2022

<sup>3</sup>Per Designation Order dated December 9, 2024 issued by Hon. Carolina C. Icasiano-Sison, Executive Judge, RTC, Manila with approval/confirmation by Hon. Raul B. Villanueva, Court Administrator, Supreme Court of the Philippines, dated December 10, 2024.

**NOTICE OF DECREASE OF AUTHORIZED CAPITAL STOCK OF FAVEAUX MARKETING, INC.**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of **FAVEAUX MARKETING, INC.** (the "Corporation"), during its regular meeting held on January 31, 2026, approved the amendment of Article Seventh of the Corporation's Amended Articles of Incorporation decreasing the authorized capital stock of the Corporation from Twenty Eight Million Pesos (P28,000,000.00) divided into Two Hundred Eighty Thousand (280,000) shares with a par value of One Hundred Pesos (P100.00) per share to Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (P500,000.00) divided into Five Thousand (5,000) shares with a par value of One Hundred Pesos (P100.00) per share, for the purpose of returning capital to the Corporation's stockholders.

Notice is likewise given that the decrease in the authorized capital stock of the Corporation has been approved and ratified by the stockholders representing at least two-thirds (2/3) of the outstanding capital stock of the Corporation at the Special Stockholders Meeting held on February 9, 2026.

This announcement serves as notice to all concerned parties of the legal amendment of the Amended Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation.

February 09, 2026

**FAVEAUX MARKETING, INC.**

By:

**JULIANA O. VALENCIA**  
Corporate Secretary

**THE SENTINEL POST**  
February 17, 24 and March 3, 2026

**NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**

NOTICE is hereby given that in a document entitled "Deed of Absolute Sale," executed by and between **MARILYN A. APA**, single, Filipino citizen, of legal age, with address at **Masbate City**, as **Vendor**, and **HARROLD CHRIS CABANTOG FONTANOS**, single, Filipino, of legal age, and a resident of **No. 25A Subilo II, Brgy. Landayan, San Pedro City, Laguna**, as **Vendee**, the parties declared and made known the following:

1. The Vendor is the registered owner of a parcel of land located in **Barangay San Antonio, Municipality of Kalayaan, Province of Laguna**, covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. 059-2022000963**, with an area of **One Hundred (100) square meters**, more or less;
2. The title was issued by the **Registry of Deeds for Laguna, Siniloan**, pursuant to a Free Patent/Decree in the name of the Vendor, free from liens and encumbrances except those stated in the title;
3. For and in consideration of the agreed purchase price, the Vendor **sold, transferred, and conveyed by way of Absolute Sale** the above-described real property, together with all improvements thereon, in favor of the Vendee, his heirs and assigns;
4. The Vendor warranted that she has full right and authority to sell the property and undertook to defend the title against all lawful claims of third persons;
5. The sale is binding upon the parties, their heirs, successors, and assigns, subject to existing laws and regulations.

The **Deed of Absolute Sale** was executed and notarized in **Makati City**, before Atty. Raymond A. Ramos, **Notary Public**, and entered in the notarial register as **Doc. No. 481; Page No. 98; Book No. 391; Series of 2026**.

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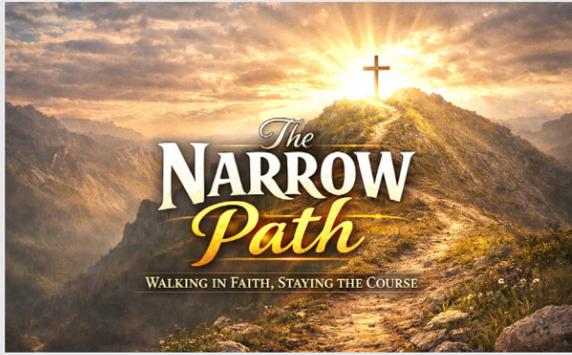
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6 Mar	BBS	17 Apr	Daanghari
12 Mar	Tanza 1	23 Apr	San Roque
13 Mar	Tanza 2	24 Apr	Navotas East
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- PSA negative result
- Baptismal certificate
- Certificate of indigency issued by barangay
- Valid IDs of parents

## **LIVING READY IN TROUBLED TIMES: A CHRISTIAN LOOK AT WARS, CURRENT CONFLICTS, AND THE RETURN OF JESUS**

Today, as headlines around the world are filled with reports of conflict and military action, many Christians find themselves thinking about Jesus' words regarding



the end times. Recently, a major military offensive known as Operation Lion's Roar / Epic Fury was launched by the United States and Israel against Iran, involving coordinated air and missile strikes on numerous Iranian targets, including leadership and strategic infrastructure. These attacks have already triggered widespread casualties and retaliatory missile barrages by Iran across the Middle East, spreading instability to countries from Lebanon to the Gulf states, and raising fears of a broader regional conflict. Iran's government has declared a period of mourning, retaliation is underway, and global political tension is rising as nations call for de-escalation while others prepare for prolonged hostilities.

As believers read news like this, it's natural to recall Jesus' teaching that there will be "wars and rumors of wars" before His return. In Matthew 24:6, Jesus said, "You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come." Rather than comforting those who seek specific timeframes, this message calls Christians to focus on the condition of their hearts and on faithful living, not on fear or speculation.

The Bible often uses conflict and suffering as a reminder that the world remains broken and marred by sin. In Luke 21:9-10, Jesus speaks of nations rising against nations and kingdoms against kingdoms. This does not mean every war is the final sign, but that conflict will persist until Christ fulfills His redemptive plan. Current events, such as the fighting that has erupted after the joint U.S.-Israel attack on Iran, illustrate how deeply human conflict can affect families, economies, and entire societies across borders; in such times, believers are reminded that peace and justice ultimately come from God, not from human power or military might.

At the same time, Scripture calls Christians to be people of peace and compassion in the midst of turmoil. In Matthew 5:9, Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." Far from being passive, this peacemaking involves praying for both leaders and civilians affected by war, showing mercy to those in suffering, and reflecting Christ's love in practical ways—whether through humanitarian aid, prayer vigils, or personal outreach to those traumatized by violence. As James 1:27 reminds us, pure and undefiled religion includes caring for widows, orphans, and strangers.

Understanding world events through a biblical lens also helps Christians avoid despair. Titus 2:13 calls believers to "wait for our blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ." When conflicts escalate or lives are lost, this hope is a steady anchor, reminding us that God's purposes are not thwarted by the rise of war or political upheaval.

Ultimately, preparing for the return of Jesus means living each day with faith, love, and readiness, even amid global unrest. It means seeking God's peace, serving others with compassion, and trusting that He is sovereign over all history, including headlines about conflicts like the current Middle Eastern crisis. In a world marked by wars and rumors of wars, the Christian's hope remains unshaken because of the promise that Christ will one day make all things new.

So the question for each of us is this: if Jesus were to return tomorrow, would your life reflect a heart ready to meet Him, or are you still waiting for the "right time" to turn fully toward Him? How are you living today to show that your faith is alive, your love is real, and your hope is anchored in Christ?



## **LAW A WEEK**

BY: ATTY. SARAH JEANE CARDONA ANTOLIN

### **HEROES BEYOND BORDERS: LAWS, LIVES, AND THE REAL STRUGGLES OF OFWS**

Overseas Filipino Workers, or OFWs, remain a pillar of the Philippine economy and a lifeline for millions of Filipino families. Many Filipinos work abroad because local employment opportunities are limited and wages are often insufficient to meet basic needs. Through their remittances, OFWs help pay for education, healthcare, housing, and daily expenses, earning them the label of modern-day heroes. Yet behind this contribution are personal sacrifices, including long family separation, emotional strain, and exposure to difficult and sometimes dangerous working conditions in foreign countries.

In reality, many OFWs face serious issues that test the effectiveness of existing laws. Some experience contract substitution, where the job terms promised in the Philippines are changed upon arrival abroad, often resulting in lower wages or longer working hours. Others, particularly domestic workers, suffer from excessive workloads, denial of rest days, confiscation of passports, or even physical and emotional abuse. There are also cases of illegal recruitment, where workers pay large fees to recruiters only to discover that the promised job does not exist. During times of crisis such as armed conflict in the Middle East or global health emergencies, OFWs may suddenly lose employment, be stranded without income, or require urgent repatriation.

To respond to these challenges, the Philippine government enacted Republic Act No. 8042, also known as the Migrant Workers and Overseas Filipinos Act, which declares that the State has the obligation to protect OFWs and their families. This law, strengthened by Republic Act No. 10022, requires that Filipino workers be deployed only to countries with adequate labor and human rights protections and provides access to legal assistance for OFWs involved in labor disputes or abuse cases. To further improve coordination and services, Republic Act No. 11641 created the Department of Migrant Workers, which now handles OFW welfare, pre-departure education, on-site assistance, and emergency repatriation during wars, disasters, or political unrest.

Despite these laws, gaps remain between policy and actual protection. Many OFWs are unaware of their rights, fear retaliation from employers, or struggle to access help from embassies due to distance or language barriers. These continuing problems show that while strong laws exist, effective enforcement, proper information dissemination, and long-term domestic job creation are equally important. Ultimately, protecting OFWs means not only responding to crises abroad but also building conditions at home where Filipinos are not forced to leave their families in order to live with dignity.

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# TSP SHOWBIZ ROUND-UP

## JERALD NAPOLES AND KIM MOLINA ARE MARRIED



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## JODI STA. MARIA POSTED ABOUT THE ONGOING MIDDLE EAST WAR



Jodi Sta. Maria  
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In war, no one truly wins...it's always the people who are left living in fear, traumatised, and confused. ❤️

Thinking of everyone affected by the US-Israel-Iran conflict, especially our fellow Filipinos in the Middle East. Praying for safety, clarity, and peace for all. 🇵🇭

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## ODETTE KHAN NEEDS HELP FOR HOSPITAL BILL

### Miss Odette Khan Needs our Help

Ms Odette Khan has been confined and bedridden here in National Kidney and Transplant Institute since Saturday, February 21.

She has Pneumonia, Emphysema, Edema and fluid was drained from her right lungs last Monday. Treatment is still ongoing, and hospital bill as of February 27, is now at PHP 211,000+ not including professional and readers fee, caregiving expenses and medicines are not included yet.

We are running out of funds. I am appealing to your kind hearts, as Mommy Odette's child. She has served the film and television community with all her heart for over five decades. If she has touched you in any way during these years and you are capable and willing to donate, we would really appreciate it. Taos-pusing pasasalamat po in advance sa mga tutulong kay Mommy Odette.



### Miss Odette Khan Needs our Help

God bless you back in multiple ways!  
Links and numbers donations are attached.

Sincerely,  
Claudette Avellino-Tandoc  
Odette Khan's Daughter



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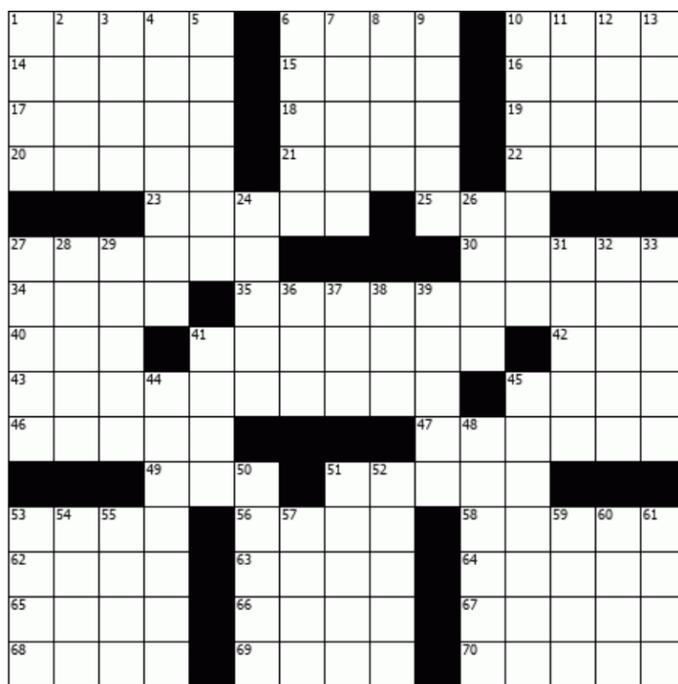


# CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- Mined minerals
- Price
- Greeting word
- Miami team
- Opera tune
- Fertile desert spot
- Land unit
- Speak
- Skirt fold
- Govern
- Model \_\_\_\_\_ Macpherson
- Less hazardous
- Average
- Relate again
- Flower part
- Epochs
- Eliminate completely
- Roadster
- Puppy supplier
- Squeezing snake
- Ambition
- Shade providers
- Basil sauce
- Least daffy
- Solemn fear
- Film spools

- Colorful gem
- MGM's symbol
- Spouse's kin (hyph.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Moore of "Ghost"
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- Egypt's capital
- Singer \_\_\_\_\_ Clapton
- Be abundant
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- Soap bubbles
- Simple
- Plant beginnings

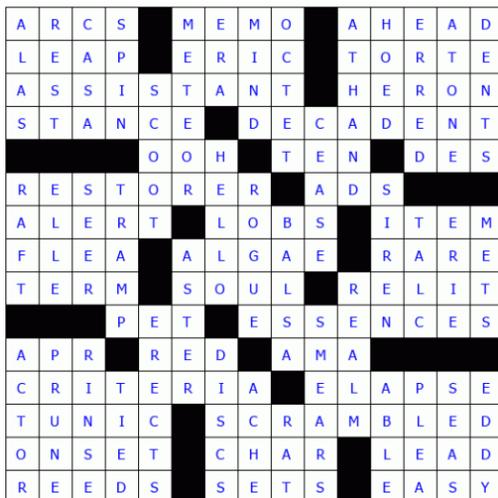


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- Cure
- Besides
- Assumed names
- Of the mail
- Chicago's airport
- Happen again
- British nobleman
- Make tea
- Food provider
- By mouth
- Window ledge
- Snatch
- Fauna's partner
- Mimic
- Summarize
- Rub out
- Canvas covers
- Dinette piece
- Tiny particles
- Minimum
- Gamble
- Luau necklace

- Wedding vow (2 wds.)
- High-strung
- Forehead
- Slanted characters
- Trap
- Cooper and Faye
- Upper class
- Parts
- Opponent
- Some poems
- Andean country
- Within
- Suggestion
- Fishing string
- Parched
- Troubles

### LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:



# SUDOKU

### TODAY'S PUZZLE:

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### LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

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# HOOPS REPUBLIC

## Baby Tams, Blue Eagles to dispute semis edge in UAAP boys' basketball

**STANDOUT.** Khean Esperanza of Far Eastern University-Diliman (left) tries to shake off Louie Bual of University of the East during the UAAP Season 88 boys' basketball tournament at Ateneo Blue Eagle gym in Quezon City on Sunday (March 1, 2026). Ateneo won, 71-62, with Esperanza leading all scorers with 22 points. (UAAP photo)

MANILA – Far Eastern University-Diliman (FEU-D) and Ateneo de Manila University registered contrasting wins Sunday in the UAAP Season 88 boys' basketball tournament at the Blue Eagle gym in Quezon City.

FEU-D downed University of the East, 71-62, while Ateneo pummeled University of the Philippines Integrated School UPIS, 103-57.

The Baby Tamaraws and the Blue Eagles will meet on March 8, the final day of the elimination round, with a twice-to-beat incentive at stake.

Ateneo won, 90-71, in their first round encounter.

FEU-D holds an 11-2 record while Ateneo has a 10-3 card.

National University Nazareth School (NUNS), playing against Adamson University as of press time, is half a game ahead of Ateneo at 10-2.

"We talked about it before today's game. We have to put ourselves in the position to get the second spot. We are not concerned about what happens to NU. We have to keep that position. We know how disciplined Ateneo plays, and you have to be disciplined to beat them," FEU-D coach Mike Reyes said about their next game against Ateneo.

Blue Eagles head coach Bacon Austria, on the other hand, acknowledged the challenge of facing FEU-D again.

"FEU is one of the oldest teams here, while we are the second youngest. Heading into the season, FEU was the team to beat. They have seasoned veterans who have played here in this division and played internationally for Gilas. Their coaching staff is also great. It's a lot of weight from players to coaches," Bacon, son of champion Philippine Basketball Association coach Leo Austria of San Miguel Beer, said.

Khean Esperanza led the Baby Tamaraws with 22 points, five rebounds, two assists and a steal.

Yosef Raneses and Marc Burgos contributed 11 points each, while leading Most Valuable Player contender Cabs Cabonilas had 10 points, six rebounds, three assists, three steals and two blocks.

Sizco Roquid and JM Edoukou scored 14 points each followed by Ethan Aguas with 10 points for UE (4-9).

Meanwhile, Ateneo was paced by Jude Eriobu, who produced 20 points and 19 rebounds in just 19 minutes.

Jay Leal and Noah Banal both delivered 11 points and five rebounds, while Q Molina, Sky Jazul, and Aiori Aquino added nine points each.

Bruce Tubongbanua had 18 points and eight rebounds, while Zandro Lugatiman and Jhustin Hallare added 16 and 12 points, respectively for winless UPIS. (PNA)

## AKARI'S LACSINA NAMED PVL PRESS CORPS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

MANILA – For helping Akari break out of a slump in the All-Filipino Conference, Ivy Lacsina was unanimously voted Premier Volleyball League (PVL) Press Corps Player of the Week for the period Feb. 24 to 28.

The 6-foot-1 Lacsina delivered 20 points and 10 receptions in a 25-18, 25-23, 23-25, 25-22 victory over sister team Nxled Chameleons at Playtime Filoil Centre in San Juan City on Feb. 24.

The former National University standout also had 20 points, built on 16 attacks, three blocks and an ace, on top of 11 excellent receptions in leading the Chargers past the Signal Super Spikers, 25-23, 20-25, 11-25, 25-23, 15-12, on Saturday.

"I just stick to my teammates more and it's a team effort. It's like that, I don't want to waste the effort my teammates and coaches are putting in, so there's no reason not to fight," Lacsina, 26, said in a news release Sunday.

Lacsina beat Signal's Erika Santos,

Choco Mucho pair Eya Laure and Sisi Rondina, PLDT's Savi Davison, and Capital1's Bella Belen and Sydney Niegos for the weekly honor awarded by print and online reporters covering the pioneering professional volleyball league organized by Sports Vision.

Despite her steady explosions, Lacsina remained grounded, emphasizing the importance of shared leadership with veteran winger Grethcel Soltones.

"As for me, that's really my mindset, not just as an elder sister, but also as a leader. We're done with the era where Grethcel was our only elder sister. We all want to step up. And of course, the result of the game also boosts our confidence," the San Fernando, Pampanga native said.

The Chargers have a week to prepare for the Capital1 Solar Spikers, whom they face on March 7 at the same venue. The match will be streamed live and on demand via Pilipinas Live and on the league's official website. (PNA)



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## NU's Cabaral first UAAP boys' singles champ; UE rules doubles



**FIRST CHAMPION.** Ariel Cabaral of National University Nazareth School makes a forehand return to Rafael Lagac of Ateneo de Manila University in the boys' singles finals of the UAAP Season 88 tennis tournament at Colegio San Agustin in San Jose del Monte, Bulacan on Sunday (March 1, 2026). Cabaral won, 2-6, 7-6 (1), 6-3, to snare the inaugural title. (UAAP photo)

MANILA – Ariel Cabaral of National University Nazareth School (NUNS) prevailed over Rafael Lagac of Ateneo de Manila University, 2-6, 7-6 (1), 6-3, Sunday to become the first boys' singles champion in the UAAP Season 88 tennis tournament at Colegio San Agustin in San Jose del Monte, Bulacan.

"It means a lot to me because this has been my goal since I was little because my sister (Angela) was a UAAP player and she has won gold. So it's an achievement for me because before, it was just a dream of mine, but now it has come true," the 18-year-old from Negros said, referring to his sister who suited up for the NU women's team.

"As a first-timer and as a proud NU Bulldog, we got the crown as [the] first UAAP juniors champion. I just trusted God and then I also trusted the shots because just like in the first set, I was really confused about what to do but I just told God to just guide me. I [overcame] the pressure and then I did what I had to do in the game," he said.

In the doubles finals, University of the East's Kobi Luzon and Aser Delos Santos defeated teammates Kyle Saga and Al Tristan Licayan, 6-1, 6-2.

"We had less pressure because it was just us. We already knew our game. Besides, it's really different when you're here on the court. The expectations for the game are really different than when you're the one here. And that's all, just ask the Lord for guidance and just pray that I perform well in the game," said Luzon.

The results will count in the overall championship tally.

In the women's division, defending champion University of Santo Tomas clobbered Ateneo, 4-1, to grab the lead with four wins in five outings.

Last season's co-Most Valuable Player

Kaye Emaná whipped Angela Buyante, 6-0, 6-1; Mica Emaná outplayed Casey Padilla 6-3, 6-2; and Justine Maneja and Christine Gulagula pulled off a 6-3, 7-5 victory over Althea Martirez and Chelsea Roque.

Ateneo made it 1-3 after Althea Ong conquered Kaye Mustaza, 2-6, 7-6(1), 6-2, before Judy Padilla and Princess Nichole Dela Rita sealed the best-of-five tie with a 6-0, 6-0 rout of Zaina Omar and Eloha Castolo.

Meanwhile, NU got back at first-round tormentor De La Salle University with a 3-2 victory.

Adeline Abadia and Rovie Baulete saved the day for the Lady Bulldogs, outlasting Annika Diwa and Guysie Garrido, 7-5, 4-6, 10-6.

NU's Elsie Abarquez bageled Bea Gomez, 6-0, 6-0, before Maikée Vencio tied with a 6-2, 6-2 victory over AJ Acabo. The Lady Bulldogs wrested the lead when Juliana Carvajal and Kolin Cornell won over Amor Idjao and Chelsea Bernaldez, 6-1, 6-3. But Lady Green Tennister Angeline Alcala defeated JM Carcueva, 6-3, 6-3, to force a rubber match.

NU improved to 3-2 for third place while La Salle slid to fourth with a 2-3 slate. (PNA)



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