

Brgy. Bel-Air Newsletter



(Bel-Air Village, Salcedo Village & NOBLA)

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The Official Newsletter of Barangay Bel-Air

BEL-AIR CONSTITUENTS MEET BARANGAY OFFICIALS AT THE 1ST BARANGAY ASSEMBLY FOR 2008

Barangay Bel-Air recently conducted its 1st Assembly last Saturday, March 29, 2008 in compliance with DILG's Memo Circular No. 2008-38 dated March 13, 2008 on Synchronized Barangay Assembly Day.

Held at the Gemini Room of the Bel-Air Village Community Centre along Solar Street, Brgy. Capt. Jun Gomez gave an audio visual presentation on Barangay Bel-Air's mission vision, history and achievements. He also discussed the accomplishments of the different Committees such as the Peace and Order, Education and Culture, Management Information System, Administrative, Beautification and Cleanliness, Infrastructure, Health and Sanitation, Salcedo and Sangguniang Kabataan before taking up other matters of concern.

He also announced the names of the new members of the Lupong Tagapayapa and the election of the Barangay Secretary, Atty. Fernando Zuñiga, as Barangay Human Rights Head. The financial report as of March 25, 2008 was also presented.

Brgy. Capt. Gomez assured those who attended the event of his commitment for a continuous dialogue with them and regular update on matters of concern through the newsletters, among other things.

The Ugnayan was attended by all the Kagawads and residents from Bel-Air community.

BEL-AIR PASINAYA BAZAAR IS ON ONCE AGAIN

Following the success of last year's Pasinaya Bazaar, Barangay Bel-Air, Bel-Air Village Association, Inc., in coordination with the Women of Bel-Air Foundation will be staging another three-day bazaar on May 2, 3 and 4 at 40 Solar Street, Bel-Air Village entitled "Bel-Air Paraiso Bazaar."

This event will be a great opportunity for you to showcase, promote and sell your products or services in a venue accessible to good paying customers. Strategically located at the park area along with the food stalls, inflatable rides and games, the Bazaar is accessible to residents and guests who will participate and join the activities at the multi-purpose hall.

The Bel-Air Paraiso will have vigorous advertising promotions through print and media advertisements. An effective zoning policy and ample spacing will help to maximize each participant's sales potential. Furthermore, to encourage more spending from customers, we will be providing ATM machine services for this event. A sound system will also be providing music to maintain the happy and upbeat atmosphere of the event – plus ongoing activities at the multi-purpose hall will be prepared to draw more people in the venue.

Take advantage of this event and be part of Bel-Air Village's annual Pasinaya! For more details, contact Lian or Renalyn at 895-4011 or visit 40 Solar Street, Bel-Air Village.

Don't miss this great business opportunity. Get the space you want

now!!! Registration is from March 10 to April 15.

2008 YOUTH-ORIENTED SUMMER ACTIVITIES FROM BRGY. BEL-AIR

Basketball Clinic – 4 yrs. to 18 yrs.

March 25 – April 17 (every Tuesday & Thursday)

Futsal Clinic – 4 yrs. old & above

March 31 – April 18 (every Monday, Wednesday & Friday)

Registration is FREE. For inquiries, please call 895-4011 or go to the Barangay Office.

Inter-Makati Village Basketball Tournament -

Open to all qualified residents, male and female, born between January 1, 1979 and after 1997.

Those interested to join may get their application form from the Barangay Office and submit the same on or before April 12, 2008.

Tournament is from May 10 to early June.

Dart Clinic & Tournament

April 11 – Instructional Dart Clinic
April 12 – Hands-On Dart Clinic
April 13 – Dart Tournament

Other Activities -

- Inter-village Badminton, Futsal & Volleyball tournament
- Badminton Clinic
- Self-Defense Workshop
- Chess Clinic & Tournament
- Arts & Crafts Workshop
- Painting Workshop

FREE INFLUENZA VACCINE FROM BARANGAY BEL-AIR

The constituents of Barangay Bel-Air may now avail of free influenza vaccine starting Monday, March 31 from 9am to 12noon and 2pm to 5pm. until supply lasts.

Bel-Air Village residents and other constituents of Barangay Bel-Air could get themselves inoculated at Barangay Bel-Air Clinic while Salcedo Village residents can get their flu shots at the Salcedo Clinic.

Kindly bring your BAVA or Barangay ID with you if you want to avail of the free influenza vaccine.

For inquiries, please call Barangay Bel-Air Clinic at 895-4011 local 250/216 or Salcedo Clinic at 751-5357.

FREE WiFi AT BEL-AIR PARK 3

FREE WiFi! where you can connect to the internet to check your email, browse, send files – what you have.

How do I use it?

1. **Register online at www.wigo.ph.** If you happen to be at a WIGO Hotspot, you will be provided with a free 10 minute internet connection to register. Your laptop will automatically detect the WIGO signal.
2. Download and install the WIGO application. The WIGO application enables you to use the WIGO service. The application consists of a discreet desktop toolbar, called a WIGoBar, which will display selected advertising material while you are online. Download time should last for approximately a minute.
3. Check your email. A

validation message with a link will be sent to the email address you used during the registration. Clicking the link will remove the 10-minute surfing limit and validate your account.

Now, **double-click** the WIGO icon on your desktop, **login** and **surf away!**

RUN WIGO BAR.

For assistance, you may see Dan Irvin del Rosario of the Barangay IT Section.

BARANGAY BEL-AIR TO LAUNCH KST BATCH NO. 15

Barangay Bel-Air will be launching Batch 15 of its *Kabalikat sa Tahanan(KST)* project on June 8, 2008, 1:00p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Covered Hall in Solar Street, Bel-Air Village.

The KST is a 20-week course on Value Formation and Skills Training especially designed for household helpers – maids, yayas, cooks, labanderas, houseboys and even gardeners. It is open to household helpers from Bel-Air and Salcedo Villages as well as from the neighboring villages and will be held every Wednesday starting at 2:00p.m.

Batch No. 15 will start on June 8 and end on October 15, 2008.

We are requesting employers to please send their house helpers to any or all of these programs. The KST will pave the way for their skills and personality development.

You may secure the application form from Neri Doria of Barangay Bel-Air.

Good news to drivers and caregivers of senior citizens - - -

Barangay Bel-Air is planning to have similar special courses for them who are professionals in their particular fields will be invited. The final dates for drivers and care givers courses will be announced later.

MAKATI CITY ACTIVITIES FOR 2008 EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Clean-up Drive –

April 5, 12, 19 & 26 (Saturday)

Free Smoke Test -

April 11 (Friday)
Emission Testing Center,
Makati Central Fire
Station

Tigil Buga Part 2 (One-minute engine off campaign) -
April 28 (Monday)
8:00 – 8:01a.m.

We would like to request that you please join us in making these activities very successful.

Help save our Earth for the future generations.

CEASE AND DESIST ORDER ISSUED TO AQUA SAFE (ROCKWELL)

In its Memorandum dated March 25, 2008, the Office of the Liga ng mga Barangay Affairs directed all Barangay Captains to inform their constituents that Dr. Ma. Lourdes B. Salud, City Health Officer, City of Makati has directed the owner of the **Aqua Safe (Rockwell) to cease and desist its operation from selling water. Coliform bacteria was found in the Bacteriological Examination of their water samples.**

The order will last until corrective measures for water quality standards have been achieved.

SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER

By: Wahoo Borromeo

Calling All Book Lovers (Seniors & Non-Seniors)

The City of Makati Library is in need of books and other reading materials. Please donate books and magazines that are no longer needed by you to the City Library and share information with others. Civic-spirited Bel-Air residents may call Neri at Tel. Nos. 895-4011 local 210 or 895-5563 regarding your donations.

Lakbay Aral Tour of Quezon Province and Mounts Makiling and Banahaw

The much-awaited Bel-Air Seniors Lakbay Aral tour to Quezon Province finally came on March 11, 2008. Forty-one adventurous Senior Citizens left Bel-Air to escape, even for a few hours, the dirty air and noise of Metro Manila for a back to nature experience and a part of history that is Quezon Province, formerly Tayabas, the province of President Manuel L. Quezon.

As the polluted haze of Metro Manila disappeared over the horizon, we were greeted by the legendary Mount Makiling, also known as Maria Makiling in folklore. As you gaze at Maria Makiling, you cannot help but feel awed at her majestic bearing like a Greek goddess guarding the towns that surround her. To think that a few decades ago, the people took advantage of her by cutting her trees and throwing garbage on her precious soil. She wept like a woman defiled and her tears were felt by the people in the form of destructive floods and accompanying communicable diseases. The people finally realized that Maria Makiling can no longer be left naked and unclean. She had to be dressed up again with her trees and rich vegetation. Now, Maria Makiling is again back to her former beauty and splendor. The clouds are again paying homage to her green slopes and the

birds worshiping her trees. The people have learned the lesson that if we abuse nature, nature will come back to us with a deadly vengeance.

Makiling bade us goodbye as we approached the famous town of Pagsanjan. It was the start of our trip around the equally legendary and mysterious Mount Banahaw which traversed the three provinces of Laguna, Quezon and Batangas. Mount Banahaw greeted us like a proud warrior with its sharp and jagged terrain. Banahaw seemed to challenge our tourist bus driver to drive his big bus through its narrow and zigzagging mountainside roads. Accepting the challenge was worth it. On both sides of the road, we saw thick rain forest, cascading cool, crystal clear water from streams and tiny water falls and scenic view of the mountain range. We saw cemeteries nestled on the hilly roads better built and painted than the nearby houses, indicating the locals' deep respect for their dead.

In Lucban, the Seniors had their shopping spree where all bought langgonisa, broas, otaps, puto seco and other bakery products which Lucban is famous for. The group was also treated to Lucban's popular hab-hab pancit before proceeding to Lucban's Kamay Ni Hesus Healing Church. The Church has a Grotto and a Way of the Cross located on a high hill that could be reached only by climbing more than 300 steps.

Lunch was at the spacious Graceland Estates and Country Club in Tayabas. Graceland is a resort with huge man-made lagoon, two big swimming pools, horse back riding, golf course and wide variety of nature-inspired amenities.

After a hearty meal and fellowship, sadly, it was time to go back to the hustle and bustle, and pollution of Metro Manila.

Our Quezon trip brought us, in addition to the places previously-

mentioned, to Calamba, Los Baños, Bay, Pila, Cavinti, Luisiana, Sariaya, Candelaria, Tiaong and Sto. Tomas, which are dependent on Mount Makiling and Mount Banahaw for their existence.

Bel-Air Seniors are again grateful to Barangay Bel-Air for the wonderful Quezon Province tour and are looking forward to another exciting educational trip.

Seniors 7:30a.m. Weekly Tuesday Meetings

Please attend so you can be counted in the fast growing Bel-Air Seniors Citizens community.

BEL-AIR CONSTITUENTS RENEWED THEIR KASANIB MEMBERSHIP CARDS

The KASANIB members of Barangay Bel-Air renewed their membership cards last Saturday, March 29 at the Bel-Air 3 Covered Court. Registration fee was P100.00. However, free membership was given to the Senior Citizens.

During the briefing also held on that day held for them, the new members learned that they can avail of free legal services from KASANIB. Their dependents may avail of a college scholarship provided they pass the qualifying exam by KASANIB. Likewise, if a member buy medicines from the KASANIB-run drugstore, he/she will be enjoy either a 10% or 30% discount. Also, a member who meets an accident may have his/her medical expenses reimbursed up to P5,000.00.

If the KASANIB member dies, burial benefits totaling P15,000.00 including the coffin, is given to his/her dependents.