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BRGY. BEL-AIR'S SUPER TSUPER FAMILY DRIVERS' SEMINAR



Do you want to know how to become a better driver? Want to learn about the latest road rules of the Land Transportation Office (LTO)?

Then, attend Barangay Bel-Air's "Super Tsuper" training seminar.

The short driver's course which will run for four consecutive Saturdays, aims to instill into the drivers, especially the family drivers, courteousness, sense of responsibility and appreciation of his job as God-given.

The seminar starts from September 13 up to October 4, 2008, from 2:00p.m. to 5:00p.m.

Some of the topics to be discussed are skills in defensive driving, road courtesy, common causes of accidents, basic auto maintenance and simple trouble shooting, among others.

Some of the resource speakers/trainors will come from our very own Makati Traffic Bureau and the Anti-Carnapping and Anti-Kidnapping Units of the Makati Police Department. Resident-volunteers will be around to assist us in facilitating this program.

Surprises await those who will attend this seminar.

See you there. Don't miss it!

BRGY. BEL-AIR ID AVAILABLE AT VELASQUEZ PARK

Starting **September 2, 2008**, constituents of Brgy. Bel-Air residing at Salcedo Village may secure their Barangay IDs at Brgy. Bel-Air's Tanod Outpost at Velasquez Park, **every Tuesday and Thursday, from 9:00a.m. – 12:00noon, and from 1:00p.m. – 4:00p.m.**

A resident's Brgy. ID costs P125.00 and will expire after one (1) year from its issuance, while a fee of P75.00 will be charged for a household helper's ID which is good for six (6) months.

For more information, you may call Brgy. Bel-Air's Tanod Outpost, Velasquez Park at Tel. No. 750-3467.

We encourage you to secure a Barangay ID to be able to enjoy the benefits and/or privileges extended to its constituents by your barangay.

Please take note that the Brgy. ID will only be issued to residents and stay-in household helpers of Salcedo Village.

Employees of condominiums and office buildings, such as maintenance men, office staff, etc. are excluded.

FREEBIES FROM BRGY. BEL-AIR

This coming September, Bel-Air and Salcedo residents and household helpers alike will be treated to -

FREE HEPATITIS B VACCINE
(for individuals -20 yrs. old & above)

When: Sept. 5 (Friday)
8:00a.m. – 12:00noon

Where: Barangay Bel-Air Clinic

FREE BOOSTER SHOT
(for individuals -20 yrs. old & above)

When: Sept. 5 (Friday)
2:00p.m. – 5:00p.m.

Where: Barangay Bel-Air Clinic



Note: For inquiries, you may call Brgy. Clinic at 895-4011 local 250 or 216.

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FREE EYEGLASSES



When: Sept. 6 (Saturday)
8:00a.m. – 12:00noon

Where: Phoenix Room
*** Limited to the first 250 patients**

LIBRENG PUSTISO



When: Sept. 7(Sunday)
7:00a.m. – 10:00a.m.

Where: Basketball Court
*** Limited to the first 30 patients**

TO AVAIL OF THE FREE EYEGLASSES AND LIBRENG PUSTISO, PLEASE BRING YOUR BARANGAY/BAVA ID

NOTE: Recipients of the December 2007's free eyeglasses and libreng pustiso are no longer eligible for this program.

We hope that you were able to avail of the FREE LIPID SCREENING AND CHEST X-RAY given on Saturday, August 30, 2008 at the Gemini Room, from 7:00a.m. to 12:00noon.

BRGY. BEL-AIR GATHERS DATA ABOUT ITS IMPAIRED CONSTITUENTS

In line with the current advocacy of the Makati City Government to help people with disabilities, Barangay Bel-Air is requesting its constituents to provide information about the disabled persons in their families, if any. The PWD (Persons With Disabilities) form is available at the Barangay Office.

The information will serve as Barangay Bel-Air's database in addressing the needs of its impaired constituents effectively.

Also available at the Barangay Office are forms for the issuance of discounted transportation fare, free movie identification card and access display card for parking.

Kindly submit all forms concerning PWD to the Office of Kag. Malyne Lorayes c/o Ms. Aileen Dungo at the Barangay Office or call 895-4011 local 246.

We would like to remind everybody that once the card holder has transferred his residence outside Makati City, he/she will no longer be qualified to the benefits accorded to persons with disabilities.

SAVE OUR ENVIRONMENT, PRACTICE THE THREE Rs - REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE

The problem of excessive waste and its management has become a global concern because of the damage it has been causing to our environment.

For its part, even before the passage of the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000, Barangay Bel-Air has already introduced the program of recycling to its constituents to lessen the volume of waste being dumped in the landfills. Recycling is just one of the strategies adopted in reducing the environmental impact associated with these materials. The other two strategies are reduce and reuse, hence the slogan, "**Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.**"

Below are some tips on how to reduce, reuse and recycle which are helpful in saving our environment and our planet – Earth.

A. REDUCE

- Reduce waste. Don't buy more than you can use.
- Buy products in bulk to save on packaging especially those frequently-used items such as shampoo, vinegar, powder soap, fabric softener, etc.
- Patronize concentrated products or those with contents that are refillable.
- Avoid purchasing plastic #3 (PVC/vinyl) containers or squeezable bottles such as those often used as cooking oil or salad dressing bottles. These are non-recyclable.
- Avoid using disposable items such as diapers, paper plates, plastic utensils, throw away razors, pens and one-use only cameras, among others.
- The so-called "microwave safe" plastic containers are not really safe.

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B. REUSE

- Hold a garage sale.
- Look for products in reusable, refillable or recyclable packaging.
- Reuse newspapers/magazines, envelopes, wrapping paper, gift boxes and scrap paper. Once-used paper could be utilized as note pads or when printing documents.
- Repair items instead of throwing them away.
- Donate unwanted clothing, furniture, old computer equipment, cellular phones, old newspapers/magazines.

C. RECYCLE

- Convert your glass containers and bottles, old newspapers and magazines, PET bottles, aluminum cans and metals into cash.
- Composting is the most important form of recycling.

Our September issue will be tackling composting. So watch for it.

Note: You might want to sell your recyclables during the *Baratilyo ng Basura sa Barangay* on September 14. For details, turn to page 4 of this month's issue.

SENIOR CITIZENS CORNER

What Is Bel-Air To Me

By: Judy Deen

It was April of 1958 when Charlie and I, with our four children, moved into our new home in Bel-Air Village. I can still remember the way the village looked, just a few houses here and there. Now, 42 years later, I look around and I see not only an ideal community with 950 homes spread out into four phases, but I also see years of wonderful memories that we spent as a family in Bel-Air.

The very next year after we moved in, I gave birth to my fifth child, the first baby to be born in Bel-Air. There were a lot of "first's" for us in Bel-Air. It was in Bel-Air that not only I, but my children and grandchildren formed lasting friendship with neighbors. Everyone knew each other. Many of our neighbors were also PAL pilots with their families. Our children went to the same school and we had car pools. The children either took their first steps or first learned to ride their bicycles in Bel-Air. They would play *patintero*, *tumbang preso* and other games on the street which was their personal playground.

The only cars around would be those belonging to the few residents returning home from work. Rizal Theater was the only theater nearby where Makati Shangri-La Hotel now stands. Bel-Air was a big neighborhood of love, laughter and togetherness. There was unity, compassion, sharing, and camaraderie amongst the residents. There was always someone to give a helping hand or lend an ear to any neighbor in need.

When Charlie passed away suddenly in 1981, I could not bear to live in Bel-Air surrounded by the happy memories of our years together. I had the house rented and I moved to Greenhills to be near my sister. However, the children and I weren't happy – we missed our friends, our neighbors, the courteous, warm and efficient security guards, the accessibility to the shopping malls and the sense of security we had in Bel-Air. So, we packed our things and moved back to our home. I found that many of our neighbors had either moved out or moved on, but we made new and wonderful friends. The Village is much bigger now.

Thanks to the officers and employees of the Association and the Barangay whose dedication to serve has made Bel-Air what it is now, a model community.

Bel-Air is very Senior Citizens' friendly. The Barangay with the cooperation of the Association, provides various activities for seniors. I keep myself busy with the Senior Citizens' Group and the Kabalikatan sa Tahanan (KST). KST is a worthy project for the ladies to volunteer one day a week to teach and guide household helpers.

Our children and grandchildren come not only for family reunions but to take part in the yearly activities of fiestas and bazaars of Bel-Air which we love so much. I couldn't see myself living anywhere else.

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Heartfelt Condolences

By: *Wahoo Borromeo*

The members of Bel-Air Seniors condole with Mon Garcia and his family for the demise of Gloria, his wife of fifty-three years. The Seniors will pray for her and will cherish all the fond memories they spent with her.

ANNOUNCEMENT



A. CONGRATULATIONS TO -

Messrs. **JOAQUIN CAMUS & BONG TIAOQUL, CHAMPIONS** of the **RESIDENTS MEN'S DOUBLES DIVISION** of the **INTER-COLOR BADMINTON TOURNAMENT** held on **JULY 27, 2008**.

Our apologies to Messrs. Camus and Tiaoqui whom we failed to mention in the list of winners of said tournament that came out in the last issue of the newsletter.

B. WIGO WITHDRAWS FREE WIFI SERVICE

We regret to inform you that WIGO has decided to discontinue their free wifi service being offered at Bel-Air Park 3 due to the few users from Bel-Air.

C. LIST OF PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN MAKATI CITY

Ms. Elena R. Ruiz, Schools Division Superintendent of Makati City furnished a list of private schools in the City categorized as follows: Recognized, Permit Status and On Process.

In Bel-Air, the schools that have been classified as "Recognized" are Golden Values School (Pre-school & Elementary), St. Andrew Learning Center (Pre-school) and Spurgeon School Foundation (Pre-school). On the other hand, Spurgeon School Foundation, Inc. (Elementary) has been categorized as a school with "Permit Status."

The complete list of these schools appears on a separate sheet.

Ms. Ruiz is encouraging the parents to enroll their children only in these schools.

D. NEED CASH? JOIN THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2008 TWIN EVENTS AT BEL-AIR VILLAGE -

"Pera sa Basura"

To be held at Bel-Air Multi-Purpose Hall, the 3rd quarter flea market is sponsored by Barangay Bel-Air, Bel-Air Village Association, Inc. and Women of Bel-Air Foundation, Inc..

Each table costs P500.00. For reservations, please call Lea at 895-4408/ 899-6509 or Ren at 897-1856/895-4011 local 205.

"Baratilyo sa Basura Sa Barangay Bel-Air"

Please proceed to Bel-Air Park 3 (near the children's playground) if you want to dispose of your trash such as old newspapers/magazines, bottles, pet bottles, aluminum cans, electric fans, among others.

These will be weighed and paid on the spot by the junk buyer.

Big items will be assessed and picked-up from your home by the junk buyer.

The **Baratilyo sa Basura sa Barangay (BBB)**, a new program of Makati City Government, is aimed to reduce the volume of waste generated in the city, thereby requiring less landfill space.

Both events will start at 7:00a.m. until 3:00p.m.

See you on September 14!

