

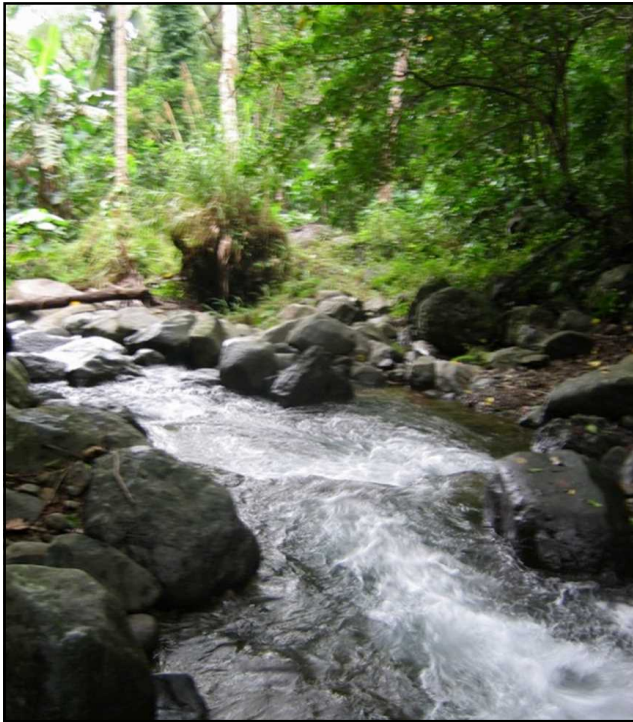


Japan
Environmental
Lawyers
Federation
Congratulations and
Arigato for
the invitation
and the
honor of
meeting you



Environment





Life-Sources of Land, Air and Water
LAW of Life
Vital Organs of Life on Earth
Trees and Forests
Land and Soil
Sea and Rivers



MEGADIVERSITY



Philippine Tarsier, endemic.



It is reasonable
to think of the
Philippines as
the Galapagos
Islands multi-
plied tenfold.

1900

1988

Paradigm of
extraction and
consumption (Ex
Convict)



This right need not even be written in the Constitution for it is nothing less than the right of self-preservation and self-perpetuation, rights that are assumed to exist from the inception of humankind



- **If they are now specially mentioned in the fundamental law of the land, it is because ... unless it is written in the constitution itself,**



... the day would not be too far when all else would be lost, not only for this generation but also for succeeding generations, generations which stand to inherit nothing but a parched earth incapable of sustaining life.”



It took one generation after – 2012 for the story to be heard.

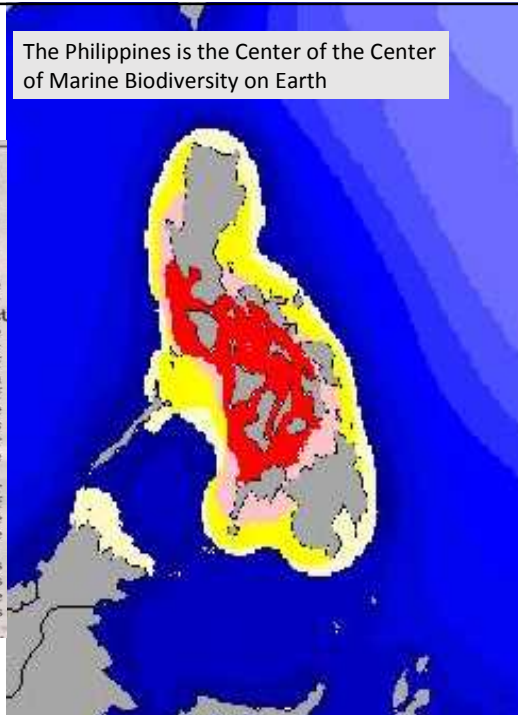
RP is world's center of marine biodiversity

The Philippine Islands, located in the Southeast Asian marine biodiversity golden triangle, has the richest concentration of marine life on the entire planet, according to a study conducted by Kent Carpenter, associate professor of biological sciences at Old Dominion University, Virginia, USA. The results of these findings will be published in the journal *Environmental Biology of Fishes* under the title, "The Center of the Center of Marine Shorefish Biodiversity: The Philippine Islands."

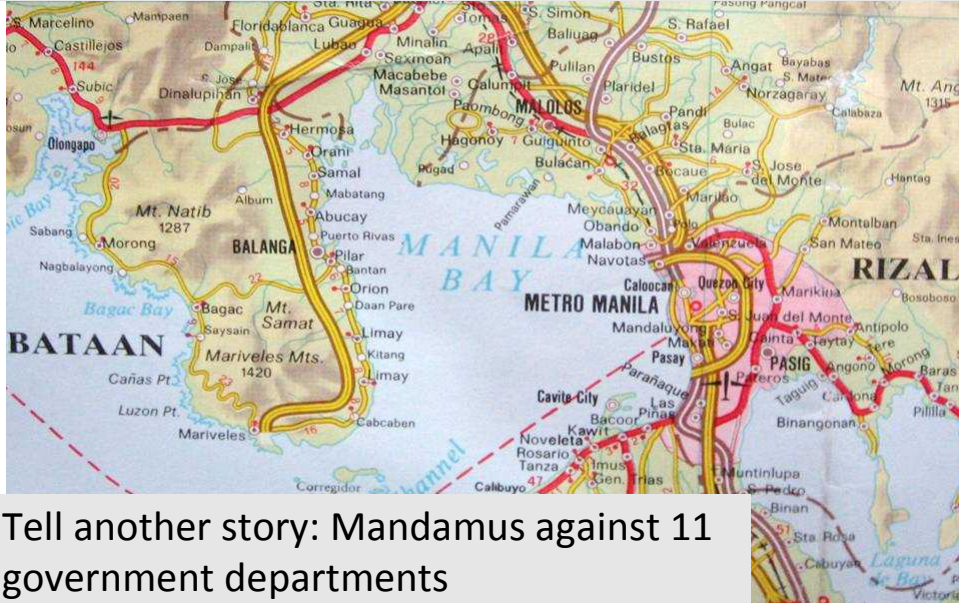
The article is co-authored by Victor Springer of the National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C. The computer analysis was done with the support of Conservation International.

The WorldFish Center, which has operated in the Philippines for over 25 years also collaborated on the project that was the basis for the discovery of the Philippines as a marine biodiversity epicenter.

The Philippines is the Center of the Center of Marine Biodiversity on Earth



16 million liters of raw sewage everyday into Manila Bay, plus the solid waste



Tell another story: Mandamus against 11 government departments

Sidelights

- Ocular Inspection
- Auntie Odette:
- A lawyer who defends the Earth has God for a client



A lawyer who defends the Earth has God for a client

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER

Clean up Manila Bay, SC tells gov't

By Norman Boradora



SCAVENGER'S PARADISE A man wades in hot-deep garbage of the Manila Bay in search of recyclable materials to sell.

NOTHING LESS THAN THE BEHEMOTH of Manila Bay is a glory and splendor with appraisals by the Supreme Court.

In an en banc unanimous decision, the high tribunal yesterday directed the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and six other government agencies to coordinate a coordinated cleanup, restoration and preservation of the bay.

The issue of these agencies and their official complement, the pollution, manobo show me seem to carry the high national priority of cleaning of their trust, records are to be the norm, and the cleanup program, passed by Justice Presbitero last year.

Their cavalier attitude toward solving, if not mitigating, the environmental pollution, manobo show me

Clean up Manila Bay, SC tells gov't



SCAVENGER'S PARADISE A man wades in hot-deep garbage of the Manila Bay in search of recyclable materials to sell.

The necessary water treatment facilities in Manila, Muntinlupa and Cavite.

The Local Water Utilities Administration was directed to provide sewerage and wastewater facilities in the provinces of Laguna, Cavite, Bulacan, Pangasinan and Negros.

The agricultural department was directed to assist local government units in Metro Manila, Rizal, Cavite, Laguna, Pangasinan, Bulacan and others in recovering fisheries and aquatic resources in the bay.

The Philippine Coast Guard and the Philippine Marine Group were instructed to apprehend violators of laws in connection with marine pollution such as the discharge of solid and liquid wastes and other also covered wastes in Manila Bay.

The education department was ordered to come up with lessons on pollution prevention and the budget department is also a budget for all the undertakings.

Manila Standard TODAY

FRIDAY, December 19, 2008

SC orders Manila Bay cleanup

Justice deplore 'indifference' to the slow death of a historic waterway

By Rey E. Resquejo

THE Supreme Court yesterday ordered 10 government agencies to clean up Manila Bay and deplored the lack of concern among people and institutions for the historic waterway.

In a decision written by Associate Justice Presbitero Velasco Jr., the tribunal expressed the government's failure to coordinate a cleanup of the bay.

Manila Bay, the Court said, was "afflicted with gross pollution, debris and other wastes."

Cleanup...

The Supreme Court ordered the Environment Department to coordinate with other departments in cleaning up the bay at the earliest possible time.

The court also directed the Environment Department to coordinate with other departments in cleaning up the bay at the earliest possible time.

Dec. 18, 2008: Continuing Mandamus: 11 Government agencies Ordered to report every 3 months!

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER

Second FRONTPAGE

100 sacks = 30,000 dynamites

Largest seizure of blasting powder and detonating fuse in country

By Emir Emano Gamis
PBI Southern Luzon Bureau

IMUS, Cavite—Authorities seized an elfyan containing 100 sacks of ammonium nitrate that could produce about 30,000 dynamite sticks, and detonating cords during a raid on a warehouse in Julugan, Batang, Cavite, on Thursday afternoon.

The raid was conducted by joint operations of the Coast Maritime Police Special Operations Team and the Integrated Bar of the Philippines—National Environment Action Team (IBP-NPEAT). It was the second operation led by the IBP-NPEAT this year.

"This is the largest seizure of blasting powder and detonating fuse in the history of the country. It will provide a means to participate in the illegal fishing industry in the entire Southern Tagalog area," said lawyer Antonio Opina Jr., IBP-NPEAT chair, and Magallanes Mayor Filipeño Maligaya, head of the Cavite Coastal Towns Anti-Illegal Fishing Team Task Force Rainbow in a joint statement.

Arrested after the raid on the warehouse were couple Alexander and Rebecca Ochoa, owners of the contraband, and their driver Jovito Perlas.

Also seized during the raid were five boxes of dynamite and two boxes of igniter explosives.

He said they would also file charges for "destruction of duty" against Julugan barangay captain Leopoldo Banaag and other village officials.

"We are establishing a new order of public accountability. No politician (will happen) in a barangay unless the officials have knowledge about it and tolerate it. The barangay officials must answer for this," Opina explained.

The Ochoas are reported to be the biggest dealer of blasting caps in Southern Tagalog, according to Opina.

The Ochoas are also the single biggest supplier of dynamites to unscrupulous fishermen engaged in dynamite fishing in Batang, Cavite and Batangas provinces.

The operation was the result of a one-week police surveillance on the couple said the warehouse, according to Marasigan.

"Intelligence (operation) was so good, they know what (and where) the blasting cap will be delivered," Opina said.

The seized contraband was supposed to be brought somewhere in Binondo or Barasag, according to Marasigan.

"This is a continuing crusade and we see sending this message: We will not stop until we have broken the neck of the illegal fishing industry. We will bring them to the bar of justice for destroying the unparallel marine wealth of the country," Opina said. With a report from Marasigan, PBI Southern Luzon Bureau

DEC. 16, 2004: Cavite LARGEST IN PHILIPPINE HISTORY 3 kms of detonating fuse



PHOTO BY JIMMY S. DELA CRUZ

Cebu City Bantay Dagat chief slain



De la Victoria

CEBU CITY - Mayor Tomas Osmeña has offered a P200,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the killer of the project director of the city's Bantay Dagat program who was shot outside his house in Talisay City Wednesday aftern.

The victim, Elpidio "Chong Hua" Hospital, died at about 7:40 a.m. F.

He sustained three gunshot wounds - a caliber .45 pistol - in arm, and lower back, through his stomach.

The attack affected organs like the pancreas.

De la Victoria's son, Vincent, said his father had just arrived from the office on board a mini-van, his service vehicle, when he heard gun bursts and then his father calling for help. Vincent said his father ran toward their kitchen already wounded.

He said his father had received several death threats but took them lightly. The most recent of these threats was made public a few days prior to the attack.

Police found six empty caliber .45 shells outside the De la Victoria residence in Sitio Dawis, Barangay San Roque in Talisay City. Osmeña, who rushed to the Chong Hua Hospital with other city officials upon learning of the incident, offered a P200,000 reward for information on De la Victoria's assailant.

Police held at least three taxi drivers and brought them to the hospital for identification by the witnesses.

One of those held was Roberto Cocong,

who said the gunman boarded his taxi at about 3 p.m. Wednesday near De la Victoria's house.

Cocong described the man as wearing a brown polo shirt, magenta shorts, and a fa-

De La Victoria earlier told reporters that he received information that there was a One Million reward for the person who could assassinate him and Oposa.

careful as there were many people who were angry at them for intervening in commercial fishing.

De la Victoria earlier told reporters that he had received information from a friend that the person "Oposa" was information.

Local chief executives have signed a petition addressed to the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources to close the Visayan Marine Triangle to commercial and destructive forms of fishing.

The closure has also gained the support of some operators, who have realized that the move would have a positive impact on the marine biodiversity of the Visayan Marine Triangle.

The Visayan Sea Squadron's mission is to conserve, protect, and restore the Visayan Sea.

Teams of volunteers will assess the level of compliance with and enforcement of environmental laws as well as monitor existing facilities and identify opportunities for intervention. - Lit Campo, Flor Perolina, Garry Lao, Jasmin Uy and Fred Languido, Freeman News Service

Lessons Learned

1. Anything that is worth doing cannot be done in one lifetime.

2. Practical function of a legal action. Lights a Star

- S – Story
- T – Table of Discussion
- A - Action
- R – Resolution



3. Follow your heart

4. A Lawyer who defends the Earth has a Greater Power for a Client



Story and Picture Book

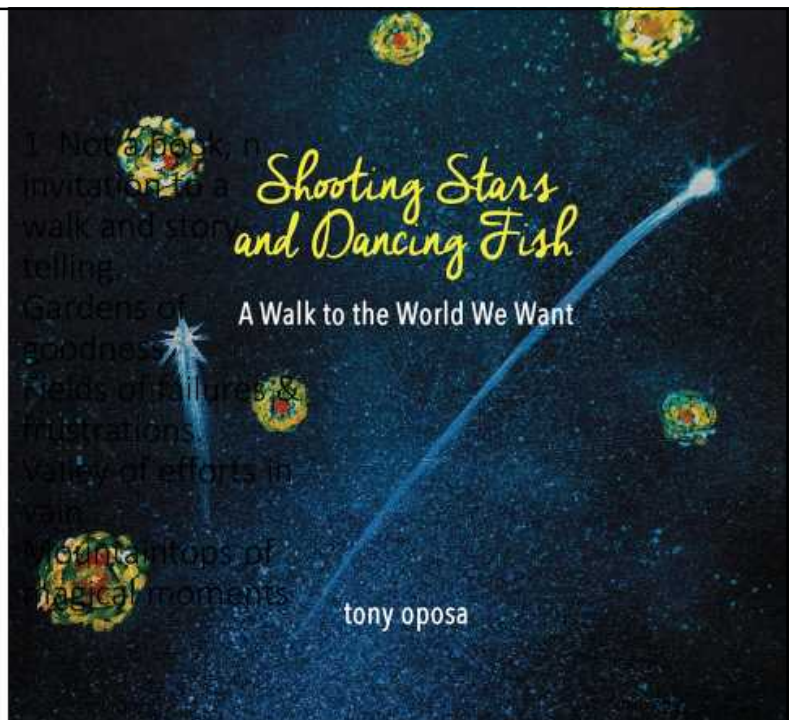
This is not a book

It is an invitation to take a walk ...

Guide and storyteller

Why the fanciful title?

Film --



Symbol of
Filipino
Resilience:
April 20-22,
'18
Grand Re-
Opening of the
School of the
SEA (Sea and
Earth
Advocates)



Performance
Hall
David
Output – we
will draft the
Outline of the

Draft Decision
Law as a
guide to
responsible
behavior by
supposedly
the wisest of
animals.



Views towards the lagoon and sea is maximized
resulting to an open plan.

What are the duties of the States to protect humankind of the present and future generations from the climate crisis?



Decision: Draft we will complete in Sept of 2018 in the library and grounds of the ICJ



Maybe also a mini moot court there.



In closing, if you want to
be heard, tell a story,
If you want to touch the
heart, sing a song,
If you want to start a
revolution, even a
peaceful revolution of
the heart,
If you want to start a
revolution,
ASK A QUESTION

Do you and your
children deserve the
Earth we are leaving
behind?

If not, what must we
do?



From my inmost
heart of hearts

Naoki Ikeda
Aki Katayama
JELF

and all of you.
You must be ten
times better



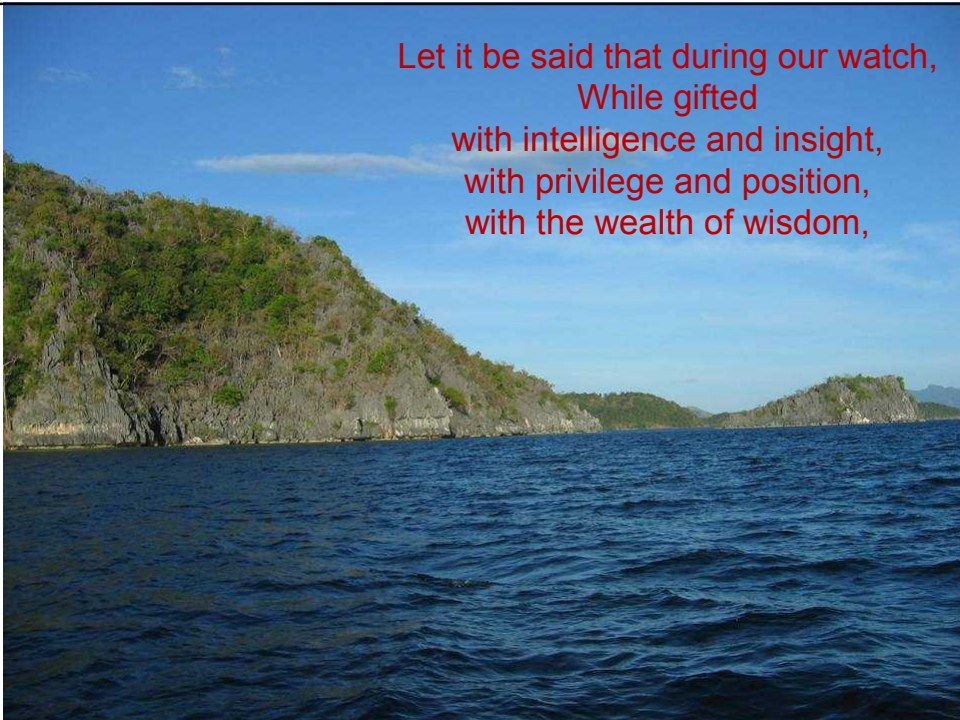
- Humans are most active with standing up
- Most creative when lying down
- The compromise is sitting down



Ten, fifty, a hundred years from now, and many generations hereafter,



Let it be said that during our watch,
While gifted
with intelligence and insight,
with privilege and position,
with the wealth of wisdom,





And with the
freedom and
power
of the human
Will,



Let it be said that in our time,
And during our watch,
We did our share,

face for sea at dawn
ng Tausug boy watches.

And maybe, just maybe ...
we will make a little difference.

You have to be
better than us –
TEN TIMES Better

Easy to make
money
But it is more
meaningful
to make a little
difference
Thank you for
making that
difference!

To care for the
Earth,
Think with your
Heart.
Law and Science --
Mind
Art – Heart
When you change
the mind ...
HOW?
Clue: Earth and
Heart -- Art-
Music is the
language of the
Heart.



SHOOTING STARS
Concert Chorale

