



Filipino Reporter

www.filipinoreporter.com
 Email: filipinoreporter@aol.com

FAIR, FEARLESS, FACTUAL

\$1.25
 40 PAGES

YEAR XLIII NO. 38 NATIONAL EDITION NEW YORK CITY / AUGUST 21-27, 2015 212.967.5784 • 732.319.0562

Sponsors, exhibitors, TFC stars shine at 2015 Fiesta in America

Special to the Filipino Reporter
 SECAUCUS, N.J. — Last weekend, the 2015 Fiesta in America saw thousands of families and business people flow into the Meadowlands Exposition Center for two fully packed days of exhibits, seminars and seemingly endless singing and dancing from TFC ABS-CBN's popular stars Vina Morales, Edgar Allan Gorman and Maxene Magalona, as well as several other talented local artists.

Now in its 17th year, Fiesta in America has transformed its trade and cultural show into an international showcase of Filipino and American brands. The event draws in thousands of tourists to page 8



2015 FIESTA IN AMERICA TRADE AND CULTURAL SHOW RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY: Fiesta in America formally opens at the Meadowlands Exposition Center in Secaucus, N.J. on Aug. 15, 2015 with distinguished guests. Clockwise from top: Ms. Milagros M. Revilla, Philippine Airlines Country Manager for the Americas; lawyer Arris Amantele, People's Ball 2015 Empowerment award; council members Susan Perna and William McKeever; Fiesta's hosts Yvonne Medina and Grace Rostis; Manuel Figueroa, Mayor of Township of Union, N.J.; Tracy Silva Zur, Steven Tamelli, Freeholder, Bergen County, N.J.; Lodi Hughes, President of Filipino American Festival Inc.; and Reverend Father Rodol Bual. In the bottom are Laura Garcia, Siliman Alonzo President; Nanding Mendez, Fiesta in America Founder and President; ABS-CBN talents Maxene Magalona, Edgar Allan Gorman and Vina Morales; Council General Mario de Leon, Jr. and wife Eleanor; Rose Javier and Tet Palencia, Fiesta in America executive committee chairs. (Photo courtesy of Fiesta in America)

Fil-Aussie Day's arduous life journey finally leads to major win



Filipino-Australian Jason Day holds up the Wanamaker Trophy after winning the PGA Championship golf tournament at Whistling Straits in Raven, Wisconsin on Aug. 16. (AP/Byron Anderson)

By **BERT AGUILERA**
Special to the Filipino Reporter
 Finally, Jason Day, the 27-year-old Filipino-Australian PGA Tour professional player, quest for his first major title is finally over. In the last two

major, he had held at least a share of the lead going into the final round but failed to win. In the recently concluded 97th PGA Championship held at Whistling Straits, Kohler, Wisconsin on Aug. 13-16, it was a different

story. After making a 314 yard drive at the Par 5 16th hole and scoring a birdie to get to 20 under par, he had a lead of 3 strokes over Jordan Spieth and that is where

Turn to page 6

Bongbong preparing for 'biggest decision'

By **PERMUS ECHIMINADA**
 MANILA — Sen. Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. (pictured at right) on Sunday said he is preparing for the "biggest decision" of his life in connection with the 2016 elections.

In an interview over radio station dzBB, Marcos said he is making his own political decision, although it is usually the political party that decides whether a can-

didate would run for president or vice president. The senator said, however, he will wait for the final say of the Nacionalista Party before

Turn to page 8



Davao del Norte publisher shot dead

By **EDITH REGALADO**
 DAVAO CITY — A newspaper publisher and director of an electric cooperative was shot three in the chest on Tuesday night while entering his house in Barangay Maguapao North, Tagum City. He succumbed to the wounds Wednesday morning.

Gregorio "Loloy" Yhafer (pictured at right), president of the Davao del Norte Press and

Turn to page 6



Senate pays tribute to Butz Aquino

By **CHRISTINA MENDEZ**
 MANILA — The only son of dictator Ferdinand Marcos stayed away, but his colleagues in the

Senate were present for the first-ever mass held at the chamber's session hall, to pay tribute to a former member: Agapito "Butz"

Aquino. Senate President Franklin Drilon led the Senate in paying

Turn to page 6



Relatives of former Sen. Agapito "Butz" Aquino, led by his widow Popsy, receive from Senate President Franklin Drilon a resolution honoring the late lawmaker at the Senate session hall Wednesday. Looking on are Senators Alan Peter Cayetano (2nd from right) and Tito Sotto (extreme right).

