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Gabby enjoys being Willie for a day

MANILA — Gabby Concepcion enjoyed pinch-hitting for Willie Revillame in *Wowowee*. Gabs gushed, "Sarap pala mag-game show."

But he says acting will always be his true passion, and he's all set to unleash the actor in him once again in his new soap, *Dahil May Isang Ikaw*.

"Maganda 'yung role ko," he says. How is he like the character? "We're both victims," he says, laughing. Gabs may have been used and abused many times but the beauty of his heart has remained intact.

Senator Revillame?

Manny Villar has reserved a slot for Willie Revillame in the Nacionalista Party's senatorial ticket. It may not be a good idea after Willie caught the ire of Tita Cory's supporters. Sometimes it's not what Willie says but how he says it. Although the Aquino clan has forgiven him, Afima (Alyansa ng Filipinong Mamamahayag) headed by Jerry Yap hasn't. Will the high ratings of *Wowowee* translate into votes?

Frame per frame

Cesar Montano let me in on his directing technique: "Aral ako sa komiks. Every important aspect of every scene is highlighted, frame per frame." Buboy is in the process of selecting cast members for a Visayan historical movie that he will direct. He is also spearheading a coral reef restoration program in Bohol. Buboy just can't stop doing things for the love of his *ka-probin-siya*.

Proof of courtship

Eugene Domingo squealed on Piolo Pascual, producer of her launching movie, *Kimmydora*: "Kinilig ako when Papa PJ dropped by the set with KC Concepcion. Du'n ko na-confirm na he's courting her. Kainggit!" Vicarious thrill will have to do for Uge.

B rating

We gave *And I Love You So* a "B" rating at the Cinema Evaluation Board. Sam Milby's acting has improved a great deal. But although Bea

Alonzo and Sam look good together on screen, John Lloyd Cruz and Bea have better chemistry. The perennial screen partners ought to be reunited in a film called *And I Love You More*.

Delightful Dimples

Dimples Romana is such a delight to chat with. She never runs out of amusing stories about her co-stars. "When Sam Milby got a new hairstyle, I asked him to leave the dressing room for a while 'cause di ko kaya kagwapuhan niya," she told us. "And in my scene with Ate Vi sa *In My Life*, where I had to make her *bunggo*, takot na takot ako kasi, siyempre Vilma Santos siya. Gulat siya talaga when I did it. I couldn't stop apologizing, though." Just as Dimples' name connotes grins, her animated storytelling leaves a smile on people's faces.

True to form

Lady Gaga brought the house down during her jam-packed concert at the Araneta Coliseum when she said, "Someone asked me... once.... if I had a dick. I told him, 'Yes and it's bigger than yours.'"

She truly lives up to her name's *Tagalog* meaning.

Challenging

Ejay Falcon, Xian Lim and Enchong Dee hurdle their biggest challenge as actors in the remake of the '80s blockbuster, *Katorse*, as they compete for one woman portrayed by Erich Gonzales. The series premieres Aug. 24 on ABS-CBN.

I remember bringing pictures of the movie *Katorse*, Dina Bonnevie's launching movie, to my high school class. It caused quite a commotion. My brother had a big crush on Dina and even went out with her once. That's when my friendship with Dina and her sis Aileen started. It would be great if Dina and Gabby could be part of the remake. ■

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Ryan Agoncillo moves into the fast lane

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MANILA - With successful hosting stints in such widely followed programs as *Magandang Umaga Bayan*, *Y Speak*, *Pinoy Fear Factor*, *Philippine Idol* and *Talentadong Pinoy*, reinforced by his acting chores in television (*Krystala*, *Pieta*, *Ysabella*, *George and Cecil*) and the movies (*Kasal*, *Kasali*, *Kasalo* and its sequel, *Sakal*, *Sakali*, *Saklolo*), Ryan Agoncillo has undoubtedly been enjoying a steadily rising career. Of course, most everyone knows he has also pursued the joys of married life with Judy Ann Santos.

At 30, Ryan has definitely got everything he needs – and more. A host, actor, celebrity endorser, businessman and family man, Ryan has not only carved his niche as icon of the youth, but as one of the most popular stars in local showbiz today.

Ryan, however, takes everything in stride. Off camera, he is definitely able to separate fame and popularity as he enjoys photography, motorcycle riding,

car drifting and exploring the endless benefits and innovations of the Internet.

When not busy with showbiz commitments, Ryan delves on simple pleasures. His zest for life serves as a fitting testament of PLDT's speed, technology and performance. Perhaps unknown to many, Ryan is a neo-generation technical whiz who continues to expand his horizons through the help of the world wide web.

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