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ANOTHER MILESTONE FOR THE QCLIC LOCAL HISTORY

Lucila R. Raquiño



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We all have “milestones” in our lives that mark the significant events that come our way on our journey as travelers in this world. For the past years, the Quezon City Library and Information Center has been very determined to provide the best library service to the people of Quezon City congruent to the determination of the city administration and city officials to be the best city it could be. There was thorough brainstorming by the library management so as to provide innovative, modern and highly technological library services to its clientele. Changes were embraced to cope with the rapid development in the library environment.

Last October 2015, three prestigious library organizations, the Philippine Librarians Association Inc. (PLAI), The National Library of the Philippines (NLP) and the National Committee on Library and Information Services (NCLIS) spearheaded a National Search for Outstanding Public Libraries with Special Programs on Local History in celebration of the Library and Information Services Month. The QCLIC submitted its application to the three organizations with the intention to enter the QCLIC Local History as one of the competitors knowing that we have done our best in developing and promoting our Local History Programs. With prayers, hope and faith, last November 4, 2015, the QCLIC Local History Section was awarded 3rd place while the 1st Place was awarded to San Jose City Public Library in Nueva Ecija and 2nd Place to Urdaneta City Public Library in Pangasinan...

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2ND Row Above: Ms. Villanueva presented the award to Mayor Herbert Bautista. 3rd row below:

The City Librarian receives the award from the National Library, PLAI and NCLIS.



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“SEMINAR/WORKSHOP ON COMMUNITY/PUBLIC JOURNALISM”

Rowena G. Remiendo

In celebration of the Library and Information Services Month, the Quezon City Library and Information Center conducted a seminar workshop on Public/Community Journalism on November 24, 2015 that was held at the Quezon City Library and Information Center – Reference Section.

The seminar was participated by the librarians and library staff from both the Main and Branch libraries wherein they were taught various writing skills and techniques to be able to develop their passion in writing. It also aims to encourage them to contribute articles for the Quezonian Newsletter, the official publication of the QCLIC.



Mr. Feliciano Galimba lecturing about the layout of the Greater Lagro Gazette

We were very fortunate that Mr. Feliciano U. Galimba Jr., Editor-in-Chief of the Greater Lagro Gazette and Administrative Officer of Barangay Greater Lagro, District 5, Quezon City, took the time to be our lecturer in the said seminar. Mr. Frederico Malvar Jr. and Mr. Robert Marcelino, official photographers of Barangay Greater Lagro, were also present to document the program.

Ms. Janet B. Alday, head of the QCLIC Technical Services gave the welcome remarks while City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva delivered an inspirational message. Ms. Mariza G. Chico, head of the Outreach Services introduced the resource speaker while Ms. Jennifer R. Adajo, Head of Periodicals section, officially closed the program.

The seminar was very insightful and this will surely help us in expressing our thoughts and ideas through the form of writing.



Mr. Feliciano Galimba lecturing about the correct way of newswriting as well as being awarded by a certificate of recognition by City Librarian Emelita Villanueva and Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado and a group photo with the QCLIC District Coordinators and Ms. Mariza Chico—Head of the Outreach Services of QCLIC. Photographs courtesy of the MIS Section



Halloween Hat & Basket Making

Cherry M. Taruc

The Quezon City Library and Information Center Novaliches Branch conducted a Hat and Basket Making seminar for the Trick or Treat Halloween activity which was held at the Cafe@Lib located inside the library last October 23, 2015. This is a yearly tradition held in the said branch in observance of All Saints Day and All Souls Day during the month of November. The materials used for the hats and baskets are all from recyclable materials which encourages us to be environmentally friendly.

The activity was participated by 11 elementary pupils and staff of the library which was facilitated by Ms. Liezl Domingo of the Children’s Section and Mr. Bienvenido Ongkiko of MIS.

Library Benchmarking Tour in Tokyo, Japan

Mariza G. Chico

The City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, together with five (5) QCLIC librarians namely: Cynthia DJ. Tolado, Mary Ann L. Bernal, Mariza G. Chico, Maria Cecilia R. Magnate, and Janet B. Alday, and one (1) staff from the City Budget Department, Ms. Lorelie G. Santos, attended a **“FOUR-DAY INTERNATIONAL LIBRARY BENCHMARKING PROGRAM IN TOKYO, JAPAN DUBBED AS PAARL’s JAPAN ENDLESS DISCOVERY LIBRARY TOUR”** last October 21 to October 24, 2015.

On its sixth year of benchmarking libraries within Southeast Asia and the Asia-Pacific region, the Philippine Association of Academic/Research Librarians, Inc. (PAARL) has chosen to visit Japan, also known as the “Land of the Rising Sun”. Being one of the most developed countries in the world known for its cutting edge industries and technological advancements, Japan is also rich in culture, architecture and arts, and is home to several World Heritage sites.

The tour specifically aims to (1) identify best practices in Japan Libraries, in terms of technological, space-planning, and infrastructure development; (2) learn new trends and concepts of library services; (3) observe closely how Japanese libraries address today’s issues and challenges in their desire to go digital; (4) foster professional and cultural exchanges between Filipino and Japanese librarians; and (5) establish a linkage with counterpart Japan libraries for future collaborative undertakings.

This event was highlighted with visits to well-selected academic and research libraries, information centers, archives, and cultural heritage sites.



Photographs courtesy of Ms. Mariza Chico

QUEZON CITY PUPPETEERS 8TH ANNIVERSARY

MARLYN BAUTISTA

The Quezon City Library and Information Center Puppeteers Group celebrated its 8th year anniversary last November 16, 2015 at the Reference Section of the Quezon City Library and Information Center Main Branch.

The program was graced by Ms. Sheryl V. Llagas from Children’s International, Philippines, and Mr. Gilbert Gallaza of Makabata Foundation and the program began with the opening remarks given by City Librarian Emelita L. Villanueva followed up by a speech by Asst. City Librarian Cynthia DJ. Tolado. Their messages provided insight on the role of the QCLIC Puppeteers in spreading knowledge and encouraging children in learning through the lessons gained from puppet shows. It was also during the program that the QCLIC Puppeteers launched its three new shows which aims to target a larger range of audiences.

The first show presented is entitled: “Kaya Pang Umawit ni Lolo Jose” which is a show intended to relate to the more senior members of the audiences as well as exhibiting a comparison between the old trends in music and the new ones today. The second show entitled: “Tamang Paraan ng Paghuhugas ng Kamay”, is a show intended for the children which teaches them the right way of washing their hands to promote good health and proper hygiene. The third show they presented is an educational entertainment presentation suitable for all ages, entitled “ALDUB”, and aims to instill life lessons to its audiences.



QCLIC Puppeteers with City Librarian Emelita Villanueva, Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado, Ms. Sheryl Llagas of Children’s International, and Mr. Golbert Gallaza of Makabata Foundation



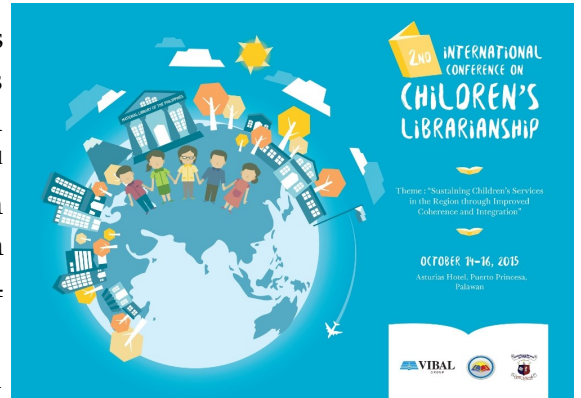
Children's Month Celebration

Manica M. Cortes

In line with the annual celebration of Children's Month every October in the country, twenty (20) employees of the Quezon City Library and Information Center headed by City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, attended the 2nd International Conference on Children's Librarianship with the theme: "Sustaining Children's Services in the Region through Improved Coherence and Integration" on October 14-16, 2015 at the Asturias hotel in Puerto Prinsesa, Palawan.

The Conference has the following objectives: to check on the status of Philippine children's libraries and librarianship; to learn best practices on children's information services; and to encourage networking and collaboration among and between children's libraries in the region.

Invited speakers were Ms. Lourdes T. David, Member of the Board for Librarian of the Philippine Regulation Commission, Dr. Marlene M. Avalon, Principal of Alpha Angelicum Academy, Dr. Edizon A. Fermin, Principal of the High School Department of Miriam College, Ms. Heng Huey Bin, a Senior Librarian of the National Library Board of Singapore, Ms. Yayoi Ohsugi, Assistant Director of Planning and Cooperation Division of the International Library of Children's Literature of the National Diet Library of Japan, Mr. Ng Kok Keong, Principal of a school in Kuala Lumpur, and Ms. Wee Sook Yeo, the Director General of the National Library for Children and Young Adults, South Korea.



Photographs courtesy of Troy Lacsamana

There were six (6) talks held about networking and collaboration among and between children's information providers held throughout the conference, and these are:

- Library Services for Children: Working Across Sectors
- Developing and Sustaining Children's Library Services 21st Century Education
- Engaging Children through Interactive Activities
- Children's Books Link the World and Open up the Future: International Library of Children's Literature
- Inspiring Connection: Learning, Libraries and Literacies for Children
- Library Services for Children and Young Adults in South Korea

The conference has been a great experience for the QCLIC staff and has provided an opportunity to gain more insight and information on readership services for children and literacy development.

Outreach and Puppeteers Team in Action

Mariza G. Chico

Ten (10) members of the Quezon City Library and Information Center – Outreach and Puppeteers team, headed by Ms. Mariza G. Chico were invited to perform puppet shows in two (2) cities of Nueva Ecija on November 23, 2015 at San Jose City and on December 3, 2015 at Palayan City, respectively.

The program at San Jose City was in celebration of the 81st National Book Week with the theme: **“The Filipino Reader in the Era of ASEAN Integration.”** The group performed two (2) sets of shows in the morning, first during the

City Hall Employees Flag Raising Ceremony, and the second at Tayabo Elementary School in Brgy. Pag-asa, San Jose City, where almost 500 grade school and high school students enjoyed the show. In the afternoon, the group also facilitated a Seminar-Workshop on Storytelling and Puppet Manipulation that was attended by thirty (30) participants composed of day-care teachers, library staff and representatives of persons with disabilities.



QCLIC Puppeteers Group with Ms. Mariza Chico

Rewards Corner at District II, V & VI Libraries

Rowena G. Remiendo

One of the best practices of District II, V & VI branches (Novaliches, Lagro, Talipapa, Pasong-Tamo and Payatas) is the **Rewards Corner**. It is located in the Children’s Section where toys, school supplies and other related things are displayed and is done to encourage children and young adults to visit the library especially the Children’s Section.

Frequent library users who avail of the reward card may claim an item in the Rewards Corner and the kind of item they may claim is based on the corresponding number of their visits to the library. Terms and conditions are written in the reward card and a Reward Card user may have up to 45 visits at maximum only.

The items displayed in the Rewards Corner are donated by the library staff, Brgy. Officials, and other library supporters.

While the program at Palayan City was in celebration of their 50th Founding Anniversary with the theme: **“Ang Bagong Lungsod ng Palayan sa Ika-5 Dekada, Pag-unlad, Now Na!”** where librarians from the Palayan City Library spearheaded a program entitled: *...continued on p . 14*



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Book Mobile at Bagong Pag-Asa Elementary School

Rosario J. Malig

In celebration of National Reading Month, the Quezon City Library and Information Center Bagong Pag-asa Branch and the team of District 1 libraries namely: Balingasa, Masambong, Proj. 7 and Proj. 8, conducted a Storytelling and Book Mobile activity at Bagong Pag-asa Elementary School last November 6, 2015 to further promote the “Back to Reading Campaign” of the QCLIC. In order to develop interest and love of reading among children, the “Pinoy Reading Buddies Program” was introduced wherein each child has a partner/buddy to accompany them in reading aloud. Not only are they enjoyable to do but this activity can help in enhancing both their oral and vocabulary skills too.

This event was also attended by Councilor Anthony Peter “Onyx” Crisologo who has continuously supported the outreach programs of the library as well as helping a lot of children in the communities of the said District.

“Cosplay” at Batino Elementary School

Paulo Dominik P. Daulat



The Quezon City Library and Information Center (QCLIC) – District III Branches conducted a “Cosplay” event at Batino Elementary School last October 23, 2015. This is the library’s participation in the school’s celebration of United Nations Day.

The activity was attended by Mrs. Elinda Manquis, the PTA President, and Mrs. Sonia Lodado, the interpreter for the mute and deaf students. The school principal, Mrs. Ma. Wevenan Danas, along with the teachers and staff of the school, hosted the event. QCLIC District III staff Mr. Anthony Corpus, Mr. Leonardo Leoncio, Ms. Linda Rosales, Ms. Maribel Felonia and Ms. Helen Fernandez also joined the event together with the QCLIC District III Coordinator, Mr. Paulo Daulat. Snacks were distributed to the students after the program, courtesy of the QCLIC Admin.

The term Cosplay came from the portmanteau of the words ‘costume play’ and is considered as a form of performance art wherein people wear costumes as a way of expressing their artistic sense while following a certain theme. During this ... *Continued on p. 8*

Photographs courtesy of Mr. Paulo Daulat

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activity at Batino Elementary School, the theme used was the celebration of United Nations Day which is held every year at schools in commemoration of the establishment of the United Nations.

Aside from the services which the library is offering like storytelling, film showing sessions, puppet shows and other related activities, engaging in other activities such as cosplaying events can be considered as another way of reaching out to the public school libraries. It can also be used to promote learning and awareness since historical and other educational themes can be used. It also promotes a more interactive way of learning for children.

This is the first time for the district to perform such activity and we hope to continue conducting events that promote interactive learning and reading to children.



QCLIC Puppeteers Celebrates Global Handwashing Day

Alistair Troy Lacsamana

Public library innovator, Quezon City Library and Information Center, is once again on the roll as its Puppeteers Group was all over Quezon City during the month of October.

Six puppet shows that catered to one thousand two hundred children were held in four barangays, a school and a mall. In the Puppet shows, we teach our audience good and proper values such as being polite and right conduct. The highlight of all the activities this month is the celebration of the "Global Handwashing Day" which was held last October 27 at Barangay Masambong, Quezon City. This program was made possible in coordination with the City Health Department, Social Services Development Department and the UNICEF.

"We love the shows because the kids learn values and proper hand washing through the puppet show." Added Dr. Susan Celo, one of our partners in the show.

Our Puppeteers Group has been invited by numerous organizations, both government and private, as they see the puppet show as a good avenue to deliver messages to the public. For the Public library's part, we instill the love for reading by integrating in the shows the importance of reading.



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The venue was at the Bayview Park Hotel, Manila and the award was received by the City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, Asst. City Librarian Ms. Cynthia DJ. Tolado and Ms. Lucila R. Raquiño, Head of Filipiniana and Local History. The next day, the award was presented to City Mayor Hon. Herbert Bautista after the Flag raising ceremony.



E-GOVERNMENT SERVICES PROMOTIONAL TOUR AT BRGY. NOVALICHES, BRGY. LAGRO AND BRGY. TALIPAPA

Rowena G. Remiendo

The Novaliches, Lagro and Talipapa branches conducted a motorcade in their respective barangays to promote the E-government services of the library last September 29, 30 and October 21, 2015. The branches mentioned above were supported by their respective barangays in providing the vehicle and the sound system used in the motorcade. Brgy. Talipapa Committee on Education Kagawad Atty. Erick Juan joined the motorcade. Candies and bookmarks were prepared as giveaways to the children during the motorcade.

The Novaliches motorcade was headed by Asst. District Coordinator and QCLIC – Novaliches Branch Librarian-in-charge, Ms. Cherry Taruc, while Ms. Jeanette Balaoro the librarian-in-charge of the QCLIC – Talipapa Branch led her team at Talipapa together with Ms. Taruc. Lastly, Ms. Evelyn Garcia supervised the Lagro motorcade. District II, V & VI family supported each other in all three occasions.



The staff of QCLIC Novaliches, Lagro, and Talipapa branches during the promotion tour. Photographs courtesy of Ms. Rowena Remiendo



PLAI CONGRESS 2015 EXPERIENCING THE BEAUTY OF LAOAG CITY



The congress tarpaulin

Fe B. Gomez

The Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and Arts (NCCA) through the National Committee on Libraries and Information Services (NCLIS) and the National Library of the Philippines conducted its annual National Congress with the theme “**ASEAN2015: Borderless Librarianship, Limitless Opportunities**” last November 24-27, 2015 at Plaza del Norte Hotel and

Convention Center, Laoag City, Ilocos Norte.

The Congress aims to prepare Filipino Librarians in responding to the opportunities, challenges and limit possibilities brought about by ASEAN integration

It was attended by the Quezon City Library and Information Center (QCLIC) librarians and staff headed by **Ms. Lucila Raquiño**, Ms. Fe B. Gomez, Mr. Alistair Lacsamana, Ms. Zenaida

Baltazar, Ms. Lilia Malaban and Mr. Manny Boy Fajilan.

The Group observed and learned from the different topics presented during the seminar proper. It was very productive, dynamic and very useful not only for the library but also for the librarians culture and awareness. A fellowship dinner with fellow librarians was also conducted on the last night of the Congress proper.

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Photo From left to right:

- Alistair Troy B. Lacsamana
- Zenaida M. Baltazar
- Lila U. Malaban
- Lucila R. Raquino
- Fe B. Gomez
- Manny Boy F. Fajilan





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Photo From left to right:

- Zenaida M. Baltazar
- Lilia U. Malabanan
- Lorna A Eguia
- Lucila R. Raquino
- Fe B. Gomez
- Alistair Troy B. Lacsamana

The following are the topics discussed by the speakers:

- **ASEANization (e.g. Awareness; Opportunities; Mobility; Challenges)**
- Education and Professional Development (Continuing Professional Development (CPD), LIS Education;
- Outcomes-based Education; K-12; Multi-Culturalism, Internationalization)
- State of Philippine

- Libraries and Librarianship (Standards; Benchmarking; Accreditation; Issues; Research Capability)
- Leadership and Competencies (Code of Ethics; Project Management; Mentoring)
- Innovations and Best Practices (Disaster Management; New Services; Valuation of Services and Collections; Altmetrics)
- Collaborations and Networking (Resource

Sharing; Inter-Library Loan; Regionalism)

- Library Professional Organizations and Associations (Contributions and Commitment of Members; Benefits; Expectations)

We thank first our Dear God for allowing us to participate in the PLAI Congress 2015 and to the City Government for funding such event.



Editor's excerpt...did you know?

In Bible times, how were scrolls made, and how were they used?

How were scroll made? Pieces of such materials as leather, parchment, or papyrus were glued together to form a strip, or a roll. This could then be wrapped around a rod with the written face on the inside. The writing appeared in short vertical columns across the width of the roll. If the scroll was long, it would have rods at both ends, which the reader would use to unroll the text with one hand and roll it up with the other, until the desired place was found.

"A scroll had the advantage of being long enough [often 33 feet (10 m)] to contain a whole book in a small volume, once it was rolled up," says the Anchor Bible Dictionary. It is estimated that the Gospel of Luke, for example, would have required a roll some 31 feet (9.5 m) in length. In some cases, a scroll's top and bottom edges were trimmed, rubbed smooth with pumice stone, and dyed. (ref. watchtower p.10, no. 1 2016)

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The Ribbon Cutting initiated by our City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva together with the Barangay Veterans Village Council and National Council on Disability Affairs

PWD LAUNCHING AT QCLIC-PROJECT 7 BRANCH

District 1—Branches



Quezon City Library & Information Center-Project 7 Branch launched its Persons with Disabilities Corner and had a MOA Signing in collaboration with the National Council on Disabilities Affair. The event was held last November 11, 2015 at QCLIC-Project 7 Branch Library, Brgy. Veterans Village, Q.C. It was participated by the QCLIC library staff through the initiative of Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva as the City Librarian, with the Barangay Veterans Village Council.



The Newly Launched PWD Corner



Books for our beloved PWD Readers

The said affair aims to reach-out the people with disabilities within the community as mandated by the Republic Act No. 10070.



Signing of Memorandum of Agreement

JEWELRY MAKING AT TALIPAPA BRANCH

Jeanette B. Balaoro

The Quezon City Library and Information Center Talipapa Branch conducted a Livelihood Workshop in Jewelry Making with the use of beads last October 22, 2015 at the library. This activity aims to promote livelihood activities to parents, specifically mothers, which they can do while waiting for their children outside the library. It also serves as a form of encouragement to mothers to be productive and resourceful.

This was participated by the parents of the daycare pupils, the barangay staff of Talipapa Barangay Hall, headed by Barangay Kagawad Dra. Elleonor Juan, and the staff of the QCLIC - Novaliches and Talipapa branches. The entire branch would like to acknowledge the generosity of Councilor Roger Juan not only for sponsoring the snacks of the participants, but also for continuously supporting the activities of the library.



Delegates were jubilant in learning something new and profitable



Ms. Jeanette sharing what she knows about jewelry-making.



Few of our supportive librarians busy teaching our delegates



Some of the delegates applying what they've learned in making jewelries.



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Branch Libraries: 18

LIBRARY HOURS: Mondays– 8:20-5:00pm/ Tuesday-Friday-8:00-5:00pm/ Saturday-8:00-4:00 pm

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“Bata, Bata, May Kwento ko! Pambatang Kwento para sa mga Batang Palayano!”; the Outreach and Puppeteers team together with the staff of the National Library of the Philippines performed chamber storytelling and puppet show to the delight of almost a thousand children from daycare to grade school levels together with their teachers and parents.

Indeed, these two activities were very successful and we look forward in doing more of this in the future.



