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MESSAGE FROM THE CITY LIBRARIAN

The year 2011 is a very fruitful and blissful year for the Quezon City Public Library. The staff were all cooperative, branch librarians have done their part in their own share of making their activities worthwhile to the children in their respective communities.

The achievement of our goals have been made possible because of the shared values, especially the spirit of "malasakit" to each and everyone in the glory of God. Furthermore, I would like to inform you of the principals who extended their support to the QCPL, the Quezon City officials who were very supportive to the City Library's programs and projects, from the City Mayor Herbert Bautista, Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte, the City Councilors particularly Councilor Aly Medalla of District II.

This year is full of new library changes in management initiatives that would make us more efficient, productive, competitive, adaptable and responsive to the ever changing library landscape and requirements. Moreover, the City Government would be constructing a new Library Building to enhance the facilities and ambiance, that would provide better environment conducive for productive working and the publics' information research. I am looking forward for support in all the library's initiatives and activities as we continue our journey together towards achievement of our common goals.

EMELITA VILLANUEVA

VISION

The Quezon City Public Library envisions in providing modernized library facilities and services that will enhance, support and develop the learning and research of its clientele.

A world class public library where all scholarly information are easily accessed down to the grassroots level, and that showcases rich collections of the city's local history and culture.

MISSION

The public library, the local gateway to knowledge, provides the basic condition to life long learning that will help increase the literacy level of the country.

It shall provide access to all printed, cultural, historical, intellectual and literary heritages of the country and other information sources and ensures the preservation and conservation of these materials through the technological innovations for the use of the future generations.

PRE-LAUNCHING OF A QC HISTORY BOOK

At last, for more than five years the book **QC: A Saga of Continuing Progress** was pre-launched last November 29, 2011 at the QCPL Reference Area., Quezon City hall. This is the first book to be published by the Quezon City Public Library, inspired by no other than our City Mayor Herbert Bautista.

The book contains relevant data on Quezon City, way back from 1939 to present. The accomplishments of each Mayor per administration, from the conceptualization of then Pres. Manuel L. Quezon to the appointment of the first Quezon City Mayor Tomas Morato and to our present Mayor Herbert Bautista.

During the event, the QCPL also gave plaques of appreciation in recognition to the contributions of its partners in the promotion of books, reading and literacy in their respective communities.

Awarded were: Mr. George Gordula, Chair, Greater Project 4 Book Lovers Club; Dr. Eladio Escolano, Principal, Don Alejandro Roces High School; Hon. Rodelo Tena, Mayor, Municipality of Jomalig, Quezon Province; Ms. Alice Jubay, Director Community Extension Service, St. Mary's University, Bayombong, Nueva Ecija; Mr. Leonar Cadoy, Coordinator, IKAT and Communi-

ty Extension Services, Saint Mary's University, Bayombong, Nueva Ecija; Mr. David Cabonero, Director, University Learning Resource Center, Saint Mary's University, Bayombong, Nueva Ecija and Atty. Antonio Santos, Director of the National library.

Guest of Honors were Mayor Herbert Bautista, represented by his Chief of Staff, Mr. Aldrin Cuña, and Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte, represented by her staff Ms. Palma.

QC officials who graced the event were Ms. Teresa Mariano, Head, SSDD, Ms. Frederika Rentoy, Head, EPWMD, Ms. Marian Orayani, Head of City Budget Department, Mr. Jorge P. Felipe, Head, BOC, Barangay Captains, Hon. Leolibeth Daluraya of Escopa 3, Hon. Josefina Ang and other barangay officials. The emcee was Mr. Contrado Buenaventura.



NEW LIBRARY AT ESCOPA 3

Last October 26, 2011, a library was inaugurated at the Barangay Escopa 3, a joint project of the City Government represented by the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva and the Bgy. Council of Escopa 3 represented by Bgy. Captain Leolibeth S. Daluraya.

The City Mayor, Herbert Baustista and Congressman Bolet Banal of the 3rd District were the Guests of Honor.

The said library was organized by the Quezon City Public Library staff and various reference books and other reference materials were also provided for the use of the reading public.



The City Mayor, Herbert Baustista, cutting the ceremonial ribbon. Assisting him are the City Librarian, Emelita Villanueva and Bgy. Captain Leolibeth Daluraya.



The City Mayor with the kids at Bgy. Escopa 3



The City Mayor, Herbert Baustista, and Cong. Bolet Banal with the City Librarian Ms. Emelita Villanueva, Asst. City Librarian Ms. Cynthia Tolado, Bgy. Capt. Daluraya, Ms. Lucila Raquino of the QCPL and other barangay staff.

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Reference Services Provides quality reference service to our varied customers from college and high school students, professionals and employees. Offers books in various disciplines including encyclopedias, almanacs, dictionaries, etc., It also contains fiction which can be borrowed for at least a week.

Multi Media and Internet Services

Provides free internet services to our customers. Users can search for at least 30 minutes,. Available services are internet browsing, email, typing, printing, scanning, CD burn, access to software from the library collections, viewing of informational videos from the library collections.

Law Research Unit Caters the needs of ordinary citizens, law students and lawyers alike regarding queries about laws. It provides comprehensive collections on Phil. Laws such as Supreme Court Decisions, presidential Issuances, Republic Acts and Supreme Court Rulings. Also available are online QC ordinances and resolutions, Lex Libris CD ROMS, newspaper clippings on laws and other legal and government publications

Filipiniana and Local History Contains books , souvenir programs and newsclippings about the Philippines, authored by Filipinos and information about QC history, its people, places, events.

Periodicals Contains newspapers, magazines, journals, government publications, etc. It also offers E-newspapers and magazines.

Technical Section Takes charge in acquiring and organizing the library's book collections, maintains the updating of the library's on-line database and the preservation of reading materials.

Children's Corner - This section provides services for children aged 3 to 12. It contains variety of children's books both Filipino and foreign. It does not maintain toys, but accepts any donations from civic spirited individuals.

Administrative Services includes Records Section which takes charge of the administrative matters of the library like budgeting and fiscal management, records and property and supplies, personnel, General Services, etc.

QC MUSEUM TO RISE AT THE QC MEMORIAL CIRCLE

Finally, Quezon City Museum will soon to rise at the QC Memorial Circle. The groundbreaking ceremony was held last December 4, 2011 led by Hon. Mayor Herbert Bautista and Hon Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte and was attended by QC officials, Cong. Jorge Banal, Coun. Godie Liban, Mr. Taddy Palma, Secretary to the Mayor; Dr. Manuel Alba; Chief of Staff Mr. Aldrin Cuña and others.

The QC Museum will definitely be a “green building infrastructure based on the City’s Green building Ordinance of 2009.

“Green Building” refers to an integrated whole-building approach to the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance of buildings and their surrounding land space that help mitigate the environmental, economic and social impacts of buildings. Emphasis is on site conservation and sustainable planning, water

conservation and efficiency, energy efficiency and renewable energy; conservation of materials and resources and indoor environmental quality and human health.



The City Librarian, Emelita Villanueva with Mayor Bautista (above) and with Ms. Joy Belmonte (below) during the groundbreaking.



Mayor Herbert Bautista and Ms. Joy Belmonte during the groundbreaking of the soon to be constructed QC Museum at the QC Memorial Circle. Inset Mr Taddy Palma, Right, Cong. Banal, Mayor Bautista, Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte and Dr. Manuel Alba.

Coun. Aly Medalla supports QC Libraries



Coun. Aly Medalla

Councilor Julienne Alyson Rae Medalla, or Coun. Aly Medalla for short, of District 2, is a sweet, beautiful and simple lady and a woman with wisdom, with a contagious smile. She comes from a notable family of public servants. She finished her BA Organizational Communication and Legal Management at the De La Salle University.

Among Councilor Medalla's notable programs are the following:

1. Education youth and Sports development
2. Mobile Library and Literacy programs
3. Distribution of Early Learning Materials and Toys in Daycare Centers
4. Free Pre-schools Summer Program

5. Hakbang Para sa Kinabukasan: Free Shoe giving project

6. College Scholarship Program

Futkal sa Barangay: Street Soccer Clinic and AM Boxing Program

She is the prime mover of the proposed Quezon City Book Deposit Ordinance requiring publishers within the territorial jurisdiction of Quezon City to furnish the City Public Library of at least five (5) copies of all their printed books providing incentives therefore.

The proposed ordinance makes Quezon City Public Library a depository of all published books of all publishers within the jurisdiction of Quezon City.

In return the Quezon City government will provide certain incentives in the form of tax credits and other privileges to publishers.

This proposed ordinance has been tackled

in one of the city council's deliberations and a public hearing was scheduled so as to hear the side of the book publishers in the city.

Hopefully, in the interest of humanitarian reasons and in the interest of our less privileged students who are dependent on the books provided by our City Libraries for their research needs, may they, the publishers have kind hearts to extend their blessings to our less fortunate constituents through the Quezon City Public Library.

Our sincerest and deepest thanks to our Beloved Councilor Aly Medalla.

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HISTORY OF WRITING A HISTORY

By Lucila Raquiño



Writing the history of Quezon City is not an easy task. It involves intensive research to all written information about the City.

The Quezon City Public Library, being the repository of all Quezon City facts and figures, conceived the idea of consolidating and updating Quezon City information for the use of all researchers especially the future generations.

Data of past mayors were taken from the books of three distinguished authors, Crisostomo, Carunungan and Alvir for the part of the past mayors, while data from Mayors Simon to Belmonte were taken from souvenir programs, accomplishment reports, state of the city address, newspapers and magazines, history books and other write ups pertaining to Quezon City.

Three distinguished authors have their own piece of story on the history of Quezon City, Isabelo T. Crisostomo, Celso Al. Carunungan and Angel S. Alvir. This book on History of Quezon City was taken from the consolidated works of these three authors, and was further up-

dated by the City Library up to the present administration, the Herbert M. Bautista Administration.

Angel S. Alvir wrote his version of Quezon City history, "Compared to a human being, Quezon City is a child in its early infancy and has no history to speak of except that of the man who founded it and the events which led to its creation or attended its early existence, and the social and political ferment at the time of its creation."

it is well that the history of its creation and development be written when the details of its early existence are still clear in the memory of living persons who were there with the founder when he dreamed, designed, and built the City. "Time slips quietly, the founder's rank is thinning, and before long things and incidents connected with the city's creation and development will forever be lost to history, it must be recorded."

Isabelo T, Crisostomo wrote "Quezon City: 1954-1967". He attempted to put together some facts about the formation of Quezon City while these were still available and fresh then. Much of his

researches were derived from City Hall records and from newspapers, magazines and old souvenir programs. It was Mayor Amoranto who gave him the idea to write about Quezon City. But he limited the discussion of the subject from 1954-1967 because of "great time" needed to dig up old references and collate pertinent data.

Celso Al. Carunungan, wrote the book "Quezon City: A Saga of Progress", wherein he went into great pains to dig into the intricate but pleasurable details of the first years of Quezon City. To his mind, no one before had ever dug enough to discover these. Perhaps, according to him, no one saw the need for them then. But, in the face of the relentless and continuing progress of this marvelous metropolis, it is proper and fitting that we turn back to that wonderful; beginning of Quezon City, and draw from it some lessons, learn some truths about how this city came about.

Cont... History of writing...



From Manuel Quezon to Mayor Tomas Morato to Mayor Herbert Bautista (1939-present)



Morato in 1939 to Bautista, the present administration. Each of these mayors, have their own ways of fulfilling these dreams. They worked hard to at least contribute to the progress of the city, though, they experienced many obstacles along the way.

What is clear in today's present administration is that to make Quezon City continue to become the most outstanding and one of the best cities in the country and to fulfill unfulfilled visions, plans, dreams and projects.

This book also contains the Quezon City Officials from 1939 to present, from mayors, vice mayors, congressmen, councilors, department/office heads and task forces. Although, the data may not be that complete, great efforts of research and compilation of data by the team were exerted to make this book as complete as possible pertaining to Quezon City.

Our recognition we give to the late Mr. Ben O. Flores, the editor of the former Capitol standard, who at one time gave his commentaries to the books about the history of Que-

zon City. That one of his write ups wished that "someday write an update of Quezon City History" to be entitled "Quezon City: A Saga of Continuing Progress." Though the writer of this humble book is not a veteran writer or author of any published books, she tried her best with the help of the QCPL Staff to come out with this material.

That whoever may write again an updated history of Quezon City may they find this book useful.

This book will never be possible without the support primarily of the City Mayor Herbert Bautista, the City Librarian, Emelita Villanueva, who persevered in its publication, Ms. Cynthia Tolado, Asst., the staff who gave their best during the research stage, Ms. Fe Gomez, Estrelita Perez, Donna Estoque, Ana Martinez, Jenny Leoncio, and indexers Prima Alabata and Jenny Adajo.

Thus, to update the books prepared by these three authors, the Quezon City Public Library staff painstaking continued the research on the continuing progress of the city, compiled and updated all relevant data pertaining to the Quezon City's officials, their numerous accomplishments, particularly on infrastructure projects that definitely gave the status of Quezon City as a premier city.

People of the City must take pride to have mayors who persevered in fulfilling the dreams and visions of the Founder of Quezon City, Pres. Manuel Luis Molina Quezon, from



3rd NCR LIBRARIANS' CONGRESSIONAL MEETING

The City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva attended the 3rd NCR Librarians' Congressional Meeting, at Sentro ng Karunungan Library, Manila City. last December 8, 2011. It was led by Atty. Antonio Santos, Director of the National Library.

The series of monthly meetings which are held alternately in every library in Metro Manila serves as a dialogue between the head of public libraries and the National Library, being the lead library institution.

How to be of help in the development of public libraries in NCR, and how can a "gifted" library be able to share its library resources to the "needy" one are addressed.

After the meeting, the group's Christmas Party followed at Manila Grand Opera Hotel.

Gook Luck!



The NCR Librarians, one of which our City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva, her Asst. Cynthia Tolado, other staff Fe Gomez and Analiza Puno, together with the Director of the National

QCPL JOINS IN THE CELEBRATION OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SERVICES MONTH IN NOVEMBER

The QC Public Library joins the nation in the celebration of Library and Information Services Month this November through simultaneous storytelling in the Main Library and all its branch libraries citywide attended by the community children. The guest storyteller at the QC Public Library was Ms. Lyn Ching-Pascual, TV Host and a mother.

The City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, being the President of the Children's Literature of the Phils. (CLAPI) initiated the conduct of a seminar workshop on Storytelling and Story writing participated by teachers and librarians at Teacher's Camp, Baguio City. The lecturers were Mr. Manolo Silayan, member of the Alitaptap Group of Storytellers and Dr. Luis Gatmaitan, a medical practitioner and author / writer of various children's books.

The Baguio City Public Library, through Mr. Emilio Supsupin also requested the services of the QC Public Library, Manila City Library and the National Library, through MELAI (QCPL), the Mascot who presented a dance number during the program and entertained the kids, Grades I To V who were overwhelmed with the presence of the said Mascot, puppetshow courtesy of the Manila City Library and storytelling, through storyteller Melanie Ramirez of the National Library.



QCPL performers Ms. Lai Malabanan, James Maborang (MASCOT) and Analiza Puno with Ms. Melanie Ramirez from the National Library



The City Librarian and President of the Children's Literature of the Philippines (CLAPI), Ms. Emelita Villanueva, 3rd from right, together with other QCPL staff and CLAPI officers, from left, Ms. Fe Gomez, Analiza Puno, Mariza Chico, Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado, Melba Tablizo, Vice President, Dr. Luis Gatmaitan, Guest Lecturer, Ms. Emelita Villanueva, Ms. Leonila Galvez, Ms. Purita Gonzales and Ms. Rose Chong of the National Library



God Loves You!

The Bible says, "God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life"

I would like to share some devotional thoughts from God's words quoted from "Our Daily Bread" January to December 2012, specifically from February 4 entitled WHEN WE'RE WRONGED".

It's natural to want to defend ourselves against injustice and to strike back. But if we're quiet and peaceful when others mistreat and persecute us, we are responding in a Christlike way. God wants to develop in us qualities that are unnatural for us. Anyone can be patient when everything's going his or her way. The greater virtue is to remain calm and con-

trolled under provocation (1 Peter 2:20).

Fenelon, a 17th-century theologian, put it this way: "Don't be so upset when evil men and women defraud you. Let them do as they please, just seek to do the will of God... Silent peace and sweet fellowship with God will repay you for every evil thing done against you. Fix your eyes on God." He allows painful situations to come into your life, and according to Fenelon, "He does this for your benefit."

For our benefit? Indeed as we respond to injustice in a Christ-like way, our anxiety, insecuri-

ty, and pessimism will be transformed into tranquility, stability, and hope.

Why do we lash out when we are mistreated? Why are we so quick to defend ourselves or to seek revenge? Is it not that we placed too much value on our own comfort and rights? If so we must pray, echoing on the words of Augustine. "Heal me of this lust of mine to always vindicate myself." - David Roper

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When you do good and suffer, if you take it patiently, this is commendable before God. 1 Peter

QCPL MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE'S GIFT GIVING AT QC JAIL by MARIZA G. CHICO

Last December 12, 2011, in the spirit of Christmas, the QCPL Multi-Purpose Cooperative conducted its Outreach Activity thru gift giving at Quezon City Jail. The activity is done annually by the QCPLMPC's officers and board of directors to a chosen institution or person as expression of thanksgiving for the cooperative's fruitful year.

The group led by its Chairman, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and the Officers and Board of Directors, have given away some 250 packs of toiletries to the visit less inmates of City Jail. Each pack is composed of one face towel, toothbrush, toothpaste and soap.

In return, the inmates prepared a short program as their way of thanking the group for their generosity. They (inmates) rendered a song number entitled "Pasko Na Naman"

which made all the Officers and Board of Directors cried because they were touched/affected by their current situation.

In addition, the Chairman, Ms. Villanueva, also pledged to donate 100 copies of pocket Filipino-English dictionaries

to them as part of their Alternative Learning System Program.

The BJMP staffs were very thankful to the group for making the QC jail inmates part of their outreach beneficiaries.



Above: The QCPLMPC Officers and Board of Directors with SQC Jail Senior Inspector Roselyn Carta . Below: QCPLMPC Chairman Emelita Villanueva assisted by Cynthia Tolado, General Manager while distributing gift packs to the QCBJMP inmates





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