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## QC BOOKMOBILES LAUNCHED

BY MARIZA G. CHICO



Hon. Mayor Herbert Bautista together with Honorable Councilors: Jessica Daza (sponsor of the said bookmobile), Jesus Manuel Suntay, Dante Liban and Bayani Hipol, turn over the symbolic key of the District IV Book Mobile to the City Librarian Emelita Villanueva and her Asst. Cynthia DJ. Tolado

Bookmobiles are a great way to provide boundless opportunities to our less fortunate communities with no established libraries or reading centers. These bookmobiles will serve the information and research needs of the children, students, and persons with disabilities in these specific communities who have difficulty going to public libraries to read books.

In response to this situation, the Quezon City Government, with the leadership of Mayor Herbert Bautista and Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte, supported the Bookmobile Projects of various Councilors who initiated the move to implement Quezon City Resolution No. SP-5884, Series of 2014, “Urging the Quezon City Public Library to provide assistance in the implementation of Mobile Libraries in all Districts of the City”.

Those who responded to this resolution and provided one bookmobile each were Honorable Councilors: Anthony Peter D. Crisolago of District I, Allan Benedict S. Reyes of District III, Jessica Castelo Daza, of District IV, Julienne Alyson Rae V. Medalla of District V, and Donato C. Matias and Eden A. Medina both of District VI.

The most recent turnover of book mobile occurred last July 13, 2015 wherein Mayor Herbert Bautista had turned over the symbolic key of the book mobile for the use of District IV to the QCLIC, accepted by City Librarian Emelita Villanueva and her Assistant, Cynthia Tolado. With this, there are now a total

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Above: Mobile Libraries launching with City Librarian Emelita Villanueva, Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado together with the Councilors of Districts 1—6

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## QCLIC at 67!

By Ms. Mary Ann L. Bernal



**Pastor Roli Sabado discusses the importance of values in the efficiency of a workforce.**

The Quezon City Library and Information Center commemorated its 67<sup>th</sup> founding anniversary last August 17, 2015 with the theme: “Diversified Learning through Unified Service.”

The officers and staff from both the main and branch libraries celebrated the event at the QCLIC Main - Reference Area to attend the recognition rites for the culmination of the values formation program.

The Quezon City Library and Information Center has continuously conducted seminars centered on strengthening values formation for its employees with the firm belief that a work force’s efficiency in providing good quality service lies in having a strong set of values.

For the Guest speaker of the program, the QCLIC has invited Pastor Roli Sabado to give a talk with regards to the library’s chosen theme for the anniversary entitled: “Diversified Learning through Unified Service” as well as an inspirational message in line with the recognition rites for the Values Formation. He said: “If you want a better change for your company, you need to work as a team and be collaborative.”

Pastor Roli also mentioned that as a public library, the services offered must cater to different kinds of people with different needs and that in order to achieve this, the library must strengthen the unity of its employees so that they can provide

the best possible service to them.

**“If you want a better change for your company, you need to work as a team and be collaborative.”**

Pastor Zaldy Sulvita, the lecturer of the seven sessions of Values Formation-Monday Makeover (The Blessed Work life) was called upon to conclude the sessions with a speech wherein he stressed that true belief in Jesus means that we have to let him be in charge of our whole life and as a result of this, we will receive an eternal life with the Lord Almighty.



City Librarian Emelita Villanueva together with the Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado and different Sections heads from left: Fe Gomez, Mariza Chico, Lucila Raquiño, and far left Mary Ann Bernal, presenting Ptr. Roli Sabado (above), Ptr.. Zaldy Zulvita (middle) and Ptr. Saturnino Balajadia with her beautiful wife Sis Lita with certificate of appreciation and token for their participation in the series of Values formation Seminars conducted in the City Library

## Book Mobile Service at Barangay Pag-asa



The Book Mobile is part of the program of Quezon City Library and Information Center - Outreach Services. Sponsored and supported by the office of Councilor Onyx Crisologo, it had its first debut last August 18, 2015 serving the residents of Brgy. Bagong Pag-asa. Mr. Troy Lacsamana, also known as “Heneral Basa”, conducted a storytelling session to the pupils of Bryg. Bagong Pag-asa Day Care Center, after which, they got into the book mobile and chose the books they wanted to browse and read.

During the event, even some street children who were ambling around the area at that time were given the chance to see the inside of the book mobile and were handed the books they wanted to see.

This activity aims to promote the Quezon City Library and Information Center’s “Back to Reading Campaign” and encourage not only the young people, but most especially the parents, to read along with their children. In this way, they will gain a penchant for reading books and gain knowledge as well. This event was headed by Ms. Prima Alabata and Ms. Ana Puno along with the help of the staff of the District 1 branch libraries.



### E-Research Corner featuring STARBOOKS soft opening at Reference Section

By Lucila Raquiño

Last August 4, 2015, the Department of Science and Technology, in partnership with the National Library of the Philippines, has launched the Science and Technology Academic Research Openly Operated Kiosks at the Quezon City Library and Information Center. Commonly called as STARBOOKS, it is the **first science digital library**. It contains thousands of digitized science and technology resources in various formats (text and video/audio) placed in specially

designed “pods” set in a user-friendly interface. Its special features are: 1) It’s a standalone Information kiosk, hence, information access is possible even without internet connection; 2) Information available is read-only; 3) It is a compendium of S&T information gathered from all over the world --- a one stop S&T information source; and 4) It features videos dubbed “Tamang DOSTkarte Livelihood Videos” to stimulate every Filipino’s entrepreneurial capacity;

STARBOOKS aims to: 1) Create interest in the field of Science and Technology which may increase the number of Filipinos enrolling in S&T courses; 2. Encourage great and curious minds to develop new ideas---inventions and innovations; and 3. Inspire one’s capacity for entrepreneurship and research.

This research tool will surely be a big help for the users of the QCLIC for their researches.



Above: QCLIC Librarians and staff being briefed about the STARBOOKS program

Left: Ms. Mary Ann Bernal trying out the STARBOOKS database

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of six bookmobiles in the QCLIC which can cater to the needs of these communities

To further celebrate this occasion, the said bookmobiles were simultaneously launched last September 14, 2015, during the Monday Flag Raising Ceremony of QC Hall Employees.

City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, was very thankful to the said city officials for these bookmobiles because these will be very helpful in the outreach services of the QC Library particularly to those barangays with no public libraries established.

Also present during the launching were Councilors Victor Ferrer, of District I, Ramon P. Medalla, of District II, Jesus Manuel C. Suntay and Bayani V. Hipol of District IV and other City Officials,

Department Heads and employees of Quezon City Hall.



Photographs from the launching of the Bookmobiles with the Councilors of District 1 to 6 together with City Librarian Emelita Villanueva, Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado, and the staff of QCLIC



## QCLIC TEAM IN BARANGAY MASAMBONG'S SMILE KIDS PROJECT

By Mr. Alistair Troy Lacsamana

Librarians from the Masambong Branch led by Ms. Alabata graced the Barangay's program for day care pupils: the Smile Kids Project 2015. Pupils from two day care centers and their parents were in attendance. It was a good opportunity to inform the community about the services of our public library. Afterwards, Heneral Basa shared the story "Ang Walong baso ni Paquito" and emphasized to the kids the importance of "inom, inom, inom" or drinking plenty of water everyday. Nutrition Month is being commemorated every month of July.

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More photographs from the simultaneous launching of the six mobile libraries

## National Children's Book Day Storytelling at SM Novaliches with District 2 Librarians

Students from Rosa Susano and San Bartolome Elementary School were all eager to attend this year's National Children's Book Day Celebration at SM Novaliches last June 21, 2015. While waiting for the other guests to arrive, Heneral Basa invited the kids for a photo opportunity at the front of the stage. Excited, the children immediately approached Heneral Basa thinking that he was going to start with the storytelling session. It just shows that children are enthusiastic with these kinds of events and that Heneral Basa gets motivated with the energetic reciprocation of his audience.



Heneral Basa poses for a picture with the children



importance of playing traditional games.

The children also showed how much they excel in their language skills – conversing in English and using good diction as they spoke; and although some of them are shy, they are generally bright and actively participated during and after the storytelling. For the storytelling session, Heneral Basa read the book entitled: “Bob the Blob” to the children which tells a story about a kid that had a problem with his weight. He learned ways on how to correct it by eating the right kind of food and exercising. Mr. Norman Boquiren, a college teacher and a storyteller too, read “Si Kaitlin at ang Game Machine,” which tells us a story about the

We thank the National Book Development Board, the SM Malls, Vibal Books and Calidad Humana for keeping the kids enthused and excited about reading.

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...The Puppeteers Group also danced the public library’s jingle and “Makulay ang Buhay”. Chichay, Chuchay with Kuya James taught the children good values by teaching them to say “po” and “opo” and “excuse me”, especially in the company of elders. The Barangay was well represented and Congressman Boy Crisologo also graced the occasion. Truly, the team of Masambong Library, the Puppeteers, and Heneral Basa is a good combination in promoting reading, good values and public libraries.

## Golden Anniversary of Project 7 Branch Library

By Ms. Cristine Catalan

Our public libraries are expanding! The QCLIC’s Project 7 Library is now bigger as it was recently renovated. This expansion was achieved thru the leadership of our City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, with the support of City Mayor **Hon. Herbert M. Bautista**.

A short program was conducted to grace the event.

Barangay Chairman Kapitan Clarito “Sonny” De Jesus gave the Opening Remarks while City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva gave an inspirational talk. The Guest of Honor City Mayor Herbert M. Bautista, was not able to make it to the event due to a prior commitment but the Councilors of District 1 namely: Councilor Victor V. Ferrer, Councilor Lena Marie P. Juico as well as Congressman Francisco Calalay, Jr. and Mr. Ollie Belmonte, representative of Vice Mayor Hon. Josefina “Joy” Belmonte attended the event.

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Ribbon cutting during the re-inauguration with Cong. Calalay and Mr. Ollie Belmonte assisted by the City librarian



Coun. Juico gives her speech

## TURN OVER OF TOYS AT MASAMBONG LIBRARY BY THE PHILIPPINE TOY LIBRARY

By Ms. Prima Alabata

Last July 23, 2015, The Philippine Toy Library distributed various books, toys and cleaning materials to Masambong Branch Library.

Ms. Ninya of PTL and Ms. Chato Malig conducted a storytelling session followed by the turn over ceremony. A Memorandum Of Agreement signing was done between Quezon City Library and Information Center - Masambong Branch Library with Ms. Prima Alabata and Mr. Benny George L. Cababat and Ms. Ninya Saquilabon, the representative of the Philippine Toy Library. The event was witnessed by the Asst. City librarian Ms. Cynthia DJ. Tolado and the Head of the Outreach Services, Ms. Mariza G. Chico.



*“If you do one good deed your reward usually is to set to do another and harder and better one.”*

**C.S. Lewis**

## The Pinoy Reading Buddies in District 1

The Quezon City Library and Information Center District I librarians visited the Bayanihan Elementary School in Barangay Paltok, Quezon City last Friday, September 4, 2015, wherein the Pinoy Reading Buddies Program was introduced to the Grade 4 students. Ms. Cristine Catalan, Librarian-in-charge of our Project 7 branch, conducted a storytelling session and read the book entitled: "Naku! Ang Pula ng Mata ko!" which is a very timely theme to be brought up with the ongoing "sore eyes season".



Children browsing books in the Book Mobile

Afterwards, other library staff conducted the next activity which is the Pinoy Reading Buddies program (or the PRB for short) where they called upon students and asked questions about the books they read. For the final activity, they were given the chance to tour the Mobile Library donated to the QCLIC by Councilor Anthony Peter "Onyx" Crisologo.



Storytelling session with Ms. Christina Catalan from Project 7 branch library



### Students from Mindanao visit the QCLIC

By Marose Calderon

The fourth year BS Information Technology students from Mahardika Institute of Technology, Inc. in Tawi-Tawi and Sulu College of Technology conducted a two-day library tour at the QCLIC Main Branch on September 11-12, 2015.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> day, September 11, 2015, a video presentation was shown to the group wherein the history of library and the different services the library provides were depicted. After the presentation, they were given the chance to tour around the Reference Area, the Technical Services, the Filipiniana and Local History Section, the Law Research, the Outreach Services, the Multimedia and Internet Services and the Children's Corner.

On September 12, 2015, their 2<sup>nd</sup> day, the QCLIC has prepared a computer tutorial for the students, however since they are already 4<sup>th</sup> year students taking up Information Technology, Mr. Boyet, the speaker, decided to conduct a talk instead regarding topics about protecting computer files from viruses and the latest social media tools.



Students touring the library with Ms. Chiara Navarrete as their guide

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We welcome requests for library tour because we believe that exploring new environment will inspire students to not only learn but to be able to interact more with their fellow students and other people as well. To all those who are interested in having a library tour such as this, kindly send us your request letter addressed to our City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and send it to [quezoncitypubliclibrary@yahoo.com](mailto:quezoncitypubliclibrary@yahoo.com)



Library orientation with Ms. Chiara Navarrete

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And what better way to celebrate this event than having a simple parade of day care pupils dressed as food, a puppet show from our QCLIC Puppeteers, and a storytelling session from Heneral Basa who read the book entitled: "Kain, Kinain, Kumain" to the pupils while the Puppeteers danced along to the song "Makulay ang Buhay". They also performed the "po and opo" skit, with the puppet Chuchay and Mr. James Maborang, emphasizing the importance of good manners and right conduct among kids. More than one hundred children with their parents were in attendance. The children are mostly pupils from the Yakap Day Care Center and Esteban Abada Elementary School kinder class...

There is a saying that states the library and reading are important in the development of a person and a community. Truly, it is another historic event for the QCLIC's Project 7 Branch library



## STORIES

By Mr. Alistair Troy Lacsamana

These are short stories prepared by Mr. Alistair Troy Lacsamana of the Outreach Services during their Storytelling sessions and Bookmobile Services in the different Barangays in Quezon City.

### Kaba

Minsan, lagi tayong pinapangunahan ng kaba. Kahapon, sa Pura V. Kalaw Elementary School, ang akala ko ay hindi magkakasya ang mga bata sa Social Hall nila, pero nagkasya naman ang 204 estudyante't mga guro. Akala ko din ay mahihiya ang mga estudyante makilahok sa gagawin naming 'reading marathon,' pero lahat naman ay sumali at game nagparticipate ang lahat. Hindi lamang si Heneral Basa at si Ms. Catherine Vital, ang ating panauhin na dating Ms. Earth Foundation Executive Director, pati na rin ang mga mag-aaral na kumakatawan mula sa Grades 3-6 ang nagkuwento. Marami na iyon kung tutuusin para mapanatili ang sigla ng programa.

Minsan, kailangan lang magtiwala na magiging maayos ang lahat. Nakatulong din na naisip namin na magkaroon ng malaking partisipasyon ang mga bata. Nakita at nabigyang pansin ang kakayahan nilang magbasa. Mabilis ding naisip na gawing paligsahan ang reading marathon para mapagkasya ang mga dala naming pagkain. Sa bandang huli, dahil sa magandang preparasyon at malikhaing pag-isip ng solusyon sa mga kinakaharap na problema ang kaba ay nawala at ang kinahinatnan ay maganda: isang umaga na puno ng pagbabahagi ng kuwento at aral, di lamang sa mga estudyante kundi pati sa amin na gumawa ng activity.

Binasa ni Heneral Basa ang librong 'Papel de liha' samantalang si Ginang Untalan naman ay binasa ang 'Alamat ng Palay'. Ang mga estudyante naman ang nagbasa ng mga sumusunod na libro: 'Naaay, Taaay!', 'Ang Itim na Kuting', 'Chenelyn! Chenelyn!' at 'Si Hinlalaki'. Napakahuhusay nilang magbasa lahat. ★

(Pura V. Kalaw Elementary School – July 22, 2015 9-12 nn)

### Atensyon

Ang mga batang kaninang binisita ng ating librarians ng District 3 at ng Barangay Aklatan Project ni Councilor Daza (Book Mobile) ay nagmula sa Sitio Lambak Daycare Center. Mahigit silang 50 daycare pupils kasama ang kanilang guro at humigit kumulang na 20 na magulang. Nakakatuwa na sa bawat itatanong ni Ginang Fe Gomez ang palaging sagot nila ay "Ako!" sabay taas ng kamay. Sino ang marunong magbasa? Ako! Sino dito ang nakapunta na sa silid aklatan? "Ako uli!"

Kaya nung nagsimula si Heneral Basa, binago na lamang niya ng kaunti ang tanong: sino dito ang gustong matutong magbasa at magpunta sa Aklatan ng Krus na Ligas? Matapos nito ay ibinahagi ni Heneral Basa ang kuwentong 'Saling-pusa' ng Chikiting Books. Ito ay tungkol sa pagpasok sa paaralan ng mga maliit na bata na parang kasali na hindi. Pinakita dito na maraming mga masasayang gawain: magsulat, magbasa, magdrowing, magkulay, kumanta at sumayaw. Marami ding makikilalang mga kaibigan. At kahit saling pusa lang ang mga bata ay di...



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naman makakalimutan ng guro.

Pagkatapos ng kuwento ay nagtanong si Heneral Basa sa mga bata tungkol sa kanilang narinig at magiliw naman nila itong nasagot. Pagkatapos ay isa-isang nagpunta sa Barangay Aklatan at kumuha ng kaniya-kaniyang libro. Kahit hindi pa silang marunong magbasa, hina-yaan lang naming nilang hawakan ang mga libro at tingnan ang mga larawan. Nagbasa uli si Heneral Basa ng pangalawang libro: Ang “Mabait na Kalabaw” ng Adarna House. Buong atensyon naman na nakinig ang mga bata at mga magulang.

Bilang panghuli, nagpasalamat si Ginang Zenaida Baltazar at nagsalita ukol sa kahalagahan ng pagbabasa sa mga bata araw-araw anumang oras at hindi dapat iasa sa mga guro lamang. Bagkus, sa ating mga magulang din nakasalalay ang pag-unlad ng mga bata. Dapat bigyan ng atensyon ng bawat magulang na maturuan ang mga bata na magbasa at ma-engganyo sila sa ganitong uri ng aktibidad. Matapos nito, tinanong namin sa mga magulang kung ano ang gagawin nila paguwi. Ang kanilang sagot: “Babasahan ang mga bata!”

Sa tingin naman naming ay napukaw namin ang kanilang damdamin, dahil masaya naman silang sumagot sa aming hamon. At siyempre hindi rin natin tinapos ang programa na sila ay di imbitahan sa pinakamalapit na silid aklatan, ang Krus na Ligas na sangay ng Aklatan ng Lungsod Quezon at kung saan ang ating masipag na kawani na si Rosalie Quinatadcan ang namamahala. ★



(District 4, Sitio Lambak Day-care Center, 10 am 12 nn July 29, 2015)

## Kakulangan

Minsan kami ay napapad sa malalayong lugar ng Quezon City kung saan mara-mi sa ating mga kabababayan ang naghihikahos. Isa sa mga lugar na ito ay ang Sauyo. Makikita mo dito ang mga bata na mukhang di pa nakakakain bago pumasok sa paaralan. Ang mga suot nilang damit o sapatos ay mga luma at gamit na gamit na. Kung tatanungin mo kung paano natin matutulungan ang mga bata dito, siguro ang una nating maisip ay bigyan sila ng pera o pagkain, o di kaya naman mga bagong damit at sapatos.

Ngunit paano kung wala ka namang pera? Ano nga ba ang tamang pagtulong sa kanila? Sa aking palagay, mas makabubuti kung matutulungan sila na makapag-aral ng mabuti at mabigyan sila ng tamang direksyon kung saan o paano makakakuha ng tamang impormasyon sa kanilang pag-aaral. At ang paraan na ito ay walang iba kung hindi sa pagbabasa ng mga libro at ang pagpunta sa mga aklatan.

Sana sa aming pagbigay ng library orientation ay magkaroon sila ng ideya na sa pamamagitan ng pagpunta sa aklatan ay maaari silang matulungan na maiangat ang kanilang sitwasyon. Sana ay naipakita namin sa mahigit na 100 mag-aaral, guro at prinsipal ng Sauyo ES na may mga ibat’ibang serbisyo ang aklatan na makakatulong sa kanila upang maibsan o mabawasan ang kakulangan na meron sila. ★



## MOA Signing Between Brgy. Talipapa and Talipapa Branch Library (Computer Learning Center and E-Government Services)

By Rowena Remiendo

Last July 23, 2015, Brgy. Talipapa conducted a MOA signing event for the Computer Learning Center and e-Government Services with the Quezon City Library and Information Center's Talipapa branch library. The signing was held in the barangay hall at 9:00 am and was attended by the barangay officials headed by Barangay Captain Ursula "Choleng" Juan; District VI Councilor Roger Juan and his staff; the Rotary Club of Talipapa headed by their president Mr. Jose Mari Isip; and the QCLIC staff headed by the City Librarian, Mrs. Emelita Villanueva; parents and visitors as well as graduates of the Computer Tutorial Sessions and Call Center Trainings.

The program began with an invocation followed by the singing of the National Anthem. Brgy. Captain "Choleng" Juan welcomed the guests and visitors and inspirational messages were given by Coun. Juan, Mrs. Villanueva, Mr. Isip, and Brgy. Council Attorney Eric Juan. Mr. Manny Boy Fajilan, the current Head of the Multimedia and Internet Services Section of the QCLIC, then gave a speech discussing the Beyond Access Program; specifically the e-government services, and was followed by speeches given by Ms. Lorraine Miranda, a web design trainer from American Tesol, and Mr. Paul Groome, the call center trainer coming from the same company.

The event was concluded with the distribution of certificates to the graduates of the Computer Tutorial and Call Center Training.



Above: In succession, MOA signing with City Librarian Emelita Villanueva together with Brgy. Captain Juan.; computers set up by the OCLIC staff; and Ms. Emelita Villanueva together with Councilor Roger Juan and Brgy. Captain "Choleng" Juan and other visitors and staffs posing for a picture

## QCLIC Puppeteers Invited at Butuan City Public Library Foundation Day "Adlaw Hong Butuan"

By Marlyn Bautista

The City Government of Butuan through its City Library invited the QCLIC Outreach and Puppeteers together with the staff of Makabata Para sa Bayan, Inc. to be part of the celebration of their 65th Adlaw Hong Butuan which occurred on July 27-August 2, 2015. "Adlaw Hong Butuan" in layman's term means "Araw ng Butuan" which is the celebration of the Charter Day of Butuan City. The event was highlighted by a thanksgiving mass, motorcade, Palagsing Festival, street parties, and the Recognition of Outstanding Butuanons & City Employees Night. Also part of the celebration was the "Bright Child Show Tour" spearheaded by the Butuan City Public Library.

Co-sponsored by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts, the QCLIC Outreach Services and Puppeteers together with Makabata Para sa Bayan, Inc., were invited to perform Puppet, Mascot, Magic and Bubble Show. There was also a half-day seminar facilitated by Ms. Mariza G. Chico, Outreach Head, where she talked about QCLIC's Best Practices in Promoting Reading while Mr. Gilbert T. Gallaza of Makabata Para sa Bayan, Inc. tackled the Basic Puppet Manipulation Technique to the librarians from Butuan City and CARAGA Region....

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# The Embedded Librarian – Evolving the Role of the Librarians in the Wiki Age

by Lucila Raquiño

In celebration of Literacy Month, a forum entitled: **“The Embedded Librarian: Evolving the Role of the Librarians in the Wiki Age”** was conducted on September 30, 2015 at the QCLIC Main Reference Area. We are very fortunate that despite his very hectic schedule, Dr. Juan C. Buenrostro, Jr. accepted our invitation to be the guest Lecturer. He is a notable professor, chief librarian, instructor & consultant in the field of library and information science to various distinguished institutions and Universities, such as the University of the Philippines, Philippine Normal University, Asian Library of Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation, International Institute of Rural Reconstruction, Baliuag University and University of the East-Manila, and has authored various books on librarianship.



Dr. Buenrostro receives his Certificate of Appreciation as the Guest Lecturer from the City Librarian, Emelita Villanueva, Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado and different Section Heads.



Dr. Buenrostro during his lecture proper



Group picture of the QCLIC Personnel with the Guest Lecturer

The topic of the seminar emphasized that as librarians we have to seek to redefine ourselves. The model of embedded librarianship is generating interest as an effective means of applying the knowledge and skills of librarians towards the information challenges of the digital age. Embedded librarianship takes a librarian out of the context of the traditional library and places him or her in an “on-site” setting or situation that enables close **coordination and collaboration** with the community.

To be an embedded librarian one must be a team player; must understand and support each other; have an entrepreneurial mindset (as what the City Mayor already said during the 65th Foundation of the QCLIC, **“Expand...Think entrepreneurial ...”**); accept risks; translate library science to other disciplines; move outside of your comfort zones; and don’t just think but act outside the box.

Embedded Librarianship challenges the librarians to connect to the organization’s missions: to apply their knowledge and expertise in new ways that can influence the value proposition of librarians and show the impact that librarians can and do have beyond the traditional functions of the library, and why librarians are needed now more than ever.

Rest assured, QCLIC is on the right track, being an embedded institution we are now...

## QCLIC Teambuilding 2015

By Marose Calderon

The Quezon City Library and Information Center employees had a Team Building activity last September 9-11, 2015 at Coral View Beach Resort, Morong Bataan. A short talk was conducted by Ms. Cecille Mag-nate of the Record Services during the first day, stressing the importance of teamwork and why it is necessary to have a game plan and a timeline so that we can effectively and efficiently accomplish our tasks. After the lecture, Ms. Analiza Martinez of the Administrative Services discussed the house rules followed by a performance by Ms. Donna Estoque, Ms. Susan Santiago, Ms. Ria Mesina and Mr. Roland Lunes wherein they danced and acted to a song number. After this, Ms. Magnate then asked us to group ourselves into four and asked us to do the Marshmallow Activity. We were given uncooked pasta noodles, masking tape, short piece of yarn, a piece of bond paper and a single marshmallow. The aim of this activity is to put together the pasta noodles and place the marshmallow on top without collapsing. Few groups were successful however others are not so lucky. In the end, everybody had fun and enjoyed the activity while learning that in order to accomplish our tasks, we must have a plan first and execute it the best way possible. The mechanics and groupings of the Amazing Race were also discussed.

The Amazing Race was held on the second day wherein five groups competed on both mental and physical challenges. This activity definitely established the team work of each group and everybody participated which made the activity successful. The Red team also known as "The Young Ones" headed by Ms. Jennifer R. Leoncio was declared the overall champion of the Amazing Race. Special awards were also given to selected employees.

Overall, this activity strengthened the bond of the QCPL employ-ees. Team building is certainly necessary because we were given the chance to know all our co-workers in a deeper level which will help in improving our working relationship with each other. A huge thank you to Mayor Herbert M. Bautista for approving the budget and to our boss, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and her assistant, Ms. Cynthia DJ. Tolado for making this possible.



Photos taken during the QCLIC Teambuilding activities as well as the awarding ceremony



# “Back to School Gupitan” sa Ating Aklatan

By. Ms. Ana Puno

In celebration of the 24th Founding Anniversary of Project 8 District Library, the QCLIC Project 8 branch conducted a program with theme: "Tuesdays at Project 8 Library". This program offers free "Back to School Gupitan" in partnership with Honorable Councilor Ricardo "RJ" Belmonte. Those who availed of the free haircut were children, parents, senior citizens, students and even the out of school youth. This was a month long celebration that was held every Tuesday which started on July 7, 2015 until July 28, 2015.

Anniversary activities include Film Showing, a Feeding Program and Throw pillow making seminar. These activities do not only promote the library services but it is also our way of giving back to the community of Brgy. Bahay Toro for supporting us in our advocacy in improving the literacy rate of the people in Quezon City.



Community residents of who availed of the “Back to School Gupitan” getting a haircut including of District I Librarians

## Book Mobile of Councilor Medina Launched

BY MARIZA G. CHICO

Councilor Eden “Candy’ A. Medina, of District 6 launched the Bookmobile under her office at Sanyo Elementary School on September 18, 2015.

It is to be noted that the Quezon City Government launched six (6) Bookmobiles sponsored by the six councilors last September 14, 2015 after the flag raising ceremony of the QC Hall Employees. Councilor Shalani Soledad-Romulo was invited to the launching in which, she also had a storytelling session to at least fifty day care pupils. The good councilor also distributed children’s books to the pupils....



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## Meeting and Leadership Training for Association of Librarians in Public Sector (ALPS) Officers

by Ms. Jennifer Adajo

Beyond Access is a global community of public library advocates and practitioners who believe that libraries are an untapped resource in addressing the world's most pressing development challenges.

Last July 22-24, 2015, they conducted a Training of Trainers Leadership Enhancement and Development (LEAD) Program for Librarians in Imerex Plaza Hotel, Angeles City Pampanga. This training is for the officers of the association of Librarians in Public Sector (ALPS), Inc. Ms. Manica M. Cortez and Ms. Jeniffer R. Adajo of the Quezon City Library and Information Center, the Board of Directors of the Association as well as the other participants from Bacolod City Public Library and Davao City Public Library attended the training. Dr. Angelo Juan Ramos, Executive Director of the Molave Development Foundation Inc. together with Ms. Irma Saligumba, Program Manager for the Beyond Access Philippines Project were the speakers of the seminar. The said training prepared these officers for the conduct of their upcoming workshops, trainings, seminars, etc. in different public libraries in the Philippines.



Library Officers of the Association of Librarians in Public Sector (ALPS), Inc. and Star Librarians in Bacolod and Davao City Library

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They believe that our library, the QCLIC, has achieved a lot and is continually introducing new innovations one of which is through puppet and mascot shows, in the promotion of books and other learning devices to bring back the younger generation to the very basic way of learning which is reading books. By doing this, we are hoping that we can encourage even more children to strengthen their love for reading despite the presence of modern technology.



Puppet show of the QCLIC Puppeteers together with the Makabata Para sa Bayan, Inc.

# Library Organization in BJMP Bicutan Taguig Library

By Marose Calderon

The QCLIC Outreach Services organized the third reading center at the BJMP-Bicutan-Metro Manila District Jail (BJNP-MMDJ) as part of the Memorandum of Agreement entered into between the Quezon City Library and Information Center represented by the City Librarian, Emelita Villanueva and the Christian Officers Reform the Police Service (CORPS) Foundation represented by its President PS Supt. Ma. O.R. Aplasca which was signed last May 19, 2015 at the QC Main Library at QC Hall. The said library will be for the use of penitentiary inmates of the Bicutan Jail Management and Penology. The organization was held on September 4, 2015 led by Ms. Mariza G. Chico, Head of the Outreach Services, together with the Technical Services organizing team and Rev. Jaime T. Delos Santos, Jr. of the Bless Our Cops (BOC) Movement.



QCLIC Outreach and Technical Services staff labeling and organizing books at the BJMP library

## QCLIC Ongoing e-Government Services

By Mr. Manny Fajilan

The Multi Media and Internet Services of the Quezon City Library and Information Center has continuously served the library customers who are applying for the online NBI clearance as well as other e-government services. They are also tasked to train interested individuals in digital literacy skills.

To date, the QCLIC has assisted a total 20,202 individuals who have availed of our e-government services, 2,360 individuals were trained in digital literacy and 39 individuals have accessed the workforce development services (see infographics) that assists them in applying for employment opportunities as shown in the Infographics provided.

The e-government service of the QCLIC is open as early as 7:30 in the morning from Monday to Friday, serving an average of more or less 200 customers every day.



Figure 1: MIS Infographics for customers served

## QCLIC Puppeteers and Mascots

By Karen Verzonilla/Mary Rose Tupaz

The QCLIC Puppeteers is a group comprised of QCLIC employees who visits the different branches of the library to promote values and good moral character to pupils of day care centers and schools by the use of puppets and mascots.

Puppetry is an old traditional art which is still active in almost every culture, used in different contexts, for cultural and traditional teaching. The word 'mascot' originally came from the French word 'Mascotte', meaning "charm". It refers to a person, animal or object used to bring good luck or is used as a symbol of an organization.

Primarily a form of visual art, Puppetry can be used to express ideas in a simplified manner that is easy to understand and enables the puppeteer to communicate to people who are not literate or those who have difficulty understanding foreign languages; thus, making puppet shows an effective way of teaching children.



Mascots Lib and Rary during a puppet show as well as the various hand puppets used by the QCLIC Puppeteers



With its effectiveness in providing both a source of education as well as entertainment, the QCLIC Puppeteers and mascots have been in demand for shows not only in Quezon City but to other cities and municipalities as well. For the third quarter of 2015 alone, they have conducted a total of 15 puppet shows, serving a total of 2, 549 parents and children. **KEEP IT UP!**

### Library Tour in Lagro Branch

By Marose Calderon

A library tour was conducted at the QCLIC Lagro Branch on September 15, 2015. Preparatory students from OB Montessori were the participants of the said tour wherein Ms. Evelyn Garcia, the Librarian-in-charge of the QCLIC Lagro branch facilitated the activity.

We encourage schools to conduct more activities like this to teach the students the importance of reading even at a young age. To all those who want to have a library tour as well, you may send your request letter addressed to our City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and you can personally send it to QCLIC Main or through email at [quezoncitypubliclibrary@yahoo.com](mailto:quezoncitypubliclibrary@yahoo.com)



## E-Government Services on Wheels

By Paolo Daulat

Councilor Franz S. Pumaren of District III launched his PUMAREN FRANZIT Bus at Brgy. Escopa 2 and Escopa 3 on September 16 and September 23, 2015, respectively. The said e-bus consist of computers that are available for applicants who want to avail the e-Government services such as the online application of NBI Clearance, Renewal of Passports, Pag-Ibig Fund and Philhealth.

The Pumaren *FRANZ IT* Bus was all set to be launched at Escopa 2 however, due to unavoidable circumstance, the applicants were not able to register on the bus. Fortunately, the staff of the Quezon City Library and Information Center Escopa 2 Branch was quick to think of an alternative so that the event will still push through. They assembled the computers on the covered court and it served as the...



E-Government Services on Wheels by Councilor Franz Pumaren

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The QCLIC MIS and Escopa 2 Branch Personnel assisting clientele in applying for e-Government services

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This activity was in coordination with the Quezon City Library and Information Center (QCLIC) led by the City Librarian Emelita L. Villanueva together with her staff, who performed a puppet show.

Indeed, the program was a success because all the children participated and enjoyed the event. The bookmobile will surely visit all the barangays in District 6 to provide recreational and informational activities to the children, bringing them a "library on wheels".



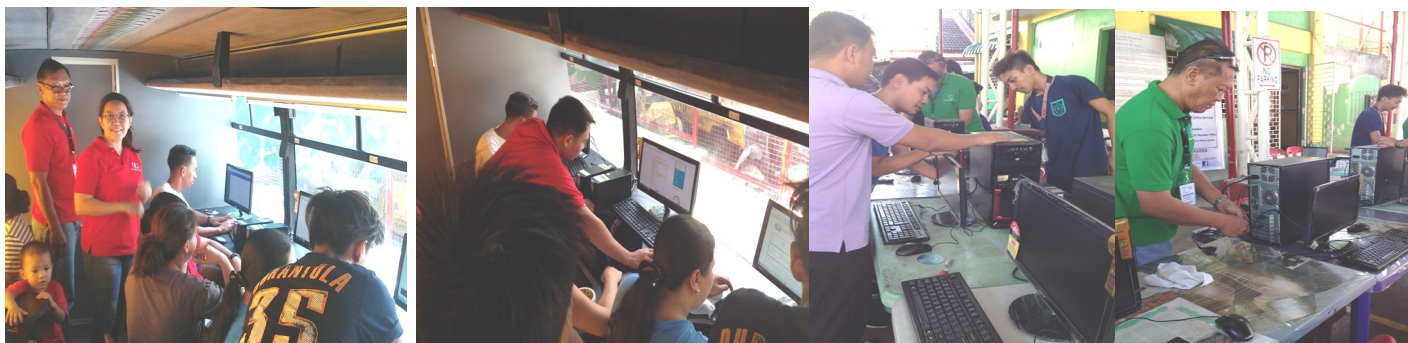
**Left:** Councilor Shalani together with City Librarian Emelita Villanueva posing together for a photo with the QCLIC staff; **Center:** Councilor Medina giving a speech before the puppet show crowd; **Right:** City Librarian Emelita Villanueva and staff together with Coun. Shalani and Coun. Medina posing in front of the Book Mobile for District 6

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venue for the online registration.

They were able to serve 143 applicants from September 16-19, 2015. The same activity occurred on Brgy. Escopa 3 and, fortunately, this time they were able to use the *FRANZ IT Bus*. It was a two-day event which started on September 23-24, 2015 and they were able to cater to 112 applicants; most of them applying for voter's registration.

This activity was made possible in partnership with Beyond Access Philippines, a group of people and organizations who believe that libraries can power social and economic development.



The QCLIC MIS and Escopa 3 Branch Staffs setting up the computers at the FRANZIT Bus as well as assisting the applicants in the application process

## QCLIC's Newly Acquired Books in 2015

By Janet Alday

The Quezon City Library and Information Center (QCLIC) is very grateful to have City Government Officials that continuously support and realizes the importance of a public library to the community. In fact, the City Government led by Hon. Mayor Herbert M. Bautista increased the budget allocations for books in the fiscal year of 2014.

In the third quarter of this year, the QCLIC purchased a total of 2,458 copies of legal books and reference materials amounting to one million three hundred sixteen thousand eight hundred forty-two pesos (P1,316,842.00) for the main library and its 20 branches with various disciplines as follows:

- ◆ Supreme Court Reports Annotated (SCRA) vols. 610-693
- ◆ SCRA Quick Index (2011) Parts 1 and 2
- ◆ Disaster Management: an informative guide to managing and surviving disasters
- ◆ Fundamentals of Management
- ◆ Income Taxation
- ◆ Electronic Devices and Circuit Theories
- ◆ Trigonometry
- ◆ Science books
- ◆ Medicine books
- ◆ Children's books

Surely, these updated book collections and other reading materials will be of great help to the community especially to the underprivileged students who cannot avail books and rely on library collections for their research needs.

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Saturday-8:00-4:00 pm

## QCLIC JOINED THE SEARCH FOR “Outstanding Public Libraries with Special Program on Local History

by Ms. Lucila Raquiño

The QCLIC has recently submitted its requirements in the search for “Outstanding Public Libraries with Special Program on Local History to the National Library of the Philippines, awarding of which will be held this November 2015, to coincide in the celebration of Library and Information Service Month.

In spite of the limited space occupied by the Local History Section, it has rich collections of reading materials about Quezon City, its people, place and events, dated way back in the 1950s. “The researchers have no where to go to find materials about Quezon City, except go to the QC Library”, emphasized the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva. She also said, “We are trying our best to retrieve more informational and historical materials to better serve our clienteles or customers.”

The QC Library is also in the process of digitizing its collections so as to preserve the materials and also for easier access of these materials which can be viewed full text through our Online Public Access Catalog, the QC Libros. We are also in the near completion of the “QC Timeline of Events”, a soon to be published book of QCLIC.