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Launching of the Book "Lessons and Legacies: 50 Selected Speeches of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista" Volume 1

By: Maria Cecilia R. Magnate



The Hon. Mayor Herbert M. Bautista handing over a copy of the book to NLP Dir. Gilbert Adriano. (From left to right): Councilor Anthony Peter D. Crisologo, Coun. Elizabeth Delarmente, City Librarian Emelita L. Villanueva, NLP Director Gilbert Adriano, Hon. Mayor Herbert M. Bautista, Coun. Hero Clarence Bautista and Coun. Ricardo B. Corpuz.

Deeply-rooted conviction, gestures, tone, powerful content, knowledge and lively humour, these are some of the obvious things that can be seen and heard when Mayor Herbert M. Bautista delivers his speech.

One time I remembered hearing him

gave a speech at this office, QCPL. It was still at the old building. It was the first time I actually heard him in person. The speech was in connection with the plan of constructing a modern building for the library. He planned to have an aesthetically spacious building that could entice more clients to come and learn. That speech did not become just words but became reality. On February 6, 2017 the QCPL re-inaugurated the library on its new modern built building. He is truly a man whose speeches were backed up with actions.

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City Librarian's Corner Lessons and Legacies of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista

By: Emelita L. Villanueva

Last May 7, 2018, during the early morning flag raising ceremony of Quezon City Hall officials and employees, the most awaited book compiled by the OC Public Library Publication Services, entitled Lessons and Legacies: 50 selected speeches of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista was finally launched. It was a six (6) year in the making project of the OCPL which started in 2013. This project was made possible, after hearing the speech of Mayor Herbert Bautista, being the Guest Speaker during the 65th Founding Anniversary of the OCPL. Part of his speech was that "he hoped that someday, there will be a compilation of his speeches" starting from the time he started as SK, with a brief description of why and where he delivered his speeches.

We, at the QCPL never expected to finish this project, considering where to find and gather the Mayor's speeches.

But it was clear in our minds his instructions during the QCPL 65th Founding Anniversary speech to get his speeches at CCC, City Administrator's Office, City Secretary, or go to other offices who may have filed and kept my speeches." We were able to record the speech then, thus, we repeatedly listened to get insights of his visions and expectations for the library. The good Mayor envisioned the City Library to be an income generating agency... he wanted QCPL to be a PUBLISHING arm of the City.

On July 28, 2017, Ordinance No. SP-2597, S2017 was approved. It was an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3559, S-1957, as amended by the Ordinance No. SP-2291, S-2014, thereby expanding the role of the Quezon City Public library and Information Center to include print and digital Publishing

Services.

Thus, the said book "Lessons and Legacies: 50 selected speeches of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista" was finished at the right time and was launched days before the Mayor's special day, May 12. 50 Selected speeches of Mayor Herbert launched during his 50th birthday. A special gift to the "Father of the Modernization of QCPL". The Mayor who provided unconditional support to the Library.

To Mayor Herbert Bautista, the QCPL will forever be grateful to all the support you have given to the library. Happy birthday and QCPL wishes you a blessed and fruitful life in the years to come.



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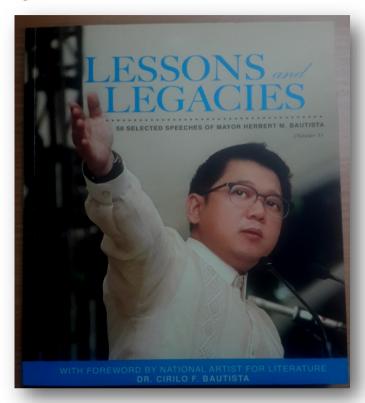
Actually, the real root concept of the making of this book emanated from his desire that hopefully someday his speeches would be compiled into a monograph. This was noted by the City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva & her staff particularly the Head of the Publication Services today, Ms. Lucila Raquiño who with the instruction of the City Librarian Ms. Villanueva started to gather speeches of His Honor from then on.

Comes Monday May 7, 2018 to His Honor's surprise, the QCPL launched the book "Lessons and Legacies: 50 Selected Speeches of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista" (Volume I).

The Mayor was so pleased that he readily distributed copies to the guests during the flag ceremony. Also, he gave tribute to Dr. Cirilo F. Bautista, who penned its Foreword but who passed away a day before the launching. He respectfully gave a minute of silence of prayer to the person he valued so much, a National Artist for Literature whom the Quezon City Government gave recognition in 1996 as an Outstanding Citizen Awardee of Quezon City. He also gave, instruction to the City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva to reprint another four thousand (4,000) copies of the book.

According to the late National Artist for Literature, Dr. Cirilo F. Bautista on his Foreword, "Lessons and Legacies: 50 Selected Speeches of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista (Volume 1), excerpted herein that:

of words, here is a mayor [referring to Mayor Bautista]



whose vision has been translated into lasting legacies of leadership."

The book is a compilation of his fifty (50) selected speeches on the duration from the start of his being the Mayor of Quezon City in 2010 up to 2016 which composed of the following:

-Making Local Governance and Leadership;

-Pursuing Social and Community Development

-Maintaining Public Order and Safety

-Promoting Business and Entrepreneurship

-Advocating for the Environment and Disaster Management

True to its Foreword, most of the speeches in the book were already attained. Infrastructures all around, crime rate lowered, commerce boosts and on environment proved to be a green lung of Quezon City.

One thousand pieces of this book was produced on its first printing distributed to QC Councilors, Department/Office Heads, National Library of the Philippines Director and QCPL Main and branch libraries. Notably, other than the Councilors and Department/Office Heads, some personnel of QC Hall were asking for their personal copy wanting to have a souvenir from the good Mayor Bautista so as to acquire an autograph on the book. They were really very happy to have their own copy.

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The book is but the first volume. Its volume 2 is now in the process of gathering, encoding and proof reading. Still QCPL is waiting for forthcoming speeches up to 1st month of 2019 so it can be included. In the meantime, the Volume 1 can now be access at the QCPL main and branches. And soon, volume 2 will be on its way to publishing. This will be the third book published by QCPL.

Also, during this presentation, the National Library of the Philippines headed by none other than Director Gilbert Adriano awarded a Plaque of Appreciation to the Mayor Hon. Mayor Herbert M. Bautista for hosting the National Conference of Librarians conducted at Novotel, Araneta Cubao. Quezon City last March 13-16, 2018.

In addition, the Quezon City Public Library also received a Plaque of Appreciation from NLP in grateful acknowledgement of its support to the cause of public librarianship in the country by cohosting the 2018 National Conference of Librarians given on the 7th day of May 2018 during the flag ceremony.

[1] "Lessons and Legacies: 50 Selected Speeches of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista" (Volume 1), page 13.

Cirilo F. Bautista: Isang Mahusay na Alagad ng Sining

Isinulat ni: Esmeralda Cadeliña



Ilan sa mga isinulat ni Ginoong Cirilo F. Bautista na makikitang naka display sa Quezon City Public Library, Filipiniana Section

"Ang pagsusulat ay isang malaking pag-aaral" at "walang ibang paraan para matuto kundi ang magbasa" ay ilan lamang sa mga mahahalagang katagang binitawan ng kilalang Pilipinong makata at nobelista na si Dr. Cirilo F. Bautista sa isang panayam sa kanya ni Bb. Rebecca T. Añonuevo, isa sa pinakapipitagang may akda ng mga sikat na libro. Mula sa mga katagang ito, hindi maipagkakaila ang pagnanais niya na maging dalubhasa sa pagsusulat.

Isinilang si Dr. Bautista noong Hulyo 9, 1941. Nag-aral siya sa Mababang Paaralan ng Legarda at Mataas na Paaralan ng Mapa. Kumuha ng AB Panitikan sa Unibersidad ng Santo Tomas kung saan siya naging patnugot na pampanitikan ng The Varsitarian. Nagmaster sa Sining ng Panitikan sa St. Louis University Baguio at Doktorado sa Sining ng Wika at Panitikan sa De La Salle University. Nagtungo siya sa mga pampublikong silid-aklatan upang magbasa at humiram ng mga aklat upang makatulong sa kanya na mapag ibayo ang larangang tinatahak. Nang maging bihasa sa pagsusulat, nagsimula na siyang lumikha ng mga kahanga hangang Filipino at Ingles na tula, artikulo at aklat kung saan nailathala ang mga ito ng iba't ibang publisista.

Ang mga katha niyang ito ang nagdala ng mga prestihiyosong pagkilala at parangal kay Dr. Bautista sa loob at labas ng bansa gaya ng Pinakamahusay na Indibidwal sa Larangan ng Pagsulat, Patnugot at Pagtuturo sa 1996 Gawad

Manuel L. Quezon ng Quezon City Government gayundin ang Pambansang Alagad ng Sining para sa Panitikan noong 2014. Ang natatangi niyang talento sa pagsusulat ay ginamit niya upang maging tagapagsanay sa mga taong naghahangad maging manunulat katulad niya.

Dahil sa pagiging isang magaling na inspirasyon sa karamihan, ang kanyang mga nilikha sa larangan ng panitikan ay lalong kinikilala at tinatangkilik ng mga mga mambabasa nung siya ay namayapa noong Mayo 6, 2018. Isa sa lubos na humahanga kay Dr. Bautista lalo na sa mga akdang kanyang sinulat ay ang butihing Mayor ng Lungsod Quezon na si Hon. Herbert M. Bautista na lubos na nalungkot nang mabatid ang balita tungkol sa pagpanaw ng tinuturing niyang isang malaking impluwensya sa buhay niya.

Bilang pagbibigay pugay sa mga pamana sa panitikan na iniwan ni Dr. Bautista, nagbigay ng kautusan si Mayor Bautista sa Ouezon City Public Library na maglaan ng isang espesyal na lugar kung saan pwedeng ipakita sa publiko ang mga kahanga hangang akda ni Dr. Bautista noong siya ay nabubuhay pa. Sa katunayan, si Si Dr. Cirilo F. Bautista ang nagsulat ng paunang salita sa aklat na inilimbag ng OCPL na may pamagat na "Lessons and Legacies: 50 Selected Speeches of Mayor Herbert M. Bautista" vol. 1. Maaaring makita ang espesyal na lugar na ito sa loob ng Filipiniana Section kung saan tinatanghal hindi lang aklat pati na rin mga artikulo at talambuhay ng isang ulirang alagad ng sining at mamamayan ng Lungsod Quezon na si Dr. Cirilo F. Bautista.

Periodicals Services Extension at Payatas Lupang Pangako Branch

By: Elisa Blanca E. Yulai

Reading a newspaper every day is a good habit. It carries all information about education, politics, economy, entertainment, sports, business, industry etc., that provides a great sense of educational value. We will become updated with current events not only in our nation but news about other countries as well.

Last year of 2017, Month of July, the Quezon City Public Library – Payatas Lupang Pangako branch put up or extended to Periodical's Corner outside the library intended for a public reading especially the building for vendors, drivers, senior citizens, and those who are just passing by.

Despite their busy schedules, working hard for their families, the public readers can stop and take time to sit, relax and read a newspaper or magazine at this corner without entering the library building. In this simple way, of promoting library services, they became aware of the existence of a public library in the community and made them well informed through reading newspapers.

Last May of 2018, we received a simple but meaningful admiration to this project from one of our readers. And he quoted "To the Librarians: I



A Talipapa vendor reading newspaper at the Periodical Services Extension

appreciate what you did by putting up a reading shelter intended for public reading so passers-by can stop, relax and read the dailies without getting inside. Congrats! Good job! - Sir Beros."

With this simple note of a concerned Citizen, we are grateful that our services are acknowledged. This is enough to continue effectively serving the information needs of the reading public.

"QCPL Goes to SLU, Baguio City"

By: Rowena G. Remiendo



the Quezon City Public Library personnel on a group photo at the Reference Section of the SLU Library

The Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) conducted a Lakbay-Aral at Saint Louis University Library in Baguio City last May 10, 2018. The delegates of QCPL consists of 25 people which includes the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva; OIC-Asst. City Librarian, Ms. Mariza G. Chico; Reader's Services Head, Ms. Mary Ann L. Bernal; and other librarians and staff.

The group first visited the Museum of Arts and Culture, an ethnographic museum located at the SLU Main library. Mr. Columbos G. Atitiw Jr., the museum's archivist and curator toured the group and provided us with basic orientation, lectures and / or demonstrations on the Cordillera culture.

The SLU museum is an ethnographic museum. Its collections are generally cultural artifacts which come mainly from the Cordillera Region, i.e. from Benguet, Ifugao, Mountain Province, Kalinga, Apayao, and Abra. A few collections come from the Low-

lands. A section of the museum contains Spanish religious relics. Classified as a University community museum that caters to the needs of the students in the university and visitors (local and foreign), the museum is one of the recognized museums in the Cordillera and in Northern Luzon. Most of the collections in the museums were donated by students of the university, benefactors, parents, and other individuals who believe in the objectives and commitment of the museum and the university in the preservation and promotion of the cultures and arts of the people.

Quezon City is equally rich in culture and part of our learning from this activity is to encourage the city's residents to contribute to the QCPL collections as well as to the Quezon Memorial Shrine Museum.

After the orientation and tour in the Museum of Arts and Culture, the group visited the SLU library. In the six-storey building, the group toured the various library sections like the Technical, Multi-media, Periodical and

various reading areas. SLU's Multi-Media Section has various e-resources which includes SLU Online Public Access Catalog, DSpace, Grammarly, Pressreader and other online journals. One of the library's feature that we wanted to apply in QCPL is the on-line registration of library users found in the multi-media section. Other thing is the provision of a mezzanine where it serves as a reading area in one of the library's section.

The Saint Louis University (SLU) Library was founded simultaneously with the founding of SLU as a college in 1952. It started as a one-classroom library but later expanded and occupied the lower western wing of the old college building, now known as the Gonzaga Building. It then had a collection of 12,000 volumes with a seating capacity of two hundred library users. The aims are to safeguard the necessary silence and atmosphere needed for research and profound study, and to make the collection grow to support the curriculum.

The Saint Louis University Libraries envision themselves as a support service to the transformative educational process of SLU and are committed to providing expedient and effective access to high quality library services, collections in a variety of formats and information resources designed to meet the curriculum, research, professional, intellectual, creative and personal needs of the SLU community.

Overall, the group learned and were updated with new trends in a library specifically in an academic set-up. It was a worth time spending visit and a rare opportunity to be granted a library tour in a culture-rich city. Librarians who assisted the group were very kind, patient and welcoming. Our gratitude to Dr. Rina H. Diaron, the Director of libraries for the warm acceptance in SLU. We hope to return those act of good deeds when they visit the QCPL in the future.



Quezon City Public Library personnel touring the SLU Museum



QCPL Congratulates All Bar Exam Passers 2018

By: Irene H. Camua

Quezon City Public Library provides an area for our future lawyers and other related law professionals to access a free justice system information and assistance with legal research. This is at the Law Research Section located at Quezon City Public Library – Main, 2nd Floor Elliptical Road | Quezon City Hall Compound, Quezon City, Luzon, Philippines.

Quiet zone and relaxing environment is what our customers' need. Ever since the QCPL started operating the new building, users were really amazed and excited to use the Law Research Section as their new place to review and study for their upcoming exams.

Our public library, is an accessible place for everyone, an excellent venue for studying and a quiet area for reviewing. The good services of Public Library especially LRS gave the users a comfortable and efficient section to study and review lessons. Early 2017, a number of aspiring lawyers have decided to choose and have their review at Quezon City Public Library – Law Research Section. Seven (7) of them were consistently dropping by the LRS at least three to four times a week to have their review for the bar exam last November 2017.

On April 26, 2018, fortunate bar examiners found a new chapter in their lives when the results of four to five years of struggle in college of law, an almost a year of nonstop review and the intense four Sundays of November Bar Examination have paid off. Their lives has started to change the moment they saw a sequence number with their names flashing on screen and posted all over the internet.

Out of the 6,748 law graduates who finished the 2017 bar exams, only 25.5 percent or 1,724 have passed. Committee Chairman Associate Justice Lucas Bersamin officially announced the results early in the afternoon and all passers were flashed on a monitor at the Supreme Court Quadrangle.

With this, QCPL is proud and grateful to share that five(5) out of the seven (7) consistent reviewees of QCPL-LRS have passed the Bar 2017.

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QCPL Extends Outreach Program For the Physically Challenged Kids

By: Manica M. Cortes

The Quezon City Public Library headed by the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva approved an outreach activity that was conducted by the District I Branch Libraries, composed of Project 8, Project 7, Balingasa, Masambong and Bagong Pagasa in partnership with District III Branch Libraries composed of GP4, Escopa 1 and 2 at the National Orthopedic Hospital School for Crippled Children at the National Orthopedic Hospital on April 4, 2018 (Wednesday) that started at 11:00 in the morning. This outreach activity aims to teach the value of sharing and to bring joy and happiness to the physically challenged kids and children. It was participated in by seventy-five (75) pupils of different grade levels. The group was welcomed by Ms. Marissa F. Duka, NOH Principal. The children were entertained by a storytelling entitled "Ang Liham" by Mr. James Mabborang as the storyteller and a puppet show by the OCPL Puppeteers.

The QCPL acknowledges with gratitude the support of the sponsor, the Puno family, for their donation of Knapsacks, school supplies and stuff toys distributed to the beneficiaries including packed lunch and unlimited sorbetes.



Left: Dist. I & 3 Staff led by District Coordinators Ms. Manica Cortes, Dist. I and Ms. Analiza Puno, Dist. 3 at the Puppeteers



Below: Welcome Remarks of Ms. Marissa Duka, NOH Principal

Cont. .. QCPL Congratulates...

For that, and in behalf of the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and all the Librarians and support staff of the QCPL, we congratulate all the bar examinees who passed this year's Philippine bar examination, especially to our clients who chose to review and study at QCPL Law Research Section. Our customers' passion and dedication in their review studies so as to pursue taking the bar examination, are the key for passing the Bar Examination. Hoping that the QCPL will continue to serve the research and information needs of our clients. Congratulations everyone!

OCPL Main and Branches Receives Award

By: Analiza C. Martinez



Standing L-R: Ms. Maribel Felonia – LIC Escopa II Branch, Ms. Grace Ann M. Velez – LIC Galas Branch, Ms. Analiza C. Martinez – Head, District Libraries Division, Ms. Emerlina R. Tan – District 5 Coordinator, Ms. Chona C. Masbate – District 2 Coordinator, Ms. Eden Villanueva – Consultant from the Office of the Mayor, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva – City Librarian, Ms. Analiza T. Puno – District 3 Coordinator, Ms. Riena Jane M. Velasco – LIC Escopa III Branch, Ms. Manica M. Cortes – District 1 Coordinator, Ms. Ma. Cristina D. Catalan – LIC Project 7 Branch, Ms. Jeanette B. Balaoro – LIC Talipapa Branch, Ms. Elizabeth R. Dela Cruz – Cubao Branch Staff, Ms. Maribel A. Alnas – LIC Balingasa Branch, Infront L-R: Mr. Jeffrey P. Francisco – LIC Krus na Ligas Branch, Ms. Carla Marie M. Silvestre – Project 8 Branch Staff, Ms. Maria Fe D. Magdaraog – Masambong Branch Staff, Ms. Maria Luisa P. Malonga – District 6 Coordinator, Ms. Rosalie B. Teologo – LIC Roxas Branch, Ms. Myrene M. Melanio – LIC Lagro Branch.)

The Quezon City Public Library Headed by Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva together with its District and Branch Libraries were awarded Certificate of Completion by the National Library of the Philippines (NLP) for having satisfactorily completed the submission of their Monthly Reports from January to December 2017, wherein submission of monthly reports was required by the NLP, a national government institution to all public libraries not only in the NCR but in the Philippines.

Acknowledging and appreciating the prompt submission of monthly reports by the

Public libraries in the country that are affiliated at the National Library of the Philippines (NLP) now headed by Director Gilbert Adriano, is a gesture to motivate and inspire the public librarians to be more effective and efficient public servants in the service of the reading public.

The data being submitted by these libraries are statistics of readers using the library, library resources and facilities, like books, periodicals, ebooks, and others.

The awarding ceremonies was done during the 2018 National Conference of Librarians held at Novotel Manila Araneta center, Cubao, Quezon City on March 14, 2018.

QCPL Celebrates World Autism Awareness in Barangay Krus na Ligas

By: Jeffrey Francisco

Quezon City Public Library celebrated World Autism Awareness at Barangay Krus na Ligas, Quezon City last April 2, 2018 which aims to promote autism awareness acceptance, attention to children identified with autism and to encourage the community to become partners of this movement.





QC Public Library and the Barangay Krus na Ligas commemorated this advocacy together with Ms. Zeny Oblifias, President from the Office of Person with Disability (OPWD) thru storytelling puppet show, games and other educational activities to make this differently abled individuals feel the sense of belonginess with their relatives, friends and communities. Teacher Mark Carlo Francis-

co, a PWD advocate conducted storytelling using hand-made alternative visual story entitled "BINGO". Further, the QCPL puppeteers performed a puppet show with a brief orientation of QCPL led by Mr. Gilbert Gallaza and Jeffrey Francisco.

The event prospered and capped with the distribution of Smartbooks and foods to participants. It was indeed a successful undertaking which left a big smile to each participants.



2nd Librarians' Leadership Convergence

By Lucila Raquiño

Last June 13-14, 2018, I was privileged to attend, as a Board Member of the Association of Librarians from the Public Sector (ALPS), the 2nd Librarians' Leadership Convergence at the AVR Room, UP Main Library and UP Balay Kalinaw. This was initiated by the Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI) in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) through the National Committee on Libraries and Information Services (NCLIS) and the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC)-Board for Librarians (BFL).

The librarianparticipants were welcomed by Mr. Chito N. Angeles, University Librarian of the University of the Philippines, Diliman. Hon. Yolanda C. Granda, Chair, Board for Librarians (BFL) Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) gave her message, while Mr. Michael A. Pinto, President of PLAI gave his report on the 1st Librarians' Convergence.

This year's convergence tackled the proposed revisions of the RA 9246 (Philippine Librarianship Act of 2003) which was explained further by Hon. Lourdes T. David, BFL-PRC. Other topics that were tackled were the Research agenda for PLAI, PLAI as the Umbrella Organization of Librarians' Association, Professional Development Agenda (PDA) and alignment of CPD activities with the PDA and PLAI's 10 Point Agenda, and a workshop and outputs presentation of the IFLA Global vision

which was facilitated by Ms. Elvira B. Lapuz, Ex-Officio, PLAI. The Professional Development Agenda (PDA) were: 1. Enhancement of Professional Practice and Technical Competence; 2. Laws and Standards, 3. Code of Ethics, 4. Research Skills and Digital Repositories, 5. Librarians as Learning Skills Adviser, 6. Develop Research Culture among Librarians, 7. To equip librarians with IT skills to address the current and future technological needs of libraries/library users in the Philippines, 8. Environment Factors Affecting the Profession.



The Librarian-participants during the opening Ceremony.



Presentation of outputs during the workshop proper

Cubao Branch Library Handles Summer Reading Program for Incoming Grade One Students

By: Jeffrey Francisco

A 2-day summer activity entitled "Summer Reading Program" was successfully conducted on April 19-20, 2018 at Quezon City Public Library- Cubao Branch led by Ms. Jeniffer R. Adajo together with the staff of District 4 Libraries and in coordination with Marcelo H. Del Pilar Elementary School, represented by their teachers, Ms. Gertei Ceniza and Ms. Lorlaine Benedicto with twenty five (25) incoming Grade 1 students who participated in the event.

The 1st day was organized by Mr. Jeffrey Francisco, Krus Na Ligas Library-In-Charge, by conducting a storytelling and a brief lecture/activity about persons, animals, things and places around the world,

On the 2nd day, Ms. Grace Ann Velez, Galas Branch Library-In -Charge, taught the participants on how to write and speak the Alphabet properly as well as conducted a film showing activity.

The activity concluded with the distribution of snacks and Smartbooks with white board to the participants.

The conduct of these activities is one of the best ways to promote use of libraries as well as encourage these young generation to come to the library and learn to love books and inculcate in their young minds the importance of reading.





Summer Reading Tutorial Graduation at QCPL-Talipapa Branch Library

By: Maria Luisa P. Malonga

Quezon City Public Library-Talipapa Branch conducted a Summer Reading Tutorial which was participated by twenty-two (22) students and kids from Barangay Talipapa that started last May 7, 2018 to May 22, 2018. It aimed to improve children's access to library materials and activities that will encourage them to become lifelong library users. Enrolling them in summer reading programs also helped them to develop their retentive ability and expose them to different interesting children's literature. By reading these books regularly, children were able to internalize what they have read and learned.

The culmination of the activity was conducted on May 24, 2018 through the presentation of certificates of participation to the twenty-two (220 students and kids.

During the program, the graduates rendered a song in sincere appreciation to the QC Public Library Talipapa Branch and the Barangay Council for sponsoring this activity that promote love of books and reading to children.

This Summer Reading Tutorial Activity was supported by the newly elected Barangay Captain Atty. Eric Juan, Ms. Imelda Macabagdal and Ms. Dos Patag both from Quota International Quezon City Chapter. They also sponsored bags, school supplies and snacks that were given to all the graduates.





Outstanding Selfless Youth (OSY) Forum: Becoming Better in Being Better

By: Elisa Blanca E. Yulai







The Quezon City Public Library - Payatas Landfill Branch (QCPL-PLB) in coordination with Tulong sa Kapwa Kapatid (2KK) Foundation conducted a 1-day seminar workshop on May 24, 2018 with the theme "Outstanding Selfless Youth" (OSY): Becoming Better in Being Better. This activity aims to motivate, encourage and lead the youth into the right path which was attended by seventeen (17) 2KK scholars.

Mr. Hector T. Villegas, Jr was invited to be the Resource Speaker. He is a consultant and one of the volunteer of 2KK Foundation from the Development Academy of the Philippines. He took up Clinical Psychology at Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP), had Certificate on Family Counseling at Ateneo Center for Family Ministry, Certificate on LEAN SIX SIGMA at Ateneo Graduate School of Business and MSA Coaching at International Society of Neuro Semantics.

Mr. Villegas taught the youth on how to be better in being good. He discussed the Core Ideology, and guided them to make their dreams into plan, a paper planning that leads them to reach their dreams and goals in life. He also made an activity on how to make a Vision, Mission and plan for the next ten years of their lives.

This activity gained more confidence, wisdom and knowledge to become a better person to the participants.

The speaker left a quote to the young minds of the participants as "Nothing's working if you don't work for it" and "The beginning of being best is to become better in being good."

QCPL's Summer Art Activities 2018 Culmination Day!

By: Mary Ann L. Bernal

These kids really worked well to improve and perfect their craft, no wonder, they could be one of the excellent dancers of this generation.



The Kids-participants acting prowess acquired in the workshop rendered during their graduation day.

Last May 28, 2018, the Quezon City Public Library-Children's Section, ended its month long summer art activities that included drawing, painting, dancing, storytelling and acting workshops which started last April 16 and ended on May 22, 2018. The culmination day of these activities was the Graduation Day through Awarding of Certificate of Participation to all the children who participated which was conducted on May 28. 2018 at the OCX Events Center at the Quezon Memorial Circle.

This summer library activity aimed to make these children spend their summer break by participating in this meaningful endeavor rather than just playing with their gadgets. We are very grateful to the parents for entrusting their beloved children to the QCPL by giving them unforgettable wholesome recreational summer experience.

There were 54 enthusiastic and talented children who par-

ticipated in the Drawing and Painting workshop on the 1st week, hoping to create the next breed of artists, or engineers and architects in the future, mentored by our able staffs, Jule Ervin de Guzman, Bambi Ocampo and Marivic Mendros.

Dancing workshop was conducted on the 2nd week with mentors Jenny Mae Martinez and Reygeil Cruz and with 50 children participants. Of all the activities, it has the 2nd most number of requestees, and their dancing shoes were on fire. No question asked, the participants were really fast learners and were blessed with dancing skills. They almost perfected synchronized and graceful dancing and right timing. Lessons learned from their mentors, who taught them to work as a team and not as a group. These kids really worked well to improve and perfect their craft, no wonder, they could be one

of the excellent dancers of this generation.

The Week 3 was the conduct of the Storytelling workshop participated by 27 children participants with our volunteer mentors, and teachers by profession, John Paul G. Luana and Maria Kristina Ku. One of the most favorite activities of the Children's Section is the conduct of Storytelling with the aim to enhance creative imaginations to our children. As voung children listen to a storyteller, they're hearing inflections in speech and words presented in a compelling and fascinating way. Older children can expand their vocabulary and learn skills that may serve them well if they decide to act in plays later. Storytelling connects and opens children's minds to other cultures and life philosophies; it develops the inner world of imagination and creative thinking.

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The last week of the activity was about the acting workshop with 23 participants mentored by Lyka Gabrielle Terrado, Gilbert Gallaza and Jairo Valencia. This workshop prepared and honed the skills of the kids participants especially to those who dreamed of becoming actors or actresses in the future. To be effective in acting, the mentors made orientations and useful tips, easy for them to understand that will enhance their abilities as performers. True enough, during the recital, their acting prowess showed that these kids really have acting talents. As the saying goes, "It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken adults." – F. Douglas.

After all the exciting workshops, which the kids enjoyed, they were given Certificates of Participation conducted at a more spacious venue to accommodate a larger crowd including their proud parents and guardians on May 28, 2108 at OCX events Center located at the QC Memorial Circle. It was attended by OCPL Officers led by the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, Mariza G. Chico, yours truly Mary Ann L. Bernal, and Marlyn Bautista, Head of the Children's Section.

These QCPL art activities will not be possible and will not be a success without the support of our beloved Mayor Herbert M. Bautista, Vice Mayor Josefina "Joy" Belmonte, City Councilors, espe-





cially Councilor Rogelio "Roger" Juan who provided tents and the "Lugaw" as snacks for the kids and the parents during orientation; Councilor Roderick Paulate for the bottled mineral water and biscuits that were distributed to the participants, and also the help of various individuals and QC Hall Offices and Departments like from the Office of Mr. Tadeo Palma (OC Circle) and Mr. Adolfo Ares Gutierrez, Head of PAI-SO, for the approval of the use of the venue and video coverage respectively, of the Mob Dance and Graduation Day at the Quezon Memorial Circle;

Engr. Ricardo Aureo, Head of GSD, for the 150 chairs used during the event and also the use of the area of the QC Flag Pole and the Sunken Garden during the practice of Mob Dance; Ms. Divina Gracia Pascua, OIC, CTAO, for allowing her two (2) staff to be the EMCEES of the event, Mr. Niño Santiago and Ms. Rose Tupaz; and the last but not the least Mr. Richard Santuile for the use of QCX Events Center as the venue of the QCPL Culmination day of its Summer Activities.

To all the mentors, congratulations for the job well done!

'Til next summer of 2019... see you kids and parents!

Summer Guitar Tutorial 2018

By Ma. Cristina D. Catalan

Above: Participants during Graduation Day assisted by the Trainor Mr. Michael John Garcia

Below: (Standing from left) Michael Iohn Garcia former QCPL staff, Ms. Donna Mae Estoque-Staff at the Admin. Section & Ms. Iennifer R. Leoncio, Ms. Cristine Catalan, Project 7 Branch Librarian-In-Charge, Hon. Mayen Juico-District 1 Councilor, Capt. Sonny De Jesus of Baranaav Veterans. Fr. Ronnie J. Santos of Christ the King Parish, Kagawad Raul Pascual and kids who participated in the Summer Guitar Tutorial.





The Quezon City Public Library – Project 7 Branch, conducted Summer Guitar Tutorial last April 18 -May 30, 2018 which was held eveafternoon from Wednesday to Friday. This was participated by eighteen (18) students and kids from Barangay Veterans, Quezon City. It aims to equip the kids with the theoretical basis and also practical techniques in music theory and on playing the guitar. They will also have the opportunity to develop and improve certain techniques, skills and broaden their knowledge about this string instrument.

Mr. Michael John Garcia, former QCPL staff, a well-played guitarist volunteered to share his talent and served as Trainor on this "Summer Guitar Tutorial" program. Three (3) former students of the same activity class Batch 2017, Ms. Nica Pletado, Ms. Alta Borres and Ms. Patricia Monteverde also helped and inspired the participants on how to play the guitar.

During the graduation day held last May 31, 2018 held at the Barangay Veterans Village-Multi Purpose Hall, the participants played two (2) popular songs entitled "Perfect" by Ed Sheeran and "Sundo" by the band Imago. Hon. Councilor Mayen Juico of District I and Capt. Sonny De Jesus of Barangay Veterans also graced the occasion and rendered their Inspirational Message to all Indeed. this activity proved to be very worthwhile to the participants.

QCPL ORGANIZED 2 SCHOOL LIBRARIES IN QC

By: Fe B. Gomez

The QCPL under the leadership of the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, continue to partner with the Quezon City Public Schools for the organization of their school libraries. Thru its Outreach Services Division, it helps these public libraries in the arrangement/ lay outing, classification, labelling, numbering and color coding of the books including in assessing its library collections on what books to retain and what to dispose of particularly those that are obsolete and no longer appropriate for students' use.

For the second quarter, two school teacher-librarians requested the City Librarian for assistance in organizing their libraries, which she approved without hesitation.

The two school libraries were Old Balara Elementary School and the Carlos P. Garcia High School (CPGHS).

The Old Balara Elementary School was organized for 5 days from April 11, 2018 to April 17, 2018 by the QCPL Library Organizing team, led by Ms. Fe B. Gomez, Ms. Dolores L. Posadas, Ms. Bernah Marie D. Ocumen, Mr. Homer C. Pilar, Mr. Richmond Carino, Mr. Marlon Maestrado, Mr. Jefferson Majilan, with the QCPL District 3 library staff and with the grace of their loving and supportive Principal, Ms. Virginia P. Macapagal. their Librarian, Mr. Nestor T. Caspe and his Assistant Librarian, Ms. Vilma P. Agustin.

On May 5, 2018, Ms. Cecilia Basconcillo, Head Teacher III at the Carlos P. Garcia High School (CPGHS) also requested that their school library be organized including request for some reference materials such as encyclopedias, atlases, almanacs and other printed and non-print materials to be used by their students in addition to their existing library resources. Thus, after an ocular/site inspection at CPGHS, the OCPL Outreach Services- Organizing Team started to organize the said library on May 30, 2018. The library organization was successfully accomplished within

three days that ended on June 1, 2018.

The team appreciated the presence of CPGHS supportive principal Dr. Leonora R. Lauigan, during the 3-day library organization.

Knowing the need of the CPGHS library of updated reference materials, QCPL also donated a total of 392 reference books, magazines and books that are based on K-12 curriculum as an added collection of their school library.

All the efforts of the QCPL team in organizing the school library were recompensed for work done or services rendered through successful organization and with the acceptance of the certificate of appreciation given by the CPGHS administrators to QCPL through its Organizing Team.





Parenting Seminar @ Barangay Balingasa

By: Fe B. Gomez



Parenting Seminar is a continuing activity of the OCPL led by the City Librarian Ms Emelita L. Villanueva to reach out to the barangays and disseminate the value and importance of responsible parenthood for a happy and successful family life. It has become the advocacy of the QCPL to increase awareness on values formation cascading down to the barangays as the basic institution of our society.

The seminar started with a warm message from Kagawad Nanet, followed by the inspirational speech of the City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva and Barangay Captain, Ms. Ma. Teresa V. Montalbo. The program continued as Ms. Prima Alabata introduced the resource speaker, Ptr. Bayani Alpon.

Ptr. Bayani talked about the right relationship with their spouse and advised them on how to properly guide their children. The speaker ensured that the participants would enjoy and listen to him attentively by giving jokes and funny remarks.

Certificate of Appreciation were given to Ptr. Bayani Alpon and to Councilor Oliviere Belmonte that was received by his staff, Ms. Maris. With them were, OCPL City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva, Ms. Mariz Chico, Ms. Annaliza Martinez and Ms. Manica Cortes. Bibles and certificates were given to all participants and lunch was served after the seminar.





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Quezon City Public Library was established on August 16, 1948, and was inaugurated on October 23, 1948. However, upon its transfer to its new building, it was re-inaugurated on February 6, 2017.

VISION: The QCPL envisions itself to be a premier and world class public library, responsive to the information and research needs of the community.

MISSION: Imbued with its Vision, the QCPL commit to:

- Provide quality resources to meet the changing needs of the community through the introduction of innovative techniques for the advancement of learning and literacy.
- 2. Train and develop the staff to be equipped with the needed skills and competencies and strive to be innovator in public library services.
- 3. Foster strong linkage and partnership among government and non-government agencies both local and international.

QCPL CORE VALUES:

- QUALITY RESOURCES AND SERVICES QCPL believes on the value of accuracy and efficiency in providing information to its clients, through the available relevant resources in different format facilitated by the flexible, responsible, service-oriented, skilled and resourceful QCPL team that helps in the formation of responsible citizens of the city and the country.
- COMMITMENT QCPL team believes on the importance of commitment in doing its role wholeheartedly as a public library through the honest, trusted, loyal and motivated employees to achieve personal and professional integrity.
- 3. PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY QCPL team believes on the value of developing its human resources to become fully aware of their duties as professionals, accountable in everything they do and respectful in dealing with their clients, co-employees, and duly constituted authorities.
- 4. LEADERSHIP As a prime public library in the country, QCPL team continues to be an influence to other public libraries in the country being the leader in public library service through its innovative strategies and initiatives.