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## The National Library of the Philippines New Director Comes to QCPL!

By: Maria Cecilia R. Magnate

It has been long since the National Library of the Philippines was waiting for a new Director to be appointed by the President of this Republic. Well, the long wait had come.



**Dir. Cesar Gilbert Q. Adriano of NLP & Managing Dir. of LRP Dir. Quintin Jose V. Pastrana on MOA signing**

On January 2017, a thirty five year old, young, educated, decent handsome family man from Davao City was appointed to administer the task as the new Director of the National Library of the Philippines in place of the late Atty. Antonio Santos. He is non other than Director Cesar Gilbert Q. Adriano.

Humbly enough he accepted the task. Admittedly, he said that he is not a Librarian by profession and do not know neither of Librarianship. Nevertheless, President Duterte was confident about him and encouraged him that he need not to be a Librarian because he will be surrounded by Librarians anyways. Programs of

NLP already are existing, and all needed is to see to it that those are implemented and is in harmony with the Presidents agenda to alleviate poverty and illiteracy.

With passion to fully support with these agenda he accepted the challenge.

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## Imported packages from Wisconsin for LFL!

By: Alistair Troy Lacsamana

Huge boxes just came abroad. It was from Wisconsin, United States of America But why these packages?

Well, the Little Free Li-

brary also known as LFL of the QCPL received it to be utilized on book mobile activities for each district libraries and its jurisdictions. Hard bound and soft

bound quality books were delivered. All catered for children.

Primarily these books are to be put on established LFL around

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Emelita L. Villanueva  
City Librarian

# City Librarian's Corner

By: Emelita L. Villanueva

Psalms 119:57-64

<sup>57</sup>You are all I want , O Lord; I promise to obey your laws.

<sup>58</sup>I ask you with all my heart to have mercy on me, as you have promised!

<sup>59</sup>I have considered my conduct, and I promise to follow your instructions

<sup>60</sup>Without delay I hurry to obey your commands.

<sup>61</sup>The wicked have laid trap for me But I do not forget your law.

<sup>62</sup>In the middle of the night I wake up, To praise You for Your righteous judgments.

<sup>63</sup>I am a friend of all who serve You, Of all who obey Your laws.

<sup>64</sup>Lord, the earth is full of Your constant love; teach me Your commandments.

*"So many words had been spoken and action done, but I remain..."*

Being a leader, it takes a lot of guts and perseverance. I've been in the service for 35 years and a leader for 17 years. With these experiences, I know I am still not perfect but I know I am faithful to HIM, that I prayed a lot for guidance and protection in this endeavor especially in the library wherein our commitment is to give right information to researchers and that includes presenting ourselves with a good image as being also an educator to public users and to staff who look up to us to set a good example to them. And I told my people, you are doing your duties not just because of me, not only because you are paid for by the government, but also an obligation to ourselves, and to GOD foremost, which is the right thing to do in this life.

**Continuation from p. 1...NLP New Director**

**Managing Director,  
LRP Quintin Jose V.  
Pastrana receiving  
a plaque of  
Appreciation from  
the Director of the  
National Library of  
the Philippines  
Cesar Gilbert Q.  
Adriano**

It was Friday April 21, 2017 that the NLP had a program on signing of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between them and Library Renewal Partnership (LRP) with its Managing Director, Quintin Jose V. Pastrana. QCPL Conference room was the chosen venue. This was when the new Director first saw the Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) and was surprised by the beauty of the architecture of the QCPL new building. Never was a public library been this huge. This is first in a local government jurisdiction. Thanks to the ever supportive Hon. Mayor Herbert M. Bautista

As the program was in its course the new Director really listened and tried to immersed himself on the works of public libraries to better understand it on what it do to raise literacy especially for children and the general public. How it will fit on the agenda set to him by the President. He also delivered a short message and thus mentioned his commitment to support the President of the Philippines



At any rate, each people learns through time on actual settings. As long as the passion for good and righteous works is present then all will be continued excellent just like all other NLP directors had done.

Sometimes, it does not matter really if one does not possess huge knowledge on something. All

needed is the determined goal to put all things in the right direction in line with its principles and humble enough to learn from others too. Well, as we did perceived, it seems that the new Director is that.

Our very warm welcome to the new Director of the National Library of the Philippines!

# 2017 Summer Children's Workshop 2!

By: Marlyn I. Bautista

Alakan ng Lungsod Quezon  
Republika ng Pilipinas

QUEZON CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
CHILDREN'S CORNER

**FREE**

**SUMMER  
ART  
ACTIVITIES  
2017**

Here we are again with our Summer Art Activities.  
Come and join the fun and experience while learning.

**Who: Children ages 7-12 years old**  
**When: April 2017**

FOR REGISTRATION PLEASE VISIT  
THE QCPL-CHILDREN'S CORNER  
OR CONTACT MS. MARLYN BAUTISTA  
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*The promotional advertisement posted on FB which caught the attention of most of the participants (right photos)*

What would be more rewarding than to have a busy summer vacation learning things from dancing, singing, painting /drawing and story-telling.

Yes, it was summer time and children were very glad that their parents were able to send them to this summer workshop!

The children who registered came to a total of fifty-one on dancing, 44 on singing, drawing & painting forty-one (41) and story-telling thirty-five (35).

Snacks were provided for free and the children were able to converse around and bond with new friends.

Schedules were as follows:

- April 17-20, dancing.
- April 25-27 singing.
- Story-telling May 2-5.
- May 4-7 drawing & painting.

Most of the participants saw this announcement on QCPL official Facebook account. Also, those QC Hall employees who had information joined their kids.

# participants

During the 2017 Summer Children's Workshop 2



1. Michaela M. Dilag 2. Luke Harvey R. Quibo 3. Joachim T. Garcia 4. Kurt Danielle R. Quibo 5. Ciara Gonzales 6. Allysa Eve G. Guillera 7. Francesca Luvie O. Villanueva 8. Francis Emmanuel F. Delos Santos 9. Dann James G. Estoque 10. Zachary Joshua C. Puti-an 11. Lucas Kaleb T. Gonzales 12. Patrick Elijah F. Delos Santos 13. Isaac Santino M. Taruc 14. Heidi Veronica Poriejo 15. Rhy Inha C. Villaflor 16. Julian Felife B. Puti-an 17. Emily F. Romero Lance 18. Aliahby Jabelo 19. Lance Daithon Villalon Deva 20. Lyanrei C. Rodriguez 21. Jean Allen H. Padua 22. Abbygale I. Pamintuan 23. Kevin Jacob B. Unlayao 24. Philippe Allen A. Palatic 25. Samantha P. Alivio 26. Darlyn Katherine R. Bas 27. Maria Angelica A. Palatic 28. Jenaliah Arlenn S. Lababit 29. Ava Yeshaya S. Villaluna 30. Emelyn D. Dalinas 31. Precious Anne A. Palatic 32. Juan Miguel B. Sacramento 33. Zoe Lorraine P. Monteciaro 34. Francisco Norson Mariano 35. Rizal P. Caramancion Jr. 36. 37. Bernadeth A. Mahusay 38. Abrielle Sadie Yulo Reyes 39. Erich Mackenzie S. Caranto 40. Prince Dylan Bas 41. John Xavier Padaoil 42. Ma. Christine Miley N. Pinlac 43. Jan Kristopher P. Caramancion 44. Mary Eunice C. Padaoil 45. Dwayne Khallel S. Lacro 46. Jillian Adajo D. Capuz 47. Allen Jefferson R. Caimbon 48. Mathew Jansen C. Calleja 49. Athena Cassandra D. Capuz 50. Rey Allen Emerson 51. Angelique R. Caimbon 52. Andrie Veny! A. Caimbon 53. Kelley Asiah S. Abesamis 54. Jezryl Caden G. Dela Cruz 55. Amiera Haley Dy 56. Jeann Isabella Dy 57. Liam Ciren L. Avena 58. Mkyla Jhiemane C. Calleja 59. Julianne Rose J. Demitillo

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this City either community surrounding, malls, neighborhood, parks, just anywhere feasible.

could use them. Especially desired are books you recommend to friends, your childhood favorites and books that teach and spark conversation.

Yes! As what they say “We all do better when we all read better!”

Spearheaded by creator and executive director Mr. Todd H. Bol of U.S.A he made the QCPL as the first public library as pilot to extend LFL.

How does LFL works. As its brochure said: this library belongs to everyone. Anyone may use it—neighbors, friends, and passersby. The books are always free.

**TAKE BOOKS**

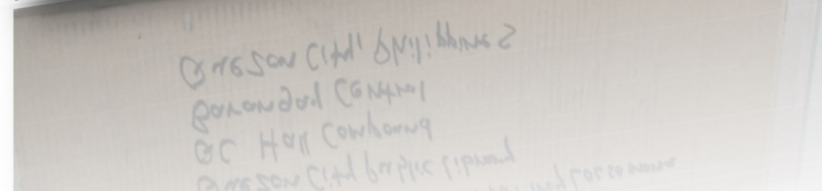
If you see something you’d like to read, take it! It’s for you. Some books include a note about who gave it or has read it. You may leave your own note in it when you’re done.

**SHARE BOOKS**

When you’re finished with a book, you may pass it along to a friend or return it to this Library or any other Little Free Library

**LEAVE BOOKS**

Your books are welcome to any Little Free Library. If your local Library is full, there maybe another Library nearby that



# QCPL Inventory Team

By: Cherry M. Taruc

Aside from providing information and other services to our dear clients and satisfy their information needs, the Quezon City Public Library Inventory Team is also entrusted to monitor and conduct the Annual Inventory of books, furnitures and equipments in order to check and evaluate the functionality of the materials.

The Annual Inventory started on June 8, 2017 up to June 23, 2017. The Inventory Team consists of Analiza C. Martinez, Cherry M. Taruc, William de Leon, Jr. and Edgel Cedrick Esteban, with the help of Inventory Committee, Ms. Ligaya Panganiban from the CGSD and Ms. Marisa Martinez from CAO completed the inventory process.

The first three days was conducted in the Main Library while the remaining days was spent on the 19 Branch Libraries from District I to District VI.



## QCPL Conference Room: Venue on the Signing of Memorandum of Understanding Between Quezon City Anti-Drug Abuse Advisory Council & San Miguel Corporation MRT 7 Inc.

By: Maria Cecilia R. Magnate

QCPL Conference Room had already entertained so many programs and activities from different QC Hall offices/departments. One of these is the Signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Quezon City Anti-Drug Abuse Advisory Council & San Miguel Corporation MRT 7 Inc. which happened on April 25, 2017.

This MOU program were attended by distinguished officials of these three. Foremost was the City Vice Mayor Hon. Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte who gave a background of Community Based Treatment Program. It was followed by a message delivered by an authorized representative of San Miguel Corporation MRT 7 Inc. Mr. Raoul C. Romulo.



The MOU's gist was in connection with the agenda of the Republic of the Philippines President Rodrigo Duterte on war on drugs wherein recovered drug dependents, those who graduated from drug rehabilitation program will be given a chance to be hired as workers on this MRT 7 project in partnership with EEI, which will number to four hundred to five hundred workers (400-500).

The signing of MOU was made and signed by the following:

- Hon. Ma. Josefina G. Belmonte - QC Vice Mayor
- Mr. Raoul C. Romulo— Authorized Representative San Miguel Corporation MRT 7 Inc.
- Mr. Permo R. Sarsoza—Project Manager, MRT 7
- Atty. Oscar P. Paras, Jr.—Project Director, Sam Miguel Corporation MRT 7 Inc.
- Ms. Rowena T. Macatao—Executive Director, QCADACC
- Hon. Gian Carlo G. Sotto—Chairman, Committee on Dangerous Drugs
- PCSupt. Guillermo Lorenzo Eleazar—District Director, QC Police District
- Dir. Wilkins M. Villanueva, MPA CESE—Regional Director, RO-NCR, PDEA
- Dir. Juan Jovian Ingeniero, CESO V—City Director, DILG-NCR
- Hon. Ricardo B. Corpuz—President, Liga ng mga Barangay





## Editor's Excerpt: The Importance of Chores

Excerpted by: Maria Cecilia R. Magnate



### HELP FOR THE FAMILY | PARENTING THE CHALLENGE

In some families, children are expected to help out around the house, and they do so without complaint. In other families, parents have lowered their expectations, and children—happy to oblige—have lowered their performance.

Researchers see this trend particularly in Western lands, where children tend to be *consumers* rather than *contributors*. “Today, children are left alone to play video games, surf the Internet, and watch TV,” observes a parent named Steven. “Very little is expected of them.”

What do you think? Are chores really important—not only for the upkeep of the home but also for a child’s development?

### WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Some parents are reluctant to assign chores, especially when their child’s week is already crammed with homework and after-school activities. However, consider the benefits.

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### *Continuation from p. 9... The Importance of Chores*

**Chores contribute to a child's maturity.** Children who take on household tasks are likely to be more successful at school, and no wonder. Helping out around the house helps a child develop confidence, self-discipline, and strength of character—essential tools for learning.

**Chores prepare children to serve others.** Some have observed that children who are expected to help out at home are more likely to take on community service as adults. This is hardly surprising, since chores train them to put others' needs above their own. On the other hand, Steven, quoted earlier, notes: "When nothing is expected of them, children learn that they are here to be served, and they grow up with a distorted view of what life will require of them in the way of responsibility and hard work."

**Chores promote family unity.** Through their efforts at home, children come to realize not only that they are a valued part of the family but also that they have a responsibility toward it. This lesson can be lost when parents place a higher priority on after-school activities than on chores. Ask yourself, 'Of what benefit is it if my child forges a connection with the soccer team but loses his connection with the family team?'

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO

**Start young.** Some say that parents should assign chores when children are three years of age. Others recommend two years of age or even younger. The point is, very young children love to work alongside their parents and imitate them.—*Bible principle: Proverbs 22:6.*

**Assign age-appropriate chores.** For example, a three-year-old might pick up toys, clean up spills, or sort laundry. Older children can vacuum, wash the car, and even prepare a meal. Work with your child's ability. You might be surprised at how enthusiastic he or she becomes about handling chores.

**Place a priority on chores.** That might be difficult when your child faces a daily mountain of homework. However, eliminating chores for the sake of high grades "is a sign of misplaced priorities," says the book *The Price of Privilege*. As stated earlier, handling chores *helps* children become better students. And the lessons learned prepare them for the time when they will have a family of their own.—*Bible principle: Philippians 1:10.*

**Focus on the objective rather than the result.** It may take your child longer to complete a task than you would wish. You may also notice that the quality of the work could be better. When that happens, resist the urge to take over the task. Your objective is not to have the chore performed with adultlike precision but to *help your child learn responsibility* and discover the joy that work can bring.—*Bible principle: Ecclesiastes 3:22.*

**Focus on the right reward.** Some say that paying a child to do chores teaches them responsibility. Others say that it makes children focus on what they can *get* from the family rather than on what they can *contribute* to it. They also warn that a child might refuse to do chores when he has enough money—a sign that the benefit of chores is being lost. The lesson? It might be better to keep a child's chores and his allowance on separate tracks.



“Train a child in the way he should go; even when he grows old he will not depart from it.”—  
Proverbs 22:6, footnote.

“Make sure of the more important things.”—Philippians 1:10.

“There is nothing better than for a man to find enjoyment in his work.”—Ecclesiastes 3:22.



“Chores create a feeling of contribution to the family. When our family finishes a day that involved doing chores—perhaps in the yard or in the house—there is a feeling of camaraderie. Everyone had a share, and it’s a good feeling.”—Steven.

“Giving our girls chores from an early age has helped them to be able to handle real life as they’ve grown. We try to convey the message that the family is a team and that we work together. When we, the parents, display a positive outlook about chores, it helps our daughters to do the same.”—Stephanie.

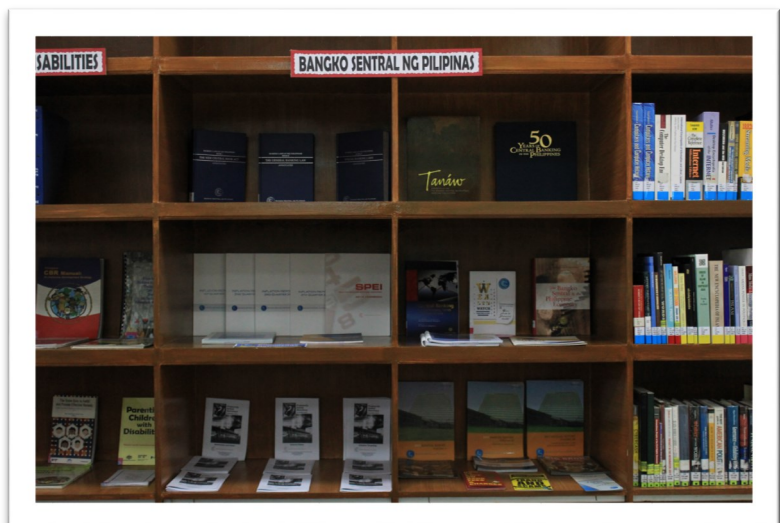
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## BSP’s KNOWLEDGE RESOURCE NETWORK IS NOW AVAILABLE AT QCPL

By: Mary Ann L. Bernal

Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) in partnership with the LGU’s in Metro Manila formally launched the BSP’ Knowledge Resource Network last March 14, 2017. BSP Governor Armando Tetangco, Jr. led the signing of Memorandum of Understanding. Our Honorable City Mayor Herbert M. Bautista was represented by QCPL’s City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva. Also present were Navotas City Mayor John Rey Tiangco, Metro Manila’s City Librarians & other City Officials.

These information resources and services were made available on May 17, 2017 at Quezon City Public Library right after the formal turnover of books on May 16, 2017. They are now part of our Special Collection Section in the Main Library.



## Book Launch: What Kids Should Know About Filipino Food: Mama Sita's Centennial Edition

By: Alistair Troy B. Lacsamana



“This edition celebrates Mama Sita’s love for children, her family, and Philippine food culture as her story, recipes and food tips are featured for kids and their parents to enjoy....”

Mama Sita Foundation launched a special centennial edition of “What Kids Should Know About Filipino Food” together with Adarna House Publishing last May 27 at the Quezon City Public Library’s Reference area and lobby.

The Mama Sita’s Centennial Edition features highlights the life of Teresita Reyes, and her contribution to Philippine food history. In the book introduction, Clara Reyes, daughter of Mama Sita wrote, “This edition celebrates Mama

Sita’s love for children, her family, and Philippine food culture as her story, recipes and food tips are featured for kids and their parents to enjoy....”

In celebration of Teresita “Mama Sita” Reyes’ 100th birth anniversary, the Mama Sita Foundation has collaborated with Adarna House in publishing the Special Mama Sita’s Centennial Edition of What Kids Should Know About Filipino Food.

The book launch was graced by the book’s

author Felice Sta. Maria and book’s illustrator Mika Bacani, Adarna House publisher Lyn Almario, and Clara Kalayaan Reyes-Lapus, President of the Mama Sita Foundation.

Renowned culinary historian and multi-awarded writer, Felice Prudente Sta. Maria gave a talk about the inspiration behind her book and the meaning of “nayanaya”, a term which means to eat and to be happy.



Grace Princesa, Assistant Secretary of Department Legislative Liaison Unit, Department of Foreign Affairs.

Copies of the book were gifted to some guests as part of the programme: Vicente Enriquez, President of the Women of Malolos Foundation, Inc.; Lucila Raquiño, Head of Reference Section of the Quezon City Public Library; Jennifer Dimasaca, Chairperson-Sub Committee on Planning of the National Library of the Philippines; Dr. Adela Jamorabo-Ruiz, President of the Nutrition and Dietetics Association of the Philippines; Kimberly Lim of the Intertextual Division of the Cultural Center of the Philippines; and Amb.



The Quezon City Public Library received copies of the book and Mama Sita's cook books. In her response, Ms. Raquiño welcomes the idea that QCPL is slowly being eyed as venue of book launches and invites other authors and publishers to do so. The timeline of the Mama Sita's life also was featured in the exhibit at the lobby from May 29-June 2.



## Café @ Lib - Periodical Section

By: Benny George Cababat

Café in Quezon City Public Library? Why not?! It is a try done in the old building and it is awesome to find out that not only the QC Hall employees patronize it, but our users as well. Now on our new building, Café @ Lib is located at the 2nd floor. With its beautiful features and cozy ambiance, it is indeed a picture of a relaxed place where one can read and have a taste of freshly brewed coffee, combined with various cakes and pastries to choose from.

On the other hand, the Periodicals Section caters mostly the professionals and senior citizens because of the newspapers and magazine collections. With this, an extension of Café @ Lib is created in this section. Seniors having coffee while reading newspapers is a bliss for them. They are our priority in the coffee area so that they don't have to go up to our Café @ Lib at the 2nd floor anymore. We added coffee tables at one side of the section to see if this will work out. Indeed, our users are thankful for having this. Not only they can have their coffee, they can also enjoy reading at the same time.



Café @ Lib extended at the Periodicals Section

## QCPL Branches

**By: District Library Heads**

Quezon City Public Library- Project 7 Branch, regularly conducts Educational programs and activities such as Storytelling, Puppet Show, Basic Computer Tutorial Session, Book mobile, Library orientation, etc.

Every summer, recreational activities are being thought and planned, too. Since Art-crafts Making activities like Scrapbook making, Drawing-Painting Workshop and Silk- screening were already conducted and taught the community, the branch library thought of something new that could help develop and boost skills, as well as to entertain. Very timely, Mr. Michael John Garcia, MIS In-charge of the branch library, a well-played guitarist, volunteered to share his talent and be a trainer of the "Summer Guitar Tutorial".

The Tutorial class begun last April 4- May 30, 2017, every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the week. 19 Students registered and provided their own guitar for the whole tutorial class. Students were 12-19 years old of age mostly came from the community of Veterans Village, Quezon City and nearby barangays.

Barangay Veterans Village Council supported all throughout the activity through the initiative of Kagawad Raul Pascual- Committee Chairman on Education. They provided tarpaulin, snacks, guitar-strings giveaways and materials for the issuance of certificates of the participants on the Graduation Day which was held last May 31, 2017 hosted by Ms. Ma. Cristina Catalan, Library In-charge of Project 7 Branch Library. Barangay Council, QCPL staff and the parents of the participants also joined the said event.

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This quarter, QCPL-Cubao has been a very busy library. It has a couple of meaningful activities which served the community well.

Last May 9, 2017, an Art-Making activity was held at QCPL-Cubao in honor of our beloved mothers in celebration of Mother's Day. QCPL Staff gathered children from the streets and assisted them in showing how grateful and thankful they are in having their mothers. They also assisted the kids and brought out the artistic and creative spirits in them. It was held near Bernardo Park, Kamuning, Quezon City.

Also, Film showing and Storytelling has been held in the QCPL-Cubao. The activity was conducted as a part of 4<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten Summer Camp. The film is entitled "Noah's Ark" and the story that has been told was "Three Friends Together". The week-long activity was attended by students who were headed and guided by Ms. Jo Anne S. Reyes.

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QCPL-Galas allowed the Yakap Daycare pupils experience their first "Library Day" this school year last June 30, 2017. They were taught where to get books, particularly picture books which caught their interest to look and browse on. Afterwards, they were told story by one of the parents.

But before this memorable event, a storytelling activity was also held on June 29, 2017. This activity aims to teach the children to make use of their quality time through reading and listening to stories with lessons. The said activity was attended by 8 library users, from Galas community.

QCPL– Krus na Ligas had two Summer Activities this year. First is the Slogan-Making Contest which was attended by 10 participants. The QCPL Staff aimed to help the kids showcase their creativity and artistry. It was led by Ms. Rosalie Quinatadcan who also shared her craftiness with the kids.

The second activity aimed to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle as it was entitled “Recycle Notebook Making Contest”. Library staff, once again, wanted to bring out the creativity of the participants as they encouraged them to make their own notebooks from the old notebooks, scraps and other stuff which still usable. From old and used notebooks, the kids now, have their own innovative, creative and special Recycled Notebooks.

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QCPL-Project 8 Branch, coordinated with Central Institute of Technology Q.C and Office of Coun. Jun Ferrer Jr.,in conducting Consumer Electronics Servicing NC II program of TESDA last April 17-May 3, 2017. This course is designed to enhance the knowledge, skills and attitudes of a trainee/student on core competencies. It includes basic competencies such as; participate in workplace communication, work in team environment, practice career professionalism and practice occupational health and safety procedures.

This was participated by 40 trainee/students morning and afternoon session. This activity aimed to give chance to those who are presently unemployed who needed to study these courses to be able to land a job in any field related.

With their partnership, they also conducted “Entrepreneurship Development” which aimed to equip the participants with entrepreneurship skills such as the principles of market research, how to prepare marketing plan and how to set selling prices for their products or services. It also aimed to provide alternative job opportunities and contribute to the creation of livelihood enterprises to TESDA Trainees.

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The QCPL-Greater Project 4, headed by Mr. Anthony Corpuz, conducted a “Drawing and Lettering Activity” on June 21-23, 2017. 8-12 children participated in this activity. This aimed to enhance and to develop the skills of every children about arts.

They also conducted one-on-one tutorial. Two of the students from Kalantiyaw Elementary School, the first one is on Grade 1 and the other is on Grade 2. The QCPL staff helped the kids learn how to read and write. The kids are very determined and very eager to learn.

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This quarter, QCPL-Roxas Branch Library has been very productive. On the month of April, the QCPL Staff spent their summer by encouraging the kids from the nearby community to bring out their creativity. It all started with a few storytelling activities followed by coloring, drawing and painting activities based on the story that has been told.

On May, the storytelling was continued but this time, QCPL Staff focused on teaching them how to read.

And finally, on June, the kids are expected to make their vocabulary wider as the QCPL Staff integrated Spelling Activity to their usual story telling activities. Thus, making the kids’ summer meaningful.

# Data Privacy and Cyber Security Seminar

By: Manny Boy Fajilan

The Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) conducted a seminar about Data Privacy and Cyber Security with the theme: "Understand your Rights: Protect your Data" on May 19, 2017 that was held at the QCPL Conference Room. The seminar was organized by the Management Information System (MIS) section and was attended by the QCPL employees with two invited resource speakers, Mr. John Robert Paguaia of the National Privacy Commission (NPC) and Mr. Alwell Mulsid of the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT).



The seminar began with a welcome remarks from City Librarian Ms. Emelita Villanueva, who said that the participants should learn the importance of cyber security and data protection. This was followed by Mr. Paguaia who discussed the recently released implemented rules and regulations of the Data Privacy Act of 2012. He emphasized the importance of raising awareness of rights to privacy, as well as the role of the National Privacy Commission in protecting the rights of data subjects in accordance with this act and for violators to be accountable for what they did.



The second speaker, Mr. Mulsid, an IT specialist on cyber security, discussed the threats of what digital world faces today and how to protect data network and computers from virus attacks that hampers important work involved with data and services. He also mentioned that ICT have better security measures in place that need to enforce the regulations and use acceptable policies for staff use of computer and internet facility.



After the discussion, there was a Q&A portion which was facilitated by MIS staff Mr. Ferdie Garcia and Ms. Keith Marasigan. The closing of the session was led by Ms. Villanueva who presented the Certificate of Appreciation to speakers.

*Our honorable resource speakers receive their certificates given by our City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and Asst. City Librarian, Ms. Cynthia D.J. Tolado, together with other Section Heads*



## Meeting with the Hon. Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte

By: Fe B. Gomez

A meeting was held on May 23, 2017 with the Hon. Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte at around 1:30 pm, who approached the group about the topic or matters to be discussed and Mr. Mike Patolot LFL Convenor discussed all programs of the Little Free Library. He acknowledged first the presence of Hon. Vice Mayor for the LFL **Quezon City Resolution No. 6924 supporting the Little Free Library literacy objectives.**

The next topic was focused on the **Human Resource** as Mr. Patolot stated that *“Managing both fixed and mobile library systems cannot be sustained without licensed and academically trained librarians placed at the core of the system. Licensed librarians for instance are needed in the public school system to manage systematically Philippine libraries and invoke science and logistics into the system. The Little Free Library system will benefit from their deployment as they can serve as core trainers of non-librarians tasked for managing Little Free Libraries. Book donors seek constant security, assurance of full use and access to books donated including monitoring of benefits derived and librarians are in a best position to respond to these”.*

The Vice Mayor patiently listened and observed, in spite of her busy schedules, to the discussion from the group regarding the Human Resource concerned of Q.C. School. And after the discussion Hon. Vice Mayor suggested to create first an Ordinance for the creation of additional Plantilla position for 96 librarian In-Charge in Q.C. Elementary School to be included in 2018 budget and need to have meeting with Councilor Allyson Rae Medalla for the said matters.



The Vice Mayor also instructed the group to have statistics reports and gathered some needed information/data in preparation for the follow up meeting to be schedule soon.

The last topic/concern that the Vice Mayor paid attention to was the **Quezon City Folkloric Stories**, as Mr. Karl reported and shared all the ideas concern to that program as stated *“The idea of publishing Quezon City’s folkloric tales is an opportunity to enable the Quezon City communities to be aware of the cultural history of the City. Quezon City has a long history of folklores that need to be organized and published. Given the resources, the Little Free Library grassroots publishing group is in a position to organize these and enhance reading, the development of poems and music and other forms of art, in the process. Teachers and librarians have recommended the generation and publishing of more folkloric tales and myths from all over the country as these publications become the portals for reading and nationhood. We plan to submit a specific proposal in this regard”.*

The Vice Mayor was so interested on this topic, because she wanted to have lots of story books that focuses on the folkloric stories most especially the Quezon City history and other historic cultures and literature of the Philippines. And she also instructed the group to submit a proposal for the **Quezon City Folkloric Stories.**



# QC School Principals and the LFL Stewards

By: Fe B. Gomez

The first meaningful topic of the meeting was the Proposed Plantilla Positions for School Library , led by Mr. Alistair Troy Lacsamana. As he introduced the Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) and the advantage of gaining a proper information, he and every representative of different elementary schools , tackled about the good purpose of having a school library . He emphasized its vibrant role when it comes to development of a wider reading, and its motivating rate for the readers and learners as well.

As he starts in discussing about the proposal, explaining the stimulating roles of this activity with a Power Point presentation, everyone was listening attentively and sometimes participating in the discussion by asking questions and elaborating the ideas spoken by Mr. Alistair Troy Lacsamana.

There was also a discussion about the DepEd Order No. 56, Standards for Phil. School libraries. It emphasized the physical set up of the libraries and its functional services and how it can encourage and attract the pupils to come and read books in the library. Its functional purpose can support and helped the school to promote the common goods of the library in school, Hence, it will boost the rate of the pupils who are reading inside the library regularly.

While Mr. Alistair Troy Lacsamana and Ms. Fe Gomez, Outreach Section Head were sharing some ideas, the principals were taking down notes as they listened to a great example of some proper standards in terms of having good quality of library in school.

During the discussion of the Proposal, Ms. Fe Gomez Outreach Extension Services Head, stands as a facilitator and moderator of the topic, as she cleared the wonders and questions voiced out by the principals of the different elementary schools. Ms. Fe Gomez has shown her concerned and natural wit by answering their questions intellectually about the said proposal.

## ***Brief overview of the Proposal***

The Proposal to the Quezon City Government to Provide Additional Plantilla Positions for Elementary School Librarians was tackled by **Heidee Ferrer** the representative of the Schools Division Office (SDO) followed by **Alistair Troy B. Lacsamana** from QCPL, who led the brief overview of the said proposal.

The Organizational Structure of the LRMDS (Learning Resources Management and Development System) was discussed emphasizing the importance of each department's function. Ms. **Heidee Ferrer** gave them a very informative introduction about this Approved Organizational Structure Schools Division.

One of the discussion tackled by Ms. **Heidee Ferrer** is about the *LRMDS*. She emphasized its functions and how it allows the users of the system to access directly digitized versions of resources that are published and stored within the *LRMDS* repository.

In addition, Ms. Maricris Veloso, coordinator of Councilor Aly Medalla led the discussion about the ordinance and its nature such as the duties, responsibilities and its implementation. She was able to relay some good ideas and thoughts for the proposal.

On the other hand, Mr. Mike Patolot from the Little Free library shares some good thoughts and ideas of having a little free library that could be found in several places and different locations here in Quezon City. He also enlightens the advantages of being a reader and a learner.

According to him, one of the Little Free Library can be found in Quezon City Memorial Circle. He also shared some good stories and some good news as well, saying with a smile: "there's a lot of people leaving their different kind of books inside the little free library and some taking books from it. It feels like an achievement for him. The quote "Take a Book , Share a Book , Leave a Book" made by the Little Free Library does makes sense.

This meeting thus really emphasized the importance of the standards for each school library and how it will attract the pupils and encourage them to read as well as the part of the Little Free Library and the good effects of it in every place.

The meeting ended with the closing remarks of Ms. Fe B. Gomez, thanking everyone present for making the meeting successful..



# QCPL Librarians goes to Tuguegarao City

By: Mary Ann L. Bernal

The four – day convention for the public librarians was held at Hotel Roma, Tuguegarao City with the licensed librarians and the in-charge of the libraries who participated in this conference.

The first day of the program started with the registration of the participants.

The activities officially started with the opening ceremonies with the opening remarks of the ALPS President Ms. Pricila P. Robles. The second day's theme was "Rebuilding Libraries" with the following topics: First, "It's Not Just a Building, It's a Library" by Mr. Jilven T. Amar, Librarian III, National Library of the Philippines who focused on the development of the libraries nowadays specifically in terms of not only structures but also services. To make the libraries as social hub, cultural, centre, learning hub and economic enabler; the second topic was "Where are we now? Becoming a Trend-setter" by Mrs. Cynthia DJ. Tolado, Asst. City Librarian of Quezon City Public Library who enthusiastically explained that the development in QC Public Library was manifested by the high efficiency of the librarians and services that made our City Mayor HB support the projects and improvement the library to the maximum; the third lecture was "Generating Visibility in the Virtual Age Talk Show Style of Urdaneta Public Library and Quezon City Public Library" which was represented by Dr. Joyce Deloso and by Ms. Mariza Chico, respectively. Both presented the activities of their libraries to answer needs of users, and shared their own experiences in giving good service; Lecture 4 was "Who am I as a Public Servant" by Dr. Emmanuel James P. Pattaguan, Vice President for Academics, USL, gave a remarkable emphasis that librarians should have an inner goodness and spirit that will start in his/her own family/backyard to be a better person/public servant.

After the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of welcoming and lectures, Fellowship Awards Night was held wherein our very own **QC Public Library** was awarded "Gawad Kampeon ng Silid Aklatan" for exhibiting creative, innovative, and visionary service in the field of Public Librarianship in the country as shown in our quality programs and fast development that made public librarianship know in the community; and to our beloved **City Mayor Herbert M. Bautista** for genuinely supporting the development being among the movers and shakers in transforming in public libraries into functional, service-oriented institution, knowledge development, learn-



ing and resource centers, agents of change in the community.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> day's theme was: "Redefining Libraries" with different topics on. Lecture 5 was – "Coping with the Trends CPD for Librarians" by Hon. Lourdes T. David, Member, Board for Librarians, expertly spoke on different ways and how to earn credit points for the renewal of librarian's license ; Lecture 6- "Libraries as Media and Key Facilitators of Knowledge Creation" by Dr. Angelo Juan Ramos clearly explained that libraries as media as key facilitators allow/open social media like Instagram, FB, Twitter to library users for promotional purposes and announcements that will be trending instantly at no extra cost to the library, but also warned that all trash are on the web. And how to level up your library and skills that 21th century Pinoy Librarians need to develop; Lecture 7- Libraries as Partners of Local Governance by Ms. Maricar M. Castro, LGOO V, DILG Region IV, she explained the partnership of our local government for the success of libraries in the community; Lecture 8- Libraries as Technological Social & Research Hub by Ms. Lucila Raquino, Librarian IV, QCPL where she discussed the development through the years of our public libraries and how the users will have the wholesome recreation inside the public library and enjoy the innovations.

Day 4, and the theme for the day: Rebranding Libraries: Session 9 was lectured by Mr. Michael Pinto, PLRC Head, PLA I President with the topic "People Change: Are you Minding Your Own Business" who expertly spoke the leadership of librarians that develop the potentials of the staff, and the sharing of knowledge, skills not only to community but to associations that will lead to a great librarian that everybody dreams of. And the last but not the least was Lecture 10 – "Levelling-up: Let's Accredite Your Library" by the ALPS Treasurer's Mr. Roilingel P. Calilung. The closing remarks was given by the Vice President and Conference Chair, Dr. Joyce Deloso with a very emotional speech and sent sense of responsibility to all the librarians who attended the convention with a song "As we hold on together".

After lunch of Day 4, we had the City/Provincial Tour of different tourist spots like Callao Cave, Calvary Hills and Basilica Minore of Our Lady of Piat. Then, the following day, we had our flight back home with the learned knowledge to bring home with.



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