

# Quezonian Newsletter

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## QC PUBLIC LIBRARY TECH4ED CENTERS ARE NOW OPEN!



The Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) partnered with Department of Science and Technology–Information and Communications Technology (DOST-ICT) Office now Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) through the National Library of Philippines (NLP) to implement the Tech4Ed project in Main Library and its 18 branches for digital inclusion.

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## Look: QC Public Library Opens Door to Street Kids



GMA 7 Kapuso Network, one of the top Networks in the Philippines, has acknowledged Quezon City Library and Information Center for the services and the love it renders for the children

*See full story on page 12*

## QCLIC and QC Division of City Schools team up for Little Free Library

*By : Mr. Alistair Troy Lacsamana*

The Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) has linked up with the QC Division of City Schools in putting up pocket libraries in all 142 public schools. When school librarians attended the Little Free Library (LFL) forum held at QCPL last July 14, no less than the SDO LDRMC Supervisor Ms. Heidee Ferrer and SDO Librarian Ms. Liza Javier led in pledging that the school libraries put up their own LFLs. A month after the forum, 5 schools were able to set their pocket libraries, these are San Francisco ES, Cong. Calalay Memorial ES, Tandang Sora National HS, Pura Kalaw ES and Culiati HS. A lot of schools is calendered to be organized. This collaboration tries to address the problem of pupils' lack of access to books and to promote use of libraries.



Photos taken during the Launching of LFL in Paaralang Elementary Cong. Calalay







Photos taken during the LFL Launching in San Francisco Elementary School





# Organization of St. Vincent Community Library in Upper Banlat QC

*By : Ms. Mariza G. Chico*

Last July 13, 2016, the QC Public Library Organizing Team of Technical Services Section headed by Ms. Mariza G. Chico together with Ms. Manica M. Cortes, Ms. Dolores L. Posadas, Mr. Paulo Dominik Daulat, Mr. Homer Pilar, Mr. Raul Lapuz and Mr. Anthony Merino organized and arranged the St. Vincent Community Library located at the 2nd Floor of San Isidro Labrador Chapel in Upper Banlat, Q.C. The said community library was established through the efforts of priests and seminarians of Santuario de San Vicente de Paul courtesy of Fr. Rolando A. Tuazon, CM to address the literacy problem in the area. Fr. Tuazon hopes and pray that this library will not only be as part of the Adopt-A-Library Program of QC Public Library but as one of its branch libraries in order to be sustainable, in which the Library Management is looking forward to.



The QCPL Library Organization Team at work



The QCPL Library Organization Team with the CM, Fr. Rolando A. Tuazon and a volunteer Library-in-Charge, Mrs. Leoncia Valeros



St. Vincent Community Library after the organization



# West Philippine Sea in Comics and DVDs

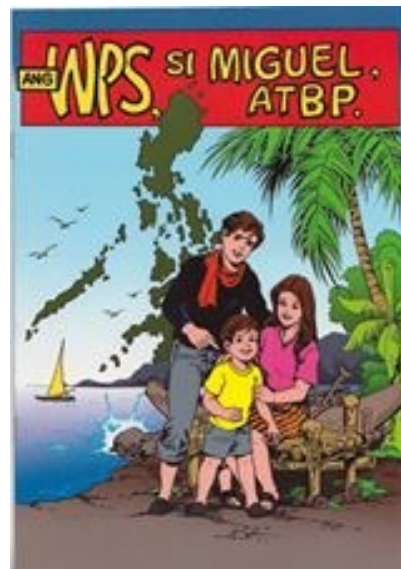
*By : Ms. Mary Ann L. Bernal*

West Philippine Sea is ours—as our President, Supreme Court Justice, Senator, and ordinary fishermen have been saying... But not many of us really understand what is going on out there.

The Philippine Information Agency coordinated the formal partnership with the Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) the citywide dissemination of true and accurate information about West Philippine Sea.



The Comic and DVD Form of the West Philippine Sea Story



The QCPL received 3,000 comics and 50 copies of three-part video documentaries for the Main Library and Branch Libraries for dissemination of current awareness which is the first in NCR.

Library users can now have free comics and the privilege to watch the documentary film which is available daily at the Periodical Section.

(And just recently, the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague ruled on July 12, 2016 that China had no historic claim to the waters and it had violated the Philippines' economic and sovereign rights).



(from Left-Right) Ms. Jeniffer Adajo, Staff Director Ms. Emelyn Libunao, Mr. Erwin Bernardino of PIA, the one who initiated the partnership, Asst. City Librarian Cynthia Tolado, City Librarian Emelita Villanueva & Head of Periodical Section Mary Ann Bernal of QCPL, for the formal turnover of documents.



# Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Network with Quezon City Public Library

*By : Ms. Jeniffer Adajo*

It was June 21, 2016 when the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Economic and Financial Learning Center (EFLC) Manager Ms. Nelia R. Balagapo personally visited the Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) together with her staff Mr. Rothman Lim.

They came to the library and lay a project proposal to the QCPL City Government Department Head III, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva which is the Establishment of Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Library Network. The BSP intended to include different partner libraries from the National Government agencies, academe and local government units (LGU) as well as private entities on this proposed project.

The component is that the BSP will provide the physical book, E-book online and inter library loan (ILL) of BSP publications. On the other hand the network library will just provide a corner for this, catalog the materials provided and quarterly report must be submitted thru online wherein template is provided. This is in order to know the impact it will have for the public client.

To present further the concept and formalized this project the BSP called for a special meeting held at the EFLC, BSP, Malate, Manila on July 14, 2016. This was attended by three of the QCPL personnel.

The forum presented the framework for the BSP Library Network, a program of Cooperation and information resource sharing between BSP and partner libraries. This is to be implemented this year to 2018. The attendees also had the chance to tour the BSP museum.

**BSP forum on  
proposed BSP  
Library Network**







The QCLIC and BSP logo



**Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP)  
Economic and Financial Learning Center (EFLC)  
Circulation area.**

The EFLC—which houses the BSP Library and the Statistical and Learning Center—serves as the public’s focal point of contact in the BSP on information concerning economic and financial matters. It features permanent and changing exhibits and interactive information kiosks on the responsibilities and functions of the BSP and its role in the Philippine economy, with particular emphasis on the three pillars of central banking: maintaining price stability, promoting financial stability, and ensuring a safe, sound and efficient payments and settlements system. Researchers also have access to economic and financial data series produced and monitored by the BSP, either in hard copy format or in downloadable electronic version. Apart from its collection of books, journals and periodicals on specialized topics of banking, fi-

nance and economics, the EFLC’s library section also has an electronic research system comprising of the digitized version of BSP publications, e-books and online subscription to major research portals. Other facilities available to the public include the following: multi-media research terminals which provide access to the internet and to various audio-visual materials, games and interactive learning modules; an audio-visual room where lectures and briefings on various topics of central banking are conducted; and an information help desk to attend to queries and information requirements of researchers. By providing these information services, programs and materials, the EFLC symbolizes the BSP’s corporate commitment to institutionalize and promote a comprehensive economic and financial education for the Filipino public.



# Look: QC Public Library Opens Door to Street Kids

By : GMA News Online

Street children are probably used to being turned away everywhere they go, but there is at least one place where they are welcomed with open arms: the Quezon City Library and Information Center (QCLIC).

Also known as the **Quezon City Public Library**, the QCLIC can be found in the Quezon City Hall compound in Diliman.

Every day, according to a statement from the Quezon City Public Affairs and Information Office (PAISO), at least ten street kids visit the library, where they read books, color illustrations, play, and watch educational videos with the guidance of library staff and volunteers.



Street children listen to a Quezon City Library and Information Center employee, who also teaches them how to read. Photos: Quezon City Public Affairs and Information Services Office



And since most of the time they come to the library on an empty stomach, said head librarian Emelita L. Villanueva, the QCLIC provides them with snacks as well.

“These small library guests, who usually visit the QCLIC in slippers, shorts and sando, enjoy learning new words, explore the world through reading, and learn the values they will be proud of when they grow old,” she said.

“Aside from teaching them how to read, we listen to their life stories and sentiments, give inspiring advice if needed,” Villanueva added.

According to PAISO, the QCLIC's collection of 2,617 books includes textbooks, coloring books, reference books, Filipino folklores and fables, and Disney stories. — **BM, GMA News**

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# QC PUBLIC LIBRARY RECEIVES BOOK DONATION from BOOKS-FOR-A-CAUSE

*By : Ms. Mariza G. Chico*

The QC Public Library recently received truckload of books from Books For A Cause founded by Mr. Ramil Sumangil last July 12, 2016. The City Librarian, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, together with other librarians and staff went to select and pick-up books in their warehouse located along Pasong Tamo, Makati City. Also on the same day, Mr. Sumangil requested our City Librarian if they can transfer the remaining books to a place that will be recommended as temporary home, because their contract agreement with DMCI Homes for the use of their warehouse expired. Since both parties agreed to build partnership with the same cause/purpose, our City Librarian proposed the area in our Greater Project 4 Branch Library located in P. Tuazon Avenue, Brgy. Marilag, Quezon City.

Books-For-A-Cause (BFAC) is an advocacy that aims to provide precious knowledge to every Filipino and increase literacy through continuous learning. To help inculcate in their minds that POVERTY is not a hindrance to a better future but a CHALLENGE, and that WHAT THEY THINK IS WHAT THEY BECOME!



QCPL Technical Division Personnel helping in transferring the books from the old warehouse to the new one.





# Storytelling Seminar and Puppetry Workshop at Masambong Branch Library

By : Mr. Andrew Caseda

Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) caters from all walks of life. We continuously serve the public for the individual development in the community. We extend our resources and share our knowledge to reach each and every one in our respective area. We are an advocate of continuous education for our client to improve their lives and to utilize the acquired knowledge on their work and even to their family.

Just like recently, QCPL-Masambong Branch conducted a whole-day seminar workshop on STORYTELLING AND PUPPETRY last August 25, 2016 at Brgy. Masambong Gazebo. This is through **Mrs. Rosario G. Veloso**, the beloved wife of **Capt. Veloso** of Brgy. Masambong Quezon City who urged us to hold the said event for the Day Care Parents in preparation to their community service.

We had invited **Mr. Allan Tura** the Executive Director of **Makabata Para sa Bayan Inc.** as the resource speaker for the storytelling seminar and **Mr. Gilbert Gallaza** for the puppetry workshop. We were really blessed to have them for they have shared all their wisdom and expertise for all the participants. The workshop was really fun that the parents were actively participating to the activity especially when they had a chance to experience, to hold and to manipulate "LIB & RARY" the hand puppets. The crowd was overwhelmed when Mr. Gallaza performed, in almost perfection, the Frozen with Elsa as the puppet.

The speaker let the participants to speak what was on their mind as well as the expectation to the seminar. They never let the day end that the parents never learned anything. The workshop seminar taught them everything about storytelling and the proper ways on how to use hand puppets. It has developed and has brought out the best in them.

Our deepest gratitude to Councilor Onyx Crisologo, Vice-Mayor Joy Belmonte, Mayor Herbert Bautista, Capt. Ramon Veloso and to her beloved wife Ms. Rosario Veloso who made this event possible. And we would also like to extend our appreciation to our ever supportive City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and Asst. City Librarian Ms Cynthia Tolado, to our District 1 Coordinator Ms Prima S. Alabata and to the support shown by all District I Branch Libraries.





## QCPL Children's Corner Visits Forestry, Brgy. Central Kids

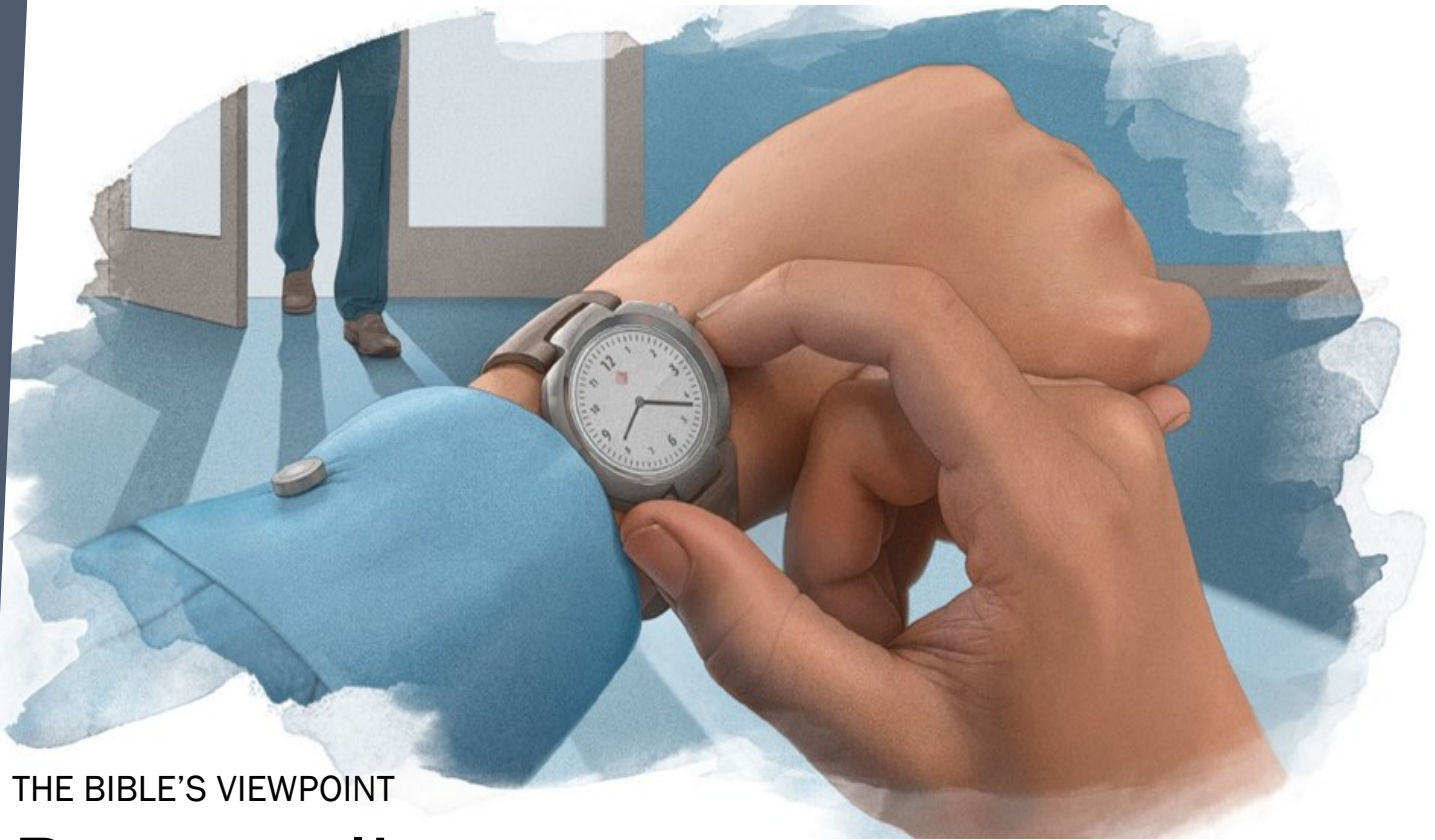
By : Mr. Jairo Valencia



Outdoor activity is one of the ways the QCPL Children's section do to convince kids to patronize its services. Doing this needs a lot of effort. So, on September 9, 2016, Mr. Richard Placencia, Mr. Reygeil Cruz and me, Jairo Valencia, went to one of the QC Barangays which is Brgy. Central in Forestry. Immediately, upon arrival we conversed with the Purok Leader, M.s Rose Abao regarding our intention and to ask for her approval at the same time. Gladly, she approved. We then go house-to-house and talked with the parents if they can allow their kids to join us. Though only se-ven (7) initially joined, like what everybody says, "the show must go on" so, we started it with a pra-yer. The storytelling session began. . Along the session, we raised questions in connection with the stories in order to stimulate their interest. I, then pull out a big book entitled "*Daginding, ang Unang Daga sa Buwan*" (Daginding, the First Mouse on the Moon). It is a story written by Robert Alonzo and illustrated by Renato Ramos. While the storytelling is in progress, happily, I can observe that the children seem to be excited and all ears that we did not realize that there were other kids slowly coming in to join, thus, the seven kids became twelve then became thirty. Wow! I was so glad of its turnout. As the story ended we then juiced up the lessons we can derived from it. Nevertheless seeing it, the activity seems to me very simple and did not make any sense to them. However, to my surprise one of the kids shouted, *Isa pa! Isa pa!* (One more!, One more!). Well, that gesture convinced the Purok Leader and commented, "*Buti na lang may ganyan ang library, puro computer na lang kasi 'tong mga batang 'to'*" (Good thing the library has this kind of activity, because these kids were always on their computers). That comment gave us a hint that she herself would like us to go back and see these kids again. That was nice. Of course, the activity would not be completed without sharing some simple snacks so, we distributed each to these kids.

Indeed, we are grateful to our City Government Department Head III, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva for the full support and the privilege of letting us serve these wonderful kids of QC!





THE BIBLE'S VIEWPOINT

# Punctuality

*Excerpted by: Ms. Maria Cecilia R. Magnate*

Many who appreciate the value of punctuality struggle with tardiness themselves. The Bible provides practical wisdom related to this subject.

## How important is punctuality?

### WHY IT MATTERS

Some have found that arriving at appointments a bit ahead of time actually reduces stress. Punctuality also enhances a person's reputation. How so?

*Punctuality indicates competence.* When you are on time, it shows that you try to be in control of your life instead of allowing circumstances to prevent you from doing the things you want to do.

*Punctuality suggests dependability.* In a society where promises are often broken and commitments frequently ignored, people appreciate those who stick to their word. Dependable people earn respect from friends and family. Employers value those who arrive on time for work and meet deadlines. Dependable workers may even be rewarded with a higher salary and greater trust.

## WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS

There are passages in the Scriptures that relate to punctuality. For instance, the Bible says: “Let all things take place decently and by arrangement.” ([1 Corinthians 14:40](#)) When two parties agree to meet at a specific time and place, it is decent and proper for them to be punctual. The Bible also says: “There is an appointed time for everything, a time for every activity under the heavens.” ([Ecclesiastes 3:1](#)) The context of this verse says that there is “a time to plant and a time to uproot.” ([Ecclesiastes 3:2](#)) Farmers plant crops at the right time, on time, in order to yield the best possible harvest. In other words, the farmer’s punctuality yields good results.

The Bible reveals a more noble reason for being punctual: It shows respect for others and their precious time. ([Philippians 2:3, 4](#)) By contrast, those who constantly make others wait could in effect be stealing their time.

*“Look out not only for your own interests, but also for the interests of others.”—[Philippians 2:4](#).*  
What can you do to be punctual?

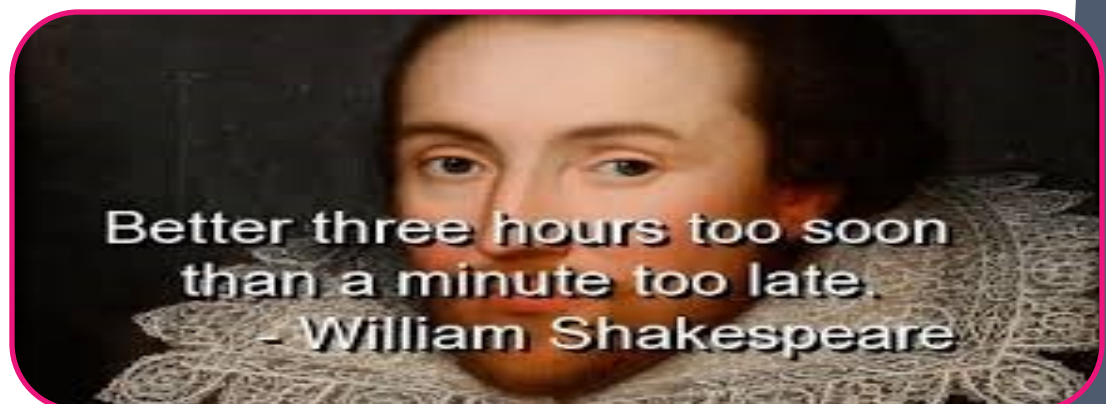
## WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS

The Bible encourages advance planning. ([Proverbs 21:5](#)) If you find that you are regularly late for appointments, perhaps your schedule is too full. Why not cut nonessential time wasters? Schedule more time between appointments, and aim to arrive early. This will allow for unexpected circumstances, such as traffic congestion or bad weather.

The Bible also encourages modesty. ([Proverbs 11:2](#)) This means knowing your limitations. Decide whether an appointment or deadline will realistically fit your schedule before agreeing to it. By overbooking, you add stress and frustration—to yourself and to others!

The Bible further tells us to make the best use of our time. ([Ephesians 5:15, 16](#)) Give priority to the most important tasks. ([Philippians 1:10](#)) For example, while using public transportation or waiting for others, take advantage of the time by catching up on reading or by planning the rest of your day. (*Awake! No. 6 - 2016*)

*“The plans of the diligent surely lead to success.”—[Proverbs 21:5](#).*





# Local History Section Introduces Filipiniana Trivia

By : Ms. Rowena G. Remiendo

The Month of August is one of the most anticipated months for the Filipinos for this month celebrates the “Buwan ng Wika” (Filipino Language Month) especially to the Quezon City residents as Manuel L. Quezon, founder of the city named after him, is popularly known as “Ama ng Wikang Filipino” (Father of Filipino Language).

**SA PAGDIRIWANG NG BUWAN NG WIKA  
ANG QCLIC AY INAANYAYAHAN KAYO SA**

## FILIPINIANA TRIVIA

Tuwing Huwebes  
ng Agosto 2016  
sa Filipiniana Section  
8:00 ng umaga - 3:00 ng hapon

Para sa lahat ng KABATAAN na  
may edad 13-20 taong gulang  
Magdala lang ng I.D.



**May PREMYONG naghihintay  
sa magwawagi!**

**TARA NA AT SUBUKAN  
ANG INYONG KAALAMAN!**

Para sa karagdagang impormasyon, makipag-ugnayan kay  
Bb. Remiendo/Bb. Cadelina ng Filipiniana & Local History Section

Most of the schools and other institutions commemorate this by having special activities that manifest the love for the language such as *Balagtasan*, where two people, sometimes two groups, exchanges poetical statements to give their side for a given argument, *Dulaan*, where Filipinos used the language to perform in a stage act, *Sarsuela*, a Filipino version of a musical, and a lot more.

This year 2016, in celebration of the “Buwan ng Wika”, the Local History and Filipiniana Section introduced the Filipiniana Trivia, a weekly activity that provides questions featuring interesting facts about Manuel L. Quezon. Being able to mix up the traditional and modern ages, we posted the questions on an artistically created board. Winners are notified through electronic messages. Their photos are also posted on Facebook to add more publicity and promote the activity as well.

The first week featured the question “*Ano ang buong pangalan ng Ama ng Lungsod Quezon?*” (What is the full name of the Father of Quezon City?) which was answered correctly by a student from ICCT, Ervin Rommel Luzong. “*Ano ang unang ipinangalan ni Dating Pangulong Manuel L. Quezon sa EDSA?*” (What is EDSA’s first name given by Former President Manuel L. Quezon?) is the featured question on the second week. The answered given by students namely Ruth Templonuevo and Abigail Tolledo proves to be the correct answer – 19 de Junio.

The third week’s question is “*Ano ang pangalan ng Kalakan na unang pinili ni Pangulong Quezon para maging Hepe ng Pulisya ng Lungsod Quezon noong 1939?*” (What is the name of the Lt. Colonel chosen by President Quezon to be the first Chief of Police?) a 17 year old student, Mac Andrei G. Bautista, is the only participant to answer the question correctly by the answer Dwight David Eisenhower. The first three weeks’ questions really persuaded the young ones to join the last week of the trivia which featured the question “*Kailan dumating sa Maynila ang labi ng Pangulong Manuel Quezon matapos itong manatili sa Amerika ng ilang buwan?*” (When did the wake of President Quezon arrived in Manila after it had stayed in America for a few months?) and the answer is July 27, 1946 which was answered by few students.

Aside from the promotion of the Filipiniana and Local History Section, the activity also emphasizes the importance of loving and patronizing of your own language and the knowledge of knowing the history. This activity was made possible by Ms. Rowena G. Remiendo and Ms. Esmeralda Cadeliña with the supervision of Ms. Lucila R. Raquiño, Head of the Reader’s Services.



We would like to thank the staff who donated the rewards for the winners: Ms. Mariza G. Chico, Mr. Troy Lacsamana, Ms. Jenny Adajo, Ms. Mary Ann L. Bernal, Mr. Ferdinand Garcia and Ms. Manica Cortes.

The winners receiving their rewards from Ms. Remiendo, Ms. Cadeliña and their supervisor, Ms. Lucila R. Raquiño after answering the questions correctly.

(left) Mr. Ervin Luzong,  
(right) Mr. Mac Andrei Bautista  
(bottom) students from different colleges who answered the same correct answer.





# City Wide Records Management Seminar

By : Ms. Mariza G. Chico



Participants from the QC Public Library: (L-R) Ms. Janet B. Alday - Librarian II, Ms. Mariza G. Chico - Librarian III and Ms. Manica M. Cortes, Librarian II.

The City General Services Department (CGSD) sponsored a city wide seminar for all Records/Admin Officers of the Executive and Legislative Departments entitled “Updates on RA 9470 and E-Archiving Seminar/Workshop” last September 2-3, 2016 held at the Subic Bay Travelers Hotel & Event Center in Subic, Zambales.

Mr. Rolando P. Montiel, Head of the City General Services Department, cited in his Opening Remarks that Records Management is a tool in public administration and the use of 3E’s (Economy, Effectiveness, Efficiency) in managing records is very important. He also announced that there will be an audit to all records of the different departments/offices to be conducted by the National Archives of the Philippines (NAP) so as for everybody to be prepared and well informed, which is the purpose of this seminar.

The seminar highlighted some updates on RA 9470, which is an act to strengthen the system of management and administration of archival records, establishing for the purpose the National Archives of the Philippines, and for other purposes, or, most commonly known as the “National Archives of the Philippines Act of 2007”. The General Records Disposition Schedule common to Local Government Units Series of 2011 was given emphasis, as well as some technological innovations in records management was also discussed during the seminar.

There were two (2) Resource Speakers who were experts in the field namely: Ms. Ma. Teresa A. Pagaragan, Sr. Records Management Analyst from the National Archives of the Philippines and Ms. Efer Jhan Margaret I. Santos-Nierras, Information Governance Records and information Management Specialist from Manulife.

This event also gave way to form an organized group of all records officer/personnel of the City, in order to assist those in need of managing/organizing records in each offices. This was done through election and the result was as follows:

PRESIDENT	- Mr. Ronald Tan,	City Personnel Office
VICE PRESIDENT	- Ms. Berna Aguinaldo,	SSDD
SECRETARY	- Ms. Malou Robles,	DPOS
TREASURER	- Ms. Myrna Tato,	City Budget Office
AUDITOR	- Ms. Lorie Sarmiento,	City Treasurer’s Office
PRO	- Mr. Jonathan Engera,	Office of the City Mayor

# Seminar in Preparation for the ISO

*By : Ms. Mariza G. Chico*

In line with the City Government's thrust to provide better and more efficient service to QC residents, the Quezon City Public Library in coordination/partnership with our own Human Resource Management Department (formerly City Personnel Office) , conducted a seminar to our employees on August 26, 2016 with the theme **"Empowering QC Library Personnel to Deliver Effective and Efficient Services"** held at the Main Library Building – Reference Area from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Specifically, the following topics were discussed in the seminar, to wit:

1. Basic frontline service
2. Mentoring/Coaching/Counseling/Mediating conflict complaints referred or disposition
3. Administrative discipline

The objective of the seminar was to enhance the attitudes and skills of every employees as public servants, as well as in preparation of the office to pass the quality standards demanded by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO).

The Resource Speakers were experts in their own fields composed of Ms. Ana Marie G. Ocampo – Training Assistant, Mr. Ronald L. Tan – Acting HRMO V and Director Cardito L. Callagan – HR Consultant, all from our very own Human Resource Management Department. Kudos to Ms. Marlene S. Aguilar, Head of the HRMD for allowing her staff to share their expertise and knowledge to us.



(left) Mr. Ronald L. Tan sharing his knowledge to the QCPL Personnel  
(upper right) The speakers receiving certificate of appreciation from our City Government Department Head, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva

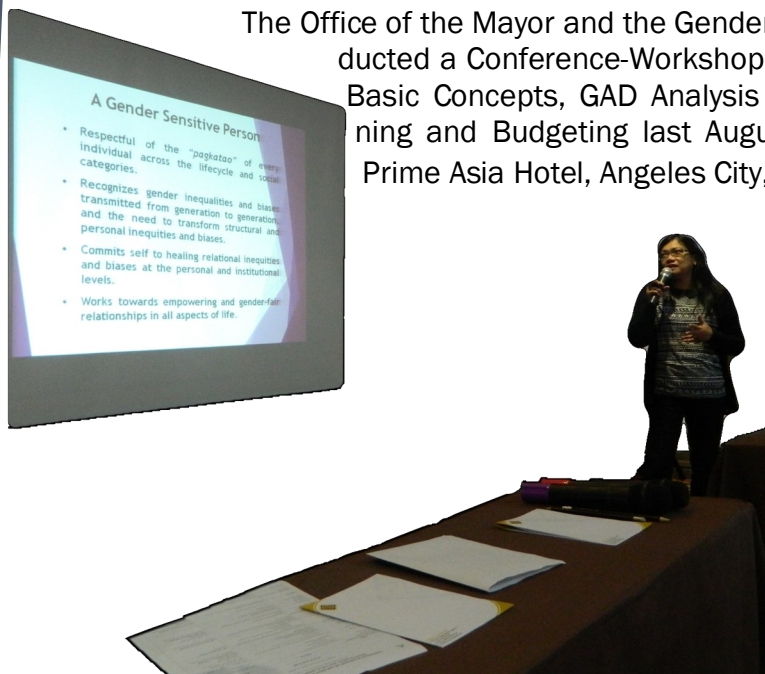
(right) Mr. Cardito Callagan during his lecture.  
(bottom) The QCPL Personnel together with the speakers



# Conference Workshop on Gender and Development

By : Ms. Janet B. Alday

The Office of the Mayor and the Gender and Development Council conducted a Conference-Workshop on Gender And Development (GAD) Basic Concepts, GAD Analysis and Mainstreaming and GAD Planning and Budgeting last August 30-September 1, 2016 held at Prime Asia Hotel, Angeles City, Pampanga.



The objectives of the Training are to develop a basic understanding of gender analysis and its benefits; to become familiar with gender analysis tools, approaches and data; to familiarize with the Objectives, Principles, Application and features of the Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines (HGDG); and lastly, to be able to come up with the 2017 GAD Plan and Budget using the new form issued by the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)

The Conference Workshop was attended by the GAD Focal Person of different Departments/Offices of the Quezon City Government. **Ms. Janet B. Alday** as the GAD Focal Person of the Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) attended the said Conference.

On the first day of the training, **Ms. Bernadette E. Demillo**, Local Govt. Operations Officers VI, QC GAD Focal Person, one of our lecturers, discussed GAD Concepts, GAD Mandates, Gender Analysis and Mainstreaming. In the Afternoon session, **Mr. Jonathan Garbo** from QC-DILG, discussed the Harmonized Gender and Development Guidelines (HGDG), wherein he said that HGDG, is a tool to ensure that programs and projects undertaken by the government in their various stages are gender responsive. The formulation and development of the HGDG was initiated by National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women (NCRFW), Official Development Assistance—Gender and Development (ODA-

GAD) Network with funding assistance from UNDP and ADB in 2004 to ensure that programs and projects of the government are gender responsive. He also added, that there are three (3) features of the HGDG and these are the following: 1) Program / Project Develop Guidelines – Set of guidelines in the form of questions which can be applied to program development in general regardless of sector or project



(2)Sector Specific Design Guidelines – Set of guidelines for the Development of Sector-Specific programs or projects; 3) Program / Project Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation – Guidelines for the Management, Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation of Development projects.

On the second day, **Ms. Demillo**, discussed GAD Planning and Budgeting. After her presentation, the participants were grouped according to its cluster and in the afternoon session, each grouped presented their output using the new form for Annual GAD Plan and Budget. Each cluster was able to identify the Gender issue or mandate, GAD Objective, GAD Activity, Performance Indicator and Target, GAD Budget and Lead or Responsible Office. The workshop helped us a lot to really understand the GAD Planning and Budgeting.



On the last day of the training, continuation of discussion regarding the Identification of Gender Issues in LGU's and possible relevant Purchase Price Allocation (PPA's) was the highlight of the program. After the training, the program ended with a closing Ceremony and there was a photo to all the attendees with the Resource Speakers.



Again, we would like to thank our beloved Mayor, Herbert M. Bautista and the GAD Council for organizing and conducting this kind of training, we as a GAD Focal Person learned a lot and gain more insights.

(left photos) The lecturers during the GAD Training.

(right photos) Ms. Janet B. Alday, QCPL GAD Focal Person with other participants.



## Our Veterans, Our Grandparents, Our Heroes: A Free Demonstration on Guerilla Files

*By : Ms. Rowena G. Remiendo*

In celebration of Grandparent's month this September, Quezon City Public Library conducted an activity to honor, to remember and to recognize our Filipino heroes on September 29, 2016 at 9:00 in the morning in the Reference Area of the main library.

Ms. Marie A. Vallejo, the project leader and historical researcher conducted the discussion and free demonstration on accessing the digitized files on Filipino Guerilla particularly on BGen Francisco Licuanan Jr. Memorial Collection of Philippine Guerilla files from the US National Archives. These 280,000 records have been extensively scanned, uploaded and made available for researchers, history teachers and libraries.

The activity was attended by our staff specially the senior citizens, members of the Quezon City senior citizen's association and other library clients. The Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO) Filipino War Veterans Foundation and Geo Estate Development Corporation who leads the project sent Mr. Marlon Peralta to witness the said activity and impart some important message from the said agency. Also, some staff from the Veterans Bank are present.

This activity was made possible by the City Government Department Head III, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva nad Asst. City Librarian, Ms. Cynthia DJ Tolado. The visitors and participants were warmly welcomed by Ms. Lucila R. Raquinño, Head of Reader's Services.

QCPL aims to promote, to educate and to inform the public on history of our unsung heroes that brave the World War II battle.



Photos taken during the celebration of Grandparents Month and the Free Demonstration of the Guerilla Files with the theme: "Our Veterans, Our Grandparents, Our Heroes"

# QCPL and Books-For-A-Cause partners in Book Donation Project

By : Mr. Benny George L. Cababat



The Quezon City Public Library and Mr. Ramil Sumangil of Books For A Cause, successfully turned over 300+ books to the 3 barrio schools of Sabtang Batanes. The Nakanmuan Barrio School, Savidug Barrio School and Chavayab Barrio School. This was through the initiative of sisters Ms. Ederlyn and Eden Horca and their friends who will conduct an outreach activity there.

Abra State Institute of Sciences and Technology (ASIST) with Ms. Sharone and her team.

Book donations collected by Mr. Sumangil was stored in the QCPL branches and from there, it can be re-donated. Since this project started, many books were added and many books were given and donated to others too. Every book donation makes a difference to someone in need, especially to those who cannot afford to buy books and study materials.





# Lakbay Aral at Lyceum of the Philippines University Cavite Campus

*By : Mr. Benny George L. Cababat*



The Quezon City Public Library Government Department Head III, Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, Assistant City Librarian Ms. Cynthia DJ. Tolado, Section Heads in the main library and the Branch District Coordinators were very privileged to be invited in the Lakbay Aral program last September 9, 2016 by the office of Councilor Allan Benedict S. Reyes. Some of his staff were included too. We had assembled at the City Hall Compound and his bus took us all at the location. We traveled for only one hour and when we got there, we were welcomed by the LPU's Librarians in-charge. We were introduced to them by Councilor Reyes and after that she toured us in the university library.

When we got there, many students and reviewees were using the library because it was their exam week. It has 3 floors that is modernly built and with glass walls. What catches our eyes is the unique "C shape" book shelf that is patterned in a logo of a signature brand. A modern coffee shop is within the library also and has conference area too. It is surrounded with couches and sofa for the readers to feel comfortable while studying. Their OPAC is touch screen so that readers can easily access to the books they need. Since it has 3 floors, the library has a book lift elevator that transfer books from a floor to another. When we got to the MIS of the library, we were amazed to see a lot of computer units. Many were using the area at that time. It occupies half of the whole 2nd floor. They actually called it the Electronic Library.



After the library tour, we headed to Bayleaf Hotel. This is also owned by the LPU Cavite. We had a short round in the place. Unlike before when I visited the place, it is already finished and preparing for their grand opening. We had lunch at Tagaytay after that.

This educational tour helped us to see and understand current trends of a modern library.



(left photos) The QCPL Personnel actively listening to their tour guide.

(right photos) The QCPL Personnel together with Councilor Allan Reyes of Quezon City Third District



# QCPL on Bloomfield Software Training – Workshop at NLP

*By : Ms. Maria Cecilia R. Magnate*

Executive Director of Molave Development Foundation, Dr. Angelo Juan O. Ramos gave an overview of the seminar/workshop. They have been partnered with the National Library of the Philippines (NLP) for four (4) years, under Beyond Access. Their own perspective is that few are coming to the library so, they look for ways for it to become more relevant around the Philippines like that of modern public library services.

The Bloomfield is geared to creation of local content. Upon discussion with the Department of Education (DepEd) they thought of using the mother tongue. Since Philippines has 170 languages DepEd focused on eighteen languages like that of Tagalog, Cebuano, Ilokano, Bicolano and others which covered 98% of the population. “Bloomfield” which means “more books to bloom” is up to it.



It was done already in Region I, in Ilokano language wherein in a couple of months they made 500 books using this software.

The National Library of the Philippines is encouraging each public library to come up with their own goals and targets (e.g. 1,000 in 18 languages) to create books in different languages. Example is in local history. Each book produced can have its own ISBN from the NLP.



Essentially the technology is the least challenging, what to put in is a lot more interesting. The software can be installed on version 7 up and in electronic library and can be accessible to anyone. Just make sure to practice not violating copyright. Actually, it can detect copyright violations.

Ms. Irma F. Saligumba facilitates the production of books using bloom. She acknowledged first all the participants from NCR. She said, since June 2016 Urdaneta plus two municipal libraries, Villasis and Sta. Barbara produced children and supplementary books in Pangasinense.



Speakers and participants during the Bloomfield Software Training for NCR Libraries

The QCPL participants namely Ms. Maria Cecilia Magnate, Mr. Manny Boy F. Fajilan and Ms. Marlyn I. Bautista easily grasp the concept of the training/workshop just like the other participants do. At first, they produced basic book catering nursery students entitled “BILANG” then as the participants reshuffled, the group 5 which composed of QCPL, Makati ...produced the book for early schoolers e.g grade 1 entitled “Ang Paglalakbay ni Nathaniel sa Kalawakan”. Ms. Magnate from the QCPL authored the book and members of which helped on to enhance on lay-outing and added some editing additional good insights. Gladly this group made it great. They are happy to authored their first book that can actually be published and be sold. They were happy and satisfied.



Really, the Bloomfield training/Workshop was indeed very good to escalate Librarians skill to author books and produce.



# Brgy. Del Monte Reading and Playroom Center

By : Ms. Fe B. Gomez



Some of the book collection for children

All the effort and collaboration of QCPL Librarians and Brgy. Staff were all paid off through its successful inauguration. The Brgy. Del Monte Reading Center was once been a dream of its community until it has been planned out and initiated by their respected Brgy. **Capt. Leo Pabustan**, in coordination with the Quezon City Public Library. Our City Librarian, **Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva**, approved and forwarded the proposed library project to the librarian and head of our Library Extension Services, **Ms. Fe B. Gomez**, where she facilitated the Library Organization Program together with all the support of selected District 1 library staff headed by their coordinator **Ms. Prima Alabata** and some of the barangay staff.



The Outreach Extension Services Head, Ms. Fe B. Gomez, and Ms. Mariza G. Chico, Head of Technical Services Section, shared their common thoughts on the importance of books, library and all the programs, projects, services offered by the QCPL in behalf of the City Librarian Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva and the Assistant City Librarian Ms. Cynthia DJ. Tolado.

Congressman Vincent "Bingbong" Crisologo shares some of his wisdom to the audience during the launching.

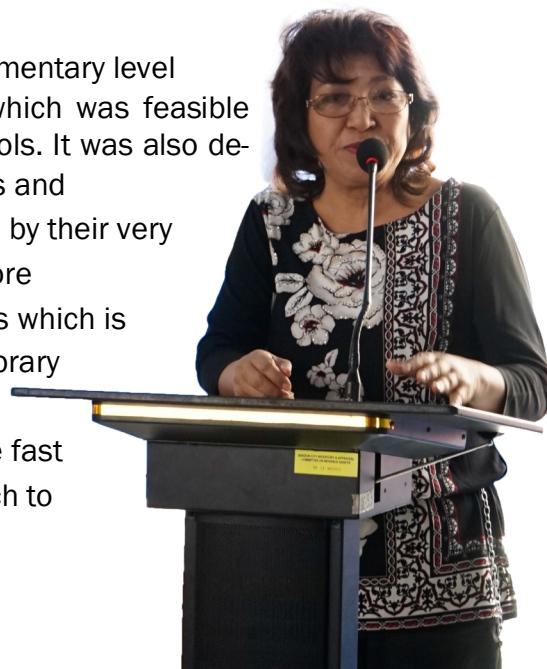
After a long week of tiresome preparation and establishment of the library requested by the good Brgy. Captain Leo Pabustan of Brgy. Del Monte, finally it came up to its Inauguration last **September 16, 2016**. The Inaugural ceremony started at 9 o'clock in the morning and lasted until 12 o'clock in the afternoon. It was attended by **Hon. Vincent "Bingbong" Crisologo**, Congressman District I, and **Hon. Elizabeth Delarmente**, Councilor District I, as the special guests, together with senior citizens, parents and children of its community, librarians and staff from Quezon City Public Library, representative officer of the Vice Mayor, from Barangay Operation Center of Quezon City, and other officials and staff of the Barangay were also present during the inauguration.



Ms. Fe B. Gomez and Ms. Mariza G. Chico together w/ Brgy. Chairman Leo Pabustan

The Library facility and collection is concentrated on elementary level corresponding to the request of their Brgy. Captain which was feasible from their neighbor community/public elementary schools. It was also designed with children playroom consisted of different toys and educational materials which was funded and purchased by their very own barangay captain, that aims to attract and cater more community children specially their own daycare students which is located just at the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of their barangay hall. The library was also housed with set of computers given by their

Brgy. Captain for additional support to the fast growing needs of information and research to their community



Continuous collaboration of the QCPL to the QC Barangay aims to intensify and integrate the education through reaching out and instilling Barangay Reading Centers throughout QC communities.

The Brgy. Del Monte Reading and Play Room Center located at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Barangay Hall is housed with different books and non-book collection donated through “Adopt A Library Program” of QCPL. The collection is composed of some general references, local books, fictions and non-fiction, magazines and periodicals.



Councilor Tita “Beth” Delarmente (top) , Ms. Mariza G. Chico (middle) and Ms. Fe B. Gomez during their respective turns of speaking during the Launching of Brgy. Del Monte Reading and Playroom Center



# Our Seniors...Our Graduates!

*By : Ms. Mary Ann L. Bernal*

Today's technology offers the demand and need for computer knowledge from people of all ages, and the library is determined that senior citizens not to get left behind.

On September 29, 2016 the culmination of the 5-day computer tutorial we conducted last May 10-13 and May 30-June 03, 2016 for our dear Senior Citizens in Quezon City the long overdue graduation has come at last!

We celebrated the Grandparents month with the theme "Our Veterans...Our Grandparents....Our Heroes. The activity that we waited for months has come in a very timely manner as it came the same time as the celebration of Grandparents' Month. With a lot of excitement and fun, the activity was truly worth the wait. The two special song numbers given by two grandparents namely: Pelagia Soriano and Erlinda Suñe and the dance special number followed showed that their talents are not outdated.

The programme was consisted of two parts. Part I is a short forum, then the second part is the most awaited graduation consists of eighteen (18) senior citizens, but some of them already migrated to other countries and one of them already passed away.

It is evident that computers and seniors have meeting of minds. It can be used for pleasure and work. And they can achieve this for free in our Quezon City Public Library! So happy to note that even in their twilight years, it was not a hindrance for them to update their knowledge to the next level. The programme was completed with the constant communication with our senior citizens's president Eusebio Selibio (picture above) with the list of still talented seniors. And true to his words. "Senior citizens got their talent!"



The said special modules for them includes Word Processing, Internet Basics, Email basics and the Social Media. They can request for a module they need upon evaluation and our division will try our best to accommodate for inclusion. There are websites that deal with health concerns, housing issues, politics, hobbies, chat for their families abroad. QCLIC I.T. experts includes Manny Fajilan, Boyet Ongkiko, Edward Bayani, Ferdie Garcia and Robert Martinez.

Many seniors use the Internet to stay in contact with family and friends. It can also become a resourceful tool for entertainment and education. We have another batch that registered after our invitation and were looking forward excitedly for another set of computer tutorial.



Our Seniors shows off that they still got the moves and they can still get into the groove.



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