According to our City Librarian, Ms. Emelita Villanueva, Mayor Herbert Bautista said a QC Public Library building will soon rise at the Quezon Memorial Park. The library will be constructed near the planned Quezon City Museum.

The City Mayor informed the City Librarian of the said plan in the recent executive meeting held at the Bulwagan.

Ms. Villanueva felt so bless of this plan of the city Mayor considering that the present library building was built way back in 1986 under the administration of then Mayor Adelina Rodriguez.

This proposed library was conceptualized to be a modernized library to offer state of the art library services for the people of Quezon City particularly the less privileged students who can not afford to buy expensive reference books. This soon to be constructed library building will definitely offer free internet use to all its clientele providing faster and accurate access and retrieval of information.

The City Library is so thankful to the City Mayor for his unending support to the City Library's programs and projects that satisfy the educational and informational needs of the constituents of the City.
The QC Public Library has proposed to the City Mayor Herbert Bautista of the Braille Services to serve the visually impaired individuals in the City.

The proposed Braille Library will provide several features on braille materials and access to internet. This will be an additional section of the Quezon City Public Library in partnership with the Resources for the Blinds, Inc. in terms of providing materials, trainings on Braille to assigned sighted library staff and volunteering trained blind for the mobilization in terms of support to the blind users.

In Quezon City, only the Commonwealth Elementary School in Bataan, Quezon City has facilities for the visually impaired pupils. They have 28 visually impaired pupils.

If ever this project will push through, Quezon City will be the 4th in the Philippines (Manila, Naga, Iloilo) to have a public library that will provide free library services for the blinds and visually impaired.

The objectives of this project are:

- To provide free Braille collections to Quezon City residents who are unable to read conventional print due to visual disability especially the children.
- To give the blinds and visually impaired equal opportunities to have access to information, to read and to have research as the sighted individuals enjoy the facilities of a public library.
- Enhance the lives of the blinds and visually impaired and boost their morale as the sighted individuals are.
- To establish a special section in the Library for the blinds and visually impaired persons for their self-development, self-reliance, and their integration into the mainstream of society.
- To enable children with disabilities facilitate their full and equal participation in education and as members of the community.

2010 Statistics of blinds and visually impaired in Quezon City is 5,427, of which 3,147 are male and 2,280 female out of the total 30,155 number of persons with disabilities. (Source SSDD).

Proposed libraries to have Braille services are the Greater Projet 4 Branch Library, Novaliches Branch Library, The Main Library and the District Libraries which are proposed to be constructed.

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This project is very much supported by the Vice Mayor and Coun. Aly Medalla, who even bring with them this project and present it to the Sister City in the United States.

In the end, Quezon City Government through the City Public Library, will be able to provide the blind and visually impaired persons with the services and assistance they need. In the process, we will discover that the only difference between us and someone who is blind is that we can see.

The City Librarian visited the Resources for the Blinds to get insights on how to provide Braille services.

Our proposed clients

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10. "GOD’S WISDOM" Many times we thank God for our roses, but not once our thorns. We have looking forward to a world where we shall get compensation for our cross, but we have never thought of our "present glory." There is glory in our cross and VALUE in our thorns. We can climb though Jesus in the path of pain and will show that our tears have made our rainbow.

11. Truly, we learn courage when we face danger; … we learn patience when we endure sufferings; we learn tenderness when we taste pain and we partake in the sufferings of Christ when illness strikes. How blessed are we because our troubles are our "greatest" opportunity!

12. Worry is pointless because it cannot meet any of our needs. Worry is foolish because the creator of the universe loves us and knows what we need. He promised to meet all our real needs… but not necessarily all our desires.

13. For every hectic day, God is our quiet rest. For every painful experience, he is our healing touch. For every disappointment He is our certain hope. For every turbulent storm, he is our calming peace. For every hurtful action, He is our forgiving love. At the end of the day, we have a restful sleep in the caressing arm of God.
The Main library had conducted eight activities mostly computer tutorials. Other branch libraries had two to three activities.

The schools that conducted a library visit to the QC public Library are the UP SLIS CWTS students, the Raya School and the National Polytechnic College of Novaliches.

Lagro Branch Library is one of the most active branch with a total number of eleven (11) activities, headed by Ms. Evelyn Garcia and Ms. Marlyn Bautista. Followed by Escopa 2 branch headed by Ms. Jenny Quilaquil, with nine(9) various activities; Talipapa Branch with 6 activities, Novaliches branches headed by Ms. Fe Gomez with five (5) activities. The Quezon City Public Library continues to give outreach services to the children of Quezon City. It has reached a total of 51 different activities like storytelling, tutorials, library orientations, puppet shows for the 3rd quarter and has accepted library visits of pupils in different schools.

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The present Director of the National Library, Atty. Antonio Santos visited the Quezon City Public Library last August 13, 2011. Being the newly appointed Director of the National Library, vice Director Prudenciana Cruz, who just retired, he made it a point to include in his appointments the visitation of the different public libraries in Metro Manila.

Atty. Santos had a short meeting with Ms. Villanueva, the City Librarian and her staff, with a powerpoint presentation of the QCPL profile, its branches and activities being conducted in different barangays.

The City Librarian also attended the 1st meeting of Congressional and public librarians in the NCR, presided by the Director of TNL at the Pasig City Library and Discovery Center on August 22, 2011. Pasig City Library is one of the best public libraries in NCR.

It was decided in this affair that each library will host the forthcoming meetings of the group.

The QC Public Library will be the venue of the 2nd NCR congressional meeting after the Pasig City Library.
BOOK DONATIONS THRU THE “SHARE A BOOK PROGRAM”

Mr. Ricky Baldo of WS Pacific Publishing House donates various reference books to the Novaliches branch library and turned over to Ms. Fe Gomez, Head Librarian of the said Library. The turn over ceremony was held last July 15, 2011. (left picture)

The books are of general interest and will surely be of great use to the researchers of the Novaliches Branch particularly those who can not afford to buy expensive books.

On the other hand, the QC Public Library donated various reference books to Gawad Kalinga in Parañaque. The books donated were from the Children’s International (CI) Philippines to the Quezon City Public Library which is being shared to other public and barangay libraries as part of its “Share a Book Program”. The books (left picture) are turned over by Ms. Ellen Sampiano, Head of Technical Section to Gawad Kalinga Staff.

Another province that benefited with the share a book program of the City Library was from the Mulanay, Quezon Province. The barangay initiated the putting up of a library in their community to help the students in their research and informational needs.

They were given assorted reference books, which were picked up in the QCPL.
The QC Public Library continues to implement its “Adopt a Library Program” not only in Quezon City but also in the different remote barangays, and provinces. For the past months QCPL has organized various libraries not only in Quezon City but also in provinces that request for the organization of their libraries. Last July 1-2, 2011, the City Librarian and her staff went to Arayat, Pampanga to help the Holy Child Educational Foundation in the organization of their library.

Last August 9, 2011, the AHON Library at Mines Elementary School, which also requested for help for the organization of their library was inaugurated with no other than the City Mayor Herbert Bautista as the Guest of Honor.

The Barangay Masagana also requested the QCPL for the mini library to be organized for the use of their constituents, and the QCPL staff started the organization last August 30, 2011. The library was housed within the barangay Hall.

Aside from the time given by the staff in the organization, books were also given to said libraries.
Cong. Jorge Banal Jr. sponsored a storytelling training which was attended by QCPL and barangay staff last Sept. 30, 2011 in coordination with the National Book Development Board.

Cong. Banal has been a consistent supporter of the QC Public Library in all its activities even when he was still a Councilor of the 3rd district of Quezon City.

The training aimed to give more skills to the QCPL staff who are having their regular storytelling sessions to their respective libraries in the barangays and to others who are also
MANNERISMS & PERSONALITY TRAITS OF A FILIPINO

Scoring: Give yourself 3 points if you can relate to the following characteristics yourself, 2 points if it relates to an immediate family member (mom or dad) and 1 point if you know of someone who has the characteristic.

(Note: This quiz was taken from "The Philippine Review," August 1995 edition.)

1. You point with your lips.
2. You eat using your hands and have it down to a technique!
3. Your other piece of luggage is a balikbayan box.
4. You nod your head upwards to greet someone.
5. You put your foot up on your chair and rest your elbow on your knee while eating.
6. You use a rock to scrub yourself in the bath or shower.
7. You have to kiss your relatives on the cheek as soon as you enter the room.
8. You're standing next to eight big boxes at the airport.
9. You collect items from hotels or restaurants "for souvenir's sake."
10. Your house has a distinctive aroma.
11. You smile for no reason.
12. You flirt by having a foolish grin on your face while raising your eyebrows repeatedly.
13. You go to a department store and try to bargain the prices.
14. You use an umbrella for shade on hot summer days.
15. You scratch your head when you don't know the answer.
16. You never eat the last morsel of food on the table.
17. You go bowling.
18. You play pusoy & mah jong.
19. You find dried up morsels of rice stuck to your shirt.
20. You prefer to sit in the shade instead of basking in the sun.
21. You add an unwarranted "H" to your name (i.e., "Jhun," "Bhoy," or "Rhon.").
22. You put your hands together in front of you as if to make a path and say "excuse, excuse" when you pass in between people or in front of the TV.
23. Your middle name is your mother's maiden name.
24. You like everything that's imported or "state-side."
25. You check the labels on clothes to see where it was made.
26. You hang your clothes out to dry.
27. You are perfectly comfortable in a squatting position with your elbows resting on your knees.
28. You consistently arrive 30 minutes late for all events.
29. You always offer food to all your visitors.
MOA SIGNING SA ESCOPA 2

by Ms. Jenny Quilaquil


Naisakatuparan ng sabing aklatan ang pagtatapos ng anim na mamamayan ng Escopa 1-4 sa pamamagitan ng tagapagturo na si Bb. Carla A. Mendoza, isa ring tagapamahala ng aklatan.

Ang libreng tutorial ay napapaloob o bahagi ng MOA o kasunduan ng Quezon City Public Library - Bgy. Escopa 2 Branch at ang pamahalaan ng Barangay Escopa 2.


Ang mga nagsipagtapos ng “Libreng Computer tutorial” kasama ang Kapitan ng Escopa 2 Kgg. Fernandito Ortiz, (naka pula) at Ms. Carla Mendoza (naka blue)
Last September 16-17, 2011, the Quezon City Public Library staff had a two (2) day library tour at the Northern part of the Philippines, Lingayen, Dagupan and Alaminos, in Pangasinan. The QCPL staff was led by the City Librarian Ms. Emelita Villanueva and Cynthia Tolado her assistant.

This is the 2nd library tour in the north after Ilocos region. The objective of the tour was to be able to observe best practices of other provincial and city libraries and possibly incorporate these best practices in the QC public library setting.

First destination was the Lingayen Provincial Library followed by the Dagupan City library then the Alaminos City Library.

Librarians of each library were very accommodating and warm in welcoming the QCPL staff.

The QCPL Staff experienced the river cruise while having lunch courtesy of Mayor of Dagupan City Hon. Benjamin S. Lim.

Dagupan City is one of the best tourist destinations with its green scenery, rivers, beaches and of course their well known “bangus”.

Next destination was at the Alaminos City Library.

Alaminos is home to the Hundred Islands National Park, the very first national park in the Philippines.

The group was welcomed by the City Librarian Ms. Zenaida Romero and her staff.

There was a short program at the City Library with a power point presentation of the City Librarian on the City Library’s profile and also the Tourism Consultant Mr. Miguel L. Sison presented the City’s tourism destinations.

Snacks and lunch were served and an island hopping at the Hundred Islands was experienced by the QCPL staff in spite of the heavy rains. This was courtesy by the Alaminos City Mayor Hon. Hernani A. Braganza.

The Library staff headed by Ms. Romero served as the tourist guide while island hopping.

The QCPL staff really enjoyed the wonderful and amazing Hundred Islands. It was really a nature curved by God. Others enjoyed swimming captivated by the clean and blue water and white sand.

Thank you to all those who made the library tour of the QCPL staff an experience to remember.

To all the beautiful and kind librarians and their generous officials, God bless you!
Left: QCPL Staff at Dagupan City Public Library with the librarians. Right: QCPL staff at the Dawel River Cruise.

Left: QCPL staff going to Hundred Islands Park. Right: QCPL staff at the Pinoy Big Brother House in Hundred Islands Park.
Left: Ms. Emy Villanueva, Cynthia Tolado and May Bernal at the entrance of the Dawel River Cruise. Right: Ms. Emy Villanueva and Ms. Cynthia Tolado, May Bernal, Marlene Raquiño present a token of appreciation to Dagupan City Library, a QC coffee table book and children’s books.

Left: QCPL staff entering the Lingayen Provincial Library. Right: Ms. Zenaida Romero, City Librarian of Alaminos City Library with her powerpoint presentation.
The library, I believe, is the last of our public institutions to which you can go without credentials. You don't even need the sticker on your windshield that you need to get into the public beach. All you need is the willingness to read.

~ Harry Golden ~
I would like to continue my spiritual corner by providing you some verses which were forwarded to me by friends. These words actually supported my faith in God. Words that will make your spiritual self stronger in times of weakness and troubles. Let me share it with you.

1. "Worries are like birds. Let them fly over you. But don't let them build a nest on your head. Life is a precious gift. Keep it worry free."

2. Stop telling God: "Hey God, I got a big problem!" Instead say, "Hey problem, I got a big, powerful God! You dare?"

3. It feels so good to hear someone say: "Take Care". But it feels greater hearing God's voice saving everyday: "Fear not, I am always taking care of you".

4. PEACE: It does not mean to be in a place where there is no trouble or hard work. It means to be in the midst of those things and still be calm in your heart.

5. "We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us."

6. "Oftentimes, we need to pray not because we need to change the situation, but primarily because we need God to change our attitude towards the situation."

7. As I woke up this morning... I realized that I should not regret any day of my life. "good days give me happiness. Bad days give me experiences." Both are essential to my life. HAPPINESS keep me SWEET. TRIALS make me STRONG; SORROWS, keep me HUMAN; FAILURES make me HUMBLE; SUCCESS keeps me GROWING; AND GOD keeps me GOING.

8. One day... A rich Dad took his son on a trip. He wanted to show him how poor someone can be... They spent Time on the farm of a poor family. On the way home, dad asked: "Did you see how poor they are? What did you learn? The son replied: "We have one dog, they have four. We have a pool, they have rivers. We have lanterns at night, they have the stars. We have foods, they grow theirs. We have walls to protect us, they have friends. We have encyclopedias, they have BIBLE. Thanks Dad for showing me HOW POOR WE ARE!" Lesson: It's not about the money that makes us rich... it's about making God the center of our lives.

9. One day, God had a work for me to do. He showed me a rock and told me to push it with all my might. For many years, I pushed and pushed but nothing happened. The rock hasn't moved even an inch. In discouragement, I asked God why am I failing? The Lord responded, "your task is to push the rock. Never did I mention that you move it." Lesson: Obedience to God is easy if we only know how to LISTEN.
FEATURES

Let’s face it: If you’re on this planet, you probably have stress. Unfortunately, too much stress can really drain your ability to rest, feel good, be productive, think, have relationships, have fun—pretty much everything humans need to do to survive and thrive.

I am sharing you 15 healthy ways proven to deal with stress and boost your well-being. These are effective steps to start up—. Of course, not all ways are right for everyone, but odds are that at least a few will work for you.

1) Connect with Others. People who feel connected are happier and healthier—and may even live longer.

2) Stay Positive. People who regularly focus on the positive in their lives are less upset by painful memories.

3) Get Physically Active. Exercise can help relieve insomnia and reduce depression.

4) Help Others. People who consistently help others experience less depression, greater calm and fewer pains.

5) Get Enough Sleep. Not getting enough rest increases risks of weight gain, accidents, reduced memory and heart problems.

6) Create Joy and Satisfaction. Positive emotions can boost your ability to bounce back from stress.

7) Eat Well. Eating healthy food and regular meals can increase your energy, lower the risk of developing certain diseases and influence your mood.

8) Take Care of Your Spirit. People who have strong spiritual lives may be healthier and live longer. Spirituality seems to cut the stress that can contribute to disease.

9) Deal Better with Hard Times. People who can tackle problems or get support in a tough situation tend to feel less depressed.

10) Get Professional Help if You Need It. More than 80 percent of people who are treated for depression improve.

12. If you can’t remove the stress, remove yourself. Slip away once in a while for some private time.

13. Competing with others, whether in accomplishments, appearance, or possessions, is an avoidable source of stress.

14. Try doing only one thing at a time

15. Remember, sometimes it’s okay to do nothing.
PRES. MANUEL L. QUEZON 133rd BIRTH ANNIVERSARY

Last August 19, 2011, the Quezon City Government celebrated the 133rd birth anniversary of President Manuel L. Quezon, the founder of Quezon City, at the Quezon Memorial Circle.

The affair was led by Mayor Herbert Bautista, Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte and Councilors and attended by QC Hall employees.

THE FOUNDER OF QUEZON CITY

Manuel Luis Quezon was born on August 19, 1878 in Baler, Tayabas (now Quezon), to Lucio Quezon, a native of Paco, Manila and Maria Dolores Molina. He studied law at the University of Sto. Tomas and passed the bar examinations in 1903. He became the fiscal of his home province and was soon elected governor. In the 1907 election, he ran for the Nacionalista Party, won by a large majority, and became the majority floor leader.

In 1909, he was elected Resident Commissioner to Washington, D.C., a post he held until 1916. His most significant achievement was the passage of the Jones Act that provided for the grant of Philippine independence. He was elected senator in 1916 and eventually became Senate President. He headed the first Independence Mission to the U.S. Congress, and brought home the Tydings-McDuffie Independence Law in 1934. The "Star of Baler" shone as the First President of the Commonwealth after his brilliant performance as the First Senate President. He was steadfast in his vision to deliver the masses from the shackles of colonialism which intensified his efforts to secure independence for his country. He was a dynamic Filipino leader and a true friend of the poor and the oppressed whom he loved and cared so well. Quezon is one of the most illustrious sons our country has ever produced.

Quezon was married to Aurora Aragon and had four children. He died on August 1, 1944 in Saranac Lake, New York.
Quezon City Public Library was organized on August 16, 1948.

Vision: To provide library users with facilities where they can use the latest technologies like internet and multi-media to enhance research and facilitate information access and retrieval.

Mission: The public library, the local gateway to knowledge, provides the basic condition of life long learning. It shall provide access to all printed, cultural, historical, intellectual and literary heritages of the country and other information sources and ensures the preservation and conservation of these materials through the technological innovations for the use of the future generations.

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