Quezon City Public Library continues to improve its services so as to give the best library services to its clienteles. This 2012 accomplishment report showcases the QCPL’s best practices on its readers’, outreach and administrative services extended to the constituents of Quezon City most particularly to the less privileged students and how it professionally develops its librarians and support staff for them to cope with the latest and most advance library developments in the interest of the service.

I. **Book Acquisitions:**
1.1 Books purchased - 1,631 vols. Amounting to P1,988,968.00
1.2 *Books Donated by Foundations, Individuals, etc.* - 2,794 vols.
1.3 From The National Library of the Philippines - 3,640 vols.

**Total** - 8,065 vols.

*LIST OF QCPL DONORS:

**Individuals:**
1. Coun. Alberto Galarpe
2. Cong. Antonio Tinio
3. Yves and Fiona Talavera
4. Andrew Yosuico
5. Ms. Ruth Guhit
6. Mrs. Ofelia Tamayo
7. Ms. Meliza Wepee
8. Carmelite Missionaries c/o Sr. Victoria R. Mesina
9. Mr. Buddhi Sagar
10. Atty. Camille Sevilla
11. Marie S. Nerona
12. Ms. Alma Borja
13. Atty. Pilar Cid
14. Ms Imelda Kalacas

**Publishing Houses:**
1. PLL Publishing House
2. Lampara Publishing House
3. Payatas Poverty Alleviation Foundation, Inc.
4. University of the Phils. Main Library
5. University of the Philippines Press
6. Claretian Communications Foundation, Inc.
7. New day Publishers
9. Bookman Inc.
12. Lorimar Publishing
13. FNB Educational, Inc. thru Cong. Jorge “Bolet” Banal
14. Ibon Foundation thru Mr. Aldrin Cuña

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II. Professional Staff Development:

QCPL staff continue to attend various trainings and seminars to equip themselves in providing library services. These seminars and trainings were conducted in Quezon City, other provinces and abroad as follows:

1. Forum on “For the Love of Filipiniana Literature : Book Talks” conducted by the Book Talk Society of the Philippines, Inc. held on February 22, 2012 at NLP Auditorium.


3. “2-Day Seminar Workshop on Story Writing and Storytelling” conducted by QCPL held on March 12-13, 2012 at the Multi-Purpose Hall of Don Alejandro Roces Sr. Science & Technology High School.

4. LGU Training on “Philippine History and Heritage” conducted by NHCP held on March 15-16, 2012 at Teacher’s Camp, Baguio City.


6. “QCPL Employees’ Spiritual Retreat” conducted by QCPL in coordination with Joint Discipleship Christian Fellowship held on April 19-20, 2012 at St. Agatha Resort – Sta. Rita, Guiguinto, Bulacan.

7. Forum on “Bring the C.H.A.M.P. to the Workplace” conducted by QCPL held on April 24, 2012 at QCPL Reference Section.

8. National Forum “Salon” on “Public Access to Information in the Philippines” sponsored by the National Library of the Philippines held last May 16, 2012 at NLP Director’s Conference Room


10. Forum on Gender thru the Budget Lens on June 8, 2012 at 14th Floor, QC Hall Building

12. Forum on “K to 12 Curriculum and Reading” conducted by Children’s Literature Association of the Phils. Inc. (CLAPI) on July 24, 2012 at the National Library of the Philippines Auditorium.

13. Workshop on Updating the Local development Plan for Children at the City Personnel Conference Room on August 2-3, 2012

14. Forum on “Transforming Library Services thru Blended Librarianship and Information Commons” conducted by Central Luzon Library Association in cooperation with Baliuag University on August 3, 2012 at the B.U. High School Library Baliuag, Bulacan.


18. National Conference of Public Librarians sponsored by the National Library and the Local Government of Baguio City on November 6-8, 2012

19. Forum on “Healthy Lifestyle for Librarians” conducted by PLAI-NCR on November 20, 2012 at NLP Auditorium.


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Last November 6-8, 2012, the National Library of the Philippines, led by Director Antonio Santos, in partnership with the Provincial Government of Benguet and the City Government of Baguio, conducted a 3-day National Conference of Public Librarians with the theme: Legislative Agenda: Towards A National Development Plan for Public Librarians” with Hon. Mauricio G. Domogan, Batuio City Mayor, as the Keynote Speaker.

It was attended by more than 500 librarians, and library administrators coming from different cities and provinces of the country.

Resource speakers were invited to talk on different library issues and concerns. During the Plenary Session, speakers were:

Dr. Reysa Alenzuela, Director of Thomas Jefferson Information Center, talked on “Best Practices in Public Libraries in the USA”, Ms. Kiang-Koh Lai Lin, Director, Reading Initiatives, National Library Board Singapore, talked on “Public Library System in Singapore”, Dr. LI JIA of the University of the Philippines, on “Assessment of Free Policy in Public Library System in China”.

The City Librarian explained the mechanics of the “Adopt-a-library” and “Share-a-book” projects. QCPL adopts a library by helping a requesting school or barangay libraries organize their book collections and oftentimes various reference books are also donated to the said libraries.

Incorporated in the said projects are the conduct of storytelling, puppet shows and training for the library staff.

She further states that QCPL regularly receives letter of solicitations for books from other barangay, city, or provincial libraries. Usually the requesting parties are the city or school officials. It was assured that these requests were given utmost priority, especially if the libraries are located in remote areas of the provinces or cities.

Other Parallel Session Speakers were:

Ms. Matilde M. Nery, Provincial Librarian of Ilocos Norte, on “i-hub”: The case of Ilocos Norte Provincial Library, Ms. Maria Rosario Chua, Cebu city Librarian, on “Empowering Reading Centers in the Local Community”, Mr. Vic Jayson Cruz, City Librarian of Marikina on “Branding for Public Librarians”, Ms. Teresita DP. Osorio, City Librarian of Pasig on “The Pasig City Library & Discovery Center and Barangay Libraries”, and Ms. Nora Fe H. Alajar, Davao City Librarian, on “Beyond Access Experience”.

Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, City Librarian of Quezon City delivering her talk.

Atty. Antonio Santos, Director of the National Library of the Philippines presents the certificate of appreciation to Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, City Librarian, and to the City Librarian of Marikina, Mr. Vic Jayson Cruz as speakers.

The City Librarian with her Staff: (seated from left) Lucila Raquiño, Irene Camua, Ana Punio, Fe Gomez. (standing from left: Grace Velez, Marlyn Bautista, Chona Masbate, Malou Malonga, Estrellita Perez, Jenny Leoncio and Michelle Ferrer.
FORMER QCLAI OFFICERS GET-TOGETHER by Mariza G. Chico

Last December 5, 2012, former officers and presidents of Quezon City Librarians Association, Inc. (QCLAI) held their long awaited get-together at Tramway Garden Buffet in Timog, Quezon City.

The QCLAI is a non-stock, non-profit organization established in 1995 by the former City Superintendent of Libraries of Quezon City, Ms. Blanquita L. Del Barrio, as the prime mover in organizing the group of librarians in Quezon City. The Association’s objectives are: 1) to foster mutual library cooperation among members; 2) to enhance the members’ professional growth and development through seminars, in-service trainings, workshops and scholarship grants to its members; and 3) to bring library services closer to its city constituents, through bookmobile services, puppet shows, storytelling sessions, livelihood lectures and information dissemination of important and relevant news.

The get-together which also happened to be an early Christmas Party for the group was attended by fifteen (15) former officers composed of the following: Ms. Emelita L. Villanueva, Ms. Cynthia DJ. Tolado, Ms. Lucila R. Raquiño, Ms. Mariza G. Chico, Ms. Mary Ann L. Bernal, Ms. Fe B. Gomez, all from the Quezon City Public Library; Ms. Perla C. Patacsil, retired librarian of UP-NCPAG; Ms. Corazon G. Cruz, retired librarian of Claret School of QC; Ms. Erlinda A. Mercado, retired librarian of NICA; Ms. Godie S. Ricalde, retired librarian of Ateneo School of Governance; Ms. Dorie G. Camacho of ABS-CBN; Ms. Norma M. Roque of NAPOCOR; Ms. Aurora Veloso, retired librarian of ABC-5; Ms. Evangeline Alensuela, retired librarian of Tariff Commission; and Ms. Edna B. Mapa of Commission on Audit.

The event was coordinated by Ms. Chico, who willingly spared time to contact all the retired officers and made this get-together possible and successful. The affair ended with exchanging and giving of gifts with everybody.
The Assistant City Librarian, Ms. Cynthia DJ. Tolado, together with four (4) other librarians attended the 2012 Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI) National Conference with the theme “The Libraries...Effects on Society” held in General Santos City last November 28-30, 2012.

The PLAI’s general objective for this conference is for the Librarians, information professionals, and other stakeholders to have a broader and deeper understanding of the libraries’ impact on society. There were ten (10) Resource Speakers who discussed various topics relating to the theme of the Conference. The Guest of Honor who likewise rendered her Keynote Address was the Honorable Mayor of General Santos City, Ms. Darlene Magnolia Antonino-Custodio. The Honorable Mayor emphasized in her Keynote Address that even with the influx of technology and Internet, books and libraries still played a very vital role in the education of children. She even noted that she came from a transition period wherein access to Internet then was very slow, that’s why she preferred using books, and shared also some of her experiences in going/using the library.

The conference was attended by hundreds of librarians all over the Philippines representing the four (4) types of libraries: academic, school, public and special libraries.****


Cont. from page 4... Former QCLAI Officers Get Together...

Past QCLAI Officers from left: Aurora Veloso, retired Chief Librarian of ABC5, Ms. Perla Patacsil, retired Chief Librarian of UP -NCPAG, Ms. Evangeline Alensuel, retired librarian of Tariff Commission, Ms Mariza Chico of QCPL, Ms. Adoracion Camacho of ABS-CBN, Ms. Cora Cruz, retired Chief Librarian of Claret school.
FIRST ENCOUNTER AT ESCOPA 3

Welcome QCPL Escopa 3 Branch – District 3, Project 4

“The very best of all my thoughts are those that I think of,
The very best of all my words are those that I can speak on:
“My found less dreams, my prayers to the lord above;
The very best of all this is all that I can offer you“

November 23, 2012 was a very estranged day to me since this will be a new point of place to work on a daily routine. Did my personal ocular visit to the community and of course met the children of Ecopa3. So approachable Kagawad Jon-Jon Flores was the first I met there, and the very friendly barangay Library staff, ate Linda who gave me some short info of the library. Come the following week, I had my courtesy call to Brgy. Chairman Leolibeth Daluraya and at the Greater Project 4 Library headed by Mdm. Irene Camua


This was my first presentation activity together with Kgd. Jon-Jon Flores, Kgd. Eduardo Dagdagan, who provided the poster, Kgd. Jasmin Lopez, Ate Linda and Day Care Escopa 3 as the participants. Food was served to the children sponsored by QCPL, and Rep. Jorge Banal.

It was followed by the culminating activity of the ICCT College Foundation Inc. which was Livelihood Program & Non-Formal Education done on December 8, 2012 at the basketball court. There was the awarding of certificates to the participants, selected community children, & housewives. Gifts and food was served. Though, I missed the first part of their programs, I am still thankful of meeting and participated a short part of their ending programs they had catered the community.

Next group of school that was met was Ateneo University in two groups. The freshmen who were doing inter-action to some children through games, arts and the third year students doing theatre dance steps guided by Lingap Foundation.

III. OUTREACH SERVICES:

QCPL continued to provide outreach services not only to the people of Quezon City, but also to

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III. Innovations

QCPL has conducted in-house trainings to the staff and library users as follows:

1. Training on setting up an LCD projector—18 staff
2. Data Base orientation—13 staff
3. 235 persons were trained on basic computer tutorial
4. The internet speed of the ff libraries and branches was upgraded from 2 Mbps to 5 Mbps with no additional cost to the local government
   Main Library
   Novaliches Branch
   Cubao

5. The filtering software was changed from OPENDNS to K9. If you wish to block a site, the MISS staff must visit the branch, unlike with OPENDNS it can be done off site or over the internet
6. 631 activities posted at website photo's page
7. Database Orientation for public high schools
8. Database Orientation for SSDD Day Care Teachers
9. Database Orientation for college students

10. Held Database Orientation for 40 high school and college students and library staff on ebrary, like QC Science High school, PUP, QCPU, and UST.

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V. Total Books & Periodicals Collections of QCPL as of 2012

To date QCPL has a total book collections of 66,586.00 volumes (as shown in Fig. 1) broken down as follows:

- Purchases—14,253
- From TNL—2,489
- Donations—49,844

Total 66,586

Sources of Books came through Purchases which were acquired using government’s funds. From the TNL are donations from the National government through the National Library of the Philippines, and donations came from individuals, organizations, foundations, publishing houses, etc. These books are distributed in the Main Library and the different branch libraries located from District 1 to District 6.

QCPL has a total newspaper subscription of 13 copies and 3 donations. It has 7 titles of foreign magazines and 6 local titles, and 115 titles which were donated by various individuals, organizations, etc.

VI. Total Number of Users Served:

QCPL and its branch libraries have served a total of 204,215 users. ****
The Quezon City Public Library (QCPL) is encouraging students to go to libraries to do actual research instead of usually relying on a “copy-paste” way of research from which they have little to learn.

To counter the effects of the latest technology on students, the QCPL has lined-up activities beyond its usual routine to win the heart of young learners whose enthusiasm to turn pages of the needed references is not neither a priority nor a choice for them.

According to QCPL head Emelita Villanueva, the presence of computers is a big help in the city library’s efforts to encourage people to explore and communicate with the outside world by just pushing the keys at home, but the consequences that it brings to mind is beyond the acceptable limits. She said that the lack of interest among students to read books and worst, their addiction to violent games are taking away the culture of love and respect among children.

To go against the expected decline of readership, QCPL has partnered and coordinated with other stakeholders to come up with a program that will somehow help them encourage students to visit the library and resort to turning the pages of reference materials, thus reliving the easiest and basic way of learning—reading books.

Recently, the QCPL and the Barangay Operations Center of the QC Government had teamed up to spearhead the values formation program among the 142 city barangays. This aims to conduct a parenting workshop that will teach parents on how to properly raise their children and somehow see their help in encouraging their offspring to read books.

The responsible parenthood seminar with the theme: “Tamang Kaalaman sa Pagmamagulang ay Tagumpay ng Isang Barangay” is ongoing effort of the QCPL and the BOC to instill proper nurturing and raising of kids to ensure a responsible next generation of citizens.

Aside from values formation, QCPL is encouraging barangay officials to put up a community reading center that will make available the needed reading materials to students, book lovers and reading enthusiasts within their reach.

The QCPL coordinates with school libraries within the city to provide them with basic knowledge on librarianship, and also to help them execute outreach programs such as “Adopt a library program” where they donate books and offer tutorial classes for students who have reading difficulties.

The QCPL is planning a “back-to-basic—back-to-reading” strategy, an idea that will inspire students and children alike to read books, a lifestyle that they can do, Villanueva said. ***
2012 was considered an extremely busy year for the LRS. We have changed the dilapidated labels/captions of newspaper clippings especially the Republic Act folders. We’ve created an information guide for the awareness of the users, wherein the content focused on the services offered by the LRS. We’ve also conducted physical inventory of law books and segregated the condemned books, those that were re-donated and transferred.

LRS continued to update and created a new face of the LRS Blog which features updated news articles issued by the supreme Court and some news passed by the Senate and House of Representatives. It also contains information about the section, its collections as well as available CDs.

We also created and designed a virtual ordinance and incorporated links of other websites that are useful to the users such as Chan-Robles, Arellano Law Philippines, Senate, House of Representatives, office of the President, the Docstoc wherein it houses the uploaded QC ordinances and also to our own QCPL website.

Our record shows 23,125 viewed the web via Docstoc, with 349 downloads and 10,734 visits.

To update our records, we also weeded several law books and were deleted in the OPAC.

We have also significantly produced an information guide regarding the rules and procedures on how to use the computers of the section.

LRS also continues to encode the latest QC resolutions and ordinances passed by the City Council which can be viewed through the OPAC. These ordinances were scanned and uploaded in the Docstoc in order for the users to view these information on-line.

One of the plans of the LRS is to make a Pathfinder brochure specifically to the eight (8) subjects of Law. It will feature the latest books available in the library.*
At the start of 2012, there was a reshuffle of different staff to man different sections of the Library. I was one of them, assigned at the Administrative Section. At the beginning, it was hard to be assigned at the Admin. Section, considering that I am a Librarian by Profession.

As the saying goes, start from the scratch and see for ourselves how we ought to make to deliver what was expected of.

Anyway, everybody has no knowledge whatsoever from their own originality. “At any rate all that we have are received...”meaning either a person had only asked, heard of, or read about, were all *merely gained* from what had already existed...

As above, asking is even a vice, considering modesty-there are people who are benevolent enough and accommodating to lead us, especially to offices to where we are connected to, like the BAC Office, CGSD, Mayor’s Office and our cooperation and coordination with each other at this section.

To sum it all, we’ve done our very best to accomplish our tasks, even how complicated they were. There were conflicts but resolved; problems but solved.

It was during last year, that the processing of the acquisition of the official car of the office, a Toyota Innova Red Mica was finally accomplished.

We were also able to request for two (2) out of the country and three local seminars, funded by the City Government. We were able to attend the Congress of South East Asian librarians (CONSAL) with the theme “National Heritage: Preservation and Dissemination” at Kuta Bali, Indonesia last May 28-June 1, 2012, International Benchmarking of Libraries in Asia’s Garden City of Lights with the theme: “Discovering Bustling Kuala Lumpur” at Malaysia, on October 27-31, 2012, Enhancing Personality and Library Skills for Paraprofessional Staff at Baguio City on October 3-5, 2012, National Conference of Public Librarians with the theme “Legislative Plan for Public Libraries” at Baguio City on November 6-8, 2012, and A National Conference by the Phil. Librarians Association, Inc (PLAI), with the theme: “the Libraries...Effects on the Society” at General Santos City on November 28-30, 2012.

There were plenty of paper works, PRs, PO’s, vouchers, etc.. Where to go... Who to go... What's next... but finally we were able to find a great solution... A Process Flow Chart to follow. *
PANGASINAN AND DAGUPAN CITY LIBRARIANS VISIT QCPL

Last November 9, 2012, Librarians from Dagupan City and Pangasinan visited the Quezon City Public Library, right after attending the National Conference for Librarians at Baguio City.

They were able to go to the different sections of the Library, The Multi Media and Internet section, Filipiniana and Local History, Technical Services, Law Research, Reference Section, courtesy of Ms. Mariza Chico, the “tour guide”. *
Araw ng Pagbasa is an annual advocacy program that began in 2008. Every year, public elementary schools and high schools in Quezon City simultaneously hold storytelling sessions in Araling Panlipunan, Filipino, and English.

Araw ng Pagbasa was inspired by the ideals of the late Senator Benigno “Ninoy” Aquino Jr., who deeply believed that reading expands the mind that serves as a key to other learning.

To promote a nationwide advocacy for reading, November was declared the National Reading Month which culminates with the “Araw ng Pagbasa” on November 27, Ninoy’s birthday.

The Quezon City Public Library joins the nation in the celebration of the said event. Branch Libraries in Quezon City conducted a simultaneous Storytelling to the Students in all its branch libraries. (see pictures)

President Benigno S. Aquino III, himself led a storytelling session with Grade 5 pupils of T. Alonzo Elementary School in Project 4, Quezon City. The President read Haluhalo Espesyal by Yvette Ferreol, the story of sickly Jackie and how Lola Itang nursed her back to health with her treats.

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Cont. from page 12... Araw ng Pagbasa: Simultaneous Storytelling

Araw ng Pagbasa at Project 8 Branch Library

Project 7 Branch Library

Lagro Branch Library

Araw ng Pagbasa at Bagong Pag-asa Branch Library

Araw ng Pagbasa at Roxas Branch

Araw ng Pagbasa at Novaliches Branch
Cont. from page 13... Araw ng Pag-basa

Galas Branch Library

Pasong Tamo Branch Library

Escopa 3 Branch Library

Araw ng Pagbasa at Payatas Branch

Araw ng Pagbasa at Balingasa Branch Library

Araw ng Pagbasa at Talipapa Branch Library
ROXAS BRANCH LIBRARY ON THE GO

by Grace Velez

Roxas Branch Library continues to serve the students and even the teachers thru different activities that will surely increase their knowledge and skills.

We have conducted Library Database Orientation for the teachers of General Roxas Elementary School for three (3) consecutive days; dated October 22 to 24, 2012.

October 22, 2012 (Monday) Grades 1 & 2 teachers
October 23, 2012 (Tuesday) Grades 3 & 4 teachers
October 24, 2012 (Wednesday) Grades 5 & 6 teachers

It is gladdening to see that these teachers were able to acquire new learning, that is most helpful in making their lesson plans. They were motivated to encourage their students to go to our library for their research specially the English and Science teachers. They require their students to make their assignments using the library facilities; either on book research or from the internet (computer). Students were required by the teachers to have their index card signed by the Librarian In-Charge as a proof that they visited the library.

Through these activities, these students have formed the habits of “reading in advance” even without being asked by their teachers.

The students are now able to explore and make use of the different databases as resource material for their research.
GOD LOVES YOU...

God loves you! What does this mean? God's love for you is so much greater than our human love. We say we love people "if"... Or "because"... God just loves us "period." He loves us when we are sleeping; He loves us when we are little children; He loves us even when we do things that are bad.

God loved us so much that, even when we were sinners, He sent His Son Jesus Christ to suffer and take the punishment that is due to us. Would you send your own child to take a punishment he did not deserve? But God loves us that much.

So if you are discouraged, know this: God loves you. If you are out of money: God loves you. If you are sick: God loves you. If you are in good health: God loves you. And He loves you so much that He wants the very best for you. He wants you to be holy — to be conformed to the image of His Son. He wants you to be with Him someday in heaven. He wants His love to flow through you to others. You cannot conceal your sins from God, so don't even try. Confess your sins to Him; ask His forgiveness in the name and power of Jesus Christ; sincerely ask Jesus Christ to be your savior; and God will forgive you. God loves you and He knows what is best for you. Entrust your ways to Him, and He will lead and guide you on the path that is best for your life.

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FILIPINIANA AND LOCAL HISTORY SHELVES

Filipiniana Section is where you can find reading materials that pertain to the Philippines, the people, places, events, etc., while the Local History is the section where information about Quezon City, its people, the places and events can be found. QCPL have a total of 4,683 volumes of Filipiniana books and have served a total of 906 clienteles (444 Males and 462 Females) as follows:

High School Students - 360
College students - 358
Professionals - 121
Others - 67

QCPL has now issued a total of 17,069 library cards to QC residents.

Recently, two units of computers were placed at the section so as to have its own multimedia & internet service. This is in preparation to the stand alone search of Local History rare printed materials which are being scanned and hopefully to be viewed full text, preserving these rare materials for the use of the future generations.

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QCPL joins in the celebration of QC's 73rd foundation anniversary on October 12, 2012 with a Filmshowing on the History of Quezon City and launched the newest Puppetshow presentation “Depicting the Life of Tandang Sora”.

QCPL conducted its program/activity on October 11, 2012 at the library’s Reference Area.

The Filmshowing featured the history of the City with the different Mayors from 1939–2012, with some of their remarkable accomplishments.

The Puppet show Depicting the Life of Tandang Sora, featured the childhood of Melchora “Tandang Sora” Aquino, her contribution to the Katipunan until her death. 

 QUEZON CITY MAYORS 1939–present

Melchora “Tandang Sora”

Tomas Morato 1939–1942
Ponciano Bernardo–1946–1949
Nicanor Roxas 1949–1950
Ignacio santos Diaz 1950–Dec. 30, 1953
Norberto Amoranto 1954–1976
Adelina Rodriguez 1976–1986
Feliciano R. Belmonte Jr. 2001–2010
Herbert M. Bautista 2010–present

by Lucila Raquiño
QCPL LIBRARIANS ATTEND INTERNATIONAL BENCHMARKING AT KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA
by Janet Alday

QCPL Librarians were privileged to attend a 5-day International Benchmarking of Libraries at the Asia’s Garden City of Lights, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia last October 27-31, 2013, funded by the Quezon City Government. It was sponsored by the Phil. Association of Academic Research Librarians (PAARL) with the aim to benchmark with Malaysia’s Libraries, observe the latest technological progress and infrastructures, learn new trends and meaningful concepts of library services, foster professional and cultural exchange between Filipino and Malaysian Librarians and establish a linkage among Malaysian library associations for future collaborative undertakings.

The librarians, led by the City Librarian, Emelita Villanueva, were able to visit the National Library of Malaysia, University of Malaya Library, Monash University Library, International Medical University Library and Islamic International University Library.

The University of Malaya alone has a total collection of more than a million titles and The National Library takes pride in its Malaysiana collection like Malay manuscripts.

Cont. from page 16… Filpiniana and Local History shelves…

Local History Section contains a total of 2,170 souvenir programs, coffee table books, brochures, pamphlets, magazines, annual reports, speeches, biographies of QC officials, history of QC offices, barangays, news clippings, etc. and have served a total of 1,881 clienteles.

One of its projects to date is the scanning of these local history materials. We have scanned a total of 204 of these materials which are to be converted into CD format for preservation purposes.

We also have acquired Philippine Encyclopedia in CD format, which aims to minimize use of space.

QCPL have also published another book, the QUEZON CITY’S TIMELINE OF EVENTS THAT SHAPED THE CITY. It is a compilation of significant events that happened in Quezon City from the time before QC was created, to its creation, until the present administration. It may not be that complete because of time constraints and lack of other research materials, but it is interesting to note that some significant events happened in the past before we were born and others can look back and smile for once upon a time they were part in shaping the history of Quezon City.
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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. Clientele: The general public from all walks of life;

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By Ms. Marion Flores

Father, I don’t want my life to be driven by anything but love for you. Help me to center my life on your plan and purpose for me, and not to worry about the expectations of others."

Days from now year 2012 will be gone, a year to remember but to forget for so much pre-judgement and persecutions. Thus, ultimately, what matters most will not be what others say about your life but what God says about you. How will you answer God when he asks, “What did you do with what I gave you?”

Remember, each of us will stand personally before judgement seat of God. Yes, each of us will have to give a personal account to God. (Romans 14:10,12)

God has a purpose for each one’s life on earth but it doesn’t end here. He opens our eyes to see that there are eternal consequences in even the smallest choices of our life. Reminding to look past what is temporary and focus on what will last forever. We are here to make difference by serving God and others and this is one of God’s purpose. Whenever we serve others, in any way, we are actually serving God and fulfilling one of his purposes for creating us. We weren’t placed on earth just to breath, eat, take up space and have fun. God fashioned each one of us to make a unique contribution.

As a believer, God had spoke to me and meditate on his will. Forgive, let hate, fear, anger and a broken relationship to restore..... Let me then share you his everlasting love . It can be to you too..

( Mt. Atok, Benguet; November 3-4, 2012 )

Talk to God before talking to a person.
Always take the initiative.
Sympathize with their feelings.
Confess your part of the conflict.
Attack the problem and not the person.
Cooperate as much as possible.
Emphasize reconciliation, not resolution.....

Restoration from Year 2012 ;
There are times in everyone's life when trouble seems to stop the hands of time. Life must go on. Take a few moments to distract yourself from daily concerns. And let call on our faith to uphold and draw from the inner strength and amazing peace will envelop you.

Remember that life is a cycle of up's and downs, a series of varying levels, sometimes easy, at times difficult. But the difficult times is the best teacher. They sharpen and mold us to be our best. Be good, do good, stay positive,

PRAY AND REMAIN STEADFAST IN YOUR FAITH
Realized that there is goodness and lessons to be learned in all life’s situations, purposely to draw us closer to God. #