

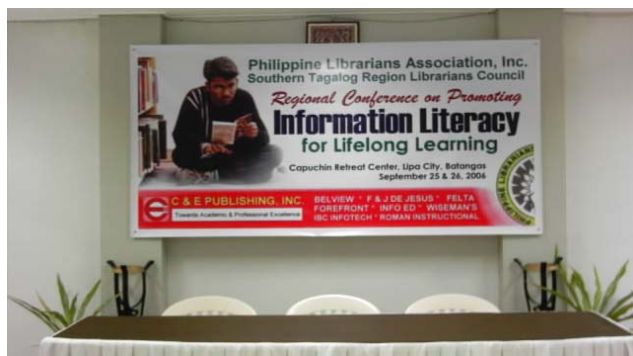
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1st INFORMATION LITERACY CONFERENCE



The Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. - Southern Tagalog Region Librarians Council (PLAI- STRLC) organized a Regional Conference and General Assembly last September 25 and 26, 2006 at the Capuchin Retreat Center, Barangay San Sebastian, Lipa City, Batangas.

Eight-four (84) librarians and information specialists in the provinces of Batangas, Cavite, Laguna, Quezon, Mindoro, Rizal, Romblon, Negros Occidental and Metro Manila attended the Regional Conference. Additional twenty-one (21) librarians from the region graced the General Assembly on the second day.

The conference has placed "Information Literacy" at the heart of its programme with the theme, "**Regional Conference on Promoting Information Literacy for Lifelong Learning.**" It aimed to bring lifelong learning back onto the agenda of library and information services and to provide an avenue to exchange ideas or address the challenges in providing lifelong learning opportunities for all and in designing information literacy programs for the 21st century.

USE OF RL – REGISTERED LIBRARIAN

Last September 26, 2006 the PLAI-STRLC (Southern Tagalog Region Librarian Council) General Assembly unanimously approved the proposal of using RL after the name of licensed librarian (e.g. Rene Manlangit, RL) to "level-up" so to speak the professionalism of licensed librarian. The GA viewed this initiative as a form of "community of practice" within Region IV (composed of 11 provinces) and hopefully to be adopted by other librarians in other provinces. Further, it was agreed to be on voluntary basis initially as some are not yet sold to the idea of using the initials.

The use of initials after our name was forwarded earlier by librarians in the government sector experiencing some form of "discrimination" from other professionals within their respective institution with similar PRC supervised board exams (e.g. Law, Nutrition, Nurse, Engineer, etc.) that have existing practice of appending initials of their profession before or after their name.

The PLAI- STRLC officers brainstormed on this idea several times during the monthly meetings and adopted the position of why not use similar initials to further drum beat awareness of the profession and as form of marketing our hard won recognition as one the profession that requires examination before anyone is allowed to practice in the country. It was further agreed that the proposal be brought to the attention of the GA for approval and widespread adoption. Initially it was LL (for licensed librarian) and someone opined it could stand for "loko-loko" until the officers settled for RL.

This particular STRLC approved proposal/initiative in Region IV will be then submitted to the PLAI-National and PLAI-HOD (House of Delegates) for their appropriate action. (RBManlangit)

LIBRARY ADVOCACY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

The Cavite Librarians Association, Inc. in coordination with Aklatang Emilio Aguinaldo will hold a "Forum on Library Advocacy: Making A Difference" and General Assembly to be held at Luis Aguado Viewing Room of Aklatang Emilio Aguinaldo, De La Salle University, Dasmariñas, Cavite on December 6, 2006.

The forum will concentrate on the librarian's role in educating our communities about why libraries are essential in an information society. It also aims to develop the skills necessary to promote the services of the library within the school complex, the community, and beyond. The topics include: The Role of Libraries in the 21st Century; Library Marketing; Promoting Library Programs and Services; and Libraries Go Live: Libraries and ICT.

The registration fee is PhP 300.00 for members and PhP 500.00 for non-members to include snacks, meals, handouts and certificate of participation. For particulars/reservations please contact the following: Ms. Charity R. Mahusay, (046) 431-0861 local 740 / 0917-7916430 and Mr. Marcial R. Batiangila, (046) 431-0861 / 0927-3809778 or e-mail us at cavitelibrarians@yahoo.com. (MRBatiangila)

2006 NATIONAL BOOK WEEK

The Philippines' 2006 National Book Week celebration will be held on November 24 to 29 with the theme is "Bata, Bata Halina't Magbasa".

Below is the schedule of activities.

- Nov. 21-23 PLAI General Assembly and Congress**
"Mainstreaming Values of Libraries,
Librarians and Information Professionals
in Knowledge Societies"
Manila Hotel
- Nov. 22 PATLS Quiz Bee**
1:00 - 5:00 PM
The National Library Auditorium
- Nov. 23 PLAI Fellowship Luncheon
and General Assembly**
12:00 NN, Manila Hotel
- Nov. 24 Fun Run, Book Character Parade,
National Book Week Opening**
7:00 AM - 12:00 NN
PATLS Forum on Children's Literature
1:00 - 3:00 PM
The National Library Auditorium
- Nov. 27 UPLSAA Forum "Mga Pamana ni Lola Basyang :
Writing and Illustrating Stories for
Children"**
8:00 - 12:00 NN
The National Library Auditorium
- CLAPI Forum**
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
The National Library Auditorium
- Nov. 28 PNU Forum and General Assembly**
8:00 AM - 12:00 NN
- Outreach Project - Pasig City Library.
"Puppet Show"**
- Nov. 29 PAARL Forum "Resource Generation
and Funding for Libraries"**
9:00 - 12 NN
The National Library Auditorium
- PATLS Quiz Bee Awarding**
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
The National Library Auditorium
- Fellowship Dinner**
6:00 PM
Villa Immaculada, Intramuros, Manila

BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS:OCTOBER

- 3 **Teresita Magbag**
MSEUFI (Quezon)
- 4 **Aurora Navela**
Sacred Heart College (Quezon)
- 16 **Ma. Luisabeth Aliwalas**
Oriental Mindoro Provincial Library (Mindoro)
- Rene Manlangit**
San Pablo Colleges (Laguna)
- 19 **Ma. Chona Chavez**
De La Salle Lipa (Batangas)
- 22 **Ria Marelle Algozo**
Quezon Provincial Library (Quezon)

NOVEMBER

- 23 **Natividad Templanza**
Divine Word College of Calapan (Mindoro)
- 25 **Lina Copioso**
UP Los Baños Main Library (Laguna)
- Russell Palma**
De La Salle Lipa (Batangas)
- 28 **Gloria Fandino**
CEM, UP Los Baños (Laguna)
- 30 **Andriette Valdez**
CFNR, UP Los Baños (Laguna)

DECEMBER

- 4 **Grace Mangubos**
South City Home Academy (Laguna)
- 7 **Myra Orendain**
Statefields School Inc. (Cavite)
- 12 **Marisel Viñer**
Sacred Heart College (Quezon)
- 19 **Leonor B. Gregorio**
Retired Librarian (Laguna)
- 25 **Nenita Silang**
Lyceum of Batangas (Batangas)

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