

PAARL Seminar at Island Cove

PAARL successfully held its last major seminar at Island Cove Resort, in Binakayan, Kawit, Cavite last October 17-18, 2005 on the theme “Technical Services in the Changing Library Environment”. It was attended by almost 150 participants from different institutions, and different regions of the Philippines. Some came from as far as Iloilo and Davao City. Some participants came from Santiago City (Isabela), Batangas, Pampanga, Olongapo and the Bicol Region.

The seminar began with a beautiful invocation prepared and delivered by Sr. Ignatius R. Tal Placido, SPC, followed by Welcome Remarks from the President, Mrs. Dionisia Angeles, and then by Mrs. Florenda Mallari, Conference Chair, who explained the mechanics of the seminar.

Invited resource speakers were for the first day were: Ms. Elvira Lapuz on Collection Development and Acquisition toward Quality Resources, Ms. Ma. Theresa B. Villanueva on Indexing and abstracting, and Mrs. Corazon M. Nera, on Developing Technical Standards for Libraries. A workshop followed Mrs. Nera’s session, wherein participants were grouped and assigned to formulate technical standards. Group I formulated tools for Cataloging and Classification, Group 2 developed procedural guidelines for technical services, Group 3 suggested guidelines for collection development, Group 4 formulated Standard educational requirements for technical staff, and Group 5 on the development of a core collection. Ms. Fe Angela Verzosa served as facilitator for the workshop.

Second day sessions were equally interesting. The speakers were: Ms. Ana Maria Fresnido on The Revolution of Cataloging Process; Mr. Reuel Avila on Building Electronic Resources, Dean Rosalie Faderon on Updating Technical Skills, and finally, Prof. Candida Agcaoili on Developing Strategic Programs for Gifts and Exchanges.