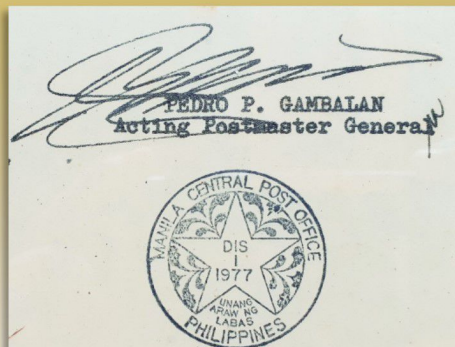


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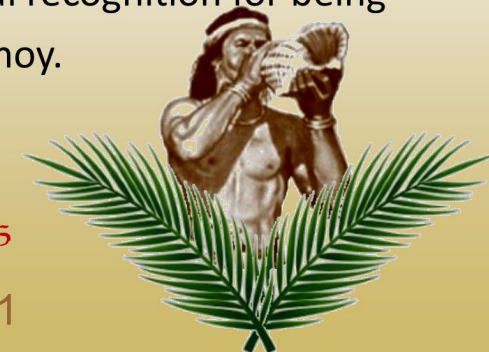
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PAROL

Lantern making in the Philippines traces its origins to the Spanish period wherein lanterns made of bamboo strips and Japanese paper are lit at dawn for *Simbang Gabi*. *Farol* meaning “lantern” later on became localized as “parol”. The Pinoy *parol* becomes a beacon of light for many Filipinos during this season of hope, and has gained international recognition for being distinctly Pinoy.



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