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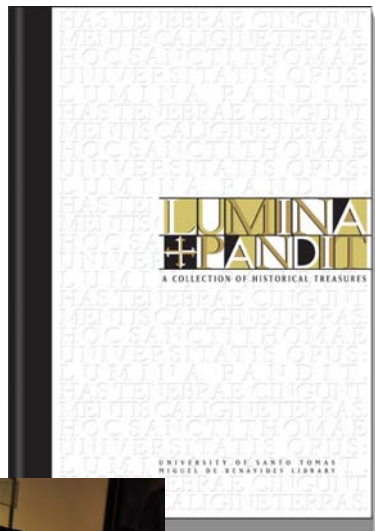


LAUNCHING OF “LUMINA PANDIT” CATALOG

After the success of the inauguration of the Lumina Pandit Exhibition held last June 17, 2010, the UST Miguel de Benavides Library headed by its Prefect, Rev. Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., organized another remarkable event, the launching of the *Catalogue* of the exhibit entitled *LUMINA PANDIT: A Collection of Historical Treasures*. It was held on July 16, 2010 at the conference hall of the Library. The affair was attended by university officials headed by Rev. Fr. Pablo T. Tiong, O.P.,

UST Vice Rector, together with some members of the Dominican community, deans and regents of the different colleges and departments of the University, friends of the library, contributors to the catalog and the library staff.

The program started with an Invocation led by the Liturgikon, followed by the singing of the national anthem. Fr. Tiong delivered the inspirational message. Afterwards, the official website of the exhibit was presented by



Fr. A. Aparicio as he autographs the Lumina Pandit book.



Ms. E. Majuelo presents the First Copy to the Vice-Rector Fr. P. Tiong.

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PAARL PARALLEL SESSION-WORKSHOP

A 2-day activity with the theme “Parallel Session-Workshops on Library and Web 2011” was conducted by the Philippine Association of Academic and Research Librarians (PAARL). This was held on August 19-20, 2010 at the Multifunction Hall and Audiovisual Rooms of Holy Angel University in Angeles, Pampanga. PAARL enhances the professional welfare and mutual aide among its members, which assures continuous workshops and seminars in achieving its goals; such goals were also expected of the participants after the activities. The theme of the workshop specifically evolved on the following objectives:

- * To provide leadership, through libraries as media centers, in building and engaging community of learners with a mindset for authentic learning (**Reader Services**);
- * To explore intensely public and private collaboration as a design and select, classify, organize and access resources available not only throughout one’s library building but from the global community (**Technical Services**);

- * To alter policies and procedures to meet changing needs (**Administrative/ Archives Services**); and
- * To ensure online & deliverable library services and best practices for clients’ information needs to read, speak, view, listen, evaluate and learn. (**Web-based Services**).

The invited resource speakers shared their knowledge and expertise on the various topics that were discussed. I am very honored and grateful for having been invited as one of the resource speakers for the said workshop. Mr. Roderick B. Ramos, Vice President and Chairman on Conference Committee of PAARL requested me to talk on *Libraries as Problem-based Learning Environments across Reader Services for Authentic Learning*. During the discussion, I provided the participants with the following outline:

- * Understanding and Interpretations of Problem-based Learning (PBL)
- * Frameworks of Librarian Involvement in PBL Program
- * Route to Authentic Learning

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In photos are (l-r) (1) Ms. Nimfa Maniago, HAU Director of Libraries, Mr. Christopher Paras, Ms. Anna Rita Alomo, Ms. Sharon Ma. Esposito, and Mr. Roderick Ramos; (2) participants pose for a souvenir photo after the session; (3) the retablo and death masks done by national artist Napoleon Abueva displayed at the Center for Kapampangan Studies.

UPDATES ON ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

Electronic resources provide a number of advantages over traditional print based sources. They have access to a wider range of information in a faster and easier way. It is for this reason that the Miguel de Benavides library continuously acquires electronic resources to support the education and research needs of students, faculty members and staff.



The library has subscribed to a new database under EBSCOhost, the most widely-used reference resource around the world, which is the **EBSCOhost Integrated Search (EHIS)**. This database takes federated searching to a higher level by providing access to all of the library's EBSCOhost and other (non-EBSCO) resources in a single, integrated search experience such as ScienceDirect, JSTOR, ProQuest Health and Medical Complete and GALE Virtual Reference Library.

Like federated search engines, EBSCOhost *Integrated Search* allows users to simultaneously search EBSCO databases as well as other electronic resources.

Another new acquisition is the **Chemical Abstracts Web Edition**. This provides a bibliographic index, subject index and substance index of books, conferences, meeting abstracts, journals, dissertations, patents and reviews of chemical names, formulas or anything under chemistry.



The library's electronic resources (e-resources) are made available for the use of the UST community under special licenses with access restrictions. However, some e-resources are available remotely for currently enrolled students, faculty and staff. They may access them from off-campus provided they have the username and password which can be requested at the General Reference and Information section.

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PUTTING BOOKS IN THEIR PROPER PLACE

With great pride, the Antonio Vivencio del Rosario UST Heritage Library received another historical treasures from Mrs. Lourdes Nelly I. Jhocson, a 92-year old lady and a graduate of the National University. Mrs. Jhocson is the daughter of the late Dr. Gabriel Intengan, a former student of the University of Santo Tomas, College of Medicine in 1907 and whose books were still in her possession. According to Mrs. Jhocson, she is the last living member of the family, hence, she decided to donate the books of Dr. Intengan. She believes she fulfills her mission if she puts these books to its proper place which is the library.

The books are mainly 19th century medical books and dictionaries and one Filipiniana book which are all in the Spanish language. According to this lady, somebody asked her what will the library do with these

old and fragile books and without thought or regard, she answered: *"That I do not know but what is important is that, I have placed these books to their rightful place before I die."* She feels that the library is the best place for these materials, a place where these books could be taken care of and will be of great use to students.

This gesture is notable in the sense that these donated books would serve as a constant reminder of the important memories of her father. Her passionate and high-spirited character show how she truly appreciates the importance of the books that her father treasured for years. Her act of generosity reflects good orientation and positive outlook in life. More importantly, she made us realize that everything we have is not really ours, that we are just stewards of the things we have in our possession. After all, "everything will fall in the right place at the right time."

Jenneth G. Capule

RESTORATION OF RARE BOOKS ON MEDICINE

The UST Miguel de Benavides Library, in its more than 400 years of existence, has made great contributions not only to the University but to the Filipino nation as a whole.

In connection with the Library exhibit **Lumina Pandit** which officially opened last June 17, 2010, Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries, decided to have two (2) rare medical books restored. These books are: **Libro de la Anathomia del Hombre**, by Bernardino Montaña de Monserrato and the book of Giovanni da Vigo **Practica in Arte Chirurgica**. The Libro de la Anathomia... is now in the Exhibit, placed together with the books of Fray Miguel de Benavides in Section 1.

The Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office, through its former Chairman Mr. Sergio Osmeña Valencia, gave financial support for this "restoration" project. In addition, Ms. Ma. Bernardita M. Reyes, a well-known Filipino

Conservator, was contacted to help in the assessment of these two books and provided some advice for its operation.

The process started on January 25, 2010 and lasted until March 17, 2010. It was undertaken at the Antonio Vivencio del Rosario UST Heritage Library Conservation and Restoration laboratory. Ms. Ginalyn M. Santiago, librarian in charge of book restoration, prepared the necessary tools and supplies and executed the restoration assisted by Mr. Ken Aldrin Garcia, a library support staff. Mr. Loreto Apilado and wife Mildred, experts in classical binding, were contacted to do the binding.

The UST Heritage Library, a repository of rare books which have lasted for more than 400 years, will continue the work of preservation, hopefully, for another four hundred years, through its conservation and preservation program.



Libro de la Anathomia del Hombre

Rebound in limp vellum. The dimension of the book is 244mm x 180mm x 28mm. The first and last sections of the book are loose and many pages are badly torn. There are worm holes and many stains. The binding used is traditional; braided cord is applied to protect the back of the book. The acidity level is Ph 5.5.



Practica in Arte Chirurgica

The book is loosened due to torn binding. The spine cover is missing. The text block is intact but the pages have stained and foxing already occurs on the pages. Title page is missing and the final index is incomplete. The dimension of the book is: 6"x 4 1/2" x 1 1/2". The acidity level is Ph 6.

Ginalyn M. Santiago

FRESHMEN LIBRARY ORIENTATION 2010-2011

One of the objectives of the UST Miguel de Benavides Library is the organization of information and its dissemination to users. Basically, through the library's orientation program, it introduces the students to the physical facilities of the library, its resources, policies and procedures, and the library personnel.

The one-hour library orientation given per session is divided into three parts:

- * audio-visual presentation of the library facilities, collections and services;

- * presentation of the library rules and regulation, a demonstration on how to use the LOReNZo Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC), how to access the UST Library Homepage; and
- * how to search the different electronic resources subscribed by the Library;

Students are encouraged to ask questions to clarify some issues in relation to what have been tackled during the orientation.

The activity is held at the designated venue scheduled by the different colleges.

DATE	COLL./FAC./DEPT.	SECTIONS	STUDENTS	VENUE
June 16	Education High School	2	110	Albertus Magnus Auditorium
June 18	College of Rehabilitation Sciences	7	357	Medicine Auditorium
June 21	Faculty of Civil Law	8	291	Civil Law Auditorium
June 22, 25	Faculty of Pharmacy	15	750	Rizal Conf. Hall
June 22, 23, 25	College of Science	16	734	Blass Hall
June 21-23, 25, July 9	Faculty of Medicine & Surgery	4	531	CME Auditorium
June 22	College of Tourism & Hospitality Management	10	517	Medicine Auditorium
June 23, 25, 28-29	College of Nursing	12	590	Nursing Auditorium/Computer Laboratory
June 21, 23, 25, 28-29	College of Commerce	24	1,030	Rizal Conference Hall
June 25, July 7	Faculty of Ecclesiastical Studies	4	76	Library – Internet Section
June 28	College of Accountancy	24	1,107	Medicine Auditorium
June 28-29, July 1-2	Faculty of Engineering	38	1,900	Engineering Conference Hall
June 29, July 1, 5	College of Fine Arts & Design	14	618	Beato AVR
July 1	Faculty of Arts & Letters	23	1,157	Medicine Auditorium
July 6	Conservatory of Music	5	230	Recital Hall 2, Educ. Bldg.
July 8	College of Education	12	587	Albertus Magnus Auditorium
July 9, 16	Institute of Physical Education and Athletics	3	142	IPEA Bldg.
July 12, 14, 28	College of Architecture	12	560	Beato AVR
July 13-16, 19-20	UST High School	9	475	HS Bldg.
July 24	Graduate School	-	110	Tanghalang Teresita Quirino
July 24	Teacher Certificate Program (TCP)	1	25	Room 315, Education Bldg.
	TOTAL	243	11,897	

This annual orientation of the library proves to be very useful to freshmen students of the university. Likewise, faculty members and other members of the Thomasian community can avail of this service as needed on schedule basis. Interested parties may inquire from the librarians at the General Reference and Information section for details.

Anna Rita L. Alomo

Book Launching... from page 1

Mr. Reynaldo Mendoza, Jr., creative director of Shutterstock. The website contains footages of the actual exhibit and some of the most important items on display. It can be accessed at <http://library.ust.edu.ph/lumina>.

Prof. Joselito B. Zulueta, publication adviser of the Varsitarian, gave a brief review of the book which was read by Prof. Ma. Eloisa de Castro of the Faculty of Arts and Letters. According to Mr. Zulueta, the “Lumina Pandit book embodies and reflects the 400 years of intrepid achievement of the University of Santo Tomas.”



Willard Cheng of ABS-CBN (3rd from left), the first to buy the book, with the UST librarians.

The *Catalogue* includes photos of the books, artifacts, documents and other treasures in the exhibit. It has also 10 articles that complement the exhibition texts, these are: *The Oldest Personal Library in the Philippines*, by Prof. John Newsome Crossley; *At the Breaking of Dawn*, by Fr. Norberto M. Castillo, O.P.; *The University of Santo Tomas and its Impact on Philippine Life and Culture*, by Fr. Lucio Gutiérrez, O.P.; *A Library that has been Playing Beautiful Music through the Centuries*, by Prof. William John Summers; *The Fate of Books and Records in the Philippines*, by Mr. Vicente S. Hernández; *Santo Tomas of Manila: a Pontifical University*, by Fr. Fidel Villarroel, O.P.; *Documentum Pretiosum*, by Prof. Paul A. Dumol, *The Gift of a Book*, by Prof. Regalado Trota Jose.

Fr. Aparicio, the editor of the book, also decided to include the reflections of Ms. Leila Maynard about the work she had done during her internment at the UST Concentration Camp during World War II entitled *Dusty Sanctuary*; and the explanations of Fr. Ciriaco Pedrosa, O.P. of the connections of the UST Sampaloc campus with the old Intramuros with the title *The Historical Continuity of the University of Santo Tomas*.

The program was concluded by a closing remark from Fr. Aparicio as he thanked all the people behind the exhibit, namely, Rev. Fr. Rolando V. de la Rosa, O.P., who warmly accepted the project; Fr. Tiong, who gave his trust and full support to the library throughout the planning and production of the project; Ms. Marian Pastor Roces, curator, who enthusiastically accepted the challenge of conceptualizing and realizing the first book exhibit in the country; Baby and Coco Imperial and the staff of B&C Design, who creatively designed the catalog and the exhibit as well; Wig Tysmans who untiringly photographed and captured the beauty of the priceless treasures of the University; the article contributors who willingly shared their own experiences with the Library and with books that certainly give solidity to the exhibit catalog. He also expressed his gratitude to Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo, chief librarian, to Asst. Prof. Anna Maria Gloria S. Ward, exhibition manager, for accepting the challenge of managing an exhibit, to Ms. Diana V. Padilla, secretary of the exhibit and to the rest of the library personnel for the success of this worthwhile project.

Diana V. Padilla

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This problem-based learning (PBL) is an educational technique used to supplement or replace traditional lecture-based courses. It provides the theoretical framework for a learner-centered active instructional experience that relies on collaboration, critical thinking, and hands-on interaction with resources. It is also an approach to learning through which students have been enabled to understand their own situations and frameworks so that they are able to perceive how they learn, and how they see themselves as future professionals.

I informed the participants that in the frameworks of librarian's involvement in PBL program, it includes the following; Assistance/Instruction at the Reference Desk, Course-Related Instruction, Resource Management and Utilization, Consultation with Faculty and Students and Group Facilitation. I also mentioned that the best example for applying the PBL program in the UST Miguel de Benavides library is the online database tutorials that we conduct to our students and faculty members. I was able to demonstrate the actual presentation that we use in our tutorials in the university. The participants listened attentively and were very enthusiastic of this new information.

One important point worth mentioning here is that the value of problem based-learning has been underestimated in terms of how it can equip students for the world of work, improve students' learning in terms of complexity and ambiguity, and enable the students to see learning as a lifelong cyclical process, thus, developing increase understanding of themselves and the situations by which they learn effectively.

Afterwards, I was given a chance to have a tour to the Holy Angel University Library, which occupies the 2nd and 3rd floors of the four-storey San Francisco de Javier building. The library collections include foreign and local materials both print and non-print. The materials can be accessed through their online catalog. Internet services, electronic journal databases, e-books, newspapers in DVDs, and CD-ROMs are also available.

The Holy Angel University librarians were very accommodating, giving me a tour to the **Center for Kapampangan Studies** that serves as their University museum and gallery. Among the Center's attractions that really impressed me are: the *retablo* showcasing the works of Betis carvers, *Macabebe santeros* and *Apalit pukpuk* craftsmen; old photographs of churches, the timeline of the history of Pampanga, and archaeological artifacts from Porac and Candaba. Also on display are two death masks done by national artist Napoleon Abueva, which belong to the late Benigno Aquino Jr. and Fernando Poe, Jr. I also had the chance to try with my own hands the Center's interactive features: a computer that converts letters of the alphabet into the ancient Kapampangan script called *kulitan*, and another, that defines ancient Kapampangan words. My tour ended with a video presentation on Kapampangan history and culture.

I am thankful to the library administrators, Rev. Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., and Ms. Estrella Majuelo for allowing me to participate in this activity. It gave me the opportunity to share my knowledge and skills to my fellow librarians and a chance to enhance my professional growth as well. Also, I would like to express my gratitude to Mr. Christopher C. Paras and Mr. Ramos, PAARL President and Vice President respectively, for sponsoring this activity.

Anna Rita L. Alomo

BALIK AKLATAN 2

After ten long years of the 1st reunion, the UST Miguel de Benavides Library hosted its second homecoming of former library employees and working scholars for the past four centuries. The affair was aptly called "Balik Aklatan 2" A total of 62 "homecoming guests," converged at the Benavides Library last July 18, attended the reunion. The activity was scheduled to coincide with the library's ongoing exhibit entitled "Lumina Pandit: an Exhibition of Historical Treasures," a showcase of rare books stored in the Heritage Library.

The concelebrated Mass for the occasion was officiated by Rev. Fr. Pablo T. Tiong, O.P., the UST Vice Rector, representing the Rector, Rev. Fr. Rolando V. de la Rosa, O.P. and Rev. Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries.

The welcome remarks was delivered by Fr. Aparicio. Once again, he emphasized

the importance of the library in the academe. He also thanked the library employees and working scholars for their efficiency and dedication to work.

Notable attendees this year included two former chief librarians and a former working student who worked his way up the ladder of success. Ms. Juana L. Abello was chief librarian from 1967 to 1997 while Mrs. Erlinda F. Flores assumed the top post in 1997 until her retirement in 2001. Dr. Emmanuel Galang performed his library duties at the Ecclesiastical Library from 1962 to 1973. He pursued higher studies and eventually taught at the Faculty of Arts and Letters and at the same time worked at the Office of the Academic Affairs. Also present were Rev. Fr. Norberto M. Castillo, O.P. former UST Rector, who spearheaded the construction of the Benavides Library during his term, and Rev. Fr. Guillermo Tejon, O.P., who served as Prefect of

Some photos of the Balik Aklatan 2



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FR. ANGEL'S BIRTHDAY

Not just a year older, but a year better... Fr. Angel, the energetic Prefect of Libraries, celebrated his 62nd birthday last September 25. The day would not have been meaningful without the participation of the library staff including working scholars. The day was made extra special by those who remembered Fr. Angel's important day. It was graciously attended by people who are dear to the Fr. Prefect: former chief librarian Ms. Juana Abello, Ms. Eva Kalaw, Archt. Cory Cruz, Ms. Anna Maria Gloria Ward, Ms. Theresa Fenix, Ms. Margarita Cruz, Assoc. Prof. Micheline Manalastas and Ms. Maita Reyes. Former chief librarians, Prof. Erlinda Flores and

Prof. Candida Agcaoili, although not physically present, made an effort to send their greetings. A delightful snack was shared and enjoyed by everyone.



Above: Library San Lorenzo scholars surround the birthday celebrant.

Below: Fr. Aparicio (center) is flanked by Dr. Manalastas, Ms. Cruz, Ms. Abello and Ms. Fenix

The best birthday gifts focus exclusively on the celebrant. A personalized gift makes a thoughtful gift. The 'Lumina Pandit' guides and some working scholars have designed birthday cards for Fr. Angel. This simple gesture was truly appreciated by Father. Also, the library staff scribbled heartwarming messages for Fr. Angel.

It was a simple celebration, a gathering of friends who have always wished him true happiness and joy that never ends.

Kaori B. Fuchigami

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Libraries from 1966 to 1968. There are many more unwritten and untold stories of former student library assistants and employees who became successful in their respective careers.

A video presentation of employees and working scholars, past and present, was shown to the delight of everybody. Included in the video are some photos which date back to the time when the songs of James Taylor, Carole King, and the Carpenters dominated the airwaves. The challenging parlor games proved that even the "young once" were still agile and could compete against the young ones.

"Balik Aklatan 2" is part of the library's scheduled events to commemorate UST's quadricentennial foundation next year.

The members of the Steering Committee of Balik Aklatan 2 are: Overall Chairman - *Ma. Luz C. David*; Co-Chairman - *Nora M. Matawaran*; Attendance & Registration - *Evangeline D. Panizal*; Reception - *Diana V. Padilla*; Ways and Means (Publicity) - *Ma. Cecilia D. Lobo*; Games & Prizes - *Sabina C. Viernes*; Venue - *Juanita D. Subaldo*; Program & Invitation - *Ma. Arleen M. Abad & Michelle M. San Gabriel*; Food - *Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo*.

Ma. Luz C. David

JOURNAL ON DIABETES CARE

On July 21, 2010, the UST Faculty of Medicine and Surgery through the effort of Prof. Leilani B. Mercado-Asis, M.D., Chairman of the Department of Medicine, donated to the UST Health Sciences Library the journal collections of the late Dr. Aurora Villegas-Cinco on **Diabetes Care**. The donation includes the first issue (1978) up to the 2008 issue. This journal is very beneficial not only to medical students but also to faculty members, students from other colleges and others who wish to gain information about this disease.

It is now public knowledge that diabetes is a chronic disease which affects millions of people worldwide. Every year, the number continues to increase, hence, urgent attention is required. With proper care and knowledge, people with diabetes would be able to lessen the burden this lifelong sickness brings. Awareness, prevention and treatment can be read from sources such as internet, books and journals.

Published since 1978 by the American Diabetes Association, **Diabetes Care** is a peer-reviewed scientific journal for health care practitioners intended to increase knowledge, stimulate research, and promote better management of people with diabetes.

To achieve these goals, the journal publishes research articles on human studies in the following five categories:

1. Clinical care/education/nutrition/ psychosocial research
2. Epidemiology/health services research
3. Emerging treatments and technologies
4. Pathophysiology/complications
5. Cardiovascular and metabolic risk

The journal also publishes clinically relevant review articles, letters to the editor, and health/medical news or points of view. Topics covered are of interest to clinically-oriented physicians, researchers, epidemiologists, psychologists, diabetes educators, and other health professionals.

This donation is very important to the library in the sense that some issues that the library lacks have been filled up by this input.

Again, the UST Miguel de Benavides Library extends its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for this invaluable contribution.

Lourdes Fatima C. Calingasan

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Electronic Resources on trial

- * **HeinOnline** is the world's largest image-based legal research database. It is a virtual treasure trove of resources for legal researchers and professionals worldwide. A Core subscription to HeinOnline includes such valuable collections as: Legal Classics, Law Journal Library, U.S. Supreme Court Library, U.S. Federal Legislative History Library, Treaties and Agreements Library and much more. Also available in HeinOnline, are several unique ala carte collections, including: U.S. Congressional Documents, Foreign & International Law Resources Database,

World Trials, Session Laws and many more. **Trial is until September 13, 2010.**

- * **Emerald** is well-known as the leading publisher in management research and for its strength in library and information studies. These have been grouped into the broad headings of *Language and Linguistics, Social Sciences, Library and Information Studies, Engineering, Transport and Business, Management and Economics*. Emerald is applying its long-standing approach to community development to establish subject leadership in all areas.

These electronic resources are available in our library website at <http://library.ust.edu.ph>.

Kaori B. Fuchigami

AN “INDEFATIGABLE” LIBRARIAN

Born on January 11, 1982, Anna Rita Alomo is the 2nd child of Roberto and Margarita Alomo. Her parents were both into “tailoring business” who strived hard in order to give their two daughters a good education. In return, Rita studied hard to reach her goals. She was a consistent honor student during her elementary and high school days, a recipient of the University’s Santo Tomas scholarship from 1999 until she graduated in college in 2002. She was also awarded the ‘Most Outstanding Student Librarian’ during her final year in college.

After graduation, Rita immediately got a job. She was hired at the San Sebastian College – Recoletos as a Grade School librarian. She also worked in San Beda College as head librarian of the Health Sciences Library and later, transferred to Laguna to work for Colegio de San Juan de Letran – Calamba as a college librarian.

In June 2007, Rita was hired by the UST Miguel de Benavides Library. She was first assigned at the high school library. Afterwards, she was transferred to the Reference section for one year as librarian-in-charge. In June 2008, she was assigned at the Health Sciences Library as assistant head librarian. Despite multiplicity in assignments, her enthusiasm for work and her tireless attitude did not go unnoticed. In November 2009, she was requested to go back to the General Reference section to become the head librarian, a position she holds up to the present.

Rita makes the library publicity and

promotion her advocacy. She also aims to remove the notion that “librarian is a stuffy old woman who buries herself under piles of old books, constantly shushing people.” By leading a team of librarians who conducts online database tutorials and library orientations complete with a virtual library tour, she proves that today’s librarians are technology-savvy, working more with computers and databases than with the traditional card catalogue and paper records.



Because of her knowledge in technology-based reference service, Rita was invited by the Philippine Association of Academic and Research Librarians (PAARL) to be one of the speakers in its 2-day **Parallel Session-workshop on Library**

and Web last August 19-20, 2010 for the topic “Libraries as Problem-based Learning Environments across Reader Services for Authentic Learning.”

A true Capricornian, Rita is a tireless worker, very driven and won’t let any mountain get in the way of her dreams. But career is only one side of her; not only is she a hardworking librarian, she is also a loving daughter to her parents and a doting aunt. She is family-oriented and does everything she can to provide for them.

Anna Rita wants the best of both worlds: to be successful in her career and at the same time, to do well as a family woman. For some, it is a difficult task but knowing her, I have no doubt she can do it; her strength comes from within, fueled by her passion to succeed and to give her parents the best in their twilight years.

Sheila M. Ortencio

2010 USTLA OFFICERS INDUCTED

Another set of officers of the University of Santo Tomas Librarians Association (USTLA) was formally installed last June 15, 2010. It was held at the Miguel de Benavides Library conference hall. It is to be noted that this is the first time officers would have a 2-year term which calls for greater responsibilities that are quite challenging and stimulating.

Present in the program were the UST librarians and the University of Santo Tomas Faculty Union (USTFU) Board of Directors, Ms. Beatriz Ribleza and Ms. Gemma Aboy. Instead of Dr. Gil Gamilla, it was Dr. George Lim, USTFU Executive President, who gave the keynote address. Dr. Lim has inspired the new officers with his talk, which, although brief, was packed with lessons. He emphasized the value of unity that should be reflected in any organization like USTLA. He also added that although librarians are not technically involved in teaching, they can

still help and contribute something to achieve the objectives of USTFU.

After the inspirational message, Rev. Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries, inducted the newly elected officers:

President : Ms. Madonna Remedios V. Alonzo

Vice-President : Ms. Cecilia D. Lobo

Secretary : Ms. Michelle M. San Gabriel

Treasurer : Ms. Sabina C. Viernes

Auditor : Ms. Chona L. Manguilin

P.R.O. : Ms. Jenneth G. Capule

As quoted often from a popular English movie series, *“with great power comes great responsibility.”* May the newly elected officers uphold their power and responsibilities effectively with strong unity among its members.

Jenneth G. Capule

Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P.
Prefect of Libraries

Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo
Chief Librarian

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