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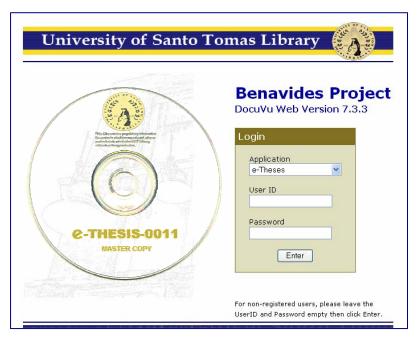
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MIGUEL DE BENAVIDES LIBRARY



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250,000 Images!



ne of the objectives of the Antonio Vivencio del Rosario UST Heritage Library is "to initiate and undertake the conversion of University productions such as theses, dissertations, journals, textbooks, etc. into micro formats such as microfilm and digital supports." With this purpose we have installed a reprographic laboratory within this section so that the materials do not need to be taken outside the library premises.

We take pride in announcing to our patrons that the first phase of the first project has been completed. This project entitled "Benavides Project" consists of the digitization of all the theses and dissertations of the University: Faculties of Philosophy, Theology and Canon Law and the Graduate School, with a total of ca. 10,000 titles. At an average of about

200 pages per title we have calculated a total of two million (2,000,000) pages.

Owing to the budgetary constraints, we decided to stretch the project into several phases depending on the availability of funds. The first phase consists of theses presented between 1995-2005, with a total of ca. 300,000 pages.

Kodak Philippines, Inc, with its wide experience in digitization and who offered a reasonable contract, has been commissioned to do the work. In a couple of months, they were able to digitize 252,446 pages. These theses are now available online.

They can be accessed in two ways:

- For Abstract (+ table of contents, list of tables, bibliography) via LORENZO (Library's OPAC): http://ustlib.ust.edu.ph
- *For full-text* via the library homepage: http://library.ust.edu.ph

Online Databases: *Project Benavides* (will lead you directly to DocuVu which is password protected) where you can search the library's collection of e-theses (by author, title, subject, discipline).

- 1. Accessible within the campus only.
- 2. Printing can be done in the Library.

(same rules apply as to printed theses)

These are the technical details of the project:

The system is called DocuVu

DocuVu is a document capture and retrieval solution software that links documents to existing records. DocuVu was developed to work with the most popular imaging software available. This version (7.3.3) supports the following as its document viewer:

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"OUTSTANDING LIBRARY" FOR 2005

he University of Santo Tomas Library, considered to be the oldest in the country has been awarded by the Philippine Association of Academic and Research Librarians (PAARL) the



Photo shows Ms. E. Majuelo and Fr. A. Aparicio, O.P. with Ms. D. Angeles, PAARL President and Ms. W. Medina of SPU-Manila during the awarding ceremony.

"Academic/Research Library of the Year." The awarding ceremony took place on January 31, 2006 at the St. Paul University, Manila during the Association's thirty third Annual General Assembly and Induction/ Awards ceremonies.

PAARL recognizes an academic and research library for its outstanding contribution to academic or research librarianship and library development in the Philippines. The UST Library was selected because of its exemplary contribution to academic and research librarianship, outstanding leadership in national/regional library development in the areas of library management, education and training, information and documentation services, commitment to information networking and linkages and commitment to PAARL's objectives, activities and undertakings.

The Prefect of Libraries, Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P. and the Chief Librarian, Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo received the Plaque of Appreciation and a cheque of Five Thousand pesos in behalf of the library.

Though the University started in 1611, we take pride in affirming that since Bishop Miguel de Benavides donated his books for the establishment of the university before his death, we could

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A SEMINAR ON "WRITING SKILLS"

he Research and Publications Committee of the Library chaired by Dr. Edna Recaña sponsored a one day seminar-workshop entitled **Writing Well: Strategic Streamlining.** This was held on February 3, 2006 at the UST Library Conference Hall.

The seminar aims to develop the writing skills of librarians and information professionals. Invited guest speaker was Prof. Clarita D. Carillo, Ph.D., an associate professor from the College of Education and a researcher from the Center for Educational Research and Development.

Dr. Carillo stressed that writing is a skill that can be developed through constant practice. She pointed out that editing one's own work is essential before submitting it to the editor. She mentioned that in checking ones's work, one must remember the three important building blocks of effective writing: good vocabulary, good sentence and good paragraph, stressing further that a writer should be humble enough to ask other people to edit his work.

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UST LIBRARY BOOK FAIR

n connection with the celebration of the 71st National Book Week held last November 24-30. 2005 with the theme "Kultura ng Pagbasa'y Palaganapin, Aklat at Aklatan Pagyamanin," the University of Santo Tomas Library under the Committee on Collection Development invited Academic Book Sales, EDCA Publishing, F & J de Jesus, Forefront Book Co. and MegaTEXTS Phils. to exhibit/display their books and other library materials. This was held last November 29 – December 1, 2005 at the ground floor lobby of the Central Library.

The main objective of the Book Fair was for UST administrators, library coordinators, faculty members, librarians and students to see what new titles are

"Kultura ng Pagbasa'y Palaganapin, Aklat at Aklatan Pagyamanin,"

available in the market which they can recommend for their classroom instructions and research. The Book Fair also helped the Library update its collections and improve its services with new materials for the research needs of its patrons.

Present during the opening were the Library Administrators led by Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries, the Librarians, representatives from the five book dealers and some faculty members.

Majority of the items that were put on display were academic/scholarly books and a few recreational materials.

The activity was well attended with favorable comments from the library coordinators, faculty members and students as well as from the book dealers themselves.

Cecille D. Lobo

INAUGURATION/BLESSING OF THE ANTONIO V. DEL ROSARIO UST HERITAGE LIBRARY

he UST Heritage Library was inaugurated last January 27, 2006. The establishment of this section is supported by a grant from the family of Ambassador Ramon V. del Rosario, Sr. The Heritage Library is named after Amb. Del Rosario's grandfather, Antonio Vivencio del Rosario, an outstanding Thomasian, the former Secretary General of UST (1854-1866), Doctor of Civil Law (1871), a member of the Real Audiencia (1860-1886), and a loving father to four illustrious UST graduates, namely: Salvador (Licentiate in Medicine, 1886); Mariano (Doctor of Pharmacy, 1890; Licentiate in Medicine & Surgery, 1916); Jose (Licentiate in Medicine, 1906); and Manuel (Doctor of Civil Law, 1922).

The Prefect of Libraries, Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., in his welcome remarks, mentioned that the consolidation of all the historical bibliographical collections completes the cycle in the modernization of the University Library. Likewise, he mentioned his appreciation to the Del Rosario clan for the financial support that made this project possible.

In his message the Rector of the University, Rev. Fr. Tamerlane R. Lana, O.P, enumerated the achievements of Antonio V. del Rosario as a Thomasian who brought honors to the University. The Rector was very grateful that Providence made it possible that the University and the Del Rosario family would work together towards the establishment of a Heritage library.

In his response, Mr. Ramon R. del Rosario, Jr., PHINMA President stated that the Del Rosario family will continue to support the ideals of Antonio V. del Rosario in dedicating his life in making a better Philippines and in providing Filipinos a better life. He also thanked the UST administrators and the Del Rosario clan for honoring their great grandfather.

The ANTONIO V. DEL ROSARIO UST Heritage Library opens its door to the researchers and to all people who value our culture and our past.

Antonia L. Garcia



Highlights of the event:

1.The signing of the Memorandum of Agreement done by and between Amb. Ramon V. del Rosario, Sr. and Fr. Tamerlane R. Lana, O.P. with Fr. Juan V. Ponce, Vice-Rector, Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Mr. Victor Juan del Rosario, and Ms. Maria Teresa del Rosario Zeller as witnesses.

- 2.Turnover of copies of the academic records of Antonio V. del Rosario and children done by Fr. Fidel Villarroel O.P., UST Archivist.
- 3. The unveiling of the Marker.
- 4. The formal opening/ribbon cutting, by Fr. Tamerlane R. Lana, O.P., Amb. Ramon V. del Rosario, Sr., Amb. Francisco V. del Rosario and Mr. Antonio V. del Rosario.



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- •Wang Imaging Software
- •Windows Imaging Software

Images may be that of signatures, contracts, data sheets, maps and pictures, basically, all scanable materials. This software is intended to provide the user instant access to document images attached to existing database records.

The system is designed to work as a network imaging system with unlimited concurrent users over the intranet or internet. These are the applications for the Benavides Project.

Main Features:

Users can search, view, print, add, modify, delete and save records in their local directory or email the document.

User rights can be regulated by the network or system administrator with Audit Trail.

Security is implemented at 2 levels -- DocuVu software and NT system Supports various file format such as TIFF, PDF, JPEG.

ODBC-compliant, SQL-based database. Software has been customized to meet the specific needs of the Library.

Software can be used to retrieve images from hard disk, CD's, CD Jukebox, or microfilm.

Images can be black and white .tiff group 4 or 6 format.

Software can also be used to retrieve word, excel files and other applications running in Microsoft Windows.

Open license, unlimited number of users for web version.

Supports multiple file formats associated with Windows (tiff, jpeg, pdf, BMP, MS Office).

Runs on Oracle, MS SQL, DB2 backend engines for database management.

Web server must run on Windows NT version 4.0 or later.

Retrieval workstations must run on Windows 98 and with pre-installed web browser and TCP/IP connection.

Multi-pane page viewer will allow the user to view various parts of the page at the same time and also maximizes the viewing area of the screen.

Power indexing module together with the multi-pane page viewer, will allow for faster encoding of data.

Inter-application record search.

Benefits of Imaging

Protect the institution from legal

disputes. Proof of the documents, checks, signature cards or transactions is recorded on compact disk so if they

are lost we can easily print a copy using the CD media.

Address customer concerns immediately. Through easy access and printing of the needed document using a PC with a CD ROM drive. We can further utilize a Local Area Network with a CD Jukebox for a centralized storage environment of mass images.

Save space. Up to 98% since you can store up to 10,000 pages on one CD!

Eliminate misfiled or lost documents.

Once we have the image on CD WORM, we can eliminate misfiles and lost documents since images are permanently in the Compact Disk and all these documents are indexed. Requested files are merely accessed from these disks and printed whenever a hardcopy is needed.

Easily create back-up copies or duplicates for security purposes. Store duplicates or master copies offsite so we are assured of a backup in case of fire or theft.

Archive your data and images for at least 10 years. Should we need to archive data and images for more than 10 years we also have the option of storing them on Microfilm, the only media to be certified as archival, thus preserving

corporate memory for the long term. *Cost Savings*. Save on photocopying, paper, filing cabinets and other records keeping costs.

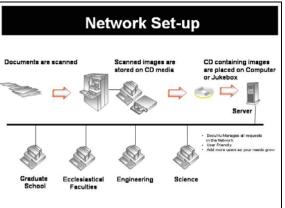
Productivity and Efficient Staff.

Efficiency, timeliness, accuracy, and increased productivity would definitely improve from our staff. This will also result in better customer satisfaction.

System or Hardware Requirements: (Web version)

Pentium IV, 512MB Memory, hard disk space for the images.

Windows NT, 2000 Server or later, RDBMS (SQL, DB2, Oracle).



The Network Set-up

On the occasion of the inauguration of the Antonio Vivencio del Rosario UST Heritage Library, the Varsitarian, February 1, 2006 ran a news feature in its page 2 entitled, "Heritage Section Opened." Referring to the project of digitization of our heritage materials, the reporter quoted the undersigned thus,

"Due to the age of these books, Aparicio said researchers cannot photocopy them. They may, however, request for digitized copies, if available. As of press time, only 253 pages have been digitized."

We hope the description above clears up all misinformation and, perhaps next time our budding journalists will get their numbers and other data more accurately.

Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P.

TURNOVER OF THE AMBASSADOR ENRIQUE P. SYQUIA COLLECTION

mbassador Enrique P. Syquia passed away on February 1, 2005. He was a renowned international lawyer, diplomat, and a pillar of the Philippine Bar. He was also an avid reader as evidenced by the voluminous collections he possessed, part of which was donated by his family to the UST Library.



Photo shows Fr. T. Lana, O.P., Rector and Mrs. L. Syquia, widow of the late Ambassador during the signing of the Deed of Donation.

On January 31, 2006, the turn-over ceremony of the Ambassador Enrique P. Syquia collection was held at the newly inaugurated ANTONIO V. DEL

ROSARIO UST HERITAGE LIBRARY.

A short program was prepared for the occasion. Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries, delivered the Opening Remarks. In his message, he narrated how the books came to the library. According to him, the collection includes good books in the field of international law, hence, they will really be of great help to students of Civil Law.

Fr. Tamerlane R. Lana, O.P., Rector of the University, acknowledged the generosity of the late Ambassador. Dr. Jose Fernando Syquia, one of his sons, recalled some precious moments he spent with his father and was very glad to have his family's collection donated to the library for the use of the Thomasian community.

The formal turnover was highlighted with the signing of the Deed of Donation by and between the Rector of the university and Mrs. Leticia C. Syquia, widow of Amb. Syquia. Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo, Chief Librarian, handed to Mrs. Syquia a copy of the transcript of



In photo are (L-R) Fr. T. Lana, O.P., Ms. A. Timbangcaya, Fr. A. Aparicio, O.P., Mrs. L. Syquia, & Ms. L. Bautista during the ribbon cutting.

records of the late Ambassador. It was followed by the ribbon-cutting with Fr. Lana and Mrs. Syquia, assisted by Fr. Aparicio and Ms Angelita P.

Timbangcaya, Asst. Chief Librarian.

Relatives and friends of the Syquia family who attended the affair were amazed at the very good collection. An exhibit of the Ambassador's memorabilia added to the delight of the visitors.

Indeed, we, in the university are very grateful to the Syquia family for their generosity.

Marivic G. Usita

THE UST LIBRARY CHRISTMAS PARTY

our hours of lively social activities thrilled the UST Library family during the celebration of its 2005 Christmas party. This was held at the Central Library on December 21 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The program started with the Invocation led by Christine Castillo, a working scholar assigned at the Internet section. This was followed by the welcome address of Thelma Trinidad, head librarian of the Health Sciences Library.

A special number was performed by a group of regular staff dancing to the tune of the popular "Pinoy Ako." This

elicited much applause from the fascinated audience. A working scholar from the Social Sciences section, Gina Geronimo, rendered a song number accompanied at the guitar by Jericko Lalata, a working scholar from the Circulation section.

The excitement and fun intensified every minute with the various groups dancing in their terpsichorean skill much to the delight of everyone. In addition, an entertainment number from the Library's "King of Soul," Ryan Marty of the Health Sciences, captured the heart of many from the crowd. There were also parlor games and raffles with prizes both in cash and in kind.



In photo are some working scholars while performing.

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THERE IS SANTA CLAUS AT BAHAY KALINGA ORPHANAGE

nce again, it was Christmas. The message of love and peace reverberated everywhere. The UST



Photo shows A. Cruz as she tells story to the children.

Library, true to its commitment to share the spirit of Christmas to the less fortunate, treated some 150 street children in Ermita to a rare holiday package.

This Christmas project at Bahay Kalinga orphanage last December 22, 2005 was envisioned to be the usual routine of activities. What the organizers and volunteers, composed of 25 librarians unexpectedly got in return were fond memories of delightful juvenile antics and real gratitude from children whose eyes sparkled with fascination even for simple things.

Most of the children in their old faded clothes milled around the churchyard to await the start of the program. At the far end of the quadrangle, Mrs. Natividad Benebente, the designated parish social worker, was busy giving instructions to her favorite Choir members who were suited in their best outfits, while a rowdy group of lads played tug-of war near the entrance gate. The early birds among the librarians felt conscious of the children's inquisitive glances. And like star-struck fans, the kids were visibly excited when the librarians arrived. They were warmly welcomed by the parish social worker.

Three committees were formed to ensure the success of this activity: Thelma Trinidad, headed the Program Committee, Cecilia Lobo, the Food Committee and Antonia Garcia was in charge of the Gifts and Prizes Committee. Floriza Pablo and Nora Matawaran took charge in wrapping the T-shirts as giveaways. Angelica Frances Cruz and Marilou Palermo were the storytellers of the young souls. The Jollibee Robinson was generous enough to donate 150 toys. On the afternoon of the previous day, the final hinges for this activity were completed.

The Christmas party was memorable in many ways. For the less fortunate kids, they said that the gifts they received were "...bigay ng Diyos at ng mga taong mababait (given by God and by kind-hearted people)." They all beamed with pride for whatever gift they received. More than the usual outreach activity, this particular venture was an expression of concern for a sector of our society that had received the least government assistance. A month's worth of preparation was over in just 60 minutes but the lessons in life that it had

"...bigay ng Diyos at ng mga taong mababait (given by God and by kindhearted people)."

projected would linger forever.

The Library Administrators treated the group to a sumptuous lunch after the funfilled activities. This outreach project was organized by Mrs. Ma. Luz David, chairman of the UST Library Extension Services Committee and Mrs. Michelle San Gabriel, Vice-president of the UST Librarians Association.

Ma. Luz C. David

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consider that the library started with this small collection in 1605.

The Library takes pride in continued service to our community from its humble origins to the present for 400 years. This award serves as an incentive for deeper commitment to all the library staff and at the same time, it is another blessing added to the many received in the celebration of the 400 years of the library's existence.

Angie P. Timbangcaya

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The afternoon session was a workshop in which Dr. Carillo asked the librarians to write a news article about the seminar. Afterwards, she selected two articles and presented them to the audience for actual editing. Some librarians gave suggestions on how to improve the works chosen as models. There was active participation from all the librarians.

Certificates of Participation were distributed at the end of the session.

Arlene N. Albis

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The Prefect of Libraries, Fr. Angel Aparicio, OP, delivered his Christmas message with renewed hope and prosperity for the coming year. This was followed by a community singing of 'Silent Night'.

Steering this successful event was the Committee on Human Values headed by Mrs. Trinidad. Members of the group are Benilda Certeza, Ma. Theresa Milabo, Edgardo Lapid and the undersigned with the assistance of two working scholars, Airish Marianne Tallada and Kathleen Gale Pascual from the Health Sciences.

Chona L. Manguilin

CORAZON R. CRUZ AN ARCHITECT AT HEART

ooks are quite deceiving. People are always impressed and oftentimes bamboozled by the glaring manifestations of supposed-to-be proofs of fame and fortune. But to Archt. Cory Cruz, this is not so. She still prefers simple and conservative things. In this time when almost everybody goes crazy with the latest model of cellphones, would you believe that Archt. Cruz does not own one (by choice) which is rather 'peculiar' for someone of her stature!

That's Archt. Cruz. I've known her way back in the 1970s and I was surprised to see her transformation from an unassuming student to a now full-grown woman and a successful architect at that (what has not changed is her civil status). All these years, this petite lady manages to keep her simplicity in looks but definitely not when it comes to her work. Dedicated to her profession, I've seen how she attends conscientiously to every detail of her work. If she wants the project and believes in it, she'll work hard for it. From the way I look at it, money is not really an issue with her. A very meticulous worker,

she is not bothered by what others would say as long as she thinks there are still some flaws in the job that she handles, no one can stop her from making changes no matter what it takes or how many times it has to be done and redone until she is fully satisfied.



Born in Marikina City, Archt. Corazon C. Cruz earned her Bachelor's degree from the University of Santo Tomas, College of Architecture in 1975. She likewise finished her post graduate course in 1985 from the same University and is now an associate professor in the College of Architecture. She is a licensed architect having passed the Board Examination for Architects in July 1976. She

was Acting Assistant Dean of the College of Architecture and Fine Arts from October 1993 to May 1994. She has been a practicing architect from 1976 to the present with several projects to her credit the latest of which is the St. Paul Center for Renewal in Cavite. She is very proud of this project and I would say that it really speaks of the Architect herself. In addition, she has designed several residential and institutional projects.

For her professional growth, she is an active member of the United Architects of the Philippines and has attended various seminars and workshops.

The UST Library is truly grateful and proud to be a beneficiary of the expertise and generosity of Archt. Cruz. Several library constructions/renovations have passed through her hands and surely, they always would gain the admiration and praises of the viewers. And if it is for the good of the Library, Archt. Cory Cruz would render service without delay and hesitation.

Estrella S. Majuelo

Library Profile

"SHa'Y SI ATE ELMA"

ith her shiny, long, black hair like that in a shampoo commercial, no one would fail to notice our diligent and cheerful "Ate Elma."

Elma Nagorite, born on September 23, 1966, is a native of Antique, Aklan and the daughter of Ernesto and Florecita who are both retired employees of UST.

Ate Elma is a true-blooded Thomasian. She is a graduate of B.S. Commerce major in Business Administration and a working scholar during her college days. After she graduated, she decided to stay in the portals of UST continuing her service in the library.

"Elma has always new ideas," says Thelma Trinidad, her former superior. "She is hardworking and you can really count on her to do things even if I am not around." Ma'am Thelma was right. Ate Elma is always ready to lend a helping hand especially to the working scholars. She is approachable that we never felt anxious to ask help from her. We would never forget how she made us comfortable working in the library; she always has a ready smile for everyone. Her sense of humor enlightens the people around her.

Aside from being a reliable staff, Ate Elma has dedicated her extra time to her family and friends. We used to tease her, telling her that she should find a boyfriend for herself instead of playing 'matchmaker' to her friends. And it hits us right through hearing her words "I'll be fine; all I wanted is to see my friends happy."

It really broke our hearts when we heard that Ate Elma would be

transferred to another section. But looking at the brighter side, we realized



that we should not be selfish because others would surely need someone like her. Besides, we had been lucky enough to experience working with her and had a share of her 'kind heart'.

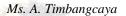
She is at present assigned at the Social Sciences section and her Health Sciences family really misses her.

By the Health Sciences Working Scholars

Newsbits

Congratulations to Ms. Angelita P. Timbangcaya, Asst. Chief Librarian and Mrs. Thelma P. Trinidad, Head Librarian of the Health Sciences for having been elected as Treasurer of the Philippine Association of Academic and Research Librarians (PAARL) and President of the Medical and Health Librarians Association of the Philippines (MAHLAP) respectively for the year 2006.







Ms. T. Trinidad

Trivia

Do you know that the UST Library celebrated its 400th anniversary last year 2005? It superseded the University's quadricentennial which will be celebrated in 2011.

Archbishop Miguel de Benavides, O.P. donated his books for the establishment of a school (now the University of Santo Tomas) before he died on July 26, 1605.

Ma. Arleen M. Abad (Contributor)

Quotes:

"The price of greatness is responsibility."

- Winston Churchill

"Giving frees us from the familiar territory of our own needs by opening our mind to the unexplained worlds occupied by the needs of others."

- Barbara Bush

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