

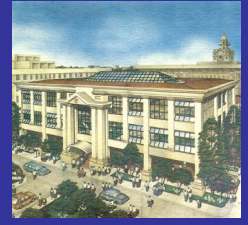


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“Miguel de Benavides Library @ 409 : now trending”

The UST Miguel de Benavides Library celebrated its annual Foundation Day with the theme “Miguel de Benavides Library @ 409: now trending.” This was held last July 25, 2014.

It was a rainy week but the library was so blessed to have a day with cordial sun peek all throughout the event. The parade started at 7:30 a.m. and was attended by the library administrators and the library staff in their white library Quick Response (QR) code printed T-shirt. Others who joined in the celebration were the library working scholars, some library coordinators and the friends of the library. Officers and members of the UST Education High School (EHS) Book Lover's Club and the UST High School Department's Readers' Club showed off their costumes that represent their favorite book character. The UST HS Yellow Jackets with their Pep Squad's drum set also graced the parade with their drumming skills and completed the festive mood that made the event memorable.

After the parade, a program was held at the lobby of the library which was also participated by Level II-7 UST Nursing students through Asst. Prof. Gian Carlo Torres, library coordinator for the College of Nursing. Ms. Estrella Majuelo, chief librarian, made the opening remarks while the emcees were UST librarians, Lourdes Fatima Ramos and Diana Padilla. There was a short memory lane about the library history which started on July 26, 1605 from the donation of the late Archbishop Miguel de Benavides, O.P. of his personal library down to the present. The former head librarian of the UST Health Sciences Library, Mrs. Thelma Trinidad, a “balikbayan” and now a librarian at James Madison Elementary School at the Upper

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Taking 'drills' seriously!

Fire, earthquake or other natural disasters could happen any time without any warning. They can hurt or kill lives and destroy properties. An evacuation drill is a necessary exercise that any organization should practice most often to check the readiness of the people in case of an emergency.

An organization can use different approaches for developing its preparedness plans depending on the size of its facilities, the number of employees, and the type of operations. A community with a well-prepared emergency plans are likely to incur less structural damage and fewer or less injuries. In any emergency situation, saving lives shall always be the first and main priority.

In compliance with the nationwide evacuation drills set on July 2, 2014, the University of Santo Tomas conducted the drills on the following dates:

- June 27, 2014 – a *fire and earthquake* drill was conducted at 9:30 AM. The entire library occupants evacuated the building in exactly 4

minutes/56 seconds. While the *earthquake and tsunami* drill was conducted at 1:30 PM wherein the occupants evacuated the building in exactly 3 minutes/50 seconds. It took 7 minutes/20 seconds to return to the library building.

- July 02, 2014 – A nationwide *fire and earthquake* drill was conducted at exactly 9:30 AM. The library occupants evacuated the building in exactly 2 minutes/49 seconds, while the *earthquake and tsunami* drill was conducted at 1:30 PM; the occupants evacuated the building in 2 minutes. It took them 7 minutes/7 seconds to reach the third floor of the library building for the *tsunami* drill.
- July 28, 2014 – A *cluster earthquake and tsunami* drill was conducted at around 10:00 AM. When the first alarm stopped, all floor coordinators announced the DROP procedure (duck, cover and hold) which lasted for more than ten (10) seconds. This was followed by a second alarm signifying that it was the start of the evacuation. Library staff directed all library occupants to the different exits

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The ABAP Book Fair



(L-R) Ms. Oliveros, Mrs. Geronimo, Mrs. Cruzada, Mrs. Lagniton, Mrs. Ciar and Mrs. Navera

The 18th Philippine Academic Book fair organized by the Academic Booksellers Association of the Philippines (ABAP) was held on

July 9-11, 2014 at the Megatrade Hall, Megamall in Mandaluyong City. Faculty members from Education High School (EHS) Department together with the EHS/Grade School Librarian, Ms. Angelica Ciar, attended the event on July 10, 2014. The attendees from the EHS were Ms. Mena Angela Oliveros, Ms. Marlene Navera, Ms. Erlyn Geronimo, Ms. Kathleen Cruzada and Ms. May Lagniton.

The book fair brought together several booksellers who showcased new educational materials for acquisition by libraries and academic institutions. Due to academic reforms issued by the Department of Education in connection with the K-12 curriculum, priority is placed on materials that will meet the needs of the students enrolled in this new program. The event was also a great opportunity for teachers and librarians to share their insights regarding which materials would best fit the high school students at present and in the near future.

Angelica Frances C. Ciar

The 35th Manila International Book Fair

September is the most anticipated time of the year for book lovers! This year, it was the 35th Manila International Book Fair with the theme “Words without Borders.” It was held last September 17-21, 2014 at the SMX Mall of Asia Complex. It showcased the largest and most diverse collection of literature for leisure and academic reading. This was also the venue for book launching, book signing, storytelling, interactive education, forum, lectures and many other activities that promote reading and awareness.

In addition, it is during this time that most librarians are given the opportunity to attend varied activities like the fora and lectures sponsored by the different library associations and book suppliers. To enhance their knowledge in their field and be updated on the current trends in their profession, some UST librarians attended the following:

- **ASEAN Cross Border Mobility of Professionals: An Opportunity or Threat?**

Speaker: Ms. Dominique R. Tutay, director, Bureau of Local Employment, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE)

Organizer: Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI)

Attendees: Angelica Frances Cruz-Ciar, Edward H. Puzon and Sabina C. Viernes

This forum helped librarians and other information professionals to respond effectively to various ASEAN challenges and contribute to the ASEAN's community-building goals.

- **Staying Relevant: Understanding Self-Directed Learning for Library and Information Professionals**

Speaker: Ms. Carina C. Samaniego, director of Ateneo de Manila Archives

Organizer: Philippine Association of Academic & Research Librarians (PAARL)

Attendees: Arlene P. Matias and Ginalyn M. Santiago

This forum was for librarians to stay relevant as information professionals and increase their learning capacity through self-directed modes of instruction.

- **Life is Abundant but Librarians are Scarce**

Speaker: Dr. Reysa C. Alenzuela, dean of Academics of Cabalum Western College

Organizer: Philippine Association of Teachers of Library and Information Science, Inc. (PATLS)

Attendees: Lucila B. Adriano, Mercy C. Bano and Maynard M. Vitug

Dr. Alenzuela discussed the issue of inadequacy of librarians by building on qualified and competent professionals through a strong Library and Information Science education.

- **Take Charge of your Health: Live Smarter, Live Longer**

Speaker: Dr. Gerald Belandres, ABS-CBN's SalamatDok volunteer doctor, Enrich magazine writer/contributor, Family Access Health Group Medical Doctor

Organizer: Medical & Health Librarians Association of the Philippines (MAHLAP)

Attendees: Anna Rita L. Alomo, Marivic G. Usita and Juanita D. Subaldo

The objectives of this forum were: to know the strategies on how to live longer; to be familiar with the healthiest locally available fruits; to re-orient how to drink water the correct way; and to provide tips to be stress free.

- **Redesigning Information Literacy: What Every Librarian should Do to Empower Learners**

Speaker: Ms. Marian Ramos-Eclevia, associate librarian at the DLSU Learning Commons

Organizer: Philippine Normal University Library and Information Science Alumni Association (PNU-LISAA)

Attendees: Lady Catherine R. de Leon and Marilou G. Palermo

The forum specifically aimed to discuss the importance of and identify the elements needed to create a well-designed information literacy program; and share learning objects, instruction modes, program structures, assessment mechanisms and strategies developed by other libraries within their library community.

- **Copy & Repro: International Conference on IP Policies & Copyright Licensing for Schools and Universities**

Speakers: Atty. Ricardo R. Blancaflor, director general, IP Philippines; Dr. Napoleon K. Juanillo Jr., director IV, CHED

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'eBook' forum in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

The UST Miguel de Benavides Library has been into computerization and automation of its collections and services since 1992. Currently, the trends in terms of collection development is the acquisition of 'eBooks' (*electronic books*), "an electronic version of a printed book that can be read on a computer or handheld device designed specifically for this purpose."

The library has been invited to attend the 'Elsevier eBook forum 2014 entitled SEA: eBooks – paving the way to a better research experience and output'. It was held last September 2 & 3, 2014 at the Gardens Hotel and Residences, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The library was represented by the Chief Librarian, Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo and the Acquisitions Librarian, Ms. Ma. Cecilia D. Lobo. Several topics regarding 'eBooks' with emphasis on the Science and Technology collection were presented by trusted resource speakers from Asia, United States, and the United Kingdom. Current practices regarding acquiring, organizing and managing 'eBooks' were presented by librarians from Thailand and Hong Kong as well as the librarian from the University of the Philippines, College of Engineering Library.

Another highlight of the activity was a tour to the University of Malaya where the group was given the opportunity to see the library's large book collections, Information Technology (IT) facilities and other services.

Attendance to this forum will surely be of great help to the UST Library in terms of improving its collections and facilities through the implementation of some practices being done by our neighboring countries.

Ma. Cecilia D. Lobo

On library services and resources

One of the missions of the Miguel de Benavides Library is "to provide its clients with timely access to a continuously expanding library collection." Printed books and journals are being purchased and subscribed every year; likewise, electronic resources are strengthened. Last year, the UST Library started building its electronic books collection. Up to August of this year, usage statistics shows that more faculty members and students are now aware of the different databases that the library provides. However, the use of these electronic resources will not be maximized if users are not given the proper orientation that is tailored for specific needs of the college/faculty. The General Reference and Information Section, the one in charge of the orientation and hands on tutorial for electronic resources, hopes that this academic year, the section could give one-hundred percent (100%) tutorial for students and faculty members of the university.

As of September 7, 2014, only the Ecclesiastical Faculties, Faculty of Medicine and Surgery, College of Commerce, Graduate School, College of Rehabilitation Sciences and Education High School students have availed of this service. For faculty members, the library was able to provide hands-on tutorial for the College of Science specifically the Department of Biological Sciences and the Institute of Physical Education and Athletics. Last AY 2013-2014, faculty members and students of the College of Education attended this service. Hence, for this school year, only the first year students of the College will be given the tutorial.

Other services that the library provides are the following:

Referral. A letter issued to those who need to acquire materials from other libraries in case such materials are not available in the Miguel de Benavides Library.

<http://library.ust.edu.ph/referral.htm>

Interlibrary Loan. The process of sharing resources among libraries. If the library does not have the material that a patron needs, the library may be able to obtain them from another libraries that is also a member of the resource-sharing.

<http://library.ust.edu.ph/interlibloan.htm>

Document Delivery. A simple request like reproducing desired materials from print and non-print formats acquired from the library or other partner libraries.

<http://library.ust.edu.ph/docdel.htm>

Arlene P. Matias



Every year, the UST Miguel de Benavides Library provides library orientation to different colleges and faculties as part of its user education program. For this AY 2014-2015, the first beneficiary were the new faculty members whose orientation was given last June 27, 2014; and the Faculty of Civil Law being the last to benefit from it last September 3, 2014. Majority of the colleges/faculties have already been given the orientation.

Library orientation is truly beneficial to freshmen. It makes them well-informed about the library collection, services, facilities, programs and about the staff. Freshmen are often confused on what to do especially if it is their first time to enter such premises. Around 60% of the new students come from schools in the provinces that do not have a library as enormous as the one of UST. Therefore, giving an enlightening discussion about this will give them confidence and encourage them more to visit the library.

Through orientation, students also learn the basic research skills such as how to find the right materials for their research, how to use the Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC) and the borrowing procedures which include proper issuance of books at the Circulation section before bringing them out of the library. They are likewise informed of their borrowing privileges. Moreover, during orientation, students are enlightened of the library policies so that they could avoid problems within the premises. On top of it, it will be a great opportunity to know the members of the library staff who can guide and assist them in their research journey during their college life in the University.

Now that the library is continuously acquiring electronic resources, it would be better if the students are updated about the different databases and how they can utilize them for their study and research.

Arlene P. Matias

Thomas B. Colvin personal collections

The UST Miguel de Benavides Library procured last October 1, 2014 a fairly large number of print and research materials numbering not less than 400 volumes, courtesy of Mr. Thomas B. Colvin.



(L-R) Mr. Ricky Jose, UST Archivist, Mr. Colvin, and Ms. Estrella Majuelo, UST Chief Librarian

Mr. Colvin, an American businessman, researcher and historian, generously donated his personal collection of books, several important documents and research articles and other materials. His research

interests include maritime history, background and history of countries like Mexico, Macau, Spain and all aspects relating to the Balmis expedition, which details the campaign of Dr. Francisco de Balmis of vaccination against small pox and the introduction of the vaccine in Spain's colonies including Cuba, Mexico and the Philippines. His collection gives an interesting perspective on Philippine history that is seen in a broader and different view, as one would be able to recognize the link of other countries' history to that of our own most especially in terms of the exploits of Dr. Balmis.

Once processed, these materials will be placed at the Spanish Section.

Mr. Colvin expressed his optimism that his personal collection will be of great use and interest to researchers. With this, the UST Miguel de Benavides Library expresses its heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Colvin for his selfless deed and act of generosity.

Edward H. Puzon

An 'exceptional' gift



(L-R) Ms. Mendoza, Ms. Capule, Mr. Santiago, Fr. Aparicio, and Ms. Majuelo

Last July 14, 2014, the Miguel de Benavides Library was blessed to receive a gift from a U S T faculty member in the p e r s o n of Prof. Danilo Santiago, department chair of Painting, College of Fine Arts and Design (CFAD). This was made possible through coordination with the l i b r a r y by Prof. Guillerma Mendoza, also a faculty member of (CFAD). The gift is a 51 cm. x 37 cm. art masterpiece entitled "Student's Mindscape" which is a mixed media or an artwork that makes use of more than



The painting at the Faculty Area of the GS Section of the library.

one medium. The artist interpreted his artwork as a depiction of what is in the mind of a student of the present generation.

The l i b r a r y administrators, Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries and Ms. Estrella Majuelo, chief l i b r a r i a n together with Ms. Jenneth Capule, head librarian, Graduate School (GS) Section, were really grateful to receive such gift from a kind-hearted faculty of the UST community.

The painting is now on display at the Graduate School Section. This is in response to the request of Ms. Capule for some paintings that can be displayed in her section to enhance its ambience, to relax the tired minds and eyes of students from continuous reading and studying.

Jenneth G. Capule

**"A library outranks any other thing a community
can do to benefit its people.
It is a never failing spring in the desert."**

- Andrew Carnegie -

UST Heritage Library visitors

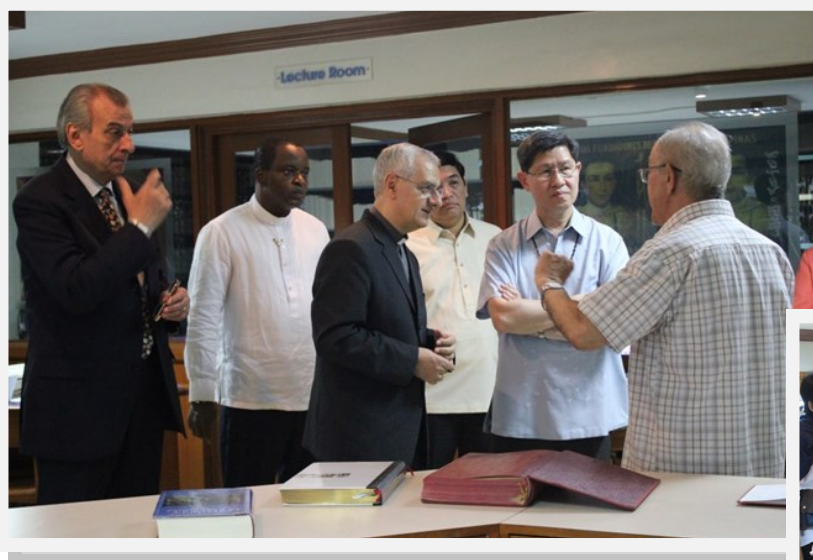
The Miguel de Benavides Library has been receiving some distinguished visitors of the University of Santo Tomas who are interested to see the precious and significant collections of the library which have been gathered for the past centuries.

The following guests paid a visit to see the Antonio Vivencio del Rosario (AVdR) UST Heritage Library, a special repository of the historical materials of UST with approximately 30,000 volumes of rare books and other rare materials:

- Students from Deakin University, Melbourne, Australia;
- Rev. Msgr. Chibuike Onyeaghala, Deputy Head of Mission, Apostolic Nunciature in the Philippines, H.E. Archbishop Giuseppe Pinto, Apostolic Nuncio to the Philippines, Rev. Fr. Herminio V. Dagohoy, O.P., UST Rector and H.E. Luis Antonio Cardinal Tagle, Manila Archbishop;
- Students of Mahidol University, Thailand;

- Prof. Chuks Emma Ezedum, Ph.D., vice chancellor of Madonna University Nigeria with Dr. Agnes Solomon-Polinar;
- Administrators of the Western Mindanao State University;
- Prof. Adnan Kulaksizoğlu, Social Sciences & Philosophy Department, Fatih University, Turkey and Mr. Cihangir Arslan, President, Pacific Dialogue Foundation Inc.; and
- Dr. David Reggio and Dr. Shadi Hijazi, Quacquarelli Symonds Intelligence Unit (QSIU) Consultants.

The visitors were also acquainted with the different activities that the library conducts for the preservation of the University heritage through its 'Conservation and Digitization' projects. These are two of the major components of the 'Lumina Pandit' (Spreading the Light) II Program supported by the UnionBank of the Philippines.



(L-R) Rev. Msgr. Onyeaghala (2nd from left), H. E. Archbishop Pinto, Rev. Fr. Dagohoy, O.P., H.E. Cardinal Tagle, and Fr. Aparicio, O.P.



Prof. Kulaksizoğlu (2nd from left) and Mr. Cihangir Arslan



Students of Mahidol University, Thailand

Diana V. Padilla

Miguel de Benavides... from page 1

Marlboro, Maryland, was present to take part in the celebration and shared her memorable experiences and thoughts as a librarian here and abroad.



The library staff with Mrs. Trinidad (3rd from left, front) during the parade.

There were many exciting and fun activities prepared for the whole library family and to the library patrons as well. These included trivia contest and the awarding of the library's outstanding book borrowers for Academic Year 2013-2014. The awardees by categories were the following:

- ◆ Mr. Marc Aldous Baccay, faculty member from Arts and Letters;
- ◆ Mr. Yitong Guo, Graduate School student from the Ecclesiastical Faculties;
- ◆ Mr. Michael Joseph Concepcion, undergraduate student from the College of Architecture;
- ◆ Mr. Elizer Elleazar, High School student, UST Education High School.

A book talk was also held entitled *Nobela! Paano Ka Isinulat?* by Prof. Eros Atalia, a faculty member from the UST Faculty of Arts & Letters and a well-known and multi-awarded writer for his numerous best-selling novels. Prof. Atalia shared his tips on how to write a novel and showed some illustrations, patterns and important elements to produce an exceptional novel.

Another activity was the new contest which became the special attraction of the event. It was the trending "SHELFIe contest @ The Miguel de Benavides Library." All bonafide *Thomasian* students enrolled for the current semester were invited to join and submit their "selfie" or self-portrait photograph taken at the

library with book shelves as background with their hand-held digital camera or camera phone. The lucky winners and their winning entries were as follows:



- * First Prize: Mr. Juhyun Song, College of Commerce and Business Administration with his entry "You Are What You Read" (Humanities Section);
- * Second Place: Mr. Francisco Ezekiel Espinosa, College of Rehabilitation Sciences with entry "Mind and muscle elite!" (Health Sciences Library), and Mr. Mark David Tabangcura, College of Architecture, with his entry "Book lovers are on the hunt!" (MdbL Ground floor);
- * Consolation prize winners: Ms. Sharmaine Florendo, College of Nursing with her entry "Pick-a-BOOK! I READ you!" (Health Sciences Library), Ms. Maria Diphda Fernandez, College of Nursing with "Ang love-hate relationship ng buhay ko" (Health Sciences Library), Mr. Paolo Arroyo, College of Education with entry "Reading books is one step closer to our dreams" (Humanities Section), and Mr. James Bryan Galimpin, College of Commerce with "Face your books not your Facebook!" (Filipiniana Section).

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Section), and Mr. James Bryan Galimpin, College of Commerce with his entry “Face your books not your Facebook!” (Filipiniana Section).

It was then followed by a solemn thanksgiving Mass officiated by Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P. to gratify and thank the Lord for the innumerable gifts and immeasurable love which God has bestowed upon the Miguel de Benavides Library and the *Thomasian* community as a whole. Likewise, for the more than four hundred (400) years of blissful and continued commitment in achieving quality and excellent academic institution of higher learning that withstood the test of time --- a legacy of the UST founder, the late Archbishop Miguel de Benavides, O.P., who had long-ago just dreamt of. It is an amazing inheritance that the *Thomasian* community will always and forever be grateful for.

The great event ended with a sumptuous food served for the MdbL family. It served as the library staff's get-together to strengthen its bond, camaraderie, unity and professionalism. To spice out the event, the library also invited some concessionaires to join in celebrating the wonderful occasion to draw bigger crowd and hope that it will consistently grow each year. There was a food fair wherein food concessionaires came to sell their products at the foyer of the library. There was also a three day book fair which was held at the exhibit area of the library on July 24, 25 and 26, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

It was truly a fun-filled event. Congratulations to this year's organizing committee for a well-organized and memorable event, Anna Rita Alomo as the over-all chairman, Raquel Lontoc, co-chair together with members Fatima Lourdes Ramos, Angelica Frances Ciar, Rosemary Balbin and Maynard Vitug.

To the MdbL family, happy 409th Foundation Day!!! We all look forward to an excellent and marvelous future for all and for the next generations to come.



Rosemary B. Balbin

Taking drills... from page 2

going to the designated evacuation area. Thousands of people in the library participated in the announced *earthquake and tsunami drills*. The library occupants evacuated the building in 3 minutes/47 seconds. They reached the evacuation area in exactly 4 minutes/53 seconds. Everyone remained in the evacuation area until a tsunami warning was announced. It took them 7 minutes/23 seconds to reach the 3rd floor of the library building. The library clients and staff stayed there until the library's Incident Deputy Commander, Cecilia Lobo, announced the “all clear” signal.

Despite the best efforts exerted to make the drills successful, still, there were comments like some did not take the drill seriously or others did not proceed to the evacuation areas as instructed. These are the usual problems encountered when this activity is being conducted. People only become serious when an actual disaster occurs which should not be the case; disasters can happen anytime, anywhere. People should be aware of the fact that the Philippines is the third most disaster prone country in the world because for its location in the Pacific Ring of Fire aside from its being close to the equator that makes it really prone to earthquakes and typhoons. (*United Nations, 2012*)

Juanita D. Subaldo

35th Manila... from page 3

Organizer: Book Development Association of the Philippines (BDAP); International Federation of Reproduction Rights Organizations (IFRRO); Filipinas Copyright Licensing Society, Inc. (FILCOLS)

Attendees: Jonas T. Sahagun

International and local experts were gathered to discuss the implications of Republic Act 10372 on book piracy and the mandatory crafting of intellectual property (IP) policies for schools and universities.

The Manila International Book Fair enriches the reading experience and contributes to the reading awareness of the Filipinos from different walks of life.

“Great books help you understand, and they help you feel understood.” – John Green

Kaori B. Fuchigami

Fr. Angel's 66th birthday!



Fr. Aparicio as he celebrates his birthday with the staff and friends of the Library.

The UST Prefect of Libraries, Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., celebrated his 66th birthday last September 25, 2014. A simple *merienda* treat was organized by the library staff with the Chief Librarian, Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo spearheading the preparation. Friends of the Prefect even sent greetings and cakes. As part of his birthday speech, Fr. Angel asked everyone to pray for his fast recovery and good health. He thanked everyone who came to celebrate with him.

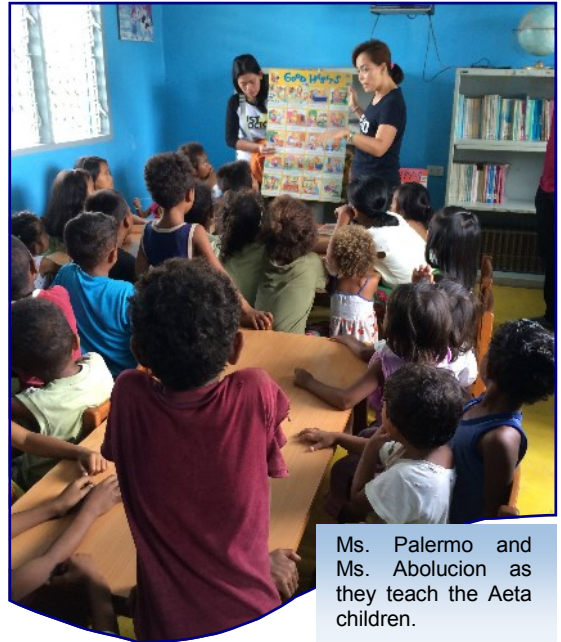
To our beloved Fr. Angel, rest assured that we, your Library family, will continue to pray for your good health and we wish you all the best.



Lady Catherine R. de Leon

Learning experience of Aeta children

Last August 9, 2014, four (4) librarians, namely, Marcelita Lane Olamit, Ma. Cecilia Lobo, Marilou Palermo, Edward Puzon and one (1) support staff, Daisy Mae Abolucion, visited the library set up by the Miguel de Benavides Library in San Martin in Bamban, Tarlac. Once again, they met with the Aeta children in order to enrich their learning experience through new lessons.



Ms. Palermo and Ms. Abolucion as they teach the Aeta children.

Ms. Palermo's discussion centered on good grooming and good traits using some colorful charts. It was followed by Mr. Puzon's discussion on careers that children like them would wish to become someday. He also discussed safety tips inside the house and in the streets. The children actively participated in the discussion. After each topic, Ms. Palermo asked questions related to the topics discussed in order to check if the children have really paid attention to the activity conducted. Distribution of some goodies followed.

The activity was worthwhile and rewarding because even in simple ways, the group had reached out to distant brothers in the mountain where learning was given the least importance. The group truly enriched the kids' learning experience with basic lessons that may serve as guides in their growing years.

Marilou G. Palermo

The Bermudez couple



The couple with Fr. Aparicio, O.P.

(Inset) The couple with their children.

Lucy and Allan celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last August 2014. The couple was married in 1989 at the Santisimo Rosario Parish, University of Santo Tomas. Rev. Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., who solemnized the wedding then was the same priest who renewed their wedding vows for their silver wedding.

Allan is a graduate of Classical Philosophy at the UST Central Seminary. He is now the General Manager of Tarlac Electronic Cooperative-1. Lucy, a graduate of Bachelor of Science in Commerce at UST is presently employed as a support staff at the UST Miguel de Benavides Library. They were blessed with four children namely: Dominic, Raphael, Allyana and Salvador.



The union of Lucy and Allan is one of the best examples of an “eternal love” and the belief in the “one and only.” The couple is a role model of a happy marriage with unconditional love that lasted twenty five years. They believe that two are better than one, that it is better to be a team in facing life’s challenges.

May the growing days be a testimony to your love for each other. Happy anniversary and may you enjoy many more years of togetherness!

Ginalyn M. Santiago

DAISY: in full bloom!

Daisy Mae Abolucion is the perfect example of what a diligent employee is. Born in a humble abode, she grew up with a strong determination on how to get through life and that is by perseverance and hard work.

Born in Lala, Lanao del Norte, Daisy is the youngest in a brood of seven of Andres and Anita Abolucion. At home and in school, she never fails to make her family proud of her. A consistent honor student, Daisy finished her secondary education at the Mindanao State University-Iligan Institute of Technology (MSU-IIT) - Integrated Rural Development Academy where she graduated Valedictorian. Her folks’ predictions did not go wrong because in 2007, she obtained her degree in Bachelor of Secondary Education major in General Science and graduated Cum Laude from MSU-IIT.

She successfully passed the Licensure Exam for Teachers (LET) and started teaching at Iligan East High School. Many could see how versatile Daisy is because landing jobs in other fields apart from her profession is not easy. From being a Customer Care Officer at Pilipinas Teleserv Incorporated to a department secretary at the UST Department of Neurology and Psychiatry, and now at the UST Miguel de Benavides Library only attest to her adaptable nature.

Before she got employed in the Library as a support staff at the Serials Section, Daisy persistently worked in the Department of Neurology and Psychiatry for three (3) years as a casual employee where she has been recognized by her colleagues and superiors as a well-rounded and responsible employee.

Daisy can be described as a strong and independent woman who reflects who she is and what she desires, who shows her true self without hesitation and firmly honors her predispositions. She is also into exploring her interests, keeping real to her ideals, who stands for herself, things which are not easy to do because these necessitate not only urgency and self-reliance but a lot of courage to share her thoughts and philosophies notwithstanding what others would say. One of her convictions is to respect everyone’s opinions and beliefs.

For me, Daisy is a gutsy and determined woman who radiates positivity in every endeavor she encounters and gives her heart and full effort to it. Like a flower in full bloom, Daisy has grown up to give joy to other people.

Nora M. Matawaran



Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P.

Prefect of Libraries

Ms. Estrella S. Majuelo

Chief Librarian

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