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## WHAT'S NEW IN OUR LIBRARY?

**I**n response to the advancement of information technology and the nonstop build-up of the library collections, the Miguel de Benavides Library continuously improves and upgrades its structures, facilities, and services in order to create a more engaging and flexible spaces.

Last March 15, 2015, the 2nd floor of the Library has started a major renovation and is now nearing its completion. The plan aims to re-allocate spaces to better meet the changing needs of the community. Hopefully, after the renovation

has been completed, the library patrons as well as the library staff will enjoy the following:

1. wider space for the Science and Technology section
2. enhanced Multimedia room
3. additional Discussion rooms for a bigger group
4. relocated Faculty area for a more conducive working and learning environment
5. first-hand quality Server room
6. an Evaluation Room for newly acquired materials
7. lounge for library working scholars
8. an improved area for photocopying services

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Science and Technology Section



Multimedia Room



Discussion Room



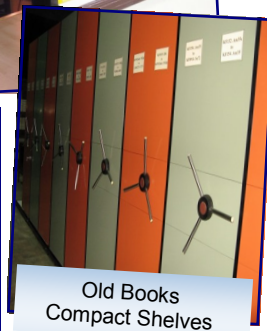
Consultation Room



Working Scholars Lounge



Photocopying Station at the 2/F



Old Books Compact Shelves

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## UST Librarian presents a paper in Osaka, Japan

**J**enneth G. Capule, head librarian of the Graduate School Section of the UST Miguel de Benavides Library presented a paper entitled Towards a Geriatric-friendly Library: a Q Methodology at the 2015 International Conference of Library and Information Science (LIS) held from August 23-25, 2015 at the International House Osaka, Japan. The said paper was Ms. Capule's master's thesis in the UST Graduate School.

The study aimed at constructing a library program responsive to the distinct and ever-increasing information needs of the overlooked sector in society – the geriatric citizens. Using Q methodology, 15 geriatric Filipino citizens from various educational backgrounds were subjected to ascertain their information needs.



Preliminarily, the 15 participants (P-set) were asked to arrange 42 statements (Q-set) derived from initial interviews. With the use of the PQ method version 2.11 software, five interesting profiles emerged via the by-person factor analysis. These include the (i) Classic and People-Oriented; (ii) Gregarious Geriatric, (iii) Cautious Architect; (iv) Soulful Reader; and (v) Trendy and People-Oriented. Their information needs vary from profile to profile and are geared toward library collection and physical facilities. The identified profile characterizations are valuable inputs in crafting a library program that can be labeled as a geriatric-friendly library.

The LIS 2015 is jointly held with “2015 International Conference on Innovation and Industrial

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## CELPh updates

**T**he Induction of the 2015 officers of the Consortium of Engineering Libraries of the Philippines (CELPh) and the 14th regular meeting and benchmarking/visit to Engineering libraries were held at the University of San Carlos Talamban Campus, Cebu City last July 30-31, 2015. The said events were organized and sponsored by the University of San Carlos (USC) Library spearheaded by MegaTEXTSPHILS, Inc. and Ms. Maxie Doreen Leva-Cabarron, director of Libraries of USC.

The incoming officers were inducted by Rev. Fr. Dionision Miranda SVD, USC president. The 2015 CELPh officers are the following:

President	: Concepcion Saul, UPLB
Vice President	: Christine Abrigo, DLSU (Luzon)
Vice President	: Maxie Doreen Leva-Cabarron, USC (Visayas)
Vice President	: Estrella Cabudoy, XU-ADC (Mindanao)
Secretary	: Maribel Estepa, TIPM
Asst. Secretary	: Camia Lasig, CLSU
Treasurer	: Estela Montejó, ADMU
Asst. Treasurer	: Marivic Usita, UST
Auditor	: Meles Castellano, MSU-IIT
Asst. Auditor	: Veronica Jose, MIT
P.R.O.	: Sharon Ma. Betan, UPB-COE
Asst. P.R.O.	: Sonny Boy Manalo, TIP-QC

On the second day, the group proceeded to two engineering libraries, namely, the library of Cebu Institute of Technology (CIT- U Library) and University of San Jose - Recoletos (USJ-R) Library. The objectives of the benchmarking were: (1) to ensure that the member librarians of CELPh are aware of what is going on in the different Engineering libraries; and (2) to adopt best practices among Engineering libraries and at the same time promote the coverage of CELPh.

This activity has widened the horizons of knowing what is in other libraries and sharing the best practices among the member institutions to serve the purpose of the Consortium.

The writer is grateful to the support extended by the Library Administration that allowed her to be part of this event.

*Marivic G. Usita*



## Seminar on “Research for Junior High School”



**R**esearch is a key area in the triumvirate functions of the university. As early as junior high school, students must be able to have knowledge of the research process. The library, with its mission of promoting interest in reading and research work among the Thomasian community, supports the information needs of the students. Thus, the UST High School Library in coordination with the English Forum and Readers Club sponsored a seminar entitled: Academic Writing for High School Students: the Basics. This was held last August 20, 2015 at the UST Junior High School Benavides auditorium.

The seminar highlighted the conventions of academic writing and how it differs from creative writing. Since Grade 10 students are in the process of making their research output, they were invited as audience. Asst. Prof. Rosalyn G. Mirasol, PhD of the Department of English, was the resource speaker.

This activity serves as motivation to students to be more interested to do research work.

*Lourdes Fatima C. Ramos*

## UST Library in-house seminar 2015

**T**he UST Miguel de Benavides Library Committee on Professional Development organized a seminar/workshop entitled “U S T Librarians Geared towards New Challenges and Opportunities in a Changing Educational Program.” This was held on July 16, 2015 at the Library Conference Hall. Librarians participated in this whole day event. Experts were invited as resource speakers to talk on matters that are of importance these days especially in the field of education: Outcomes-Based Education (OBE), K-12 Basic Education Program, and Public Speaking.

The welcome remarks was given by Edward H. Puzon, a UST librarian and the emcee of the event. The activity started with a presentation from Prof. Kathleen Lourdes B. Obille, dean of the School of Library and Information Studies, University of the Philippines in Diliman. Her informative talk provided participants with a good understanding of the concept of OBE and its application to a “Learning Resource Center” (LRC) setting. She shared that OBE basically starts with a clear picture of what is important for students to do, then organizing the curriculum, instruction and assessment to make sure that learning ultimately happens. A workshop at the end of her



The audience composed of the UST librarians.

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## We will survive!

**T**he UST Crisis Committee sponsored a 2-day seminar-workshop on “Disaster Risk Management.” This was held on July 21 & 22, 2015 at the Buenaventura Garcia Paredes, O.P. (BGPOP) building. The Miguel de Benavides Library was represented by Ms. Estrella Majuelo, chief librarian, Juanita Subaldo and Joel Palangan.

The following topics were discussed on the first day:

- Dr. Renato U. Solidum, Jr., director, Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology, encouraged everyone to imagine the different future hazards and its effects, saying that imagination is the best remedy in battling furious disasters. He also mentioned that disaster preparedness is everyone’s business.
- Mr. Henry Theodoro M. Hernia, Office HSE (Health, Safety, Environmental) and Security manager of Fluor Philippines, discussed the “Business Continuity Plan” (BCP). He encouraged everyone to imagine how a disaster will affect UST. Furthermore, he stated that we should know in advance which function must be restored immediately and which function can be restored after.
- Mr. Martin Aguda, Jr., Security and Crowd Management expert, touched the practical side on disaster preparedness. He mentioned that when disaster occurs we are “YOYO (you’re on your own).” He also discussed some tips for us to survive the major event that may happen in our country. According to him, it’s not bad to be a stock filler which means to start to store some instant food, water, toiletries, etc.; but make sure to list down the expiration date of all the items so that these can be consumed before they expire; do the FIFO (first in, first out); be a MacGyver – be resourceful and creative in which you can do anything out of nothing; prepare the “Go bag” wherein the contents must last for at least three days, the following are some basic items that should be included:
  - \* Whistle – tips on how to use it to call for help: whistle blow 3x-means look for me, then repeat after a minute of interval and wait for the rescue worker to respond in single blast, after a minute repeat blowing the whistle until the rescue worker finds you
  - \* Flashlight with extra batteries
  - \* Water, at least two liters per family member
  - \* Medicine (i.e. prescribed medicine), infant formula for babies, portable medical equipment
  - \* Food such as biscuits, easy-to-open canned goods, energy bars & dried foods, but make sure to list down the expiration date and replace the food & water yearly
  - \* Clothes, especially for the baby
  - \* Cash
  - \* Important papers or documents must be properly sealed
  - \* Duplicate key for the house and car
  - \* Toiletries like, toothpaste, soap, toothbrush, napkin,

diapers, tissue, alcohol, deodorant, etc.

- \* Emergency plan including the place or area where the members of the family would most likely to meet in case of disaster.

On day two, during the morning session, the participants were asked to group according to their designation/s in the local crisis management team. The different groups were asked to make their own “Business Continuity Plan (BCP)” for the continuous service delivery; second, this proposed BCP is necessary and needed to be undertaken in order to reduce the risks of disruption to library service.

1. **Assessment.** Assess and estimate the type and extent of the damage to the building (physical structure), furniture, equipment, fittings, toilets, power, network cabling, collections, staff, etc.
2. **Documentation**
  - \* Ensures proper documentation of damage (photos, videos, etc.);
  - \* Records all major decisions and a chronology of events;
  - \* Keeps inventory control of items being removed or discarded
3. **Reporting.** After assessment and proper documentation have been done, this must be reported to the proper authority.
4. **Planning.** Gather complete and accurate information about the incident. Write /plan an effective specific recovery plan. Prepare first response action list and evaluate collection assets and set priorities.
5. **Manpower**
  - \* Estimate the number of personnel needed to complete the work and how long the recovery will take;
  - \* Employ additional staff for the crisis period and redeploy some staff who cannot undertake normal duties;
  - \* Compile the up-to-date telephone list of staff and volunteers;
  - \* Responsible for union issues;
  - \* Coordinates and monitors the use of volunteers;
  - \* Evaluates & recommends if salvage can be done in house with staff, or if a consultant and/or emergency recovery services are needed;
  - \* Deploys work teams;
  - \* Supervises work teams in proper packing and personal safety;
  - \* Secures and protects the building’s contents
6. **Supplies and equipment**
  - \* Identify sources of supplies, services and experts;
  - \* Responsible for ordering, delivery and dispersal of sufficient quantities of the appropriate materials for packing out;
  - \* Responsible for ordering, delivery and dispersal of

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## 19th Philippine Academic Book Fair

**T**he Academic Booksellers Association of the Philippines (ABAP) and the Primetrade Asia Incorporated held their 19th Philippine Academic Book Fair from July 22 to 25, 2015 at the Megatrade Hall 2, SM Megamall in EDSA. The book fair's objective was to showcase the latest feature of academic books, journals, references and other materials for educational institutions; and to provide them with the opportunity to avail of educational materials at the most reasonable price from participating companies.

A program attended by librarians from various academic institutions across the country and a ribbon-cutting ceremony led by the guest of honor, Sen. Edgardo "Sonny" Angara, Jr., kicked off the three-day event. In his keynote message, Sen. Angara emphasized the role of libraries in national develop-

ment citing some of the world's modern cities as having some of the largest and busiest public libraries. "It is not surprising that cities like Singapore, Tokyo, New York, Paris and London are the most creative and most innovative centers in the world. Not only are their public libraries well-funded, but they are also patronized," he said. The senator further explained that as institutions that provide information, libraries can be used to empower individuals to strive for greater things out of their learning experience. "Our aim should be to foster a widespread love for learning, for exploration, and for self-discovery," Angara concluded.

It was indeed a very successful event that every academic institution looks forward to every year.

*Lady Catherine R. de Leon*

## St. Dominic de Guzman, "A Man of Prayer"

**P**art of the annual activity being organized by the UST Miguel de Benavides Library, Committee on Human Values is the forum on St. Dominic de Guzman. This year's theme is entitled "St. Dominic de Guzman, A Man of Prayer." This was held last August 13, 2015. Participants were selected library staff, Junior High School students and faculty members from the High School department.

This activity aimed to identify the relevant information about the background, family, important places and events in the life of St. Dominic and to apply the virtues learned from the life of this Saint.

A short film, "A Man of Prayer" was shown before the start of the forum proper. Immediately after, the forum started with the lecture of the resource speaker, Fr. Hilario Q. Singian, Parochial Vicar, House of San Lorenzo Ruiz & Companion Martyrs, Navotas City, Metro Manila.

The following were the highlights of Fr. Singian's discussion:

- \* as a man of gospel not only of prayer
- \* always spoke with God and of God
- \* the traits of Saint Dominic which is love for the Lord and for neighbour and the search for God's glory and the salvation of souls
- \* spent his entire life in the cause of the apostolic ministry
- \* his strong devotion to our Blessed Virgin Mary
- \* praying of the Rosary, the prayer associated to him



Fr. Singian



Assoc. Prof. Pazcoguín



Bro. Marcelo Yap

- \* the most effective way of prayer and weapon to bring back people to God and the Church
- \* Fr. Singian's personal proposal of additional rosary mysteries on the life of Jesus and Mary based from the Bible.

One of the invited panel of reactors was Assoc. Prof. Richard G. Pazcoguín from the UST Campus Ministry who shared his own reflections on the following:

- \* significance of praying the rosary for spiritual reflection;
- \* prayer is a two-way conversation wherein we need to speak and to listen;
- \* prayers become ineffective sometimes for we often do the talking rather than listening;
- \* and the most important – language of God is Silence.

Another reactor was Sem. Marcelo April Yap from the Diocese of Ipil, Zamboanga Sibugay and presently taking

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## ***What's new... from page 1***

Other changes that have made a difference in library arrangements are the following:

1. transfer of the Old Books collection at the ground floor lobby of the library and stored in new compact shelves
2. more reading space at the Graduate School section (3rd Flr.), the space formerly occupied by the Faculty area
3. the drafting area at the Humanities section was permanently closed and the Multimedia room has been transferred to the Science and Technology section to accommodate the growing collections of the Humanities section
4. Current Serials section at the ground floor has been transferred to the Serials section at the 6th floor of the library building

As changes in the library continue, the library's physical structures have to transform as well in order to support the mission of the Library as well as its services, and users needs.

***Juanita D. Subaldo***

## ***UST librarian... from page 2***

Management (IIM 2015),” “2015 International Symposium on Marketing and Logistics (ISML 2015),” “2015 International Congress on Economy, Finance, and Business (ICEFB),” and “2015 International Conference on Big Data, Importance of Things (IoT), and Cloud Computing (BIC 2015).” There were more than 250 submissions of which 170 excellent papers were accepted.

The main objective of LIS 2015 is to provide a platform for researchers, academicians as well as industrial professionals from all over the world to present their research results and development activities in LIS. This conference provides opportunities for the delegates to exchange new ideas and application experiences face to face, to establish research relations and to find global partners for future collaboration.

Ms. Capule also had the opportunity to join in a visit tour to the library of Kwansei Gakuin University (KGU) which was held on the last day of the conference. Ms. Uozumi, librarian of KGU, led the tour discussing things in the English language. There was a video presentation of the digitized KGU's collections featuring ancient documents and illustrations from Kansai region, as well as a copy of the Bible printed with Gutenberg printing technology. For this presentation, Mr. Keitaro Okuno, lecturer at Kwansei Gakuin, provided a translation. They were also toured around the different sections of the library including the Rare Books Room and the corner “Books on Japan” which facilitate one's understanding about Japan.

It was a noteworthy experience to present a paper in front of people from different cultures but united by one common goal – to share one's knowledge and new ideas in LIS profession. Truly, librarians can go beyond the four corners of their offices and innovate themselves with new developments in their field.

***Jenneth G. Capule***

## ***UST library... from page 3***

presentation followed. She asked everyone to determine a specific program that promotes responsible use of information for their respective section, list learning objectives which are outcomes based and determine ways of assessing these. Dean Obille went over the outputs of each group and evaluated the answers, highlighting the good points that each had carefully thought of, and also providing helpful suggestions that could improve the programs listed.

Another topic, the “Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013” or more popularly known as K-12 Program, was discussed in detail by Assoc. Prof. Pilar I. Romero, Ph.D., principal of the UST Senior High School. With the K-12 Program, it is envisioned that the Filipino graduates:

- would possess sufficient mastery of basic competencies to develop their potentials to the fullest;
- would be adequately prepared for the world of work or entrepreneurship or higher education;
- would be legally employable, globally competitive and proud to be Filipinos.

Dr. Romero, with her wit and dynamism, proficiently conveyed the key features of the K-12 Program, such as universal kindergarten, spiral progression, senior high school and college and livelihood readiness among others. She explained the educational reforms that come with the implementation of this program as well as the changes that it will entail in the secondary education in UST.

Taking the stage with vigor and vitality was the last speaker, Asst. Prof. Emelito F. Sarmago of the UST College of Commerce and Business Administration. He provided a significant overview of what public speaking in libraries is all about and why librarians should be good at public speaking. He also identified factors that hinder an individual to engage in public speaking, such as lack of confidence and poor preparation. Prof. Sarmago enthusiastically presented tips and techniques he has learned from being a member of various professional organizations, one of which is the Toastmasters Club which has various chapters in the Philippines, in order to overcome one's fear of speaking in front of a crowd:

- ace your fear by starting from small-scale events;
- prepare, be organized, focus on your message and use relaxation techniques; and lastly
- practice and be bold by being passionate, which could lead to confidence.

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He mentioned some common public speaking mistakes and offered pieces of advice on how to correct these. Injecting humor, he added, is important and is a powerful tool that could establish rapport with the audience. It can diffuse hostility and can lighten up heavy material.

After the lecture, several librarians were asked to briefly conduct a library orientation. Prof. Sarmago keenly observed each presenter and gave his assessment afterwards. He gave succinct yet meaningful feedback regarding each librarian's mannerisms, stance, voice projection, and overall performance.

This event would not have been successful without the support of the Library administrators, the initiative of the organizing committee and the cooperation of the entire Library staff.

*Edward H. Puzon*

### ***We will survive! from page 4***

sufficient quantities of food, water and other comfort items for the workers;

#### **7. Temporary premises**

- \* After assessing the impact of the incidents, the library administrators can look or suggest for a temporary place within the university, or rent outside wherein it can be used as a storage;
- \* Identifies locations for storing materials out of building if a commercial recovery service is not used;

#### **8. Transportation**

- \* Plan how to transport the unaffected stock to temporary premises;
- \* Formulates logistics for packing out and moving materials from the building;

#### **9. Communications.** In the event of disaster and to return to normality it is important to communicate clearly and concisely with your employees, etc.

- \* Handles all public relations and the media;
- \* Interacts with the organization to which the library reports;

#### **10. Financial issues,** what funds can be used after a disaster?

- \* Tracks the monetary impact of all decisions;
- \* Arranges for funds necessary to buy supplies, equipment, food, etc.

#### **11. Priorities.** The collection priorities list is meant to be a guide. It is important to have some idea ahead of time which collections should be recovered first.

- \* High priority should be given to the bibliographic records of the collection. These are the shelf list, the card catalog and inventories if not also available electronically. (There should be regular back-up of computer storage devices with the backup stored off-site);
- \* Another priority is the staff and personnel records, if not duplicated elsewhere. (It is strongly recommended

that these records be duplicated and stored off-site to prevent their irretrievable loss);

#### **\* When prioritizing collections, consider the following questions:**

- Can the items be replaced?
- Would the cost of replacement be more or less than the cost of restoring the material?
- How difficult is the material to replace?
- Does the material have a high or low collection priority?
- How would loss of the items impact the institution's mission?
- Will the items require immediate attention because of their composition?
- Create an inventory list of IT equipment in office, sections, branches, etc.;
- List electrical and other library equipment and report this to the Tactical Team.

A good business continuity plan will keep the library prepared for future disasters that could jeopardize or compromise its primary mission.

*Juanita D. Subaldo*

### ***St. Dominic... from page 5***

up further studies in Pastoral Theology major in Social Communication at the UST Ecclesiastical Faculties.

Some important points in his sharings/reactions were:

- \* the source of his inspiration are his Dominican mentors who are always willing to give to our Lord Jesus Christ and who always have passion for truth which is their greatest spirituality;
- \* Dominicans live for preaching and this preaching presupposes prayer, study and community life that are rooted in silence and contemplation;
- \* Dominican spirituality of silence and contemplation in our life-like St. Dominic who has sold his books (which in those times were very expensive) just because he has listened well, he has heard the cry of the poor;
- \* Dominican spirituality is principally dynamic, adaptable and flexible and is not petrified;
- \* knowing how to listen and learning how to listen to God for in prayer, we talk to God and in silence, God talks to us;
- \* living simply so others may simply live; and
- \* praying the Holy Rosary religiously.

This yearly activity is indeed a great learning experience for the participants for they are given a personal view about the imbued identity of St. Dominic de Guzman. We pray that St. Dominic, a true "Man of Prayer," spurs us all to be fervent in prayer, courageous in living out our faith and deeply in love with our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Michelle M. San Gabriel*

## USTLA officers for AY 2015-2016

The oath taking of the newly installed University of Santo Tomas Librarians Association (USTLA) officers for Academic Year 2015-2016 was held at the UST Miguel de Benavides Library Conference Hall last August 14, 2015.

Rev. Fr. Angel Aparicio, O.P., Prefect of Libraries, headed the induction ceremony. Fr. Angel gave an inspirational message and boosted the morale of the UST librarians when he acknowledged their contributions and significant role in the Thomasian community. Also present during the occasion were the following: Dr. George Lim, incumbent president of the UST Faculty Union (USTFU) and Ms. Estrella Majuelo, chief librarian.

The new set of officers are:

President : Marilou G. Palermo  
Vice-President : Lady Catherine R. De Leon  
Secretary : Ma. Teresa F. Estoya  
Treasurer : Ginalyn M. Santiago



The newly elected USTLA Officers during the oathtaking.

Auditor : Anna Rita L. Alomo  
PRO : Sabina C. Viernes

To the new dynamic USTLA officers, CONGRATULATIONS! May you have an abundant year full of events and fun.

*Rosemary B. Balbin*

## “Outstanding Teacher” donates to the Library



(L-R): Dr. de Guzman, Ph.D., Mr. Puzon, and Prof. Dela Cruz during the turn over of books.

In celebration of the National Teachers' Month and the World Teachers' Day 2015, the College of Education, through the kindness and generosity of Prof. Thomas Edison E. dela Cruz, Dr. rer. nat., donated to the UST Miguel de Benavides Library 46 volumes of books in various disciplines.

The books were turned over to the UST Library by the Dean of the College of Education, Prof. Allan B. de Guzman, Ph. D. and Prof. Dela Cruz, in a symbolic turn over ceremony held on September 9, 2015 at the Albertus Magnus Building, SpEd Room A and B. The UST Library was represented by Mr. Edward H. Puzon, Gifts and Exchange librarian.

Prof. Dela Cruz, of the UST College of Science, Biology department, is one of the two 2015 Metrobank Foundation Outstanding Teachers (Higher Education Category). He joins the ranks of Dr. Angeles Tan-Alora (1992), Dr. Beatrice Q. Guevara (1999) and College of Education Dean de Guzman, (2011) as UST faculty members who have been recognized by Metrobank.

*Edward H. Puzon*





Mr. Magtaan and the Aeta children during the outreach activity.

### Storytelling at Bamban, Tarlac

The UST Miguel de Benavides Library continuously provides activities and services to encourage people to use the library in many different ways. Last September 13, 2015, the Committee on Community & Extension Services organized the regular outreach activity for its partner community in Bamban, Tarlac. Among those who participated were: Michelle San Gabriel, Arlene Matias, Mercy Bano, Noli Magtaan, Rafael Travilla, Lucille Adriano, Ginalyn Santiago, and Fevie Macasaet. The objective of the visit was to reach out and share not only one's time but also to impart knowledge by making the community aware of the benefits they get through storytelling.

Two different yet interesting and engaging stories were given by Mr. Magtaan. The first story "Si Tembong Mandarambong: Mahilig sa Walis Pero Tamad Maglinis," taught the kids about cleanliness, hard work and honesty. The other one, "Sundalong Patpat" is about the importance of water and rain. Fifty (50) Aeta kids willingly listened and actively participated in the question and answer portion.

The program ended with a ball game where the best catcher received a wrist watch. Bags of snacks and other giveaways were also distributed for the children.

*Kristi Ma. Fevie V. Macasaet*

## The 36th Manila International Book Fair

The biggest and longest running book event in the country has once again opened its doors to book lovers of all ages – the 36th Manila International Book Fair (MIBF). It was held last September 16-20, 2015 at SMX Mall of Asia Complex, Pasay City. This five-day event has become a gathering of renowned authors, avid readers and leading book publishers to celebrate and promote the love for reading.

Series of conferences, lectures, book signings, new title releases, and storytelling sessions were some of the engaging activities in the affair. Big discounts from non-fiction to fiction books, magazines, teaching aids and newly launched reading materials were also enjoyed by the attendees of the fair. With these enticing offerings, MIBF has become one of the much-awaited book events in town!

The UST Librarians consistently support and participate in the annual MIBF. They also invite the University administrators, faculty members and some students to attend and participate in the activities of the book fair. This is to help them select books and other library materials that would support the curriculum and that would satisfy the informational and research needs of its community. In addition, it is also an opportunity for the librarians to upgrade their knowledge on trends in librarianship by participating in some of the seminars and conferences that are organized by various library associations in the country. Below are the lectures/fora that some of them have attended to:

#### **Librarian's Role in Managing a Plagiarism-free Environment,**

by Atty. Vyva Victoria M. Aguirre

Organizer: Philippine Association of Academic /Research Librarians, Inc.(PAARL)

Date: Sept. 16, 2015

UST Library Attendee/s: Leonila Manuel and Juanita Subaldo

#### **Eye Care: Protecting your Eyes at Work Forum,** by Dra. Nikki So Angbue Te

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

Date: Sept. 16, 2015

UST Library Attendee/s: Lucila Adriano, Anna Rita Alomo, Ma. Teresa Estoya, and Marivic Usita

#### **Making Things Happen: Librarians as Project Manager's Forum,** by Mr. Joseph Yap

Organizer: Philippine Normal University Library and Information Science Alumni Association (PNULISAA, Inc)

Date: Sept. 17, 2015

UST Library Attendee/s: Diana Padilla

The 36th MIBF was organized by Primetrade Asia, Inc. and its partner organizations: Book Development Association of the Philippines (BDAP), Philippine Booksellers Association, Inc. (PBAI), Overseas Publishers' Representatives Association of the Philippines (OPRAP), and Asian Catholic Communicators, Inc. (ACCI).

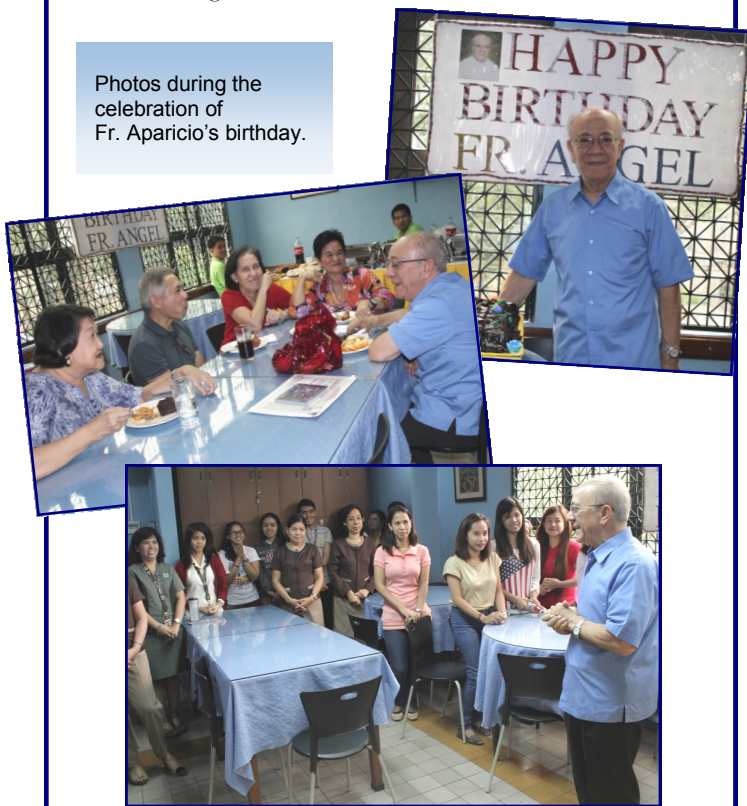
*Diana V. Padilla*

## Fr. Angel Aparicio turns 67

Last September 25, 2015, the Prefect of Libraries, Fr. Angel Aparicio, OP, turned 67. The day was made more significant since it coincided with the feast of St. Cosmas and St. Damian, patrons of the Faculty of Medicine & Surgery of which Fr. Aparicio is the regent. But since September 25 was declared a national holiday, the Mass for the feast was held on September 24 at the Medicine Auditorium. It was attended by faculty members and students from Medicine and UST Librarians.

For the Library's celebration, the library staff headed by the Chief Librarian, Ms. Estrella Majuelo, prepared a sumptuous snack for the staff and friends of Fr. Angel. It was held on September 30, 2015. Ms. Ma. Teresa Fenix, Mr. Ricky Trota Jose, the UST archivist, former library staff Ms. Margie Cruz, are some of his guests.

Photos during the celebration of Fr. Aparicio's birthday.



It was indeed a great gathering of everyone close to the Prefect. To Fr. Angel, we wish you a bountiful year ahead and good health always.

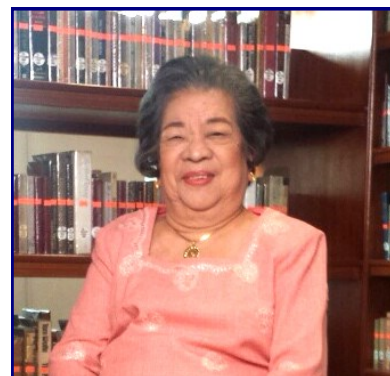
Feliz cumpleaños Fr. Angel!

*Lady Catherine R. de Leon*

## A Pillar of UST

Last July 28, 2015, the University of Santo Tomas Office of Alumni Relations (UST-OAR) conducted a video shoot featuring Prof. Candida C. Agcaoili, an alumna of UST and a former chief librarian (1950-1966). This was held at the Humanities Section of the UST Miguel de Benavides Library.

Prof. Agcaoili was an awardee of the "Outstanding Thomasian Alumni" (TOTAL Award) in the field of Education in 2001. She was also a recipient of the "Outstanding Professional Librarian of the Year" award in 2009 given by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC). She served the University for 44 years, 15 years as chief librarian of UST and 29 years as professor of Library Science, both in the undergraduate and graduate studies. She obtained her Bachelor of Science in Education, major in Library Science, magna cum laude, from the University of Santo Tomas in 1950 and Master of Arts in Library Science from the Holy Rosary College in the United States in 1953.



Indeed, Prof. Agcaoili is an inspiration for devoting 59 long years of her professional life in the development of the library profession; for exemplifying the true meaning of commitment; by sharing unselfishly her knowledge and expertise as a professor and speaker; for her exemplary leadership in various library organizations; and for her active and unrelenting involvement in community services. Truly, she is one of the outstanding members of the Thomasian family for her professional achievements, exceptional teaching, and extraordinary service to UST and to society.

The definitive video which is entitled "Pillars" is a documentary about UST seen in the eyes of her alumni. It aims to bring to life the ideals of the university and the values inculcated to all its students and alumni. This activity is one of a series of activities that the OAR is undertaking to pursue the UST's commitment to unify generations of proud Thomasians. The video was presented during the launch of the OAR primer and website which was held last September 29, 2015 at the Blessed Buenaventura Garcia Paredes, O.P. building.

*Raquel B. Lontoc*



## New uniform for librarians

**T**o maintain their respectful and wholesome look, the UST librarians decided to forego with their old office uniform to sport a new and different image. For Academic Year 2015-2016, the female librarians wear chocolate brown polo blouse from which they can opt for either a short or long sleeves. The top has a combination of beige piping in the neckline and at the side pockets. The blouse is paired with beige skirt/pants. While the male librarians decided for the opposite combination – a polo barong in beige color and chocolate brown for pants.

Uniform gives sense of identity for a group and on the practical side – less expenses for clothing allowance.

*Marilou G. Palermo*

## LIBRARY COORDINATORS CORNER

Library Coordinator is the faculty member responsible for the activities that concern the library and his/her respective College/Faculty/Institute.

**Note:** Library coordinators are encouraged to submit article/s for the Library Newsletter

*Asst. Prof. Edward  
M. Suson*



## Who is not familiar with this library coordinator known for his advocacy of financial literacy?

Asst. Prof. Edwin M. Suson, or Jojo to his family and friends was born in Sampaloc, Manila whose natal day was February 9. He simply describes himself as a learner and lives by the philosophy “Your choice, your future.”

Taking cue from the academic degrees he has earned, Prof. Suson is undoubtedly an achiever. He graduated from AMA Computer College with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and pursued further studies at the University of Asia and the Pacific where he finished his Master of Science in Management. He also earned a diploma in Marketing from the Ateneo de Manila University.

In addition to these credentials, he is currently a “Registered Financial Planner” (RFP) and a “Certified

Entrepreneurship Teacher (CET).”

Getting close to thirteen (13) years of service in the University of Santo Tomas, he presently handles courses on entrepreneurship, personal finance and marketing in the College of Commerce and Business Administration. Added to this is his being the library coordinator for two (2) consecutive terms and again, for this school year, a job he handles quite efficiently.

Never wanting to rest on one’s laurels, he likes attending seminars and trainings in the fields of entrepreneurship and financial literacy. It is no wonder that one of his personal goals in life is to become one of the best trainers in the country and be an inspiration to others in jumpstarting and securing their financial future.

*Maynard M. Vitug*



## Newly hired librarian



**W**hen I first met this pretty lady, everyone was asking if she has a foreign blood because of her looks. But Marjorie Irish A. Suarez, a new member of the UST Miguel de Benavides Library, is a pure Filipina who hails from Quezon City. Irish is the eldest daughter of Jerico and Ruth Suarez. Born on February 3, 1994, she grew up with two sisters in the vicinity of Commonwealth, Quezon City.

Irish passed the Librarians' Licensure Examination last April 2015. She started her journey as a normal student with full of dreams in life. She wanted to prove something to herself - that she could contribute her talents and abilities to others; be able to inspire and leave a legacy.

Her high school years were memorable. She became the overall patrol leader of the Girl Scout of the Philippines. She was 1st runner-up in the United Nations pageant. She was awarded 3rd honorable mention during her graduation.

Her college years were likewise full of active and beautiful memories. She joined the Rhythmyx Dance troupe, the official dance troupe of the College of Education and competed in the cheerdance for four years. During her second year, she represented her class and won

the title Miss Bachelor of Library and Information Science (BLIS). Afterward, she competed for Miss Education and received special awards. Although she only ended up in the Top 5, she always believes that failures are only delayed success. For her, what is important is the experience gained and the proper exposure to these kinds of challenges in life.

Since she was a child, her mother taught her the value of money. After she graduated from high school, she worked as a book seller in her alma mater; she also worked as a call center agent in Ortigas for three (3) consecutive summers and continued to be employed there for three more months after graduating from college. Eventually, she decided to look for a job that is related to her field of work. She was accepted as a school librarian in the Philippine Institute of Science and Technology in Cordillera, QC, a school for Chinese community where she experienced a lot of difficulties and life-learning lessons from the different scenarios in her workplace – with her workmates and with students as well. Simultaneously, she enrolled her Master's degree in Education Curriculum and Instruction, also in UST.

Thereafter, one of her classmates informed her about the need of a librarian in the UST Library. She tried her luck and was fortunate enough to be taken in, with the help of the Lord, to whom she prayed wholeheartedly. At present, she is assigned at the Technical section enjoying and looking forward to more experiences as a librarian.

*Lucila B. Adriano*

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