

@LibNEWS

Official Newsletter of the Romeo P. Ariniego, M.D. Library Services Center



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Welcome

Here it is: the first issue of our official library newsletter, @LibNews. Years and months of dreaming, weeks and days of planning, hours and minutes of meetings, and here we are, ready to launch, as part of our creative initiatives, the first library newsletter.

Lib, the shortened term for library, merged with the word News, serves as the medium for giving updates and information to the DLSHSI Academic Community with regard to the collections, services and other relatable activities of the library. The "@" sign on the other hand signifies the changing trend from the traditional to the modern library - the very path where our library intends to go.

Our aim is simple: we at DLSHSI Romeo P. Arniego M.D. Library Services Center wish to offer you, the readers, information and perspective on the ever-changing nature of discovering the world of knowledge as seen through the collective eyes of our library personnel. For us, it is a great challenge.

Please let us know if we are meeting that challenge. We need your feedback and your perspective as we inaugurate a new era of the library. You may want to think of this effort as our way to reach out to you, our valuable patrons. Please keep us posted; we want to know.

Welcome!


EFREN M. TORRES, JR., MLIS
Chair, Library Services Center



Library Webpage Makeover

www.dlshsi.edu.ph/library.php



Over the past 6 months we have been working on the Library webpage to make it easier for you to find the things you need. The work we've done reflects comments and feedback we have received through various users and staff. It is clear from everyone's comments that there is too much on our home page and we tend not to express things clearly. The new home page is now simpler to navigate and reflects the things you want to do and find.

For example, did you know the Library subscribes to almost 1,000 online journals and electronic books – we've got one of the biggest medical and allied health electronic collections in the country!

In response to the growing trends of library services, we have added an online reference service in our webpage to enable students and faculty members to have instant answers to their library queries from our Reference Librarian. To further reach our patrons and to expand our online presence, a library Facebook account shall soon be created. Announcements and updates like new books, databases and the like shall be posted regularly in our account.

We're always happy to get feedback – positive or negative – so if you'd like to comment on the website, or have an idea to improve it, just drop us a line at rpamdslsc@dlshsi.edu.ph or better yet like us at Facebook.

Tired of carrying heavy textbooks up and down stairs? Fed with up with the one book you really need to read always being out on loan? The RPAMDLSI's growing e-book collection may be able to help. We now have over 1,000 e-books covering all subjects from Anatomy to Zoology and everything in between. Many of our e-books are research books but there are also e-versions of key undergraduate textbooks.

Apart from the advantage of being available 24 hours of a day, 365 days a year, e-books also offer lots of other added value. Students who have used e-books for research and revision say they particularly like the way they can search the text by keyword and find relevant information more quickly. Most e-books have embedded links so you can click to get directly to the full text of a reference or recommended text.

At the moment, very few people use e-books exclusively, many still prefer print books for heavy or more sustained reading while e-books are used for browsing or searching quickly for a specific fact or reference. This may change as e-readers develop and become more sophisticated and are able to mimic the experience of reading from print more exactly. At the moment, the battle of the e-readers is still in full flow and it is not clear if the Kindle or the newly arrived iPad will be the winner of market share.

Coming soon will be the 'e-book of the month' feature on the Library homepage which highlights a different key e-book each month. E-books within the Library's Collection can be easily accessed via the Library website using the catalog or the databases that we have. If you would like more information on the e-books available in your subject area or advice on using them get in touch with our medical and multimedia librarian, contact details can be found at our webpage.



MEET YOUR LIBRARIANS

Across the library, our team of librarians are available to answer questions and provide any help and support you need using our wide range of resources, or to help you find the right information for your assignments. They are specialists in information sources in their respective subject areas and are experts in providing training and support in using online databases, accessing resources, evaluating information, and even avoiding plagiarism. Librarians are also responsible for developing the print and online collections. They also welcome suggestions for any books you'd like the library to purchase. You can get in touch with your librarian by email, phone or by personally conversing to them in their work areas.

They can help you to:

- Find information e.g. journal articles, research papers, books and e-books.
- Use search tools such as the library catalogue, online resources, search engines and databases.
- Evaluate information; especially information found on the internet for academic research.
- Avoid plagiarism and reference appropriately.
- Keep up-to-date in your research area.

So read on and meet your young but experienced librarians!

Chair, Library Services

Mr. Efrén M. Torres, Jr.

Earned both his Master (thesis about the impact of technology on the organization and personnel of academic libraries) and Bachelor of Library and Information Science at University of the Philippines Diliman (UPD)
Hired on May 2004
Interests include Basketball and Photography



Multimedia Librarian

Mr. Anthony J. Bahía

Earned his Bachelor of Library and Information Science at Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP)
Currently enrolled for his Master of Education with specialization in Library Science at Philippine Normal University (PNU)
Hired on May 2005
Interests include Computer and Music



Technical Service Librarian

Ms. Raquel P. Samar

Earned her Bachelor of Library and Information Science at Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP)
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Medical Librarian

Mr. Marlon G. Gado

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Interests include Travel and Photography



Periodicals Librarian

Ms. Jennifer P. Ogorda

Earned her Master of Science in Library Science at Manuel Luis Quezon University (MLQU) (thesis on the status of St. Jude Parish Library as basis for an improvement program) and Bachelor of Education Major in Library Science at University of Santo Tomas (UST)
Hired on September 2006
Interests include Hiking, Food & Video Editing



Reference Librarian

Ms. Joy M. Perez

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Hired on June 2008
Interests include Cooking and Fashion



Allied Health Librarian

Ms. Zipporah M. Dery

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Interests include Reading Books and Photography



**RPAMDLSLSC...
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winning logo

For the past three years, the RPAMDLSLSC has been identified with the thrusts "Supporting. Collaborating. Innovating". However, they felt that there is still something missing; something that would really recognize and inspire the whole team. Understanding that predicament, the RPAMDLSLSC launched an institute-wide library logo making contest.

Out of the 10 logos submitted, the design of Rey-An Nino Garcia, MD, and Eileen Feliz Cortes, MD, got the highest rating from the panel of judges composed of Academic Services Director Juanito O. Cabanias, PhD, General Education Director Nelson V. Arnante, MAEd, Guidance Counselor Nympha Leyva, and the Library Chair Efrén M. Torres Jr., MLIS. Drs. Garcia and Cortes received the cash price of five thousand pesos and a certificate of recognition.

Inspired by Dr. Romeo P. Ariniego and instilled with the vision, mission and objectives of the RPAMDLSLSC, the new logo after some modifications shall be used in June 2011.



Top Five Entries



Winners of the "Library Logo Making Contest", Dr. Rey-An Niño L. Garcia & Dr. Eileen Feliz M. Cortes with Mr. Efrén M. Torres Jr. (Chair, RPAMDLSLSC) and Dr. Juanito O. Cabanias (Director, DAS).

RPAMDLSLSC celebrates the 76th National Book Week



"School Year 2010-2011 indeed has been very fruitful for the library. A new library and modern building; a new and innovative library leadership; and now a new and creative library activity for all – the National Book Week Celebration".

These were the remarks coming directly from the Library Chair as he opened the 76th National Book Week Celebration on November 22, 2010. In celebration of this one week event, the Romeo P. Ariniego, M.D. Library Services Center prepared a number of activities.



First was the launching of the "donate a book" project and the new library webpage. A weeklong book fair exhibit which was participated in by Megatexts Publishing, Global Learning Media and Mind Mover was held at the lobby of the 2nd floor of the library. A free-film showing on November 23 and 25, featuring fiction books turned to motion pictures, took place at one of our discussion rooms.

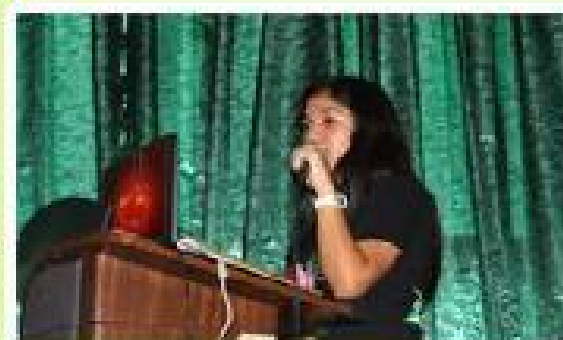
On November 24, the very first Library Student Organization (LSO), led by its president Ms. Ayumi Pamilar, took their oath as the very first set of officers. Their oath taking was presided by Dr. Patricia Sy-Santos, Dean of Student Services.



RPAMIDLSC celebrates the 76th National Book Week...



On the same date, the "ILOVEMYLIBRARY" Campaign was launched. This simple library awareness campaign aims to encourage library users to value, respect and love their library as if it is their second home. Different sectors from DLSHSI gave their assistance in this campaign by giving their simple pledges of support. To further spread this library awareness campaign, bookmarks, t-shirts and polo shirts are also being sold at reasonable prices.



Also on November 24, a storytelling session was spearheaded by the Library Student Organization (LSO). Children from the nearby areas were invited. The storyteller was CMRT student and Gawad Lasalyano Edukasyon Scholar Charissa May V. Jariel. For her efforts, she was given a certificate of recognition and National Book Store Gift Certificates.

And in line with the aim to develop the library staff to become better providers of needed information, a hands-on seminar on the utilization of the library's online resources was administered by Anthony Bahia and Marlon Gado to all library assistants. The participants were taught how to access and use the various online databases subscribed by the library.

Librarians & Staff on the GO

On July 21-24, 2010, Library Chair Efren Torres Jr., together with librarians Anthony Bahia, Marlon Gado and library assistant Abel Requinala attended the seminar entitled "The Web: from design to utilization" at Coron, Palawan. The seminar-workshop, organized by the Association of Special Libraries of the Philippines (ASLP), tackled the importance of webpages/websites in promoting the services of the library. Participants were also given ideas on how to better design a library webpage from its content down to its form and structure.

Library assistants from the Technical Services Section, Lizette Sico and Rosemarie Velasco, attended the two-day seminar entitled "DDC and LC Schemes as Tools for Information Storage and Retrieval" at Ateneo de Manila University on July 26-27, 2010. On the same date and venue, library assistants Imelda Vocal and Mercedita Zubia attended the seminar titled "Customer-Based Approach in Delivering Satisfaction and Service Quality in the Library".

The Philippine Association of Academic and Research Librarians (PAARL) held their seminar-workshop themed "Library and Web 2011 for Readers, Technical and Archives Services" on August 19-20, 2010 which was attended by Periodicals librarian, Jennifer Ogorda and Library assistant PJ Campaña. This seminar-workshop was held at the Holy Angel University, Angeles City, Pampanga.

Library assistants Susana Griño, Melannie Libunao, Lizette Sico and PJ Campaña participated in the national conference sponsored by the Polytechnic University of the Philippines Master of Library and Information Science Society titled "Competency Enhancement of Filipino Librarians and Information Professionals in the New Age of Information" on September 29-30 at the C&E Information Research Center, Quezon City.

Technical Services Librarian Raquel Samar attended the Philippine Librarians' Association Inc. (PLAI) National Congress on November 17-19 at the Waterfront Hotel, Cebu City. The theme of the national congress was about international librarianship. Speakers from other countries shared their experiences and best practices from which local libraries can adapt and use.

As part of the holistic development of all academic support personnel, the library chair Efren Torres Jr., together with librarians Anthony Bahia, Marlon Gado, Jennifer Ogorda and Raquel Samar, attended the annual recollection on October 26 at the La Salle Villa. The recollection, which was also participated in by guidance counselors and some general education faculty members, enabled all the participants to ponder and reflect on the life of St. John Baptist and how they can be better persons in and out of their working life.

The Office of Academic Services, where the Library Services Center is part of, held its annual mid-year workshop at Puerto Princesa City, Palawan on October 20-23, 2010. Fittingly titled "On the Way to Three Wonderful Years of OAS", the mid-year workshop enabled all library personnel to take a break from their demanding working environment and reflect on their performance for the half year. The plans and programs for the school year were again discussed as well as the creative initiatives of the LSC. The chair presented their action programs while Dr. Cabanias discussed and suggested other means to further provide better and more efficient service to all library users.

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