## **Editorial**

Well, 2003 is almost finished: some will heave a sigh of relief that it's finally come to an end; others will already be thinking and planning for next year. There have been times of joy and moments of sadness. Despite the scattered and, for some, isolated nature of our libraries, we have ways of forming bonds of fellowship and care. So here for your reflection, enjoyment and education is Newsletter No. 51—with thanks to all who have contributed.

Our President, Tony McCumstie, has outlined some useful and valid ways in which we can promote the Association. Each of us has a task to fulfil.

Philip Harvey's paper from the July conference on time management has in it something for everyone. It is definitely one for us to "read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest". Then, there's his review (exposé?) of the **new** New Catholic Encyclopedia!

Stephen McVey's presentation was via PowerPoint. The 'slides' are reproduced here exactly as they were for the conference.

The last major paper from July is that from Grant Stone of Murdoch University on The Money Squeeze. Unfortunately for us, Grant has been on long service leave this last semester and it has not been possible to access his article. Every effort is being made to obtain it for the next issue in April 2004.

Pek Kheng Goh, theological librarian at Murdoch University, offers the reflections of a real newcomer — to the job and to ANZTLA.

The remaining Interest Spots are included here—first from Rosemary Watts on the rapid growth of Trinity Theological College, and second the story of the South Australian chapter from myself. Also included are two other contributions from SA chapter members—Wendy Davis and Susan Melhuish.

Many thanks to Judith Bright and Helen Greenwood who have offered a tribute to Jeanette Little—a valued member—whose contribution to theological libraries and librarianship will live on.

Recent References Resources are noted by Rhonda Barry and there's exciting developments on ARI from the management committee.

I had hoped to bring you some historical background to the formation of ANZTLA—as this year is the 25th anniversary of the first gathering of theological librarians in Australia and New Zealand. However, it has been quite difficult to obtain the relevant information, from those who have either retired or moved out of the theological library scene. There is still hope that a brief history will be prepared in time for the April issue next year.

Prior to next year's conference, please give consideration in your chapter to taking on the task of producing the Newsletter. When I volunteered in 2002, it was with the understanding that it would not be a "lifetime sentence". While I have enjoyed the challenge and appreciated the support of the other members in the SA Chapter, I would like someone else to volunteer to take on the responsibility from next year's conference.

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