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SA Chapter visits new State Library
Wendy Davis

On a chilly morning in August, the intrepid librarians of the South Australian chapter, lined up outside the ‘new’ State Library. Our main business was with Lindy Bohrmann and Peter Zajicek from the conservation section: however we did have a brief guided tour of the new facilities of the Spence wing (named after Catherine Helen Spence, the famous South Australian writer, teacher, social and political reformer).

After being slightly overwhelmed by the glass and steel of the new entrance way (decorated with specially commissioned works of art), we gasped in awe at the banks of new computer terminals, lingered in front of the new display cabinets of Bradman memorabilia and the history of printing/newspapers in South Australia, then hurried past the construction workers, down into the bowels of the Mortlock wing.

Lindy shared with us the secrets of microfilming and proudly showed us the latest technology that could scan documents (mainly newspapers) and preserve them on microfilm as well as creating a digital copy.

Peter shared some of the difficulties and joys of preservation and conservation—they were busy working on various items that will be displayed in the new ‘treasures’ display in the refurbished Mortlock wing.

They and their staff work in cramped conditions, made more difficult by the presence of tradespeople whose work won't be completed for many more months. We appreciated the time and the informative talks they gave, and enjoyed our hot coffee in the Art Gallery Café next door afterwards.