how to identify items of significance
the difference between preservation, conservation and restoration
risk management
practical and inexpensive storage options
dealing with photographs, books, papers, works of art
training needs for staff and others wanting to access the material

The feedback from participants at the end of the day revealed that much of the apprehension about handling historically significant materials had been dispelled, and it had been most pleasing to learn that solutions need not involve the purchase of expensive materials, nor take inordinate amounts of time and effort. In many cases, placing an item in an unsealed plastic bag or copy-safe ring binder plastic pocket is sufficient to protect it and arrest further deterioration. Kim demonstrated how easily a custom made box can be constructed using acid-free cardboard.

It was a most worthwhile workshop from which we all felt a good deal more confident in being able to handle and manage the valuable and historically significant materials in our collections.

Award for Carolyn Willadsen

Carolyn Willadsen has been nominated for an Award for Outstanding Service to the Brisbane College of Theology. The nomination has the support of the principals at the three BCT member schools: St Paul’s Theological College (Catholic), St Francis’ Theological College (Anglican) and Trinity Theological College (Uniting Church).

The Nomination:

“That Carolyn Willadsen be presented with an award at the 2006 graduation ceremony in acknowledgement of her achievement and contribution to theological librarianship and the BCT”

Carolyn has been with the Pius XII Seminary, and more recently as librarian for ACU-St Paul’s College at Banyo, for nearly 25 years. Many students and scholars have commented on her quick response and knowledge of theology and library expertise. Theological librarians throughout Australia and New Zealand value Carolyn’s expertise and knowledge of the field. Her general knowledge of theology and its resources is outstanding, whether in systematic theology, biblical studies, Greek, Latin, or other related areas.
• Carolyn is a founding member of the Australian and New Zealand Library Association (ANZTLA)

• Since 1988 Carolyn has contributed as an indexer for the Australasian Religion Index (ARI) and AULOTS

• Carolyn's contribution and achievement has been done very quietly and without fuss

• Many published theological scholars have relied on Carolyn's sharp eyed expertise to proof-read their manuscripts

• Carolyn is sincerely committed to the theological community she serves and supportive of the library community in which she works.

• Carolyn has contributed to theological education with commitment and dedication.

Many scholars, colleagues, past and present students would be very supportive of the BCT recognising Carolyn's commitment and achievements over this long period of time.