



ANZTLA South Australia Chapter Report 2014

*compiled by Hayley Eyers,
ANZTLA SA Chapter Secretary*

Current financial South Australian Members of ANZTLA (2014)


- Adelaide College of Ministries Library, Adelaide College of Ministries
- Adelaide Theological Library, Adelaide College of Divinity
- Australian House of Prayer for All Nations Library, Australian House of Prayer for All Nations
- Burrow Library, Bible College of South Australia
- Catholic Resource & Information Service, Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide
- Löhe Memorial Library, Australian Lutheran College
- Sophia Library, Sophia
- Tabor Adelaide Library, Tabor Adelaide

News from the ANZTLA SA Chapter

- Barbara Cooper was elected as new Chairperson for ANZTLA SA Chapter.
- Blan MacDonagh, library manager at Löhe Memorial Library, Australian Lutheran College, retired in November 2014.
- ANZTLA SA Chapter has been coming up with new ideas for future meetings, for example, library tours and workshops.
- ANZTLA SA toured the new Adelaide City Library and South Pacific School Aid this year.
- Sophia Library joined the ANZTLA SA Chapter. The Sophia Library is a public library with a specialist collection of fiction and non-fiction books, poetry, periodicals, DVDs, and CDs for loan and for reference. Subject areas include psychology, feminist theology, women's studies, spiritual life, meditation and ritual. There are also books on feminist, social, health and ecological concerns and social justice issues in addition to small history, fiction and poetry sections. The Sophia Library is an important resource in the life of Sophia. People who attend courses value the opportunity to browse and borrow relevant items. Specific books, which are recommended by course facilitators, are also purchased for the Library.

Adelaide's City Library

Opened on Friday 7 February 2014, the City Library is a multipurpose space. It is a place of possibility, where creativity and innovation are fostered through cutting edge technologies, inspirational spaces and functional universal design. People will meet in this space, they will



“An overarching design principle for the City Library is the concept of ‘one element many forms’, guiding the creation of flexible and multipurpose spaces, and the selection of joinery and furniture that could be used by our community in multiple ways.”

hang out, learn, create and debate. They will access Adelaide’s history and be part of Adelaide’s future.

Adelaide’s City Library will have enough room for big ideas and small. It will be central to the cultural calendar of Adelaide and readers, writers, makers and performers will all embrace this flexible space and help make the City Library the place to be.

Recently the City Library won an Excellence in Design award from the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) – Australia.

The FSC is an international, non-profit organisation founded in 1993 by environmentalists, social interest groups, indigenous peoples’ organisations, responsible retailers and forest management companies to develop standards to measure responsible forest management practices.

The City Library team received this prestigious award for the design, selection and procurement of responsibly sourced, FSC-certified timber products for many of its fixtures, finishes and furniture, as well as FSC-certified paper for its office and sanitary supplies. The City Library sustainable design principles reflect what is important in our city and to our community.

An overarching design principle for the City Library is the concept of “one element many forms”, guiding the creation of flexible and multipurpose spaces, and the selection of joinery and furniture that could be used by our community in multiple ways.

This award recognises that Adelaide City Council is committed to promoting public spaces that are socially, culturally, economically and environmentally sustainable.

South Pacific School Aid

South Pacific School Aid is a group of volunteers who collect, sort, pack and ship mainly second hand books, suitable for educational purposes, originally to countries of the South Pacific but, in recent years, to many places all over the world. (The group has existed for more than thirty years.)

Recently all records were broken with a large shipment of 71 pallets containing more than 90,000 books being sent to 24 locations.

Peter Kirk, who leads the committee, is constantly in contact with schools, charity clubs and churches, not only sourcing books but also funds to ship pallets and containers all around the world, while David Butler spends many hours preparing and painting the boxes with the red kangaroo so that overseas people recognise they come from Australia. Books that do not make the grade for shipment overseas are sold here in Australia to help raise funds for each shipment.

It is not surprising that this group was presented by the Governor of South Australia with the Adelaide Chapter Achievement Award of 2012 UNESCO Clubs. This wonderful group deserves such a prestigious award.



“South Pacific School Aid is a group of volunteers who collect, sort, pack and ship mainly second hand books, suitable for educational purposes, originally to countries of the South Pacific but, in recent years, to many places all over the world.”

Adelaide College of Ministries Library

The Adelaide College of Ministries Library has had another quiet year of business as usual. We contemplated extending our Online Journals subscription this year to take in the ATLA range, but have deferred that until more funds are available. However we were excited to receive into the collection a large set of Loeb Classical Library items as well as some quality donations. We have also been able to undertake a more detailed stocktake this year and so have a much more confident understanding of the content of the collection and where we need to extend. Developing an acquisitions policy remains on the strategic priority list.

Tamara Wenham

Adelaide Theological Library

The Adelaide Theological Library is now operating under a new management body, Adelaide Theological Library Inc. The new Board includes representation from the Adelaide College of Divinity, the Uniting College, the SA Synod of the Uniting Church, and Flinders University Library. In effect, the managing body will continue operating as before under a new name except with no responsibility for the campus itself, as this is now solely owned by the Uniting Church. The resignations from the consortium by the colleges of the Anglican Church and the Catholic Church have led to a significant reduction in staffing levels, acquisitions budgets and opening hours.

Rosemary Hocking

Diocesan Archives, Anglican Diocese of Adelaide

In October 2014 Adelaide's longstanding Anglican Diocesan archivist, Mrs Robin Radford, entered retirement. Her position has been filled by Dr Sarah Black. The archives spent 2014 in a busy period of consolidation, working on a program of reorganising the collection to embrace the series system as well as processing some large new accessions. We expect an eventful year in 2015, including a move to new premises located together with St Barnabas Theological College. With the impending resurrection of the St Barnabas Theological College library, we are looking forward to exploring possibilities for fruitful collaboration as time goes on.

Sarah Black, Diocesan Archivist

Burrow Library

First semester saw the welcome addition of three casual volunteers, one of whom has previous experience as a librarian. This has helped greatly with the sorting and cataloguing of donated books in particular. In the middle of the year we upgraded our library management system from ALICE to Liberty. This followed outsourcing of the college server and IT management. There have been the inevitable hiccoughs but generally the result of this upgrade



“The rest of the year was occupied by, as well as our usual tasks, the digitalisation of the illustrations of the Luther Bible overseen by Trevor Schaefer”

has been pleasing and facilitates online access to resources for our students.

Barbara Cooper

Catholic Resource & Information Service

This year the emphasis at CRIS has been to respond to the initiatives and changes within the Catholic Education Office while continuing to support Graduate Certificate courses, APRIMS and RECs in schools and developments within Parish Catechesis and Youth Ministry. There has been strong emphasis on the Theology of the Child, ecological conversion, changes to Grad Cert and Catholic Studies courses due to the migration of Grad Cert to UniSA, and more interaction with ACU students and staff due to integration of Catholic Theological College into Australian Catholic University and co-location with Catholic Education SA. Susan attended the National ACRATH Conference in Melbourne in February, and has promoted awareness of human trafficking issues. 2015 will see an upgrade of the CRIS library management system to the cloud based Infiniti, and further modifications to the delivery of courses.

Löhe Memorial Library

There has been much activity at LML this year especially in the latter part when our usual calm existence was somewhat rippled by Blan MacDonagh, our Library Manager for 10 years, announcing her retirement. She left us in November accompanied by appreciation for the work she had done. Her resignation was followed by a review of the Library conducted by former ATL Librarian, Beth Prior. The results of the report have not been widely distributed but will inform the appointment of a ‘Senior Librarian’ early in 2015. Lavinia Gent has been acting as Library Manager in an interim capacity.

Also towards the end of the year, the Library was given access to a significant bequest to buy computer hardware and furniture for the setting up of a Computer Lab. We hope this project will be completed early in 2015. The rest of the year was occupied by, as well as our usual tasks, the digitalisation of the illustrations of the Luther Bible overseen by Trevor Schaefer, and the weeding of our video collection which was replaced, where possible, with DVDs and other digital forms by Pam Zweck Silcock. Lavinia as Cataloguer continues to come to terms with the implications of RDA and also oversaw the upgrade of our Symphony Library Management System. 2014 was a significant year for us and we look forward to new challenges (and some old routines) in 2015.

Lavinia Gent, Interim Library Manager

Tabor Adelaide Library

2014 was a year of significant and exciting achievements for the Tabor Adelaide Library. The implementation of a new library system, Aleph/Primo in October 2014 was the biggest change and



major milestone that required a great deal of planning, preparation and training. The new catalogue offers an easy electronic resource access to journals and e-books and faceted searching. Students and academic staff were randomly surveyed at the end of the year, and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive. Tabor Adelaide is now a member of a UNILINC library network that has over 22 academic libraries sharing support and resources via interlibrary loans.

Oksana Feklistova

“2014 was a year of significant and exciting achievements for the Tabor Adelaide Library. The implementation of a new library system, Aleph/Primo in October 2014 was the biggest change and major milestone that required a great deal of planning, preparation and training.”