

The year 2006 unveils a new wave

in the leadership line up at the University of the South Pacific Library

Ms Sin Joan Yee was appointed University Librarian in February, following the appointment of her predecessor, Dr. Esther Williams, as the USP Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

Ms Yee was asked her views on library development in the last five years and where she sees Library development going. Her response was:

I believe we have achieved a lot in the past 5 years, despite many challenges. We have focussed on developing library services that are responsive to our users' needs, are modern and of high quality. We hope that the services developed will help library users maximise the resources that are available. Some highlights are the Information Literacy Programme which helps users develop lifelong learning skills in finding, using and evaluating information; the upgraded web-based Sypdyus catalogue; the move towards online materials over print so that all our users, no matter where they are located, can access these; the revamped library website that provides a portal to the Library's resources; the development of reference services including the Ask-A-Librarian service; the provision of over 60 PCs with Internet access, word processing and e-mail facilities with the assistance of ITS and other sections. Of course, our success in each of these initiatives varies. There is room for improvement and other areas that we need to address and thanks to the skills, commitment and dedication of the staff and the support from the USP community, we have been largely successful.

Where do we need to go? We need to consolidate and further develop these initiatives; identify areas for improvement and as the USP charts new directions we must be responsive to these.



Ms Sin Joan Yee newly appointed University Librarian 2006.

Areas needing attention include the comprehensive acquisition of materials on the Pacific; skilled and trained personnel, higher levels of funding, development of infrastructure and quality issues, especially with regard to the campus and centres outside of Laucala, where development has been concentrated - this being our biggest challenge to date.

To deal with the challenges means that we will have to adopt a combination of approaches. For example, given that the large majority of our users are spread across huge geographical distances, adopting a 'digital strategy' would be ideal and most cost-effective.

ICT is a powerful tool for information dissemination and access and the USP has developed an amazing ICT infrastructure for teaching and the delivery of services but there remain limitations.

With the assistance of the Planning and Development Office, we are trialing the 'Digital-Library-in-a-Box' project whereby digital information is stored in local servers at campus libraries and accessed via the LAN. Developing infrastructure and library capability across the network will mean convincing University Management to allocate more funds and resources to the development of campus and centre libraries, an integral part of the Library's Triennial Submission, 2007-2009 to the University.

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New Manual for PIC Parliamentary Libraries

Vilimaina Vakaciwa reports...

Parliamentary libraries in Pacific Island Countries (PICs) are now equipped with a manual that provides practical guidelines designed to strengthen the information and research capacities of parliamentary libraries in island countries. The manual is an outcome of a training workshop for parliamentary library staff that was conducted in collaboration with the Fiji Parliament in Suva, from the 19-22 July 2005. The Workshop was organized by the Regional Centre of the UNDP with training provided by Workshop Consultant, Michael Ong of the Research Section of the Australian Parliamentary Library in Canberra.

"The production of the manual is supported by the Australian Region of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Libraries of the Pacific Parliaments."

The online version of the manual is accessible and can be downloaded at: http://regionalcentrepacific.undp.org.fj/Files/proof_Library%20Manual.pdf Although the manual is tailored to suit parliamentary libraries, it has good ideas for general library application.

Japan Donates to USP Library

Tony Dadalo reports...

On Friday 27 January, His Excellency Mr Masashi Namekawa, the Japanese Ambassador to Fiji, Tonga, Nauru, Kiribati, Vanuatu, Tuvalu and Palau officially presented the books to the USP Library. The books cover different areas of Japanese society including legal, cultural and economic aspects. When presenting the books to the USP H.E. Mr Namekawa

said that the Japanese Government is pleased to be continuously assisting the USP in various ways. He pointed out that the books will disseminate knowledge about Japan to the students, staff and users and in turn, foster mutual understanding.

On receiving the gift, Professor Tarr thanked the Ambassador for the donation and said that the USP had been a recipient of these contributions from Japan for over 20 years and as a result the University has an expanding collection of works on Japan.

SPC Noumea Supports Library Digital and Online Access Initiatives

Vilimaina Vakaciwa reports...

The Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) Library embarks on three major projects in 2006. The first project is the digitizing and mounting online of approximately 8,000 SPC historic photographs, mostly black and white, from the early 1950s to date.

The second major initiative is the setting up of an integrated library network to allow SPC clientele easy online retrieval and digital access to information held in various branch libraries associated with the SPC Suva Office and those held at the headquarters in Noumea. The third project is focused on strengthening ties through meetings and resource sharing with partner fisheries libraries and information centres in the Pacific Region.

Recently SPC Library & PIMRIS hosted a Pacific Regional Group of IAMSILIC (International Association of Marine Science Libraries and Information Centres) meeting in conjunction with the SPC Heads of Fisheries meeting from 3-7 April 2006.

Achievements



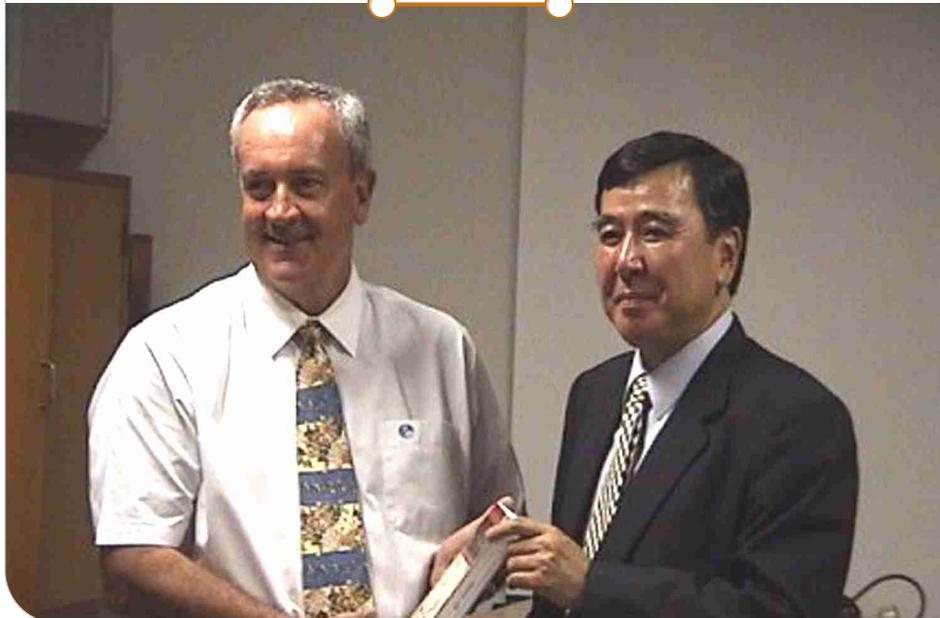
Gwen Mar, USP Library's Graduate Trainee returned to work from Study Leave at the Victoria University of Wellington, NZ. Gwen has completed her studies in the Master in Library & Information Studies programme and has been appointed as a librarian in the Reader Services section. Gwen said that time management is the most challenging part while studying and that the course is intensive and a neverending weekly cycle of receiving and submitting assignments and one can easily lag behind if personal time is not managed well.

In her research thesis, Gwen looked at "Attitude and Behaviour of Library Staff in Fiji towards Freedom of Access." She found that attitude and behavior towards information access do not fall at the same end of the scale.



Sharmila Pillay was appointed to a Librarian position in Reader Services having completed a B.A. in Librarianship and Corporate Information Management from Curtin University of Technology in Perth, Australia.

She said "The course was an eye-opener as it made me realize the importance and value of being an information provider." Sharmila strongly feels that the core focus of librarianship is quality customer service and that one has to have the skill and ability to respond to the information needs of users.





Three Library Assistants from the USP Library received their paraprofessional awards at the USP Graduation ceremony held on Friday 21 April 2006.

Francis Chute, Library Assistant at PIMRIS and Sashi Reddy, Library Assistant at the Pacific Collection graduated in the Diploma in Library & Information Studies. They both joined USP Library in mid-January 2006.

Niranjila Kumar (Part-Time Junior Library Assistant, Reader Services) graduated with the vocational Certificate in Basic Skills in Library & Information Studies. She joined the Library in January 2005.

Departures



Victoria York returned to Montana after completing a two year contract as the Reader Services Librarian. She also coordinated the Library's Information Literacy programme.



Rose Campbell resigned after a short stint with the USP library as Digitization Librarian.



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Free expression of views or the more familiar phrase Freedom of Expression (FoE) is most often associated with information and media sectors but in reality covers all sectors of the community.

With some Pacific Island Countries (PICs) undergoing elections at this time, the freedom of political candidates to state their views and the populace to air theirs on issues of national and personal interest, it is an opportunity to test FoE in a nation.

At election time in Pacific countries, the Pacific Collection Librarian, together with the USP Campus and Centre personnel, make every attempt to collect information on the various political parties and candidates.

Documentation collected can be a tool indicative of the degree of freedom of expression within PICs.

FoE in the USPL

Whilst discussions in recent months are on the Solomon Islands and Fiji elections, there has also been some chatting on work-related matters.

One can only guess the web of ideas in the minds of the staff as they quietly carry out their daily assigned duties. This

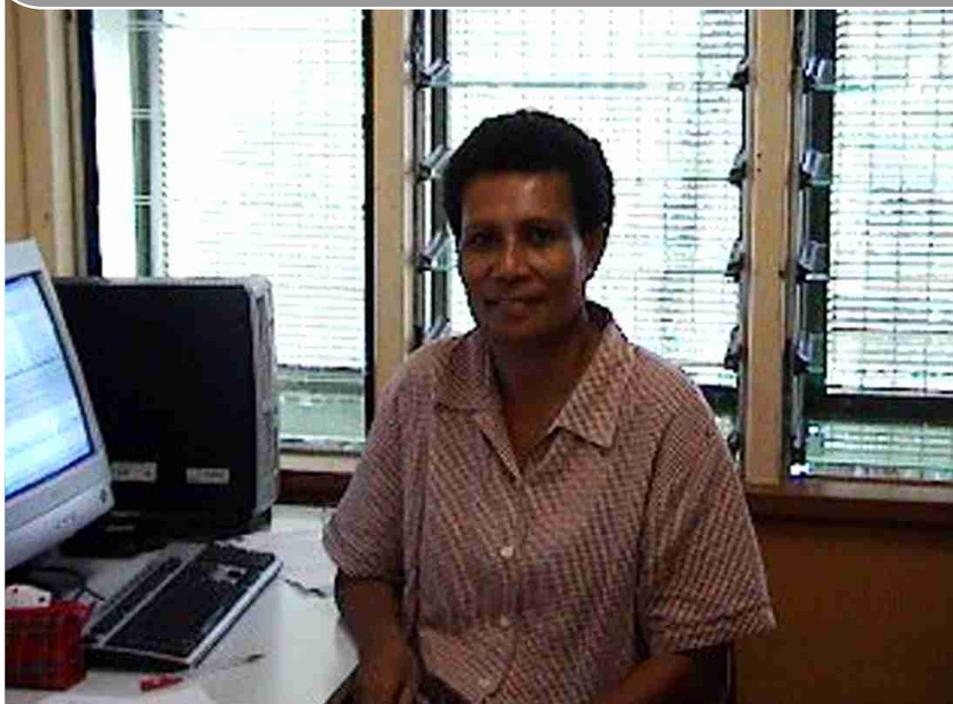
month in Mi Harem Se, we posed the following question, 'what will be the best way forward for the USP Library?' to a few library paraprofessional staff and their answers were:

"Management to identify and draw from the pool of para-professionals the best candidate who already has the prerequisite and experience to pursue the professional library graduate training - this will ease the career path stagnation and staff turn-over experienced at para professional level."

"Best way forward for the library is to encourage local capacity building, to invest in local or regional talent to take up the hard to fill positions - build confidence on regional elements and throw them in the deep end and if they do not know how to swim they will surely know in order to survive."

"A "think tank" committee well blended with both professionals and paraprofessionals to advise the University Librarian regarding library initiatives."

Have your say in the next issue of Libraries Pa-C-fika. Send your views or comments to views expressed in this issue to Libraries Pa-C-fika.



Co-ordinator, USP Certificate in Basic Skills in Library and Information Studies Programme

“The Pacific Island region is poorly aware of the role, power and influence of libraries in development. There is a lack of political will nor are there any policies in place to support developments in this field”

Liviana Tabalala who joined the USP Library Training Department in 1998 is a librarian by profession and coordinator of the USP Certificate in Basic Skills in Library and Information Studies Programme. In this interview with Vilimaina Vakaciwa, Liviana offers an insight to the status and prospects of the Library Certificate programme and the need, training and employment prospects of professional and para-professional of personnel.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: You have been writing and teaching the programme for almost a decade. How can you tell if students have achieved the learning outcomes of the courses you have taught them?

Liviana: I use a variety of methods to find out if a student has achieved the learning outcomes/objectives of a course. If a student has achieved the learning outcomes/objectives, he/she will show this by applying his/her understanding of the learning outcomes/objectives in the tasks and activities he/she has been asked to do. The key terms here are “understanding” and “application”.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: What do you deduce from the course enrolment statistics in terms of the viability of the programme?

Liviana: In view of the enrolment statistics of the Certificate programme, based on the USP Library’s Annual reports,

Enrolment Statistics				
2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
262	302	271	205	162

one can see that while there was an increase in enrolments in 2002 but from 2003-2005 there has been a decrease in enrolments. Generally speaking, enrolments for the last 5 years have been at an average of 27-50 students for each of the five courses. Although there is downward fluctuation, enrolments in the Certificate have been quite high and it is encouraging to know that we are training so many. Initial statistics for Semester 1 2006 are 111, so it looks as though 2006 may improve on 2005. You have to remember that we have not vigorously marketed our courses, but are securing

healthy enrolments. There are a lot of libraries out there with untrained staff, so we are hopeful that our graduates are filling a niche.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: How easy do graduates in certificate or diploma programmes find para-professional jobs in their respective island state countries?

Liviana: I cannot comment on the ease or otherwise of a certificate or diploma holder finding a paraprofessional job in his/her country, as this depends on the job vacancies available in their own countries and the skills employers require. The Department has not kept a record of this either. For Fiji, there has been an increase in the last 2-3 years of advertised job vacancies for Certificate and Diploma holders, so our graduates who qualify fill these positions.

Thus, if a graduate possesses the skills required by an employer for a particular position, he/she will be able to find a job.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: Do you think there will be an influx of paraprofessionals now or in the near future in our region, considering the increasing rate of student enrolment in the certificate and diploma programmes?

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Liviana: Yes, I anticipate an increase in the number of paraprofessionals judging from the rate of enrolments in the last 5 years.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: How do you perceive our Pacific shores labour market for paraprofessionals in the next 10 years?

Liviana: I am not sure about the labour market in the rest of the USP region. For Fiji, apart from a few institutions like the USP, FSM, FIT, PIFS, SPC that have always insisted on the recruitment of qualified paraprofessional staff in their libraries, a lot of parent bodies and organisations like schools have not realised the importance of employing skilled personnel. Thus, while the demand for paraprofessionals in the former institutions have either stabilized or improved, there is room for further improvement in the labour market.

In Fiji for example, there are 714 primary and 160 secondary schools (Fiji. Ministry of Education. Annual report. 2004). Most of these are run by untrained staff. It is a similar situation with many government department libraries, so this represents a huge market in Fiji alone of which we have barely touched the surface. For the library course coordinators, this is a challenge as it means having to market the library/information studies programme. The library associations in various countries could also contribute by raising awareness of the need to employ skilled people in libraries.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: Out of the 21 Campus and Centre libraries in the USP region there is only 1 regional professional and 3 expatriates. What do you infer from this?

Liviana: There are not enough qualified and experienced regional librarians. Upcoming paraprofessionals who qualify to upgrade their education to an undergraduate degree in librarianship need to be encouraged to do so. Those

with an undergraduate degree in other subject areas could also be encouraged to undertake a post-graduate course in this area.

Apart from this, what is also very important is the ability to apply/translate the skills learnt during formal studies to the work environment, and this comes with work experience. This is what is also lacking in the region and that is why we still need to get expatriates, most of whom have the educational qualification and the experiences needed for the work of a librarian.

We keep a database of Fiji citizens with professional qualifications in librarianship. Of the 35 Fiji citizens we have identified 17 migrated, 3 work overseas (but have not migrated), 9 work as librarians, 2 have retired and 3 are not working in libraries. Obviously from this, a lot found it attractive to migrate. It should be noted that these migrants were all working as professional librarians at the time of their migration, so it is not as though they could not find employment here as professional librarians.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: How do you perceive the regional labour market demand for trained librarians in the next 10 years?

Liviana: I think that the demand for trained librarians in the next decade is dependent on a combination of factors. Firstly and foremost, the Pacific Island region is poorly aware of the role, power and influence of libraries in development. There is a lack of political will nor are there any policies in place to support developments in this field.

Because of this, libraries are given minimal recurrent funding or none at all, and as a result most libraries in the region offer basic services that do not warrant the services of a professional.

Secondly, because of the limited budgets given to libraries, many find it hard to

pay for the services of a librarian, let alone buy books and resources for the collection. Unless the situation improves and decision makers are made aware of the link between well established information centers, good information and development, I think that the demand for librarians will continue to be minimal and centered only on a few institutions that realise the important role of libraries and the need to employ professionals.

Libraries Pa-C-fika: As trainer in the library studies programme, is there any strategic measure in place now to meet the demand for trained librarians in the region perhaps in the next 5-10 years?

Liviana: Not at the moment, as the main areas for training is centered on paraprofessionals, where there is a huge demand. This is why the Department has continued to offer the Certificate (vocational course) and the Diploma programmes. The Certificate was introduced in 1998 in response to the need for more basic training at an operational level.

As explained earlier, the labour market for trained librarians in the region is relatively small, so it will be very costly for the University to run a degree programme or higher and sustain it in the future, if the demand is as such.

In Fiji alone, there are 27 people occupying senior professional positions. These people have professional qualifications which range from LIS majors, postgraduate diplomas to Masters degrees or higher, and a few vacancies occur now and again in the newspapers for these positions as compared to the need for paraprofessionals. At the moment, students who wish to attain higher awards in library/information studies (Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas, and Masters) will have to study overseas. There is no intention to develop this level of training at USP yet.

CONFERENCES



Elizabeth Reade Fong attended meeting in Vietnam, 20-24th February 2006

Elizabeth Reade Fong attended the Mid-Term Meeting of the IFLA Regional Section for Asia and Oceania (RSAO) in Hanoi, from 20-24 February as the Oceania representative. The meeting included a one-day seminar by RSAO members on Information Literacy and a two-day training programme for the RSAO committee members on Logical Framework Analysis. The seminar was held at the Vietnam National University, School of Social Sciences and Humanities and the training and meeting at the Vietnam National Centre for Science and Technology (NACEST) and funded by the IFLA ALP. Her presentation was titled The University of the South Pacific Information Literacy Programme: development from inception.

AGM for ISBN Agencies Worldwide



Lusiana Ravuvu Dakuidreketi, Librarian, Cataloguing at USP library attended the 33rd international ISBN Annual General Meeting held in Tehran, Iran from 8th - 9th November 2005.

There were 38 participants from 27 countries who attended the AGM for ISBN Agencies worldwide where a significant number were from library/information science backgrounds.

This was the first time that the USP based Regional Agency (excluding Australia and New Zealand) was represented.

TRAINING WORKSHOP

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Vilimaina Vakaciwa, Librarian at the USP attended the Workshop on Information Literacy & Information Technology held at the School of Information Management, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand from 14 November - 09 December 2005. The Workshop was funded by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions Action for Development through Libraries Programme (IFLA ALP). Other participants mainly from Asia Pacific countries included librarians from Bangladesh, Mongolia, Fiji and paraprofessional, Bonaface Supa, from the Bishop Patteson Kohimarama Theological College in Solomon Islands.

The course focused on the development and design of an information literacy curriculum programme for targeted audience, using IT web design software. Vilimaina said that given the nature of her role and responsibilities as regional librarian, the training was most appropriate because it provided her with an opportunity to produce a self-taught information literacy programme for the USP campus and centre library officers.

Plans are underway to have the self-taught programme available to the 21 USP campus and centre library officers shortly.



Liviana Tabalala attended an "Information Literacy Workshop for Public Librarians Across the Commonwealth" held at the University of West Indies Main Library, Mona Campus, Kingston, Jamaica from 28 January - 2 February, 2006.

The workshop was held to provide Information Literacy training for Public Librarians so that they are better equipped to contribute to national information literacy goals in their countries. Workshop participants presented a country report on IL initiatives in public libraries in their countries and also evaluated the training kits which they could use later to develop training programmes for their own communities.



Paula Jones, Librarian and Coordinator of the USP Diploma in Library & Information Studies Programme was invited to a Workshop at Lautoka Teachers College on Information Literacy that took place on 16th February.

Paula gave a powerpoint presentation titled "Information Literacy in Primary Schools: The Role of School Libraries." which is available upon request from Paula Jones: jones_p@usp.ac.fj

The USP Library ISBN Agency representative, Lusi Ravuvu Dakuidreketi said that the presence of the South Pacific ISBN Agency in International ISBN forum is crucial because it provides an opportunity to dialogue with other ISBN agencies on issues common to developing countries. Lusi added that the AGM is an excellent opportunity for the International ISBN Agency, which was relocated from Berlin to London, to become better informed of the issues affecting developing nations. The USP Library has been the regional ISBN Agency since the mid 80s.

DEVELOPMENTS

LATA LIBRARY REOPENS

Tony Dadalo reports...

After a five-year closure, the Temotu Provincial Library in Lata, Solomon Islands, officially reopened its doors in the last week of January 2006. A report to Libraries Pa-C-fika, confirmed that the project which was launched and commenced in mid-2005, is sponsored by the New Zealand Volunteer Services Abroad (VSA), after the Temotu Provincial Government requested their assistance.

This is the third provincial library that VSA has assisted in the Solomon Islands and closely relates to the organisation's strategic direction of helping communities at the grassroots level, particularly in the areas of education and literacy.

The reopening of the Lata Library was made possible with generous contributions from Australian libraries and the Rotary Club of Honiara who donated the books, and a VSA volunteer Carole Harris and the Library Officer in Lata Ellen Salopuka, who processed over a thousand new books.

Ms Harris said at the opening that most of the books were almost new hardbacks with protective covers and card pockets already attached. She also pointed out that books, particularly popular ones, have a relatively short shelf life, so she appealed to the Lata community, particularly children, to look after the books.

According to Ms Harris, a library lies at the heart of any community and not only is it a recreational facility but is essential in the development cycle of children.

"A well used and healthy library is a sure sign of a healthy and active community," she went on to say.

"Ever since I arrived, people have been stopping me in the streets and asking when the library was going to reopen," Ms Harris said.

"This was a sure sign that it was in demand, and it gave both Ellen and myself enormous satisfaction when we were finally able to open the doors to the public. Seeing the excited anticipation on the faces of the pikininis (children) as they receive their books is a delight pure magic."

Ms Harris thanked the donor agencies on behalf of the community of Lata and says that their kind assistance has been crucial in the development of all three libraries.

In other news, Kirsty Anderson, member of a group of six youths under the AusAID's Australian Youth Ambassadors for Development program, will spend six months as an adviser on public and school library development in the National Library of Solomon Islands.

There she will assess local library collections and provide advice on establishing library services and on collection development for school and public libraries, as well as the National Library.

FCAE Library Gets EU funded Computers for INTERNET Access

Vilimaina Vakaciwa reports...

The Fiji College of Advanced Education library has received three personal computers and a printer through funding assistance from the European Union allowing Internet access for students.

Mr Sonny Vikash Chand, FCAE Library Assistant said, "Internet access will supplement the print resources held in our library collection. It's availability will boost students' interest in learning to use online resources. Library staff, on the other hand, will need to teach students the "know how" of finding, selecting and evaluating online information."

Japan Funds SICHE Libraries

Tony Dadalo reports...

Four libraries of the Solomon Islands College of Higher Education (SICHE) will benefit from funding from the Japanese Government. The agreement was signed in January by the Japanese Charges

d'Affaires, Mr Katsuhiko Kubo and the Director of SICHE, Mr Gabriel Taloikwai at the Japanese Embassy in Honiara.

The grant of close to SI\$3000 will cater for reference books and audio visual resources. SICHE libraries to benefit from this assistance are the Kukum, Panatina, Ranadi libraries in Honiara and Poitete Library in the Western Province.

At the signing, Mr Kubo stated that "libraries are centres for academic and intellectual interaction and therefore must have an environment conducive to learning and with proper facilities and equipment."

According to Mr Nelson Manerara, Head of SICHE Library Services, part of the grant will go towards the provision of Internet facilities at SICHE and the remainder to libraries to take a leading role in assisting academics, staff of the College and the general public in accessing information they need in their work.

Nelson commented: "Information which is made available on the Internet is something we have wanted available in our libraries for a long time. We just can't confine the search for information by students to the books on the shelves."

He further added that once the fund is made available, the College will be in contact with suppliers in the United Kingdom and Australia for books, audio-visual and internet equipment.

SOPAC Library Plans a Switch to Koha

Vilimaina Vakaciwa reports...

The South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission library is planning to change its library bibliographic and retrieval management system from CDS-ISIS to Koha.

Ms Dorene Naidu, Library Assistant said "the library is anticipating a change of system from CDS-ISIS to Koha to maintain consistency and uniformity with our partner libraries, such as the SPC, with whom we share resources."

DEVELOPMENTS

Dorene said that as an open source integrated library system with comprehensive functionality, Koha looks well-suited to meeting their management information needs as it includes modules for cataloguing, acquisitions, serials, reserve, patron management, branch relationships, and more.

Dorene said that the SPC Library, Noumea is already using it and that PIMRIS is trialing it, which she felt justified the SOPAC decision, as it will contribute to increasing the quality and effectiveness of resource sharing among special libraries in the regional fisheries network.

Marine Librarians Meet at Fisheries Forum in Noumea

Chris Nelson, USP PIMRIS Coordinator

A very successful mini-summit of regional fisheries and marine resource librarians was held during the Heads of Fisheries (HoF) Meeting in Noumea, New Caledonia, in the first week of April. The HoF meetings bring together representatives of marine and fisheries ministries from 22 Pacific Island countries and territories.

Held at the headquarters of the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC), the Pacific Islands Regional Group of IAMSLIC (the International Association of Aquatic and Marine Science Libraries and Information Centres) met to discuss common issues, determine ways of strengthening regional cooperation, and to commence planning for the 2008 IAMSLIC Annual Conference which will be held in Suva, hosted by PIMRIS. Five members of the group also made presentations to the full Heads of Fisheries forum to highlight current and planned activities and solicit support from regional governments.

A major initiative arising from the meeting, the establishment of an Oceanographic Data and Information Network for the Pacific region sponsored by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO, is now being followed up by members.

FLA Re-Elects Council Executives ASSOCIATIONS

Several members of the Fiji Library Association Council of 2005 were re-elected in the recent FLA Annual General meeting of the Fiji Library Association held on 25th March 2006 at the USP PRIDE Conference room.

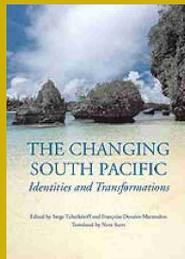
The council Executives are:

President:	Elizabeth Cass , Information Specialist, PRIDE Resource Centre, USP
Treasurer:	Vilimaina Vakaciwa , Librarian, USP
Secretary:	Francis Ali , Library Assistant, Reserve Bank of Fiji.
New Council members elected:	<p>Samuela Nakalevu, Library Assistant, SPC</p> <p>Roshni Deo, Library Assistant, USP</p> <p>Susana Macanawai, Library Assistant, Institute of Justice and Applied Legal Studies, USP</p> <p>Lorraine Bhan, Information & Research Officer, Munro Leys Lawyers</p> <p>Sunny Vikash Chand, Library Assistant, Fiji College of Advanced Education</p>

The Draft FLA Strategic Plan was tabled at the AGM where it was agreed a strategic plan committee would be formed to finalize the document.

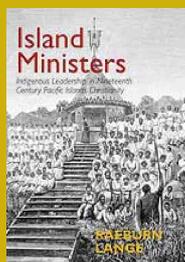
RECENT

PUBLICATIONS



The Changing South Pacific: Identities and Transformations / Tchekzoff, Serge and Françoise Douaire-Marsaudon (eds) (2006), 360pp. ISBN 1 74076 203 7.

"The texts collected in this volume take an anthropological approach to the variety of contemporary societal problems which confront the peoples of the contemporary South Pacific: religious revival, the sociology of relations..."



Island Ministers: Indigenous Leadership in Nineteenth Century Pacific Islands Christianity /Lange, Raeburn (2006) 422pp. ISBN 1 74076 176 6.

Published in association with Macmillan Brown Centre for Pacific Studies "Island Ministers studies the spread of this light of Christian missionisation and concentrates on uncovering the story that belongs to the Pacific Islanders themselves and the Christian ministry they performed throughout the nineteenth century."

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