

The Library

Everything you need for a better future and success has already been written. And guess what? All you have to do is go to the library.
- Henri Frederic Amiel



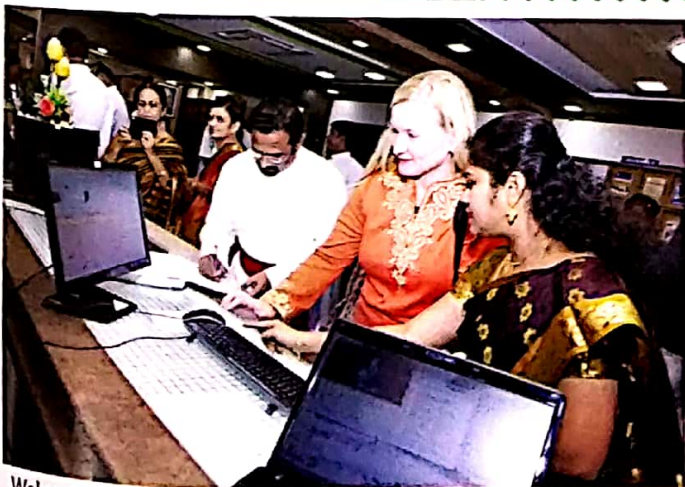
Lighting of the kuthu villaku by Brother. Francis

It is hard to imagine a College without a library. A required stop on campus tours, the library is the physical manifestation of the core values and activities of academic life. It is not just a repository, or a service like any other, or a place for study: it is all these things. The library continues to fulfill its role as the

heart of the institution, despite the move away from print and towards electronic resources. The work the library undertakes contributes directly to the institution's academic mission to equip students with the skills and knowledge they need to achieve academically and to maximise their employability.

The academic year 2014-15 began with setting up of a Library Advisory committee to ensure inclusive functioning of the library. The committee composed of

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| Chair person | - Director cum Secretary |
| Convenor | - Principal |
| Co-convenor | - Vice Principal |
| Co-ordinator | - Librarian |
| Asst. coordinator | - Assistant Librarian |
| Members | - Two senior faculty members/Two student representatives |
| Volunteers | - Five students from across departments |



Welcoming the Chief guest Miss. Andie De Arment to the new Library



Inauguration by Bro. Stanislaus - The provincial in India and Ghana



First entry done by Bro. Stanislaus



Library Volunteers

Library week was held from 22nd August to 3rd September 2014. The aim of the library week is to inculcate reading habits among students. Various events such as Tamil and English essay writing, Collage, Quiz, Games and shows were conducted to ensure active participation from the students. Highlight of the event was identification of Frequent Library Users among the faculty and students. In the award ceremony that followed they were felicitated and appreciated.

On the final day of the Library week, 3rd September, a Book Fair was held to familiarize students to the variety of reading resources, reference books and journals available. Rare books, Magazines, Journals and more than 10,000 reference books were displayed. It was encouraging to note students visiting the stalls in large numbers and acquaint themselves with these treasure troves. The heads of Departments suggested nearly 100 books for acquisition to the College library. The Publishers / Distributors who set up stalls were MAPS, Aravind Book House, RM Book House, Scientech, Vignan, Vivek, Velan, Yaswanth Book House and The Week Magazine.



Book Fair

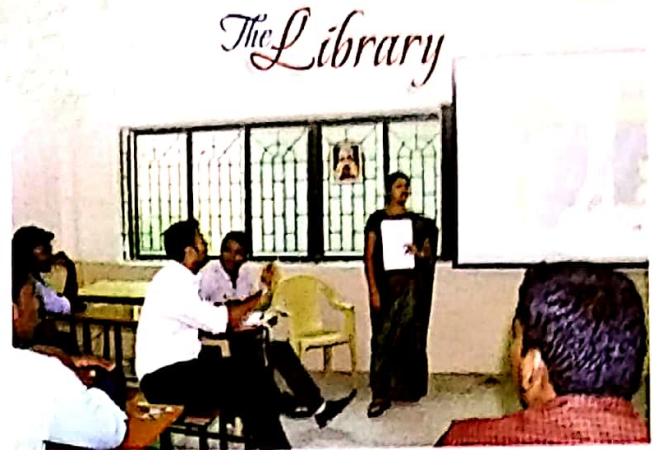
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Essay competition

Library blog, Patricianlibrary.blogspot.in was created to give CAS service (Current Awareness Service) and SDI Service (Selective Dissemination of Information) to the library patrons. New arrivals are updated in the Library Blog.

SALIS (Society for the Advancement of Library and Information Science) along with PuthiaThalaimurai TV Channel organized a Mega rally entitled "VasippomNesippom" on 15th Nov 2014 to promote reading habits among youngsters. Patrician College library volunteers and students from various departments participated in the Rally. It was telecast Live in the PuthiaThalaimurai Channel. The rally was organized at 7 different places in Tamilnadu. Nearly 10,000 students participated from various city colleges and schools. Former Police Commissioner Mr.Vijaykumar addressed the students on the importance of reading. Students took oath to read books daily, always give books as gifts and to read a book every month.



Conducting Quiz

The Delany Library

The highlight of the academic year 2014-15 was the inauguration of the new Delany Library on 24 November 2014. Blessings and prayers were said by Dr.Fr. Joseph Anthony Samy, Principal Loyola college. Rev.Bro.Stanislaus, Provincial, Patrician Brothers India and Ghana, did the formal inauguration by cutting the ribbon and Mrs.Andie de Arment, Cultural Affairs Officer US Consulate General, lit the lamp signifying the auspicious moment.. The new library situated in the D block is fully air conditioned with a separate teacher's lounge and a seating capacity of 100. With 3140 sq ft area, more than 10,000 books to its credit, computer system for its users, Braille books for the visually handicapped and National database with Inflibnet access has set the college on a different pedestal.



Magazine Stall



Principal Visiting the book fair

An innovative approach to encourage reading was set in motion by displaying seasonal themes in the Library premises. Library users in every department are involved in this creative seasonal theme. In searching for books for the theme they are updated about library resources. It arouses their interest to read books in print. Seasonal themes are highlighted using books as props and students' involvement in library service are established. It further creates an eagerness among the students to visit the library.

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On 24th Nov 2014, an Orientation program was held for I year PG students to utilize N-List Program for their research work. This created awareness about the INFLIBNET Database remote access facility available in the library.



INFLIBNET Literacy programme for PG Students



Library blog



Newly Inaugurated Delany Library



Librarians taking Oath with students



Christmas Theme In the Library



The Library
Student Frequent User



Former Police Commissioner
Vijaya Kumar addressing
students the importance of reading