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THE SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



FALL 2016

DEAR FRIENDS,

The focus of our Fall 2016 newsletter is the amazing work occurring in SCU's **Archives & Special Collections (A&SC)**. Not familiar with Archives & Special Collections? Located on the third floor of the Library, their collections focus on the history of the University, Mission Santa Clara, women religious, missionaries and travel, and Jesuitica. These unique collections provide our faculty and students opportunities to incorporate primary research materials in the classroom.

A new collecting focus in A&SC is the work of women religious, commonly known as nuns. The cornerstone that spurred this focus is the donation of the professional papers and personal archives of Sr. Sandra Schneiders, the first tenured female professor at SCU's Jesuit School of Theology. We hope you will visit us at the A&SC Gallery to view an exhibit of these materials, which will be displayed through March 17, 2017.

It is through the generosity of donors that the University Library continues to support educational programming, student success, and initiatives such as the A&SC Apprenticeship Program. In this issue you will meet the first A&SC student apprentice and learn what she took away from this special experience.

Please consider including the Library in your charitable giving this season. A donation envelope is enclosed for your convenience, or you may donate online at tinyurl.com/supportSCUlibrary

Thank you for your continued support.



A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Nutefall". The signature is fluid and cursive.

JENNIFER NUTEFALL
UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN

WHY I GIVE



While one of the less visible departments of the University, Archives & Specials Collections makes available a fascinating cultural and educational experience, on the traditions of the University and on the founding of Santa Clara as an entity. Preservation of history provides a story of the past and present to remember, reflect on, and enjoy.

Financial support to Archives & Special Collections adds to the resources provided by the University in general.

~ HUBERT JANSEN

PRESERVING OUR HISTORY

The SCU Archives & Special Collections (A&SC) invites you to view their latest exhibit, *To Trace the Course of Wisdom: The Prophetic Spirituality of Sandra M. Schneiders Illuminated Through The Saint John's Bible*. It features donated materials from the professional papers and personal archives of **Sr. Sandra Schneiders**, the first tenured female professor at the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University. Highlights of Schneiders' career document the emergence of key themes in her spirituality, and are complemented by stunning images from the Heritage Edition of *The Saint John's Bible*.

Installation of this exhibit is the result of a major collaboration with Amanda Kaminski, a Ph.D. candidate at the Graduate Theological Union. She has worked closely with Schneiders and her papers in recent years. Amanda was instrumental not only in facilitating the donation of the collection to A&SC but also in developing the exhibit's themes and selecting material that best represented each one. "There is no way we could have created such a beautiful exhibit that highlights Schneiders' many accomplishments and honors without Amanda," says Nadia Nasr, Head of Archives & Special Collections.

To Trace the Course of Wisdom is located on the 3rd floor of Learning Commons in the A&SC Gallery, and runs through March 17, 2017.

To learn more about Sandra Schneiders and the exhibit, visit:

tinyurl.com/faithfulfeminist

The University Library's Archives & Special Collections (A&SC) apprenticeship program was launched in the fall of 2015 with the support of generous donors. The aim of the competitive program is to train students in the basics of working in an archives and special collections department. Interns first work on processing collections with the University Archivist. Following that, there is a rotation component in which the intern works on different projects with various staff members in the A&SC department. Finally, the interns complete a final project that incorporates materials from A&SC.



As an intern in the A&SC apprenticeship program, I chose to focus on personal papers collections related to early California. The Gold Rush of 1849 brought many settlers to California, particularly to the Bay Area. The children of Catholic settlers and immigrants became the first students of Santa Clara College, which was founded in 1851 and would eventually become Santa Clara University-- the first institution of higher learning in California. As a double-major in Spanish and History, I found my work with the papers of these early settlers and pioneers to be very gratifying.

Being an intern in A&SC allowed me to explore my interests in archives as well as in history. I hope to incorporate both interests in my future career and become a scholar-archivist. I enjoyed my work as an A&SC apprentice, and hope I have helped others engage with material that was so crucial to the founding of California and our wonderful university.

Michelle Runyon was the first intern selected for the A&SC apprenticeship program. She graduates from Santa Clara this spring.

Watch Michelle share artifacts from her *Early California Ephemera* collection:

tinyurl.com/earlycalifornia



THE SCU PEP BAND DRUMMED UP EXCITEMENT FOR THE LIBRARY

RECENTLY @ THE LIBRARY...



WE THREW A BACK-TO-SCHOOL PARTY AT OUR ANNUAL WELCOME FEST OPEN HOUSE



Photos by Joanne Lee

STUDENT PERFORMERS DANCED TO THE *HAMILTON* SOUNDTRACK AT OUR "HIP HOP AND HAMILTON" LITERARY CUISINE LUNCHEON

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