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Faculty of Veterinary Science, University of Pretoria

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FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITOR :

Welcome to the first issue of *Infomania* for 2010.

In this issue we have interesting news on items added to UPSpace, the University of Pretoria's Research Repository, statistics on the use of UPSpace and best of all – the addition of UPSpace to the open access subject repository of the University of Utrecht (IVY).

Two new parameters to help determine in which journal to publish are discussed and an overview of the Anti-plagiarism campaign is given.

Our readers are also introduced to the library project "Every Child a Book".

A very valued staff member Barbara Kellermann left us. We greet her and at the same time tell about the redistribution of work between the remaining staff members caused by this vacancy.

A few interesting websites, the Library training schedule for 2010, some facts and figures about veterinary books and a list of new DVD's in the library are rounding off this issue.

We hope you will enjoy this issue of *Infomania,* keeping you up-to-date on the latest happenings in the information world.

Tertia Coetsee (Editor)

This newsletter is also available electronically at
http://www.library.up.ac.za/vet/infomania/infomani.htm

University of Utrecht: IVY Academic Search: Veterinary Science and Medicine

Susan Marsh

We have heard the welcoming news that the Veterinary collections of the University of Pretoria's Open Access Institutional Repository, UPSpace, have now been added to an open access subject repository of the University of Utrecht: Ivy Academic Search: Veterinary Science and Medicine. As they state on their webpage http://www.ivyacademicsearch.org/about_ivy.php, their mission is to:

"provide the local, national and international veterinary community with a high-quality academic information search and retrieval system for veterinary research."

This will contribute to the further exposure of our Faculty's research output as well as all other valuable digital veterinary science collections currently part of UPSpace.

One of the advantages of using the University of Utrecht's Ivy Academic search facility is that a central point is provided to search the open access repositories of all participatory Veterinary Institutions http://www.ivyacademicsearch.org/about.php worldwide.

Search results can be printed, e-mailed, saved or exported to Refworks. We are proud to contribute to this initiative of the University of Utrecht.

Carnegie Research Libraries Consortium Project

Tertia Coetsee

The Carnegie Corporation of New York has awarded an extension grant of $2.5m to expand the Research Libraries Consortium's (Universities of Cape Town, KwaZulu-Natal, Witwatersrand, Rhodes, Pretoria and Stellenbosch) three-pronged model for enhancing research support in South Africa. These are:

- The creation of Research Commons, which are dedicated spaces for post-graduates and researchers in each of the RLC libraries;

- Development of Library Skills to support research i.e. to strengthen and upgrade the skills of the Information Specialists thereby enabling them to provide top class services to researchers efficiently and effectively;

- Implementation of the Research Portal that will enhance the capacity to manage electronic journals, linking directly to full text, and searching across multiple databases through the installation of PRIMO discovery software, SFX, Metalib and other related software in the libraries of the RLC.

Marguerite Nel (left) and Tertia Coetsee (right)

The Research Libraries Consortium recruited pioneers to implement and further the vision of expanding and enhancing support to researchers. Six candidates from each of the three new partner libraries namely, Rhodes, Pretoria and Stellenbosch, and two from University of Johannesburg were selected to attend a two-week residential academy from 11-23 April 2009 at the Mont Fleur Conference venue near Stellenbosch. Candidates who successfully complete the South African Academy will be eligible for selection to participate in an intensive six-week internship programme in the United States in 2011.

These training and internship interventions are aimed at producing a new cadre of Research Librarians at each of the participating Universities and hence collaboratively across the Consortium. These specially trained librarians will have a unique opportunity to share and develop their own knowledge and expertise, and deliver innovative, research-intensive services based in the Research Commons and Research Portal environment being developed by the Project.

Two of our staff members applied and were selected for this wonderful opportunity! Tertia Coetsee will attend the first Academy in April and Marguerite Nel in October 2010.

Anti-Plagiarism Campaign at the library 2010

Susan Marsh

The UP Department of Library Services ran an Anti-Plagiarism campaign on campus during the week of 15 – 19 February 2010. The Jotello F. Soga Library took part in this campaign with an exhibition in the library that highlighted the essence of plagiarism and how to avoid it and also distributed marketing material on plagiarism.

The University regards plagiarism as a serious offence and has tabled a policy on Plagiarism that has been approved by Senate in 2009. This policy is applicable to all members of the University community. The policy provides clear guidelines on several aspects and responsibilities with regard to Plagiarism.
The library has a clear responsibility to make clients aware of the dangers of plagiarism and to give guidance on avoiding plagiarism through the use of proper referencing techniques.

The library website contains a section on Plagiarism
http://www.ais.up.ac.za/plagiarism/index.htm
with links to important information:

The UP's Plagiarism Prevention Policy
http://www.up.ac.za/intranet/registrar/2009-10-22_Plagiarism%20Prevention%20Policy.pdf

Guidelines for lecturers and dealing with misconduct.
http://www.ais.up.ac.za/plagiarism/lecturers.htm

Guidelines for students to avoid plagiarism.
http://www.ais.up.ac.za/plagiarism/students.htm

Turnitin is the University's web-based plagiarism detection service integrated with the ClickUp system. More information about Turnitin can be found at:
http://www.click.up.ac.za/factsheets/TurnitinStudent.pdf

A definition of plagiarism and a link to a Powerpoint presentation explaining the different forms of plagiarism is also included on the Library website.

It is recommended that every assignment be accompanied by a declaration of academic integrity form. An example of such a form can be found at
http://www.ais.up.ac.za/plagiarism/studentform.pdf

The use of proper referencing techniques is essential to avoid plagiarism. The following link takes clients to examples of the Harvard, Vancouver and APA (American Psychological Association) referencing styles.

http://www.library.up.ac.za/referencing/index.htm

The Faculty of Veterinary Science mainly use the referencing styles prescribed by the JSAVA and the Onderstepoort Journal of Veterinary Science. Links to examples of these referencing techniques can be found on the Jotello F. Soga Library's website at:

http://www.journals.co.za/ej/images/savet_auth.pdf (style prescribed by the JSAVA)

http://www.library.up.ac.za/vet/documents/opjvr08.pdf (style prescribed by the Onderstepoort Journal of Veterinary Science)

Staff Matters

Susan Marsh

Our valued colleague, Barbara Kellermann who did a superb job at our issue desk since she arrived at our library in 2004 decided to resign at the end of 2009. I have had the privilege to work with her for four months to experience her utmost commitment and precision. I'm sure she will be missed by the library patrons as much as we miss her!

Barbara in front of the library quilt which she designed and finished off.

Due to financial restraints we were not able to fill the vacancy and had to make alternative arrangements to fill the post at our desk.

Joe Sindane, who is currently primarily responsible for our library's Interlending services, has fortunately agreed to accept this added responsibility.

Joe has completed his diploma in Information Science through UNISA in 2009 and is currently registered at UNISA for his Bachelors in the same subject. We would like to thank Joe for his willingness to accept this added responsibility and wish him many hours of excellent customer service.

New Staff Numbers

Antoinette Lourens

Personnel numbers have been changed to 8 digits by adding a "0" in front. This impacts on your authentication to access all the products of the library.
Please remember to use your new 8 digit personnel number for access to all e-resources. Please look at the included example.

"Every Child a Book"

Marguerite Nel

South Africans will celebrate Library Week from 22 to 27 March 2010 with the theme "Reading changes lives". As part of this initiative, the Jotello F Soga Library also wants to contribute towards the development of an informed and reading nation.

An "*Every Child a Book*" campaign was initiated by the Library and Information Association of South Africa (LIASA) with the intention to ensure that every child in South Africa is given a book. This campaign forms part of SA Library week and will culminate on World Book Day on 23 April 2010. The Jotello F Soga Library wants to join this initiative by collecting books, magazines and stationery to donate to the Onderstepoort Primary School.

There are currently 180 pupils in the Onderstepoort Primary School. Our aim is to provide each pupil with one book. Staff and students are therefore encouraged to participate in this initiative by donating books. Please bring your donations to the Library.
We're planning to visit the school on Friday, 30 April 2010 to donate the books. Keep an eye on our webpage for feedback!

Two new journal indicator products: SNIP & SJR

Antoinette Lourens

Journal indicators are being developed to **assess** the quality and impact of scholarly journals within the scientific community. The pioneering one is the journal impact factor , which has grown into the most widely used tool for ranking journals in scholarly publication. This was developed by Eugene Garfield at the Institute for Scientific Information (ISI), nowadays Thomson Reuters.

Advancements in technology, research and communication are creating the need to examine data from new perspectives. Recently 2 more journal indicator products are developed.
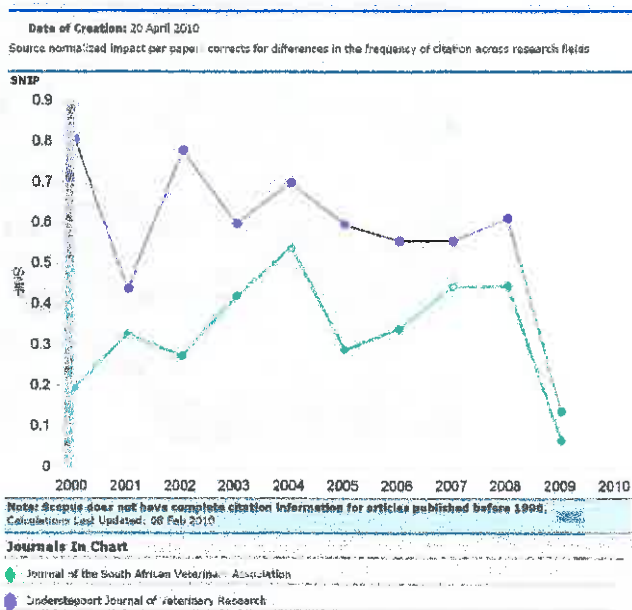
Balancing the scales:
The Centre for Science and Technology Studies (CWTS) of Leiden University developed an indicator called the Source Normalized Impact per Paper. This indicator can be seen as an important alternative to the impact factor.
SNIP(Source Normalized Impact per Paper)
Created by Professor Henk Moed at CTWS, SNIP measures contextual citation impact by weighting citations based on the total number of citations in a subject field. The impact of a single citation is given higher value in subject areas where citations are less likely, and vice versa.
SNIP
- Measures contextual citation impact by 'normalizing' citation values

- Takes a research field's citation frequency into account
- Considers immediacy - how quickly a paper is likely to have an impact in a given field
- Accounts for how well the field is covered by the underlying database
- Calculates without use of a journal's subject classification to avoid delimitation
- Counters any potential for editorial manipulation
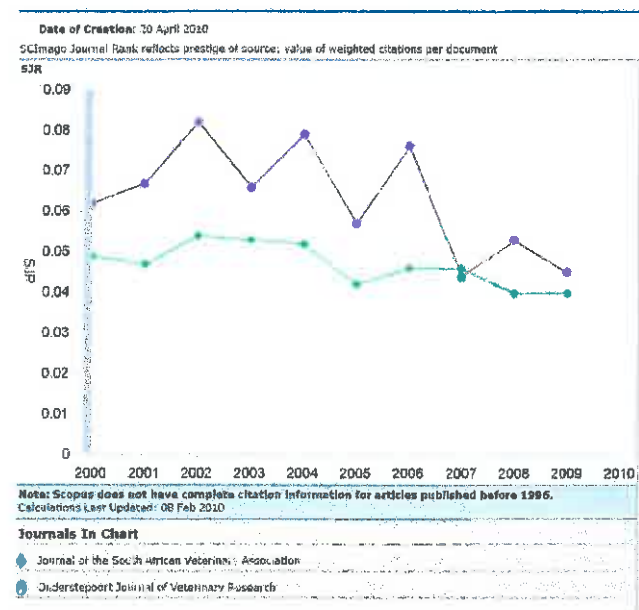- Professor Henk Moed's paper," *Measuring contextual citation impact of scientific journals"*, can be read at http://0-arxiv.org.innopac.up.ac.za/ftp/arxiv/papers/0911/0911.2632.pdf

The power of prestige:
SJR (SCImago Journal Rank)
Developed by Professor Félix de Moya, Research Professor at Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, SCImago Journal Rank (SJR) is a prestige metric based on the idea that 'all citations are not created equal'. With SJR, the subject field, quality and reputation of the journal has a direct effect on the value of a citation.
SJR
- Is weighted by the prestige of the journal, thereby 'levelling the playing field' among journals
- Eliminates manipulation: raise the SJR ranking by being published in more reputable journals
- Shares' a journal's prestige equally over the total number of citations in that journal
- Normalizes for differences in citation behaviour between subject fields
- Prof. De Moya's Research Paper: "*The SJR indicator: A new indicator of journals' scientific prestige*" can be read at http://0-arxiv.org.innopac.up.ac.za/ftp/arxiv/papers/0912/0912.4141.pdf

Antoinette Lourens

Venue & Time	Computer Lab, Level 5, Sir Arnold Theiler Building 13:00 – 14:00	
Tuesday	20 April	Refworks 1 (Managing your references)
Wednesday	21 April	Refworks 2 (Using Write-n-Cite)
Thursday	22 April	Electronic journals (Science Direct etc.)
Wednesday	28 April	Enhancing your research output (Scopus, Impact factors etc.)
Thursday	29 April	CAB and MEDLINE
Tuesday	18 May	Refworks 1 (Managing your references)
Wednesday	19 May	Refworks 2 (Using Write-n-Cite)
Thursday	20 May	Electronic journals (Science Direct etc.)
Tuesday	25 May	Enhancing your research output (Scopus, Impact factors etc.)
Wednesday	26 May	CAB and MEDLINE
Tuesday	13 July	Refworks 1 (Managing your references)
Wednesday	14 July	Refworks 2 (Using Write-n-Cite)
Thursday	15 July	Electronic journals (Science Direct etc.)
Wednesday	21 July	Enhancing your research output (Scopus, Impact factors etc.)
Thursday	22 July	CAB and MEDLINE
Tuesday	10 Aug	Refworks 1 (Managing your references)
Wednesday	11 Aug	Refworks 2 (Using Write-n-Cite)
Thursday	12 Aug	Electronic journals (Science Direct etc.)
Wednesday	18 Aug	Enhancing your research output (Scopus, Impact factors etc.)
Thursday	19 Aug	CAB and MEDLINE
Wednesday	22 Sept	Refworks 1 (Managing your references)
Thursday	23 Sept	Refworks 2 (Using Write-n-Cite)
Tuesday	28 Sept	Electronic journals (Science Direct etc.)
Wednesday	29 Sept	Enhancing your research output (Scopus, Impact factors etc.)
Thursday	30 Sept	CAB and MEDLINE

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Interesting / useful websites

Antoinette Lourens

- **Gateway to Farm Animal Welfare**

A new website providing a single access point for information on the welfare of farm animals
http://www.fao.org/ag/againfo/themes/animal-welfare/en/

A single access point for a wide range of information related to the welfare of farm animals. A participatory platform to retrieve and submit information, as well as to engage in commonly developed projects and thematic discussions.

- **Effective Presentation Techniques**

What are the techniques that could make you more effective, and possibly more interesting?
http://www.dontwasteyourtime.co.uk/presentations/effective-presentation-techniques/

- **Perhaps the most adventurous cat in the world**

Kitty is the beloved cat pet of a French couple/explorers, Guillaume and Laetitia who are on a mission to travel from Miami , US to Ushuaia , Argentina purely on foot. They are currently in Columbia , heading south.
http://enfanceart.free.fr/miami_ushuaia/

- **Smartest Dogs: Moscow Stray Dogs**

Like human commuters, Moscow's stray dogs can often be spotted traveling on the subway http://englishrussia.com/index.php/2009/04/07/smartest-dogs-moscow-stray-dogs/

- **AVMA: New Web-Based Externship Locator**

For more information about the AVMA Veterinary Career Centre and the new Student Externship Locator
http://www.avma.org/vcc/

UPSpace news

Antoinette Lourens

The staff of the Jotello F Soga Library have been very busy populating UPSpace - the Research Repository of the University of Pretoria.

The following items have been added:

- A collection of slides on Cattle breed by Heleen Els (https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/11078)
- The 1929 Pan African Veterinary Congress Proceedings (https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/7323)
- The Proceedings of the 1st Conference of African Animal Health Information Workers (https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/4656)
- From the book *Onderstepoort 1908 -2008* the two chapters on the Libraries (https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/10837)

We also received a collection of slides from Dr. Marinda van Schoor from CACS. These slides are now being processed for uploading into UPSpace.

UPSpace also serves as an archive for all the information which was previously published on the Faculty of Veterinary Science's website. (https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/11165)

Amelia Breytenbach created an extremely useful website to serve as a shortcut or portal to all the different collections on UPSpace (http://library.up.ac.za/sanvr/coll.htm)

During the period 4 Jan 2010 – 10 March 2010 statistics showed that the Veterinary material in UP's digital repository has been well used.

The top 5 Communities accessed:
1. Engineering, Built Environment & Information Technology
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/71
2. Economic & Management Sciences
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/1682
3. Education http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/63
*4. South African National Veterinary Repository
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/3809
*5. Veterinary Science http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/78

The top 5 Sub-communities accessed:
1. Architecture http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/72
2. Southern African Transport Conferences

http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/5201
*3. Onderstepoort Journal of Veterinary Research
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/8641
4. Research Articles (Jonathan Jansen)
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/111
5. HTS Teologiese Studies / Theological Studies
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/11004

Top 10 items accessed:
1. Curriculum reform in South Africa: a critical analysis of outcomes-based education
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/132
2. Geslacht-register der oude Kaapsche familien. Deel 1, A-J
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/9290
3. Geslacht-register der oude Kaapsche familien. Deel 3, P tot Z.
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/9288
4. Language and other background factors affecting secondary pupils' performance in Mathematics in South
Africa http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/4915
Geslacht-register der oude Kaapsche familien. Deel 2, A tot O
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/9289
5. Faktore wat die beroepskeuse van eerstejaaronderwysstudente beïnvloed
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/6133
* 6. Lantana camara http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/8498
7. Has curriculum reform in South Africa really changed assessment practices, and what promise does the
revised National Curriculum Statement hold?
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/5044
8. Public safety and security during the 2010 Soccer World Cup
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/3734
9. Afrikaner en skisofrenie : 'n genetiese studie
http://repository.up.ac.za/upspace/handle/2263/6271

About libraries and books...

Marguerite Nel

J A Langford once remarked that "The only true equalisers in the world are books; the only treasure-house open to all comers is a library; the only wealth which will not decay is knowledge; the only jewel which you can carry beyond the grave is wisdom." Nowadays we are starting to think differently about libraries and books. Today, for most of us, the library is the electronic page, opening on your own laptop or PC when you need information. Many students and researchers prefer the luxury of fast, immediate and easy to access information enabled by Information Communication and Technology's. But so many library users still prefer books.

With the effect of the global economic crisis and new directions in library collection development, it will be interesting to look at the situation regarding book acquisitions in the Jotello F Soga Library, over the last few years.

Veterinary Science books are expensive. *Figure 1* gives an indication of the average price of the books in the different departments of the Faculty of Veterinary Science (UP) for the year 2008. It is important to mention that these figures are only for books ordered at the Jotello F Soga Library during 2008.

Department	Average amount per book
Anatomy	R 923.41
Companion Animal Surgery	R 682.23
Equine Research Centre	R 550.87
Veterinary Physiology	R 568.72
Companion Animal Medicine	R 539.20
Paraveterinary Studies (Nursing)	R 573.50
Production Animal Studies	R 794.51
Reproduction	R 794.80
Wildlife	R 870.59
Poultry	R 1131.34
Veterinary Production & Ethology	R 893 55
Pharmacology & Toxicology	R 935.78
Veterinary Pathology	R 685.41
Veterinary Tropical Diseases	R 1129.14
Veterinary Public Health	R 476.49
UP Biomed	R 984.87
General	R 541.53

Figure 1: *Average price of books per department at the Faculty of Veterinary Science, 2008.*

Another interesting issue to look at is the amount allocated for the acquisition of books at this library as well as the total amount of orders placed.
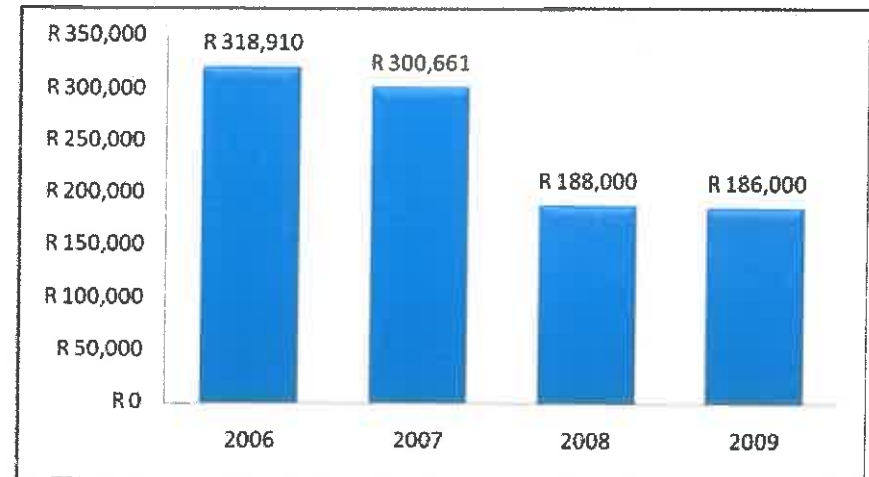

Figure 2: *Book budget for the Jotello F Soga Library for the period 2006 – 2009*
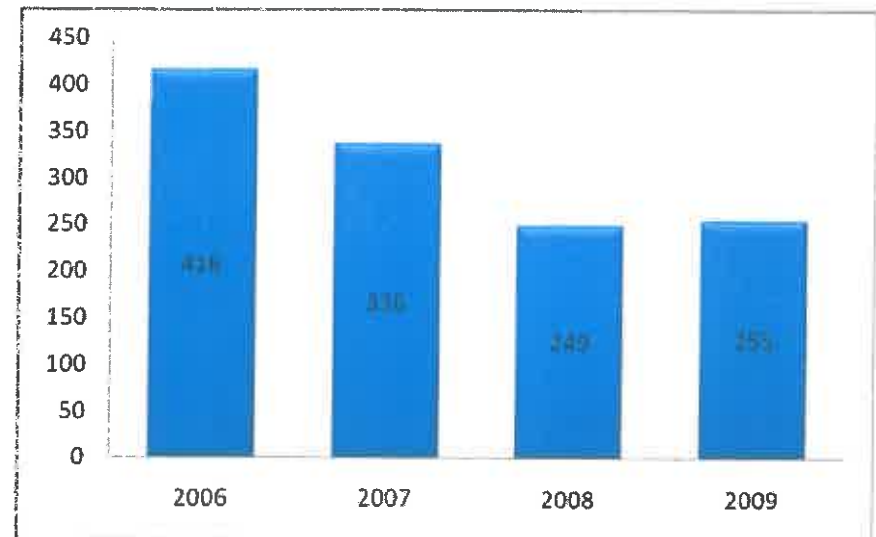

Figure 3: *Total amount of book orders placed by the Jotello F Soga Library for the period 2006 - 2009*

This information is displayed in Figure 2 and 3 respectively. It is interesting to note that although there was a large decline in the average book budget over the period 2006 to 2009 (almost 40%), the total amount of books bought declined less.

This can be that we ordered only one or maximum two copies of more expensive works or tried to buy less expensive titles. It will however be interesting to further investigate this phenomenon.

Although the electronic world of information became a crucial part of our world, it is difficult to imagine a library without books. And, with a library budget of R 178 000 for 2010, we promise to spend it wisely to meet all your information needs.

> Knowing I lov'd my books, he furnish'd me,
> From mine own library with volumes that
> I prize above my dukedom.
>
> - Shakespeare, *The Tempest*

New DVD's in the library

Antoinette Lourens

Jock of the Bushveld	VETOV 1325
Lions of darkness	VETOV 1324
Springbok of the Kalahari	VETOV 1323
Killer instincts claws	VETOV 1322
Last feast of the crocodiles	VETOV 1321
Hyena Queen	VETOV 1320
Foxes of the Kalahari	VETOV 1319
Raptor force	VETOV 1318
An inconvenient truth	VETOV 1314
The Merensky Story	VETOV 1313
Birds of prey	VETOV 1312
Amazing behaviour of the birds of Kruger	VETOV 1311
The shark files. Volume 2	VETOV 1310
The shark files. Volume 1	VETOV 1309
Etosha National Park 100 years	VETOV 1308
Killer instincts. Jaws	VETOV 1307