Good Fortune for LSU Shreveport

With the repetition of budget cuts during recent years, Noel Memorial Library at Louisiana State University in Shreveport has been unable to stretch its funds far enough to cover the replacement of public service computer hardware. The current microform reader/printers were purchased fifteen years ago. The thin client terminals (with a life expectancy of four to five years) were in their fifth year of service. Monitors for the terminals were nine years old, and the servers for the thin client network were eight years old. The likelihood of replacing any of this equipment was naught.

The Noel Foundation, Inc. of Shreveport responded to the library's plight and contributed funds for the purchase of 42 thin client terminals with 23-inch monitors, two servers, an uninterruptible power supply, and two ScanPro 2000 microform scanners along with two computers and 24-inch monitors.

The Noel Foundation, Inc. owns the private book collection of James Smith Noel which is on permanent loan to Noel Memorial Library. Although the financial resources of the Foundation are dedicated to the support and maintenance of the Noel Collection, the Board of Directors recognized the significance of this contribution in support of the library through these dire financial circumstances.

Thin client terminals and monitors in the Reference area
HP T5740 thin client terminal with Dell 23-inch monitor (New “LOUIS” mouse pad)

ScanPro 2000 microform scanners with Dell Optiplex 790 computers and 24-inch monitors
ScanPro 2000 microform scanner with 24-inch monitor

Two Dell PowerEdge T710 servers and APC 2200 uninterruptible power supply