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Digital Library Unveiled for Treasured Collections and Photos *Website Opens Today for Public Access*

SAN DIEGO – The San Diego Public Library (SDPL) today unveiled its new “digital library,” an online site for access and use of digital documents, images, sounds, and more. **The SDPL Digital Library** uses software from SirsiDynix partner PTFS, Inc. and provides the Library with tools for quickly storing, searching, retrieving, browsing, managing and presenting voluminous amounts of digital content in any type or format.

“I am excited that we have a new digital library, which provides the public with access to many of our ‘hidden treasures,’ said Bruce Johnson, Deputy Director Central Library Division. “From photos to maps to donated collections and materials, our digital library is available to our library customers, scholars, and researchers everywhere. We are happy to partner with SirsiDynix and PTFS, Inc. on this new electronic library collection.”

Some of the early items available from the digital library are historic library photos, including several of the Carnegie Library building; photos of former City Librarian Clara Breed; colorized (early 1900s) postcards; and items from the Dime Novel Collection.

At the time of the launch, the online **SDPL Digital Library** has over 100 digital “objects,” and will grow daily with new content. Up to 15,000 or more objects are planned for the initial phase of the digital library project. Explore the new Library site at www.sandiegolibrary.org and click on the Digital Library icon.

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About PTFS, Inc.

PTFS Digital Archiving Solutions offer advanced, affordable tools and services to manage and keep pace with valuable and rapidly expanding digital collections. PTFS is a leading provider of comprehensive archiving solutions that include digital archiving software systems, digitization & content conversion services, and systems integration & staffing support services. The company has already provided digital archiving systems and information systems services to more than 250 government, commercial, academic, union, association and not-for-profit clients. PTFS is a privately held company headquartered in Bethesda, MD.

Learn about other services and events at the San Diego Public Library’s Central Library and 35 branches, or to search the Library’s online catalog see <http://www.sandiegolibrary.org/>

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