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Summer Reading Roundup

Magicians, authors, puppet shows, muggles, young wizards, educational toys, and of course, children, teens, and families filled the Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center for the summer Florida Library Youth Program (FLYP). The purpose of the FLYP is to encourage children and teens to read for pleasure during the time that school is not in session; studies have shown that children and teens who continue to read during school vacations maintain and/or increase reading comprehension and vocabulary skills. The Public Library Services Department hosted and conducted literature-related programs to promote reading and fun. In addition, children and teens could register for prizes based on the number of books they read. The more they read, the greater the chance they had to win Play Station Portables, books for their home library, gift certificates, and more.

While statistics are only one measure of determining success, by all accounts it was a great summer!

- 1,178 children and teens registered to be summer readers.
- 1,500 people attended the kick-off party.
- 1,081 book reviews were submitted by teens.
- 41 teens volunteered 1,240 hours to help with registration, programs, shelving materials, and myriad other behind-the-scene preparations.
- 4,540 children, teens, and parents attended programs.
Who is the editor of the *Annual Report, Connections, and Tidings*? Who (yes, the same person) is the director of community relations and marketing?

If you answered "Africa Barfield," you are correct! Africa Barfield first joined the Alvin Sherman Library on a part-time basis, filling in for an employee on maternity leave. Her full-time position as director of community relations became effective November 10, 2004. Since joining the library family, she has been quite active with learning the names of people and their respective duties throughout the libraries. She has, for example, worked closely with the director of public library services in promoting public library use via ads in newspapers, radio spots, and more.

Barfield's educational credentials include a B.S., cum laude, in public relations from Florida A&M University and an M.B.A. from Nova Southeastern University. While studying for the M.B.A., she held the Jacki Tuckfield Business Scholarship.

Prior to coming to NSU in 2004, Barfield held various positions in the private and public sectors, including several Broward County agencies. Some of the titles of positions she has held include education grants specialist, marketing representative, and publications specialist. Among her awards are the Employee of the Year (2003) for Broward County Disability Affairs and Outstanding Public Relations Graduate for Florida A & M University.

Welcome, Africa!

Donald E. Riggs, Vice President for Information Services and University Librarian
What is the YHWI?
The Young Hispanic Writers' Institute is a free residential program for 12 aspiring authors, aged 16-20. For four days you will work with nationally-known and award-winning authors and editors.

Who is eligible?
Any writer, living in Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties, between the ages of 16 and 20, who considers himself or herself Hispanic is encouraged to apply.

When and where is the Institute?
Location: Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center at Nova Southeastern University's Davie Campus
Dates: April 9-12, 2006

How much does it cost?
The program is absolutely FREE, including tuition, room, board, and transportation costs, for those who are invited to attend.

How can you apply?
Applications and instructions are available at www.nova.edu/library/yhwi

ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2005

Technology Programs for Adults
Do your children and teens know more about using the computer than you do? Have you wondered about how to supervise their use of the Internet? Perhaps you want to learn some new skills or find information on a topic of interest or concern.
The new Technology Miniseries for Adults covers myriad subjects from Web safety and home buying to job hunting, cyber shopping, and medical information on the Web. Additionally, this program offers small group and one-to-one instruction on everything from keyboarding tips to basic email, word processing, and spreadsheets.

- November's and December's theme is online shopping. November 16 and December 14, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- January's concentration is medical information on the Web. January 18, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

In addition, The Basic Basics—Computers for Absolute Beginners meets from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month.

No reservation is necessary for either the technology miniseries or the basics lab.

Do It Yourself (DIY)
The Sherman Library has begun hosting a variety of programs for those who strive to learn and accomplish things on their own. The premier DIY bridal program in October was a success, and the next program on “Cheap and Cheerful Holiday Gifts” takes place on December 3, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Check the library's Web site for more DIY offerings during the spring of 2006.
Buddhist Prayer Wheel
Hand-forged by craftsmen in India, the Buddhist Prayer Wheel on display at the Alvin Sherman Library was blessed by His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama of Tibet during his historic visit to Nova Southeastern University on September 18, 2004. The prayer wheel was donated by local philanthropist and Circle of Friends board member Albert Miniaci.

The display includes biographical information about the Dalai Lama and the historical origin of the prayer wheel.

Prayer wheels are used to spread spiritual blessings and well-being throughout the universe.

In Recognition of...

New Director Named for HPD Library
The NSU family of libraries is proud to announce the appointment of Kaye Robertson as the new Health Professions Division (HPD) library director.

Kaye Robertson
Robertson received her master's of library science degree from the University of Illinois. After spending 30 years as a public school librarian in Illinois, Georgia, and Ohio, Robertson was hired in 2000 as a reference librarian at the HPD Library. She succeeds Janice Gottlieb.

Youth Services Librarian Wins Online Ethics Competition
Amy Stultz, youth services librarian, was the winner of the online ethics competition for the entire NSU staff. This initiative was created to allow for optimum participation in Ethics Awareness Week and the Ethics Bowl. The initiative was designed to support and further the NSU mission by providing a convenient way for students and staff and faculty members to actively engage in one of the many facets of lifelong learning.

Librarian Elected to New Post
Nora Quinlan, head of reference at the Alvin Sherman Library, has been elected vice chair/chair elect of the ACRL Chapters Council at this year's American Library Association meeting in Chicago.

For more information about the ACRL Chapters Council, please see www.ala.org/ala/acrl/aboutacrl/acrlchapters/chapters.htm.
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Mission

The Nova Southeastern University Circle of Friends was established to attract and maintain a diverse group of individuals, corporations, and other entities that share the common goal of furthering the intellectual resources of the NSU Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center, and to generate public interest and support for it.

Purpose

The purpose of the Circle of Friends is to promote awareness of the NSU Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center; to fund special exhibits, programs, and collections that will enhance its resources; to support and cooperate with the library in developing library services for the academic and public communities it serves; and to provide opportunities for networking, communication, and intellectual development among the members of the Circle of Friends.
Buddhist Prayer
Hand-forged by craftsmen in India, at the Alvin Sherman Library was a Lama of Tibet during his historic visit September 18, 2004. The prayer wheel and Circle of Friends board member

The display includes biographical information on the historical origin of the prayer wheel.

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Youth Services Wins Online Et

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The initiative was designed to provide a convenient way to actively engage in one of the

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Sandy and J. Kenneth Tate/Carolyn Tufo
Marie and Marcus Zbar/Rosemary and Marc Zenobia

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Message from the Circle of Friends President

Silvia M. Flores, M.D.
FY 2004-2005 has been a year of growth and achievement for the Circle of Friends of the NSU Alvin Sherman Library. Membership has grown to 200, with active committees in membership, program, nominating, and art acquisition—a new addition that is working to bring a site-specific art glass installation to the library.

In addition, as part of the Day of Literary Lectures, the Circle of Friends held a members-only breakfast with author and playwright Malachy McCourt. Friends members also enjoyed a special "State of the University" presentation and reception with NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr.

The year concluded with the Friends sixth annual meeting. The featured speaker was U.S. Representative Lincoln Diaz-Balart (R-FL).

I invite all Circle of Friends members to become more involved in our dynamic group that serves the needs of the Sherman Library, and ask those of you who are not yet members to join us.
**Statements of Financial Position (as of June 30, 2005)**

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**Net Assets**

- Fund Balance—Temporarily Restricted: $121,135.95
- Fund Balance—Permanent Restricted (Endow): $38,341.40
- Fund Balance—Unrestricted: $7,095.32
- Fund Balance: $166,572.67

* Reported as of June 30, 2005.
** All income from the Circle of Friends consists of restricted funds for the purpose of the Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center.

**Activities and Accomplishments FY 2004–2005**

- There are currently 200 members of the Circle of Friends. Active committees include membership, program, nominating, and by-laws.
- Three issues of the newsletter Tidings were published. Tidings updates the community and Circle of Friends members on all aspects of the NSU Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center, including the Circle of Friends.
- Circle of Friends members were invited to participate in many university-sponsored or located events, including the NSU Forum lectures, art and historical exhibitions on display in the Alvin Sherman Library, and the Day of Literary Lectures.
- As its annual gift to the library, the Circle of Friends committed $35,000 toward the purchase of a Chihuly art glass installation for the Terry Atrium area.
- A program, co-sponsored with Public Library Services, entitled "Writing (in) the Dark with Amelia Atwater-Rhodes," for ages 12 through 18, was held on October 24, 2004.
- The Circle of Friends co-sponsored the Ann Storck Center's Fine Arts Exhibit. The opening reception in the Terry Atrium on December 2, 2004, featured original paintings and a choral presentation by participants in the center's Expressive Arts Program.
- Circle of Friends members attended a special "State of the University" address and cocktail reception with NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr., J.D., on January 19, 2005.
- An opening program and reception for the "Troubled Images: Posters and Images of the Northern Ireland Conflict" exhibition, with 70 posters from the Linen Hall Library, was held on February 5, 2005.
- Co-sponsored by the Circle of Friends and the NSU Office of Alumni Relations, Thomas Swick, Sun-Sentinel travel editor, offered "A Way to See the World," entertaining the audience of nearly 100 with stories about exciting destinations.
- As a part of the Day of Literary Lectures held at the Alvin Sherman Library on March 12, 2005, the Circle of Friends held a Friends-only author breakfast with author, playwright, and actor Malachy McCourt. NSU was a major sponsor of the Night of Literary Feasts and the Day of Literary Lectures.
- The sixth annual meeting was held on June 6, 2005, in the Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center. The featured luncheon speaker was U.S. Representative Lincoln Diaz-Balart (R-FL). The program included recognition of retiring board member Marilyn Johansen, and election of new board member Adolfo Cotilla.
A Familiar Face with a New Position

Young children and their parents/caregivers who visit the Sherman Library, as well as children in local child care centers, love “Miss Amy.” She knows all the words to Mother Goose rhymes, can sing any Raffi song, creates wonderful programs for 0-2-year-olds and their parents/caregivers, and recommends age-appropriate books with expert knowledge. Amy Stultz, our early childhood librarian, will continue to work in the Public Library Services Department, but she will leave the tiny tots to become the young adult librarian.

“I will miss the little ones and their parents,” she said, “but I am looking forward to new opportunities and working with teen volunteers and the Sherman Library’s Teen Advisory Board.”

“Amy’s first love always has been young adult materials, and she has the technology skills that are so important in establishing relationships with teens,” stated Molly Kinney, director of public library services. “Even while Amy was working with younger children, she helped a teen volunteer get accepted to her alma mater, which certainly went above and beyond her department duties.” We are delighted that Stultz will continue to work at the Sherman Library.

Children’s Book Week
November 14-20, 2005

A celebration of the written word, Children’s Book Week introduces young people to new authors and ideas in schools, libraries, homes, and bookstores. Through Children’s Book Week, the Children’s Book Council encourages young people and their caregivers to discover the complexity of the world beyond their own experience through books.

See photos of Alvin Sherman Library’s Children’s Book Week events in the next issue of Tidings.
President's Message

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well after our recent hurricane.

In anticipation of this year's project, co-chairs Marsha Levy and Sheldon Polish have been working diligently spreading the word and building enthusiasm in the community for the Dale Chihuly art installation in the Alvin Sherman Library that will be realized next year. This extraordinary art installation will enhance the cultural richness of our library as well as leave an artistic legacy.

WE NEED YOU! WE NEED YOUR INVOLVEMENT AND CONTACTS!

On the membership front, Anita Paoli Kotler, our board secretary and membership committee chair, has plans to help us continue our growth. One of the first things that we will be doing is conducting a membership survey. So expect to receive a phone call or mailing asking you questions to determine how we can better serve the Circle of Friends members. If you're a member of the Friends, you should have already received your new CD-ROM Membership Directory or should be receiving it very shortly.

Under the leadership of program committee chair Arlene Pecora, events will be held throughout the year. The first event, a luncheon with the Art Alliance for Contemporary Glass—Florida Group, was scheduled in November, but had to be postponed due to Hurricane Wilma. When the event is rescheduled, we will thank Joan Baxt, for her loan, through the Museum of Art—Fort Lauderdale, of a Therman Statom mixed media installation. We'll continue to update you on our future events, including the January 2006 event with NSU president Ray Ferrero, Jr.; the February 25, 2006, BYBLOS author event; and our Friends' Annual Meeting in May 2006.

Special thanks to Albert Miniaci, who contributed the stunning prayer wheel to the Sherman Library for all to see and use. The prayer wheel was blessed by the Dalia Lama during his visit to NSU last year. The space around it serves as a meditation area for visitors.

As you can see, this is going to be an exciting year for the Circle of Friends. Many wonderful things have been prepared especially for you. Bring your friends and enjoy an exhilarating season.

Warmest regards,
Silvia M. Flores, M.D.
Circle of Friends President

Welcome New Circle of Friends Members
through November 10, 2005

Martin Cohen  •  Steven Cohen  •  Jonathan E. Cole  •  Lidette Esquivel  •  John Frank
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Circle of Friends Hosts
Annual Meeting and Luncheon

On June 6, 2005, the Circle of Friends hosted its annual meeting, with keynote speaker United States Representative Lincoln Diaz-Balart, in the Terry Atrium of the Alvin Sherman Library. Over 150 people attending the luncheon meeting and heard a very rousing address by Diaz-Balart. The Circle of Friends presented him with an NSU library card and a recognition plaque.

NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr., presents Congressman Lincoln Diaz-Balart with an NSU library card.

Join the Circle of Friends

A Circle of Friends membership supports library projects and offers many member benefits and opportunities.

Call (954) 262-4627 for more information, or fill out the attached membership envelope.

Mary Riedel Receives Horizon Award from SEFLIN

Congratulations to Mary Riedel, community affairs manager for the Sun-Sentinel, who has received the Horizon Award from SEFLIN. The purpose of the Horizon Award is to recognize a community or business leader/library supporter who furthers the vision, mission, and goals of SEFLIN and member libraries.

Riedel has demonstrated that she is a strong supporter of libraries. She recently completed two terms as president of the Sherman Library’s Circle of Friends, continues to be a board member of that organization, and is currently a member of the Friends of the African American Research Library and Cultural Center. In her position at the Sun-Sentinel, Riedel is responsible for community relations programs, charitable giving, community involvement, and events marketing programs.

NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr.; Friends’ President Silvia M. Flores, M.D.; and NSU Health Professions Division Chancellor Fred Lippman present Congressman Lincoln Diaz-Balart with a plaque and other mementos from his visit to NSU.

Event attendees Beth Rush and Gilbert Young.

Event attendees Beth Rush and Gilbert Young.
Remembering Series

For the second season in a row, the Alvin Sherman Library and the university's Institute for Learning in Retirement (ILR) are collaborating to offer the Remembering Series. The series of interactive, multimedia programs takes a look back at bygone eras and events, such as the 1950s, the Great Depression, holidays, pets, and entertainment (e.g., music, county fairs, etc.). Program participants can enjoy remembering their own personal experiences and relate personal stories while learning some interesting facts and trivia.

The ILR offers the programs to the public as a cross-generational series. Join Anita Mitchell-Wagenheim for this unique and entertaining series. This fall, we are kicking off the season on November 30, from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m., at University Park Plaza North. For more information, call Heike Dose at ILR at (954) 262-8471.

Yes, We Have Best Sellers!

Shhhhh. This may be the best kept secret in Broward County. If you are looking for the latest, best-selling novels and nonfiction titles, the Sherman Library has them!

Current titles can be found in the Public Library Services Department on the first floor of the Sherman Library. Older titles are in the stacks on the third and fourth floors.

"We buy multiple copies of titles that will be popular," stated Elaine Taylor, adult services librarian. "Once in a while, we get caught by a 'sleeper,' a book that becomes an overnight, unexpected sensation, but we try to anticipate the community's demand."

If you need a break from studying, work, or a hectic schedule, check out a best seller for pleasure reading.

The Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center is a joint-use facility between Nova Southeastern University and the Broward County Board of County Commissioners.