Hats off to Reading!

A Festival of Free Summer Fun for Kids

This summer, the Library, Research, and Information Technology Center features "Hats off to Reading," a festival of summer reading and other wondrous events for kids of all ages. Special programs are offered five days a week, every week, from Saturday, June 14 through Sunday, August 9. You will find the weekly schedule of events listed in the center spread.

Each week, the "Hats off to Reading" festival will travel across time and around the world through stories and activities. Our journey around the globe starts at home in the United States with the theme for week 1: The American Wild West. Other themes include Ancient Egypt, which features a mummy-wrapping contest, hieroglyph writing, and family games. Medieval Days offers magic, juggling, fairy tales, and dragon maskmaking. African Safari week features animal stories, folklore, and tribal maskmaking. Latin Rhythms offers folktales, a bilingual storyteller, and even a mermaid! Asian Heritage focuses on the Far and Near East, with origami and lively arts workshops. Caribbean Adventures week features live animals, folk tales, and pirates' derring-do. Future Dreams soars through space with imaginative crafts and alien adventures. It all comes together with "Hip Hop Meets the West," a musical celebration performed by It's a Puppet's World. Preregistration is required for some programs and events. You may register for those up two weeks in advance of the program week. Call (954) 262-5477 for reservations and more information.

And—any day, seven days a week—come explore NSU's wide-ranging collections of children's picture and story books, bestsellers for adults and teens, audiotapes, videotapes, DVDs, and CDs. All Broward County residents and visitors are welcome to use the general collections as well as the academic databases, books, journals, and reference materials in all media.

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Bob Woodward Talks about *Bush at War*

The Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences at NSU inaugurated its Annual Distinguished Speaker Series with acclaimed journalist Bob Woodward.

Presented at the Miniaci Performing Arts Center, Woodward spoke of his latest bestseller, *Bush at War*, to an audience of more than 300. Woodward has been a Washington Post reporter for 23 years and is the bestselling author of *All the President’s Men*, which documented the Watergate scandal that he and fellow journalist Carl Bernstein uncovered.

Sources for *Bush at War* included confidential records of more than 50 key meetings concerning the Bush administration’s war against terrorism as well as interviews with the president at his Texas ranch. Woodward said President Bush was surprisingly candid in his forthright responses to every question.

After his talk, Woodward answered questions about the war with Iraq and autographed copies of his books.

Day of Literary Lectures

The library was proud to host the “Day of Literary Lectures” for the second year on Saturday, March 8. The free event was one part of Literary Feast 2003, sponsored by Byblos, Nova Southeastern University, and the Sun-Sentinel. Comprising four distinct events, Byblos’ annual Literary Feast offers a unique mix of literary, social, and educational components. On the Friday preceding the Day of Literary Lectures, the Literary Feast presented Novel Day for Students, Meeting of the Minds, and Night of Literary Feasts.

This year, 23 nationally acclaimed authors participated in the Day of Literary Lectures, presenting lectures, panel discussions, and book signings in several venues around the library.

The NSU Circle of Friends hosted a members-only reception and reading by Adriana Trigiani.

Literary guests included the following:

- Ellyn Bache, *The Activist Daughter*
- Rob Benchley, *Scallop Season*
- Carol Channing, *Just Lucky I Guess*
- Terrence Cheng, *Sons of Heaven*
- Tananarive Due, *Freedom in the Family*
- David Ebershoff, *Pasadena*
- James Grippando, *Beyond Suspicion*
- Stephen Horn, *Law of Gravity*
- Christine Jackson, *Myth & Ritual in Women’s Detective Fiction*
- Mari-Luci Jaramillo, *Madame Ambassador*
- Roger Kahn, *Boys of Summer*
- David Liss, *The Coffee Trader*
- Jay Parini, *The Apprentice Lover*
- Barbara Parker, *Suspicion of Vengeance*
- Jim Patrick, *Scallop Season*
- Christina Schwarz, *All Is Vanity*
- Peter Schweizer, *Reagan’s War*
- Dennis Smith, *Report from Ground Zero*
- Les Standiford, *Last Train to Paradise*
- Patricia Stephens-Don, *Freedom in the Family*
- Adriana Trigiani, *Milk Glass Moon*
- Patricia Volk, *Stuffed*
- Craig Wilson, *It’s the Little Things*
Circle of Friends Hosts Annual Meeting

Four of South Florida’s most influential educational leaders were featured panelists recently when Nova Southeastern University Library, Research, and Information Technology Center’s Circle of Friends hosted its fourth annual meeting at the library on the main campus.

The timely topic of “South Florida Education—Today and Tomorrow” sparked a lively and insightful debate about educational opportunities as affected by the state legislature’s recent budget decisions. The panel of prestigious guests included NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr.; Frank Brogan, president, Florida Atlantic University; Willis Holcombe, president, Broward Community College; and Frank Till, superintendent, Broward County Public Schools. Kingsley Guy, editorial page editor of the Sun-Sentinel, was the moderator.

President Ferrero suggested that independent colleges and universities should play a role in the state moving toward seamless education from elementary to post-graduate levels. He said NSU’s nursing and dental programs are helping to address severe needs for new personnel in those fields, while the university’s Fischer Graduate School of Education and Human Services is engaged in attracting new people to the field of teaching, ensuring the quality of teaching skills, and expanding the number and quality of bilingual tutors for at-risk students.

Frank Brogan discussed FAU’s challenges to serve nontraditional part-time students and how the university partners with community colleges in Broward and Palm Beach Counties and farther north along the Treasure Coast.

BCC’s Willis Holcombe emphasized the need for post-secondary education for students to compete in the job market. He said 75 percent of students who attend BCC stay in South Florida and continue their education at the area’s universities.

Putting Broward’s educational issues in perspective, Frank Till said the county’s public school system is the fifth largest in the nation; and it is above the state average in student achievements. With 30,000 employees, the school system is Broward’s largest aggregate workforce.

The panel’s consensus took the form of the big question: how will decisions made in the first five years of this century help shape a bright future for education in 2020 and beyond?

At the conclusion of the panel discussion, business and community leader Stanley Tate, chairman of the Florida Prepaid College Program, discussed the need to continue funding the state’s prepaid tuition program. He said the state’s decision to allow colleges and universities to raise tuition fees as much as 12 percent is a threat to families already enrolled in the prepaid tuition plan, and that the only cure for social and economic problems is a college education.

On another note, Mary Riedel, president of the Circle of Friends, reported that the group raised more than $100,000 in the past four years, partially underwriting a major piece of sculpture for the library atrium, and is planning to purchase display cases. She thanked outgoing board members Joyce Gardner, Joel Lavender, Jean Smith, and Eugenie Suter, and welcomed new board members Carolyn Brewer, Jody Gross, Marsha Levy, and Albert Miniaci. Don Rigg recognised Gail Kaplan’s efforts as immediate past president of the Circle of Friends.

For information on upcoming events and membership in the Circle of Friends, contact the Department of Library Development, (954) 262-4627, or email elaine@nova.edu or clevin@nova.edu.

“Honest Abe” Traveling Exhibit to Appear at NSU Library

The NSU library was selected by the American Library Association (ALA) as one of only 40 libraries in the nation to host the traveling exhibit, “Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln’s Journey to Emancipation.” This new traveling panel exhibit, organized by The Huntington Library of San Marino, California, and the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History of New York in cooperation with the ALA, reexamines President Lincoln’s efforts toward the abolition of slavery during the Civil War.

Organized by The Huntington Library’s John Rhodehamel, Norris Foundation curator of American Historical Manuscripts, the exhibit consists of reproductions of rare historical documents from The Huntington’s collections and those of the Lehman Institute and draws on the latest scholarship in the field. The exhibit is scheduled to open at the NSU library on January 21, 2004, and continue through March 5. In addition to historical documents, the exhibit contains reproductions of period photographs, engravings, lithographs, cartoons, and political ephemera of the era. Sections focus on young Lincoln’s America, war for the Union, the Emancipation Proclamation, the role of black soldiers in the Civil War, the final months of the Civil War, and Lincoln’s life.

In conjunction with the exhibit, NSU will present free scholarly programs for library patrons and the community. The National Endowment for the Humanities provided major funding for the traveling exhibition. For more information about “Forever Free,” please visit www.ala.org and click on the Current Programs menu.

Nora Quinlan, head of reference and access services, was responsible for securing this exhibit in ALAs national competition.
NSU Library Hosts Community Open House

On a recent Wednesday afternoon, the NSU Library, Research, and Information Technology Center hosted an open house for leaders of community organizations and business people active in community affairs.

More than 100 guests attended the reception, which was jointly sponsored by the Sun-Sentinel and Comcast Cable Communications in cooperation with the library's Circle of Friends. Members of the Florida Youth Orchestra provided a background of sweet refrains.

"The event offered an opportunity for executive directors, board members, and other representatives of nonprofit and civic organizations to meet, mingle, and network with two media giants in our area as well as with other individuals active in community affairs," said Donald Riggs, NSU vice president for information services and university librarian.

"The reception introduced guests to the resources, collections, theater, and conference spaces that are readily available at the library for use by community organizations and the public," Riggs said. "We encourage community groups to use the facilities for meetings and events. The library also offers unique resources through our Foundation Center Collection for funding nonprofit organizations."

Speakers at the event included NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr.; Mary Riedel, president of the Circle of Friends and publisher of the Sun-Sentinel's Society Broward; and Craig Sne deker, area vice president/general manager of Comcast in Broward County and the Treasure Coast.

In his comments, President Ferrero extolled the value of "sharing the American dream of education." He said NSU is well on its way to being declared a "majority/minority" university, with a student mix that represents more than 50 percent of minority populations. He said, "While excellence is the NSU standard, preeminence is our goal."

Mary Riedel invited guests to join the library's expanding Circle of Friends, which provides social, intellectual, and cultural opportunities as well as support for special library programming. She also acknowledged the efforts of Silvia Flores, Circle of Friends board member and committee chairman of the open house event.

Comcast's Craig Sne deker said, "This was a great occasion to offer Comcast's resources to community organizations in an effort to enrich and expand their outreach. What better time to come together, when funding for the arts and other community services is scarce. Comcast offers local television programming that can help organizations generate awareness of their services and raise much-needed dollars."

Comcast was represented by Karen Abeleda, Klayton Fennell, Spero Canton, Filomena Lopez, Karla Nelson, Craig Sne deker, and Cindy Stoddart. The Sun-Sentinel was represented by Mary Riedel and Wendy Wedington.

An abundant and tantalizing selection of refreshments was served, with catering generously provided by ARAMARK Catering, C.A. & Company, and Culinary Fusion.
What's New? What's in It for You?

Each month, the Library, Research, and Information Technology Center presents a variety of community programs for adults, teens, and children. For information and preregistration, contact Anne Leon at (954) 262-5477.

Adult Programs

Now through July 9

June 9
Classic film and discussion: Dr. Zhivago. 1:00–4:00 p.m.

June 11
Healing Arts Institute: Dao Chan Gong. 1:00–5:00 p.m.
For information, call (954) 357-7348. Sponsored by the Broward Public Library Foundation as part of the American Heritage Series.

June 12
Sales and Use Tax Seminar. 10:00–11:00 a.m. Sponsored by the Florida Department of Revenue.

June 17
Microsoft Word, Part One. 10:00–11:00 a.m.

July 17
Microsoft Word, Part Two. 10:00–11:00 a.m.

July 30
E-File Sales and Use/Unemployment Tax. 10:00 a.m.
Sponsored by the Florida Department of Revenue.

July 31
Books Over Biscotti: Discussion Group. Mulberry Tree by Jude Deveraux. 7:00–9:00 p.m. For information, call (954) 262-4579.

Young Adult Programs

(Ages 12 to 18)

June 7
Teen Advisory Board Committee Meeting. 1:00–2:00 p.m.
New members are welcome.

June 11
Teen Social Issues Club. 4:45–6:00 p.m.

June 12
Shakespeare Club: An informal discussion on Twelfth Night. 4:45–6:00 p.m.

July 2
Web Designing: Part One—The Basics. 1:00–3:30 p.m.
Preregistration required. Call (954) 262-5477.

July 9
Web Designing: Part Two—Advanced Tips and Tricks. 1:00–3:30 p.m. Preregistration required.
Call (954) 262-5477.

July 16
Scrapbooking. 1:00–3:00 p.m. Please bring six pictures of similar theme. Preregistration required. Call (954) 262-5477.

July 19
Star Wars Trilogy Movie Marathon. 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Beverages and popcorn will be served. For more information and lunch options, call (954) 262-5477.

July 23
Teen Writing Workshop and Book Talk, featuring Silver Creek author Anne Holt. 10:00–11:30 a.m. Preregistration required. Call (954) 262-5477.

July 30
Scrapbooking. 1:00–3:00 p.m. Please bring six pictures of similar theme. Preregistration required. Call (954) 262-5477.

July 31
Shakespeare Club: An informal discussion on Richard III. 4:30–5:45 p.m.

Children's Programs

See center spread.

Computer Classes:

Beginning Computer Overview—presented by Office of Information Technologies and the MicroLab; instruction on the use of the mouse, browsers, email, Microsoft Word. Classes are usually held Saturdays at 1:00 p.m. Please call ahead to confirm dates and times: (954) 262-4700.

Permanent Exhibit:

NSU Timeline—Illustrates the history of NSU from 1965 to the present.
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**I.Q.A.**

(Informconsequential Quiz Ability)

**Question:** Sherlock Holmes had a brother. What was his name, and in what story did he first appear?

**Answer:** Agatha Christie's Belgian detective Hercule Poirot.

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<td><strong>Culture Club. Stories in Spanish and English and Runstick crafts. Ages 6 and up. 2:00-3:00 p.m.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Bedtime Stories Special. Live mermaid show with “La Sirena Susanna.” Bilingual in Spanish and English. Ages 3 and up. Special time: 7:00-8:00 p.m.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Hats off to Reading with Mama Clown and Toosie the Clown. Special bilingual performance in Spanish and English. All ages. 10:00-10:40 a.m.</strong></td>
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**“Hip-Hop Meets the West!” Knee-slapping good time. A musical marionette celebration performed by It’s a Puppet’s World. Travel across the U.S.A. and learn about different types of music from hip-hop to country and western. All ages. 2:00-2:30 p.m.**
The NSU library is staffed by a multitalented group of professionals. Many are involved in service to the local community. Most are actively involved in continuing education and professional development. Periodically, NSU librarians attend regional and national conferences, where they participate in workshops to learn about new trends in library practice—and they are frequently invited to lead panels and workshops themselves, sharing their expertise and unique experiences with librarians elsewhere.

Tiffany Griffin, distance and instructional librarian, was awarded a spot in the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Immersion Program for information literacy for summer 2003. The ACRL Institute for Information Literacy prepares librarians to become effective teachers in information literacy programs and to play a leadership role and forge new relationships throughout the educational community. The annual immersion program is a four- and one-half day event that provides intensive training.

Griffin holds a master of library science from Indiana University and a bachelor of fine arts from Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana. She joined the NSU library in September 2001 as a distance and instructional services librarian. Her responsibilities include national and international travel to provide quality bibliographic instruction; collection development for the undergraduate oceanography, aquaculture, environmental science, and visual art collections; and reference services. Prior to coming to NSU, Griffin was a graduate assistant at the Indiana University Purdue University Library in Indianapolis; educational resource center assistant at the Indianapolis Museum of Art; and teaching assistant, Department of Art, Ball State University. Griffin received an assistantship at Indiana University and an undergraduate research grant while at Ball State University.

Eight librarians from the Library, Research, and Information Technology Center attended the ACRL conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, in April. Included were Michael Shires, Anne Fisher, Tiffany Griffin, Mou Chakraborty, Amanda Roberts, Laura Ramirez, Nora Quinlan, and Harriett MacDougall.

Michael Shires and Anne Fisher led a session on "Serving Public and Academic Library Users in a Joint-Use Library." Nora Quinlan led a session on "Rare Book Librarianship." Amanda Roberts was one of 60 librarians who received a scholarship to attend this conference.

Harriett MacDougall, director of the LRITC, and Nora Quinlan, head of reference and access services, collaborated on an article on "Staffing Challenges for a Joint-Use Library: The Nova Southeastern University and Broward County Experience," which appeared in Resource Sharing & Information Networks, v. 15, No. 1/2, 2001. MacDougall also wrote a short article on celebrating one year in the joint-use library for the April 2003 issue of Florida Libraries.

Beth Harman, library administration staff, was appointed to the Executive Council for the South Florida Human Rights Council. She also serves on the Friends Board for the Broward Outreach Centers.

Don Rigs, vice president for information services and university librarian, was recently featured in a Miami Herald article. According to the Herald, "Colleagues in the field largely credit Rigs with giving Broward County one of the nation's most innovative libraries, housed in the largest such structure in the state."
Herald stated that the library is "open to everyone thanks to a unique partnership between NSU and the Broward County library system." NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr., was quoted as saying, "Riggs is a giant in the field." Riggs became a library director while still in his 20s, helping Bluefield State College in West Virginia to computerize its magazine collections in the 1970s. In 1976, he oversaw the construction of a cutting-edge, city-block-long library to serve three Denver, Colorado, colleges. In the 1980s at Arizona State University, he oversaw the fastest-growing research library system in the nation, building five libraries in 11 years. Riggs came to NSU from his last post, at the University of Michigan, where he was dean of the sixth largest academic library in the United States and Canada, with eight million volumes. The challenge of creating Florida's largest library building at NSU was one Don Riggs just couldn't resist.

Don Riggs and Michael Shires, reference subject specialist for sciences and technology, gave presentations on joint-use libraries at the Florida Library Association Conference in Orlando in April.

Focus On:

Health Professions Division (HPD) Library

The HPD library, located within the Health Professions Division at the intersection of University Drive and 30th Street, serves NSU's Colleges of Allied Health and Nursing (Audiology, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant, and Public Health Programs), Dental Medicine, Medical Sciences, Optometry, Osteopathic Medicine, and Pharmacy. The library offers 48 group study rooms, nearly 100 microcomputer lab workstations, and video and projection equipment for group instruction and individual student use.

Staffed by professional librarians and others, the HPD library, open more than 100 hours a week, serves the reference, library instruction, and resource needs of more than 3,600 on-campus and distance education students, faculty members, and staff members in the health professions.

The addition of the Nursing Department at HPD, designed to make the profession more enticing, exciting, and rewarding to students, will be academically supported by the HPD library. The R.N. to B.S.N. Nursing Program, administered by Sally Weiss and Diane Whitehead to prepare students for leadership and management roles, is funded in part by the North Broward Hospital District and the Memorial Health Care Systems.

HPD library director Janice Gottlieb is a member of the Self-Study Steering Committee for College of Osteopathic Medicine's accreditation. A site visit is scheduled for February 2004.

The most popular subjects, based on the number of books checked out by the HPD library, include human anatomy, physiology, pharmacology, practice of medicine, dentistry, and especially ophthalmology.
The Ripple Effect

Circle of Friends events were well attended this past season, continuing to stimulate current members and attract new ones. Recent events included a visit from the Junior Welfare Society hosted by Circle of Friends board member Glenda Abbate. About 30 guests attended for a talk by Donald Riggs about the library and a tour by Elaine Blattner.

"Bagels and Babble" was hosted by Circle of Friends board member Dara Levan and featured Wendy Masi, dean of the NSU Mailman Segal Institute. Masi led a discussion about the challenges that women face today in balancing their many roles. Guests enjoyed a light lunch, a question-and-answer session, an open discussion, and a tour of the library.

Welcome New Members

Gerry Bohning  Pearl Levant  Ann Potterfield
Pat and Mike Dunford  Rona Levitt  Beth Thomas
Wanda Godz  Shelley Levan Margolis  Lori Wise
Nasra Ibrahim  Ed Pierce

Kudos to Members

Mary Riedel was newly appointed as publisher of the Sun-Sentinel's Society Broward publication.

Silvia Flores, M.D., was honored as a "Ringleader of Broward County" by Leadership Broward.

Samuel Morrison was honored by the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society on his retirement as director of the Broward County Library System.

Ray Ferrero, Jr., was honored with the Sun-Sentinel's Excalibur Award. Since becoming NSU president in January 1998, Ferrero has paved the way for the development of the unique joint-use Library, Research, and Information Technology Center; The Jim & Jan Moran Family Center Village; The H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship's new Carl DeSantis Building (under construction); and the proposed main-campus University Center for students' athletic and wellness programs and a meeting place for the entire university community. Additionally, he has expanded NSU's presence in Florida and the nation with new off-site educational centers; has improved services for students and faculty members with unique scholarship opportunities and streamlined operations; and achieved NSU's acceptance into the NCAA Division II and as a provisional member of the Sunshine State Conference.
President’s Message

Not yet two years old, our joint-use NSU Library, Research, and Information Technology Center continues to get rave reviews.

High-fives is the sign given by kids who pour in after school to use the computers.

Awesome is the comment from students who use the spacious study areas, hundreds of electronic databases, and thousands of volumes.

Beautiful is the hundreds of community visitors who come every month to use the library, chat in the cafe, and attend events at the Minneci Performing Arts Center.

Since our new library opened last fall, more than 16,000 library cards have been issued and more than 9,000 people have attended 423 programs—remarkable numbers. NSU Circle of Friends is proud to be part of this success.

Thanks to board members Glenda Abbate and Dana Lehan, who hosted special gatherings in January aimed at broadening the awareness of the library and building membership in the Friends. Lifetime, corporate, and individual members now number about 120.

For the second year, the NSU library was host to the March 8 Day of Literary Lectures, a major event of South Florida’s annual literary weekend featuring the nation’s top authors, and also including the Night of Literary Feasts fund-raiser for the Broward County Public Library Foundation.

Friends members and guests had a special treat with a private lecture from author Adriana Trigiani (Milk Glass Moon), one of several authors visiting South Florida.

Trigiani, a former stand-up comedian, entertained the early morning audience with stories of her struggling author days in New York City and now her fame and fortune as a best-selling author and movie screenwriter.

Part of the Circle of Friends purpose is to fund special exhibits, programs, and collections. To that end, the Circle of Friends is donating two permanent display cases for special artifacts and exhibits. Next year, the NSU library will host a special exhibit on Abraham Lincoln. The Friends will assist with supporting this special exhibit and related programming.

We look forward to your participation as a Circle of Friends member as we plan and present special activities in the months ahead.

Renew Today!

Your Circle of Friends membership supports more programs and offers more benefits than ever before.

You will soon receive a renewal notice in the mail reminding you that all Circle of Friends memberships are valid from July 1 through June 30. As the Circle of Friends continues to grow, we hope that you enjoyed the many programs offered in the past year. And 2003-2004 promises even more exciting events.

Keep involved. Renew your membership today.

Circle of Friends’ life memberships are still available at $5,000. Pay once and stay a Friend for life. For more details, call Cindy Levin at (954) 262-4593.

Mission Statement:

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 Library, Research, and Information Technology Center and to generate public interest and support for it.

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A Signature Opportunity: Engrave Your Name on a Library Study Room

The Library, Research, and Information Technology Center and the Circle of Friends offer a new opportunity to recognize, honor, or memorialize a special individual, family foundation, or corporation while supporting the Circle of Friends Endowment and Building Fund with a named gift.

Here’s an opportunity to “engrave” the name of your choice on one of the library’s 27 study rooms. Each study room is available for naming with a contribution of $10,000. We’ll recognize the donor along with the name of a literary or historical figure to specially mark the room. To find out more about this unique opportunity, please contact Elaine Blattner, director of library development, (954) 262-4621, or elaine@nova.edu.
You’re invited to join the NSU library Circle of Friends, a group of individuals committed to advancing—and enjoying—the intellectual life of Broward County.

When you join the Circle of Friends...
You will be associated with individuals, families, corporations, and others who share a vision of furthering the intellectual and cultural goals of NSU and the community-at-large. The Circle of Friends is committed to

- promoting awareness of the Library, Research, and Information Technology Center
- funding special exhibits, programs, and collections
- supporting and cooperating with the library to develop services for the public and academic community
- providing opportunities for networking, communication, and intellectual development among Circle of Friends members

Benefits of membership
Every year, the Circle of Friends will sponsor diverse programs—lectures, exhibit openings, and symposia.

All members receive a Circle of Friends bookmark and a subscription to Tidings, the library’s newsletter. In addition, members receive recognition in annual reports and invitations to Friends-only events.

Patrons and Sustaining Members are invited to VIP Friends events. Sustaining Members are also awarded a bookplate in the library’s circulating collection. In addition to all above benefits, Special Friends, Corporate Members, and Life Members receive special borrowing privileges, priority seating for designated events, and an invitation to a private reception with NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr.
YES. I accept your invitation for membership in the Circle of Friends for the Nova Southeastern University Library, Research, and Information Technology Center in the category checked below.

Membership Levels

- $5,000 Life Member
- $2,500 Corporate Member
- $1,000 Special Friend
- $500 Sustaining Member
- $250 Patron
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- $50 Individual/NSU Student

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A Library's Most Important Resource

Quite commonly, one thinks books, journals, databases, technology, and the library building when describing the assets of a library. It is, however, my strong belief that the most important resource of a library is the staff. Without a competent staff, the library would be merely a storehouse or a repository.

The NSU libraries are fortunate to have a dedicated, committed staff. The staff articulates the collections and services offered locally and to our distance education students. The joint-use library poses the challenge and satisfaction of serving patrons ranging from prekindergarten children to the doctoral student.

The strong service orientation demonstrated by the library's staff is uncommon. The staff is genuinely concerned about the users' information needs and will walk-the-extra-mile to get the "right information in the hands of the right users at the right time." Knowledge navigators is a proper description of the staff as they help users access and customize information in electronic format.

In order to hold the title of professional librarian at NSU, one must possess an earned master's degree in library/information science from one of North America's 57 accredited programs. In addition to the master's degree in library/information science, some of our librarians have another master's degree or a doctorate. Several of our staff who are not considered librarians hold an undergraduate degree, and some have graduate degrees in other subject areas. In sum, NSU and Broward County users are blessed with a well-educated library staff who has a strong conviction to serve.