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# FINDINGS

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## Library Hosts Troubled Images Posters and Images of the Northern Ireland Conflict

The Alvin Sherman Library is proud to host a rare exhibit of 70 historical posters collected by The Linen Hall Library, Belfast, Northern Ireland. The Troubled Images exhibit displays political posters from both sides of the conflict, known as "the Troubles," which has raged in Northern Ireland for more than 30 years.

Northern Ireland has been the focus of an uneasy relationship between the ruling British government, Irish Protestants, and Irish Catholics, which has flared into violence from the early 1970s up until and beyond the historic Good Friday Peace Accord of 1998.

The 70 posters on view are part of The Linen Hall Library's collection of more than 3,000 acquired from 1969 to the present. They

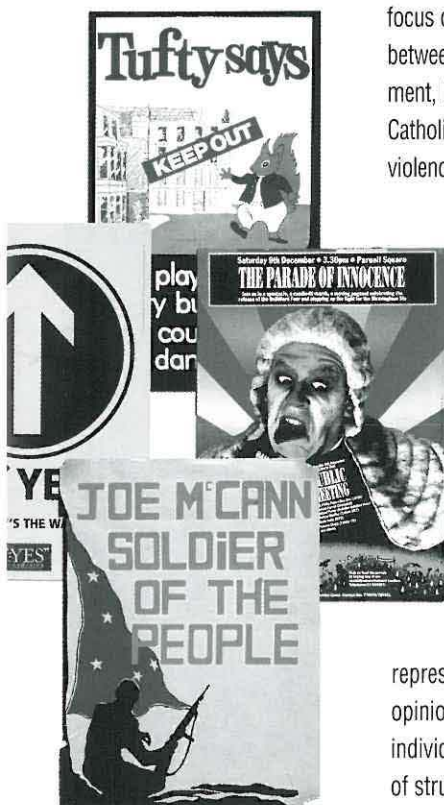
represent a wide range of opinions on major events and individuals involved in the years of struggle and the burgeoning peace process.

free and open to the public during library operating hours, including weekends and evenings.

Linen Hall librarian John Gray describes the exhibit: "The 70 original posters on display reveal the often dramatic graphic skills of Ulster's political poster designers from whatever perspective—the makers of images that became part of history. The posters not only reflect all sides in our conflict, but they cover our experience since the beginning of the Troubles. Movements that have faded from view are there along with all the main players today. The great tragedies of our time feature alongside moments of hope. They are all there in impossible, but revealing conjunction."

The exhibit—Posters and Images of the Northern Ireland Conflict from The Linen Hall Library, Belfast—is presented in North America in collaboration with Meridian International Center, Washington, D.C. The presenting sponsor is BankAtlantic and the cosponsors include the *Circle of Friends* for the Alvin Sherman Library,

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The traveling exhibit, opening Saturday, February 5, 2005, will be accompanied with gallery tours on opening weekend by Linen Hall exhibit curator Yvonne D. Murphy. During its stay at the Sherman Library, other events will be held, including an academic symposium, a seven-week series of films, lectures, author readings, panel discussions, and programs for children and families. The exhibit is

## Every Child Ready to Read @ Your Library™

Brain research has demonstrated that for children to become literate learners and problem solvers, their brains must be stimulated to ensure that neural synapses connect at a very early age. Understanding that language acquisition is a primary factor for brain stimulation, children's librarians have, for many years, encouraged parents and caregivers to read aloud to children. The Public Library Association and the Association for Library Service to Children have incorporated the latest research into a series of parent and caregiver workshops



Adam Sheaffer shares the joy of reading with his daughter Jesse.

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## The Role and Importance of the Libraries' Support Staff

Libraries are generally staffed similarly regardless of the type of library and geographical location. In libraries, we find administrators, archivists, bibliographers/subject specialists, paraprofessionals, student assistants, and support staff. Among the various job categories, the support staff normally makes up the largest number of employees. Also, unfortunately, this category usually gets the least amount of recognition.

I cannot overstate the importance of the support staff in the NSU libraries. Their work is necessary to keep the libraries functioning. Even though support staff do not hold the master's degree in library science from an accredited American Library Association school (the credential necessary to become a librarian), many of them have earned

bachelor's and master's degrees in other disciplines. Much of the work done behind the scenes (e.g., processing books and non-book material) and that done on the front-lines (e.g., checking out items to patrons) is performed by support staff. The next time you check an item out of one the NSU libraries, take a couple moments to think about who did the work that made it possible for you to have access to the item.

The work performed by the support staff in the NSU libraries is genuinely appreciated. Their fine service is mandatory if the libraries expect to remain effective and efficient. ■



Donald E. Riggs  
Vice President for  
Information Services and  
University Librarian

| Library Hours         | Monday–Thursday      | Friday              | Saturday            | Sunday                |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Main entrance         | 7:30 a.m.–11:00 p.m. | 7:30 a.m.–9:00 p.m. | 8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. | 11:00 a.m.–11:30 p.m. |
| Reference desk        | 8:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  | 8:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. | 9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. | 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  |
| Children's "red" desk | 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  | 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. | 9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m. | 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  |
| Connections Cafe      | 9:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.  | 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. | 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. | 3:00–9:00 p.m.        |

Hours may vary during holidays or special events.

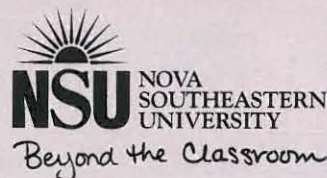
### Guide to Library Services

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|--|---|
| Reference Desk .....                                 | (954) 262-4613<br>or <a href="mailto:refdesk@nsu.nova.edu">refdesk@nsu.nova.edu</a> |
| Public Library Services .....                        | (954) 262-5477<br>or (954) 262-5478   |
| Circulation .....                                    | (954) 262-4601  |
| Collections .....                                    | (954) 262-4633  |
| Development .....                                    | (954) 262-4627  |
| Distance and Instructional<br>Library Services ..... | (954) 262-4608  |
| Document Delivery/<br>Interlibrary Loans .....       | (954) 262-4602  |
| Administration .....                                 | (954) 262-4620  |
| Archives .....                                       | (954) 262-4642  |
| Facilities Coordinator .....                         | (954) 262-4612  |

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# IN RECOGNITION OF...

## SEFLIN Awards

Our very own Kristen Nibbe and Nora Quinlan have been recognized by SEFLIN for outstanding contributions to their professions. The SEFLIN Awards program was established to



Harriett MacDougall and  
Kristen Nibbe

recognize institutions and individuals who support the SEFLIN mission, vision, and goals of cooperation and resource sharing.

Both women, nominated by Library Director Harriett MacDougall, embody the

stellar qualities and superior professionalism that make them stand head and shoulders above others.

MacDougall described Nibbe, winner of the SEFLIN Summit Award, as "an enthusiastic advocate for library services who has been active in championing SEFLIN participation throughout all of NSU's libraries." Nibbe's spirit of cooperation, collaboration, and teamwork can be seen in everything that she does.

As head of reference, Nora Quinlan, winner of the SEFLIN Vista Award, is credited with leading many of the library's outstanding events and programs, including the ALA "Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation" exhibit. Quinlan, known for her outstanding customer service, is an active SEFLIN member who enthusiastically participates in many of the organization's professional development activities. ■



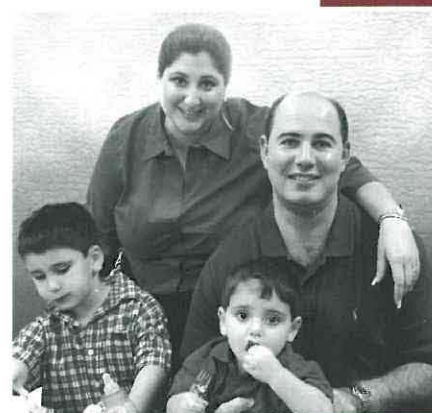
Nora Quinlan



Once again, reference librarian Douglas Black has been awarded Best Transcript of the Month from Ask A Librarian. Way to go, Doug!

## Library Welcomes Newest Donor

With gratitude and appreciation, the Alvin Sherman Library welcomes its newest donor: Eric Ackerman, Ph.D. Ackerman has been a part of the NSU family since 1988. He currently serves as assistant dean of the Graduate School of Computer and Information Sciences. Ackerman has served as general chair for IEEE SoutheastCon 2005; international officer and Webmaster, Upsilon Pi Epsilon Honor Society; junior past chairman, Florida Council of the Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE)—Region 3 student activities vice chair; and IEEE senior member. ■



Eric and Beth Ackerman and sons  
Matthew and Jacob

## Employee Anniversaries

It is with great pleasure that we recognize the following library employees for their years of outstanding service at Nova Southeastern University.

### 25 YEARS

**Dorothea Howard**—Sherman Library

### 20 YEARS

**Lia Hemphill**—Sherman Library

### 15 YEARS

**Yvette Gilkes**—Sherman Library

**Betty Maxwell**—Law Library

**Frank Novak**—Law Library

### 10 YEARS

**Kathleen Dunleavy**—Sherman Library

**Richard Fredericksen**—Sherman Library

**Rhonda Gold**—Law Library

**Todd Puccio**—HPD Library

**Maxine Scheffler**—Law Library

### 5 YEARS

**James Chin-Loy**—Law Library

**Yvette Davis-Lowe**—Law Library

**Pamela Dixit**—Sherman Library

**Sara Halaby**—HPD Library

**James Hutchens**—Sherman Library

**Mary Lawrence**—HPD Library



## Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center

- The reference department welcomes two new staff members: **Holly Dockstader** is the new reference department administrative assistant. **Lisa Rogers** has joined the staff as a reference librarian.
- **Johanna Tuñón's** proposal to the American Educational Research Association (AERA) entitled "Conducting a Comparative Assessment of Doctoral Students' Library Research Skills Using Citation Analysis Tools," has been accepted for presentation at their annual conference in Montreal in April 2005.

## Shepard Broad Law Center Library and Technology Center

- **Lisa Smith-Butler** has been appointed to the university's task force, SID (Secure ID).
- **Carol Yecies** has been appointed to SEFLIN's Reference Standing Committee.



## Health Professions Division Library

- HPD welcomes two new staff members. **Vanessa Mauricci** is the new evening circulation manager and **Roxana LaRosa** is new at the circulation desk as weekend manager.
- A new search engine has been added to the numerous others employed by the librarians at HPD. It is called SCIRUS and is leased through Science Direct. Through the program, the librarians and library patrons can access thousands of science-relevant Web sites.
- A new computerized medical reference tool has been added to the HPD library resources. MedCalc 3000 can be used for medical formulae, clinical criteria sets, and decision tree analysis tools. ■

## Every Child Ready continued from page 1

to provide public libraries with vital tools to help prepare parents for their critical role as their child's first teacher.

In January, Youth Services librarians Amy Stultz and Rebecca Hickman will begin to systematically incorporate early literacy concepts in programs for young children and their parents/caregivers. While they have always demonstrated read-aloud techniques and role-modeling, Stultz and Hickman are taking their efforts one step further by providing concrete explanations and vocabulary to the adults who are important to children. "Family

Literacy University" parents and caregivers will learn about

- the language of literacy
  - letter knowledge
  - phonological awareness
  - dialogic hear and say reading
  - tips to build sentence skills
  - print motivation and awareness
  - language acquisition
- and much more

The Sherman Library's Public Library Services will have a Family Literacy University Parenting Workshop on Saturday, February 26, from 1:00–5:00 p.m.



Youth Services librarians Anne Leon and Rebecca Hickman plan for Family Literacy University.

## Weekly Early Literacy Programs at the Alvin Sherman Library

### Mother Goose Storytime

Tuesdays • 10:30 a.m.

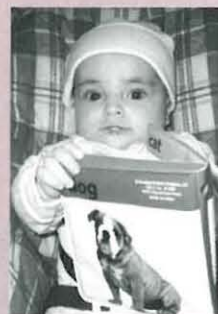
Ages 0–35 months  
with parent/caregiver

### Bilingual Family Storytime

Tuesdays • 7:00 p.m.

All ages

Stories and Songs  
in English and Spanish  
(Cuentos y Canciones  
en Inglés y Español)



Four-month old Olivia Marie Azpiri enjoys some quiet time with a book.

"Graduates" will go forth with skills to help their children become early literacy learners. Future plans include expanding the summer "Free Play" program into a year-round offering, encouraging fathers and other important males in children's lives to share the love and joy of reading, and promoting literacy through technology. We are committed to have "Every Child Ready to Read!"

For more information, contact Amy Stultz, Rebecca Hickman, or Anne Leon at (954) 262-5477. ■



# PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES

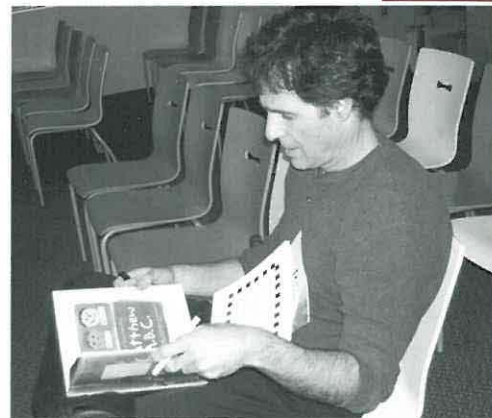
## Rocking, Rolling, and Reading During Children's Book Week

National Children's Book Week got off to a rollicking start this year at the Sherman Library. The national event, held November 15–21, 2004, is an 85-year-old tradition that celebrates introducing young people to the fantastic world of children's literature. Librarians, parents, authors, publishers, and booksellers came together during this event to spread the joy of reading and to encourage young people to experience the wonderful world of children's books.

The week kicked off with a visit from award-winning children's author and illustrator Peter Catalanotto. Through informal discussion and passionate stories about his experiences, Catalanotto explained the creative process and encouraged the audience to appreciate and participate in the exciting and growing world of children's literature.



The Bookworm delights young library patrons.



Author and illustrator Peter Catalanotto autographs copies of his books.



Youth Services librarian Rebecca Hickman and young library patron Peter Gallagher

Another event that spearheaded the week of fun was the Scholastic Book Fair. The event is a book sale and literacy event that focuses on motivating children to read and promotes family participatory learning. This year's theme of "Read, Write, and Blue: Reading is All American," was illustrated throughout the atrium with colorful decorations and enthusiastic participants.

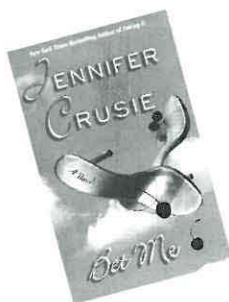
"This is the opportunity for the library to help parents and children build their home library collection of favorite books. It's rewarding to be part of children's early literate learning," said Rebekah Benison-Cohen, the event's coordinator and the public library services coordinator of administrative operations.

The Scholastic Book Fair offers the most popular books and educational products for all ages, including the newest titles, award winners, classics, and interactive products from more than 150 publishers. Book fair proceeds are used to purchase essential library items and to promote the gift of reading. ■

## Books Over Biscotti An informal discussion group for adults

Do you like to talk about books while enjoying refreshments? The Books Over Biscotti group meets to chat about books and authors on the fourth Thursday of the month, from 7:00–9:00 p.m. Librarians Paula Adams and Elaine Taylor lead this lively discussion, which includes a variety of genres.

Please join us on **January 27, 2005**, for *Bet Me!* by Jennifer Crusie and meet a cast of characters drawn together over a bet involving a handsome hero who is trying to seduce an unwilling protagonist.



On **February 24**, our selection ties to the Troubled Images exhibit at the library. *Famine Ships: Irish Exodus to America* by Edward Laxton explores the experience of Irish emigrants fleeing the potato famine.

The **March 24** selection, *Life of Pi* by Yann Martel, will produce lively discussion about survival of the fittest. Will it be man or the tiger he rescues?

Before the enormous success of *The DaVinci Code*, Dan Brown penned *Digital Fortress: A Thriller*. On **April 28**, the group will discuss this book about romance, murder, mayhem, and the National Security Agency.

All books are available for checkout with your library card. Join the best book bunch in town. ■



## Black History Month at the Sherman Library

Exploration ...Discovery ...Education  
...Understanding ...Information

Americans have recognized black history annually since 1926, first as Negro History Week and later as Black History Month. What you might not know is that black history had barely begun to be studied—or even documented—when the tradition originated. Although blacks have been in America at least as far back as colonial times, it was not until the 20th century that they gained a respectable presence in the history books.

The Alvin Sherman Library, in collaboration with Nova Southeastern University's Office of Public Affairs and the Broward County Library System, is hosting a variety of events in February.

### Mother Goose Goes to Africa Storytime

Tuesday, February 1 • 10:30–10:50 a.m.

This program helps parents create an environment that emphasizes reading, writing, and language activity. Songs, stories, rhymes, and physical activity ensure that children have a strong foundation for early learning. (0–35 months with caregiver)

### Black History Month Mural

Saturday, February 5, 2:00–3:00 p.m.

Help create a collage mural that celebrates the everyday heroes in African American communities. (children and families)

### Finding Black History Web sites

Saturday, February 12, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Surf the net and discover the wealth of material and activities for information, school reports, and fun games and puzzles. (children ages 8 and older with an adult)

### Peace Stories with Sista Idya

Wednesday, February 23, 4:00–4:45 p.m.

Sista Idya is a *jali kunda*, a griot, a storyteller, and dramatic poetess who performs the culture of Africa through stories, movements, songs, and games. Sista Idya's experience and pure joy of entertaining guarantee a quality performance and satisfied audience. She has made a career of bringing her craft to life with clever wit, remarkable voice, and animated stage presence. Sista Idya has a way of making the members of the audience feel embraced and a part of something cultural, intimate, and special. For more information about Sista Idya, visit [www.jalikundavibes.com/aboutme.htm](http://www.jalikundavibes.com/aboutme.htm). (children and families)

### A Passion for Poetry

Saturday, February 26, 6:30–9:00 p.m.

Join local poets as they energize and inspire with an evening of spoken word poetry. Note: Program will be held in the Carl DeSantis Building. (young adults and adults)

In addition to the events listed here, teen volunteers and the Teen Advisory Board will be creating special displays highlighting great books to read for pleasure. The university will be hosting an art exhibit, lectures, and other activities that will be open to the public. Check the library Web site at [www.nova.edu/library](http://www.nova.edu/library) for a complete listing. ■

## Alvin Sherman Library Receives Check from *Sun-Sentinel*/WB39 Children's Fund

The library recently received a check for \$50,000 from the *Sun-Sentinel*/WB39 Children's Fund.

The *Sun-Sentinel*/WB39 Children's Fund is an endowment of the McCormick Tribune Foundation that provides grants annually to more than 100 nonprofit organizations in South Florida to help children and families with special needs. The library will use the funds to provide library services for low-income families with children. ■



Molly Kinney, head of Public Library Services, accepts a check from Jeffrey Levine, *Sun-Sentinel* marketing director, and Mary Riedel, *Sun-Sentinel* community affairs manager and editor of *Society*.



## Third Annual Faculty Reception

On Thursday, October 7, the Alvin Sherman Library hosted more than 250 faculty and staff members at the third annual faculty reception. The event, presided over by Donald Riggs, vice president for information services and university librarian, included opening remarks from NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr.; comments from Ron Chenail, assistant to the president for academic affairs; and a presentation by Marlyn Littman, Ph.D. The affair also featured a display of publications written or edited by NSU faculty members and published between 1984 and 2004.

During this year's faculty reception, Marlyn Kemper Littman gave an inspirational speech on the importance of libraries as tools for lifelong learning. Please enjoy her eloquent and stirring presentation.

### Libraries are for Lifelong Learning

Marlyn Kemper Littman, Ph.D., professor of computer and information science and chair of the university libraries' policies committee



*When Don Riggs asked me to say a few words of welcome to the Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center this afternoon, I reflected on the role that libraries have played in my career. I visited the Library of Celsius in Ephesus and did research at, among others, the British Museum Library, the American Philosophical Association Library, and the Library of the College of Physicians in Philadelphia.*

*Nowhere in my travels, however, has a library symbolized more to me in terms of research, teaching, and support of lifelong learning than the Alvin Sherman Library. Each time I enter this amazing venue, I am awestruck. I have taught classes here in state-of-the-art classrooms. My doctoral students across the United States and in Canada, Europe, Korea, Indonesia, and Thailand tell me that they regularly access the library's numerous electronic databases and digital materials for their work and view the library as the intellectual hub of NSU. While on campus, they come directly to the library to complete research in the well-equipped computer labs, work with their peers on class projects in library study rooms, participate in library-supported videoconferences, and enjoy exploring the in-print book and journal collections.*

*In considering the role of the Alvin Sherman Library at NSU, I spoke with my colleagues to learn about their experiences in this magnificent space. Here are their comments: "I am in love with that library. Whenever I walk into the library, I get involved in library activities. One time I came in to do research and instead became immersed in the Forever Free exhibit on Abraham Lincoln's journey to emancipation." Another colleague said "Even if you are*

*hungry there is a place to eat." Additionally, colleagues remarked "I love the library. I go there to think and read scholarly journals. The library is a gold mine—a portal and gateway to knowledge." My colleagues also stated "The library has a welcoming environment. It is a gathering place for social interaction. Our library is a library for everyone—an academic library, a public library, and a children's center that is incredibly inviting."*

*The Alvin Sherman Library is distinguished by its support of the research efforts of the NSU community. This library serves as an on-campus meeting place; provides access to a diverse array of in-print collections, archival materials, and online resources; and features culturally-enriching exhibits and programs. This remarkable facility prepares students for professions and a lifetime of continual learning; provides comfortable and safe learning environments that promote intellectual work and collaboration; and features programs that enrich our life experiences. At this library, my husband and I have enjoyed the visually stunning photographs documenting an expedition to Chile, attended literary lectures and panel discussions by nationally recognized authors and subject experts, and viewed exhibits celebrating events such as the Holocaust Memorial Museum's 10th anniversary and Black History Month.*

*To Don Riggs, our visionary university librarian and vice president for information services; Harriett MacDougall, Alvin Sherman Library director; and NSU library professionals, support staff, work-study students, and volunteers, thank you on behalf of the University Libraries' Policy Committee and my faculty colleagues for developing instructive programs and making available a wide range of intellectual resources that enhance learning, support discovery and collaboration, and enrich our lives in this remarkable repository of knowledge. ■*



Don Riggs, Ron Chenail, Marlyn Kemper Littman, and Ray Ferrero, Jr., NSU president



Rebecca Hickman, Amy Stultz, and Sheryll Kaighn



Faculty and staff members enjoy the evening's festivities.



## CPS Dean and APA President-Elect Ron Levant

NSU is the home of outstanding staff and gifted faculty members who are also exceptional community leaders. Please read an interview conducted by distance and instructional librarian Mou Chakraborty with Center for Psychological Studies dean and APA president-elect, Ron Levant, Ed.D.

**Chakraborty:** Tell us about your election as president of the American Psychological Association. How do you think it impacted NSU?

**Levant:** As a candidate, during the election campaign, there was periodic coverage in the *APA Monitor* with my picture. All the publicity had the NSU name, so it gave NSU increased visibility. As a result, there was a 20 percent increase in the number of applicants to the doctoral program. The APA president holds an important place and is invited to all psychology meetings. The current president attended a meeting with President Bush. The APA president is asked to testify before Congress and provides consultation to the Institution of Medicine. There is also huge visibility at the national convention of APA. So NSU's name will definitely get out there and NSU will get a lot of publicity.

**Chakraborty:** How do you perceive the role of the library? Please describe your relationship with the library over the last three years in terms of teaching and learning at CPS.

**Levant:** I'm very proud of the library. The world of information has changed dramatically. Doing research was very laborious when I was in graduate school. PsycArticles has become an indispensable tool. There is a world of literature on the Internet and I use Google to find information as well. The traditional professor would just stand up and lecture, assuming information was static. In the school of psychology, we understand that information is dynamic, and that the students need to critically appraise the information. I understand that the students have been getting library training during their courses here. You yourself do training for all incoming doctoral students, which is a requirement of the school.

**Chakraborty:** How do you encourage CPS faculty and staff members and students to take advantage of the library resources, including collection development?

**Levant:** I send out catalogs to the faculty and then we send them to you with our notes. You have also done presentations at our administrative and faculty meetings. The faculty members also attended the library training that you did. I highly encouraged them

to go. It was beneficial and we learned more about the databases and the services that the library has to offer.

**Chakraborty:** How do you use the library as a researcher and as a scholar?

**Levant:** I rely on the research databases a lot. The services are much better than any other library. Interlibrary loan capabilities are incredible—I've yet to ask you for something and not get it. At other university libraries, it wasn't always the case. The Interlibrary Loan

Department is very quick and extremely efficient. It is a fabulous building and a wonderful place to study. The only concern that I gather from the students and/or staff members, is that they want the library to be open later in the evening. We would also like accessibility for the blind, to get reading machines.

**Chakraborty:** How do you perceive the library services compared to other libraries you've been to, for example Harvard?

**Levant:** The Sherman Library is a 21st-century library—oriented around information technology. It fits with my vision. It is rich in resources and has a wide array of databases. Harvard's Countway Library is much larger but more static. It is of course great to find obscure information. Its relative weakness is in information technology. The Sherman Library is clearly the vision of the future and it will only get better. The staff at the library is great. The librarians are very helpful, they recognize that there is no such thing as a dumb question; students have commented that they feel comfortable asking questions at the reference desk. Checking out laptops is also a value-added service. I have also had positive feedback about the library bibliographic instruction classes. ■



Mou Chakraborty and Ron Levant

### Library research just got easier.

MultiSearch is a federated search tool developed by SEFLIN and Webfeat to give you the option of searching for multiple library resources using one common search interface. MultiSearch lets you select from a list of South Florida libraries, public and academic, as well as Google and SEFLIN's SHELLS Project to conduct searches of print and online materials owned or indexed by these sources. Check it out at [www.nova.edu/library/elecib/multisearch.html](http://www.nova.edu/library/elecib/multisearch.html).



# CIRCLE of FRIENDS



Silvia M. Flores, M.D.  
President, NSU *Circle of Friends*

## President's Message

Welcome to our new board members: Marlyn Kemper Littman, Arlene Pecora, Sheldon Polish, and Cyril "Sid" Spiro. We are delighted to have you. You are great additions to our board and we look forward to working with you to achieve this year's goals.

On September 28, we started our program series with a topic unfamiliar to many people: "Exploring the USA Patriot Act." An informative and stimulating roundtable was presented, in which we heard different points of view from the Jewish and Muslim communi-

ties as well as the legal aspect, the implications, and how it affects us all. These types of programs nurture and create understanding and communication in our community.

This past October 20, we were delighted to have a brilliant guest speaker, Jim Morin, political cartoonist of the *Miami Herald*. His lecture received a resounding ovation and praise from our members and guests.

If you attended last year's exhibit "Centuries of Commerce: Law, Trade, Spain and the Americas," prepare yourself for another blockbuster exhibit: "Troubled Images: Posters and Images of the Northern Ireland Conflict." Jim Dwyer and Arlene Pecora are serving on the planning committee. We'll keep you informed, and if you would like to be part of this committee, please contact our director of library development, Elaine Blattner. We would love to have your participation.

Remember, you, our valued members of the *Circle of Friends*, are the ones who will help us grow by inviting some of your friends to become members.

Best wishes and I hope to see you at our next event.

Warmest regards,  
Silvia M. Flores, M.D.

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

## Circle of Friends Board of Directors 2004-2005

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## Join the Circle of Friends today!

A *Circle of Friends* membership supports library programs and offers many member benefits and opportunities. Call (954) 262-4627 for more information, or fill out the attached membership envelope.



## Circle of Friends Ripple Effect

From time to time, the *Circle of Friends* offers special invitations to members for exclusive NSU social and cultural opportunities. For more information about these and other *Friends* activities, please call (954) 262-4593.

### ■ Wednesday, January 19, 2005

Cocktail reception and "State of the University" address from Ray Ferrero, Jr., NSU president

### ■ Saturday, February 5, 2005

Opening reception for exhibit, "Troubled Images: Posters and Images of the Northern Ireland Conflict from The Linen Hall Library, Belfast."

Continuing through March 20, the exhibit will be accompanied by an Irish Studies Symposium, films, author events for children and adults, gallery talks, and a series of forums.

### ■ Saturday, March 12, 2005

Day of Literary Lectures, *Friends*-only Breakfast Program

For the fourth year, the Sherman Library hosts the Day of Literary Lectures, organized by the Broward Public Library Foundation and sponsored by BYBLOS, NSU, and the *Sun-Sentinel*.

Presentations by more than 20 authors of fiction and nonfiction works will be featured. An exclusive *Circle of Friends* tradition will be observed—a special breakfast for members with one of the distinguished authors.

### ■ May 2005

*Circle of Friends* annual meeting



Silvia Flores introduces the distinguished guest speakers, who spoke to more than 100 people.

## USA Patriot Act Event

On September 28, 2004, the library hosted a lively discussion on "Exploring the USA Patriot Act," cosponsored by the American Jewish Congress and NSU Shepard Broad Law Center. Panel members included Robin S. Rosenbaum, chief of economic crimes at the central

region of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida; Howard Simon, executive director of the ACLU of Florida; Taleb Salhab, president of the Arab American Community Center in Orlando (AACC); and Marc Stern, attorney and assistant executive director of the American Jewish Congress and codirector of the Commission on Law and Social Action.

The event, attended by more than 100 people, was an interesting mix of political facts and sparkling conversation. Professor



U.S. Representative Debbie Wasserman-Schultz speaks with Taleb Salhab, president of the Arab American Community Center in Orlando, Florida.

Johnny Burris of NSU's Shepard Broad Law Center moderated the discussion, which included an explanation of the literal definition of the USA Patriot Act, its legal implications, and Florida's success in prosecutions against a number of terrorist organizations since the act was passed into law.

The Alvin Sherman Library's *Circle of Friends* hosted a dessert reception immediately following the program. Additional information about the USA Patriot Act can be found at [www.lifeandliberty.gov](http://www.lifeandliberty.gov). ■



AJC Executive Director Harriett Kurlander, AJC President Paul Brightner, and *Circle of Friends* President Silvia Flores enjoyed the evening.



## An Evening with Jim Morin

Members of the *Circle of Friends* and the community recently gathered at the Sherman Library for "An Evening with Editorial Cartoonist Jim Morin," Pulitzer Prize-winning political cartoonist for the *Miami Herald*.

Morin, the author of three books, including *Famous Cats*, *Jim Morin's Field Guide to Birds*, and the political cartoon collection *Line of Fire*, described the process of drawing his cartoons, and showed some of his favorite cartoons, caricatures, and paintings. The program concluded with an entertaining question and answer session.

Morin, who has been at the *Miami Herald* since 1978, was awarded the 1996 Pulitzer Prize for editorial cartooning. He was a Pulitzer Prize finalist in 1977

and 1990. His cartoons appear in the *Miami Herald* five days a week, and are syndicated internationally by King Features.

Morin has also won the 1996 Berryman Award from the National Press Foundation, the 1992 National Cartoonist Society Award, and the Overseas Press Club Awards in 1979.

The event was cosponsored by the *Circle of Friends* for the Alvin Sherman Library and the ACLU of Florida, Broward County Chapter. ■



Morin speaks to an enthusiastic audience.



More than 60 people enjoyed Morin's slide show and presentation.

## Welcome New Circle of Friends Members

As of December 10, 2004

Sheldon Polish

Joel and Beth Rush

Sallie L. Stephens, Ed.D.

Robert A. Uchin

## New Board Member Orientation

*Circle of Friends* President Silvia Flores invited the new 2004–2005 board members to a luncheon to discuss the history and accomplishments of the *Circle of Friends*. New board members Marlyn Kemper Littman, Arlene Pecora, and Sid Spiro enjoyed lunch while Elaine Blattner reviewed a short history of the organization. Flores welcomed them and then outlined their responsibilities and tasks in this young and vibrant organization. ■



New board member Sid Spiro, far left, discusses *Circle of Friends* business with Anita Paoli Kotler and Jim Dwyer.



Board members Carolyn Brewer, left, and Glenda Abbate, right, share their experience and knowledge with new board members.



# TROUBLED IMAGES

Posters  
and Images  
of the Northern  
Ireland Conflict

## February 5–March 20, 2005 Calendar of Events

### Opening Symposium and Reception

February 5 ■ 1:00–6:30 p.m.

**Troubled Images: Dramatic and Visual Representations of the Northern Irish Conflict and Peace Process**

Distinguished academics will present papers and dramatic readings on Northern Ireland. Symposium speakers include

- James Doan, professor of humanities, NSU
- Joan Fitzpatrick Dean, professor of English and Irish literature, University of Missouri—Kansas City
- Charlotte Headrick, professor of theatre, Oregon State University
- Trischa Goodnow, Oregon State University
- Mark Duncan, assistant professor of theatre, NSU

The reception will begin at 5:00 p.m. and feature Yvonne Murphy of The Linen Hall Library, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

### Faculty Lecture

February 9 ■ 6:00–7:30 p.m.

Professor J.P. Linstroth of NSU's Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences lectures on the anthropological considerations of The Linen Hall Library collection in relation to the Northern Ireland conflict.

### Saturday Films and Discussions

February 12, 19, and 26 ■ Noon–4:00 p.m.

Films will be shown at noon each Saturday, with a discussion on the film and other topics following.

#### February 12 • Film: *Bloody Sunday*.

Speaker: Don Mullan, actor and coproducer of *Bloody Sunday*, author of *Eyewitness to Bloody Sunday* and *The Dublin and Monaghan Bombings*.

#### February 19 • Film: *Hidden Agenda*.

Speaker: Judge Andrew L. Somers, Jr. (retired), president of the Irish-American Unity Conference.

February 26 • Film: *In the Name of the Father*. Speakers: Niall O'Dowd, publisher of *Irish America* and the *Irish Voice*, and Andrew Wilson, adjunct professor of modern Irish, European, and American history at Loyola University of Chicago.

### Books Over Biscotti Discussion

February 24 ■ 7:00–9:00 p.m.

The book group will discuss Edward Laxton's *Famine Ships: Irish Exodus to America*, a compilation of family histories of those who emigrated during the Irish potato famine.

### Author Event

March 12 ■ 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Special presentation by a selected author, as part of the Day of Literary Lectures. RSVP required. Call (954) 262-4627.

### Children's Programs

#### Mother Goose Storytime

February 8 ■ 10:30–10:50 a.m.

Peace, Love, and Friendships (ages 0–35 months with caregiver)

#### After-School Special

February 24 ■ 4:00–4:45 p.m.

Peace Stories musical storytelling with Sista Idya (all ages)

### Author Event

March 9 ■ 3:30–4:30 p.m.

Historically Speaking—Ireland for Kids, with children's authors Patricia Reilly Giff and Susan Bartoletti

### Storytime Fun

March 16 ■ 10:00–10:30 a.m.

Stories and merriment with leprechaun Smiley O'Reilly (preschool children)

All programs will take place at the Alvin Sherman Library on the NSU main campus and are free and open to the public.

Event times and participants are subject to change. Please visit [www.nova.edu/library](http://www.nova.edu/library) for the most up-to-date information.



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Research, and Information Technology Center; South Florida Irish Studies Consortium; Irish Peace Institute Foundation, Inc.; Irish-American Unity Conference; James Doan, NSU professor; and Jim Dwyer and Maria Kondracki.

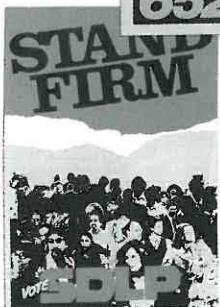
Yvonne Murphy said, "When we launched the Troubled Images exhibition in Belfast just over a year ago, we had little idea of the impact that it would make. We are thrilled at the interest that it has generated from right around the world. The exhibition has already been to the National Library of Ireland in Dublin and to a major arts and cultural festival in the Basque region of Spain. After its North American tour, the exhibition will go to South Africa, Paris, and London."

James Doan, Ph.D., NSU professor of humanities and president of the South Florida Irish Studies Consortium, will coordinate the academic symposium. Participants scheduled to attend are Joan Fitzpatrick Dean, distinguished professor of English and Irish literature at the University of Missouri—Kansas City, and Charlotte Headrick, professor of theatre at Oregon State University. John Daily, NSU adjunct professor of humanities and South Florida Irish Studies Consortium member-at-large, will coordinate the film showings.

### Please see the calendar of events on reverse.

For more information, contact Elaine Blattner, director of library development, (954) 262-4627, or [elaine@nsu.nova.edu](mailto:elaine@nsu.nova.edu); Harriett MacDougall, Sherman Library director, (954) 262-4545, or [harriett@nsu.nova.edu](mailto:harriett@nsu.nova.edu); Molly Kinney, Ph.D., head of public library services, (954) 262-4639 or [mollyk@nsu.nova.edu](mailto:mollyk@nsu.nova.edu); or Nora Quinlan, head of reference, (954) 262-4637, or [nora@nsu.nova.edu](mailto:nora@nsu.nova.edu). ■

Posters and Images of the Northern Ireland Conflict—from The Linen Hall Library, Belfast—is presented in North America in collaboration with Meridian International Center, Washington, D.C.





## Friday Evening Poetry

Third Friday of each month from  
January through May • 7:00–9:00 p.m.

Words can invite, excite, and entice an audience. Can your words move a crowd? Do you have the soul of a poet? Express yourself at the Friday evening poetry series held in Connections Cafe.

January: *Gulfstream* magazine poets

February: Wild horse poetry

March: *Big Bridge* online poetry magazine

April: NSU student poetry magazine open mike

May: End of season reception

For more information, please call  
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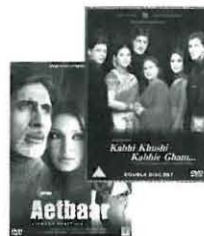
## Third Annual Used Book Sale

Thursday–Saturday, April 28–30, 2005

What's your pleasure—suspense, drama, romance, children's books, scholarly journals? The third annual used book sale will have it all. Join us April 28–30 for your pick of the best previously owned, gently used collection in Broward County. For more information, please call Collection Development at (954) 262-4542.

## Bollywood Comes to Broward

Fans of movies and music in Hindi are in for a treat with the unveiling of a new Hindi language collection. More than 100 Hindi language CDs and DVDs will be placed on display and available for checkout beginning Saturday, January 22, as the Alvin Sherman Library hosts the unveiling of the new collection from 3:00–6:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served and there will be live entertainment. For more information, please call (954) 262-5476.



## Summer Reading

Read Around Florida is returning to the Alvin Sherman Library for the summer. School is out, but reading is still in as Public Library Service presents summer programs designed to keep children in a fun-filled learning environment and interested in reading throughout the summer months. Free public events will include live performances, author visits, games, and crafts. **This year's Kid's Fun Day will be held on Saturday, June 4, from noon to 3:00 p.m.**

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.

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