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Next Meeting

What: "Alternative Career Paths: Independent Librarian?"

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When: 7 August 2006

5:30-6:00 p.m.	Meet and Greet
6:00-6:30 p.m.	Dinner ("Dutch Treat")
6:30-7:00 p.m.	Brief Business Meeting
7:00-8:00 p.m.	Program

Where: Piccadilly Cafeteria

Sun Coast Plaza
1900 34th Street N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33713
727.321.3784
Menu <http://www.piccadilly.com/menus/sampler.asp>

Directions: www.googlemaps.com, www.yahoomaps.com, www.mapquest.com

RSVP: Wanda Barrett at wanda@everlove.net or (727) 345-8180 by 5pm on Thursday, August 3



Be on the look-out for announcements concerning the SIS 20th Anniversary Bash planned for October. Gary Price, of Ask.com, will be the keynote speaker.

Upcoming Events

For further information on this upcoming meeting, please view the Meeting Schedule at <http://www.tbtc.org/sis/meeting.htm>.

Minutes of April 5, 2006, Meeting at Habana Café in Clearwater

Nearly 20 members attended the April meeting in the Upstairs Art Gallery of Habana Café in Clearwater. Instead of the usual program, we had a book swap instead. Members brought books and accompanying reviews to the meeting. (See "[Summer Book Swap](#)" in this newsletter for the book list.)

There was a Beach Bucket Giveaway and summer-themed door prizes.

There was a brief meeting afterward to talk about our 20th anniversary celebration in October.

Last evening we had our June SIS meeting. We had about 17 people who

enjoyed catching up with each other while eating some good Cuban food.

Each attendee shared their pick for summer reading. We discussed a wide variety of authors and genres. Copies of book reviews were given to the attendees. If anyone missed the meeting and would like a copy of the reviews I will gladly send them out to you. Please contact me at creed@ncf.edu

Have a great summer reading those wonderful books that we discussed last evening.

submitted by Caroline Reed

Summer Book Swap Recommended Reading List

All 13 of Randy Wayne White's "Doc Ford" Novels:

- [Sanibel Flats;](#)
- [The Heat Islands;](#)
- [The Man Who Invented Florida;](#)
- [Captiva;](#)
- [North of Havana;](#)
- [The Mangrove Coast;](#)
- [Ten Thousand Islands;](#)
- [Shark River;](#)
- [Twelve Mile Limit;](#)
- [Everglades;](#)
- [Tampa Burn;](#)
- [Dead of Night;](#) and
- [Dark Light](#)

[Bombay Ice](#) by Leslie Forbes

[A Dirty Job](#) by Christopher Moore

[High Country](#) by Navada Barr

[Coyote Blue](#) by Christopher Moore

[Without Reservations](#) by Alice Steinbach

[The Wailing Wind](#) by Tony Hillerman

[The Templar Legacy](#) by Steve Berry

[The Road Less Traveled](#), 25th anniversary edition, M. Scott Peck

[The Truest Pleasure](#) and [Gap Creek](#) by Robert Morgan

The "Dark Materials" trilogy by Philip Pullman

- [The Golden Compass](#)
- [The Subtle Knife](#)
- [The Amber Spyglass](#)

[A Fish Caught in Time: The Search for the Coelacanth](#) by Samantha Weinberg

[First Things First](#) by Stephen R. Covey

[Dream State: Eight Generations of Swamp Lawyers, Conquistadors, Confederate Daughters, Banana Republicans, and Other Florida Wildlife](#) by Diane Roberts



Toot Your Own Horn—Members on the Move



Have you moved to a new job...received some kind of recognition in your current job...or have some news to tell about your library or your life?

We want to help you toot your horn in **SIS-INFO**, our online newsletter. Please call Sandy Hawes, Editor, 1.352.588.8262, with your news or send an email to sandy.hawes@saintleo.edu.



Key: Member names in **bold**; affiliate and non-member names in *italics*.

Reference/Systems Librarian **Karen Keene** of USF Shimberg Health Sciences Library had a booth about medical librarianship at the AHEC Sophomore/Junior Spring Access Day 2006 held April 7th. This was the second time Karen partnered with AHEC in support of their community outreach to high school students.

Karen Keene represented the Shimberg Health Sciences Library at Senior Day in the Park in Tampa on May 5, 2005. Karen presented information on consumer health resources and the USF Health medical centers and clinics.

Karen Keene attended the 2006 Medical Library Association annual meeting held in Phoenix on May 19-24, 2006.

Jack Sweeney is working as a library assistant/cataloging consultant for the Hillsborough County City-County Planning Commission this summer, cataloging the historical comprehensive plans and related support documents for the four jurisdictions serviced by the Planning Commission and to develop an electronic filing and indexing system for one of the planning team's varied project documents.

Harriet Thompkins is the new Assistant Director at Gulf Beaches Library. Congratulations!

Sandy Hawes attended the 12th Off-Campus Library Conference in Savannah, GA, in April and the American Library Association annual conference in New Orleans, LA, in June.

Sandy Hawes served as co-chair of the Distance Learning Section's (DLS) 2006 Conference Planning Committee, which presented the program "Stand by Your Students: Confront the Textbook Pricing Crisis with Advocacy and Alternatives" on Saturday, 24 June 2006. Her talking points and bibliography hand-outs were a hit.

Sandy Hawes is the chair of the DLS 2007 Conference Planning Committee, which will present a mock peer-review workshop at the annual conference in Washington, DC, next summer. Hope to see you there.

Sandy Hawes stayed an extra day at the American Library Association annual conference in New Orleans, LA, in June to volunteer as part of the "Libraries Build Communities" initiative. She participated in the Bookmobile outreach to tent camps, community centers, and homeless shelters.

Interesting Research and Resources

The web-based document, "Teaching and Learning Information Literacy Skills: Textbooks for Students and Instruction Librarians," has been updated by the Teaching Methods (ALA) Committee with reviews of Information Literacy books for use by instruction librarians in their teaching, as well as reviews of student textbooks which librarians may choose to use in for-credit Information Literacy courses. Please see: <http://www.ala.org/ala/acrlbucket/is/publicationsacrl/teachinglearning.htm>

The Classroom Control Systems web-based document, maintained by the ALA IS Teaching Methods Committee, has been updated with new information. Please see: <http://www.ala.org/ala/acrlbucket/is/iscommittees/webpages/teachingmethods/classroomcontrol.htm>

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles offers online services at www.GoRenew.com. Libraries interested in information for the public about online

renewal of driver and vehicle licenses can request copies of an informational flyer by contacting hsmv-info@hsmv.state.fl.us.

There's a new site for arranging job exchanges that caters to educators and librarians. You'll find it at <http://www.educatorexchange.com/>

Diana Sachs reports that the Telephone, Email and Chat Reference Services interest group hosted a session at the this year's Florida Library Association. "Let's Provide a Chat Service that They Want! A Focus on Teens to Twenty-Something's" with Joe Thompson, the project Manager of Maryland's AskNow, is now online at: <http://askusnow.info/presentations/>

The newest PALMM collection is the Wolfsonian-FIU Modern Dutch Collection (<http://palmm.fcla.edu/wolfmdc/>). The digital collection will contain selected digitized items from the Wolfsonian-FIU's collection of Dutch artifacts, including rare book covers, calendars, proofs, advertisements, and original sketches.

Here's something to jazz up your summer youth programs or to entertain bored children at home. Go to <http://www.jacksonpollock.org> and simply move the mouse around on the screen, clicking once in awhile, to create your own abstract art on screen.

The *Dollar General Back-to-School Grants* assist schools in implementing new programs or purchasing new equipment, materials or software for their school library or literacy program. For more information and to apply by the 11 August 2006 deadline, go to <http://news.publiceducation.org/t/5220/207983/141/0/>.

Paul Wetmore wrote in to recommend a book that was reviewed in the June 2006 issue of *Computers in Libraries* and published by Information Today: "The New OPL Sourcebook" (ISBN 1-57387-241-5; \$39.50) by Judith Siess. This is an updated and expanded edition of the useful guide for small and one-person libraries (OPL) and covers virtually every key management topic of interest to OPL's.

Paul Wetmore also asked that we notify our readers that the Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library System has several Part-time Librarian/Specialist positions available. Go to <http://www.hccsb.org> to complete the online application, then print and mail/fax to Renelda Sells, Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Libraries. Application deadline: June 30, 2006

Proposals to present at the FLA 2007 Annual Conference are due by August 16. The proposal form and instructions are available at <http://flalib.affiniscape.com/associations/5749/files/conferenceproposalsform.doc>.

Shirl Kennedy posted this to the list, but it was so much fun, here it is again via YouTube: <http://youtube.com/watch?v=XIUC9NPo3W4>

Shirl Kennedy also thinks you might want to look at a new National Wildlife Federation report, "An Unfavorable Tide: Global Warming, Coastal Habitats and Sportfishing in Florida." She has it posted on DocuTicker. "The downloadable maps of nine major Florida bays and estuaries are particularly interesting (and scary)," Shirl notes. View it at <http://www.docuticker.com/2006/06/floridas-bays-and-estuaries-threatened.html>

Do you have an idea for a presentation? Do you know someone who would be perfect to speak at a meeting? Would you like to volunteer your services? If so, please contact us by calling 813.622.8252 or 352.588.8262, or by sending an email message to sis@tblc.org or sandy.hawes@saintleo.edu.



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