



# SIS INFO

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## Next Meeting

**What: "Print-On-Demand Publishing: Perks and Perils"**  
Presented by Ken Kister, librarian and author

**When: February 26, 2008**  
**5:30-8:00 p.m.**

5:30-6:00 pm (Meet and Greet)  
6:00-7:00 pm (Meal, Meeting)  
7:00-8:00 pm (Program)

**Where: CAE USA (<http://cae.com>)**  
4908 Tampa West Blvd  
Tampa, FL  
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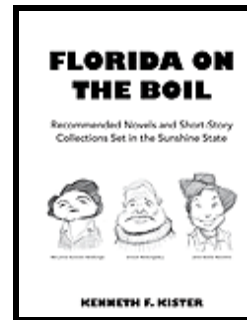


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<http://www2.xlibris.com/bookstore/bookdisplay.asp?bookid=23927>

**Map:** [Click here](#) for Google Maps.

**Food:** Catered buffet. \$10 maximum. Meal optional. Please consider your RSVP an obligation to pay, even if you cannot make the meeting as planned.

**RSVP:** Send RSVPs to [betsy.king@cae.com](mailto:betsy.king@cae.com) or leave a voice mail at 813.887.1658 no later than February 22, 2008. Late reservations will be accepted as space allows.

**What's Planned**

Ken will share his experiences in publishing and offer advice for would-be authors seeking to avoid the hassles of dealing with agents, editors and peer-review! Followed by questions and comments.

## Upcoming Events

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

**SIS/Suncoast Information Specialists  
And CFALL/Central Florida Association of Law  
Librarians  
Meeting and Mixer  
3 December 2007  
MINUTES**

Meeting

The December meeting of the Suncoast Information Specialists was a collaborative event with the Central Florida Association of Law Libraries held at Trang Viet Cuisine in Tampa on December 3, 2007. This event was planned as an opportunity for social interaction and camaraderie between the librarians of both associations during the holiday season. Attendees were individually responsible to the restaurant for payment of their respective checks. A total of 31 RSVP's were received and 22 guests were counted in attendance.

People began gathering at approximately 5:15pm, and the meal commenced at about 6pm.

Agenda

At approximately 6:30pm, Caroline Reed opened the meeting with a greeting to all the members.

Caroline asked for approval of the minutes to the meeting on Oct 11<sup>th</sup> since SIS secretary, Marcy Carrel, was not in attendance. Deb Henry referred to the question mark still in place following a reference to FROG on page two. It is assumed that Marcy still needed clarification for this acronym. Olga Koz, Betsy King and Robin Leigh explained that FROG (Florida Resource Opportunity Guide) is now a defunct directory of community organizations

that had been published by the Clearwater Public Library system. Alicia Ellison suggested that Marcy be emailed a response so that she could rectify the minutes. Olga volunteered to take care of this.\*

Wanda Barrett read the treasurer's report. The balance currently stands at \$869.00.

Caroline asked everyone for introductions and to indicate their places of employment.

Caroline thanked the SIS Executive Officers for their consistent hard work. In particular she applauded Sandy Hawes for her work on the newsletter, Alicia for her work with the electronic list, Jim Rhyne for the work that he did with the web page, and Betsy for her printing of brochure, keeping up the web site and general knowledge of SIS. She then thanked the Nominating Committee which consisted of Deb Henry, Pamela Burdett and Diana Sachs-Silveira, for their role in finding volunteers for the positions of Vice President Elect and Treasurer. Deb Henry thanked everyone who volunteered to run for these positions.

Caroline gave a synopsis of the programs for the past year and thanked the Vice President, Janine Awai, for planning these programs.

Caroline formally introduced the new President (Janine Awai), Vice president (Jessica Zairo), and Treasurer (Sarah Miselis) to the group.

Rebecca Trammel, President of CFALL, thanked all CFALL and SIS members for attending the Holiday Mixer.

Caroline asked for announcements from the group. Alicia Ellison announced that she and a colleague at the HCC Ybor Campus will be presenting a paper entitled "Creating Assignments That Matter to Students" at the Two-Year College Association of Teachers of English National Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. Robin Leigh announced the opening of

a part-time position at the Safety Harbor Library.

The meeting ended at approximately 7pm. The holiday socializing continued for another half an hour.

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\*Marcy was sent explanatory information after the meeting from Wanda Barrett and Michelle Arnold (Clearwater Public Library) at the request of Olga. Corrections are reflected in the October 11 minutes.

*SUBMITTED 4 December 2007  
Janine Awai, Vice President*



## Toot Your Own Horn—Members on the Move

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

**Please share your successes and achievements with the group. All it takes is an email to [sandy.hawes@saintleo.edu](mailto:sandy.hawes@saintleo.edu).**

Our own **Shirl Kennedy** is mentioned in a Techlistmania news item ["Free Stuff from Pricey Database Vendors (resourceshelf.com)"] on page 31 of the January/February 2008 issue of *American Libraries*. Way to go, Shirl!

**Caroline Reed** announced that the Jane Bancroft Cook Library intends to podcast its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual African American Read-In, which was held February 4, 2008. She even provided this link for pictures: <http://www.ncf.edu/library/aareadin08.htm>.

New College of Florida received more than \$40,000 in donations to help establish the *Dr. Helen N. Fagin* Holocaust Collection of the Jane Bancroft Cook Library. The official dedication of the collection took place on January 20, 2008.

To donate to the Dr. Helen N. Fagin Holocaust Collection at New College of Florida, please contact Jane Summerville Kiebitz, executive director of the New College Library Association, at 941-487-4600. Or email [NCLA@ncf.edu](mailto:NCLA@ncf.edu).



## Research and Resources of Interest

Material culled by S. Hawes from press releases, online journals, listserv posts, and member contributions. Key: Contributing member names in **bold**; contributing non-member names in *italics*.

*John Davies* has been in the Tampa library community for 20 years. His funeral was held on Saturday, February 2, in Brandon. Please join us in honoring his memory and celebrating his life.

*Sarah Miller*, a librarian at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, helped Beta test the web-based application called Twine, "a revolutionary new way to share, organize, and find information." Take a look: <http://www.twine.com>. For about this story, visit <http://onlinesocialnetworks.blogspot.com/2008/02/twine-semantic-web-is-here.html>.

Still in love with print books? You're not alone. You can sign up to join the LibraryThing community of readers at <http://www.librarything.com>. Or, join the Booklist "Book Group Buzz" blog at <http://bookgroupbuzz.booklistonline.com/>.

We all know that professors have offered instructional videos online via YouTube. Find out about other sites where faculty members are putting up such videos in this *Chronicle of Higher Education* "Wired Campus" item from January 29, 2008: <http://chronicle.com/wiredcampus/article/2704/professors-on-youtube-take-2#preview>.

**Shirl Kennedy** sent this link to a YouTube video featuring the RichterScales' song about the next tech bubble: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fi4fzvQ6I-o>. Enjoy.

HighContentGames (<http://www.highcontentgames.com>) offers a free "Games in Libraries" newsletter to help you develop gaming opportunities for your patrons. The newsletters are co-sponsored by the Chicago International Toy & Game Fair.

Read "In Search of Solutions: Using the Internet, Libraries and Government to Find Help," the recent Pew Internet & American Life Project survey conducted with the University of Illinois -Urbana-Champaign online at <http://pewresearch.org/pubs/677/in-search-of-solutions> or [http://www.pewinternet.org/pdfs/Pew\\_UI\\_LibrariesReport.pdf](http://www.pewinternet.org/pdfs/Pew_UI_LibrariesReport.pdf).

**SIS** is sponsoring a scholarship for an MLS student to attend the upcoming FLA Annual Conference in St. Petersburg. The announcement and application form are online at [http://tblc.org/sis/FLA\\_Scholarships.htm](http://tblc.org/sis/FLA_Scholarships.htm). Applications close February 25.

The 14th Information Online Conference & Exhibition will be in Sydney, Australia, from January 20-22, 2009. If you would like to submit a paper, you can download the details here: [www.information-online.com.au](http://www.information-online.com.au). Deadline is March 28, 2008.

A non-librarian colleague found this simple game to review Library of Congress shelf order with freshmen students. He called it the "worst...videogame...ever," but I like it: <http://www.library.cmu.edu/Libraries/etc/game1/game1.swf>. See what you think.

Several Florida librarians contributed to "Joy of Computing: Recipes for a 5-Star Library," the latest "cookbook" from TechSoup's MaintainIT Project. Download the "cookbook" here: <http://maintainitproject.org/cookbooks>

The Wikia search engine went live in early January. Learn more about it.  
[http://www.pcworld.com/article/id,141087-c\\_searchengines/article.html](http://www.pcworld.com/article/id,141087-c_searchengines/article.html)

Interested in digital repositories? Take a look at the eScholarship Repository site,  
<http://repositories.cdlib.org>, from the California Digital Library.

The *Washington Post* Project allows you to electronically search all House of Representatives and Senate votes from 1991 to the present, for free. It's online at  
<http://projects.washingtonpost.com/congress/?wpisrc=newsletter&wpisrc=newsletter>.

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](mailto:sis@tblc.org) or [sandy.hawes@saintleo.edu](mailto:sandy.hawes@saintleo.edu).



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