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Next Meeting

- What:** April SIS Meeting, catered dinner and program
<http://www.tbhc.org/sis/meeting.htm>
- When:** Wednesday, April 29, 2009 Guests are always welcome!
5:30–8:00 p.m.
5:30 - 6:00: Meet and greet, networking
6:00 - 8:00: Meal and business meeting.
The program will begin after the business meeting.

Program: *Exploring Electronic Collections, License Agreements and Negotiations*

Our speaker will be **Monica Metz-Wiseman**, Coordinator of Electronic Collections at USF libraries.

- Where:** [Columbia Cafe](#), located on the first floor of the new [Tampa Bay History Center](#)
801 Old Water Street (formerly St. Pete Times Forum Drive)
Tampa, Florida 33602
- Food:** Order from the Columbia Cafe menu (meal is optional)
[Columbia Cafe Menu](#)
- RSVP:** Send RSVPs to Jessica Zairo (jessica@everlove.net) before the meeting.
We need to provide the restaurant with an approximate head count.
- Directions:** <http://www.tampabayhistorycenter.org/visit.html>
- Links:** <http://www.tampabayhistorycenter.org/>
<http://www.tampabayhistorycenter.org/columbia.html> ;
<http://www.columbiarestaurant.com/cafe.asp>
http://www.tampabayhistorycenter.org/sg_columbia_media/Columbia_menu_sm.pdf
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**SIS / Suncoast Information Specialists
Program and Meeting
February 26, 2009**

MINUTES - Unapproved (once approved, minutes will be posted on the [SIS website](#))

The March meeting and program of the Florida Suncoast Information Specialists meeting was held on February 26, 2009 at CAE in Tampa. A total of 36 members and guests were in attendance. The evening began with a tour of the CAE facility and was followed by informal networking, registration and dinner at 6:00. Dinner was catered, \$10.00 per person, with each member paying for his/her meal.

Welcome and Introductions

President Jessica Zairo opened the meeting with greetings, introduction of members and guests and a special thanks to Betsy King of CAE for hosting.

Minutes and Treasurer's Report

Minutes of past meetings, previously posted online for corrections, were approved. Treasurer's report: SIS has a balance of \$1,039.15.

Announcements

SIS has 208 members. SIS now has a presence on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#/group.php?gid=19952808186>).

August meeting will be at the Sarasota Ringling Museum.

Please RSVP to meetings via email.

Please sign up for the SIS listserv if you have not previously done so.

Published: "Tampa On My Mind," a beautiful picture book by Hillsborough Community College/Ybor Campus librarian Alicia Ellison (our guest tonight) along with Greg Thomas and Kimberly Williams. See webpage at <http://www.tampaonmymind.com> / New College of Florida presented the African American Read-In, February 18th at the Jane Bancroft Cook Library.

New Business

Three student scholarships of up to \$150 are available for this year's SLIS Scholarship.

Program

Alicia Ellison (Hillsborough County Community College Librarian/Ybor Campus) and Judy Nolasco (Hillsborough County Community College English Faculty/Ybor Campus) presented "**Thanks For This Assignment**," an innovative collaboration between an academic librarian and an English professor. The aim of the project/collaboration is to use Libguides* technology to guide students as they write papers that have unique, personal meaning. The assignment employs a new approach which "encourages critical thinking, reduces plagiarism, utilizes technology, and leads students to connect academics, work, and life." Along with handouts, they provided a link to <http://libguides.hccfl.edu/professional> for further exploration. The presentation was followed by a question/answer session. LibGuides* is a third party content-management system for libraries, with a Web2.0 look and feel.

The program and meeting concluded at 8 pm.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO SIS FLA SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!

The SIS FLA Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the winners of the 2009 SIS FLA Scholarships:

Mary Keesling, Ann Marie Maloney and Bridgitte Woodley –

Congratulations!

This year we experienced a record number of submissions. It was a difficult decision to make since there were so many deserving candidates. All of the applicants showed a strong commitment towards the library profession.

This is the 2nd year that SIS has provided the financial support for this very important project. With these scholarships we are supporting the professional activities and learning opportunities for students who will soon be working as professional librarians. This year, each scholarship will be for \$150 so that students can cover conference-related expenses.

After the conference, awardees will write about their experiences for an upcoming SIS newsletter. We look forward to their reports.

Again, congratulations to Mary, Ann Marie, and Bridgitte. If you are attending FLA, please look for these students, say hello, and welcome them to our wonderful profession.

SIS FLA Scholarship Committee:

Caroline Reed

Janine Awai

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Job announcements, promotions, upcoming library events.....

Please share your news, successes, and achievements with the group. All it takes is an email: Marcy Carrel, mcarrel@nelson.usf.edu

AWARD: **Christa Fowler**, Reference Librarian at the Jane Bancroft Cook Library, will be participating in the Teacher Track of the Institute for Information Literacy Immersion '09, July 26-31 in St. Petersburg. The Teacher Track of Immersion "focuses on individual development for those who are interested in enhancing, refreshing, or extending their individual instruction skills." *Congratulations Christa!*

Christa Fowler partakes in the National Library Workers Day breakfast at the Jane Bancroft Cook Library (see below).



EVENT NEWS: The Jane Bancroft Cook Library, a joint-use library of New College of Florida and the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee, sponsored the **African American Read-In** for the fourth year in a row on Wednesday, February 18th from 11am - 1pm. This event was held in on the first floor of the Library where patrons could stop by and hear students, faculty and staff of both institutions reading from African American authors and poets. The reading continued non-stop for the two hour period. Library staff were delighted that we could once again sponsor this event.

EVENT NEWS: On April 14 the Librarians at the Jane Bancroft Cook Library treated library staff to a homemade breakfast in honor of **National Library Workers Day**. The menu consisted of muffins, breakfast breads, potato casserole, quiche, cheese blintzes, fresh fruit, coffee, tea and juice. Staff members who participated in this breakfast enjoyed the food and conversation. A good time was had by all.

Do you have an idea for a presentation? Do you have recommendations for meeting venues? 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 mcarrel@nelson.usf.edu.



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