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Leonard Lief Library

Photo by David Stevens

## College Community Remembers President Emeritus Lief

Members of the Lehman community gathered on November 28, 2007 to honor the College's founding president, Dr. Leonard Lief, who died last summer at age 83. Held on the first floor of the Leonard Lief Library, the memorial service opened with a musical prelude, followed by remembrances of Dr. Lief by his friends and colleagues.



Dr. Ira Bloom presided at the commemoration and Dr. Paul Kreuzer, assistant dean of academic standards, advising, and evaluation (retired), read a remembrance on behalf of Dr. Lief's daughter, Madelon.

Others sharing their memories of Dr. Lief were: CUNY Chancellor Dr. Matthew Goldstein; Lehman President Dr. Ricardo R. Fernández; Stony Brook University President Dr. Shirley Strum Kenny; Lehman Vice President Emeritus Dr. Glen Nygreen; Dean of Adult and Continuing Education Dr. Michael Paull; Professors Emeriti Beryl Herdt, Jacob Judd, and Edward Spingarn.

The musical prelude was performed by alumna Darina Bejtja, Lehman students Irynn Somera and Claire Stancarone and Karl Watson of the instructional staff. Providing a musical interlude during the ceremony were Lehman graduate student Mary Barto (flautist) and Lehman alumnus Robert White, who performed "Three Irish Folksongs" by Distinguished Professor of Music John Corigliano.

At the reception following the service, a new video was presented, celebrating Dr. Lief's work and entitled "The Legacy of Leonard Lief."

*Lehman Office of Media Relations and Publications*

## Library Hosts Annual Faculty Publications Recognition Event

The Library is proud to sponsor Lehman's Annual Faculty Publications Recognition event, which will be held this year:

Wednesday, May 14th  
3:00 - 5:00 PM  
Library CyberCafé

In order to make this a successful event, we depend on the submissions of Lehman faculty, who share original books, journal articles and creative work for a Library display. Prof. Janet Butler Munch, special collections librarian, organizes these scholarly materials into display cases.

Specifically, we welcome documentation of books, book chapters, journal articles, exhibitions/performances, and films/recordings. These exhibited materials are included in a Bibliography distributed to all participants. This publication is later posted on the Library website: <http://www.lehman.edu/provost/library/ServicesForFaculty.htm>

As you're aware, Lehman ranks fourth among CUNY senior colleges for annual research funding. Considering our size and relatively young age, this is an impressive feat. Our prominence in research funds is correspondingly reflected in the quality and breadth of faculty publications.

As we near the completion of a busy academic year, it's important to honor the research achievements of faculty. Their research augments scholarship in their respective disciplines, enhances their contributions in the classroom, and contributes to the growing international reputation of Lehman.

Another way to support campus scholarship is to consider donating copies of your published books to the Library. If interested, please contact Acquisitions Librarian Carol Gee, [Kachuen.Gee@lehman.cuny.edu](mailto:Kachuen.Gee@lehman.cuny.edu) x8428.

We hope you'll join us on May 14<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the academic and creative achievements of our colleagues.

*Kenneth Schlesinger*

## Library Department Liaisons

Addie Armstrong	(718) 960-7761	English, ESL, and Political Science
Sandra DeMinco	(718) 960-8582	Education (all concentrations), Philosophy and Religion
Ka-Chuen Gee	(718) 960-8428	Asian Studies, Japanese
Wayne Halliday	(718) 960-7768	Mathematics and Computer Science
Jessica Hernandez	(718) 960-8831	Spanish, Latin American and Puerto Rican Studies, Social Work, Psychology
Jennifer King	(718) 960-7767	Sciences (except Health and Nursing)
Galina Letnikova	(718) 960-7764	Languages and Literature (except Spanish and Japanese)
Janet Butler Munch	(718) 960-8603	History, African American Studies, Women's Studies
Kenneth Schlesinger	(718) 960-7776	Journalism, Communication and Theatre Speech-Language-Hearing Sciences
Addy Soto	(718) 960-7773	Art, Textbooks and Videos
Susan Voge	(718) 960-7765	Health Sciences, Sociology, Nursing
Edwin Wallace	(718) 960-7757	Music, Anthropology, Economics, Accounting and Business

# Library Class of 2008

by Nicole Vasquez

Each year the Leonard Lief Library employs about 100 Lehman students who staff different areas of the library. Some of these students are graduating this year and we congratulate them all on this milestone. Representing a cross section of majors, these graduates now share their insights and plans with us.

## Roberto Garcia

*Business Administration and Psychology*



Computer Lab Help Desk

"The Library allowed me to become familiar with Microsoft Office products. I hope to obtain an MBA and pursue a career in marketing and advertising."

## John Varant Figueroa

*Political Science and History*



Special Collections Computer Lab

"The librarians and staff made the hunt easier. They served as guides to aid in the course of my studies."

## Nicole Vasquez

*Mass Communication*



Library Office Fine Arts  
Circulation

"The Library's resources have positively affected my studies. I plan to pursue a career in digital media marketing or magazine publishing."

## Saher Ali

*Information Technology*



Help Desk

"After graduation, I hope to obtain a full time job and work on my Master's degree."

## Elisa Gonzalez

*Business Administration  
and Philosophy*



Acquisitions Fine Arts

"Working in the Library was a good experience. It prepared me for a job in the outside working world."

## Bonnie W. Costa

*Social Work*



Stacks Fine Arts

"I found so many amazing books while working in Stacks. Eventually I would like to work in the field of Gerontology."

## Alexandria Colon

*Business Administration and Women's Studies*



Stacks Library Office

"I hope to start my own business sometime in the near future."

## Melvin Flete

*Sociology*



Stacks

"I hope to obtain my Master's in Social Work and also find a job in the Counseling field."

## Kristina Lozano

*English and Psychology*



Fine Arts Circulation  
Technical Services

"I plan to become a flight attendant for a year and hopefully continue on to law school."

## *My Daughter's Eyes and Other Stories: A Reading and Discussion*

On February 28, 2008 the Library hosted a reading and discussion of Dr. Ancey Baez's book *My Daughter's Eyes and Other Stories*. Through fourteen stories spanning 30 years, this book chronicles the lives of fictionalized Dominican-American women. The stories take place either in the Bronx or the Dominican Republic. Native Bronxites reading these stories will recognize local color such as shopping in Alexander's, attending JHS 117 — Wade Junior High School and hanging out on Tremont Avenue or the Concourse.



Dr. Ancey Baez

Dr. Baez read various vignettes from her book and discussed the rationale behind the stories. An excellent storyteller, she has a keen ability to draw the audience into the lives of her characters. The protagonist, Mia, experienced coming of age woes such as parental clashes, abuse, first kisses, crushes and cultural clashes with Dominicans back on the island. Some audience members commented afterwards about how they identified with different characters and their stories. Dr. Baez later answered questions about how she creates her stories, how an author can break into publishing and how important mentoring is for the developing writer.

About 35 members from the Lehman community attended this event, making it successful and memorable.

*Jessica Hernandez*

## **Privacy and Libraries**

The Library Association of the City University of New York (LACUNY) held a Town Hall Meeting at Lehman on January 18, 2008. More than 30 librarians from across CUNY met to discuss "Privacy and Libraries: Where Are We Now?"

Meeting in our third-floor Treehouse Conference Room were three featured speakers. Bonnie Nelson (John Jay College) discussed laws and policies enacted since September 11, 2001. This included the USA Patriot Act and its implementation in libraries by law enforcement agencies. The second speaker, Anamika Dasgupta (York College), gave an overview on teenage use of computers and the impact of MySpace, Facebook and Xanga websites on their privacy. The third speaker, Polly Thistlethwaite (Graduate Center) spoke about a security incident and expectations of law enforcement authorities on obtaining personal information about users.

When discussion was opened to the floor, many told of similar experiences in their libraries involving demands for patron borrowing records and computer usage. Related issues, such as academic freedom and computer privacy, were also aired. Everyone who spoke was emphatic about the need to protect patron privacy. Proper procedures for librarians to follow were discussed.

The consensus was that librarians are not only the gatekeepers of information but also advocates for the privacy of patron records.

*Edwin Wallace and Jessica Hernandez*

## **A Visit with Tuskegee Airman William Wheeler**



Lt. Col. Wheeler

Last fall, Lieutenant Colonel William Wheeler (Ret.) was invited to the Library to share his personal experience as a member of the Tuskegee Airmen, the World War II all-black fighter squadron. After attending two Lincoln Center performances, a new play about the Airmen by Ricardo Khan and Trey Ellis, students from the Lehman College/Lincoln Center Teacher Education Collaborative (FYI and Education Division) were ready with questions for our guest.

Well acquainted with his materials, Mr. Wheeler opened by offering to answer all questions rather than lecture. Soon the audience was engaged in a discussion on racism, World War II, liberation, war and doing the thing you think you cannot do. Even after the event was over, students and faculty lingered to chat with Mr. Wheeler to thank him for an honest and challenging discussion.



*Sandrea DeMinco*

## Faculty Professional Activities

### *Ka-Chuen Gee*

- ◆ Awarded a 2008 PSC-CUNY Research Grant to conduct a genealogy project of the Yuan Family.
- ◆ Attended the American Library Association (ALA) Mid-winter Conference in Philadelphia in January 2008.
- ◆ Serves on the Program Committee of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), Northeast Chapter.

### *Janet Butler Munch*

- ◆ Appointed by Chancellor Goldstein as Library Panel Liaison of the University Committee on Research Awards (UCRA) from 2007-2009.
- ◆ Spoke at the LACUNY Professional Development Committee's workshop on PSC-CUNY Research Grants in September 2007 at Baruch College.
- ◆ Attended a workshop at the Huntington Library in San Marino, CA, from February 21-22, 2008 in preparation for the Library's hosting of the upcoming ALA traveling exhibit, "Forever Free: Abraham Lincoln's Journey to Emancipation," in 2010.
- ◆ Received a 2008 Digitization Grant for \$10,000 from METRO to digitize 18 vintage and 40 contemporary photographs used in the "Childhood in the Bronx" exhibit featured in the College Art Gallery in 1986. The grant will also digitize sound excerpts from the Bronx Oral History Collection held in the Library's Special Collections division.

### *Michael O. Shannon Professor Emeritus*

- ◆ Presented a lecture on "Ireland in Maps: History through Controversy" in March 2008 at the Map Division of the New York Public Library for the New York Map Society.

### *Kenneth Schlesinger*

- ◆ Served on the Dance Heritage Coalition's Focus Group to discuss Fair Use copyright issues related to dance library and archival collections.
- ◆ Invited by People to People Citizen Ambassador Programs to travel to China in October 2008 as part of a Visiting Delegation of Archivists.

### *Susan Voge*

- ◆ Spoke about the field of librarianship on April 9<sup>th</sup> at the First Annual Career Day at Marble Hill High School, one of six "small schools," at Kennedy High School in the Bronx. She gave an overview of her typical workday, the financial and personal rewards of the job, and characteristics of people drawn to the profession.

## Honors Programs and the Library: On Common Ground

The Lehman Scholars and Macaulay Honors College are grateful to the Library for hosting our two outstanding honors scholars programs. The Library has afforded us every courtesy. Since we began our residency in February 2003, we have benefitted from using the ample seminar space and computer study labs in room 315.

Like the groves of Plato's Academy and Aristotle's Lyceum in ancient Athens, the Honors Space provides an exciting arena for the exchange of ideas, debate and examination of controversies. Discussions often carry over beyond formal academic time as students participate in this rich environment. No other branch of Macaulay Honors College has a space so commodious, comfortable and welcoming. What better place, with its treasury of intellectual resources, for eager scholars to have at their disposal? We are certain our location in Lehman's intellectual center accounts in no small degree for the substantial post-baccalaureate successes of our honors scholars.

Gary Schwartz, Director  
Lehman Honors Programs



## Leonard Lief Library Etiquette Policy

In order to promote a quiet and considerate environment for Lehman College students, faculty and staff, the Library requests the following:

- ◆ Please keep conversation to a quiet, respectful minimum and observe *Quiet Zone* areas.
- ◆ Students working in groups are encouraged to use *Group Study Rooms*.
- ◆ Patrons should leave cell phones or pagers on vibrate. Cell phone conversations may only take place in the *CyberCafe*.
- ◆ To maintain cleanliness and preserve print and electronic resources, food and drink are only allowed in the *CyberCafe*. Students may bring in water bottles, but must keep them away from computers.
- ◆ In compliance with College regulations, smoking is not allowed in the Library.

Thanks for your cooperation in  
supporting our quality of life.

## Staff Changes

Congratulations on promotions to CUNY Office Assistant—Level 4 for:

- ◆ *Deborah Argenti*

Deborah works in Cataloging.

We also recognize the recent appointments as provisional CUNY Office Assistants to:

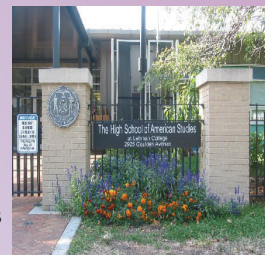
- ◆ *Wendy Brenner*
- ◆ *Angelica Colon*
- ◆ *Jasmial Rivera*

Wendy works in Education, Angelica in Fine Arts and Jasmial in the Library Office.



## Library's Instructional Program for High School of American Studies

In Fall 2002 I first learned that the public High School of American Studies (HSAS) had been established on the Lehman campus by the NYC Department of Education, in collaboration with CUNY and the Gilder Lehman Institute of American History. It began with 100 pupils and has grown to 400 students.



When the Library received funds to support instructional classes for high school students in 2003, I was asked to team teach these classes as the HSAS Liaison Librarian. My first task was to work with HSAS teachers and administrators to establish a suitable library curriculum. By the following year, a weekly Library Research class was in place. As part of the curriculum, students received tours and hands-on instruction in bibliographic research. I also oriented the high school faculty to the Library, its resources and services. This enabled teachers to lead their own library classes.

The goal of the library instructional program has been to foster development of student research skills through guided practice in an academic library. This experience provides students with an invaluable preparation for challenges they will face in school and higher education.

The success of our library instructional program is demonstrated by the fact that 100% of HSAS graduates in 2006 and 2007 are now attending various colleges.

Tabitha Kirin

## NEW BOOKS



### *The African American National Biography*

Edited by Henry Louis Gates and Evelyn Brooks Higginbotham  
Oxford University Press, 2008  
Reference E 185.96 .A4466 2008

This work examines the contributions of persons of African descent and their influence on this nation from the arrival of the black Moorish slave Esteban in 1529 up to personages of the present day. Not all in the series are native-born Americans, but they did spend a significant period of their lives in the United States. The over 4000 entries are written and signed by distinguished scholars and include references for further reading. People included are indexed by category or area of renown, as well as birthplace. There is also a list of African American prizewinners, medalists, members of Congress, and judges. A directory of contributors is also provided.

The book entries will be updated with biographies added to the *Online Oxford African American Studies Center* digital archive. We subscribe to this database and include it on the Library's Electronic Databases page. This digital archive brings together over 7500 sources from print and online reference works. Formats include primary documents, images, multimedia, maps, charts, timelines and tables. Researchers can search particular subjects, browse topical categories and biographies. Here, for example, you can find a summary of the Black Power Movement in the Caribbean and a video of Hank Aaron hitting the 755 career home run that broke the all-time record previously held by Babe Ruth.

*Susan Voge*

## Collection Development Event



Prof. Claudia Wilsch Case

On November 13, 2007, Chief Librarian Kenneth Schlesinger welcomed departmental liaisons to the Library to discuss scholarship and its applications to teaching.

Speakers Susan Polirstok (professor and acting dean, Education Division), Victoria Sanford (associate professor, Anthropology), and Claudia Wilsch Case (assistant professor, Journalism, Communication and Theatre) described action research, student success, advocacy in scholarship, engaged research, organizing materials and questioning experts.

The Collection Development group meets every semester. Watch for our next event.

*Sandra DeMinco*

## Collection Development/Donations Policy

Based on annual allotment of funds, the Library's top priority is to support Lehman College's undergraduate and graduate curriculum and instruction. In addition, the Library acquires print and electronic resources to support faculty research and publication. Our overall objective is to build a balanced and comprehensive collection of quality, authoritative and current research, reflecting a multiplicity of viewpoints and perspectives.

The purchase of course textbooks is limited by budget and the number of students enrolled in the course. Faculty members are encouraged to provide a desk copy of the required text when the publisher supplies one.

### Donations

While the Library welcomes donations of appropriate materials, gifts should be directed to the applicable subject librarian. Before delivering materials, donors should prepare a list of the items, including author, title, publisher, publication date and condition. The subject librarian reviews the list and determines whether or not the material will be accepted.

Donors will receive an acknowledgement letter from the Library, noting the number of books donated. The Library reserves the right to incorporate materials into the collection, or may sell or dispose of it at its discretion.

## Library Consortial Agreement with the New York Botanical Garden

Lehman College and the New York Botanical Garden (NYBG) have been working together for forty years educating botanists and conducting plant research. Recently an increased partnership was explored. The Leonard Lief Library and NYBG's LuEster T. Mertz Library have developed an agreement that grants Lehman faculty and students access to NYBG library resources.



Individuals need to present a valid Lehman ID at the entrance gate and request to visit the Library. Users then can access the Library's subscription databases and most collections. Onsite access to NYBG's special collections and archives is by appointment only. Additionally, members of the Lehman community are entitled to the student photocopy rate. No borrowing privileges are included in this agreement.

*Jennifer King*

### Surprises in an Old Metal Box



The collection arrived in a metal box with gold-stenciled letters marked "Park District Protective League." The papers in the box told a story. Entrusted to Bernard L. Stein, Editor of

the *Riverdale Press*, by long-time environmental activist Gilbert Kerlin, the League's records had originally come from Edward Delafield, a member of one of Riverdale's founding families.

What was the Park District Protective League? Founded in 1900, it was a private civic organization working to preserve the Hudson River District as a park residence. The League was concerned with beautification and care of the area's private residences, laying out and grading of streets, securing title for private streets maintained by residents, and the establishment of a public park.

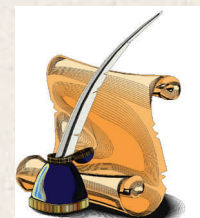
The League advocated for construction of the Spuyten Duyvil Parkway, building of the Hudson Memorial Bridge, and for railway company franchises to serve the area. The story of the League is told through its minutes, correspondence, legal documents, legislation, newspaper articles, brochures and financial records. Totaling .75 cubic feet, the bulk of the collection spans 1900-1910.

Through this collection, we come to appreciate the important role this grassroots organization played in improving community life. We also come to realize how this early civic group helped shape development of the modern Riverdale and Spuyten Duyvil areas of the Bronx. Later groups, such as the Riverdale Community Planning Association, Riverdale Friends of the Greenbelt, and Riverdale Nature Preservancy, expanded on the work pioneered by the early Park District Protective League.

Since the *Riverdale Press* had long supported conservation and environmental efforts in the greater Riverdale area. Mr. Stein wanted the League's papers to be preserved for posterity. For this reason, he donated these papers to the Leonard Lief Library, where researchers can come to study this collection.

A cataloging record for the collection appears in the national OCLC bibliographic database and CUNY+. Lehman's Special Collections division has strong holdings on the history of the Bronx. To arrange an appointment, please contact me at (718) 960-8603 or at: [janet.munch@lehman.cuny.edu](mailto:janet.munch@lehman.cuny.edu).

*Janet Butler Munch*





## Library, Technology and Telecommunications Committee: One Student's Perspective

Having nearly completed my undergraduate studies here, few experiences rival the challenges and opportunities of joining my fellow students in the Lehman Senate's Library, Technology and Telecommunications (LT&T) Committee.

The LT&T is an advisory committee on issues relevant to the Library and other technological services throughout the College. Committee meetings are normally held monthly in the Library's Conference Room and provide students with an opportunity for dialogue and discussion. One initiative was an online Student Technology Survey to assess campus technological needs. Another discussion involved the systematic implementation of Information Literacy principles in certain LEH and other undergraduate courses.

Another issue relates to laptops. If you like to bring your laptop to school, we have good news for you. Students searching for outlets to plug in and charge their laptops will soon have assistance from the Office of Campus Facilities. During spring and summer, while you sit and enjoy campus scenery, rest assured you can write about this experience on your laptop or even check e-mail outdoors. Long-term plans include identifying classroom areas for future electrical outlet expansion. Small changes such as these will make your studies here at Lehman more productive, convenient, and maybe even make your next writing assignment a bit more enjoyable.

It has been an honor to serve as a student member of LT&T. The Committee does not exist in a vacuum. It forms one component of the larger Lehman Senate, which represents interests of students, faculty, and administration in various academic and advisory functions. Elected representatives from the College's Student Conference serve on the Senate. They are devoted to serving student needs.

Any member of the Lehman community can observe LT&T meetings, and student participation is encouraged.

*John Varant Figueroa*



## Best in Technology Services

The Library has added software and equipment in both its computer Labs (B27A and B27B), located on the Library Concourse. We now have Microsoft Office 2007, SPSS 15.0 and Typing Tutor installed in both Labs. We relocated two iMacs into the labs for those students who prefer using Macs— or just want to learn how they work. Both Macs have Internet access, MS Office 2004 and printing capabilities.

Scanners have been added to computer Lab B27A. Students may now scan, view documents and print from this workstation. Both printers in the Labs will be upgraded this semester. Workshops in Basic and Advanced MS Office 2007 will be offered in the future.

*Raymond Diaz*



## Introducing Database for Accessing Master's Theses

As of May 2006, the Library accepted Lehman Master's Theses in electronic format only. We are pleased to introduce a new database designed by Library technician Wayne Halliday for accessing these resources.

Computer terminals with this Access Database have been designated for onsite use in Periodicals, Reference, Education and the Graduate Studies Research Room.

This database contains a comprehensive list of department, title, author and subject indexing, with links to full-text PDF versions of all electronic theses submitted from May 2006 to the present. For more information, please consult the Theses Guidelines:

[http://www.lehman.edu/provost/library/master\\_theses.doc](http://www.lehman.edu/provost/library/master_theses.doc)

*Adelaide Soto*

## Researching China's Distinguished Yuan Family

Ka-Chuen (Carol) Gee, the Library's head of technical services, has been awarded a \$3,100 PSC-CUNY Research Grant. Carol, along with librarian Sheau-Yueh (Janey) Chao (Baruch College), will use grant funds to travel to China in Fall 2008. They will attempt to locate and document the lives of the descendants of Yuan Shikai, Carol's grandfather and the first President of the Republic of China.



Ka-Chuen Gee is shown holding an issue of *World Journal Weekly Magazine* that discusses her research project.

The Chinese have a tradition of paying homage to one's ancestors. Many families have genealogical records going back hundreds of years. Carol's family was no exception, but upon the death of the family patriarch, Yuan Shikai, and the resulting turmoil in China, the family dispersed. When the Communists came to power in 1949, the Yuan family was considered enemies of the state, so many of the family members either left China or went into hiding. Recent changes in China have allowed family members to go public and connect with long-lost relatives. Carol's research project hopes to reunite remaining members of the family and document their experiences in 20th century China.

Jennifer King



## Photos of Bronx Children Get a Second Life

Like Peter Pan, some children in the Bronx will never need to grow up —online, that is — once a Lehman College librarian digitizes a collection of 18 vintage and 40 contemporary photographs dating back almost a century. Prof. Janet Butler Munch, special collections librarian at Lehman's Leonard Lief Library, has received a \$10,000 grant from the Metropolitan New York Library Council (METRO) for the project, which will include audio excerpts selected from over 300 hours of interviews with adults about what it was like to grow up in the borough. The website should be completed in January 2009 and housed at the College Library's website: [www.lehman.edu/provost/library](http://www.lehman.edu/provost/library).

In addition to the public interest served by making the collection available to all, Prof. Munch hopes the site will provide curricular support for a variety of Lehman courses. "The collection is intended for the people of the Bronx and to encourage research on the Bronx—where it was, where it is, and hopefully where it is going," she said.

The vintage photographs were taken during the early twentieth century and donated to the College, while the contemporary images were taken mostly between 1983 and 1986 by Georjeen Comerford, currently a professor of art at Brooklyn College, and given to the Bronx Institute, which is based at Lehman. Both sets document Bronx children in their neighborhoods and illustrate their relationships with adults, each other and the Bronx.



In 2006, Prof. Munch digitized photographs of Bronx businesses, landmarks and streets for another project — "Bronx Business for Everybody" — that was also funded by METRO, a

nonprofit organization that assists libraries in the New York area. "Childhood in the Bronx," however, also poses the challenge of synching sound clips with text.



Lehman Office of Media Relations and Publications

## That's What *Friends* Are For: Joining *Friends of the Library*

One of the activities I enjoy most as Chief Librarian is coordinating our *Friends of the Library* program, which essentially functions as the Library endowment. We consider this a win-win situation: we extend library privileges and selected services to interested alumni and community members while they in turn support the Leonard Lief Library.

*Friends of the Library* affords us critical, supplemental funds to purchase additional electronic databases and print materials. This allows our Library to remain competitive and able to offer quality resources to Lehman students and faculty.

Joining *Friends* is easy with instructions and related information on our website:  
<http://www.lehman.edu/provost/library//friends%20pledge%20form%20pdf.pdf>.

If you'd like a print mailing, simply call the Library Office (718-960-8577) to request a copy.

For a minimum \$50 annual contribution, Friends receive the following benefits:

- ◆ *Access to a comprehensive college library*
- ◆ *Research assistance from reference librarians*
- ◆ *Book borrowing privileges*
- ◆ *Announcements of book sales, exhibitions and special events*
- ◆ *Library newsletter*

Our Fall 2007 fundraising campaign was successful, as we've already received nearly \$5000 in renewal and new memberships. Particularly gratifying is the support we receive from Lehman administration, with contributions from Deans, Chairs and two former Chief Librarians! Every penny is spent wisely to broaden and increase our offerings to students.

We hope to feature several new *Friends of the Library* events - readings, discussions and receptions - during the upcoming academic year. Please stay tuned as we develop these plans. Thanks again for your support of the Leonard Lief Library.

*Kenneth Schlesinger*



## Leonard Lief Library Mission Statement

The Leonard Lief Library supports Lehman's educational mission and is committed to providing staffing, facilities, resources and services that meet the information and scholarly needs of members of the College community, help foster personal and professional development and inspire lifelong learning.

### The Library is committed to:

- ◆ Providing a friendly, welcoming environment
- ◆ Maintaining comfortable, attractive facilities that promote research and study
- ◆ Acquiring print, electronic and multimedia resources that support curricular needs
- ◆ Encouraging information and computer literacy through instruction
- ◆ Adopting innovative technologies that enhance research, teaching and learning
- ◆ Serving as a gateway for the acquisition of scholarship and knowledge
- ◆ Supporting the research needs of the CUNY community and affiliates, as well as users consulting the Government Documents depository and Special Collections.

## Library Hours Spring 2008

### REGULAR HOURS

#### Until May 25, 2008

Monday-Thursday	9:00am - 10:00pm
Friday	9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday	10:00am - 6:00pm
Sunday	12:00pm - 6:00pm

### EXAM PERIOD – EXTENDED HOURS

#### Open until MIDNIGHT

Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

### SUMMER HOURS

#### June 2<sup>nd</sup> – August 8<sup>th</sup>

Monday – Thursday 9:00am – 9:00pm

**Summer Session I: begins June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Summer Session II: begins July 7<sup>th</sup>**

### CLOSED

Weekends until the Fall semester

Fridays from June 27<sup>th</sup> - August 8<sup>th</sup>

July 4<sup>th</sup>

Kenneth Schlesinger  
Chief Librarian

## Biblio-Tech

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