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**Florida Historical Society Honors USFSP Librarian**

USF St. Petersburg Librarian James “Jim” Schnur was recently honored as the 2015 Presidential Citation recipient for the Florida Historical Society.

“This was awarded to me for my longstanding involvement in various activities to promote the Florida Historical Society,” said Schnur, who manages Special Collections and University Archives in the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library. He has served as a faculty librarian since February 2002 and previously worked at USF St. Petersburg as a graduate student and staff member from 1991 to 1997.

Since 1989, Schnur has been an active member of FHS. In addition to serving on the board and various committees, he also was editor of an annual bibliography of “Florida History in Periodicals.” Currently, he serves as editor of an expanded annual bibliography in the Florida Historical Quarterly known as “Florida History in Publications.”

As a faculty librarian, Schnur works with students in the USF School of Information. Students in the program often select projects that benefit local museums and libraries. However, some students have worked on projects that benefit FHS, including the processing of archival collections and development of exhibitions at FHS’s headquarters in Brevard County.

“The recognition means most to me in that I hope it inspires my USF Tampa students to see the value of their creative labors to preserving our cultural and historical heritage,” said Schnur, who supervises fieldwork students from the USF School of Information. “Hopefully, some of the Florida Studies students I regularly work with at USFSP will see that they can make a difference outside of the traditional academic setting.”

The Presidential Citation award was presented at this year’s FHS annual meeting and symposium in St. Augustine.
USF St. Petersburg faculty librarian James “Jim” Schnur holds his Presidential Citation from the Florida Historical Society.
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