

The Delta – Everything Southern!

Attendees of The Delta—*Everything Southern!* symposium enjoy a full day of speakers to inform and entertain, delicious food waiting for them to eat during breaks and lunch, interesting exhibits to browse, an attractive and professional place to meet, and the company of many friendly people to engage in conversation. They perhaps did not realize how it all came to be. And that makes the Delta Planning Committee happy. The committee worked all year to make these things happen, within budget and with money left over for the University of Memphis Libraries. Not only were there monthly meetings at the home of chairman Nick Gotten, but there were hours spent by individuals performing many needed tasks.



Tom Mendina, Sue Reid Williams, Kay Farrish, Susan Prater;
Standing: Nick Gotten (chairman), Kelly Davis, Janell Rudolph, Bob Acree, Willy Bearden.
Absent: Charles Crawford

Coming Events:

Sept. 7-October 16: “Pride and Passion” panels on view on second floor, McWherter Library with tours available.

The University Libraries has received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities sponsored by the American Library Association to present the traveling exhibit from the National Baseball Hall of Fame, “Pride and Passion: The African-American Experience of Baseball.” See the following website for more information on the exhibition:
<http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/offices/ppo/programming/prideandpassion/prideandpassion.cfm>

Sept. 8: Lecture by Mr. Larry Lester, visiting authority on African-American baseball history, on the meaning of the sport for African-Americans and American society, and on the Memphis Red Sox, the Memphis Negro League baseball team from the 1920s until the end of segregated baseball in America.

Sept. 9: Showing of documentary film made by Drs. John Haddock and Stephen Ross, University of Memphis faculty on the Memphis Red Sox; conversations with former Red Sox players plus commentary by Dr. Haddock and Mr. Lester.

Sept. 23-Oct. 16: Additional programming related to the “Pride and Passion” exhibit, dates and detail to be announced.

Sept. 26-Oct. 2: Celebration of Banned Books Week with daily readings from banned or challenged books in the McWherter Library rotunda

Oct. 7: Program apropos of the second anniversary of the founding of the University of Memphis Confucius Institute moderated by Professor Hsiang-te King, Director of the Confucius Institute

Monthly Events: FOL Executive Council meetings take place on the fourth Thursday of every month at 1:00 pm in the McWherter Library Conference Room, preceded by lunch at the Holiday Inn...All members are encouraged to join the Council for lunch and sit in on the meeting if they wish. General Membership meetings are held in April and November.

For more information on library public programming please contact Mr. Tom Mendina, Assistant to the Dean of University Libraries for Public Programming at 901-678-4310 or tmendina@memphis.edu.