



# SPECKER LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

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## In This Issue

Welcome to the Specker Library Newsletter! In this issue, we highlight Dr. Chen's recent involvement in the American Library Association's Annual Conference in Orlando, FL. In addition, we discuss the library's new "Staff Favorites" display, which will feature the favorite books of one staff member each month. Lastly, we update you on the work that is being done by Martin Martinez in the Grutka Archives.

## Library Director Presents at Conference

A few weeks ago Dr. Chen along with several other members of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) presented a poster in the Diversity Fair at American Library Association's Annual Conference in Orlando, FL. The presentation focused on how Specker Library Staff serve students at CCSJ. The poster session was welcomed by many visitors.



**Left:** Dr. Chen, current President of CALA with Dr. Ruan, the immediate past president of CALA. **Right:** Dr. Chen at ALA's Annual Conference in Orlando, FL.

## BISHOP GRUTKA ARCHIVES UPDATE

The library is currently in the process of scanning and doing digital restoration to the photos in the archives, as well as gathering data on each image. The library is also exploring potential archival software to help make the photos publically accessible. In the near future, the library plans to add two new additions to the Bishop Grutka Archives. One addition is a DVD of the Consecration of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka. This 90 min video was shot on February 25, 1957 and was originally aired on WTTW twice. The other is "The History of the Gary Diocese" book. The library will continue to look for additional artifacts to enhance the archives.



Bishop Andrew G. Grutka with co-consecrators. Bishop John Patrick Cody (Left), Bishop Andrew G. Grutka (Center), Bishop Leo Aloysius Pursley (Right)

## New Monthly Display Features Staff Favorites

Students and staff coming to the library this week will notice a new "Staff Favorites" display located near the library's circulation desk. The new display features the library staff's all-time favorite books and will change on a monthly basis. This month's display includes books that were selected by Martin Martinez. Some of the featured titles include:

- "Catch-22" (1966) by Joseph Heller.
- "The Children of Men" (1993) by P.D. James.
- "The Lost World" (1995) by Michael Crichton

