The Lebanese Emigration Research Center at NDU welcomed to its premises two Americans of Lebanese descent, Dr. Mary Jo El Kareh and Mr. George Noor, an American businessmen and industrialist. The two visitors, who reside in the American state of California, were accompanied to the Center by Mr. Joseph Kareh, an Attorney-at-law in Lebanon and a cousin of Dr. El Kareh.

Dr. El Kareh, a former president of the World Lebanese Cultural Union, intends to donate to LERC some materials from her time at the WLCU, and was particularly interested in seeing firsthand all the items LERC has available on the Union.

The visitors were shown the WLCU items collected by LERC and taken on a tour of the Lebanon Migration Museum at NDU.

Dr. El Kareh stated her great respect and commended LERC for its initiative.

Lebanon, she said, is a country without borders. “We carry the flag and encourage the Lebanese immigrants to love their homeland and heritage,” she said.

Both Dr. El Kareh and Mr. Noor promised to send the relevant materials to LERC once back in the United States.

Visitors at the Museum: (from left to right) Mr. G. Noor, Dr. M.J. El Kareh, Mr. J. Kareh (Oct 2010).