From the Director:

This morning we received an Advocacy Alert from NYLA to help libraries get capital funding. You may recall that some of my From the Director reports this winter dealt with how old library infrastructure is in our State. More than half of the libraries in New York are more than 60 years old, and another third are more than 30 years old. It is a simple fact that many of our libraries are looking to have basic capital projects to help their aging buildings, including roof replacement, HVAC upgrades, accessibility renovations or energy efficiency upgrades.

Your help is needed to alert the Assembly to fight for two bills that are stuck in the Assembly. Currently, each library in NYS requires special legislation to qualify for tax exempt public financing through the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (DASNY). Assembly bill A.9752-A provides a blanket authorization for all libraries in NYS to qualify for financing through DASNY. This is a commonsense measure that removes an unnecessary hurdle for local libraries that need public financing. DASNY has a recommend minimum project threshold of $5M, so that the cost-efficiencies gained through public financing are fully realized. Many libraries need public financing for capital projects, but their project does not meet this $5M threshold. Assembly bill A.9240 would permit libraries to aggregate capital projects so as to take advantage of financing through DASNY.

Filling out a pre-drafted letter to voice your support to pass this two bills is easy to do. You can also edit the pre-drafted letter to make your own comments if you would like. Also remember that the State keeps a list of how many people in our service area send messages like this, and we can always improve our response rates. You can send your message today by visiting http://cqrcengage.com/alany/app/write-a-letter?5&engagementId=215993

Sarah
Reminders:

How are you using the Bulletin?
We want to know what you think and what you want! Please fill out this quick survey about the bulletin: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HGGX86B. We also want to make sure we have the correct email addresses for your staff. All library staff, trustees and Polaris users should be able to have access to the Weekly Bulletin. Please keep us updated and forward it to the appropriate people in your library!

3D Printer Giveaway
We will be giving away our 3D printer at our 2016 Annual Meeting. Application and information about the printer is available at http://www.flls.org/3dprinting/

Floating Collections
Are your shelves starting to bare all for the summer? Do you want to try some new stuff and make a display? Don't forget, we can float collections right to your shelves with no cost to your library! Only pay for what is lost or damaged (and even then we can try and work something out!) Current collections we can float your way include:
  - Graphic Novels (Adult, YA and Juvenile, Nonfiction and Fiction!)
  - Videogames (Wii, Wii U, Xbox360, XBOXOne, PS3, PS4, DS & 3DS)
  - Books on CD
  - Books on Playaway Devices
  - LaunchPods
  - DVDs and BluRays

Interested? Email Malia (malia@flls.org) or Amanda (aschiavulli@flls.org) with what collection(s) you would like and how many of each type.

System Updates

New to the Professional Collection:

Leading Libraries: How to Create a Service Culture by Wyoma VanDuinkerken
Barcode: A20519091168

Quality leadership is integral to the very future of our profession. And it doesn't only come from the top down. Effective leadership is customer-focused and collaborative, fostering a service culture that invites the involvement of individuals in every part and at every level of the organization, as the authors persuasively demonstrate in this practical new book. Drawing from case studies as well as the literature of business and social sciences, the authors provide guidance on how to apply the values of service leadership to both public and academic libraries.

New to the Programming Collection:

Felting Program Box
Barcode: A20519091150

Want to try your hand at a felting program? The Felting Program Box has everything in it to start up including books, needles and brush mat. Felt is not included. Check it out today!
Edith B Ford Library’s Lift Program Featured in NYLA eBulletin:


Tim Green to Visit Cortland on July 15


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**eContent and Databases**

Lynda.com is available to all member library staff in the FLLS area for free. View all the courses and to reserve your 'seat' – contact Jessica Brooks at (jphilippe@scrlc.org). Please include your phone number and library's name. You can take as many courses as you like during your two-week access.

**Database Trainings:**

- [http://www.flls.org/econtent/](http://www.flls.org/econtent/)

Get in the Game with Zinio Magazines!

Get Ready for launch on Monday!

- The Hoopla website
  - [www.hoopladigital.com](http://www.hoopladigital.com)
- Advertising Materials
  - [http://library.hoopladigital.com/helpful-links](http://library.hoopladigital.com/helpful-links)
Webinars, Workshops and Events

FLLS Events

Sign up here for all FLLS Workshops unless otherwise noted: http://www.flls.org/calendar-2/

Check out the Internet: Starting a Hotspot Lending Program
Thursday, June 16, 2016
9:30am-11:30am

Whistle While You Work and They’ll Poke Your Eyes Out: Conflict Among Coworkers and How to Deal With It
Thursday, July 21, 2016
9:30am-Noon

Webinars, Conferences and Other Trainings

Webjunction Webinars for June:

What’s New in the Trustee Handbook?
Tuesday, June 14, 2016
10:00 am-11:00 am
Presented by Rebekkah Smith Aldrich

Blending Scholastic GO! with NYS Social Studies Framework, and the C3 Inquiry Arc
June 15, 2016, 3:00pm
https://scholastic.webex.com/scholastic/onstage/g.php?MTID=ebd6a3a2a22fecc1829ca6362d4dd8f90
Event password: summer
Call in number for audio portion of presentation: 1-866-422-5206
Participant code for audio portion of presentation: 6183780556

Above and Beyond: Developing a Culture of Organizational Citizenship
Wednesday, June 22, 2016 ♦ 3 pm Eastern / 12 pm Pacific ♦ 1 hour
Registration: http://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/developing-a-culture-of-organizational-citizenship.html

Before Bilingual Storytime: The Outreach Bridge to Engaging Latino and Spanish-speaking Families
Thursday, July 7, 2016 ♦ 3 pm Eastern / 12 pm Pacific ♦ 1 hour
Registration: http://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/before-bilingual-storytime.html

Improving Communication in Libraries Through Better Visual Design Webinar
Friday, July 22
10am-11am
Fee: $10
Register: https://scrlc.org/events/view/5722

Free Outcome-Based Evaluation Training
Mid York Library System in Utica, New York.
To register, please contact Amanda Latreille at amalatconsulting@gmail.com, and include “OBE workshop” in the subject line.

Conferences and Socials

SCLRC Online Book Discussion
Wednesday, July 20
Noon-1pm
La-Rose: A Novel by Louise Erdrich
Register: https://scrlc.org/events/view/5723

ALSC National Institute Virtual Conference 2016
September 15-17, 2016
http://www.ala.org/alsc/institute

2016 Library of Congress National Book Festival
Sept. 24
Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C., 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. All programs will be free of charge. http://www.loc.gov/bookfest/
18 Incredible Books to Read this Summer
  - https://www.buzzfeed.com/jarrylee/summer-books-2016?utm_term=.yt41jMmPn&bffbbooks#lv51yGvb8

Libraries and Archives Are Embracing Digital: It’s Time the Law did the Same
  - http://www.ifla.org/node/10512

Great Queer Authors to Check Out

Stealing Books in the Ages of Self-Publishing

Outreach Services for Teen Library Staff
  - http://yalsa.ala.org/blog/2016/06/06/outreach-services-for-teen-library-staff-what-some-staff-are-doing-outside-the-walls-of-libraries-11/

Escaping Poverty Through the Library
  - http://theindependent.ca/2016/06/04/escaping-poverty-through-the-library/

A Library of Things
  - https://nonprofitquarterly.org/2015/03/16/a-library-of-things-in-sacramento-a-little-weird-but-a-lot-sensible/

We may soon finally know what a black hole actually looks like:

The Thrill of Terrapattern, a New Way to search Satellite Imagery:

Throwback on a Comeback: The Last Cassette Tape Factory (Video):

Horror Adult Coloring Books

Embracing Makerspaces
  - https://nonprofitquarterly.org/2016/06/09/libraries-increasingly-embrace-makerspaces/
Library of Congress and Mid-Atlantic Public Libraries Essay Contest
The "A Book That Shaped Me" Summer Writing Contest is administered as part of summer reading programs at participating public libraries in Washington, D.C.; Maryland; Virginia; Delaware; Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Prizes will be awarded and top winners will be invited to present their essays during a special presentation at the 16th Library of Congress National Book Festival, Saturday, Sept. 24 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C. Students entering 5th and 6th grades in the fall of 2016 are eligible. Essays, focused on a single book, should be one page in length and must be submitted with an entry form, in person, at participating public library locations. The deadline for entries is Friday, July 18, 2016.

Advocate for Libraries and Teens!
Advocate for teens in 60 seconds or less! Just like and share these great videos from YALSA's Teens Succeed with Libraries contest. Winning videos from Bill Stea, Rebecca Zamora, and Dominic Dafejimue and the rest of the fantastic entries can help you advocate for the future of library services for and with teens. Many thanks to all who contributed to this new advocacy resource!

Connected Camps: Free Minecraft Club
Have a Minecraft club or program running at your library but are searching for a way to enrich your current curriculum? Why not have your kids join Connected Camps' free Kid Club server? The server runs year-round from 12pm – 6pm PT daily and is moderated and staffed by trained high school and college counselors. The counselors host a variety of themed clubs and activities daily, including minigames, survival challenges, and build events. Visit connectedcamps.com to learn more.

Storytime Rhyme of the Week
Apple Song
Apples are fun to eat.
Apples are nice and sweet
Apples are such a treat.
Apples are hard to beat!

Don’t forget to visit: http://daybydayny.org/ for your daily storytime rhyme and activity!

YA Book of the Week:
Pride Celebrating Diversity and Community by Robin Stevenson

"LGBTQ culture and rights are covered through the prism of Pride in this timely work...Using Pride as a way to talk about LGBTQ gives the information a new slant...The appropriately rainbow-themed design features plentiful photographs, both black-and-white and color, in a lively design...This attractive work will be welcomed by readers searching for guidance and hope." (Kirkus Reviews 2016-02-01)
Blocks at Check Out

If there is a block on the Patron’s Record, it will display during Check Out. Check with your supervisor for specific library policies.

- If the patron owes money, select **Patron Status** and collect the fine.
- If the patron has overdue items, select **Patron Status** and renew the items if possible. Remember that items belonging to other libraries cannot be renewed without permission and items on hold for someone else CANNOT be renewed.
- If the patron has a hold waiting to be picked up, check the item out to the patron.
- If the Patron’s card has expired, select **Patron Registration** and update the registration date. Remember to delete the block from the patron’s account in the Patron Status **General** page.
- It may notify you that you are checking out an ILL. Follow the procedures listed on **Assigning a Different Loan Period**, i.e. creating a special due date.

Don’t forget about the training videos: [http://www.flls.org/computer-network-services/](http://www.flls.org/computer-network-services/)
Awards and Grants

NYLA Conference Scholarships
Deadline: June 30, 2016

Program Supports Alternative Education for Youth
Deadline: July 6, 2016
For more information visit: http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppId=283907

Grants Encourage Family Literacy: Wish You Well Foundation
Requests may be submitted at any time and are reviewed four times per year. Visit the Foundation’s website http://www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/ to submit an online Donation Request Form.

Joseph Shubert Library Excellence Award
Deadline: August 1, 2016
The Award will recognize a New York State library or library consortium that has taken significant steps to improve the quality of library service to its users. An award of $1,000 will be given to the winner along with a plaque at the annual NYLA conference in the Fall. More information: http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/adviscns/rac/award/index.html

Funding Opportunity for Small, Rural and Tribal Libraries
Through Aug. 1st, small, rural and tribal library staff can apply to be a part of a cohort of learners and doers who will create college and career readiness (CCR) services for the middle schoolers in their community. Learn more and apply online
Visit: http://www.flls.org/grants/ for more grant resources.

Question of the Week

LAST WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
Why is June LGBTQ Pride Month?

“Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month (LGBT Pride Month) is currently celebrated each year in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall riots in Manhattan. The Stonewall riots were a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States. In the United States the last Sunday in June was initially celebrated as “Gay Pride Day,” but the actual day was flexible. In major cities across the nation the “day” soon grew to encompass a month-long series of events. Today, celebrations include pride parades, picnics, parties, workshops, symposia and concerts, and LGBT Pride Month events attract millions of participants around the world. Memorials are held during this month for those members of the community who have been lost to hate crimes or HIV/AIDS. The purpose of the commemorative month is to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally.”


THIS WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
Best known for his children’s books, this author would have turned 88 today (June 10). Two of their most famous works included a story about mischievous boy in a wolf costume and nude toddler chef.
Question: What is the name of the author and what are the titles of the books described above?

To answer a Question of the Week, please email Amanda (asleyavulli@flls.org) with “Question of the Week” in the Subject. Please include your source.

**Prizes are available for correct answers using one of our databases**