



# FINGER LAKES LIBRARY SYSTEM

## MEMBER LIBRARY WEEKLY BULLETIN

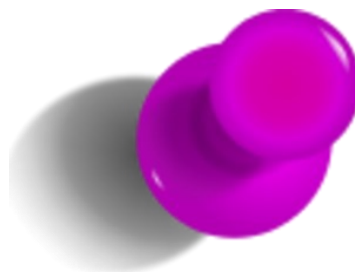
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### From the Director:

This morning, Finger Lakes hosted a correctional facilities service meeting at our building. In attendance were either correctional facilities librarians or deputies for the four correctional facilities we provide service to – Auburn, Cayuga, Five Points, and the Willard Drug Treatment Campus. I'd thought I would take the opportunity to explain what services FLLS provides to these facilities.

Out of the 23 public libraries systems in NY State, 17 library systems have state correctional facilities in their system service area, including FLLS. NY State law requires a direct cooperation between public library systems and correctional facilities to provide library services. FLLS provides standard library services to these facilities, such as interlibrary loan, delivery, and reference services. We also provide assistance with special formats, such as providing access to Braille, large print, recorded and digital format of materials for people with print-related and other disabilities. FLLS publishes a re-entry guide for our service areas to help inmates prepare for release. The guide is supplied to the correctional facilities librarians to reproduce as needed. A large part of our service to the correctional facilities is to help with collection development and programming. FLLS helps purchase library materials to help supplement the collections of the correctional facilities libraries, and can also help provide speakers and performers to the facility. We also provide continuing education opportunities to the librarians.

Our yearly meeting the correctional facilities is a time to not only go over our correctional facilities budget with them, but also to hear how our services are working for their facilities. We use this as an opportunity to make sure their delivery is adequate, that we are able to supply their interlibrary loan needs, and to offer assistance with collection development. We are planning site visits to each of the four facilities by the end of the summer to tour their libraries. It was also a great chance to hear updates of various programs the facilities are providing, including some great gardening programs and book groups.

Sarah



## **Reminders:**

### **Construction Grant Portal Now Open**

The Construction Grant Portal is now open! All applications are due by August 31<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions please contact Kristi Downham at [kdownham@flls.org](mailto:kdownham@flls.org) or 607-273-4074 ext. 228.

### **From the Business Office**

#### **House Vote Denies IRS Access to Nonprofit Donor Lists**

"Last week, the House passed a bill that would block the IRS from accessing nonprofit donor lists. Currently, nonprofit organizations are required to submit a list of every donor who has gifted \$5,000 or more on Schedule B of their annual Form 990. The IRS indicates that the idea behind donor disclosure was to determine "whether or not the people who make large contributions have undue influence over the operation of the organization."

"With the passing of the **Preventing IRS Abuse and Protecting Free Speech Act**, 501(c) organizations will no longer be required to send this information to the IRS; however, donations of \$5,000 or greater made by employees, directors or officers of nonprofit organizations will still need to be disclosed. Meanwhile, the IRS is apparently gearing up to propose new regulations, possibly in December."

For more information, please refer to the NPQ articles:

- <https://nonprofitquarterly.org/2016/06/21/house-vote-denies-irs-access-to-nonprofit-donor-lists/>
- <https://nonprofitquarterly.org/2016/05/25/state-regulators-watchdogs-object-changes-donor-disclosure-irs/>

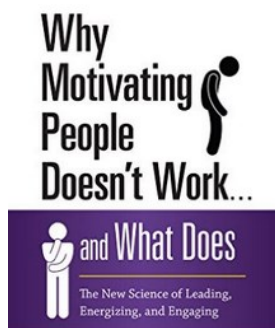
#### **A Goldmine of Open Data about Nonprofits—Now at Your Fingertips**

"A federal court order ... required the IRS to disclose electronically filed Form 990's non-profit tax returns as open data. Now 1.4 million e-filed returns dating back to 2011 are now available for free on Amazon Web Services."

- You can still use some of the other search engines that are still available such as <http://990finder.foundationcenter.org/Default.aspx> as well as look-up an organization directly at the IRS website at <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/exempt-organizations-select-check>.
- For organizations with revenues under \$50,000 who can file the Form 990-N the IRS website is <https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/search-for-forms-990-n-filed-by-small-tax-exempt-organizations>.

## **System Updates**

### **New to the Professional Collection:**



**Susan Fowler**  
Foreword by Ken Blanchard

#### ***Why Motivating People Doesn't Work . . . and What Does: The New Science of Leading, Energizing, and Engaging by Susan Fowler***

Top leadership researcher, consultant, and coach Susan Fowler says stop trying to motivate people! It's frustrating for everyone involved and it just doesn't work. You can't motivate people—they are already motivated but generally in superficial and short-term ways. In this book, Fowler builds upon the latest scientific research on the nature of human motivation to lay out a tested model and course of action that will help leaders guide their people toward the kind of motivation that not only increases productivity and engagement but that gives them a profound sense of purpose and fulfillment.

## **Member News**

### **Letter to the Community from Annette Birdsall regarding their Community Read.**

Dear Community,

Since there is a great deal of misinformation and gossip about the community read; I want to provide the facts.

I proudly stand by Alex Gino's book *George*, as a community read choice for all of us. This story is about a girl who feels she doesn't belong. The response in the local press illustrates why she would feel isolated and alone. Any title could be challenged, and our responsibility as a library is to provide information to our entire community. Our selection process has a long history and meets our library standards. If our choice makes one child feel more welcome, helps them understand that gender identity is part of human growth, or that we all belong without needing to conform, then we are doing our job.

We distributed the school's community read selections for *Seedfolks* (teen pregnancy, hunger, poverty) and *I am Malala* (child shot in the head); selected by the school for similar reasons without comment. How saddened I am that a story about a transgender child raised intolerance. Parents have the right to choose whether their own children read the selected title or not. And parents were informed.

The library sent 2300 newsletters into the community, advertised on Facebook, our website, and sent numerous press releases out to our regular distribution lists including the community newspapers. On May 24, I sent the flyers, bookmarks, stickers, and bookplates to the school and the Ovid Library so they could also publicize the read, as promised. We didn't warn or notify, but we certainly did offer publicity for the opportunity to read and learn.

This project was funded by the Myrtle Dee Nash Memorial fund of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County. I invited participation to the Edith B. Ford Memorial Library in Ovid, and to the School Library in Trumansburg and received overwhelming support from both. I did not have an agenda beyond choosing good story that would invite thoughtful conversation, or only use the Ovid library or school for distribution, but rather offered the opportunity for mutual benefit. While the public library would have proceeded without the school or Ovid library we welcomed both.

We also recognize that children participate by being part of a community of peers that struggle with their own issues while growing up. A goal of our grant is to provide a thoughtful, understanding conversation where fear does not make people hide or censor.

I look forward to the opportunity to speak with you directly, rather than through the press. Please read Melissa's story and come to our book discussions in August.

Thank you,

Annette Birdsall, Ulysses Philomathic Library Director

## Member News

Take a walk. Read a story!



Go on the  
**StoryWalk®**  
in  
**Hoopes Park**  
presented by  
Seymour Library

Take a walk and read a story at the same time!  
The StoryWalk® is returning to Hoopes Park, 100 S.  
Herman Ave. Follow the path through the park and  
read a page from a book on each of the stakes along  
the way. Opening in June, with new books installed  
through Labor Day.

Major funding for the StoryWalk® comes from the Bernard Carl and Shirley Rosen Library Fund  
of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County.

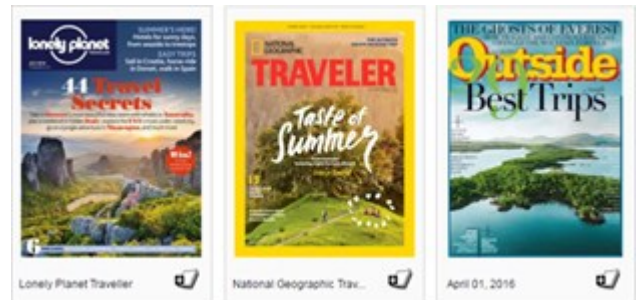
## eContent and Databases



**Hoopla has launched!**  
**Do you have questions?**  
**Let Amanda Know!**

- **The Hoopla website:**  
[www.hoopladigital.com](http://www.hoopladigital.com)
- **Advertising Materials:**  
<http://library.hoopladigital.com/helpful-links>
- **Training:**  
[www.youtube.com/user/hoopladigital](http://www.youtube.com/user/hoopladigital)

See the World with Zinio Magazines



**Database Trainings:**

[www.flls.org/reference/](http://www.flls.org/reference/)

**Hoopla, Zinio and Overdrive Resources:**

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

[lynda.com](http://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](mailto: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.

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# Webinars Workshops and Events

## FLLS Events

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

### **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

★ **WordPress and Blogging**

Thursday, August 4, 2016  
9am-Noon

★ **FLLS Online Databases: Learning Express, Mango Languages, Heritage Quest, & Tumblebooks**

Thursday, August 18, 2016  
9:30am-11:30am

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## Conferences and Socials

### **Volunteers Wanted at the NYS Fair**

August 25-September 5  
Information and Sign-up: [www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4aaca28a2fc1-2016](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4aaca28a2fc1-2016)

### **SCLRC Online Book Discussion**

Wednesday, July 20  
Noon-1pm  
*La-Rose: A Novel* by Louise Erdrich  
Register: <https://sclrc.org/events/view/5723>

### **ALSC National Institute Virtual Conference 2016**

September 15-17, 2016  
[www.ala.org/alsc/institute](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. [www.loc.gov/bookfest/](http://www.loc.gov/bookfest/)

## Webinars, Conferences and Other Trainings

### **Trustee Webinars Archived**

The State Library is pleased to announce that the recording and slides for the June 2 and June 14 trustee webinars are now available on the State Library's website at [www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/trustees/webinars.htm](http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/trustees/webinars.htm).

### **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: [www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/before-bilingual-storytime.html](http://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/before-bilingual-storytime.html)

### **Coding for Everyone**

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 ♦ 3 pm Eastern / 12 pm Pacific ♦ 1 hour

Registration: <http://www.webjunction.org/events/webjunction/coding-for-everyone.html>

### **Improving Communication in Libraries Through Better Visual Design Webinar**

Friday, July 22

10am-11am

Fee: \$10

Register: <https://sclrc.org/events/view/5722>

### **Free Outcome-Based Evaluation Training**

September 22 & 23, 2016.

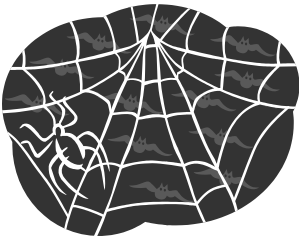
Mid York Library System in Utica, New York.

**To register**, please contact Amanda Latreille at [amalatconsulting@gmail.com](mailto:amalatconsulting@gmail.com), and include "OBE workshop" in the subject line.

Additional information: [www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/obe/index.html](http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/obe/index.html).







## **Around the Interwebs**

- **Bringing Library, Literacy to Refugee Children in Turkey**
  - <http://www.webjunction.org/news/webjunction/one-refugee-child-library-project.html>
- **Follow YALSA's Conference Offerings**
  - <http://yalsa.ala.org/blog/category/yalsa-info/conference/>
- **50 Top Rated Websites for Royalty Free Stock Images:**
  - <http://www.smallbusinesswebdesigns.net.au/royalty-free-images.html>
- **Small asteroid discovered orbiting Earth:**
  - <http://www.cnn.com/2016/06/16/us/nasa-asteroid-circles-earth/index.html>
- **Building a Medieval Castle with Centuries-Old Techniques (Video):**
  - <http://www.greatbigstory.com/stories/get-medieval-on-you-building-a-castle-with-centuries-old-techniques>
- **Meet the new ransomware that knows where you live:**
  - <http://www.zdnet.com/article/new-phishing-attack-knows-your-address-and-brings-ransomware/>
- **Stop Facebook tracking you across the web, change these settings:**
  - <http://www.zdnet.com/article/to-stop-facebook-tracking-you-across-the-web-change-these-settings/>
- **'Massive' monument found in ancient Petra:**
  - <http://www.cnn.com/2016/06/09/travel/petra-jordan-massive-new-monument-discovery/index.html>
- **Automated Library To Let Customers In When It's Closed**
  - <http://patch.com/georgia/lawrenceville-ga/gwinnett-library-allow-patrons-self-access>
- **Generous Hearts and Social Media Shaming**
  - <http://meredith.wolfwater.com/wordpress/2016/06/01/generous-hearts-and-social-media-shaming/>
- **Library Emojis**
  - <http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2016/06/opinion/michael-stephens/library-emoji-office-hours/>

# Youth Corner

## Storytime Rhyme of the Week

### The Food Chant

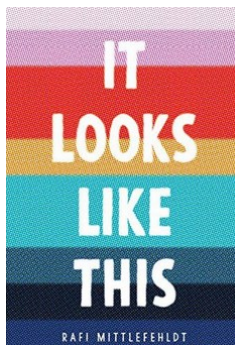
Apples on a tree  
Apples on a tree  
Pick them off  
Eat them up  
Apples on a tree

—  
Carrots in the ground  
Carrots in the ground  
Pull them up  
wash them off  
Carrots in the ground

—  
Food in your tummy  
Food in your tummy  
Lick your lips  
Mmm Mmm Mmm  
Yum yum yummy

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

## YA Book of the Week:



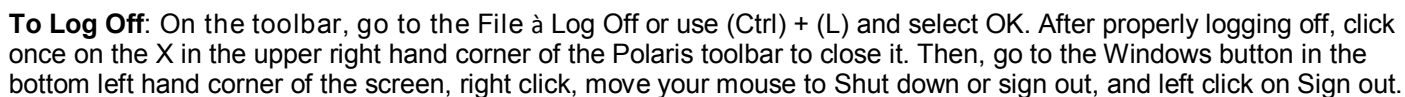
### *It Looks Like This* by Rafi Mittlefehldt

A new state, a new city, a new high school. Mike's father has already found a new evangelical church for the family to attend, even if Mike and his plainspoken little sister, Toby, don't want to go. Dad wants Mike to ditch art for sports, to toughen up, but there's something uneasy behind his demands. Then Mike meets Sean, the new kid, and "hey" becomes games of basketball, partnering on a French project, hanging out after school. A night at the beach. The fierce colors of sunrise. But Mike's father is always watching. And so is Victor from school, cell phone in hand. In guarded, Carveresque prose that propels you forward with a sense of stomach-dropping inevitability, Rafi Mittlefehldt tells a wrenching tale of first love and loss that exposes the undercurrents of a tidy suburban world. Heartbreaking and ultimately life-affirming, *It Looks Like This* is a novel of love and family and forgiveness—not just of others, but of yourself.

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# Awards and Grants



## **NYLA Conference Scholarships**

[www.nyla.org/max/4DCGI/cms/review.html?Action=CMS\\_Document&DocID=125&MenuKey=pls](http://www.nyla.org/max/4DCGI/cms/review.html?Action=CMS_Document&DocID=125&MenuKey=pls)

Deadline: June 30, 2016

## **Program Supports Alternative Education for Youth**

Deadline: July 6, 2016

For more information visit: [www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppld=283907](http://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?oppld=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 [www.wishyouwellfoundation.org/](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: [www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/adviscns/rac/award/index.html](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.flis.org/grants/> for more grant resources.

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## **Question of the Week**

### **LAST WEEK'S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

**The Rainbow Flag has become a symbol for LGBTQ Pride. What year was it first used to represent pride? What do each of the colors mean?**

In 1978 Baker was asked by famous gay activist Harvey Milk to create a sort of logo for the LGBT rights movement. He created an eight-colour flag, but due to printer costs changed it to six -- each with a special meaning.

Red stands for life, orange for healing, yellow for the sun, green for nature, blue for peace and purple for inner spirit, according to Baker.

The two extra colours upon creation were pink for sexuality and turquoise for magic and art.

So, why the rainbow? "It's natural, it fits our diversity," Baker said. "We are all the colours, all the ages, all the races."

"WorldPride 2014: Creator of the rainbow flag talks in Toronto." *The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation* 21 June 2014. *Opposing Viewpoints in Context*. Web. 24 June 2016.

### **THIS WEEK'S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

**"Love Conquers Hate" is the motto of what civil rights organization?**

To answer a Question of the Week, please email Amanda ([aschiavulli@flis.org](mailto:aschiavulli@flis.org)) with "Question of the Week" in the **Subject**. Please include your source.

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