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From the Director:

Last Thursday and Friday, I attended the New York Alliance of Library Systems meeting in Albany. In attendance were public library system directors, school library system directors, and 3Rs Council directors. The main focus of the public library system directors meeting was to discuss minimum standards for libraries. The State is looking to change some of the minimum standard requirements, and has asked the public library system directors for input on these changes. For example, the State would like to see the education level for directors change for libraries who serve a population below 2,500. Currently there is no education requirement for libraries that size and the State would like to have one academic year of study at an approved college or university be the requirement. The State would also like a minimum standard on financial audits, which are costly yet provide financial transparency to the communities our libraries serve. We are in the beginning stages of discussion with the State, and will be working on this project for the next few months.

Also discussed during the conference was a presentation on how other library systems and school deliver materials. We are in a unique position because we employ our own drivers (most library systems outsource this because some are next to large cities with access to courier companies) and of the amount of out-of-system interlibrary loan we do (many libraries systems actually discourage or simply don’t allow for out of system interlibrary loans). Access to out-of-system interlibrary loan is highly desirable for our patrons, and always ranks as one of the things libraries and patrons like most about our system, so I was able to share that to the group and explain how we deliver our materials.

Sarah
Reminders:

**Construction Grants Due August 31st**
Just a reminder that the NYS Construction Grants are due to Kristi Downham by Wednesday August 31st. If you have any questions please contact Kristi at kdownham@flls.org or 607-273-4074 ext. 228.

**Friends Fall Booksale Library Day**
Libraries NOT in Tompkins County: Library Pick Day is Wednesday, September 28, 2016 from 10am-2pm. If you would like to be entered in a drawing to win a ticket to this event, please let Amanda know by the end of the day on Friday, September 9, 2016.

**Summer Reading Final Reports**
In case some of you have finished your Summer Reading Programs already and can’t wait to get your statistics in, here is the link to the 2016 Summer Reading Final Survey. **Due September 12:** [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9FZHDB5](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9FZHDB5)

**Nominations for the 2016 FLLS Annual Meeting Awards DUE TODAY!**
[http://www.flls.org/awards/](http://www.flls.org/awards/)

System Updates

**New to the Professional Collection**

*Dealing with People You Can’t Stand by Rick Kirschner*

**Barcode:** A2051909118

Unfortunately, as the world becomes smaller and time more compressed, new difficult people are being made all the time. So Kirschner and Brinkman have updated their global bestseller to help you wring positive results from even the most twisted interactions you’re likely to experience today.

Learn how to get things done and get along when you’re dealing with people who have the uncanny ability to sabotage, derail, and interfere with your plans, needs, and wants. Learn how to:

- Use sophisticated listening techniques to unlock the doors to people’s minds, hearts, and deepest needs
- Apply “take-charge” skills that turn conflict into cooperation by reducing the differences between people
- Transform the destructive behavior of Tanks, Snipers, Know-It-Alls, Whiners, Martyrs, Meddlers, and other difficult types of people

Whether you’re dealing with a coworker trying to take credit for your work, a distant family member who knows no personal bounds, or a loud cell phone talker on line at the grocery store, *Dealing with People You Can’t Stand* gives you the tools for bringing out the best in people at their worst.
eContent and Databases

New @ Hoopla

Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Star Trek with Hoopla!
https://www.hoopladigital.com/collections/1624

- The Hoopla website: www.hoopladigital.com
- Hoopla Facebook https://www.facebook.com/hoopladigital/
- Advertising Materials: http://library.hoopladigital.com/helpful-links
- Training: www.youtube.com/user/hoopladigital

Celebrate Women’s Equality Day with Zinio Magazines!

Database Trainings:
www.flls.org/reference/

Hoopla, Zinio and Overdrive Resources:
www.flls.org/econtent/

Upcoming Webinars:
- eLibrary Elementary and Proquest Webinars being offered July 20-August 17
- Gannet News and NOVELNY Webinars being offered July 20-August 17

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.
Member Library Spotlight!

News, Posts, Programs and More!
Have something special to share? Submit your news weekly by 4pm on Thursdays to Amanda at aschiavulli@fls.org.

She’s also trolling your Facebook pages! Make sure to add events so we can share them on our Facebook!

Not quite a member library, but the Friends of the Tompkins County Booksale just had a huge sorting party to get ready for the Fall Sale! Check their Facebook for more information!

Book Discussion with historian Thomas Henry in September at the Seymour Library! Check their website for more information!

Delve into the history, literature, and poetry of “the war to end all wars.”
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/)

**Fair Labor Standards**
Thursday, September 22
9:30-11:30am

**Item Maintenance @ OVID, CORT, WAV, & WEED**
September, October, & November
Check the calendar for dates & times!

**Like, Share and Get Noticed**
Tuesday, October 4, 2016
1:30-3:30pm

**Customer Service and Email Etiquette**
Thursday, December 1
9:30am-11:30am

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**Conferences and Socials**

**Bus to NYLA 2016 in Saratoga**
The Pioneer Library System has partnered with the New York Library Association to charter a bus to the 2016 New York Library Association Conference at Saratoga Springs. Thanks to a subsidy from the New York Library Association, the **cost per round trip bus seat is only $50** plus a small registration fee. Register online by September 15, 2016: [https://nylabussaratoga.eventbrite.com](https://nylabussaratoga.eventbrite.com)

**NYLA Conference and Trade Show Registration is Open**
Check out the pre-conference CE workshops [here](http://www.flls.org/calendar-2/). And register for NYLA [here](http://www.flls.org/calendar-2/). NYLA’s Conference is a great networking opportunity for libraries and library systems of all types.

**ALSC National Institute Virtual Conference 2016**
September 15-17, 2016

**Online Book Discussion: Chasing the North Star**
Tuesday, September 20
Noon-1pm

**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.

**Webinars and Other Trainings**

Click on the titles for the links to the training pages.

**Webjunction’s August Catalog is Up**
[https://www.webjunction.org/find-training/free-events.html](https://www.webjunction.org/find-training/free-events.html)

**To Tag or Not to Tag: RFID at your Library**
Wednesday, August 31, 2016
1pm

**Fostering Innovation and Creativity**
Thursday, September 8, 2016
11:00AM

**Sustainable Thinking for the Future of Libraries**
Thursday, September 8, 2016
2:00pm
**Event password:** Sustain1

**Gear Up for the School Year with GALE**
Thursday, September 15, 2016
3:00PM

**Support Small Business Development at Your Library**
Thursday, September 15, 2016 ♦
3 pm Eastern

**Collaboration Tools**
Monday, September 19, 2016
3:00PM

**Young Adult Journeys**
Monday, September 12
1-1:30pm

**Outcome-Based Evaluation (OBE) training workshop**
September 22-23
Mid York Library System in Utica, New York
Register via [email](mailto:email) and include “OBE workshop” in the subject line.

**Librarians in the 21st Century**
Tuesday, September 27
10am

**What Your Usage Reports Tell You**
Tuesday, October 4, 2016
10:00AM
Around the Interwebs

- Digital Signs (Video)

- Anne of Green Gables is Coming To Netflix

- 10 Ways to Enrich Your Classroom with Primary Sources

- The Library of Things

- Four Steps to a Better Meeting

- Synchronized Shelving (Video)
  - https://www.facebook.com/invlibrary/videos/1268966316447059/

- Publishers Weekly’s Most Anticipated Books of the Fall

- Have llamas in your library? Check out this llama that crashes a wedding!
  - http://mashable.com/2016/08/17/couple-wedding-llama/#71Rz2XJjXgq8

- Why Twitter Disclaimers Like ‘Views Are My Own’ Won’t Save Your Job

- How Trolls Are Ruining the Internet

- ‘Star Wars Reads’ Returns This October

- Old Theater Found Beneath Toys R Us Times Square; The Past Peeks Out
Storytime Rhyme of the Week

Where Should I Live?
Where should I live?
In a castle with towers and a moat?
Or on a river in a houseboat?
A winter igloo made of ice may be just the thing
But what would happen when it turned to spring?
I like tall apartments and houses made of stone.
But I’d also like to live in a blue mobile home.
A cave or a cabin in the woods would give me lots of space
But I guess my home is the best place!

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

Crafts, Kits and Fun Stuff:
- Have you tried our Sleepy Storytime Box yet? It has some great books and activities to get kids ready for bed at an evening storytime!! Check it out today:
  - Barcode: A20515897732
- Gotta Read ‘em All Display
  - Clifford Craft for Kids
  - Lucy is Ready for Library Card Signup Month!

YA Book of the Week:

In the Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents and Five Black Lives by Kenneth Davis

"This well-researched book offers a chronological history of slavery in America and features five enslaved people and the four U.S. presidents who owned them.... A valuable, broad perspective on slavery." —Booklist, starred review

"Compulsively readable . . . A must-have selection."
—School Library Journal, starred review

"The premise of this work is unique, and Davis has a very readable storytelling style.... An important and timely corrective." —Kirkus Reviews
Merging Patron Records
First, determine which library will be the patron’s “home” library. Search for and open this patron record using the patron record Find Tool (F7). Left click on Tools and then select Merge with Patron.

The Patron Merge window will display. The primary record is the one you want to keep. The secondary record is the one that will be merged and subsequently deleted.

Click on the Select record to delete, which will bring up the patron record Find Tool (F7). Search for the patron record you want to merge. Highlight it and press enter on the keyboard.

Click Open Record to verify the information or click on Merge to continue merging.

A confirmation window will display. Click on OK. The records are now merged

The following note will be inserted in the non blocking note field of the merged patron record; “Patron record was merged with D0003256541, on Jan 13 2011 12:41PM. The secondary record has been deleted.”

***After the merge is completed, you must manually remove the duplicate patron block.
To remove a block from a patron’s record in Patron Status:
• Search for the patron with the patron status Find Tool (F6).
• Left click on the General icon;
• Left click on the block you want to delete to highlight it;
• Left click on Delete Block.

A Merging Patron Records document, along with other Polaris documentation, is available online. Click here to access these documents on the protected portion of the website. Contact Jenny or Eric if you need the login information.
Awards and Grants
Click on the titles for the links to the grant pages.

Carnegie Corporation of New York/New York Times I Love My Librarian Award
The Carnegie Corporation of New York/New York Times I Love My Librarian Award program recognizes librarians throughout the United States for exemplary service to their communities. Click above to learn more about the award guidelines and nomination process.

Kids Run The Nation Fund
Deadline: October 1, 2016.
In 2016, a total of $30,000 will be awarded as small grants ranging from $500 to $1,000. Running clubs, events, or other organizations with the IRS 501(c)(3) designation are eligible to apply.

Visit: http://www.flls.org/grants/ for more grant resources.

Question of the Week

LAST WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
On May 9, 2016, President Obama signed a bill into law making this our nation’s national mammal?
The bald eagle has company as a national symbol of America. The bison is now the nation’s national mammal. On May 9, 2016, President Barack Obama signed a bill into law that gives bison that official title. Obama signed the bill after it passed the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate. The new law recognizes the important role that bison have played in American history.

From: http://go-passport.grolier.com/page?tn=/newsnow/feature.php&id=go-n20160617-2&type=0tdn&seq=2

THIS WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
Today, August 26th, is Women’s Equality Day. The observance of this day commemorates the passage of what?

To answer a Question of the Week, please email Amanda (aschiavulli@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**