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From the Director

During the FALCONS meeting on Thursday, our member libraries unanimously voted to approve a common card for our system. Thank you to the directors who have been working on the common card committee over the past year. It is the hope of both the committee and Finger Lakes to have a common card implemented on June 1st of this year. Over the next couple of months we will be working behind the scenes to make sure everything goes smoothly and that everything is in place by June 1st. The common card committee will be meeting again shortly and would love for more members to join and offer their suggestions or help. If you are interested in joining the common card committee, please contact Lisa Carr of the Seymour Library. She can be reached at lcarr@seymourlib.org or 315-252-2571 ext. *14.

Sarah
Reminders:

Barcodes and Labels
If you are requesting barcodes or labels, please contact our Administrative Assistant, Diana Leigh. Diana can be reached by email at dleigh@flls.org or by phone at 607 273 4074 ext. 221. Please keep in mind that Diana works Monday – Thursday when placing your requests.

Bullet Aid Picture Request
For those of you that receive Bullet Aid, Please send Kristi pictures by the end of day Monday February 22: kdownham@flls.org

Annual Reports
Were due February 16th. Please get yours submitted as soon as possible if you haven't already done so.

Advocacy Day
…is fast approaching! If you are planning on going with FLLS, please let Kristi know immediately kdownham@flls.org. We need representatives from Tioga County!!!!

New ILL email
In order to make sure that none of your email correspondence about out-of-system ILLs falls through the cracks while Linda prepares for and after her retirement on 03/04/2016, Rex created the ill@flls.org email account that will go to all of the ILL staff [Deb Geier, Sam Norton, and Linda]. Please use ill@flls.org to request renewals for, ask questions relating to, and report problems about out-of-system ILLs.

Website Hosting Proposal & Pricing Information
At the February FALCONS meeting we discussed the FLLS proposal to host member library websites. The proposal has been posted to our website. We have also added pricing information and details on two-stage implementation plan. Both documents are in PDF format and can be found at the following links:

Doing something fun or innovative? Have a special announcement? Something to share? Let Amanda (aschiavulli@flls.org) know each week by 5pm on Thursday and see it here!

Upcoming FLLS Workshops and Events

**New events added weekly. In chronological order.**

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

**PAC Training with Novelist & Zinio**  
*Wednesday, February 24, 2016*  
9am to 12pm  
*Finger Lakes Library System Conference Room*  

PAC stands for Public Access Catalog, i.e. the digital version of the former card catalog. In addition to searching for and locating items in the system, patrons can log in to their account and access a variety of features. Logging in/out, items out and holds management, saved searches, reading history, fines & fees, and advanced searching will be covered in this session. Intros to the Novelist and Zinio databases will also be included. Registration is required and limited to 10 participants.

**Advocacy Day 2016**  
*Wednesday March 2, 2016*  

Let’s keep the forward momentum going and make it even bigger than last year! If you are planning on joining us March 2nd in Albany, please let Kristi Downham know @ kdownham@flls.org by February 19th

**Annual Summer Reading Meeting 2016**  
*Thursday, March 24th*  
9am-Noon  

On your mark….get set…READ! Come hangout all morning at the Finger Lakes Library System where you will connect with colleagues from around the system, share ideas, and have fun!! Special guests George and Janet from the Community Foundation of Tompkins County will present this year’s Library Grant Cycle Recipients. Amanda has some great new performers lined up along with crafts, exclusive new programming materials and door prizes to make your 2016 Summer Reading Season run effortlessly!
**Windows 8.1 & 10 Training**  
*Wednesday, March 30, 2016  
9am-Noon*  
This training session will cover the basics of the Windows 8.1 and Windows 10 operating systems. A comparison of the two systems will also be included. Registration is required and limited to 10 participants.

**Minecraft Basics**  
*Thursday, April 7, 2016  
9:30am-11:30am*  
Learn how implement a Minecraft program in your library!

Sara Knobel and Drew Montreuil from the Groton Public Library will take participants step-by-step through the process of setting up your server to conducting this inexpensive and remarkably easy program!

We will have 10 laptops available to learn the software. If you want to bring your own laptop, set-up instructions will be emailed to you a week before the class so you can install it beforehand.

**Advocacy Everyday**  
*Thursday, April 21, 2016  
9:30am-11:30am*  
More details to come!

**Check out the Internet: Starting a Hotspot Lending Program**  
*Thursday, June 16, 2016  
9:30am-11:30am*  
Ask and you shall receive! We are bringing CLRC’s "Check Out the Internet: Starting a Hotspot Lending Program" Training Session to Ithaca!  
- Does your library have a parking lot full of patrons using wifi after hours?  
- Are you interested in having a hotspot lending program in your library?  
- Wondering how it all works and (gulp) how much it might cost?  
Join Central New York Library Resources Council (CLRC)’s Research & Development Librarian Matthew Kopel for a session reviewing all of the various ways that your library can get to the bleeding edge of access innovation. This workshop will walk you through the questions to ask vendors, and prepare you to have the answers ready for when your board is ready to fund a hotspot project.

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Webinars, Conferences and Other Training

**New events added weekly. In chronological order.**

**Adult Literacy: Libraries in Action**
February 22, 2016 11:30am-1:00pm
This webinar will familiarize participants with the Adult Literacy through Libraries Action Agenda.
Register

**What’s New in Women’s Fiction**
February 23, 2016 2 PM
Register

**Long Term Care Planning in your 50’s and 60’s –**
Wednesday, February 24, 2016 5:30pm-7:00pm
Long term care planning is an essential part of retirement planning best done when young and healthy with more planning strategies available to protect savings and family from the consequences of a LTC illness. This workshop gives information about planning strategies such as LTC insurance, NYS Partnership plans, chronic illness riders, & more. There is a LTC planning solution for every need and financial situation.

Please refer to the Lifelong Learning Catalog for fees if not shown
www.tclifelong.org
119 W. Court St.
Ithaca, NY 14850
Please call 273-1511 to register
Evening classes are open to the public and walk-ins are welcome

**Diversity, Equity and Access in Libraries: A Webinar**
February 25 12 Noon
Join other SCRLC members for a discussion with Jody Gray, the Director of ALA’s Office for Diversity, Literacy, and Outreach Services (ODLOS) about what ALA does to encourage and ensure diversity, equity, and access for information professionals and information spaces. She will highlight resources available through ODLOS and how you might utilize or contribute to the work. Fee: $10. Register HERE

**2016 Big Talk from Small Libraries**
February 26 8:45am-5:00pm,
Organized by Nebraska Library Commission the Association for Rural & Small Libraries. No Charge but Capacity limited to 1000. Registration Required
Referring Patrons to Reliable Immigration Services and Information
March 4th
10:30 AM
Will offer suggestions about how to refer library patrons who may need immigration information or services to qualified immigration service providers and will cover pervasive immigration scams that regularly victimize immigrants. Register

Computers in Libraries 2016
March 8-10 in Washington, D.C.
http://computersinlibraries.infotoday.com/2016/

Successful Agency Fundraising from A to Z with Mary Beth Bunge
Friday, March 11, 2016
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Fee $120
Borg Warner Conference Room, Tompkins County Public Library
As a board or staff member, you're charged with raising funds for your organization. But where do you start? Grants? Corporate sponsors? Individual Gifts? Events???? This introduction to philanthropy, development and fundraising strategies combines philosophy, real-world examples and hands-on practice that will build your confidence, vocabulary and

Hard Conversations: Interrupting Biased Bigoted Remarks, Stereotypes, and Negative Assumptions at Work with Kirby Edmonds and Laura Branca
Tuesday March 15, 2016
8:45 am - 12:45 pm.
Fee $80. More Information

Book Repair Workshop / Kapco Book Protection
Wednesday March 16th, 2016
Registration 8:30 - 9:00 am
Workshop 9:00 - 12:00 pm
Lunch Provided
Location:
TST BOCES
555 Warren Road
Ithaca, NY 14853
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While prevention is key, Kary Barth will demonstrate quick and easy book repair and preservation techniques for extending the shelf life of general circulating materials. Kary has authored a basic book repair guide and has presented book protection/repair workshops throughout the U.S. This workshop is designed to demonstrate quick and easy techniques. The workshop will address specific, common repairs: re-inserting loose pages, broken spines, torn header caps, ripped and torn pages. Each participant will be provided with a free sample pack of materials and participate in a drawing for a deluxe paperback protection kit valued at $105. Sign up on TST BOCES My Learning Plan.
Patron Driven Weeding  
March 30, 2016  
11am-Noon  
Patron-driven acquisition has become a regular part of the collections development process in many libraries. If we can trust our patrons to provide valuable input on what types of materials belong in the library’s collection, can we trust them to also provide opinions on what should no longer be on our shelves?  
Register: https://www.esln.org/events/webinar-patron-driven-weeding/

Funding Libraries in America: Increasing Your Revenue for 2016 (NEW) Webinar  
Thursday, March 31, 2016.  
2:00pm  
Is your library or library system bracing for yet another budget cut? Does your administration continually have to make decisions about what can be funded, and what cannot? Do great ideas go unrealized because there is no money? Register Today! https://www.grantstation.com/Programs/WebinarOrder/Webinars.aspx?id=445

PLA Conference  
April 5-9, 2019, Denver CO.  
http://www.placonference.org/

ALA Leadership Institute – 2016  
The application process for the 2016 “Leading to the Future” ALA Leadership Institute (August 8-11, Eaglewood Resort, Itasca, Illinois) is now open, with applications accepted through April 15, 2016. The four-day immersive leadership development program for up to 40 mid-career librarians helps future library leaders develop and practice their leadership skills in areas critical to the future of the libraries they lead. The application form as well as details and guidelines are at http://www.ala.org/transforminglibraries/ala-leadership-institute. Applicants may nominate themselves or be nominated by their employer. Participation includes a free one-year membership in LLAMA (Library Leadership and Management Association). Support for the Institute is provided by Innovative Interfaces, Inc.

YSS 2016 Spring Conference  
April 15, 2016  
Desmond Hotel in Albany  
Conference Registration is open so register today: http://bit.ly/2016YSSregistration

Annual LTA Conference  
“Every Library is a Small Library”  
May 6-7, 2016  
Plattsburgh, New York  
http://www.librarytrustees.org

2016 Library of Congress National Book Festival  
Slated for Sept. 24 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C., from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. All programs will be free of charge. http://www.loc.gov/bookfest/
Feature Your Program on the State Library’s Webpage
The New York State Library is updating the “Featured Youth Programs” page (http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/youthsvs/links.htm#featured) under our “Youth Services Program” website. They hope to feature the latest wonderful programs offered by public libraries and public library systems statewide. Please review this page and respond to David Boyle (David.Boyle@nysed.gov) by February 29, 2016 with a link to the program you would like featured for your library.

Ready to Read @ New York State Libraries Facebook Page
Keep up on the latest early childhood research and find out about new fun and educational activities. Visit and “like” the Ready to Read at New York Libraries Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/Ready2ReadNY/). This is a great resource for libraries as well as the parents and caregivers in your communities.

Storytime Rhyme of the Week

The Garden Song
Inch by inch, row by row
Gonna make this garden grow.
All it takes is a rake and a hoe
And a piece of fertile ground.

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Inch by inch, row by row
Someone bless these seeds I sow.
Someone warm them from below
‘Till the rain comes tumbling down.

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

YA Book of the Week:

The Prisoners of Breendonk: Personal Histories from a World War II Concentration Camp by James Deem

From School Library Journal
Gr 8 Up—This title sheds light on the Nazi prison camp Breendonk. Never designated as a concentration camp, Breendonk (an old fort intended to defend Antwerp, Belgium, in World War I) was referred to as a “reception” camp. Regardless of its title, Breendonk held about 3,600 prisoners between 1940 and 1945. Jews, communists, common criminals, and freedom fighters all found themselves subject to incarceration. Life in Breendonk was no different than that in any of the better-known camps. It served as a “feeder” to Mauthausen, Buchenwald, Sachsenhausen, and several other camps. This narrative is told through the lives of various prisoners who lived (and died) there. Liberally illustrated with black-and-white photographs of the camp, its officials, and the prisoners, the book is well written and well organized. Many drawings done by one of the prisoners are also included, and captions add to the content. An afterword concludes the stories of some of the prisoners. VERDICT The overall quality of this volume makes this title about a little-known camp a strong choice.—Eldon Younce, Anthony Public Library, KS

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Awards and Grants

**New opportunities added weekly. In order of due date.**

**Empire State Center for the Book Literacy Award**
With the generous support of David Rubenstein and the Library of Congress, the Empire State Center for the Book is administering a state literacy award program. Libraries in New York are invited to submit nominations from 12/14/15-2/26/16 for this award which will be given to a not-for-profit organization whose literacy project delivers impact through partnership within the New York State library community.
Please contact Ellen Rubin, Literacy Award Coordinator, with any questions at:
ellenbr47@gmail.com
To submit a nomination go to:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CFTB-Lit-Award

**NY Council for the Humanities Vision Grants**
Helps groups brainstorm, research, strategize, and design engaging public humanities programs. Apply for a maximum of $1500 at least 3 months prior to the start of your visioning process.
http://www.nyhumanities.org/grants/vision/

**Documentary Heritage Program**
The New York State Archives is pleased to announce its Documentary Heritage Program (DHP) grants for 2016-2017. The new DHP Grant Guidelines and Application are now available on the NYS Archives website http://www.archives.nysed.gov/grants/grants_dhp.shtml

Postmark deadline is Tuesday, March 1, 2016 for projects to be carried out from July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017.

**2016-2017 Outreach Mini Grants**
It’s that time of year again! Applications are due March 16, 2016 for the 2016-2017 Outreach Mini Grant Cycle! All the information is on our website at http://www.flls.org/outreach/

2016-2017 Outreach Mini Grant Application
2016-2017 Outreach Mini Grant Application Survey Monkey Link

Have a question? Stuck on an idea? Email Amanda at aschiavulli@flls.org

**Library of Congress Now Accepting Applications for the 2016 Literacy Awards**
Deadline Is March 31: Applications are now being accepted for the 2016 Library of Congress Literacy Awards, which are made possible through the generosity of David M. Rubenstein, co-founder and co-CEO of The Carlyle Group. The awards were first conferred in 2013 to support organizations working to promote literacy both in the United States and worldwide. The awards seek to recognize organizations doing exemplary, innovative and easily replicable work over a sustained period of time and to encourage new groups, organizations and individuals to become involved in promoting reading and literacy. The application rules and a downloadable application form may be accessed at Read.gov/literacyawards/. Applications must be received no later than midnight EST on March 31, 2016.

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Around the Interwebs

- New evidence: Easter Island civilization was not destroyed by war:
  - http://arstechnica.com/science/2016/02/new-evidence-easter-island-civilization-was-not-destroyed-by-war/

- From a Helicopter, a Photographer Finds Novel Angles on NYC:

- Action Guide for Re-Envisioning Your Public Library leads you through a variety of strategic activities and provides worksheets that evaluate the current level of support for your library and the resources needed to plan and convene your own community dialogue. When you download the Action Guide, you become a member of The Community where you will have access to information, resources, videos and a discussion group. Through the discussion group, you are encouraged to ask questions and share your processes as you work through the Action Guide as well as ideas and outcomes.
  - http://www.libraryvision.org/download_action_guide

- Child Sex Trafficking in America: A Guide for Parents and Guardians

- February is African American History Month: The Library of Congress, National Archives and Records Administration, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution and United States Holocaust Memorial Museum join in paying tribute to the generations of African Americans who struggled with adversity to achieve full citizenship in American society.
  - http://www.africanamericanhistorymonth.gov/

- Millions of Pregnant Women Put Their Babies at Risk with Alcohol: CDC: Birth defects caused by drinking are totally preventable.

- More Women Killed by Someone They Know in States with High Gun Rates: Reducing firearms might cut killings by family members.

- National Poetry Month: Get Your Free Poster for 2016 Award-winning graphic design artist Debbie Millman has created this year’s official National Poetry Month poster, featuring lines of poetry by some of our greatest poets. Get the 2016 poster for free at
  - Poets.org.
- **NYLA E-Bulletin: February 2016**
  - [http://www.nyla.org/max/4DCGI/ebulletin.html](http://www.nyla.org/max/4DCGI/ebulletin.html)

- **'Obese' May Not Always Equal Unhealthy:** Study: Authors warn against using body size as sole measure of good health, but other experts cite risks of too much weight.

- **Poems to Commemorate Valentine’s Day and Black History Month**
  - [http://academyofamericanpoets.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/y/B45188E95A74197D/E127FD6F33C51CE32C69F821C9DCC086](http://academyofamericanpoets.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/y/B45188E95A74197D/E127FD6F33C51CE32C69F821C9DCC086)

- **'Read for Later' Newsletter:** The Center for the Future of Libraries has launched “Read for Later,” a weekly wrap-up of news and articles to help library professionals think about the future of our collections, spaces, services, partners, and roles in the community.
  - [Subscribe to the newsletter...](#)

- **The Aspen Institute report, Rising to the Challenge: Re-Envisioning Public Libraries**, addresses a renewed vision for the public library, four strategies for success, and action steps for library leaders, policymakers and community partners, and more.
  - [http://www.libraryvision.org/the_report](http://www.libraryvision.org/the_report)

- **Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month: February 2016**
  - [More information](#)

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**Zika Virus**

Quick Bib Reminders!

- Never enter the initial articles a, an, or the into the Quick Bib title – this causes the title to be displayed in a browse search under the initial article instead of the first significant word.

- Filling out the 028 field (publisher number) in a Quick Bib, especially for audiobooks and music recordings, can be helpful in finding a bibliographic record for those items. For music CDs, the publisher number is often found on the spine of the case and on the disc surface as well. An example is “UAE 34732” for a music CD published by United Audio Entertainment (see below, left). For audiobook CDs, the publisher number is often found near the ISBN and/or UPC code and occasionally on the disc surface. Transcribe the number exactly as seen on the item, including letters, numbers, spaces and hyphens. An example is “RHCD 538” for a Random House audiobook (see below, right). If a publisher number cannot be found, please add “none” to the field.

- Paw Prints bindings and Turtleback Books bindings have their own ISBNs merely because of the binding. When creating Quick Bibs, add both the special binding ISBN (located on the back cover) as well as the ISBN found within the book (located on the verso, i.e. back of the title page).

Please don’t hesitate to contact Rex (x240, rhelwig@flls.org), Deb (x233, dgeier@flls.org), or Jenny (x236, jclark@flls.org) with questions about Quick Bibs!

Don’t forget about the training videos: http://www.flls.org/computer-network-services/
Zinio and Databases

FLLS/Zinio Landing Page https://www.rbdigital.com/fingerlakesny
Download the Zinio Brochure; it and other system brochures can be found at www.flls.org > Resources > Brochures

Zinio Flyer from Recorded Books: Zinio Account Setup Flyer (can be customized)

Adventure Anyone??

DATABASE UPDATES
NovelList News February 2016 features articles about Guilty (?) Reading Pleasures for Fans of Making a Murderer, Black History Month Carousel Takeover, Fandom, Fanfiction, & Readers’ Advisory http://www.libraryaware.com/14/NewsletterIssues/ViewIssue/8dc3b3f7-df92-4644-9fc4-ebc24b6c594e?postId=0b2a7ed6-ec9c-41cf-b0f6-4ff60ee733e4

DATABASE TRAINING - WEBINARS:
Business Insights: Essentials 4/5 – 10 AM
EBSCOhost Advanced 2/23 – 5 PM
EBSCOhost Advanced 3/9 – 1 PM
EBSCOhost Basics 2/25 – 12 PM
EBSCOhost Basics 3/10 – 1 PM
EBSCOhost Basics 3/21 – 5 PM
eLibrary Elementary 2/22 – 4:30 PM
Gannett Newspapers 2/24 – 4 PM
Gale Resources: Tips & Tricks 5/20 - 10 AM
Gear Up for Research Papers & Projects 3/10 – 3 PM
Grolier Online 3/15 - 12 PM
Grolier Online 4/14 - 3 PM
Grolier Online 5/17 – 1 PM
Literary Reference Center 2/23 – 11 AM
My EBSCOhost Folder 2/23 – 12 PM
My EBSCOhost Folder 3/10 – 3 PM
NOVEList for Readers' Advisory 3/24 – 11 AM
NOVEList: Tools for Librarians 3/30 – 11 AM

Grolier Online Webinars
Blending Scholastic GO with Common Core, etc. 2/25 - 3:30pm
Event password: snow  Call in number: 1-866-422-5206  Participant code: 6183780556

Beyond the Intro to GO 3/3 - 3:00pm
Event password: snow  Call in number: 1-866-422-5206  Participant code: 6183780556

Blending Scholastic GO with Common Core, etc. 3/24 - 3:30pm
Event password: snow  Call in number: 1-866-422-5206  Participant code: 6183780556

Beyond the Intro to GO 4/7 - 3:00pm
Event password: spring  Call in number: 1-866-422-5206  Participant code: 2238180846

Blending Scholastic GO with Common Core, etc. 4/28 - 3:30pm
Event password: spring  Call in number: 1-866-422-5206  Participant code: 6183780556

Online Tutorials

Build Your Skills: An archive of some of our NoveList's most popular webcasts and videos. Topics available include Reading Advisory makeover, Creating Engaging Book Displays, Readers Advisory for Kids, and beyond Books Displays. Link to Archive

OTHER TRAINING

WebJunction Course Catalog Sign up for free self-paced courses and webinars in such areas as customer service, advocacy & outreach, library management, technology, marketing, social media and more. You will need to create an account. http://learn.webjunction.org/

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 including 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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LAST WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What state became the 14th state of the U.S.A. on Mar. 4, 1791, after having existed as an independent republic for 14 years? Vermont became the 14th U.S. state on March 4, 1791.


THIS WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

When was the song “Happy Birthday to You” first published?

To answer a Question of the Week, please email Amanda (aschiavulli@fls.org) or Linda (LBeins@fls.org) with “Question of the Week” in the Subject. Please include your source.

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