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Reminders

2018 Summer Reading Manuals
By the end of the week, each library will be receiving a USB Drive that contains your 2018 Summer Reading Manual. Just like last year, you will NOT be receiving a hard copy of the manual. Do not lose this! You will only get ONE. I have ONE hard copy of the manual that I will have cataloged soon. Please be considerate of other libraries in the system should you choose to place a hold on it.

Facebook Events
Posted an event of Facebook and we haven’t shared it yet? Facebook’s algorithm does not always work the way we want so we may have missed it! Let Amanda know when you post an event and we will be sure to get it linked up.

International Games Week
...Is NEXT WEEK! Is your library on the map? [http://games.ala.org/international-games-week/](http://games.ala.org/international-games-week/)
From The Director

On Friday, October 27, I’ll be back at the Seneca Falls Country Club for the South Central Regional Library Council’s 51st Annual Meeting. I’m currently the Board President of SCRLC and will be leading the business meeting portion of their Annual Meeting. This past year, SCRLC has completed a host of projects, including granting RBDB grants to organizations such as the Corning Museum of Glass and Wells College, to hosting their first ever Social Justice Summit this summer in Binghamton which many of our library directors attended. SCRLC has also worked hard on updating policies of a wide range, including a new and improved diversity statement. Resource sharing subsidies have been granted to libraries providing ILL services, and Finger Lakes was the happy recipient of one of these subsidies which has helped offset our hefty ILL shipping budget.

This year’s Annual Meeting is celebrating 100 years of women’s suffrage. Dr. Sally Roesch Wagner will be starting the meeting with her talk, “Women Voted in New York – Before Columbus”, explaining how Haudenosaunee (traditional Iroquois) women had this authority, and more, since long before Christopher Columbus came to America. Susan Goodier will then speak about the reasons it took three generations of women activists more than 70 years to win the right to vote in her talk, “Why Did it Take so Long for Women to Win the Right to Vote?”

Our regional library council provides our member libraries with things such as database access, digitization help, and continuing education opportunities in a wide variety of subjects. SCRLC’s Board is made up of academic, special, school library system, public library system librarians, as well as two board seats reserved for non-librarians. The Board is a great Board to work with and more importantly we have fun and think creatively with each other at our Board meetings. I’m happy to have served as the Board President the last year and a half and look forward to my continued work with South Central.

Next week I will be out of the office at the end of the week attending the Library Journal Directors’ Summit in Philadelphia along with some of our member library directors and department heads. This year’s conference will focus on the library’s role in civic reinvention and the new face of public engagement. I’m excited to hear Carla Hayden speak and to tour some of Philadelphia’s newest branches. Be sure to check our social media accounts next week where I will be posting photos!

Sarah
Have something to share? Get it to Amanda by 9am Friday to have it featured in the Weekly Bulletin!
Scam of the Week

There is breaking news about a new fast-spreading ransomware strain called Bad Rabbit, which is a "new and improved" NotPetya version 2.0, and likely is again from the North Koreans. This is a developing story, and I sent an initial email about this last night. There is more data available this morning. This blog post is being updated close to real time. Please forward to your friends: https://blog.knowbe4.com/worldwide-bad-rabbit-ransomware-outbreak-starts-with-social-engineering

Bad Rabbit uses Mimikatz to extract credentials from the local computer's memory, and along with a list of hard-coded credentials, it tries to access servers and workstations on the same network via SMB and WebDAV. As opposed to some public claims, it does not use the EternalBlue vulnerability like the NotPetya outbreak. The hardcoded creds are hidden inside the code and include predictable usernames such as root, guest and administrator, and passwords straight out of a worst passwords list. You might want to scan your AD for weak passwords with KnowBe4's complimentary Weak Password Test tool. Link at the blog.

U.S. warns about phishing attacks on nuclear, energy, aviation, water, and manufacturing industries

The U.S. government issued a rare public warning that sophisticated hackers are targeting energy and industrial firms, the latest sign that cyber attacks present an increasing threat to the power industry and other public infrastructure. The Department of Homeland Security and Federal Bureau of Investigation warned in a report distributed by email late on Friday that the nuclear, energy, aviation, water and critical manufacturing industries have been targeted along with government entities in attacks dating back to at least May. The agencies warned that hackers had succeeded in compromising some targeted networks, but did not identify specific victims or describe any cases of sabotage. The objective of the attackers is to compromise organizational networks with spear phishing attacks with malicious attachments and tainted websites to obtain credentials for accessing computer networks of their targets, the report said.

U.S. authorities have been monitoring the activity for months, which they initially detailed in a confidential June report first reported by Reuters. That document, which was privately distributed to firms at risk of attacks, described a narrower set of activity focusing on the nuclear, energy and critical manufacturing sectors. Department of Homeland Security spokesman Scott McConnell declined to elaborate on the information in the report or say what prompted the government to go public with the information at this time. "The technical alert provides recommendations to prevent and mitigate malicious cyber activity targeting multiple sectors and reiterated our commitment to remain vigilant for new threats," he said. The FBI declined to comment on the report, which security researchers said described an escalation in targeting of infrastructure in Europe and the United States that had been described in recent reports from private firms, including Symantec Corp. "This is very aggressive activity," said Robert Lee, an expert in securing industrial networks. Dragos is also monitoring other groups targeting infrastructure that appear to be aligned with China, Iran, North Korea, he said. The hacking described in the government report is unlikely to result in dramatic attacks in the near term, Lee said, but he added that it is still troubling: "We don’t want our adversaries learning enough to be able to do things that are disruptive later." The report said that hackers have succeeded in infiltrating some targets, including at least one energy generator, and conducting reconnaissance on their networks. It was accompanied by six technical documents describing malware used in the attacks. Homeland Security “has confidence that this campaign is still ongoing and threat actors are actively pursuing their objectives over a long-term campaign,” the report said.

FLLS Security and Training Offer

I have a subscription with a company called KnowBe4 to train and test users on online security and phishing threats that I am currently using for FLLS staff. I have 35 unused user accounts that I will make available to member libraries if you’re interested and would like to make at least one account available to each library. What I need is a response from the library Director that they would like to participate and the email address they want subscribed (additional accounts may be available based on member participation). Once I receive this from the libraries that want to participate, I’ll initiate the user account which will require you to accept and take a 25 minute online interactive training webinar on how to identify emails that are a potential security risk. Your responses will determine what additional training you may or may not need. The next part of this ongoing training is email phishing campaigns that I initiate that will send periodic random phishing emails to test you on your susceptibility to these types of attacks. The goal is not punitive but rather to teach you what to look out for and give you instant and constructive feedback when you click on something that could potentially be dangerous to the security of your personal information or your network and computer. It is a dangerous cyber world we live in and you are the last line of defense for your personal information and your library computers and network. Please email me at rhelwig@flls.org and put “KnowBe4” in the Subject if you would like to enroll your library. If you would like more than one email enrolled include those too in case there are extra accounts available (list the one you definitely want enrolled first).
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/)

**FALCONS**
Thursday, November 16, 2017
9:30am - 11:30am

**Grant Writing Workshop**
Thursday, November 30, 2017
1:00pm - 3:00pm

**Connecting the Dots: Community Library Connections**
Thursday, December 7, 2017
9:30am - 11:30am

**Youth Services Advisory Meeting**
Thursday, December 14, 2017
1:00pm - 3:00pm

**Annual Summer Reading Workshop**
Thursday, March 15, 2018
9:00am - 12:00pm

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**Webinars**

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

**5 Ways to Transform Your Library**
Thursday, November 2, 2017 @ 2pm
Find out what happens when libraries stop asking people what they want to see from their libraries and start asking them about their aspirations for their community.

**NOVELNY: Discover STEM Resources**
November 15, 2017 @ 3:00pm
Learn about the STEM initiative and how Britannica can support you to: motivate students to learn deeply and think critically; emphasize real-world application of key concepts; build problem-solving, logical-reasoning, research and inquiry skills; and encourage collaboration.

**Free Tools for Digital Preservation**
Wednesday, November 29, 2017 @ 2pm
This session will provide an introduction to tools that can be used to manage digital files in a cultural heritage institution.

**NOVELNY: Britannica for Teens: Public Libraries**
December 5, 2017 @ 3:00pm
In this hands-on session, learn about how to use Britannica School to ignite inquiry and promote self-directed learning. We’ll explore ideas and strategies to uncover content, engage reluctant readers and provide support to ALL users.

**Collection Management Policies**
Thursday, December 14, 2017 @ 10am
Having essential policies and procedures in place is crucial for a properly functioning and thriving collection. This webinar will focus on one of these, the Collection Management Policy (CMP). Actually a series of various shorter policies, it assists in the governing, planning, and maintenance of collections. The components of a CMP will be covered, including mission statement, collection vision, collecting scope, acquisition policies, accessioning and deaccessioning policies, and loan policies.

**NOVELNY: Straight from the Horse’s Mouth: Explore Past Events with Firsthand Accounts**
December 15, 2017 @ 3:00pm
In this hands-on session, learn about how to use Britannica School to ignite inquiry and promote self-directed learning. We’ll explore ideas and strategies to uncover content, engage reluctant readers, and provide support to ALL users.

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**Conferences, Outside Trainings and Fun Stuff**

**International Games Week**
October 29-November 4

**SLUSH at Argos**
Tuesday, November 7, 2017 @ 5:30pm

**NYLA Annual Conference**
November 8-11, 2017
Registration now OPEN

Save the Date! 2018 NYLA-YSS Conference
Friday, April 13, 2018

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- Convening Community Conversations
- Free Photo Editing Tools for Your Library
- 5 Tips for Getting Your Library Renovation Projects Funded
- Libraries as Vibrant Community Hubs
- Get Into Learning Mode for Better Library Leadership | Leading from the Library
- Scary Story Webguide from Library of Congress
- More Services but Less Funding
- Stereotypes and Halloween
- Phone Games for Readers
- 3 Ways to Deal with Passive Aggressive People.
- Twitter Attacks Reporter Who Slams Libraries (Warning: Multiple F’ Bombs)
- I’m a librarian in Puerto Rico, and this is my Hurricane Maria survival story
- The Important Emotional Labor of Librarians Most People Never Think About
- Libraries are as relevant as ever
- The most beautiful libraries in the world

Professional Collection Highlight

A Parent’s Guide to Reading with Your Young Child by Susan Neuman

A simple and effective guide to maximize reading time with your child! Respected author and educator Susan B. Neuman addresses the importance of reading aloud to young children. This guide is a simple and informative support system that gives parents academically sound advice on how and what to read to their children from birth to age five.

Place a Hold TODAY: A20519406664
Storytime Rhyme of the Week

The Goblin In the Dark
Sing to: "Farmer in the Dell."

The goblin in the dark, The goblin in the dark,
Hi, Ho it's Halloween, the goblin in the dark!  
The goblin takes the ghost, The goblin takes the ghost,
Hi, Ho it's Halloween, the goblin takes the ghost!
The ghost takes the witch, The ghost takes the witch,
Hi, Ho it's Halloween, the ghost takes the witch!
The witch takes the cat, The witch takes the cat,
Hi, Ho it's Halloween, the cat takes the cat!
The cat takes the bat, The cat takes the bat,
Hi, Ho it's Halloween, the cat takes the bat!
The bat stands alone, The bat stands alone,
Hi, Ho on Halloween, the bat stands alone!

Collection Highlight:

Order some Last Minute Board Games for International Games Week Next Week! Search Call Number Board Game in Polaris for our complete collection!

Youth Links

- Best Apps for Teaching and Learning
- Fun Anti Halloween Activities for Kids
- Make Some Ornaments with Temporary Tattoos
- Download Some Great Die Cut Plans for Winter

YA Book of the Week:

*When I was a turkey* by Joe Hutto

After a local farmer left a bowl of wild turkey eggs on Joe Hutto’s front porch, his life was forever changed. Hutto incubated the eggs and waited for them to hatch. Deep in the wilds of Florida’s Flatlands, Hutto spent each day living as a turkey mother, taking on the full-time job of raising sixteen turkey chicks. For two years, Hutto dutifully cared for his family, roosting with them, taking them foraging, and immersing himself in their world. In return, they taught him how to see the world through their eyes. Here is the remarkable true story of a man with a singular gift to connect with nature.

SLJ Starred 9.2017
Polaris Tip of the Week

Placing Multiple Holds for Book Club: You can place multiple holds for the same patron by holding down the control (Ctrl) key and selecting more than one record at a time. This is a quick and easy way to place holds for the facilitator of a book club.

1. Use Patron Status (F6) or Patron Records (F7) to locate the correct patron, open their status or record, and click on the Place Hold icon.
2. Click on the Find button located next to the Title field in the Details section of the Hold Request workform.
3. Using the Find Tool, switch the “Object” to Item Records. Then search for a specific title.
4. Next, select some records. Press and hold down on the Ctrl key on the keyboard, while clicking on several records from the results screen. This highlights specific records you want to place on hold.
5. When your chosen records are highlighted, let go of the Ctrl key and press the Enter key on the keyboard.
6. All selected records will now be added to the Hold Request workform.
7. Finally, click the Save button and the holds will appear on the patron’s account.

Thank you to Mandi and Lesley at Coburn Free Library for the tip!
Awards, Contests and Grants

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

**NYS Kids Safe Online Poster Contest**
Deadline: December 1, 2017
The goal of the contest is to engage young people in thinking about cyber security through the creation of posters that will encourage their peers to use the Internet safely and securely.

**PLA 2018 Service Awards**
Deadline: December 4, 2017

**2017-2018 Family Literacy Mini Grant**
Deadline: December 15, 2017
For early literacy initiatives for the 33 FLLS member libraries.

**Community Foundation of Tompkins County Library Grants (Rosen)**
Deadline: January 2018
It’s never too early to start planning for your Community Foundation Library Grant! Contact Amanda with questions.

**Build-A-Bear Literacy and Education Grants**
Opens in January

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**Question of the Week**

**LAST WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:**

What are signs of a bedbug infestation? What can you do to try and prevent one at your library?

Signs of bedbugs can be seen in library furniture and in books when returned. When choosing furniture for your library, it should not be made of cloth. It is important to balance the rights of a patron to use the library while ensuring the protection of the library materials, facility, staff and library visitors. This may include suspending privileges of patrons who are known to be returning infested items or carrying the pests in with them.

**Bed Bug Resources:**
Bed Bug Infestation PowerPoint
Kentucky Bedbug Procedure
NYLA eBulletin
Documents from the Connecticut State Library

**THIS WEEK’S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:** What Are Saturn’s Rings Made Of?

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

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