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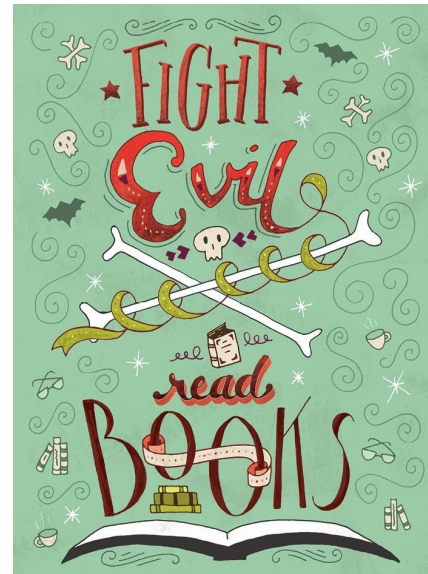
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Reminders

New Polaris Item Maintenance regional training sessions have been scheduled in March, April, & May. Those in need of a refresher and newbies are both welcome! Please note that unless a staff member has received proper training, they should not be entering items into Polaris! Contact jshonk@fls.org with questions.

Sexual Harassment trainings for supervisors will be held on May 28 and training for employees will be held on May 30. Contact kdownham@fls.org with questions.

To register for any of these trainings, visit www.fls.org/calendar-2/.

Links to Make You Think



[This is the Smallest lovely Library in Italy](#)

[Palaces for the People](#)

[The Bay Area's Roaming Musical Instrument Lending Library](#)

[Teacher Reads Books Every Night on Facebook to Make Sure Students Have a Bedtime Story](#)

From The Director



We have had a busy two weeks at FLLS and I would like to share some updates:

Summer Reading System Meeting – On Thursday, March 14th, FLLS held our annual summer reading preparation system meeting. This is always our largest system meeting besides our Annual Meeting in the fall. Over 40 attendees from our member libraries and performers showcasing their summer reading programs joined Member Services Librarian Nora Burrows to get ready for Summer 2019 “A Universe of Stories”. We had space themed

crafts, snacks, a storywalk throughout our building, a scavenger hunt, raffles and more to fill our morning. Two of our performers also brought animals, including an Angora rabbit, two chickens, a python, and making his first public outing, an American crow named Russell. Our member libraries also celebrated the announcement of the Community Foundation of Tompkins County’s library grant cycle. 22 of our member libraries were granted \$182,365 to promote a lifelong love of reading and learning by encouraging youth to develop habits of regular library use.

State Budget and Advocacy Efforts – Last week saw the release of the “one house” budgets. Here is the information from NYLA:

Assembly

- State Library Aid: +\$5M over Governor’s Executive Budget – total of \$96.62M, which would restore the Governor’s cut.
- State Library Construction Aid: +\$20M over Governor’s Executive Budget – total of \$34M
- 2020 Census Funding: \$40M for 2020 Census Activities, including language including public libraries

Senate

- State Library Aid: +\$6M over Governor’s Executive Budget – total of \$97.627M, which would restore the Governor’s cut and **ADD \$1M in funding**
- State Library Construction Aid: +\$20M over Governor’s Executive Budget – total of \$34M
- 2020 Census Funding: \$40M for 2020 Census Activities

While it looks like State Library Aid might see a small increase of \$1 million and that State Library Construction Aid should be restored to last year’s funding, we still don’t know what the 2020 Census Funding looks like for libraries. The \$40 million is for organizations working on the Census, which includes libraries, but it does not specifically state how much will be going to libraries for these efforts.

Advocacy efforts are still needed before the State Budget is passed in early April. It is not too late to take part in NYLA’s advocacy email campaign, to call your local elected officials, or to make in person visits to your elected officials.

School Ballot Referendums – FLLS is doing the most work we have ever done helping our libraries with school ballot referendums this May. We have many libraries asking for larger than normal increases, and are also seeing libraries who typically don’t ask for steady increases that are asking this year. If you have any questions about library referendums, marketing tips, or help constructing infographics for your campaign, please contact me or Nora Burrows by phone or email. We are always here to help and also provide services such as sample wording, help with the public referendum meetings, and can attend village/town/county/school board meetings with you.

Have a fantastic weekend!
Sarah



Member Library News

Thank you for coming to the Summer Planning Meeting!
We hope you had as much fun as we did!!



Have something to share? Please send submissions to Jenny
by 9am on April 4 to be featured in the Bulletin!



Scam Alert!

New Sextortion Attacks Take a Dark Turn and Infect People With GandCrab Ransomware

Our friends at Proofpoint reported that recently employees in the United States have been bombarded by a spam attack that pushed a double-whammy of a sextortion attempt combined with a possible ransomware infection.

Starting around May 2018, there have been a number of attack waves pushing different versions of sextortion threats.

There have been sextortion scams where the criminals claimed they were from China, where the hackers claimed they intercepted a user's computer cache data, where the hackers claimed to have hacked all of a victim's online accounts, where crooks claimed they hacked the victim's phone, or where crooks claimed to have recorded the user via his webcam while visiting adult sites.

These themes vary almost on a weekly basis, as scammers professionally test different themes and tactics to determine the best ROI. And they've been making money hand over fist.

Recently, sextortion scams took another dangerous turn. Security researchers at Proofpoint blogged they've seen a variation of a sextortion scam campaign that included a download link at the bottom of the blackmail message.

The scammers claim they hijacked the users camera and have a video of the user while visiting adult sites, and they urged the user to access the link and see for themselves. But Proofpoint says that instead of a video, users received a ZIP file with a set of malicious files inside.

Users who downloaded and ran these files would be infected by the AZORult malware, which would immediately download and install the GandCrab ransomware. Even if the user had no intention of paying the sextortion demand, curious users would still end up being held for ransom if they were careless enough to follow the link and ran the files they received.

You should warn your users to delete these emails.

For more information:

<https://blog.knowbe4.com/scam-of-the-week-new-sextortion-attacks-take-a-dark-turn-and-infect-people-with-gandcrab-ransomware>



Webinars, Workshops, & Events

FLLS Events

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

Polaris Item Maintenance Refresher

3/27 @ FLLS 4/15 @ SENF

4/24 @ WEED 5/7 @ MCGR

5/20 @ WAV

All Polaris sessions will run from 9am-12pm

Inspiring Sensory Play

Thursday, May 2

10:00am-12:00pm

Falcons Meeting

Thursday, May 16

9:30am-11:30am

Sexual Harassment Training

Tuesday, May 28 for Supervisors

Thursday, May 30 for Employees

Both sessions will be held @ FLLS

Conferences & Outside Trainings

School Library Journal: Middle Grade Magic Virtual Summit

March 27, 10:00am-4:00pm, Online

Join School Library Journal for our inaugural Middle Grade Magic virtual summit, a day-long celebration and exploration of one of the burgeoning and most important – areas of publishing for young readers: literature for children ages eight through 12 – and beyond! Attendees will get a behind-the-scenes glimpse at some of the most anticipated new titles for kids and tweens, from laugh-out-loud tales to eye-popping graphic novels to enveloping fantasy. Attendees will also have the opportunity to check out the virtual exhibit hall, chat directly with authors, download educational resources, and receive prizes and giveaways.

Middle Grade Magic is a free, completely virtual conference – no traveling, no cost, AND you will be able to earn CE credits for all the webcast sessions you attend. Register now, and we look forward to 'seeing' you on March 27th.

Association for Rural and Small Libraries: ARSL Conference

**September 4-7,
Burlington, VT**

Webinars

Strategic Planning in a Deeply Weird World: The Flexible Roadmap Field Guide Approach **Tuesday, March 26, 3:00pm**

It's a big task to define the library's future over the next three or five years, and strategic planning is becoming less and less effective in a rapidly changing world. The Salt Lake City Public Library (SLCPL) has created a new approach that is flexible, staff-driven, and human-centered. SCLPL's Strategic Roadmap is not a 100-page plan in a binder-on-a-shelf; it's an experiential learning tool that invites all staff to participate in the co-creation of meaningful outcomes and experiences for the community. The Roadmap focuses less on planning and more on building capacity of staff to adopt a human-centered service design mindset and skillset. SCLPL staff are adopting a new perspective, continually experimenting with and adapting spaces, collections, services, programs, and their own roles, to responsively address community needs and aspirations in an ever-changing landscape.

Enhancing Your Summer Programming with Out of This World Family Programs

Tuesday, April 2, 2:00pm

From escape rooms to trivia nights, cooking competitions to outdoor movie nights, learn some tried and true family programming tips for any budget. Over a dozen different ideas will be discussed to hold events that both tie into the summer theme and add a jolt of excitement to the annual panic that is creating a summer programming lineup.

The Power of Small: How Rural Libraries Help Their Communities Thrive

Thursday, April 18, 3:00 pm

All libraries provide vital services to their communities, but libraries that serve small, rural populations have the potential to go beyond providing information and access—they can inject the vitality that will help their communities thrive. Addressing the challenges faced by rural areas may seem daunting to a library with few staff and limited resources, but any tiny library can find more ways to support the needs of their community by thinking strategically and creating new connections with their stakeholders, patrons, and other library staff. Learn how small library director and 2018 Library Journal Mover & Shaker, Allie Stevens, applied the concept of growth mindsets to set her priorities, use resources and volunteers smartly, and avoid burnout as a solo librarian.

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Highlights from the Collection

**Did you see the Storywalk
at the Summer Planning Meeting?**



To order a Storywalk Kit in Polaris, search by **Call Number** for “Storywalk” or search for the barcodes below!

Title	Barcode
<i>Bear and duck</i>	A20519405040
<i>The bear ate your sandwich</i>	A20518673284
<i>Diary of a spider</i>	A20519096613
<i>Even monsters need haircuts</i>	A20518100338
<i>Five little monkeys jumping on the bed</i>	A20519095138
<i>The gingerbread man loose in the school.</i>	A20519405008
<i>I don't want to be a frog</i>	A20518673323
<i>Me...Jane</i>	A20518099935
<i>Moo Who? StoryWalk® Kit</i>	A20519408446
<i>Pipsie, nature detective. The disappearing caterpillar.</i>	A20519410354
<i>Rhyming dust bunnies</i>	A20518099977
<i>The Snatchabook</i>	A20519096655
<i>Summer color!</i>	A20519410150
<i>Summer's vacation</i>	A20518100053
<i>The thing about yetis.</i>	A20519416465
<i>Those darn squirrels</i>	A20518100011



Polaris FAQ

Don't forget to search the catalog first!

Attaching Your Item Record to a Pre-Existing Quick Bib: Before creating a Quick Bib for a new book, check Polaris to see if a Bib record already exists. Go to **Cataloging → Bibliographic Records** or **F12** to bring up the Find Tool. There are two ways to do this, try both for accuracy!

1. **Search by ISBN** and scan the ISBN into the **For** field. Click on **Search** or hit enter on your keyboard. If your scanner does not scan ISBNs correctly, email rhelwig@fls.org.

2. **Search by Title** and enter the title into the **For** field. Click on **Search** or hit enter on your keyboard.

Title	Author	Format	Lin...	Ho...	Publ...	Call Number	Contr...
My magical life	Potter, Harry	Book	1	0			891730

The record displayed is obviously a Quick Bib, identified by the |||| symbol in the Publication date column. This indicates that this is a Quick Bib created by a member library.

If a Quick Bib already exists you should attach your item record to it, as long as the 020 or 024 matches. Double click on the line item to bring up the bibliographic record. You may add your item record to the Quick Bib (or permanent Bibliographic Record) by following steps 12-16 in the Item Maintenance handout.

*FLLS is holding Item Maintenance Refresher training sessions in March, April, & May.
We hope to see you there!*

Register for the training sessions here: www.flls.org/calendar-2/



Awards, Contests, & Grants

Congratulations to **Peck Memorial Library** and **Waterloo Library** for winning scholarships from FLLS to attend the four week Infopeople online class “Maintaining a Safe and Respectful Library: a Customized Plan”.

Library staff face the challenge of providing good customer service, even in the face of difficult interactions. However, feeling - and being - safe at work takes much more than just customer service training. In this course learners will...

- Explore how their library can develop a safe and respectful service environment for visitors and staff
- Review policies and procedures with a goal to build and maintain a welcoming work place
- Complete a *Workplace Audit and Action Plan* that will develop practical plans for improvement

The Pilcrow Foundation: Children’s Book Project

Deadline: April 1 & October 1

The mission of the Pilcrow Foundation is to provide new, quality, hardcover children’s books to rural public libraries across the United States. The Foundation’s Children’s Book Project supports libraries located in a rural area within the 50 United States that have a limited operating budget and an active children’s department. Through the program, a library’s local sponsors can contribute from \$200 to \$400, which the Foundation matches on a 2-to-1 ratio. Thus, a library can receive up to \$1,200 worth of children’s books. The Foundation provides a list of over 500 quality hardcover children’s books from which grant recipients can select books best suited for their community. The Foundation accepts applications from independent rural public libraries and Native American Tribal libraries as well as libraries that are part of a county, regional, or cooperative system. Visit the Foundation’s website for more information about the Children’s Book Project.

Friends of the Tompkins County Public Library Education Grants

Deadline: April 17

The Friends is offering local librarians, library assistants, and future librarians grants to continue their professional education. These grants are available to staff members of libraries (including school libraries) within Tompkins County to partially cover costs of attending professional meetings, workshops, training sessions, and conferences, and to defray the cost of course work. You and your staff members are eligible to apply for such funding. Awards amounts are typically in the several hundreds of dollars. The applicant must provide information about the content of the proposed program, associated costs, and any other available financial support, as well as two letters of recommendation, one from a supervisor. Completed applications should be submitted electronically to edgrants@booksale.org by April 17, 2019. Grant recipients will be informed by April 30, 2019.