



## MEMBER LIBRARY WEEKLY BULLETIN

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### **Staff Out of the Office:**

- Amanda: March 4-10

### **From the Director**

A very big thank you to all of the staff, trustees, and patrons who attended Advocacy Day on Wednesday representing the Finger Lakes Library System. We were joined by a large number of advocates throughout the state all urging our elected officials and Governor Cuomo about the importance of increasing funding to libraries. During our PULISDO meeting on Tuesday in Albany, we learned that while NYLA is hopeful that we will see an increase in library funding, we still need to make our voices heard. Thank you for having your trustees and patrons fill out our postcards and for sharing your library stories with our officials.

I'd also like to personally thank Linda Beins, who is retiring from Finger Lakes on Friday. Linda has worked at FLLS for ten years, and ran our interlibrary loan department, as well as coordinating our virtual reference service, Ask Us 24/7, and our databases. Linda's dedication to library services, especially to interlibrary loan, was apparent and she will be missed.

Sarah



## **Reminders:**

### **Please Respond to the Training Doodle Poll!**

As part of the Ready to Read at New York State Libraries initiative, Amanda has to hold a training before May 17<sup>th</sup> on Strategies for Successful Partnerships and Outreach to Families with Young Children. She would like to do it sometime the week of May 9<sup>th</sup>. With so much going on in the next few weeks, she made the following Doodle Poll to see when would be a good day/time to hold the meeting: <http://doodle.com/poll/4vk2u749hbqb2w44>

Please respond to the Doodle Poll by the end of the day Thursday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

### **CBA Request Form**

We have added a CBA request form to our website that will be available to all member libraries. The form is on the protected section of our website and we will be sending out a second email with login information. The form is for use by member libraries and not for patrons so please don't share the password. Submissions will be sent to Larry Carey and Amy Humber at TCPL as well as staff at FLLS.

### **Ask Us 24/7 Librarians Needed**

Interested in learning about Virtual Reference and participating in Ask Us 24/7? The interface is very easy to learn and training can be done at your convenience. Amanda ([aschiavulli@flls.org](mailto:aschiavulli@flls.org)) will be the point person for trainings so please let her know if you are interested in learning about this valuable and important 21<sup>st</sup> Century Library tool.

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## **Member News**

### **Ithaca City School District Ranked #6 in Teacher Support**

Top Teacher Supporting School Districts in New York are being published. Ithaca City School District was ranked #6 in the state out of 383 total districts reviewed. You can find the rankings for NY here: <http://www.teacher.org/state/new-york/#school-districts>

New York school districts were assessed on several factors which represent how well a school district supports their teachers. Some criteria included: class size, administrator and support staff availability, and student proficiency levels. You can read more on our methodology here: <http://www.teacher.org/school-district-ranking-methodology>

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

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# **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/>

## **Annual Summer Reading Meeting 2016**

*Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>*

*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*

- 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.\*\***

### **“Summer Reading 2016 Playground: Resources for Children and Teens”**

Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

Noon to 1pm, Eastern Time.

The webinar does not require registration, and is free to all who wish to participate. Topics covered will include resources for children and teens on health and nutrition, online health tools, and fun ideas that align with CSLP’s 2016 summer reading theme of “Wellness, Fitness, and Sports.”

Join this summer reading webinar at <https://webmeeting.nih.gov/boost2/> If you are unable to view this webinar on March 8, it can be accessed in the NN/LM MAR webinar archive, which is located at [http://nmlm.gov/mar/training/boost\\_recordings](http://nmlm.gov/mar/training/boost_recordings)

### **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](#).

### **Webinar on STEM Programs in Public Libraries**

The National Center for Interactive Learning at the Science Space Institute announces that a monthly webinar series focusing on preparing libraries for conducting STEM programs in their libraries will begin in the month of March.

The inaugural webinar will be on **March 16th at 1pm Eastern Time**.

To register, please click [here](#) The password to register is "star1"

### **NASA's Solar System Ambassador's: Nationwide Support for Libraries Webinar**

For more than 16 years, Solar System Ambassadors have been communicating the excitement of NASA's space exploration missions and information about recent discoveries to people in their communities. These enthusiastic volunteers seek out a variety of local venues for their programs, with one of their favorites being libraries. Over the years, Ambassadors have conducted 1,697 events at libraries across the country, reaching 132,163 people directly.

There are currently 702 Ambassadors in all 50 states, Washington DC, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands and Guam.

Kay Ferrari, Solar System Ambassador Coordinator, will share how these volunteers can support your library's STEAM activities and where you can find your closest NASA volunteer. Also joining the conversation will be Margaret S. Race, Ph.D, a trained ecologist and astrobiologist working on astrobiology and planetary protection at the SETI institute. She is a longtime Solar System Ambassador, and has served on the Board of Trustees at the Lafayette Library and Learning Center in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Participation will be limited to 100 registrants. Please register ASAP to reserve your spot. We request that those who are able from the same institution use one connection to allow more people to participate.

This webinar will be VoIP only, so you will need to use a laptop, or a desktop computer with a microphone and headset (there will be no call-in option)

### **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!

<http://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>

### **Getting Started: Creating and Sustaining a Friends Group for Your Library**

Plattsburgh Public Library, 19 Oak Street in Plattsburgh,

Saturday, **April 23, 2016, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon**

Open to all interested volunteers, library staff, library trustees, and community members who would like to learn more about establishing and sustaining a Friends group for their public library. **Registration** is required by sending an e-mail to Pat Loughan, President, Friends of the Plattsburgh Public Library [friendsofplib12901@yahoo.com](mailto:friendsofplib12901@yahoo.com). Reservations should be made by Monday, April 18 and attendance is limited to 50 people. Following the workshop, the Friends are offering an optional luncheon at a cost of \$10 per person with further opportunities for networking on Friends topics. Please indicate your interest in the luncheon when registering.

### **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/>

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## **Youth and Outreach Corner**

### **Additional Summer Reader Training Available NOW**

Additional training sessions for Summer Reader will be offered on March 1 and March 15, 2016. Please see the section on Summer Reader Training on the *Summer Reading at New York Libraries*

web site for full information about the sessions and to sign up:

<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/summer/smreader.htm>

All training webinar sessions are one hour long. Webinars will be archived for a limited time after the live presentations. To participate in the live webinar and to view the archived webinar, you will need to register through the given link next to each session listed.

### **New Collection: Video Game Strategy Guides**

Thanks to a generous donation, the Finger Lakes Library System now has a decent sized collection of strategy guides covering a variety of different games. Let Malia ([malia@flls.org](mailto:malia@flls.org)) know if you would like to have some of these guides fill your shelves instead of ours.

### **Exciting News for NYLA Members:**

NYLA members can now add additional Section and Round Table memberships to their existing membership online!

The expiration date for the 'adds' will be the same as for their existing membership.

Once logged in, click 'personal record detail' from the left-hand menu - then click on 'Add Sections / Round Tables' from the list of options.

The online order will be reviewed and the new Section / Round Table will be added to the membership.

We are hopeful that this will increase participation in NYLA's Sections and Roundtables.

### **Storytime Rhyme of the Week**

#### **Little Brown Seed**

I'm a little brown seed  
Rolled up in a ball  
(*Curl up on the floor*)  
I'll wait for rain and sunshine  
To make me big and tall.  
(*Stand and stretch arms up*)

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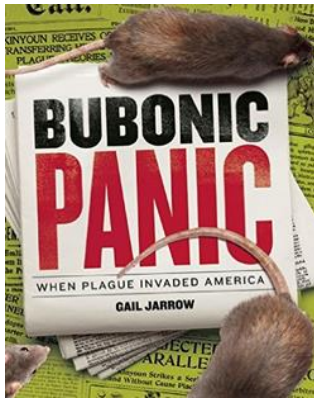
#### **Little Brown Seeds**

Little brown seeds so small and round,  
Are sleeping quietly under ground.  
Down come the raindrops  
sprinkle, sprinkle, sprinkle.  
Out comes the rainbow,  
twinkle, twinkle, twinkle.  
Little brown seeds way down below,  
Up through the earth they grow, grow, grow.  
Little green leaves come one by one.  
They hold up their heads and look at the sun.

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



## YA Book of the Week:



### ***Bubonic Panic: When Plague Invaded America by Gail Jarrow***

In March 1900, San Francisco's health department investigated a strange and horrible death in Chinatown. A man had died of bubonic plague, one of the world's deadliest diseases. But how could that be possible? *Bubonic Panic* tells the true story of America's first plague epidemic—the public health doctors who desperately fought to end it, the political leaders who tried to keep it hidden, and the brave scientists who uncovered the plague's secrets. Once again, acclaimed author and scientific expert Gail Jarrow brings the history of a medical mystery to life in vivid and exciting detail for young readers. This title includes photographs and drawings, a glossary, a timeline, further resources, an author's note, and source notes.

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## **Awards and Grants**

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

### **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/>

### **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](mailto: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/](http://Read.gov/literacyawards/). Applications must be received no later than midnight EST on March 31, 2016.

### **NYLA-YSS Applications are now being accepted for the Ann Gibson Scholarship Award!**

This scholarship is given annually to honor the memory of Ann Gibson, a dynamic and dedicated librarian, storyteller, and teacher, in recognition of her many contributions to the field of youth service librarianship.



Ann's career in Western New York was spent in public libraries and several colleges and universities. As a founding member of the Genesee Storytellers, Gibson provided in-service training in children's literature for librarians and teachers. She was a guiding force in the University of Rochester's annual storytelling conference. Ann was also an active volunteer for local charities involving children with special needs. The Ann Gibson scholarship is a memorial to Ann's passionate abilities to share her love of children's literature and the art of storytelling with thousands of children and adults.

**For more information about scholarship requirements, please refer to the following links:**

[Ann Gibson Scholarship Page](#)

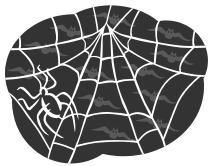
[Ann Gibson Scholarship Requirements](#)

[Ann Gibson Scholarship Application](#)

Scholarship questions? For further information contact:

Michelle Waldenmaier at [Michelle@bplkids.org](mailto:Michelle@bplkids.org)

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## Around the Interwebs

Hubble telescope breaks record, measures most distant galaxy ever seen:

<http://www.cnn.com/2016/03/04/us/farthest-galaxy-ever-seen/index.html>

Family discovers seven Ty Cobb baseball cards worth more than \$1 million:

<http://www.latimes.com/sports/mlb/la-sp-sn-ty-cobb-baseball-cards-discovered-20160302-story.html>

How massive volcanoes gave Mars a makeover: <http://www.cnn.com/2016/03/03/world/volcanoes-mars-irpt/index.html>

This MIT algorithm predicts 'dangerous' waves: <http://www.wired.co.uk/news/archive/2016-02/25/predict-sea-waves-tide>

520-million year old fossilized nervous system is the most detailed example ever found:

<http://www.redorbit.com/news/science/1113412862/520-million-year-old-fossilized-nervous-system-is-the-most-detailed-ever-found-022916/>

Meet Piper, the Airport K-9 Wildlife Control Dog Who Keeps Runways Safe (video & text):

<http://abcnews.go.com/Lifestyle/meet-piper-airport-wildlife-control-dog-runways-safe/story?id=37286003>

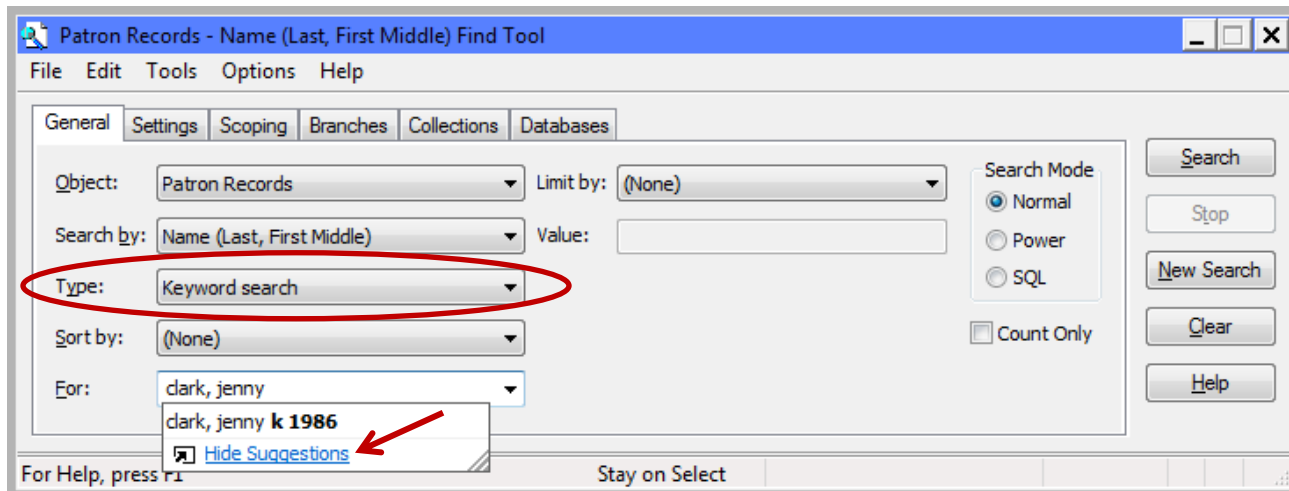
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## Polaris Tip of the Week



**Auto Suggestions:** Search term suggestions may be displayed as you type your search term in the Find Tool **For** box when you select **Keyword search** or **Phrase search** in the **Type** box and search for patron records, item records, or BIB records by any of the following access points: Name (First Middle Last), Name (Last, First Middle), Address, Email address, Title, Author, or Subject.

You can click on a suggestion to launch the search for the suggested term, or ignore the suggestions and continue to type your term. Click **Hide Suggestions** if you do not want to see suggestions during your search session.



Don't forget about the training videos: <http://www.flls.org/computer-network-services/>

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## 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](http://www.flls.org) > Resources > Brochures

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

**To date, 669 patrons have “checked out” 6535 Zinio magazines... but we can do better:**  
**Have you shared information about these Zinio digital magazines with the Youth and Families You Serve?**



American Girl Magazine



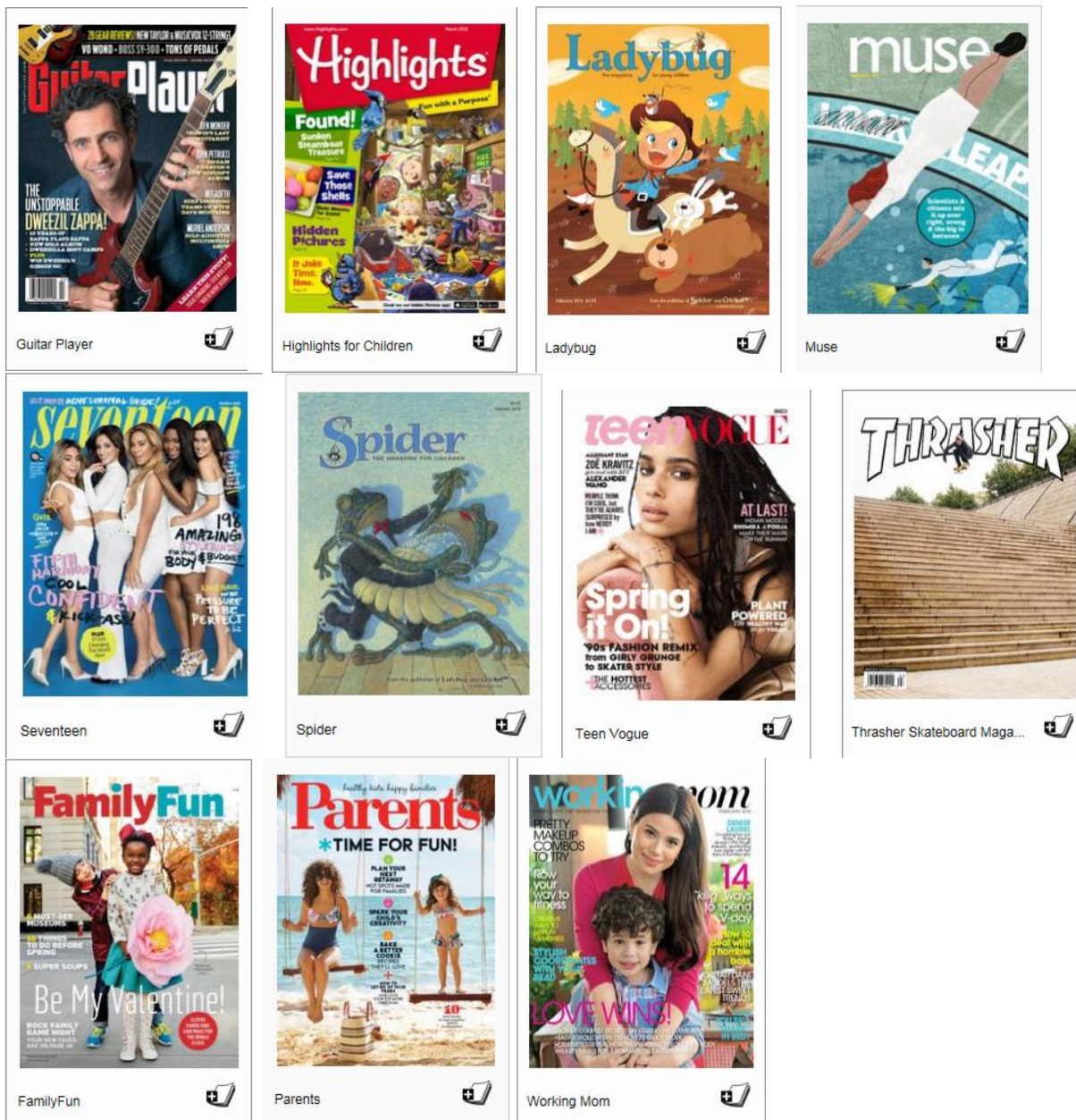
Cicada



Cobblestone



Cricket



Remember: You can be notified when the next issue of your favorite **Zinio** magazine is available. Once you check out the issue – just ☒ Email me when the next issue is available.





## DATABASE UPDATES

### How To Promote Mango Any Day Of The Year:

Tue, March 15, at 2 PM

[Register Now](#)



## DATABASE TRAINING - WEBINARS:

[Business Insights: Essentials](#)

[EBSCOhost Advanced](#)

[EBSCOhost Basics](#)

[EBSCOhost Basics](#)

[Gale Resources: Tips & Tricks](#)

[Gear Up for Research Papers & Projects](#)

[Grolier Online](#)

[Grolier Online](#)

[Grolier Online](#)

[Learning Express](#)

[Learning Express](#)

[Learning Express](#)

[Learning Express](#)

[My EBSCOhost Folder](#)

[NOVEList for Readers' Advisory](#)

[NOVEList: Tools for Librarians](#)

[Opposing Viewpoints in Context](#)

4/5 – 10 AM

3/9 – 1 PM

3/10 – 1 PM

3/21 – 5 PM

5/20 - 10 AM

3/10 – 3 PM

3/15 - 12 PM

4/14 - 3 PM

5/17 – 1 PM

3/8 – 12 PM

3/24 - 2 PM

4/5 – 10 AM

4/19 – 12 PM

3/10 – 3 PM

3/24 – 11 AM

3/25 – 11 AM

3/22 – 1 PM

## Grolier Online Webinars

[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

**Grolier Online** Video Tutorials for [America the Beautiful](#), [Animals of the World](#), [Lands and Peoples](#), [La Nueva Enciclopedia Cumbre](#), and [New Book of Popular Science](#).

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/products/grolier/tutorials.htm>

**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](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](#) 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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## Question of the Week

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

**What waterfall was used as the backdrop for the silent film entitled *The Right of Way*? The “biggest highlight of the picture was the audience reaction to a car plunging 150 feet.”**

“The film was entitled *The Right of Way* and the biggest highlight of the picture was the audience reaction to a car plunging 150 feet down the **Taughannock Falls**. This scene startled the viewers and made for an exciting finish. A dummy was placed in the car just prior to Robert Townley, the driver, having exited the vehicle. Some crewmembers helped shove the car off the precipice. Most of the valuable parts of the car had been stripped including the exhaust and engine before it plunged off the cliff. After the scene was done and filming was completed the wreck was removed and the tires were ordered returned if in usable condition. This was the first car thrown off of a local gorge. But of course this would not be the last time such an event would happen during filming locally.”  
<http://www.ithacamademovies.com/history/>

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

**Liane Moriarty is the author of several books including *Big Little Lies* and *The Husband's Secret*. What is her nationality?**

To answer a Question of the Week, please email Amanda ([aschiavulli@flls.org](mailto: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\*\***

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