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Reminders:

Libraries Transform

What did your library do for #NationalLibraryWeek? Don't forget to visit us on social media to see all our expert photos!

Certificates for Training

Have you attended a training or workshop at FLLS and are counting your time for Continuing Education Credits? Since not everyone needs one, we are trying to save time and paper when you attend a training. If you need a certificate, please let us know!

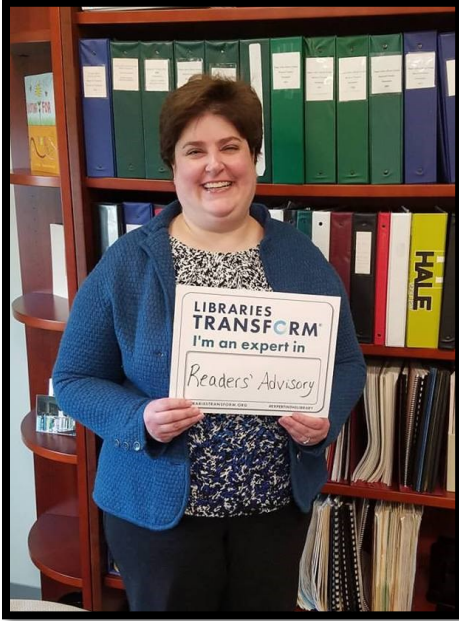
Staff Out of the Office

Eric will be on vacation from **April 10-21, 2017**. During that period, please direct off shift calls to Rex at 607-423-4661.

Friends of TCPL Plus One Winner!

Congratulations to the Peck Memorial Library who will get to choose 100 books at the Friends of TCPL Spring Book Sale! Stay tuned this fall for your next chance to win at Library Day!

From the Director



The New York State 2017 – 2018 was passed late Sunday, April 9th (nine days late). The late budget was a reflection on the difficult fiscal situations at both the state and federal level. State Library Aid remains at \$95.627 million, which reverses the Governor's proposed funding cut of \$4 million. State Library Construction Aid received \$24 million, which is a \$10 million increase that is desperately needed. After a decade of flat funding, it is nice to see that construction aid is finally getting sizeable increases, as so many of our libraries are looking at expansions, additions, or updating their libraries. Thank you so much to everyone who wrote letters or emails, made phone calls to their elected officials, met with their legislators in person, and attended Advocacy Day with us. While it is not the outcome we had hoped for, the advances in construction aid funding will definitely help our members.

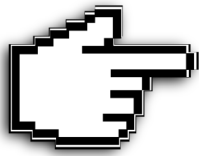
One particular worrisome aspect of the budget however is that the Governor has negotiated the right to make mid-year budget cuts based on federal cuts. It will include a time-based counter proposal from the legislature but that might not be enough time to counteract the Governor's cuts. There is no indication what a mid-year budget cut might look like should it be triggered but we should anticipate possibly having to fight for our budget again mid-year. Nine years ago when budget cuts were looming, the Office of Budget held on to Library Aid for a long time before releasing it, so we should anticipate receiving funding very late again this year.

If you are interested in a trustee education opportunity, The Library Trustee Association, Finger Lakes Library System, Four County Library System, and Southern Tier Library System are holding a Trustees in the Know Workshop on Saturday, May 6 at the Broome County Public Library. This workshop will run from 9:30 – 3:00 and will cover re-thinking library spaces, financial reports, and legal topics such as conflict of interest, board/staff relationships and employment liability.

This event is open to all trustees and directors and is free of charge. If your library is not already a member of the Library Trustee Association, please consider joining today. Dues for library memberships are low compared to other professional membership fees, cover the entire library board and the library director, and entitles all library staff to LTA discounts.

For more information on the workshop, please go to: <http://librarytrustees.org/blog/2017/03/trustees-in-the-know-2/>. To register for the workshop, please go to: <https://librarytrustees.wufoo.com/forms/wm74ic81rkfkd/>. Registration ends on April 28.

Sarah



Digital Services

Meet Libby!

A new app to discover and enjoy thousands of ebooks and audiobooks from your public library and OverDrive.

Inspired by user and library feedback, Libby was designed to get people reading as quickly and seamlessly as possible.

Now, readers are just one tap away from unlocking the power of the written word from the public library.

All you need is a library card to get started.

Libby is designed to make borrowing and enjoying eBooks and audiobooks from your public library easier than ever, through:

- Intuitive navigation
- A streamlined first-time user experience
- A simplified borrowing and downloading process
- One unified bookshelf that automatically displays all of your loans and holds from all of your libraries
- And more!

You can use Libby in place of, or in addition to, the OverDrive app. Of course, you can also continue to use the OverDrive app exclusively if you'd rather not try Libby at this time.

Note: Any eBooks and audiobooks that you borrow through the OverDrive app (or your library's OverDrive website) will show up in Libby.

Who can use Libby?

You can install Libby from [Google Play](#) or the [Apple App Store](#). Libby is currently compatible with:

- Android 4.4 or higher
- iOS 9 or higher

At this time, Libby is only available for public libraries, so you won't be able to use Libby with school, corporate, college, or law libraries.





Webinars Workshops and Events

FLLS Events

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

Trustees in the Know

Saturday, May 6, 2017

Location: Broome County Public Library.

9:30am-3:00pm

This event is open to all trustees and directors and is free of charge.

Register by April 28 at <https://librarytrustees.wufoo.com/forms/wm74ic81rkfkd/>

How to Spot Fake News & Combat it with CRAAP

Thursday, May 11, 2017

9:30am-11am

FALCONS Meeting

Thursday, May 18, 2017

9:30am-11:30am

Conferences, Outside Trainings and Fun Stuff

REAL: Resources and Education for Awesome Librarians

Friday, April 21, 2017

8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Location: Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village, Amherst, NY

MSLIS Student Poster Session

Thursday, April 27, 2017

5:00pm-7:00pm

Bird Library, Syracuse University

National Library Legislative Day (NLLD)

May 1-2, 2017

Washington, DC

Save the Date for ARSL

September 7-9th

This year we are heading to gorgeous St. George, Utah.

New York Archives Conference

June 7-9, 2017

Utica College

Webinars

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

Re-Evaluating Exiting Library Spaces on a Budget

Wednesday, April 19 @ 2:00pm

During this webinar, you'll learn how to take an objective look at your library to reimagine your spaces. Interior designer Stephanie Shook will demonstrate methods for evaluating your existing building and furniture conditions, gathering objective input and creating a new experience and fresh environment for your customers, all in a budget-friendly way.

Scholastic GO! Research Starters

Tuesday, April 25, 2017 @11:30am

Information overload disorder affects everyone. Trying to start research on a topic or attempting to complete a project? Help guide your students and library patrons through the maze of information.

Event Password: Spring

Planning and Conducting Effective Focus Groups

Wednesday, April 26, 2017 @10:00am.

Focus groups provide a method to collect feedback and qualitative data. Focus group participants are asked about their perceptions, opinions, and attitudes through a guided discussion in an interactive setting in order to gain a deeper understanding about programs, services, products, facilities, etc.

You Can Take It with You: "Read-It-Later" Applications to Stay Informed on Your Own Time and Device(s)

Friday, April 26, 2017 10:30 am – 12:00 pm CDT

What tools do we have at our disposal to help capture, organize, manipulate, archive, and share this information? Early bird registration ends April 4.

Planning and Conducting Effective Focus Groups

Wednesday, April 26 @10:00am

Focus groups provide a method to collect feedback and qualitative data. Learn how to use focus groups in order to gain a deeper understanding about programs, services, products, facilities, etc.

Using Project Outcome to Measure and Build a Better Summer Library Program

Thursday, April 27, 2017 @1:00pm

Be able to apply good practices for administering Project Outcome surveys for summer reading and learning programs; Understand potential challenges and identify solutions when administering the Project Outcome Summer Reading surveys; and Know the importance of summer program outcomes from both the public and state library perspectives.

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Around the Interwebs

- [6 Ways to Support Public Libraries from Teen Vogue](#)
- [Reimaging Public Libraries for the Digital Age](#)
- [Smell Test with Fake News](#)
- [ALA Announces 2017 Banned Books Week Theme](#)
- [Ivanka Trump's Tweet About Libraries](#)
- [10 Reasons to Volunteer Teaching English at Your Library](#)
- [Can Librarians Save Us From Fake News?](#)
- [Information Literacy is Dead: The Role of Libraries in a Post-Truth World, Computers in Libraries:](#)
- [Live From the Library](#)
- [Awesome Libraries to See and Visit](#)
- [National Council of Teachers of English Poetry List](#)
- [Worried About Surveillance? Use Your Library](#)



Coupons, Deals and Steals

Free Tote from Demco

Free Book Doctor Tote with book repair supplies.
Offer ends 4/30/17

Use code **WB2752** at checkout

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Youth Corner

Storytime Rhyme of the Week

Traffic Light

(Tune: Twinkle Twinkle Little Star)

Twinkle twinkle traffic light
Standing on the corner bright
Green mean go, we all know
Yellow means wait, even if you're late
Red means stop!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Twinkle twinkle traffic light
Standing on the corner bright

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

Collections, Kits and Fun Stuff

Want to try a StoryWalk® at your library but don't have the time to make it? Don't forget that we have StoryWalk® Kits already made and available to borrow! Search under Call Number "StoryWalk Kit"

- [Celebrate Beverly Cleary's Birthday](#)
- [Why 30 Million Words Are Critical to Your Child's Future](#)
- [22 Diverse Poetry Picture Book for Kids](#)

Free Toys for your Library!

Don't forget to look at www.fils.org/earlyliteracy to find out how you can get some great items for your library! Contact Amanda for more information.



YA Book of the Week:



***Smash!: Exploring the Mysteries of the Universe with the Large Hadron Collider* by Sara Latta**





VOYA April 2017 Highlighted Review

Nick and Sophie, two cousins, are about to visit CERN for a tour of the mysteries of the cosmos. Sophie's a physics wiz. Nick, not so much. But by the time they're through, Nick and Sophie will both feel the power of hidden particles, fundamental forces, dark matter, and more. It's all a blast in this mind-blowing graphic novel!

This story is exceptionally dorky and packed with silly jokes. The book succeeds due to the genuine enthusiasm for the subject matter and shines through each page.

Polaris Tip of the Week

Renewals

- Open the patron's record in **Patron Status (F6)** and select the **Items Out** view. 
- If you are renewing one or multiple items, select the items in the list and click **Renew**. 
- If you are renewing all items, click **Renew All**. 
- To choose a specific date, select the items and click **Special Renew**. 
- The new due dates are displayed and a receipt prints automatically.

Please Note: During renewal, the following messages may appear relating to holds. “This item satisfies a hold...Do you want to hold the item?” The item satisfies a hold request for another patron. You should **NEVER** renew an item if there is a hold against it. “Transfer this item to library for hold?” The item fills a hold request for a patron at another library. You should **NEVER** renew an item if there is a hold against it, especially if that item belongs to another library. Additionally, you should **NEVER** manually renew an Out-of-System ILL. If a patron would like to renew their item, contact the ILL Department (ill@flls.org) with the information and request a renewal. This must be completed at least 3 days before the due date.

DON'T FORGET!

Polaris documentation and One Card info is available on the protected portion of the FLLS website! Click [here](#) to log in and view!
Contact Jenny or Eric if you need the login.

Awards, Contests and Grants

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



Overdrive Digipalooza Scholarship

Deadline: April 15, 2017

Ten winners. Scholarship recipients will receive free registration (a \$199 US value) to OverDrive's user group conference, Digipalooza, August 2-4, 2017 in Cleveland, Ohio.

2017 Banned Books Grants

Deadline: May 12, 2017

Each year FTRF distributes grants to non-profits to support activities that raise awareness of intellectual freedom and censorship issues during the annual Banned Books Weeks celebration (Sept. 24 - 30, 2017). Libraries, schools, universities and community organizations are encouraged to apply. Grants are awarded at two levels: \$1,000 and \$2,500.

Student Research Award

Deadline: July 1, 2017

The award consists of a cash prize and certificate. It encourages students to explore the wealth of historical records found in archives, libraries, and other community organizations throughout New York State. http://www.archives.nysed.gov/grants/grants_student_sraguidelines.shtml

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

Question of the Week

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:



In 2010, what did Pierre-Jean Texier find in Africa? Why was this so interesting?

In 2010 an important find was announced that a team led by Pierre-Jean Texier found a cache of decorated ostrich eggs in layers in South Africa dating from 65,000 to 55,000 years before the present.[1] They had been whole shells, but crushed into fragments over time. These eggs were likely used for storing water, as hunter-gatherers of the Kalahari desert do even today. An interesting find was that the scratched decorations on the eggs changed over time. Earlier eggs had cross-hatched designs that looked like railroad tracks.

From: <http://blogs.loc.gov/folklife/2017/04/decorating-eggs/?locl=eaftb>

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What was in Abraham Lincoln's Pockets on April 14, 1865?

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 or a credible source**