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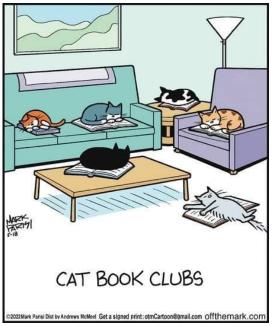
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Friday, July 8, 2022



ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

Whenever your service model changes, please fill out the streamlined online reopening form: <u>www.flls.org/2020reopenpoll/</u>. Visit <u>www.flls.org/member-library-</u><u>service-status/</u> to view each library's quarantine period & hours information.

LINKS TO MAKE YOU THINK

A Life Beyond the Pandemic: Community Responses to Hybrid Programming

Board Book Evolution: No Longer 'Just for Babies'

A Book Lover's Guide To Disability Pride Month

Standing Up to Bullies



Learning Group Facilitation Guide

American Libraries Magazine: Quitting Time & 5 Library Jobs on the Rise

The Armed Attacker: A Rare But Catastrophic Event at the Library?

FROM THE DIRECTOR

I hope everyone is enjoying the start of summer reading, and our nice weather. We have some State updates for you that are important:

Trustee Education Requirement Coming in 2023 - Beginning January 1, 2023, each trustee (elected or appointed) of a public library, association library or Indian Library will be required to complete a minimum of two hours of trustee education annually (<u>Education</u> <u>Law 260-d</u> added by Chapter 468 of the Laws of 2021).



To help all trustees understand and meet the new trustee education requirements, Lauren Moore, Assistant Commissioner for Libraries and State Librarian established a joint New York State Library (NYSL) and Public Library System Directors Organization (PULISDO) Trustee Education Committee. She asked the Committee to create a <u>Frequently Asked</u> <u>Questions</u> document and other supporting materials to help trustees and library directors understand the new law and the new requirements.

The *FAQs* and other materials are now available on the NYSL Division of Library Development webpage in the *New and Updated* section at <u>https://www.nysl.nysed.gov/</u><u>libdev/</u>.

FLLS will be offering more guidance for trustees in the coming months as we prepare for this. If you have any questions, please reach out to me or Heidi Eckerson, FLLS Member Services Librarian at FLLS. FLLS is also preparing to offer more trustee workshops in 2023 that will count toward the trustee education hours. We are committed to making this as easy as possible for trustees to complete each year.

Open Meeting Law Relaxation in Place – If you have a board meeting next week, please remember that The Governor recently signed <u>Executive Order 11.7</u>, "Declaring a Disaster Emergency in the State of New York," which *allows for the extension of online board meetings through July 14th, 2022*. This has been confirmed with the Committee on Open Government. I am hopeful that at the end of next week we will see another relaxation extension, especially with the new variant headlining the news currently. As soon as we see more information, we will share it. In the meantime, please note that you may meet in person, hybrid, or virtually.

NYLA Intellectual Freedom Committee Working Group – I have been appointed to a NYLA working group focusing on current Intellectual Freedom issues. Our first meeting was Tuesday of this week, and the committee is made up of academic, school library system, regional library council and public library system directors throughout the State. Our goal is to create a website with the intention of raising public awareness to intellectual freedom issues in libraries around the State (including book challenges, program challenges, first amendment audits, etc.) and to provide support and resources for library workers. I will be updating you as our committee works on this important project.

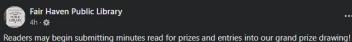
I hope you have a relaxing weekend!

Sarah



MEMBER LIBRARY NEWS

Summer Reading Around the Finger Lakes!



'Cap'n Dave's Magic Treasure Hunt' Monday July 18, 2022 at 6:30 pm at the Fair Haven Public Library

Ahoy, mateys! Cap'n Dave has lost his treasure somewhere at the Fair Haven Public Library and, to find it, he'll need your help – and a bit of magic! Join David Moreland, aka 'The Great & Powerful Dave' for this 45-minute show packed with

magic, mystery, comedy, puppets, and audience participation. The show is targeted toward ages 4–10, but all are welcome! Interlaken Public Library Yesterday at 12:35 PM · 😚

It's Take-and-Make day!

Stop in and pick up this fine art, fine motor "Mosaic Sticker Scene" craft while supplies last. #oceansofpossibilities2022 #summerreading

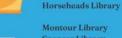


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Do you have something to share? Please email <u>jshonk@flls.org</u>!



SCAM ALERT!

!!Security Warning!!

Today, Eric is going to a library to remove their compromised Circulation computer and install a loaner because they allowed a third party to remote into their computer. This all started when they wanted to return a defective item to Amazon. Instead of typing in Amazon.com in the browser they did a Google search for Amazon and selected a malicious link to a non-Amazon third party which requested bank account numbers and remote access to the staff computer.

This is the very scenario these criminals prey on and what we have been warning everyone about in every bi-weekly bulletin for several years. The criminals were given the library bank account numbers and given remote control access to the staff computer where they immediately installed a key logger so by the time they realized their mistake it was too late. When staff changed the Amazon account password, the criminals saw it and everything else that was typed into the computer keyboard and charges were already made against the bank account.

This is what wakes me up at night because not only was the library Circulation computer completely compromised and possibly other computers on the local network, they also put FLLS at risk. Fortunately, because of the way we have access to the Polaris Remote Desktop server configured, we escaped being compromised and that staff will have to change their password before they will have access to FLLS. Unfortunately your library security and ours is dependent on the weakest link amongst us.

Anytime someone asks for your bank account, credit card numbers and/or remote access to yours or the library computers STOP! This should be setting off major alarms. Please, Please think before you click!

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ONLINE LEARNING



Upcoming Webinars

Weed 'Em and Reap: Getting Your Collection from Awful to Awesome (WebJunction)

Thursday, July 14, 3:00pm

Reap the benefits of a well-weeded collection! This session will discuss the life cycle of a collection, including weeding techniques, collection management policies, and how to motivate reluctant weeders. Join co -authors of the popular blog Awful Library Books to learn their holistic approach to collection management as they help all types and sizes of libraries find the joy in a shelf list that reflects a clean, relevant, and current collection!

<u>Ready, Set, Policy!: Using the 2022</u> <u>Collection Management Guide</u> (ESLN) Tuesday, July 19, 10:00am

Presented by Stephanie "Cole" Adams. Based on requests from public libraries across the state, ESLN and PULISDO partnered on the creation of an annotated "2022 Public Library Collection Management Policy Template & Guide." Join us for this 1-hour session on using this resource to update or adopt policies to be ready for materials challenges...and more. We invite you to submit a question for the presenter - there will be a place to do that during the registration process. The deadline to submit questions is July 12. This event is being sponsored by ESLN and PULISDO. Free to ESLN Members. Registration is required.

<u>Choose Your Own EDI Adventure With Dr.</u> <u>Kawanna Bright</u> (METRO) Wednesday, July 20, 4:00pm

The votes are in and based on the top three topics selected in the survey, the Choose Your Own EDI Adventure workshop will focus on achieving cultural competence and cultural humility in our work, including the importance of understanding privilege and bias in the workplace and the role that assessing for EDI can play. This workshop will introduce the concept of the cultural competence continuum and how to move forward on the continuum towards cultural humility, through concrete actions that include addressing privilege and bias and the application of EDI assessment practices.

Conferences & Special Programs



Where Intellectual Freedom and Social Justice Meet: A Call to Action A Virtual Symposium Hosted by the Freedom to Read Foundation

July 12 & 13, 12PM-4pm each day FREE! <u>Register here!</u>

The Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) invites all library workers, educators, authors, journalists, publishers, social justice workers and First Amendment advocates to attend and participate in its free virtual symposium.

The agenda for day 1 will focus on exploring the topics of Intellectual Freedom and Social Justice and how to find the balance between them. Keynote speakers and panelists will address essential topics such as library policies, intellectual freedom and community values, alternatives to neutrality, and challenges facing the library community. Participants will have opportunities to ask questions of the panelists and engage in both small-group and large-group discussions.

Day 2 will focus on empowering participants to take action. Panelists will draw on their knowledge and experience to offer strategies for community change, building consensus, developing strong policies, and building coalitions and public outreach. Participants will be invited to participate in breakout groups to plan specific strategies to shift narratives and communicate the ways in which social justice and intellectual freedom support one another.



PROGRAMMING & OUTREACH

Save the Date!

The next OverDrive Big Library Read starts July 13th and features the historical fiction title The Girl in His Shadow by Audrey Blake.



Summer Reading Around the Lakes

Be sure to wave or honk if you see a turquoise tiny house in your travels this summer! The **PowerHouse** is hitting the open road for its Finger Lakes Library Tour this July and August. Making stops at 4 of our **member libraries**, the **Tiny PowerHouse** visits will feature some fun programs including:

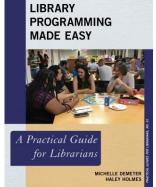
- Storytime
- STEAM activities
- Puzzle (Escape) Room
- Energy Saving information and more!

Visit the <u>Seneca Falls Library</u>, <u>Aurora Free Library</u>, <u>Peck Memorial Library</u>, and the <u>Newfield Public Library</u> websites for more details and registration information. *Funding and support of these programs are provided in part by the Bernard Carl and Shirley Rosen Library Fund*, <u>Finger Lakes Wrecker</u>, and your local library.

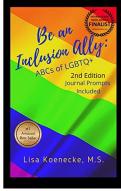
New Books in the FLLS Collection

Search Polaris and place a request today!





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POLARIS FAQ

Suspending Holds

- 1. Search for the patron, go to **Circulation** \rightarrow **Patron Status**.
- 2. Choose the **Requests** option on the left-side of the Patron Status window to view hold requests.
- 3. Click on the hold request you would like to suspend and then click on the **Suspend/Reactivate Request** button (circled below).

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In both PAC and in the Polaris client, once the hold request is reactivated, the patron is placed back in the queue where they were before the hold request was suspended. This can be helpful when placing requests on FLLS items!

REMINDER: To access Polaris handouts <u>AND</u> videos on our website, visit <u>https://www.flls.org/</u> and click on **STAFF LOGIN**. Enter the username and password and click on **Log In**. Then click on **Polaris Documentation**. Please contact <u>ishonk@flls.org</u>, <u>efranks@flls.org</u>, or <u>rhelwig@flls.org</u> for the username and password.

> Polaris documentation and videos directly from Innovative are also accessible online, no login required: <u>https://vimeopro.com/innovativeiii/webinars</u> <u>https://innovative.libguides.com/polaris</u>



AWARDS & GRANTS LAMS NYLA Conference Scholarship



The Library & Leadership Management Section (LAMS) of the New York Library Association is seeking candidates for two scholarships to attend NYLA's 2022 Conference in Saratoga for first time attendees. One award will be given to Library Administrators; the second is for Library Assistants/support staff. A third award will be given to a new Director, appointed in the past three years, attending conference for the first time as a Director. The awards are \$800.00 each and will be sent to the selected candidates after registering for the NYLA conference. The stipends can be used to cover conference costs at the winners' discretion.

The 2022 NYLA Conference will take place from Wednesday November 2- Saturday November 5 in Saratoga Springs. More conference information can be found on the NYLA website under News and Events.

All scholarship applicants must submit a letter from a professional reference and an application in the form of a letter which includes:

- Why you wish to attend conference
- How the experience will benefit your work
- How you will share what you learn with co-workers and/or colleagues
- Your professional goals
- How attending conference will help you achieve those goals

To apply for these scholarships, submit the application and letter of reference via email to Julie Dempsey at <u>jkelsall@highlandlibrary.org</u> by *July 15, 2022*. All applicants will be reviewed by the LAMS' Scholarship Committee. The winners of these scholarships will be selected by July 31, 2022. Scholarship winners must be LAMS members at time of award.

Call For NYLA 2022 Annual Awards Nominations!



NYLA Intellectual Freedom Award Mary Bobinski Innovative Public Library Director Award NYLA'S Distinguished Achievement Award Public Librarian of the Year



Please note the deadline to submit your nominations for <u>ALL awards</u> is July 15!