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Suffolk County Library Association

*A Regional Chapter of the
New York Library Association*

Spring 2017

President's Message

Dear Colleague:

I want to thank you personally for showing your support of the Suffolk County Library Association. As a new or returning member, your commitment to this organization and its growth is greatly appreciated.

Every day, workers in each library across Suffolk County touch the lives of children, teens, adults and seniors. SCLA is an organization that actively supports all staff. Your actions do not go unnoticed. As you help a child learn to read, an adult write their resume, a senior fill out an application, a homeless person find a bed to sleep, or a family plan a movie night, remember that your colleagues and I stand proudly behind everything you do. Our organization helps us pass that message to those that ask, "Are libraries necessary?"

In 2017, SCLA's wide variety of Divisions and Committees will continue to plan many workshops and training sessions with your needs in mind. The success of these programs depends on SCLA members' attendance and participation. I invite you to attend events we sponsor, and consider becoming active in a Division or Committee.

To find out more information about SCLA's events, Divisions and Committees visit our [website](#). Did you know we post information and news on all our pages?

[Young Adult Services Division](#)
[Support Staff Division](#)
[Reference and Adult Services Division](#)
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[Computer and Technical Services](#)

Once again, we thank the divisions for transferring funds to the General Fund. I approved the quarterly transfer of dues to each division, which is \$400 to each division and \$500 to SSD, plus dues proportionate to each member's primary division. Each division plans for programs and events as they best see fit for their division. Reach out to volunteer your voice in the planning of events. It counts!

I encourage everyone to attend Advocacy Day, taking place on March 1st. It's important to be present and have our lawmakers understand how important libraries are to education.

We have two Chair vacancies: The Scholarship Committee and the Long Range Planning Committee. Please contact Kristen Todd-Wurm for more information about these two committees.

If you've never sat on a Board or worked in a nonprofit before, I want to very briefly explain what it is. A nonprofit uses surplus revenue to further achieve its purpose, rather than distribute surplus revenue to shareholders or board members as profit or dividend. It doesn't mean that we are not allowed to make a profit. It does not mean that we have to spend everything we receive each year.

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Running a nonprofit is one of the most challenging things anyone ever has to do, because no one can do it on their own. But with our diverse talent sets, I am confident that we will have a successful year ahead.

Every member is important to SCLA and can contribute to its success. Please contact me at the Patchogue-Medford Public Library: 631-654-4700 Ext. 257 or via email at jhernandez@pmlib.org, if you would like to become more involved in your Association or wish to share ideas or concerns about SCLA or library issues.

Jose Hernandez
SCLA President



2017 SCLA Board

News from SCLA Divisions

Reference and Adult Services Division (RASD)

The Reference and Adult Services Division (RASD) Executive Board and Committees are looking forward to what's in store for 2017! Look for information related to our Annual Dinner and Health Concerns Breakfast in the fall.

RASD is comprised of 10 committees related to reference and public services for adults from recent high school grads to seniors. I encourage everyone to check out our website and a committee meeting; there truly is a committee for all! Please also check out the RASD-sponsored programs at the 2017 Long Island Library Conference.

RASD Webmaster Wonda Miller has updated the RASD website to include a general resource page, featuring links to professional development, local publications and organizations. Please visit the [page](#) if you're looking for continuing education resources.

The CARE (Career and Resource Exchange) Committee of RASD, a division of SCLA, will be hosting a speaker from Job Corps on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at the Suffolk Cooperative Library System (SCLS) in Bellport. Job Corps is a **free** education and training program that helps young people learn a career, earn a high school diploma or GED, and find and keep a good job.

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For eligible young people at least 16 years of age that qualify as low income, Job Corps provides the all-around skills needed to succeed in a career and in life. Ms. Torelli will talk about the criteria and enrollment process for the program as well as how to identify potential candidates. The presentation will start at 2:30 p.m., with a committee meeting to follow. Professional development hours will be awarded. Please email Nicole Berroyer- nicole@connetquotlibrary.org if you would like to attend or have any questions about the committee or our speaker.

The Electronic Resources Committee will host a meeting on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at the Islip Public Library on digital educational resources. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m.

The PR & Marketing Committee will be offering "How to put on a Database Fair at your Library or Take one on the Road" on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at SCLS. Coffee and networking will start at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting will take place from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Long Island Reads has arranged for a bus to take residents of Suffolk County to the 2017 event on Sunday, April 23, 2017 at Recital Hall on the C.W. Post Campus in Brookville. Registration begins on March 15, 2017. Please visit [here](#) for additional information.

The Long Island History Committee will be hosting their history programmer's showcase on Thursday, April 27, 2017 at SCLS. For further information, please contact Inez Foster- Babylon Public Library: 631-669-1624 Ext. 215 or ifoster@babylonlibrary.org

Lauren Bernat
RASD President

Computer and Technical Services (CATS)

On December 7, 2016, CATS and the TIF group held their annual meeting at SCLS and featured special guest speaker Tristan Lawsen, information technology expert. Mr. Lawsen discussed what we can all do to better secure both our personal digital lives and our libraries digital presence. He shared many useful tools that help secure personal content digital media for little to no cost.

TIF will be holding monthly meetings (9:30 a.m. for coffee and 10:00 a.m. for meeting) with the following schedule, subject to change and topics to follow:

February 2, 2017- Longwood Public Library
March 2, 2017- Emma S. Clark Memorial Library
April 6, 2017- Connetquot Public Library

Support Staff Division (SSD)

The Support Staff Division (SSD) will be hosting hands-on computer trainings conducted by Sharper Training Solutions in the SCLS Training Room. Seats are limited to 24. Topics and training dates will be posted on the SCLA calendar and the SCLS Gateway calendar.

SSD will also be hosting its second Safety Fair in early October as part of our Annual Membership meeting. Our first Safety Fair held on October 5, 2016, at the Brentwood Public Library, was well attended and full of information. Details of this year's programs will be forthcoming. Keep an eye out for save-the-date cards!

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Young Adult Services Division (YASD)

On Thursday, December 1, 2016, the YASD held its annual December Luncheon. The luncheon was held at the Outerbanks Restaurant in Riverhead and we had a turnout of 40 people, which was our goal. Our speaker was YA author Nova Ren Suma, who spoke about how important the library was to her when she was growing up (without much money) as a place where she could go and be surrounded by all of her favorite authors and hoped that she too could one day be an author whose books would be on library shelves. She also stressed the importance of libraries today in a world where things are constantly changing and teens need a safe place to be able to go and feel comfortable regardless of their skin tone, economic class or sexual orientation. She was incredibly friendly and an excellent speaker. We held the "Teen Librarian Awards" and awarded four librarians for best Display of the Year, Best Community Service Program, Most Successful Program and Most Creative Program. All who were nominated were deserving and it was excellent to see first-hand how hard working YA librarians are. This was the first year that the YASD had a December Luncheon Committee and it was a great help to the Board and also a great success. We are looking forward to doing this again in the future.

On Thursday, February 2, 2017 Suffolk and Nassau Counties will hold their annual joint YASD Meeting at SCLS from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The meeting will be focusing on ways to build your career. A panel of librarians will be speaking about how they used their skills as adjunct professors, book reviewers, conference presenters and committee members to boost their careers. This is a great meeting for anyone that works in the library and would like tips on building their career.

Annual Fran Romer Booktalk Workshop

Thursday, March 9, 2017 from 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

This year the theme for the workshop is "Stories Retold" and the guest speaker is going to be YA Author of The Grimm Legacy Series, Polly Shulman. We are currently looking for book discussion leaders, so if anyone is interested, please contact Michelle Cayea of the Patchogue-Medford Library.

Be sure to check out Authors Unlimited 6 on April 22, 2017 at St. Joseph's College in Patchogue. There will be a panel of YA authors followed by breakout sessions where teens and their families will get to hear the authors speak in a more intimate setting. The day ends with the opportunity to meet the authors and have books signed! This is a FREE event.

News from SCLA Committees

Annual Dinner

The SCLA Annual Dinner and meeting took place on Thursday, November 10, 2016 at The Meadow Club in Port Jefferson Station. Over 140 of our colleagues and friends joined us for an evening of dinner, dancing and mingling. The newly elected division officers of CATS, DASL, RASD, SSD and YASD were announced by the Division Presidents.

Several awards were also given that evening. Laura Accardi from the Patchogue-Medford Library won the ELSA Award, and Katie Brand won the SCLA Scholarship. The John Jermain Memorial Library won the PR & Marketing Award for their "Book Brigade Grand Opening Celebration" that Wonda Miller and Mireille Sturmman spearheaded. Second prize was given to Director Susan P. Lieberthal at the Huntington Public Library for their "diversity book marks." Third prize was given to Julie DeLaney and Gina Ferreira at the Smithtown Public Library Nesconset Branch for their "Pre-Black Friday Sale" program. Honorable mention was given to Sharon McDevitt at Half Hollow Hills Public Library for their "Library Park Day" program.

Two United States Marines were also present at the Dinner to accept the donations that were made to the Toys for Tots Foundation. There was a 50/50 raffle that raised money for Habitat for Humanity. Attendee's generous donations helped make a meaningful contribution.

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Continuing Education

The Continuing Education Committee is keeping a database of attendance at SCLA programs for members based on attendance sheets the committee receives from sponsor groups. To be listed in the database make sure you sign the attendance sheet for the program you are attending or email sclshr@suffolknet.org to be added to the database. When you need your personal listing of attended programs just send an email to the address above. A report will be sent back to you via email. You may also use the email address for questions, concerns or programming ideas.

Please be aware that the database may be incomplete. It only has data from submitted attendance sheets.

Library Directory Associates (LDA) Award

The LDA Award provides recognition to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to libraries on Long Island, be they librarians, trustees, support staff, friends of the library, vendors or publishers. The award is sponsored by SCLA and NCLA and was founded by LDA Publishers in 1978.

We invite all SCLA members to consider nominating an individual for this award. For a copy of an application and brochure, please visit the SCLA website. Copies of the brochure also will be sent to SCLA members.

Applications may be submitted beginning Wednesday, February 1, 2017 and must be received no later than Monday, March 20, 2017. Please send them to:

Paula Bornstein
Lindenhurst Memorial Library
1 Lee Avenue
Lindenhurst, New York 11757
631-957-7755

The LDA Award will be presented at the Long Island Library Conference on Thursday, May 4, 2017.

Legislative

ADVOCACY DAY

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

Come join us on the SCLA bus! The SCLA sponsored bus is a no charge one-day round-trip ride. Handouts and a briefing will be provided on the ride to Albany. BYO beverages and food to share with your bus mate! SCLA will supply some snacks for the ride. Fill out this [form](#) and return to Samantha Alberts at SCLS in the System bag or mail to: 627 North Sunrise Service Rd., P.O. Box 9000, Bellport, NY 11713.

For additional information e-mail samantha@suffolknet.org, 631-286-1600 Ext. 1352 or cell 516-994-7239 (keep in case of snow!)

The deadline for registration is Tuesday, February 14, 2017. Space is limited so sign up early!

Also, attend Advocacy Day 101, February 14, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. or February 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at SCLS. To register, visit the Library system's [calendar](#).

Long Island Library Conference



Take advantage of early bird pricing through March 3rd, 2017!

	<u>Early Bird</u>	<u>Regular</u>
NCLA, SCLA members	\$50.00	\$60.00
Non-member	\$60.00	\$70.00
Student	\$25.00	\$30.00
Same Day Registration		\$80.00

To register, please click [here](#).

Library Media Specialist Kimberly-Celeste “K.C.” Boyd, MA, MEd, MLIS, will be giving the keynote address, “Don’t Fit In, Stand Out!” for the 2017 Conference.

K.C. Boyd is the Lead Librarian for East St. Louis School District #189 in East St. Louis, IL. She is also a doctoral student and Adjunct Professor of Library Information Science at Dominican University in River Forest, IL. Boyd is a second-generation educator and holds master’s degrees in Library Information Science, Media Communications and Education Leadership. Her commitment to serving marginalized African American children, young adults and school communities is evident in every project she takes on.



Nominating

SCLA will be looking to fill five Executive Board positions for 2018. The following positions will be part of this spring’s election cycle:

Two Member at Large Positions
Vice President/President Elect
Treasurer
Secretary

If you are interested in learning more about these positions, please email Kristen Todd-Wurm- todd-wurmkristen@mcplibrary.org.

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Scholarship

The SCLA Scholarship Awards were presented at the SCLA Annual Dinner on November 10, 2016. The 2016 SCLA Scholarship Award winner is Kaitlin Brand of the Bay Shore-Brightwaters Public Library/The Smithtown Library and the 2016 Continuing Education Award for Library Support Staff winner is Aurora Maravalli of the Suffolk Cooperative Library System/Copiague Memorial Public Library.

Now is the time to plan on applying for the 2017 SCLA Awards! Please be aware that you must be a SCLA member for three months to be eligible to apply for the Scholarship Award and the Continuing Education Award for Support Staff.

Request forms for the award packets are available on the SCLA [website](#). Deadlines for applying are September 1, 2017 for the Scholarship Award and October 1, 2017 for the Continuing Education Award for Support Staff. We encourage all who are eligible to apply; and ask that if you know someone you feel qualifies for an award to encourage them to apply!



Kaitlin Brand



Aurora Maravalli

Suffolk County Library Access

Many of you attended some of the Emergency Preparedness/Recovery programs that we held in 2016. We've planned more so watch your calendars for 2017.

The following SCLS Outreach Services meetings/programs are open to all. There is no registration required, unless otherwise specified.

SCLS Outreach Services Advisory Council Meeting and Presentation

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Speaker: Association for Mental Health and Wellness/Recovery Center

Health Science Library Resources for Children and Young Adults

Tuesday, April 11, 2017 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Speaker: Jamie Saragossi, Health Science Librarian- Stony Brook Hospital

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Music and Memory: Customized Music Therapy for People Living with Alzheimer's disease and other Dementias

Tuesday, April 25, 2017 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Meeting for librarians interested in offering Music and Memory to their patrons and for libraries who are already offering this unique outreach program.

Healthcare Awareness through Library Outreach (HATLO) Meeting

Wednesday, May 10, 2017 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Join us to discuss healthcare and health literacy resources for public libraries.

See for Yourself Assistive Technology and Resource Fair for People Living with Vision Loss

Please visit SCLS anytime 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. to learn about the many products and services that will make your library's programs and services accessible to people living with vision loss. If you would like to learn more about hosting a table (which is strongly encouraged), please email Valerie Lewis- valerie@suffolknet.org for details. This event is open to the public.

SCLS Gateway News

Derek Ivie, the SCLS Youth Services Coordinator, and Valerie Lewis have posted the most recent edition of Gateway News. Sign into the Gateway to check it out!

Web Page

Make sure to visit SCLA's [events page](#) for the latest in meeting and programs for the Divisions of SCLA.

News from SCLA Liaisons

Long Island Library Resources Council (LILRC)

Computers in Libraries 2017 Conference Registration Discount

Registration for CIL 2017 has opened and LILRC is proud to announce that we have once again arranged with Information Today, Inc. to offer a reduced rate for the Conference. If you haven't already heard, the 2017 event will be held at the Hyatt Regency- Crystal City, Arlington, VA, on March 28-30, 2017.

This year there are two registration options! Simply register online [here](#) or click [here](#) to use the promo code LILRC17. Online registrations can be made until February 24, 2017 to receive the discounted rates. After this time, rates will go up.

Save the Date!

LILRC Annual Membership Meeting at the Farmingdale Public Library

Tuesday, June 20, 2017

All are welcome! It's free to attend and CEU's will be provided.

Third LILRC Annual Technical Services Open Forum: The LILRC Resource Sharing and Management Committee invites you to join us for its third annual Technical Services Open Forum. These Open Forums strive to provide a place for those working in the Technical Services field to come together, hear about initiatives others are working on and pose questions to be answered by the collective wisdom of the entire group. Please email your questions in advance to minliu@lilrc.org. This year's program will feature presentations on weeding:

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You Too Can Deselect In the Humanities and Social Sciences!

Presented By: Victor T. Oliva, Professor and Coordinator of Reference Services, Adelphi University Libraries.

Deselection of print copies of monographs in the humanities and social sciences should be an essential component of collection development. Unfortunately, many librarians find this responsibility too time consuming and overwhelming to undertake. Based upon my own research and experience in the deselection of older print titles in the humanities and social sciences at Adelphi University Libraries, I believe that considerable success can be achieved in this endeavor. I used a systematic approach to review titles in these areas that were published more than fifty years ago. In some cases I was also able to replace them with e-books. With some modifications, academic, public and specialized libraries can apply the protocols that I followed to identify and review older print copies of books in their collections. Then they too can deselect most of these titles and replace some of them with e-books.

Help—we've got to Weed: Using SustainableCollections.com (GreenGlass)

Presented By: Georgina (Gina) Martorella M.L.S., M.B.A., Associate Professor of Library Services, Hofstra University, Axinn Library.

We librarians are by nature, reluctant to weed. Many of us entered this profession because of our love of books and of course, libraries. We believe in libraries as cultural institutions that preserve the past and make recorded knowledge readily available. Practical considerations, however, require that we evaluate and deselect materials that are no longer relevant or useful to our patrons. Although weeding should be done periodically, often more immediate space concerns demand that larger-scale weeding projects take place in a short period of time. This presentation will discuss one academic library's weeding project in particular, and describe how OCLC's Sustainable Collections GreenGlass tool was utilized to provide the information necessary to make informed deselection decisions in order to preserve and improve the value, integrity and usefulness of the collection.

Public Library Directors Association (PLDA)

On behalf of the entire organization, I would like to thank Neely McCahey, Lauren Nichols and Kim DeCristofaro for their service and leadership and welcome Kelly Harris, Jenn Fowler and Rodger Podell to the Board.

Congratulations to Mike Firestone (Chair), Kelly Harris (Co-chair), Samantha Alberts, Julie DeLaney, Debbie Engelhardt, Jennifer Fowler, Marc Horowitz, James Olney, Todd Schlitt and Kelly Sheridan on their outstanding efforts in making this year's **PLDA Golf Outing and Wine Tour** the most successful to date. Over \$14,000 was raised and will go a long way in supporting the advocacy efforts of **New Yorker's for Better Libraries**. Mark your calendars for the next outing, Thursday, September 28, 2017.

Headed to Albany Tuesday, February 28, 2017 to attend NYLA's Pre-Advocacy Day programs, Library Champions Reception and the New Yorker's for Better Libraries Annual PAC Gala? Join PLDA on the bus! The cost is \$50.00 per person and leaves SCLS at 10:00 a.m. Contact Kelly Harris, Vice-President, for more information at kharris@hamptonlibrary.org.

Hope to see you in Albany!
Jamie Papandrea, PLDA President

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New York Library Association (NYLA)

SCLA's theme at the 2016 NYLA Conference was "Strong. Strategic. Sustainable." We proudly sponsored several successful programs, such as "Building Relationships and Connecting with Parents", "I Can't Even", "Exploring New Adult Fiction" and "NYLA Sustainability Initiative", each of which were well attended and well received by the NYLA community. We co-sponsored "Dollar Store Makerspace", "Teen Led Libraries Beyond", "Beer @ Your Library", "Motivate Your Staff for Free", "Making Your Library Accessible" and "Increasing Your Circulation & Show It Off".

We also co-sponsored the Intellectual Freedom for Breakfast on Saturday morning. The speaker was Greg Lukianoff, president and CEO of the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE).

Many conference attendees stopped by the SCLA trade show booth to meet SCLA Board members and take home some free SCLA swag. It was great to meet so many of our colleagues from around the state and let them know what SCLA has been doing. We also were able to promote the upcoming Annual Dinner and the Long Island Library Conference.

A huge thank you goes out to our presenters: Kristen Todd-Wurm, Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, Matthew Bolleraman, Jessica Oelcher, Danielle Minard and Becca Goldstein. Also thank you to the SCLA members that helped cover the trade show booth and served as room monitors. All of your help made the Conference go smoothly.

Finally, exiting Member-At-Large, Julie DeLaney would like to thank the SCLA Board and NYLA for this opportunity to be involved in the 2016 NYLA Conference. She enjoyed her time on the Conference planning committee and meeting colleagues from around the state. Moving forward, we're looking to make our presence at the 2017 NYLA Conference even bigger and better, and we can't wait to see you all there.



***Interested in getting involved in SCLA committees?
Here is your opportunity!***

Scholarship Committee:

- Advertises and publicizes the SCLA Scholarship and the SCLA Continuing Education Award for Library Support Staff to all members of SCLA, member libraries of SCLS, library schools and other potential qualifying candidates.
- Selects a candidate for each award from those who have met eligibility requirements and have completed the application process.
- Notifies all applicants of their status, including those who did not win either of the awards.
 - Notifies the recipients of each award.
 - Collects donations for the Scholarship Award.
 - Runs the raffle at the Annual Dinner.
- Presents awards to winners at the Annual Dinner.

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Student Outreach Committee:

- Provides informational packets and membership forms to local library schools and colleges such as Dowling, Five Towns and Stony Brook University.
- Offers programs to schools in the form of class visits and orientation visits as needed/requested.
- Acts as a liaison to the schools and any Suffolk Libraries looking to set up library visits.

Long Range Planning / Marketing Committee:

- Develops and maintains a long range plan for SCLA.
- Oversees and reviews progress toward meeting these goals and objectives.
- Makes recommendations to the SCLA Executive Board regarding future direction.
- Makes recommendations to the SCLA Executive Board and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee regarding amendments to the SCLA Constitution.
 - Develops media campaigns.
 - Prepares press releases.
- Coordinates specific information for dissemination to the public.
- Develops ways to increase new SCLA/NYLA membership.

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