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*A Regional Chapter of the New York Library Association*

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### President's Message:



Happy Spring! Almost a week has passed since the 2014 Long Island Library Conference and I would like to thank the entire LILC Committee for all of their hard work in planning another successful event; all the speakers, who shared their knowledge with us; Keynote Speaker Sarah Vowell, who shared her unique take on all things librarian; the vendors who showcased their great products and services; the attendees, who

made the event so full of energy, and the volunteers who kept the Registration Table running smoothly throughout the day.

We have some great events coming up throughout the year: Our Annual Networking Night to be held over the summer and the NYLA Conference in Saratoga Springs in November. I thank you all for your continued support of our amazing organization.

kindest regards,  
*Jackie Narkiewicz*

### Annual Dinner

SAVE THE DATE! SCLA's Annual Dinner will take place on Thursday, November 20th from 6pm-10pm at Villa Lombardi's, 877 Main Street in Holbrook. More information to follow.

Any questions, please contact Laura Panter at (631) 585-9393 ext. 227.

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## Community Service

Get ready to Make Strides Against Breast Cancer with the **SCLA Librarians for Life** Team. Join our team and walk on Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at Dowling College, Brookhaven Campus. By participating in this one day event, we'll help the American Cancer Society save more than 400 lives a day that would have otherwise been lost to cancer. [CLICK HERE](#) to visit our team dashboard to get more details on the event, join the team, or make a donation. Also be on the lookout for future fundraising events to help our team reach our goal.

If you're interested in working on the Community Service Committee please contact Committee Chair, Kim Zettwoch at [kim@hamptonlibrary.org](mailto:kim@hamptonlibrary.org).

*Kimberly Zettwoch*  
*Community Service Chair*

## ELSA Award

ELSA Award applications are now available!

The *Excellence in Library Service Award* (ELSA) is designed to recognize dedication to public service by any staff member of a public, school, special, or academic library. We welcome nominations submitted by any employee of a Suffolk County library or any Suffolk County library patron. Pages, clerks, librarians and trainees, as well as office, custodial and security staff from any Suffolk County library are eligible. Outstanding public service may be demonstrated by fostering team spirit, exemplary job performance, promoting good will among patrons and staff, or an innovative approach to one's work.

ELSA Award Applications are being sent to all SCLA members and the Library Directors at the beginning of May and will also be on the SCLA website.

All applications must be submitted by August 31, 2014.

If you have any questions about the ELSA Award, please contact Julie DeLaney, ELSA Chair at [jdelaney@smithlib.org](mailto:jdelaney@smithlib.org).

*Julie DeLaney*  
*ELSA Chair*

## LDA Award



The *LDA Award* winner for 2014 is Renee McGrath, Youth Services Coordinator for the Nassau Library System. Ms. McGrath's accomplishments include planning and implementing programs for the youth librarians of Nassau County, applying for and writing grant proposals, participation on national committees and publication of journal articles.

The award was presented at the Long Island Library Conference on May 1, 2014 at the Melville Marriot. A plaque was presented to Ms. McGrath at the Conference luncheon by Art Friedman.

The *LDA Award*, presented annually, was founded by LDA Publishers and is sponsored by the Nassau County Library Association and the Suffolk County Library Association. It provides recognition to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to libraries on Long Island.

*Paula Bornstein*  
*LDA Chair*

## LILRC

Join us on Monday, May 19th as we team up with Stony Brook University Libraries to present "Introduction to RDA for Catalogers: Hands-On Training Session," which will be held at the Frank Melville, Jr. Memorial Library of Stony Brook University, 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. An optional tour of the technical services area of Stony Brook University Libraries will be provided after the workshop. Please visit LILRC's [website](#) for registration information.

The 2014 Academic Librarians Conference, sponsored by the NY 3Rs Association, Inc. will be held on June 9-10, 2014 at SUNY Albany. The program, which is co-sponsored by the NY3Rs and NYLA's Academic & Special Libraries Section (ASLS), will be held in conjunction with the annual meetings of the NYS Higher Education Initiative (NYSHEI) and the State University of NY Librarians Association (SUNYLA). The conferences will run from June 9-13. Please visit the Empire Collaborations conference [website](#) to see the full schedule and register. Discounts are available for those signing up for more than one conference.

SAVE THE DATE! LILRC's Annual Conference on Libraries and the Future: "Think Outside the Bricks: Embed, Engage, Expand" will be held at the Bethpage State Park in Farmingdale, Carlyle on the Green, on October 23rd and

October 24th.

*Min Liu*  
*Assistant Director*  
*LILRC*

The 2014 New York Archives Conference (#NYAC2014) will be held on Wednesday, June 4 - Friday, June 6, 2014 at Binghamton University, Binghamton, NY. The preliminary program is now available on their [website](#). Take a look at it to find out about workshops and sessions they will be offering, as well as speakers for the plenary and luncheon.

Application forms for Professional Development grants to enable archives students, archivists, librarians, and others with archives or records management responsibilities to attend the conference can also be found on their website.

Conference registration details and full fees to follow soon.

*Virginia Antonucci-Gibbons*  
*Regional Archivist*  
*LILRC*

## PLDA Golf Outing



The PLDA Golf Outing & Banquet Dinner has been planned for Monday, October 6th at the Baiting Hollow Club in Baiting Hollow. The proceeds from your participation support ***New Yorkers for Better Libraries***. Registration information will be coming soon.

If you don't golf, the wine tour will be offered again this year. Stay tuned for details.

*Todd Schlitt*  
*SCLA Member-at-Large*

## Nominations

### Nomination Candidates for SCLA 2015

SCLA is looking to create a slate of dedicated Board members for 2015. Candidates will be presented to members of the Executive Board at our June meeting. Current positions up for election include Vice-President/President Elect, Secretary and two positions for Member-at-Large.

Vice-President/President Elect is a three-year commitment, as the winning candidate will serve as Vice-President (2015), President (2016) and Past President (2017). Secretary is a one-year position encompassing recording of Executive Board meeting minutes, meeting minutes correspondence to board members throughout the month and maintaining the SCLA membership list.

Member-at-Large positions are a two-year commitment (2015-2016). Appointed association projects and committees will be designated to Members-at-Large at the beginning of each year which may include, but are not limited to NYLA annual conference planning, SCLA Annual Dinner, networking events, and the SCLA table at the Long Island Library Conference.

For further information on position responsibilities and becoming an election candidate, please contact Laura Panter at [panterlaura@mcpl.lib.ny.us](mailto:panterlaura@mcpl.lib.ny.us).

## Outreach Services

### ***SEE FOR YOURSELF 2014: AN ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE FAIR FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED***

On Saturday, May 17, 2014 (10:00am - 4:00pm) the Outreach Services Department of the Suffolk Cooperative Library System (SCLS) will host *SEE FOR YOURSELF 2014*. This event is designed to focus on organizations, resources, services and the most current low-tech and hi-tech devices for people living with vision loss. SCLS Outreach Services has been hosting this event since 1994. Our previous fair, *SEE FOR YOURSELF 2012* attracted approximately 400 attendees. We hope that this year's event will be even more successful, as it is the first time the event will be held on a weekend.

As you know, this event is also a library event, a place where library administration and staff can come to learn about the technologies that should be available to their residents who are learning disabled, visually impaired or blind. Many of the devices, software and hardware can enable patrons to participate in all that their library has to offer, once the library has programs, services and technologies that make it accessible to everyone in the community.

Over the next few months we will be sending information to all of the public libraries on Long Island, as well as local organizations, service providers and county agencies. We hope that you will make the *SEE FOR YOURSELF 2014* information available to your patrons and colleagues.

If you have questions about this event or about how to make your library accessible to people with disabilities, please contact SCLS at 631-286-1600 and ask for Outreach Services. We appreciate your assistance in promoting this important event and we look forward to seeing you at the FAIR!!!!

*Valerie Lewis*  
*SCLS Outreach*

## Scholarship Committee

Greetings from the SCLA Scholarship Committee! Please be aware that you must be an **SCLA member for three (3) 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: <http://scla.net/main/awards/> . Deadlines for applying are September 1, 2014 for the Scholarship Award and October 1, 2014 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 to apply to encourage them also!

*Teri Hatred*  
*Scholarship Committee Chair*

## Youth Services Workshops

### ***"App-etizers and More"***

Come play with some of the newest apps suitable for Pre-K - 5th grade and learn how to host your own Book Trailer Party! The workshop will take place at SCLS on Wednesday, May 14th at 10am (9:30 coffee and books). Click [here](#) to register or contact Kim Androlowicz at [kim@suffolknet.org](mailto:kim@suffolknet.org).

### ***Suffolk Literature Conference***

Save the date! Join your colleagues on Friday, October 24th at the Hyatt Regency Long Island. The conference will feature authors Holly Black and Lois Ehlert. Sponsored by CLASC and SCLS Youth Services. Click [here](#) for full details.

*Kim Androlowicz*  
*SCLS Youth Services*

## News from CATS

The CATS Board would like to thank everyone who came to our programs in 2014. Our monthly Technology Information Forum meetings, located at a different library on the first Thursday of each month, continue to bring Suffolk County library staff members information on new and emerging technology, as well as examples and feedback on technology and software already in use. Our May 8th meeting will be a joint meeting with NCLA's Computer and Technology Committee at Half Hollow Hills Library.

We hope everyone had a chance to check out our program "IT vs Librarians" at the Long Island Library Conference. We look forward to bringing you more programs in 2014 focused on the changing library landscape as a result of technological innovation and evolution. For those who are more interested in technical services, we hope that you were able to attend Natalia Tomlin's talk on Resource Description and Access (RDA) at the conference. Natalia's November program for CATS was so well received that we wanted to make sure it was available to a wider audience, from across Long Island.

And for those who can't get enough of RDA, we had our first RDA Interest Group meeting on March 25th, with 40 library staff members coming out to Middle Country Library's Selden branch to discuss how RDA is changing cataloging in the county. Keep an eye out for the announcement of our fall session.

The CATS Board would also like to thank Mr. Robert Lusak, director of the Smithtown Special Library District, and Mr. Kenneth Rosenblum, Associate Dean for Administration at Touro Law Center, for hosting us during the CATS Library Tour in April. Both Mr. Lusak and Mr. Rosenblum provided invaluable information on the history of their libraries while showing us around their beautiful facilities.

Finally, the CATS Board would like to extend our utmost appreciation to our entire membership. None of what we do would be possible without the support of our members, who provide us with a wealth of knowledge, and our directors, who allow us to spend our time to make these events happen. Thank you for all of your support and please encourage your friends and co-workers to join SCLA and help us continue to bring great programs and services to our libraries. As always, feel free to reach out to us with ideas on the programs you'd like to see!

*James Matias*  
*CATS President*

News from DASL



The Division of Academic and Special Libraries was very pleased to sponsor Selby Kiffer at the Long Island Library Conference this year. Mr. Kiffer is a Senior Vice President and International Books Specialist at Sotheby's, an appraiser of *Antiques Roadshow* and has been featured on Book TV. He spoke about some of the unique documents and books he has discovered, handled and brought to auction during his tenure at Sotheby's. An engaging speaker, Mr. Kiffer spoke to a full room of over sixty attendees; he shared anecdotes about the history of some unique materials, how make their way to the auction house and information about their sales.

DASL is continuing our series of workshops geared towards publishing for academic librarians and is planning one for August. The workshop will focus on working with basic statistics and how to incorporate them into your research and writing. Check the DASL blog for updates or email [daslpresident@gmail.com](mailto:daslpresident@gmail.com) for additional information.

*Claudia McGivney*  
DASL President

## News from RASD

Our last meeting was on April 1, 2014. Our Electronic Resources committee met and discussed the removal of 3M from Live-brary.com as it was installed for the Penguin copyright issues and now that it's all fixed, there isn't a need to keep it. The Health Concerns committee has selected a topic for the Annual Health Concerns Breakfast on October 29. The selected topic is heart disease. We plan to have two speakers come and share their knowledge on this topic.

Our next RASD meeting will take place on June 10, 2014 at East Hampton Library.

*Sara Bedell*  
RASD President



## News from SSD

Celia Vollmer, Past Treasurer of SCLA received the distinguished *Clara Barton Award* presented to an individual that exemplifies what Clara Barton was through her life of helping people. This was presented to Mrs. Vollmer by the Greater New York Region of the American Red Cross.

Also, Brentwood Public Library was presented with the *Outstanding Community Organization Award* given to one "outstanding community or faith-based organization outside of the American Red Cross who have made an significant humanitarian contribution to the local, national, or international community in support of the American Red Cross."

On March 25, 2014 we held our Annual Roundtable at the Brentwood Public Library. Participants enjoyed a light breakfast before Neva Hacker from the Employees Assistance Program engaged them in completing a team task. Neva's presentation, ***Hands-on Team Building***, was challenging and informative. All participants left with insights about working in a team as well as personal insights.

On April 15, 2014, SSD hosted its first of two sessions of a lecture/demo presented by Sharper Training Solutions entitled, ***Social Networking Online***. Living up to their usual standards, our presenter, Trisha, conducted an online overview of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and online safety tips. Participants left with many valuable tips and facts for future social networking. The second session of this presentation is scheduled for the fall, so keep an eye out for the information flyer.

We are also offering Microsoft ACCESS Intro and Intermediate in May 2014 and October 2014, respectively. Seating is limited to 24 at each of these trainings, so be sure to register early. Another way to keep up with SSD events and news is at our [website](#). We welcome your ideas and comments so that we may serve you, our members, more effectively. So please feel to comment on our blog!

*Marsha Greenspan*  
SSD President

## News from YASD



On April 10<sup>th</sup>, YASD held its Annual **Fran Romer Memorial Booktalk**



**Workshop.** Attendees heard Joe Raiola, Senior Editor of Mad Magazine speak on *The Joy of*

*Censorship*. Joe gave an extremely informative and entertaining talk. He has been giving this talk for over 20 years and in over 40 states. The most amazing thing he shared with us was how much it meant to him to be meeting with us because his inspiration for creating *The Joy of Censorship* was a YA Librarian from Longwood!

At the Long Island Library Conference on May 1<sup>st</sup>, the YASD B.E.S.T Award (Bringing Excellence in Service by Teens) was presented to Ian Fleury of the Hampton Bays Public Library. Ian was recognized for his hard work as a Page Captain, his efforts in representing the library in the community, and for volunteering at YA programs when he's off the clock. Ian even donated an entire paycheck to the Southampton Animal Shelter during one of the many wonderful events the YA Department holds to benefit the shelter.

We'll again be hosting a Professional Networking night in June. Watch our Facebook page and blog for more details coming soon. It will be an evening of libations and librarian merriment in preparation for the busy summer months ahead! All are invited to attend.

*Kimberly Zettwoch*  
YASD President

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