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Suffolk County Library Association

A Regional Chapter of the
New York Library Association

President's Message

Dear Colleague,

I want to start the New Year out by thanking each and every member for your hard work and dedication to Suffolk County libraries. In a time where some people question the necessity of libraries, Suffolk County continues to show the state and country just how vital library services are.

In an effort to help increase proposed library aid for the 2018 budget, please consider joining SCLA on February 28th as we attend Library Advocacy Day in Albany. SCLA provides free round-trip bus service for the day. Together, we need to be a voice for fair funding to libraries. We need to be advocates for the important work that we do each and every day. To register for this important advocacy event, please contact Samantha Alberts at Suffolk Cooperative Library System. Whether you can join us on February 28th or not, please help support library aide by taking two minutes to reach out to your elected officials [here](#).

Read more about the budgetary priorities by visiting NYLA's [webpage](#).

As a reminder, SCLA has numerous Divisions that you can be a part of (CATS- Computer and Technical Services, DASL- Division of Academic and Special Libraries, RASD- Reference and Adult Services, SSD- Support Services and YASD- Young Adult Services). I want to encourage each and every member of SCLA to become an active voice within the organization. If you have ideas for programming that you would like to see or activities that you think would be beneficial, please reach out to me or reach out to one of our Division presidents. My e-mail address is Todd-WurmKristen@mcplibrary.org and I hope to hear from many members over the next few months.

Sincerely,
Kristen Todd-Wurm
SCLA President



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C H A L L E N G E

This edition's question comes from Peter Ward, of the Brentwood Public Library.

This well-known poet and curmudgeon had a long career as a university librarian:

- (a.) Marianne Moore
- (b.) Philip Larkin
- (c.) Hart Crane
- (d.) Adrienne Rich

Submit your answers to Jennifer Rocco- jennifer.rocco@riverheadlibrary.org.

Winners will be announced in our next newsletter. Good luck!

News from SCLA Divisions

Division of Academic and Special Libraries (DASL)

Happy New Year to all. We had a delay in having our slate approved but I am happy to report the 2018 DASL officers as follows:

Bruce Seger, President
Krista Gruber, Vice President
Jennifer Quirk-Senyk, Secretary
Christina Rivera, Treasurer

Because of the delay, we did not have our holiday luncheon/meeting. I am arranging an after New Year luncheon/meeting and will be forwarding details shortly.

Among the many items we hope to address this year are increasing membership including student members, our speaker(s) and presentation at the Long Island Library Conference and the 4th Academic Libraries Invitational.

I want to thank our officers for their selfless work with the Committee and all of our members for their continued support. I look forward to seeing you at our luncheon and future meetings.

As always if you have any questions please feel free to email me at segerb@sunysuffolk.edu.

I want to also thank Jennifer Rocco for her continued excellent production of the newsletter. Great job as always.

Best,
Bruce Seger, President DASL

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Reference and Adult Services Division (RASD)

I am very excited to serve as RASD's President in 2018.

We have 11 committees and our mission is to unite those who are interested in any phase of reference and adult services, exchanging information, developing techniques and improving professional experience.

I encourage you to bookmark our [webpage](#) for upcoming meeting dates or take a look at our newsletter, [Ramblings](#), to see what we have been up to.

Be sure to keep an eye out for our programs at the Long Island Library Conference, or maybe we will see you and your patrons at this year's Long Island Reads author event.

Candace Hope, Huntington Public Library

Computer and Technical Services (CATS)

CATS would like to welcome the incoming board:

Vice President/President-Elect:

Nicole Parisi, Mastics Moriches Shirley Community Library

Treasurer:

James Matias, Middle Country Public Library

Secretary:

Alison Mirabella, Longwood Public Library

Past President:

Chris DeCristofaro, Sachem Public Library

Members at Large:

Nick Tanzi, Mastics Moriches Shirley Community Library

Debbie Antolini, Middle Country Public Library Anthony Bliss, Sachem Public Library

James Hansen, Smithtown Library

Janet Kowal, Connetquot Public Library

Mary O'Grady, Northport-East Northport Public Library

Paul Zukowski, The Hampton Library

On December 7th we held our Annual Meeting and had special guest and Executive Director Rebecca Stavick from Do Space in Omaha Nebraska. She joined us via Google Hangouts and spoke on topics from funding to materials and technology available. Do Space is a privately funded yet publicly available facility for anyone to use. Rebecca also gave a rolling tour using their "Double Robot".



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Support Staff Division (SSD)

The Support Staff Division (SSD) welcomes our new Member at Large Mona Pierre-Louis, Brentwood Public Library, to the Board. We have a vacancy on the position of Vice President/President Elect. If you are interested in joining the board, attending a meeting or sharing programming ideas, please contact Celia Vollmer, cvollmer@brentwoodnylibrary.org.

This March the SSD will kick-off the year with our Annual Roundtable and "Social Media Management Platforms" presented by Michael Buono, Reference and Community Services Facilitator, and an Adjunct Lecturer at CUNY Queens, where he developed and executed the Digital Marketing for Libraries course. We will jump into spring with fun activities and additional educational programs.

In October SSD will be hosting its third Safety Conference as part of our Annual Membership meeting. Look for our save-the-date cards or check our website for additional information. We hope you will join us!

Celia Vollmer
SSD President

Young Adult Services Division (YASD)

In December, YASD hosted our Annual Luncheon with guest speaker Gae Polisner. A Long Island native, Gae is the author of *The Memory Of Things* and *The Pull Of Gravity*. In addition to speaking about her books and writing process, Gae discussed finding a place for "story" and connecting teens with books in the current political climate. We also presented our annual Teen Librarian Awards. Erick Gordy of the Hampton Bays Public Library received the award for Most Successful Program, and Khan DeRenzo of the Port Jefferson Library received the award for Most Creative Program!

Looking forward, Nassau YASD will be hosting our Annual Joint Meeting on Thursday, February 8 at the Freeport Memorial Library featuring guest speaker Heather Demetrios. Heather is a YA author and writing coach, and will highlight Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month with a discussion of her newest novel, *Bad Romance*.

Registration is underway for our annual Fran Romer Memorial Booktalk Workshop on Thursday, March 8 at Patchogue Medford's Carnegie Library. Our workshop theme is "Realistic Fiction For Real Issues" and will feature YA author Rachel Vail! Our workshop will include lunch, book sales, raffle prizes and a book signing by the author!

News from SCLA Committees

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

You may also use the email address for questions/concerns/programming ideas.

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Fandom Outreach

Fandom Outreach is looking for gamers! Long Island Retro Gaming Expo is on August 12th at the Cradle of Aviation. We want to promote what libraries are doing in gaming, coding and more at the Convention.

If you are interested contact Stefanie Gangone at sgangone@copiaquelibrary.org.

Want the TARDIS to visit your library? Fandom Outreach can help you plan your event. Contact Stefanie Gangone at sgangone@copiaquelibrary.org for more information!

Library Directory Associates Award (LDA)

The LDA Library 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.

Certainly you are aware of at least one individual who deserves to be nominated for this prestigious award. This is your opportunity to honor him or her. Applications will be available beginning Thursday, February 1st online at the SCLA website. SCLA members will receive brochures with applications via e-mail and traditional mail routing. Please watch for these.

The LDA Library Award will be presented at the Long Island Library Conference on Thursday, May 3, 2018.

Legislative

ADVOCACY DAY

February 28, 2018

If you'd like a spot on our bus to Albany, there is still room! To sign up please contact Samantha Alberts samantha@suffolknet.org.

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

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Long Island Library Conference

**Register
Today!**



**Long Island
Library Conference**
Together Towards Tomorrow
May 3, 2018

We are thrilled to announce that journalist, author and presenter of the 2017 TED Talk titled "There's More to Life Than Being Happy," Emily Esfahani Smith, will be the keynote speaker for the 2018 conference.

In her recent book "THE POWER OF MEANING: Finding Fulfillment in a World Obsessed With Happiness," she draws on psychology, philosophy and literature to write about the human experience—why we are the way we are and how we can find grace and meaning in a world that is full of suffering.

Emily is an instructor in positive psychology at the University of Pennsylvania, as well as an editor at Stanford University's Hoover



Institution, where she manages the Ben Franklin Circles project, a collaboration with the 92nd Street Y and Citizen University to build meaning in local communities.

Born in Zurich, Switzerland, Emily grew up in Montreal, Canada. She graduated from Dartmouth College and earned a masters of applied positive psychology from the University of Pennsylvania. She lives with her husband in Washington DC.



Take advantage of early bird pricing through March 2nd, 2018!

	<u>Early Bird</u>	<u>Regular</u>
NCLA & SCLA members	\$55.00	\$65.00
Non-member	\$75.00	\$85.00
Student	\$25.00	\$30.00
Same Day Registration		\$90.00

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

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Scholarship

The SCLA Scholarship Awards were presented at the SCLA Annual Dinner on November 17, 2017. The SCLA Scholarship Award winner is Nicole Basil of the Copiague Memorial Public Library and the Continuing Education Award for Library Support Staff winner is Alana Jagnanan of the Brentwood Public Library. The Scholarship Committee wishes both winners the best of luck in their studies.



SCLA Scholarship winner Nicole Basil and Scholarship Committee Chair Ally Mercado

Suffolk County Library Access Committee

Below are a few examples of how public libraries add to the health and well-being of their communities.

Each day offers us an opportunity to provide a new and exciting library experience for our community.

Help us come up with many more in 2018!

FEMA Preparedness for People with Disabilities Communications Sub-Committee

Tuesday, February 13, 2018, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Work with a group of people from Stony Brook University and organizations across Long Island to establish preparedness and recovery protocols and accessible resources for people with disabilities. Also watch for emails to establish a public library preparedness/recovery group to work with county agencies on these efforts.

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SCLS Outreach Services Advisory Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 17, 2018, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Please join us to learn and develop outreach resources for Suffolk County public libraries.

Music and Memory

Tuesday, April 24, 2018, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Music and Memory is a personalized music therapy program for people with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Whether you are already providing this unique outreach service or you would like to learn more about it, please join us and share your experiences with providing services to people living with Alzheimer's disease and other degenerative neurologic diseases. We need your input!

See for Yourself

Assistive Technology and Resource Fair for People Living with Vision Loss

Friday, May 4, 2018, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

This event is open to the public. Please watch for electronic and hard copy flyers to share with patrons. We encourage all library administration and staff to visit at some point throughout the day. Come learn about the many programs, services and technologies available to people living with vision loss. If you are interested in having a table at the event to highlight your library's resources for people living with vision loss, please contact Valerie Lewis at valerie@suffolknet.org no later than March 15th (space permitting).

News from SCLA Liaisons

Long Island Library Resources Council (LILRC)

Look what LILRC can do for you!

Regional Archival Service

LILRC's Regional Archival Service provides members with the following free services:

- Training and advice in the processing and preservation of archival collections
- Site visits by the Regional Archivist to make recommendations and provide information for historical societies and others organizations that preserve Long Island's history
- Provide information on how to join the LILRC Regional Digitization Program which is a part of the New York Heritage Digital Collections, a consortia service of the Empire State Library Network (ESLN)

For additional information, please contact Nicole Menchise, Regional Archivist, by phone at [631\) 675-1570 Ext. 204](tel:631-675-1570) or email nmenchise@lilrc.org.

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Upcoming events:

Archives on a Shoestring III: Making Enclosures

Brentwood Public Library

Friday, March 2, 2018, 9:30 a.m. (registration) - 3:30 p.m. (with 1 hour break for lunch)

Need boxes on a budget? Save your collection and your cash by making your own custom, acid-free boxes. Sending items out for custom boxes is very expensive. Learn to make four fold phase boxes in this hands-on workshop. Commercial alternatives and vendor services will also be discussed. Materials will be provided. Space limited to 25 attendees. Lunch will not be provided. Attending Archives on a Shoestring I & II is not required to participate.

Who should attend: those preserving archives materials or library special collections.

Presenters: Arielle Hessler and F. Jason Torre, both with the Preservation Department at Stony Brook University Libraries.

FEE: \$25 for all.

Protecting Your Financial Information: Identity Theft & Scam Prevention

Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library

Monday, March 26, 2018, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

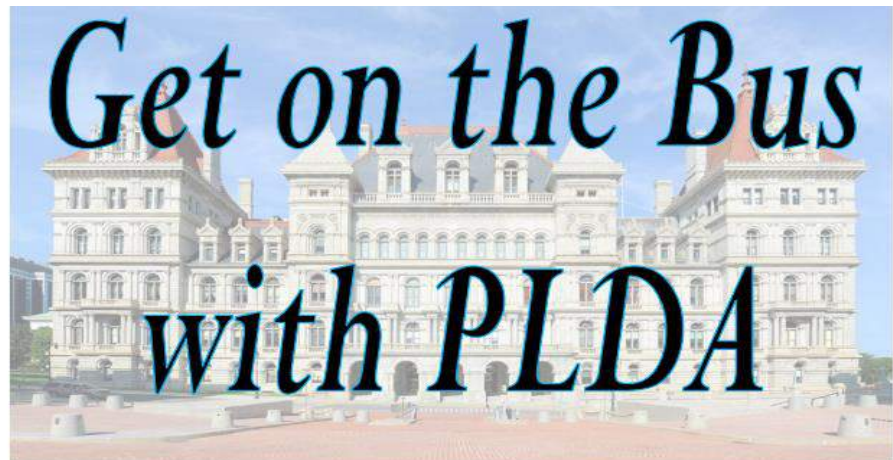
Over 8.3 million New Yorkers were affected by the Equifax data breach. Could you be one of them? In this informative and timely workshop from the New York State Division of Consumer Protection, find out how to protect your identity and how to respond to a data security breach. Also, learn what to do if you suspect you are a victim of identity theft. Finally, discover resources to provide the public so they can learn how to protect themselves.

Presenter: Paula O'Brien, Program Counsel, New York State Department of State, Division of Consumer Protection.

FEE: \$20 Member; \$45 Nonmember; \$15 Retired Member/Student/Unemployed.

Public Library Directors Association (PLDA)

Click [here](#) for flyer information.



Attend 2018 Advocacy Day and Pre-Advocacy Day activities to let Albany know that libraries matter!

Tentative Schedule of Events:

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

- 10:00 a.m. - Depart SCLS
- 10:30 a.m. - Depart LIE Exit 49 Park and Ride
- 3:00 p.m. - Approximate arrival at Albany Hilton
- TBA - Professional development opportunities & additional events
- 6:00 p.m. - New Yorkers for Better Libraries Annual Gala Fundraising Banquet (Reserve your ticket at <https://newyorkersforbetterlibraries.org/events>)

Wednesday, February 28, 2018

- TBA - Legislative office visits
- 12:00 p.m. - The Rally for Library Advocates
- 3:00 p.m. - Depart Albany
- 7:00 p.m. - Arrive LIE Exit 49 Park and Ride
- 7:30 p.m. - Arrive SCLS