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Hello from the RASD Board!

RASD had a very successful LILC with some wonderful programs. First off was *Graphic Novels*: *All Grown Up* presented by Mark Siegel and Gina Gagliano from First Second Books. The MOSAIC Committee and SCLA sponsored the program *Learning English is a Library Affair* with speakers Beth Donovan and Carmen Navarro-Gao from Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library. The PR and Marketing Committee arranged a *Lunch and Learn* with a panel of Librarians reviewing practical ways of using social networking sites and e-newsletters to publicize library programs, services and events

Do you want to join the RASD team? Your opportunity waits as RASD will be having its annual election this Fall for the positions of Vice President/President elect and Secretary. If you are interested in running for one of these positions please contact current RASD President Robert Cognato at Deer Park Public Library or rcognato@gmail.com.

Some important future events we don't want you to miss:

RASD Annual Dinner will be held on Thursday evening October 6th, at the Setauket Pastaria. Guest Speaker to be determined soon.

Health Concerns Meeting/Breakfast and Workshop will be held on Wednesday morning October 19th at SCLS. The topic for discussion is substance abuse and one of the presenters will be Dr. Stephen Dewey.

Hope you have a Very Fun and Safe Summer!

Robert Cognato - RASD President



Long Island History Committee of RASD Annual Tour

The Long Island History Committee of RASD met on Thursday, June 9th at the Van Bourgondien House in West Babylon at 10 AM. We met Thomas Smith, Babylon Town Historian who gave us a tour of this beautiful farm house previously owned by the Van Bourgondiens. The house is currently being restored and is not open to the public. The tour included future plans for restoration of the bottom part of the house demonstrating life during the

30's, 40's and 50's on Long Island. The barn will house an exhibit on the history of the bulb business on Long Island during the 50's.

For the second part of our tour we met at the Old Town Hall in Babylon for a slide presentation given by Mary Cascone, Babylon Town Archivist on the history of the Babylon Town Hall. Afterwards we were given a tour of this new museum including a visit to the jail located in the basement of the Town Hall. This jail was used prior to the 1960's when each township had their own police department, courts and jail. We ended our day with a walk past the new replica fountain installed on Babylon's Village Historical and Preservation Society Property. The original fountain was located on the corner of Main Street and Deer Park Road but was damaged by a trolley years ago. We had a nice lunch at the Post Office Café which was the old post office in Babylon Village now converted to a restaurant.

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Mark October 19, 2011 for our Annual RASD Breakfast and Health Concerns Workshop at SCLS. This year's topic will be "Substance Abuse"

Electronic Resources

The Committee met at SCLs in June. We also had a sneak preview tour of the new Media Lab, which includes laminator, poster printer, high-speed document scanner, touch screen scanner that will email and save to several different formats, and a large-scale scanner that will digitize larger and fragile items. We looked at Half Hollow Hills' new short video promoting the Adult Summer Reading Club (http://youtu.be/HQ_O4Qlxk3g). QR Codes were discussed as was music downloadable sites.

Half Hollow Hills Community Library

MOSAIC

The MOSAIC Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank Beth Donovan of the Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library for the presentation at the Long Island Library Conference this past May entitled, "Learning English is a Library Affair". This informative session was well-received and provided the group with invaluable information to help attendees implement similar programs at their libraries. The Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library has succeeded in serving the non-English speaking population first by recognizing the need for services to these patrons and second because it was able to see the library through the eyes of others. Congratulations on a job well done!

Booklist Online - Website of the Week

For any sports fanatic interested in statistics and or the history of a major sport, <u>Sports-Reference.com</u> will be heaven. Professional baseball, basketball, football and hockey are included as well as college basketball and football. There is an additional section on the Olympics. A quick browse found that this is the Boston Bruins

86th season; they have won over 2,800 games, scored 6,507 points and have five Stanley Cups. In the baseball section I discovered numerous statistics of a family friend, Jim Konstanty who pitched for seven pro teams from 1944-1956. He was compared to similar pitchers and those most similar by age. I also discovered that there have been 12 Olympic athletes born in Albany NY. This is one of many web sites that remind me of all the reference questions that I wouldn't have been able to answer before the advent of the Internet! Posted by: Christine Bulson

http://pointsofreference.booklistonline.com/2011/06/05/web-site-of-the-week-sports-reference-com/

The MOSAIC Committee's next meeting will take place on July 12, 2011, 10:00 a.m. at SCLS (9:30 a.m. coffee) Hope to see you there.

E. Lugo
L. Thomas
Co-Chairs
MOSAIC Committee

READER'S Advisory

Did you read FACEBOOK RA, (LJ, May 1, 2011)? The Multnomah County Library, (Portland, OR) asked their patrons to post the last five titles they had read on the library's Facebook page. Librarians stood ready to reply with suggestions for other books they might enjoy. At the end of the day, they had heard from 100 readers.

The Cuyahoga County (Ohio) Public Library was inspired by this success to hold a social media event. They used Facebook and Twitter to alert their patrons to start thinking about three good books they had read. On the day of the event, 200 customers posted their preferences and got new books to read. And the library gained 300 new Facebook fans.

This kind of success would not be possible without the expertise of experienced Reader's Advisors. If you'd like to improve your expertise and network with other librarians by reading and sharing insights in different genres, join us on the RASD Reader's Advisory committee. For more information, e-mail goconnor@suffolk.lib.ny.us. Our next meeting is September 15 at West Babylon Public Library for Pulitzer Prize Winners and Finalists.

Grace O'Connor West Islip Public Library

From our Secretary:

Hello everyone and from all of us to all of you, Happy Summer! It has been an exciting adventure this year as the

RASD Secretary. I have had the privilege of recording our on-going programs and I have observed how we evolve as librarians and continue to serve the surrounding communities. As we begin to register our patrons to our Summer Reading Programs and provide various Outreach Services, we continually provide reasons to enjoy the library during the dog days of summer. Hope the summer brings along great weather and good times! Below I listed a Young Adult Program that's happening at Patchogue-Medford Library for those who need to entertain the middle and high school refugees.

Summer Fruit Tart Wednesday, July 20th 2011 6:30-7:15 and 7:30-8:15 p.m. Join the Baking Coach and make a delicious summer treat to take home and enjoy. A nonrefundable

\$5 fee (cash only) is due at registration.

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