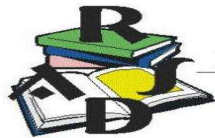


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READER'S ADVISORY

While the summer days simmer, Reader's Advisory members are getting ready for our meeting on September 27 at Patchogue-Medford. First we will read a book and then listen to it on CD. At the meeting, we'll discuss whether reading a book and then listening to it on CD changes our perceptions and conclusions. Does the format add to our enjoyment? Does it diminish it?

Although our findings will be strictly anecdotal, it could be the beginning of a wider survey. We'll publish the first results in Ramblings so STAY TUNED.

Better than that, become part of the survey. Join Reader's Advisory and benefit from book talks with your colleagues. The committee currently has more than 15 members - and we love to welcome newcomers!

Visit our blog at <http://rasdreadersadvisory.blogspot.com/> where you'll find the many genres we have explored.

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SAVE THE DATE

MOSAIC's First Annual Breakfast

- MOSAIC had its First Annual Breakfast on May 22, 2012. Loida Santos was the guest speaker on the topic: "Getting to Know You": Stereotyping as it Pertains to Customer Service in the Workplace." Kristin Marquette wrote in "Barriers to Customer Communication" that "Stereotyping causes us to typify a person, a group, an event or a thing on oversimplified conceptions, beliefs, or opinions. Instead of communicating, you assume you already have all the information you need about a customer." The program was well received with 30 attendees. Packets were given out by Ms. Santos.
- Hosting these types of programs allows us to recognize some of our own prejudices; bringing them to the forefront of our brains.
- MOSAIC is planning on hosting a "How to run a Dia de los Niños event at your Library" and a bus trip to the Queens Library to check out their New Americans Project (info to follow).
- MOSAIC's next meeting is on July 10 at 9:30 am at SCLS. Please join us.

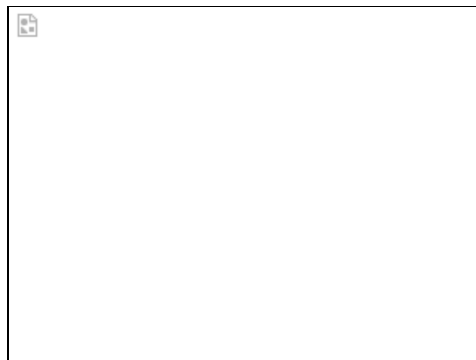
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A great website for those preparing to take the Citizenship test: Preparing for the Oath: U.S. History and Civics for Citizenship:

<http://americanhistory.si.edu/citizenship/>

Long Island Reads

Our fabulous author, Alyson Richman, appeared at Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library on Sunday, April 22, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.



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Annual Dinner

**Wednesday,
September 12, 2012
6:30-9:30 pm**

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The author event was SRO-over 300 people came and Gretchen Browne, the director of P-OB PL had to direct her staff to set up approximately 40 seats in the hallway. My assistant director, Ryan Athanas, and I put together a slide show of the artwork and music of the children and some adults from the concentration camp, Terezin. This played across a very large movie screen while people were filing in and after the talk. (Much of the plot of *The Lost Wife*, the 2012 LI Reads selection, takes place in Terezin during WWII.) There was a robust question-and-answer session after Ms. Richman's talk (I did the Phil Donahue mic thing-anyone remember him?) then the book signing commenced.

Loretta Piscatella arranged for a bus for the East End which was to be shared with Nassau. However, Nassau didn't need it, but we filled it! Rona Dressler (P-M) and Elva Zeichner (Riverhead) prepared a handout and led an on-board book discussion. Light snacks were provided.

A DVD of the event is available upon request from Samantha Alberts at SCLS (Samantha@suffolk.lib.ny.us). Cataloguing info. is available and in the Suffolk catalog.

The LI Reads Committee met on Wednesday morning, May 16, 2012 at Port Washington Public Library. We were told that *The Lost Wife* European Tour is a 'go'! A few spaces can be added if anyone is interested. It is \$3864 per person, including air, and tours relevant sites from the book in Prague, Budapest and Vienna. Contact Prime Time Travel at 631-869-5633 or Loretta Piscatella at piscatellaloretta@mcpl.lib.ny.us

Feedback on the book was almost all positive. I also noted, on 4/15/12, that only 71 of approximately 500 copies in the Suffolk catalog were available; 2/36 audiobooks were available, 4/84 LT and 3/15 Playaways. I'm glad everyone's circ stats were boosted!

The Committee is in the process of reading ARCs and other books looking for the 2013 selection. We are also working on an 'all about LI Reads' brochure and a possible expansion of book discussions and social media presence. This year marked our first year of presenting the author with an engraved, glass 'award'. It was in the shape of a standing book and lovely.

Our next meeting is **August 14, 2012 at W. Islip Public Library**; 9:30 coffee, 10-12 meeting. New members welcome.

Deborah Cunningham-LI Reads Suffolk Co-Chair

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