



## FALL 2015

### Fall Message from the desk of the RASD President...

Thank you to all those who attended the RASD Annual Dinner held on September 30th. And thank you to Tabitha Johnson, RASD Member at Large, for doing such a wonderful job orchestrating the evening.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate two exceptional librarians and long term RASD members on their retirements this fall:

Linda Knell who chaired the **C.A.R.E. (Career and Resource Exchange) Committee** that created a **website designed to provide information and resources for Suffolk County librarians in assisting patrons with career questions.**

and... Rona Dressler our Health Concerns Chair whose committee has given us such wonderful, informative programs on health related issues at our annual breakfast and provided libraries with bibliographies of resources developed by the committee. Rona has also been the creator of this – RASD's newsletter and held many other positions over the years including RASD President.

Each has worked for many years sharing resources with librarians throughout Suffolk County thereby providing invaluable information to all the residents of our county.

I hope to see many of you at this year's Annual Breakfast . The breakfast organized by the Health Concerns Committee and our Member at Large will be held at SCLS on October 28<sup>th</sup>, featuring a program on PTSD that affects more than 5 million people in the United States.

Your continued membership in SCLA , your library association, benefits all Suffolk librarians be it providing programs, ceu's, on the job resources, networking opportunities, or legislation. Please encourage your co-workers to also join.

Thank you

Megan Sala-James

## Annual Dinner

The 2015 RASD dinner was held on Wednesday, September 30 at Gallo Restaurant in Patchogue. 55 people came out to hear our guest speaker, Kimberly Rae Miller, author of *Coming Clean*.

We would like to extend our thanks to our sponsors :

*Brainfuse*  
*Sandpebble*  
*Grey House Publishing*  
*InMyBook*

Also, we were grateful to receive raffle prizes from the following donors:

*The Gateway Performing Arts Center*  
*Macari Vineyards*  
*Mayer's Flower Cottage*  
*Patchogue Theatre for the Performing Arts*  
*Roast Coffee and Tea Trading Company*  
*Theatre Three*  
*Vox International*

Finally, thanks to everyone who attended for making it such a success!

*Tabitha Johnson*

## Suffolk Libraries CARE (Career and Resource Exchange)

Suffolk Libraries CARE is a committee of the Reference and Adult Services Division of the Suffolk County Library Association. The mission of the CARE committee is to share career information resources and services and promote career development within public libraries. We seek to establish a professional voice that will represent the career needs and interests of libraries and their communities.

We encourage librarians to join CARE. You do not have to have a Career Center or a Career Counselor in your library. The only requirement for membership is an interest in sharing career information and resources.

Upcoming events:

The CARE (Career and Resource Exchange) Committee of RASD (Reference and Adult Services Division), a division of SCLA, will be hosting a joint meeting with the Electronic Resources Committee on Thursday, November 19, 2015 at the Suffolk County Library System in Bellport. Please join us for coffee at 2:00pm, the presentation starts at 2:30pm.

Does the thought of answering business reference questions fill you with fear or dread? Sal DiVincenzo of Middle Country Public Library will present, "Help, I'm Not a Business Librarian!" Mr. DiVincenzo will give an overview of some resources that are available to librarians to assist patrons asking some of the most common business reference questions.

Please email Nicole Berroyer at [nicole@connetquotlibrary.org](mailto:nicole@connetquotlibrary.org) to let us know if you plan on attending, or if you have any questions about the committee or our speaker.

## MOSAIC

Join us on Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, from 12pm– 4pm Information Fair at Middle Country Public Library at 101 Eastwood Blvd. Centereach, NY. The fair is co-sponsored by the Multicultural Outreach Services and Information Committee (MOSAIC), a part of the Reference and Adult Services Division of the Suffolk County Library Association, and Middle Country Public Library. Explore the many programs and services available for you and

your family. Friendly representatives will be at the library to answer your questions.

Topics include:

- ◆ CITIZENSHIP
- ◆ WOMEN'S ADVOCACY SERVICES
- ◆ JOBS & CAREERS
- ◆ HUMAN RIGHTS LEARNING ENGLISH
- ◆ HEALTH
- ◆ SOCIAL SERVICE ADVOCATES
- ◆ CHILD CARE
- ◆ LEGAL SERVICES
- ◆ EDUCATION
- ◆ HOUSING

For information, please call (631) 585-9393, x274 or x288

*Amber Sroka*

## HEALTH CONCERNS

Join us on October 28, at 9am for a delicious breakfast and our workshop on PTSD. The workshop will take place at SCLS with 2 speakers, a psychiatrist from Stony Brook University Hospital and another from the Veterans Hospital. PTSD can occur in all ages, whether the person has been involved in an accident, experienced domestic violence, an illness, or any event that would change your life for a period of time. Come and learn about the symptoms and what treatments are available. An online bibliography link will be sent out after the workshop. For further information, email [rdressler@pmlib.org](mailto:rdressler@pmlib.org). Hope to see you there.

Rona Dressler



## PR and Marketing

The RASD PR & Marketing Committee is busy planning programs for the winter and spring. At this time the exact arrangements have not been finalized. We are looking for suggestions for topics and speakers you feel would be of interest. Do not hesitate to contact us with that information. The committee is here to serve the needs of the SCLA community.

Entrees were received for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Suffolk Library Marketing Award (SLMA), and the winners will be announced at the SCLA Dinner at Villa Lombardi's on November 19, 2015.

If you are interested in receiving information from the committee, please send me your e-mail, and if you were on our email list and have recently changed your address, please let us know.

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