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**Suffolk County
Library Association**

A Division of NYLA

Message from the President

**BRIAN SCHWARTZ,
SCLA PRESIDENT**

Hi all and happy summer! I am sure you are all very, very busy, as I know that this time of year is the craziest for librarians. I wanted to reinforce how important it is to make sure we support one another in this profession, especially when it comes to events. I strongly encourage you all to go to something that is outside of your comfort zone. This is important because it will allow you to bring skills back to your workplace that you normally may not have discovered. For example, if you are a teen librarian, try to go to a RASD or SSD workshop. It is great to show that you are willing to support Divisions other than your "home Division" and you never know what you will learn there.

It is very easy to fall into familiar habits such as attending the same programs and meetings year after year, but I encourage you to try to branch out and see what will develop. I always love going to meetings where I do not know anyone because of the valuable networking capacity.

In addition, being involved in SCLA has allowed me to meet librarians who I would never have met previously. Since I work with teens, most of the meetings I attend are teen related.

However, since becoming involved, I have served on the Board with reference librarians, children's librarians, support staff and even academic librarians. It is wonderful to get perspectives of different people in the profession and to see what their views are on issues that affect us as a whole.

So when your summer winds down, when your reading clubs eventually end and when your work life begins to slow down just a bit, check out the SCLA calendar of events. Pick an event that sounds interesting to you but that you wouldn't normally think of attending and then if you are able to, come and check it out! You may be surprised in the best possible way.

Brian Schwartz,
SCLA President

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SCLA DIVISION RASD

Reference & Adult Services Division

ALEX BLEND,
RASD PRESIDENT

The RASD Annual Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, October 2nd from 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Karver's Grille in Holbrook. Our guest speaker Aaron Braun, Community Educator at the LGBT Network, will discuss how libraries can become another layer of support to LGBT individuals. The cost of the lunch for SCLA members is \$25 and \$35 for non-members. Please RSVP [here](#) by Wednesday, September 18th.



The M.O.S.A.I.C. Breakfast was held on June 11th at MCPL. Dr. Annelies Kamran spoke to an audience of 35 library professionals about the history, politics, economics and culture of some of the largest new immigrant communities on Long Island and how libraries can develop cultural competency in interacting with and serving our diverse society.

On June 17th the New Adults Committee partnered with the Fandom Outreach Committee of SCLA to present the art of hosting library Comic-Cons and marketing them to New Adults. This presentation was given by

Rachel Cecchini and Erin Kanelos of the Fandom Outreach Committee. They had a great turnout!

On September 19th the New Adults Committee is partnering with YASD to host a breakfast for Teen and Reference Librarians at SCLS. They will discuss ways librarians can bridge the gap between Teen and Adult services to get more New Adult patrons in the library. More information coming soon!

Don't forget to visit the [RASD PR & Marketing Committee Page](#) to download your application for the 2019 Suffolk Library Marketing Award (SLMA). This easy to complete application is due on September 15, 2019. You can also view previous entries and winners to get ideas.

The Health Concerns Committee will host their annual breakfast and resource training in October; date to be announced. Did you know that the Health Concerns Committee has a Health Topic LibGuide full of resources, links and websites? Please be sure to bookmark it and check out the new [LGBT Health Page](#).

SCLA DIVISION CATS

Computer and Technical Services

NICOLE PARISI,
CATS PRESIDENT

CATS is sponsoring a Technology Petting Zoo on October 3rd, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at SCLS. This is a free event that is open to any library professional in Nassau or Suffolk County.

During this free program, we will exchange ideas and information about the latest in technology, STEM programming, activities, lending and services for all ages. Interested Suffolk and Nassau libraries are asked to run a table to show off equipment, devices, programming materials or handouts, lending guidelines and any ideas that apply to what you are demonstrating.

There is no charge associated with this event for tables or attendance. It is our way of sharing the wealth of what our libraries are doing and bring the public library STEM/STEAM community together.

Trivia Challenge!

PETER WARD,
BRENTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Congrats to the winners of last edition's Trivia Challenge!

Katherine Kalin, North Shore Public Library
Teri Hatred, SCLS
Laurie Rodney, Bay Shore-Brightwaters Public Library

Arturo Schomburg collected a library of African-American historical material that is now part of the:
a. NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY

THIS EDITION'S QUESTION:

In the 1920's and 30's ALA published a series of booklets as guides to the best books to read to learn about various subjects, called:

- What to Read and Why
- Reading with a Purpose
- Why Not Read?
- Reading for Profit

Please submit your answers to Jennifer Rocco-jrocco@brookhavenfreelibrary.org.

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



If your library would like to have a table at this great event, please fill out the [application](#) or email CATS President Nicole Parisi at nparisi@communitylibrary.org. Space is limited so sign up today!

SCLA DIVISION SSD

Support Staff Division

**RONI RAUCH,
SSD PRESIDENT**

Our year is progressing nicely. Intermediate Excel class was well attended. Our next computer class, Advanced Excel, is on August 12th, 2:00-4:00 p.m. at SCLS.

Don't forget to save the date for our 3rd Annual Safety Conference- October 9, 2019. Our keynote speaker this year is Stuart Cameron, Suffolk County Police Chief of Department. Please join us for a very informative and enjoyable day. More information to follow.

SCLA COMMITTEE:

FANDOM OUTREACH

NICOLE BASIL

The SCLA Fandom Outreach Committee has many exciting outreach events upcoming this year, as well as the many we already had for the year. At this time we will be hosting programs and having an outreach table at Tropic-Con on August 18th at the Melville Marriott, and an Unerthly Convention on November 23rd and 24th at the Ramada Plaza in Holtsville. Additionally we will be at Smith-Con on August 17th at the Smithtown Library Main Branch, and East Islip-Con on July 27th at the East Islip Library.

Our work at Cradle-Con on June 1st and 2nd at the Cradle of Aviation went wonderfully and we reached out to many patrons about Summer Reading and some of the exciting events happening at libraries this summer.

If you are interested in joining us in our outreaching efforts at these amazing events, please reach out to us at fandomoutreach@gmail.com. We would be so happy to welcome new and enthusiastic people to our team! Additionally, if you have any upcoming events that are open to the public, and you'd like us to advertise during our outreach events, please send them to the email listed above.

SCLA DIVISION YASD

YOUNG ADULT SERVICES DIVISION

**YASD PRESIDENT,
MICHELE CAYEA**



Annual Luncheon

**Guest Speaker:
Brendan Kiely**

Thursday, December 12, 2019
12:00 - 3:00 PM

At the Irish Coffee Pub

**\$40 YASD members
\$45 non-members**

Registration Deadline is Friday, December 6th

Please mail registration form with check made payable to NYLA to:
Port Jefferson Library c/o Khan DeRenzo - YASD Treasurer. Payments are non-refundable.
If possible, put registrants name in the memo field of check.
If sending cash, please send through the System bag, not through the mail.

Name: _____
Library Affiliation: _____
Title: _____ Phone#: _____
Email Address: _____

SCLA COMMITTEE:

Continuing Education

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The Continuing Education Committee keeps 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.

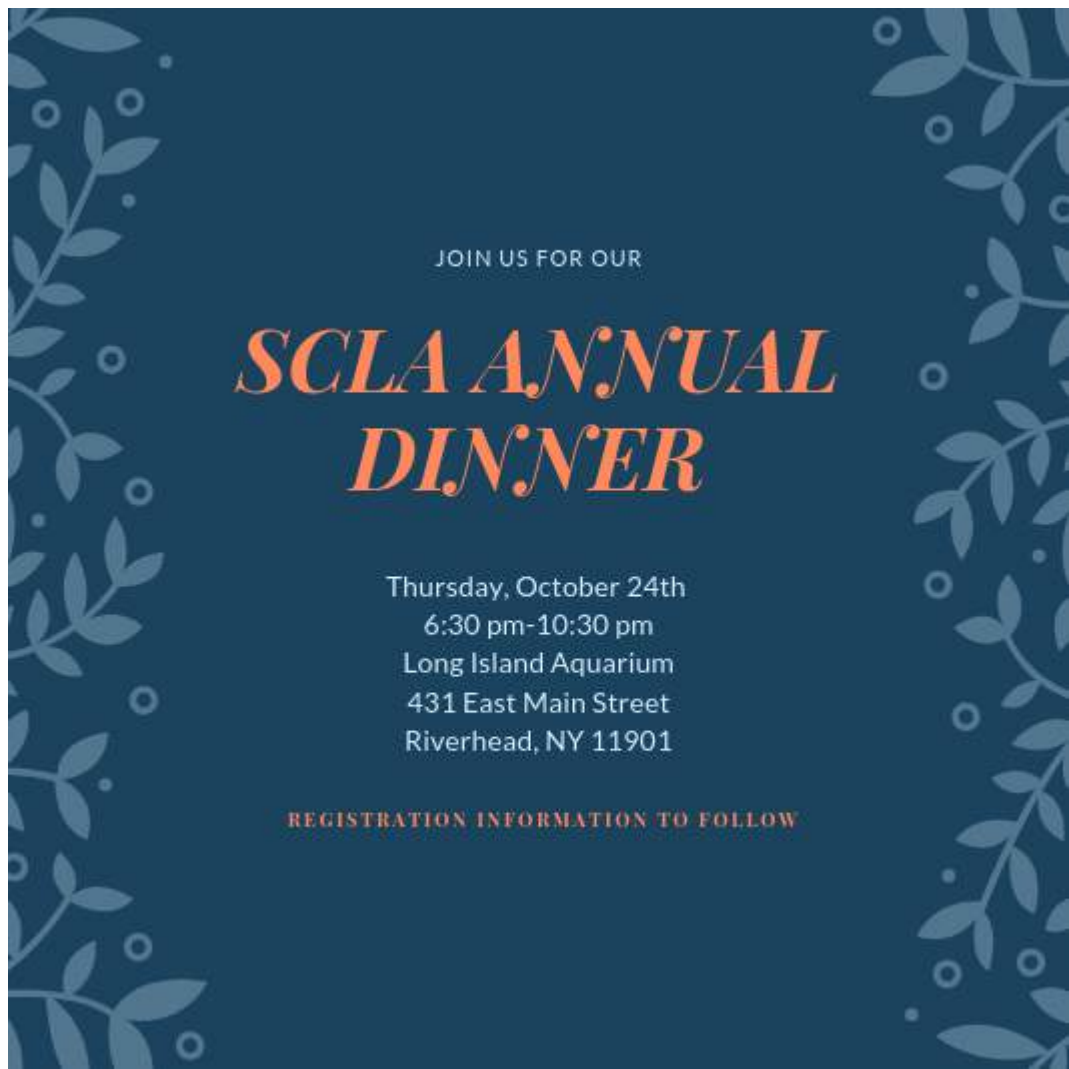
When you need your personal listing of attended programs just send an email to the address above. A report will be sent back to you via email. Please be aware that the database may be incomplete, as it only has data from submitted attendance sheets.

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

SCLA COMMITTEE:

Annual Dinner

LISSETTY THOMAS



SCLA COMMITTEE:

Library Directory Associates Award

2019 LDA Library Award

PAULA BORNSTEIN

Congratulations are in order for the winner of our 2019 LDA Library Award- Matthew Bollerman, presented at the Long Island Library Conference on May 9th. Currently the Director of the Hauppauge Public Library and previously the Director of the Westhampton Free Library, Mr. Bollerman also served as President of the New York Library Association in 2012 and is an ardent advocate for New York State libraries.

His many accomplishments include the co-founding of NYLA's Sustainability Initiative, creation of the Annual PLDA Fundraiser for *New York for Better Libraries*, implementation of 21st century technology within the library and many more.

SCLA COMMITTEE CLASC:

Children's Library Association of Suffolk County

CAITLIN SEMPOWICH

SAVE THE DATE!

**CLASC-SCLA Test Prep Program
Monday, September 23rd, at SCLS
6:00 p.m.**

This program will include a prerecorded Udemy webinar offering tips and strategies for taking any multiple choice test as well as a live presentation from a public school math teacher to help you brush up on skills including solving logic problems and calculating percentages.

Please note that no library-specific content will be included in this program.

More information will follow on the CLASC and SCLA websites.

SCLA COMMITTEE:

LEGISLATIVE

SAMANTHA ALBERTS

Dear Colleagues,

This year we once again had to take the fight to the legislature to keep what we had gained in past budgets. We were successful and received \$138.6M from NYS sources for FY2020, totaling about \$1.8M more than last year.

As Mike Nepl (NYLA Director of Government Relations) wrote in his Session Wrap-up to the NYLA Legislative Committee, “I know that holding the line is frustrating, unappealing work but we can and should celebrate successfully fighting back, establishing a solid foothold in the Senate and putting ourselves in a position to gain ground next year”.

With this in mind, I invite you to join us for the Legislative Breakfast this September 20th at SCLS to say thank you to our local Legislator. Please register [here](#) by September 6th to show your support.

We also hope you will consider attending Suffolk’s local PAC Fundraiser on September 26th. Attendees can choose from all-day participation in golfing, or a North Fork tour or just attending the Dinner. Visit [here](#) for more information.

Finally, if you are attending NYLA this year, please put the PAC Fundraiser’s Annual Karaoke event on November 15th on your calendar. It’s an event you don’t want to miss!

Here’s to successfully fighting back – and winning – together!

Samantha Alberts,
Committee Chair

SCLA COMMITTEE:

Scholarship

EMMA LODATO



2019 SCLA Scholarship: Preparing New Librarians

The Suffolk County Library Association, serving Suffolk County libraries since 1939, offers an academic scholarship to assist an outstanding library school student in subsidizing the cost of their library school education, and to promote the profession by supporting an excellent student pursuing a Library and Information Science Master’s degree in Suffolk County.

Completed application and all supplemental materials are due to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson by September 1st. [Apply today!](#)

2019 SCLA Continuing Education Award for Library Support Staff

The SCLA Continuing Education Award for Library Support Staff is a cash award made to a library employee who is pursuing academic or career-related coursework that will enhance and contribute to their library duties, as well as benefit libraries.

Completed application and all supplemental materials are due to the Scholarship Committee Chairperson by October 1st. [Apply today!](#)

For more information, please visit SCLA’s website’s [Awards page](#), or contact me with any questions.

Emma Lodato,
SCLA Scholarship Committee
631-363-6133 Ext. 20

SCLA COMMITTEE

Suffolk County Library Access Committee

VALERIE LEWIS & JANET CLARK

SCLS Outreach Services is planning a wide array of programs for fall 2019. We hope that you can join us for some of these programs and we welcome and encourage any suggestions for future programming topics.

September 25th, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – **Parish Outreach and the Public Library:** Many of the patrons you serve are also served by the parish outreach in your community. Please come and share information about your services and programs, meet the parish outreach person in your neighborhood and learn about the resources available to your patrons.

October 1st, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – **SCLS Outreach Expo:** Please visit SCLS anytime 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. to meet with representatives from outreach organizations from across Long Island. Learn about their services and schedule programs for your library. This event is not open to the public.

October 15th, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – **SCLS Outreach Services Advisory Council Meeting:** All are welcome to join us and share outreach ideas.

October 29th, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – **Dementia Resources for the Public Library and Music and Memory Updates:** Speakers from Day Haven Adult Services will share many ideas for serving patrons, families and caregivers dealing with Dementia. We will also discuss the Music and Memory program.

November 6th, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – **Narcan Training:** For all levels of library administration and staff.

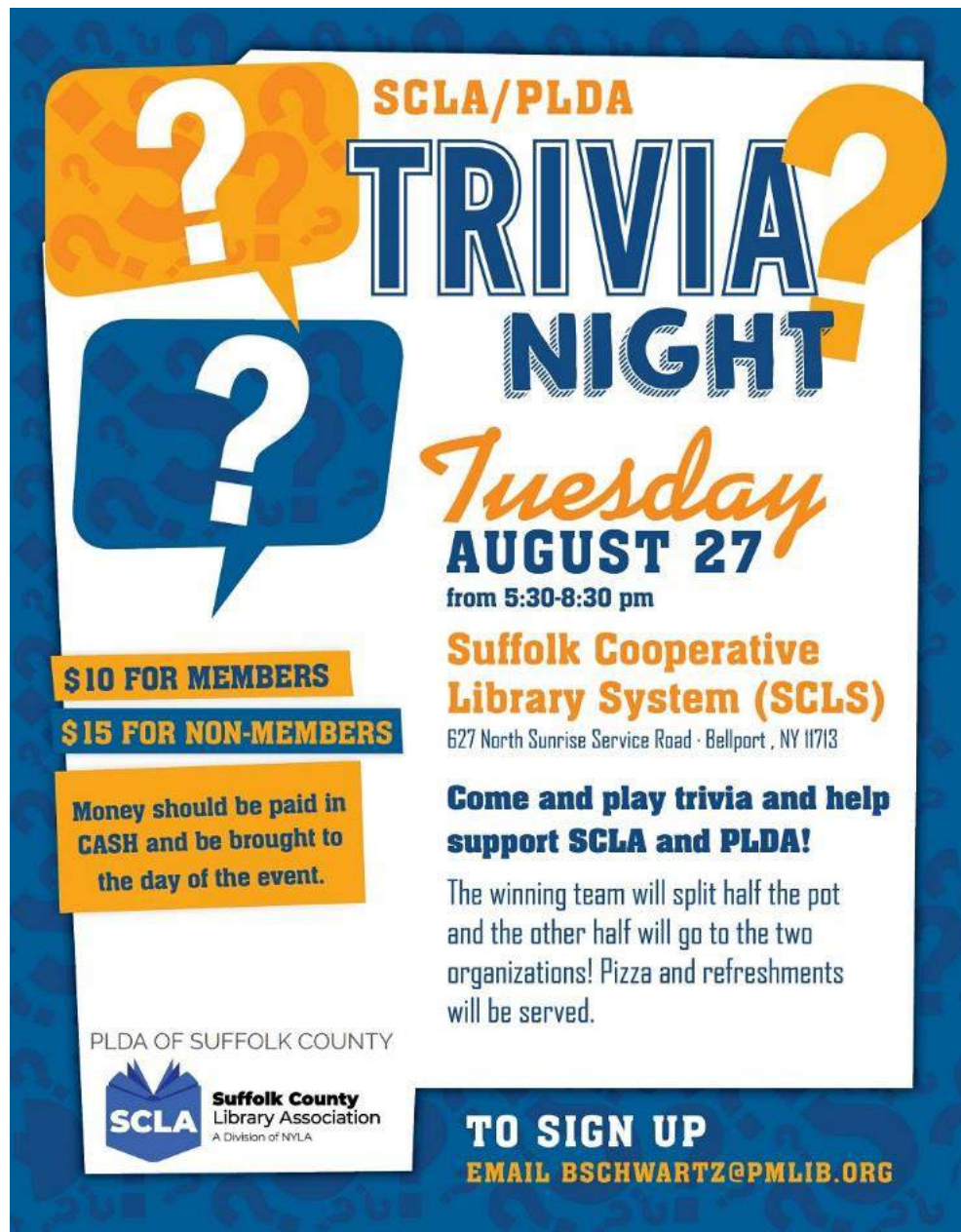
November 19th, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – **Gang Activity on Long Island**

December 4th, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. – **Accessible Library Customer Service:** How to provide accessible library services to all.

SCLA COMMITTEE PLDA:

Public Library Directors Association

MIKE FIRESTONE



SCLA/PLDA
TRIVIA NIGHT
Tuesday
AUGUST 27
from 5:30-8:30 pm

Suffolk Cooperative Library System (SCLS)
627 North Sunrise Service Road · Bellport, NY 11713

Come and play trivia and help support SCLA and PLDA!

The winning team will split half the pot and the other half will go to the two organizations! Pizza and refreshments will be served.

\$10 FOR MEMBERS
\$15 FOR NON-MEMBERS

Money should be paid in CASH and be brought to the day of the event.

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TO SIGN UP
EMAIL BSCHWARTZ@PMLIB.ORG

SCLA COMMITTEE LILRC:

Long Island Library Resources Council

TIM SPINDLER

Be sure to save the date of Friday, October 11th for LILRC's 28th Annual Conference on Libraries and the Future: *Libraries in a Post Privacy World*, which features four notable speakers-leaders in the conversation on digital privacy.

Lee Rainie, Director of Internet and Technology Research at Pew Research Center, opens the Conference with an examination of Pew's latest research on privacy, trust, facts and democracy.

David Carroll (Associate Professor, Media Design, The New School) then will share his insights on privacy. Carroll is known for creating a legal challenge to Cambridge Analytica in the UK courts as featured in *The Great Hack* (Netflix).

Davis Erin Anderson (Metropolitan New York Library Council) will then discuss her work on digital safety with NYPL, Queens Public Library and Brooklyn Public Library.

The Conference concludes with writer Ed Tenner (Distinguished Scholar, Smithsonian Lemelson Center for the Study of Invention and Innovation, Visiting Scholar, Rutgers University, Department of History) who will discuss individuals' right to discovery as balanced against individuals' right to be forgotten.

The day-long event (8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.) will take place at *The Heritage Club at Bethpage* and includes breakfast and lunch. Additionally, attendees will receive a certificate for 6 Professional Developments Hours (.6 CEU's).

Early bird [registration](#) is open through August 31st. For more information, please call Eliscia at 631-675-1570 Ext. 2001 or email ecirrone@lilrc.org.