

OCTOBER 2021

SUFFOLK COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

A Regional Chapter of the New York Library Association



Ally Mercado, SCLA President

Greetings members,

I hope everyone fared well through their Summer Reading Club season. I wish everyone a productive fall.

I encourage everyone to keep an eye on SCLA's Facebook page. We've been highlighting our board members on "Member Mondays." Be sure to give them a like. You might learn a new fact or two about your colleague.

I hope to see many of you at our Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner, which is set for Thursday, October 21 at the Mansion at West Sayville. Michele Cayea from the Patchogue-Medford Public Library has put a ton of work into the event. We thank her for her time.

I am always available for questions, suggestions, or just to say hello at alexandra.mercado@sachemlibrary.org.

With gratitude,

Ally Mercado
SCLA President

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Tinkercad for Instructors

Tuesday, November 2, 10:00am on Zoom

[Register here](#)

Learn the basics of Tinkercad in this class tailored for librarians and instructors. This free and easy to use product has become the go-to for introducing patrons to 3D modeling and 3D printing. This class will cover the basics of creating 3D models and how to teach others to do it, as well as program ideas for patrons of all ages to kickstart or rekindle enthusiasm for 3D printing in your library.

Reference and Adult Services Division

Rachel Cecchini, RASD President

Congratulations to all of our incoming Executive Board members! Salvatore Filosa and Kelly Filippone will be continuing their RASD Board tenure as your next President and Vice President/President-Elect. Mary McNulty will be joining the Board as our Recording Secretary. I wish them all the best and am looking forward to seeing what sorts of endeavors the Board spearheads next year.



REFERENCE & ADULT SERVICES DIVISION
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The Outreach Committee is accepting applications for the 2021 Suffolk Library Excellence in Outreach Award. Any public or academic librarian in Suffolk County may submit an application on behalf of a library describing outreach endeavors that took place at that library between October 1, 2020 and October 1, 2021. The deadline to submit an application for the 2021 SLEOA is Friday, October 15, 2021. Completed applications and supporting documentation must be emailed to alodolce@isliplibrary.org and cmontazem@gmail.com.

Upcoming meeting: Wednesday, October 6, 2021
10:00-11:00AM

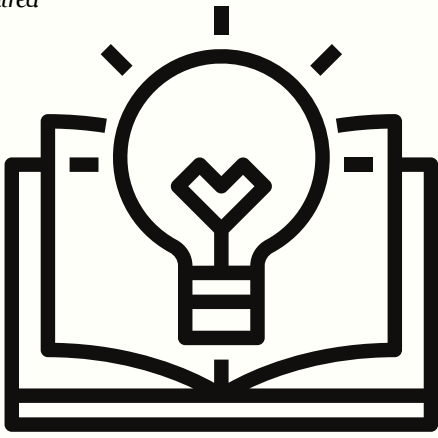
There will be representatives from the Legal Aid Society of Suffolk County and NY Project Hope.

Please contact Adriana LoDolce (alodolce@isliplibrary.org) or Catherine Montazem (cmontazem@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Be on the lookout for our Save the Dates for our annual luncheon and Health Concerns Committee breakfast!

Continuing Education Committee

Teri Hatred



The Continuing Education Committee keeps a record of programs hosted by SCLA and its divisions. If you need a report of the programs you have attended you can request a report by emailing sclshr@suffolknet.org. The report is dependent on receiving attendance sheets from the hosting group and may not be complete at the time of your request. Please remember to keep track of all programs you've attended, and simply use the report as a tool. If you have ideas for future programming please email them to sclshr@suffolknet.org for consideration.

Support Staff Division

Roni Rouch, SSD President

We have a very exciting Safety Conference this year. We will be virtual so we can keep everyone safe.

On October 7, at 1:00pm, we have Tim Sini, District Attorney for Suffolk County, with an overview of new initiative, crime statistics, overdoses, and human trafficking. [Register here](#)

October 14, at 2:00pm, Patrick M. Beckley, Deputy Commissioner of Suffolk County Fire, Rescue & Emergency Services, will join us, building a Disaster Preparedness for people with anxiety. [Register here](#)

October 28, at 6:30, Brian Schwartz, Coordinator of Teen Patchogue Medford Library, will do a fun night of trivia. Prizes will be awarded! [Register here](#)

We will have Narcan training and more!

Annual Dinner

Michele Cayea, Patchogue-Medford Public Library

The SCLA Annual Dinner is Thursday, October 21, 2021 at the West Sayville Country Club. For more information please contact Michele Cayea: mcayea@pmlib.org or 631-654-4700 ext. 270

To register please [click here](#)



SCLA Networking Night and Holiday Party

Andrea Malchiodi-Lindenhurst Memorial Library

Save the Date and join us for holiday trivia, games, snacks, prizes, and loads of fun!



Legislative Committee

Samantha Alberts

The Annual Legislative Breakfast will be held ONLINE on Friday, October 1 at 9:00am.

Join us for a community meeting with your local elected officials. We will be hearing from, and speaking with Suffolk County Senators and Assembly Members.

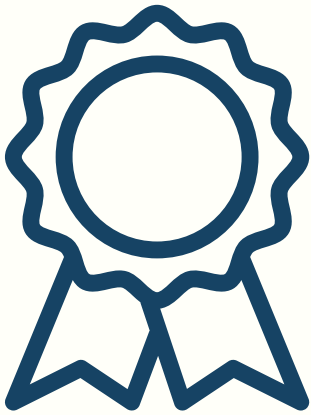
[Click here](#) to register

The following event is currently in the planning stages, and as information becomes available it will be posted on the SCLA Listserv. **Please save the date.**

- NYLA's Advocacy Day 2022 will be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2022

Library Directory Associates Award

Paula Bornstein, LDA Award Chair



It's already October! Can 2022 be far behind?

It's time to start thinking about who you will nominate for the 2022 LDA Library Award. For more than forty years, committee members from SCLA and NCLA have joined annually to select that individual who performs outstanding work in the library field. Don't miss this opportunity to recommend a candidate.

Nominee applications will be available beginning January 2022.

OCTOBER TRIVIA CHALLENGE

Peter Ward, Brentwood Public Library

Who worked in their family's pencil factory?

- a. Robert Frost
- b. Ralph Waldo Emerson
- c. Emily Dickinson
- d. Henry David Thoreau

Please submit your answers to Lauren Strong
lauren.strong@riverheadlibrary.org
Winners will be announced in the next newsletter

Young Adult Services Division

Charlotte Buckleman, Lindenhurst Memorial Library



Save the date for YASD's Annual Luncheon! This year it will be on December 9th 11am-2pm at the Irish Coffee Pub in East Islip. Our special guest speaker is Sona Charaipotra, the author of *Symptoms of a Heart Break*, *Tiny Pretty Things*, and *Shiny Broken Pieces*. Registration is underway. We hope to see you there!

Children's Librarians Association of Suffolk County

Erin Kanelos, CLASC President

We've been having a lot of fun at CLASC lately! We recently hosted our Beach Meet-Up at the Salt Shack in Babylon, and are looking forward to hosting another one next summer - it was such a great night getting to relax and socialize with our fellow librarians. We also recently hosted author Lisa Fipps for the discussion of her book *Starfish*. Ms. Fipps was such a pleasure to speak to - incredibly warm and friendly, and her touching insight on her book was equal parts heartbreaking and eye opening. We are so grateful to have had the opportunity to speak with her.

Coming up, we will be hosting a virtual trivia night on October 13th (see flyer), and in November we will be hosting our fall annual meeting where we will hear presentations on programming (more information to follow). Check keep an eye on our website for information on our Amy Wahl Memorial Scholarship for professional development. We hope to see you soon!

[Register here for Virtual Trivia Night](#)



Long Island Library Pride Alliance Committee

Co-Chairs/NCLA: Valerie Acklin and Jody Ruggiero

Co-Chairs/SCLA: Derek Ivie and Nola Thacker



The Long Island Library Alliance held a meeting called "Rising to the Challenge" on Tuesday, September 14th. Twenty four library staff members from both Nassau and Suffolk counties attended the workshop. Kristen Pekoll, the Assistant Director at the Office for Intellectual Freedom, spoke to the group about how ALA's OIF can aid libraries when books, programs, etc. at their libraries have been challenged. She stressed the importance of the Library Bill of Rights, the Library Code of Ethics, and how having an updated collection development, selection, and/or reconsideration policy is imperative. Pekoll also shared useful resources for libraries to use before, during, and after a challenge. If you're interested in finding out more information about OIF you can visit their website at <https://www.ala.org/aboutala/offices/oif>. To learn about intellectual freedom, Pekoll wrote a book called *Beyond Banned Books: Defending Intellectual Freedom throughout Your Library*. Coming up, the LILPA Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, October 12th. The group will be discussing Joseph Fink's *Alice Isn't Dead*. There is still time to register!

Long Island Library Resources Council

LILRC is excited to share its newly opened Regional Scan Center, which is available for members to convert materials to digital files. Located in the LILRC offices in Bellport, the Scan Center has equipment to convert the following types of materials.

- Text documents
- Photographs, negatives and slides
- Microfilm and Microfiche
- LPs (33rpm, 45rpm, and 78rpm records)
- VHS tapes
- CDs and DVDs
- Large format items
- Fragile items

Please contact Nicole Menchise (nmenchise@lilrc.org) for any questions.

LILRC Fall Conferences are open for registration! Held virtually on zoom, both the 30th Annual Conference on Libraries and the Future: New Perspectives (October 8, 10:00AM-12:00PM) and the 26th Annual Archives Conference: The 1920s: Style and Design (October 18, 10:00AM-3:00PM) promise to be exciting opportunities for learning. [Click here](#) for registration details and additional information.

To keep informed on all LILRC happenings, you can subscribe to our newsletters by visiting lilrc.org/newsletters. LILRC publishes 3 separate newsletters, LILRC Newsletter, LILRC HealthLine, and Long Island Archives, which will be delivered regularly to your inbox to keep you informed!



2021 NYLA Conference



The registration for the 2021 NYLA Conference taking place on November 3-6, in Syracuse, NY is now open. **For complete details and to register, please visit their website, [here](#)**