

OCTOBER 2022

SUFFOLK COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION



Carisse Mitchell, SCLA President

Happy Fall! It has been a year of transition for SCLA and I want to start off by thanking all of you for your patience and support while we coordinated our separation from NYLA. One of SCLA's core beliefs is to be a resource for all library workers in Suffolk County. Myself and the executive board are working hard to continue to provide continuing education and resources to all our members. We are actively working on updating our handbooks bylaws to reflect the future of our organization. I'd like to encourage all of you to share the SCLA listserv information with coworkers. Please remember that membership dues will begin January 1st so please take advantage and enjoy a free membership for the last part of 2022. Anyone interested in SCLA membership, either renewing or joining can do so by following this [link](#) and signing up today! Additionally, I'd like to invite all of you to attend our Annual Dinner on October 20 – a night filled with networking and dancing away from our computers seems to be exactly what we need.

Cheers,
Carisse

A Message from Alex Blend, SCLA Vice President

I would like to take this opportunity to address some general ground rules pertaining to the SCLA Listserv. The SCLA listserv is a member benefit and only topics that are relevant to Suffolk County Libraries are open for discussion. Subscription is restricted to current SCLA members in good standing. If you would like to subscribe you must join SCLA. [Click here](#) to join SCLA. Starting January 1, 2023 new membership pricing will come into effect and will be on a year to year basis.

For those who have access to the SCLA listserv, we ask that you abide by the following rules:

- * Please do not post personal messages.
- * Only use the REPLY command if you want to respond to the whole list.
- * Be considerate. When you are posting a message, remember that there is a person behind every email address. There is zero tolerance for spam emails pushing a specific agenda, political or otherwise, or promoting any type of organization irrelevant to Suffolk County libraries.
- * Unethical behavior by any member can lead to temporary or permanent removal from accessing and posting to the listserv. Such decision may only be made by the SCLA Executive Board.

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Hello!

Be sure to fill out the [RASD Google Form](#) on our membership page so you can be included in the desired committee's correspondence. For information about all RASD events, visit our [website](#). RASD is actively evolving and we are always open to suggestions. If there are ways that you believe this division can better address your professional needs or if you have any questions, please reach out to me at sal@portjefflibrary.org.



Local History Committee

The Local History Committee hosted its annual Programmers Showcase on Thursday, September 15th. The showcase provided an opportunity for local history programmers to share information about the programs they can offer to the public at libraries and other similar institutions. This year, we covered a wide variety of topics including: Genealogy Research, The Plain Sight Project, Raynham Hall and the Townsend Family of Oyster Bay, New York, Long Island's Lost Architecture of the Gilded Age and Long Island's Aerospace History. If you were not able to attend the showcase but are interested in receiving the contact information for these programmers, please contact Kelly at kfilippone@smithlib.org.

Outreach Committee

The next regular meeting of the Outreach Committee will be on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 10:00 am via Zoom. Meeting details can be found on the Outreach Committee page of the RASD website: scla.net/rasd/outreach-committee.

Suffolk Library Excellence in Outreach Award (SLEOA)

This award recognizes exceptional achievement in library outreach services in Suffolk County.

The deadline to submit an application for the 2022 SLEOA is November 1, 2022.

Completed applications and supporting documentation must be emailed to acollumbell@smithlib.org

Health Concerns Committee

SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual breakfast will be held on Tuesday, November 8th at 9:30 AM.

Details forthcoming.

Topic: Substance Abuse & Suffolk County: Information and Resources for Library Workers

Speaker: Patricia Ferrandino, LCSW-R, Family Service League

Computer and Technical Services Division

Anthony Giansante, CATS President



On October 5, CATS will be welcoming NASA astrophysicists, Dr. Kimberly Arcand in a program titled Coding the Cosmos with NASA's Universe of Learning. This program will highlight the ways NASA collects information and how we can use it for programs for all ages. [Click here to register.](#)

On September 22 at Sachem Public Library, CLASC and CATS cosponsored Women and Technology in Libraries panel. Over 40 people attended! From left to right: Jessica Park, Mary Graybosch, Nicole Turzillo, Lauren Tellerman, Danielle Bliss (seated), Julia Sukhu, Alison Mirabella (seated), and Rebecca Goldstein.

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.

Library Directory Associates Award

Paula Bornstein, LDA Award Chair

Just a few more months until the new year! Time to start thinking about who you'd like to nominate as a candidate for the 2023 LDA Library Award. We are looking for candidates who have made an outstanding contribution to libraries on Long Island. Information packets for nominees will be reviewed by the SCLA and NCLA LDA Award committees who will select the worthiest individual. Print and electronic award applications will be sent out beginning in January. Please consider submitting a nomination.

We look forward to attending the award presentation, hosted by Dr. Art Friedman, at the Long Island Library Conference on May 11th at the Melville Marriott.

Annual Dinner

Michele Cayea, Patchogue-Medford Public Library

The SCLA Annual Dinner is Thursday, October 20, 2022 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](#)



Suffolk County Legislative Breakfast

We had a number of our SCLA members attend the Legislative Breakfast on 9/23. The breakfast was cohosted by SCLA and LILRC.



OCTOBER TRIVIA CHALLENGE

Peter Ward, Brentwood Public Library

The British Library was originally part of this other famous institution:

1. Parliament
2. The British Museum
3. The Literary Club
4. Oxford University

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



July Winner

Young Adult Services Division

Erika Irish, Mastics-Moriches-Shirley Community Library

EARN CEU'S!

CATS, CLASC & YASD PRESENT:

#TWEEN MAKER FAIRE

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022
10:00AM-11:30AM**

**MIDDLE COUNTRY PUBLIC LIBRARY
101 EASTWOOD BLVD CENTEREACH, NY 11720**

**LEARN ABOUT NEW TECHNOLOGY,
MAKERSPACES AND STEAM RELATED
PROGRAMMING FROM LIBRARIES AND
LIBRARIANS ACROSS SUFFOLK COUNTY IN AN
INTERACTIVE FAIRE FORMAT**

Happy Fall from YASD! Be sure to fill out the [Google Form](#) on the Membership page to be included in your desired committees' correspondence. YASD is actively growing and we are always looking for fresh new ideas to better serve you!

Currently, YASD is partnering with CATS and CLASC to bring to you our very first Tween Maker Faire. Here you'll be able to learn about new technology, makerspaces and STEAM related programming from libraries and librarians across Suffolk County. The Maker Faire will be held at Middle Country Public Library on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 from 10:00-11:30am.

If your library would like to host a table please feel out the [Google Form](#).

Children's Librarians Association of Suffolk County

Lauren Scottaline, CLASC President

2022 Fall Literature Conference

The conference will be held in-person on Thursday, October 13, 2022 at the Radisson Hotel Long Island. The theme is Stories for All Ages and our keynote speakers will be Rita Williams-Garcia and Bob Shea!



Student Outreach Committee

Colleen Navins, The Smithtown Library

On Thursday, September 1 the Student Outreach Committee spoke at Long Island University's Palmer School Orientation. We had three representatives from SCLA discuss the benefits of joining organizations as a student, our newly formed Mentor Program and tips and tricks on networking and job searching. We shared flyers and a brochure with the incoming Library School students and look forward to continuing our partnership with the Palmer School.

Long Island Library Resources Council

LILRC is kicking off the fall season with lots of great continuing education programs and two fantastic in-person conferences. The 31st Annual Conference on Libraries and The Future: Reaching for Leadership will be held on October 7, at The Heritage Club in Bethpage. Speakers include James Neal, University Librarian Emeritus at Columbia University; David Weinberger, senior fellow and researcher at the Berkman Klein Center for Internet and Society at Harvard University; Dr. Lambert Shell, director of the Roosevelt Public Library; and Marianne Lamonaca, director of the Humanities Edge at Florida International University. If you haven't done so already, [register here](#).

The 27th Annual Long Island Archives Conference will be held on October 17, at The Esquire at The Nassau Bar Association in Mineola. This year's topic is Crime and Punishment and will feature presenters from across Long Island. Speakers include Amy Folk, who will take us on a ride discussing her new book, *Rumrunning in Suffolk County: Tales from Liquor Island*; Regina Feeney will share with us the challenges of hunting down the truth in archival records with "Murder, Mayhem, and Mystery in Freeport: Using Archives to Tell the Story;" Patrick Raftery, from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice/CUNY, will share his presentation "From No to Yes: Tales from an Academic Librarian with Special Collections in Criminal Justice" and film historian Greg Blank will regale us with "Long Island: Crime and Culture Portrayed in Film" [Register here](#).

Looking forward to November, LILRC is pleased to host a Long Island Reception at NYLA on November 3, 6:00pm-7:30pm, at Jacob & Anthony's American Grille, 38 High Rock Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY. Join to catch up with your Long Island library colleagues while enjoying hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine. Register here and we will see you in Saratoga Springs!

