

SENYLRC Matters

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News from Lake Placid: Where the Medical Librarians Met to Go for the Gold

By Patricia Carroll-Mathes

Sue Ben Dor, Medical Librarian at Orange Regional Medical Center, the largest of the hospitals in the region, brought home the Gold medal in hockey, while Patricia Carroll-Mathes, scored a silver medal in curling. Sue was also elected to serve as UNYOC Chapter Council Representative to the Medical Library Association for a 3 year term and will serve on the National Planning Committee for MLA in 2007. Mary Jo Russell will serve as Co-Chair of the UNYOC Annual Conference for 2007. The joint NY-NJ and UNYOC Chapter meeting highlights included an excellent talk by Michael Kienzle M.D., University of Iowa, on the growing impact of access to healthcare information at point of need and care including outpatient, inpatient, home and outreach. Jan LaBeause, Director of the Medical Library & Learning Resource Center at the Mercer University School of Medicine (GA) highlighted the positive image of REEL librarians (in the movies) with strong convictions about freedom of speech, equal access to information and the individual's right to privacy.

RIC Committee holds ILL Day

By Judy Fischetti

Fifty regional library staff members gathered at Mount Saint Mary College on October 7 to focus on a common interest – resource sharing. The event, sponsored by the Regional Interlibrary Loan Committee, was an overwhelming success with the evaluations showing that people favored having such a program repeated. Interlibrary loan was the theme for the day with presentations about the SEAL ILL System, OCLC WorldCat Resource Sharing and the Medical Information Service Program. Participants had opportunity to network over lunch and during afternoon round table discussions. A highlight of the day was the presentation by Ricky Waller, St. John's University downtown Manhattan campus, of his remembrances of September 11, 2001. One of Ricky's difficulties that day was in dealing with communication. One incident was particularly

meaningful. He told of having no cell phone and finding long lines for pay phones, and being unable to reach his family to let them know he was all right. As he sat on the curb across the street from the ABC studios, their cameras panned the crowd and transmitted the scene. His mother in Virginia saw the clip and knew he was safe.

SENYLRC Survey

By John Shaloiko

There is still time through the end of October to fill out SENYLRC's online survey providing your opinions on SENYLRC programs and services. Your input is very important as the Board of Trustees continues the process of strategic planning.

You can reach the survey by going on to SENYLRC's website www.senylrc.org and looking for the SENYLRC survey link or directly at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=72851225556>.

As of this writing we have 126 responses: 41 from academics, 3 hospitals, 3 non-profit specials, 42 public, 25 schools, and 8 from a library system and 3 from "other." Responses are yet to be received from correctional facility libraries and special for-profit libraries.

Once you have completed the survey, you will have an opportunity to enroll in a drawing for an HP iPod Shuffle digital music player.

The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete; you may leave the survey and return to the point where you left off.

Academic Libraries 2005

By John Shaloiko

On November 10 and 11 in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., the NY3Rs Association, in conjunction with the Academic and Special Library Section of NYLA, is presenting a conference for academic library managers and their colleagues from the institution's information technology department. The title of the conference is ***The Information Commons: Adapting to the Culture of Net Generation Students.***

As of this writing there are 125 people registered from 60 colleges and universities from around the

state (and even some from outside NY). Librarians from 5 colleges in the SENYLRC region are registered. Space is now limited so please register ASAP if you are still interested in attending. For information and registration, go to <http://www.ny3rs.org/al2005.html>.

Restoring Motivation & Meaning Workshops

By Judy Fischetti

SENYLRC is sponsoring two workshops for dealing with stress and to restore motivation. Each workshop will cover recognizing symptoms and identifying causes of stress and burnout; provide tips and tools to deal with stress; and assist you to develop action plans for restoring motivation and meaning. There is a different target audience for each workshop.

Restoring Motivation and Meaning in Your Role as Supervisor

Monday, December 5, 2005

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Location: SENYLRC

Target Audience: Library directors and those in supervisory positions including managers, supervisors and department heads.

The role of supervisors can be the loneliest. Are you dealing with stress in your role as a supervisor and in your work in general? Do you feel stuck – maybe in the middle between your boss and those who work for you? Are you overworked, constantly interrupted and pressured from far too many priorities – priorities for yourself and others? This workshop will guide you to form your own relevant, realistic and flexible action plans for renewal – and even greater excitement – in your many roles. You'll also learn how to coach yourself and team members to greater satisfaction in the workplace.

Restoring Motivation and Meaning in Your Work

Tuesday, December 6, 2005

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Location SENYLRC

Target Audience: All library staff including librarians, library assistants, support staff and para-professionals.

Are you dealing with stress in your life or work? Are you overworked, constantly interrupted and pressured from handling too many priorities? Do you want to alleviate this situation? This workshop will guide you to form your own relevant, realistic

and flexible action plans for renewal – and even greater excitement – in your role.

About the Trainer:

Carter McNamara, MBA, PhD, has delivered several successful workshops for SENYLRC members in the past. Ultimately, his passion is helping others to find more meaning in their lives and work, especially by helping people to help each other. He brings a highly participative and action-focused approach to his trainings, along with providing numerous helpful resources.

Fee: \$20.00 For additional information and online registration: <http://www.senylrc.org/ce/>

If you have any questions about these programs, please call Southeastern at (845) 883-9065.

State Library Offers Free College of DuPage Teleconferences

SENYLRC has sponsored College of DuPage teleconferences in the past. This is an excellent opportunity for staff development programs at no cost.

From Nylene:

Janet Martin Welch, State Librarian announced today that the New York State Library's Division of Library Development has arranged a statewide license with the College of DuPage to provide five exciting new professional development teleconferences for library staff and trustees.

The first teleconference, Soaring to Excellence - "Libraries, the Universe, and Everything: Google and Your Patrons," will be shown on November 18, 2005. A complete listing can be found at the end of this message.

"These teleconferences, presented live via satellite, will be available to any site in New York at no cost to the individual site." says State Librarian Janet M. Welch.

Viewers can see these live teleconferences on desktop computers via video streaming or via satellite downlink. The New York State Library has arranged this statewide license on behalf of New York's 7,000 libraries and library systems. There is no cost to local libraries and systems. For further information about the content of each teleconference and information on how to register, visit the State Library's website at www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev.