

# YEAR IN REVIEW



**101**  
**MEMBERS**

Southeastern fosters a spirit of community and collaboration with services to academic, public, school, hospital, and special libraries as well as cultural heritage organizations in the Hudson Valley.

**570,977**  
**DIGITIZED ITEMS**

As physical locations closed this year, we saw a 60% increase of use in accessing the online holdings of our members.

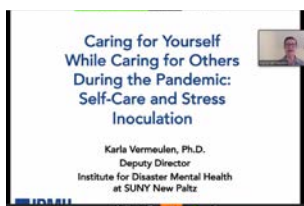
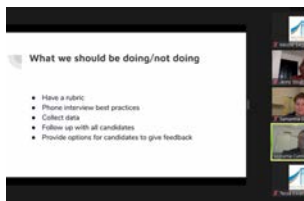


**2,679**  
**EVENT ATTENDEES**

Through comprehensive professional development, events, and webinars, we foster a culture of learning. Access to online events allowed us to serve a record number of people this year.



# FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Here are three examples of ways Southeastern provided opportunities for members to connect during a difficult year:

- In the first weeks of the pandemic, we hosted online meetings for members to discuss how they were providing remote services and coping with the tumult.
- Our innovative Ask-the-Lawyer service provided answers to questions about the state's rapidly changing pandemic policies.
- We hosted forums for library workers to process issues of equity, diversity, and inclusion.

I'm proud to share data and details about our accomplishments this year. The staff and Board of Trustees deserve credit for staying focused on delivery of our core services as well as agile responses to changing situations. In December, our Board President Chuck Thomas retired, and I extend special thanks to him for his kindness and ability to run an efficient meeting!

In July, we held focus groups and conducted a survey of members to guide future planning. We learned that members are overwhelmingly pleased with the return on their investment. We got the message to provide more of the same great services, and that is what we will do.

This document is a snapshot of Southeastern's 2020 activities. These are the programs and services we provide for the benefit our members so that they may serve their patrons better. In addition to the budgetary overview, we hope you take time to review the list of the people responsible for Southeastern's achievements. It's the work of the Board, staff, committees, and member organizations that make what we do possible. Our success belongs to them and to you. Here's to a healthy 2021. We look forward to seeing you all in person again!

**Tessa Killian**, Executive Director

# MEMBER BENEFITS IN 2020



- Ask-the-Lawyer Service** for members to request information on intellectual property, digital rights management, contracts, and other issues that impact library operations
- Coordinated Collection Development Aid** \$101,195 distributed to 14 academic libraries
- Docline** was used to fill 313 requests on behalf of members
- Empire Library Delivery** 14 libraries participated in the state-wide delivery system
- Hospital Library Services Program** members received \$50,050 in grants and a 30% discount on electronic books and journals.
- HRVH Historical Newspapers** 55 titles, with 415,959 visits and 22 million page views
- Medical Information Services Program** \$6,210 in fees subsidized for the requests of 11 members
- New York Heritage** 235 collections from 73 members, and 863,973 page views of our members' NYH collections
- OCLC** 44 requests placed on behalf of 10 members
- On-Demand Learning** 13 staff from 11 members subscribed
- Online Exhibits** 43 digitized, curated exhibits
- Professional Development** 2,679 people attended at least one of our 84 events
- SouthEastern Access to Libraries (SEAL)** provided interlibrary loan services for 177 libraries; 1,220 overall requests placed, with 836 requests filled, a 68.5% fulfillment rate.
- Special Interest Groups** 58 meetings from 11 groups that meet regularly
- Special Library Catalog** there were 80,779 page views of 170,031 holdings for 14 special and hospital libraries
- Southeastern Staff** held 13 community calls for members to check in and share resources in response to the pandemic
- Tech-Talk** 440 individuals from member organizations received the weekly email
- Visiting Information professionals To provide Adequate Library Staffing (VITAL Staffing)** 3 hospitals enrolled, providing professional librarian services to hospital staff



## Our Mission

Southeastern New York Library Resources Council connects the region's community of libraries and cultural heritage organizations to information, resources, support, and professional development opportunities to enhance the capacity for services, advocacy, outreach and engagement for members.

## Our Vision

In order to meet the needs of our members with excellence, we aspire to be an inclusive, member-focused organization that serves the libraries and cultural heritage communities in our region with a comprehensive suite of accessible resources and services.

## Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2020

	Local and NYS Aid	Federal Aid
Revenue:		
Membership Dues	\$ 39,185	-
State Sources	773,176	-
Contracts with Other Libraries	270,083	-
Interest and Dividends	15,100	-
Rental Income	27,060	-
Event Revenue	1,700	-
Miscellaneous Receipts	23,342	-
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>1,149,646</b>	
Expenses Paid:		
Salaries and Wages	460,112	-
Employee Benefits	161,875	-
Library Materials	177,264	-
Computer Equipment	5,331	-
Advertising	355	-
Repairs and Maintenance	29,085	-
Depreciation	21,785	111
Professional Fees	27,750	-
Grants to Member Libraries	68,395	-
Dues and Subscriptions	1,395	-
Contracts with Other Libraries	84,159	-
Travel	7,254	-
Insurance	6,918	-
Office Expense	15,128	-
Other Expenses	4,698	-
Event Expenses	1,475	-
Vehicle Expense	2,857	-
Interest Expense	7,515	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,083,351</b>	<b>111</b>
Change in Net Assets	66,295	(111)
Net Assets - Beginning	1,170,441	111
Net Assets - Ending	\$ 1,236,736	-

# OUR PEOPLE

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

July 1, 2020-December 31, 2020

**Chuck Thomas**, Newburgh Free Library  
(President)

**Mary Ellen Leimer**, Newburgh Enlarged  
School District (Immediate Past  
President)

**Amy Schuler**, Cary Institute of  
Ecosystem Studies (Vice President)

**Laura Streett**, Vassar College (Secretary)

**Ellen Rubin**, Community-at-Large  
(Treasurer)

**A. Floyd Lattin**, Community-at-Large  
(Assistant Secretary & Treasurer)

**Becky Albitz**, Marist College

**Virginia Dunnigan**, St. Thomas Aquinas  
College

**Gina Trask**, Dominican College

**W. Mark Colvson**, SUNY New Paltz

**Laurie Shedrick**, Mid-Hudson Library  
System

**Mary Jo Russell**, Nuvance Health /  
Vassar Brothers Medical Center

**Grace Riario**, Ramapo Catskill Library  
System

**Maura Albertson**, Ulster County BOCES

**Geoffrey Miller**, Ulster County Historian

## STAFF

**Tessa Killian**, Executive Director

**Kelsey Milner**, Resource Sharing and  
Cataloging Librarian

**Jennifer Palmentiero**, Digital  
Services Manager

**Sarah Holsted**, Hospital Library  
Services Program Manager

**Carolyn Bennett Glauda**, Education  
and Outreach Librarian

**Moshe Siegel**, Office Manager

**Liz Gurdin**, Finance Manager

**Zachary Spalding**, Systems Manager

## Governing Members

Adelphi University Hudson Valley Center

Astor Services for Children and Families

Bard College

Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies

Culinary Institute of America

Dominican College

Dutchess BOCES S.L.S.

Ellenville Regional Hospital

Finkelstein Memorial Library

Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential

Library & Museum

Good Samaritan Hospital

Greater Hudson Valley Health System

Greene County Courthouse

The Hastings Center

HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley

Helen Hayes Hospital

Marist College

Marlboro Free Library

Mechon L'Hoyroa Community Library

Mental Health America of Dutchess County

Middletown Thrall Library

Mid-Hudson Library System

Montefiore Nyack Hospital

Montefiore St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital

Mount Saint Mary College

Nathan S. Kline Institute for Psychiatric  
Research

Newburgh Free Library

Nuvance Health / Northern Dutchess Hospital

Nuvance Health / Putnam Hospital

Nuvance Health / Sharon Hospital

Nuvance Health / Vassar Brothers

Medical Center

Orange-Ulster BOCES S.L.S.

Ramapo Catskill Library System

Rockland BOCES S.L.S.

Salvation Army Library

St. Thomas Aquinas College

Sullivan BOCES S.L.S.

SUNY Columbia-Greene Community College

SUNY Dutchess Community College

SUNY New Paltz

SUNY Orange Community College

SUNY Rockland Community College

SUNY Sullivan Community College

SUNY Ulster County Community College

Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine

- Middletown

Ulster County BOCES S.L.S.

Unification Theological Seminary

United States Military Academy Library

Vassar College Library

## HRVH Members

Albert Wisner Public Library

Bronxville History Center

Chatham Public Library

Chester Historical Society

City of Newburgh: Newburgh Heritage  
Center

Cornwall Public Library

Ellenville Public Library & Museum

Elting Memorial Library

Friends of Historic Kingston

Goshen Public Library & Historical Society

Greater Hudson Heritage Network

Greene County Library Association

Greenwood Lake Public Library

Harness Racing Museum & Hall of Fame

Historic Huguenot Street

Historic Red Hook

Historical Society of Newburgh Bay and the  
Highlands

Historical Society of Rockland County

Howland Public Library

Hudson Area Library

Hudson River Maritime Museum

Hudson River Valley Institute

Irvington Public Library

Josephine-Louise Public Library

Liberty High School Library Media Center

Library Association of Rockland County

Locust Grove Historic Estate

Millbrook Library

Moffat Library of Washingtonville

Museum Village

New Rochelle Public Library

Nyack Library

Orange County Historical Society

Palisades Parks Conservancy, Inc.

Plattekill Library & Historical Society

Putnam County Historian's Office

The Reher Center for Immigrant Culture  
& History

Saugerties Public Library

Scarsdale Public Library

Somers Historical Society

Stone Ridge Library

Staatsburg Public Library

SUNY Foundation Hudson Valley

Visual Arts Consortium

Town of New Paltz

Trinity Pawling School

Tuxedo Park Library

Ulster County Genealogical Society

Ulster County Historical Society

West Hurley Public Library

Woodstock Public Library District

World Sound Foundation: Sound and Story  
Project of the Hudson Valley

# COMMITTEES

## Digital Advisory

**Matthew Thorenz**, Moffat Library of Washingtonville (Chair)

**Carla Lesh**, Hudson River Maritime Museum  
(Board Liaison)

**Carrie Allmendinger**, Historic Huguenot Street

**John Ansley**, Marist College

**Joseph Barbieri**, New City Library

**Kirsten Carter**, FDR Presidential Library & Museum

**Lynne (Asha) Gollither**, Ellenville High School

**Morgan Gwenwald**, SUNY New Paltz

**Christopher Pryslopski**, Hudson River Valley Institute

**Sarah Wassberg-Johnson**, Hudson River Maritime  
Museum

## Continuing Education

**Kate Bellody**, SUNY New Paltz (Chair)

**Maura Albertson**, Ulster BOCES SLS (Board Liaison)

**Jeremy Hall**, Bard College

**Clarisa Rosario-DeGroate**, Mount Saint Mary College

**Marla Gruner**, SUNY Ulster Community College

**Alison Herrero**, Howland Public Library

**Beth Zambito**, Newburgh Free Library

**Casey Conlin**, Mid-Hudson Library System

**Jen Park**, Ramapo Catskill Library System

## Regional ILL

**Karen Konopa**, Middletown Thrall Library (Chair)

**Mark Colvson**, SUNY New Paltz (Board Liaison)

**Paul Agne**, Red Hook Public Library

**Jessica Cartelli**, Vassar College Libraries

**Gretchen Chandra**, Ramapo Catskill Library System

**Linda Furlani**, Marist College

**Sharon Gillespie**, United States Military Academy

**Judy Gitlin**, Dominican College

**Kim Hooper**, Orange-Ulster BOCES School Library System

**Joan Maldarelli**, Newburgh Free Library

**Stuart Moss**, Nathan S. Kline Institute

**Jessica Sherman**, Poughkeepsie Public Library District

**Tara Stohr**, Mid-Hudson Library System

## Hospital Library Services Program

**Frank Appell, Jr.**, Good Samaritan Hospital (Chair)

**Mary Jo Russell**, Nuvance Health Vassar Brothers  
Medical Center (Board Liaison)

**Maryallison Farley**, Ellenville Regional Hospital

**Tracey Fortich**, HealthAlliance of the Hudson Valley

# TWILA SNEAD AWARD

This annual award recognizes an outstanding member  
library, cultural heritage organization, program,  
service, or staff member.

**2020:** Valerie Mittenberg, SUNY New Paltz

**2019:** Cross County Reading Challenge, Sullivan BOCES  
School Library System

**2018:** adLIB, Vassar College Libraries

**2017:** Amy Hillick, SUNY Orange

**2016:** Judy Capurso, SUNY Ulster

**2015:** Rhonda L. Altonen, MLS, MS

**2014:** FRANKLIN – Access to the FDR Library's Digital  
Collections



"Advancing New York libraries and archives through innovative programs and meaningful collaboration." Southeastern is one of the nine Reference and Research Library Resources Councils that make up Empire State Library Network. Statewide services include continuing education, digitization, access to electronic resources, delivery, and advocacy.

The purpose of the Empire State Library is to:

- Leverage the network of colleagues, resources, and expertise we enjoy among our organizations.
- Increase and grow our influence in New York State on behalf of our councils and council members.
- Increase our organizational skill sets around strategic thinking to improve problem solving, innovation, and collaboration.

