Welcome!

We have designed a brand-new format for our newsletter with you in mind! This design was created and sent with Vero, as we look to phase out our old email marketing software. You'll find the same content: upcoming events, job postings, highlights from your digitized collections, and member services. If you like this, please forward it to your colleagues! This is the best way to find out about what's happening as we look to maintain our contact list. Let us know what you think!

If you only have time for one thing: See our brand-new event: Poster Presentation Session & Apple Cider Donuts on Thursday, November 9.

There's so much more! See below for:

- Info on Banned Books Week (just below)
- It's also Digital Inclusion Week! (Scroll to the end)
- Employment Opportunities
- Programming for you from NYLA
- New York Historic Newspapers
- Professional Development from us and ESLN
Trending

**Freedom to read events and resources**

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#BannedBooksWeek runs from October 1-7. NYLA has created a calendar for social media posts to help us all join voices in support of the freedom to read. Each day features a core theme and leads up to a Take Action campaign on Thursday!

See NYLA's page for more information
K-16 educators and librarians of all types are invited to submit proposals to the 2024 Banned Books Symposium: Proactive, Reactive, Supportive -- taking place in the morning on Saturday, May 4, 2024 on the campus of Dutchess BOCES in Poughkeepsie, NY. This half-day conference will feature presentations in all capacities of banned and challenged books and programs.

In the September 2023 American Libraries article "How We Fight Back," Christina Sterbenz writes: "As calls for censorship in libraries and school districts continue to escalate—and personal attacks on those who oppose these attempts persist—library workers are finding new ways to protect themselves, the books they care so much about, and intellectual freedom in their communities. Some are adjusting their policies on book challenges or trying to improve the dialogue with patrons. Others are fighting back through the judicial system. Even state lawmakers are supporting the right to read with bills to curtail book bans."

Employment Opportunities

Local library jobs are listed on our employment page here: https://www.senylrc.org/jobs

We receive updates all the time and post them as soon as possible. You can submit your listing by sending an email to jobposting@senylrc.org.
Library Skills Academy from NYLA
This six-week virtual online course is open to individuals already working or newly hired in libraries or people interested in working in public and academic libraries. Next to getting a master's degree in library science, it's the best way to learn about the skills you need to be successful in the field. More information and sign-up is here.

Developing Leaders Program from NYLA
The Developing Leaders Program's core mission is to empower library professionals to cultivate interpersonal and technical skills and capacities in personal and organizational leadership. Applications for the 2024 Program are due October 6 by the end of the day. We hope to see some representation from the Hudson Valley! More information on their website here.

NYLA Conference in Saratoga Springs
We hope to see you at the NYLA 2023 Annual Conference & Trade Show! The deadline for registration is Monday, October 16, 2023. If you go, please check out the following ESLN-sponsored programs:

- **Building Power and Community During Crisis Times: The Work of the Library Freedom Project** with Alison Macrina | Thursday, November 2, 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm
- **ESLN Showcase of Collaborative Resources Available to New York Libraries** | Friday, November 3, 11:00 pm - 12:15 pm

and programs featuring ESLN staff:

- **Disability Access for Digital Access** | Thursday, November 2, 12:45 pm - 3:00 pm | Claire Lovell, SCRLC and Kelly Povero, Watkins Glen Public Library
- **Make Real Connections with 24/7 With Chat Cooperative Reference** | Thursday, November 2, 1:45 pm - 3:00 pm | Caitlin Kenney, WNYLRC and Leah Dodd, Cornell University Library

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Training Videos from New York State Historic Newspapers
To support your curiosity and research into NYS historic newspapers, Northern New York Library Network created a Youtube channel dedicated to training videos of the new site's features.

The site now includes 960+ titles from all 62 NY counties, comprising over 12.8 million pages of historical content. In August 2023, they migrated the site to new servers and updated software for better performance and security.
From Southeastern NY Library Resources Council

Professional Development

SOUTHEASTERN PRESENTS

Fall Poster Session

PRESENTATIONS & DONUTS

Thursday, November 9, 2023
12:00 pm until 2:00 pm

You are invited to join us for the first-ever Fall Poster Presentation Session/apple cider donut taste test!

Date: November 9, 2023
Time: 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Location: Southeastern NY Library Resources Council, 21 S. Elting Corners Rd. Highland, NY

Register here: https://www.senylrc.org/donuts/
SEAL User’s Group
Thursday, October 19
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

The SEAL website is getting a makeover! We will host a SEAL User’s Group to demo the new website and walk through all the changes before the site goes live. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask any questions they might have about the updated site. All library staff using SEAL are invited to attend this meeting. See the September SEAL newsletter for related information.

Register here

Fall Into Books
Thursday, October 26
9:00 am - 2:30 pm
Newburgh Armory

TODAY is the last day to register!
This collaborative event features book discussions (ranging from picture books to young adult), speaker Sharon Fox, keynote author John Parra, a book sale, and catered breakfast and lunch. Library workers and educators of all types are welcome.

Register here
Information Literacy Instruction / High School to College Transition Special Interest Group  
Facilitated by Lara Sibley & Emily Doyle, Marist College  
Thursday, November 14: 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
In-person -or- online  
Register here:  https://www.senylrc.org/event/infolitsig/  

Do you have a classroom/library activity you want to implement or redesign? This month, we will have a couple of instruction activities addressing the “big ideas” ready to workshop in groups. We will ask participants if they would like to share their projects. At Marist, we recently workshopped our workshops as a group and found getting different feedback very helpful. We will start with those examples to get the conversation started.

Tech-Talk Webinars  
1-hour sessions on Wednesdays at 3pm  

- Oct 25: [GRAPHICS] From Still to Thrill: Create Moving Images That Will Bring Your Content to Life  
- Nov 15: [GOOGLE] Turn Data Into Colorful Dashboards with Google's Looker Studio  
- Nov 29: [MOBILE] 10 Things You Can Do with the Google Photo App  

Webinar Details & Register at this link  

NOTE: You'll need Southeastern's login info to register! Members can email Moshe Siegel at moshe@senylrc.org to request it if they don't have it.
Other Professional Development

The 411 on 211: Housing and Homelessness
Produced by Western NY Library Resources Council
Wednesday, October 11: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
More information and registration here

What You Ask, What You Hear, and What You See: Best Practices for Focus Groups, Interviews, and Observational Research
Produced by METRO
Wednesday, October 11: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
More information and registration here

Virtual Browsing in Discovery: Collection Discovery in Primo VE
Produced by Capital District Library Council
Tuesday, October 17: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
More information and registration here

Rest, Reset, and Re-Engage: Centering EDI in the New Normal
Produced by METRO
In-person, Brooklyn, NY
Tuesday, October 24: 9:00am - 5:00pm
More information and presentation information here

Handle with Care: Working with Fragile Collections
Produced by Capital District Library Council
In-person, Saratoga Springs, NY
Thursday, October 26: 9:00am - 12:30pm
More information and registration here

Northeast Summit on Climate Adaptation for Library Facilities
Wednesday, November 8: 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
More information and registration here

First of Her Race: The career and connections of Margaret Reynolds Hunton
Produced by Northern NY Library Network
Wednesday, November 8: 10:00 am - 11:00 am
More information and registration here

Crisis Management and Recovery
Produced by Central NY Library Resources Council
Thursday, November 16: 10:00 am - 11:30 am
More information and registration here
Digital Inclusion Week October 2 - 7, 2023

Building Connected Communities

Digital Inclusion Week (DIW) is an annual week of awareness, recognition, and celebration. With support from National Digital Inclusion Alliance (NDIA), organizations and individuals across the country host special events, run social media campaigns, and share their digital inclusion actions and progress with media, among other actions.

Everyone deserves the opportunity to use technology to live, learn, work, and thrive. If you agree, please join us October 2-6, 2023 to promote digital equity in your community!

Our big news in Digital inclusion is that we are re-starting the Digital Navigators of the Hudson Valley program. The first cohort is open to all previous Navigators and applications are due on Friday, October 12! Later this month, we will open applications to everyone for the January 2024 cohort.

See the full information on our website here
💡 In an increasingly digital world, inclusion is key. Everyone deserves equal access to technology, knowledge, and opportunities, regardless of background or circumstance.

Digital inclusion is vital to education, job opportunities, and vital services. It gives a voice to people who are being left out. Building connected communities is key for everyone to thrive. #DIW2023 #DigitalInclusion #ConnectedCommunities @netinclusion

More info here

Digital Navigators Building Connected Communities
Thursday, October 5
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

This discussion will feature DNHV program manager Carolyn Bennett Glauda. The webinar will cover how digital navigators are a key component to many strong digital inclusion ecosystems. By adding a vital human element and a single point of contact to a network of digital inclusion programs, digital navigators ensure community members can connect to the right resources and have all the support they need to reach their goals.

Register here
Public Comments - New York State's Digital Equity Plan
Tuesday, December 5 @ 10:00 am Register here
Thursday, December 7 @ 5:00 pm Register here

ConnectALL will conduct several meetings to gather public comment on the State’s Digital Equity Plan. These regional meetings are for residents and stakeholders in the Mid-Hudson region. They will be hosted by Digital Equity Coalition partners from the Stem Alliance and Southeastern NY Library Resources Council. All are welcome.

We will present information from ConnectALL on the Digital Equity Plan and give participants directions to use an online portal to share their comments and perspectives from the meeting.

The same meeting will be held twice; you can register for either. (These events were initially scheduled for the first week of November.)