

SOUTHEASTERN NEWS

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Fall is in full swing, and so are we! Here is some of what is happening at Southeastern this month:

- New Exhibit on HRVH
- Plant Grant update!
- The SEAL Newsletter
- Employment Opportunities
- ESLN at NYLA
- Professional Development
- Last call for Digital Navigator applications

New Exhibit on HRVH!



Patriots of Hudson in the Revolutionary War

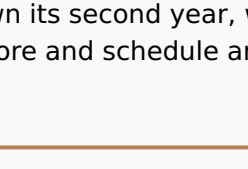
Presented by the Hudson Area Library, [Patriots of Hudson in the Revolutionary War](#) is a narrative of the lives of many of the leaders of early Hudson who contributed to the Revolutionary War effort, and how they built Hudson.

Pollinator Grant Update



Come visit the garden!

We have stories and seeds to share



Plan for Pollinators at Your Library!

As the "Turning the Page for Pollinators" project at Southeastern winds down its second year, we have lessons - and seeds - to share. Contact sarah@senylrc.org to learn more and schedule an onsite or virtual visit.

SEAL Newsletter

In case you missed it, here is the September SEAL newsletter. Check out information on:

- Recording from Exploring the SEAL Catalog
- SEAL Tip: Requesting manga and similar materials
- Southeastern Resource: Inter-library Loan Libguide

Would you like this newsletter delivered straight to your inbox the day it is published? The wait is over - [sign up to receive the SEAL Newsletter here](#).

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.

ELSN at NYLA

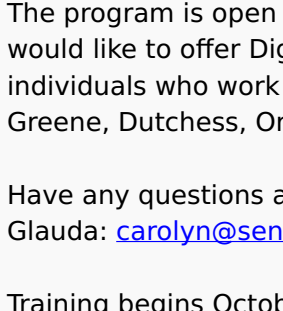
If you plan to attend the NY Library Association conference in November, see below for some special programs and events planned by Empire State Library Network. If you have not yet registered for NYLA, [you have until October 9 to register!](#)

ESLN is sponsoring two events focusing on civic participation and featuring Pete Davis, author of *Dedicated: the Case for Commitment in an Age of Infinite Browsing* and co-director of the documentary *Join or Die*. In these works, he argues that purposeful commitment builds the social connections key to a functioning democracy—an assertion that corresponds directly to the long-haul culture-building work of libraries.

Here are the times and dates of the events:

- Thursday, November 5, 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm: **The Counterculture of Commitment**, with Civic Advocate Pete Davis
- Thursday, November 5, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm: **The Counterculture of Commitment: An After Party** at Northshire Bookstore (The first 100 people to arrive at the reception will receive free drink tickets!)
- Friday, November 6, 11:00 am - 12:15 pm: **Leadership: It's Not About You**. Presenters: **Tessa Killian**, Southeastern and **Becky Albitz**, James A. Cannavino Library Marist University
- Friday, November 6, 2:15 pm - 3:30 pm: **How Library Work Prepared us to Become Municipal Leaders**. Presenters: **Carolyn Bennett Glauda**, Southeastern, Amy Smith, **Dover Plains Library**, and **Jona Favreau**, Upper Hudson Library System
- Saturday, November 7, 11:00 am - 12:15 pm: Making Digital Equity More Equitable. Presenters: **Lyndsie Guy**, Southern Tier Digital Equity Coalition and **Claire Lovell**, SCRLC

Digital Navigators



Digital Navigators of The Hudson Valley

Apply now! There are limited slots available for the Digital Navigators of the Hudson Valley Fall Cohort (October 2026 - January 2027)

Apply by Friday, October 2!

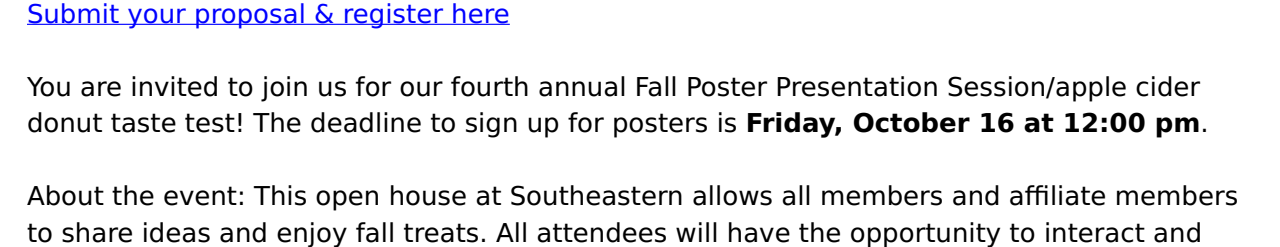
The program is open to anyone who works at a library or a community-based organization that would like to offer Digital Navigator services to their patrons. Applications are available to individuals who work at libraries and nonprofit organizations in the following counties: Columbia, Greene, Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester.

Have any questions about the application or the requirements? Please contact Carolyn Bennett Glauda: carolyn@senylrc.org

Training begins October 13, 2026. To find out more about the requirements of this program, visit the [Digital Navigators of the Hudson Valley website](#) to view details. Navigators who meet the requirements by January 15, 2027, will receive a \$500 investment incentive payable to their organization.

From Southeastern NY Library Resources Council

Professional Development



Fall Poster Session / Apple Cider Donut Tasting

Friday, October 30, 2026
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Southeastern's Office, Highland, NY

[Submit your proposal & register here](#)

You are invited to join us for our fourth annual Fall Poster Presentation Session/apple cider donut taste test! The deadline to sign up for posters is **Friday, October 16 at 12:00 pm**.

About the event: This open house at Southeastern allows all members and affiliate members to share ideas and enjoy fall treats. All attendees will have the opportunity to interact and network with the presenters and other library workers. The event runs from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, with a dedicated time around 1:30 pm reserved for presenters to discuss their posters.

We will also be featuring some of our favorite apple cider donuts from farms around the region, along with other fall favorites.

Book Repair Workshop

Wednesday, October 21, 2026
9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Vassar College

[More information and registration here](#)

Visit the conservation workshop at Vassar College for a demonstration on how to cover materials and the main techniques for text block repair, hinge repair, and two methods of spine replacement on mostly cloth-covered books, with opportunities to practice on Vassar books.

If time allows, we will also cover creating a four-flap enclosure for books that are difficult to repair. Please bring one item from your collection that you would like to work on.

This event is free for all Southeastern members and affiliate members. Registration is limited to 15 individuals.

Collection Development SIG

Thursday, October 29
10:00 am - 11:00 am

Online via Zoom

[More information and registration here](#)

The Collections Development group will meet to discuss matters related to acquisition. This is the place to bring your questions and stories about topics such as: diversifying your collection, making choices on a small budget, and leveraging our resources to serve our communities.

This meeting will be the first meeting of the group since 2023, and we welcome library workers from all library types to join us and re-start the collection development conversation.

Fall Into Books

Thursday, October 22, 2026
9:00 am - 2:30 pm
The Venue, Kingston

[Registration is now open](#) for the 27th annual children's and teen literature conference Fall Into Books. This year's conference will be held in-person on October 22nd from 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM at The Venue Uptown in Kingston, NY.

This collaborative event for library staff serving youth features book discussion sessions led by your peers ranging from picture books to young adult and guest speakers. This year's morning speakers are **Hannah Schneewind** and **Jen Scoggin** co-authors of *Trusting Readers* and our author presentation will be given by **Katie Cicatelli-Kuc**.

Full details, including discussion groups and registration, can be found on the [Fall Into Books website](#).

Information Literacy Instruction SIG

Friday, November 13, 2026
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Online via Zoom

[More information and registration here](#)

Topic: AI, instruction, and ethics

This special interest group meeting serves as a follow-up to the previous Info Lit SIG focused on AI. Join us for another conversation about how you're approaching asynchronous and in-person info lit instruction with the prevalence of AI. Of specific interest for this session is how we might approach instruction and the ethical issues surrounding AI. Topics may include the environment, copyright and privacy, hype, and other related subjects. This SIG is open to librarians from all types of institutions, as we share resources and ideas.

Tech-Talk Webinars

1-hour sessions on Wednesdays at 3 pm

- Oct 14: [WORD] **The Word Secrets Even Power Users Miss.**
- Oct 28: [GRAPHICS] **The Best Free Image Sources You've Never Used.**
- Nov 11: [SHARED LEADERSHIP - Part 1] **Rethink How You Lead.**
- Nov 18: [SHARED LEADERSHIP - Part 2] **Seven Conversations That Increase Excellence.**
- Dec 2: [CYBER SECURITY] **Passkeys Are Everywhere Now ... Discover How to Use Them.**
- Dec 16 [AUDIO] **Music That Makes Work Feel Easier.**

[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

AI Panel Discussion - Using AI in the Library

Produced by Long Island Library Resources Council
Thursday, October 8: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

[More information and registration here](#)

Lit by The River Anthology Launch Event

Produced by the Nyack Library
Saturday, October 10: 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Beyond the Headlines: Advanced Features of NYS Historic Newspapers

Produced by Northern NY Library Network
Wednesday, October 13: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

[More information and registration here](#)

Inclusive Emergency Preparedness

Produced by the New York State Library
Friday, October 23: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Grant Writing for Collections Preservation

Produced by Northeast Document Conservation Center
Tuesday, October 27: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

2026 GHNN Annual Conference & Awards for Excellence: What We're Afraid Of: Challenges, Changes, and the Courage to Face Them

Produced by Greater Hudson Heritage Network
Tuesday, October 27: 9:00 am - 4:45 pm

@ Hudson River Museum, Yonkers, NY

[More information and registration here](#)

Internet Librarian 2026

A Virtual Event
October 27 - 29

[More information and discounted registration here](#)

No Such Thing as Work/Life Balance - Sustaining Your Boundaries and Mental Health While Thriving at Work

Produced by Central NY Library Resources Council
Thursday, October 29: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

[More information and registration here](#)

[MLA Webinar] Grant Writing for Librarians

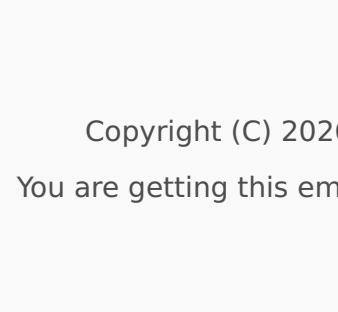
Produced by Long Island Library Resources Council
Thursday, October 29: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Planning a Successful Lecture Program - Strategies for Engaging Your Community

Produced by Central NY Library Resources Council
Monday, November 2: 2:00 pm - 3:15 pm

[More information and registration here](#)



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