Creating Community - In Our Towns, Our State, and Our Profession

Monday Programs - April 29th

Exhibits

The Exhibit Hall will be open Monday from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm and Tuesday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Exclusive exhibit times are Monday and Tuesday from 8:00 to 9:00 am, 10:30-11:00 am, and 2:30-3:00 pm.

Keynote: 9:00 – 10:00 am

Maureen Sullivan: The Promise of Libraries Transforming Communities

ALA President Maureen Sullivan will describe this new national initiative in which ALA is partnering with the Harwood Institute for Public Innovation to create a multi-phase program to provide libraries all across the country with the tools and training needed to help their communities to find innovative solutions through library-led community engagement. She will describe how librarians at all levels and in any type of library can become effective leaders and conveners of community conversations and engagement. Maureen will lead an interactive segment following her remarks.

- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Coffee Break: 10:30 – 11:00 am

Session One: 10:30 – 11:25 am

Children

Going Green: Incorporating Nature Programs for Children in Your Library

What does nature deficit disorder and living green have to do with being a children's librarian? Plenty. Studies have shown that time spent outside increases school performance, including literacy skills. Pollution affects brain development. And nature is disappearing, both literally as the human population, industrialization and consumerism grow, and figuratively as children increase the amount of time they spend in the virtual
world. Cris Staubach will present the hows and whys of making nature a substantial part of your children's programming. Kathleen Hart will discuss the parent-child nature programs that she offers at the Canterbury Public Library. She will discuss specific activities and materials needed, as well as how to market the programs.

*Presented by Kathleen Hart, Children's Librarian at Canterbury Public Library and Cris Staubach, Head of Youth Services at the Public Library of New London*

- sponsored by CLA Children's Section

**Web 2.0 for Little Hands**

Web 2.0 in preschool through grade 2? You bet! In this session, learn tips and strategies for using Web 2.0 tools and web applications with the youngest learners. See projects created by young children that connect literature and Web 2.0 tools like Wordle and Glogster. Learn how to plan and implement them with your own students.

*Presented by Kate Candido, Library Media Specialist at Orange Avenue School in Milford*

- sponsored by Connecticut Association of School Librarians

**Community**

**Programming for the Library as a Cultural Center: The Persian Connection**

Librarian Cynde Bloom Lahey, and authors Susan Snyder and Mahru Ghashghaei would like to share their book *Nine Rubies* and present it as an idea and opportunity for Libraries to use books and authors to encourage their communities to view the Library as a cultural center. Libraries offer many programs and events that are thematic in approach and tied in with specific demographic groups. Using books and authors, the library educates, entertains and serves to create long-lasting relationships among groups in town.

*Presented by Cynde Bloom Lahey, Programming Specialist at Norwalk Public Library; and authors Susan R. Snyder and Mahru Ghashghaei*

- sponsored by Association of Connecticut Library Boards

**Profession**

**Stop Global Boring and Increase Your Presentation Effectiveness!**

It's time to stop global boring by reducing your PowerPoint emissions now. Increase your presentation effectiveness by reducing your PowerPoint clutter and avoid other harmful but common presentation pitfalls. Humorous, instructive and engaging, this seminar will illuminate the bad habits you need to shed so you can become a more powerful and engaging presenter. Librarians, who facilitate training workshops, give public presentations or desire to do so, will benefit from taking this seminar. Anything but boring, this will be unlike any seminar on presentation skills that you might have taken in the past!
Presented by Kathy McAfee; known as America’s Marketing Motivator, is author of the book *Networking Ahead for Business*. In her role as Executive Presentation Coach and Professional Speaker, Kathy helps her clients to become the recognized leaders in their fields by mastering the art of high engagement presentations and more effective networking. Creator of The Motivated Presenter series

- sponsored by CLA Career Development Committee

**CLA Publicity Awards**

Winners of the 2013 CLA Publicity Award will share their prize winning entries. Join us as our talented designers present their projects, explain the design process and show their promotional campaigns. Get some great ideas to bring back to your library.

- sponsored by CLA Publicity Committee

**Technology**

**e-Book: Intellectual Property Rights of Libraries and Library Patrons**

It’s hard to keep up with developments in e-Books. The marketplace and technology are evolving rapidly, and the copyright issues are far from settled. This program provides a brief fix on the moving target of e-books.

*Presented by Kyle K Courtney, Esq., Harvard University*

- sponsored by CLA Reference Section & CLA Technical Services Section

**Young Adult**

**Blogging for Teen Literature & Services**

A panel of bloggers from Connecticut and near-states will talk about why they blog, how they choose their topics, and other issues to consider when blogging teen services.

*Presented by Gretchen Kolderup, Jessica Miller and Jennifer Rummel*

- sponsored by CLA Young Adult Section

**Session Two: 11:30 – 12:25 pm**

**Children**

**Excellent Non Fiction for Children**

Caitlin Augusta and Heather Baker will booktalk nonfiction titles for children of all ages. As Common Core State Standards place greater emphasis on narrative nonfiction, youth
services librarians need current, appealing nonfiction collections. Come away with a stack of good titles to suggest to patrons and teachers.

Presented by Caitlin Augusta, Librarian at Stratford Library Association and Heather Baker, Head of Children's Services at Canton Public Library, and Chairs of the 2015 Nutmeg Elementary Selection Committee

- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Community

Communicating the Value of Your Library: Fresh Perspectives on Library Assessment

Independent consultant Steve Spohn will share ideas from his visits to libraries around the East Coast and conversations with their community leaders. You will receive practical information that you can use to inform your library's assessment program and important topics that may help you to better communicate the value of your library.

Presented by Stephen H. Spohn, Jr. Independent Library Consultant

- sponsored by CLA College and University Section

Creating Community through Connecticut Humanities

What is Connecticut Humanities? What do they do? Join us as we describe and discuss the “new and improved” Connecticut Humanities—committed to lifelong learning, building community identity, and strengthening humanities institutions across the state. Learn about the new We Have Issues! initiative focusing on discussions about current themes, and hear about the Connecticut Center for the Book's new vision. See our new history website, ConnecticutHistory.org, to view a growing collection of articles, images and resources about Connecticut's past. Hear about grant funding opportunities for libraries, with more dollars available to more cultural organizations for more projects highlighting public presentations, addressing relevant issues, all through humanities programming. From "quick grants" to family reading programs to funding resources for major projects to endless materials about the state's history, Connecticut Humanities has something for everyone!

Presented by Stuart Parnes, Executive Director; Lauren Miller, Program Officer Grants; Sandy Santy, Director, Public Humanities Programs; and Kim Sheridan, Digital Content Curator

- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Profession

Serving Spanish Speakers

Libraries are important centers for Latino immigrants to access information. Loida Garcia-Febo will show librarians how to blend emerging technologies and social media with in-
person services such as reference, collections and programming to build a library community that welcomes Spanish speakers. Attendees will leave the program with a structured plan to serve their Latino patrons.

*Presented by Loida Garcia-Febo, an international librarian, consultant, researcher, speaker and writer. She is Past President of REFORMA National and currently Chairs REFORMA Legislative Committee. At ALA, she is Councilor-at-Large and Chair of the Committee on Membership Meetings*

- sponsored by CLA Customer Service Committee & REFORMA

**Technology**

**Leveraging LinkedIn**

LinkedIn isn't just for patrons! No matter where you are in your career, networking is important, face-to-face or virtually. Come to this workshop and learn how to leverage LinkedIn to improve your virtual networking and to get the most from your profile and network. Need a performer -- search LinkedIn; need a reference -- ask a connection; researching new software -- check in with a group. Build your network and knowledge now using LinkedIn, the social media for professionals. Carol Mon has trained hundreds of people on how to use searches, groups and connections to benefit from LinkedIn.

*Presented by Carol Mon, Corporate Storyteller, Making Your Message Memorable*

- sponsored by CLA Career Development Committee

**Young Adult**

**A Biking Program at the Library!**

Looking to partner with other organizations? Hoping to mix it up with some out of the box programming? Come to this program and be inspired by Elizabeth Whiteman-Williams's biking program at her Long Island library. Ms. Whiteman-Williams partnered with Trips for Kids to create a biking program at her library. She will describe her program in addition to giving tips on how to collaborate on programs, and how to host a bike rodeo in your library parking lot! This program was featured in a VOYA article in the October 2012 issue.

*Presented by Elizabeth Whiteman-Williams, Children's Librarian at Smithtown Special Library District in Commack, NY*

- sponsored by CLA Young Adult Section

**Going Beyond the Book talk**

Would you like to punch up your reading program for middle and high school students? This session will highlight dynamic, free technology resources for engaging teens in book-related activities as well as for promoting reading with your students. Come learn how to develop
exciting activities and services using tools like Glogster, Pinterest, Masher, QR codes, Tumblr, scoopit, and more!

Presented by Sarah Ludwig, Library Department Chair and Academic Technology Coordinator at Hamden Hall Country Day School
- sponsored by Connecticut Association of School Librarians

Lunch: 12:30 – 1:30 pm

Session Three: 1:30 – 2:25 pm

Children

Thrive After 3!

Do you lose your children after they enter kindergarten? Learn ways to market to families by offering fall, winter and spring enrichment sessions to school age children. Each participant will leave with ready-to-go sessions for early and upper elementary school children.

Presented by Lisa M Shaia, Children’s Services Librarian, Oliver Wolcott Library
- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Community

Disasters Happen

Don’t be unprepared when a disaster occurs. Kathy Craughwell-Varda and Jane Cullinane will give an overview of the importance of having a disaster plan, what it needs to include, examples of disasters, and do a table-top exercise of the decision-making that happens during an event. They will also include the information libraries will need if they are going to ask FEMA for help.

Presented by Kathy Craughwell-Varda, Conservation ConneCTion and Jane Cullinane, Connecticut State Library
- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Profession

What to do when the police come calling: Keeping Library Records Confidential

Sandra Staub will explain the rights and responsibilities of librarians when asked to reveal information about patrons or circulation records to police officials or others. She will discuss
simple verbal requests, official written requests, search warrants, court orders to produce information, requests to view surveillance tapes, circulation records, internet use records that show user names, and National Security Letters and FISA court orders. There will also be a question and answer period. The American Civil Liberties Union of Connecticut has helped CLA with many intellectual freedom issues in the past. The American Civil Liberties Union of Connecticut will discuss requests, search warrants, and court orders for patron records.

Presented by Sandra Staub, Legal Director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Connecticut
- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Technology

Helping Patrons with E-Readers

As the popularity of electronic books rises, so does a new demand on libraries: helping patrons with e-readers. Meeting this need can be complicated. Devices come in many shapes, sizes, and brands: Kindles, Nooks, tablets, smart phones. All of which have several variations that involve different means of downloading content. Join us as Katy Dillman shares best practices in e-reader customer service and learn how to empower patrons to master their devices.

Presented by Katy Dillman, Reference and Information Services Librarian at the James Blackstone Memorial Library in Branford, CT. With a background in Sales and Marketing, she works to promote the use of libraries and their services, and to make navigating libraries easy to understand for patrons
- sponsored by CLA Customer Service Committee

Young Adult

School and Public Libraries: Working Together

Join our panel of school and public librarians from East Haven and Fairfield to learn how they have created a number of different collaborative programs, including advisory groups, summer reading book discussions, writing workshops, and Fairfield’s One Town One Book program.

Presented by Karen Jensen, Director at the Blackstone Library in Branford; Rachel Rice, Library Media Specialist at East Haven High School; Nicole Scherer, Teen Librarian at Fairfield Public Library; Jackie Galante, Library Media Specialist at Fairfield Woods Middle School Library
- sponsored by Connecticut Association of School Librarians
Information Literacy from HS to College – Seamless Transition or Classic Disconnect

The results of research examining the practices and expectations of librarians regarding Information Literacy Instruction in Connecticut public high school, college and university libraries; and recommendations for effecting change.

Presented by Cindy K. Schofield, TS Division Head Buley Library, SCSU
- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Coffee Break: 2:30-3:00 pm

Session Four: 3:00-3:55 pm

Children

The Power of Youth Services – 85 minutes

Youth services drive public libraries, but they are not as effective as they could be, so libraries are not as strong as they could be. Youth Services librarians are dedicated, focused, and hardworking, but they often fail to take into account the importance of everything other than direct service to youth. Directors are pressed for time, short on resources, harried, and often fail to understand the impact of Youth Services on the rest of the library. This workshop will address issues such as the place of Youth Services in the library and the larger community, resource allocation, statistics, budgeting and justification, and the different languages youth specialists and administrators speak.

Presented by Michael Sullivan, author and former librarian and teacher
- sponsored by CLA Children's Section

Community

Communicating in the Face of Crisis

When a crisis of confidence occurs, most organizations mistakenly circle the wagons and wait for it to be over. In today’s world of instantaneous communications, that can be a fatal blow to any organization. Crises like bed bugs or Furries in your library are no exception. In this session, you’ll learn how to manage the public face of such a crisis, both in the community and with your own staff and volunteers. You’ll learn techniques to deal with press and patron inquiries; strategies for mobilizing your staff and volunteers to be community ambassadors, and ways to rebuild confidence after the initial crisis.
**Blazing a Trail with Community Reference – 85 minutes**

Katherine Johnson and Elizabeth Kelsen have created a process of community outreach that is systematic, impactful, and part of librarians’ everyday jobs. They developed a strategic way to target organizations (show up), gather information from them (pay attention), and track themes and issues that are countywide (stay in touch). Douglas County Libraries developed a strategic way to target organizations, gather information and track themes and issues that are county wide.

*Presented by Katherine Johnson, Adult Services Librarian Douglas County Libraries, and Elizabeth Kelsen Huber, Adult Services Department Head, Douglas County Libraries, Colorado*

- **sponsored by CLA Reference and Adult Services Section**

**Profession**

**Working for You: The New England Library Association**

What is the New England Library Association and what does it mean to me? Deborah Kelsey discusses the variety of NELA programs, sections, scholarships, and awards that are available to and benefit all New England libraries.

*Presented by Deborah Kelsey, NELA President*

- **sponsored by New England Library Association**

**Technology**

**Social Networking & Media – Getting into SNM at your library – 85 minutes**

An overview of how social media program is organized and run at Cheshire Library.

*Presented by Louise LeClaire, Kelley Gile, Carrie Crowe, Eileen Topitzer, Mary Dattilo of the Cheshire Public Library Social Networking & Media Committee*

- **sponsored by CLA Conference Committee**

**Young Adult**

**Think BIG: Planning Large Teen Events @ Your Library – 85 minutes**

Tired of small events? Do you want to have the hottest program in town? Learn how to plan a successful large event that involves your staff and your community, reaches out to a new audience, and transforms your library from a building to a party. In this workshop, you will
learn: How to organize and motivate teens to plan events, How to transform your library through decorations and lighting, Event formatting and ideas, Publicity, Involving volunteers from the community, Getting staff on board.

Presented by Jaina Lewis, Teen Services Librarian, Westport Library
- sponsored by CLA Young Adult Section

Session Five: 4:00 – 4:55 pm

Community

The Next Chapter Book Club comes to Fairfield County

The Next Chapter Book Club (NCBC) is a community-based program for adolescents and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The goal of these reading clubs is threefold: exposure to books, community inclusion, and socialization. Ed Morrissey, Elaine Barrie, and Barbara Klipper discuss their experience developing the first Connecticut NCBC, made possible through a generous grant from the Abilis Foundation.

Presented by Ed Morrissey, Librarian at Greenwich Library CLA-ADA Committee; Elaine Barrie, Librarian at Ferguson Library and CLA-ADA Chair; and Barbara Klipper, Youth Services Librarian
- sponsored by CLA Americans with Disabilities Act Committee

Profession

Legal Research & Law Libraries in CT Legal research resources and the UELMA

What is the uniform Electronic Legal Materials Act (UELMA)? Many states, Connecticut included, have tried to save money by publishing information electronically. For legal materials this can cause a problem as laws get overwritten, amended, repealed. How does one know what they're looking at is the authenticated official, and enforce legal authority? UELMA seeks to address this by legally specifying how states should deal with electronic legal material. Legal research for public librarians and what resources are available.

Presented by Jason Eisenman, Yale University
- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Happy Hour Reception: 5:00-6:00 pm
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Keynote: 9:00 – 10:00 am

Where We Live Radio Program

This program will be broadcast live from the conference at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. Join the conversation with radio host John Dankovsky and guests ALA President Maureen Sullivan, Connecticut State Librarian Ken Wiggin, and CLA President Carl DeMilia

- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Coffee Break: 10:30 – 11:00 am

Session One: 10:30 – 11:25 am

Children

Raising a Joyful Reader

Join us for a discussion about reluctant readers, and what we can possibly do to make them less reluctant. The panel will highlight how public librarians, parents and school librarians can collaborate to help the reader. The role of the new Common Core will be addressed.

Presented by Deborah White and Kris Nash, Westport Library; Tommy Greenwald, parent of formerly reluctant readers and author of Charlie Joe Jackson’s Guide to Not Reading; and Gayle Bogel, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Fairfield University.

- sponsored by CLA Children’s Section
Community

Show Your Card: A Business Partnership You Can Steal

Join Meryl Farber and Rebecca Harlow as they discuss 'Show Your Card,' an innovative collaboration with local businesses that enabled them to reach new users, reward existing patrons, and strengthen community ties. Farber and Harlow will offer practical tips and guidance as they share their entire process from garnering initial support from local organizations to implementing and promoting the event within the community.

Presented by Meryl Farber, Director, Case Memorial Library and Rebecca Harlow, Head of Reference and Adult Services, Case Memorial Library

- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Giving to Libraries

Donations to municipal libraries support new buildings, programs for children, teens and adults. Donations are intended to augment, not replace community investment in the library through taxes. We will discuss the Connecticut state statutes governing municipal libraries, with an eye to determining how best to accept donations.

Presenter: Barbara S McGrath, Esq., Executive Director of the Connecticut Urban Legal Initiative

- sponsored by Association of Connecticut Library Boards

Profession

Reference Tricks of the Trade

Common questions asked of library workers can be relatively easy if you know a few basic tricks. For example: where do I find books about [assigned topic]? What is the phone number and street address for [local business]? Can you help me find [a distant relative's] obituary? How long ago was [a great-great-grandfather] born? These answers and more can be found at the click of a mouse.

Presented by Brandie Doyle, Business & Career Resources Librarian, Russell Library and Chair of the CLA Customer Service Committee

- sponsored by CLA Support Staff Section

Technology

Navigating the Future: Library and Higher Education in the Digital Age

This program discusses and explores today’s technology trends in higher education and how they impact student learning habits and preferences in colleges/universities and their libraries. The infrastructure for supplying information resources to higher education and
research has gone through dramatic changes during the last 15 years. The trends and challenges are important parts of any academic institute’s strategic technology plan and may have an impact on teaching, learning and research/creative activities. The amount of electronic resources available and library systems that handle them have multiplied leaving libraries in a challenging situation. There is a changing definition of library collections, changing business models for owning and accessing materials, as well as a shift in the architecture of library systems. Dr. Wendy Chang leads the discussion and shares with us her perspective in using current technology in academic environment to inspire lifelong learning, advance knowledge, and strengthen higher education and library services.

Presented by Dr. Wendy C. Chang, the Chief Information Officer for the Connecticut Board of Regents
- sponsored by CLA Technology Committee

Account Based Literacy: A New Focus in Library Computer Instruction

The near universal adoption of online services that require the user to create an account demands that librarians provide instruction that goes beyond traditional information literacy training and speaks to the issues unique to today’s most popular services. As a category, account-based services include those most commonly used by patrons including library eBook services, online shopping, banking, government services, and social media. Account--based literacy instruction ensures that patrons are able successfully navigate and utilize these ubiquitous web services while protecting themselves, their personal information, and data. Join us to explore the next-generation information literacy needs of patrons and examine the risks involved with using account-based online services. Tips and techniques for extending library instruction to help patrons maintain the safety and security of their online information will be discussed.

Presented by David Cirella, New York Institute of Technology, Manhattan Library
- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Young Adult

Deconstructing Teen Book Covers

Issues and anecdotes on teen book jacket design.

Presented by Linda Williams, Children’s Consultant with the Connecticut State Library Division of Library Development
- sponsored by CLA Young Adult Section
Session Two: 11:30 – 12:25 pm

Children

iPad Programming for Children

iPads are one of this season's hottest accessories for the 21st century librarian. It's hip. It's trendy. It's creative and it's a whole lot of fun. This program explains how to find ideas for programming, funding to purchase iPads, and some of the do’s and don’ts in the real world. Participants will get a hands-on opportunity to explore apps on iPads provided.

Presented by Cindy Wall, Head of Children's Services at the Southington Library and Museum
- sponsored by CLA Children's Section & CLA Support Staff Section

Every Child Ready to Read LSTA Grants: What is it and How does it Work?

The Division of Library Development (CT State Library) sponsors $3,000 grants for public libraries to implement the Public Library Association's Every Child Ready to Read (ECRR) projects. ECRR grants help libraries teach parents and teachers their essential role in supporting the early literacy development of their children. Attendees will learn the basics of the ECRR program and application process then hear grantees discuss their project implementations, partnerships, and all the tips and tricks they used to make their projects work.

Presented by Douglas C. Lord, Division of Library Development CT State Library (moderator); Susan Cormier, Division of Library Development CT State Library; Lynn Hidek, Henry Carter Hull Library; and Regina Aleksandrovicius, Wethersfield Library
- sponsored by CLA Children's Section

Community

Community Librarianship in the 21st Century

Are we meeting the needs of our users? What is community librarianship? Is community librarianship the future or the past? BCALA-CT bring together four guest speakers who will discuss various issues in this debate of whether community librarianship is on the rise or declining and what we can do at our libraries to be an influence and meet the needs of the community.

Presented by Tracie D. Hall, VP, Strategy and Organizational Development, Queens Library; Tracy Sutherland, Public Services Librarian, Eastern Connecticut State University; Todd Hampton, Reference Librarian, Norwalk Community College and Astoria H. Ridley, Law Librarian, CT Judicial Branch
- sponsored by Black Caucus ALA - Connecticut Chapter
**Profession**

**Library ThinkTank: Envisioning & Creating Our Future**

Join us for a facilitated Think Tank session that will focus on how we can change the future of Connecticut libraries by working together more effectively. We are looking for library professionals of all ages, backgrounds and interests who are willing to share, take risks, and participate in an open, honest, and civil dialogue about our profession and our future. If you are comfortable with brainstorming, unstructured programming and enjoy a lively discussion with your peers, then this session is for you. Come prepared to share, take risks, and actively participate in this creative session.

*sponsored by Connecticut Library Consortium*

**Work Smarter, Be Happy! Streamline Your ILL Operations**

Bogged down in book straps? Feel like you can’t catch your breath? Join our panel to rethink your procedures and discuss ways to streamline your ILL Operations. Learn from your fellow ILL’ers what they do to stay calm and sane.

*Presented by Steve Cauffman, Connecticut State Library; Sarah Marek, Central Connecticut State University; Karen Carey, Russell Library*

*sponsored by CLA Resource Sharing Section*

**Technology**

**Petting Zoo: Please Touch! E-Readers and Tablet**

From Kindles and Nooks to iPads and Google Chromebooks, give your customers a hands-on opportunity to discover new and innovative technologies. The latest devices on display provide unique opportunities and challenges sure to draw a wide audience. We'll share our experiences and a tip sheet so that you can walk away prepared to implement your own 21st century technology display.

*Presented by Nancy Kuhn-Clark, Reference Librarian and Mary Parmelee, Children’s Librarian, Westport Public Library*

*sponsored by CLA Conference Committee*

**Young Adult**

**Rambunctious Revolutionaries: Channeling the Energy of Young Adults**

How can you best serve teens and turn them into lifelong library lovers? Kat Redniss suggests many ways to approach this goal. Two fundamentals are creating a comfortable, welcoming space and fostering their investment as volunteers and advocates. Offering
programs both onsite and off and partnering with other organizations to do so is also covered in this session.

Presented by Kat Redniss from Brownell Library in Essex Junction, Vermont
- sponsored by CLA Young Adult Section

Lunch: 12:30 – 1:30 pm

CLA Annual Meeting and Awards: 1:30 – 2:25 pm

Coffee Break: 2:30 – 3:00 pm

Session Three: 3:00 – 3:55 pm

Children

Special Programs for Special Friends

Michelle Royer and Dot Carson collaborate together to find and fulfill informational needs and support to families who have special needs with programs at the Lucy Robbins Welles Library.

Presented by Michelle Royer, Children’s Librarian, Lucy Robbins Welles Library, Newington, CT, and Dorothy Carson, Pediatric RN and Birth to Three Provider for Creative Interventions Birth to Three Agency
- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Community

Librarians Love Our Authors - Writing As An Act of Discovery – 85 minutes

Andre Dubus III, author of several books including Townie and House of Sand and Fog will share his writing experience and the role libraries and literature play in his personal life as well as their importance and influence in our communities.

Presented by special guest author Andre DuBus III
- sponsored by Fairfield County Library Administrator’s Group
Collaborative Strategies: Next Steps for Service Design in Collection Development, Resource Sharing and Communities

What is the future of resource sharing? A bright future with service expanding in Acquisitions and Interlibrary Loan converging, utilizing mass digitization, helping to scan for reprints and publishing, exploring new roles in community publishing, and much more... As a distributed network, resource sharing is an early innovation that is critical to the evolving academic and public library. Transforming workflow is one key to a future that unlocks new opportunities, the most important key is transforming collaborative roles and strategies.

*Presented by Cyril Oberlander, Director, Miller Library, State University of New York at Geneseo*

*sponsored by CLA Resource Sharing Section & CLA College and University Section*

**Profession**

**How Do They Do It? Award Winning Public Library Service**

What makes an award: winning library? Find out from the winners of the 2013 Connecticut Excellence in Public Library Service Awards. Discover the secrets of their success as they provide outstanding library service and learn how you can do the same in your community.

*sponsored by CLA Public Library Section*

**Creative Wisdom: Best Practices for Older Adults Grants & Projects**

Learn from a panel of the best LSTA grantees about the factors, best practices, and secret ingredients that made their programs successful -- and how they got bodies in seats!

*Presented by Douglas C. Lord, CT State Library (moderator); Francie Berger, Hall Memorial Library, Ellington; Brenda J. Miller, Hartford Public Library; Jacqueline Rafferty, Paul Pratt Memorial Library, MA; Brigid Cahalan, New York Public Library, NY*

*sponsored by CLA Reference and Adult Services Section, Connecticut Library Consortium, & Connecticut State Library*

**Technology**

**The MakerSpace: helping to redefine the 21st Century Library – 85 minutes**

Where does a MakerSpace come from and how does it fit in a library? Join us as we explore the maker movement and its place in our libraries. The Westport Library has recently experienced the maker movement and will share their story of how it impacted programs and services. Through participation in the production of a Mini Maker Faire and then the creation of a physical MakerSpace in the center of our Great Hall, our MakerSpace has been a place for children, teens, and adults to explore and create. We will also describe the impact of having 3D printers in the library and their almost magical effect on patrons of all
ages. Edward Iglesias will focus on the impact of MakerSpaces in Academic Libraries, highlighting their application in academic libraries, the differences and similarities between public & academic library MakerSpaces, strategic partners and potential alliances and the MakerSpace story at CCSU.

Presented by Margie Feilich-Den, Information Services Librarian, Westport Library; Bill Derry, Assistant Director, Westport Library; Jaina Lewis, Teen Librarian, Westport Library, Edward Iglesias, Systems Librarian Burritt Library CCSU

- sponsored by CLA Children’s, Public Library, Technology, & Young Adult Sections

Young Adult

Teen Book Buzz

Representatives of publishers who publish for teens will talk about their upcoming releases.

Presented by Ellen Cormier from Macmillan Kids, Katie Halata from Egmont, Whitney Ross from Tor Teen and John Mason from Scholastic.

- sponsored by CLA Young Adult Section

Session Four: 4:00 – 4:55 pm

Children

The Flannel Panel

Looking for flannel board stories to provide language and literacy enrichment for your children’s programs? Would you like to introduce problem solving, matching, sorting and sequencing skills in felt to your preschoolers? Learn presentation tips, ways to extend a theme and tie-ins with the Common Core Standards. Bring questions for our panel of flannel experts! Take home patterns and new ideas to put in place tomorrow!

Presented by Jane Breen, West Hartford Public Library; Kari Ann St Jean, Avon Free Public Library; Heather Baker, Canton Public Library

- sponsored by Capital Region Children’s Round Table

Community

Building and Sustaining Partnerships for Stronger Libraries

Managing partnerships and strategic alliances is critical for libraries of all sizes in today’s economically challenging climate. Come see some of the best library collaborators around discuss the best practices associated with selecting, negotiating, and managing alliances. Because of the challenges libraries face in serving increasingly multicultural and immigrant
populations, the session will be built around each library's services to these special groups - including a National Leadership Demonstration Grant. The session's key appeal is hearing the presenters discuss what lies at the core of meaningful outreach partnerships. Learn the strategies and competencies librarians need to achieve collaborative success, hear about common problems and stumbling blocks, and about the ups and downs of relationship building.

Presented by Douglas Lord, Division of Library Development, CT State Library; Homa Naficy, Hartford Public Library; Marcia Lewis, West Hartford Public Library; Fred Gitner, Queens Library and Brigid Cahalan, New York Public Library

- sponsored by CLA Conference Committee

Profession

The Day Ccar Stood Still and How to Keep that Day from Happening

Connecticar (Ccar) funding is cut, now what? In the past year we came close to our own "fiscal cliff". The possibility was very real that Connecticut libraries would lose Ccar funding. How would we prevent this from happening and, should it happen, what are our alternatives? What is the value of Ccar and how do we increase public support for this crucial service? Help us brainstorm with Kendall Wiggin who will discuss the Ccar budget; Roslyn Rubinstein who will discuss alternative plans; Mike Simonds who will discuss the history of delivery systems in the Bibliomation consortium; Marion Sheehan who will speak from the perspective of a standalone library.

Presented by Kendall Wiggin, Connecticut State Librarian; Roslyn Rubinstein, Director, Waterford Public Library; Mike Simonds, CEO, Bibliomation; Marion Sheehan, Director, Canterbury Public Library

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Young Adult

YOU Can Run a Writing Program for Teens

Unsure of how to start a writing program for teens? Unconfident in your abilities to facilitate a writing workshop? Nutmeg nominated author, Connecticut resident, and all around fun person, Leslie Connor, will teach how to facilitate a writing workshop for teens. She will guide participants through spark activities and explain how and why they work. Learn how to facilitate a writing workshop for teens.

Presented by Leslie Connor, author of Waiting for Normal, Crunch, Dead on Town Line, and Miss Bridie Chose a Shovel

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Patent Resources for Creative Users Age 9-99

How do you engage the creative minds and future inventors of your community? Show students, parents, and educators how to be part of the space maker movement using patent records. Barbara Hampton and Robert Berry will help you connect inventive kids and adults with databases and experts via the PTRC at Sacred Heart. Show how to guide STEM teachers to inspiring kid-ventors and support adult inventors with the tools and experts of the PTRC. Share the social policies behind intellectual property rights and what they mean for your library's users. This practical library service has special value in the era of entrepreneurship, second careers, and economic challenges. Connect inventive kids and adults with databases and experts via the PTRC at Sacred Heart.

Presented by Barbara Hampton, Reference Librarian, Sacred Heart University and Robert Berry, Patent & Trademark Resource Center Representative, Sacred Heart University

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