

September 2017

Director's Day, Grant-Writing Seminars, and More



Director's Day

We had a productive meeting on Thursday, August 24 at CEFLS for Director's Day. Our front room was filled with directors from many of the member libraries, librarians from State correctional facility libraries, and we even had **Senator Betty Little** and **Assemblyman Billy Jones** visit! The day was full of discussions about what the Library System has to offer for libraries and their patrons and how the value of libraries is noticed by our representatives in the government (and the necessity of advocacy). We also got a chance to share all of the new kits and initiatives that will be rolling out to libraries in the near future. It was a pleasure to host and we were honored by those who attended. If you weren't able to attend, we'll have an archived version of our presentation to see on our website in the near future.

We'd also like to take a moment to thank the [Lake Placid Education Foundation](#) for giving us the generous grant that allowed us to pay for the food and to cover the mileage for the participants coming from farther away. And, of course, we'd like to thank **Senator Little** and **Assemblyman Jones** for sitting down with us and the staff from our member libraries and correctional facility libraries.



Free Grant-Writing Seminars

The Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts is hosting a numbers of free grant-writing seminars throughout the area. All applicants must attend one of the scheduled seminars or request a consultation with the grant coordinator.

- Sept. 7 - 6:30 PM - Lake Pleasant Library, Lake Pleasant
- Sept. 8 - 12:30 PM - Inlet Library, Inlet
- Sept. 9 - 11:00 AM - Wead Library, Malone
- Sept. 11 - 7:00 PM - Newcomb Chamber of Commerce, Newcomb Fire Hall
- Sept. 16 - 10:00 AM - BluSeed Studios, Saranac Lake
- Sept. 18 - 3:00 PM - Panera's, Plattsburgh (ad hoc)
- Sept. 20 - 5:00 PM - Town of Brighton Town Offices, Paul Smiths

The deadline for submitting 2018 grant applications is October 23, 2017.

If you cannot attend a seminar, email and make an appointment to meet with the Grant Coordinator, [Kathleen Recchia](#).

Decentralization Grants are made possible through the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.

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Save the Date: Everyone Serves Young Children

The fifth and final component of the *Ready to Read at NY Libraries* staff development program, *Everyone Serves Young Children*, is being offered on the following dates and locations:

- Sept. 14 - Wead Library, Malone
- Sept. 21 - CEFLS Headquarters, Plattsburgh
- Oct. 2 - Hammond Library, Crown Point

Additional details to follow.

Contact Karen



September is Library Sign-up Month

This is the 30th anniversary of Library Card Sign-up Month! Since 1987, September – the month kids and parents prepare for the beginning of the school year – the American Library Association (ALA) work with libraries to highlight the value of a library card. CEFLS will be providing materials for you to promote Library Card Sign-up Month!

Library Sign-up Month



Every Student Present Webinar

New York State Library's Division of Library Development (DLD) is offering a free webinar on Tuesday, September 19, from 1:00 – 2:00 PM.

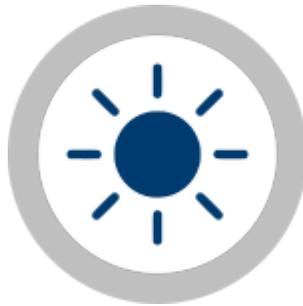
Every Student Present is a public awareness campaign about school attendance in the younger grades developed by the Council on Children and Families (CCF). Chronic absence is defined as when a child misses more than 10% of enrolled days. This absence from school can lead to delays in reading skills and can impact a child's overall learning experience.

The Every Student Present website will be the focus of this webinar. Cate Bohn, with CCF, will take you through each section of the website and point out strategies that help parents support their children and data tools that educators can easily use to address chronic absence. The section of the website designed for parents offers a wide range of information for dealing with the many issues that keep children from school. The Educators and Community Coalitions section offers extensive

information, how-to strategies, and resources for reducing chronic absence.

Librarians are a huge source of comfort and support for families and schools, and we look forward to sharing <http://www.everystudentpresent.org> with you!

Every Student Present



Summer Reading Collaboration

Summer Reading is wrapping up, but it's never too early to start how to approach next year. How will you foster a relationship between schools and public libraries?

[How CSLP can help you make friends at school!](#)

CSLP has posted a short tutorial on partnering with schools on Summer Reading so that you can begin thinking and talking about collaborations for next year.

[Public Partners](#)

An article by Lisa Peet of Library Journal on public library/school partnerships from April 15, 2017.



3 Apples Book Award

From Molly Clark, SSL Chair:

The New York Library Association (NYLA) will begin taking nominations for the 2018 Three Apples Book Award on September 1, 2017. To nominate a title for 3-Apples, Children and Teens can nominate a book in these categories.

- Young Reader (UPK - 2nd grade),
- Children (grades 3-6),
- Teen (grades 7-12).

Nominations will be accepted online and through the assistance of local School and Public Librarians around New York beginning September 1, 2017 through October 31, 2017.

Visit www.nyla.org/3apples for more information and to nominate a title. The top 15 titles in each category will be available for voting starting on November 13, 2017.

The 3 Apples Book Award Joint Committee is comprised of members from NYLA's two youth divisions: the Section of School Librarians (SSL) and the Youth Services Section (YSS). For more information about the history of the award, visit nyla.org/3apples.

3 Apples Book Award



Maker Kits

Big ideas come in small packages! Maker Kits bundle everything you need to have a makerspace in your library without the expense or the mess. Give kids, teens, and adults hands-on learning in your library today! Check out the Kits that are available for in-house use, and contact [David](#) to have one of them sent to your library.

[Beading](#): Want to try to make a pendant? Earrings? This Maker Kit allows you to tinker with wire and beads at your own pace without having to buy the tools necessary to get started.

[3D Pen](#): Draw in 3 dimensions! Use this pen to create pieces of art with colorful filament in minutes. Includes laminated templates for you to practice your craft.

[Snap Circuits Jr.](#): Create working circuits in minutes with Snap Circuits Jr.! This Maker Kit is great for kids to get some hands-on learning about how electricity works by making lights flash, fans spin, and speakers produce sound.

Contact David



[New Resource: Press-Republican](#)

This comes from Betsy at CEFLS:

I want to draw your attention to a new resource that just recently became available through the Northern New York Library Network. It's a searchable archive of the **Plattsburgh Press Republican** that spans 1999 – present.

If you search the paper sometimes and are annoyed by the ads you will love using it this way! It does require a library barcode to log in.

We've put links on our Database pages (<http://www.cefls.org/databaseaz.htm#P>) and will feature it as next month's resource of the month.

Feel free to put the link on your website:
<http://proxy.cefls.org:2048/login?url=http://infoweb.newsbank.com/?db=PPRB>.
There's also a graphic you can use attached to this email.

I discovered that New York Historical Newspapers currently has up to 1995, so there is a gap in digital access to the paper from 1996 to 1998. These years may be digitized in the future, but for now they can be found in microfilm at the Plattsburgh Public Library.

Press-Republican



GrantStation - Beginner's Guide: Using Images in Social Media

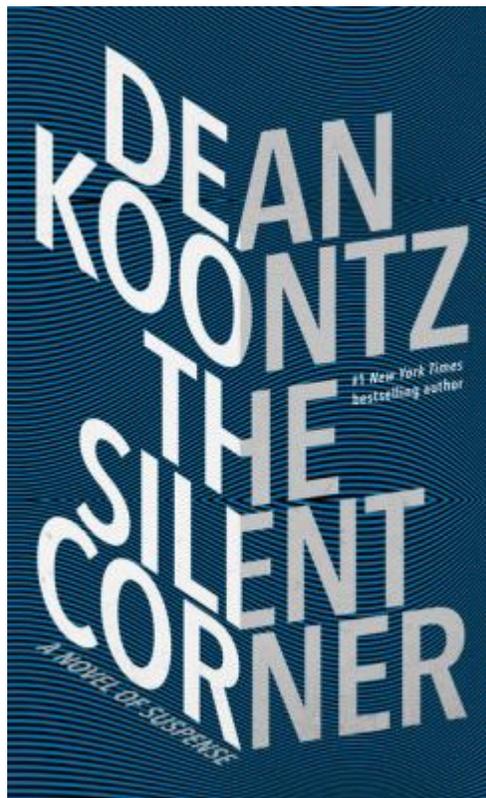
Library Journal - Engaging Reluctant Readers in Your Library Webinar

The Conversation - Research shows the importance of parents reading with children



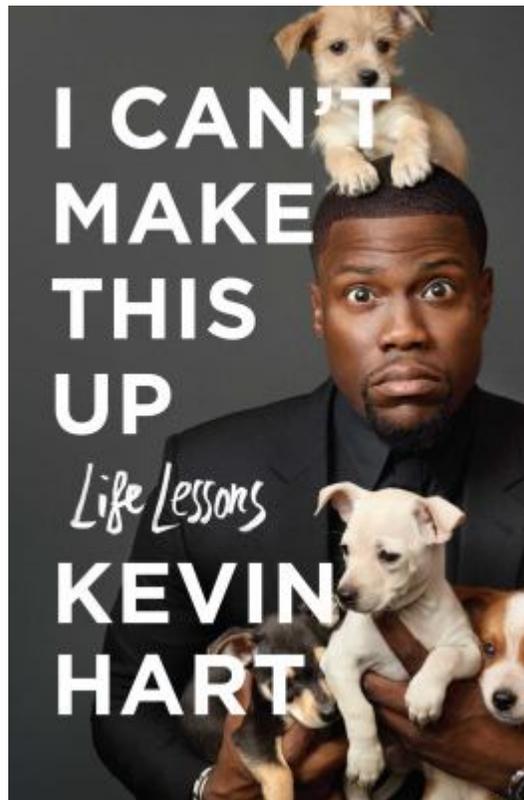
New and Noteworthy

Take a look at some of the new titles that are available free of charge to anyone with a library card in the region!



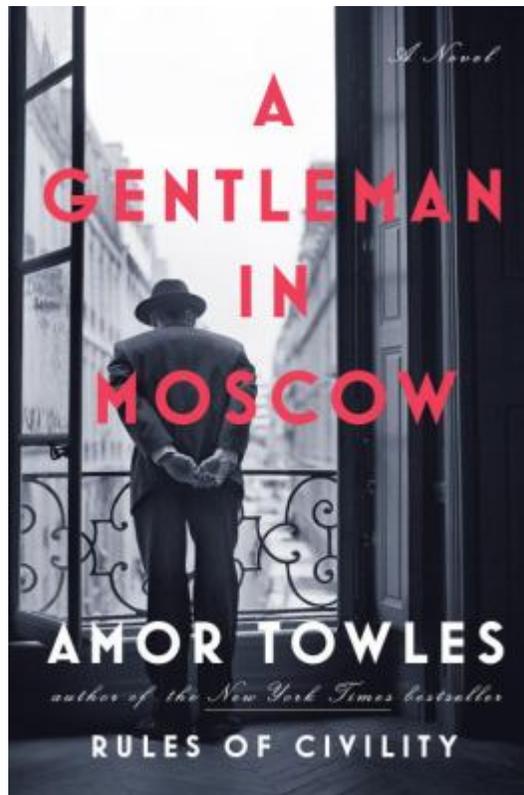
[The Silent Corner](#)

Dean Koontz



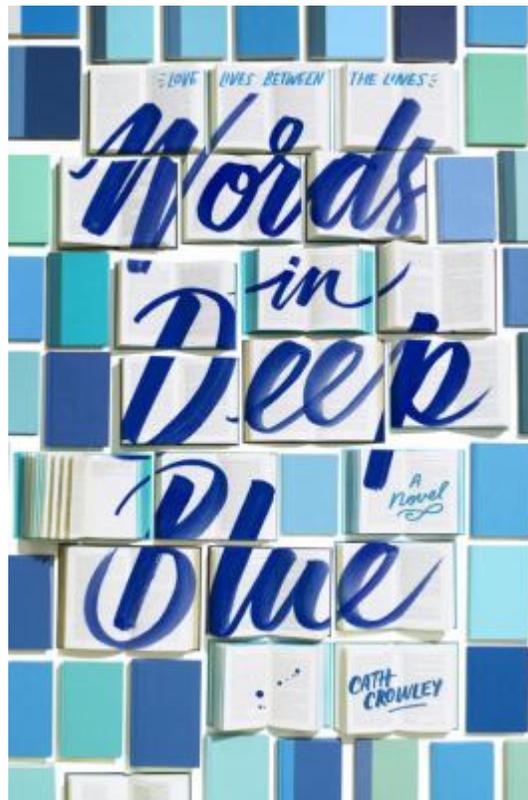
[I Can't Make This Up](#)

Kevin Hart



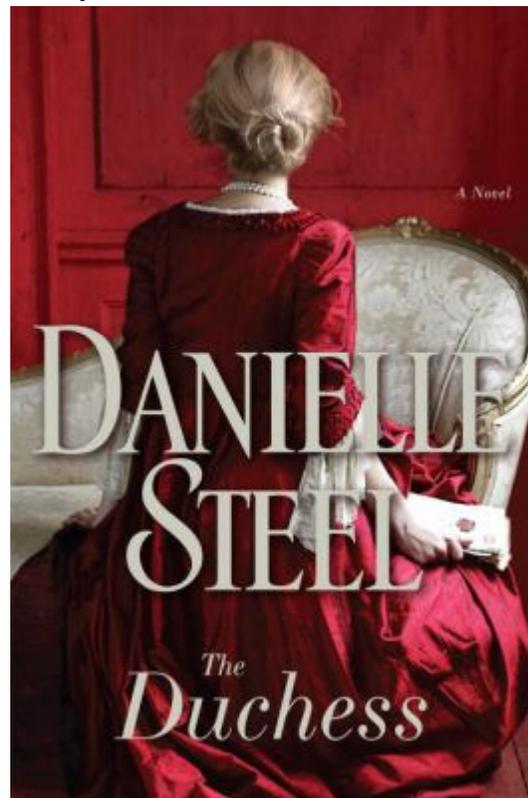
[A Gentleman in Moscow](#)

Amor Towles



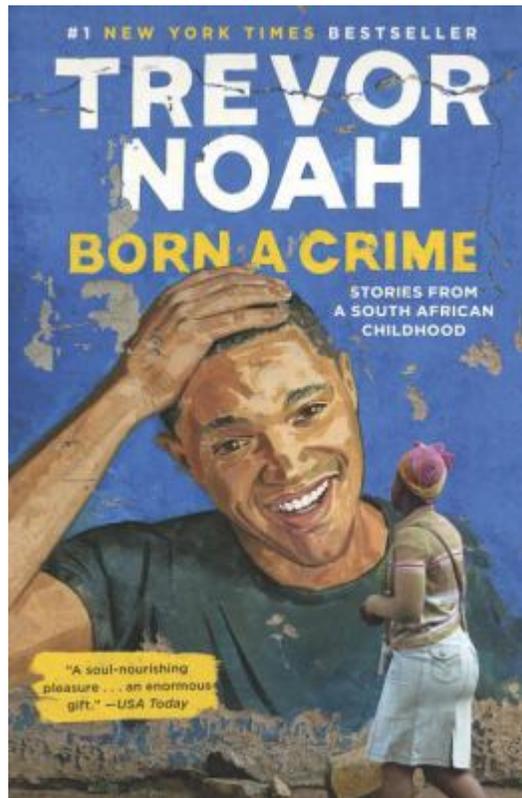
[Words in Deep Blue](#)

Cath Crowley



[The Duchess](#)

Danielle Steel



[Born a Crime](#)

Trevor Noah

“Books are a uniquely portable magic.”

– Stephen King

Share Something

Don't be shy! The Pathfinder is meant to share useful information across member libraries in a timely and condensed manner, but doesn't replace the Trailblazer, which is meant to share stories from around the System. Do you have something to contribute to the Pathfinder? Contact [David Fuller](#) and it could be in our next issue.

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