Welcome to the team!

We'd like to take a moment and welcome Edie Morelock, the new interim director of Mooers Free Library, and Susan Sullivan, the new director of Dodge Memorial Library in Rouses Point. We wish the best for Donna Boumil, the previous director, and thank her for the service she's provided over the years.

It's not too early to think about summer

The program materials are rolling out to all the member libraries and it's a good time to think how we're going to get kids reading and moving when it starts to warm up.

Summer reading lists

The new reading lists offered by New York State are up for picture books.
elementary, tween, and teen levels.

**Teen video challenge**

A new offering is available this year that could net lucky teens $150 and the library $50:

Encourage Teens to create a video and enter the 2016 Teen Video Challenge!

New York State, as part of *Summer Reading at New York Libraries*, is participating in the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) 2016 Teen Video Challenge for the sixth year. Teens are invited to create a 30 to 90 second video interpreting the 2016 Teen slogan. Please encourage teens or groups of teens ages 13 to 18 to create and submit an entry promoting summer reading and libraries. This year’s slogan for the Teen Video Challenge is “Get in the Game – Read!”

Please distribute this information about TVC entries and deadline date as a reminder. Teens are directed to submit entry forms to their local library by **March 4, 2016**.

All information and forms for the TVC competition are available on the *Summer Reading at New York Libraries* website at [http://www.summerreadingnys.org/teens/teens-video-challenge/](http://www.summerreadingnys.org/teens/teens-video-challenge/).

For further information please contact Sharon B. Phillips, coordinator of *Summer Reading at New York Libraries*, at Sharon.Phillips@nysed.gov or at (518) 486-4863.
Early literacy and Summer Reading workshop

We're hosting a workshop session at CEFLS on February 24th from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM! (And we're providing the coffee and food.)

9:30 - 10:00 | Coffee and sign-in
10:00 - 12:00 | Every Child Ready to Read training
12:00 - 1:00 | Lunch
1:00 - 3:00 | Presenters and craft/activity ideas

RSVP by February 16 with Karen Batchelder

If you're willing to teach a craft or have an idea for a good presenter, make sure to let Karen know.
Bookmarks, brochures, and flyers, oh my!

Need some better handouts to show some of our best resources to patrons? We have something for that. Check out our website for a collection of marketing materials customized specifically for patrons in Clinton, Essex, and Franklin Counties.

Have some ideas to better cater to your user base? Tell us! If you'd like to see something specific, email David Fuller your ideas and he'll see what he can whip up.

Save the dates

Plenty of important dates are quickly approaching!

Wednesday, February 24
Early Literacy & Summer Reading Workshop

Friday, April 15
YSS Conference
The Desmond Hotel & Conference
Advocacy Day

Speaking of important dates, Advocacy Day is right around the corner (as stated above) on Wednesday, March 2. Taking place at the Empire State Plaza Convention Center in Albany, the scheduled appointments are as follows:

**Betty Little** - 9:30 AM  
Room 310 LOB

**Dan Stec** - 11:30 AM  
Room 940 LOB

**Janet Duprey** - 10:30 AM  
635 LOB
Maker Workshop webinar

Back by popular demand - with all new content - is the third installment of SLJ's Maker Workshop. In this 4-week online course, you'll dig into up-to-the-minute topics and tools alongside innovative experts spanning school, public, and academic settings and authorities from beyond the library world. Course sessions will explore multiple technologies, digital making, STEAM, web literacy, and so much more.

Guest speakers appear each week, live via web video, in interactive sessions with q&a. You'll work in small groups with facilitators experienced in the maker movement to complete assignments and field research in your library that will fuel your maker program and support community engagement by the end of the course.

The first course premieres on February 23rd at 1:00 PM. If you're in the area, we will have it available for viewing in the CEFLS boardroom.

And don't forget we have the popular presenter from the NYLA Conference Leah Hamilton coming to CEFLS on April 1st (and from what I hear, that's not a joke) for a whole day to discuss maker spaces.
March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

We'll be sending out supplies including tablecloths, blue lights, other promotional items, and informative handouts from Didi Remchuk at the Clinton County Cancer Services Program office soon. (If you can, please return the lights afterward. Didi would appreciate it so that they can be used again next year.) **March 4th will be National Dress in Blue Day** to raise awareness of colon cancer, so make sure to plan your wardrobe accordingly, post your pictures on social media, and see if we can help support the 10,000+ New Yorkers who develop this type of cancer each year.
Thanks for all the charity!

The holiday "Adopt an eBook or e-Audiobook" campaign is just wrapping up and the preliminary results look promising to say the least. We'll be cruising past the $250 mark to help purchase more digital content for all patrons in the region. We appreciate the Adirondack Foundation's crowdfunding tool and, of course, all the people who were so generous to donate. This is a great example of an alternative funding source.

Adirondack Gives
Hannaford Helps

Speaking of alternative funding, we've just received our final check from the Hannaford Helps program. In total, we've raised an additional $179 over a 10-week campaign. We've already used the funds to purchase some of the ALA Youth Media Award-Winning books below!

ALA Youth Media Award Winners 2016
Last Stop on Market Street
Matt de la Peña
John Newbery Medal Winner

Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear
Lindsay Mattick
Randolph Caldecott Medal Winner

Gone Crazy in Alabama
Rita Williams-Garcia
Coretta Scott King Book Award Winner

Trombone Shorty
Troy Andrews and Bill Taylor
Coretta Scott King Book Award Winner

Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer, Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement
Carole Boston Weatherford

Bone Gap
Laura Ruby
Michael L. Printz Award Winner
Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Award Winner

Fish in a Tree
Lynda Mullaly Hunt
Schneider Family Book Award Winner

The Unlikely Hero of Room 13B
Teresa Toten
Schneider Family Book Award Winner

All Involved
Ryan Gattis
Alex Award Winner
Humans of New York: Stories
Brandon Stanton
Alex Award Winner

Undocumented: A Dominican Boy's Odyssey From a Homeless Shelter to the Ivy League
Dan-El Padilla Peralta
Alex Award Winner

The War that Saved My Life
Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
Odyssey Award Winner

Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings
Margarita Engle
Pura Belpré Award Winner

Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras
Duncan Tonatiuh
Robert F. Silbert Informational Book Award Winner

George
Alex Gino
Stonewall Book Award Winner
What a team effort looks like

We'll be sending out a lot of information when we parse through all the statistics for the year and get down to reading the results of the annual survey (thank you all for taking the time out of your busy schedules to help us see how best to change what we do to support you and your patrons better). In the meantime, we'll give you a sneak peek at some ILL numbers:

Who got the most stuff? Well, it's pretty clear which libraries received the most content through interlibrary loan last year:

1. Plattsburgh - 7,299
2. Saranac Lake - 3,782
3. Malone - 3,399
4. Schroon Lake - 2,602
5. CEFLS - 2,210

17. Keeseville - 614
18. Chateaugay - 586
19. Ellenburg - 549
20. Champlain - 543
21. Westport - 538
6. Ticonderoga - 1,960
7. Lake Placid - 1,956
8. Peru - 1,853
9. Rouses Point - 1,765
10. Keene Valley - 1,411
11. Port Henry - 1,198
12. Willsboro - 1,157
13. Upper Jay - 982
14. Au Sable Forks - 907
15. Elizabethtown - 866
16. Tupper Lake - 853

That's 39,573 titles that each of these libraries wouldn't have been able to provide their patrons without another library's help.

Who gave the most? Who provided all these titles to libraries and their patrons in need?

1. Plattsburgh - 7,770
17. Peru - 738
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That looks a lot like teamwork, if I'm not mistaken! Thanks to all the libraries willing to give their materials to other libraries, to the staff who make sure to use interlibrary loan in the best interest of their patrons, and to the drivers and other staff that make sure that all the materials get from point A to point B as quickly as possible.

HOT TOPICS
Know what we know.

Know what we know
Research assistance, subject guides, and useful resources compiled by your friendly librarians.
Hot Topics

New Fiction to the System
After Alice
Gregory Maguire

Cross Justice
James Patterson

Tricky Twenty-Two
Janet Evanovich

More New Titles

New Nonfiction to the System

Made in Paracord
Caitlin Wynne

The Art of Grace
Sarah L. Kaufman

The Witches: Salem, 1692
Stacy Schiff
New for Kids to the System

Planet Earth
Margot Channing

The Story of Diva and Flea
Mo Willems and Tony DiTerlizzi

Yoga for Kids: Simple Animal Poses for Any Age
Lorena V. Pajalunga

Have something to share?

Don't be shy! Pathfinder is meant to share useful information across the member libraries in a timely and condensed manner, but won't replace the Trailblazer, which is meant to share stories from around the system. Do you have something to contribute to Pathfinder? Contact David Fuller via email and it could be in the next issue.