

SUNYLA Council Meeting

January 23, 2015

SUNY FIT

Library

10:00am –3:00pm

Attending: Rebecca Hyams (Maritime), Rosanne Humes (Nassau CC), Carrie Fishner (Delhi), John Schumacher (OLIS), Katrina Fraser (Nassau), Carrie Marten (Purchase), Frans Aborillo (CUNY), Jill (Optometry), Kevin (Suffolk CC) **Attending Virtually via GoTo Meeting:** Logan Rath, Greg Bobish, Wendy West, Eugene Harvey, Michelle Eichelberger, Nancy Merillo, Bill Jones, Patrick Patterson, Violet Price, Dan Harms **Please let me know if I missed your name!**

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2.1. Officers

2.1.1. President – Rosanne Humes

2.1.1.1. I want to thank Carrie Fishner for volunteering to take on the job of SUNYLA Secretary.

SUNYLA's Midwinter Online Conference Committee:

Michelle Eichelberger, SUNYGenesee; Bill Jones, SUNY Geneseo; Rebecca Hyams, SUNY Maritime; Jill Locascio, SUNY Optometry; Lyndsie Robinson, SUNY Oneonta; Rosanne Humes, SUNY NCC

I want to thank the above for volunteering to be on the committee. In a short amount of time this group has put together a great conference. The virtual conference will be held Friday, Jan. 30, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. We have six sessions planned: Graphic Design for Maximum Engagement, Meggan Frost, Paul Smith's College; Be a Databrarian! Using Weka to analyze Patron Use of Library Services, Elaine Lasda Bergman, University at Albany; Adding True SMS Service to Your Library OPAC, Juan Denzer, Binghamton University; Screencast-O-Matic: Enhance and Expand Technology and Information Literacy Training, Gina Robinson, St. John's University; Guide on the Side: Active Learning and Simple Design, Trevor Riley, NY State College of Ceramics/Alfred University; and Using Edmondo to Facilitate Undergraduate Preservice Teacher Connections, Michelle Costello, and Katie Rommel-Esham, SUNY Geneseo.

We opened registration in the afternoon of Jan. 7 and twenty four hours later we had 88 registrants. At the time of this report we have 161 registrants, from both public and academic libraries from all over SUNY, the country, and even from Brazil and Spain.

SCLD Conference Call

On Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2015, I called into the SCLD Conference call. The topic for discussions was the eventual need to get proposals from "qualified vendors to provide program and technology planning for multi-campus shared services offered through SUNYConnect in support of ongoing needs of SUNY Libraries." Maureen from OLIS was looking for direction from SCLD on developing a strategy on how to re-evaluate services and predict the types of services that would be needed so that OLIS could write the RFP.

The focus of the discussion came down to should they hire a consultant or look inside SUNY for a project lead, and what kind of person should do this (faculty, librarian, library consultant).

A Discussion took place, and it was decided by Maureen that she will revisit her

original thoughts and come up with a 'skill set' that we would want to see in a project leader, and focus on the reevaluation of services and transitional strategies.

The talk turned to the upcoming SCLD meeting, April 17-17 to be held in Cooperstown. SCLD is considering having a pre-meeting on assessment.

UPCOMING MEETING DATES

March 13, 2015 – Purchase (Please note this meeting date was changed from March 20)

June 3, 2015 – Purchase (during the SUNYLA conference)

2.1.2. First Vice President – Rebecca Hyams

2.1.2.1. Continuing to follow up with memberships to make sure that all delegates are currently members. Is planting seeds for starting to look for the next 1st VP.

2.1.3. Second Vice President – Carrie Marten

2.1.3.1.

- Conference Description was completed in December:

Anyone who is engaged in librarianship, or who works and collaborates with librarians, knows that it's not just a profession -- it's an art. Successful librarianship combines professional knowledge, skills, and experience with creativity, curiosity, passion, imagination, and vision. Each library, and each librarian, blends these elements in unique and different ways. Join us for the 2015 SUNYLA Conference at Purchase College in Purchase, NY, from June 3-5, when we will come together to express our creativity, present our ideas and projects, share methods and experiences, stimulate our imagination and curiosity and, most importantly, to celebrate the art that is librarianship.

- Vendors: All the details of the letter to vendors were finalized this month (January) and Susanne Markgren put an online submission form together for us. She also linked the PayPal option to the form so that vendors can pay that way if they choose. Carrie Fishner is getting out the emails this week. The list is long so it does take time. As of Thursday afternoon (1/22/15) we have one exhibitor: NY 3Rs Association.

We have also decided to put the vendors in the library in an area on the first floor where they will get a lot of conference foot traffic throughout the duration of the event.

- Call for Proposals: The committee members who are helping with the pre-conference workshops and conference presentations met virtually on 1/15/15 to flesh out the details of the online form

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1c3_7KXc7gVU-](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1c3_7KXc7gVU-wPfYPVKI5usolVUhZHPjzs-C0bVLLXY/viewform)

[wPfYPVKI5usolVUhZHPjzs-C0bVLLXY/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1c3_7KXc7gVU-wPfYPVKI5usolVUhZHPjzs-C0bVLLXY/viewform) for the call, I drafted an email (see text below) and circulated it to this smaller group for approval. The call was circulated to various listservs and professional library organizations on 1/20/15. As of Thursday afternoon (1/22/15) we have four conference presentation proposals submitted.

- Website: <https://sunyla2015.wordpress.com/> It is live, please check it out, we have a few posts up and the planning committee listed so far.
- Conference Hashtag: #SUNYLA2015
- Local Arrangements: Not many changes or updates to report here. We have been having trouble developing a contact with Doral Arrowwood to reserve hotel rooms for the conference and arrange for Thursday's dinner, but we have a few names. If we don't hear anything by next Wednesday (1/28/15) I will contact the general reservation number.

The rooms for workshops and pre-conference sessions have been reserved for the duration of the conference, including the room that we will be using for the Council meeting.

- Schedule: We will be framing out the overall conference schedule in the next few weeks in anticipation of accepting the proposals and working them into the schedule.
- Funds: We have yet to incur any expenses or received any payments from any vendors. Greg has sent me the \$5000 check to open the conference bank account, which I will be doing on 1/26/15 at People's United Bank.
- Documents: We have established a Google Drive folder that all planning committee members have access to. Carrie Fishner has also included a vendor file in the main conference folder with forms and letters from 2014 and 2015, as well as a list of all the vendors we contact. This will be a nice archive for years to come.

Please excuse cross-postings

-> Mark your calendars and plan to meet up at the 2015 SUNYLA Conference
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SUNYLA 2015: The Art of Librarianship
Purchase College, SUNY
June 3-5, 2015

Call for Proposals

Deadline for workshops and presentation proposals: February 27, 2015

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We welcome your creative and enlightening interpretations of “The Art of Librarianship” for pre-conference workshops and conference presentations for the following program tracks:

- Reference and Instruction
- Cataloging and Technical Services
- Archives and Special Collections
- Systems and Technology
- Collection Development
- Public Services and Interlibrary Loan
- Professional Development
- Management and Leadership

If you are not sure which track your presentation would fit into, submit your proposal anyway and we will determine which track would best suit your idea. Please submit proposals here: Call for Proposals. If you are submitting proposals for multiple workshops or presentations, please fill out a separate form for each.

Deadline for workshops and presentation proposals: February 27, 2015

Pre-conference Workshops

When? Wednesday, June 3rd

Length of Time? 90 minutes or 2 hours

Questions? Contact: Laura Evans, evans@binghamton.edu

Conference Presentations

When? Thursday, June 4th and Friday, June 5th

Length of Time? 45 minutes

Questions? Contact: Fantasia Thorne-Ortiz, f.a.thorne-ortiz@sunyocc.edu

For information on expense reimbursement, please refer to the Guidelines for the SUNYLA Annual Conference Expenses.

-> Mark your calendars and plan to meet up at the 2015 SUNYLA Conference

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We look forward to seeing you all at SUNYLA 2015!

2.1.4. Secretary – Carrie Fishner

2.1.4.1. Hello everyone!

2.1.5. Treasurer – Greg Bobish

2.1.5.1. The 2014 annual treasurer's report is attached to the forum. We are doing fine. We have just over \$31k in the bank, and we have 5244.63 in paypal, almost all from memberships. Go members!

I just submitted our IRS e-postcard that says we normally (average of latest 3 years) make under \$50,000/year, and if past years are any indication it should be accepted in the next few days (edit: minutes. I just got the email that it was accepted. We live on). For those interested, for the last 3 years our gross income was:

2012: \$63,343.92 (in statistics I believe this is known as an "outlier")

2013: \$27,570.43

2014: \$23,051.86. Any questions? Mainly in good shape overall. We are also all set with the IRS.

2.2. Committees

2.2.1. Membership Development – Wendy West

2.2.1.1. If you have any questions on membership, send a joint email to Wendy and Greg. See attached report.

2.2.1.2. Discussion was started on swag – lanyards are the consensus. Wendy or Rosanne will front the cost, and then be reimbursed. Discussion on type and color was held.

2.2.2. Personnel Policies – Eugene Harvey

2.2.2.1. Met for the 1st time in early December (4 members). There is enough flavor on the website to understand the history of the salary survey – the goal is to revise it slightly to make it easier and not quite as detailed. The main portion will not be revised. How often should the survey be done? Size of the institution should affect how often. The main focus is to reach out to as many campus folks as possible – who are they targeting (tenure, adjunct, etc...). The group is meeting again on January 27th to finalize plans. The goal is to be done by February and administer in March or April.

2.2.2.2. Rosanne asked how often the survey used to go out, every 2 years? Eugene responded that the last two are online (2006 and 2008). In his opinion 2 years is too frequent, as no research institution had reported on prior survey. He thinks 5 years is more realistic and asked about tying this in to contract negotiations or strategic plans. Perhaps every 3 years instead? Also suggested partnering with those who complete advocacy work. Another area was to brainstorm exit surveys – what is the purpose of these? We need to protect anonymity. They have received a few exit surveys this year (5, but 4 were duplicates). Leaving was due to one retirement and 1 because salary was increased a lot by new position.

- 2.2.3. Professional Development – Justina Elmore and Katrina Fraser
 - 2.2.3.1. Grants subcommittee – 2 applications have been received and are under consideration. Also received one application from a non-member who was told if they joined SUNYLA they would be considered.
 - 2.2.3.2. Mentoring subcommittee– working to figure out a way to assess this, will be meeting next month.
- 2.2.4. Publications – Jennifer Kegler
 - 2.2.4.1. Newsletter submissions were due by Monday January 26th (per Rosanne)
- 2.2.5. TUG – Bill Jones
 - 2.2.5.1. Mid-Winter online conference is the 30th (Rosanne has stated that TUG is not getting credit for this!). Nothing on contacting membership list with people
- 2.2.6. Web Development – Katherine Brent
 - 2.2.6.1. An issue with the forums has been fixed, but you may need to refresh if not cached. Has added the conference website to the SUNYLA website. Email web@sunyla.org if you have any issues.
- 2.2.7. WGIL – Michelle Castello and Michael Daly
 - 2.2.7.1. Logan states that they have tried to get the 3T's conference a space, but due to time constraints will need to work on another date. They are looking at the fall, possibly Columbus Day weekend, the Monday. Attendance is generally 60-150 people, we are hoping to partner with LACUNY and have it in the city area. Rosanne offered that this is a good overall a conference and she hopes to see it continue.
 - 2.2.7.2. A review of the ACRL draft is on the forums.
- 2.2.8. Archives (ad hoc) – Jennifer Kegler
 - 2.2.8.1. Was Jennifer confirmed chair of the committee (Dan Harms asked)? Jennifer was volunteering and we do need to find someone. Suggestions on who? Dan says that finding someone with an archives background would be preferable. This does not require a lot of time. Rosanne will write up a description and email it out. Logan stated that there is an archivist's listserv. Rosanne said she will also get personal on targeting individuals who may do this, looking at the Buffalo area as that is where the archives are located. Carrie Marten requested the description to be circulated to the Council.
- 2.2.9. Continuing Ed (ad hoc) – Logan Rath
 - 2.2.9.1. Why aren't people registering for the Innovative Tech courses? Only 2 out of the last 3 or 4 had enough registrants to run. Logan sent out a note soliciting feedback, you don't need to answer all of the questions but something that might help discover why attendance is so low.
 - 2.2.9.2. Carrie M from Purchase stated that there was a not a huge push out on this, also no direct links to current happenings at their library. Cost is also prohibitive to individuals who do not want to personally pay.
 - 2.2.9.3. Logan pointed out that CPD points are accepted and anyone at a campus should be eligible to use these – also SUNYLA professional development grants or UUP grants are available.
 - 2.2.9.4. More on CPD points – they are from the Center for Professional Development. Every campus gets points to use and has a coordinator, which

you can look up on the SUNY CPD website. The group will try to make this information better known on future program announcements.

- 2.2.9.5. Wendy suggested a conference presentation by the professional development group and Logan said he would submit a poster session proposal.
- 2.2.10. WGIL SUNY GER Information Management Task Force – Carleen Huxley
 - 2.2.10.1. Did not meet, working on next group.

2.3. Liaisons

2.3.1. FACT2 – Logan Rath

- 2.3.1.1. Another round of IITG Grants are due on March 2nd. Emails have gone out. CIT is at Geneseo during Memorial Day week (May 26-29), Rising to Meet Our Challenges: Preparing for Global Success. There are more task group updates located in the forum. MOOC Shake – different types of people in MOOCs, was explained.

2.3.2. LACUNY – Kimmy Szeto/Frans Albarillo

- 2.3.2.1. The LACUNY Institute will be held at John Jay College of Criminal Justice on May 8. The keynote speaker is Rainey Reitman, Director of the Activism Team at the Electronic Frontier Foundation. Registration will start in February. The Deadline to submit a proposal is January 23 For more information please visit the Institute website:
<http://2015lacunyinst.common.gc.cuny.edu/>

LACUNY will be hosting its annual Spring 2015 Dialogues LACUNY Dialogues on Friday, Feb 6, 10am-12pm at the Graduate Center, Segal Theater. The topic is "The ACRL Framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education: Opportunities, Challenges, Controversies."

The "Transliteracy, Technology, & Teaching" collaboration with SUNYLA was postponed.

There is a new LACUNY archives finding aid. The physical archives are of LACUNY can be found at the City College of New York at the Morris Raphael Cohen Library Archives and Special Collections:
<http://lacuny.org/about/lacunys-history/lacuny-archives-finding-aid/>

The Winter meeting and Grace Ellen McCrann lecture series was held at LaGuardia Community College on December 11 from 2-4PM. The theme for this meeting was pop culture & librarianship, for more information on the topics please go to <http://lacuny.org/annual/grace-ellen-mccrann-lecture-series/>

2.3.3. SCFC - April Davies

- 2.3.3.1. Met with them on December 10th via a conference call. Update on Elsevier as everyone knows. IDS membership – EDS part of __) Still discussing changing their bylaws to eliminate non-votes from the council (which includes SUNYLA). John S. adds that he supported SUNYLA to continue as an ad hoc committee member. Rosanne agreed stating that we are the voice of the people and our opinion counts. (Full report in Forums)

2.3.4. IDS – Bill Jones

2.3.4.1. 7 out of the state pilot libraries (forum)_____Poster will be at the 2015 Iliad international conference.

2.3.5. OLIS – John Schumacher

2.3.5.1. SUNYConnect LMS and Related Activities

- During summer and fall 2014, the OLIS and ITEC worked on the first stage of the One Bib Proof of Concept (POC) to load and merge data associated with 12 campuses. While there is still testing underway and more functionality that has not yet been addressed, there has been success on the activities that have been completed. Starting in January 2015 we will move forward with the 2nd phase of the One Bib POC. This portion of the POC will use, as source data, the 57 Aleph DEV regions from the shared servers at ITEC. The OLIS will need to shut down DEV regions to make changes in preparation for merging data. A survey was sent out in January asking for input on DEV usage. The survey closed on January 19, 2015. Responses were received from 53 of the 57 campuses with Aleph hosted at ITEC. The OLIS is pleased at the high response and thanks campuses for their time in completing the survey. (Additional information available in the attached file.)
- Campuses wishing to include MaRC records for Springer ebooks in their catalog are now responsible for obtaining the MaRC records. Contact the OLIS for instructions on loading the file(s).

EBSCO Discovery Service

- SUNY and EBSCO are finalizing some implementation details related to a vendor hosted version of their Curriculum Builder feature (reading list interoperability between CMS (Bb, etc.) and EDS); this will be made available to all interested campuses at no additional charge (through June 2017);
- An EDS custom catalog “Springer ebooks 2005 – 2010” has been established;
- SUNY EDS sites can be found here.

Electronic Resources

- SUNY has reached agreement with Elsevier for a ScienceDirect license through 2019; license includes additional content from Cell Press;
- Scopus will be available for all SUNY ScienceDirect campuses; access will commence and be announced once procurement issues are resolved;
- The SUNY ScienceDirect title listings and holdings used by EBSCO and ProQuest systems has been updated; currently tracking 2705 titles;
- From the current SUNY-OCLC contract: “EZProxy pricing is listed at \$0 because of a previously negotiated agreement between SUNY and Useful Utilities. This pricing is guaranteed until June 30, 2016”;
- National Fire Protection Association has completed the “2014 Edition” of its glossary.

Open SUNY and Related Activities

- Some OLIS staff are working on specific Open SUNY projects such as

adding content to the SUNY implementation of the “affordable learning solutions” system as well as assisting with some course revisions;

- Provide your feedback, comments, questions regarding Open SUNY

SUNYConnect Information / Resources

- For additional information about SUNYConnect

<http://www.SUNYConnect.suny.edu/>

- OLIS’ Footprints Service Request System

<http://service.sunyconnect.suny.edu/footprints/help.html>

- OLIS Support Portal

<http://wiki.sunyconnect.suny.edu/display/OLIS/Support+Portal>

- SUNYConnect union catalog

<http://search.sunyconnect.suny.edu/>

Links (in this document)

- <http://service.sunyconnect.suny.edu/footprints/help.html>
- <http://www.ebscohost.com/discovery/customization/curriculum-builder>
- <http://wiki.sunyconnect.suny.edu/pages/viewpage.action?pageId=21925277>
- <http://www.cell.com/about>
- <http://www.elsevier.com/online-tools/scopus>
- <http://www.nfpa.org/codes-and-standards/standards-development-process/technical-committees/advisory-and-non-nfpa-committees/glossary-of-terms-tac>
- <http://opensunyals.org/libraryresources.html>
- <http://commons.suny.edu/opensuny/feedback/>
- <http://commons.suny.edu/opensuny>

2.3.6. UUP – Dan Harms

2.3.6.1. Links are available on the forum!

2.3.6.2. Notice from the president of UUP about the National Adjunct Day walkout – DON’T participate! New York has punitive laws for those who do.

2.3.6.3. Governor’s plan from the state of the state, UUP is coming up with a response.

2.3.6.4. Dan’s remarks regarding the personnel policies committee – coordinate when it is good to have data.

2.3.7. METRO 3R’s-Katrina Frazier

2.3.7.1. 2 more student mixers planned for March and April

2.3.8. NYLA – Wendy West

2.3.8.1. Nothing new to report

3. Old Business

3.1.1. Virtual Conference

3.1.1.1. Included in the TUG report on the forum. Sign up NOW. Had 100 attendees within the first 24 hours of open registration. Currently there are 209 registered. Conference will take place within Go To Webinar, almost everyone gave permission to put the recordings up after a few weeks.

- 3.1.1.2. The last virtual conference had only 88 attendees. Reminder that you can have multiple people watching from one monitor – how will we track this? The survey question will ask how many viewed. Another question for the survey is how often to have these – every year or every 2 years?
- 3.1.1.3. The planning group came together and worked well and quickly!
- 3.1.2. Marketing Committee
 - 3.1.2.1. This should have vendor contacts and information. Rosanne would like to table until next September and then she and Ann Deutsch would like to investigate the possibility.
- 3.1.3. Policy Expenditures
 - 3.1.3.1. Logan and April will re-write for the March meeting
- 4. New Business (including action items from reports)
 - 4.1.1. New Ad Hoc Archives Committee chair
 - 4.1.1.1. Resolved earlier
 - 4.1.2 Wendy West motioned to purchase lanyards. Logan moves to allocate \$700 to purchase approximately 500 lanyards, to be purchased by Wendy West. Seconded by Rebecca Hyams and Greg Bobish. A move to discuss the motion was made by Bill – he stated that IDS Project purchased lanyards from Image Packaging for \$1 each, Bill showed us a sample via the online meeting room. We discussed a J-hook and woven lanyard style. Logan verified that they lanyards are durable. In 2013 when Bill ordered there were to set up fees of \$50 and 300 items were ordered.

Rosanne – definitely would like to have these for the conference! Wendy will do price checking and email out to the group.
The motion was amended to read “no more than 700” to purchase lanyards. Rebecca seconded the motion.
Motion approved with one opposed.

Motion to adjourn at 1:47 pm by Rosanne. Carrie Marten seconded.

Campus Updates from the SUNYLA Forum:

Genesee Community College

We've hired a new part-time reference librarian, Michelle Salvia, to replace Dan Lewandowski.

We're in the process of hiring a new part-time Technical Assistant to support Reference & Instruction.

We'll be hosting our first-ever GCC Authors reception on Thursday, January 22, coordinated by librarian Cindy Hagelberger. Ten faculty authors will be celebrated, and their library-created READ posters will be displayed on our shelving end-caps until we collect a new batch of authors.

Librarian Cindy Francis organized our annual "weed and feed" with the GCC nursing faculty on 1/8. The annual event brings the nursing faculty to the library to assess our print collection and

determine which subject areas need to be weeded, enhanced, and updated. The collection assessment and new technology overview is traditionally followed by lunch, alternately hosted by the library and by the nursing faculty.

Cobleskill

Nancy Goldblatt is joining the Library team as an Adjunct Reference Librarian. She is also the School Library Media Specialist at Cobleskill-Richmondville High School. Nancy is a graduate of SUNY New Paltz and received her MSIS from UAlbany.

We finally got our shiny new flatscreen hooked up in the lobby. Digital signage is proving to be both useful and fun.

I'm pleased to report that it was recently announced that Dr. Marion Terenzio will become the next president of SUNY Cobleskill. Dr. Terenzio is currently Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty at Bloomfield College in New Jersey.

Brockport

Mark your calendars:

-- Friday, March 20 'Library as publisher' 1 day workshop at Brockport sponsored by SUNY COCID, Geneseo and Brockport

-- Sat and Sun., March 21-22, 9 am – 5 pm, Antique Appraisers Road Show to benefit Friends of Drake Library.

Staff Updates: Serials and ILL have combined. Susan Perry is now overseeing that department. Logan Rath has moved full time into Instruction and Reference.

Drake Library is in the process of getting a Makerspace. It's being installed as I'm writing this update! This new space will contain our 3D printers and allow for small group projects.

Also, thanks to a generous (and anonymous) donor the eight stained glass windows in the library are being restored by Valerie O'Hara of Pike Stained Glass. These windows are rare survivors of a much earlier era in our history, the "Normal" era. Established as a private academy in 1835, we became a state Normal school in 1867. From about 1910 to 1930 various graduating classes and other student groups donated stained glass windows to the school. There ended up being sixteen such windows, prominently displayed along the main corridor of the Normal School. In the late 1930s the old building was torn down and replaced by what we now call Hartwell Hall. The story is a little unclear, but eight of the windows at least were boxed up and stored in the basement of Hartwell. They were discovered there in the early 1970s and placed in the library at the urging of history professor Wayne Dedman.

Potsdam

We are making preparations for new carpet and paint on the first floor of the Crumb Library. The original plan was to do everything over the course of winter break; However, it has been delayed until the end of the semester because the carpet was not available during break. This involves determining the importance of having journals that can be browsed or not and weeding of the microform collection.

Abby Smith will be leaving SUNY Potsdam on January 30th. I will also be leaving the college and my last day will be February 20th. I will be moving to Colorado and working in a suburb of Denver.

Cortland

Hello from SUNY Cortland. I do not remember when we last wrote an update. So, I apologize for any repeats. We have had a few retirements and a few new hires. Dave Ritchie and Gretchen Herrmann both retired after many years of service. They were also very active in SUNYLA. They will be missed. We have hired a few new Instructional Services Librarians, a Technical Services Librarian, and a new Information Literacy/Instruction Coordinator. We have seen many changes in our instruction program, with a lot of new exciting developments. All in all, a lot of change here at SUNY Cortland. Of course, that is normal for libraries...lots of change....

SUNY ESF

The F. Franklin Moon Library at SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry is proud to host the National Library of Medicine's Traveling Exhibition Harry Potter's World, Renaissance Science, Magic, and Medicine. Detailing primary source materials from the 15th and 16th centuries, the exhibit entails six posters on potions, monsters, herbology, magical creatures, fantastic beasts, and immortality. Moon Library supplemented the display with interesting books from the collection and display cases with Harry Potter memorabilia. Working with student groups, such as the Quidditch Club and the Alchemists, we plan to host a Harry Potter Trivia event in the library to promote the exhibit. Follow Moon Library on Facebook (Moon Library) and Twitter (@esfmooon) for 6 weeks of exciting content. The exhibit is on display from 1/19/15 to 2/28/15. For more information or to book the exhibit at your library, visit: <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/harrypottersworld/>

A photo of the traveling Harry Potter exhibit is shown along with two supplemental display cases of memorabilia and a mannequin provided by and designed by Associate Librarian Jane Verostek.

Starting in the Fall of 2014 Moon Library started a new workshop series called the Moon Library Skill Sharpener Series. This workshop series offers weekly workshops taught by Moon Library staff to students and faculty on a number of topics (Citation Management, Open Publishing,

Blackboard, etc.) This series was so successful that the workshop series is once again being done during the Spring 2015 semester.

Oneonta

Senior Assistant Librarian in Bibliographic Services, Cheng Cheng attended the ACRL/NY Symposium entitled “The Academic Librarian in the Open Access Future” on December 5.

Members of the Special Collections Committee are busy working on an exhibit as part of the “Lost Oneonta” exhibit at the Greater Oneonta Historical Society.

We are currently accepting applications for a Continuing Resources and Metadata Librarian.

College of Ceramics, Alfred

As previously mentioned, the Visual Resources Slide Library is undergoing an extensive update and redesign. This process is now nearly complete, and the newly remodeled workspace is now a laboratory/classroom for digital production, format conversion, digital preservation, experiments in gaming, and student collaborations.

Eva Sclipa, Art Librarian and Coordinator of Instruction, is co-author of a newly published article in the journal *Art Documentation*, the official journal of ARLIS/NA. “Where Visual and Information Literacies Meet” describes the authors’ efforts to consistently assess their art history information literacy program.

Trevor Riley, our new Engineering and Emerging Technologies Librarian, is excited to be presenting at the SUNYLA Midwinter Online Conference. He will be speaking about Guide on the Side, a tutorial software that allows librarians to create tutorials that patrons can view side by side with the library website.

The library will soon be receiving a large number of new, high quality books on Japanese art, thanks to a grant secured by Art History Professor Meghan Jones and Art Librarian Eva Sclipa. The grant, provided by the Northeast Asia Council of the Association for Asian Studies, will greatly expand and refresh our current offerings on Japanese art and architecture.

Maritime

We don't have too much to report right now, but we've all been very busy getting the Spring semester going.

Our Director search is ongoing, though we hope to have a decision some time in February.

We're in the process of launching a library Facebook page at www.facebook.com/stephenblucelibrary. We're also looking at starting up a library newsletter.

Both platforms will be great avenues to better reach our faculty and students and promote all that we're doing in the library.

Nassau Community College

NCC's annual Collection Development Day will be held on February 10. This popular event gives faculty members a chance to stop by the Library for lunch and discuss ways to help build our collection.

The Library will also be getting some new digital signage this semester 😊

Stony Brook

New hires

Molly Higgins - Health Sciences Librarian

Patrice Scanlon - Multimedia Resources Specialist

Uday Karki was appointed a Supervising Programmer Analyst in November 2014.

Dan Kinney, Associate Director for Resource Management, was elected president of the Long Island Resources Council Board of Trustees for 2015.

Bushra Butt, Karen D'Angelo, Raquel Lynn, Kathryn Machin and Nicole Bubolo of the library's Resource Management division and Uday Karki and Kevin Katcher of the library's IT team and Matthew Engel from campus DoIT collaborated with the School of Journalism in developing the Center for News Literacy's Digital Resource Center (<http://drc.centerfornewsliteracy.org/>), which joins instructional design and pedagogy with the curation of born digital content to create an accessible online archive of teaching materials. Jason Torre, head, Preservation and the Institutional Repository was the project coordinator.

Dental Instruments Exhibit Opens at SBU Health Sciences Library

Dental Instruments -- Past and Present, an exhibit of early dental tools and practices, officially opened December 1st at 11 am. A reception was held in the entrance to the Health Sciences Library where the exhibit is located. Objects in the exhibit are from the personal collection of the late R. Sherman Mills, MD, the Baer Collection from the Stony Brook University School of Dental Medicine and the private collection of Allan J. Kucine, DDS. After the opening reception, a lecture was given by Philius R. Garant, DMD, Professor Emeritus and former Dean, School of Dental Medicine, entitled "History of Dental Medicine." Following Dr. Garant's lecture, Xiaolin Nong, PhD, DDS presented the inaugural lecture series of the Office of Global Library Initiatives, entitled "The Idea of Exchange." Many thanks to all who helped make this exhibit possible and to everyone who participated in the exhibit opening event. The exhibit will be featured at the Health Sciences Library until fall 2015.

The University Libraries Digital Research Collections (ContentDM platform) page has been updated. The Digital Research Collection represents the varied and broad range of initiatives and partnerships which have developed as part of the Stony Brook University Libraries'

Digitization Program, making it a regional leader and collaborator in the digitization and preservation of the unique cultural heritage of the region. <http://digital.library.stonybrook.edu/cdm>

Stony Brook University's two George Washington letters (1779 and 1780), which document the activities of the Culper Spy Ring during the American Revolutionary War, are featured in the new television series "Secrets of the Arsenal," which unlocks the doors to our past and provides a personal look at some of the most powerful, emotional and compelling stories in American History. The series airs on the America's Heroes Channel, part of Discovery Communications. Host Geoff Edgers interviewed Kristen Nyitray, Head of Special Collections and University Archives/University Archivist and New York State Assemblyman Steven Englebright for the episode. For more information about the letters and related source material, please visit: <http://guides.library.stonybrook.edu/culper-spy-ring>.

New Film - Stony Brook's First Alumni: Reunion and Reflections"

A reunion weekend was held at Stony Brook University and at Planting Fields at Oyster Bay (first campus), in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Classes of 1961, 1962, 1963 and 1964, and reuniting the Founders Group, classes of 1961-1966. At Planting Fields, alumni were interviewed about their experiences and reflections of their time at the Oyster Bay campus and transitioning to the new campus in Stony Brook.

Photographs from the University Archives are featured in the 16 minute film, a joint effort of the department and the Alumni Association. A full weekend of activities was planned and included: viewing an exhibition of archival materials in Special Collections and University Archives; campus tours; a visit to Oyster Bay; and inductions into the newly-established Brook Heritage Society, for alumni who had celebrated their classes' 50th anniversary year. The film can be viewed at: <http://youtu.be/obz3k00RF1s>.

Niagara County Community College

Niagara County Community College has just launched a semester-long commemoration to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. The kick-off was held in the art gallery on January 21st to mark the opening of the Wall of Honor, a collection of war-time photographs of relatives of NCCC employees. Throughout the semester a series of activities dedicated to remembering, commemorating, and reflecting on the experiences of the men and women who served in the armed forces and worked in the factories during the Second World War will be held.

Besides offering credit-bearing History, Honors, Music and Theater courses on the war, the College will host a faculty-led conference, a weekly film series, a musical stage production of "Cabaret", fund raising and a V-E Day celebration. All donations and funds raised will be given to two causes for veterans. One is Buffalo Honor Flight which flies America's veterans at no charge to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their sacrifices. The other is the Wounded Warrior Project which works to raise awareness and enlist the public's help for the needs of injured service members.

The library has purchased many new resources to support all areas of study relating to World War II and we are very excited about the new energy this celebration has brought to our campus.

Monroe Community College

The LeRoy V Good library on the main campus is putting the final touches on the new bibliographic instruction classroom. Six new Steelex Verb tables with LED monitors have been installed and 30+ laptops have been purchased to support library instruction. These tables coupled with a repositioned overhead projector system (with sound) and an upgraded instructor's station make this truly an interactive, collaborative classroom. The librarians are busy getting comfortable with the new set-up.

Rick Squires, Collection Development Librarian, and Alice Wilson, Assistant Director, are doing outreach to the high schools as part of MCC's dual enrollment program. Debbie Mohr, Database Control Librarian, has returned from ACRL's "Assessment: Demonstrating the Educational Value of the Academic Library" immersion program; she reports that it was very intense. Other librarian news, Micquel Little, former assistant director, has taken a position in California and we will be posting a position sometime soon (we all know what soon means in a SUNY school).

The college is in semester two of Middle States. Several librarians are on teams writing draft reports for the self-study portion of the evaluation. Also, we are in the midst of a search for a new Vice President / Provost for Academic Services. Busy time for the college and the library with people being involved in a multitude of committees across the campus.

Adirondack

Librarians taught 95 research sessions to a wide variety of classes during the Fall 2014 semester.

The library faculty will offer a discussion group for the popular podcast Serial during the spring semester. Part-time reference librarian Mark Seabury will coordinate the sessions. Faculty members who teach criminal justice, law, forensic science and other subjects will be invited to lead the discussions.

SUNY Poly

Cayan Library has a new director, Shannon Pritting!! Shannon started in Utica in mid-January and we are thrilled to have him join us. He was previously at Syracuse University. Many of you may remember him from his days at SUNY Oswego and his presentation(s) at SUNYLA conferences as well as his involvement with the IDS Project.

Purchase

Nothing new to report at this time.

Oswego

Oswego has had some recent personnel announcements.

We welcomed Elizabeth Siegel as our new half-time Reference Librarian. We said goodbye to Emily Thompson, our Learning Technologies Librarian and SUNYLA Secretary.

We currently have two openings for Emily's position and a temporary Reference Librarian. Please see the full job ads here :

http://www.oswego.edu/administration/human_resources/vacancy.html.

To a successful semester!

Albany

You may have heard that our Dean and Director, Mary Casserly, will be retiring this summer. The Library Dean and Director search is now getting underway. The search committee has been appointed, and two forums for faculty, staff, and students were held with the executive search firm to discuss the position.

We installed two new water fountains in the University Library with a bottle refill spout with support from The Office of Environmental Sustainability and the Facilities Energy Office. They allow library users to easily refill their water bottles with filtered water, in an effort to reduce waste from purchasing bottled water. Dewey Library had one installed last year, and the Science Library will be getting one next.

We are very pleased to have just launched our new and improved Information Literacy Department website. It highlights our new metaliteracy badging system, iLearn Workshops, and resources for faculty and students. If you're interested, you can check it out at :
<http://library.albany.edu/infolit/?source=front>