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WNYLRC Updates

Deb Lucas-Alfieri has become a permanent member of the WNYLRC staff, joining the Hospital Library Services team as a circuit librarian. She is a medical librarian at Buffalo General Medical Center. After 20 years of service to the clinical students and scholars of D'Youville University, Deb Lucas-Alfieri *retired with distinction* in 2022. In addition to her years at D'Youville, she spent over a decade teaching worldwide online courses for such prestigious organizations as ALA RUSA, ALA Core, and Library Juice Academy. In addition to these activities, Deb is also writing her first fiction novel.

Members of the Committee for Health Information Access (CHIA) did several tabling events at various health fairs in June where they provided health information resources and demonstrated iHeart devices, which allow people to determine their current biological age. At WNY Developmental Disabilities Services Office, CHIA met with 40 attendees; at *Frank E. Merriweather, Jr., Branch Library*, they met with 20 attendees, and at *Orchard Park Library*, they met with 45 attendees!

Reminders:

Open House: Save the date to visit the new WNYLRC offices at 180 Lawrence

Annual Meeting: Save the date for the WNYLRC Annual Meeting of the Membership which will be held at the National Comedy Center on Tuesday, October 22 at 10 am. Check this page for updates.





Michele Brancato, Molly Maloney (left) Tim Allman, and Susan Buttaccio (right), members of the

Committee for Health Information Access, provide consumer health information resources at community

health fairs.

Virtual Trainings and Meetings

Registration is required for all WNYLRC training. You must register for these programs via the WNYLRC website. You will need to create an account on the website in order to register if you have not already done so.

Check out our events and training page for upcoming programs this month!

CCDA Webinar with Barbara Lilley, Monday September 9 from 10 am to 11 am: Join Barbara Lilley for an overview of the NYS Coordinated Collection Development Aid program. Barbara will review how libraries should complete and submit the CCDA print and online forms, review when a library needs to submit a waiver, and share tips for libraries to track their CCDA funds once it is received on their campus. This session is sponsored by the Empire State Library Network.

Register here

MLA Webinar: Librarians and Institutional Regulatory Boards and Committees:

The Table: Roles for Librarians on Institutional Regulatory Boards and Committees, a highly recommended guide for librarians on joining and serving on institutional regulatory boards and committees, will demystify service on IRB and IACUC and show you what's needed to join them. They'll present foundational knowledge on these important committees and offer guidance on demonstrating the value of your membership on them and on developing the arguments and gaining the support needed to find your seat at the table.

More information here

Save the Date: The Intersect Unconference will be held Friday, October 11, at the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library - Central location in downtown Buffalo. Check this page for updates.

The Preservation Committee is sponsoring memberships for NEDCC programs. WNYLRC members can apply for sponsorship of select live or on-demand <u>Northeast Document Conservation Center (NEDCC) online training programs</u>. Sponsorships are considered on a first-come first-served basis. <u>Application for Sponsorship</u>

To learn about and register for professional development opportunities from other ESLN councils across the state, check out **the shared calendar!**

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News from the Region

Congratulations to James Lester, the new executive director at the *Niagara County Historical Society*! James started the position in May. Read more

The *Buffalo History Museum* and Cynthia Van Ness, Director of the Library and Archives, were featured in the July/August 2024 issue of Buffalo Spree magazine. The magazine highlighted the museum's menu collection, comprised of menus past and present from Buffalo-area restaurants. As a region known for its unique foods, it seems important to preserve the rich culinary history in Buffalo! Read more

Assemblymember Joseph M. Giglio awarded \$30,000 in grants to the **Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Library System**. This money will help provide

Assemblymember David DiPietro awarded \$20,000 each in grants to **Marilla** Free Library and Hulbert Library in the Town of Concord (*Buffalo & Erie County Public Library System*). This money will help provide resources for the libraries to support their respective communities.

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Assemblymember David DiPietro with Shannon Thompson, Director of Marilla Free Library (left) and Jennifer Morris, Director of Hulbert Library of the Town of Concord (right).

News from the State

The NYLA 2024 Council election results are in! Congratulations to the elected candidates!

- NYLA President-Elect: Ginger Tebo, School Library System Director, St Lawrence-Lewis BOCES
- NYLA Councilor-at-Large (Public Libraries): Alexandra Mercado, Librarian III, Sachem Public Library

Take a minute to <u>read legislative updates from Max Prime</u>, <u>Director of Advocacy</u> Relations, here

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July is Disability Pride Month, celebrating both people with disabilities and the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The ADA is a fairly young law, having been passed in July 1990 after a several years-long battle with legislators to recognize and prohibit discrimination based on disability. Laws like the ADA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 came along thanks to thinkers and activists in the disability community, who challenged the general perception and treatment of people with disabilities. Prior to the passage of these regulations, people with disabilities were often sequestered in asylums, hospitals, or institutions. Some of these institutions included tuberculosis hospitals, like the one pictured above - J.N. Adam Memorial Hospital in Perrysburg, NY. It was later used as a developmental disability center from the 1960s through 1995, but it is important to note that people can become disabled at any time, whether permanently or temporarily, and that certainly includes tuberculosis patients! J.N. Adam Memorial Hospital was designed by architect John H. Coxhead and named for the Buffalo mayor who commissioned it because of the plague of tuberculosis affecting thousands of people in Buffalo. The

the hospital has fallen into disarray due to years of neglect but the photos in this collection showcase the beautiful property where patients could once find peace.

[J.N. Adam Memorial Hospital, Museum of disABILITY History. "J. N. Adam Hospital." New York State Heritage. 1930s.

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