

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As Spring begins, the energy and spirit of renewal are abundant. On that note of renewals, if you haven't renewed your membership to NCLA for 2011 do it today.

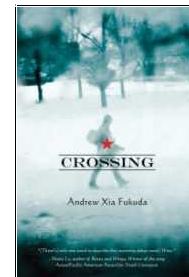
In regards to rejuvenation, the Farmingdale Public Library has just completed its renovation. The facility has been redesigned by adding a new entrance on the south side of the building off the parking lot. If you haven't seen it, it's worth the trip.

On March 29, 2011, I attended the Clerical Services Division's Open House at the Plainview-Old Bethpage Public Library. The event began with a tour of the library followed by an interactive Murder Mystery Dinner. It was a real crowd pleaser at which attendees had to figure out whodunit. The whole evening was well organized by Dalal Fatoush, the President of the Clerical Services Division and all the other dedicated members of their Board.

NCLA offers to its members many services - one of which is the continuing education programs and workshops. I would like to promote a few of our special events and offers. The Media Services Division is making available discount tickets to Book Expo America which will be held at the Javits Center in NYC on May 23-26, 2011. Contact Michael Simon at the Long Beach Public Library for further information or via e-mail at ms1947@aol.com. If you purchase tickets through NCLA, you'll get a great discount plus add revenue to our association. The online form can be found at the following link: http://www.nassaulibrary.org/ncla/media3_files/bea_2011.pdf.

The Long Island Library Conference, presented as a joint venture between NCLA and SCLA, will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2011, at the Crest Hollow Country Club. I encourage everyone to attend.

This year the keynote speaker will be a local author, from the Nassau County District Attorney Office, Andrew Fukuda. He has written a critically acclaimed first novel titled *Crossing*. Go to the Long Island Library Conference website for more information at <http://lilc.suffolk.lib.ny.us/>. Registration forms are now available online, so you can register today.



The Children's Services Division will be hosting a trip to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in Manhattan which will include a tour the Nolen Library on Friday, June 10, 2011. Contact Jessikah Chautin, President of the Children's Services Division, at the Syosset Public Library for further information.

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Go to Nassau County Library Association's home page at www.ncla.info for more information about all our upcoming programs. If you are scheduling an NCLA event, make sure you post it on our calendar along with a link to the registration form. If you are charging for an event, members always pay \$10 less. If it's free program, non-members pay \$5 which is another good reason to keep your membership current.



Remember - stay active, continue to learn and listen to our customers so that we can continue to provide them with the services they deserve and need.

*Ken Bellafiore
2011 NCLA President*



RSS Feed

The RSS feed on the NCLA Calendar has been enabled. It is an orange 'RSS' button at the top.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

A second round of membership renewal notices has had the desired effect. Many new and returning memberships are coming in every day, and your Membership Chair has been fielding questions and comments from individuals who are astonished that they have not yet paid their dues!

While we are certainly on the right track to once again reach a membership of 1000 active individuals, it will take the effort of many NCLA members to succeed at that goal. Memorial Day is rapidly approaching and your Chair would like to see the Membership Roster pass the 950 mark as we head into summer.

Do you know a library school student who is graduating this year? If that individual is *NOT* an active NCLA member, now is a good time to present her or him with a membership in the Association. Start them off on the right foot towards a career in librarianship! Let us know that you are giving them a gift, and we will include a note about your gift with the membership card. By the way, you can even present the gift to a student who has not yet reached the end of her library school education!

*Arthur Friedman
Membership Chair*



"Introduction to Appraisal and Selection of Archival Records," a Documentary Heritage Program workshop, will be held on May 20, 2011, at the Harborfields Public Library, Greenlawn, from 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. The presenter will be Antonia Mattheou, Archivist from Huntington Town Clerk's Archives.

This workshop will show participants how to identify (appraise), evaluate, and select records and materials with potential historical value that are in private repositories and organizations. It introduces core terminology, concepts, and standards used by the archival profession relating to the appraisal and selection of materials that should receive ongoing care. This workshop is not to appraise the monetary value of the materials, but rather the value they add to your collection.

Continuing Education Credit of .5 is offered for this workshop.

If you have not already received the Registration form, you may download it from the LILRC homepage at <http://www.lilrc.org>.

*Virginia Antonucci-Gibbons
Regional Archivist*

Children's Services Division News



The Children's Reading Room in Nolen Library in the Ruth and Harold D. Uris Center for Education.

Photo from the MMA website

Hopefully everyone is gearing up for the great line-up at LILC this year! As I had mentioned previously, the Children's Services Division will be having acclaimed author Wendy Mass speak for its program at the conference. Several of Ms. Mass' books will be available to purchase and autograph at our table all day long. We will also be holding raffles for some very nice gift baskets this year. Please stop by.



Children's Author Ann Morris is guest speaker at installation brunch.

Also, the Children's Services Division will be holding a very exciting spring trip this year for lovers of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Join us on June 10, 2011, to experience a tour of the MET museum's Nolen Library. We will be also be lucky enough to spend the afternoon chatting with a Nolen librarian about the story-time programs offered for children. We hope you will join us.



*Jessikah Chautin
CSD President*

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

Institutional support of NCLA continues to provide a strong foundation for our Association, and it is vitally important in helping us fulfill our mission to provide quality professional and staff development programs, offer useful publications, and continue to be a strong advocate for library issues. Our 2011 institutional support now includes 41 supporters, and additional renewals are expected. The following institutions are the most recent additions to our membership roll:

Academic Libraries
Nassau Community College

Public Libraries
Bayville Free Library
Manhasset Public Library
North Merrick Public Library
Seaford Public Library

Special Libraries
Holocaust Memorial & Tolerance
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We thank the directors and trustees of these libraries for their support. Shouldn't your organization be added to this list of NCLA supporters?

*Arthur Friedman
Membership Chair*

LONG ISLAND LIBRARY CONFERENCE NEWS

The 2011 Long Island Library Conference will be taking place on Thursday, May 5, 2011, at the Crest Hollow Country Club. The deadline for mail-in registration is Friday, April 29, 2011. Check out the newly updated 2011 Conference website is located at <http://lilc.suffolk.lib.ny.us/>.

The Long Island Library Conference is proud to announce that Andrew Xia Fukuda will be the keynote speaker. Mr. Fukuda's book, *Crashing*, was chosen as one of the ten best first novels for 2010 by *Booklist*. In this creepy yet elegant literary thriller, Kris Xu's fantasies about transcending his school identity as the quiet Chinese kid are dashed by bullying and racism until he auditions for a school musical and other students start showing up dead. Visit the author's website at <http://andrewxiafukuda.com/>.

View the complete Conference Program guide which includes descriptions of each workshop and Lunch and Learn session at the Long Island Library Conference 2011 website: <http://lilc.suffolk.lib.ny.us>.

See you at the Conference!

Ken Bellafiore
LILC Chairperson

DIRECTORY

The 2011 edition of the *Directory of Long Island Libraries and Media Centers* was once again completed in time for this year's Long Island Library Conference. Copies of this valuable publication were sent to all 2010 NCLA members who paid dues of \$25.00 or more, and to those individuals and organizations who had filed pre-publication orders for the *Directory*. Approximately 900 copies of this document have now been distributed, and I am sure they are already getting much use.

There are a few major changes that we made to this year's edition. We call your attention to the new section of *Library Services*. We hope that this section will help our colleagues learn what is happening at other libraries as they plan for the future. In addition, this section may provide useful information that will help you steer your library members to other groups and programs. As some of our legislators are now helping us demonstrate, "Libraries are more than just books!"

We have retained some of the information about computer products in use in our libraries while removing the index on "Computers." Please let us know what additional changes you would like to see in future editions.

We also hope you will appreciate the many hours of volunteer labor go into the

process of sending out tearsheets to solicit information revisions, making telephone calls to retrieve needed information, inputting data, packaging and labeling copies for distribution, and a host of other activities. I want to thank my administrative assistant, Barbara Vollmer, for all her efforts on behalf of NCLA. I couldn't do it without her!

The *Directory* also relies on our colleagues "in the field" to provide the data that we need for each edition. We also note that it is impossible to produce "perfect" document when you consider the changes that are taking place at our libraries each day. We trust that our readers find the publication useful - I know that my copy gets used almost every day! If you spot some of the "gremlins" that appear from time to time, please let us know. We hope to correct them in the next edition.

Many institutions, both within and outside the "NCLA family" appreciate the value of the *Directory* and purchase additional copies for their public to use. These additional copies can be ordered at the special price of \$74.95 (plus shipping & handling).

To offer suggestions for changes or to purchase copies of the *Directory*, contact Art Friedman, Editor-in-Chief, at 516-572-7883.

Arthur Friedman
Directory Editor

Clerical Services Division News



Clerical Services Division Roundtable: (L to R): Rosanne Crudo, Michele Zwierski, Rocco Cassano, Chris Marra, Moira Flynn, Diane Miller, and Nick Romuno.



Over 70 library support staff members attend the Clerical Services Division Roundtable.



Attention Clerical Division members! Have you renewed your membership?! You can download a form at www.ncla.info (click "Join NCLA on the left"). While you are at it – recruit a friend. You don't want to be left out of all the fun and information we have to offer.

Our Roundtable at the East Meadow Public Library on April 6, 2011, was a hit with over 70 people attending! Our panel of experts included Diane Miller and Moira Flynn of ALIS,

Michele Zwierski of NLS Database Management, Nick Romuno of NLS shipping, Rosanne Crudo of Syosset, Chris Marra of Uniondale and Rocco Cassano of East Meadow. Many questions were asked and answered – don't miss next year's Roundtable!

Next we are working on our program for the Long Island Library Conference on May 5, 2011. Jim Ryan, motivational speaker, will be presenting his workshop, *Simple Happiness at the Library*.

Meet us in the Plaza Room at the Crest Hollow Country Club at 9:30 for this program. Don't forget to stop by our table ... we have a surprise giveaway for you ... something you have all been asking us to bring back!

We are also working on a workshop for June. Details to follow and of course, our annual bus trip in the fall.

*Dalal Fatoush
Clerical Division President*

Reference & Adult Services Division News



Dr. Mary Westermann-Cicio presents web resources for reliable health information for pet owners at the RASD program, "Medical Resources for People and Pets."

The Reference and Adult Services Division presented "Medical Resources for People and Pets" on Tuesday, April, 2011. The program began with Dr. Mary Westermann-Cicio who gave an informative presentation on the best electronic sources to find reliable health information for pet owners.

Dr. Gerri Flanzraich, Director of the Wisser Library at NY Institute of Technology, spoke about health resources for Seniors. Ellen Maleszewski, Adjunct Professor at the Palmer School, addressed Web resources for children's health. The program was filled to capacity with 50 Librarians and was an overwhelming success.

As promised to all who attended and to all who missed this wonderful morning of online medical resources, their presentations can be found on the RASDWiki:

<http://rasd.pbworks.com/w/page/7884364/FrontPage/>

Save the date on Tuesday, September 13, 2011, for the RASD Annual Breakfast at Carlyle on the Green. Our keynote speaker will be Ellen Meister, author of *Secret Confessions of the Applewood PTA*. She will be speaking about and signing copies of her new book, *The Other Life*.

This is a perfect opportunity to share a delicious breakfast in a lovely atmosphere with your fellow librarians.

For those of you who have not yet joined NCLA, please consider doing so by sending in your registration form and dues today. RASD would love to have you join us!

MaryAnn Tweedy
2011 RASD President

2011 NCLA NEWSLETTER DEADLINES



The deadlines for 2011 NCLA Newsletters are:

June 2011	Fri., May 6 2011
Summer 2011	Fri., July 15, 2011
October 2011	Fri., Sept. 23, 2011
December 2011	Fri., Nov. 4, 2011
Year-in-Review Issue	Fri., Jan. 6, 2012

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Staff members from the Island Trees Public Library attend the Islander/Ranger ice hockey game of March 31, 2011. Over 60 members of NCLA and their friends and families attended the game. Over the winter, NCLA members attended three Islander games at discounted rates, arranged by Frank McKenna, Director of the Seaford Public Library.



P/T Library Assistant
 Art & Architecture Library,
 Old Westbury Campus
 New York Institute of
 Technology (NYIT)

The Library Assistant will work with students checking books in/out and work at the circulation desk handling reserve books and ILL requests. Candidate will also be responsible for opening and closing of library, reporting of daily usage accounts, shelving books, light reference, handling information queries and fines, assisting students with printers and computers as well as other duties and projects as assigned.

Associates Degree required and Bachelors Degree with library experience and interest in art and architecture preferred. Excellent interpersonal, communication and computer skills (MS Office, EXCEL and WORD) required as well as attention to detail and ability to work independently. The hours for this position are 4:30 pm-9pm, two evenings a week and alternate Saturdays from 9am-5pm. Combination with additional day shifts possible. Fall and Spring semesters only. For immediate consideration please send resume to Judith Roback, Human Resources Associate, at jroback@nyit.edu. EOE

PR/Programming Division News

The NCLA PR/Programming Division and the Reference and Adult Services Division are sponsoring a joint meeting at the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center of Nassau County located in the Wellwyn Preserve in Glen Cove, NY on Tuesday, June 14, 2011, at 10 a.m.



Participants will have a tour of the facility, visit the Children's Memorial Garden and learn more about the programs and the mission of the Center. Join us!

For more information, call Patti Paris at the Bellmore Memorial Library.

Patti Paris
 President
 PR/Programming Division

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Uniondale Young Adult Librarian *Syntychia Kendrick-Samuel's* essay, "The Challenge of Designing and Promoting Public Library Services Relevant to Teens of Color and How to Maintain One's Sanity in the Process!" was accepted for inclusion in the next edition of E.J. Josey's classic work, *The Black Librarian in America: Challenges of the 21st Century*, to be published by Scarecrow Press in 2011.

Upon the retirement of *Ellen Rockmuller* at the end of 2010, *Elizabeth Charvath* has been appointed as Director of the East Rockaway Public Library. *Catherine Overton* has been appointed Director of the Baldwin Public Library with the retirement of *Maria Sysak* at the end of April 2011.

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