Last Call for Legislative Breakfast and Annual Meeting

The 31st Legislative Breakfast and 59th Annual Meeting will be held at The Sullivan Event Center, Rock Hill on Friday, September 14. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. and the hot buffet breakfast will be ready by 8:30 a.m. Meet with State and county legislators about current issues facing libraries. Presentation of the three annual awards will be made. The business meeting, presentation of the 2019 RCLS Budget, and election of four RCLS Trustees will follow. Member library Boards of Trustees have been sent ballots to vote on the RCLS Budget. This is a good opportunity to view the Budget and ask questions regarding it. Use the RCLS online calendar to register today. Deadline for reservations is Friday, September 7. For information, contact Ruth Daubenspeck at RCLS (ext. 222 or e-mail).

You won’t want to miss this occasion!

Meet the Candidates for RCLS Trustee

Four seats on the RCLS Board of Trustees need to be filled at the Legislative Breakfast and Annual Meeting on Friday, September 14 at The Sullivan Event Center, one each from Orange, Rockland, Sullivan and Ulster counties. Nominations and seconds were received for two candidates. Additional nominations may be received from the floor of the Annual Meeting from a Trustee of one library and seconded by a Trustee of a second library in the counties having the vacancies. The nominees need to indicate orally at the Annual Meeting or in writing their willingness to serve if elected.

The following are the biographies of the candidates:

ORANGE COUNTY—ONE VACANCY

CHARLIE LeVISEUR is an experienced IT Project Manager and Information Technology professional with over 23 years of IT experience. His background includes a BA in Speech Communications, and he works at JPMorgan Chase and Bank Co. His variety of skills range from customer service to technical training, supervision to management to helpdesk...
support and he has served a variety of offices at small, medium, and large Fortune 500 companies.

“As a Monroe resident for the last 18+ years and having a child in the Monroe-Woodbury School District, it is important to me to have a place where he can study and have access to resources and programs not offered via the schools, and a safe place to study and meet with his friends. Libraries are the glue that holds towns and communities together”.

Charlie serves as Vice President of the Monroe Free Library Board.

ROCKLAND COUNTY—ONE VACANCY

No nominations.

SULLIVAN COUNTY—ONE VACANCY

HELEN RADOS, representing Sullivan County, was elected to the RCLS Board of Trustees in 2013, filling the seat vacated by Ira Simon.

A native of Sullivan County, graduate of Fallsburg Central School and a 29-year resident of Harris, NY, Helen has always been fascinated with learning and reading. Her first library experience was the Bookmobile that brought books to her community. In praising her home library, Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library in Monticello, Helen commends the staff on their professionalism and willingness to provide assistance to patrons with whatever item they are trying to locate. She also loves having access to all the materials available at the library and through the RCLS system.

Helen is married to her husband, James Goldfarb. They are the parents of two children; a son, Eli and a daughter, Joanna, who is the Youth Services Librarian at Valley Cottage Library in Valley Cottage, NY. Helen is currently employed (but not for long as she plans on retiring soon!) as a supervisor for the New York State Department of Labor located at the Sullivan Career Center in Monticello.

Along with her membership on the RCLS Board, Helen’s other volunteer work has included being the longest serving volunteer for RISE (Rape Intervention Services and Education) of Sullivan County as well as serving on the Board of Literacy Volunteers. Additional community involvement includes membership on the Library Friends’ Board, Professional Women of Sullivan County as an officer and member, and the Sullivan Striders – a local walking and running club of which her husband is also a member. Helen and James power walk in 5k races throughout the area. Helen enjoys exercising and participates in Zumba, yoga and power toning. One of Helen’s other passions is recreational travel. She is a Harry Potter fan and has seen the The Cursed Child in London and on Broadway.

ULSTER COUNTY—ONE VACANCY

No nominations.
**Photos of the Week**

Tuxedo Park Library was fortunate enough to have Nancy Kaufer run a Cooking Rocks! summer program.

Share a library-related photo, include a brief caption, your name, position and the library’s name. A photo release is required from recognizable individuals in the photo. [Click here](#) for the RCLS photo release. Submit the picture to [rclsmemo@rcls.org](mailto:rclsmemo@rcls.org) with ‘Photo of the Week’ in the subject line.

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**Share your library news with the RCLS Weekly Memo**

Send your press ready article to [rclsmemo@rcls.org](mailto:rclsmemo@rcls.org)
Trustee FYI

The summer edition of the *RCLS Trustee FYI* is on its way to member library trustees, directors, and Friends presidents as well as posted as a PDF on the [RCLS website](#). An archive of *Trustee FYIs* can also be found on the Web page.

This issue’s lead article is “RCLS Legislative Breakfast and Annual Meeting.” The event will be held on Friday, September 14 at The Sullivan Event Center in Rock Hill, NY. Highlights of the occasion will include library displays, networking with area legislators, presentation of the three Annual Meeting Awards, overview of the 2019 RCLS Budget and election of four RCLS Trustees.

Other articles you and your trustees will enjoy reading are: “I Love My Librarian Award,” “New Edition of the Trustee Handbook Coming (Very Soon!),” “Summer Advocacy Visits,” “Trustee Training Opportunities,” “2019 RCLS Budget Hearings” and “RCLS Biblio Basket Raffle.”

System Calendar

For a complete and up-to-date list of events, including links to additional information, see the [RCLS Calendar](#).

To add information, contact [Ruth Daubenspeck](#).

**September**

**Monday, 3**

**Labor Day—RCLS CLOSED**

**Friday, 7**

LARC-YS, Haverstraw—10:00 a.m.

**Friday, 7**

[Senior Improv @ Your Library](#), Warwick—10:00 a.m.

**Saturday, 8**

[Teen Battle of the Books](#), SUNY Orange—11:00 a.m.

**Wednesday, 12**

CTUG, Middletown—9:30 a.m.

**Wednesday, 12**

Directors Association, RCLS—9:30 a.m.

**Friday, 14**

[RCLS Legislative Breakfast and Annual Meeting](#), The Sullivan Event Center—8:00 a.m.

**Monday 17**

[RCLS 2019 Budget Hearing, RCLS](#) – 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, 18**

[JOBNOW Webinar](#) – Refresher Course – 2:00 p.m.

**Thursday, 20**

[RCLS 2019 Budget Hearing](#), Monticello – 6:00 p.m.

**Monday, 24**

CLOUSC, Newburgh—9:15 a.m.

**Monday, 24**

ANSER Committee, RCLS – 9:30 a.m.

**Monday, 24**

[RCLS 2019 Budget Hearing](#), Suffern – 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, 25**

[Fundamentals of Network and Library Continuity](#), RCLS – 10:00 a.m.

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