Welcome & Introductions

In person attendance: Katie Salerno, Janis Werner, Maryjean Bakaletz Hunterdon, Kate-Lynn Brown, Steven Thompson, Akiema Buchanan Paterson, Maureen Langley, Karen Jarzabski, Jenise Siko, Dana Vocht, Sharon Rawlins, Keisha M. Miller, Melissa Brinn, CArolyn Averson, Jen Apgar, Christine Jansen, Jenna Ingham

Online Attendance: Emily Mazzoni, Alex Hughes, Doug Baldwin, Jenna Ingham, Rachel Talbert, Jeff Cupo

10am YASS Business Meeting

Updates from around the state

New Jersey State Library Report for YASS Meeting, December 13, 2019
Submitted by Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist for Lifelong Learning, NJ State Library

Free Leap into Science Training Offered, Monday, January 13, 2020 at the Monroe Township Free Public Library (Gloucester County) – Please share with your children’s library staff
The state leadership team consisting of staff from the NJ State Library, NJ Makers Day and the Newark Museum are offering a free training on Monday, January 13, 2020 from 10:30 am-2:30 pm at the Free Public Library of Monroe Township in Williamstown, NJ for Cohort Year 2 of this initiative. The training focuses on the concept of wind for staff in public/school libraries/afterschool organizations who work with children ages 3 – 10 and their caregivers. If you are interested in participating in this training, please contact Sharon Rawlins, srawlins@njstatelib.org. Leap into Science is a nationwide program developed by The Franklin Institute Science Museum and the National Girls Collaborative Project funded by the National Science Foundation that integrates open-ended science activities with children’s books.

Opioid Overdose Prevention Training - Two upcoming dates!
The New Jersey State Library is coordinating two informational programs in an effort to facilitate discussion around the topic of opioid overdose and naloxone (NARCAN) administration in libraries. The free trainings will be held on December 16 (full) and January 7.
Trainings will cover:

- How to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose
- How to administer Naloxone (NARCAN), a medication that reverses an opioid overdose
● Each participant will be eligible to receive a free single-dose Naloxone kit

Training dates and locations:

● December 16 from 3:00-5:00pm at Monmouth County Library Headquarters (125 Symmes Dr, Manalapan Township, NJ 07726)
  Training provided by: JSAS HealthCare with funding provided by NJDHS-DMHAS
  Registration will be capped at 20 and full.

● January 7, 2020 from 10:00am-12:00pm at Sussex County Library – E Louise Childs Memorial Branch
  (21 Stanhope Sparta Rd, Stanhope, NJ 07874)
  Training provided by: Morris County Prevention is Key with funding provided by NJDHS-DMHAS
  Registration will be capped at 20.

If you cannot attend this event, but would like to be notified about future related events, please contact Andrea Levandowski (alevandowski@njstatelib.org).

Census Training for Library Staff

Census officials are providing training for library staff on the online version of the census form during the months of December through February. All times are 10-12 or 1-3 unless otherwise noted:

● Jan. 7, Hasbrouck Heights PL, 10-noon
● Jan. 8, Old Tappan PL, 10-noon
● Jan. 9, Fort Lee PL, 10-noon
● Jan. 15, Gloucester County (Mullica Hill) Library, 10-noon
● Jan. 16, Monroe Township (Middlesex County) Library, 10-noon
● Jan. 23, Morris County (Main) Library, 2-4 pm
● Feb. 4, Atlantic County (May's Landing), 10-noon
● Feb. 6, wayne PL, 10-noon
● Feb. 11, Sussex County (Main) Library, 10-noon

To register contact Kathleen Moeller-Peiffer at kmoellerpeiffer@njstatelib.org with your preferred location.

2020 Best Practices in Early Literacy Awards – Deadline to apply is March 6, 2020 – Please share with your youth services colleagues

The New Jersey State Library is accepting applications for the annual Best Practices in Early Literacy Award. The award honors up to four outstanding public libraries that currently provide exemplary literacy programs for children from birth to six years, their families and caregivers. The award provides a $1,000 honorarium, a certificate, and promotion of the winning library as a model program for other libraries. The winning libraries will be honored during the State Librarian’s Breakfast at the 2020 NJLA Conference at Harrah's in Atlantic City. The deadline to apply is March 6, 2020. To apply, please complete and submit the [application form] after consulting the [award guidelines]. To see a list of previous winners, go to the following [webpage] and click on Award Brochures, then under New Jersey State Library Awards (for 2017 – 2019 winners) or under Best Practices in Early Literacy (for 2014-2016 winners).

Those who applied last year but did not win can re-apply with the same program as long as it was held within the past two years. Libraries who have won twice previously are not eligible to apply. Please contact Sharon Rawlins, Youth Services Specialist, NJ State Library, srawlins@njstatelib.org, 609-278-2640 ext. 116 if you have any questions.

Snapshot Day is February 11, 2020:

The NJLA Public Relations Committee and the New Jersey State Library are making plans for the annual Snapshot Day. It will be February 11, 2020. Although that is the “official” date, libraries can choose to do local
events anytime during the month of February. February was chosen because it is “I Love Libraries” month. There is no better way to celebrate than with Snapshot Day. More details will follow.

**NJ State Library New Directors Orientation**
New Directors’ Orientation will be held on March 18 & 25, 2020, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the New Jersey State Library’s Talking Book and Braille Center (2300 Stuyvesant Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08618). The two-day workshops will feature essential information for new library directors in the following areas:

- Overview of New Jersey State Library services focusing on how we can help serve you in your new position as Library Director.
- NJ Library Law
- Purchasing Basics
- Strategic Planning
- Managing Library Staff
- Budgets and Financial Reporting
- Public Relations and Your Library
- Working with Trustees and Elected Officials

This is a singular opportunity for new directors to learn the basics about their responsibilities, and to network with other new directors throughout the state. Mary Chute, State Librarian, will give an update on current issues. Meet our State Library consultants who will answer your questions about our services, and help you learn about our various departments.

Registration begins at 9:00 AM on both days. The State Library will be providing a continental breakfast and lunch.

For further information contact Nayomi Torres-Velez, Library Associate, ntorresvelez@njstatelib.org

**ATTENTION: Important CSLP website information!**
CSLP is doing some fall cleaning on their website and removing inactive users. If you have or have had a login to the CSLP website, and are interested in keeping your account active, please log in by December 31, 2019. If you have not logged in by that date, your account will be deleted. You will be able to re-sign up in the future if you would like to.

Please log in today!:
https://www.cslpreads.org/

**CSLP Online Crowd-sourcing New Printed Materials**
There’s an “Online Only” component to the CSLP online manual. If your library wants to create your own reading logs, posters, door hangers, etc. using the clipart from the CSLP online manual, you can. If they are of good quality and you’re willing to share them, they can be posted on the Online Only section of the CSLP online manual for others to use. Just send them to Sharon Rawlins, at srawlins@njstatelib.org and I’ll make sure they get posted.

Michigan, guest in marketing and design, was about to take all the art work and posters out and sent to NJSTATE Library and will be sent out. Can download the original art without the raven, coyote, etc. However you can print it.

**Other organizations**

**Apply for the 2020 Miss Rumphius Award!**
The New Jersey Center for the Book is seeking nominations for its **2020 Miss Rumphius Award.**
Based on the title character of Barbara Cooney’s book, *Miss Rumphius*, winner of the National Book Award in 1983, this Award honors public librarians, school media specialists, and educators who are stellar in spreading ideas about literacy.

**The deadline for submitting nominations is Monday, February 17, 2020.** The nominee must be employed in New Jersey as a professional librarian, library staff member, certified educator, or teacher assistant, and must have developed creative activities to enhance learning and literacy. The activity should be collaborative, innovative, and able to be replicated by other librarians and educators. The nominee must be willing to help produce her or his program for other classrooms and/or libraries. A monetary amount of $200.00 and a NJCFB Miss Rumphius Award certificate will be presented to the recipient in 2020.

The nomination shall include the full name of the nominee and the place of employment; shall describe the activity or program in complete detail; shall describe the setting in which it takes place; shall indicate the collaborative aspects; shall indicate the innovative aspects of the program or activity and indicate how it can be replicated; shall include the full name and title of the nominator with address, email, phone number and fax number; shall include a letter of support from an administrator, from a former or current student, from a client or patron, or from a member of the staff.

Please submit your nomination (self-nominations are accepted) for the **Miss Rumphius Award** to Carol Phillips (carolphillipslibrarian@gmail.com).

If you have any questions, contact Carol Phillips, (carolphillipslibrarian@gmail.com) or visit the NJCFB website: njcenterforthebook.org.

**Free ALA webinar highlights community collaboration opportunities for libraries in 2020 Census**

The American Library Association (ALA) will hold a free webinar for library staff, “Library Programs and Partnerships in the 2020 Census,” on December 16, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Libraries will play vital roles in achieving an accurate and complete count in the 2020 Census. This webinar will highlight key opportunities for libraries to collaborate with community partners and provide informational programs in the upcoming Census. Strategies for libraries to reach groups at risk of being undercounted in the 2020 Census will be emphasized. Presenters will include representatives from libraries, community organizations, ALA, and the U.S. Census Bureau.

The webinar will be offered at no cost to attendees and is presented by ALA’s Public Policy & Advocacy office. **Registration is required.**

The Programs and Partnership webinar is fourth in a series addressing key aspects of the 2020 Census for libraries.

- December 16: “Library Programs and Partnerships in the 2020 Census”

For more information on ALA’s efforts to support a fair, inclusive and complete count in the 2020 Census, visit [ala.org/census](http://ala.org/census). To connect on social media, follow #CountOnLibraries, #2020Census.

**NJ Talking Book and Braille Center:** The Talking Book & Braille Center is continuing to revamp and promote the large print collection. It’s now easier for libraries to borrow large print books for patrons. For more information or questions, contact Jen Apgar or Liz Burns at TBBC at [tbbcyouth@njstatelib.org](mailto:tbbcyouth@njstatelib.org).

- **NJLA Executive Board**
  - Innovation Award
  - If you’d like to be on the executive board, member at large, secretary and other positons are open. Tanya stepped down.
- **Children’s Services Section (CSS)**
The Children’s Garden State Book Awards confirmed that the author Donna Gephart will be the speaker for the luncheon at NJLA.

We had a good meeting (unconference style) at Monroe Public Library last week and discussed programming ideas and collection development in world languages challenges. Our next meeting is Friday, Jan 31st, at Old Bridge library and it is a joint meeting with the Children’s Garden State book awards committee. People interested in joining this committee are especially welcome to attend and see how this committee operates!

- **NJASL**
  - Next year’s conference Hard Rock in Atlantic City, NJ.
  - Public Librarians should spend one day at NJASL Conference. A must to see what school librarians deal with--a broader idea about their jargon and what is going on in school budgets and public library budgets are cut.
  - Picture book presentation mirrored a YALSA Symposium in Memphis, training teen volunteers how to do storytimes and having them look for picture books of all kinds of representation and selecting what they’d want to present. Representation that is lacking.
  - Keynotes: John Shue, school librarian ambassador for Scholastic and Jacqueline Woodson.
  - Vendors: Maclin. Handing out posters with the GSTBA and children book award one too. Hoping to get posters from them with NJLA logo on them.
  - Reciprocal membership for NJASL to be readers for GSTBA NJLA

- **Library Consortiums and Systems (LMXac, BCCLS, etc.)**
  - LLNC temporary director
  - East Brunswick Library looking for new teen/youth librarian (full and part time): staffing teen reference desk
  - BCCLS teen library boot camp, CSSA presentation and looking for volunteers to spread the word to local libraries.
  - South Orange: Survey from a student.

- **YASS Business, Important Information, and Reminders**
  - **GSTBA Updates - Karen & Melissa.**
    - Deadline to vote is December 31st. January 5th is deadline to submit votes to Karen at kmitchell@hpplnj.org
    - Nonfiction voting is January 31st at East Brunswick Public Library
  - **NJLA Conference Proposal Updates - Kate-Lynn**
    - This year’s theme is: Know Your Why
    - Proposals we submitted
      - Community Outreach to Local Middle and High Schools for Teen Programming
      - Curating After-School Culture: Models for Success
      - Better Together: Public Library Summer Reading for Schools
        - CSS
      - Augmented Reality in the Library
      - Building a Teen Program from the Ground-Up
      - Weeding for YA Materials
      - Nonfiction: Breaking the Stigma
- Supporting Teens through Connected Learning and Computational Thinking
- Canva and Other Free Online Tools
  - CSS
- We have Diverse Books: Now What?
  - Librarians of Color RT
- Reboot your Makerspace!
  - CSS
- Fake News
  - CSS, Professional Development
- Notable Books
  - TBBC, CSS
- The Player’s Handbook to D&D in the Library
  - CSS
- Public Library Association: Inclusive Internship Initiative at New Jersey Libraries
  - Leadership and Education,
  - Diversity and Outreach
- TBBC- Large Print for Young Adults
  - TBBC
  - NJASL Conference Highlights
  - Social Media Updates - Erica
    - NJLAYASS: Twitter, YASSNJLA: Instagram
    - edeb@lmxac.org
    - Email, Tag, or DM on Twitter and/or Instagram if you have something to post
  - NJLA Core Values Discussion #3
    - Education and lifelong learning: we recognize all libraries as hubs for people of all ages to connect with, create, and share knowledge.
- Member updates and hot topics!
  - These Ghosts are Family by Maisy Card published by Simon and Schuster.

10:30am Connected Learning Presentation - Christine Jansen and Sharon Rawlins
Email Christine Jansen of Hillsborough Library (trainer), Meaghan Darling of Sparta Library (trainer), or Sharon Rawlins (coach) if you’d like to have this workshop at your library. cjansen@sclbnj.org, meaghandarling@gmail.com, srawlins@njstatelib.org

What do you want to get out of this workshop? This is what you’d say to teens for programs
- Definition, how to apply connected learning, examples and jargon (student voice, student choice)
- Activity: two questions about learning.
What is Connected Learning?
Connected learning combines personal interests, supportive relationships with adult mentors and peers, and the ability to connect opportunities in school context as well.

Young person is able to do something they care about, engage in that interest with support, and connect it to actual opportunities for career advancement and civic engagement. It’s what a young person really cares about and this kind of learning helps them find their place in the world. Typically, young people have trouble finding a connection between interests and school learning.

Connected Learning Handout 7: Chart on how you can bring connected learning home to your library.

4 W’s Reflection: I wish, i wonder, my “wow” moment, wild card.

Links:
Connected Learning Alliance (website): https://clalliance.org/

11:30am Life Skills Toolbox “Spark Talks”
Figuring Out for Yourself: Don’t Google Everything: Self-reliance and critical thinking
  ● Stations where fix things that are broken, follow directions and putting together, to do list in order of importance, origami with no instructions, look in a book using index, puzzles, box ‘the end’ follow instructions to flip over to get ‘prize’.
  ● To add to this program, a comment: add map of NJ

Harry Potter Theme of Life Skills
  ● Take something they excited about it and the program is actually life skills programs: basic first age and mental health

Adulting 101
Moving out/ living on your own, resume writing, staying out of debts and budgets, emergency prep, basic first aid, savvy spender, daily skills workbook by classroom complete press

Self Defense

Babysitting Basics
Taking care of kids, contact information, and emergency information of town

Quick basic learning
How to tie a tie, how to make coffee, etc. short 15 minute programs
Tour of the library.

Thank you everyone! Next meeting is Friday January 31st at the East Brunswick Public Library. This is the GSTBA deliberations for Nonfiction Grades 6-12.

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