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RCLS Board Meeting



The materials for the **Monday, April 16** RCLS Board Meeting are now on the [RCLS Website](#). The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the System Headquarters in Middletown.

This is an open meeting and all are invited to attend.

National Library Legislative Day Update

Registration for National Library Legislative Day (NLLD) is closed. Lisa Lindle, Manager, Grassroots and Advocacy Outreach, ALA, Washington Office reported that all 50 states and D.C. will be represented on **Tuesday, May 8** by 450 library supporters. Robert Hubsher, the New York State Library Delegation Leader announced that the NYS delegation will be 25 strong, representing all areas of the State and all types of libraries.



You can still participate in the advocacy efforts via Virtual Library Legislative Day (VLLD). Sign up for VLLD through the [VLLD website](#).

Everyday Advocacy Has Lots to Offer

[ALSC Blog, Apr. 5](#)

Laura Schulte-Cooper writes, “With National Library Legislative Day (May 7–8) just about a month away, this seems an appropriate time to remind everyone about Everyday Advocacy (EA). According to ALSC’s [EA website](#), Everyday Advocacy is ‘a grassroots

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effort that starts with you and the incredible things you’re already doing for the youth and families you serve.’ Consider Everyday Advocacy an antidote to the advocacy intimidation factor. [Here is a sampling](#) of what you will find on the website.”

Make a Giant Leap for Patron Privacy

[Office for Intellectual Freedom, Mar. 13](#)

Is your library preparing to observe [Choose Privacy Week 2018](#)? Join Erin Berman and Julie Oborny of the San José (Calif.) Public Library for a free webinar on **April 16** that outlines the first steps libraries can take to implement up-to-date privacy policies and procedures. The webinar “A Practical Guide to Privacy Audits” will include a discussion about why healthy privacy practices are more critical for libraries than ever before and offers a step-by-step guide for starting a privacy audit at your library. [Register](#) online.



News Worthy

Regional

- [New group to support Yonkers Public Library](#) | Lohud.com 4.10.18
- [Poughkeepsie violence against youth forum aims at finding solutions to shootings, threats](#) | Poughkeepsie Journal 3.25.18
- [SNAPSHOT: 'Baby and Me' story hour at Town of Ulster Public Library](#) | Town of Ulster Public Library | Daily Freeman 3.22.18
- [Sport of Polo Featured in New Mahopac Library Art Exhibit](#) | Mahopac Library | Tap Into Mahopac: Mahopac News 3.21.18

National

- [Asher and Alexie books among most objected to in 2017](#) | Albany Times Union.com 4.9.18
- [New York State Library marks 200 years with forums, exhibits](#) | Albany Times Union 4.7.18
- [A Philadelphia library gets 'risky' with a new play space](#) | Plan Philly 4.3.18
- [Books, shmooks: Your library card can get you a drone, violin or sewing machine](#) | Daily Bulletin 3.30.18
- [Not all Houston libraries are ready to reopen after Harvey](#) | Houston Chronicle 3.29.18
- [Garbage collectors open library with abandoned books](#) | CNN.com 1.15.18

Updating the Intellectual Freedom Manual

[Knowledge Quest blog, Apr. 2](#)

Helen Adams writes: “The Office for Intellectual Freedom and the Intellectual Freedom Committee have started the process for revising the 9th edition of the [Intellectual Freedom Manual](#) published in 2015.

Why is a revision needed? Several events trigger the need for a new edition. First, OIF staff began to see trends and issues not included in the current edition or twists on some long-standing issues. Second, there are recently created *Library Bill of Rights* interpretations and related guidance documents.”



Judith Krug Fund Banned Books Week Event Grants

Each year the Freedom to Read Foundation (FTRF) distributes grants to non-profit organizations to support activities which raise awareness of intellectual freedom and censorship issues during the annual Banned Books Week celebration (September 23-29, 2018). Libraries, schools and universities are encouraged to apply. Grants are awarded at two levels, \$1,000 and \$2,500. To be eligible for a grant, organizations must not have been a recipient of an FTRF grant within the past five years.

Grantees also receive an ALA 2018 Banned Books Week PromoKit valued at \$84 (includes one poster, one roll of stickers, one 50-pack of the “2017 Field Report: Banned and Challenged Books,” one 100-pack of bookmarks, and one tote bag).

Grantees are encouraged to share their events on social media and local press. A follow-up report detailing expenditures, numbers of participants, links to press coverage, and a narrative of the event is due within six weeks of the Banned Books Week celebration.

Visit the [Freedom to Read website](#) for details and application. Deadline to apply is **Friday, May 11**.

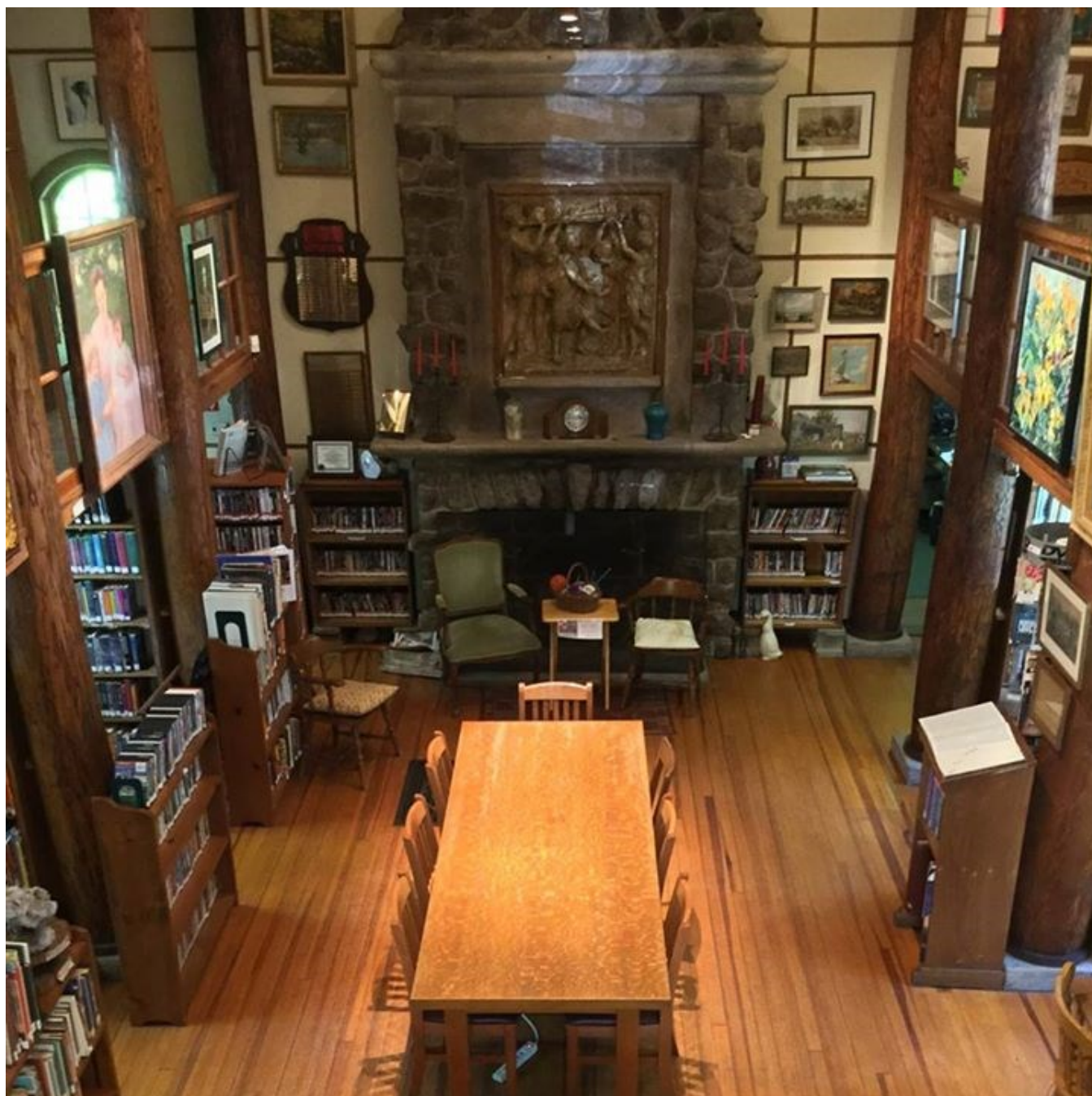
Youth Literacy Grants

Dollar General Youth Literacy Grants provide funding to schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations to help students who are below grade level or experiencing difficulty reading. Grant funding is provided to assist in the following areas:

- Implementing new or expanding existing literacy programs
- Purchasing new technology or equipment to support literacy initiatives
- Purchasing books, materials or software for literacy programs

The maximum grant amount is \$4,000. For more information and to apply, visit the [Dollar General website](#). Deadline to apply is **Thursday, May 17**.

Photo of the Week



The Cragmoor Free Library was started by summer artists, their spouses and many local residents who obtained a provisional charter from New York State in 1913. The books were donated and kept in several locations until Frederick S. Dellenbaugh (explorer, author and artist) donated the land and designed the Library building. It was built from 1923 to 1925 by local craftsmen (some of whose families still live there). Among them, Lawrence Keir and his brother John who were involved in the construction of at least 25 buildings in Cragmoor primarily as stone masons. Lawrence is responsible for the floor to ceiling fire place. The Library has many interesting architectural features, including the massive chestnut columns that support its vaulted ceiling and balcony, which was donated by Mrs. George Innes, Jr. in honor of her husband.

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 with 'Photo of the Week' in the subject line.

Due Dates

★ Monday, April 16

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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](#).

April

Monday, 16

RCLS Board Meeting, RCLS – 6:30 p.m.

Friday, 20

OLA Membership Meeting, Washingtonville – 9:30 a.m.

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[Digital Depositories: Navigating resources to locate archival & special collection images](#),

Washingtonville – 10:00 a.m.

Monday, 23

CLOUSC, Wallkill – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 25

[Transforming PreSchool Story Time](#), RCLS – 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, 26

RCLS Managers Meeting, RCLS – 10:00 a.m.

Friday, 27—Saturday 28

[LTA Trustee Institute](#), Uniondale, NY

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