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Beth Zambito Receives 2018 CLOUSC Recognition Award

Beth Zambito, Head of Adult Services at the Newburgh Free Library, is the recipient of the 2018 CLOUSC (Children's Librarians of Orange, Ulster & Sullivan County) Award. This award is given annually to a group or individual who has made significant contributions to and has had an impact on, library services to children and CLOUSC.

Beth was recognized for her work as a *Ready to Read at New York Libraries* Training Cohort which has greatly benefitted not only CLOUSC members, but also children's staff in many RCLS member libraries.

As a Train-the-Trainer Cohort, Beth conducted the following workshops for RCLS member library staff:

- *Strengthening Young Families through Early Literacy Practices*
- *Early Literacy Community Asset Analysis*
- *Early Learning Spaces.*

Although Beth left youth services work and moved into reference and administration before the project was completed, she has followed through with her commitment to provide early literacy training for RCLS member library staff. She continues to participate in the follow up activities that are part of the initiative.

According to CLOUSC Award Chair, Joni Armstrong, Chester Public Library Youth Services Librarian, "Beth's work is 'above and beyond' and her lasting commitment to youth services and early literacy training make her more than deserving of the 2018 CLOUSC Award."

Congratulations Beth!



Randall Enos, RCLS Youth Services Consultant presents Beth Zambito the 2018 CLOUSC Award

News Worthy

National

- [Librarians Hold Storytime at Families Belong Together March](#) | School Library Journal 7.2.18
- [Beyond The Books](#) | The Philadelphia Citizen 6.29.18
- [Senate Appropriations Committee approves FY 2019 library funding](#) | District Dispatch 6.29.18
- [ALA, ALSC respond to Wilder Medal name change](#) | American Library Association 6.25.18
- [Librarian group is using political correctness to kill a classic](#) (Editorial) | The New York Post 6.25.18
- [Pennsylvania retailers experiment with blue lights to deter drug use](#) | USA Today 6.25.18

Dayton ended late fees: Here's what happened

[Dayton \(Ohio\) Daily News, July 5](#)

Six months ago the Dayton (Ohio) Metro Library eliminated overdue fines, and revenues—as expected—have declined since then. But surprisingly, fewer borrowed materials have become overdue, and borrowers actually have returned more overdue materials than they did in 2017, officials said. Patrons seem to be more motivated to return items to avoid replacement costs and lose borrowing privileges than they were to avert accumulating fees....



RCLS Trustee Nominations

With the resignation of RCLS Trustee Jain Jacob, four seats are open for election this year on the RCLS Board of Trustees, one seat each in Orange, Rockland, Sullivan and Ulster counties. All terms end December 31, 2023 except the Rockland seat, which expires on December 31, 2020. Nominations and seconds for these Trustee seats should be sent to the attention of the Secretary of the Board (Carla Randazzo Amthor) at RCLS by the close of business on **Wednesday, August 15**. For details, visit the [RCLS website](#).



Send biographies of nominees to [Ruth Daubenspeck](#), RCLS by **Monday, August 20** to be included in the *RCLS Weekly Memo* and the Annual Meeting program. Please stress in the biography previous library and/or community service. We ask that the biography not exceed 350 words.

The elections for the four seats will be held at the Legislative Breakfast and Annual Meeting on **Friday, September 14** at The Sullivan Event Center, Rock Hill, NY. To register for the event, visit the [RCLS online calendar](#). The event is free.

NYS Library Seeking Nominations for Regents Advisory Council on Libraries

The New York State Library is seeking recommendations for membership on the New York State Regents Advisory Council on Libraries.

The Regents Advisory Council on Libraries advises the New York State Board of Regents regarding the New York State Library, library development programs, library aid programs and other matters related to the operations of libraries and library systems in New York. The Council works with the officers of the State Education Department in developing a comprehensive statewide library and information plan and makes recommendations to the Regents concerning the implementation of the program of library service.

The New York State Board of Regents will appoint five Regents Advisory Council members to serve five-year terms from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2023.

The Council meets a minimum of four times a year: January (by conference call), April (Board of Regents meeting in Albany), September (by conference call) and December (in person). Members of the Regents Advisory Council are leaders in a wide variety of endeavors across the State, including business, human services, education, and libraries. For more information, visit the [NYS Library website](#).

Send nominations, along with a resume, for the Regents Advisory Council on Libraries by **Wednesday, August 1** to: Paula Paolucci, Office of the State Librarian and Assistant Commissioner for Libraries, New York State Library, 10C34 Cultural Education Center, Albany, NY 12230; e-mail to Paula.Paolucci@nysed.gov.

Photo of the Week



The Cornwall Public Library Board and staff rockin' out at the annual Cornwall 4th of July Parade. Yes, that's director Mary Lou Carolan on lead guitar!

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.

Another Librarian Wins Big on *Jeopardy!*

[Kokomo \(Ind.\) Perspective, July 3](#)

The third time's a charm for longtime *Jeopardy!* fan and Ball State University Head of Serials Cataloging Scott McFadden (right, with host Alex Trebek). Though McFadden's show was filmed in February and he must remain tight-lipped about his winnings, it aired June 27. On the first night of the show he came out on top, earning \$26,001. His second night was rockier, as he got off to a slow start. However, in a come-from-behind-win, McFadden again racked up his winnings to \$59,602. His streak continued to June 29 with total earnings of \$78,401.



Call for Volunteers!

Anna Dobkowski, Resource-Sharing and Outreach Coordinator, Central New York Library Resources Council

For the fifth year running, libraries from all around New York State will show New York State Fair goers just how amazing they are.

This year, we will piggyback on the summer reading theme of **Libraries Rock!** We will have a 10 foot balloon sculpture of an electric guitar and, of course, the popular trivia spinning wheel.

The Fair runs for 13 days, **Wednesday, August 22 through Monday, September 3**. The booth, located in the Science and Industry Building, is staffed for 12 hours each day.

Three volunteers are needed for each three-hour shift. Bring a friend. Bring a colleague.



[Sign up here](#) and receive an admission ticket for the day (travel and parking are on your own), a bright purple tee shirt and the satisfaction of advocating for **YOUR** library.

If you cannot volunteer this year, please consider a [donation](#) to help offset our costs.

Thanks for your continued support and love of libraries.

Feel free to contact [Anna Dobkowski](#) with any questions.

[Visit the State Fair website.](#)

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](#).

July

Monday, 16

RCLS Board Retreat, Highland Falls—1:00 p.m.

Monday, 23

ANSER Committee, RCLS—9:30 a.m.

Thursday, 26

LARC-Adult Services, Orangeburg—10:00 a.m.

Thursday, 26

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

Monday, 30

System Services Committee, RCLS—9:30 a.m.

August

Wednesday, 1

Directors Association Executive Committee, RCLS – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, 2

[Mandatory Construction Workshop](#), RCLS – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 8

[System Orientation](#), RCLS – 10:00 a.m.

Monday, 20

RCLS Board Meeting, RCLS – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 22

[101 Basic Library Trustee Education](#), RCLS – 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, 23

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

Friday, 31

SUPLA, Monticello – 9:30 a.m.

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