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State Law Requires Public Library Trustee to Take Oath of Office

Many library trustee terms begin on July 1. This is an important reminder that New York State [Public Officer's Law §10](#) requires all public library trustees (but not association library trustees) to take an oath of office within 30 days of beginning their term of office. Public library trustees are public officers and the oath of office is required to officially undertake and perform the duties of a public library trustee.

If a public library trustee does not properly complete and file an oath of office, the trustee's position may be deemed vacant.

See [Public Officer's Law §30\(1\)\(h\)](#).

For more information about how and why the oath of office is administered, and where to properly file an oath of office, please see the *Oaths of Office FAQ* on the [New York State Library website](#).

For questions about the legal requirements for oaths of office or about library types, contact Stephen Hoefer, Fiscal Officer at RCLS (shoefer@rcls.org or ext. 223).



National Voter Registration Day 2018

Will your library help activate citizens throughout your community by participating in National Voter Registration Day, **Tuesday, September 25**? Learn more and sign up to be a 2018 Partner on the [National Voter Registration Day website](#).

“Partners” organize in-person voter registration efforts on National Voter Registration Day and promote voter registration through marketing and communication efforts.



Choose Privacy an Everyday Choice

The American Library Association's [Choose Privacy website](#) has a new look and a new URL – chooseprivacyeveryday.org – which emphasizes the importance of preserving patron privacy and data security in today's libraries every day of the year. Since 2010, ALA's Choose Privacy website has served as a valuable source of news, information, resources and programming related to privacy, confidentiality and data security in the digital world.



News Worthy

National

- [Education department encouraging summer reading](#) | Spectrum News 6.24.18
- [Librarians Play Pivotal Role In Keeping Students on Track, Helping Avoid the 'Summer Slide'](#) | NYSUT 6.22.18
- [Local librarians aim to keep kids' minds sharp over the summer](#) | WTOV 6.19.18
- [The Guardian view on books for all: libraries give us power](#) Editorial | The Guardian 6.17.18
- [More libraries are going fine-free; that's good for everyone](#) | The Washington Post 6.17.18
- [Library hosts public electric vehicle charger as sales trend ticks upward](#) | The Daily Sentinel 6.13.18

✓ Webinar—Beyond Surveys: How to Measure Outcomes Using Alternative Data Collection Methods

Wednesday, July 18 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Outcome measurement is a way for libraries to assess their impact on the people they serve and helps libraries answer the question, “What good did we do?” With a vast number of ways to collect outcomes, it may be overwhelming to identify which data collection methods to use. Choosing the methodology also depends on the library’s learning goals, time limitations, staff capacity and more. This FREE webinar is designed to help libraries learn what methods are available to them, and the benefits and challenges to each. This webinar will highlight several methods, with an emphasis on focus groups.

The third in a series featuring Project Outcome’s Outcome Measurement Guidelines, the webinar is designed to help guide and provide additional support for outcome-focused data collection. Past archives of this series, [How to Develop Outcome Measures & Design Effective Surveys](#), presented on April 11, 2018, and [Working with Partners: How to Plan for Collaborative Outcome Measurement](#), presented on January 31, 2018, are available for viewing.

Presenters: **Emily Plagman**, Project Manager for Project Outcome Public Library Association and **Holt Zaugg**, Assessment Librarian, Harold B. Lee Library, Brigham Young University

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Prison Libraries Matter

[I Love Libraries, May 31](#)

Stephen Dark [writes](#), “Men and women in 35 prisons and jails in 13 states nationwide depend on Toby Lafferty (right) and her Millcreek, Utah –based nonprofit, [Books Inside](#), for a monthly supply of books to expand often decrepit libraries. In 2017, Books Inside mailed 23,000 books to incarceration facilities. In Utah alone, she supplies seven jails and created libraries from nothing in the Tooele County and Kane County jails. Lafferty’s experience reveals the impact books can have on both the inmates and the staff who watch over them.



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Photo of the Week



PCITURED ABOVE: Moffat Library of Washingtonville Board Members (from Left to Right): Jeanne Versweyvel, Ruth Manyin, Luis Rivera, Matt Davis, Jim Casazza, Dennis Barnett, Nancy Schneider, Beth Fitzpatrick, Vicki Drake, Carol McCrossen (library director) and Barbara Koller.

At their board meeting on Thursday, June 28, 2018, the Moffat Library of Washingtonville Board of Trustees said farewell and gave thanks to board members, Nancy Schneider and Matt Davis, who had both served on the Moffat Library board for many years. When the decision came whether or not to run for election again, they both opted for moving on to new adventures in life. The Board members wished them well and thanked them for their years of service.

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.

Library Marketer of the Year Award

Library Journal will honor one library staffer or a library team with its third annual Marketer of the Year award in its October 1, 2018 issue. Sponsored by [Library Ideas](#), the award comes with a \$2,000 cash prize. The award recognizes the importance of innovative approaches to the marketing of library services, the role of marketing in-building library engagement and defining a library's relevance in the community. Learn more and submit your nominations on the [LJ website](#).





Postmark deadline is **Tuesday, August 7**.



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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

- Wednesday, 11**
Directors Association, RCLS—9:30 a.m.
- Thursday, 12**
RCLS Annual Meeting and Awards Committee, RCLS—2:00 p.m.
- Friday, 13**
SUPLA, Monticello—9:30 a.m.
- Monday, 16**
RCLS Board Retreat—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.

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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