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SOUTHEASTERN NEWS

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Welcome!

It's that time of year again! We're proud to announce registration for the annual meeting. Please see the details below. There's also SENYCon coming up in a few days and a bunch of other news to get you springing into April.

If you only have time for one thing: Register for the annual meeting, of course! It's the best way to hear about our entire year of activities in one joyful morning with your colleagues.

Additionally, we have news on:

- The Twila Snead Award for Excellence
 - Employment Opportunities
 - SEAL Newsletter
 - Ask the Lawyer
 - Continuing Education from around the state
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The Annual Meeting



[Registration is now open!](#)

The 57th Annual Meeting of the Council will be held on Friday, June 7 at Mount Saint Mary College, Newburgh New York.

The meeting program includes a brief membership meeting, an update on yearly activities, a catered lunch, and a panel discussion featuring Dr. David Hochfelder, SUNY Albany, and featured guests from the City of Newburgh and the City of Beacon.

Register yourself or your group at www.senylrc.org/annual.

The Twila Snead Award for Excellence



This award recognizes an outstanding member library, cultural heritage organization, program, service, or staff member. The award is presented at the Annual Meeting on Friday, June 7.

Nominations for the 2024 award are now open and are being accepted until Friday, April 26, 2024.

[Please take a look at the details on our website here.](#)

Employment Opportunities

Local library jobs are listed on our employment page here: <https://www.senylrc.org/jobs>

We receive updates all the time and post them as soon as possible. You can submit your listing by sending an email to jobposting@senylrc.org.

SEAL Newsletter

[The March 2024 SEAL Newsletter](#) was recently published. Check out information on:

- The SEAL Webinar series (see below for more as well)
 - New SEAL feature: View Library Accounts
 - Notes from the Resource Sharing SIG
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Ask the Lawyer

The council retains an attorney to offer Southeastern and its members timely input on human resources, intellectual property, digital rights management, vendor contracts, First Amendment, civil rights, employment law, and other legal issues that can impact library operations.

Answered questions go on [a RAQ shared by the ESLN councils on WNYLRC's website here](#). Recent questions include:

- [Return of School District Tax Levy Money](#)
- [Viewing Physical Media of Live Performances](#)
- [Hiring Social Workers in Public Libraries](#)
- [Employers Disclosing Reason for Employee's Leave](#)
- [Insurance for Friends of the Library Groups](#)



Got a question for the lawyer?

[Ask it on the form here!](#)

From Southeastern NY Library Resources Council

Professional Development

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| 3/12 SEAL 101 | 4/16 Best Practices for Inter-Library Loan | 5/14 Exploring the SEAL Catalog |  |
| Spring 2024 SEAL Webinars | | | |
| Online via Zoom 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm |  |  | |

Spring 2024 SEAL Webinars

[Best Practices for Inter-Library Loan](#): Tuesday, April 16, 2024: 1pm-2pm

[Exploring the SEAL Catalog](#): Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 1pm-2pm

SEAL 101: [View the recording here](#)

SEAL is Southeastern's resource-sharing platform. SEAL connects libraries of all types in the Southeastern N.Y. region and allows them to easily share books, DVDs, and other resources. It is available at no cost to all libraries in the region. This webinar series will introduce you to how to use the service in your library and demonstrate best practices for finding and loaning materials.



Banned Books Symposium:

Proactive, Reactive, Supportive
 Saturday, May 4
 8:30 am - 1:00 pm
 Dutchess BOCES Conference Center
 Poughkeepsie, NY
 Cost: \$25

This half-day conference will feature presentations in all capacities of banned and challenged books and programs. The event includes two breakout sessions with presentations from academic, school, and public librarians followed by lunch and the keynote speaker, **Jeff Trexler**, Interim Director, Comic Book Legal Defense Fund.

[Register Here](#)

ACRL Roadshow:

Building Your Research Data Management Toolkit: Integrating RDM into Your Liaison Work



RDM Virtual Workshop

July 16 & July 17
 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
 online via Zoom
 Presenters: **Christina Chan-Park** & Laura **Palumbo** for ACRL
 Cost: \$100

Research data management has emerged as a need among academic researchers and liaisons are building skills in response. This two-day workshop will assist liaisons in identifying their existing skills and mindsets that transfer to research data management services and then create a learning plan for the RDM-specific knowledge needed to serve their subject disciplines.

[Register Here](#)

SENYCon 2024

Friday, April 12, 9:00 am - 1:30 pm

Cost: In-person attendees: \$10 (includes brunch)

Online attendees: Free

Register here: <https://www.senylrc.org/event/senycon-2024/>

SENYCon is an annual conference to highlight the unique talents and skills that library professionals in the Southeastern region hold. This event is made possible due to an outpouring of enthusiasm from our members, and the event is free for all Southeastern members.

This year's event will take place on Friday, April 12 with an inclement weather date of Friday, April 19. Libraries of all types are represented, includes food, and is open to all.

Inclusive Metadata follow-up session

Wednesday, April 24: 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Register here: <https://www.senylrc.org/event/inclusive-metadata-follow-up-session/>

Presenter: **Sharon Mizota**

As a follow-up to her Inclusive Metadata webinar on January 24, 2024, Sharon Mizota will facilitate an open discussion. Do you have questions about Inclusive Metadata related to your organization and collections? Are you interested in sharing experiences and learning from others? If yes, please join us for what is sure to be a lively and informative discussion. If you were unable to attend Sharon's webinar in January, please watch the recording before attending.

This session is for staff at New York institutions only and we are limiting the number of participants to 25. The discussion will not be recorded.

Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion SIG

Wednesday, June 12: 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Register here: <https://www.senylrc.org/event/edisig/>

Facilitators: **Tracy Dunstan & Morgan Strand**, Nyack Library

The Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion SIG meets to discuss anti-racism and actions that library workers can take in order to create a more just library environment for all.

Tech-Talk Webinars

1-hour sessions on Wednesdays at 3pm

- April 10: [EMAIL] **10 Gmail Features and Shortcuts You Might Not Be Using**
- April 24: [COMMUNICATE] **Leadership Communications: Tools and Techniques, Part 1**
- May 8: [EMAIL] **Getting Started with the "New" Outlook for Windows**

[Webinar Details & Register at this link](#)

NOTE: You'll need Southeastern's login info to register! Members can email Moshe Siegel at moshe@senylrc.org to request it if they don't have it.

Other Professional Development

Does Generative AI Infringe Copyright?

Produced by Capital District Library Council

Tuesday, April 9: 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Tree Selection and Care in a Changing Landscape

Produced by South Central Regional Library Council

Tuesday, April 9, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Civil Service 101 for Public Library Job-Seekers

Produced by Capital District Library Council

Wednesday, April 17: 10:00 am - 11:30 am

[More information and registration here](#)

Friends of Blodgett Memorial Library TRIVIA NIGHT

Beast Restaurant, Fishkill

Wednesday, April 24: 7:00 pm

[Tickets on sale here](#)

Institutional Repositories: A Shared Experience

Produced by ESLN

Wednesday, April 24: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Alternative Vocabularies: What to do when LCSH isn't enough

Produced by South Central Regional Library Council

Friday, April 26: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

Basic Book Repair for Libraries

Produced by ESLN

Wednesday, May 8: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

[More information and registration here](#)

Making Inclusion Happen at Your Library

Produced by Rochester Regional Library Council

Thursday, May 16: 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

On The Importance Of Personal Narratives: An Approach To Academic Reference Interviews

Produced by METRO

Tuesday, May 21: 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

The Book Doctor Is In

Produced by Dutchess County BOCES

Thursday, May 30: 4:15 pm - 7:15 pm

[More information and registration here](#)

SUNYLA Libraries Eclipsing Boundaries

SUNY Buffalo State University

June 12-14, 2024

[Call for posters](#) (due April 12)



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