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The 45th Annual Meeting of the Rochester Regional Library Council will be held Thursday, June 2 in the Vintage Room at Casa Larga. RRLC is excited to recognize the accomplishments of several member libraries and librarians at this year's meeting. RRLC will honor its three **Library of the Year Award** winners and honorable mentions.

It isn't easy helping 19,000 succeed with their studies, but that is what the **LeRoy V. Good Library at Monroe Community College** is doing everyday. When RRLC visited recently, the library was packed with students at nearly every computer,



LeRoy V. Good Library

classes in the labs, groups in the study rooms and on the "group study floor", as well as students reading and studying quietly on the "quiet floor". The students showed their appreciation by nominating LVG at MCC for the **2011 RRLC Academic Library of the Year**.

"Students at MCC are incredibly diverse – in age, ability, background. It is challenging to meet the needs of all. And there are so many students. Yet the library succeeds in helping everyone," said NLW Judge **Marcia Eggleston, NYLA President**. "Librarians and staff seem to know their community very well; they make everyone feel welcome!"

"Magical", "fantastic", "a place for learning and thought", "great service", "welcoming", "best library I've ever been in" were some of the words HPL patrons used about their library when we asked: "Do You Love Your Library?" **Henrietta Public Library** is the **2011 RRLC Public Library of the Year**.

"The Henrietta Public Library is clearly the heart and soul of the community" said **Todd Butler, Executive Director of the Ad Council of Rochester** and a NLW judge. "Patrons see it as a special place for people of all ages." "Warm", "knowledgeable", "creative", "greatest asset" were some of the many compliments from nominators.



Henrietta Public Library

When RRLC went to **French Road Elementary School Library** to take photos and shoot video, the library was a buzz with discussion and classes, and no one stood still long enough for us to get a photo! Classes came in and out, students checked out books, participated in class word games, showed us how to use the computer to look for a book, and even found a quiet corner with a bean chair to start reading. We saw why everyone loves FRES library and why they are the **2011 RRLC School Library of the Year**.



French Road Elementary School Library

"We were impressed with the variety of people that sent nominations – and lengthy ones at that! Students, teachers, parents, and volunteers all were grateful for the work of the library and the librarian in making the library a center of reading, literacy and learning," said our NLW judges.

An honorable mention was given to **Penfield Public Library**, along with the **Golisano Library at Roberts Wesleyan College** (the 2010 NLW winner) and **Churchville-Chili High School Library**.

RRLC will also honor the following **American Library Association Award** Winners:

- **Michelle Costello and Kim Davies Hoffman** for the **2011 Association of College and Research Libraries Instruction Section Innovation Award**
- **Ed Rivenburgh** for the **2011 Virginia Boucher OCLC Distinguished ILL Librarian Award for IDS Project**
- **Micquel Little** for the **2011 Reference and User Services Association STARS-Atlas Systems Mentoring Award**

Please join us for the luncheon meeting, starting at 12:00 noon. Help us celebrate the wonderful things going on in RRLC libraries. For more information or to register, please go to <http://www.rrlc.org>.

Central Library of Rochester and Monroe County becomes an Affiliate Library of Familysearch

The **Central Library of Rochester and Monroe County** announces they have expanded their genealogy resources. **Familysearch**, a genealogical company based in Salt Lake City, UT, has named the Central Library of Rochester the newest Familysearch affiliate library. This means library patrons will have greater and more convenient access to the wealth of genealogical resources available through Familysearch. This extends access to the Familysearch collections by circulating microfilms of the historic records through selected public libraries. It is a priceless resource for local residents interested in discovering their family tree. Less than 5% of the world's genealogy records are available online, and people have to travel to the archives nationally or worldwide to find the records they are seeking. With this access via microfilm, the farthest that they need travel is to the Rundel Building of the Central Library.



Judy Marsh receives the 2011 SLSA & EMTA Distinguished Service Awards

Judy Marsh, Director of the School Library System at Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES is the recipient of two honors:

- The **2011 School Library Systems Association SLSA Distinguished Service Award**. The award is presented to a School Library System Director for providing outstanding contributions to school librarianship and to the School Library Systems Association of New York State, Inc. Judy has shown exemplary performance in all of the award guidelines including: professional leadership, professional service, information sharing, collaboration, quality programs and creative service.
- The **2011 Distinguished Service Award from the NYS Educational Media/Technology Association (EMTA)**. The award is presented in recognition of professional leadership, information sharing, creative services, quality of programs and professional service.



Congratulations, Judy!



Summer School 2011

Highlights of this year's summer school include "**Gaming in Libraries 2011 Update**" presented by

Brian Mayer and the return of **Peggy Sharp**, expert on children's books, who will share the best new children's books of 2011. [Click here for list of Summer School 2011 Programs scheduled.](#)



Monroe Community College

Peg Stallworth has recently been promoted from Senior Library Clerk to **Library Assistant** at the **LeRoy V. Good Library at Monroe Community College**.

Cheryl Griggs was promoted from Senior Library Clerk to **Principal Library Clerk** at the **LeRoy V. Good Library at Monroe Community College**.

Alice Harrington Wilson is **Monroe Community College's** latest recipient of the **SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship**. Alice has served on the Faculty of the LeRoy V. Good Library since 1998. She has earned a B.A. from LeMoyne College and an M.L.S. from Syracuse University. Her outstanding work with students, involvement with regional and college information literacy efforts, work in college governance through Faculty Senate and committees, interest in new innovations through work on the gadgets/e-book initiatives and leadership in the LibGuides efforts were all mentioned in her nomination letters. Congratulations Alice!

The College at Brockport

Debby Ames is having a banner year. Not only is she being recognized for 35 years of service at **The College at Brockport**, Debby was awarded the **SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship**. Congratulations Debby!

Looking Back

I am retiring this summer after 36 years as a librarian in Rochester having enjoyed every minute of my career. I've worked in public, special and academic libraries and as an Information Broker and have seen lots of changes. My first book catalog was produced with punch cards. The first computer terminal was a teletype TTY with a phone modem and a speed of about 10 characters per minute which I thought was blazingly fast! Evalu Neff was the Library Council director and it still had three R's in its name. From the beginning I've belonged to various local library groups. How many of you still remember the RRLC Small and Medium Sized Corporate Librarians, the Monroe County Library Club, the Sybron Librarians, or the Business Librarian's Picnic?

The one thing that has not changed in all that time is the support, friendship and help I have received from each of you. You welcomed me from the beginning, sharing your knowledge and empathizing with problems. You were my support system during all those years in solo libraries. I couldn't have done it and wouldn't have enjoyed it without your friendship and encouragement. You were even there at the wedding and baby showers and the layoffs and funerals. I thought about throwing a big party where I could thank each of you in person but knew it would be impossible. So, thank you all for everything!

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Five Digital Collections Added to FLAG Heritage

Libraries and historical organizations in the Rochester Regional Library Council are always adding new materials to the Finger Lakes and Genesee Heritage website (FLAG Heritage). FLAG invites you to take a closer look at five of its newest digital collections appearing on <http://www.flagheritage.org>.



Taylor Civil War Letters

To coincide with the 150th anniversary of the Civil War, **Hobart and William Smith College's Warren Hunting Smith Library** has recently digitized a collection of Civil War letters. Soldier Edward H. C. Taylor (1840-1905) wrote these letters to his friends and family during the time of the Civil War and now you can read them online in his original handwriting. The bulk of the letters date from 1860-1864, when he was serving in the Union Army. According to Sara Greenleaf, Associate Librarian at HWS, "Edward H. C. Taylor was a student at Hobart College, and is listed as a member of the class of 1861, though I'm not sure he officially graduated due to his service in the Civil War." (<http://www.flagheritage.org/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=%2Fp15109coll16>)

The Newark Public Library Postcard Collection

In 1901, businessman Henry Cunningham Rew turned his boyhood homestead in Newark, New York into the Newark Free Public Library. Mr. Rew, a gas magnate, frequently traveled both abroad and throughout the United States, and he always sent postcards to the library from all of the places that he visited. Librarian Ona Imhoff collected these postcards and preserved them. Over time, postcards of local interest were also added to the collection. Librarian Peg Pelletier of the now named **Newark Public Library** selected postcards showing early scenes from New York and scanned them for FLAG Heritage. (<http://www.flagheritage.org/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=/p15109coll4>)

Brockport Village Glass Plate Negatives

College at Brockport, Drake Library transferred the first third of its rare glass plate negative collection into digital form. These pictures, by George F. Gueff, present a rare glimpse of life before World War I. Photos of families at their home, or the Fair or Old Home Week have been captured in beautiful detail. Brockport Librarian Mary Jo Gigliotti notes that many are not identified, so any help with identification would be greatly appreciated. <http://www.flagheritage.org/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=/p15109coll10>

Jackson Health Resort Collection

This past spring, a group of graduate students from the **University of Buffalo's Library and Information Studies** department worked with **SUNY Genesee** librarian Liz Argentieri to select and scan materials from the Jackson Health Resort Collection, part of Milne Library's Genesee Valley Historical Collection.

In 1858, under the leadership of James Caleb Jackson, a natural hot springs sanatorium named "Our Home Hygienic Institute" and founded by Nathaniel Bingham in Dansville, was rebranded as "Our Home on the Hillside." Jackson, noted as the inventor of granula cereal, promoted the Home's water cures and grew the health spa into one of the largest in the world. The spa went through a variety of names and eventually came to be known as Dansville's "castle on the hill." The digital collection includes menus, photos promoting healthy costumes of dress, and other interesting memorabilia associated with the now defunct health resort.

Carl Schmidt Collection of Two-Dimensional Drawings

Carl Schmidt was a local architect who had a keen interest in historic preservation and conservation. Schmidt wrote a number of books on early American architecture and architectural elements, particularly focusing on homes in the Genesee Valley area. The Schmidt Collection at **SUNY Genesee's Milne Library** includes his manuscripts, measured drawings, slides, and correspondence. Milne has generously digitized a selection of his beautifully and carefully rendered pencil drawings for FLAG Heritage. <http://www.flagheritage.org/cdm4/browse.php?CISOROOT=/p15109coll14>

Important Note: FLAG Heritage is part of the larger online Heritage repository New York Heritage. It will be merging its identity with NY Heritage in the near future. Readers hoping to find FLAG Heritage materials after June of 2011 should visit <http://www.nyheritage.org>.



Serving the "Unaffiliated": RRLC's Outreach to Unaffiliated Health Professionals Award

Through an award from the **National Network/ Libraries of Medicine /Middle Atlantic Region**, RRLC implemented the "**Extending the Reach: Health Information Resources for Unaffiliated Health Professionals**" project during 2010/2011. Using the CLIC-on-Health For Local Health Professionals page http://cliconhealth.org/Training/Local_Health_Professionals/ as a "gateway" to clinical and consumer health resources, online training was conducted onsite at nine health agency partners with more than 150 nurses and other health professionals participating. A series of tutorials and user guides have also been created and are available for self-guided study, 24/7. http://www.cliconhealth.org/Training/Local_Health_Professionals/Tutorials/. A mobile version of CLIC-on-Health has been developed and will be particularly useful for the nurses and other healthcare professionals that were a part of the Outreach Award.





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Executive Director: *Kathleen M. Miller*
 Business Manager: *Susan Vanderwall*
 Outreach Librarian: *Barbara Ciambor*
 Librarian: *April Younglove*
 Regional Archivist: *Preston Pierce*
 Administrative Assistants: *Janet Altimonda*
 Sally Collins

RRLC Calendar

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| <p>Jun 1 "Research Writing & Publishing Local History"
<i>Henrietta Public Library 1:00PM - 4:00PM</i></p> <p>Jun 2 RRLC Board of Trustees Meeting
<i>RRLC Conference Room 10:30AM - 11:30AM</i></p> <p>Jun 2 RRLC Annual Membership Meeting
<i>Casa Larga Vineyards 12:00PM - 2:30PM</i></p> <p>Jun 7 "26; Or, Why the EBook Market is so Confusing"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 11:00AM</i></p> <p>Jun 9 "Mobile Library Websites"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 11:00AM</i></p> <p>Jun 15 Clic-on-Health Steering Committee
<i>RRLC Conference Room 9:00AM - 11:30AM</i></p> <p>Jun 15 "Past Perfect Basic Training"
<i>RRLC Training Center 1:30PM - 4:00PM</i></p> <p>Jun 23 "OCR and CONTENTdm"
<i>RRLC Training Center 1:00PM - 3:00PM</i></p> <p>Jun 28 "Instructional Multimedia Websites"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 11 Summer School: "Word 2007: Beyond the Basics"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 12 Summer School: "Gaming in Libraries - 2011 Update"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 4:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 13 Summer School: "Introduction to Social Media: Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube, Flickr, Tumblr"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 19 Summer School: "Clic-on-Health Update"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 21 Summer School: "Search as Conversation: the 'Net @ 2011"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 25 Summer School: "Google Docs: Collaborate and Share Documents, Spreadsheets and Presentations"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 26 Summer School: Part 1
"Sign Language for Library Staff"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 27 Summer School: "What's New In Children's Books"
<i>Kate Gleason Auditorium, Central Library 9:00AM - 4:00PM</i></p> <p>Jul 28 Summer School: Part 2
"Sign Language for Library Staff"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> | <p>Aug 2 Summer School: "Publisher 2007: Beyond the Basics"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Aug 3 Summer School: "NOVELNY Update"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Aug 4 Summer School: "Free Digital Collections II"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Aug 9 Summer School: "Creating Library Brochures Using Word" Part 1
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Aug 11 Summer School: "Creating Library Brochures Using Word" Part 2
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Aug 17 Summer School: "Excel 2007: Beyond the Basics"
<i>RRLC Training Center 9:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Aug 18 Summer School: "Publicize Your Library Event Using Facebook, Twitter and a Flyer"
<i>RRLC Training Center 10:00AM - 12:00PM</i></p> <p>Sept 12 Library Assistants Meeting and Pizza Night TBA
<i>RRLC Conference Room & Training Center 5:30PM- 7:30PM</i></p> |
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For more information on any of these events go to:
www.rrlc.org and click on Learning & RRLC Events.

Employment Opportunities

- Substitute Part-Time Library Aide**, Brighton Memorial Library, Rochester, New York
- Curator**, Wallace Center's Melbert B. Cary, Jr. Graphic Arts Collection, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY
- System Administrator**, Wallace Center, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York
- Archivist and Special Collections Librarian**, Warren Hunting Smith Library, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY
- Research and Instruction Librarian**, Warren Hunting Smith Library, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY
- Science Information Services Coordinator**, Binghamton University Libraries, Binghamton, New York
- Technical Services Assistant**, Binghamton University Libraries, Binghamton, New York
- UDC Library-Information Commons Reader Services Coordinator**, Binghamton University Libraries, Binghamton, New York

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