



PLS System Meeting – Summary August 23, 2013 @ Pioneer Library System

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Birds of a Feather: Basics of Circulating E-Reader Devices – with Chris Finger, Pat Finnerty, Ron Kirsop, Lindsay Stratton; **18 attendees**

TWiki: <http://plum.pls-net.org/twiki/bin/viewauth/Members/Meetings/SystemMeeting20130823>

Announcements

Cassie (PLS):

- Pathfinder – submission deadline for short caption and photo - Aug 30
- Pioneer Awards – nomination forms on the website near bottom of page, deadline is Sept 6
- Annual Dinner is Oct 9 at Valley Oak Event Center, and Jerry Nichols is the keynote speaker. Flyers will be going out week of 8/26. Please note registration due date Sept 25
- Oct 25, Legislative Breakfast. This year legislators will do a video shoot and tell what libraries mean to them and/or their constituents; to be held at Henrietta Public Library, a collaborative effort between Pioneer and Monroe County libraries.

Betsy (PLS):

- Reminder that its renewal time for Movie Licensing USA— giving rights to libraries to show movies in their building; is not for off-site viewing. See [TWiki](#) or contact Jeanne to renew or add/cancel license. It is assumed that if you make no changes to the table, then your status remains as is. Deadline Sept 6.

Lindsay (PLS): OWWLAC Tues 8/27. Please contact your representative; OWWLUG Sept 27. Contact Lindsay with suggested topics.

Heidi (PLS): Fall Support Staff Workshop is scheduled for Friday, Oct 4. Flyers listing all the programs have been sent out. Contact Heidi regarding 3D supplies for Leah's program.

Pat (PLS): September is Sign Up for Library Card month. This is a good time to sign up for the Geek program. Contact Pat. Think ahead for fairs & community events!

Laurie (BLO): Ontario County libraries had booth space at the OC Fair (cost for week \$100 + \$20 parking). Laurie brought in the Geek Boards used and they were filled with post-it notes of what the attendees Geek. A successful program and lots of positive library conversations.

Elly (VIC): We reached users who made a connection and it was a great cooperative effort.

Wendy (HPL): Ontario County funding has been cut and bringing attention to this and that patrons need to speak up

Sharing

Melissa (CS): Announced the Newark's Youth Services Librarian, Krystina Hardter, is the Interim Director at Newark Library. The search for a new director is on-going.

Cathy (LIM): Lima received a Target Grant to enable them to hire a Theatre Troupe from MA for 2 days of performances and workshop.

Melissa (CS): Clifton was awarded a NY Reading and Discussion Grant and this is their 3rd series. Newark was also awarded this grant. Program requires a theme, budget, and must be scholar facilitated. (loose definition, CS has a former educator, and resume is sent in with application) Easy to apply for grant. 1st year Clifton picked from the list of themes; after that, chose their own.

Jenny (CAN): Wood Library's upcoming fundraiser Super Star Showcase & Extravaganza, Sept 14. Held at FLCC, 7pm. This year library is spending \$ to make \$. A wide variety of acts such as Rochester Ballet, sword swallower, juggler—will keep the audience guessing. Construction at the library is on-going.

Janet (PER): The United Way's community calendar has a listing of libraries in Livingston & Wyoming counties and community events. Call and they will send. The calendar is designed with pre-schoolers in mind.

Perry received funding from Rotary to design a library calendar as a give-away. It contains activities following the RAP – *Read Around Perry* theme.

Wendy (HPL): Honeoye received a DEC grant (Decentralization) that is funding a potter in residence. The artist is making tiles in the library's basement area that will fill a 4'x6' wall space, need about 300 tiles. Artist helps residents make and then help with install. A great educational opportunity. A cool partnership and the library will have a permanent display.

Wendy spoke about her experience working with WXXI recording for a segment for NPR on Role of Libraries in American Life. NPR contacted ALA who gave them a list of NYS libraries that loaned fishing poles and Honeoye was chosen. The program also talked about Human Libraries.

Programs:

[Affordable Health Care Act and Free Direct Access Plan](#)

Affordable Health Care Act (AHCA)

Speakers: Cassie Guthrie & Pat Finnerty

Presentation: [link on system meeting page](#)

Highlights:

- ALA sent out press release saying libraries are resource for e-government and libraries are there to support it
- YouToons video giving explanation of Affordable Health Care Act, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JZkk6ueZt-U>
- Resources: Affordable Health Care Act ([see August 23, 2013 System Meeting TWiki page](#))
- Open enrollment **10/2014- 3/31/15**
- NYS of Health launching official health plan: <http://nystateofhealth.ny.gov>
- Upcoming webinars: 8/28 WebJunction and 8/29 NYLA (see calendar of events)
- Visit [WebJunction](#) FAQ page
- Each county will have a navigator assigned to help people understand and sign-up for AHCA. Some libraries have already been contacted to assist patrons/individuals
- There are 3 ways to sign up for AHCA : online, mail, phone
- Library partnerships, What can libraries do?
 - Spend time reviewing the NYS of Health website
 - Assign a point person as the go-to for keeping up with resources and keeping staff informed
 - Review computer access policies
 - See <http://blackfootlibrary.org>

- What can PLS do?
 - Can PLS have a Point Person Boot Camp? Will help libraries provide consistent info and to keep informed
 - Should a general press release be issued about the role of libraries in our area? Perhaps a preventative and positive press release letting folks know the libraries' role
 - Provide staff with a script describing the libraries' role; so each is confident of where to draw the line. Staff are not insurance/medical experts
 - Keep list of navigators assigned to each county
- Williamson - on Sept 30 at 5 pm, a free Educational Workshop on the Affordable Care Act for Small Business Owners. The workshop is being presented by the S2AY Network — a Rural Health Network funded by the New York State Department of Health as part of their small business assistance program.
- WADS and Warsaw has been contacted by navigator

Free Direct Access (FDA) Plan

Facilitator: Betsy Morris

- Links on [system meeting TWiki page](#):
 - History; 1998 Pathfinder article; 1999 FDA Plan; Overview of 2013 FDA Draft Plan; the 2013 Draft Plan; and samples of usage stats.
- Steps to finalizing the 2013 FDA Plan:
 - Review draft
 - Member libraries comment/feedback
 - Revisions
 - Final draft take to the library boards (need over 50% to approve)
- Review talking points as you review the draft and talk to your boards
- Note highlighted areas on document. There is a fine balance between providing free access and considering your chartered service area taxpayers. May need to set priorities for computer usage and program attendance. We want to define inequities.
- It is **very important to code properly** when issuing a library card. All usage statistics consider these entries
- **Opportunity**: As you do renewals for library cards, pay attention to the residency codes and school codes
- OWWLAC will also address FDA; please contact your representative or Betsy or Lindsay
- Betsy will be happy to attend the September 6 PLSDAC meeting to further discuss the FDA plan
- Betsy will add a topic to TWiki
- Timeline – to have plan completed and approved by the end of the year. Many, many changes to the library landscape and the 1999 plan is no longer reflective of current library/usage/funding climate