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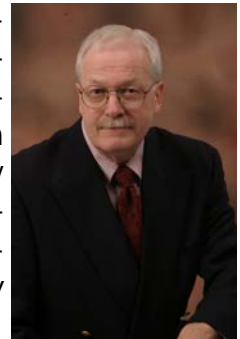
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First Annual UHLS Trustee Training Conference

The UHLS Directors Association has asked for a Trustee Training Conference with topics suitable for all levels of library trustees - those serving their first terms as well as long-time trustees. The UHLS Management Team, with the assistance of three member library directors, is in the process of making this happen.

The Conference will be held on Thursday, **September 21, 2006** from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at the Clarion Hotel, formerly the Quality Inn on Watervliet Ave. Ext. in Albany (at Exit 5, Everett Road, on I-90). UHLS will underwrite most of the expenses for the Conference, but there will be a nominal fee of \$15 per person to help cover the cost of the buffet dinner.

The Conference will be led by James L. Farrell, Jr., formerly with the New York State Division of Library Development and now a Consultant specializing in public libraries and their Boards of Trustees. His presentation, from 4:00 - 6:00 PM, will cover: the types of libraries in New York State; the powers of Trustees and their responsibilities; Director/Board relations; Director/Staff/Trustee Evaluations; and the relationship of the Upper Hudson Library System with its members.



A buffet dinner will be served at 6:00 PM, and during dinner Trustees will engage in Table Talks - discussing a pre-determined topic at each table with the aid of a facilitator. The topics for the Table Talks are listed on the registration form and attendees are asked to select their top three preferences and will be assigned to a table accordingly.

Following dinner, there will be a Question and Answer follow-up to James Farrell's presentation as well as comments and suggestions generated by the Table Talks. The program will conclude at 8:00 PM.

Invitations have been mailed to library Trustees and Directors. Deadline for registrations is **September 1, 2006**. There is a registration form included in this newsletter for your information. If you have any questions about the Conference, please contact your library director or Philip Ritter, UHLS Executive Director at 437-9880 x222. We are looking forward to making this an annual event. Please join us!

Around the State

Professional Development Opportunities

Nylink classes through December 2006 are open for registration.

Nylink is offering some new classes in this calendar year such as *FirstSearch for Genealogists*. They've also broadened their online offerings to include such topics as *Data Mining for Libraries* and *Metasearch: The Big Basket*.

Register while room is still available! Go to <http://nylink.org/training.htm> for additional information.

Nominations Sought

The Regents Advisory Council on Libraries and EBSCO Information Services are co-sponsoring this year's Joseph F. Shubert Library Excellence Award. The \$1,000 award will recognize a library or library consortium in New York State that has taken significant steps to improve the quality of library service to its users.



For more information about the Shubert Award and the application form, please go to <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/advscns/rac/index.html>, or contact Tina Murphy at (518) 474-5957 or via e-mail at tmurphy@mail.nysed.gov. Applications must be received by **August 1, 2006**.

Grants

Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions

Preservation Assistance Grants help small and mid-size institutions, such as libraries, museums, and historical societies, archival repositories, town and county records offices, and colleges, improve their ability to preserve and care for their humanities collections. These may include special collections of books and journals, archives and manuscripts, prints and photographs, moving images, sound recordings, architectural and cartographic records, decorative and fine arts, textiles, archaeological and

ethnographic artifacts, furniture, and historical objects.

Successful applicants will be awarded an outright grant up to \$5000. Applications are due by May 15, 2007. Further information is available at the National Endowment for the Humanities website at <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/pag.html>

Libri Foundation

The Libri Foundation donates new, quality, hard-cover children's books to small, rural public libraries through its Books for Children Program. The Foundation works with the Friends of the Library or other local organizations and seeks to encourage and reward local support of libraries.

Libraries are qualified on an individual basis. In general, a library should serve a population under 10,000 (usually under 5,000), have a very limited budget, be in a rural area, and have an active children's department. Rural is usually considered to be at least 30 miles from a city with a population over 40,000.

Applications are accepted from independent libraries as well as libraries that are part of a county, regional, or cooperative library system. The average total operating budget of a Books for Children grant recipient is less than \$40,000. The Foundation will match on a 2-to-1 ratio funding (from \$50 to \$350) that the Friends, or other local sponsors, contribute. The Foundation awards grants three times a year, with the next deadline (postmarked) being **July 15, 2006**. Other annual deadlines are December 15 and March 15. Complete program information is available at www.librifoundation.org/.



Consultation Grants

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) invites applications for consultation grants that help non-profit organizations such as museums, libraries, historical organizations and community organizations develop humanities projects. Grants up to \$10,000 may be used to meet with advisers, program partners and representatives of target audiences; travel to relevant collections; seek out advisers; and develop humanities projects. The NEH will publish new guidance on the program this summer. Current guidelines should be used only for reference. Deadline is **September 16, 2006**. Call (202) 606-8267 or visit www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/public-consult.html.

Programs Targeting Children with Disabilities

CVS/pharmacy is providing organizations the opportunity to apply for a Community Grant for projects that fall within certain funding guidelines. Currently, proposals are being accepted for 1) programs that target children under 18 with disabilities that address any of the following: health and rehabilitation services; public schools promoting a greater level of inclusion in student activities and extracurricular programs; and creating opportunities or facilities that give greater access to physical movement and play; and 2) health care services for uninsured people. To determine eligibility, visit the web site listed below to participate in the pre-screening process and complete an application form. Successful pre-screening applicants will be notified within four to six weeks as to whether funding will be provided. Funding amounts vary and applications will be accepted through October 2006. Visit www.cvs.com/corplnfo/community/community_grants.html for additional information.

SMARTer Kids Foundation Grants

The SMARTer Kids Foundation provides grants for technology product discounts. Grants are available to all public or private, accredited and not-for-profit educational institutions, as well as authorized home schoolers, museums, science centers and libraries involved in K-12, college, university, vocational, and technical instruction or administration. Available grants include: 1) e-Instruction educational technology products; 2) SMART Products such as SMART Board interactive whiteboard and SMART Ideas concept-mapping software; 3) PREP grant for SMART products discounts for teacher professional development facilities; 4) NEC Visual Presentation Products such as projectors. Online application and more information available on www.smarterkids.org. Deadline is **September 30, 2006**.

Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy

The US Department of Health and Human Services announced "Understanding and Promoting Health Literacy." This program encourages research on health literacy as it relates to the National Institute of Health's goal of improving health for persons with medical and behavioral disorders and conditions.

Health literacy involves individuals, families, and communities. Too often people with the greatest health burdens have limited access to relevant health information. In part, this is due to the cumbersome ways health information is presented, and due to individuals' limited abilities to interpret and understand terminology and instructions.

This Funding Opportunity Announcement invites applications to develop research on health literacy. Details can be found at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-06-132.html>. Deadline for the Letter of Intent is **September 13, 2006**.

UHLS News

UHLS Annual Dinner

The 45th Annual Dinner meeting was held in June at the Franklin Terrace Ballroom on Campbell Avenue in Troy. There were 138 attendees who enjoyed the cuisine prepared by Michael's Catering and the after-dinner presentation by Magician Jim Snack.

Charles Diamond, UHLS Board President, noted that the large attendance at this meeting proved that the Upper Hudson Library System and the member libraries were "bucking the national trend" in volunteerism.

Rachel Baum, Chair of the UHLS Nominating Committee, presented the slate of Trustees for the UHLS Board as follows:

- Brian Hartson - representing the Guilderland Public Library for his first 5-year term which expires in 2011
- Mary Alice Molgard - representing small Albany County libraries for her first 5-year term which expires in 2011
- Richard Young - representing small Rensselaer County libraries to complete Anne Evans' term which expires in 2009

The slate was unanimously voted into office.

Erin Apostol, Chair of the UHLS Services Committee, presented the Library Program of the Year Awards to the Albany Public Library for the "Bookmobile" and to the Guilderland Public Library for "Consumer Health @ Guilderland."

Patrice Hollman, Jedda Ray-Gayle, Will Takach, and Thea Reed accepted on behalf of the Albany Public Library. Maria Buhl, Ellen Doolin and Barbara Nichols Randall accepted on behalf of the Guilderland Public Library.

Magician Jim Snack, the featured presenter, spoke on "The Magic of Making a Difference." He pointed out that people, such as library trustees and staff, who make a difference, all have similar qualities. They have: focus, vision, teamwork and a strong support structure within which to work. Various audience members assisted

him with the magic tricks that he used to illustrate his points. His assistants included Nancy Pieri (Director at Bethlehem); Lucy Owens (trustee at N. Greenbush); Jedda Ray-Gayle (staff member at Albany); Tony Kossman (trustee at Altamont); and the four who showed the value of support: Rawdon Cheng (UHLS staff member), Will Takach (Albany staff member); Tom Kracker; and Jim O'Shea, (Trustee from Berne Public Library) .



It's amazing what teamwork can do!

Coordinated Outreach Advisory Council

The Services Committee of the Upper Hudson Library System's Board of Trustees approved changes to the Coordinated Outreach Advisory Council at their meeting on May 10, 2006.

Terms for the Coordinated Outreach Advisory Council have been changed from calendar year terms to terms beginning July 1 and ending June 30. Terms of current members will be extended to match the new dates. This will fit better with the current mini-grant review schedule.

The Board voted to accept two new Advisory Council members to replace Ed Kennedy (Inmate Services, Albany County Jail) and Mary Perrin Scott (Job Development Specialist). The new Council members are Kathleen Grady (Inmate Services at the Rensselaer County Jail) and Karen Weeden (Director of Interpretive Services at Northeast Career Planning).

Adult Services

Jo-Ann Benedetti, Manager— ext 225

GAC Billing

OCLC has removed restrictions for Selective Users (also called GAC libraries) of the ILL system and now permits use of the entire database. Because of this status change, Selective Users will not longer be a part of a group managed and billed through CDLC. Effective with the July, 2006 invoice, member libraries who are selective users will be billed by Nylink directly. Please contact CDLC's Marie Noonan at 518-438-2500 if you have questions.

E-Rate Reimbursements

It is that time of year again. The 2005-2006 e-rate fiscal year has just ended and it is time to submit actual telephone charges to telephone vendors for reimbursement.

UHLS will be filling out *Billing Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form* (Form 472) on behalf of its libraries over the next few weeks. Please send a list of all of your phone charges from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007 to UHLS so we can submit these forms on your behalf.

Please contact Jo-Ann at 518-437-9880 ext 225 with any questions about e-rate reimbursement.



Professional Collection Update

The following books have been recently added to the professional collection:

Association for Library Services to Children. *The Newbery and Caldecott Awards*. Chicago: American Library Association, 2006.

Dolnick, Sandy. *The Essential Friends of Libraries: Fast Facts, Forms and Tips*. Chicago: American Library Association, 2005.

Dresang, Eliza and Gross, Melissa. *Dynamic Youth Services through Outcome-Based Planning and Evaluation*. Chicago: American Library Association, 2006.

Kan, Katharine. *Sizzling Summer Reading Programs for Young Adults*. Chicago: American Library Association, 2006.

MacDonald, Margaret Read. *Twenty Tellable Tales: Audience Participation Folktales for the Beginning Storyteller*. Chicago: American Library Association, 2005.

Maxwell, Nancy Kalikow. *Sacred Stacks: The Higher Purpose of Libraries and Librarianship*. Chicago: American Library Association, 2006.

Office for Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association. *Intellectual Freedom Manual*, 7th ed. Chicago: American Library Association, 2006.

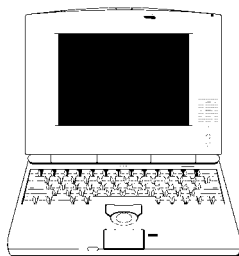
Sullivan, Michael. *Fundamentals of Children's Services*. Chicago: American Library Association, 2005.

To request an item from the Professional Collection, just request it through Horizon. It will be sent to you through the courier. Please do not remove items from the Professional Collection without checking them out.

Albany Public Library—Main

Computer Fun and Learning for Kids

APL's Sixth Annual Computer Camp will be at two locations, the Main Library and the John A. Howe Library this year. Children ages 7 to 14 can learn the basics of computer programming and how to build their own websites. The Library's partners, Schuyler Mansion, Albany Center Galleries, and Apple a Day will also contribute exciting programs to the Camp. "Computer Camp is designed to give kids insight and knowledge to go beyond using the Internet for fun. Our goal is to help children become computer and technology literate and to create a spark that will ignite an interest in technology as a career path, not just as entertainment," said Librarian Scott Jarzombek, who is directing the project.



Computer Camp will be in two sessions, each two weeks long, at the Howe Branch from July 15 to 26, and at the Main Library from July 22 to 26. To register or for more information contact the Howe Branch at 472-9485 or the Main Library Children's Department at 427-4310.

Weird Wednesday Movies

Step right up and enjoy the spectacular, the bizarre, and the creepy in this summer film series at the Main Library. On Wednesday, July 5, we will begin this series with a screening of Tod Browning's *Freaks*, the 1932 classic starring real sideshow celebrities. On Wednesday, July 19, Roger Corman's 1954 film, *The Creature From the Black Lagoon* will be the feature presentation. Showtimes are 7:00 PM in the Main Library's auditorium. To enhance this cinema experience we are also premiering a new and improved projection and sound system! Summer is the perfect time to take a vacation from your conventional life to celebrate the weird at APL.

Will's Garage Small Engine Repair and Maintenance

Do you have a lawnmower or other gas powered garden equipment that just won't start? Don't go out and buy a new one, fix the one you have! In this do-it-yourself program, Outreach Librarian Will Takach will conduct a hands-on presentation, discussing small engine troubleshooting, repair, and maintenance. Learn how to tune up your machine and keep it running that way throughout the season. Also, learn the most common problems that arise with small engines and how to fix them with an emphasis on related books found in library's collection.

Attendees are welcome to bring their non-running equipment for demonstration. A brief question and answer session will follow the program. Come and join Will in the garage at the rear of the main library on Saturday, July 15 at 12:30 PM. Call 427-4325 for more information.

Meet the Author:

Doris Aiken, founder of R.I.D. (Remove Intoxicated Drivers) talks about her book, *My Life as a Pit Bull* at the Main Library Tuesday, July 11 12:15 PM.



Teen Friends Group

Learn how teens can make a difference at the New Scotland Branch this summer! Anyone who has completed the 6th grade can get involved in planning exciting programs, parties, and new additions to the collection. Also help with Summer Reading Programs and other library activities. Call Melissa at 482-6661 for more information or stop by the New Scotland Branch for an application.

Bethlehem Public Library

Evenings on the Green

Enjoy summer concerts each Wednesday evening in July starting at 7:00 PM. Bring a blanket or lawnchair. Concerts will be held indoors if it rains.

July 5: **Dyer Switch** (bluegrass)

July 12: **Hour of Need** (familiar and original rock tunes)

July 19: **Annie and the Hedonists** (folk, blues, standards)

July 26: **Skip Parsons** (Dixieland jazz)

Summer Reading: Not Just for Kids Anymore!

Basking In Books, a summer reading program for adults and high school students, is in full swing at Bethlehem Public Library. Participants are invited to read books in any genre and fill out a comment slip for each book they read. Slips will be posted so that comments can be shared with other readers. Each slip will be entered in a weekly drawing for prizes from local merchants. Comment slips are available at the library information desk. Program runs until August 18. Call 439-9314 for more information.



Kids Cookin by the Book

A summer of tasty activities is in store for school-aged children at Bethlehem Public Library. Call 439-9314 to register for one or all of the following:

- Thursday, July 6, at 3:00 PM: Personal Pretzels (grades 2-5)
- Wednesday, July 19, at 11:00 AM: International Foods (grade 3-6)
- Thursday, July 20, at 3:00 PM: Snacks for Birds and You, Too! (grade 2-5)
- Thursday, August 3, at 11:00 AM: Food, Fun and Fitness (grade 2-5)
- Thursday, August 31, at 11:00 AM, Apples (grade 2-5)



Kids Cooking by the Book: families, food, libraries and literacy is a project supported by federal LSTA funds awarded to the NYS Library by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and distributed by the Upper Hudson Library System.

Scavenger Hunt

Clues will be planted all around *The Children's Place* at Bethlehem Public Library for a Scavenger Hunt on Monday, July 24, at 11:00 AM. For grades 4-8; call 439-9314 to register.

Brunswick Public Library

Summer Reading Program Fun

The Summer Reading Program kicked off at the Brunswick Community Library on June 24th, with an ice cream social and book swap. Other SRP events will include a magic show by Merdwin the Mediocre, a combat demonstration by the Society for Creative Anachronism, a visit from children's author/illustrator Matt McElligott, a visit from the Leapin' Lizards of the Children's Museum of Science and Technology and an End of Summer Celebration with juggler Incredible Larry. For the complete schedule of our adult and children's programming, including book groups and weekly story hours, please check out our website at www.brunswicklibrary.org.

Children's Librarian Sought

The Brunswick Community Library has an opening for a Part-time Children's Librarian. Responsibilities include program planning, event coordination, reference/circulation desk services, material selection, and collection maintenance, presentation of weekly story hours, and a Summer Reading Program. Some evening and weekend hours. Available immediately.

Please send cover letter, resume, and three references to julie@brunswicklibrary.org.

Cohoes Public Library

Summer Activities for Kids!

Please join us this summer for fun-filled activities!

Rowdy the River Rat is coming on Wednesday, July 5th, at 1:30 PM to kick off our Summer Story Time / Craft Hour. All ages are invited!

On Thursday mornings from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, we will have knitting classes for kids in grades 2 through 7. Classes run from July 6th through Aug 10th.

Come to a special event every Thursday at 1:30 PM throughout the summer!

- July 6: Poppytown Puppets and Music
- July 13: Magician Jim Snack
- July 20: Musician Skip West
- July 27: Entertainer J. Ernie McHale
- Aug 3: Dean Davis and his Amazing Animals
- Aug 10: Ventriloquist Steve Charney and Harry
- Aug 17: Cohoes Fire Dept with Rescue Dog Marcie and Cohoes Police Dept with K-9 Officer Spike
- Aug 24: Awards ceremony for the Summer Reading Program

Guilderland Public Library

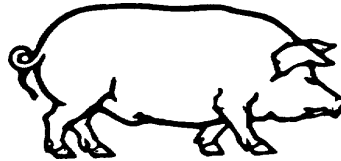
Cinderella Project

This is the perfect time to make room in your closet! The Guilderland Public Library is hosting a dress drive on behalf of The Cinderella Project of the Capital Region. On Friday, July 21 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM we will be collecting gently-worn formal dresses, bridesmaid dresses and prom dresses as well as other related accessories. This collection will give young women the opportunity to select a prom dress, free of charge, and attend their proms feeling confident and stylish on that special day. We are especially in need of dresses in sizes 16 and up! For more information and donation acceptance guidelines please call 456-2400 x 7.

Library Recipient of Chamber Award

The Guilderland Chamber of Commerce bestowed the 2006 Guilderland Community Beautification Achievement Award on the Guilderland Public Library Community Literary Gardens for the 2006 Best New Construction Achievement Award.

Have You Seen the Pig?



The Guilderland Public Library has gone "Hog-wild!" The library is a strategic location in a community-wide project to emphasize people, philanthropy and the arts called "Pigtacular!" We've named our pig, "Harry Porker!" He'll be on display at the library, so please stop by to see him. Harry is a fiberglass life size porcine statue decorated by guest artist Tom Kracker!

Rensselaer Public Library

Rensselaer Public Library Welcomes a New Director!

Jane Chirgwin recently accepted the position of Director of Rensselaer Public Library, replacing Ken Ryder.

Jane received her MLS in 1995 from Albany. Her first position was director of the Argyle Free Library. While still working at Argyle part-time, she began as Children's Librarian for the Mechanicville Library. She took a maternity break for three years, then started a dual position as Children's Librarian for Sand Lake Town Library and Brunswick Community Library in 2003. Now, as Director of the Rensselaer Library, she is taking on many challenges- automating, reorganizing and weeding. She welcomes any volunteers, advice or donations of equipment. "I'm currently looking to purchase a used receipt printer," she says.

Voorheesville Public Library

Summer Concerts

Please join us for three concerts this summer on the library lawn.

- ♫ July 12: The GTOs
- ♫ July 26: Dyer Switch Band
- ♫ August 9: Annie & the Hedonists

Each concert begins at 7:00 PM. Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy the music and refreshments.

When Imaginations Run Wild: A Poetic Art Reception

The Every Other Thursday Night Poets, who have been meeting and promoting poetry events at VPL for fifteen years, are proud to announce the publication of their first anthology, *Poetry Don't Pump Gas*. The book contains the work of 16 poets and was made possible with financial assistance from the Friends and Board of the Library.

On Thursday, August 3, at 7:00 PM, listen to selected readings from this anthology and view artwork in the Hall Gallery. Everyone is invited to meet the poets/artists. Refreshments will be served.

Junior Nimblefingers



Youngsters in grades 3 and older are invited to join our established group of experienced quilters, sewers, knitters and crafters to work on projects together. Join us every Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM.

Young Writers Day with Author Carol Parenzan Smalley

Children's author Carol Parenzan Smalley brings clues (some of which require library skills) that lead to a hidden treasure chest located within the library. Inside the chest are prompts that will unleash the children's imagination for telling and writing stories. This is for kids in grades 3-8 who are interested in publishing their own stories. Sign up is necessary. Thursday, July 27 at 2 PM.

Watervliet Public Library

Three Cheers for Maplewood School!

On Saturday, June 10th, volunteers from the United Way "Hands on Capitaland" generously gave of their time and energy to paint, plant and freshen the Library. Our young volunteers from Maplewood School worked happily and tirelessly all day and made a big difference.



Summer Reading Fun

We are gearing up for our Summer Reading Program with the following activities:

Tuesday, June 27 at 11:00 AM, join **Rowdy the River Rat** mascot as he kicks off our Summer Reading Program with a story and a craft.

Monday, July 10 at 10:30 PM enjoy "**Life of a Pirate**", presented by Thinkamajigits & more.

Thursday, August 24 at 11:00 AM, join us for "**The Magical Power of Reading, Searching for Hidden Treasure**" by J. Ernie McHale, Magic Show.

A book lying idle on a shelf is wasted ammunition. Like money, books must be kept in constant circulation. Lend and borrow to the maximum -- of both books and money! But especially books, for books represent infinitely more than money. A book is not only a friend, it makes friends for you. When you have possessed a book with mind and spirit, you are enriched. But when you pass it on you are enriched threefold. ~ Henry Miller



The Upper Hudson Library System is sponsoring
A Trustee Training Evening in September
and you are invited.

WHEN: 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Thursday, September 21, 2006
WHERE: The Clarion Hotel, Watervliet Ave. Ext., Albany
COST: \$15 per person includes Buffet dinner

4:00 - 6:00 PM Speaker (Jim Farrell, formerly with the New York State Division of Library Development, now an independent consultant specializing in public libraries and their Board of Trustees)

6:00 - 7:00 PM Buffet Dinner with Table Talks

7:00 - 8:00 PM Summaries of the Table Talks and Questions & Answers

 Table Talks are informal discussions, held over dinner and guided by a facilitator. Following is a list of topics. Please check the boxes for your top THREE preferences; we will try to assign you to one of your selected topics. Only one topic will be discussed at each table during dinner.

- Library policies (including Board By-Laws)
- Re-chartering
- Hiring and evaluating a library Director
- Advocacy and Community Interaction
- Board and Staff relationship
- Upper Hudson Library System services for member libraries
- Intellectual Freedom and Censorship
- Library Automation and technology
- Building projects (accessibility/ADA)
- Fund-raising (including grants, foundations)
- Disaster plans

Name: _____

Library Affiliation: _____ Phone # _____

Address: _____

Please enclose a check for \$15 made out to **Upper Hudson Library System** and return with this form to: Upper Hudson Library System
28 Essex St./ Albany, NY 12206

Deadline for registrations is September 1st. Following receipt of your registration, we will send directions to the Hotel and your Table Talk topic.

Calendar of Events

July

- 03 Riverway Planning Committee 9:30 AM—12:00 PM at UHLS
- 04 4th of July—UHLS Closed**
- 7 Directors' Association Meeting 9:00 AM at UHLS
- 12 Database Maintenance Committee 9:30 AM at UHLS
- 19 Horizon Basics Training 9:00 AM—12:00 at UHLS
- 19 Adult Services Advisory Council
- 25 Automated Services Committee 9:00 AM at UHLS

August

- 04 Directors' Association Meeting 9:00 AM at UHLS
- 07 Riverway Planning Committee 9:30 AM—12:00 PM at UHLS
- 09 Administration Committee 4:00 PM at UHLS
- 09 Services Committee 3:30 PM at UHLS
- 09 Finance Committee 4:00 PM at UHLS
- 09 Board of Trustees 4:30 at UHLS
- 10 PULISDO workshop 9:00 AM—5:00 PM at UHLS
- 15 Deadline for Latest Edition**
- 16 Horizon Basics Training 9:00 AM—12:00 at UHLS

September

- 01 Directors' Association Meeting 9:00 AM at UHLS
- 04 Labor Day—UHLS closed**
- 07 Growing a Reader Workshop 8:00 AM—5:00 PM at UHLS
- 11 Riverway Planning Committee 9:30 AM—12:00 PM at UHLS
- 11 Administration Committee 4:00 PM at UHLS
- 12 Central Library Advisory Council 9:15 AM at APLM
- 13 Horizon Basics Training 9:00 AM—12:00 at UHLS
- 13 Services Committee 3:30 PM at UHLS
- 13 Finance Committee 4:00 PM at UHLS
- 13 Board of Trustees 4:30 at UHLS
- 20 Resource Sharing Committee 9:00 AM at UHLS
- 21 Trustee Training Conference 4:00 PM—8:00 PM at the Clarion Hotel, Watervliet Ave, Albany, NY
- 22 Youth Services Advisory Council 9:00 at UHLS
- 26 Adult Services Advisory Council 9:30 AM at UHLS

Board of Trustees

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MISSION STATEMENT: The Upper Hudson Library System (UHLS) coordinates programs and activities to assist and complement the resources and efforts of its twenty-nine member libraries to improve library and information services in the local communities of Albany and Rensselaer counties.

VISION STATEMENT: Upper Hudson Library System and its twenty-nine members will operate as a consortium and be a part of a dynamic statewide and national network, operating in cooperation and collaboration with educational and cultural organizations, community human service agencies and the business community to provide library and information services to the people of the Capital Region of New York State.

QUOTE: There are two motives for reading a book: one, that you enjoy it; the other, that you can boast about it. ~ Bertrand Russell

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