Resource Sharing

- Academic libraries are reminded to complete and submit their Coordinated Collection Development Aid forms to receive these funds.

- I made arrangements for Emily’s departure. Emily brought Sue R. up-to-date on OCLC ILL processes. Sue will work with Kathy and assist with ILL until we replace Emily’s position. Amy is helping to maintain ILL files and statistics; Chris is helping out with the courier service; and Kari is overseeing DAP. Emily and Kathy gave staff an overview of the courier service, which is complex and something to review once Emily’s replacement is hired.

- Prior to leaving, Emily completed some additional ILL eForm tutorials. Emily also met with Kari and migrated all resource sharing pages on our web site from Joomla to LibGuides. Emily also worked with staff to make sure we had needed resources.

- CDLC staff and some reps. from other councils met with IndexData (CaDiLaC) to discuss their FOLIO project. IndexData is interested in getting assistance with development and getting supporters/users. I’m not sure yet what our role will be (if anything) but it is something to keep an eye on.

Special Library Groups


- Kathy Corbett is retiring at the end of the calendar year and I’ll be determining a new CALA staff liaison, a title Kathy has held for many years!

- Chris and I met to review electronic resource options for the hospital libraries. We are able to fully subsidize McGraw-Hill’s Access Medicine for most of the hospitals, and will also be fully subsidizing a second title for all hospital libraries in the next year.

- The Interest Groups have begun meeting again; RIO meets monthly and the Preservation Group met in September.

Professional Development and Continuing Education

- Our Member Showcase (Sept. 28) at Maria College was well-received and Maria was a very gracious host. All of the speakers presented well, which may lead to additional programs. I plan to make this an annual event, in some format.

- We continue to expand our education calendar. Upcoming programs include an Audio Preservation workshop co-sponsored with the University at Albany (Oct. 18), Engagement Through Visual Design (Oct. 30), Preparing Students for College Level Research (Nov. 27), and two RAAC-sponsored webinars in the winter.
● We signed up for several AMIGOS Library Services webinars to be hosted at CDLC and open to members—they are all on our public calendar.

● I attended the Greater Hudson Heritage Network Conference, and heard from many excellent speakers. I also have ideas for potential contacts and partners for the oral history project.

● I attended the Academic Libraries The Library Is Open Conference and we will be having a follow-up discussion in our region. I was really impressed by the speakers here too, including a current library school student. I also networked with members and will be following up with The Sage Colleges re: a possible project.

● Amy and I are working on Annual Meeting location, date and content.

● Several staff attended a NYLA-sponsored webinar on virtual and augmented reality projects to give a general understanding of what these projects are about and what they entail.

Consulting and Development Services

● Sue continues to spend about five hours per week at the New York State Department of Transportation to assist them with library operations. We will be assessing this service to see how it is working on both ends.

● Chris and Emily met with Maria College staff to give them an overview of MISP (Medical Information Services Program).

● Susan visited the Caldwell-Lake George Public Library to review their archives collection for an upcoming basement renovation.

Communication among Member Libraries and Library Systems

● We are again partnering with Questar III SLS to offer a symposium on Preparing Students for College Level Research on Nov. 27. Academic and K-12 librarians are on the program and we are adding public librarians and college students to the program.

● All three committees met and reviewed organizational priorities. I am reviewing notes from these discussions and net with the committee chairs to assign project teams and to share information.

● The Collection Development Committee will be hosting its first event to highlight member collections at Siena College on Nov. 16.

● After we have a new Resource Sharing Coordinator in place, I’ll be revisiting a meeting with the public and school library systems to discuss regional delivery.

● I met with the three committee chairs to share information and to review and set committee and organizational priorities.

● Kari redesigned the member newsletter to be more mobile-friendly and to make it more visually appealing.

Coordinated Services

● Schenectady County Historical Society, Siena College and Union College added new collections or items to NY Heritage. Susan is also working with SUNY Schenectady CC to add items to NY Heritage.
Awareness and Advocacy

- Siena College is hosting an event to debut their Je Me Souviens project on Oct. 18, which Susan and I will be attending. This project was a joint collaboration between the library and a French professor, to preserve Franco-American communities in NY, with content added to NY Heritage.

- Although CDLC was not specifically mentioned, thanks to Maria College our Member Showcase was mentioned in the Times Union!

Cooperative Efforts with other Library Systems

- I’ve been working with Maria DeGaetano (ELD Coordinator) in preparation for issuing the RFP for Empire Library Delivery. ELD libraries are receiving a survey to complete; results will be used to develop the content of the RFP. The ELD Advisory Group is meeting in November to review results.

Administrative/Planning/Misc./Other

- CDLC’s Resource Sharing Librarian, Emily Wager, resigned and her last day was October 3. The job was posted and the Search Committee met to review applications and determine candidates to interview. We will be interviewing three candidates in late October and I hope to have someone in place by the end of the calendar year.

- CDLC’s Office and Bibliographic Assistant, Kathy Corbett, has announced her retirement after 35 years of dedicated service to CDLC. I am determining how to fill this position.

- Kari got a trial to SpringShare’s CRM and we’ll be trialing it over the next several months.

- UHLS provided some sample letters for seeking auditing services; I’ll be working with the Finance Committee and the Business Office on this.

- We will be sending out the member survey to get general member input on CDLC services.