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READS

REFERENCE AND ADULT SERVICES SECTION

October/November 2022 Newsletter

READS Election & Annual Meeting



Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote in the READS 2022 Election for the Board positions of Vice President and Treasurer. The results of the election will be announced at our Annual Business Meeting on **Tuesday, October 25th**, at the NELA/NHLA Conference. If you can't attend the Business Meeting in-person, join us virtually with the following Zoom credentials:

Topic: NHLA Business Meeting/READS meeting to follow

Time: Oct 25, 2022 07:45 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom

Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85270244426?pwd=SkFCSlc2TGZiVkrXQjUyc05LdHBwdz09>

Meeting ID: 852 7024 4426

Passcode: 649513

In preparation for our Annual Business Meeting, please review the board's:

- [Annual Business Meeting Agenda](#),

- [2021 Annual Meeting Minutes](#) (To be voted on at the Annual Business Meeting),
- [2022 READS Board Report](#).

Thank you for your time and commitment to READS!

READS at NHLA/NELA



Connect with READS at the NELA/NHLA Joint Conference! Join us on **Tuesday, October 25th**, for the READS Annual Fall Business Meeting and attend a variety of presentations from your Reads Executive Board Members throughout the Conference.

Presentations

Sunday, October 23rd at 4:30 PM

Book Club Kits: READS-To-GO & the NH Kitkeeper Program

“This program will explain how New Hampshire developed its book club kit lending program and later integrated Plymouth Rocket’s Eventkeeper as a kit reservation system. It will include how titles are chosen and practical issues such as deciding kit contents and lending schedules. There will be a tutorial on the use of NH KitKeeper followed by a Question and Answer session. The objective of this program for non-NH attendees is to learn how to develop a similar program in their state. NH attendees will learn how to better utilize the NH KitKeeper Program at their home libraries.

Monday, October 24th at 12:45 PM

Handling Book Challenges

“During this session, panelists will discuss recent book challenges their libraries faced and how they navigated these objections. Most of us are familiar with the basic strategies for dealing with reconsideration; having a robust acquisitions policy, making sure messaging is consistent, and memorizing ALA statements regarding intellectual freedom, but facing these highly charged situations in the moment is easier said than done. Join us for this important discussion on a timely subject, and brainstorm practical strategies for handling these difficult interactions.”

Tuesday, October 25th at 9:00 AM

Craft Alley: Providing Socially Distanced Craft Programs to Adults, & Transitioning Back to In-Person Programs One More!

“One successful program adopted by librarians across New Hampshire during the pandemic were Take and Make Adult crafts. Michelle Bellavance (Derry Public Library), Mary Ellen Carter-Gilson (Nashua Public Library), Sue Harmon (Manchester City Library), and Jane Martina (Wadleigh Memorial Library) will showcase popular Adult take-and-make crafts from their libraries, and answer questions about how they choose, design, and distribute these monthly offerings. Stop by to learn some tips to get started with your own program, or tips on transitioning to in-person program sessions, while keeping the safety of our patrons in mind! Sample kits will be available to take on a first-come first-served basis.”

For more information about the Conference and to view the detailed program schedule, click [here!](#)

We can't wait to see you there!

READS-To-Go: Tips & Tricks



Try a READS-To-Go Kit for your book groups this Fall! Borrowing a kit couldn't be easier. For more information and to learn READS-To-Go tips, check out the "[KitKeeper Made Easy](#)" instructions, the [Detailed Documentation](#) instructions, or watch READS To-Go-Chair, Brianna Hemmah, in the

"[Kitkeeper Overview](#)" video. With so many new kits to choose from, you'll be sure to find your next book group's favorite read! To browse READS-To-Go Kits and to make a kit reservation, click [here](#).

If you have any questions or feedback please contact the NH KitKeeper team at nhkitkeeper@gmail.com or by phone at the Laconia Public Library (603-524-4775) or Hooksett Public Library (603-485-6092).

Call for Submissions: READS Programming Database and READS Repository



Did your library host some fun programs this Summer? Did you create some creative book displays, signage, or social media posts? Share it with your fellow NH Librarians in the [READS Repository](#) and [Programming Database](#)! Both the Program Database and READS Repository are living organisms that are full of submissions from libraries across the state. Anyone who has hosted or created an Adult Services related program is encouraged to share on both platforms.

If you haven't seen our latest video on how to share your Canva Creations to the READS Repository, check it out [here](#)! This process is a simple way to share your event flyers, social media posts, craft instructions, tech instructions, and SO much more!

Submission couldn't be easier:

- For the repository: Email your PDF, png, jpeg, or Word document, to READSrepository@gmail.com and use the subject line: Steal This Content!
- For the Programming Database: Simply fill out the questions on the [Adult Program Recommendations Form](#).