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SLI Newsletter
The latest news and updates from the Sustainable Libraries Initiative

CONGRATULATIONS!

Kinderhook Memorial Library
Kinderhook, NY

&

Elwood Public Library
Elwood, NY

on becoming certified sustainable! We commend you for your commitment and achievement. If you’re interested in learning more, click the links below to read their press releases!

Kinderhook Press Release
We welcome our new members to the Sustainable Libraries Initiative! We’re happy to have you. Thank you for your joining our community of practice, and demonstrating your commitment to making the world a better place.

Sustainable Library Certification Program Members:

- Alexandria Library
  Alexandria, Virginia
- Belen Public Library
  Belen, New Mexico
- Bigelow Free Public Library
  Clinton, Massachusetts
- John Jermain Memorial Library
  Sag Harbor, New York
- Olive Free Library
  West Shokan, New York
- Sussex County Library System
  Vernon, New Jersey
Sustainable Libraries Initiative Members:

**Personal Members:**
- Abigail Porter, Lynnfield, Massachusetts
- Jenny Parker, Dubuque, Iowa
- Karlee Martin, Malone, New York
- Rebecca Wells, Iowa State University

**Public Libraries:**
- Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, New York
- Hewlett-Woodmere Public Library, Hewlett, New York
- North Liberty Library, North Liberty, Iowa
- Pequot Library Association, Southport, Connecticut
- Penn Wynne Library, Wynnewood, Pennsylvania
- Victor Farmington Library, Victor, New York
SLI UPDATES

Come See Us at these April Conferences!

From April 3rd to 5th, the Sustainable Libraries Initiative will be meeting in Columbus, Ohio for this year’s PLA Conference!

Find us at booth number 718 to learn more about the SLI! Register for our newsletter, grab some freebies, or simply stop by to say hi!

We will be hosting a raffle for a Run the Jewels x Ben and Jerry’s prison reform t-shirt! Tickets will cost $2 and the winning ticket will be drawn on Friday, April 5th at 12:00 PM. Proceeds of the raffle will go towards supporting our organization.

Not going to PLA? Come see us at the Connecticut Library Association conference in Groton, Connecticut between April 28th and 30th!

We will be tending booth number 56 for anybody who would like to swing by and visit our table.

The SLI is excited about these opportunities and we look forward to seeing you there! Stay tuned for announcements about other upcoming conferences.
The SLI is Hosting our First-Ever Annual Report Presentation!

On Friday, April 12, at 1:00 pm EST, the Sustainable Libraries Initiative will be presenting the organization’s 2023 Annual Report!

This event, hosted on Zoom, will be a cohesive recap of our growth, successes, reach, and impact as a community of practice last year.

For non-members, the presentation serves as an opportunity to learn more about our work, how to get involved, and our influence across the United States and Canada.

For members, the event will be a rewarding opportunity to see how their commitment to sustainability contributed to the success of the program as a whole. The actions of several individual entities really do make a strong collective impact!

All are welcome to join us as we share highlights, statistics, testimonials, and words of wisdom from the past year as an organization.

The link to register can be found on our website, as well as underneath the “For Your Calendar” section of this newsletter.
PrintReleaf empowers SLCP members to offset the paper and fiber-based materials consumption of your library, in order to sustain and grow our global forestry system. SLCP members can submit your paper purchases here.
Thanks to the SLI's partnership with CCP Solutions, Sustainable Library Certification Program members have collectively offset the equivalent of 14.9M letter pages of paper consumption by reforesting 1.79K trees!
Keep up the good work!