# Savvy Progressive Advanced Radical Knowledgeable Connections

# Long Island School Library Systems' 8th Regional Institute

*Presented by*

*Judy Ashby*
*Nassau BOCES*
*Program Supervisor*

*Sara Kardasz*
*Western Suffolk BOCES*
*Program Administrator*

*Carl Vitevitch*
*Eastern Suffolk BOCES*
*Administrative Coordinator*

## November 2, 2021
## 9:00 – 2:00 pm
## Online via Zoom

Schedule of Events

| | |
|---|---|
| 9:00 am | Welcome |
| 9:10 am | ***We Need to Talk: Framing Conversations among K-16 Librarians for Student Success***<br>presented by Caroline Fuchs<br>and Heather F. Ball |
| 10:30 am | Break |
| 10:40 am | ***Sustainable Libraries Initiative Certification Program for School Librarians***<br>*presented by Annemarie Gordon*<br>*and Annesley Gersztoff* |
| 11:40 am | Break |
| 11:50 am | ***The Goal of Greater Truth***<br>presented by Linda Sue Park |
| 12:50 pm | Grade Level Break-Out rooms – Eat your lunch and chat with your peers about the school year |

# We Need to Talk: Framing Conversations among K-16 Librarians for Student Success

Presented by Heather F. Ball and Caroline Fuchs

To ensure student success, teacher-librarians need to break out of their traditional K-12 and higher education silos and begin action-oriented conversations. But where do we begin? Do we even have a common understanding of information literacy or speak the same "language"? Based on their research study, two academic librarians will demonstrate how the three foundational documents used by K-16 educators and librarians – the Common Core State Standards, the American Association of School Librarian Standards, and the ACRL Framework for Information Literacy in Higher Education – provide the initial groundwork for enabling conversations, connections, and collaborations among all teacher-librarians. Join them for a discussion of their findings, which suggest that information literacy concepts are designed to be taught along a learning continuum. Together we can build new pathways for success.

ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY

*Heather F. Ball*

*Caroline Fuchs*

Heather F. Ball the Critical Pedagogy Librarian for Student Success at St. John's University, as well as an Assistant Professor. She holds an MLS with a dual certificate in Preservation and Archives from Queens College, as well as an MLitt (University of Glasgow) and Bachelor's (NYU) in Medieval Studies. She is also currently an information science doctoral student at the University at Buffalo, SUNY. Her research interests and publications span qualitative and quantitative data analysis, assessment measures, information literacy instruction, digitization and encoding of historical manuscripts, Geoffrey of Monmouth, and twelfth-century Britain.

Caroline Fuchs serves as the University Librarian and associate professor in the St. John's University Libraries. She is a passionate advocate for providing open and inclusive access to information resources that empower student researchers to engage in the kind of scholarship that allows them to question what they know in order to create new knowledge that will be transformative in nature. She holds an MLS, an M.A. in English and an M.A. in history, and is a Senior Fellow at the Vincentian Center for Church and Society. Active in the national library community, she has held key leadership and executive positions in the American Library Association (ALA), the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL), the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA), and Core. She currently serves on the board of the Catholic Research Resources Alliance (CRRA).

# Sustainable Libraries Initiative Certification Program for School Librarians

Presented by Annesley Gersztoff and Annemarie Gordon

What is the Sustainable Libraries Initiative Certification Program and how can it help you and your school work towards becoming more environmentally conscious, socially equitable, and economically responsible? This informative discussion will introduce our award-winning certification program and outline the process involved in obtaining certification. An explanation of the concept of triple bottom line decision-making will be given with an emphasis on how it is used in our step by step program to guide you through professional growth that will benefit you, your library, and your school.

*Annesley Gersztoff*

Annie Gersztoff is the School Library System Director for Capital Region BOCES in Albany, NY. She has been a part of the development of the school librarian portion Sustainable Libraries Initiative, and is currently a member of the Sustainable Libraries Initiative Advisory Committee. Annie was an elementary school librarian for 13 years, and a District Lead Librarian for 6 years. She serves as a Trustee of the Capital District Library Council, and is also serving as a member of the ALSC Committee for Notable Children's Digital Media. Annie is passionate about helping school librarians advocate for their students through building robust, vibrant library programs. Outside of work, you can find Annie spending time with her family, playing soccer, or baking cookies.

Sustainable Libraries Initiative

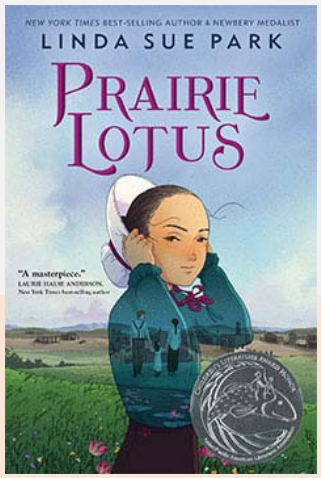
*Annemarie Gordon*

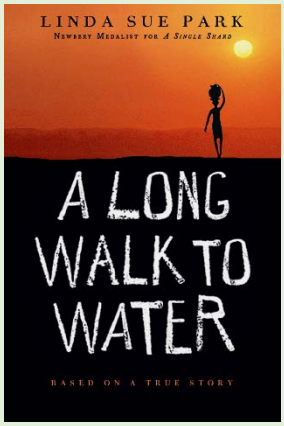
Annemarie Gordon (she/her), Sustainability Coordinator for the Sustainable Libraries Initiative and the Suffolk Cooperative Library System, is a librarian and recent graduate of the University at Buffalo's MILS program. Her library experience includes serving as a Trustee and Treasurer at the Brookhaven Free Library and as computer trainer in libraries and schools in Midcoast Maine through an AmeriCorps project. You will find her outside all year round, skating, surfing, snowboarding, and stand up paddling.

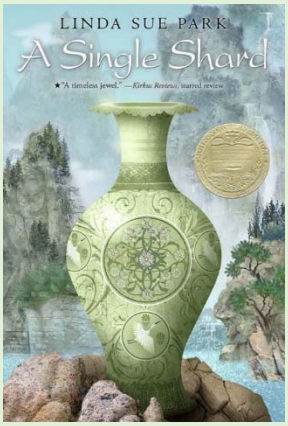
# The Goal of Greater Truth

Presented by Linda Sue Park

Linda Sue Park will talk about how children's literature can help students seek out fuller and richer learning experiences. Using some of her titles (*The One Thing You'd Save, Prairie Lotus, A Long Walk to Water)*, she will focus on the importance of the role of the teacher/librarian in presenting and sharing books for young readers.



## *Linda Sue Park*

Linda Sue Park is the author of many books for young readers, including the 2002 Newbery Medal winner A SINGLE SHARD and the NYTimes bestseller A LONG WALK TO WATER. Her most recent title is THE ONE THING YOU'D SAVE, a collection of linked poems. The daughter of Korean immigrants, Linda Sue serves on the advisory boards of We Need Diverse Books and the Rabbit hOle children's literature museum project. She also created the website kiBooka.com, a listing of kids' books by Korean Americans & Korean diaspora. Linda Sue knows very well that she will never be able to read every great book ever written, but she keeps trying ayway. Visit her website at www.lindasuepark.com; follow her on Twitter @LindaSuePark.

# Thank you to our Sponsors for their support!

**EBSCO is Proud to Support**
the Long Island SLS Regional Institute

*EBSCO Regional Sales Manager*
**Shawntel Remy**
sremy@ebsco.com
978-414-0541

EBSCO

FactCite®

Celebrates the School Libraries of Long Island

www.TheLincolnLibrary.com

Read to Them®
Creating a Culture of Literacy in Every Home™

**Providing family literacy programs to over 2 million families, 3,000 schools and 49 states**

Mary Curcio
New York State
Regional Coordinator
mary.curcio@readtothem.org
315-783-4284

ROSEN digital

**Teen Health & Wellness**
real life · real answers

SPOTLIGHT ON GLOBAL ISSUES

**Judi Dzikowski** | 315-706-3350 | rosendigital.com

# *final thoughts...*

*Thank you for participating in this informative day.*
*Please remember to complete the survey **here.***

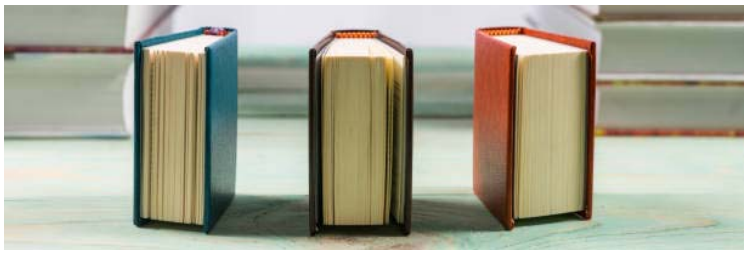
***Thank you to our sponsors for making this event possible:***

Read To Them
Mary Curcio

Rosen Digital
Judi Dzikowski

Lincoln Library Press/Fact Cite
Susan Gall

EBSCO
Shawntel Remy




Judy Ashby
Nassau BOCES SLS
Program Supervisor
One Merrick Avenue
Westbury, NY 11590
(516) 608-6650
JAshby@nasboces.org

Sara Kardasz
Western Suffolk BOCES SLS
Program Administrator
31 Lee Avenue
Wheatley Hts, NY 11798
(631) 595-6834
SKardasz@wsboces.org

Carl Vitevitch
Eastern Suffolk BOCES SLS
Administrative Coordinator
627A N. Sunrise Service Rd.
Bellport, NY 11713
(631) 286-0891
CVitevit@esboces.org