

## Connecting With Teens @ Your Library

Webinar Chat Transcript – 10/4/11

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Joanne Roukens 2: Good afternoon everyone! This is Joanne Roukens. I am providing tech support this afternoon. If you have any problems with your audio/video during the program, we find that exiting and re-entering the meeting room fixes most things. If your problem persists or you are having another tech issue, please call me at 201-874-6885

Jenine Lillian: Thank you!!!

Sophie Brookover: #LLNJ\_connecting

Joanne Roukens 2: And to Like us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/librarylinknj/](http://www.facebook.com/librarylinknj/)

Kimberly Hall: Greetings all!

katie llera: Hi everyone!

Joanne Roukens 2: I was attending a webinar from the Center for Non-Profits on 5 trends in Technology that will shape our new reality

Kathy Mulholland: Hi; from Freehold Public Library

katie llera: Hi I am from Milltown Public Library and I'm a first timer

Amanda Heidema: Hello! I am a first timer and am from Cape May County Library

Camille Thompson: Hi all! I am actually not Camille Thompson, I'm her colleague Darby DeCicco. Camille was registered but staffing issues came up.

Camille Thompson: Hi!

Karen Mitchell: Hi everyone! I'm the teen librarian at Highland Park Public Library, and this is my first time doing a Library Link Webinar

Gina Cacace: Hi, I'm from the Free Public Library of Monroe Township...I'm a first timer too!

Gina Cacace: Hi Karen! I grew up in HP, what a great library.

Gina Cacace: yes, south Jersey

Gina Cacace: exactly!

Rebecca Magnan: Greetings everybody from the Wharton Public Library!

Gina Cacace: I just started last week

Beth Cackowski: Hi everyone :-)

Karen Mitchell: Gina, you are right! HP is such a great town!

Kathleen Gruver: I'm the YA librarian for Burlington County Library System, and as Sophie mentioned, I'm also a Member at Large for NJLA's YA section. This is actually my second webinar with Library Link - the first one was on Facebook.

Beth Cackowski: Hahaha!

Gina Cacace: Hi Beth!

Beth Cackowski: awww, me too!

katie llera: Hi Beth!

Amanda Heidema: Hello Beth!

Joanne Roukens 2: Covered in the webinar I Just came from: 5 Trends in Technology 1) Social Media & Your eCommunity- 10 Commandments of Social Media 2) How Crowdsourcing Will Save You Money 3) SMS and the Rise of Anywhere Wireless 4) Why You Should Pay Attention to Virtual Worlds 5) The Evolution of the Customer

Beth Cackowski:they better be ;-)

Beth Cackowski:JK

Joanne Roukens 2:10 Commandments of Social Media  
1. Thou Shalt Participate in the Conversation  
2. Thou Shalt Not Lie  
3. Thou Shalt Not Hire a 3rd Party to Write Nice Things About You  
4. Thou Shalt Talk in Real Words – Not Corp Speak  
5. Remember Thy Community and Keep It Holy  
6. Thou Shalt Not Be a Wimp  
7. Thou Shalt Not Complain When People Are Mean  
8. Thou Shalt Write What Is Worth Reading  
9. Thou Shalt Not Pontificate About What Thou Knowest Nothing About  
10. Thou Shalt Have a Sense of Humor  
Nonprofits

Beth Cackowski:Jenine has cool hair!

Jenine Lillian:ty!

Jenine Lillian:lol

Jenine Lillian:favorite quote so far: "raising their little gender neutral hand"

Jenine Lillian:~)

Jenine Lillian:awww...

Sophie Brookover:Thank YOU for being here & sharing your expertise!

Jenine Lillian:type them here

Sophie Brookover:And thanks, @freeholdlibrary and @jeninelillian for following @librarylinknj on twitter!

Sophie Brookover:If you are live-tweeting this session to capture your own notes or share insights with your personal learning network, please use #LLNJ\_connecting! Thanks!

Kathy Mulholland:Developing a Teen advocacy/friends group

Gina Cacace:I second that!

Seth Stephens:I agree too

nancy voitko:Yes, I third that !

Sophie Brookover:yes, we should be in good shape!

Beth Cackowski:Ideas for teen volunteers

nancy voitko:TAB for me

Kathy Mulholland:Basically same...we call ours TLC

Gina Cacace:I think TAB / teen advocacy is the same

Seth Stephens:for me TAB

Sophie Brookover:Beth -- are you talking about recruitment/management? Or activities for them to do? Or both?

Beth Cackowski:Activities for them to do

Sophie Brookover:Attend events at school -- college fairs, frex.

Kathy Mulholland:A space for unstructured time together.

Seth Stephens:Concreate results - see they had impact

Linda Hoffman:college info

Camille Thompson:Not sure if this is what you're looking for, but right now we're having a big focus on the future and future plans for teens (college, military, jobs, etc.)

Sophie Brookover:@Kathy -- they've designed some nice spaces for that at Camden County Library (Voorhees branch) and AC Public Library.

Gina Cacace:teaching them how to be informed and active citizens

Kathy Mulholland:I know. Andrew Carnegie didn't think too much about that, though. :(

Camille Thompson:haha Kathy, we have the same problem here in New Brunswick

Kathy Mulholland:LOL like any of us are going to disagree...

Sophie Brookover:"Don't you want them to read a real book?" (speaking derisively about GNs)

Seth Stephens:@sophie HAha

Rebecca Magnan:Yes, graphic novels here too.

Linda Hoffman:especially in the digital world!

Kathleen Gruver:GNs? I have fellow staff members who don't want to count magazine reading toward summer reading. Should have heard them when I suggested reading online fan fiction should count!

Jessica Ferguson:Yes - but...in the real world they still need to know how to read!

Sophie Brookover:Jenine, do you mean the DK books themselves, or things in that style?

Sophie Brookover:Can you offer a specific title?

Sophie Brookover:Ahh, yes!

Seth Stephens:yes

Jessica Ferguson:Does anyone else just "act" like they don't like something so they'll be interested? I'm guilty of it!

Amy Ipp:I am not familiar with zines

Sophie Brookover:<http://zinewiki.com/>

Amy Ipp:Are they both online and in print?

Sophie Brookover:They are now.

Sophie Brookover:They're underground, self-produced magazines. A lot of them started out as fan-based paeans to things (music, fashion, books/authors) the creators loved.

Kathy Mulholland:We had a zine club but didn't reach critical mass.

Sophie Brookover:It's a niche market!

Kathy Mulholland:LOL yea. Big winner: STEAMPUNK JEWELREY.

Kathy Mulholland:non-fic also seems to appeal to males who don't like fiction.

Jessica Ferguson:more frustrated by figuring out what's appropriate

Jessica Ferguson:parents get bent out of shape about sex but the violence is usually WAY worse IMO

Camille Thompson:I felt that way for a while but I'm starting to feel like I have a handle on the graphic novel/comic/manga situation...it took a while though, for sure

Seth Stephens:yes, YA vs Adult question is the biggest for us too

Kathy Mulholland:big challenge for us is facility/space; where to put collection.

Kathleen Gruver:I really like GNs/manga/manwha and order them for all age groups in my library system. Frankly, my big problem is other staff members who are hostile to the format

Karen Mitchell:I personally love graphic novels, so I feel quite comfortable. I find there are more "boy" graphic novels out there, however.

Jessica Ferguson:we split our YA collection for graphic novels and "regular" novels

Sophie Brookover:Kathleen, are they hostile based on the idea that books w/pictures are not for teens & adults?

Sophie Brookover:Or are their concerns content-based?

Kathy Mulholland:Need formats that can hold up to heavier use.

Jessica Ferguson:i think a lot of staff feel like its a fad

Kathleen Gruver:Both, I think.

Sophie Brookover:@Jessica -- HAH! A fad that's been around for, oh, 100 years.

Jessica Ferguson:right on!  
Amy Ipp:my middle school students really like the manga but are not very interested in the individual title of graphic format  
Sophie Brookover:(More, if you count the history of illustrated books as a whole.)  
Jenine Lillian:all alike or mixed up?  
Gina Cacace:I try to do a blend of formats  
Beth Cackowski:Displays: blend of formats, same genre  
Rebecca Magnan:Mostly books on a particular subject. Not usually mixed formats.  
Beth Cackowski:sure  
Kathy Mulholland:varies; sometimes just a keyword in a title.  
Linda Hoffman:both  
Christine Pelchat-Miller:all alike - display grouping by genre  
Amy Ipp:blend of formats on a current topic  
Beth Cackowski:cool  
Seth Stephens:generally a theme - based on the theme there may be a mix of fiction/ non-fiction or formats  
Jessica Ferguson:my best displays - or the ones most responded to - are when i just throw a bunch of stuff on a table and don't try to organize it at all! at the end of the day half of them have checked out!  
Kimberly Hall:blend with props  
Gina Cacace:what kind of props?  
Kimberly Hall:surfboards, skateboards, medical equipment, signs,etc.  
Gina Cacace:great ideas, thanks!  
Christine Pelchat-Miller:props - great idea. - with a mix ...'have to sell the staff on this!  
Sophie Brookover:@Jessica -- serendipity is alive & well!  
Camille Thompson:haha, we've never put out a prop that didn't get stolen, sadly :(  
Jessica Ferguson:what do you need by "promo"  
Kathy Mulholland:Mostly around teen read week.  
Jessica Ferguson:sorry - MEAN by "promo"  
Gina Cacace:@Camille oh no! that is something to keep in mind  
Linda Hoffman:Garden State Teen Books  
Jessica Ferguson:ok - yes, we do  
Kathleen Gruver:Garden State Teen Book Awards, also our Facebook page  
Amanda Heidema:i do use our facebook page a lot as well  
Kathleen Gruver:Book trailers rock!  
Beth Cackowski:that reminds me of Reading Rainbow  
katie llera:We use a survey for the teen magazines. It helps get them involved and lets us know what they are into.  
Kathy Mulholland:Book trailers are fun...video fan fiction.  
Kathleen Gruver:My Teen Advisory Board gives me recommendations for manga and anime.  
Kathy Mulholland:Like Hunger Games.  
Gina Cacace:I was thinking of putting some information on the desktop background of our computers in the teen area. We know they look at it when they first log on.  
Kimberly Hall:free website to create video book trailers Animoto.com

Jessica Ferguson:i give books to select ya program participants and at the beginning of the next meeting they give the entire group their review

Gina Cacace:Animoto is great!

Amy Ipp:I've done google surveys to learn more about reading preferences, i.e. e readers vs. print books

Amanda Heidema:shonen jump is probably one of our most popular manga magazines

Camille Thompson:we have teens write reviews of favorite books on fancy paper, decorate them, and post them in the teen room. teens love to see what other teens have recommended

Sophie Brookover:A previous webinar we held in May highlighted how to use Animoto. I'll dig up the link.

Amanda Heidema:shojo beat isn't made any longer :(

Jessica Ferguson:one of them has gone out of print

Kathleen Gruver:Shojo Beat is out of print.

Sophie Brookover:Sad!

Sophie Brookover:How about Shonen Jump?

Amanda Heidema:my teen girl manga fans were really dissapointed by that

Kathleen Gruver:I think it's because so much of the otaku community is online.

Jessica Ferguson:yes - beat is gone. right.

Jessica Ferguson:we had a funeral!

Amanda Heidema:lol

Jessica Ferguson:they were serious about it!

Kathy Mulholland:sortof

Amy Ipp:I really like how short this booktalk is, my students don't want lengthy ones

Linda Hoffman:I use Wordle to create laminated booktalk cards

Jessica Ferguson:I do a booktalk at our 1x week program - i am "allowed" 30 seconds to talk about as many books as I can.

Sophie Brookover:For those interested in Animoto -- check out Barbara DeSantis' blog. She's got a whole category of posts on using animoto:

<http://blog.discoveryeducation.com/bsdbsd/category/digital-storytelling/animoto/>

Sophie Brookover:I'll dig up a link to her webinar that included this tool.

Jessica Ferguson:yes!

katie llera:@Linda great idea!

Jessica Ferguson:My high score is 10!

Kimberly Hall:great idea Linda...thanks!

Jessica Ferguson:to be fair - there was a trilogy...

Linda Hoffman:Thanks! They are fun to create too!

Sophie Brookover:Everyone should have it.

Rebecca Magnan:What is NoveList?

Sophie Brookover:We get it through a wonderful deal with the State Library -- it's via our EBSCO contract with them.

Sophie Brookover:Here's a link to Barbara's first webinar on Digital Tools for Learning & Sharing: <http://librarylinknj.adobeconnect.com/p27fq9ykma/> (includes Animoto & a bunch of other great tools)

Sophie Brookover>Last year, there were MANY covers with an attractive girl lying on the

ground.

Sophie Brookover:It was her year!

Joanne Roukens 2:Here is the link to the recording of the Barbara DeSantis webinar we hosted where she talked about animoto - <http://librarylinknj.adobeconnect.com/p8bkay9su4m/>

Joanne Roukens 2:Together, sophie I posted both the webinars from Barbara!

Joanne Roukens 2:My posting is the webinar with animoto

Sophie Brookover:I am a huge fan of the Skulduggery Pleasant books.

Kathleen Gruver:I've actually been ordering the recent Skulduggery Pleasant books from the UK because they weren't released in the US.

katie llera:I've seen it

Kathleen Gruver:That was for me and my son personally, not the library (unfortunately).

Kathleen Gruver:There's a new one out now and I haven't been able to get hold of it yet. My sons love the series.

Kathy Mulholland:Bananagrams! <3

Jessica Ferguson:boggle. scrabble card game

Rebecca Magnan:Party games too - charades, wink murder

Kathleen Gruver:Silent Library!

Jessica Ferguson:apples to apples

Sophie Brookover:There are some amazing board games out there. They make RISK look like Chutes & Ladders

Camille Thompson:we've switched our game days from video games to board games and it's really successful! they can play video games alone at home...it seems like board games are a good reason to come out to the library b/c they need other teens to play

Kimberly Hall:fun manga maniacs activity...make rice balls together! yummm

Sophie Brookover:Illustrated Novel = Hugo Cabret.

Sophie Brookover:Or Diary of a Wimpy Kid.

Sophie Brookover:No, both for kids, not really for teens!

Amy Ipp:can we have specific series recommendations for Manhwa for middle school kids?

Sophie Brookover:I LOOOOVE Naked Reading.

Sophie Brookover:Teri did a pre-conference for the NJLA conference in 2009.

Sophie Brookover:Her slides are available on the NJLA Conference site, I believe.

Jenine Lillian:Advocacy: see Developmental Assets

Sophie Brookover:Jenine's slides will be archived on the page for this webinar:

<http://librarylinknj.org/content/connecting-teens-your-library>

Sophie Brookover:Along w/the recording of this webinar.

Sophie Brookover:And the chat transcript.

Joanne Roukens 2:Do you have a favorite program everyone?

Joanne Roukens 2:one that was a great hit and you want to share . All!

Kathy Mulholland:Pi Day Party (March 14); Harry Potter Party

Jenine Lillian:Teen Alternative Fashion Show

Amanda Heidema:i have a really great turn out for my game nights and the teen lock-in is always a big hit

Camille Thompson:Teen Cafe - cooking program we do monthly for teens

Seth Stephens:Harry Potter Trivia party

Joanne Roukens 2:share our email addresses  
Kathleen Gruver:Cupcake Boss - Big cupcake decorating party, pix of cupcakes went up on the Facebook page afterward.  
Kathy Mulholland:Don't think I could sell the director for a lock-in but that'd ROCK  
Kathy Mulholland:Candy Susi  
Rebecca Magnan:Container gardens was a big hit here.  
Kathleen Gruver:Silent Library - Videotaped this (with permission slips). Hysterically funny!  
Kathy Mulholland:Having a teen art auction in may; hoping to get manga-type art.  
Jessica Ferguson:we had the guy who wrote my dead girlfriend out - what's his name?!?! Eric Wight?  
Joanne Roukens 2:They are on MTV  
Amanda Heidema:i would love to do silent library  
Joanne Roukens 2:Silent library is an MTV program  
Seth Stephens:@camille with cooking program did you need any kind of training or permission for food handling?  
Kathleen Gruver:Based on the MTV program - they have to do crazy stunts AND remain silent while doing them.  
Sophie Brookover:My Dead Girlfriend is a great OEM.  
Joanne Roukens 2:its hysterical!  
Jessica Ferguson:yes - we had him at the library - he talked to our teens about writing and illustrating. I think it was \$500 - obviously that was grant money!  
Camille Thompson:@Seth, no but we do keep it very basic. anything that can be cooked in the microwave or on a skillet  
Joanne Roukens 2:skype  
Sophie Brookover:For those looking for good GN reviews, I highly recommend No Flying, No Tights, which just relaunched: [www.noflyingnotights.com](http://www.noflyingnotights.com)  
Seth Stephens:ok thanks  
Camille Thompson:@Seth, sometimes we don't even "cook" we just have them put together pasta salad with a precooked pasta or make sandwiches or something  
Kathleen Gruver:One of our branches has been very successful with Minute to Win It.  
Sophie Brookover:Just relaunched this week!  
Jessica Ferguson:we also participated in NaNoWriMo and did graphic novels  
Sophie Brookover:Also: Good Comics for Kids (hosted at SLJ's website):  
<http://blog.schoollibraryjournal.com/goodcomicsforkids/>  
Seth Stephens:thanks, that is what we are looking to do, but concerns were raised  
Rebecca Magnan:Making mini-journals  
Jessica Ferguson:they got at least a few pages done over the month. kids that couldn't draw paired up and one did story line and one did illustrations  
Kathy Mulholland:[thanks; got to go. :)]  
Sophie Brookover:Jessica, how did you manage NaNoWriMo?  
Amanda Heidema:paperback wallets out of old paperback books was really easy and my teens loved it  
Camille Thompson:ooo we also had a successful program with the teens where they made holiday cards and we sent them to soldiers

Kathleen Gruver:Duct tape crafts! Always a hit!

Jessica Ferguson:when we did the graphic novels each kid was given the option to work on their own or as a team. they elected who was going to develop character, story line, draw, etc.

Kimberly Hall:altered books

Seth Stephens:second the duct tape

Amanda Heidema:shrinky dinks are also great fun if you have an oven available

nancy voitko:Yes, recycled art craft - pop tab jewelry

Amanda Heidema:love the pop tab jewelry idea

Jenine Lillian:FUN!

Jessica Ferguson:this year we are going to do it again as a group with a short story (we only meet once a week) - i am going to separate it out as one week we make up characters, one week we make up plot. finally i'm going to have them each pick any part of the sotry to write a few paragraphs about and thten we will puzzle it all together

Jessica Ferguson:sorry about the bad typing...LOL!

Joanne Roukens 2:Yes, the chat will be a separate file available.

Jessica Ferguson:oh please.

Rebecca Magnan:What about craft ideas that will appeal to boys? Craft activities here seem to draw almostl all girls.

Kathleen Gruver:Duct tape.

Amanda Heidema:my boys loved shrinky dinks

Sophie Brookover:Duct Tape crafts.

Amanda Heidema:they made their own and made key chains

Sophie Brookover:Lanyard stuff!

katie llera:perler beads but find pictures of popular characters

Jessica Ferguson:boys= duct tape. pillows. make the craft a volunteer project - we did fleece blankets for the hospital - the boys were ALL OVER IT!

Seth Stephens:popsile stick bridges popular with boys

Kathleen Gruver:We did marble magnets and I had boys doing Naruto themed magnets.

Jessica Ferguson:legos

Camille Thompson:make t-shirts, especially themed t-shirts like "design your own soccer jersey"

Seth Stephens:I did marble magnets too worked great, I let them pick pics and i printed them out also could draw own picture

Joanne Roukens 2:you could partener will local scouts

Jessica Ferguson:great idea Joanne!

Camille Thompson:i was shocked that our boys loved making sock puppets for a sock puppet theater for the younger kids

Kathleen Gruver:I had a number of guys at Cupcake Boss - one guy created a Tardis cupcake, and also NNYan cat

Camille Thompson:haha they took the puppets home with them after we videotaped the sock puppet "play"

Joanne Roukens 2:partnering teens with seniors to teach technology

Amanda Heidema:the kid's room is doing life sized candy land and i have teens who are being the chracters of the game



Jessica Ferguson:love it!  
Amanda Heidema:they are stoked for it  
Joanne Roukens 2:I want to go to the molasses swamp  
Kathleen Gruver:@Amanda, want to hear how that works out - we're trying to do the same here in our system.  
Kimberly Hall:Thank you!  
nancy voitko:Thank you! Have to go close up the library...  
Amanda Heidema:ok!  
Sophie Brookover:bye, Nancy!  
Christine Pelchat-Miller:thanks much to everyone for all the fantastic ideas!  
Gina Cacace:hooray!  
Linda Hoffman:yeah!!!  
katie llera:Yes!  
Karen Mitchell:Thank you!! What a great webinar!  
Jenine Lillian:Thank you all so very much!  
Gina Cacace:Thank you Jenine - you gave us a lot of great resources and ideas.  
Beth Cackowski:thank you! THis was Great for a brand-new Teen Librarian!  
Seth Stephens:Thanks you!  
Amanda Heidema:Thank you!!  
Linda Hoffman:Thank you! As always a great webinar!  
Jessica Ferguson:Thanks folks.  
Amy Ipp:Thank you!  
katie llera:Thanks this was really great!  
Sophie Brookover:Thanks so much, everyone! I need to scoot, myself, but Joanne & Jenine are still here.  
Rebecca Magnan:Thanks, Jenine! :)  
Jenine Lillian:Please feel free to email me at [jenine@jeninelillian.com](mailto:jenine@jeninelillian.com)  
Jenine Lillian:)  
Jenine Lillian:Thank YOU!  
Kimberly Hall:Thanks Jenine...you are really inspiring! Stay cool!  
katie llera:Thanks Jenine it was really great!