WESTCHESTER LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

78th Annual Conference Friday, May 8, 2015 Doubletree Hotel, Tarrytown

The 78th Annual Business Meeting of the Westchester Library Association (WLA) was called to order at 8:45 A.M. President Kathleen Mannino welcomed all members, vendors and guests. She mentioned that there was a small typo in the Treasurer's report in the packets and asked attendees to make the correction. As of 3/31/15, the combined balance of the Checking and Savings Account was \$33,491.00.

Mannino summarized the activities of the various committees throughout the year. The Youth Services Committee sponsored a Mock Awards program at the White Plains Library in January, and is planning a Printz Pizza Party, also at the White Plains Library, June 18. The *Not Just for YA Book Club* has continued to meet the second Friday of every month in White Plains.

The WLA Ad-Hoc Committee has spent the winter researching what other library associations offer and informally chatting with library staff to understand how WLA can update its offerings. A survey is in the works and should be ready by summer.

The Washington Irving Awards, celebrating local authors, have traditionally been announced at the WLA Annual Conference in May. This year there are structural changes to the award, and there will be an event in the Fall of 2015.

This past year incoming WLA President Liz Anastasi and Conference Chair Sara Rodgers met with Library Association of Rockland County (LARC) to discuss the possibility of joint Annual Conferences. We will keep you posted for possible announcements of networking collaborations.

Finally, WLA needs a Vice President/President Elect. The slot is empty on the ballot. We urge you to consider this position and contact us.

Respectfully submitted by Ann-Marie Cutul