

Correspondence Recognizing Staff: July 2025

Re: Certificate of Incorporation



Sandy Bartlett <sandy@mortonrhinecliff.org>



To: ● Rebekkah Smith Aldrich

Tue 7/1/2025 3:40 PM

Welcome back and thank you so much.
Our board agrees with me that you are the best!!!!

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Aisha Kutter • 2nd
Residential Energy Efficiency Program Manager
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Local libraries are fundamental to our communities and my role at **Central Hudson** has given me an opportunity to find new ways to support them as well as build new opportunities for long term engagement. Central Hudson's support of the Library Road Trip program kicks off a new partnership and I look forward to launching new initiatives with the **Mid-Hudson Library System** in the near future!

Josie and I are challenging ourselves with visiting all MHLS libraries this summer. If you are in the Hudson Valley area, I challenge you to visit as many as you can!



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The MHLS Road Trip is off to a great start! We have to thank several local businesses for helping us bring this project to life - starting with a thank you to **Central Hudson** for their support of the Library Road Trip!

Central Hudson representative Aisha Kutter and her daughter Josie met with our Executive Director, Rebekkah Smith Aldrich last week to help with the kick-off at East Fishkill Community Library.

Find your route at <https://lnkd.in/eSHeMhSx>

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Paul Cowell FRSA • Following
Head of Culture and Libraries at Medway Council
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Last week I attended my first **Libraries Connected** annual seminar. Two days of amazing speakers, colleagues and chat from across the UK.

Ian Harvey SFIPM FRSA from the **Institute of Place Management** built our confidence in how libraries as one of the only centres of community left in our towns and cities can be drivers of change. **Frank Cottrell-Boyce**, the **#ChildrensLaureate** inspired a room with his deeply personal mission to double down on the rights of children to read and be read to...and finally the unshakeable **Rebekkah Smith Aldrich** from the **Sustainable Libraries Initiative** across the pond, reinforcing by reframing the importance of climate and diversity in the shadow of political challenge and how libraries can lead the way.

Thanks for being my companion **Will Train** and introducing me to so many people and thanks to **Isobel Hunter MBE** and the **Libraries Connected** team for being such lovely lovely hosts.

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Thank you!



Joseph Montuori <joe@sustainableputnam.org>

To: Rebekkah Smith Aldrich

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Mon 6/9/2025 11:39 AM

Hi Rebekkah,

I can't leave my Trustee position at Mahopac Public Library without thanking you. You've been a tremendous teacher to me, not only in all things library, but also in your confident and forthright advocacy for, and leadership of libraries, sustainability, and the first amendment. Thank you for the knowledge you've imparted, and the example of leadership you demonstrate every day.

I'm leaving my Trustee seat this month, at the end of my second 3-year term. I'm confident that our current Board is in good shape. My plan is to focus more of my time on growing Sustainable Putnam, the small, but mighty nonprofit I founded in 2020. My hope is to nurture new leaders to ensure its continuity and growth, and eventually step aside from leading it myself.

So au revoir, Rebekkah! I do hope our paths cross again.

Sincerely,
Joe



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Re: [MHLS-Notice] Library App: New Buttons



'Donna Davies' via MHLS Notice

To: ✓ Kathryn Brew
Cc: mhls-notice@googlegroups.com

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Tue 5/20/2025 10:37 AM

Kathryn,

This is great! So far, so good. I have been doing a lot of installs for patrons.

Donna

Re: April Mexican Consulate visit results

Sent: Monday, April 14, 2025 9:53 AM
To: Elva Corbaton <ecorbaton@pooklib.org>
Subject: April Mexican Consulate visit results

(Hola a todos! (Hi everyone),

We just want to thank everyone for their cooperation and assistance in helping host the Mexican Consulate-on-Wheels last week at the MHLS Auditorium. An especially big thanks to Chris & Dave from MHLS and the PPLD Maintenance team. Elva and I could not have done it without you!

Thanks to this event, the Mexican Consulate was able to assist 923 people with passports, renewals, dual citizenship and birth certificates, many of them for children. The highest daily total was on Saturday with 304 people visiting (Daily totals: Tues/187, Wed/143, Thu/119, Fri/170, Sat/304). People traveled from all over the MHLS area and beyond highlighting the valuable cooperation needed to host such an event.

In addition to these services, we provided information about library services and programs and the Consulate offered additional financial workshops, a health services mobile unit and a large food pantry donation donated by the Hispanic Federation.

Many thanks,
Jess & Elva

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