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## WESTCHESTER LIBRARY SYSTEM TRUSTEES AWARD

The Trustee Award will be presented by the WLS Board of Trustees in 2014 to a WLS member library advocate, volunteer, or staff member and will recognize library activities and commitment that embodies the mission and values of Westchester Library System to provide open access to information and resources that foster innovation, inspiration and lifelong learning.

### Who is eligible?

Any library trustee (current or past), Friends Group/ Friends Group member, Library Foundation/Foundation member, library staff or volunteer who demonstrates a commitment to open access to information, resources, and knowledge with a measurable impact in their community is eligible to be nominated for this Award. Nominations can be made by library trustees, library staff and members of the community. Self-nominations are also accepted.

### What is the award?

WLS Trustees representing Westchester's 15 library districts established the Annual Trustee Award in 2013. The award comes with a \$1000 check to the recipient's library; the honoree will receive a plaque, presented at the 2014 WLS Annual Meeting. The Award will be publicized in local media and on the WLS website.

### How is the recipient chosen?

Nominations from the community will be accepted by the WLS Board Nominating Committee, who will choose finalists for the consideration and approval of the full WLS Board of Trustees.

### When will the award be given?

At the 2014 WLS Annual Meeting in November.

### What is the nominating process?

Please submit nominations using the form provided. Narrative should be no longer than 500 words.

Nominations will be evaluated based on the following criteria of the nominee's work or projects:

**Broad Impact:** Library service reflects awareness of community needs and demonstrates understanding of best practices that strengthen and improve library service to the community and the opportunity to inspire others and fosters lifelong learning.

**Innovation:** Library service reflects a thorough understanding of program expertise, current practice and knowledge of subject matter; demonstrates creativity and innovation in programming and outreach.

**Collaboration:** Library service reflects collaboration with community partners, including local business, cultural institutions or other libraries.

### Mail your nomination to:

WLS Board of Trustees Nominating Committee  
540 White Plains Road, Suite 200  
Tarrytown, NY 10591

Or via email to: [trustees@wlsmail.org](mailto:trustees@wlsmail.org)

Please note that nominations are due by Friday, September 12.