



SOUTHERN ADIRONDACK

LIBRARY SYSTEM

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## Notice of Annual Business Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the annual business meeting of the Southern Adirondack Library System on Monday, May 20, 2024, at the Fort William Henry Hotel and Conference Center, 48 Canada Street, Lake George, New York. Hearing-assistive devices will be available for those who request them, and the venue is wheelchair accessible.

Prior to the 6:30 PM meeting, there will be a meet-and-greet at 5:00 PM and dinner served at 6:00 PM. Our program will feature Roz Jacobs and Laurie Weisman of The Memory Project Productions, Inc.

At the business meeting, election of trustees will be held in accordance with New York State Education Law §255, 2f, and with SALS (Southern Adirondack Library System) Bylaws. The following openings exist:

- One in **Hamilton County** for a five-year term due to the expiration of the second five-year term of Mr. Jordan Hornstein. Term to expire May, 2029
- One in **Saratoga County** for a five-year term due to the expiration of the second five-year term of Mr. Russell Wise. Mr. Thomas Shaginaw has agreed to have his name considered for one five-year term. Term to expire May 2029.
- One in **Warren County**: for a five-year term due to expiration of the partial term of Ms. Elaine Cowin. Ms. Elaine Cowin has agreed to have her name considered to complete a second five-year term. Term to expire May 2028.

Brief biographical data about the nominees follows in this notice.

Nominations for the openings will also be accepted from the floor at the business meeting. Any individual you suggest should agree to serve, if elected, and should be aware that committee work outside of SALS board meetings is required.

Jordan Hornstein, Chair  
Trustee Nominating Committee

- **Hamilton County**: The Board is seeking candidates for a five-year term to expire May 2029.
- **Saratoga County**: Thomas Shaginaw for a five-year term to expire May 2029.

Tom Shaginaw served as a trustee at the Town of Ballston Community Library (Burnt Hills) for ten years (2012-2022) and was twice honored as SALS Trustee of the Year.

Tom received his bachelor's degree from Penn State and master's degree from Southern Methodist University; both in Electrical Engineering. His career as an engineer focused on advanced technology in aerospace and transportation, progressing through roles of increasing technical, programmatic (budget, schedule, risk) and personnel responsibilities. Tom retired from his executive manager role at GE Global Research in 2020.

Tom and his wife, Kelly, have lived in Saratoga County for twenty-five years and are the proud parents of three adult children that were raised in Burnt Hills and are graduates of the Burnt Hills – Ballston Lake Central School District.

- **Warren County:** Elaine Cowin for a second five-year term to expire May 2028.

Ms. Cowin was born and raised in Stillwater and graduated from SUNY Plattsburgh in 1978 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Education. She proceeded to get her Master’s Degree in Library and Information Sciences at SUNY Albany in 1981. Ms. Cowin then became the K-12 Library Media Specialist for Warrensburg Central Schools until her retirement in 2011.

Since her retirement she has volunteered to serve on the Warrensburg Central School Board of Education and the Warrensburg Student Enrichment Foundation. Elaine enjoys her 2 book clubs, trivia team, and her Quidler group.