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New York Library Association Holds 117th Annual Conference in Saratoga Springs

Guilderland, NY - The New York Library Association is holding its 117th Annual Conference and Trade Show November 4-6th at the Saratoga Hilton and City Center in Saratoga Springs, NY. The theme of this year's conference is "The Library: Your Story Starts Here".

John Palfrey, Professor of Law and Vice Dean for Library and Information Resources at Harvard Law School will be the keynote speaker on Thursday, November 4th at noon. Prof. Palfrey is co-author of *Born Digital: Understanding the First Generation of Digital Natives* and *Access Denied: The Practice of Politics of Global Internet Filtering*.

Marilyn Johnson, author of *This Book is Overdue!* and *The Dead Beat: Lost Souls, Luck Stiffs and the Perverse Pleasures of Obituaries*, will be the Farewell Luncheon Speaker on Saturday at 12:30 pm.

In addition, authors **Lee Child**, **Lawler Kang**, **Scott Spencer** and **Cynthia DeFelice** will also be speaking at events during the Conference. American Library Association President **Roberta Stevens** and State Education Commissioner **David Steiner** will be participating in workshops at the Conference related to the future of libraries.

Approximately 1,000 attendees, exhibitors and speakers will be participating at the Annual Conference, which also marks the 120th Anniversary of the New York Library Association's establishment in 1890 by Melvil Dewey. The New York Library Association is the oldest state library association in the nation.

To register for the conference or attend any of the speaker events visit www.nyla.org or email membership@nyla.org.

