Library receives award to offer charging station

The Atlantic City Free Public Library is one of 14 libraries to have been selected as a contract award winner for funding under LibraryLinkNJ’s “Powering Up: Library Charging Stations Incubator Project.”

Later this year the Atlantic City Library will offer the public a secure charging station, which will allow individuals to charge their phones, tablets or laptops. The items will be placed in lockers that feature digital keypad locks. In the event of a citywide emergency — such as a hurricane that knocks out power to residents — the charging station can be available to the public.

This project is supported by funds from LibraryLinkNJ, the New Jersey Library Cooperative, which is funded by the New Jersey State Library.

Fade to Books A.C.:
Sharp haircuts and minds

Literacy grant to make books accessible at city barbershops

The Atlantic City Free Public Library was recently awarded a “Fade to Books” grant, which will allow the library to place displays of kids’ books at select barbershops in the city beginning later this summer.

The New Jersey State Library, in partnership with the Long Branch Public Library and the Bridge of Books Foundation, launched a grant opportunity for public libraries to join with their local barbershops in an effort to promote youth literacy. Fade to Books recognizes the role of the barbershop as a community gathering space and the role of the barber as a mentoring figure for young men and boys.

Barbers will encourage their young clients to select books to read as they sit in the waiting area, during their haircuts or to read at home. Participating barbershops will decide on potential incentives for the number of books read.

Three Atlantic City barbershops have agreed to participate so far: Just Cutt’ n Up at 528 Atlantic Ave.; Casino City Barber & Salon at 1724 Atlantic Ave. and Wally’s Barbershop at 3911 Ventnor Ave.

This project is supported in part by funds from the New Jersey State Library and in partnership with the Long Branch Public Library and Bridge of Books Foundation.

Atlantic City barbershops that wish to be considered as future Fade to Books sites can call Wendell Cherry at (609) 345-2269.

Children, teens invited to join Summer Reading Program

The Atlantic City Library opened its Summer Reading Program — sponsored by Steel Pier — with a party, which included a performance by magician Chad Juros (left), on June 29. Children (ages 0-12) and teenagers (13-18) are eligible to participate. Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, for information.

SEE COMPLETE SUMMER READING PROGRAM SCHEDULE ON PAGES 2 AND 3
SUMMER READING SPONSOR

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WEEKLY CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

TWEEN DAYS IN THE TEEN LOUNGE
Saturdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Aug. 5, 12, 19, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Not quite a teen yet? You are invited to rock out in the Teen Lounge and play video games. Participants need a library card in good standing to participate.

LEGO CLUB
Saturdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Aug. 5, 12, 19, from 2-3 p.m.
Fridays, July 21, 28; Aug. 4, 11 from 2-3 p.m.
Use your imagination and our LEGOs to create something awesome. Ages 6-12

FAMILY STORYTIME AND CRAFT
Thursdays, June 20, 27, from 10:30-11:15 a.m.
Features stories, songs, creative movement and simple crafts for ages 3-5. Story times are a fun way to help children develop skills they will need to be ready to read. Childcare groups are asked to call in advance.

BABY BOUNCE AND PLAY GROUP
Thursdays, June 20, 27, from 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
Introduce infants to the world of sounds and stories. Stories, songs, rhymes and movement help build pre-reading skills. An informal playgroup immediately follows this story time.

COMIC DRAWING
Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27; Aug 3, 10, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Learn to draw characters with Marvel/DC Comics illustrator Joe Del Beato. Ages 9-17.

PAWS TO READ
Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25; Aug. 1, 8 from 10:30-11 a.m.
Children ages 4-10 can sign up to read to Sophie, a certified therapy dog. Participating children should not be fearful of dogs or have pet allergies.

SUMMER STEM PROJECTS
(In collaboration with the Cooperative Extension of Atlantic County Rutgers)
Wednesday, July 26, from 2-3 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 15, from 2-3 p.m.
Hands-on science fun for kids. Can gardens grow without soil? Learn about, build and maintain a hydroponic garden right inside the library. Ages 9-17. Registration required.
Saturday, July 29, from 3-4:30 p.m.
Use recycled plastic bottles to make a car that moves. Ages 9-17

ADDITIONAL CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS

STRANGE WORLD OF REPTILES
Thursday, July 6 from 1-2 p.m.
This interactive presentation features live reptiles and amphibians! All ages.

S.T.A.R.S. COMICS WORKSHOP
Monday, July 10, at 10:30 a.m.
S.T.A.R.S. is designed to use comic book art and imagery as a vehicle to foster creativity and promote literacy. Participants will create their own characters. Ages 9-12.

SCIENTE TELLERS
Thursday, July 13, from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Sciente tellers will make things fly, spin, move and soar while telling a series of stories! Kids will experience the science of power and energy through hands-on experiments! Ages 5-12.

UNPLUGGED GAME DAY @ THE LIBRARY
Friday, July 14, from 2-4 p.m.
Join us for board and card games — a great family activity. Ages 6-16

AROUND THE WORLD WITH YOSI
Thursday, July 20, from 1-2 p.m.
A multicultural, interactive and educational concert with songs, humor and dances, plus hands-on exploration of various instruments from other countries. All ages.

OUR MARINE MAMMALS AND SEA TURTLES
Friday, July 21, from 1-2 p.m.
Learn about the Marine Mammal Stranding Center and how it helps marine mammals. All ages

CHOO CHOO CHARLIE
Wednesday, Aug. 3, from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Choo Choo Charlie will take you on a magical adventure with train effects, magic and comedy. Ages 5-9.

BUBBLE TIME FUN
Thursday, Aug. 10, from 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Colorful rainbows of bubbles in all shapes and sizes. Ages 6-12.

END OF SUMMER PROGRAM
Thursday, Aug. 17
Celebrate the end of our summer program.

TEEN PROGRAMS

SUPER SMASH BROS U TOURNAMENT
Monday, July 3, from 2-6 p.m.
Teens vs. New Adults! Join us for a tournament featuring the new Super Smash Bros. for the Wii U! Sign up to compete, or be a spectator and cheer on your friends. Winner gets a trophy. Participants must have a library card in good standing.
CROCHET CIRCLE  
(With Family Success Center)  
Friday, July 7, at 1 p.m.  
Learn the basics of crochet; chain, single crochet and double crochet. Crochet hooks and yarn will be provided.

SILENT LIBRARY CHALLENGE  
Saturday, July 8, from 2-4 p.m.  
Ever seen MTV's show “Silent Library?” It challenges teams to perform ridiculous tasks, all while staying absolutely silent.

SUPERHERO/SUPERHEROINE CREATION  
Monday, July 10, at 1 p.m.  
Participants will explore uses for ancient mythology, neo-mythology and related media to create unique and innovative characters. Workshop participants will design, create and advance their own characters and storylines. Ages 11-17. The East Coast Black Age of Comics Convention (ECBACC) will lead the program.

YOGA BASICS  
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 and Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, at 4 p.m.  
Basic yoga instruction provided by Leadership Studio of A.C. Ages 12 and older.

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP (TAG)  
Saturdays, July 15, 29; Aug. 12, 26, from 1-2 p.m.  
TAG is our volunteering group for ages 13-18. Application required; see Ms. Moffit or email mmoffit@acfl.org.

TEEN CRAFTS  
Saturdays from 2-4 p.m.  

ACTING WORKSHOP WITH ACTOR LEO- NARD DOZIER  
Saturday, July 15, from 2-4 p.m.  
The seminar will cover: core concepts of acting for the camera and stage, plus the predominant techniques used in the profession today and how to find the technique that helps you be most truthful. Ages 15-18.

TAG AGE OUT PARTY & ELECTIONS  
Saturday, July 29, from 3-5 p.m.  
Join us for a party honoring our TAG members who have graduated as they age out of Youth Services. We will elect our new TAG officers at the party. Alumni welcome.

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TEEN ENTREPRENEUR SERIES  
This series is conducted by Carol Waties, Director of the Small Business Development Center at Stockton University.  
BUSINESS PLAN 101  
Tuesday, July 11, from 2-3 p.m.  
Are you interested in starting a business? Join us to learn about entrepreneurship and how to write a business plan as well as creating your marketing and financial plans. A business plan is an essential roadmap for business success.

BUSINESS PLAN REVIEW  
Tuesday, July 18, from 2-3 p.m.  
Part II: Waties will review your business plan.

PRESENTING YOUR ELEVATOR PITCH  
Tuesday, Aug. 1, from 2-3 p.m.  
Have you perfected your two-minute elevator pitch? Are you ready to discuss what problem your business solves; your target market, projected sales revenue and profits, and all other information necessary to communicate what you do and why?

RICHMOND BRANCH LEGO CLUB  
Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25 and Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 at 2 p.m.  
Use our LEGO’s and your imagination to create something wonderful. Ages 5-12.

Summer Story Time and Craft  
Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20, 27 and Aug. 3, 10  
A great summer activity for families with young children up to age 8. Enjoy stories, puppetry, songs, rhyming and simple crafts to make and take. Childcare groups are asked to call in advance.

ADULT LITERACY CLASSES  
*Those interested in these literacy classes must call 383-3377 for an assessment).  
*Basic Reading and Writing (first to third-grade reading level)  
Mondays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28

*Basic Reading and Writing (fifth-grade reading level or lower)  
Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
July 11, 18, 25 and Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

NOTE: Children less than 9 years old must be accompanied by a caregiver age 14 or older at all times in the Library.

Program schedule subject to change.  
Call Youth Services at (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050 to confirm dates and times.

COMPUTER TRAINING  
Call 345-2269 for information.

Walk-in Job Skills Lab  
Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
July 5, 12, 19, 26 and Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Email Setup and Practice  
Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
July 12 and Aug. 16

Basics of Keyboarding  
Wednesday, July 19, from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Basic Internet Skills  
Wednesdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
July 26 and Aug. 23

Google Docs  
Wednesday, Aug. 2, from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Smartphone Basics  
Wednesday, Aug. 9, from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

ADULT  
Call (609) 345-2269 for more information.

Need Health Insurance?  
Wednesdays from 1 to 5 p.m.  
July 5, 19  
(Appointment is necessary. Call the Center for Family Services at 1-877-922-2377)

Introduction to Tai Chi and Qigong  
Fridays at 10:30 a.m.  
July 7, 14, 21, 28 and Aug. 4, 11, 18, 25  
(A JCC instructor will lead this class)

Career Services for People w/ Disabilities  
Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.  
July 12 and Aug. 9  
(Call the N.J. Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services at 813-3933 or email Ronan.Giehl@dol.nj.gov)

Acting Workshop with Leonard Dozier  
Saturday, July 15, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Third Thursday Concert Series: Phyllis Chapell & SIORA  
Thursday, July 20, at 5 p.m.

Film Society Movie Viewing & Discussion  
Saturday, July 22, at 5 p.m.

Film Society Classroom Session  
Tuesday, July 25 at 4:30 p.m.

Film Society Movie Viewing & Discussion  
Saturday, Aug. 5, at 1 p.m.

Film Society Classroom Session  
Tuesday, Aug. 8, at 4:30 p.m.

Third Thursday Concert Series: Leonard Dozier  
Thursday, Aug. 17, at 5 p.m.

PLEASE SEE PAGE 4 FOR ESL SCHEDULE
### ESL CLASSES

You must call 383-3377 for Beginning ESL and visit the Main Library Help Desk for Intermediate ESL to register.

**Beginning ESL**
- Mondays from 1 to 3 p.m.
  - July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28

**Intermediate ESL**
- Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3 p.m.
  - July 18 and Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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### Main Library’s lights get a fresh look

Stockton University’s Lisa Honaker (above) and Laura Starrett painted the Main Library’s 10 “mushroom lights” facing Tennessee Avenue in June as part of Atlantic City’s 48 Blocks project, a city-wide, community-organized celebration of arts and creativity in the city. The celebration was a joint project between the Atlantic City Arts Foundation and Stockton. The lights were painted in different shades of blue, and several of them have a jellyfish design.

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### NOTS: Former Board member passes away

Former Board member Fredrick P. Nickles, 69, died in June. Nickles was a member of the Library Board while serving as the Atlantic City School District’s Superintendent from 1999-2012.

During his career, Nickles also served as Superintendent of the Egg Harbor Township’s School District. He held many political positions, including EHT committee member and mayor, Atlantic County Freeholder and State Assemblyman. Nickles was also the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority’s Chairman.

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### Phyllis Chapell, Leonard Dozier to play upcoming Third Thursday Concerts

The Atlantic City Free Public Library’s Third Thursday Concert Series continues this summer with free monthly performances.

Concerts will be held 5 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month through September at the Main Library.

Those who need more information, or wish to be a series sponsor, can call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3112.

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### Phyllis Chapell & SIORA on July 20

Phyllis Chapell performs a unique mix of originals, folk, jazz, pop and international music, including songs in up to 13 languages. She has released two solo CDs and four CDs with her internationally known ensemble Phyllis Chapell & SIORA. She has been named one of the top 500 jazz vocalists of all time by Scott Yanow (Down Beat, Jazz Times and AllMusicGuide).

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### Leonard Dozier on Aug. 17

ADDY award-winning voice actor Leonard Dozier kicks off his 2017 Songwriter Tour and makes his only Atlantic City stop in support of his new album "Songwriter," which pays tribute to some of the great songwriters in music history, including: James Taylor, Stevie Wonder, Burt Bacharach and Babyface.

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### TAG member recognized by The Press of Atlantic City

Sawera Khan, a member of the Atlantic City Free Public Library’s Teen Advisory Group (TAG), was one of 25 southern New Jersey high school seniors honored by The Press of Atlantic City.

The Press recognized the teens for their dedication to community involvement and volunteerism. A panel of four judges reviewed more than 100 nominations before selecting the 25 award recipients.

In addition to her work at the library, Khan has been involved in many other activities, including: Key Club, Leo Club, Red Cross Club, Campus Kitchen and National Honor Society.

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### Good luck to former colleague

Congratulations to Zsave’ Cherry, who left her job as a library assistant at the Atlantic City Free Public Library in the spring to accept a librarian position with the Atlantic County Library System. She began at the Atlantic City Library as a student worker in 2008 and became a library assistant in 2012.

“Zsave’ climbed the ladder here, and getting a librarian position is another step forward in her career,” Atlantic City Library Director Robert Rynkiewicz said. “We are all sorry to see Zsave’ leave the library but happy to see her progress in the library field.”