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Nat'l Library Week includes 'Atlantic City Reads' launch

Library to work with city preschools, schools as part of citywide initiative to promote joys of reading

► Also, the library will also offer a 'Food for Fines' amnesty, with donated food going to a local food bank.

The Atlantic City Free Public Library will celebrate National Library Week,

which is April 11-17, in a major way — and it is inviting the entire community to be involved.

This year's theme is "communities thrive @ your library," which is fitting given the new initiative the Atlantic City Library is

about to begin.

The library will introduce 'Atlantic City Reads,' a community-wide, year-long celebration in April.

Developing a community of readers is important to building a vibrant and informed community, and At-

lantic City Reads provides an important forum in which individuals and organizations in the city can come together to share the value and enjoyment of reading.

Children who read fare better in school and in life; teens can explore their po-

tential and life-changing opportunities, and adults can continue their lifelong education and enjoy some mentally stimulating recreation.

The library, with the support of community and

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Remembering a local legend

The Atlantic City Free Public Library and African American Heritage Museum of Southern New Jersey presented a photo exhibit at the library in February in celebration of Black History Month. AAHMSJ founder Ralph E. Hunter is shown sharing his memories of Atlantic City's legendary Club Harlem on Feb. 1 during the grand opening of the exhibit, "A Pictorial of Club Harlem and the Way We Were." In addition to featuring photos from the museum and library's collections, Hunter displayed the club's original doors and a replica of the iconic Club Harlem sign.

Urban fiction author Allen, radio DJ Miss Jones to appear at library for author book talks

► Children's author Kimanada is also slated to discuss her book.

Urban fiction author Takerra Allen and Power 99's Diva DJ Miss Jones have large fan bases — and their loyal followers will have a chance to see them up close and personal at the Atlantic City Free Public Library in coming weeks.

Those two — along with children's author Kimananda — will be featured guests at book talks in March and April. All three book talks are free.

Allen, a resident of Somerset, N.J., and the half-sister of the late Tupac Shakur, will discuss *Thicker Than Water* on Saturday, March 20, at 2 p.m.

Described as the "Sex and The City of the Hood," *Thicker than Water* centers around four tight-knit friends from Newark with a special bond until temptation, pride, jealousy and vanity threaten to destroy their loyalty to one another.

Allen also wrote *Heaven's Hell*, which the author calls "an urban



Takerra Allen, above, is the author of the urban fiction hit *Thicker Than Water* and the half-sister of Tupac Shakur. Power 99 DJ Jonesy will talk about her autobiography, *Have You Met Miss Jones: The Lives and Loves of Radio's Most Controversial Diva*.



fairytale."

Miss Jones will talk about her autobiography, *Have You Met Miss Jones: The Lives and Loves of Ra-*

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Library Express opening coming quickly

The Atlantic City Free Public Library will again offer a second location to customers when the Library Express opens its doors this spring.

The anticipated grand opening for the Library Express, located at the intersection of Atlantic and Morris avenues, is April 2010.

The Library Express was developed after the Richmond Avenue School, which housed the Richmond

Branch Library, closed in summer 2009.

The library will have a bigger Richmond Branch in the new Richmond Avenue School, which is projected to open in the fall of 2011.

Meanwhile, the library will offer increased hours at its new location. The Library Express will be

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Use tree products to make art

Get yours today: Computer Center users required to possess member or guest card

As of Monday, March 22, every adult who wants to use one of the Atlantic City Free Public Library's public computers will need to have a library membership card or the just-introduced computer guest card.

The membership card allows the card holder to borrow books, DVDs,

CDs, and more, plus they are granted computer and database privileges.

The computer guest card allows the card holder access to the public computers and databases. The card is free and valid for three months.

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Harpist Stephanie Sussmeier and soprano-guitarist Leslie Clarke comprise the local Irish group Ceoll Binn, which will perform a free concert in the Atlantic City Free Public Library's meeting room at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17.

Duo Ceoll Binn to perform St. Patrick's Day concert

The Atlantic City Free Public Library invites all lads and lasses to a free concert featuring Irish group Ceoll Binn at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, March 17. The concert will be held in the Main Library meeting room, and it is open to people of all ages. No registration is required.

Soprano-guitarist Leslie Clarke and harpist Stephanie Sussmeier formed Ceoll Binn, which is Gaelic for "sweet music," in 2007.

Clarke has performed as a soloist with the Stockton Oratorio Society, Festival Chorus, St. Peter's United Methodist Church, First Church of Christ Scientist in Ocean City, and with the Tuscany Singers at the Renault Winery and Joseph's Restaurants.

Sussmeier has been playing the harp for 10 years. She performs for weddings and background music, and teaches harp at her home and at the Ocean City Arts Center.

For more information, call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3115.

Book talks

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dio's *Most Controversial Diva*, at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 3.

After achieving success in the music industry — which included a stint on hip hop legend Doug E. Fresh's Get Fresh Tour and the release of underground hits such as "Don't Front" and "Where I Want To Be Boy" — Miss Jones began her radio career in New York. She eventually got her own show, the highly rated and often controversial "Miss Jones in the Morning" on

Hot 97, which she hosted until 2008.

Listeners can now hear her weekdays from 6 to 10 a.m. on Philly's Power 99.

An Atlantic City School District and Atlantic Community College product, Kimananda will speak about her *Who Made* children's book series on Sunday, April 25, at 2 p.m.

Her first book was *Who Made the Queen Sneeze?* The second release in the series was *Who Made the Royal Baby Yell?*

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Card required

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A person can only have one of these cards.

To get a computer guest card, the applicant must have one of the following photo IDs: driver's license, county or DMV ID card, Casino

Control Commission License or passport. Or, the computer guest card applicant can show a current photo ID and a secondary proof of residency, such as a computer-generated bill, tax receipt or mailed library application.

Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3075, for more information.

City NAACP branch honors library director

Atlantic City Free Public Library Director Maureen Sherr Frank received the 2010 Community Services Award from the Atlantic City Branch of the NAACP on Jan. 18.

Following the branch's 37th annual Martin Luther King March, a service and awards ceremony were held in tribute of Dr. King at the St. James AME Church.

The NAACP honored Frank "in recognition and grateful appreciation for her extraordinary leadership and

dedication." Library Board of Trustees member Currene Clark Ervin presented Frank with a plaque at the ceremony.

"This award is one of the highlights of my professional career," Frank said. "I'm incredibly honored."

Other award winners were: Steven L. Young, Pierre Hollingsworth Civil Rights Award; Ulrick McFadden, Education and Leadership Award; Jessica Brown Korsah, Education Award.



(From the left) Barbara A. Camper, Second Vice President of the Atlantic City Branch of the NAACP, stands with Atlantic City Free Public Library Director Maureen Sherr Frank, recipient of the 2010 Community Services Award.

Put pen to paper, create some rhymes, for April 24 is Poetry Reading time

The spring means many things to many people — and for some Atlantic City Free Public Library customers, one of those things is the annual Poetry Reading.

The 17th Poetry Reading is slated for 2 p.m. Saturday, April 24, in Main Library meeting room.

The deadline to submit poems is 5 p.m. Monday, April 5. Poems can be dropped off in the Main Library's second-floor administrative office until 5 p.m.

Monday through Friday. Or, mail entries to: Atlantic City Free Public Library, ATT: Poetry Reading, One North Tennessee Ave., Atlantic City, NJ 08401.

Poets need to follow these guidelines:

- Poems must be suitable for people of all ages.
- All submissions must be typed and single spaced on 8.5" by 11" paper.
- Poems must be camera ready so they can be included in a poetry chapbook.

• Please include your name on the poem but provide personal information such as your address, phone number and e-mail address on a different piece of paper.

• Submit up to three poems, in the order in which they will be read.

The library reserves the right to limit the number of poems that are recited or included in the chapbook.

Please call Mimi Lee at (609) 345-2269, ext. 3115, for more information.

Library Week

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city organizations, will continue to provide vital programs, which include:

Atlantic City Library To Go: Bringing Your Library To You — The library provides gently worn library books and magazines to select senior and low-income housing complexes.

ESL classes — English as a Second Language classes are offered throughout the year.

Baby Bounce and Preschool Story Times — The library recognizes the importance of reading to young children to promote early literacy and offers a Baby Bounce (infants 20 months and younger) and preschool story times (ages 3 to 5).



Summer Reading Program — Each summer youths of all ages are invited to participate in our Summer Reading Program. The program emphasizes reading but also includes a variety of entertaining and educational programs.

Author book talks — The library will continue to bring in a variety of authors to discuss their books.

The library will expand its efforts by creating a variety of new programs that will put books in the hands of as many of the commu-

nity's children as possible. The library will also work with city schools to give students library cards.

As part of National Library Week, the Atlantic City Free Public Library will once again hold a "Food for Fines" food drive — allowing people to make a food donation in lieu of paying a fine on overdue materials — all week at its Main Library and Library Express locations.

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Library Express

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open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The book collection will be set up similar to a bookstore. Books will be categorized by subject (i.e. cooking, sports), and signs will

mark those sections. There will also be DVDs, CDs, magazines and newspapers, plus separate computer areas for youths and adults.

There are limited parking spaces designated for library users, and surrounding streets include metered and non-metered parking.

Library associate Rick Gerhardt, a staff member since August 2007, will serve as coordinator of the Library Express.

**ATLANTIC CITY
FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
WILL BE CLOSED
APRIL 2 AND 4**

PLEASE VISIT THE ATLANTIC CITY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY ON THE WEB AT WWW.ACFPL.ORG

Computer training
for library members

Registration is required.

Visit the Computer Help Desk
at the Main Library to register

Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3066,
for more information

Introduction to PowerPoint
Monday, March 1, at 1 p.m.

Introduction to the Internet/Email
Tuesday, March 2, at 1 p.m.

Introduction to Word
Tuesday, March 9, at 1 p.m.

Job Searching: Resumes, Job Applications, Cover Letters and Tips
Tuesday, March 16, at 1 p.m.

Introduction to Excel
Monday, March 29, at 1 p.m.

Introduction to Word
Monday, March 29, at 4:30 p.m.

Job Searching: Resumes, Job Applications, Cover Letters and Tips
Tuesday, March 30, at 4:30 p.m.

Introduction to PowerPoint
Monday, April 5, at 1 p.m.

Introduction to Excel
Monday, April 5, at 4:30 p.m.

Introduction to Word
Friday, April 16, at 1 p.m.

Introduction to the Internet/Email
Saturday, April 17, at 9:30 a.m.

Introduction to the Internet/Email
Friday, April 23, at 9:30 a.m.

Job Searching: Resumes, Job Applications, Cover Letters and Tips
Friday, April 23, at 1 p.m.

Job Searching: Resumes, Job Applications, Cover Letters and Tips
Saturday, April 24, at 9:30 a.m.

NOTE: All classes are three hours long.
Classes begin with 30 minutes of
mouse and keyboarding skills.

Adult programs

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for more information

St. Patrick's Day Concert
Wednesday, March 17, at 6 p.m.
Please see story on page two for program description.

Author Book Talk: Takerra Allen
Saturday, March 20, at 2 p.m.
Please see story on page one for program description.

Small Business Workshops
Wednesdays, March 24, and April 21, at 6 p.m.
The topic of the March 24 workshop will be Marketing Your Business: The Basics. Learn the basic principals and elements of marketing when starting and growing a business. The April 21 session is TBD.

Author Book Talk: Miss Jones
Saturday, April 3, at 1 p.m.
Please see story on page one for program description.

17th annual Poetry Reading
Saturday, April 24, at 2 p.m.
Please see story on page two for program description.

Film Screening: Revolution 67
Tuesday, April 27, at 2 p.m.
Rutgers University's Dr. James E. Johnson and Revolution 67 filmmakers Marylou and Jerome Tibaldo-Bongiorno will discuss this film, which recreated the six days in July 1967 when Newark, N.J., experienced one of the deadliest racial disturbances per capita in recent U.S. history. The award-winning film has been broadcast on PBS's series P.O.V. and screened nationally and internationally.

FAMILY
EVENTS

Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050,
for more information

Dr. Seuss Celebration with storyteller Cheryl Currier
Sunday, March 7, at 2 p.m.
Dr. Seuss on the Loose is a fun, lively and interactive program run by a very funny and silly cat. It explores the background of Dr. Seuss and his beloved works. This program celebrates Dr. Seuss Birthday and Read Across America 2010.

Movie: Where the Wild Things Are (PG)
Sunday, March 14, at 2 p.m.

Movie: Old Dogs (PG)
Sunday, March 21, at 2 p.m.

Marbleizing Easter Baskets and Colorful Paper Eggs with Nancy Leary
Sunday, March 28, at 2 p.m.

Library is closed
Sunday, April 4

Movie: Alice in Wonderland Anniversary Release (G)
Sunday, April 11, at 2 p.m.

Movie: The Princess and the Frog (G)
Sunday, April 18, at 2 p.m.

Author book talk: Kimananda
Sunday, April 25, at 2 p.m.
Please see story on page one for program description.

ATLANTIC CITY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
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Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3112;
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Theresa Hawkins at thawki@acfpl.org
for more information

*Learn more about movies by visiting
GALE VIRTUAL REFERENCE LIBRARY,
available at www.acfpl.org
under the Do Research tab*

View and Discuss "Enter the Dragon"
Saturday, March 6, at 1 p.m.
This 1973 martial arts classic is rated R and runs 110 minutes. It stars Bruce Lee in his only Hollywood film.
Did you know?
• This was the last film that Bruce Lee completed filming before his death.
• This was the first Hollywood-produced martial arts film.
• The film was originally going to be called "Han's Island."

Learn about Actor Bruce Lee
Monday, March 8, at 5:30 p.m.
This classroom session will focus on the influence of one of the most famous movie stars of all time. The documentary "How Bruce Lee Changed The World" will be shown.

View and discuss "Howards End"
Saturday, April 10 at 1 p.m.
This 1992 Merchant Ivory drama is rated PG and runs 142 mins. It stars Anthony Hopkins, Emma Thompson and Vanessa Redgrave.
Did you know?
• This was the first film to be released by Sony Pictures Classics division.
• This film is based on the novel by E.M. Forster.
• Emma Thompson won the Oscar for Best Actress and many other acting awards for her role as Margaret Schlegel.

Learn about costume design
Monday, April 12 at 5:30 p.m.
This classroom session will focus on the history of costume design and the job of the costume designer. Important film costumes and designers will be discussed.

*(Those interested in attending
are encouraged to join the Film Society)*

Youth Services Programs

Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050,
for more information

Got Homework?
Call Youth Services (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, to make an appointment for personalized homework help.

Creative Craft Wednesdays
Wednesdays at 3 p.m.
March 3, 10, 17, 31 and April 14, 21, 28
Enjoy "Make and Take Home" crafts with seasonal themes. For ages 6 to 12.

Make a Martenitsa
Wednesday, March 3, at 3:30 p.m.
Children ages 6 to 12 will have the chance to make a a Bulgarian craft that symbolizes the coming of spring.

Preschool Story time
Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Join us for a fun and entertaining read-aloud story, followed by a simple craft to take home. This is best for children ages 3 through 5 and their parents or caregivers.

Baby Bounce
Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.
March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Join us for stories, songs, rhymes and movement that help build pre-reading skills! This event is best for infants (ages 0-20 months). One child per caregiver.

Comic Drawing after School
Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.
March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Learn about female superheroes in March, which is Women's History Month.

Paws to Read with a Therapy Dog
Fridays at 3:30 p.m.
March 5, 19 and April 9, 23
"Children Reading to Dogs" is a program for children ages 4 to 10 who can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog in a relaxed environment.

Home-School Event: Planning Now for the Summer
Tuesday, March 9, at 10 a.m.
Please join to discuss and find out what's going on in Atlantic and Cape May counties this summer.

Teen Advisory Group (TAG)
Saturdays, March 20 and April 3, at 12 p.m.
Teens, let us know what you want and need at your library. Your opinion counts.

Rock Band/Opening Gaming Saturday
Saturdays, March 20 and 27, and April 17, at 2 p.m.
Teens ages 13 to 18 are invited to play Rock Band in the Teen Lounge. Teens must be a member of The Lounge.

Movie: Tale of Despereaux!
Wednesday, March 24, at 3 p.m.
Celebrate the birthday of award-winning author Kate DiCamillo. She wrote Tale of Despereaux, and children ages 6 to 15 are invited to watch the movie version.

Coming Attractions Book Club
Saturdays, March 27, and April 24, at 12 p.m.
The group will discuss *Alice in Wonderland* in March and *Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief* in April. Any child who joins the program also receives a free copy of the book to keep for their own. These program is for ages 8 to 11. To register, please call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050.

Tame Your Term Paper
Monday, April 5, or Tuesday, April 6, at 2 p.m.
High school teens will learn how to format a term paper using Microsoft Word. Those interested can only attend one of the sessions. The same topic will be discussed both days. Registration is required by calling (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, or visiting the Youth Services.

Traveling Turtle Show with Wetlands Institute
Wednesday, April 21, at 3:30 p.m.
Participants will investigate a variety of turtles and their anatomy, natural history, behaviors, adaptations, life cycles and more. The group will learn about the Diamondback Terrapin Conservation Project and get quality time with live adult terrapins and even hatchlings. This is for youth of all ages.

Tribute to Trees: Recycling Tree-based Products into Artwork
Wednesday, April 28, at 3:30 p.m.
Please see story on back page for program description.



OLDER ADULTS
SPECIAL INTEREST SERIES

Call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3119,
for more information

Polymer Clay Jewelry
Monday, March 1, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Jackie Caplan, Local Arts and Crafts Instructor
Participants will make jewelry with polymer clay. Polymer clay jewelry can be made using several different techniques.

Tai Chi Qigong
Monday, March 8, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Madam Xiu Yao, International Tai Chi Gong Master
Qigong is a fitness and stress management program based on traditional Chinese medicine, and Tai Chi.

Eating Right for a Healthy Weight
Monday, March 15, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Loretta Geary, Caterer
Participants will get to taste and learn some healthy recipes.

Tai Chi Qigong
Monday, March 22, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Madam Xiu Yao, International Tai Chi Gong Master
Please see March 8 description.

Morning with the Mayor
Monday, March 29, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Lorenzo T. Langford, Mayor of the City of Atlantic City
Meet City of Atlantic City Mayor Lorenzo T. Langford, find out more about the current and future plans for Atlantic City.

Legume Mosaic
Monday, April 5, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Jackie Caplan, Local Arts and Crafts Instructor
Make a picture (using a picture frame as a base) or design using dried legumes.

Cancer Control
Monday, April 12, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Emma Escobar, Atlantic City Health Dept., Community Health
In recognition of April being Cancer Control Month, this meeting will focus on ways people can limit cancer risks.

Juicing for a Long Healthy Life
Monday, April 19, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Glover Savage
Learn how to make delicious, nutrient-rich juice recipes.

Tai Chi Qigong
Monday, April 26, at 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Madam Xiu Yao, International Tai Chi Gong Master
Learn how to correctly perform the traditional Tai Chi moves, which can help to reduce stress and promote energy.

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According to the official U.S. Census Web site, erwise been counted. for people who have not received a form or have not oth- as a Be Counted Site and have questionnaires available Also, the Atlantic City Free Public Library will serve pleting their forms. times to provide assistance to people needing help com- located at One North Tennessee Avenue, at scheduled Census workers will be available at the Main Library, sus from March 19 to April 19.

The Atlantic City Free Public Library will serve as a Questionnaire Assistance Center for the 2010 U.S. Cen-

Census workers will be at the library to help people with their Census forms

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Library Express is April 2010
* Projected opening for

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Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Thursday, Friday & Saturday
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday
12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Main Library Hours:

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Main Library

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TURN TREE-BASED ITEMS INTO ART



trees to our lives.

A huge number of products that we use every day come from trees ... paper, boxes, books, chairs — even maple syrup and aspirin — come from trees. And, a vast number of these products, such as newspaper, cardboard, lumber cuts, sawdust and paper towel rolls, wind up getting thrown in the trash.

Also, participants can bring in their own found and recycled items, if they'd like, including: pine cones, pine needles, acorns, twigs, leaves, driftwood, mulch, paper and bathroom tissue rolls or anything else that is related to trees.

Please call (609) 345-2269, ext. 3050, for more information.

The Atlantic City Free Public Library and International House of Blues Foundation - Atlantic City will celebrate Arbor Day 2010 by offering a special program, Tribute to Trees: Recycling Tree-based Products into Artwork, on Wednesday, April 28, at 3:30 p.m., in the Main Library's second-floor meeting room.

This hands-on visual art program is free and all supplies will be provided.

Participants in this workshop will utilize a combination of found and recycled tree-based materials, as well as art supplies, to create original and environmentally friendly artworks that pay tribute to the importance of