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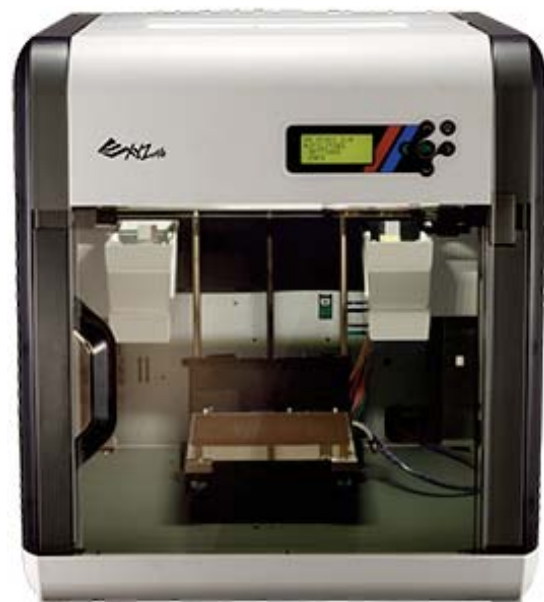
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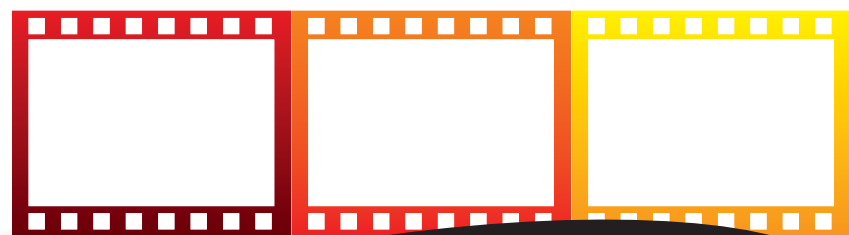
MAKING A DIFFERENCE

ENTERING A NEW DIMENSION

Atlantic County Library System/Hammonton became the first ACLS location to offer [3D printing](#). The XYZ da Vinci Duo 2.0 printer was purchased thanks to a grant from Wells Fargo Bank through their Community Connections program. 3D printing uses an additive process to create a three dimensional object



from a digital file. Anyone may submit a request for 3D printing by filling out an online form. The cost varies according to the printed item's weight. (There is a flat fee of \$1 plus a charge of \$.05 per gram of plastic.) Library staff operate the printer and notify the requester when the item is ready for pick up. To learn more about 3D printing at the Hammonton branch, go to www.atlanticlibrary.org/3dprinting



2Movies2Go



New releases without the wait



FOR YOUR VIEWING PLEASURE

Local cinephiles had [increased access to films and videos](#) in 2014. The new [2Movies2Go](#) collection allows library users to check out in-demand DVDs without waiting on the hold list, the same way [2Books2Go](#) provides quick access to popular bestsellers. If the DVD is on the shelf, it can be checked out immediately for two days and a quick turnaround. In addition, DVDs in the library's general collection now may be renewed once, for an additional 7 days, if there are no holds.

Over the past few years, [streaming movies](#) on an Internet-connected device has become increasingly popular. Atlantic County Library System card holders have free access to thousands of movies and TV shows from Hollywood studios through the [Digital Media](#) heading on the library's website. Videos may be viewed on a PC, mobile device, tablet, or smart TV. No special software is required, but Apple and Android apps provide a mobile-friendly experience.

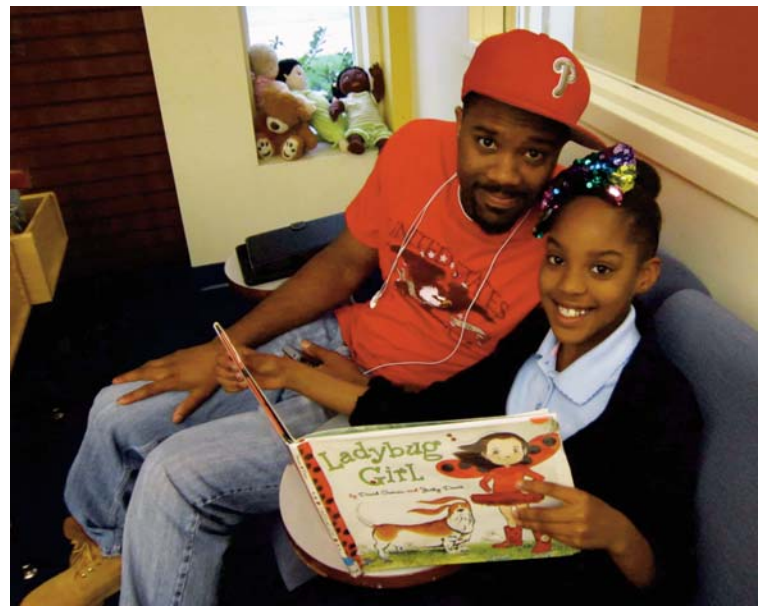
Library resources are continually evaluated to determine how well they meet library user's needs. As viewing patterns emerge, other resources may be selected to fill the bill. Stay tuned!

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GET CAUGHT READING

There's nothing we like more than to catch library users in the act...

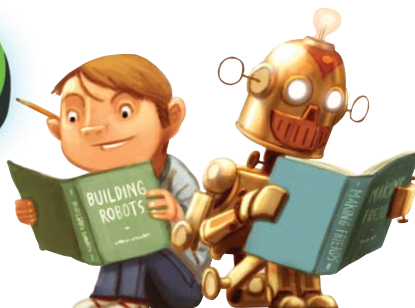


FIZZ & BOOM



READ

Atlantic County Library System
2014 Summer Reading Program



All told, 1,212 participants read 9,558 books, and 4,414 people attended 302 events.

The 2014 summer reading program themes—**Fizz, Boom, Read** for kids, **Spark a Reaction** for teens, and **Literary Elements** for adults—encouraged everyone to explore the world of science through reading and interesting programs featuring presentations by the Marine Mammal Standing Center, South Jersey Ghost Researchers, and Sciencetellers among others. Harry Potter Herbology, How to Survive a Zombie Attack, Grossology 101, Mythbusters experiments, and similar programs sparked imaginations during the busy summer months.





TAYLOR MADE

[The Sandy Stories Project](#) premiered to an enthusiastic audience of local residents and area officials at the Brigantine Beach Community Center after months of interviewing, filming, and editing. The project was spearheaded by Atlantic County Library System/Brigantine Branch Manager Beth Bliss and producer [Taylor Van Nest](#), a former library employee. Brigantine residents, first responders, and helpers from on-island and off shared their stories of Hurricane Sandy. The 2 hour, 20 minute documentary was produced with the support of the Atlantic County Library Foundation. Copies of the video are available for checkout at all Atlantic County Library System branches and may be purchased at Atlantic County Library System/Brigantine.

RAISING AWARENESS

The Atlantic County Library System was awarded a [2014 LibraryAware Community Award](#) in recognition of the efforts of the [Brigantine Branch staff](#). They were honored for their commitment to serving their community in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy by connecting residents with vital recovery and rebuilding information and also creating the Sandy Stories Project. (See related story above about the premier of the Sandy Stories Project.) LibraryAware Community Awards are given annually by Library Journal and funded by LibraryAware and EBSCO Publishing NovelList Division product.

The [Brigantine and Ventnor branches](#) of the library system were honored by the [Mental Health Association in Atlantic County](#) for their support of New Jersey Hope and Healing and assisting in its efforts to reach people impacted by Hurricane Sandy. This allowed the organization to dispense information and counsel residents right in their communities. New Jersey Hope and Healing was formed to provide mental health and emotional support for victims of the hurricane.





SEEN AROUND THE LIBRARY

We want to see you around the library!

Go to www.atlanticlibrary.org and click on Calendar of Events for information about programs at your nearest Atlantic County Library System branch.

To see more photos, go to www.flickr.com/photos/acls



¿HABLAS ESPAÑOL?

If so, you may have noticed something new at your local branch. Thanks to a [Service Learning partnership](#) with Professor Arnaldo Cordero-Román's Applied Linguistics in Spanish class during Stockton University's spring 2014 semester, the Atlantic County Library System was able to secure translations of several signs and pieces of library literature. The students, whose cultural heritages represent seven different Spanish-speaking countries, translated the documents as part of their course work. Some of the translations have already been put into use, while others will be rolled out in the coming months.

The library's thanks go to the staff of Stockton's Office of Service Learning, Professor Cordero-Román, proofreader Henyi Rivera, and students Jessica Alzate, Alyssa Balarinni, Jorge Bonet, Maria Caputummino, Alaina Dickey, Miluska Gamarra, Kathleen Megar, Alyssa Morano, and Janeisy Rosenfeld.

TEEN ARTS

The [Atlantic County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs](#), in collaboration with Stockton University and other local organizations, presented the annual [Teen Arts Festival](#) in May. Bringing together more than 60 professional artists to instruct them, more than 1,100 teens from all over the County were served. Associated exhibits of visual art from the festival were displayed on the Stockton campus in Pomona, as well as the Arts Garage in Atlantic City.



MAKING CENTS

The Richards are a local Coast Guard family who are frequent visitors to the library. Wife and mother Valerie Richards was interviewed on MSNBC about the book *Operation Money: A Financial Guide for Military Service Members and Families* by Jean Chatsky, financial editor of NBC Today. One of the ways the family stretches their budget is by taking advantage of the free resources and programs offered by their local library branch!



BY THE NUMBERS*

1.4 MILLION VISITS TO OUR WEBSITE

933,690 ITEMS CHECKED OUT

822,422 IN-PERSON VISITORS

464,734 VOLUMES OWNED

183,024 INTERNET APPOINTMENTS

101,602 DIGITAL MEDIA DOWNLOADS

97,810 HITS ON 27 SUBSCRIBED DATABASES

57,465 CARD HOLDERS

51,519 WIFI SESSIONS

5,917 BOOKS-BY-MAIL TRANSACTIONS

915 PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

757 PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

153 PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

* During 2014

ATLANTIC COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

www.atlanticlibrary.org

Brigantine, 201 15th Street South, 266-0110
M, T, F & SAT: 9 am – 5 pm, W & TH: 9 am – 8 pm
Branch Manager: Elizabeth Bliss, BrigantineBranch@aclsys.org

Buena Community Reading Center, Buena Regional High School, 125 Weymouth Road
Hours may vary according to school schedule.
Please call (856) 697-2400, extension 8231, or (609) 625-2776, extension 6338.

Egg Harbor City, 134 Philadelphia Avenue, 804-1063
M, W, F & SAT 9 am – 5 pm, T & TH 12 pm – 8 pm
Branch Manager: Maura Monte, EggHarborCityBranch@aclsys.org

Egg Harbor Township, 1 Swift Avenue, 927-8664
M, F & SAT 9 am – 5 pm, T – TH 9 am – 8 pm
Branch Manager: Ruth Conrad, EggHarborTownshipBranch@aclsys.org

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Branch Manager: Kathryn Gindin, LongportBranch@aclsys.org

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M, F & SAT 9 am – 5 pm, T – TH 9 am – 8 pm
Branch Manager: Donna Cameron, MaysLandingBranch@aclsys.org

Outreach Services Section, (609) 625-2776, extension 6338
for information on Books by Mail and Bookmobile services.
Section Manager: Mary Beth Fine, OutreachServices@aclsys.org

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M – TH 9 am – 8 pm, F & SAT 9 am – 5 pm
Branch Manager: Pamela J. Saunders, PleasantvilleBranch@aclsys.org

Reference Center, 40 Farragut Avenue, Mays Landing, 625-2776, extension 6310
Section Manager: Clare Bebbington, askref@aclsys.org

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M, F & SAT 9 am – 5 pm, T – TH 9 am – 8 pm
Branch Manager: Kevin McCabe, SomersPointBranch@aclsys.org

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All locations are accessible to the handicapped

WATCH & LEARN

Suitable for all ages, [Atomic Training](#) is a comprehensive source of [online tutorials](#) and [workshops](#) that provides access to thousands of short how-to videos. More than 500 popular software programs and applications for both PCs and Macs—including Photoshop, Excel, Microsoft Office 365, iTunes, and Google Docs, to name a few, are explained. And job skills—such as effective listening, time management, decision making, and goal setting—are covered. The videos may be accessed on computers in the library, on your home computer, or on your mobile device. And if you need help getting started with your eReader, smart phone, or tablet, Atomic Training offers that as well!



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