

The Newsletter of the Hoboken Public Library

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From The

Library Director

Dear Library Patrons!

On December 15, 2004, the Hoboken Public Library, as well as all other 72 library members of the Bergen County Cooperative Library System (BCCLS) will migrate from DRA Classic, the library circulation software in use since April 1987, to Unicorn, new graphically based software developed by Sirsi Corporation.

Most of the initial changes directly effect staff at all 73 member libraries, serving more than 680,000 patrons, will switch to the new software simultaneously on December 15. We have been working hard on training our personnel during the past two months and would like to ask you for your cooperation and patience while we are learning to adjust to the new circulation system. You can also test the new library catalog as well as learn some "tricks and tips" of searching by logging on to the BCCLS home page at www.bccls.org. Click on library catalog test drive at the bottom of the page to test the new interface. Thank you for your patience with library staff members during this transition period.

Arturo Martinez Elected Board President



Board President Arturo Martinez

Arturo Martinez, a Hoboken Resident for 28 years, has been elected president of the Hoboken Library's Board of Trustees. Martinez, now retired, was born in Texas and was a newspaper reporter, editor and columnist for more than 40 years.

He spent 30 years with the *Star-Ledger*, Newark, the last 20 as entertainment and features editor.

"I fell in love with the Hoboken Library during the years my children, Peter and Nora, attended the Hudson School, which was then located next to the library," said Martinez, who frequently walked into the library with them or while picking them up or dropping them off.

For more than 10 years, he was a board member of the Friends of the Hoboken Library, until named to the Board of Trustees two years ago. In December he will complete a two-year term

as president of the Men's Club. St. Francis Church.

Martinez is the author of *The Hoboken Trilogy*, three one-act plays about the milesquare city. His novel, *Pedrito's World*, is in the hands of a publisher. He compiled the book *Nine-Eleven: Hoboken Remembers*, a collection of essays about the World Trade Center disaster written by Hoboken and



Healing and Recovery Post—9/11



It's for You New Jersey 9/11 presents *Healing and Recovery Post—9/11*, a free community education session for all Hudson County residents, on Monday, Dec. 6 at 7:00PM at the Library.

It's For You NJ 9/11 is a collaboration between the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General and UMDNJ to offer: a tollfree hotline 1-866-4UN-J911; Free 1:1 counseling; Free Education and Support; and Free Literature.

These services are available to all residents of NJ who

still feel impacted by the events of 9/11.

Lecturer Sarah Schleifer, LCSW, will be on hand to help answer your questions. For more information visit www.njdcj.org or call 1-866-486-5911.

Calendar of Events Dec., 2004 **@your library**

All Children's Programming requires advanced registration unless otherwise stated. Please call 201-420-2348

**Young Adult Program requiring advanced registration. Please call 201-420-2348

Wednesday, Dec. 1

Thursday, Dec. 2 6:00 pm—Teen Advisory Committee

Friday, Dec. 3

Saturday, Dec. 4

Monday, Dec. 6 6:00 pm—Poetry Workshop for Teens Adult Program: It's For You NJ 9/11

7:00PM

Tuesday, Dec. 7 10:30 am Toddler Time 3:30 pm Storytime for ages 3-7

Wednesday, Dec. 8 10:30 am Story/Craft Time

Thursday, Dec. 9 6:00 pm—Teen Advisory Committee

Friday, Dec. 10

Saturday, Dec. 11

Monday, Dec. 13 6:00PM YA Poetry Workshop

Tuesday, Dec. 14 10:30 am Toddler Time 3:30 pm Story time for ages 3-7

Wednesday, Dec. 15 10:30 am Story/Craft Time

Thursday, Dec. 16 1:30 p.m. Multicultural Winter Festival 6:00 pm—Poetry Workshop for Teens

Friday, Dec. 17 11:00 AM Baby & Me for registrants Saturday, Dec. 18 Monday, Dec., 20

Tuesday, Dec. 21 10:30 am Toddler Time 3:30 pm Story time for ages 3-7

Wednesday, Dec. 22 10:30 am Story/Craft Time

Thursday, Dec. 23 6:00 pm—Teen Advisory Committee

Friday, Dec. 24 Closed for Christmas

Saturday, Dec. 25 Closed for Christmas

Monday, Dec. 27

Tuesday, Dec. 28 Toddler time @ 10:30 for all those registered Story-time @ 3:30 for ages 3 to 7

Wednesday, Dec. 29 Story/Craft @ 10:30 for all those registered

Thursday, Dec. 30 6:00 pm—Teen Advisory Committee

Friday, Dec. 31

Call the Children's Room to confirm registration for each of these programs.

Multicultural Winter Celebration!

On Thursday, December 16th at 1:30 p.m. the Children's Department will be hosting a Multicultural Winter Celebration. Richard Stillman from Encore Productions will take us on a musical

journey around the world to the winter celebrations of all cultures. This celebration is filled with instruments, songs and dances from many different nations.

Children's Room Hours

Monday 10:00 am—5:00 pm

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am—8:00 pm

Wednesday & Friday 9:00 am—5:00 pm

Saturday 10:00 am—5:00 pm

Sunday Closed

Library Hours

Monday 10:00 am—8:00 pm

Tuesday— Thursday 9:00 am—8:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am—5:00 pm

Saturday 10:00 am—5:00 pm

> Sunday Closed