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**New Law Means Change in How Your Tax Bill Looks**  
*Press Release From the New Jersey Library Association:*

Our local residents might have received a new property tax bill with a new tax line for Public Library Tax. Is this a new tax? Absolutely not! Until this year, appropriations for municipal libraries were included within the municipal tax rate. This was different for towns within a county library system, which have always had a separate library tax to support library operations. To ensure fiscal parity among municipalities that support a local or joint library and those that support a county library, on March 21, 2011, Governor Chris Christie enacted P.L. 2011, c. 38. The law provides a dedicated line item on the property tax bill for the minimum funding to municipal and joint free public libraries.

This does not result in any increased taxes, but only changes the way your tax bill looks. This change reduces the municipal tax levy and rate, and creates a new line item on the tax bill for library purposes. Now all state residents that support a public library will clearly see the cost of the library on their property tax bills. This new law simply provides a dedicated line item on the property tax bill to collect this minimum funding. It provides for more transparency in library funding and creates equity for municipalities supporting county, municipal and joint libraries as all will be displayed similarly on the tax bill. It does not result in any increased taxes, nor does it change existing financial, operational, personnel, or other relationships between a municipality and the library. More information on this new law can be found at [http://njla.org/statements/municipal\\_tax\\_faqp.pdf](http://njla.org/statements/municipal_tax_faqp.pdf)

**Summer Reading**

Summer Reading continues! Teens and Children sign up on the third floor. Adults sign up at the first floor circulation desk or online at [http://hoboken.bccl.org/html/Summer\\_reading\\_adult\\_2011.htm](http://hoboken.bccl.org/html/Summer_reading_adult_2011.htm)

**HPL, Your Destination for Summer Reading and Programing**

**Computer Classes**

This month the library is featuring several computer classes including PowerPoint 1 on Tuesday, August 2nd at 6:00 pm and PowerPoint 2 on Tuesday, August 9th at 6:00 pm. For those who have never used a computer before or are just beginning, join us for Computer Basics 1: Mouse and Keyboard on Tuesday, August 23rd at 2:00 pm and Computer Basics 2: Basic Computing Tuesday, August 30th at 2:00 pm. Join us for a resume workshop on Tuesday, August 16 at 6:00 pm.

**A Special Story Time for Kids with Special Needs**

Join us for a story time for children with developmental delays, autism spectrum, and other special needs. There will be songs, stories, and coloring projects on Aug. 3 at 3:15.

**Demo Classes for Kids**

Join us on August 8 at 10:30 AM for Mimi Kids Yoga and on August 18 at 10:30 AM for Bricks 4 Kids. Both programs are for children ages 2-5 years. Please RSVP with the Children's Department at 201-420-2348.

**The Turtle Show**

On Thursday, August 11 at 2 pm join us for family fun with the Turtle Show! Kids will learn about land and sea turtles. No RSVP required.

**Park Bench Open-Mic**

On Saturday, August 13 everyone is encouraged to share their poetry or other performance art in Church Square Park. We will feature music by the Nick West Quartet. Performance sign-ups begin at 1:45 PM; the event begins at 2:00 PM.

**Reading Dogs**

A Kindergarten through Grade 2 (or Older) child who can read may come in and read to one of the cute and gentle reading dogs on Wednesday, August 17 at 3 PM. Please RSVP.

**Hoboken DIY: Bread Baking**

Join us for the first in our series of DIY workshops. Learn new skills and unique information as taught by local businesses. This month you can find out the secrets of baking a basic loaf of bread from scratch from an expert at Marie's Bakery. Thursday, August 18 at 6:00pm

**Remembering Peter Falk**

Actor, Peter Falk, was best known for starring in the TV series Columbo, but he also had roles in numerous films. In August, the library will feature works by Peter Falk including *Husbands* on Tuesday, August 9 at 2:00 pm, *Murder By Death* on Thursday, August 11th at 6:00 pm, and *Wings of Desire* on Tuesday, August 16 at 2:00 pm.

**Kid & Teen Summer Reading Parties**

On Thursday, August 25 there will be an invitation only Awards Ceremony with Ben N' Jerry's ice cream and face painting from 1 PM to 3 PM for Children who participated in the Summer Reading Program. Teen Summer Readers can celebrate with a pizza party at 6:00 PM that evening.

**Cuentos Bilingues**

Join us for a new Hoboken program with Stories in Spanish. The program will be held August 24 at 4 PM. Children 6 to 8 may attend. No reservation is needed, but attendance is limited to 15 Hoboken resident children with a library card. Call 201-420-2348 for more information.

**August Book Discussion**

Join us on August 31 at 2:00 PM for a book discussion of local author, Caroline Leavitt's ninth novel, *Pictures of You*. The author will be present to participate and answer your questions!

**Stories in the Park**

Join us for story time in Church Square Park weather permitting. Tuesdays @ 10:30 stories for children from birth to 2 years and on Wednesdays @ 10:30 for children ages 3 through 5 years.

**Digital Photography for Adults and Teens**

**Digital Photo I and II for Adults**

On August 17 at 6:00 PM Professional photographer Walter Choroszewski brings his photo expertise, humor and a "straight-talk" perspective for an introductory class for adults covering the basics of photography and how to apply them in the Digital Age.

On Wednesday, August 24 Walter will help adults take the "next steps" in developing a Digital Work Flow

and Management plan on their computers. Walter will demonstrate basic photo editing techniques using popular commercial software and will offer tips and tricks for emailing and printing photos.

**Digital Photography and Film for Teens**

Teens entering grades 6-12 are invited to join photographer and filmmaker Ian Savage for a hands-on workshop. Learn how to take

great digital photos and work with them using photo editing software. Make short films and post them on YouTube. Exhibit your work here at the library gallery in the Fall. The workshop meets Mondays from 5pm-6pm beginning July 11th. Space is limited so be sure to sign up at the Young Adult desk on the third floor. This program is funded, in part, by The Friends of the Hoboken Public Library.





# August Calendar of Events @your library

Adult computer classes and events require pre-registration. Priority is given to Hoboken and Hudson County residents. For information or to register call 201-420-2347. Children's programs are open to Hoboken resident children with Hoboken Library Cards. Children's craft programs, Reading Dogs, and the Teen Photography workshop require preregistration. No registration is required for the Stories in Park or Special Family Programs. For information call 201-420-2348. For the latest information see our website at <http://hoboken.bccls.org/>

### Children's Programs

Signup for Summer Reading in the Children's Dept!

August 2 @ 10:30 AM-Stories in the Park – for children birth to 2 years

August 3 @ 10:30 AM Stories in the Park- for children ages 3 to 5 years

August 3 @ 10:30 AM Special Needs Storytime- for children with developmental delays, autism spectrum, and other special needs

August 8 @ 10:30 AM-Mimi Kids Yoga – for children 2 to 5 years

August 9 @ 10:30 AM-Stories in the Park – for children birth to 2 years

August 10 @ 10:30 AM Stories in the Park- for children ages 3 to 5 years

August 10 @ 2:00 PM- Cupcake Cuties- for children ages 4 to 8 years (this program is at capacity for children signed up for program)

August 11 @ 2:00 PM—Turtle Show-Special Family Program



August 16 @ 10:30 AM-Stories in the Park – for children birth to 2 years


August 17 @ 10:30 AM Stories in the Park- for children ages 3 to 5 years

August 17 @ 3:00 PM Reading Dogs – for children ages 31 months to 4yrs

August 18 @ 10:30 AM-Bricks 4 Kids – for children 2 to 5 years

August 23 @ 10:30 AM-Stories in the Park – for children birth to 2 years

August 24 @ 10:30 AM Stories in the Park- for children ages 3 to 5 years

 August 24 @ 10:30 AM Stories in Spanish- for children ages 6 to 8 years

August 24 @ 1:00 PM Awards Ceremony- for children participating in Summer Reading

August 30 @ 10:30 AM-Stories in the Park – for children birth to 2 years

August 31 @ 10:30 AM Stories in the Park- for children ages 3 to 5 years

### Events for Teens (grades 6-12)

Teen signup for Summer Reading at the YA desk!

Mondays @ 5:00 PM, Digital Photography and Film Workshop. \*no class 8/1\*



Every Friday @ 3:00-PlayStation 2, Xbox, and Wii sports and music game time

Aug 25 @ 6 PM-Pizza Party-for Summer Reading Participants

### Adult Special Program

Summer Reading Club signup at the Circulation Desk for Adults!

Aug 2 @ 6:00 PM- PowerPoint Class Pt 1

Aug 4 @ 6:00 PM- Writing Critique Group

Aug 9 @ 6:00 PM- *Husbands* Screening

Aug 9 @ 6:00 PM- PowerPoint Class Pt 2


Aug 11 @ 6:00 PM *Murder By Death* Screening

Aug 13 @ 2:00 PM-Open-Mic in the Park

Aug 16 @ 2:00 PM- *Wings of Desire* Screening

Aug 16 @ 6:00 PM- Resume Workshop

Aug 17 @ 6:00 PM- Digital Photo I Workshop

 Aug 18 @ 6:00 PM-Bread Baking Demo

Aug 23 @ 2:00 PM- Computer Basics Pt 1

Aug 24 @ 6:00 PM- Digital Photo II Workshop

Aug 30 @ 2:00 PM- Computer Basics Pt 2

Aug 31 @ 2:00 PM- *Pictures of You* Book Discussion with special appearance by Caroline Leavitt



### 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

### Children's and YA Room Hours

#### Monday

10:00 am—6:00 pm

#### Tuesday & Thursday

9:00 am—8:00 pm

#### Wednesday

9:00 am—6:00 pm

#### Friday

9:00 am—5:00 pm

#### Saturday

10:00 am—5:00 pm

#### Sunday

Closed

**The library will be closed:  
Friday, August 5  
Saturday, August 20  
& Saturday, August 27.**