Tasty Book Reviews

Classic Italian Jewish Cooking: Traditional Recipes and Menus

Edda Servi Machlin's new book *Classic Italian Jewish Cooking: Traditional Recipes and Menus* introduces a centuries old culinary tradition to a new audience of cooks. Machlin provides more than 300 recipes and menus for every holiday and occasion, not only from her native Tuscan Jewish village of Pitigliano, but from her mother's Roman-Jewish tradition, as well as those painstakingly collected from Jewish friends in Venice, Bologna and throughout Italy. A must read for those interested in Italian or Jewish cuisine or those just looking for something different to try in the kitchen.

The Spicy Food Lover’s Bible

If you are a cook wanting to spice up your Holiday meals than *Dave DeWitt’s* and *Nancy Gerlach’s* new book *The Spicy Food Lover’s Bible* can do just that. This volume, which catalogs every pepper, chili, curry and mustard known to man begins with a guided tour through the spice regions of the world and a brief history of the spice trade. It also offers up an eccentric collection of recipes.

Here’s What’s Happening in December @ Your Library

**John Carlson Magic Show**

On Saturday December 3, at 2 p.m. the Friends of the Hoboken Public Library will be sponsoring a magic show. John Carlson, the beloved comic magician, will be returning to the library due to popular demand. His show will feature ventriloquism and magic. The event is perfect for the whole family.

**December History Display**

The December display of Hoboken’s 150th Anniversary will feature famous people who were born or lived in Hoboken as well as those who still reside here today. We will feature celebrities from John Jacob Astor to Pia Zadora; Stephen Foster to Frank Sinatra; the well known to the unknown. The display is located in the second floor vestibule.

**Pamela Windo, Illustrated Reading of Zohra’s Ladder**

On December 1st, escape the winter chill with a visit to exotic Morocco through the photographs and text of Pamela Windo’s *Zohra’s Ladder and Other Moroccan Tales*. Windo’s story collection captures her love for Morocco and its people. Windo lived in Morocco for seven years and is now a resident of Jersey City. She is the author of several Moroccan Travel Guides and has articles published in National Geographic Traveler, Bon Appetit, and other well known magazines. The reading is sponsored by the Friends of the Hoboken Public Library and will take place at 6:30 PM in the second floor reading room.

Teen Holiday Event and Advisory Board Meetings

The Hoboken Public Library Teen Advisory Board presents a holiday get-together. Bring your favorite music and join us for holiday treats. Thursday, December 15th at 6pm. For teens in grades 6-12.

The Hoboken Public Library Teen Advisory Board will meet on December 8th and December 29th. Earn community service credit while you plan and participate in great events for teens in grades 6th-12th. New members always welcome.
Computer classes require pre-registration. Priority is given to Hoboken and Hudson County residents. For information call 201-420-2347. All weekly children’s programs are open to Hoboken resident children and require pre-registration. Registration includes proof of residency and age. For information call 201-420-2348. Unless announced, Saturday programs and adult special events do not require registration and are open to everyone.

**Computer classes for Adults @ the Library in December**

12/6 & 12/8 3-4 PM Computer Basics
12/13 3-4 PM Internet Basics
12/15 3-4 PM Advanced Searching
12/20 3-4 PM Email Basics
12/22 3-4 PM Microsoft Word Basics
12/27 3-4 PM Resume Writing
12/29 3-4 PM Library Catalog Basics

Call the reference dept. to register @ 201-420-2347.

**Special Events for Adults in Dec.**

12/1 6-7 PM - Pamela Windo Illustrated Reading of Zohra’s Ladder

**Events for Teens in December**

Thursday, December 8th, 6 p.m.
Teen Advisory Board Meeting.
New members always welcome.

Thursday, December 15th, 6 p.m.
Teen Holiday Get-together

Thursday, December 29th, 6 p.m.
Teen Advisory Board Meeting.
New members always welcome.

**Children’s Programs**

Saturday, Dec 3, 2:00 p.m.
Magic show with Comedian John Carlson
Family entertainment for children ages 1 to 92

Tuesday, Dec 6, 10:30 a.m.
Toddler Time – ages 19 months to 3rd birthday.

Wednesday, Dec 7, 10:30 a.m.
Story/Craft – ages 3 to 5 years old.

Tuesday, Dec 13, 10:30 a.m.
Toddler Time – ages 19 months to 3rd birthday.

Wednesday, Dec 14, 10:30 a.m.
Story/Craft – ages 3 to 5 years old.

Monday, Dec. 19, 11:00 a.m.
Baby & Me for children ages 6 to 18 months.

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 10:30 a.m.
Toddler Time – ages 19 months to 3rd birthday.

Wednesday, Dec. 21, 10:30 a.m.
Story/Craft – ages 3 to 5 years old.


Tuesday, Dec 27, 10:30 a.m.
Toddler Time – ages 19 months to 3rd birthday.

Wednesday, Dec. 28, 10:30 a.m.
Story/Craft – ages 3 to 5 years old.

**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 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

The Library will be Closed:
12/23-12/25 for Christmas
12/31 for New Year’s Eve