

Hunterdon County Library
Director's Report
March 2016

National Library Week (April 10-16, 2016)

We will again be raffling off gift baskets to library patrons during National Library Week at Headquarters, North County Branch, South County Branch and the Bookmobile. Any patron that visits the library during the week is eligible to put their name in for a chance to win one these baskets. Thanks to Joan Sabo, Linda Zdepski and Cheryl Grotrian for assembling the baskets again this year.

Hunterdon County Community Day (June 4, 2016)

The Hunterdon County Library will participate in this year's Hunterdon County Community Day at the Fairgrounds in Ringoes on Saturday, June 4. We plan on bringing the bookmobile and possibly holding storytimes as well. It is the perfect opportunity to spread the word about library services and programs, and to promote the Hunterdon County Library Outdoor Art Show happening a week later.

Hunterdon County Library Outdoor Art Show and Sale

Entries are now being accepted for the Hunterdon County Library Outdoor Art Show and Sale, sponsored by the Friends of Hunterdon County Library. The date this year is Saturday, June 11 from 10:00am-4:00 pm. Seventy-five local artists will display their work on snow fences on the lawn at Headquarters. Our Judges this year are local artists Beatrice Bork and Joe Kazimierczyk. Music will be provided by popular local band Acoustic Road. We are in negotiations to have a food truck present at this year's show as well. It promises to be a great day!

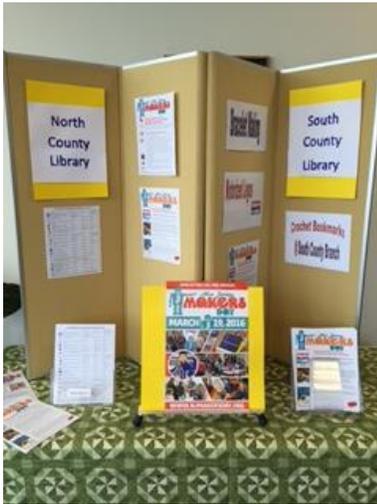
Read A Latte Adult Winter Reading Club

Our brand new Adult Winter Reading Club, "Read a Latte," had its kickoff meeting on January 21. Attendees at the kickoff gathered around the tables and experienced the Danish concept of *hygge*, which, loosely translated, means 'sharing a cozy feeling with other people,' amid the atmosphere created by the placement of candles (battery-operated) and white Christmas lights, while sipping hot chocolate and enjoying librarians' book talks. Participants will fill out a reading log during the club's timeframe, which will be shared at the End-of-Winter Get-Together on March 31.

Headquarter Displays

In the Lobby





**Getting ready for
Makers Day
March 19**

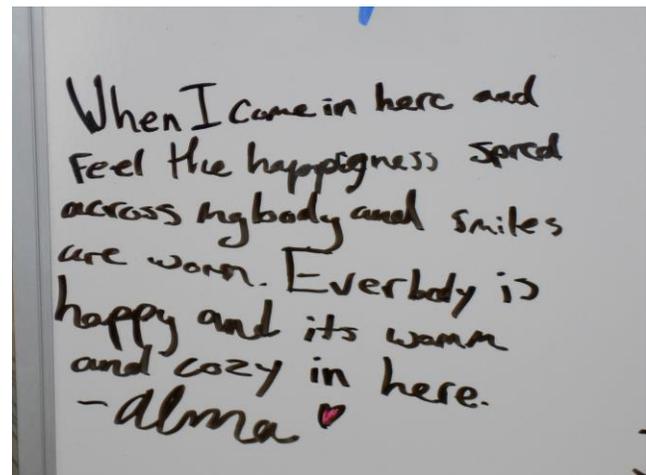
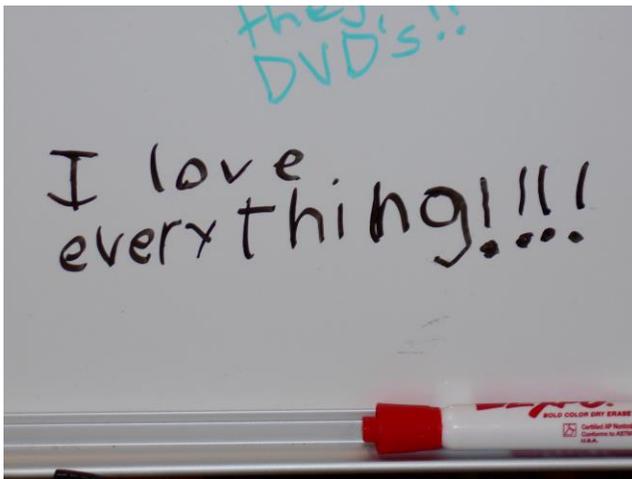
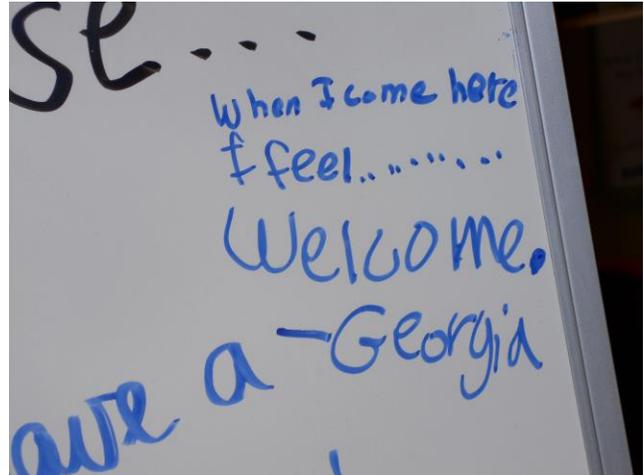
**“R” Rated Books on the Upper
Level
“R” for Reference!**

**Luck o’the Irish
On the
Main Floor**





Writing Love Letters in the Library...





**Monthly take -
home craft from
SCB.**

**Readers'
Advisory at
SCB.**



On Friday, February 26, 2016, Linda Zdepski and Joan Sabo attended the annual Community Stakeholders Resource Fair at Hunterdon Medical Center from 12:30-2pm. This event was organized by Barbara Mastrianni from NORWESCAP Child and Family Resource Services. Flyers and handouts were distributed flyers and handouts, and the many services the Hunterdon County Library has to offer were explained. Several local daycare centers and nursery schools were in attendance. We also met Shu Chiang, from the Department of Health, and Linda O'Brien, Service Coordinator for the Child Development Center. Other representatives were on hand from Catholic Charities, the Link, Meals on Wheels, and even ShopRite of Flemington. This is our fifth year attending, and we continue to feel it is a worthwhile endeavor for community outreach and networking.



HCL's streaming movie service IndieFlix is now called **InstantFlix**...same great service, new name:

InstantFlix: Powered by IndieFlix brings engaging stories to movie lovers around the world

- **Robust content:** Enjoy over 7,000 high-quality shorts, features, documentaries, classic TV shows and Web series from 85 countries.
- **Film-festival hits:** View films from major festivals all over the world, including Sundance, Cannes, Tribeca, and more!
- **The films you want:** Sort by language, genre, or film length with easy-to-use filters.
- **Support for filmmakers:** Contribute to films just by subscribing, because InstantFlix directly supports the filmmakers.
- **Anytime, anywhere access:** Watch movies on any Internet-enabled computer, smartphone, or tablet with a Web browser! Also available on Roku, Xbox, and Apple TV.

This relaxation basket, courtesy of the Friends of the Hunterdon County Library, will be raffled off at HQ, NCB, SCB and on the Bookmobile during the month of April to help celebrate National Library Week.



Youth Services

Tweens at Headquarters and North County Branch held the second of three winter Bricks 4 Kidz programs. The programs have been tremendously popular.

The Teen Writers Group continues to meet the third Wednesday of the month at North County Branch.

Kingwood 2nd graders came to the Headquarters library on March 2 to tour and celebrate Read Across America / Dr. Seuss's birthday.

Tax time

Procrastinators rejoice! The tax deadline for 2016 is April 18, so there are three extra days this year! As in the past, we continue to supply tax forms and information for the public.

Circulation

Circulation Supervisor Lee Comella has started weeding the music CD's while continuing to weed DVD's. Lee is our "traveling" supervisor, dividing her time between Headquarters and North County Branch Library.