

## **NJLA 2008 Conference Poster Sessions**

Ocean Place Resort, Long Branch, NJ

***Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2:30PM-3:30PM.***

1) \*Title: "Write @ the Library"

\*Presenter: Mary Fran Daley, Hunterdon County Library

\*Abstract: We have an innovative writing workshop series for fourth, fifth, and sixth graders. It has been very popular. The kids have had a lot of fun with it. Writing practice improves language literacy. How to get authors to visit your library, presenting different writing genres such as comics, poetry, and biography, and why to undertake a program like ours. This program was mentioned in the NJLA newsletter in 2007- "Writing is hot, too!"

2) \*Title: "Alternative Minimum Tax and Your Salary"

\*Presenter: Beatrice Priestly, Principal Librarian, Long Branch Public Library

\*Abstract: The Alternative Minimum Tax was originally started as a progressive tax, but Burman in his 2002 paper stated it has begun to ensnare ordinary middle class families. Upper level library management salaries need to be improved to avoid severe effects of the AMT tax and to attract and keep good executive talent. By reviewing AMT calculations; viewing the typical annual payroll deductions; and examining a modest household budget- we can see what really remains at the end of the month. Keeping property taxes low is admirable but librarians need to be able to live here too and support themselves! Please be a tiger and ask for that pay increase that allows you to adequately support yourself.

3) \*Title: "The NJ Hispanic Research and Information Center @ the Newark Public Library"

\*Presenter: Yesenia Lopez NJ Hispanic Research & Info. Center @ The Newark Public Library

\*Abstract: Established in 2001, the NJHRIC offers a broad variety of resources and services experience in the State of New Jersey. Its three major components are: La Sala Hispanoamericana, home to the largest Spanish-language public library collection in the state; the Hispanic Reference Center; and the Puerto Rican Community Archives, a groundbreaking collection of primary resources on the history and culture of New Jersey's Puerto Rican community, the largest and oldest Latino group in the state.

4) \*Title: "We Deliver -- Community Outreach Services at Morris County Library"  
\*Presenters: K. Ellen Stringer, Morris County Library Sydney Ladd, Coordinator of Outreach Services, Morris County Library; Mary Sanders, Morris County Library; Joanne Herb, Morris County Library  
\*Abstract: Morris County Library mails and delivers library materials to 150 homebound and disabled patrons and 19 adult care facilities and county agencies. Our poster, illustrated with photographs, text, graphics and brochures, describes these programs and how we select materials and prepare them for delivery.

5) \*Title: "Celebra el Dia de los ninos/Dia de los libros - Celebrate Children's Day/Books Day"  
\*Presenter: Ina Rimpau Bilingual librarian, The Newark Public Library  
\*Abstract: El Dia de los ninos/Dia de los libros - children's Day/Books Day is an ALA-endorsed celebration of children, families, and reading that culminates every year on April 30. The celebration emphasizes the importance of advocating literacy for children of all linguistic and cultural backgrounds.

6) \*Title: "Customer Appreciation Week"  
\*Presenter: Christine M. Hill, Asst. Director, Willingboro Public Library  
\*Abstract: Will describe how to plan and execute a week of activity to reward and express gratitude toward library users.

7) \*Title: "Rock the Stax: Concerts Bring Teens In"  
\*Presenters: Diane Sebastian, Youth Services Librarian; Liz Sann, Programs Jr. Library Assist., Roxbury Public Library  
\*Abstract: Library sponsored rock 'n' roll concerts by local bands is a dynamic way to bring teens into the library and/or draw attention to library services. They also help to update the image of the library in teens minds.

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***Thursday, May 1, 2008, 11:30AM-12:30PM.***

1) \*Title: "Our Stories, Ourselves; Using Oral History and Primary Documents for History Assignments"  
\*Presenter: Angela Camack, Sussex County Community College  
\*Abstract: Some students feel history is dry, distant and unrelated to their own lives. What assignments and resources will help them realize how immediate history can be? The sessions include examples of resources and 'you were there' assignments. These assignments can be adapted for any grade level.

2) \*Title: "The Research Library in the 21st Century: The First Steps"

\*Presenters: Judit Ward, Director of Information Services, Center of Alcohol Studies, Rutgers University James Cox, Graduate Reference and Research Assistant, Center of Alcohol Studies, Rutgers University

\*Abstract: The Center of Alcohol Studies Library at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey is going through a period of transition, looking to the past while working in the present with a commitment to improve in the future. The library currently offers a customized approach to information retrieval in an effort to meet the individual research needs of scholars, instructors and students. The changing landscape of information services within the library field generally points to a need for a stronger online presence yet to be explored and implemented. The Center of Alcohol Studies Library looks to the future with an eye on a greater variety of electronic resources.

3) \*Title: "eLearn @ MCL"

\*Presenter: Cinthia Levy; Morris County Library

\*Abstract: eLearn @ MCL: The Morris County Library Online Education Workshop is one of the first distance learning programs offered at the public library level. The series of classes starts with "An Introduction to the Music of the Middle Ages". Classes run for two weeks and require short readings/assignments, with an opportunity to sample music, video clips, art work, and literature of the period. Library resources and remote databases are highlighted.

4) \*Title: "Electronic Delivery of Print Periodical Articles from the Stacks: A Pilot Project"

\*Presenters: Krista Dandurand, Judy Gardner, Holly Muller, and Roger Smith, Rutgers University Libraries

\*Abstract: This session will report on a pilot project that offers students, faculty, and staff free desktop delivery of articles scanned from the print periodical collections at Rutgers University Libraries. User benefits such as a streamlined request process, integration with interlibrary loan, and elimination of deposit accounts will be described. Impact on staff workflow, use statistics, and user feedback will be shared.

5) Title: "NJ NACO: New Jersey's Statewide Cooperative Cataloging Program"

\*Presenter: Ruth Bogan, Georgian Court University

\*Abstract: An introduction to the work of the cooperative New Jersey NACO Program and an opportunity for new member libraries to join the 14 libraries already actively contributing to the national authority file.

6) \*Title: "New Approaches to Replacing the "Fortress" Reference Desk"

\*Presenter: Mark Thompson, Bergen Community College

\*Abstract: This poster will cover the many possible options for designing a reference desk so it fits with the more dynamic forms of reference (roving, IM, etc.). Bergen Community College Library designed its own modular, hexagon-shaped reference center as part of its renovations. Results are positive with increased consulting sessions and a new approachability for librarians and students.

7) \*Title: "The Way We Were: 60 Years Ago at NJLA College and University Section Libraries"

\*Presenter: Karen Topham, President, College and University Section, and the NJLA CUS Executive Board

\*Abstract: A look back at college and university libraries in New Jersey 60 years ago when the NJLA College and University Section was first founded through photos and documents from the archives of NJLA CUS member libraries.

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