



# COUNTY of CUMBERLAND

Public Library & Information Center

## NEWS RELEASE

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### Library Closings

All CCPL&IC locations will be closed until 1:00 pm for Staff Development Day from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm, Friday, December 13. All locations will reopen at 1:00 pm.

In observance of Christmas, all CCPL&IC locations will close at 6:00 pm on Monday, December 23 and will remain closed on Tuesday – Thursday, December 24 – 26. All libraries will reopen on Friday, December 27.

In observance of New Years, all CCPL&IC locations will close at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, December 31, and will remain closed on Wednesday, January 1. All libraries will reopen on Thursday, January 2.

If you wish to return any items when the library is closed, please use the bookdrops located outside all locations.

### December Events

#### **Mon., Dec. 2**

6:30 pm (Headquarters 483-7727 ext. 210)

#### **Internet Basics**

Individuals 16 years and older are invited to learn about surfing the Internet. This session is for beginning Internet users. Participants must have a valid CCPL&IC library card.

**Registration is required by calling 483-7727 ext. 210.**

**Tues., Dec. 3**

4:00 pm (East Regional 485-2955)

**Teen Board Game Arcade**

Teens, come out to play board games like Balderdash, Clue and Scrabble with other teens. Refreshments will be provided.

**Wed., Dec. 11**

3:30 pm (North Regional 822-1998)

**Holiday Stories of Celebration**

What do you do to celebrate the month of December? Children 5–12 years old are invited to come and listen to celebration stories of cultures from around the world.

**Wed., Dec. 11**

7:00 pm (Headquarters 483-7727 ext. 308)

**Opened Gates Book Club**

Come share a favorite poem or booktalk a recently published novel at Opened Gates Book Club's Annual Holiday Bash. Tea and holiday refreshments will be served. For more information contact Wanda Hunter at 483-7727 ext. 308.

**Thur., Dec. 12**

10:00 am (Headquarters 483-7727 ext. 308)

**New Horizons Book Club**

View and discuss a documentary on Sarah and Betsy Delany (The Delany Sisters) produced by Saint Augustine College. For more information contact Wanda Hunter at 483-7727 ext. 308.

**Sat., Dec. 14**

11:05 am (East Regional 485-2955)

**Winter Holiday Special**

Children 5 – 12 years are invited to hear winter stories and make a paper plate snowman. **Registration is required by calling 485-2955.**

**Sat., Dec. 14**

3:00 pm (Hope Mills 485-8455)

**Winter Holiday Special**

Children 5 – 12 years are invited to hear winter stories and make a paper plate snowman. **Registration is required by calling 425-8455.**

**December**

(Local & State History Room, Headquarters 483-7727 ext. 308)

**Moore Street Families: Reconstructing a Community from the 1930 Federal Census**

Using information extracted from the 1930 Census for Cumberland County, the Local & State History Room will profile families who lived in the 300 and 400 blocks of Moore Street in 1930.

### Great Books Discussion Group

(Headquarters 483-7727)

There will be no meeting in December. Meetings will resume in January, 2003 with a discussion of Virginia Woolf's novel, *To the Lighthouse*. Call 483-7727 ext. 204 for more information.

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