

Delivery of Library Materials to the Homebound

Do you know an Avalon resident who is housebound? Perhaps he / she no longer drives and is unable to visit the library. A phone call is all that's needed for us to check out and deliver library materials. Call 967-7155 for more information.

Technology

Microsoft Word Workshop



Learn how to create a document, insert pictures and clip art, vary fonts and sizes of text, use the toolbars, add backgrounds, borders, and other effects.

Three 1½ hour Tuesday sessions from 3:30 - 5:00
January 15th, 22nd, and 29th

Space is limited. Registration is required.

Please register at the circulation desk or call 967-7155.

Personal Computer Users Group

"Home Wireless Encryption"

with Ed Ranalli, program leader

Monday, January 21st, 6:30 - 8:00



We will learn about the newest products and latest trends in technology from someone who attended the International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas from January 7th - 10th.

Now available on our home page:

The Library Director's Report and Monthly Library Statistics

Simply click on Library Information on the left and scroll down to "Pamphlets" or use this URL:

<http://www.avalonfreelibrary.org/information.asp>.

Reports of the previous month's activities are posted the second Friday of the month.

Avalon Free Public Library

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January 2008 Newsletter

Free Income Tax Preparation Assistance Program



Do you need assistance with your tax return? Trained community volunteers have offered to help seniors through the IRS Volunteer Return Preparation Program. Appointments will be scheduled for one hour Friday afternoons from 1:00 to 4:00 beginning February 8th.

New this year: Free electronic filing is available to all who participate in this tax preparation program.

An appointment is necessary, at the desk or by phone (967-7155).

Welcome Our New Staff Members

Welcome aboard to the three newest members of our library team:

- ◆ Linda Duffy has accepted the position of administrative assistant. She comes to the job with extensive administrative and marketing experience.
- ◆ Patricia Wilk, a retired high school guidance counselor, joins us to replace Chris Pidgeon at the circulation desk. Staff and patrons will miss Chris who returned to his home town in North Jersey for a full-time position.
- ◆ Also at the circulation desk, Bill Silcox will take the position vacated by Jim Cavalieri who is returning to the classroom. Our loss is ACCC's gain. We look forward to Jim's return when the academic year ends.

Monthly Music Lectures by Paul Somers

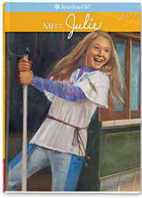


Presented by the Avalon library, Maurice River Music, and the Bay-Atlantic Symphony

"American Music," Tuesday, January 22nd from 7:00 - 8:30

Future lectures: Feb. 26, March 25, April 22, and May 27

Children's Programs



The Avalon library will offer an American Girl program based on the new **American Girl** doll and books *Meet Julie*. Read her books, do crafts, and learn some sign language.

Wednesdays from 3:45 - 4:45 beginning January 16th

Please register at the library.

Story Time for Preschoolers: Wednesdays from 10 - 11 a. m.

K - 4 CLUB

Stories, games, science, and fun for kindergarten - grade 4

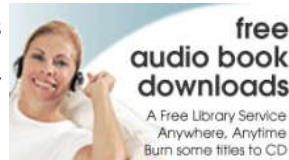
Thursdays 3:30 - 4:15 beginning January 24th

Language Courses on Our Free Audio Book Downloads

Did you know that 39 foreign language-learning programs are available on the library's Web site?

Click on the "Free Audio Books Downloads" graphic on our homepage, select Non-Fiction under "Browse by," and select "Foreign Language Study."

The languages offered include Arabic, Chinese, French, English, Italian, Japanese, Spanish, German, and Hawaiian.



Art Workshops

The Avalon library, in collaboration with the Cape May County Art League, is sponsoring a series of art workshops each month beginning in mid-March.

The following workshops will be offered: oil painting, drawing, watercolor, pastels, portraits, acrylics, and sculpture.

The times and required supplies will be posted as we approach each event. Check in the library and on the library's homepage.

Programs

Great Decisions 2008

Discussion Group on Foreign Policy

Thought-provoking analysis of eight issues of concern to the United States



These free discussion programs will be held Tuesday evenings in February and March from 6:00 - 8:00.

A briefing book may be purchased from the Foreign Policy Association for \$15.00.

Call the library (967-7155) for more information or to register for the course.

ONGOING PROGRAMS – NEWCOMERS WELCOME!



The Avalon Library Knitters meet at 3:30 every Monday afternoon. All levels are welcome.

Books to Movies: Free discussion program second and fourth Thursday of every month. Call to find out the title of the book / movies to be discussed.

Creative Writing: Free seminar the first and third Saturday of every month from 10 - 12. January classes: the 5th and 19th

Italian Culture Group meets monthly. Join us Wednesday, January 9th at 4:00.

Memoir Writing: Free seminar from 6:30 - 8:00 the first and third Thursday of the month.

A Place to Paint: Open Studio, the Avalon library art room. Bring your own supplies. Mondays from 12 - 3

Scrabble: Play in the library the second and fourth Monday from 6 - 8.

January play dates: January 14th and 28th

