Atlantic City is undergoing a major economic transition. Policy changes, infrastructure developments and capital improvements are transforming the city and preparing it for its post-gaming future. Driven by a bill passed by the State of New Jersey in February 2011, a series of changes have occurred that address challenges to the city’s economy - including increased competition from gaming within the region - and elevate Atlantic City’s position as a prime location for non-gaming investment.

Within Atlantic City, non-gaming revenues have increased by more than $160 million in just the last two years and are now approaching $1 billion annually. The CRDA has attracted more than $700 million in capital investment, with more than $290 million in process, to continue to grow the market’s non-gaming amenities.

**CRDA Investment in Atlantic City**

**Bass Pro Shops**: 86,000-square-foot outdoorsman super store in the heart of downtown Atlantic City that will feature among other things an aquarium and boat showroom. The CRDA contributed a $12.3 million construction loan plus an additional $11 million over 11 years as part of a sales tax rebate program. 200 full and part-time jobs are expected to be created. Scheduled to open Spring 2015.

**Harrah’s Conference Center**: $134 million total (CRDA contributing $45 million, NJ Economic Development Authority providing $24.1 million in incentives over 20 years and Harrah’s $80 million in equity to complete financing); 340 construction jobs created so far up to last October. Completion anticipated by Fall 2015. Anticipated to generate between 60-140 permanent jobs.

Since 2009, group bookings at the core group travel properties has grown from 274,000 room nights to more than 361,000 room nights – an increase of more than 22 percent. Atlantic City currently owns just about 6 percent of room nights used for group business whereas regional convention and meetings hotels currently run at roughly 25 percent.

**Tropicana Casino & Resort improvements**: CRDA providing $18.8 million of investment alternative tax obligation credits for this $35 million project that will see the Tropicana renovate 434 hotel rooms in the North Tower, create new retail space on Pacific Avenue, a new health club on Brighton Avenue, and upgrades/renovations to the Boardwalk facade.

**Atlantic Cape Community College Atlantic City Campus Expansion**: A new 20,000-square-foot campus that will be used to train workers for the hospitality and culinary arts industries throughout the region. The CRDA and Atlantic County each contributed $5 million towards this project, which will feature two teaching kitchens, classrooms, offices and greenhouse.

**Indoor Public Market**: Would be bound by Ohio, Indiana, Atlantic and Pacific avenues. Intended to create a vibrant, non-gaming attraction for the Tourism District that will help diversify the Atlantic City economy and visitor experience, as well as activate the streetscape between Tanger Outlets The Walk and the Boardwalk.

**Boraie Southeast Inlet Project**: The two-phased, $100 million South Inlet Village Project will create 250 units of multi-family housing with workout facility, 10,000-square-foot resident lounge, swimming pool, outside deck and 400-space parking garage; ground level retail shops, grocery store and restaurants. The CRDA is providing up to $30 million in funding for this two-phased project.

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CRDA Board Approves Incentive Package for Entertainment Bookings

On the heels of successful summer events and entertainment including major beach concerts, the Atlantic City Airshow, A-list entertainers and the Miss America Pageant, the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority (CRDA) Board has approved an incentive package for Live Nation Entertainment, Inc., to book an increased number of signature events at Boardwalk Hall.

“We recognize that top entertainers and large events are key to bringing visitors to Atlantic City,” said Board Chairman James Kehoe. “We want to drive visitation and provide economic impact by offering more of these visitor opportunities throughout the year.”

CRDA will offer Live Nation a graduated incentive package for one year beginning April 2014, renewable for two additional one-year periods. The package will potentially give Live Nation a bonus of up to $500,000 for booking 12 or more events during a contract year. The graduated incentives kick in when they have booked six or more events.

“Boardwalk Hall is a beautiful venue, and we want to make the best possible use of it,” said John Palmieri, executive director of the CRDA. “Atlantic City already is known as a great place for entertainment. We want to make it the best entertainment destination in the region.”

Live Nation is the premier talent booking agency in the country. Boardwalk Hall, operated by CRDA and managed by Global Spectrum, has been recognized by both Venues Today and Billboard magazines, as the top-grossing venue of its size. The arena holds up to 14,500 people.

Board actions will take effect following the expiration of the Governor’s statutory review period.

Global Spectrum to Upgrade Technology

Global Spectrum, facility managers of the Atlantic City Convention Center and Boardwalk Hall, announced that it has awarded a contract to Smart City Networks manage all technology and telecommunications services for both venues.

Global Spectrum chose Smart City Networks due to their industry experience and depth of resources. The five-year contract took effect on September 1.

“We are extremely honored to have been chosen by Global Spectrum to provide telecommunications services for these two iconic facilities,” said Mark Haley, president of Smart City Networks. “At Smart City, our primary goal is to ensure our venue partners are equipped and outfitted with the latest advancements in technology, and capable of hosting a wide variety of events attended by thousands of people.”

Smart City, Global Spectrum and the New Jersey Casino Reinvestment Development Authority will upgrade all technological infrastructure necessary for a full data and wireless network upgrade: Once these systems are completed, Smart City will provide network cabling, high-speed Internet access, turnkey data networking services, Wi-Fi and analog, digital and conference phone services for all future events hosted by both facilities. The enhancements and services provided by Smart City will bolster the Atlantic City Convention Center and Boardwalk Hall’s technological capabilities, allowing each venue to host world-class events that meet the growing needs of event organizers, managers, exhibitors and attendees.

“I am beyond thrilled that Smart City Networks is joining the team at the Atlantic City Convention Center and Boardwalk Hall,” Totaro said. “They are the industry leaders on all things tech and will exceed our customers’ expectations. Our competitive edge just took a giant step forward!”

For more information about the Atlantic City Convention Center, visit http://www.accenter.com. For more information about the Boardwalk Hall, visit www.boardwalkhall.com.

Grant Aids Salvation Army

The CRDA approved $40,497.82 in grant funding to the local Atlantic City chapter of the Salvation Army for the purpose of helping fund the purchase and installation of new air conditioning and heating units for its Community Center Gymnasium.

“Thanks to the generosity of the CRDA we were able to move our project forward and no longer have to contend with uncomfortable heat and humidity levels that were challenges for the children who attended our summer day programs,” said Mel Meck, advisory board member for the Salvation Army Atlantic City Corps. “Our children will now be able to laugh and play and not have to worry about extreme temperatures.”

The Community Center, located at 22 South Texas Avenue, is a multi-purpose facility that serves the community in many important ways, such as providing free meals to thousands in need Monday through Friday, hosting over 800 people at the annual Thanksgiving meal and nearly 400 at the Christmas giving program, as well as offering local children a safe place to play games during its summer day camp program.

Meck added, “Our thanks and blessings to all members of the CRDA for allowing us to move this much-needed project forward.”

The CRDA’s Community Development Program provides capital investment funds for economic development and community projects that respond to the changing economic and social needs of Atlantic City and the State of New Jersey.
First Responders & 9-11 Memorial

Millions of Americans gave pause in September to reflect and remember those who lost their lives 13 years ago in New York City, Shanksville, Pa. and Washington D.C. To ensure that the memory of that day and the sacrifice that the many brave men and women selflessly gave will never be forgotten, the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority (CRDA), in partnership with the Atlantic City Alliance (ACA) and the City of Atlantic City, will be unveiling the First Responders & 9/11 Memorial on the Boardwalk at St. James Place on Saturday, October 18.

“The CRDA recognizes the brave efforts and dedication that our first responders – police, fire and emergency medical personnel – put forth day-in and day-out,” said CRDA Executive Director John Palmieri. The memorial is being developed by Hanlón Sculpture Studio who also designed, constructed and installed the Miss America Statue at Kennedy Plaza on the Boardwalk in front of Historic Boardwalk Hall.

The First Responders & 9/11 Memorial design will feature a 7’ tall bronze casted statue of a police officer, a fireman and K9 officer mounted on a 6’x4’ granite disc. A second monument will feature two granite pedestals with the first displaying a police shield on top of the pedestal while the other will feature a fireman’s helmet. Each pedestal will be approximately 3’6” high and will also be mounted on 6’x4’ granite disc with a flag pole in between. The memorial will be maintained through private philanthropic efforts in collaboration with a not-for-profit company.

“It was very important for the City of Atlantic City to be part of this project,” said City of Atlantic City Mayor Don Guardian. “We rebuilt this section of the Boardwalk in order to create an appropriate setting for this sacred memorial and we wanted to, in some small way, help honor our heroes.”

The CRDA approved $145,000 in Boardwalk Revitalization funds to pay for the design, construction and installation of the memorial as part of a greater Boardwalk reconstruction project at the St. James Place street end. This reconstruction project, which is being paid for by the CRDA, will include new ramps, railings and enhanced support structures, which were originally damaged by a fire adjacent to the Boardwalk at St. James Place and years of wear. The City of Atlantic City is coordinating the design elements and all necessary labor.

Tix for AHL Hockey Games Available

Fans of the New Jersey Devils and Philadelphia Flyers will get a glimpse of the future this winter as their American Hockey League (AHL) affiliates the Albany Devils and Lehigh Valley Phantoms square off for a two-game series at Atlantic City’s Boardwalk Hall on Friday, November 28 and Sunday, December 14.

Series tickets for the two-game package are now on sale. Ticket packages are priced at $50, $40, $30, and $20 and will be available at the Boardwalk Hall Box Office, all Ticketmaster locations by calling 800-736-1420 or at www.ticketmaster.com.

Individual game tickets for the Friday, November 28 game and Sunday, December 14 game are also available for $30, $24, $18, and $12.

Groups of 10 or more will also receive special discounts with ticket prices starting as low as $10. Hockey clubs and group organizations also have the opportunity to take advantage of fan experiences packages where they can get up close and personal with their favorite players or receive private ice time at Boardwalk Hall. For more information on group sales and fan experience packages, call (609) 348-7023 or send e-mail to asanchez@global-spectrum.com.

The Albany Devils last took the ice at Boardwalk Hall’s Art Dorrington Ice Rink for a four-game series during the 2013-2014 season, with two games each against the Hershey Bears and Wilkes Barre Scranton Penguins. The team also visited Boardwalk Hall in the 2010-2011 and the 2012-2013 seasons for regular season games.

“We look forward to returning once again to such a historic venue as Boardwalk Hall. Playing our conference rivals in Atlantic City is a great experience for our players and our fans in southern New Jersey,” said Albany Devils General Manager Chris Lamorlello. “As the top development clubs for both organizations, its proximity to Newark and Philadelphia makes this even more special.”

“We are very excited to welcome the Albany Devils back to Boardwalk Hall to take on the Lehigh Valley Phantoms for two games in the 2014-2015 season,” said Fran Rodowicz, General Manager, Global Spectrum at Boardwalk Hall. “Our venue has a great history with ice hockey and local fans have expressed high interest in coming to see hockey at Boardwalk Hall. It’s great to be able to host these games between the New Jersey and Philadelphia AHL affiliates as they make up the two major markets of our fan base. We are glad to be able to offer fans and families the opportunity to come out and experience pro hockey right in their own backyard in Southern New Jersey.”
Great Deals Make Investing in Atlantic City a Winning Proposition

It looks like Atlantic City is back to having nine casinos. Brookfield Asset Management came out on top of a recent auction of the long-troubled hotel and casino Revel Atlantic City. The 1,399-key property that features 150,000 square feet of gaming space was developed for a staggering $2.4 billion. Brookfield clearly landed an irreplaceable asset at a deep discount to replacement costs with its winning $110 million offer. The math works out to about 4.6 percent of Revel’s development cost.

That was about $14.6 million more than Florida’s Glenn Straub was willing to lay down to achieve his vision of turning the property into a think-tank, according to Reuters. The sale still requires approval from a federal judge. Revel AC Inc., a parent company of Revel Entertainment Group, filed for Chapter 11 on June 9 of this year. That was its second declared vacancy. The hotel and casino shut down in early September, following The Atlantic Club, which closed in January, and Showboat, which closed in late August despite still running at a profit. Trump Plaza subsequently closed in mid-

September.

Yet in spite of four casinos closing in one-year, there might be no better opportunity to invest into the city than now. Commercial real estate prices are at their lowest point in a quarter century. Mayor Don Guardian described prices to CPE as presenting “a better deal than the deepest of discount basement bargain stores.”

Largely led by the city’s Casino Reinvestment Development Authority (CRDA), Atlantic City is working to reinvent itself as a diversified resort destination. Non-gaming revenue has continued to grow and was up over $160 million in the past two years, quickly approaching $1 billion annually.

“We’re pleased to see additional private investment in Atlantic City,” John Palmieri, executive director of the CRDA said. “Buyers would not invest if they were not positive about the city’s business climate. This is another chapter in Atlantic City’s evolution, along with other recent investments such as Bass Pro Shops, Harrah’s conference center, Tropicana’s planned retail and Boardwalk enhancements, the sale of Atlantic Club, Margaritaville, the Boraie mixed-used development and others. This is a very good time to invest in Atlantic City.”

Recent economic developments have approached the $1 billion mark. The Cordish Company is building an 86,000-square-foot Bass Pro Shop in a public-private-partnership with the city through the CRDA, which collects and reinvests 1.2 percent of casino revenue. It is located adjacent to Tanger Outlets The Walk, a 109-store open air outlet mall that Tanger bought from Cordish as part of a $200 million, two-property sale back in 2011. A new $126 million conference center is currently under construction at Harrah’s. It got off the ground in part due to a $45 million investment from the CRDA. Resorts built a $70 million Margaritaville that opened in 2013. A $9.5 million, 30,000-square-foot indoor food market modeled off of Philadelphia’s Reading Terminal Market is slated to break ground late this year. New Brunswick’s Boraie Development recently received $30 million in CRDA funding to build a 250-unit, mixed-use community with 20 percent of apartments set aside for workforce housing.

The city is also reinvesting in entertainment with plans to expand a pilot concert program that brought Blake Shelton and Lady Antebellum—and roughly 130,000 fans between the two shows—to the beach this past summer. Mayor Don Guardian told CPE that that the stage could be up for as many as six weeks next summer. The CRDA is also investing $10 million into Steel Pier, home to the famed diving ponies of yesteryear, to put in new rides and a $4 million, 250-foot high observation wheel that should be up and running in 2015.

“Pundits say we are not a family place,” Anthony Catanoso, owner/president of Steel Pier told CPE. “We get between 4,000 to 7,000 visitors on a summer night. I love the focus on non-gaming. Eight-casinos or 12, it doesn’t impact us much. This will be a family town with a bit of gambling on the side.”

(Courtesy of Mike Ratliff, Senior Associate Editor, www.cpeexecutive.com)
Urban Land Institute Panelists to Publicly Reveal Findings in January 2015

The Urban Land Institute and its panel of global experts, who convened in Atlantic City earlier this year, will present its findings on South Inlet mixed-use neighborhood ideas to the public on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 from 8-10:30 am at the Atlantic City Convention Center in room 302.

The participating panelists also will reveal their recommendations for generating new jobs in Atlantic City through a focus on education, medical services, and a new and creative economy. This public presentation, presented by the South Jersey Regional Satellite Council of the Urban Land Institute Philadelphia which serves Eastern and Central Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey and Delaware, was originally scheduled for Wednesday, October 8, but was rescheduled due to scheduling conflicts with several panel members.

Panelists include: Wasseem Boraie, Managing Member, South Inlet Partners Urban Renewal LLC/Boraie; Michael Busler, Professor of Finance, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey; The Honorable Donald A. Guardian, Mayor, City of Atlantic City; Victor Nappen, Chair, Greater Atlantic City Chamber of Commerce; John Palmieri, Executive Director, Casino Reinvestment Development Authority; Nicholas F. Talvacchia, Partner and Chair of the Land Use Practice Group, Cooper Levenson; and Tom Murphy, Senior Resident Fellow, ULI/Klingbeil Family Chair for urban development and former Mayor for the City of Pittsburgh.

If interested in attending, you may register online by visiting www.philadelphia.uli.org, by phone at 1-800-321-5011 or by mail to ULI Philadelphia, P.O. Box 413363, Boston, MA 02241-8363 or overnight mail to ULI Philadelphia, 1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW, #500 West, Washington DC 20007. Private sector ULI members $30, Government/Non-Profit/Academic/Under 35 ULI members $25, Student ULI members $25, Private sector non ULI member $50 and Government/Non-Profit/Academic/Student non ULI members $40.

Pacific Avenue Paving Continues

After a brief hiatus for the Miss America Pageant and Show Us Your Shoes parade in mid-September, contractors are once again out in full force along Pacific Avenue completing preparations that will ultimately lead to the repaving of the heavily-traversed roadway, which runs parallel to the Boardwalk.

Throughout the month of October, contractors will continue installation of ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps, laying underground conduit and building the foundations for new street lights. Milling and repaving of Pacific Avenue will begin immediately following the completion of the three aforementioned projects.

CRDA Employee News

Best of luck to former Communications Associate Project Officer Katrina Cheung who is moving on to a new and exciting professional opportunity in New York City. Katrina’s final day at the CRDA was Friday, October 3.

Congratulations to Real Estate & Development Administrative Assistant Loretta Acevedo on the birth of her child. In her absence, Nicole Sanderson, who started on September 10, will fill in and assist Director Bunny Rixey.

Congratulations to Heather Walls who was promoted on July 21 to the position of Associate Project Officer for the Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director.

Congratulations to Oriana Mondragon who was promoted on July 21 to the position of Board Administrative Assistant.

Congratulations to Dawn Messer who was promoted to the position of Accounting Project Officer.

Lastly, congratulations to Jose Caban who was promoted to the position of SID Division Public Improvement Supervisor on August 20.
Main Street AC Hosts “New Jersey 350”

Atlantic City will take part in the “New Jersey 350” program in November in order to celebrate and engage the public in the statewide 350th anniversary.

A first-of-its-kind local pop-up store featuring New Jersey memorabilia supplied by the state museum in Trenton, items from the Island of Jersey, which is located in the British Channel (the location from which New Jersey originally received its name), books provided by Rutgers University, "New Jersey 350" branded apparel and, most importantly, a variety of merchandise from local business retailers.

Main Street New Jersey will be passing along all of the profits from the merchandise provided—minus credit processing fees—directly back to the participating local businesses, historical societies and community-oriented entities.

So far, “New Jersey 350” pop-up stores have appeared in Red Bank, Highland Park, Newton, Boonton, Lawrenceville, Hammonton, Westfield, Somerville, and two at the Department of State in Trenton.

Along with the Atlantic City appearance, pop-up stores will also be coming to Mount Holly in October, Montclair in November, and Bridgeport and South Orange in December.

“New Jersey 350’s” final location in downtown Trenton will officially end the state’s year-long 350th celebration on December 31st.

Miss Delaware Donates Shoes To Atlantic City Historical Museum

Miss Delaware Brittany Lewis – a 2008 Holy Spirit High School alumna and Brigantine native – donated one of the shoes she wore at last week’s Show Us Your Shoes Parade to the Atlantic City Historical Museum on September 18.

Lewis paid tribute to Delaware, known as the Diamond State, by wearing sparkling platform pumps at the parade. Lewis, who graduated from Temple University and Wilmington (Del.) University, recently completed her first year with Teach for America in Delaware.

Her shoe is currently on display at the Historical Museum as part of an ongoing Miss America exhibit that also includes a shoe worn in last year’s Show Us Your Shoes Parade by then-Miss New Jersey Cara McCollum.

The Atlantic City Historical Museum, operated by the Atlantic City Free Public Library, showcases the culturally diverse, exciting history of Atlantic City in a nostalgic timeline.

Investment in Atlantic City (continued from front page)

Hope 6/Conifer homes: 90 units bound by North Virginia, Baltic, North Maryland avenues and Absecon Boulevard. 32 units dedicated to public housing, 30 units dedicated to project based section-8 assistance, 28 units with tax credit available for residents up to 60% of median income. Total cost of $26 million. Currently the project is fully funded with an anticipated completion date about 10 months following ground breaking. Estimated to generate 109 construction jobs and three permanent jobs. Finished rental units will be managed by Conifer Homes, which has a good performance record.

Procida housing: Procida Realty and Construction intends to build a market rate; 89-townhome-style-rental-unit*(Carolina Crescent phase bound by Mediterranean, Drexel, South Carolina and Tennessee avenues; Connecticut Crescent phase bound by Connecticut, Congress, Baltic and Mediterranean avenues). The three-story structures will feature first floor units with two bedrooms while the second and third floor units will have three bedrooms. All units will be available to residents at up to 60% of median income. This project has an estimated cost of $16 million. A completion date 18-24 months following ground breaking is anticipated.

Steel Pier observation wheel: $4 million from CRDA. 200-foot observation wheel, including 42, fully-enclosed cabins featuring air conditioning and heat for year-round use, will be built on a new, 315,000-square-foot pier.

Main Street investments: $400,000 from NJDOT for the 1700 block, $6 million from CRDA for facades from the 1300-1700 blocks, plus the CRDA’s Downtown Revitalization Project approved a supplementary fund reservation of $100,000 for residential development.

Atlantic City Police Department Technology Grant: Grant of $3 million from the CRDA to the ACPD to upgrade CAD & RMS systems to aid in deployment strategies and engage the anonymous help from the community with the Tip411 program.

Atlantic Avenue Facade Improvement Program: The CRDA has committed funds to improve the appearance of participating commercial properties along the 1300-1700 blocks of Atlantic Avenue. Funding is also available for restoration of upper-floor housing units from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority.

$4 Million Subsidy Program: The Atlantic City Alliance is providing $1 million per year through 2016 in incentive packages to bring first-time conventions and meetings to the Atlantic City market.

Bally’s/Caesars: CRDA Board approved a $21 million donation from Bally’s/Caesars for the development of non-gaming amenities and exterior improvements at the Bally’s & Caesars properties.
Toll Free Tuesday's in October and Great Travel Deals in Atlantic City

Once you cross the Ben Franklin Bridge or the Walt Whitman Bridge, there are no traffic lights to Atlantic City on the Atlantic City Expressway. And now, Tuesdays in October the Eastbound Atlantic City tolls are free from noon until midnight. Christened “Toll Free Tuesdays” by the Atlantic City Alliance, the mid-week marketing promotion is designed to highlight all midweek hotel, dining, gaming promotions and entertainment deals at truly wallet-friendly prices.

AC midweek is perfect for travelers looking for big values and to avoid the weekend crowds. The same Saturday night luxury casino hotel rooms are available midweek starting at $49 per night. Value driven hotel packages can range in price and availability. Great rates mean more of your money can be spent on happy hours, dining deals, live entertainment, holiday shopping, gaming and spa deals at the casino resort spas.

#TRAVELTUESDAY

As a thank you to our loyal visitors and to encourage a new midweek visit, the four Tuesdays of October will be Toll-Free Tuesdays, which include fantastic hotel packages at Atlantic City’s best hotels (see below) and free eastbound tolls at the Egg Harbor and Pleasantville toll plazas between noon-midnight. Drivers simply proceed as usual through the tolls either through the E-Z Pass or tollbooth lanes.

Another exclusive Tuesday deal to take advantage of includes free Parking at The Wave Parking Garage at Mississippi Avenue and Fairmount Avenues from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. The Wave Garage is conveniently located within walking distance from hundreds of retail shops and dining options at Tanger Outlets The Walk.

TRAVEL TUESDAY HOTEL PACKAGES

Spontaneous getaways call for little or no time to plan for last-minute activities. Visitors need only jump in the car. The DO AC concierge has done the legwork with hotel packages at select casino properties designed with plenty to engage in and savor during a midweek stay.

Bally’s Atlantic City Toll Free Tuesdays Taste, Rate starting at $159: Upgraded room, Diamond check-in, Dinner at Guy Fieri’s Chophouse ($75 Dining Credit), Round of drinks at the Lobby Bar, Entry into the pool, 2 cupcakes from Boardwalk Cupcakes, Breakfast in bed ($25 room service credit) and Late checkout.

Borgata Hotel Casino and Spa Wake Up Smiling Package, Rate starting at $123: Classic room and Breakfast for two at the Borgata Buffet.

Caesars Atlantic City Toll Free Tuesdays Party, Rate starting at $89: Overnight accommodations, VIP check-in, Round of drinks at Toga Bar, Complimentary VIP access to Dusk Nightclub and Late checkout.

Harrah’s Atlantic City Toll Free Tuesday Escape, Rate starting at $85: Upgraded room, VIP check-in, Round of poolside drinks, 2 passes to the Waterfront Buffet and Late checkout.

Resorts Casino Hotel Ticket 2 Fun Tuesday Package, Rate starting at $99: Overnight accommodations, 2 show tickets, 2 Resorts Casino Hotel T-shirts, $20 dining credit and $99 for Ocean Tower Deluxe or $119 for Rendezvous Tower.

Tropicana Casino & Resort Toll Free Tuesday Hotel Package, Rates starting at $49.00: Overnight accommodations and $10 food & beverage credit.

AROUND AC DEALS

Souzai Sushi & Sake at The Pier Shops at Caesars offers a Kickin’ Lunch Special from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Seaweed Salad or Kani Salad & a choice of California, Cucumber & Avocado or Philadelphia Roll only $9.99 includes soft drink. Dine in or take out. For the happy hour lover, Souzai offers two happy hour specials from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and every night beginning at 9 p.m. to close. (609) 348-4443, souzaisushi.com

Phillips Seafood at The Pier Shops at Caesars Happy Hour specials are worth the midweek trip. From 8 p.m. to close enjoy $4 domestic bottles & draft beer, $4 selected wines by the glass and $4 select cocktails along with $8 Beef nachos, $6 Chicken wings, mussels and Italian sausage sliders, $5 fried shrimp and cheese burger sliders. (609) 442-9161, phillipssseafood.com

Happy hour at Wonder Bar serves up $5 appetizers that can be paired with domestic, import, and craft brews at discounted prices from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. 3701 Sunset Avenue, (609) 344-8888, wonderbarac.com

During happy hour at Los Amigos guests can try a wide variety of Mexican dishes accompanied by $5 house margaritas and sangriartitas, $5 house wine or a $3 beer of the month. 1926 Atlantic Avenue, (609) 344-2293, atlanticcitylosamigosrest.com

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CRDA Project Updates in Photos

Bass Pro Shops

Lighthouse District Park

Harrah’s Conference Center
CRDA Project Updates in Photos

Atlantic Avenue Façade Improvements
“Behind the Desk: Employee Profile”

A former staff accountant, Christina Fuentes has been with the CRDA since 2007 and was promoted to her current position of project development officer for real estate and development in 2011.

As a project development officer, Christina is the project manager on the acquisition side of development, serving as contract administrator for the CRDA’s title and appraisal services contracts. Assisting with site prep for project sites, she works with funding applicants and helping the applicant to obtain CRDA project approvals.

Having previously managed the capital development and entertainment grant programs, Christina was instrumental in the grant awarding process for the AC Ballet, which encompassed their move to Boardwalk Hall and has facilitated on many projects including the Marketplace Project, Lighthouse District Park, Boraie Development and ACIA’s Upstairs Renovation Program.

Away from the CRDA, she is a soccer mom who enjoying shopping, the beach, cooking, family time and traveling. She is also a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish. Christina resides in Galloway with her husband Noel and children Bianca (7) and Gianni (5). New to the family is Fiona, a pit mix rescued from the shelter back in February. Christina holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics from the University of Kentucky and is currently pursuing her Masters in Accounting from Keller Graduate School of Management.

Toll Free Tuesday’s & Other Hot AC Deals in October

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McCormick & Schmick’s at Harrah’s is offering Tito’s & Tacos on Toll Free Tuesdays. Specials include $2 Fish Tacos and $5 Tito’s Mexitini & Tito’s Palmer in the bar and cocktail lounge every Tuesday in October. (609) 441-5579, www.harrahsresort.com

Restaurant Week at Caesars Entertainment: Atlantic City Properties (Caesars, Bally’s & Harrah’s) runs October 3 – 9. Enjoy $33 gourmet menus and free parking at Nero’s Chophouse & Sushi Bar, Palace Court Buffet, KWI Noodle House and Mia at Caesars Atlantic City; Dos Caminos, The Steakhouse and Waterfront Buffet at Harrah’s Resort; and Guy Fieri’s Chophouse, Noodle Village and Bucà di Beppo at Bally’s. For additional details on Caesars Entertainment’s Restaurant Week or to see a full menu of each restaurant’s offerings visit http://atlanticcityblog.caesars.com/caesars-entertainment-atlantic-city-restaurant-week-411/

GAMING OFFERS

Slot and poker players can chance their luck at becoming the next millionaire slot tournament winner or poker player to scoop up the pot during these Tuesday gaming offers:

Borgata Casino Hotel and Spa: ALL SLOT PLAYERS- 2X SLOT DOLLARS® Every Tuesday in October. $2,000 SPLASH THE POT TUESDAYS – BORGATA POKER: Every Tuesday in October, one qualifying table will be selected every 30 minutes to receive $100 for the pot from 12:30 p.m. – 10 p.m. A total of $2,000 will be awarded each Tuesday to 20 randomly selected tables.

Tropicana Casino & Resort Safe Cracker: Are you our next Millionaire? WIN $1 MILLION INSTANTLY! Now through October 31, 2014, Sunday – Thursday: Noon – 8 p.m. and Friday & Saturday: Noon – 10 p.m.

Trump Taj Mahal: Free Slot Tournaments every Tuesday in October from 1 to 5 p.m.