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New sign at Main Library to honor late board president

National Library Week is April 19-25, and the Atlantic City Free Public Library is celebrating it by paying tribute to one of its former Board of Trustees presidents.

The library will hold a special ceremony Wednesday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m., to unveil a new sign renaming its main location at 1 North Tennessee Ave. as the William K. Cheatham Building. Library and city officials are scheduled to speak at the ceremony, which is open to the public.

The new sign bearing Cheatham's name will be located above the public entrance on the Tennessee Avenue side of the building.

The library will have a delayed opening that day. It will open shortly after the conclusion of the ceremony.

Cheatham was appointed to the Library Board of Trustees in 2005. He became the board's president in 2008 and held that position until his death in 2021. During his time as board president, the library experienced tremendous growth – including the opening of the Richmond Branch Library and Atlantic City Experience at Jim Whelan Boardwalk Hall.