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SPECIAL ISSUE

Don't judge a book by its cover ...



Starting your own not for profit organization isn't easy (at any age), but at the tender age of 13, that's what Adele Ann Taylor did. For our third issue of A.L.L.'s newsletter, we wanted to get a little more in depth and personal with Adele to find out what she's ALL about and highlight some of her exciting events in 2010. Now 15, here's what the busy teenager shared with us.

Interviewer: *You certainly had an impressive 2010! With your LOVE of books, I have to ask you first, how was the Book Expo in New York City last May?*

Adele: *OMG! I had a blast! This is my second time attending this expo and I had the chance to meet some really cool authors, like Jeff Kinney from The Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Mo Williams and the Duchess of York. The Book Expo holds one of the largest book expo's in the United States.*

Interviewer: *That sounds so exciting. What are you reading now?*

Adele: *Believe it or not, it's Gone with the Wind. I saw the movie a long time ago, and the book, as usual is totally different, but I still love it!*

Interviewer: *I definitely would not have guessed that Adele. Now you know I have to jump right to you being recognized on "Black Girls Rock" on BET back on November 7. Can you share with your readers what you were recognized for and how it all came about?*

Adele: *Yes! I and four other girls under the age of 30 were the recipients of the M.A.D. Black Girls Award. M.A.D. stands for "Making a Difference" and I was fortunate to meet and network with a slew of people. Some of these people were Ms. Ruby Dee, Raven-Symoné and Keke Palmer. And during Fantasia's performance, she ran right by me!*

Interviewer: *WOW – you had to be on cloud nine. I know the show was taped earlier, so how did you celebrate the evening it was aired on television?*

Adele: *My family and I hosted a Black Girls Rock Party with our family and closest friends. The female party was upstairs and the guys had their party downstairs in our basement. Everyone was screaming each time they showed me on television. We had so much fun and it was touching to have so much love and support surrounding me.*

Interviewer: Some of your readers may not be aware that you are the 2010 State Title Holder and the Nation's Silver Medal Winner for ACT-SO in Entrepreneurship. You are just so busy. Can you tell us a little about that experience?



Adele waiting for bus to go shopping during some free time in Kansas City, MI

Adele: I would be happy to. The NAACP's ACT-SO (which stands for Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics) is a year long achievement program among African-American high school students. Students can compete in 26 categories students and for the state completion I competed in Performing Arts Dance, Oratory and Business Entrepreneurship. Winning the state title for Entrepreneurship in April afforded me the opportunity to travel to Kansas City, MI in July and compete against 16 other state winners in that category throughout the country; which I was selected the Silver Medal winner. My presentation was on my non-profit organization, Adele's Literacy Library®. It was really exciting. I also attended a few workshops offered during the national competition. My godmother was my chaperon and we had a blast.

Interviewer: You are truly inspirational Adele. Are you competing in ACT-SO in 2011?

Adele: Yes, I'm looking forward to compete again in Entrepreneurship.

Interviewer: And I also understand you won a Twinkie Award in 2010 too?

Adele: Yes I did. On June 19, my mother, Aunt Tina and I went to New York City where I was being recognized along with other recipients and I won in the category of Best New Product Idea for Adele's Literacy Library®. The winner in each of the 5 categories won a personalized briefcase. It was a fun evening and we ALL had such a good time.

Interviewer: I know your entire family has to be so very proud of you and your accomplishments Adele. Plus, you have to be proud as well. What is your favorite subject in school?

Adele: English, it allows me to read books that I may not have selected to read on my own and it gives me the opportunity to write as well.

Interviewer: So you like writing? What do you write?

Adele: I like to write poems and I aspire to one day write my own book. I currently keep a journal too.

Interviewer: If you could have dinner with any author who would it be?

Adele: Hmm – that's a difficult question. I like so many different authors that it's hard to pick one, but if I had to it would be Stephanie Meyers because her books are all based on her dreams and I really would like to ask her what does she eat before going to bed.

Interviewer: Where do you see yourself in 10 or 15 years?

Adele: I'll be 25 – WOW that's old! Hmmmm, well I will be in school getting my MBA and when I'm 30 – OMG... that is soooo old!!!! Well ALL will have been expanded and the rest, I'm not sure but it will be good.

Interviewer: If you had one wish, what would it be?

Adele: To have 10 more wishes!!!!

Interviewer: How do you unwind? What do you do for fun?

Adele: I unwind and have fun with my friends, talking on the phone or reading a good book.

Interviewer: How do you stay grounded?

Adele: Oh my mom and dad do a good job of that. 😊

Interviewer: What are you most proud of in your life so far and why?

Adele: I am most proud of the accomplishments that I have made and the difference I have made in the lives of others.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Upcoming A.L.L. Events

JANUARY 2011

- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - St. Matthews Baptist Church
- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - Children's Garden

FEBRUARY 2011

- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - St. Matthews Baptist Church
- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - Children's Garden

MARCH 2011

- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - St. Matthews Baptist Church
- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - Children's Garden

APRIL 2011

- 📖 **Adele's Literacy Library® Fundraiser**
Bus Trip - Washington, D.C. on **Saturday, April 2, 2011**
Please call 856.875.0608 for tickets or more info!
- 📖 RAYC (Read All You Can) Kick-off Program
- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - St. Matthews Baptist Church

MAY 2011

- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - St. Matthews Baptist Church
- 📖 "Storytelling with Adele" - Children's Garden
- 📖 RAYC (Read All You Can) Winners

JUNE 2011

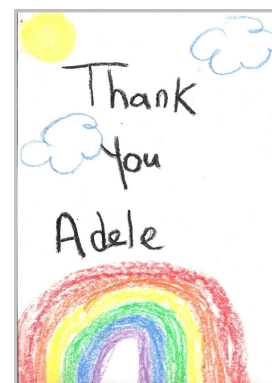
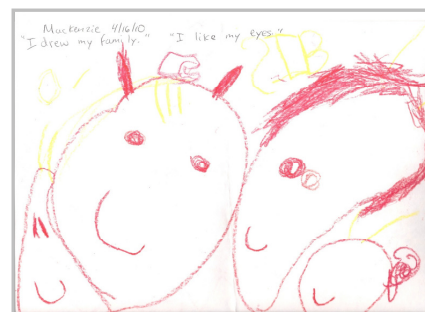
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JULY 2011

- 📖 **Adele's Literacy Library® Fundraiser**
TBD on **Saturday, July 9, 2011**
Being finalized with additional details forthcoming!
Please call 856.875.0608 in April for more info!

"Making a Difference"

After hosting "Storytelling with Adele" for six classrooms at WMPCCC/Kinder Academy in Philadelphia back in April 2010, Adele received a package in the mail filled with drawings from the students from each class sharing their thoughts (on paper) from the book she read to them, "What I Like About Me!" by Allia Zobel Nolan. She was welcomed with open arms receiving flowers and one classroom even sang a song about Adele. It was difficult to select her favorites, so below are just a few to share.



HAPPY 2ND ANNIVERSARY

Adele's Literacy Library®
December 18, 2010!

THANK YOU to ALL our supporters!!

UPDATE

Adele's Literacy Library® will be published bi-yearly every January and July, instead of January and June as previously communicated. We apologize for any inconvenience.

SOME **memorable** PHOTOS FROM THE
BLACK GIRLS ROCK PRE-PARTY AND SHOW

ADELE YOU ROCK!!!



Adele & Major General
Marcelite J. Harris



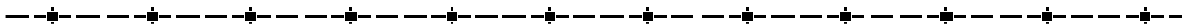
Adele & Keke Palmer



Adele & Raven-Symoné



Adele, Free and Adele's BFF, Crystal



SOME PHOTOS FROM B.G.R. PARTY AT HOME



Adele & her Nana



Adele & her sister, Alannah



Adele & her cousins:
Left - Nettie Right - Noel



Adele & her Aunt Tina



Adele & her cousin Nettie
who designed Adele's B.G.R. Poster



Adele & her friends:
Left - Troi Right - Charnice



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