



Latest News for June

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Scripps Miramar Ranch Library

Library Construction and Closure Update

As we hope you know by now, the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library has closed temporarily in order for the much needed and long anticipated replacement of the library's roof and HVAC system. And after a hiatus of two years, work on the parking lot expansion has finally resumed. The library is expected to be closed for approximately 8 months and, if all the work goes smoothly, the library should reopen sometime during this coming winter.

Accessing Library Services During the Closure

Our library is currently closed to the public, and library staff have been deployed to other branches. The book drop at the Scripps Ranch Library is locked, so it is not possible to return books to our community library while the library is closed. Library books and other materials can be returned to the Mira Mesa Branch Library or to any library in the SDPL system (<https://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/locations>). Note that this does not include the Poway Library, which cannot accept SDPL books. Books on hold that were not picked up prior to May 2 were transferred to the Mira Mesa Branch Library (8405 New Salem Street). When placing a hold through their online San Diego Public Library account, library patrons will be prompted to select the branch library where they'd like to pick-up their books.

Friends of the Library

The Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library (SRFOL) continues to meet and plan for the eventual reopening of our library as well as to advocate for the needs of our library. The *Folio*, SRFOL's e-newsletter, will continue to provide library news and other interesting and useful information. To stay informed about the latest library info; simply email [president@srfol.org] to subscribe to the *Folio*, which will be delivered to your inbox every other month during the time that the library is closed. Or alternatively, check the SRFOL website (<https://www.srfol.org>) for library news and status updates.

Many Thanks to the Scripps Ranch Women's Club!

The SRFOL is sincerely grateful to the Scripps Ranch Women's Club for their generous donation—designated toward enhancing the Children's area! This donation will be used to purchase a large set of Easy-Build Bricks. This construction set of oversized blocks was a key item on our Youth Services Librarian's "wish list" and is an activity sure to be popular with our youngest builders.

Although the Scripps Ranch Library is closed at the present time, the Friends of the Library remains active, and your tax-deductible donations are appreciated and will be acknowledged. Be a part of the SRFOL's goal of making our refurbished library even more special.

Thank you from Grace's Book Nook!

A heartfelt thank you to all our valued customers and book sale shoppers plus, of course, our wonderful volunteers who helped make the last weeks of Grace's Book Nook operations prior to the extended library closure such a success! Customers and volunteers alike will miss what many have told us is their favorite San Diego bookstore but are looking forward to its reopening in a rejuvenated space.

As a reminder, it would be much appreciated if you could hold off on donating your gently used books and media until our library reopens. But if that's not possible, please check <https://www.srfol.org/gbn-donate.htm> for information on alternate donation options that also support our libraries.

IDEA Lab

Our library's IDEA Lab is of course closed during the library's closure. A big shout out goes to volunteers Kevin Hsu, Cyrus Kwok, and Grant, whose expert support allowed many community members to take advantage of the 3D printers, the Glowforge laser engraver/cutter, and the Cameo Silhouette 4 in our Scripps Ranch Library maker space, with many of the supplies sponsored by SRFOL. Until our library reopens, users can consult the San Diego Public Library website (<https://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/idea>) for other IDEA Lab locations.

Seed Library: Some Good News!

The Seed Library, which is sponsored by SRFOL and was founded in collaboration with Sustainable Scripps Ranch, has been relocated for the duration of the construction-related library closure. Interested gardeners are invited to visit <https://www.srfol.org/seed-library.htm> for details and can email seedlibrary@srfol.org to request seeds. Note that volunteers are in the process of updating the seed inventory database, which includes many new acquisitions. We hope to have the inventory that is posted on the website updated soon!

Book Discussion Group

During the months that the Scripps Ranch Library is closed, the Book Discussion Group will meet at the Mira Mesa Branch Library. This month the group is reading *A Tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki. Join the discussion Thursday, June 25, 12:00–1:30 pm, at the Mira Mesa Library. Next month's selection is *James* by Percival Everett. Copies of the books are available at the Mira Mesa Library.

Social Media and Detailed Information About Programs and Library Happenings

- Facebook: @ScrippsMiramarRanchLibrary, @SDPLVirtualHub, @GracesBookNook
- Instagram: @srfolibrary, @sdpubliclibrary, @sdplteens
- SRFOL website [<https://www.srfol.org>], or
- Library's Facebook page [<https://www.facebook.com/ScrippsMiramarRanchLibrary>].