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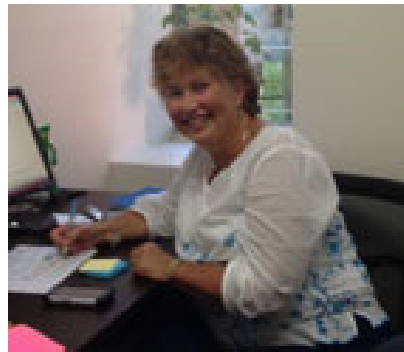
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PRESIDENT'S PEN

Greetings to all Members of the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library (SRFOL). Do you realize that you have special talents that can be shared with the community of Scripps Ranch? We have many exciting positions ranging from just a one-day commitment to involvement on a regular basis. For more details on these positions, please check our website (srfol.org) or contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Liz Erickson.

I chose to become a member of the board of directors because I have always loved libraries. One of my favorite childhood memories is when I could write my whole name so I could check out a book. Now a lifetime later I still think of my father, who said as we walked around the huge library, "Isn't it exciting and sad at the same time?" He meant there were the best books and you will enjoy so many but can't get to them all! I'm sure we could all share a similar memory or you wouldn't have joined. Know that you are appreciated! Your contributions support programs that are listed in the membership brochure and the activity schedule here in the folio. The reason I became involved is I wanted to know who made these decisions and why. For example, how did the board choose some programs to support? What other programs or purchases will help continue our library to be one of the best in the system?



Wendy Tompkins, SRFOL President

As a member you may come to any of our meetings. We look forward to meeting you and hearing any concerns or questions. Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:45 PM at the library.

VOLUNTEERS, MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, hosted by SRFOL, will be held on Saturday, April 30. Friends' and library volunteers will receive invitations by email.

If you're not yet volunteering but would like to explore opportunities with the Friends and be included in this fun event, please contact Liz Erickson, our Volunteer Coordinator, at lizerickson3@gmail.com or 858-271-4239.

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LIBRARY HOURS

Mon: 9:30 AM – 6 PM
Tues: 11:30 AM – 8 PM
Wed: 11:30 AM – 8 PM
Thu: 9:30 AM – 6 PM
Fri: 9:30 AM – 6 PM
Sat: 9:30 AM – 6 PM
Sunday: Closed

Shop at
GRACE'S BOOK NOOK,
the library's on-site
used bookstore.

BOOKSTORE HOURS

Mon: 10 AM – 5:30 PM
Tues: 12 PM – 7:30 PM
Wed: 12 PM – 7:30 PM
Thu: 10 AM – 5:30 PM
Fri: 10 AM – 5:30 PM
Sat: 10 AM – 5:30 PM
Sunday: Closed

BRANCH MANAGER MESSAGE

Scripps Miramar Ranch Library now features more programs than ever, as well as a larger variety than ever before! Be sure to check out our calendar for upcoming classes, events and sessions!

Picture This! Film Series is our new movie night! Watch a great film, followed by a thought-provoking discussion! 3rd Wednesdays at 7 PM.

We are featuring some new classes from Continuing Ed:

- Technology for Older Adults from Continuing Ed: Mondays 3 PM to 5 PM in our lovely community room
- ESL from Continuing Ed: Thursdays & Fridays 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the seminar room

On March 23rd at 6 PM come on out for "Fifty Wonders of Korea," a cultural celebration! The Korean Spirit & Culture Promotion Project will present two short documentaries and a complimentary Korean meal! Be sure to sign up in advance.

Saturday, March 26th at 10 AM Oasis presents "Estate Planning Goofs". This free class for the public will detail guidance on estate planning for yourself or helping loved ones. Also in April we will be hosting Oasis once again with "Beginning Computer Genealogy" Saturday April 23rd at 10 AM. Learn how to get started with basic research on your roots with this free class!



UPCOMING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

March kicks into gear right away with our 19th annual Friends of the Library Essay Contest Awards Ceremony. This ceremony is to honor local students here in Scripps Ranch and will be held Tuesday, March 1st at 6:30 PM. Light refreshments will be provided courtesy of the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library.

On Thursday, March 17th, at 3 PM, we'll be hosting a fun, hands-on Science Fair Expo. Come try out some new STEAM based experiments you can create from regular household items! We'll be making bouncy balls, rainbow milk, and many more exciting projects.

On Tuesday, March 22nd, join us for an egg hunt in the Children's Area! The library will host an Egg Hunt program from 5-7 PM; be sure to hunt for some good books while you're here as well!

As always, we are also offering weekly story times. On Wednesdays at 1 PM we have Brilliant Babies; on Thursdays at 10 AM we have Toddler Storytime. Our newest addition is a monthly Yoga Storytime; the next one will be Friday, March 4th, at 12 PM.

Hope to see you at one or more of these fun events!

“PICTURE THIS!” FILM SERIES

Our revamped free film series, “Picture This!,” continues on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7 PM. The series is curated by Brett Siegel, who earned a Master's in Cinematic Arts at USC as well as a Master of Library and Information Science from the University of Wisconsin. Brett will introduce each film with illuminating background information and will moderate the post-screening discussion. Complimentary popcorn will be served.



We'll celebrate spring with a miniseries featuring classic movie musicals, beginning on March 16 with *Singin' in the Rain* (1952), widely regarded as one of the greatest musicals ever made. This film follows a successful silent-film team as they make the rocky transition to talking (and singing) pictures. A product of MGM's legendary Arthur Freed unit (*An American in Paris*, *Gigi*), the Technicolor classic features indelible song-and-dance numbers such as “Make ‘Em Laugh,” “Good Morning,” and of course the title song, “Singin’ in the Rain.” Featuring Gene Kelly in one of his most iconic performances and co-directed/choreographed by Kelly and Stanley Donen (*On the Town*, *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*), *Singin' in the Rain* is guaranteed to leave a smile on your face.

On April 20, *The Band Wagon* (1953) directed by Vincente Minelli and starring Fred and Adele Astaire, which was at the time critically acclaimed and nominated for several Academy Awards and more recently listed on the National Film Registry of the Library of Congress, will be screened.

On May 18, we'll be treated to Bob Fosse's *Chicago* (2002), winner of six Academy Awards including Best Picture.

GREAT NEW READS!

Not sure what to read next? On Tuesday, May 17 (6 PM – 8 PM), join Scripps Miramar Ranch Librarian Trevor Jones and three other San Diego librarians for reader recommendations, from 2015 hits to hot new 2016 books, bestsellers, midlist sleepers, arty critical darlings and more!

Enjoy snacks and refreshments while a panel of librarians suggests great reads and reviews select titles. Discussion is welcome!

ONGOING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Mondays from 3 to 4:45 PM is “Youth Chess Club.” Play or learn the game of chess. All levels of experience welcomed and all equipment is provided!

1st and 3rd Saturdays at 10:30 AM is “Paws to Read with Love on a Leash.” Children can come practice their reading skills with Finnegan and Mabel Grace the library dogs.

Thursday mornings at 10 AM we have fabulous story times for toddlers each week! And a special Baby Storytime every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1 PM!



GET MORE OUT OF YOUR LIBRARY! NEW ONLINE CATALOG

You may have noticed that the online library catalog has changed. Featuring up-to-date functions, better searching in the catalog, and the ability 'to share' your own reading choices, San Diego Public Library is proud to offer a new and improved interface!

The new library online catalog does require you to 'register' a username. Registration allows you create an easy-to-remember username you can use to log in, so you don't have to type your barcode every time you want to check your account. Registration also allows you to get personalized recommendations and contribute ratings and reviews. However, if you choose, you are still welcome to just use your library card number.

The same goes for writing reviews, tracking your reads, and rating different items — this is completely optional. The library does not keep a record of your past checkouts; only items currently checked out or items that have posted an overdue fee. But for folks who wish to look at their past selections, you now have the opportunity to build a "shelf." It's your choice whether or not to share information with others.

Enjoy the other readers' recommendations and reviews, keep track of your library account and find new ways to explore, live and learn! The library's new catalog offers so much more as we continue into the 21st century!

ESSAY CONTEST

Congratulations to the Scripps Ranch winners of the 19th Annual Student Writing for Literacy Library Essay Contest sponsored by the Friends of the San Diego Public Library (FSDPL)!

Fourth grade students, Noah Harris (Ellen Browning Scripps Elementary), Dario Risolo (Jerabek Elementary), Kate Garvey (Dingeman Elementary), Andrew Bowers (Hage Elementary), and Agastya Sridharan (Miramar Ranch Elementary); 8th graders, Kai Klein (High Tech Middle School) and Isha Deshmukh (Marshall Middle School); and 10th grade students, Jonathan Luo (Scripps Ranch High School) and IvyAna Rose Cerin (Age Appropriate Learning Center); will be honored at an awards ceremony hosted by SRFOL on Tuesday, March 1, at 6:30 PM. They will be invited to read their prizewinning essays. Each student will receive a Barnes and Noble gift card, pen, and certificate provided by FSDPL. District 5 City Councilmember Mark Kersey will present the certificates. The event will include a reception with refreshments.

Dario, Kai, and Jonathan have been selected to represent Scripps Ranch in the citywide essay contest, competing for cash awards, laptop computers and a cash prize of \$500.

Thank you to our essay contest chair, Liz Erickson; to volunteer judges, Adriana Dixon, Jean Feinstein, Joan Gass, Sandra Hoyt and Wendy Tompkins, who read and evaluated almost 200 essays (!); and also to Gina Bravo, our Youth Services Librarian, who collaborated to assure the success of this annual worthwhile contest.



Kids and parents love feeding the Evan's Pond ducks with special floating duck food from Grace's Book Nook!

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Come join the Friends!

Contact the membership chair at srfol22@yahoo.com or fill out an application from the table near the library entrance.

SRFOL supports children's and adult programs, presents a concert series and provides funds for purchase of new books, CDs, DVDs, upgrading technical capacity and facility improvements.

THE "PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY" CONCERT SERIES

The "Pleasure of Your Company" spring season continues with the **Benedetti-Svoboda Duo** performing a program of classical guitar music on **March 20th**. Engaging and entertaining performers, whose tunes can stir up emotions in the deepest corners of the soul, Fred Benedetti and George Svoboda have been playing together for over 19 years. Their music ranges from peaceful melancholy to cascades of furious flamenco rasgueados. They have also gained recognition as composers and arrangers of music, winning consistent praise from audiences, musicians and critics alike.

The Grossmont Symphony Woodwind Quintet returns on **April 17th**, performing works from their varied repertoire of chamber music, light classics and popular pieces. Ensemble members include Kay Van Tassel, flute; Mike Gaby, oboe; Bob Barnhart, clarinet; Arnold Barron, bassoon; and Monica Palmer, French horn. Come enjoy chamber music at its best!

On **May 8th** celebrate Mother's Day at a concert by **Duo Decorus**, a virtuoso ensemble comprised of violinist Päivikki Nykter and cellist Cecilia Kim, performing works by Beethoven, Boccherini, Glière and others. They are friends on and off stage, which is evident in their seamless and graceful ensemble playing. Not to be missed!

Our season concludes on **June 12th** with **The Virtual Strangers**, a bluegrass band. Enjoy an upbeat, toe-tapping performance! Band members include Mike Tatar Sr., on banjo and guitar, Jon Cherry on mandolin and guitar, Yvonne Tatar on stand-up bass, Kit Birkett on guitar and, when he's in town, fiddler Mike Tatar, Jr. All members share in lead and harmony vocals, producing a nice three-part harmony.

All concerts are on Sunday afternoons at 2:30 PM and include a complimentary reception affording an opportunity to meet the artists and mingle with fellow music lovers. There is no charge, though donations are appreciated.



The Benedetti-Svoboda Duo will perform at the library on March 20th at 2:30 PM.



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The Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library (SRFOL) exists to support the operation of the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library Center. The SRFOL, through volunteer services, assists library patrons, hosts special events, operates a used book store (Grace's Book Nook), and provides financial support for acquisitions and community activities.

CLASSES AT THE LIBRARY

OASIS Classes

This spring at our library, SRFOL is sponsoring several classes through OASIS at no charge:

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- ESL (multi-level), Thursdays & Fridays 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM

For complete up-to-date information on all library programs, check www.srfol.org, visit the library, or call 858-576-8158.

Do you know if you have renewed your SRFOL membership for 2016?

Feel free to email srfol22@yahoo.com or call 858-530-2111 and our membership chairperson if you have any questions.