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## FOND LIBRARY MEMORIES

What are your fondest library memories?

#### Liz Erickson, SRFOL Volunteer Coordinator

My earliest memories of the library were from my bedroom window. My parents and I lived in a beautiful two story, white clapboard house in Rochester, New York when I was growing up. The house was located two blocks from a branch of the Rochester Public Library on the corner of Augustine Street and Dewey Avenue.

As early as I can remember, Mom took me and my siblings to the library where we checked out books and enjoyed reading them. I was so excited when I got old enough to go to the library by myself and pick out books. By the time I was 12 or 13, I couldn't wait for school to end on Friday because it meant that I after I got home from school, I could go to the library. I would pick out as many books as I could carry. For the next three days after my chores were done, Mom knew just where to find me - sitting on the window seat in my room reading my library books.

I have visited libraries in many of the cities and towns I have traveled through, however I will always remember the window seat in my room and my view of the Dewey Avenue library.

#### Trevor Jones, Library Branch Manager

You never know who you might run into at the library, or in life for that matter. With Memorial Day fast approaching, one particular library memory I love to share was the screening of the film Proud at the Grand Concourse Library in The Bronx. Myself and co-worker regularly conducted outreach at a nearby senior center when we encountered an elderly gentleman named Lorenzo DuFau—as it turned out, Mr. DuFau was a decorated veteran who had been aboard the USS Mason during World War II. The USS Mason was the first predominantly African American manned Navy ship, and despite facing everyday racism back home in the United States, the crew was welcome with open arms after escorting a convoy across the Atlantic when it docked in Belfast, Ireland. Mr. DuFau and others were subsequently honored for their service, and the 2004 film Proud dramatizes their story (starring Ossie Davis in his final performance). At the Grand Concourse Library we screened Proud to an audience of over fifty people with Lorenzo DuFau as our special guest; in his eighties at the time, DuFau's teared up at another warm reception of his crewmates' story.

#### QUOTE OF THE QUARTER:

"Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body."

-Joseph Addison

**Shop at GRACE'S BOOK NOOK**, the used bookstore in our library.

DAYS AND HOURS MONDAY, THURSDAY, AND FRIDAY 10:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY 12:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

SATURDAY 10:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

SUNDAY CLOSED

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### Branch Manager Message



We are always adding improvements! Thanks to the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library , you should check out our beautiful courtyard with some brand new seating and great new umbrellas. You can enjoy your favorite book outside while you sip on your coffee! Also, in our study room (the Tower Room), you'll notice a whiteboard available for use; just check out dry-erase markers at the front desk!

Our last fundraiser was so successful, we thought a second time would be twice as nice! Coming Saturday June 27th at the Mira Mesa Barnes and Noble, you can shop for some fun summer reading and support the Scripps Miramar Ranch Li-

brary! A percentage of your purchase will go to the Friends of the Scripps

Hours of Business:

MON:9:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. TUES:11:30 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. WED:11:30 A.M. - 8:00 P.M. THUR:9:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. FRI:9:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M. SAT:9:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M

Ranch Library: shop in-store 6/25/15 through 6/30/15, or shop online 6/25/15 through 7/5/2015 and use the code 11607140 at checkout!

Finally, we have some really exciting adult programs lined up at the branch: Tuesday, May 19th @ 6:30pm, don't miss out on BookTrailer Fest 2015! Booktrailers are short previews or booktalk videos made to entice people into reading: think of it as 'Reading Rainbow for Grown-ups!". Refreshments will be served.

Also, Saturday July 18th @ 11m we'll be hosting a 'Death Cafe' at Scripps! No, its not as scary as it sounds: Death Cafes are candid conversations between adults with a mediator about death and end-of-life issues, from hospice and homecare to living wills and legacies. Come join the conversation and see why these programs are getting more and more popular!

## FILM FORUM

Do you enjoy going to the movies? Then mark your calendar for 7:00 PM on the third Wednesday of every month for the free Film Forum sponsored by SRFOL. We're looking forward to a Hitchcock miniseries in June, July and August as we "Dial H for Hitchcock." Well-known film appreciation instructor Ralph DeLauro introduces each film and moderates post-screening discussion, focusing on the techniques used by the filmmaker to tell his story. Free popcorn is served.

- May 20: The Two Faces of January (2014); directed by Hossein Amini; starring Viggo Mortensen, Kirsten Dunst and Oscar Isaac.
- June 17: Strangers on a Train. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock; starring Farley Granger and Robert Walker; costarring Ruth Roman and Leo G. Carroll.
- July 15: Notorious. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock; starring Ingrid Bergman and Cary Grant.
- August 19: Shadow of a Doubt. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock; starring Joseph Cotton.



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## Grace's Book Nook

#### Pssst. We've Got a Secret!!!!!!

One of the best kept secrets in Scripps Ranch is the fabulous used bookstore in our library, Grace's Book Nook. Staffed by a team of dedicated volunteers six days a week during library hours, the Book Nook is SRFOL's largest ongoing

fundraiser. Most of our nearly new and gently used books are priced between  $25\phi$  and \$1.50, a fraction of what you'd pay anywhere else. All sales support our library.

Even less well known is our eclectic selection of rare, antiquarian and out-of-print books, 1st editions, and collectors' editions. These make wonderful gifts for book lovers—how about for Father's Day or graduation? Current stock ranges from a complete set of Will and Ariel Durant's classic, *The Story of Civilization*, in very good to fine condition with dust jackets to a vintage copy of *Fun with Dick and Jane* and includes many modern first editions with Brodart covers as well as a selection of beautiful illustrated collector's editions, some in slipcases.

## **Intrigued?**

The next time you're at the library, ask a Book Nook volunteer to show you our "special books" which are kept in the cases just outside the Book Nook featuring glass doors salvaged from the Meanley house, which previously occupied our library's site. As with the regular Book Nook stock, new books are added continuously, so stop by frequently.

Your tax-deductible donations of books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, and (unused) greeting cards are always welcome. Grace's Book Nook has its own Facebook page, so please "like" us!



Enthusiastic volunteer and bibliophile Valerie Kaiser loves researching (and occasionally buying) the wonderful rare books for sale through Grace's Book Nook.

## CHILDRENS SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Our Summer Reading Program, "Read to the Rhythm" kicks off this year on June 18th at 3pm with a high energy pop show starring Twinkle and her friends! The stars of the show will be available afterwards to sign autographs! All of Scripps Ranch is able to participate in this year's program; we offer incentives to everyone from Babies, Toddlers, Kids, Teens and Adults! All ages are encouraged to visit the library between June 18th and August 15th to sign up and join the fun! Below are a list of our program offerings this summer featuring talented local performers of all kinds; from pop-stars to wild animals! All programs are held on Thursdays at 3:00pm, and are free to all. Hope to see you at the Library this summer for one or more of these great shows!

- June 18: Twinkle Time
- June 25: Literature Comes to Life
- July 2: Mad Science
- July 9: Full Spectrum Entertainment
- July 23: Wild Wonders Animal Show
- July 30: Hullabaloo
- Aug 6: Sparkles the Clown
- Aug 13: Gaston's Puppet Show

## LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL BOOK? A GUIDE TO LIBRARY

How do you get a book that's not owned by the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library? As a Scripps Library card holder, you have access to books owned by public libraries and universities throughout San Diego via the San Diego Public Library and Circuit systems. Here are some quick tips to help you find the book you're looking for.

- 1. Check the San Diego Public Library main catalog to see if the book you want is at another branch library. Log in to the catalog at https://sddp.ent.sirsi.net/client/default using your library card number. If you find the book at another SDPL branch, simply place a "Hold" on the book and it will be delivered to the Scripps Library in a few days. You'll get notified when it's ready to pick up.
- 2. Use the Circuit system to access books from college and university libraries across San Diego. If the book you want is not in the SDPL system, you can search the Circuit catalog at http://circuit.sdsu.edu/ to find



books at participating Circuit libraries. Have your library card handy to request books through the Circuit catalog. The book will be delivered to the Scripps branch and you will be notified when it's ready to pick up.

The Circuit system is a free program that gives SDPL patrons access to the holdings of the region's best academic libraries. Please note that children's and audiovisual materials are not currently loaned through Circuit. Also, keep a close eye on that book, because overdue fines start at \$1 per day and the fee for a lost Circuit book is \$100.

3. Interlibrary loan beyond San Diego. If the book you want is not available through SDPL or any of the Circuit libraries, you can request the item from libraries around the country using interlibrary loan. SDPL does charge a fee for online ILL requests, and the lending library may charge a fee as well. Search library holdings throughout the U.S. using WorldCat from the link here: http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/services/lending/loan.shtml. You'll need your library card number to search WorldCat.

Contact the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library at 858-538-8158 with any questions about library lending services.

#### Volunteers needed!!

Calling all music lovers who would like to become more involved in helping to assure the future of our Sunday afternoon concert series. Our music program committee is seeking a few more enthusiastic individuals to help with all aspects of our concert programs—from screening and booking performers to fundraising to helping out at concerts and receptions to overall coordination. Please contact music@srfol.org or call Barbara Measelle (586-1195) or Joan Reese (695-9364) to discuss.



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## Come join the Friends!

CONTACT THE MEMBERSHIP CHAIR AT SRFOL22@YAHOO.COM OR FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FROM THE TA-BLE NEAR THE ENTRANCE TO THE LIBRARY

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.

### ESSAY CONTEST

The Essay Awards Ceremony was held March 3 and went very well. With the help of Wendy, Liz, and Trevor and Jean Feinstein and Joan Gass, our twin judges and retired teachers, we created a memorable evening for all.

Congratulations to the Scripps Ranch winners of the 18th Annual Student Writing for Literacy Library Essay Contest! These talented students were honored at an awards ceremony hosted by SRFOL on March 3 at which they read their prizewinning essays and received certificates from the Friends of the San Diego Public Library and Councilmember Mark Kersey plus pens and Barnes and Noble giftcards provided by SRFOL. Thank you to Councilmember Kersey for attending and speaking and especially to essay contest judges, Jean Feinstein, Joan Gass, Liz Erickson and Wendy Tompkins, and to our SRFOL essay contest coordinator, Sandra Hoyt.



Front, left to right: Sofia Carniglia (Miramar Ranch Elementary), Mark Zheng (Ellen Browning Scripps Ele. School), Isabella Lehman (Ellen Browning Scripps Ele. School); back, left to right: Julia Baylon (Scripps Ranch High School), Metta Nicholson (Scripps Ranch High School), Jolie Binstock (Marshall Middle School), Riley Zuccato (Ellen Browning Scripps Ele. School), and Davis Klein (High Tech High School).



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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.

# ONGOING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

### **Children's programs:**

Mondays from 3:00-4:45 P.M. – "Youth Chess Club." – Play or learn the game of chess. All levels of experience welcomed and all equipment is provided!

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays at 10:30 A.M. – "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 A.M. we have fabulous storytimes for toddlers each week! And a special Baby Storytime every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1:00 P.M.!



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

## SAVE-THE-DATE

"Read to the Rhythm" kicks off this year on June 18th at 3pm. we offer incentives to everyone from Babies, Toddlers, Kids, Teens and Adults!

Do you know if you have renewed your SRFOL membership for 2015? Feel free to email srfol22@yahoo.com or call 858-530-2111 and our membership chairperson if you have any questions.