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As you can see, the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library has begun to send the quarterly newsletter, *Folio*, electronically rather than as a mailed hard copy. The reasons for this are many. First, it saves a considerable amount of your donation money—hundreds of dollars that can now be

directed into increased books and materials, programs and library updates--such as patio furniture or the electronic sign in the library. Secondly, the pictures that we include are in color and clearer than in a print copy. Thirdly, we are keeping with the trend of switching from paper to electronics. We will accommodate our members without email by having a limited number of *Folios* printed and mailed at standard rates.



We have always tried to make *Folio* interesting and informative to our members. To that end, we will continue to include book reviews, Friends of the Library activities and items of interest. Our librarian, Trevor Jones, creates a monthly email containing the entire library schedule of events and activities. If you wish to be on the mailing list, email him at **tojones@sandiego.gov** or sign up on the sheet on the table near the entrance to the library. Also we have a great website maintained by Richard Busch that contains pertinent information including a printable monthly calendar of library activities. Locate it at **www.srfol.org.** SRFOL can be contacted at **srfol22@yahoo.com.**

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

Sun: Closed

Shop at Grace's Book Nook, the library's on site

the library's on-site used bookstore!

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

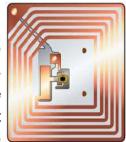
Sun: Closed

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RFID: What Is It?

Recently the library was closed for two weeks while staff updated the collection with "Radio Frequency Identification" tags. In turn, these tags can be read by new self-checkout machines that greatly speed up the process of checking out an item from the library. RFID is a technology that incorporates the use of electromagnetic or electrostatic coupling in the



radio frequency (RF) portion of the electromagnetic spectrum to uniquely identify an object, animal, or person. That means, one tag = one record. This enhances the library's ability to not only track its items as they go in and out of the collection, but also to provide more up-to-date and accurate inventories of just what we have available for the public. The "scanning" or reading of a RFID tag is highly reliable as well—it is almost guaranteed the self-checkout machine will not miss your items.

What does this mean for you? Well, for starters, RFID not only saves YOU time at the front desk, but it saves you money by cutting down on theft and lost items. Furthermore, with circulation ("library speak" for books being checked in and out) taking less time than ever, staff are freer to pursue more customer service related projects, including developing programs, creating displays, answering reference queries, recommending titles and most importantly, assisting you with your needs in the library. Best of all, these machines are easier to use! Just scan your card over the glass plate, place your book on the same glass pad, and you're done! Better yet, you can stack a pile of books and they all are scanned at one time. No more looking for little tags. We hope you "check out" our new self-checkout machines here at Scripps Ranch, and let us know if we can answer any questions at all for you! Our staff is available to guide you through this new process.

SRFOL Volunteer Luncheon

The volunteers of the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library will be honored at a luncheon on Saturday, April 15th in the Community Room at the Library. Volunteers support our many efforts in the community including Book Nook, Pleasure of Your Company music performances, Essay Contest coordination and judging, Book Plates, Teen Council and numerous hospitality events.

Volunteers, please RSVP by April 11 to the Volunteer Luncheon by calling (858.271.4239) or emailing Liz Erickson, Membership/Volunteer Chair of the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library. You can email Liz simply by hitting reply to this electronic newsletter.

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UPCOMING LIBRARY EVENTS

BY TREVOR JONES

Spring is here at the library! Whether that means sunshine or more rain, at the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library we've got something for everyone. We're a part of the citywide 'STEAM into Spring' initiative celebrating science for kids, we've got a revamped collection with new self checkout machines, and a host of new programs for the entire family! See you soon and happy reading!

Programs for Children and Families

(many sponsored by SRFOL Matching Funds)

Plant a Seed and explore Botany at the Library with STEAM2 Academy. Families are invited to celebrate nature and learn about science together with fun, hands-on activities! Perfect for ages 4-8. **Thursday, March 23rd at 3:30 pm.**

Spring into STEAM! Bug out with Bee Builders, **Thursday, May 4th at 4 pm**. Local beekeeper Hilary Kearney will provide an interactive presentation exploring beekeeping, the concepts of pollination, beehives and bees' lifecycles. Free workshop—recommended for ages 8 and up!



"Great Books You May Have Missed!" Wednesday, June 21st at 6:30 pm.

Summer Reading Program starts June 15th. Read 10 books before August 15th and get prizes—also don't miss out on our great family shows. This year's theme is "Reading by Design" and our shows this year will be featured every **Thursday afternoon at 3 pm**.

Hullabaloo! San Diego kids' music mainstays Hullabaloo will be here to kick things off right for the summer! Come on out and dance on **Thursday**, **June 15th at 3 pm!**

Arts for Learning! A hands-on activity from —this craft session will be perfect for the whole family! Thursday, June 22nd at 3 pm.

Wild Wonders! Our ever popular live animal show is back. Don't miss out and see real critters here in the library! **Thursday, June 29**th **at 3 pm.**

On-going Programs

Book Discussion Group: Everybody is invited to join the discussion on **Wednesday, April 26, at 6:30 pm** in the Seminar Room. The book for April is *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng. The book for May is *Back from the Dead* by Bill Walton. Copies are available at the circulation desk.

Storytime continues on Thursdays at 10:00 am for ages 2-5.

Brilliant Babies for ages 0-2 is on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm.

Let's Learn Mandarin teaches kids basic Chinese in an informal setting. Fridays at 3:45 pm

OASIS Presents (Offered at no charge to participants)

OASIS presents Sleep, Light and Your Health—Saturday, March 25th at 10 am. Modern life has distorted our ancient sleep patterns. Take part in this fascinating discussion about sleep, light and the problems that can arise from a lack thereof. Sponsored by the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library!

OASIS presents Stay Regular: Enjoy the Power of Fiber in Your Diet. Saturday, April 29th at 10 am. Come learn more about how foods rich in fiber boost health and keep our digestive system functioning healthily. Sponsored by the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library!

THE "PLEASURE OF YOUR COMPANY" CONCERT SERIES BY JOAN REESE

The "Pleasure of Your Company" Concerts are on special Sunday afternoons at 2:30 PM in the intimate space of our Library's Community Room, which, with its fine Schimmel piano and excellent acoustics, is a sought-after music performance venue. There is no charge for the concerts, although donations are gratefully appreciated. Each concert is followed by a complimentary reception in the courtyard, affording an opportunity to meet the musicians and mingle with fellow music lovers.

SRFOL thanks the Scripps Ranch Women's Club for their donation toward the April Concert and refreshments.

April 9: The exciting jazz duo of guitarist Peter Sprague and Leonard Patton on vocals and percussion will perform an audience pleasing program. According to *Reader Magazine*, Sprague and Patton are two of San Diego's finest musicians. "They have a special chemistry brewing, and they can take material from the Beatles, or Bossa Nova standards and go places you'd never imagine with them"



May 14: Join us on Mother's Day for a delightful program of classical music featuring violinist Päivikki Nykter and pianist Paul Kenyon. Ms. Nykter, a native of Finland, served as an Artist-in-Residence at the UCSD-Music Department from 1994 to 2006 and maintains a busy concert schedule. Dr. Kenyon is noted as both a solo pianist and a collaborative artist and has been acclaimed for his creative programming and effective communication. He was chairman of the music department at Point Loma Nazarene University from 1998 until 2012.



We regret to inform you that there will be no concert in June as we just learned that our previously scheduled performer will be unavailable on that date, and to complicate matters, the Scripps Ranch Community Fair has been rescheduled for the same date.

"The Pleasure of Your Company" will be on hiatus during June, July and August. Monthly concerts will resume in September. Watch for the announcement of the new fall season!

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SRFOL 2016 Essay Contest Winners

Scripps Ranch winners of the 20th Annual Writing for Literacy Library Essay Contest for 4th, 8th and 10th grade students sponsored by the Friends of the San Diego Public Library will be honored at an awards ceremony and reception hosted by Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library (SRFOL) on Tuesday, April 4, at 6:30 pm. Prizes to be awarded include Barnes and Noble gift cards, pens and certificates. Overall winners at each grade level will represent Scripps Ranch in



the citywide essay contest, competing for laptop computers and cash prizes including one of \$500 for the best overall essay.

Thank you to Camille Currier for coordinating this event assisted by Liz Erickson. Thank you also to the volunteer judges, Adriana Dixon, Jean Feinstein, Joan Gass, Sandra Hoyt and Wendy Tompkins, who read and evaluated the 126 essays. A very special thank you goes to Holland Kessinger, Youth Service Librarian, for spreading the word of the Essay Contest to the 4th, 8th and 10th grade teachers in our Scripps Ranch schools. Without her vigilance, we would not have had as many entries for this worth-while contest. In addition, thank you to the teachers and students who participated and congratulations to all of you!

Overall Winner for 4th Grade: Paul Macapinlac (Miramar Ranch Elem.)

Overall Winner for 8th Grade: Daniella Okhotina (Marshall Middle)

Overall Winner for 10^{10h} Grade: Joydeep Dutta (Scripps Ranch High)

Fourth Grade

Creekside Elementary School

1st) Dillon Kao

2nd) Emily Kao

Ellen Browning Scripps Elementary School

1st) Aditi Ramamurthy

2nd) Jaydyn Butcher

3rd) Nathan Liu

Jerabek Elementary School

1st) Olivia Teates

2nd Anna Jacobsen

3rd) JulianSchiff

Miramar Ranch Elementary School

1st) Paul Vincent Macapinlac

2^{nd)} Isabella Lo

3rd) Audrey Cutler

Santa Fe Christian

1st) Joshua John

Eighth Grade

Marshall Middle School

1st) Daniella Okhotina

2^{nd)} Isabella Yang

3rd) Kira Binstock

Tenth Grade

Scripps Ranch High School

1st) Joydeep Dutta

2^{nd)} Pia Kapoor

3rd) Athena Chua

Librarian's Pick: The Dry by Jane Harper, Flatiron Books 2017

Every issue of Folio will include a new 'Librarian's Pick' recommending a great read for you!"

This Australian thriller has created quite a buzz in book circles in recent months, and has 4.4 stars out of 5 on Amazon Reviews! Set in Australia during a historic drought, a man returns to his hometown to attend the funeral of his childhood friend. Unfortunately, his past comes back to haunt him as he begins to asks questions about just what exactly happened to his friend. While firmly in the 'small town with big secrets' genre of thrillers/mysteries, what makes Harper's novel all the more special is that it's her first! We hope you enjoy this one!



Grace's Book Nook Did you know that Grace's Book Nook was the very first permanent used bookstore in a public library in the entire county? Be sure to stop by our groundbreaking Book Nook each time you're at the library to check out the frequently updated stock for amazing bargains, and help support our library. Your tax-deductible donations of gently used books and media (CDs, DVDs, video games) are always appreciated. Please email [gracesbooknook@srfol.org] to explore volunteer opportunities.

The St. Patrick's Day Scavenger Hunt sponsored and organized by the Teen Council was a huge success! Thank you to all the teens who worked so hard.



FAKE NEWS & THE MEDIA: POST-ELECTION FORUM

On February 8, Voice of San Diego and the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library sponsored a special discussion about the proliferation of misinformation in the media and what you can do about it. Panelists include: Scott Lewis, CEO & Editor in Chief of Voice of San Diego; Brooke Binkowski, Managing Editor of Snopes.com; and Karen Reilly, Branch Manager and Librarian of Mission Valley Library.

Reservations for this free event quickly reached the 250 capacity. Watch for more public affairs programming at the library.



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Library Funding under Threat!

For all who use and love the library, it is critically important to become engaged in this spring's City budget process. City finances are facing major challenges in the upcoming year, so library advocates will need to make their voices heard now more than ever to save library hours and funding for new books and materials. If you haven't yet done so, sign up to receive Library Advocacy Alerts, at http://supportmylibrary.org/; subscribers to the Friends Library Advocacy Network receive very infrequent bulletins, so you definitely will not be overwhelmed with email.

Would you like to help?



One year from now in March of 2018, we will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the opening of our Scripps Ranch Library building. SRFOL would like to create a committee of volunteers to help plan activities for this event. Do you have experience or would be willing to learn to chair a gala event? We really welcome people with expertise in this area. Being chair or part of any committee is stimulating, fun and an opportunity to volunteer for

your library on a one-time commitment. If participating in these events piques your interest, contact any of the board members or email to the president, **srfol22@yahoo.com**.

Come Join the Friends

- Have you renewed your membership for this year?
- You know your membership is tax deductible.
- Your donation to SRFOL provides matching funds for many children and teen programs, buys books and media material, pays for the Zumba class and some of the OASIS classes, replaces tables, chairs and umbrellas in the patio, provides refreshments for some community events, runs Grace's Book Nook and the concert series, tunes the piano, repairs the refrigerator and more!
- See page 8 for the information and forms to renew.

PARKING REMINDER

For library events, please allow extra time to park on Meanley Drive and walk up the paved, lighted walkway to the library. Check [www.srfol.org] or at the library for the calendar with the complete selection of programs, activities and classes.



Karen Reilly, right, president of the Welcome Club of Scripps Ranch, gives a donation for a life time membership for that organization to Diane Rider, president of SRFOL. Thank you Welcome Club!

Meet and Greet

SRFOL will be participating in this new SRCA community event. It is a chance for the public to connect with other civic, service and social non-profit organizations. It will be held at our library on Sat., May 20 from 3 to 5. Stop by and say Hi at our table!



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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.

Form for new membership or renewal

Additional forms are available at the entrance table to the Scripps Ranch Library.

Drop the form off at the Circulation Desk or Mail to SRFOL Membership, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive,

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| Email | Adress | |
| Student/Senior \$5 | Individual Adult \$10 | Family \$20 |
| Sponsor \$50 | Business \$100 | Lifetime \$250 |
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