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The Circuit by Trevor Jones

Did you know your San Diego Public Library card also gives you access to books at UCSD, SDSU, USD, Cal State San Marcos, and the San Diego County Library? It's true! Just go to www.sandiegolibrary.org and click on the tab "Services." On the right hand side of the page you'll see "Circuit & Interlibrary Loan." While Interlibrary Loan is a different program we can discuss another time, the big difference between the two is: the Circuit is absolutely free! Want to search the Circuit catalog for that particular item that might be eluding you—a dense science or philosophy tome? UCSD and CSUSM have got you covered! Looking for an out-of-print classic the library no longer owns? SDSU and the County library collections are worth checking!



The Circuit is all about expanding your options. To order a book you'll need your PIN/password—any staff member can help you when you visit the branch. Please return the book directly to staff at the front desk, not in the book drop. For more details, ask staff or give us a call!

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
Dec. 25	Closed
Jan. 1	Closed
Jan. 15	Closed
Feb. 19	Closed

Shop at
Grace's Book Nook,
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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Holiday Book Plate Drive by Lisa Nguyen

Our Holiday Bookplate Drive is underway! Holidays are a time for giving gifts, and one gift that never needs to be exchanged is the gift of a book to our library in honor of, or in memory of, a special person. If you choose this donation option, we will place a distinctive bookplate in a new book with the name of the donor and the person being honored. In addition, a note will be sent to the honoree advising of your kind gift. To learn more about bookplates or download the request form, please visit our website at www.SRFOL.org.



Celebrating 25 Years!

By Jan McGinn

For 25 years, our extraordinary Library has served our community. It's time we celebrate with you and your families, our valued patrons. Join us in March 2018 to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of our Library's opening. Special events are planned through-out the month.

Saturday, 3/10 – "An Evening to Remember" party and fundraiser (6-9 pm)

Sunday, 3/11 – Special "Pleasure of Your Company" concert (2:30 pm)

Friday, 3/16 – A Special Concert, "Dances with Words," featuring inimitable verbivore Richard Lederer performing with singer/songwriter Bill Shipper (10 am-noon)

Saturday, 3/24 - All-ages Library Birthday Celebration (1-4 pm)

Design a Special Commemorative Bookmark - Open to all students (K-12) to create a design for a special commemorative bookmark. The contest runs 12/1/17—2/2/18.

An Evening to Remember

25th Anniversary Celebration & Fundraiser hosted by Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library

Saturday, March 10, 2018, 6:00 – 9:00 pm at the Library

Contact Us: celebrate25@srfol.org

Help us celebrate the Library's 25th Anniversary with a fundraising party. Our goal is to raise \$25,000 to enhance the courtyard for the community's use. Donations will provide long-needed upgrades, such as sunshades, lighting, seating, and other improvements. In addition, the Friends of the Library will match up to 50% of new donations received.

Join us for an evening of good food, libations, silent auction, live music, and fun! Sign-up at the event for docent led tours highlighting the unique historical aspects of the Library.

See the Registration form below for ticket prices and sponsorship opportunities. If you're unable to attend or would like to contribute more, please consider donating to help fund the enhancements. A portion of the ticket price may be tax-deductible as permitted by law.

An Evening to Remember: March 10, 2018

Purchase Tickets and/or Donate Online at: www.srfol.org or mail form and check to SRFOL, Celebrate 25, 10301 Scripps Lake Dr. San Diego, CA 92131

Become a sponsor

Purchase tickets and/or make a donation

Tickets are \$60 per person at the Early Bird Pricing

_____ Number of tickets at Early Bird Price

\$_____ (optional) Donation

_____ \$ 250 Reader
 _____ \$ 500 Scholar
 _____ \$1,000 Bibliophile
 _____ \$2,500 Literarian
 _____ \$5,000 Philanthropist

If you choose to mail your ticket order, donation or sponsorship, please print your contact information below

Name of Attendee(s) and/or business _____

Mailing Address _____

E-Mail Address _____

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Programs for Children, Teens and Adults

The events listed below are highlights of those provided by the Friends of the Scripps Ranch Library and are free to the public. For a complete monthly account of all programs, activities and classes, visit our website at www.srfol.org. In addition, our librarian, Trevor Jones, creates a monthly email containing the entire monthly 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.

Please note the library will be closed Dec. 25, Christmas Day; Jan. 1, New Year's Day; Jan. 15, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; and Feb. 19, Presidents' Day.

Children and Teen Programs

Bookmark Contest: Deadline, Feb. 2, 2018. Students in grades K-12 are invited to create original designs for special bookmarks commemorating the 25th birthday of our library. Winners will be announced on Feb. 28. Winning bookmarks will be professionally printed and distributed at the library in March. Please check the website for details.

The following events are on-going

Do Your Homework at the Library: Mon. and Thurs., 3-6 pm; Tues. and Wed., 3-7 pm. Need some extra assistance with homework assignments? Visit our Homework Center, for free access to professional tutors and volunteers who can help students in grades K-8.



Brilliant Babies: Wed., 1 pm, for ages 0 to 2, music, toys and face time with other babies.

Storytime: Thurs., 10 am for ages 2 to 6, books, songs and more!

Chess: Tues., 3:15 pm in the Children's room.

Yoga Storytime with Miss Abby: 1st Fri. of the month, 12 pm. Please remember to bring a mat.

Let's Learn Mandarin: Fri., 3:45 pm in the Children's room.

Lego Builders: 2nd and 4th Mon., 3:30 pm.

Programs for Adults and Families

Talking & Beyond: Technology for Older Adults: Every Mon., 3:30 pm.

Breaking Point: Wed., Dec. 20, 6 pm. Join us for a screening of the documentary, *Breaking Point*. The Salton Sea is slowly evaporating, and underneath reveals a toxic mix of fine dust and chemicals that threatens the health and well-being of millions.

Oasis Presents: Digestive Wellness. Sat., Jan 27, 10 am. You can strengthen your immune system and reduce risk of disease through healthy digestion. This presentation will review how faulty digestion can affect the human body systemically, from headaches, mood and skin issues to fatigue and pain.

Writing Children's Books: A Creative Writing Class for Adults. Starting Feb. 2, Fridays, 1:30 pm. Stretch your creative muscles by learning fundamentals and advanced techniques for writing picture books, easy-readers, beginning chapter books, and young adult novels! Class features weekly prompts to help you brainstorm new ideas, and weekly discussions help you get feedback as a writer!

Oasis Presents: Symbols in Art. Sat., Feb. 17, 10 am. What does the bowl of fruit on the windowsill really mean? Symbols have been important to artists since the earliest of times. This lecture will explore the representation of ideas, codes and symbols in art history.



The "Pleasure of Your Company" Concert Series

By Joan Reese



The "Pleasure of Your Company" concert series, sponsored by Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library, starts off the new year with a concert on Jan. 21, featuring the Orvieto Piano Trio. Ensemble members first met and began playing together in 2009 during the Orvieto Musica chamber music festival in Italy. This exciting trio, consisting of violinist Lauren Basney, cellist Daniel Frankhuizen and pianist Byron Chow, will perform a program including trio works by Astor Piazzolla, Bedrich Smetana, Nikolai Kapustin, and Arno Babajanian.

At our February 11th concert, we're pleased to welcome back the award-winning Rob Thorsen Trio. Enjoy a variety of classic jazz, original compositions and more—performed by three of San Diego's most in demand musicians. In addition to acoustic bassist, Rob Thorsen, the group includes pianist Hugo Suarez and drummer Richard Sellers. From Duke Ellington to Wayne Shorter and Miles Davis, the Rob Thorsen Trio weaves together a unique sound that honors the jazz masters while inspiring a fresh approach to this great American art form.

The hour-long concerts are on Sunday afternoons at 2:30 PM in our Library's Community Room and are followed by a complimentary reception at which audience members can meet the musicians and mingle with fellow music lovers.

These free concerts are sponsored by Scripps Ranch Friends of Library. Your donations are appreciated to help us continue to bring fine music to our community. Please consider becoming a sponsor of our concert series. Donations of \$25 or more will be acknowledged in the printed program; join our generous family of supporters at the Chorus level (\$25), Concert Master (\$50), Orchestra (\$100), Conductor (\$250), or even sponsor a concert at the Symphony (\$400) level! All donations are tax-deductible. Please send checks to SRFOL, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive, San Diego 92131, or bring them to the library or a concert!

Please check our website www.srfol.org for updates and information about upcoming concerts through June 2018. If you'd like to receive a reminder via email before each concert, please contact music@srfol.org.



Teen Council Activities

by Haley Nguyen

In September the Teen Council participated in "Talk Like a Pirate Day." In October, over 180 attendees were spooked and scared after the Teen Council turned the Library into an eerie Haunted House, complete with scary clowns, jack-in-the-boxes and more. The Pumpkin Party was also a resounding success...97 attendees decorated mini pumpkins, learned about pumpkin science, played pumpkin games, and enjoyed paper and bead crafts! It was great fun! Thank you to the SRFOL for supporting these events.



Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion Group meets in the Seminar Room at the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library Center from 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm on the fourth Wed. of every month, except Nov. and Dec. Selections for the winter are listed below. For more information contact the library or srfol22@yahoo.com.

Jan. 24 *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah

With courage, grace, and powerful insight, bestselling author Kristin Hannah captures the epic panorama of World War II and illuminates an intimate part of history seldom seen: the women's war.

Feb. 28 *The Wrong Side of Goodbye* by Michael Connelly

Harry Bosch is California's newest private investigator. He doesn't advertise, he doesn't have an office, and he's picky about who he works for, but it doesn't matter. His chops from thirty years with the LAPD speak for themselves.



British writer Kazuo Ishiguro has won the 2017 Nobel Prize for Literature

The British novelist Kazuo Ishiguro was awarded the Nobel Prize of Literature earlier this year! Ishiguro was born in Nagasaki, Japan; his family moved to England in 1960 when he was five. Known for such books as *The Remains of the Day*, *Never Let Me Go*, and most recently, *The Buried Giant*. Ishiguro's prose style has been described as rich and poetic. While his books tend to focus on human failings, the pathos of his narrators tend to win readers over in a deeply emotional way. Ishiguro is definitely of the 'show, don't tell' variety of storytelling and explaining human experience. He has written eight books, which have been translated into over 40 languages. The Scripps Ranch Library has several copies of his books available, or we can order one for you if we don't currently have it in stock.



Shopping at the Book Store

Grace's
Book
Nook

Make a New Year's resolution to visit Grace's Book Nook often to check out bargains in books of all categories—from cookbooks to classics, from bestsellers for adults to board books for babies, to CDs and DVDs, there is something for everybody. Our inventory is updated several times per week, so stop by each time you're at the library. To explore volunteer opportunities with Grace's Book Nook, please email [gracesbooknook@sfol.org]. Your tax-deductible donations of gently used books and media are always welcome and help raise funds for our library.

Volunteers Honored



Four volunteers of the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library were honored for their contributions this past year. From left to right, Lisa Nguyen, Haley Nguyen, Delane Pickel, Hilliard Harper. Also pictured are 1st Vice President of the Friends of the San Diego Public Library, Sandy Hoyt, and Joan Reese, President of the Friends of the San Diego Public Library. Thank you to all of you for all that you do.



BOOKS DO NOT SIT STILL

By Richard Lederer, well-known vWowerbivore and Scripps Ranch Resident

Books do not sit still. The first bookmobile in the United States, a horse-drawn wagon operated by a county library in Hagerstown, Maryland, began making its rounds in 1905. But the first bookmobile in western history was, perhaps, the property of the Dutch humanist writer Desiderius Erasmus, who wrote the first best seller, "In Praise of Folly." Erasmus had few personal possessions outside of his books, and he declared: "When I get a little money, I buy books; and if any is left, I buy food and clothes. My luggage is my library. My home is where my books are." No surprise then that in Erasmus's caravan during his travels throughout 16th-century Europe, one donkey was reserved exclusively to carry his books.

Near the end of the 10th century, well before Erasmus, lived Abdul Kassem Ismael, the Grand Vizier of Persia. Wherever Ismael traveled, he took his 117,000-volume library, strapped to his 400 camels. To expedite his reading pleasure, the camels that made up his mile-long bookmobile caravan were trained to walk in alphabetical order, each flock carrying titles beginning with one of the 32 letters in the Persian alphabet.

Books are not just inert objects to be used for a brief while and returned to the shelf. Like Erasmus and Abdul Kassem Ismael, true bibliophiles carry their libraries around with them wherever they go. Emily Dickinson, who went on expeditions everywhere while she remained at her home in Amherst Massachusetts, knew that bookmobility travels two ways, that our books also take us with them:

*There is no Frigate like a Book
To take us Lands away
Nor any Coursers like a Page
Of Prancing Poetry.*

*This Traverse may the poorest take
Without oppress of Toll —
How frugal is the Chariot
That bears the Human Soul.*

Library Volunteer Holiday Luncheon: December 15



Many, but not all, of the volunteers for Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library gathered for a potluck lunch. Our volunteers serve in the Book Nook behind the desk and behind the scenes—those books don't just appear magically on the shelves. They also organize book sales, organize the performers for Pleasure of Your Company and then provide refreshments, hang signs, wash tablecloths and coffee urns, maintain a data base, keep track of finances, prepare the duck food, do advocacy for libraries, help with events, select and buy library enhancements, create the *Folio*, provide publicity through media and posters, run the essay and book mark contests and more. Why do they do it? They give their time and talents to support our library! Kudos to all of you!



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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.

PARKING REMINDER

For library events, please allow extra time to park on Meanley Drive and walk up the paved, lighted walkway to the library.

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, San Diego, CA 92131.**

Membership Form for Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library

Name _____ Phone _____ Date _____

Email _____ Address _____

____ Student/Senior \$5

____ Individual Adult \$10

____ Family \$20

____ Sponsor \$50

____ Business \$100

____ Lifetime \$250

____ Other Amount you may wish to add to your donation

____ I would like to volunteer, please contact me at the above Email or Phone

Please make checks out to **Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library.**

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