ON RELEVANCE AND MEMBERSHIP

What with all the chatter about Google, Twitter, Wikipedia etc you may be wondering if the internet has replaced the library and students can find all they need to be truly educated on the INTERNET? Are libraries becoming irrelevant? Hardly.

“Indeed, even though many students like the speed of obtaining information from the internet, research has shown that undergraduates are most likely searching only .03% of the entire web. What they find might be easy to retrieve and more readily available, but may not be as in depth as information from other resources such as books available at a physical library.”

GOT MEMBERSHIP?

We’re hoping to make membership in the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library as ubiquitous as those “Got Milk” commercials.. With only 50 members in all of Scripps Ranch, we’ve got a ways to go. At today’s price of $10.00 a year, it’s a bargain. Why? Because your membership fuels the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library organization, a group of volunteers who make the difference between a good library and a great library. SRFOL provided this past year, through their fund raising efforts, well over $15,000 which pays for books and materials beyond our allotment, children’s programming, the Sunday concert series, and even the umbrellas in the courtyard.

Your membership lets us know our efforts are appreciated.

Membership application inside.

Visit our website at www.srfol.org
**Coming Events at the Library**

**September**

Every Thursday
10:00 Storytime for Preschoolers

Wednesday, 9/14
6:15-7:45 Shakespeare Society Open Readings: Soliloquies

Thursday, 9/15
3:00 Children’s Pgm: Mermaid telling stories of the sea

Sunday, 9/18
2:30 Music Pgm: Pianist, Dmitry Kirichenko

Wednesday, 9/28
6:30 Book Discussion: Verghese, *Cutting for Stone*

Friday, 9/30
4:00 Children’s Pgm: Chinese Storytelling

**October**

Every Thursday
10:00 Storytime for Preschoolers

Every Friday
4:00 Children’s Pgm: Chinese Storytelling

Tuesday, 10/11
9:30–1:30 Career Event: Get Back to Work Now!

Wednesday, 10/12
6:15-7:45 Shakespeare Society Open Readings: Sonnets

Sunday, 10/16
2:30 Colin McAllister, Classical Guitarist, Viva Mexico!

Thursday, 10/20
3:00 Children’s Pgm: Felker, Halloween Puppet Show

Wednesday, 10/26
6:30 Book Discussion: Bryson, *I’m a Stranger Here Myself*

Wednesday, 10/26
6:15 “Secrets to Successful Social Media Marketing”

**November**

Every Thursday
10:00 Storytime for Preschoolers

Every Friday
4:00 Children’s Pgm: Chinese Storytelling

Wednesday, 11/02
6:30 Author Talk: Annam Manthiram, *After the Tsunami*

Sunday, 11/06
2:30 **Special: Richard Lederer Performs**

Wednesday, 11/08
6:30 Book Disc: Buckley, *Losing Mum and Pup: A Memoir*

Wednesday, 11/16
6:15-7:45 Shakespeare Open Reading: All’s Well That Ends Well

Thursday, 11/17
3:00 Children’s Pgm: Jackstraw- Pirate Trio. Aargh!

Sunday, 11/20
2:30 “An American Salute” Pgm SDCM Brass Quartet

Tuesday, 11/22
12:30-6:30 ****American Red Cross Blood Drive****

**December**

Sunday, 12/04
2:30 La Jolla Renaissance Singers; Holiday Chorale

Tuesday, 12/06
6:30 Authors Larry Buchanan /Karen Gans, *The Gift of El Tio*

Wednesday, 12/07
6:00 Potluck at 6:00; Choose Books for 2012

Thursday, 12/15
3:00 Children’s Holiday Pgm: Wein -Literature Comes to Life

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**From the Branch Manager by Bruce Johnson: Magazines**

Several library patrons have told me recently that they’ve cut back on the number of magazines they subscribe to in order to stretch their budget dollars. In addition to books, DVDs and other media, the Library maintains print subscriptions to over 75 magazines that are available for checkout (all except the most recent issue).

You also have access to a collection of nearly **1,700** magazines through the Library’s new service, **MasterFile Premier**. Cover-to-cover, full-text coverage of magazines such as *Consumer Reports*, *Architectural Record*, *Scientific American* and current affairs coverage representing different points of view, including *The Nation* and *National Review* are available from home free of charge to Library cardholders or from any Library catalog computer.

Some of the best and most reputable content online is contained in publications that are not available without registering and/or paying a fee—sometimes this content is referred to as the ‘deep’ web or the ‘hidden’ or ‘invisible’ web. Through a contract with EBSCOhost, one of the leading providers of databases to public libraries, Library patrons have free access to a range of exceptional content, including *Consumer Health Complete*, *Career Library*, *Small Business Reference Center*, *Do-it-Yourself Reference Centers* (small engine repair to home improvement).

Visit the Library’s homepage, [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org), and follow the links for Articles and Databases (you’ll need your library card number and PIN).

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**Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library**

**Date:________________**

Please begin/renew my membership: ___ New Membership ___ Renewal

__ Student/Senior ($5) ___ Individual ($10) ___ Family ($20)

__ Sponsor ($50) ___ Business ($60) ___ Lifetime ($500) ___ Other Donation

__ Patron Life ($1000)

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I would like to volunteer to help...

__ in the Library __ as a SRFOL Board member __ with music programs

__ with children’s programs __ in Grace’s Book Nook __ with fundraising

Please make checks out to: Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library. Membership is tax deductible.

Mail to: SRFOL Membership Renewal, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive, San Diego, CA 92131-1252

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