PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Hello fellow bibliophiles. This winter edition of the Newsletter offers many interesting activities, so I’m sure you will find something of interest. Our monthly concert series has many fine programs. There is also the film forum that meets once a month. The Zumba program, which meets three times a week, will definitely get your heart rate up. The homework club began on November 17th. For more information please go to our website (www.srfol.org) or “like us” on Facebook (www.facebook.com/SdplScrippsRanchBranchLibrary).

We would like to welcome our new Youth Services Librarian (YSL), Gina Bravo. She was previously with Los Angeles Public Library. Then she was a substitute librarian for San Diego Public Library (SDPL), and spent the last year as YSL at the Otay-Nestor Branch. She is known for her excellent customer service and enthusiasm.

SRFOL is partnering with Barnes and Nobles for a fund raiser December 13-17. See pages 2 and 4 for complete information. When you shop there, let them know at the register that you want a percentage of the sale to go to the Scripps Miramar Ranch Library.

It’s time to remember a special person in your life in a special way with a distinctive bookplate in a new book. You will receive a letter explaining how to give this memorable gift.

Hope you have time to read a good book over this holiday season.

Wendy Tompkins, SRFOL President

“I just write the sort of book that I would enjoy reading myself, a book that is both scholarly and recreates the experience of people at that time.”
Antony Beevor

FILM FORUM

The free monthly film series sponsored by SRFOL continues on Wednesday, December 17, at 7 PM with a screening of Sébastien Betbeder’s 2013 film, 2 Autumns, 3 Winters (French with English subtitles) — a sassy, stylish homage to the French New Wave films. The lives of a trio of 30-something Parisians, navigating love squabbles and existential crisis, intertwine after shaggy, sad-sack Arman bumps into Amelie, literally, while jogging. Well-known film appreciation instructor Ralph DeLauro will introduce the film and moderate the post-screening discussion, focusing on the techniques used by the filmmaker to tell his story. Popcorn will be served. Film Forum continues on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 PM. The film on January 21 will be Ilo, Ilo, and on February 18, Garibaldi’s Lovers.

Check at the library or www.srfol.org for more information on the upcoming films.
Branch Manager Message

Your Scripps Miramar Ranch Library has partnered with the Barnes and Noble Mira Mesa store (just across the 15!) for a holiday fundraiser. Visit the store between Saturday, December 13th, and Wednesday, December 17th, and 15% of your purchase will come back to us! That's right: get some holiday shopping done and help your local library raise funds for the new year—your dollars will help us purchase more children's book in 2015!

What's more, on Saturday, December 13th, join us at the Barnes and Noble Mira Mesa store from 11 AM to 1 PM for a special event that includes cupcake decorating, story time and a scavenger hunt! Bring the whole family!

Finally, if you can't make it, don't sweat it because you can make online purchases December 13–22 at BN.com/bookfairs! Just enter Bookfair ID#11475340, and you'll be good to go!

Our library is supported through great members of the public like you! Help us this holiday season as we plan for the future, together!

Special Concert

Mark your calendar for a special concert on Saturday, March 22, 2015, at 7 PM celebrating the 22nd anniversary of the opening of our beautiful library! Internationally acclaimed Hungarian pianist Endre Hegedőš returns by popular demand to perform an exciting program that will include several works for piano four hands performed with Katalin Hegedőš. Hear our fine Schimmel piano at its best, and enjoy an intermission reception featuring delicious Hungarian pastries. This concert is cosponsored with the House of Hungary, San Diego, and will benefit our library. Tickets are only $15 for adults, $10 for students with ID, and free for children under 12.

Pleasure of Your Company Winter-Spring Season

(All concerts on Sundays at 2:30 PM - No charge - Donations appreciated.)

Dec. 14, 2014 *The La Jolla Renaissance Singers

Jan. 18, 2015  Peter Sprague, jazz guitar, and Leonard Patton, percussion and vocal

Feb. 15, 2015  Duo LaRè (Chris Acquavella, mandolin, and Nathan Jarrell, guitar)

Mar. 15, 2015  Jeremy Kurtz, double bass, and Ines Irawati, piano

Apr. 19, 2015  Trio Arpavioluta (Laura Vaughan, harp, Päivikki Nykter, viola, and Cathy Blickenstaff, flute)

May 10, 2015  The Kensington Trio (Natalka Kytasty, violin, Yuri Kytasty, cello, and Ronald Morebello, piano)

*SRFOL appreciates the generous support of the Scripps Ranch Women’s Club in underwriting the December concert.
BOOK SALE NEWS

If you're a used book sale aficionado, you need to know about the monthly book sales held by the Friends of the San Diego Public Library (FSDPL) on the third Saturday of each and every month. Beginning this fall, FSDPL has expanded to a 3-day "Power Book Sale" format on the weekend which includes the 3rd Saturday. With 3,000 square feet of well organized books in all categories, you're sure to find what you're looking for! On Friday, December 19, 3–6 PM, the preview sale for Friends Members Only allows an opportunity to select from new stock. The highly popular Premier Sale on Saturday, December 20, 8 AM–3 PM is open to the general public; on Sunday, December 21, 12–4 PM, expect great bargains with special deals and the opportunity to shop for books priced by the bag. The sale is held on the lower level of the University Heights Branch Library, 4193 Park Blvd. (next to Sprouts); enter at the rear of the building. Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library is an affiliate chapter of FSDPL, which supports the entire SDPL system, including our own library here in Scripps Ranch; for example, the annual student essay contest is sponsored by FSDPL. The dates for future Power Book Sale weekends are January 16-18 and February 20–22.

Of course, Grace's Book Nook, the used bookstore in our library (which incidentally was the very first used bookstore in a public library in San Diego County!), is open Monday–Saturday during library hours and has increased its operating hours to correspond with the expanded library hours. The Book Nook is staffed completely by dedicated volunteers, so all money raised through sale of used books is channeled back into our library to assist with the purchase of new books, media and other materials plus support for library programs. Stock is updated several times a week, so make a point of stopping by whenever you're at the library for great bargains on nearly new and gently used books, plus CDs, DVDs, magazines and new greeting cards. Mark your calendar for the 2nd Saturday of each month for the "Second Saturday 'Back Room' Special Open Hours" from 10 AM to 2 PM to get "first dibs" on newly arrived stock; this event also frequently includes special pricing on selected stock. Upcoming "Second Saturday" book sales will be held on December 13, January 10, and February 14.

BOOK SIGNING

Dr. Richard Lederer is a true friend of our library! In case you missed his wonderful performance and earlier book signing, there's still a chance to peruse and purchase personally inscribed books as holiday gifts. Following the Pleasure of Your Company concert on Sunday, December 14, Dr. Lederer will be signing books from his large bibliography of humorous books about language, history, animals and more with several titles just for kids, including his brand new children's book, Monsters Unchained! — any of which would make great gifts. All profits go to the Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library for the benefit of our library. Don’t miss this opportunity to get a head start on your holiday shopping while supporting our library!

A NOTE FROM THE YOUTH SERVICES LIBRARIAN

Homework Help will now be available Mondays through Thursdays at 3:30 PM and Saturdays from 11 AM–1 PM through Mayor Faulconer's “Do Your Homework @ the Library” Program. Scripps Ranch is one of 18 San Diego Public Library Branches opening a Homework Help Center, which will provide assistance to any students in grades K–8 during designated hours. The program is designed to support our local students and will feature an onsite Learning Coordinator and several volunteers. The library has always been a place where children and youth can work to achieve their goals and find success in life, and the Homework Help Center is one more way of encouraging the next generation to dream big. For more information about this and our other Children’s Programs, please visit our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/SdplScrippsRanchBranchLibrary).
SAVE THE DATE

Scripps Miramar Ranch Library
10301 Scripps Lake Drive, San Diego CA 92131
858-538-8158

Barnes & Noble Bookfair

Saturday, December 13th

Barnes & Noble Mira Mesa
10775 Westview Parkway, San Diego CA
858-684-3166

11am-1pm
Bring the whole family for:

• Cupcake decorating!
• Storytime!
• Scavenger Hunt!

Have fun, go holiday shopping and help raise funds for your Scripps Miramar Ranch Library!

Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library

Can't attend our bookfair at Barnes & Noble?

Visit bn.com/bookfairs to support us online from 12/13/2014 to 12/22/2014 by entering Bookfair ID 11475340 at checkout.

A percentage of your Barnes & Noble purchases will benefit our library!
MEMBERSHIP FORM FOR SCRIPPS RANCH FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Have you renewed your annual membership? Remember, it is tax deductible! Thank you to all of the many SRFOL members who conscientiously renew their memberships every year. Any questions? Membership can be contacted at srfol22@yahoo.com.

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Address _______________________________  City _______________   Zip _________  Date ________________  

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____ 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 e-mail or phone.  

Please make checks out to “Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library.” Drop the form off at Grace’s Book Nook or Mail to SRFOL Membership, 10301 Scripps Lake Drive, San Diego, CA 92131. Membership is tax deductible. Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library is a California Tax Exempt Non-Profit Corporation under IRS 501(c)(3).

A WORLD OF INFORMATION AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

Did you know that Scripps Miramar Ranch Public Library card holders can access dozens of free databases from home through the San Diego Public Library (SDPL) website? The SDPL system has recently chosen Gale as its new database provider. The user-friendly graphical interface makes it easier than ever to find the information you’re looking for.

This month, we’ll highlight two of the most exciting offerings: Zinio and Rosetta Stone.

Zinio is a free virtual newsstand containing current and back issues of many popular magazines, including Elle, Rolling Stone, Popular Science, Newsweek, Car and Driver, US Weekly, Martha Stewart Living, National Geographic, and Marie Claire.

Rosetta Stone is a well-known language learning software. Level 1 of Rosetta Stone is completely free for registered Library patrons.

To access the SDPL database collection, go to www.sandiego.gov/public-library, find “eCOLLECTION” underneath the page banner, click on “Articles & Databases,” and browse topics by choosing a category on the left-hand side of the page, or click on “Index” to get an A-Z listing of all databases. Have your San Diego Public Library card number handy to access individual databases.

To access Zinio, click on the Zinio icon in the list of databases. You can browse titles alphabetically or by genre. To start reading, click on “Create New Account” and enter your library card number. Then enter your email address and create a password. Once your account is set up, you can log in any time to download magazines to your personal library.

To access Rosetta Stone, click on the Rosetta Stone icon in the list of databases. Enter your library card number and click on “Rosetta Stone Library Solution.” Enter your email address, create a password, and choose a language. Click on “First Time Users” for more information and to check your computer’s system readiness. You are now ready to launch the language lesson software and begin learning (please note that Rosetta Stone must be used from your home computer and requires headphones and a microphone).

We hope all of our patrons will take advantage of this great opportunity to access these—and many other—free databases. Please feel free to call the Library at (858) 538-8158 with any questions or for further assistance.
COME JOIN THE FRIENDS!

MEETING OF SCRIPPS RANCH FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY, 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:15 P.M.

SRFOL SUPPORTS CHILDREN’S AND ADULT PROGRAMS, PRESENTS A CONCERT SERIES, AND PROVIDES FUNDS FOR PURCHASING NEW BOOKS, CD'S, AND DVD'S AS WELL AS UPGRADING THE LIBRARY’S TECHNICAL CAPACITY AND FACILITY.

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