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A New Chapter - Summer Stories Edition

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From the Director

What a summer this has been! We hope you are doing well and that you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy. COVID-19 has turned the world on its head. Even though we were not able to open our doors as expected in July the library staff has not slowed down with moving into the new building, online programming, and curbside pick up of library materials.

The Children's and Adult departments have averaged nine virtual programs a week including a wide variety of events such as E-book Clubs, Writing Wednesdays, Sunday Movie Matinees, and Virtual Trivia. Our Children's Department moved its entire Summer Reading Program online in addition to providing weekly Story Times, STEaM programs, Take Home Tuesdays, and a Family Mindfulness program. Participants tell us these programs were an important way for them to stay connected with their community during such a difficult time.

Additionally, use of E-books and other digital downloads increased by over 35% and use of Kanopy, our subscription movie database, rose over 100%!

We are embarking on an exciting new chapter in our Library's history and we hope that this new bi-monthly newsletter will be another way for you to keep up with everything we offer and give you a chance to peek behind the scenes too. Not all of our library's stories are on the shelves - we have some stories to tell you too! I hope you enjoy this first edition of the Scranton Library newsletter and that we'll see you soon at 801 Boston Post Road.

GO GREEN!

Get this newsletter, plus event information, service updates, and more sent right to your inbox when you sign up for our email updates. Go to scrantonlibrary.org and sign up for library emails now!

You can also follow us on Facebook & Instagram for even more fun!





Sincerely,

Sunnie Scarpa Library Director

Sheila Chagnon, one of our first Take Out customers in July, 2020

TAKE OUT & DELIVERY

TAKE OUT: Holds may be placed online or by calling us at (203) 245-7365. Library users will be notified via email when materials have arrived. On our next business day your items will be checked out and placed by our main/parking lot entrance.

DELIVERY: Madison seniors are able to have library materials delivered to their home by contacting the Madison Senior Center at (203) 245-5627 and requesting a volunteer pickup.

RETURNS: All library materials may be returned to our drivethrough book return located at the back of the building.

RE-OPENING PLANS

We are very excited to announce that library use by appointment will begin on Wednesday, September 16th.

Appointments times will be available Monday – Friday, with additional computer only appointments on Saturday mornings.

Guests will have two hours to use library computers, print/copy, browse the collection, check out materials, and of course – view the beautifully renovated and expanded facility!

While this limited capacity is not what we envisioned for our Grand Reopening, we're committed to ensuring a welcoming and safe environment for all library users and staff members.

More information is available on our website at scrantonlibrary.org. Call and make an appointment today at (203) 245-7365!

ANNOUNCING SCRANTON LIBRARY'S OFFICIAL PODCAST <u>SCRANTON TALKS</u>!

In each episode Librarians Myla Perrelli and Colin Welch talk to a member of the community about a topic they're passionate about, to connect Madison through shared interests and new information.

Find the first 3 episodes on our website or at: <u>soundcloud.com/scrantontalks</u>

WILL YOU HELP WRITE THE NEXT CHAPTER IN THE LIBRARY'S STORY? IT'S SO EASY TO CONTRIBUTE.

Make a donation and tune it to see what happens next... you won't be disappointed!

- Donate online and take advantage of credit card incentives
- Send a check in the enclosed mailing envelope
- Call the library at 203-245-7365 or email supportscranton@scrantonlibrary.org
- Donate to your favorite organization (E.C. Scranton Memorial Library) while shopping at <u>smile.amazon.com</u>
- Use your digital wallet and make a gift via PayPal at: <u>bit.ly/scrantonpaypal</u>

LIBRARY HOURS

Take Out Services & Phone Assistance are available at the following times:

Mon & Tues 10am - 5pm Wed & Thur 1pm - 8pm Friday 10am - 5pm Saturday 10am - 1pm

SUMMER FUN!



Summer Reading participants Claire & Jacob were our raffle winners this year.

They were so excited to receive their prizes, a Think & Learn Robot and a Nintendo Switch!

Claire's mom Beth told us the program was awesome and their family really enjoyed it.

SCRANTON LIBRARY FRIENDS

The Scranton Library Friends (SLF) are ready to receive your donations of gently used books, DVDs and CDs on FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY only at 114A Bradley Rd, behind the Tuxis Laundromat. For more info contact them at: friends@scrantonlibrary.org



Events Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 30 <u>Sunday Movie</u> <u>Matinee:</u> <u>"Cloudburst"</u> 10:00am - 11:00am | 31 | 1 | 2 <u>Writing Wednesdays</u> 10:15am - 10:30am | 3 <u>Novels & Nibbles:</u> <u>Poetry & Verse</u> 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 4 <u>Friday Book Chat</u> 11:15am - 11:30am | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 <u>Virtual Writers'</u> <u>Group</u> 7:00pm - 8:30pm | 9 <u>Writing Wednesdays</u> 10:15am - 10:30am | 10 <u>Retirement Planning</u> <u>for Everyone</u> 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 11 <u>Friday Book Chat</u> 11:15am - 11:30am | 12 |
| 13 <u>Sunday Movie</u> <u>Matinee: "Bicycle</u> <u>Thieves"</u> 10:00am - 11:00am <u>For Sale or Rent:</u> <u>How the Hull Family</u> <u>Helped Shape</u> <u>Madison</u> 2:00pm - 3:30pm | 14 Sidewalk Scramble! All Day Little Readers Storytime 9:30am - 10:00am Preschool Storytime 10:30am - 11:00am | 15 <u>Take Home Tuesdays</u> 10:00am - 4:00pm <u>International</u> <u>Cooking Club</u> 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 16 <u>Writing Wednesdays</u> 10:15am - 10:30am <u>Team Kindness</u> 4:30pm - 4:45pm | 17 Book & Baking: <u>Harry Potter Edition</u> 11:00am - 11:30am Bedtime Stories 6:00pm - 6:30pm Novels & Nibbles: Magical Realism 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 18 Friday Book Chat 11:15am - 11:30am <u>It's Science!</u> 12:00pm - 12:30pm <u>Craft of the Week</u> 2:30pm - 3:30pm | 19 |
| 20 <u>Sunday Movie</u> <u>Matinee</u> 10:00am - 11:00am | 21 Sidewalk Scramble! All Day Little Readers Storytime 9:30am - 10:00am Preschool Storytime 10:30am - 11:00am Classics E-Book Club: <u>"The Secret Garden"</u> 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 22 <u>Virtual Writers'</u> <u>Group</u> 7:00pm - 8:30pm | 23 Writing Wednesdays 10:15am - 10:30am Team Kindness 4:30pm - 4:45pm Writing the College Essay 6:30pm - 7:30pm | 24 Book & Baking: Harry Potter Edition 11:00am - 11:30am Bedtime Stories 6:00pm - 6:30pm Novels & Nibbles: Great Epics 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 25 Friday Book Chat 11:15am - 11:30am Craft of the Week 2:30pm - 3:30pm Library Happy Hour: <u>A Virtual Beer</u> Tasting! 5:30pm - 6:30pm | 26 Dungeons and Dragons: the Tomb of ANNIHILATION 1:00pm - 4:00pm |
| 27 <u>Sunday Movie</u> <u>Matinee</u> 10:00am - 11:00am | 28 <u>Sidewalk Scramble!</u> All Day <u>Little Readers</u> <u>Storytime</u> 9:30am - 10:00am <u>Preschool Storytime</u> 10:30am - 11:00am | 29 <u>Medicare and</u> <u>Beyond</u> 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 30 <u>Writing Wednesdays</u> 10:15am - 10:30am <u>Team Kindness</u> 4:30pm - 4:45pm <u>Anime Night</u> 5:00pm - 7:00pm | 1 Book & Baking: Harry Potter Edition 11:00am - 11:30am Bedtime Stories 6:00pm - 6:30pm Banned Book Read- Out 7:00pm - 8:00pm | 2 <u>Eye Spy in</u> <u>Madison</u> All Day <u>Friday Book Chat</u> 11:15am - 11:30am <u>Craft of the Week</u> 2:30pm - 3:30pm | 3 |

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