



FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Although the pandemic has left us in a wake of uncertainty, donor support for Scranton Library has been steadfast. Donors continue to rally behind the library with generous donations, advocacy, and encouraging words of support. We are fortunate to live in a town that values education, literacy, and community connection. A family that is unwavering in its dedication to the library is the Davis Family, featured here in the donor spotlight. This kind and spirited family has been using and supporting the library for decades. I had the pleasure of meeting them last summer at the library where their patriarch, Jack Davis, rekindled stories of bygone days at the Library. This exchange of stories is one of the hidden gems that can be found at Scranton Library thanks to this generous family. Uncertainty has presented an opportunity for Scranton Library to reflect on the past, recommit to its mission, and innovate new ways to bring value to our town. Thanks to the generosity of every person that makes a contribution, the future is brighter and we will emerge from the pandemic together and connected at Scranton Library.

Nicole Wiles

President, Scranton Library Board of Trustees



RE-OPENING UPDATE

The Library will be resuming walk-in services beginning Monday, March 1st. Check our website for full details and to review our health and safety guidelines. Then stop by for browsing, study room, and computer use.

We can't wait to see you!

Mon & Tues 10-12pm & 2-4pm
Wed & Thurs 10-12pm, 2-4pm & 5-7pm
Fri 10-12pm & 2-4pm
Sat - computer appt's only at 10am

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

As Madison natives, we grew up going to the Scranton Library. It was a lot smaller then, but still a majestic place of wonder. We'd hang out in the children's section, run into friends, and get lost in the stacks. As adults, it's a lot harder to get lost in the stacks. But wonder, friends, and community exist more than ever at our new library. The renovation is magnificent and has restored the majesty we knew as kids. Our family is proud to be a part of it.

- Jerry Davis, for the Davis Family.

WAYS TO DONATE:

- Donate online at www.scrantonlibrary.org/support-the-library.
- Send a check to 801 Boston Post Road, Madison CT 06443
- Make a gift via PayPal at bit.ly/scrantonpaypal
- **Buy a brick!** More info at scrantonlibrary.org/support-the-library.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

by Allison Murphy, Head of Public Services

Welcome back! We are so excited to see your (mask-covered) faces again. While the library has been temporarily closed to walk-in visitors, the staff have been working hard to fulfill your holds, answer questions on the phone, and oversee our vibrant Take Out and Delivery services. The Circulation Department is busier than ever, and working diligently to get you the books, movies, tax forms, and information you need. On an average day in the Circulation Department, you can find Mary and Thomas conscientiously answering patrons' questions on the phone, fulfilling holds, and stocking the Take Out and Delivery room with new bags of books and movies. Kayla will be responding to patron requests for library cards via phone and email, running detailed reports on our collection, and pulling materials to fulfill holds. Chris is behind the scenes, unpacking the multitude of boxes that are delivered from libraries around the state, and repacking them to ship out some of our items to other Connecticut libraries. Last but not least, Clara is juggling requests from the 40+ local book clubs she supports. She effortlessly, and happily, places holds on book club titles, manages their schedules, contacts patrons, and organizes the flow of book club materials. If this sounds like a beehive of activity, it truly is! I'm delighted to be here and proud to work with such a smart, caring, and considerate staff. We're all looking forward to seeing you here again as we open with limited-access hours. Please come up to the Circulation desk and say hi!



INTRODUCING: THE LIBRARY OF THINGS!

You know that you can check out books and movies, but did you know that you can take home a laptop, chess set, iPad, lawn game, binoculars, or telescope?

These items, and many other fun things are now available for check out! You can find the new Library of Things displayed on the main floor, near the music CDs.

Check it out today!

March/April 2021

LIBRARY HOURS

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

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

Open hours for browsing, study room, & computer use:

Mon - Fri 10-12pm & 2-4pm
Wed & Thurs 5-7pm
Saturday computer use only, by appointment - 10am

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Everything you need for a better future and success has already been written. And guess what? All you have to do is go to the library.

- Henri Frederic Amiel

SCRANTON LIBRARY FRIENDS

The Friends are happy to announce that book donations will again be accepted beginning March 20th. Please leave your like-new books in one of the cabinets located on the porch of the white house across from the library's new "north" entrance.

For more info, go to their Facebook page or contact them at: friends@scrantonlibrary.org

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MARCH 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	1	2	3	4	5	6
Spring Story Stroll All Day 3/1 - 3/31						
Sunday Movie Matinee: "Neruda" 10:00am - 11:00am SHPO Event: Tax Credits for Historic Homes 2:00pm - 3:30pm	Little Readers Storytime 9:30am - 10:00am Preschool Storytime 10:30am - 11:00am	Take Home Tuesday 10:00am - 5:00pm Chess Class 6:00pm - 7:00pm	Writing Wednesdays 10:30am - 10:45am Waking Up Your Garden 7:00pm - 8:30pm	Bedtime Stories 6:00pm - 6:30pm Video Game Night 6:00pm - 8:00pm Novels & Nibbles 7:00pm - 8:00pm	Eye Spy in Madison... 10:00am - 5:00pm Peek-A-Book 12:00pm - 12:15pm Craft of the Week! 2:30pm - 3:30pm Pre-Pub Friday! 4:30pm - 4:45pm	Dungeons and Dragons: the Tomb of ANNIHILATION 2:00pm - 5:00pm
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*For full details and to register for a free program today,
go to: scrantonlibrary.org/events*