



## CELEBRATE HOMECOMING WEEKEND AT THE SCRANTON LIBRARY!

The Board of Trustees and Library Director Sunnie Scarpa welcome you back to EXPLORE, DISCOVER, and CELEBRATE Scranton Library at its postponed grand reopening and homecoming celebration.

### Homecoming Celebration

Friday, October 1st from 4 – 7 p.m.

- EXPLORE the library building plus learn about the library's history and new features of the 21st-century facility. Trustees and staff members will be available to answer questions and tell you about what happens behind the scenes!
- DISCOVER programs, services, and resources available to you with your library card. Get a library card, try out our virtual reality headset, and vote for new items to be added to our Library of Things!
- CELEBRATE members of the library community and esteemed guests who made it all happen with music, refreshments, and fun!

### Schumann Children's Library Dedication

Saturday, October 2nd at 10 a.m.

Join members of the Schumann family for a special dedication and ribbon-cutting ceremony. Then, stay for a musical performance for all ages as well as popcorn and prizes!

**Scranton Library is open and ready to connect you. Welcome back!**

### THE BRICKS ARE IN!

Brick orders placed by May 2021 are now located in the patios near the chess tables. Thank you to everyone who purchased a brick for themselves or for a loved one. We hope you'll stop by soon to see your brick and enjoy all the heartfelt messages contained in this special garden area.

To Buy a Brick, visit: [bit.ly/scrantonbricks](https://bit.ly/scrantonbricks)

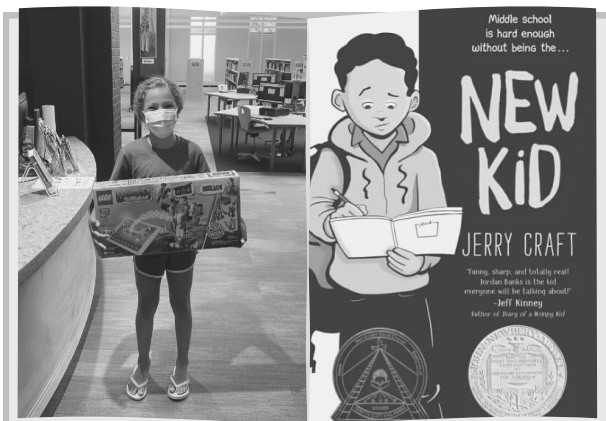
### SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH

There is nothing more empowering than getting your own library card. It gives you access to technology, resources, and services to pursue your passions and dreams. This month, encourage everyone in your life to get their own card and spread the library love! Applications are online:

[scrantonlibrary.org/services/borrowing](https://scrantonlibrary.org/services/borrowing)

### SUMMER READING FUN

The Children's Department was so glad to see everyone in person for our programs this summer! Thanks to all the kids and grown-ups who participated in Summer Reading. This town is full of amazing readers and we were able to double our enrollment for both the Pre-K and K-6 programs this year! A big thank you to our community collaborators: R.J. Julia's, Grand Apizza, and Willow & Birch for handing out prizes. Our *One Book, One Town* program was also very successful. We handed out 300 copies of *New Kid* and had over 100 people come to related programming; including a chance to meet the award winning author, Jerry Craft!



**Congratulations to our grand prize winners!**

# YOUR DONATIONS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

by Nicole Wiles, Board President

Thanks to you --

**The library expanded its hours of operation and safely resumed in-person services and programming.**

- Over 300 new library cards have been issued since June – a record high for Scranton Library!
- We are now averaging over 6,400 library visitors each month.

**Many exciting and wonderful programs such as Beekeeping in CT and Mindfulness Meditation continue to be very popular and attendance is rising.**

- Total of 692 programs, 34,889 participants in FY 20/21.
- Summer Reading participants doubled.

**The library has reliable, high-speed Wi-Fi, and public computer use is increasing.**

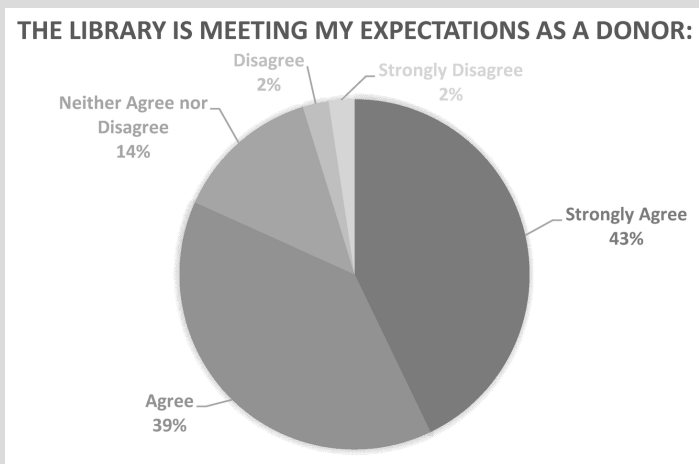
- 410 public computer sessions in July.

**Study rooms and ample seating provide places to study and work from home.**

- 76 study room reservations for 48 individuals in July.

## DONOR SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

In June, we conducted a donor survey and received 126 responses. Thank you for your comments and suggestions – we are listening!



- Thrilled you're open again.
- So happy this community has invested in one of the most important institutions a town can have.
- I donate because of the great Librarians and staff.
- I appreciate all that this library provides the citizens of Madison. The programs provided via Zoom during the past year were excellent.
- Thank you for all the cheerful ways you help people.

## WAYS TO DONATE



Scan Here for Ways to Donate.

Or Visit: [scrantonlibrary.org/support-the-library/ways-to-give/](https://scrantonlibrary.org/support-the-library/ways-to-give/)

## LIBRARY HOURS

Monday 9:30am - 5pm  
Tuesday 9:30am - 8pm  
Wednesday 9:30am - 8pm  
Thursday 9:30am - 8pm  
Friday 9:30am - 5pm  
Saturdays 9:30am - 1pm\*

\*9:30am-5pm starting fall 2021

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*A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions.*

- Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.  
U.S. Supreme Court Justice  
1902 - 1932

## SCRANTON LIBRARY FRIENDS

Upcoming book sales:

Fri, Sept 17th 12pm - 7:30pm  
Sat, Sept 18th 10am - 3:30pm

Book donations:

The SLF will stop collecting book donations on Sat, Sept 11th. Thank you for all your support this year!

For more info, go to:  
[scrantonlibrary.org/friends](https://scrantonlibrary.org/friends)  
or contact them at:  
[friends@scrantonlibrary.org](mailto:friends@scrantonlibrary.org)



# SEPTEMBER 2021

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday                               |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|--|
| 29   | 30   | 31   | 1  | 2   | 3   | 4                                      |
| <b>Hindsight 2020 Postcard Project @ the SML</b><br>All Day 8/6 - 9/15 |  |  |  |   |   |  |
|  |  |  | <b>Medicare and Beyond with Lou Pelletier</b><br>6:30pm - 7:30pm   | <b>Novels &amp; Nibbles</b><br>4:00pm - 5:00pm<br><br><b>Teen Night</b><br>5:00pm - 8:00pm  |   |  |
| 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9   | 10  | 11                                     |
| <b>Hindsight 2020 Postcard Project @ the SML</b><br>All Day 8/6 - 9/15 |  |  |  |   |   |  |
|  |  | <b>Toddler Tango</b><br>10:30am - 11:00am  | <b>Bilingual Storytime with ABC Amigos</b><br>10:00am - 10:30am<br><br><b>Classics @ Scranton: "The Old Man and the Sea"</b><br>6:30pm - 7:30pm      | <b>Slime Lab: Buildable Rock Slime</b><br>4:00pm - 4:45pm<br><br><b>Novels &amp; Nibbles</b><br>4:00pm - 5:00pm<br><br><b>Teen Night</b><br>5:00pm - 8:00pm                     |   | <b>LEGO Boats</b><br>10:00am - 11:30am |
| 12   | 13   | 14   | 15   | 16  | 17  | 18                                     |
| <b>Hindsight 2020 Postcard Project @ the SML</b><br>All Day 8/6 - 9/15 |  |  |  |   |   |  |
|  | <b>Crawlers and Cuddlers Storytime</b><br>9:30am - 10:00am<br><br><b>Walkers and Wigglers Storytime</b><br>10:30am - 11:00am | <b>Toddler Tango</b><br>10:30am - 11:00am  | <b>Toddler Yoga with Miss Emily</b><br>10:00am - 10:45am<br><br><b>A Tribute to Thelonious Monk by the Shoreline Jazz Quartet</b><br>6:30pm - 8:00pm | <b>Little Yoga with Miss Emily</b><br>4:00pm - 4:45pm<br><br><b>Novels &amp; Nibbles</b><br>4:00pm - 5:00pm<br><br><b>Teen Night</b><br>5:00pm - 8:00pm                         | <b>Craft of the Month!</b><br>2:30pm - 3:30pm |  |
| 19   | 20   | 21   | 22   | 23  | 24  | 25                                     |
|  | <b>Crawlers and Cuddlers Storytime</b><br>9:30am - 10:00am<br><br><b>Walkers and Wigglers Storytime</b><br>10:30am - 11:00am | <b>Toddler Tango</b><br>10:30am - 11:00am<br><br><b>How to Build a College List</b><br>6:30pm - 7:30pm | <b>Basics of Shoreline Photography: A Workshop!</b><br>5:30pm - 6:30pm   | <b>Novels &amp; Nibbles</b><br>4:00pm - 5:00pm<br><br><b>Scarecrow-a-palooza</b><br>4:00pm - 5:00pm<br><br><b>Teen Night</b><br>5:00pm - 8:00pm                                 |   |  |
| 26   | 27   | 28   | 29   | 30  | 1   | 2                                      |
|  | <b>Crawlers and Cuddlers Storytime</b><br>9:30am - 10:00am<br><br><b>Walkers and Wigglers Storytime</b><br>10:30am - 11:00am |  | <b>The Discovery of a Masterpiece with Mallory Mortillaro</b><br>6:30pm - 7:30pm   | <b>Build A Paper Plate Pet with Madison Public Schools</b><br>4:00pm - 5:00pm<br><br><b>Novels &amp; Nibbles</b><br>4:00pm - 5:00pm<br><br><b>Teen Night</b><br>5:00pm - 8:00pm |   |  |



# OCTOBER 2021

| Sunday | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday | Saturday   |
|--------|---|--|---|--|--------|--|
| 26     | <p><b><u>Crawlers and Cuddlers Storytime</u></b><br/>9:30am - 10:00am</p> <p><b><u>Walkers and Wigglers Storytime</u></b><br/>10:30am - 11:00am</p> | 28   | <p><b><u>The Discovery of a Masterpiece with Mallory Mortillaro</u></b><br/>6:30pm - 7:30pm</p>   | <p><b><u>Build A Paper Plate Pet with Madison Public Schools</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Novels &amp; Nibbles</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Teen Night</u></b><br/>5:00pm - 8:00pm</p> | 1      | <p><b><u>Schumann Childrens Library Dedication</u></b><br/>10:00am</p> <p><b><u>Homecoming Celebration</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 7:00pm</p> |
| 3      | <p><b><u>Crawlers and Cuddlers Storytime</u></b><br/>9:30am - 10:00am</p> <p><b><u>Walkers and Wigglers Storytime</u></b><br/>10:30am - 11:00am</p> | <p><b><u>Toddler Tango</u></b><br/>10:30am - 11:00am</p> | <p><b><u>Bilingual Storytime with ABC Amigos</u></b><br/>10:00am - 10:30am</p>  | <p><b><u>Kind Kids with the Connecticut Humane Society</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Novels &amp; Nibbles</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Teen Night</u></b><br/>5:00pm - 8:00pm</p>       | 8      | <p><b><u>Graham Cracker Haunted House-Morning Session</u></b><br/>10:00am - 11:00am</p>  |
| 10     | 11  | <p><b><u>Toddler Tango</u></b><br/>10:30am - 11:00am</p> | <p><b><u>Toddler Yoga with Miss Emily</u></b><br/>10:00am - 10:45am</p>   | <p><b><u>Dragons: Return of the Ice Sorceress</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Novels &amp; Nibbles</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Teen Night</u></b><br/>5:00pm - 8:00pm</p>                | 15     | 16   |
| 17     | 18  | 19   | <p><b><u>Discovering Your Italian Roots: A Genealogy Workshop (In-Person)</u></b><br/>6:30pm - 7:30pm</p> <p><b><u>Discovering Your Italian Roots: A Genealogy Workshop (Virtual)</u></b><br/>6:30pm - 7:30pm</p> | <p><b><u>Novels &amp; Nibbles</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Teen Night</u></b><br/>5:00pm - 8:00pm</p>  | 22     | 23   |
| 24     | 25  | 26   | <p><b><u>Connecticut's Witchcraft Trials</u></b><br/>6:30pm - 7:30pm</p>  | <p><b><u>Novels &amp; Nibbles</u></b><br/>4:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Teen Night</u></b><br/>5:00pm - 8:00pm</p>  | 29     | 30   |