



HITTING OUR STRIDE THIS SUMMER

by Sunnie Scarpa, Library Director

We have so much good news to share with you this summer! First of all, I'm thrilled to let you know that we're expanding our hours slightly and will now be open until 8pm on Monday evenings. We're looking forward to being able to accommodate more library patrons and meeting room users starting July 11th.

I'm also happy to share that our very popular Library of Things has grown. The newest additions are two bicycles that you can borrow to ride around downtown! We also have a new Children's Library of Things featuring fun, educational activities for kids of all ages. Another major project we're launching this summer is *The Book Caddy*, an innovative new library service to provide convenience for North Madison residents. See below for more details!

Summer Reading programs are happening now in the Children's and Teen Departments, so check in today and get involved. They have fun activities and incredible prizes up for grabs. We expect this year's summer reading program to be one of our biggest and best yet! Of course, there's also plenty for adults too, so check out our events calendar today at: scrantonlibrary.org/events. If you are reading all of this and thinking, "How will they top this?" don't worry - our talented staff continue to generate amazing ideas. *We're hitting our stride now and the best is yet to come!*

BORROW THIS BIKE

The Library of Things now has two bicycles that you can borrow! Each adult-sized bicycle comes with a sturdy basket, helmet, and bike lock.

Interested patrons can borrow a bike for up to a week and must sign a waiver before check out. Explore downtown or pedal down to the beach.

Visit the library and take one for a spin!



INTRODUCING A NEW SERVICE FOR NORTH MADISON:

The Book Caddy, our new mobile library, will be in the Madison Earth Care parking lot every Tuesday from 3-6pm from now through Labor Day!

Stop by and pick up items you've placed on hold or browse a small collection of popular items. Returns are also accepted and there will be a friendly staff member there to help you!

Place holds now by calling the Library at (203) 245-7365 or use our online catalog and choose "Madison-North Madison Branch" as your pick-up location (instead of "Madison-Scranton").



This project is made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act, administered by the Connecticut State Library.



TRAVELLING THIS SUMMER? TAKE BOOKS WITH YOU.



Libby.

Download the Libby app to borrow ebooks, audiobooks & magazines

CAN'T MISS PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS!

You won't want to miss these summer programs for adults! Come join your community at the library for fun and enriching events that connect you to new ideas and to each other. Register now at: scrantonlibrary.org/events

How To Be Italian: A Musical Journey!

Wednesday, July 27 at 6:30pm

Ethical Foraging at Bauer Park

Wednesday, August 3rd @ 6:30pm

Historic Tour of the Madison Green

Saturday, August 20th @ 2:30pm



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday 9:30am - 8pm
Tuesday 9:30am - 8pm
Wednesday 9:30am - 8pm
Thursday 9:30am - 8pm
Friday 9:30am - 5pm
Saturday 9:30am - 5pm

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Libraries are more than books and technology. People may go to the library looking for information, but they find each other there.

~ Robert Putnam,
American political
scientist and author of
"Bowling Alone"

SCRANTON LIBRARY FRIENDS

Congrats to the SLF on their recent award from the Friends of CT Libraries! They won in the "focused project" category for their work securing funding for our three-season patio tent!

Donations are currently being accepted for our fall sale. Save the dates: SEPT 23 & 24

Contact us:
friends@scrantonlibrary.org

WAYS TO DONATE:

Thank you for considering a gift to Scranton Library! The extraordinary generosity and commitment of our community help to maintain the excellence of services and programming offered by the Library and ensures that it remains true to its mission.

- Donate online at www.scrantonlibrary.org/support-the-library
- Send a check to 801 Boston Post Road, Madison, CT 06443
- Choose E.C. Scranton Memorial Library while shopping at smile.amazon.com
- Make a gift via PayPal at: bit.ly/scrantonpaypal
- Venmo @scrantonmemoriallibraryct
- Buy a brick! More info at: scrantonlibrary.org/support-the-library

For full event details and to register, go to: scrantonlibrary.org/events

JULY PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

STORYTIME SERIES

MONDAYS AT 9:30AM

Crawlers & Cuddlers

Best for littles who are either under 2 or are not yet steady on their feet. Registration required.

STORYTIME SERIES

MONDAYS AT 10:30AM

Walkers and Wigglers

Best for kids who are either 2 and up or are walking independently. Registration required.

ONGOING

FRIDAYS - 10:30AM

Outdoor Explorers

For ages 1-5 with a grown-up. Registration required.

FRI, JULY 1ST - 2:30PM

Summer Reading Kickoff: Makin' Magic with Ed

All ages welcome. Registration required.

TUES, JULY 5TH - 6PM

Giant Twister

For ages 10-13. Registration required.

WED, JULY 6TH - 4PM

Totally Tutus!

For ages 3 and up. Registration required.

THURS, JULY 7TH - 4PM

Reading with Ruby

For kids of all ages. No registration required.

SAT, JULY 9TH - 10AM

LEGOS, LEGOS, LEGOS

No registration required.

TUES, JULY 12TH - 4PM

Slime Lab: Ocean Slime

For ages 5-10. Registration required.

WED, JULY 13TH - 4PM

Superheroes Unite!

For ages 2 and up. Registration required.

THURS, JULY 14TH - 4PM

Cool-ology: Cool Creatures of the Ocean

For kids ages 6-10. Registration required.

SAT, JULY 16TH - 10AM

Candy Sushi Creations

For kids ages 3 and up and a grown-up. Registration required.

TUES, JULY 19TH - 1PM

An Afternoon of Henna

For ages 4-12. Registration required.

WED, JULY 20TH - 10:15AM

Under the Sea Party with Ariel

For ages 2 and up. Registration required.

THURS, JULY 21^S - 4PM

Reading with Ruby

For kids of all ages. No registration required.

TUES, JULY 26TH - 6PM

Tween Pizza Party

For ages 10-13. Registration required.

WED, JULY 27TH & AUGUST 3RD - 4PM

DIY Pinch Pots

For ages 4-12. Registration required.

THURS, JULY 28TH - 4PM

Marine Animal Training with Julie

For ages 8-12. Registration required.

JULY PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

ONGOING

Tech Help with Chris!

Every Monday from 3 – 5pm. No registration required.

ONGOING

Teen Tech Help

Every Wednesday and Friday from 2:30-4:30pm & Thursday

from 4-6pm. No registration required.

TUES, JULY 5TH - 6:30PM VIA ZOOM

Madison Movie Chat!

Registration required.

WED, JULY 6TH - 6:30PM

Madison Lyric Stage Presents: "Pippin"

Registration required.

THURS, JULY 7TH - 4PM VIA ZOOM

Novels & Nibbles

Registration required.

TUES, JULY 12TH

Craft of the Month

Craft Pick-up: Mondays during library hours Program:

Tuesday, July 12th from 5-8 pm at the library. Registration required.

WED, JULY 13TH - 7PM VIA ZOOM

Classics @ Scranton Book Club

Registration required.

SAT, JULY 16TH - 10AM

The Big Read Book Club

Registration required.

TUES, JULY 19TH - 6:30PM VIA ZOOM

Madison Movie Chat!

Registration required.

WED, JULY 20TH - 6:30PM

Seascape Photography: An Interactive Workshop

Registration required.

THURS, JULY 21ST AT 4PM VIA ZOOM

Novels & Nibbles

Registration required.

WED, JULY 27TH AT 6:30PM

How to Be Italian: A Musical Presentation!

Registration required.

AUGUST PROGRAMS FOR KIDS

STORYTIME SERIES

MON, AUG 1ST & 8TH – 9:30AM

Crawlers & Cuddlers

This storytime is best for littles who are either under 2 or are not yet steady on their feet. Registration required.

STORYTIME SERIES

MON, AUG 1ST & 8TH – 10:30AM

Walkers and Wigglers

This storytime is best for kids who are either 2 and up or are walking independently. Registration required.

THURS, AUG 4TH-4PM

Touch Tanks with Julie

For ages 5 and up. Registration required.

FRI, AUG 5TH-10:30AM

Outdoor Explorers

ages 1-5 with a grown-up. Registration required.

SAT, AUG 6TH -10AM

LEGOS, LEGOS, LEGOS

No registration required.

TUES, AUG 9TH-6:30PM

Hack That Paint Night!

For ages 10 and up. Registration required.

FRI, AUG 12TH-10:30AM

Outdoor Explorers

ages 1-5 with a grown-up. Registration required.

WED, AUG 10TH-4PM

Cartooning 101

For kids in grades 2-5. Registration required.

THURS, AUG 11TH-4PM

Talewise: Pirates Lost at Sea

For kids ages 4 and up (younger siblings welcome). Registration required.

WED, AUG 17TH-6:30PM

Summer Reading Finale:

Journey from Land to Sea

All ages welcome!

Registration required.

AUGUST PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

ONGOING

MONDAYS, 12-1PM

Master Gardener Clinic

Plant, insect, and disease identification sessions in the Scranton Library's outdoor tent. No registration required.

ONGOING

Tech Help with Chris!

Every Monday from 3 – 5pm. No registration required.

ONGOING

Teen Tech Help

Every Wednesday and Friday from 2:30-4:30pm & Thursday from 4-6pm. No registration required.

TUES, AUG 2ND – 5:30PM

DIY Mini Golf

For ages 10-13. Registration recommended.

TUES, AUG 2ND

Craft of the Month

Craft Pick-up: Mondays during library hours.

Program: Tuesday, AUG 2ND

from 5-8 pm at the library.

Registration required.

TUES, AUG 2ND - 6:30PM VIA ZOOM

Madison Movie Chat!

Registration required.

WED, AUG 3RD – 6:30PM AT BAUER PARK

Nature Identification Walk at Bauer Park

Registration required.

THURS, AUG 4TH-4PM

Novels & Nibbles

Registration required.

TUES, AUG 9TH FROM 5-8PM

DIY Drop-In!

No registration required.

WED, AUG 10TH-7PM VIA ZOOM

Classics @ Scranton Book Club

Registration required.

SAT, AUG 13TH-10AM

The Big Read Book Club

Registration required.

TUES, AUG 16TH - 6:30PM VIA ZOOM

Madison Movie Chat!

Registration required.

THURS, AUG 4TH-4PM

Novels & Nibbles

Registration required.

SAT, AUG 20TH-2:30PM AT THE MADISON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Historic Tour of the Madison Green

Enjoy a beautiful walking tour of the Madison Green Historic District! Registration required.

TUES, AUG 30TH FROM 5-8PM

DIY Drop-In!

No registration required.

WED, AUG 31ST-6:30PM

Madison Lyric Stage

Presents: "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

Registration required.

PROGRAMS FOR TEENS

ONGOING

Teen Weekly DIY

Crafternoon

Every Wednesday from 5-7pm

ONGOING

Teen Game Night

Every Thursday from 5-8pm

For full event details and to register, go to: scrantonlibrary.org/events