



FIND YOUR TREASURE AT THE LIBRARY THIS SUMMER

By Allison Murphy, Library Director

One recent summer afternoon, as I was leaving the library, I found myself walking behind a family with two children. I overheard one child ask, “What are you going to read first? This one? This one?” When they reached their car, each child eagerly picked a book from their stack to read on the ride home. Moments like these remind me that the library in summer is much like a retail store during the holiday season. Treasures are waiting to be discovered around every corner and there are presents to take home—for free—every day.

Our Children's Department is keeping our youngest patrons engaged all summer long with a full schedule of storytimes and programs for every age. Students are encouraged to track the books they read through the Beanstalk app and earn prizes along the way. Together, our community is working toward an ambitious goal of reading 30,000 books by the end of the summer. Teens can take part in two summer challenges by logging activities both inside and outside the library. Along the way, they can earn prizes from Ashley's Ice Cream, RJ Julia Booksellers, and other local favorites. Adults can join the fun as well, using bingo cards that encourage reading, exploration, and participation in library events for a chance to win prizes.

Whether you visit for a musical concert, to explore our art collection, or to enjoy a summer craft program, there's something for everyone at the library. We hope you'll join us this summer and discover a few treasures of your own.

DEVELOPMENT SPOTLIGHT

by Susan Frankenbach, Development Director

The library hosted our second A Novel Pairing in early June, held in the beautiful Children's Department. We welcomed around 70 enthusiastic readers who enjoyed a wine tasting and a robust presentation about new releases from Cindy Haiken, Readers' Advisory Librarian at the Wallingford Library. R.J. Julia Booksellers provided several titles available for sale. The event raised over \$3,000, and we are so grateful to all who attended.

Sincere thanks to all of you who have supported the library's Spring Appeal, which funds many of Scranton Library's services and programs. It's not too late to give, and a link can be found on our website.

Our Leadership Alliance members show their support by pledging the same gift over five years. This type of philanthropy assures the library of a consistent source of funding, which is invaluable as we craft our annual budget.

If this method of supporting the library meets your charitable goals, please do not hesitate to contact me at frankenbachs@scrantonlibrary.org.

LINCOLN ON LOAN



Former Madison resident and artist Jim Cassell has loaned us his captivating portrait of Abe Lincoln. He referenced an 1858 ambrotype made by Abraham Byers in his photography studio in Beardstown, Ill. The portrait will be on display in the Henry Bacon Room through August.

UPCOMING ART SHOWS

We're excited to host the following art exhibits:

- July:** Tuesday Painters
- Aug:** Madison Art Society
- Sept:** Vista Life Innovations
- Oct:** CT Valley Camera Club
- Nov/Dec:** Madison Art Society



HELLO TO NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Welcome to the Borrowing Department!



Nici



Maya



Rachel



CONGRATULATIONS!



Mary Didiuk and
Colleen Cummings



Laura Downes and
Bill Stableford

We are very proud that
Colleen Cummings and
Laura Downes were honored
with Beacon Awards for their
volunteer work.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday
9:30am - 8pm

Friday & Saturday
9:30am - 5pm

*Congratulations to the
Scranton Library Friends
for winning the
Focused Project Award from
The Friends of CT Libraries.
This award was for the
Friends' work on the library
keepsake.*



VOLUNTEER TEA



We had a great time celebrating our
amazing volunteers in June. Thank you
for all you do to help the library!



SUPER SENIOR SERVICES

By Laura Kelly

Did you know that we visit the Madison Senior Center twice a month, on the second and fourth Wednesdays, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. in the cafeteria? A selection of regular- and large-print books, including the latest bestsellers, as well as DVDs, magazines, and books on CD, is available for checkout.

There are two new additions to our Library of Things: memory care backpacks. One has a general theme, and the other features a 1950s theme. Both backpacks contain a variety of items, including music CDs, word-search puzzles, colorful photo books, card games, and jigsaw puzzles.

Some of our homebound patrons receive library materials through a volunteer delivery service. Volunteers make deliveries once a week. If you, or someone you know, would benefit from this service, please call the Library and ask for Laura.

SCRANTON LIBRARY FRIENDS

Summer Book Sale!

Thursday, July 16 4:30 - 7:00
(members only but can anyone
join at the door)

Friday, July 17 10:00 - 7:00

Saturday, July 18 10:00 - 3:00



WAYS TO DONATE:

- Click the **DONATE** button on the website
- Donate online:
scrantonlibrary.org/support-the-library
- Send a check: 801 Boston Post Road, Madison, CT 06443
- Make a gift via **PayPal**: bit.ly/scrantonpaypal
or **Venmo** @scrantonmemoriallibraryct
- Scan this QR code to donate online:



JULY FEATURED EVENTS

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CHILDREN'S LIBRARY STORY TIMES & MORE!

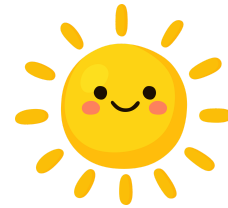
Story time is now in session! Now through August 24th, you and your little ones can enjoy all your favorites - Walkers & Wiggles, Toddler Tango, and Tots & Tales. Registration opens one week before each program. Check our Events Calendar online or stop by the Children's Library today to find out about other special events happening this summer.

CHILDREN:

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME, July 1 at 4:30, ages 3-5
PAJAMA STORYTIME, July 2 at 5:30, ages 1-5
ART WITH KRISTIN, July 7 at 4:30, ages 5-8
FIND YOUR DINOSAUR ROAR, July 9 at 10:00, ages 1-8
CONSTELLATION CREATIONS, July 11 at 10:30, grades K-5
TWEEN AFTERNOON, July 11 at 2:00, grades 4-6
DIY SAND ART, July 13 at 4:00, grades K-5
NATURE'S STUDIO, July 14 at 4:30, ages 4-7
CODE BREAKERS, July 15 at 3:00, ages 6-12
ART WITH KRISTIN, July 16 at 4:30, ages 8-12
BUBBLE & PARACHUTE, July 18 at 10:00, ages 1-5
DECORATE A FUNKY PEN, July 20 at 5:00, ages 8-12
FOSSIL DIG!, July 21 at 4:00, ages 5-8
HOW TO DRAW DINOSAURS, July 22 at 4:30, ages 7-11
MINI BOOKWORMS, July 23 at 10:00, ages 0-2
NATURE'S STUDIO, July 23 at 4:30, ages 4-7
ENGINEERING ENERGY, July 25 at 10:30, grades 4-6
MEET A BALLERINA, July 27 at 4:30, ages 4-12
DIGGIN' IT!, July 28 at 4:00, grades K-5
POOL NOODLES BEADED LIZARD, July 29 at 4:00, ages 8-12
SANDY SHAPES ART, July 30 at 4:00, ages 6-12

TEENS:

JULY TAKE & MAKE: TIE-DYE DRAWSTRING BAGS,
Starting July 1 at 9:30, grades 6-12
TEEN GAME CLUB, Thursdays at 3:00, grades 6-12
TEEN MORNING, July 6 and 13 at 10:00, grades 6-12
BOARD GAME NIGHT, July 6 at 5:30, grades 9-12
CREATIVE CRAFT NIGHT, Tuesdays at 5:30, grades 9-12
TUESDAY FILM TITANS, July 14 and 28 at 3:00, grades 6-12
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS,
July 17 at 10:00, grades 9-12
ENGINEERING ENERGY, July 25 at 10:30, grades 6-8
POOL NOODLE BEADED LIZARD, July 29 at 4:00, grades 6-8
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS,
July 29 at 6:00, grades 9-12
AFTER HOURS TEEN NIGHT, July 31 at 6:00, grades 6-12



ADULTS:

TECH SUPPORT, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, check calendar for specific times
NOTARY SERVICES, July 2, 16, 30 at 4:00
UKULELE CLUB, Mondays at 11:00
GUITAR CLUB, Mondays at 12:30
MASTER GARDENER CLINIC, Mondays at 1:00
SCRANTON WRITERS' CLUB, Tuesdays at 6:00
CREATIVE CRAFT NIGHT, Tuesdays at 5:30
FIBER ARTS CLUB, Fridays at 10:30
BOARD GAME NIGHT, July 6 at 5:30
MADISON MOVIE CHAT: A CAT IN PARIS, July 6 at 6:30
CRAFT OF THE MONTH: PATRIOTIC DECOUPAGE, pick-up begins July 7 at 6:00
FRENCH CONVERSATION GROUP, July 8 and 22 at 2:30
JAZZ CONCERT WITH MUSIC OF HORACE SILVER, July 8 at 6:30
COMMUNITY NAVIGATOR, July 9 at 2:00
FRIDAY MATINEE: YOU, ME, AND TUSCANY, July 10 at 2:00
PIQUE OF THE MONTH BOOK CLUB, July 11 at 3:00

IPHONE PHOTO BEGINNER WORKSHOP, July 14, 21, 28 at 3:00
YOGA WITH MARTHA, July 14 at 6:00
CREATIVE CRAFTS W/JESSE: SCRAPS & MOCKTAILS, July 15 at 6:00 and July 16 at 2:00
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS, July 17 at 10:00
PAINT ALONG WITH NATALIE, July 18 at 2:00
HEALTH INSURANCE DECODED, July 20 at 4:00
MADISON MOVIE CHAT: REMEMBERING GENE WILDER, July 20 at 6:30
ASK-A-GENEALOGIST, July 21 at 10:00
OVERDOSE AWARENESS, July 21 at 2:00
AI TECHNOLOGY OVERVIEW, July 21 at 6:00
TRIVIA NIGHT, July 21 at 7:30
FRIDAY MOVIE MATINEE: CRIME 101, July 24 at 2:00
CHAIR YOGA, July 28 at 6:00
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS, July 29 at 6:00

AUGUST FEATURED EVENTS

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CHILDREN:

LED MINI GOLF FOR KIDS & TEENS, August 3 at 4:00, ages 5 and up
ART WITH KRISTIN, August 4 at 4:30, ages 5-8
DIY AQUARIUM, August 5 at 4:00, ages 6-12
MINI BOOKWORMS, August 6 at 10:00, ages 0-2
THE YOUNG ARTIST WORKSHOP SERIES, August 6, 13, 20, 27 at 4:30, ages 8-12
ALL ABOUT BUGS, August 9 at 10:00, grades K-5
TWEEN AFTERNOON, August 9 at 2:00, grades 4-6
NATURE'S STUDIO, August 11 at 4:30, ages 4-7
POKEMON KEYCHAINS, August 12 at 3:00, ages 6-12
MERMAID STORY & CRAFT, August 13 at 10:00, ages 3-12
HOW TO DRAW OCEAN CARTOONS, August 18 at 4:30, ages 7-11
ART WITH KRISTIN, August 19 at 4:30, ages 8-12
SUMMER READING CELEBRATION: ICE CREAM SOCIAL, August 25 at 11:00, all ages children

TEENS:

AUGUST TAKE & MAKE KIT: MINI ART MANIA, Starting August 3 at 9:30, grades 6-12
LED MINI GOLF FOR KIDS & TEENS, August 3 at 4:00, grades 6-12
BOARD GAME NIGHT, August 3 at 5:30, grades 9-12
CREATIVE CRAFT NIGHT, Tuesdays at 5:30, grades 9-12
TEEN GAME CLUB, Thursdays at 3:00, grades 6-12
TUESDAY FILM TITANS, August 11 and 25 at 3:00, grades 6-12
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS, August 14 at 10:00, grades 9-12
BOOK BEDAZZLING FOR TEENS!, August 19 at 3:00, grades 7-12
SUMMER READING CELEBRATION: ICE CREAM SOCIAL, August 25 at 11:00, middle school and high school
AIR FRYER SMORES, August 26 at 3:00, grades 6-12
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS, August 26 at 5:30, grades 9-12
500 PIECE PUZZLE COMPETITION, August 29 at 1:30, grades 9-12

ADULTS:

TECH SUPPORT, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, check calendar for specific times
UKULELE CLUB, Mondays at 11:00
GUITAR CLUB, Mondays at 12:30
MASTER GARDENER CLINIC, Mondays at 1:00
SCRANTON WRITERS' CLUB, Tuesdays at 6:00
CREATIVE CRAFT NIGHT, Tuesdays at 5:30
FIBER ARTS CLUB, Fridays at 10:30
SATURDAY SLEUTHS BOOK CLUB, August 1 and 29 at 10:00
CELEBRATING ITALIAN JAZZ MUSICIANS WITH THE SHORELINE JAZZ QUINTET, August 1 at 3:30
BOARD GAME NIGHT, August 3 at 5:30
MADISON MOVIE CHAT: ORANGES AND SUNSHINE, August 3 at 6:30
IPHONE PHOTOGRAPHY COLLABORATIVE, August 3 at 6:30
IPHONE PHOTO BEGINNER WORKSHOP, August 4 at 3:00
CRAFT OF THE MONTH: MOSAIC SUNFLOWER SHADOWBOX, pick-up begins August 4 at 6:00
CANDIDLY CHRIS: THE 7 ELEMENTS OF A SUCCESSFUL NOVEL, August 5 at 6:00
FRIDAY MATINEE: MICHAEL, August 7 at 2:00
PIQUE OF THE MONTH BOOK CLUB, August 8 at 3:00
OLD PRINTS AND SLIDES CONVERSION WORKSHOP, August 11 at 3:00
YOGA WITH MARTHA, August 11 at 6:00
FRENCH CONVERSATION GROUP, August 12 and 26 at 2:30
CREATIVE CRAFTS WITH JESSE: PAPER QUILLED COASTAL SCENE, August 12 at 6:00 and August 13 at 2:00
COMMUNITY NAVIGATOR, August 13 at 2:00
NOTARY SERVICES, August 13 and 22 at 4:00
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS, August 14 at 10:00
CRAFTS WITH NATALIE: FLOWER ARRANGING, August 15 at 2:00
MADISON MOVIE CHAT: RAMBLING ROSE, August 17 at 6:30
ASK A GENEALOGIST, August 18 at 10:00
OVERDOSE AWARENESS, August 18 at 2:00
ESTATE PLANNING 101, August 18 at 6:00
TRIVIA NIGHT, August 18 at 7:30
FRIDAY MOVIE MATINEE, August 21 at 2:00
CHAIR YOGA, August 25 at 6:00
RETIREMENT 101, August 26 at 5:30
FOREST BATHING: A MINDFUL WALK IN THE WOODS, August 26 at 5:30
500 PIECE PUZZLE COMPETITION, August 29 at 1:30