



BOOKMARKS

FRIENDS OF THE SCARSDALE LIBRARY

Summer 2015

Book Sale 2015: Volunteers Needed!

The Friends of the Scarsdale Library look forward to welcoming one and all to our **Annual Book Sale** in September. Mark your calendar now for the Friends Preview Night on Friday, September 11, general opening on Saturday, September 12, and "Blowout Sale" weekend September 19-20.

Of course, before the sale can begin, a lot has to happen! First, people have to donate books, which we know they will do -- and both quantity and quality will be high. Then, people have to organize these books, so that when the doors open in September our customers will have multiple categories to choose from as they work on fulfilling their wish lists, or simply enjoy browsing for unexpected but intriguing titles.

We count on the Scarsdale community for the wonderful books that will fill our sale, and for the customers who will come to shop. But we also count on the Scarsdale community for the terrific volunteers who help make the Book Sale possible. These volunteers will be working away throughout the summer, sorting and planning and organizing the great volumes of donations that always come in. **Would you like to join the crew?** If you have some free time this summer, either during the day or in the early evening, and enjoy being around books, and smart and fun people who also love books, this might be just the thing for you!

Would you like to find out more about volunteering for the book sale? Our Book Sale manager, Kathy Steves, will be conducting training sessions on Thursday, July 9 at 10 am and 7:30 pm. Please stop by! Or, you can contact me for more information -- just send me an email at kgrayclapp@aol.com.

Happy summer!

Kathy Gray
President, *Friends of the Library*

Good-bye and Good Luck, Mario

After 20 years as the Scarsdale Public Library custodian, Mario Gomez will be retiring in July. Mario has been a dedicated employee who quietly made sure the building systems were in great working order, set up countless programs in the Scott Room, endured freezing temperatures to clear the snow and ice from the plaza, and, before one of our HVAC units was replaced a few years ago, climbed up to the roof in wind, rain, snow and sleet to turn on the heating unit every day in the cold weather months. We will miss his quirky sense of humor and we wish him all the best in his retirement!

From the Director

Inspiration is everywhere, but you have to be open to finding it. Libraries have long been a source of inspiration—in biographies of people who have overcome great odds, or the beautiful art books on display, or in the self-help section. As we expand our program offerings, inspiration can be found in so many different ways--through Legos, film, music and language, to name a few. Every day, we seek to spark your natural curiosity and actively inspire you to learn more, reach your goals, and realize your dreams.

Inspiration is hard work. It requires questioning and self-reflection, and an ability to let go of your ego. You have to be willing to listen, both to yourself and others. There is always a choice: stay the same and carry on as usual, or be inspired and change. The Scarsdale Public Library has undergone many changes over the years, and there are major changes to come. Each change comes from a single idea, often brought to light by one person sharing it with others, and, through community engagement, the idea becomes reality. We would not be able to be creative and innovative without you. We rely on you to keep us fresh and curious, and in turn, respond to your ideas, expectations and needs.

Inspire us to inspire you.

Beth Bermel
President, *Scarsdale Library*

Kathy Steves' Book Sale Training Sessions

Come learn which of the following are "true" First Editions, and a lot more: (It's not as hard as you think!)

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
- 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
- 3 5 7 9 10 8 6 4 2
- First Edition 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
- 75 76 77 78 79 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

Thursday, July 9 (Scott Room, Library)

- 10 am
- 7:30 pm

From the Board of Trustees

You're probably hearing some "buzz" about the Library's upcoming building transformation. Here's a brief recap of where we are, as we try to bring the Library's home into the 21st century.

During 2010-2012, the Library Board of Trustees engaged with the community in a thoughtful strategic planning process. Informed by the Strategic Plan and with support from the Friends, the Board retained architects to assist with developing a conceptual Master Plan for the building that would further our programmatic goals. Lothrop Associates' report (June 2013) helped us envision such highlights as: lobby expansion; café space; multi-use program and meeting spaces; a young adult area; expansion of the children's area to include programming space; reconfigured, increased staff spaces; a "tech center" for home office support and technology instruction and use; a quiet reading room and other acoustically distinct areas; expanded exterior views; an elevator; handicapped-accessible restrooms; replacement of the slate roof; and a reduced circulation desk area so as to promote staff accessibility, all in a building that reflects sensitivity to environmental concerns.

In late 2013, the Library Board retained fundraising consultants to assess the feasibility of achieving our goals through a capital campaign. With valuable input from a small steering committee of community members, Plan A Advisors' feasibility study gave the Board confidence to proceed and also helped us work closely with Village finance and facilities staff to develop a proposal for municipal participation in funding the project. In April 2014, committing to an active public/private partnership, the Village Board agreed to use its borrowing authority (bonding) to match private contributions up to \$4.5 million. The Library Board has formed a Campaign Committee of community members who will play invaluable key roles in raising the private funds needed to make the project a reality. As always, too, we appreciate the participation of the Friends!

Early in 2015, the Board retained Dattner Architects to take our concept to the next level of schematic and design drawings. Working closely with a Board-appointed Building Committee, Library Director Beth Bermel and Village Capital Projects staff, Dattner plans to submit a Schematic Design proposal to the Board this summer. Early conversations about Dattner's design concepts leave the Library Board optimistic that we will be able to achieve our programmatic goals on a scale that the community will find exciting yet financially responsible. We'll keep you posted -- stay tuned.

Terri Simon
President, Board of Trustees
Scarsdale Library

Become A Book Sale Volunteer

Volunteers are needed to sort books during July and August. Come learn about book collecting and meet some fun people. Please leave your contact information at the circulation desk or email Kathy Steves at steves10583@gmail.com.

Scarsdale Reads

If you have stopped into the library in recent months, you may have noticed the Scarsdale Reads display table near the Circulation Desk. Scarsdale Reads is a new initiative that encourages friends and neighbors to have a shared reading experience. A committee of volunteers has been working to identify books that would be of interest to Scarsdale residents. Once chosen, the library provides multiple copies of the title in various formats to enable widespread participation, as well as additional resources for those seeking to learn more on the subject or author such as reading lists, articles, and discussion questions.

Scarsdale Reads culminates in an author visit to allow community members the opportunity to hear from and ask questions of the book's author. In March, Marilyn Johnson shared from her most recent book, *Lives in Ruins*. In May, Ron Lieber spoke about his bestseller, *The Opposite of Spoiled*. We are happy to announce that on July 14th, New York Times op-ed columnist Frank Bruni will speak about his book, *Where You Go Is Not Who You'll Be: An Antidote to the College Admissions Mania*.

The author events are free and open to the public, but registration is required as space is limited. Community members are encouraged to choose Scarsdale Reads selections for their book clubs and neighborhood discussions. Recommendations for future Scarsdale Reads titles can be given to the Reference Desk. Keep your eye out for the next Scarsdale Reads selection this fall!

2015 BOOK SALE

Item Donations

Starting Tuesday, July 7, please leave new or gently used books, CDs, DVDs, vinyl record albums, sheet music and video games just inside the gray service door to the right of the library's main entrance. No textbooks or out-of-date guidebooks, please. Donations will be accepted during library operating hours through Friday, August 28.

Schedule

	Member Preview*
Friday, Sept. 11	6 pm - 9 pm
	Regular Sale
Saturday, Sept. 12	9 am - 4:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 13	10 am - 4 pm
Monday, Sept. 14	11 am - 8 pm
Tuesday, Sept. 15	11 am - 8 pm
	Half-Price Sale
Wednesday, Sept. 16	11 am - 8 pm
Thursday, Sept. 17	10 am - 5 pm
Friday, Sept. 18	10 am - 4 pm
	Blow-Out Sale (less than half)
Saturday, Sept. 19	9 am - 4:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 20	10 am - 4 pm

*The Member Preview will be open to all those who have contributed \$25 or more to the Friends since last year's Book Sale. All Friends will receive a Book Sale reminder postcard toward the end of August, which will be the admission ticket to the Preview.

From the Reference Desk

We are pleased to announce four exciting new databases:

NovelList

One of our favorite databases is NovelList, a wonderful resource to help you find the next great title or author. NovelList has over 300,000 titles that can be discovered in multiple ways. Perhaps the easiest and most popular approach is simply to put in the title of a book you have enjoyed and see what read-alikes come up. A number of factors such as subject matter, locale, time period and kinds of characters are considered and reasons for the recommended titles are given. Book reviews are also available. NovelList is useful in other ways, such as finding books in order for a specific series or when looking for books at a similar reading level or for a specific age group.

LYNDA.COM

Lynda is an online educational site with over 3,500 instructional courses (and over 130,000 videos) in fields such as technology, business, web design, web development, IT, education/instruction, media production, photography, animation and much more. Experts provide step-by-step instruction at all skill levels. Designers, educators, photographers and others will be able to take courses at their own pace, and practice as they go along. The depth and range of coverage is enormous and as current as a recently posted tutorial on the Apple Watch!

MANGO

Mango is a great language-learning database that encompasses over 60 foreign languages. Its approach to learning is to use everyday conversations and even some learning through the use of foreign feature-length films. A variety of courses for English language learners is also available. Mango apps make it easy to learn wherever and whenever you choose.

REFERENCE USA

ReferenceUSA is a provider of business and consumer research. It provides quality information to help you:

- Search for jobs, by location and industry
- Find new business opportunities
- Research executives & companies worldwide
- Create marketing plans and conduct competitive analysis
- Profile a neighborhood, city or state

NovelList and Lynda.com are available for all Westchester library cardholders. To use Mango and Reference USA, you need a Scarsdale library card. For more information please contact the Reference Desk, 914-358-6075.

Museum Pass News

The library recently added two new passes to the Museum Pass Program. One is the Cooper Hewitt, Smithsonian's Design Museum housed in the famous Carnegie Mansion on Fifth Avenue. Cooper Hewitt reopened this spring after several years' renovation and features many innovative and interactive displays. The other is the Anne Frank Center in downtown Manhattan, focusing on Anne Frank's life and words. It has many interactive displays, and includes facsimiles of Anne's diary, family photos and other artifacts from the Holocaust.

Also, our Bruce Museum Pass now allows visitors free entry to the Hudson River Museum in Yonkers, www.hrm.org. The Library now has fifteen venues in the Museum Pass Program. Passes can be reserved online and checked out at the Reference Desk.

Children's Programming

Summer time is fun time when you join the **Scarsdale Library Summer Reading Game**, "Every hero has a story". We kick off with a Mini Circus on Friday, June 26. There are two shows, 11 am and 2 pm. Tickets will be distributed beginning Friday, June 19 in the Children's Room.

It's easy to join the game. Just go to the library homepage beginning June 26 and follow the summer reading link. Record the titles that you read on your online reading log, then come in and choose two stickers for every two books read and pick a prize from the treasure chest for every five books you read. Pre-readers are also encouraged to join as prizes are given for listening to books. We also offer weekly raffles of GIANT baskets full of books and other amazing surprises.

The **Superhero Film Fest** runs from June 29-July 1, featuring Super Why (June 29 at 10:30 am), Earth's Mightiest Heroes: The Avengers (June 29 at 2 pm), Disney's Sky High (Wednesday, June 30 at 4 pm), Marvel's Superhero Squad (July 1 at 2 pm) and The Avengers #1 (July 1 at 6 pm).

Look for amazing evening programs on Mondays and Wednesdays. Build a super structure at **Legomania** on Monday, July 6 from 6:30-8:30pm. Join the fun with Jason Edwards **Superhero Quest Scavenger Hunt** on Wednesday, July 8 at 7 pm, for grades 1 and up. **Puppetree** will present "**The Ugly Duckling**" on Monday, July 13 at 7 pm. It is an imaginative retelling of the classic story for ages 5 and up.

There will be two **Mad Science** shows. "Every Hero Has Science" on Wednesday, July 15 at 7 pm and on Saturday, July 25 at 10:30 am, "Mad Science: Marvels of Motion", physics for ages 5 and up.

Juggler and comedian Will Shaw arrives at the Library on Monday, July 20 at 7 pm to present his fun and amazing show.

Join **Miss Trish** for the **annual Princess Tea** on July 22 at 4 pm or 7 pm, for ages 3 and up. Registration is required.

Get into Superhero shape on Monday, July 27 at 7 pm, with David Engel's "**Superhero Training**", a high-energy show with tons of audience participation, for age 3 and up.

Our friend Jason, from the **Green Meadows Farm**, is bringing his "Every Animal Has a Hero" program to the library on Wednesday, July 29 at 7 pm. Super furry, super slimy, super feathery friends will be here to delight and educate. Ages 3-1/2 and up.

Toddlers can find fun things to do at **Toddler Tuesdays**. The Toddler Morning Movie on July 7 at 10:30 am is a series of short films based on picture books for age 2 and up. We will feature **Robert the Guitar Guy**, for ages 2-5, on July 14 at 10 am and August 4 at 10 am. **Conroy Warren's Music at Playtime** show is presented on July 21 at 10:30 am for ages 2-5. And on July 28 at 10:30 am we will have Toddler Superhero crafts for ages 2-4.

Baby Free-Play Fridays begins at 9:30 am on July 10, 17, 24 and 31. Come and meet with other parents and care givers, and provide baby with some socialization too!

Get creative on Thursdays July 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 4-5 pm with **Drop-In Crafts** for ages 3-1/2-7.

John Gallagher's Chess for Children program is August 5, 12 and 26 at 6:30 pm. This program requires registration and children should be in grade 1 and up.

There will be a **Superhero cartooning demonstration** on August 17 at 7 pm with **Paul Merklein**, for ages 5 and up. For more details please see our online calendar and join our mailing list from our home page.

So power up and read this summer! It's going to be super!

Karen A. Zielinski
Children's Services Manager

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WHAT SCARSDALE IS READING

Fiction

All the Light We Cannot See – Anthony Doerr
Disclaimer – Renee Knight
The Girl on the Train – Paula Hawkins
A God in Ruins – Kate Atkinson
The Nightingale – Kristin Hannah
A Spool of Blue Thread – Anne Tyler

Non-Fiction

Dead Wake: the Last Crossing of the Lusitania – Erik Larson
Primates of Park Avenue – Wednesday Martin
The Road to Character – David Brooks
The Wright Brothers – David McCullough

The Friends of the Scarsdale Library is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that supports the Scarsdale Library through volunteer service and cultural and educational activities. The Friends gives financial assistance to fund the continuing improvement of library facilities, collections and programs, and serves as a conduit through which gifts and memorials go directly to the library.

Find out more about the Friends of the Scarsdale Library at www.scarsdalelibrary.org/friends.

WHAT SCARSDALE IS WATCHING

American Sniper
Imitation Game
Mr. Turner
Still Alice
Unbroken

WHAT SCARSDALE IS DOWNLOADING

Dead Wake – Erik Larson
A God in Ruins – Kate Atkinson
In the Unlikely Event – Judy Blume
A Spool of Blue Thread – Anne Tyler
What Alice Forgot – Liane Moriarty

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Mid-June through Labor Day weekend
Mon & Wed: 9-9
Tues & Thurs: 9-6
Fri: 9-5
Sat: 9-1
Sun: Closed

Library Information: 914-722-1300
Automated Renewal: 914-674-4169
www.scarsdalelibrary.org

DON'T FORGET: PLEASE GIVE US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

One priority of the library and the Friends is to obtain the email addresses of everyone in our community. We are beginning to send reminder notices of speaker events, children's programs, jazz performances, Book Sale information, and other library happenings by email. We also send email notices of holds and overdues, and advance notices of due dates. To be included on our email mailing list, please leave your email address with the Circulation Desk or email scadirector@wlsmail.org.

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