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2425 Long Lake Road, New Brighton

Explore

Ramsey County Library News & Events

Meet The Library Board

The Ramsey County Library Board is responsible for governing the suburban library system. The Board ensures that the libraries are responsive to the needs of the community, guarantees financial resources to accomplish the strategic plan and sets library policy.

The seven appointed trustees are Craig Klausung, Chair; Paula Mielke, Vice Chair; Sida Ly-Xiong, Secretary; Debra Berry; Marisol Chiclana-Ayala; John Hakes; Sylvia Neblett; and Commissioner Mary Jo McGuire, County Board liaison.



Front row (L to R): John Hakes, Craig Klausung, Mary Jo McGuire; Back row (L to R): Marisol Chiclana-Ayala, Sylvia Neblett, Paula Mielke, Debra Berry, Sida Ly-Xiong

The Library Board meets the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are open to the public and start at 6:30 p.m. in a Ramsey County Library.

Introducing Summer R.E.A.D Online



Read, explore, adventure and discover this summer.
June 9 - August 12, 2018

Track your reading, log your activities and earn badges!

Get started by registering now.

Register an Individual or Family

Ramsey County Library's summer reading program goes online! Summer R.E.A.D. is powered by Beanstack, an innovative way to connect children and adults with books and educational reading activities that match each person's interests, age and reading level.

This summer we're introducing this fun digital way to keep track of your reading program activities. Kids will receive virtual badges for completing eight activities and a book review. Participants who complete the required badges will be notified to stop by any Ramsey County Library to receive

a prize. Teens earn their badges by submitting an online book or event review. Their review will be entered into weekly prize drawings and winners will be notified to pick up their prize at any Ramsey County Library.

Summer R.E.A.D. is available 24/7 through a computer or mobile device. This service uses the information you provide to send out great book recommendations on a regular basis. Be sure to take advantage of the various book reviews or write reviews of your latest reads. Register online at rclreads.beanstack.org to start logging your reading in Beanstack.

For the most up-to-date program information or to register for an event, visit www.rclreads.org.



Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Behind the Curtain

Sunday, July 8, 2 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview

Monday, July 16, 6:30 p.m.
RCL - Mounds View
Appropriate for all ages.

Take a peek at the fascinating world behind the curtain of a musical theatre stage production with Mounds View Community Theatre. Meet some of the cast, hear the music of the Sherman brothers and see the set designs, costumes and props. *This series is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

Sensory-Friendly Theater Performance

Thursday, July 12, 7:30 p.m.
Irondale Fine Arts Theater
2425 Long Lake Road, New Brighton
Appropriate for all ages.

Mounds View Community Theatre (MVCT) offers an inclusive, sensory-friendly performance of their summer show, *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*, a fantastical and family-friendly musical adventure with an out-of-this-world car that flies through the air and sails the seas.

This special sensory-friendly performance features adjustments to light and sound and offers patrons the ability to choose their own seat and move around during the performance. This inclusive performance is also suitable for those with memory loss or other disabilities. For more information, contact MVCT at www.mvct.org or 651-638-2139. *This performance is a partnership between MVCT, Ramsey County Library and the Autism Society of Minnesota.*



TED Talks Discussion Group

Sundays, 2 - 3:30 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

July 8: Restorative Justice part 2

August 12: My Descent Into America's Neo-Nazi Movement and How I Got Out

Join us to view and discuss TED Talks on a variety of topics. Limited to 30 participants. Registration is recommended. *Co-sponsored by Roseville Community Education.*



Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness

Wednesday, July 11, 7 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview

The Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCA) is celebrating its 40th Anniversary this year. Join Wilderness explorers Amy and Dave Freeman as they introduce you to the history of the BWCA, how and why it became protected, and their experiences traveling through it and discuss its current threats. *This event is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*



Fantastic Beasts with Rev. Matt

Monday, July 16, 7 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview
Appropriate for ages 10 & up.

Celebrate Harry Potter's birthday (July 31) with this family-friendly program! Rev. Matt will share the history and meaning of the creatures of the Harry Potter franchise.

Rev. Matt's Monster Science series of education talks/comedy shows have appeared at the Science Museum of MN, Minneapolis Institute of Art and local theaters and conventions. *This event is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

Featured Artist: Yijia Li

Wednesday, July 18, 6 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Yijia Li was born and grew up in Shanghai, China and attended Shanghai University. She also studied at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design in 2017. Li uses heated beeswax mixed with colored pigments to create paintings inspired by the female figure.



Falen's Book Club

Tuesday, July 24, 6 - 8 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

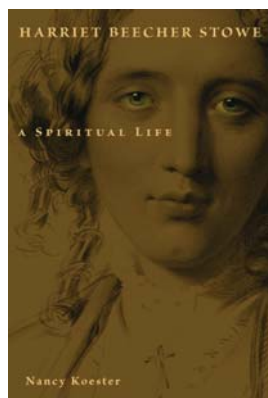


Join us for an evening with Falen's Book Club. Falen started the KDWB book club in 2012 to challenge herself to read a book a

month. It turned into a reason to read and to have great conversation with incredibly impressive women. Each month, Falen posts the next book and RSVP information on her blog. You can also join her Facebook group, Falen KDWB's Book Club, where members of the book club can have discussions and more. Space is limited to 100 participants. Registration required at kdwb.com/falen.

Harriet Beecher Stowe: A Spiritual Life

Sunday, August 19, 1 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview



Nancy Koester, Ph.D. presents about the life story of Harriet Beecher Stowe—woman of faith, fascinating Civil War figure, and author of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Koester's Minnesota Book

Award-winning biography, *Harriet Beecher Stowe: A Spiritual Life*, discusses the life of a woman who dared to speak against slavery—in a time when women could not even vote. Harriet Beecher Stowe's anti-slavery novel, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, helped change the course of American history and made Stowe the best-selling author of the 19th century.



Book Clubs



New Brighton Evening Book Club *NEW*

Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m.
The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

Tuesday, August 14, 6:30 p.m.
The Jaguar's Children by John Vaillant

Shoreview Fiction

Tuesday, July 3, 7 p.m.
Heat and Light by Jennifer Haigh

Tuesday, August 7, 7 p.m.
Birdsong by Sebastian Faulks

Shoreview Mystery

Tuesday, July 17, 7 p.m.
Thursday, July 19, 12 p.m.
Better Late Than Never by Jenn McKinlay

Thursday, August 16, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, August 21, 12 p.m.
The Serpent on the Crown by Elizabeth Peters

White Bear Lake Mystery

Wednesday, July 11, 6:30 p.m.
Foreign settings

Wednesday, August 1, 6:30 p.m.
Police procedural



Ramsey County Historical Society Presents: History Revealed

The State Fair & The Great War

Thursday, July 26, 7 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

State Fair historian Mark Haidet presents the story of how the Minnesota State Fair played a key role in mobilizing the Minnesota home front for victory during World War I. From the State Fair's national leadership in the campaign to "Win the War with Food" to large war exhibits, military pageants and Grandstand shows depicting major battles, discover the fascinating history of Minnesota's beloved State Fair during this challenging era.

Mark Haidet worked for the Minnesota Historical Society for more than 36 years as a historian and Director of Development.

Iron & Water: My Life Protecting Minnesota's Environment

Thursday, August 23, 7 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Grant Merritt, environmentalist and lawyer, will share a memoir of family, mining pioneers and unscrupulous magnates, and the fight to protect Minnesota's natural resources. His new book, *Iron and Water: My Life Protecting Minnesota's Environment* will be available for purchase and signing.

Grant Merritt is an attorney for the law firm of Kalina, Wills, Gisvold & Clark, P.L.L.P. He has a long history of community involvement, including service as president of the Parks & Trails Council of Minnesota.

History of the Blues

Tuesday, July 17, 1 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview

Take a musical journey with blues musician Joey Leone. Part history lesson, part concert, this program will take you from the birth of the blues in the deep south to the sounds of the Great Migration to St. Louis, Kansas City and Chicago. Joey has played with the greats, and he'll share his memories of musicians like Etta James, Junior Wells, Otis Rush and Chaka Khan. *Presented by the Shoreview Area Historical Society.*



White Bear Lake Area Historical Society Presents: Hucksters and Holy Men: The Buying of Mahtomedi

Monday, July 23, 6 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Join us as we hear from Steve Wolgamot when he portrays "John Espy," a founder of the Wildwood Park Association and the Mahtomedi Chautauqua, to tell the story of the early days of what would become Mahtomedi.



Learning Genealogy by Example

Monday, August 27, 6 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Certified Genealogist Tom Rice will discuss how to improve your research with tips for dealing with indirect and/or incorrect evidence.

Community & Well Being

For the most up-to-date program information or to register for an event, visit www.rclreads.org.



One-to-One MNsure Help

MNsure certified navigators from Health Access MN are available to assist you at the Ramsey County libraries in Roseville and Maplewood. Navigators can help you apply and enroll in the right health insurance program.

Please call Health Access MN at 651-645-0215 with questions or to make an appointment to meet with a navigator. Services are offered in multiple languages, through bilingual staff or a language line interpreter.

Check out the Health Access MN website, www.healthaccess.mn, for more information and learn about "mnformation," the new interactive online insurance eligibility tool.

English Practice: Conversation Circles for New Language Learners

Mondays, 6:30 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Practice your English speaking and understanding at our drop-in English Conversation Circles. Conversations last one hour, and English students of any age, language origin or level are welcome. *Presented in partnership with Silver View Adult Education Center and Roseville Adult Learning Center.*



Community Resource Advocates

Tuesdays, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
RCL - Maplewood

Wednesdays, 1:30 - 3 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Social workers and advocates will be present in the library to help individuals and families with questions relating to housing and shelter, accessing benefits, food assistance, domestic violence, mental health, preschool and daycare aid, transportation and more. All are welcome. No appointment necessary. Call 651-724-6062 for more information. *Co-sponsored by People Incorporated.*

Knitting for Good

Thursdays, 7 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview

Do you love to knit (or crochet, or quilt or sew)? Join us for this unique opportunity to gather with your crafty neighbors as we Knit for Good! Our drop-in group encourages you to bring your creative talents to support good causes, such as hats for premature babies and welcome blankets. Bring your projects to work on during group time. All skill levels are welcome.

Ask a (Transracial) Adoptive Parent

Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

This panel will consist of five women who are all mothers of children of other races. The main goal of this panel is to discuss some of the invasive questions they receive, to help dispel some of the misinformation about adoption and to talk about how racism affects their families.

This event is part of the Ask series, designed to give a voice to the under-represented in our community. By using personal stories on a diversity of life experiences, this series aims to create dialogue, promote understanding and forge a stronger community. *Presented in partnership with Do Good Roseville.*

Criminal Expungement Clinic

Wednesday, August 8, 12 p.m.
RCL - Roseville



This self-help seminar will explain the Minnesota

Expungement Law and how it applies to you. Volunteer Lawyers Network attorneys will be available for one-on-one consultations where they'll answer your questions, provide follow-up steps and connect you with further assistance. Sample forms will be provided.

Fix-it Clinic

Saturday, August 25, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
RCL - New Brighton

Do you have broken stuff lying around? Don't trash it - fix it. Come to a Ramsey County Fix-It Clinic where you can get free assistance to repair broken items. Bring things like small household appliances, clothing, electronics and more. Fix-It Clinics are family-friendly events. For a list of what to bring and additional clinic locations, visit RamseyRecycles.com.

Technology Courses

Ramsey County Library is pleased to offer a wide range of technology courses (listed in alphabetical order). Each class is limited to 12 participants. The Friends of the Ramsey County Libraries sponsor these free programs.

Jobs & Small Business

Small Business Workshops

Join us for this series of workshops on a variety of practical topics useful for entrepreneurs and small businesses. Registration required. *Presented in partnership with St. Paul SCORE.*

Website Cybersecurity

Tuesday, July 10, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
RCL - Maplewood

This session will inform, educate and provide great insights into the importance of protecting your website against cyberattacks.

Advanced Small Business Taxes

Wednesday, August 8, 1 - 3 p.m.
RCL - Maplewood

Learn the difference between a contractor and an employee, track expenses, report business income and discuss important tax exemptions and deductions.

Marketing Strategies

Thursdays, 12 - 2 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Registration required. *Presented in partnership with Idea2Launch.*

July 19: 5 Steps to Launch your Website

Don't make the mistake of not promoting your website. Learn the five steps of web promotion in order to capitalize on massive visibility and leverage your new site to your advantage.

August 16: What is a Squeeze Page?

Learn the difference between ClickFunnels and LeadPages in order to determine if your business would benefit from either of these online programs. We'll show you the anatomy of a squeeze page, discuss the squeeze page giants and uncover the psychology behind them.

Series At-a-Glance

Registration Required.

Pick and choose which classes interest you, or attend the whole series! Check out our at-a-glance calendar below to explore our technology courses.

RCL - Roseville, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Jul 11 Microsoft Word 2016 Basics pt. 1
Jul 12 Microsoft Word 2016 Basics pt. 2
Jul 16 Microsoft Excel 2016 Basics pt. 1
Jul 17 Microsoft Excel 2016 Basics pt. 2

RCL - White Bear Lake, 1:30 - 3 p.m.

Jul 23 Computer Basics
Jul 24 Exploring Windows 10
Jul 26 3D Printing and Design
Jul 27 Open Makerspace
Jul 30 Facebook 101

RCL - Roseville, 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Jul 30 Computer Basics
Jul 31 Exploring Windows 10
Aug 1 Internet Basics
Aug 2 Assess Your Basic Computer Skills
Aug 3 Silhouette Studio

RCL - Roseville, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Jul 30 Using the Cloud
Jul 31 3D Printing and Design
Aug 1 Getting LinkedIn

3D Printing and Design

Thursday, July 26, 1:30 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Tuesday, July 31, 7 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Learn how to design three-dimensional objects on the computer using Tinkercad. Then, we'll print them using the MakerBot Replicator 3D printer.

Assess Your Basic Computer Skills

Thursday, August 2, 10:30 a.m.
RCL - Roseville

Unsure about your computer skills? Ramsey County Library is offering Northstar Digital Literacy Assessments, an easy way to identify what you know and pinpoint what you need to learn. Assessment includes basic skills, email, Windows 7, Mac OS X and MS Word.

Computer Basics

Monday, July 23, 1:30 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Monday, July 30, 10:30 a.m.
RCL - Roseville

Become familiar with basic computer parts and terminology. Learn how to open programs and work with Windows and tool bar menus.

Exploring Windows 10

Tuesday, July 24, 1:30 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Tuesday, July 31, 10:30 a.m.
RCL - Roseville

This lecture-style class provides an introduction to the key features in the Windows 10 Operating System. Meet your clever digital assistant, Cortana, download apps from the Windows App store and view web pages using the Edge Browser. Feel free to bring your Windows 10 laptop or tablet.

Facebook 101

Monday, July 30, 1:30 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Learn how to build your profile, connect with friends and family, post status updates, tag friends, sort your news feed and so much more. Students are encouraged to have a Facebook account prior to class and know their login information.

Getting LinkedIn

Wednesday, August 1, 7 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

An introduction to the world's most popular professional networking site. You will learn how to build a profile, connect with colleagues, look for new career opportunities, join groups and share updates about your professional life. Students are encouraged to have a LinkedIn account created prior to class and know their login information.

Internet Basics

Wednesday, August 1, 10:30 a.m.
RCL - Roseville

Learn how to access the internet, navigate websites and find information with a search engine.

Silhouette Studio

Friday, August 3, 10:30 a.m.
RCL - Roseville

Become familiar with Silhouette Studio, the software that is used with the Library's Silhouette Cameo cutting machine that is available during Open Makerspace. We will learn how to add text and create basic designs which can be cut on a variety of materials including cardstock and vinyl.



Using the Cloud: Storing and Sharing Files on Google Drive

Monday, July 30, 7 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

This class is an introduction to storing documents and other files on the internet, popularly known as using the "cloud". We will introduce different cloud storage options before exploring how to use Google Drive in detail. Students will learn how to navigate Google Drive, store and manage their files, and share and edit their documents online. Students are encouraged to have a Google account prior to class and know their login information.

Science Museum Technology Classes

Microsoft Word Basics

RCL - Roseville, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
July 11 Part 1
July 12 Part 2

In part 1, learn how to enter and edit text, apply formatting and save files.

In part 2, learn about page layout. Class covers margins, page breaks, AutoCorrect, AutoFormat, page numbers, headers, footers, lists, tabs and tables.

Excel Basics

RCL - Roseville, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
July 16 Part 1
July 17 Part 2

In part 1, work with spreadsheets, create formulas and build a budget.

In part 2, learn about working with multiple worksheets, formulas and charting basics.

One-to-One

Computer and Tech Help by Appointment

Individual basic computer and technology help is now available by appointment. An AmeriCorps CTEP member will help you with job searching, working on resumes or documents, email and other basic technology questions.

Mondays, 5 - 7 p.m.
RCL - Mounds View

Call 651-724-6004 to schedule your half hour appointment.

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Call 651-724-6001 to schedule your half hour appointment.

Tuesdays, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. *NEW*
RCL - New Brighton

Appointments start July 10. Call 651-724-6002 to schedule your half hour appointment.



Drop-in Tech Labs

Registration is not required.

Drop-in Computer and Tech Help

Mondays, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
RCL - Maplewood

Tuesdays, 2 - 4 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview

Wednesdays, 5 - 7 p.m.
Thursdays, 1 - 3 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Thursdays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Do you need extra help on the computer, tablet or other piece of technology? Let us answer your questions.

E-book and E-audio Help

Tuesdays, 2 - 4 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Are you curious how to use your new device with the Library's e-book cloudLibrary service? Help is available. Bring your Nook, iPad or other device for some hands-on instruction.

Open Makerspace

Wednesdays, 6 - 8 p.m.
RCL - Shoreview

Thursdays, 6 - 8 p.m.
RCL - Maplewood

Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
RCL - Roseville

Friday, July 27, 1:30 p.m.
RCL - White Bear Lake

Tired of letting kids have all the fun? Drop in and learn about the Library's 3D printer, Silhouette Cameo cutting machine, sewing machine and more.



**Thank you to the Book It! 5K
2018 Sponsors!**

The following businesses, organizations, and individuals helped fund the 2018 Summer Reading Program for children and teens at all the Ramsey County Library branches by sponsoring the May 19 Book It! 5K Walk/Run:

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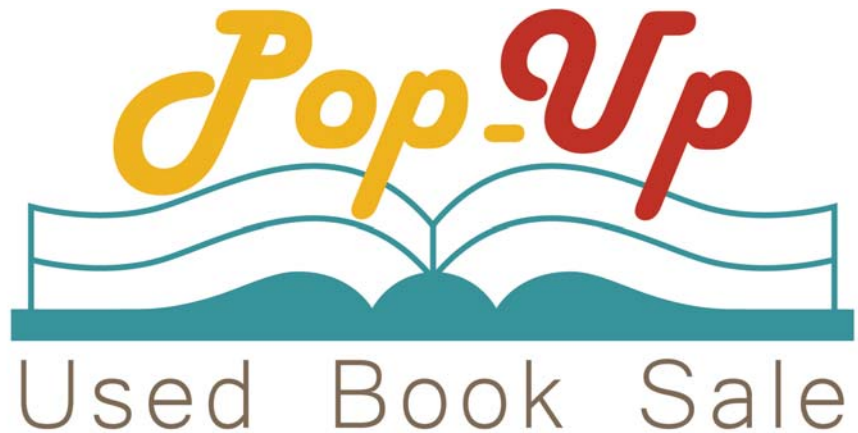


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Pop-Up
Used Book Sale

Friends "Pop-Up" Used Book Sale

September 26 - 29
RCL - Shoreview

The Friends of the Ramsey County Libraries is hosting a Used Book Sale at the Ramsey County Library in Shoreview, 4560 North Victoria Street. Thousands of books, DVDs, and CDs from all seven Ramsey County libraries, as well as private donations, will be sold. Most items sell for \$1 or less.

Sale hours:

- Wednesday, September 26, 12 - 8:30 p.m.
- Thursday, September 27, 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- Friday, September 28, 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Saturday, September 29, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.: All day bag sale! All the books you can fit into a bag for \$5!

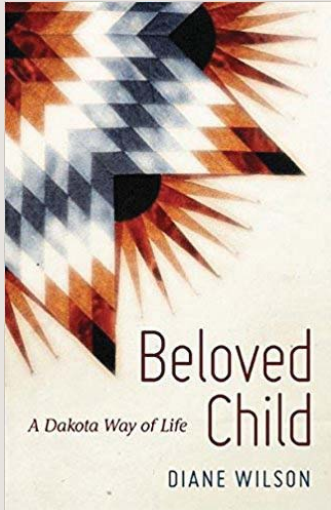
Friends Members: Watch your mail in August for your coupon giving you five free books at the sale. If you would like to become a member, use the form on the back page of this newsletter, go to www.rclfriends.org and click on the blue Donate button or pick up a membership application at any Ramsey County Library.

We need your book/AV donations for this sale!

Help us surpass last year's goal with your donations. In 2017, we raised more than \$65,000 through the used book sales!

Starting Saturday, September 1, we will be accepting donations. Please bring your donations to the library in Shoreview to be sorted and priced. We welcome all books, CDs, DVDs, talking books and vinyl records in good condition. We do not accept books that are moldy, mildewed, water damaged, torn, have broken spines or missing pages. We cannot accept VHS tapes, magazines, textbooks and encyclopedias, or manuals more than five years old.

Save the Date: November Annual Author Luncheon!



Mark your calendars for the Friends' Annual Author Luncheon to be held Saturday, November 3 at the North Oaks Country Club. The featured speaker this year is award-winning author and director of Dream of Wild Health, Diane Wilson.

Wilson's first book, *Spirit Car: Journey to a Dakota Past*, retraces her family's Dakota heritage across five generations and won a 2006 Minnesota Book Award. Her second book, *Beloved Child: A Dakota Way of Life*, explores the work of several modern Dakota who are following the long tradition of raising beloved children and tapping into the "genius and brilliance" of Dakota culture as a way of surviving historical trauma.

She also contributed to the 2016 anthology, *A Good Time for the Truth: Race in Minnesota*. In this highly praised book, 16 of Minnesota's best writers provide a range of

perspectives on what it is like to live as a person of color in Minnesota.

All members of the Friends of the Ramsey County Libraries and their guests receive priority reservations and a discount. Reservation flyers will be sent to Friends members first in the mail, with registration opening to the public afterward. To become a member, please see the registration form on the back of this newsletter or call 651-486-2213 for more information.

Thank You 2017-18 Reading Friends Volunteers

Our sincere and deep thanks to the Reading Friends Literacy Program volunteers who gave of their time and talent during the 2017-18 school year: Aleli Balagtas, Susan Benjamin, Lyn Cariveau, Carol Diemert, Ruth Holm, Brad Larson, Nancy Lee, Susan Miller, Joann Morse, Gretchen Needham, Marilyn Pope, Mary Santi, Sophia Vigil, Beth Warren and Jeannine Wiegert.

These volunteers traveled to our Community Partners with Youth (CPY) partner site to share good books and great times with neighborhood children. CPY volunteers worked one-on-one with K-5 children to reinforce literacy skills, assist with homework assignments and help build children's self-esteem. The lives of many children were enriched this year because of our dedicated and generous Reading Friends.

Become a Reading Friends Volunteer

We are seeking volunteers to become Reading Friends for the 2018-19 school year. The need, beginning in September, is for volunteers to serve in the New Brighton area working one-on-one with K-5 children after school on Thursday afternoons from 4 - 5 p.m. No prior experience is necessary and orientation is provided. Your level of commitment is flexible - you can volunteer every Thursday or just on any Thursdays that fit into your schedule.

Requirements are membership in the Friends of the Ramsey County Libraries and a free and confidential background check. Background checks can be completed this summer in preparation for the new school year. For more information about the program, volunteer schedule and application process, please contact Caitlin Carroll at 651-486-2263 or caitlin.carroll@rclreads.org.

Hold onto Your Hats and Save the Date for Friends Gala 2019!

The sixth annual Friends Gala will be held at the Ramsey County Library in Roseville on February 2, 2019. To express our admiration and respect for the impressive Ramsey County Library system and their amazing staff and volunteers, the Gala theme for 2019 is "Hats off to the Library!" If you have questions, or are interested in sponsoring or donating to the gala, please contact Caitlin Carroll at 651-486-2213 or caitlin.carroll@rclreads.org.

Leave a Legacy of Literacy

Most of us want to be remembered as someone who made a difference, both in life and after we are gone. We hope to leave a legacy for the lives that follow ours. Legacy gifts enable the Friends to continue to provide vital financial support for the public libraries in suburban Ramsey County.

On June 4 and 5, the Friends joined forces with the Minnesota Association of Library Friends to raise awareness about legacy giving opportunities at the Minnesota Continuing Legal Education Probate and Trust Law Section Conference. We had the opportunity to meet and greet hundreds of probate and trust attorneys, sing the praises of Ramsey County Library and encourage attorneys to share information with their clients.

If you are considering a legacy gift, we hope you will include the Friends of the Ramsey County Libraries. Our tax EIN is 41-1597085. For more information, contact the Friends at 651-486-2213 or ccook@rclreads.org.

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 3025 Southlawn Drive
 M-Th 10-9; F-Sa 10-5; Su 12-5
 Friends' Used Book Store

Mounds View (MV) 651-724-6004
 2576 Mounds View Boulevard
 M & Th 1-8; W, F & Sa 10-5; T & Su Closed

New Brighton (NB) 651-724-6002
 400 10th Street NW
 M, Th-Sa 10-5; T 10-8; W 1-8; Su Closed

North St. Paul (NS) 651-724-6005
 2300 North St. Paul Drive
 M, W & Sa 10-5; T & Th 1-8; F & Su Closed


Roseville (RV) 651-724-6001
 2180 N Hamline Avenue
 M-Th 10-9; F-Sa 10-5; Su 12-5
 Friends' Used Book Store

Dunn Bros Coffee Shop
 M-Th 6:30-9; F 6:30-6; Sa & Su 7-6

Shoreview (SV) 651-724-6006
 4560 N Victoria Street
 M-Th 10-9; F-Sa 10-5; Su 12-5
 Friends' Used Book Store

White Bear Lake (WB) 651-724-6007
 2150 2nd Street
 M 10-8; T & W 1-8; Th-Sa 10-5; Su Closed

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