

Scripps-Miramar Ranch Library programs include:

June 15-August 15. Mark your calendars for the start of the Summer Reading Program “Paws to Read” on June 15th. Join us for fun programs and activities throughout the summer by participating in the Summer Reading Program. In addition to having fun, the program helps children keep their skills up during the summer and encourages reading to become a lifelong habit.

Mondays from 2:45-4:45 p.m. – “Youth Chess Club.” – Play or learn the game of chess. All levels of experience welcome and all equipment is provided!

Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3-5 p.m. – “Homework Help.” – Teen volunteers are here to help you with a homework problem. This program ends May 14.

Thursdays from 4-5 p.m. – “Brain Games.” – Play or learn the game of chess or other board games.

Fridays at 3:45 p.m. – “Kids Meet Mandarin.” – Introduction to Mandarin in a fun format.

1st and 3rd Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. – “Ruff! Ruff! Reading with Finnegan.” – Children can come practice their reading skills with Finnegan the library dog. He just loves to hear stories!

Free programs for kids (ages 4-11) Thursdays at 3 p.m. at Scripps Miramar Ranch Library sponsored by SRFOL:

April 10, 3 p.m. – “April is National Humor Month!” with Sparkles the Clown. Come get your sillies out when Sparkles returns to the library.

April 24, 3 p.m. – “Planetarium” with Full Spectrum. Did you know there will be a total lunar eclipse on April 15 and a partial solar eclipse on April 29? If

you are interested in stars, constellations and galaxies come join us and learn about astronomy and the solar system. This is a limited attendance event. Line up beginning at 2:45 p.m. and receive a ticket.

May 1, 3 p.m. – “Cinco de Mayo: Healthy Taco and Tamale Fiesta!” with Liz Gary. Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with a kid’s cooking class that focuses on using organic plant based whole foods to prepare traditional Mexican recipes. Practice the art of tamale making folding corn husks over prepared masa and fillings, taste test mini-street tacos filled with delicious plant based alternatives to meat and cheese, then try making a perfect corn tortilla by hand with the extra masa while sipping on a virgin strawberry margarita. ¡Viva Mexico! This is a limited attendance event for children 4-12 years old and their grown up only. Line up beginning at 2:45 p.m. and receive a ticket.

May 8, 3 p.m. – “Be Kind to Animals Week” with Wild Wonders. Walk on the wild side with exotic animals as we learn about these unique creatures. The first step to kindness is understanding!

June 19, 3 p.m. – “Safari Band” with Raggle Taggle. Kick the summer off with a musical adventure of animal songs for all ages with props, puppets and audience participation!

June 26, 3 p.m. – “Summer Celebration” with Hullabaloo. Continue the fun with a “foot-stomping, wing-flapping celebration of song that honors and entertains kids and families.”

Free program for All Ages:

April 29, 6 p.m. – “San Diego Symphony Chamber Ensemble.” This not-to-be –missed, free concert by a San Diego Symphony woodwind quartet has an emphasis on storytelling.

Free programs for Adults:

May 6, 5:30 p.m. – “The Water Conservation Garden” with Pam Meisner “Ms. Smarty-Plants.” It has been a long, dry winter. Come learn how to make your yard and garden lush, charming AND drought tolerant from an expert in the field.

May 20, 6 p.m. – “The Ten Minute Cognitive Workout” with Peggy D. Snyder, Ph.D. Learn how to manage your moods and change your life in just ten minutes a day during this presentation by an author and licensed psychologist.

Come join the Friends! Meeting of Scripps Ranch Friends of the Library, 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:15 p.m.– SRFOL supports children’s and adult programs, presents a concert series and provides funds for purchase of new books, CDs, DVDs, upgrading technical capacity and facility improvements.