



## Mountainside Public Library Newsletter - March 2014

### **Get your keys to the library.**

**Tired of fumbling through your wallet for the Mountainside Public Library card?**

**Try our new convenient key fob card for \$1.**

The library's computer system now requires patrons to present a card at checkout, so there's no better time to add one to your keys.



### **TECH NEWS!**

We are delighted to announce the completion of the first phase of our Technology Upgrade Project, made possible by a grant from the Watts Community Foundation! All of our Patron Workstations are now running on Windows 7 and are equipped with either Office 2010 or 2013, featuring Word, Excel and Power Point. Our new Envisionware Workstation Management system, installed on February 18<sup>th</sup>, manages all patron computer sessions and printing. Our new Print Release Station features black and white, color and duplex printing options, as well as the ability to preview a print job before completing it and delete it if it's not quite right. No more pages printed by accident! No more printouts that don't look the way you expected! You even have the ability to return later in the day and reprint a job from earlier, if you need another copy! The new system is very straightforward to use and Librarians are delighted to offer instruction and assistance to help you learn how it works. (Please note that the coin-operated print station accepts nickels, dimes, quarters, and \$1 and \$5 bills. We are generally unable to make change for larger bills, so ask that patrons please try to have what the machine can accept, before printing.)

### **KNIT WITS MEETUP A new club for adults in 2014. Monday afternoons, 1:15PM to 2:30PM.**

**Know how to knit and want to get together with other knitters?** Bring your latest project to work on with others who share your same love of knitting.

**Want to learn to knit?** Bring a skein of knitting worsted weight yarn and size 7 or 8 needles. (Buy them at Walmart, A.C. Moore or other local craft or knitting supply stores.) You will learn to make a simple scarf as a first project!

Contact the library for more information or to sign up.

### **GAME DAY First Monday of every month, from 1PM to 3PM. For adults.**

Come one, come all. Bring your friends. We provide the board games, you provide the fun! Once a month we set up our collection of board games and card games in our Community Room, for you to enjoy. If we don't have your favorite, feel free to bring it with you to share.

### **SCOTCH PLAINS & MOUNTAINSIDE LIBRARIES' CAREER NETWORKING GROUP Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:30PM to 8:30PM. @ The Mountainside Public Library.**

**"YOU, the Product"** George Pace, of "Keep Pace", will review what successful companies do, then show you tangible ways to apply those concepts to your career, to make YOU a more attractive "product" for the hiring manager.

### **COLLEGE FINANCIAL PLANNING Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 6PM to 8:45PM.**

Learn from the experts at Ecliptic Financial Advisors about the intricacies of college planning and preparation. Discover strategies to help you make the most of the process.

### **LUCK OF THE IRISH: DISCOVERING IRELAND'S HISTORY Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2PM.**

Join Maryanne Mastretta for a delightful exploration of the history of the Emerald Isle, in celebration of St. Patrick's Day. *This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Mountainside Library.*

### **WOMEN & RETIREMENT Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 7PM to 8:30PM.**

This program is offered by the American Education Foundation, in partnership with the Department of Labor. It addresses the many unique challenges which women face in saving for retirement and provides tips to help women get started on a savings plan that will meet their needs.

**BROADWAY SHOW STOPPERS** Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 11AM to 11:45AM.

Come enjoy the talent of 14 students from the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School's Musical Theater Department, under the direction of Krystle Tomlinson. They'll sing your favorite songs in our Periodicals section, while you leaf through the paper or choose a book or DVD.

**PLANT THE SEED TO READ – A CONCERT FOR SPRING!** Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:15 to 11AM.

Let's Rock 'n Roll to celebrate the arrival of spring, in this concert for preschoolers and their families, by pop duo Presley and Melody. Sing, dance, move and groove to creative originals and favorite pop tunes! Please call to register.  
*This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Mountainside Library.*

**ALL SPRING STORY TIMES RESUME THIS WEEK.** Please call to register.

**PRUNING** Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 7PM to 8PM.

Bryan Lowe returns with a series of 3 helpful and informative gardening seminars. In this first one, you will learn what to prune, when to prune and the right way to go about it. Spring is on the way (we promise!) and pruning is the first step in preparing your garden for the season. Watch for **VEGETABLES**, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 7PM and **CONTAINERS**, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.  
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**MARBLEIZING SILK SCARVES** Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1PM to 3PM.

Make your own unique 60" silk scarf, using the ancient art form of "Ebru", better known as marbledizing. Nancy Leary returns with this highly popular workshop for teens and adults (priority to Mountainside residents). Please note: space is limited, so registration is required. A materials fee of \$10 must be paid at the time of registration, to secure your place in the class.  
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**TUESDAY NIGHT MOVIES**

Shown in our Community Room at 6:30PM, unless announced otherwise. Please see our website for details.

March 4: ENOUGH SAID (comedy/drama/romance – 1 hour 33 minutes – Rated PG-13)

March 11: 20 FEET FROM STARDOM (documentary – 1 hour 29 minutes – Rated PG-13)

March 18: BLUE JASMINE (comedy/drama – 1 hour 38 minutes – Rated PG-13)

March 25: STORIES WE TELL (documentary – 1 hour 48 minutes – Rated PG-13)

**OPERA FESTIVAL** Second Friday of each month. Show starts at 1PM.

Our very popular Second Opera Series continues, featuring acclaimed operas on DVD, presented on our theatre system.  
Presented by the T. ROBEL HILL FOUNDATION and Mena Clemson.

Fri March 14: *Turandot* by Puccini

Starring Placido Domingo/Eva Marton/Paul Plishka

Conductor: James Levine

Director: F. Zeffirelli

1989 Metropolitan Opera House, NYC 2hrs12 min



**FRIDAY FILM FESTIVAL** Third Friday of each month. 1PM.

Enjoy a wonderful selection of classic and foreign films. Check our website or pick up a flier at our front desk, for a listing of movie titles. Bring a friend!

March 21, 2014:	THE LIGHTHORSEMEN	A true story
	Starring Jon Blake, Peter Phelps, Tony Bonner	
	1987	Not rated Australia

In 1917, the British campaign in Palestine is stalemated: the Turko-Germany army holds a formidable line from Gaza to Beersheba. In a final attempt to save the attacking British army from disaster everything depended on 800 young Australian horsemen to cross 3 miles of open desert into a shell fire and machine gun crossfire. They changed the history of the Middle East.

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