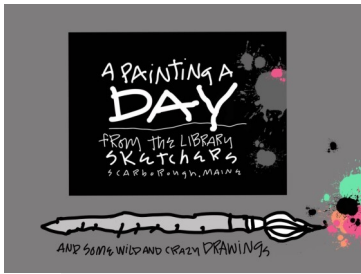




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A Print Sale to Benefit the Scarborough Public Library

The Scarborough Public Library **Drop-in Sketching Group** has launched a new initiative to benefit the Library — a sale of prints made from their art. Prints can be purchased for \$25 each, with proceeds benefitting the

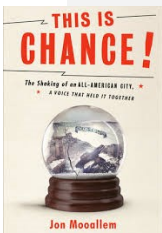
Library. Prints are now displayed on the wall and featured on a digital display screen opposite the Circulation Desk as well as nearby in the glass case near the Reference Desk. Nancy Crowell, Library Director, said, "This project is a perfect example of how our Library is far more than collections. We exist for people. We are very proud to have served as the creative hive for this group of artists, who are thriving as they grow and share as individuals and as a collaborative."

A little more than two years ago, Drop-in Sketching at the Library was introduced, offering "a relaxed and fun environment for noodling, doodling, and dabbling." While there was no designated "instructor" (again, this was a casual drop-in activity), the sketchers were joined by Michael David Brown, a retired illustrator, gallery owner and Scarborough resident. Brown's wife, Carol, an active library patron had noticed the Library's many other groups and suggested to Michael that he start a sketching group to share his passion. With the help and support of Nancy Crowell, Library Director, and Celeste Shinay, then the Library's Manager of Programming and Development, Brown founded the group. The rest is history! Two regular attendees of Drop-in Sketching in addition to Michael have prints that are featured in this unique fundraiser for the Library: Debra Laplante of Saco and Pat Scammon of Scarborough.

Community Read Programs & Events Expand

Register for One, All, or Any Combination of Programs

It is definitely not too late to register for the [Community Read](#) and the collaborative programming focused on community resilience coordinated by Thomas Memorial Library in Cape Elizabeth, the South Portland Public Library and ours. Register for the general Community Read and receive emails, reminders, and links to up-coming programs. Or simply register for one or two programs of interest, such as Scarborough Fire Chief, Michael Thurlow's up-coming talk on emergency response (described below), the live reading of the play *Our Town* (yes, there's a connection to the book), or *Communities of Kindness, Neighbor to Neighbor Outreach* with Sari Green and the South Portland Community of Kindness.



To get started, register for the read-aloud of the book;

the third *Tune In to This is Chance!* happens Friday, October 16. It's also possible to listen to the recording of the inaugural author event with Jon Mooallem and to register for one of the book discussion groups. All of this information and more is available on our [Community Read webpage](#).



Don't Take a Chance: Building Community Resilience through Disaster Preparedness and Crisis Response,

with Scarborough Fire Chief, Michael Thurlow, Thursday, November 5 at 6:30 pm

It's essential for everyone to know how to be proactive, what to expect in the aftermath of a crisis, and the importance of individual and community resilience before and after disaster hits. Wherever you live, there are things you can do on a personal level—neighbors helping neighbors. Learn how federal, state, and local governments prepare for disaster and what you can do to help yourself, your family and your neighbors. Chief Thurlow's 44-year career with the Scarborough Fire Department has developed his expertise in crisis response and disaster preparedness. Find more details and register on our [website](#).



Scarborough Public Library Youth Services

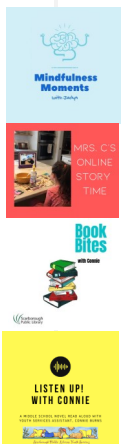
Take Home Bags Are Flying Off the Shelves like our Books!

Have you stopped by Youth Services to pick up October's Take Home bag? This popular monthly activity, sponsored by the Friends of Scarborough Library, has a different theme each month. For October, there's a mystery to solve and a reward for doing so. Stop by Youth Services to pick up bags for the kiddos in your life. Mrs. C, Connie and Jaclyn would love to see your faces AND the faces many of you created in September with the Free Form Art Project bag. Please drop off face creations so they can be added to our wall of faces in Youth Services.



Mrs. C, Connie and Jaclyn have been recording stories and book reviews for you! These are housed on the Library's YouTube Channel. Access them from the Youth Services page of our [website](#). Families find it simple to watch at convenient times in their schedules. Bring a Library story time into your home with these videos that were produced with our youngest patrons in mind. **Mindfulness Moments with Jaclyn** focuses on children in preschool through age 6; download the accompanying Power Point presentation and learn more about helping your child experience mindfulness. **Mrs. C's Online Story Time** includes picture books geared for children ages 4 to 8 that would be read during in-person story times if we could host them. **Book Bites with Connie** are mini-book reviews for children ages 10 and older and **Listen Up** includes read-alouds of two middle grade novels.

Did you see the [video](#) of Scarborough Police Officer Greenleaf reading one of his favorite books? It was featured on our Facebook page recently!



Youth Technology @ the Library

Minecraft Miner Day

"Drop In" Last Sunday of the Month
Beginners: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm All Levels: 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Next date is **October 25**.



Libraries across the country are using Minecraft to introduce technology literacy to kiddos in their communities. This popular online game encourages creative thinking and problem solving skills. With the help of our teen developers, the Library has its own dedicated [Minecraft server](#). Come explore what they've created!

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS—ONE SHOT ADVENTURES

This fall, we will have online one-shot adventures for all ages on one Tuesday each month: October 20, November 17, and December 15. Begin your journey as an adventurer in a world of magic and monsters. The deadline for registration for one-shot sessions is the Friday before each session. FMI visit our [website](#).



HOURS THROUGH DECEMBER 2020

The Library is open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on Wednesday; and from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on Saturdays.

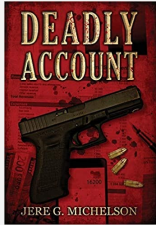
UPCOMING HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Wednesday, November 11 — Veteran's Day
Thursday, November 26 — Thanksgiving Day

AUTHOR TALK WITH SCARBOROUGH'S JERE MICHELSON

Join us virtually, via Zoom, Tuesday, October 27 at 6:30 pm for an evening with Jere Michelson, President, Chief Operating Officer, and Chief Financial Officer of Libra Foundation.

Deadly Account, a crime thriller and coming of age story set in Portland, is his first novel. Cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable, inventory. At least one of these represents a Deadly Account. The audit function ultimately – and gravely – exposes a client as a Deadly Account. These coalesce to form the foundation for relating a Deadly Account of murder and mayhem. Visit our [website](#) for details and to request the Zoom link.



Home Delivery for the Homebound: “Brings the Library to Your Door...” The Library provides free delivery of materials twice a

month to Scarborough residents unable to visit the Library due to long or short-term illness, immobility or age. Books, audiobooks, magazines, and DVDs are delivered by staff or volunteers and Librarians can help you navigate our eBook systems, catalog or

other digital resources. This program has been in place for 45 years; it was not created in response to the pandemic. If you are unable to pick up materials in person or curbside, we can deliver. Visit our [website](#) or contact the Reference Desk at 883-4723 option #4 or by email at askSPL@scarboroughlibrary.org to enroll in the program.

We can help you decide what to read: Just ask our staff for a recommendation. You can stop in, call (883-4723, option 3 for children or option 4 for adults) or email us at askSPL@scarboroughlibrary.org or kids@scarboroughlibrary.org. We love making book recommendations!

You can subscribe to several library newsletters: You may wish to receive one or more of the thirteen different [newsletters](#) that will keep you up to date about the latest additions to the collection.

Several items borrowed before the pandemic are still out: Please check around your home to see if there's something you forgot to return.

There are four new tutorials to make it easier to use your Library account:

Checking Your Account, Requesting Items from the Catalog, Using cloudLibrary, and Adding cloudLibrary to a Kindle Fire. Watch one or all four of them on YouTube [here](#) or on our homepage.



Throughout the pandemic, members of the Scarborough Public Library community have been very generous! **We need and appreciate the support.** We thank members of these Library groups for their gifts: Let's Talk America, the Knitters, and the Library Sketchers. We would also like to acknowledge the generosity of families and community members whose masks and yummy treats have kept us safe and boosted our morale!

Won't you consider: supporting us with:

- A gift to our Annual Fund?
- A gift in honor or in memory of a person in your life?
- Membership in our 1899 Legacy Society?

Visit our [webpage](#) to explore ways to give financially to the Library!

This October, in honor of **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**, we are distributing bookmarks from [Through These Doors](#) in Portland, a domestic violence and advocacy nonprofit offering a Helpline: **(800) 537-6066**

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Getting to the root causes



Books on Tap Book Discussion Group

Third Monday of the Month at 5:30 pm via Zoom

- October 19 *Isaac's Storm*, by Erik Larson



Tuesday Morning Book Discussion Group

10:00 am via Zoom

- November 3 *Shadow Divers*, by Robert Kurson
- December 1 *One Thousand White Women*, by Jim Fergus

Wednesday Evening Book Discussion Group

6:30 pm via Zoom

- November 18 *A Woman of No Importance* by Sonia Purnell
- December 16 *The Book Shop*, by Penelope Fitzgerald

FMI on any of the Library's book discussion groups, email askSPL@scarboroughlibrary.org or call 883-4723 option 4.

Let's Talk America!

First Thursday of the Month, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm via Zoom

Next gathering is November 5 for this monthly discourse on topics ranging from local to international issues. The topic will be posted to our website the week of the event. FMI call facilitator, Sam Kelley at 650-1814.



Library Knitting Group

Every Saturday 10:00 am to Noon

Location: Outside under the trees if the temperature is 65 degrees or above; otherwise via Zoom

Knitting is the new yoga! Bring your yarn and needles to this welcoming group for some “you time.” FMI, contact Lucy Norvell at 396-6279 or ljnorvell@scarboroughlibrary.org.



Library Genealogy Group

Tentative plans are in the works for the Library Genealogy Group to resume meetings via Zoom in January of 2021.



Friends of the Scarborough Library

Join us in celebration of National Friends of the Library Week beginning Sunday, October 18! We're grateful for our Friends; their support keeps us going!

The Friends of the Scarborough Library is a non-profit, members-based organization that provides many forms of support to our non-profit Public Library. If you borrowed a pass to the Portland Museum of Art, the Children's Museum, or Maine Wildlife Park, thank the Friends. If you enjoyed one of the Monday Movie matinees, thank the Friends. If you plugged into the electric vehicle charger or sat on one of our colorful lawn chairs, thank the Friends. If you pick-up an issue of Book Page each month... you know the rest.

Our Friends believe in the importance of early childhood literacy and they sponsor the summer reading program activities each year. Take Home bags were a popular part of that program last summer. Based on that summer success, the Friends will be sponsoring one bag per month until June 2020.

The pandemic may have kept their well-known and highly-regarded annual book sale from happening in June, but it's not stopping them from offering a sale of a different scale. They have devised a creative, smaller, and safer way to sell some of the books that have been donated to benefit the Library. Beginning the week of October 11, patrons seemed very happy to find \$5 sealed grab bags organized by genre or subject for sale. They will be available inside the front door until further notice. **On Saturday, October 24 from 10:00 am to noon, Friends will be selling grab bags outside the Library.** It's a very different sale than the one they host at the high school, but it still benefits the Library!

We hope you'll celebrate the week and cheer with us by joining the Friends of the Scarborough Library. Visit their [website](#) or stop by the Library for an application. Thank you, Friends!

