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*To: All Residents of Mountainside  
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## Friends of the Library Activities and News



**2022 Desk Calendars.** The annual Friends-sponsored desk calendar will be available to the community for free starting in November. Call ahead to arrange to pick yours up. Follow the library's safety protocols.



**Museum Passes.** As we prepare this Newsletter, the following museums in the Friends-sponsored Museum Pass Program are allowing visitors: Brooklyn Botanical Garden, Intrepid, Liberty Hall Museum, Montclair Art Museum, Morris Museum, Storm King Art Center, Yogi Berra Museum.



**Website.** Check out the library's new website at <https://www.mountainsidelibrary.org/>, if you haven't already. Be sure to visit the Friends page at <https://www.mountainsidelibrary.org/friends-of-the-library>.



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## Annual Newsletter - October 2021

President - Dayle Treece    Vice-President - Marilyn Heller  
Treasurer - Pam Shaw    Secretary - Susan Teller

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Over the past 62 years the award-winning Friends of the Mountainside Library has become a family of volunteers whose sole purpose is to serve our community by supporting the library.

Though the pandemic has severely limited in-person fundraising events, we've continued working to bring you the very best of all you have come to expect from the Friends.

Thanks to your yearly donations and our fundraising, the Friends are able to fund more than 90% of the library's programs.

Two outdoor book sales were very successful and well received by the community. The Friends sponsored a variety of free virtual presentations via Zoom as well as free Zoom children's programs and supplies. We presented our third annual Deerfield School Essay Award and provided books for the library's Book Club members. The Museum Pass program has resumed as museums reopen and the Friends 2022 Desk Calendars will be available in November, free to the community. Thanks to a generous donation from one of our long-time Friends, many new large print books were purchased.

This annual newsletter, asking for your donation, is our biggest fundraiser. Please know that 100% of your donation goes directly to the library for programming, materials, equipment, and services. Look for our special events to return when COVID restrictions are relaxed.

I want to welcome the new families to Mountainside and encourage you all to join the Friends so we can continue to enhance our library. I also want to thank everyone who has helped with our programs and activities.

Help us keep the Mountainside library the very special place the community has always known and enjoyed. The Friends are here for Mountainside, looking to the future.

Thank you,  
Dayle Treece  
President of FOL

## What a Difference 2020 and 2021 Made! The Friends of the Mountainside Library Rose to the Occasion!

The pandemic has been one of the biggest challenges in the Friends' 62-year history, but it's also been an opportunity to serve the community in new ways. We've offered a robust program in spite of COVID-19. Although our traditional in-person Spring book sale in March 2020 had to be shut down after the first night, the Friends held two successful outdoor book sales in 2021. Please note that we cannot accept book sale donations at this time due to uncertain book sale schedule and shortage of Friends' storage space at the library.

We continue to fund the library's children's programs, including Story Time, Lego® Club, Squiggle Club, and Origami.

The Friends' popular virtual Presentation Program via Zoom began in January 2021 and offered 19 events through July 2021. Attendees heard experts in art, music, history, and science, and speakers who offered useful Lifestyle and Community Service information. Friends' donations have also supported the purchase of large print books and books for the library's book club and kids' summer reading program.

## Heads Up: Fall 2021 Presentations Scheduled as of Now

Eleven programs are already scheduled for the Fall of 2021. Check the library website – [www.mountainsidelibrary.org](http://www.mountainsidelibrary.org) to confirm just in case there are changes or additions after this Newsletter is distributed. Look for more programs in 2022!

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| ■ September 21: Consumer Fraud Protection, 2:00 pm  | ■ October 19: Scotland and Ireland - Misty Landscapes, 7:00 pm   |
| ■ September 23: Beatles Part I: From Liverpool to Abbey Rd., 7:00 pm                            | ■ October 26: Stitches in Time - 3 Centuries of Hemlines, Necklines and Everything in Between, 3:00 pm |
| ■ September 30: Beatles Part II: The Beatles Next . . . The Solo Years, 7:00 pm                 | ■ November 10: Women in Jazz, 7:00 pm  |
| ■ October 7: America's Leadership from George Washington to Eleanor Roosevelt & Beyond, 7:00 pm | ■ November 17: The Brazilian Pantanal – A Photo Journey, 7:00 pm                                       |
| ■ October 14: How the Internet Changed Everything, 7:00 pm                                      | ■ December 2: AARP HomeFit Program, 7:00 pm  |
|   | ■ December 7: Christmas Lights of NY City, 7:00 pm   |

### Look for Our In-person and Special Events to Return when Appropriate!

- Twice yearly book sale
- Holiday boutique and Make-Me-Chic boutique
- Restaurant Day



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**YES! I will be a dues paying FRIEND:** Your gift is tax-deductible. Friends of the Mountainside Library is a 501c3 organization as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.

Silver \$50.00                       Friend \$25.00                       Other amount

Gold \$100.00                       Special friend \$35.00                      \$: \_\_\_\_\_

Platinum \$200.00                      *Silver, Gold and Platinum Donors will be recognized on a display*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if we may email your donation acknowledgement

*If you are employed by a firm with a matching gift program, please see the matching grants information in the bottom left corner of this page.*

**YES! I'll be an active, helping FRIEND:**

Contact me for:  Help with the book sale     Help with events     Notify me of meeting dates via email

Have an idea for a Friends program? Let us know here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Once a year we ask everyone in Mountainside to support the Friends by making a donation. These funds help guarantee the excellent services you have come to expect and will enable the Friends to support the library's efforts to incorporate new programs within the evolving situation. We welcome all new members to volunteer and join in the fun as we move forward!**

### Matching Grants

The Friends are an independent 501c3 not-for-profit charitable organization. Our Tax Identification number is 31-165-5823. If you are employed by a firm with a matching gift program, please complete your company or organization matching gift form.

**Library hours and services have changed several times due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Check [www.mountainsidelibrary.org](http://www.mountainsidelibrary.org) for current in-person hours and COVID-19-related policies.**

As we go to press, curbside pickup is available and in-person hours are:

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday:**

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Tuesday, Thursday:** 1:00 pm - 8:00 pm

**Saturday:** 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Sunday:** Closed