A Renovated Second Floor
Transforms the Heart of Our Library

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Join Us
Sunday, Oct. 3 at 3pm
for a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

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Dear Friends:

As another school year begins, and summer fades into a distant memory, fall brings the promise of cooler weather, the holidays, and the Foundation’s weekend of activities for all ages: a City-wide FUNdraising Scavenger Hunt, Scaveganza, on Saturday, October 2nd, and our Fall Family Fair on Sunday, October 3rd, which is free and open to the public.

Both events fall squarely within the Foundation’s mission to advocate and raise funds to keep the Library up-to-date and vibrant for the benefit of our community. Through your individual support and that of our community corporate sponsors, our fundraising efforts support the Library in three ways:

1. **Meeting Match Requirements for NYS Construction Grants:**
   - 2021 - Third Floor Renovation:
     - NYS Grant (pending) with anticipated Foundation Match
   - 2020 - Second Floor Renovation, Phase 2:
     - NYS Grant of $283,187; $60,000 Foundation Match
   - 2019 - Second Floor Renovation, Phase 1:
     - NYS Grant of $140,000; $78,000 Foundation Match
   - 2018 - Gateway Project Lobby Renovation:
     - NYS Grant of $276,000; $92,000 Foundation Match

2. **Meeting Emergency Funding Requests:**
   - In August we received an emergency request for $4,000 from the Library. In response to the continuing COVID restrictions, a tent was set up in the Children’s Garden for the summer months to allow safe outdoor interaction with our youngest patrons. As continuing outside programming remains necessary, a $4,000 grant from the Foundation will allow the tent to remain in place through October.

3. **Meeting the Library’s Annual Grant Request:**
   - Each year the Library Director and Trustees compile a list of items that are not provided for in the budget submitted to our City taxpayers. This year the Annual Grant Request was in the amount of $98,000, which the Foundation funded. This request included funds for a match request, computer purchases and updates, the popular Museum Pass program and more.

Our ability to meet each of these requests, essential to serve the needs of our community, is only possible because of your support. On behalf of the Foundation’s entire Board of Directors, thank you.

Chris Selin

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**Honor a Loved One With a Gift to the Library**

To mark their mother’s milestone birthday, Judy Pinals’ children decided to make a generous gift to the library in support of the vital services our Library provides to our local immigrant community. For many years, Judy has dedicated countless volunteer hours as an ESL teacher at the Library. Her work has improved the lives of hundreds in our community.

In memory of their beloved son, Robert Matthew Klein, Shelly and Fred Klein are underwriting the creation of a new study room on the Third Floor and the restoration of the three original Dale Zheutlin banners which hang outside the Memorial Avenue entrance. Robert was a beloved and valued employee of the Library for more than ten years.
On Saturday, October 2, 40 teams will gather at the Library to compete in a crazy city-wide scavenger hunt FUNdraiser. Each team will need access to one car and one smartphone to participate. This event will bring together Library supporters from every corner of New Rochelle to raise funds, celebrate and build community-wide support for vital Library improvements.

SUPPORT A TEAM
Even if you can’t join us, you can spread the word and support your favorite team by making a donation at https://secure.qgiv.com/event/nrplpscavengerhunt/

For more information on how to register or support a team, please contact Chris Selin, at cselin@aol.com.

Recharge Your SuperPowers at the Library
FREE FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
As the new school year begins, we invite all New Rochelle families to have fun while rediscovering the Library’s rich programming and educational resources. It’s going to be an afternoon chock-full of creative interactive activities, programs, performances, and special guest authors and artists including:

- A SuperHero Costume Parade/Contest (Come in your SuperHero Best)
- Presentations by Award-winning Author/Illustrators
  - Meghan McCarthy (Dare Devil)
  - Jerry Craft (New Kid)
- Test Your SuperPowers Obstacle Course
- SuperPower Training - Martial Arts Demonstrations
- Artrageous Super Crafts
- Magic by Joseph Fields
- Video Game Competition
- Dance Party with DJ SmithyBoy
- Prizes, Give-Aways, Food and MORE

At 3pm join local politicians, community leaders and library supporters as we cut the ribbon and celebrate our newly renovated Second Floor.

For the full schedule check our website at www.nrplfoundation.org
The Power of Matching Funds

Securing large state grants would not be possible without Foundation matching funds. Over the last ten years, with your support, the Foundation has been able to leverage donated dollars to qualify for valuable New York State grants, totaling more than $1 Million, for capital improvements that keep the NRPL attractive, up-to-date and better able to serve the needs of the community.

GIVING IS EASY.

- Visit us at NRPLFoundation.org and click the DONATE button on our homepage.
- Support a Scaveganza Team by making a donation at https://secure.qgiv.com/event/nrplpscavengerhunt/
- Donations made by check should be made out to NRPL Foundation and mailed to:
  NRPL Foundation One Library Plaza, New Rochelle, NY 10801

GIVE TODAY

The New Rochelle Public Library’s Main Branch is the centerpiece of a rapidly changing, revitalized downtown community, while the Huguenot Children’s Library is unique in the County as the only free-standing children’s library. Through their expansive, year-round creative programming, the two branches provide families invaluable resources that support learning, adventure and growth – all free to the public.