SUMMER IS THE TIME WHEN IT IS TOO HOT TO DO THE JOB THAT IT WAS TOO COLD TO DO LAST WINTER.”

– MARK TWAIN

GLORIOUS GREEN GROUP EFFORT

Last summer, the library received several memorial gifts in honor of a beloved Professor of forestry and his passion for trees and books. Pooling those resources and with the help of Sean McNamara and Redding Nursery + the Redding Garden Club + the Boy Scouts, the library’s little riverside seating area was beautifully reborn. This charming sanctuary is now the perfect shady spot to savor a book and the nurture of nature…we imagine the Professor would give it an A+.

MAGICAL TALE TRAILS

Combining the magic of reading + Redding’s uniquely scenic natural backdrop, the Mark Twain Library has created Storywalks: enchanting pathways around town, each featuring a different picture book. The STORYWALK® phenomenon was created by Anne Ferguson and Rachel Senechal from the Kellogg-Hubbard Library in Vermont, to initiate an activity that would keep families moving. The result is a worldwide literary movement: STORYWALKS® have sprouted up by the hundreds across the globe. 5 colorfully charismatic titles can be found at: the library, the Town Green, Putnam Park, Redding Land Trust McCormack Preserve, and Saugatuck Universal Access Trail. For more information about the STORYWALK® program, visit www.marktwainlibrary.org/storywalk/
SUPPORT THE MARK TWAIN LIBRARY THIS SUMMER!

I WILL LEND A HAND
With a contribution of:

❑ $50  ❑ $75  ❑ $100  ❑ $200  ❑ $500  ❑ $1,000

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❑ In memory of

Name:___________________________________________

CHECK: please make check payable to Mark Twain Library
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THANK YOU for SUSTAINING the library as we come back STRONG this SUMMER!

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GARDEN

PUDD’NHEAD PINNACLE:

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