Spotlight on Library Programs

WRIGLEY FIELD’S LAST WORLD CHAMPIONS
Tuesday, December 9, at 7:30 p.m.

Author and sports historian Charles Billington comes to the Glencoe Public Library to re-examine a revered event for Chicago football fans—the 1963 Chicago Bears world championship. The Bears called Wrigley Field their home in those days and the 1963 season proved to be team founder George Halas’s last hurrah. Billington provides perspective on how sports events weave into the social fabric of their time as he analyzes this successful team’s development, its meaning to Chicago in its time of triumph, and its sudden and tragic decline, ironically brought about by the very person responsible for much of its success. So “Bear down” to the Glencoe Public Library for a fascinating look back at one of the greatest times in Chicago sports history!

TALKING PICTURES,
A FILM AND DISCUSSION SERIES

Enjoy an afternoon of thought-provoking cinema and discussion with Susan Benjamin.

Wednesday, February 25, at 1:00 p.m.

Little Voice—In a dreary English seaside town, Laura (Little Voice) has withdrawn from life, mourning her beloved late father and obsessing over his record collection by singing along to his favorite performers. Her rare talents for emulating the likes of Judy Garland, Marilyn Monroe and Shirley Bassey are soon discovered by her dominant mother’s boyfriend, a small-time showbiz agent. Their attempts to propel her to stardom are successful at first, but soon Little Voice gets wise to their selfish intentions. Jane Horrocks stars as the remarkable Little Voice with Brenda Blethyn, Jim Broadbent, Michael Caine and Ewan McGregor.

Tuesday, March 24 at 1:00 p.m.

Film to be announced.

These film screenings and discussions will occur in the Glencoe Public Library Hammond Room.

Did You Know?

COMING SOON—LexisNexis LIBRARY EXPRESS

Beginning in January, Glencoe Public Library patrons will have access to LexisNexis Library Express, a powerful new product that is a unique combination of news, business and legal information tailored for the public library. Outstanding news coverage includes deep backfiles and up-to-the-minute stories in national and regional newspapers, wire services, broadcast transcripts, international news, and foreign language sources. Deep business coverage includes U.S. and international company financial information, market research, industry reports, S & P Corporate Descriptions, and much more. Legal information includes law review articles, news from over 300 legal publications, U.S. Supreme Court, Circuit Court of Appeals and District Court decisions, codes for all 50 states and territories, IRS bulletin and regulations, and patents. Around the world, professionals in business, law, and government turn to LexisNexis for their research needs millions of times every day—now these resources are available through your public library!

E-MAIL NOTIFICATION

Did you know that you have the option of being notified via e-mail when an item you requested arrives at the library? Also, everyone who is signed up for e-mail notification now receives pre-overdue notices. Three days before any book, DVD or other item comes due, you will automatically be sent a message reminding you of the upcoming due dates. Each message also features a link to renew your items online. Coming next year, those signed up for e-mail notification will receive all regular overdue notices via e-mail as well. If you would prefer e-mail notification and timely reminders about your due dates, sign up at the checkout desk if you haven’t done so already.

PERFORMING ARTS VIDEO COLLECTION

Given our community’s enthusiastic interest in the arts, we have decided to make it easier to find all of the performing arts videos in our collection. Adjacent to the new series videos you will find a separate collection devoted to theater, dance, opera, concerts and comedic performances. And don’t just look once – we’ll soon be adding to this collection! If you have any questions about the performing arts collection, speak to a reference librarian.

YOU CAN BOOK A LIBRARIAN

We invite you to make an appointment for a one-hour consultation with adult services staff to help you with almost any information need. We’ll help you dig for tough-to-locate statistics, find background material and book reviews for your book club, learn to download audiobooks to your MP3 player, or you name it. Please call the reference desk to schedule an appointment.
Monday Night at the Movies

Sponsored by the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library, all films in this series are screened at the Woman’s Library Club, 325 Tudor Court.

ENCOUNTERS AT THE END OF THE WORLD
Monday, December 15, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

Director Werner Herzog (Grizzly Man, Rescue Dawn) confirms his standing as poet laureate of people in extreme situations with Encounters at the End of the World. In this visually stunning exploration, Herzog travels to the Antarctic community of McMurdo Station, headquarters of the National Science Foundation and home to eleven hundred people during the austral summer. Over the course of his journey, Herzog examines the profound, surreal, and sometimes absurd experiences of the marine biologists, physicists, plumbers, and truck drivers who choose to form a society as far away from society as one can get.

101 Minutes, Rated G

MAN ON WIRE
Monday, January 19, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

As the World Trade Center was being built in the early 1970s, Frenchman Philippe Petit became obsessed. He had to walk between the twin towers. Director James Marsh blends Petit’s own film of the planning and preparation with the restaging of key events in the caper. Along with the poignancy of watching the towers go up instead of down — as Roger Ebert wrote, the film “is about the vanquishing of the towers by bravery and joy, not by terrorism” — there is the amazing and life-affirming act itself. It was not a single scamper across a high wire, but a 45-minute denial of gravity and all forces that weigh us down into the predictable. Not to be missed, Man on Wire is a “thorough, understated and altogether enthralling documentary.” — A.O. Scott, The New York Times.

94 Minutes, Rated PG-13

BIGGER, FASTER, STRONGER
Monday, February 16, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

A sort of kinder, gentler Michael Moore, first-time director Christopher Bell goes from the very personal story of boy’s growing up in the 1980s and the heroes then prominent in their world — Rambo, Hulk Hogan, Arnold Schwarzenegger — to the dark side of success bought with performance-enhancing steroids. With all the entertainment value and crisp editing typical of Moore, Bell goes beyond the obvious indictment of steroids to make a broader critique of a culture in which bigger, stronger, faster, are qualities both demanded and revered. “...A hugely entertaining personal documentary about what steroids mean to American pop culture...” — Ty Burr, Boston Globe.

107 Minutes, Rated PG-13

Library Programs for Adults

WRIGLEY FIELD’S LAST WORLD CHAMPIONS
Tuesday, December 9, at 7:30 p.m.

See description on page 1.

ESCAPE INTO A GOOD BOOK!
WINTER READING CLUB FOR ADULTS AND YOUNG ADULTS
December 20, 2008–March 1, 2009

Looking for a way to beat the winter blues? Need a break from reality? Our winter reading club theme this year is “Escape into a Good Book” and we’ll have plenty of booklists on hand to match your mood. Sign up begins on December 20 at 9:30 a.m. with our traditional cider and doughnuts in the YA Media Room (just beyond the Readers’ Services Desk). As always, the club rules are easy to follow and the prizes are easy to take. Please join us!

EDVARD MUNCH: THE FRIEZE OF LIFE
Tuesday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Michelle Paluch-Mishur returns to the Glencoe Library to examine the works of Edvard Munch (1863–1944). In this interactive slide lecture, Munch’s intriguing artistic vision will be discussed through a study of paintings and prints that relate closely to his biography. Dr. Paluch-Mishur will survey Munch’s major themes and explain how relationships during his formative years affected his approach to various subjects.

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Occasionally it is necessary to change the date of a discussion. Please check with the Readers’ Services desk if you have questions. Copies of the books are available for checkout; ask at the Readers’ Services desk.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Judy Levin has led book discussions and given reviews throughout the Chicago area for over 25 years. These discussions emphasize the exchange of ideas; all participants are encouraged to ask questions, raise topics of interest and offer thoughts and opinions in an open atmosphere.

December 10 at 1:00 p.m. — The Age of Innocence by Edith Wharton
January 14 at 1:00 p.m. — Old Filth by Jan Gardam
February 11 at 1:00 p.m. — The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit by Lucette Lagnado

SELL YOURSELF IN ANY INTERVIEW
Thursday, February 19, at 7:00 p.m.

In 40 years of training managers to hire the best employees, Oscar Adler identified a common mistake applicants make during interviews: they focus on themselves instead of the interviewer. In this workshop, Mr. Adler will discuss what interviewers really want to know about an applicant and will present tools and techniques that can help applicants prepare for a variety of interview situations. Mr. Adler has served on the faculty of Rutgers University evening division, been a facilitator at the Lake Forest Graduate School of Management, and lectured for the American Management Association.

SHOUT HALLELUJAH, COME ON, GET HAPPY!
AMERICA’S MUSICAL THEATER LEGENDS

Susan Benjamin returns with this very popular series of programs featuring the lives of the composers, lyricists and performers who shaped American musical theatre in the 20th Century, illustrated with samples of their most important and unforgettable work. Please join us for these entertaining and informative programs.

Monday, December 8, at 1:00 p.m. — Debbie Reynolds
Monday, January 12, at 1:00 p.m. — Frank Loesser
Monday, February 9, at 1:00 p.m. — Julie Andrews

MONDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

Michelle Wilson leads these discussions featuring thought-provoking recent fiction.

December 22 at 7:30 p.m. — Out Stealing Horses by Per Petterson
January 26 at 7:30 p.m. — The Year of Fog by Michelle Richmond
February 23 at 7:30 p.m. — Restless by William Boyd

NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSION

The nonfiction book discussion group is on hiatus. Judith Binder, who has led these very successful discussions, is not able to continue in this role. We’re working on plans to continue these discussion with a new leader—stay tuned for more information.
Mark Your Calendar
For These Special Programs

DOC TALK
For parents, grandparents, teachers, and other caregivers.
Keep Your Child on Track & off the Dangerous Runaway Trains: Anorexia & Bulimia is being repeated by popular demand. Dr. Judy Knight, MD, Medical Consultant, Highland Park Hospital Center for Eating Disorders, will explain how healthy kids can get trapped in the spiral of these diseases, and why prevention is so important. For parents, grandparents, teachers, and caregivers of girls and boys ages 5-16.
Tuesday, December 9, at 10:00 a.m.

HOLIDAY CARD SHOP
Children ages 3 and up can make cards for the December holidays at this drop-in craft program. We provide the paper, glue, pens, and cut-outs and you provide the imagination!
Saturday, December 13, between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

WINTER READING CLUB!
BOOKS AND YOU: A PERFECT FIT
Kids in grades K through 5 are invited to read 4-6 books of different genres between December 20th and January 31st. For each book read, participants will receive a puzzle piece. Complete a 4-piece puzzle or 6-piece puzzle to receive prizes. Explore new types of books — mysteries, nonfiction, picture books, adventure and more — and you’ll find that you and books make a perfect fit! Register at the Children’s Information Desk.

Winter Break Programs
During winter break, the Glencoe Public Library is a hot spot for fun and activity. Join us for one, a few, or all of these great programs!

Learning to Look at Art
presented by the Glencoe Public Library and Gallery 659
Families with children ages 5-8 are invited to Gallery 659 (659 Vernon Ave.) to learn how to “read the story” behind a piece of art. Susan Dienhart, artist and former teacher, will walk the children through the annual members’ exhibit. Participants will create their own masterpieces and present them to the group, explaining their artistic visions. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please contact the library to register so we can be sure to have enough art supplies.
Monday, December 22, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Mind-Boggling Magic
Back by popular demand, magician Jeffrey the Great amazes and entertains with juggling, jokes and jaw-dropping tricks. For families with children ages 4 and up. Two shows!
Friday, December 26, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. OR 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Family Storytime – Resting Up…Revving Up
Winter is a time for sleeping as many animals hibernate through the long dark season. But it’s also a time for fun outdoor activities! Join us as we read about resting and revving through the winter. For families and children ages 4 and up.
Tuesday, December 30, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Professional Theatre Program!
The Great Works Theatre Company presents: Fractured Fairy Tales – funny adoptions of traditional tales by the Brothers Grimm and Aesop. Learn about the backgrounds of these classic stories while laughing out loud. For families with children ages 5 and up. Space in the library is limited, so please arrive early to ensure a spot.
Friday, January 2, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Outrageous Stories and Original Art – Reception and Art Unveiling
Glencoe Public Library has received an original cartoon by award-winning children’s book illustrator David Catrow. Join us at a reception to unveil our new artwork and enjoy some extremely silly stories featuring Catrow’s drawings. For families and children ages 4 and up.
Saturday, January 3, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Drop-in Craft with Storytime
We’ll begin and end this drop-in craft day with special storytimes for families and children ages 5 and up. Join us at 10:30 a.m. for stories about friendship, and stay as the drop-in craft period begins at 11:00 am. The stories will be repeated at the close of the drop-in craft period at 2:00 p.m.
Monday, January 19, 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
(no school day / Martin Luther King Day)
Stories: 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
Drop-in craft: anytime between 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Happy Birthday, Mr. President!
Come for the cake and stay for the stories and craft! Let’s celebrate some presidential birthdays: Lincoln’s 200th birthday and Washington’s 277th. We’ll have birthday cake, read stories, and then make a craft. For families and children ages 5 and up.
Monday, February 16, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
(no school day/Presidents’ Day)
Stories and cake: 11:00 a.m.
Drop-in craft: after stories until 2:00 p.m.
**Storytime Programs**

Stories, songs, and activities specially selected and presented to help children learn to love books, stories, libraries, and learning. Registration is **NOT required**. Parents and caregivers remain with children in Thursday and Friday storytimes; children ages 4 to 6 years in Tuesday storytime may attend independently while parents/caregivers remain in library.

**Big Kids’ Book Bunch** specially developed for children ages 4 to 6 years old:

- **Tuesday afternoons at 4:15 p.m.**
- **January 6 – February 24**

**Tales for Tots** targeted to children ages 2-3 years:

- **Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m.**
- **January 8 – February 26**

**Book Babies** designed for children ages 0 to 23 months:

- **Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m.**
- **January 9 – February 27**

**Stories & Crafts w/ Miss Lesley**

Children ages 4-6 years (kindergarteners welcome!) listen to stories and make a related craft. Children attend independently while adult caregivers remain in the library.

Registration **IS required**.

- **Fridays at 4:15 p.m., December 19, January 23, February 27**

**Always Available**

**Books Just 4Me:**

**Custom Book Lists Created Just for You!**

Books Just4 Me is a special service offering customized book lists for children in grades K through 5. Children or parents fill out an interest form and librarians create a list of ten books. Each list is as unique and individual as each child. This is a great way to learn about titles that have escaped your notice and to keep track of all those books you or your children want to read when there’s more time.

**Board Games and Puzzles**

Are things a little slow at home? Stop by the library with a friend to play a game of chess or Parcheesi or Connect 4 and many more! Games are always available; just set up at one of the tables and play!

**KIDS’ COLLECTION DISPLAYS**

The following children shared their treasures with visitors to the library:

- David’s baseball cards
- Grace and Clare’s seashells and ceramics
- Hannah’s trolls
- Katie’s puppies
- Lauren’s snow globes
- Sam’s Wacky Packs
- Stella’s Polly Pocket dolls and houses
Just for Young Adults

**YOUNG ADULT WINTER READING CLUB**

December 20, 2008–March 1, 2009

Looking for something to do while on winter break? Then join our winter reading club for YAs! This year’s theme is Escape into a Good Book and we’ll have booklets on hand to give you suggestions. Sign-up prizes are available when you join and you receive a free video rental coupon good at the library for each book that you read. New this year: You get to choose how many books you read during the course of the club. After you fulfill your personal goal, you are eligible to enter our grand prize drawing for a $50 Borders gift certificate. Stop by the Readers’ Services desk for more info.

**TWILIGHT (THE MOVIE) DISCUSSION**

Saturday, December 13, at 3:00 p.m.
For 6th – 12th grade

So you read all the books in the Twilight saga and just had to see the movie as soon as it opened. Now come to our film group to talk about the movie: the good, the bad, and everything in between. Did Richard Pattinson make a good Edward? How was Kristen Stewart as Bella? Was the book better than the movie? Join us in the Hammond Meeting Room (located on the mezzanine level of the library) for the discussion and FREE snacks. **NOTE:** We will not be showing the film, just discussing it!

**YA STUDY BREAK LOUNGE IS BACK!!**

Saturday, January 10 – Thursday, January 15

Looking to take a break while studying for finals? Stop by our Study Break Lounge for FREE snacks and socializing. The Lounge Hours are 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 10, and 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 11, and will be located in the Hammond Room on the mezzanine level of the library. Lounge hours for Monday, January 12-Thursday, January 15 are from 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. and will be held in either the Hammond Room or the YA Media Room on the first floor (check at the Readers’ Services desk for location). Help keep your stress level down and have fun at the same time. Good luck with finals!

**Friends’ Corner**

**OCTOBER USED BOOK SALE BRINGS IN CROWDS**

The Friends hosted its used book sale, now held three times a year, in October. Large crowds purchased thousands of books, DVDs, CDs and videos at bargain prices. The sale raised just over $6,800, which the Friends will use to help fund special projects, equipment and programming at the library. Our warm thanks to all our Friends who donated books and materials for the sale, as well as all our sale patrons who bought so many good books! The Spring Used Book Sale will be held March 6 – 9, 2009.

**FALL CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT**

On Sunday, October 12, the Friends of the Glencoe Library hosted its Fall Classical Music Concert featuring Sam Magad’s Chicago Chamber Players. More than 115 people came to listen to the beautiful music and enjoyed a reception of home baked treats afterward.

**FIND BARGAINS ON USED BOOKS YEAR-ROUND**

Buy good used books at great prices year-round! Just inside the library’s front door, you will find two shelves full of used books available for purchase. A large selection of hard and soft cover fiction is available at the usual bargain prices. Proceeds, of course, benefit the Glencoe Public Library.

**BOOK DONATIONS WELCOME**

When you’re sorting through your shelves of books and movies, please keep us in mind! We gratefully accept donations of paperback and hardcover books, videos, audiotapes, CDs and DVDs. (Sorry, we cannot accept textbooks, encyclopedias, magazines, or water-damaged books.) A tax receipt for book donations is available at the check-out desk.
Meet the Staff

THE TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

There might be more going on at your library than you realize. In the lower level of the library, away from the public eye, Technical Services is the department that orders, receives, catalogs and processes every item that the library shelves and circulates. With changes in technology, the Technical Services department has also become responsible for much of the computer hardware and software that makes possible the library catalogs, Internet computers and staff work stations at which all of your books, videos and compact discs are checked out.

Every item circulated by the library does indeed have to pass through the Technical Services Department. While that is usually more than enough to keep them busy, there is much more to be done. Head of Tech. Services Becky Halcli is ultimately responsible for all the work that happens in her department, while also being the library's main cataloger, as well as the person responsible for buying, installing and maintaining most of our computer equipment. Charlie Sangerman orders the supplies that keeps us in action and checks in all the boxes of books and other materials that arrive daily. Kathy Urban performs all the processing that must occur before we can put items on the shelf and circulate them, as well as mending books when it is possible to do so. Lisa Howland works extensively in the library database, does ordering work, while also handling much of the Library's bookkeeping and payroll duties. You may not see them when you visit the library, but the Tech. Services Department is probably working hard behind the scenes to help everything work seamlessly at your library.

Donations to the Library

Contributions made to the library are not only a generous way to honor a friend or relative, they also purchase materials that will serve the entire community. The library is always appreciative of donations made in honor or in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate a special event. A gift bookplate may be placed inside the selected material to note the donation and an acknowledgment will be sent to the honoree(s) designated by the donor.

Continuing donations to the library were recently made by Bobette Cohen Takiff and Patricia Newmen.

Library Calendar

The library will be closed in observance of the following holidays:
- The library will close at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 24, and remain closed through Thursday, December 25, in observance of the Christmas holiday.
- The library will close at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 31, and remain closed through Thursday, January 1, in observance of the New Year's holiday.

We’re not sure, but we believe this to be the elusive and hard-working Technical Services staff: Charlie Sangerman, Becky Halcli, Kathy Urban and Lisa Howland.

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