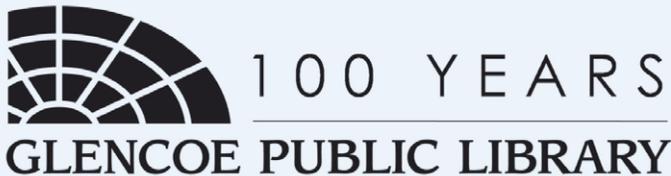


EXCERPTS

Spotlight on Library Programs

SPECIAL EVENTS PLANNED FOR LIBRARY CENTENNIAL



On January 1, 1910, the Glencoe Public Library opened its doors for the first time in the former kindergarten room of the old Central School. Almost a hundred years of service to the community later, we're ready to celebrate! We've planned a series of special events over the next half-year to commemorate our centennial and to set the tone for our second century, beginning with:

June 18: *The Secret Garden* puppet show with *bunraku* traditional Japanese puppets (see the Kids' News section for details).

June 19: Make Big Plans—Daniel Burnham's Vision of an American Metropolis. A photopanel exhibit curated by The Newberry Library about Burnham's 1909 *Plan of Chicago*. On display in the Hammond Room through December.

Sept. 20: Glencoe Then & Now program by Ellen Paseltiner and Scott Javore of the Glencoe Historical Society. Created for Glencoe's second graders, this enjoyable slide lecture will be reinterpreted for adult participants.

Later in 2009, there will be a screening of the film *Meet Me in St. Louis*, a special musical program on Tin Pan Alley and Irving Berlin, a lecture on Glencoe's history by Professor Michael Ebner, and a staged radio production. In January 2010, there will be a birthday party/reception for all Glencoe residents to enjoy. More information is available at the library and in future issues of *Excerpts*.

Three history-themed **book discussions** for children also have been scheduled, beginning August 6. See the Kids' News section for details. 

SUMMER READING CLUB: CELEBRATE THE CENTENNIAL

Saturday, June 13 – Saturday, August 15

As we approach the library's 100th birthday, it's only natural to reflect on the many changes that have taken place in our town, our nation, and our world in the century since the library was founded. Literature holds up a mirror to the society that produced it and allows us vicariously to experience other times and places, so this year's summer reading program encourages you to sample the lives and worlds of Glencoe residents of days gone by as reflected in the books they might have been reading.

Summer reading should be fun, so we'll have our usual complement of entertaining book lists, great prizes, and treats. Join us for our annual kickoff party—complete with summer-time treats—on Saturday, June 13, or sign up any time after that date. Read six books by August 13 and you'll get the official (limited edition, centennial souvenir!) program prize. Please join us as we celebrate the past and anticipate the future.

For more information on library programs for adults, see page 2.

Did You Know?

GLENCOE OUTDOOR SUMMER FILMS RETURN

Again this summer, popular feature films will be shown on Wyman Green at dusk every third Friday of the month. The Glencoe Chamber of Commerce, Glencoe Youth Services, Glencoe Public Library, Friends of the Glencoe Public Library, Glencoe Park District, and the Village of Glencoe work together to present outdoor entertainment for the whole family to enjoy together. The series begins on June 19th with *Madagascar 2*. We'll see you there!

RAVINIA TICKETS AGAIN AVAILABLE

Yes, we will have Ravinia tickets! The Ravinia Festival has once again donated lawn passes to area libraries for distribution to their patrons. Tickets will be available at the library beginning June 6 to **Glencoe residents only** (age 18 and up) on a first-come, first-served basis. Limit two free tickets per household.

GLENCOE PUBLIC LIBRARY RANKS HIGH!

"Survey of Public Libraries," a new national survey measuring how well public libraries are used, was published in the February 15, 2009, issue of *Library Journal*. We are proud to report that the Glencoe Public Library continues to rank first among North Shore libraries when measured on a per capita basis for the number of checkouts, library visits, attendance at programs, and use of the Internet.

Libraries are grouped by total expenditures, placing Glencoe and our neighbors in the \$1,000,000 to \$4,999,999 category, which totals 1,126 U. S. libraries. Glencoe Public Library placed 42nd in this listing, equal to the 96th percentile nationwide.

DAVID MORTON STEIN COMPUTER CENTER IS NOW OPEN

A large audience gathered on April 12 to dedicate the new computer center in the Children's Department, funded through very generous donations made in memory of Glencoe college student David Morton Stein. These contributions enabled the library to create a new, larger computer center in the Children's Department, providing two additional workstations as part of a beautiful custom-designed oak cabinet. More Glencoe children will be able to learn to conduct their own library research, working side-by-side with librarians and parents, as a benefit of this donation.

A special part of the Stein Memorial is the placement of a literary quote, hand-stenciled below the window in the computer area. Seth, Carol, and Rachel Stein selected a quote from one of their family's favorite books, *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets*: "When in doubt, go to the library." The Glencoe Library is most appreciative of being selected for this very special memorial and thanks the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library for managing the donation process. 

Library Programs for Adults

NEW! TECHNOLOGY TUESDAYS

Facebook. Twitter. Flickr. E-books. RSS. Blogging. You see these terms in newspapers, on TV, and especially surfing the Internet, but how do you even begin to get started with new technologies? Adult Services Librarian Mike Gershbein will introduce you to the various exciting technologies that people are using, giving you a chance to safely explore them while offering you the basics to investigate further on your own.

Technology Tuesdays is open to all ages and skills, although a basic knowledge of computers (how to use a mouse and keyboard, how to get on the Internet) is required. Each class will last one hour.

June 16 at 7:00 p.m. — Facebook

July 21 at 7:00 p.m. — Flickr

August 18 at 7:00 p.m. — Twitter



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, June 8, at 1:00 p.m. — Mary Martin

Monday, July 13, at 1:00 p.m. — Lena Horne

Monday, August 10, at 1:00 p.m. — Stephen Sondheim

NEW! GUYS' BOOK GROUP

Groucho Marx once said, "I don't want to belong to any club that will accept me as a member." And yet Groucho, a voracious reader, pined for a Real Book Club that would read books of interest to "Men Like Him."

It's too late for Groucho, but not for Glencoe. Starting June 25th, we begin a new book club focused on Books that Guys Would Like to Read. Suggestions are welcomed. The first month's selection addresses the question, "Why would nonprofessional athletes use steroids?" In a humorous, self-deprecating way, author Sam Fussell explores his past in *Muscle: Confessions of an Unlikely Bodybuilder*, a humorous and metaphorical short read. In July we will explore an intellectual question with more teeth: "If Vietnam was such a debacle, how did our government so easily commit to it?" We'll use David Halberstam's *The Coldest Winter: America and the Korean War* as the pivot for that question.

Glencoe resident Louis Harrison leads the discussions. Books are available from the Glencoe Library. Though this is labeled as a Guy's Book Club, both men and women are encouraged to attend.

Thursday, June 25, at 7:30 p.m. — *Muscle* by Samuel W. Fussell

Thursday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m. — *The Coldest Winter* by David Halberstam

TALKING PICTURES: A FILM AND DISCUSSION SERIES

Enjoy an afternoon of thought-provoking cinema and discussion with Susan Benjamin. The film showing starts promptly at 1:00 p.m. in the Hammond Room and will be followed immediately by a discussion period.

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

Wednesday, June 17, at 1:00 p.m. — *Crash*

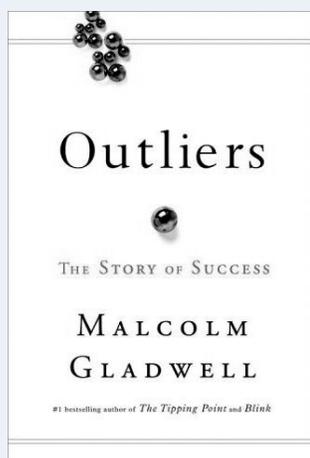
Thursday, July 16, at 1:00 p.m. — *The Visitor*

Wednesday, August 19, at 1:00 p.m. — *Then She Found Me*

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.

NONFICTION BOOK DISCUSSIONS



This is the perfect group for avid nonfiction readers. Book selections cover a wide range of topics (including history, biography, arts and culture, and the sciences) designed to promote the well-informed exchange of ideas and opinion inspired by reading topical, well-crafted prose. If you like nonfiction, give this group a try. Discussions will be led by Judy Levin.

Thursday, June 18, at 7:30 p.m. — *My Father's Paradise* by Ariel Sabar

Thursday, July 30, at 7:30 p.m. — *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell

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.

June 10 at 1:00 p.m. — *Mister Pip* by Lloyd Jones

July 8 at 1:00 p.m. — *Out Stealing Horses* by Per Petterson

There will be no August book discussion, but we'll start again on September 9.

MONDAY EVENING BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Readers' Services Associate Michelle Wilson leads these discussions featuring thought-provoking recent fiction.

June 22 at 7:30 p.m. — *The Last Chinese Chef* by Nicole Mones

July 27 at 7:30 p.m. — *The Kitchen Boy* by Robert Alexander

August 24 at 7:30 p.m. — *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout

Kids' News

SUMMER READING CLUB

June 5 – July 31

READ ON THE WILD SIDE

Explore the wild side this summer through books and library programs. Chat with a cheetah, tangle with a tamarin, laugh with a leopard, and relax with a rhino ... all the while participating in the summer reading club. Whatever type of reading you prefer – nonfiction, picture books, magazines, or chapter books — the Summer Reading Club is your guide to the wild side of the library for children of all ages. Don't miss out on this exciting adventure.



Registration begins: Friday, June 5 (last day of school)

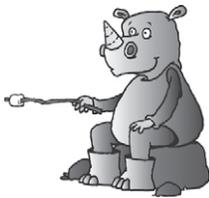
Prize distribution begins: Friday, June 12

Program ends: Friday, July 31

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS: SUMMER READING KICK-OFF

Dr. Robert James – zoologist, teacher, and author – will bring animals from around the world to help children **ages 5 and up** learn about and appreciate these exotic creatures. Go on a safari without leaving Glencoe!

Friday, June 5, at 1:30 p.m.



PIZZA PARTY!

Everyone who participates in the *Read on the Wild Side* summer reading club is invited to celebrate the end of another successful summer of reading. Join us for pizza – and fun!

Saturday, August 1, at 12 noon



Summer Programs for Kids

Storytimes

Family Storytimes – Children of **all ages** and their families who enjoy listening to stories, singing simple songs, and hearing classic rhymes should join in the fun on Tuesday afternoons or Wednesday mornings. **All are welcome.** Please note: Tuesday and Wednesday storytimes will follow same themes and use many of the same books and activities. **Registration is NOT required.**

Tuesday afternoons at 4:15 p.m. & Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

June 23 through August 12

Book Babies – Join us for stories, songs, and active play specially developed and presented to help children **ages 0 to 23 months** learn to love books, stories, libraries, and learning. **Registration is NOT required.**

Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

June 26 through August 14



Programs and Activities

CHESS WORKSHOPS

Beginners and players who are more experienced can brush up on chess skills with ongoing lessons and informal matches at the library. While this program series is scheduled to coordinate with the Park District chess camps – and is led by *Chess Scholars*, the same group offering instruction at the Park District and West School – the library's program is open to all who are interested.

Registration is required. For children entering grades 2-5.

Wednesday afternoons at 4:15 p.m.

June 10, June 17, July 8, July 15, July 29, August 5

STORY INVENTING WRITING WORKSHOP WITH AUTHOR MARY AMATO

Mary Amato, creator of *The Riot Brothers* and other books, visits the library to help children release their inner storyteller. Using theater games, kids learn how to construct a story, often with hilarious results. A great activity for all kids – enthusiastic authors and reluctant writers alike. **For children entering grades 1-4. Registration is required.**

Thursday, July 9, at 4:15 p.m.

READERS' THEATRE

Calling all actors – or those who want to try acting in a low-key environment. Bring books to life by reading aloud scenes from popular stories. No memorization required! Participants will meet for two practice sessions before the final rehearsal, followed by the performance. **PLEASE NOTE: Registration is required** and participants **must attend all three sessions** in order to perform. Children need to be able to **read fluently at or near grade level**; for **children entering grades 2-5**. Stories will be selected based on number of children registering.

Rehearsals: Mondays at 4:30 p.m. July 20, July 27, and August 3

Performance: Monday, August 3, at 5:30 p.m.

All are invited to the performance!

MORE THAN JUST A STINGER – MEET A HONEYBEE

Meet beekeeper Claudia Walter and take a close up look at some live honeybees. Bees have a lot more to offer than a sting. Taste some different honey samples and learn about the important role of bees in our environment. **For children entering grades 1 through 5.**

Wednesday, July 22, at 4:30 p.m.

PET PARADE

Whether you have a pup, a cat, a frog, or a webkinz, you can bring your favorite pet – real or imaginary – to the annual pet parade. Children **ages 4 and older** and their pet are invited to participate (younger than 8 *must* be with an adult). All pets must have had their shots and be on a leash or in a crate/box. **Registration is required. In the event of rain, program will be cancelled.**

Saturday, August 15, at 2:00 p.m.



KINDERGARTEN KICK-OFF

Get ready for a wonderful experience! All children entering kindergarten are invited to celebrate the start of school with stories and a craft plus a snack (juices, fruits and cookies). **Registration is required.**

Thursday, August 27, at 11:00 a.m. OR 2:00 p.m. (Both sessions are the same, please choose one.)

GAME ON! DROP-IN TOURNAMENTS

This summer the library will offer three drop-in games tournaments. Make plans with your friends to come in and compete. . .or just drop in and see if there's anyone around who you can challenge. Get points for playing *and* for winning. Prizes will be awarded. Games will be available in the children's department during open library hours. **Registration is required.**

June 5 – 30th Checkers tournament
July 1st – 31st Chinese Checkers tournament
August 1st – 21st Connect Four tournament



Happy 100th Birthday, Glencoe Public Library!

Many interesting events and changes took place 100 years ago: from increasing diversity in our country to the crusade for the rights of child workers, to the founding of the Glencoe Public Library. We are going to start celebrating a bit early – the library opened January 1, 1910 – by offering programs and activities that will help you travel back in time to 1910.

PUPPET THEATRE:

THE SECRET GARDEN PRESENTED BY ROBERTS MARIONETTES

A best-seller in 1910, *The Secret Garden* continues to weave a spell, now through the magic and artistry of puppetry. A puppeteer will blend *bunraku*, traditional Japanese style puppetry, with theatrical storytelling to bring the characters to life. **For children ages 5 and up.**

Thursday, June 18, at 4:30 p.m.

CENTENNIAL BOOK DISCUSSION: FARAWAY SUMMER BY JOHANNA HURWITZ

Join other young readers in meeting Dossi, a young Jewish immigrant from the tenements of New York who visits the countryside for the first time. Dossi's stay with the Meade family is eye-opening and world-expanding for all involved. Learn about the Fresh Air Fund – a charitable organization that continues today – as well as life in New York tenements and the challenges and rewards of immigration to the U.S. **Please NOTE:** While *Faraway Summer* (155 pages) is written at a **4th – 6th grade level**, patrons of any age who can read and discuss the book are welcome to attend. More centennial book discussions are scheduled for later in 2009.

Thursday, August 6, at 4:15 p.m.



Always Available

Books Just 4Me: Custom Book Lists Created Just for You!

Here's a great way to learn about titles that might have escaped your notice as well as a method of keeping track of all those books you or your children want to read when there's more time (during summer break, for example). **Books Just4 Me** is a special service offering customized book lists for children in **grades K through 5**. Each list is as unique and individual as each child. Children or parents fill out an interest form and librarians create a list of ten books. The list can be updated with new books and you can ask the library staff to add a title to your list if you there's a book you'd like to read but just don't have the time right now. Ask us about **Books Just4Me!**

KIDS' COLLECTION DISPLAYS:

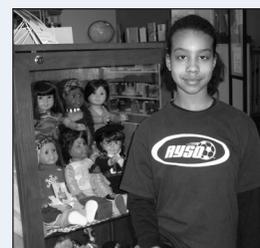
Display cases – The following Glencoe children recently shared their collections with the community.



Andy's pinewood derby cars



Coby's sports memorabilia



Erin's collectible dolls
and Steiff bears



Hillary's button collection



Isabel's dolls from
around the world



Katie's pins and badges
from national parks



Laura's snow globes,
seashells, and turtles



Rebecca's frog collectibles

Not pictured here: Nicholas' bells

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.

THE POOL

Monday, June 15, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

95 Minutes, Not Rated

While *Slumdog Millionaire* got all of the attention (and several of the Oscars), there was another 2008 film that was set in India and directed by a Westerner. *The Pool* is the story of Venkatesh, a "room boy" working at a hotel in Panjim, Goa, who sees from his perch in a mango tree, a luxuriant garden and shimmering pool hidden behind a wall. In making whatever efforts he can to better himself, Venkatesh offers his services to the wealthy owner of the home. Like *Slumdog Millionaire*, *The Pool* displays an impressive degree of sympathy for India by an outsider. But in perfect counterpoint to the sensory assault and intermittent violence of *Slumdog*, *The Pool* is a simple, beautiful story revealed amid the quiet and subtle depiction of its characters. "Many directors claim to value local color, but few have gone as far, or achieved such impressive results, as has Chris Smith in *The Pool*."—Michael Hardy, *Boston Globe*.

WALTZ WITH BASHIR

Monday, July 20, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

90 Minutes, Rated R

One of the best-reviewed films of 2008, *Waltz with Bashir* is a wholly innovative, original, and vital history lesson. Aided by pioneering animation, it delivers its message about the Middle East in a mesmerizing fashion. "The best movie of 2008? The most revealing war film ever made? The greatest animated feature to come out of Israel? All these descriptions could apply to *Waltz with Bashir*."—Jonathan Curiel, *San Francisco Chronicle*.

HARVARD BEATS YALE, 29-29

Monday, August 17, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.

105 Minutes, Not Rated

A fascinating documentary, *Harvard Beats Yale 29-29* uses the 1968 football game between the two Ivy League schools as a jumping-off point to examine the highly charged context in which the event occurred. Actor Tommy Lee Jones, who was a Harvard team member at the time, recalls that "ideas were flying like bullets." At Yale, the student comic strip Doonesbury introduced a jock character, B.D., based on the school's star quarterback. Players from either side had Al Gore and George W. Bush as roommates; the results of the football game are eerily comparable to what happened after the 2000 presidential race between the two men. "Not just a great sports movie, *Harvard Beats Yale 29-29* captures a pivotal moment in recent history."—Steven Rea, *Philadelphia Inquirer*. 

Just for Young Adults

YA SUMMER READING: CELEBRATE THE CENTENNIAL

Saturday, May 30 – Saturday, August 15

Sign up for the Summer Reading Club BEFORE school ends! We'll give you a prize just for signing up (and will recommend lots of great books for you to read over summer vacation). If you read six books by August 13, you get another fabulous prize. Make sure to enter our weekly drawing for each book you read (one winner will be chosen each week). We'll also give you a video coupon good for a free rental at the library for every book read. *Happy reading!*

YA STUDY BREAK LOUNGE IS BACK

Saturday, May 30 – Wednesday, June 3

Looking to take a break while studying for finals? Stop by our Study Break Lounge for FREE snacks and socializing. Help keep your stress level down and have fun at the same time. The lounge will be in the Hammond Room on the mezzanine level every day except June 2, when it will be in the YA Media Room. The Lounge will be open:

Saturday, May 30, 10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Monday, June 1, 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 2, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Good luck with finals! 

Friends' Corner

FRIENDS TO FUND READING PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

In addition to its recent decision to fund a significant gift for the Library's front entrance renovation, the Friends recently voted that it will continue to fund summer reading programs for children and adults at levels consistent with its 2008 pledges. We hope you enjoy the fun summer reading programs our library staff has planned for you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: SUMMER BOOK SALE

The Friends' Summer Used Book Sale will take place **June 13-15**. Members joining the Friends at \$20 or more will receive an invitation to our Friday evening preview sale on June 12. We are excited to be able to offer thousands of volumes in excellent condition, thanks to the very generous donations of used books, DVDs, and other materials from our Friends in the community.

NEW: SALE SHELF FOR CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Now you can buy children's used books at great prices year-round! Just inside the library's front door, you will find shelves full of used books available for purchase. You'll find great hard- and softcover fiction for adults, and now children's books as well, at the usual bargain prices. Please leave the total for your book purchase in the lockbox on the shelf. Proceeds, of course, benefit the Glencoe Public Library.

SPRING CLASSICAL MUSIC CONCERT

On Sunday, April 19, the Friends of the Glencoe Library hosted its Spring Classical Music Concert featuring Sam Magad's Chicago Chamber Players. All present enjoyed a program of Mozart and selections from Gershwin's *Porgy and Bess*. The lively program drew more than 175 people, who came out in spite of the rain to listen to the beautiful music.

SPRING USED BOOK SALE

Reading enthusiasts and bargain hunters found a lot to be happy about at the Friends' Spring Used Book Sale in March 2009. The Friends of the Library was able to raise more than \$7,400 from the sale. The proceeds will be used to help fund the remaining installment of the Friends' pledge of help for the Library's front entrance project. Thank you for making this sale possible with your book donations, and thank you also to our sale patrons for braving the weather to come to our sale!



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 your book donations is available at the Check-Out Desk. 

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Library Trustees News



Retiring board members Roger Parfitt and Lun Ye Crim Barefield

This spring's election brought big changes to the Library Board, with five positions available. Lun Ye Crim Barefield and Roger Parfitt have retired from the Board and Stephanie Pearce and Tracey Meyers are beginning four-year terms. Both retiring trustees served as Library Board President, providing outstanding leadership and guidance. Ms. Barefield served two full terms, from 2001 – 2009; Mr. Parfitt was first elected in 2003, but had to resign after six years because of business travel requirements.

Our new trustees bring knowledge and skills that will be very valuable to the library as we head toward the creation of a new strategic plan. Ms. Meyers brings marketing career experience to her new role, as well as her experience as a frequent visitor to the children's department as the mother of school-aged children. Ms. Pearce is currently on a parenting hiatus, but has a successful background with innovative marketing practices and strategic planning.

The library is also extremely fortunate to continue to benefit from the knowledge of three re-elected trustees: John Tuohy, who was first appointed in 2003, and Barbara Breakstone and Stanley Weinberger, who will begin their second four-year terms. Current trustees Joel Shoolin and Judy Zager complete the Library Board. 



Incoming board members Tracey Meyers and Stephanie Pearce

Donations to the Library

Contributions made to the library are more than 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.

Recent donors include:

*Rene and Simon Firmin
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as well as 68 contributors to the David Morton Stein Memorial Fund. 

Library Calendar

The library will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

- Independence Day, July 4

The library will be closed on all successive Sundays beginning May 24 through the Labor Day Weekend. 