Wordplaygrounds:
A Summer Creative Writing Workshop for Teens

Tuesday and Thursday evenings
June 19 through July 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Writing is more than a school assignment; it can become a gratifying part of your life. Students ages 13–18 years old are invited to discover this for themselves at Wordplaygrounds, a four-week creative writing workshop just for teens. Taught by New Trier English teacher John O’Connor, this workshop will meet at the library on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:30 p.m., from June 19 through July 12. The focus will be on poetry, although short story writing is encouraged as well. This fun, interactive series—which debuted last year and is back by popular demand—is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library and Bob Boone/Glencoe Study Center.

To participate in Wordplaygrounds, please sign up at the library’s Readers’ Services Desk by Monday, June 11. Glencoe teens will be given priority if the workshop fills up.

Louder than a Bomb

Wednesday, June 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Warm up for Wordplaygrounds or just enjoy an amazing film on Wednesday, June 6, when the library will screen Louder Than a Bomb. This exhilarating, award-winning documentary follows four teams of young poets as they prepare for the world’s largest youth poetry slam, which draws more than 600 teenagers from over 60 Chicago area schools. Roger Ebert named Louder Than a Bomb one of the ten best documentaries of 2011. The library’s event features an introduction by Glencoe’s own Bob Boone, whose writing program Young Chicago Authors sponsors the Louder Than a Bomb poetry slam.

Did You Know?

YOU’RE LOOKING AT A NEW AND IMPROVED EXCERPTS!

Something should look (and feel) a bit different about this issue of Excerpts. We have expanded from six to eight pages, increased the font size, improved the layout, and generally tried to make your newsletter more readable. Let us know what you think!

WE HAVE TIPS FOR FILM LOVERS

Would you like to be notified of all our hot new releases on DVD and Blu-ray? If so, you’ll definitely want to sign up for our Flick Picks blog. You’ll get one or two emails a week with recommendations from our movie experts on blockbusters and little-seen gems alike. Go to gplflickpicks.blogspot.com and choose the option to subscribe via email (it’s on the left) to join the fun!

If you’re interested in the films screened as part of our long-running “Monday Night at the Movies” series, a complete list of all the features and documentaries screened since 2003 is available. You can pick up a flyer at the library or go to the library’s BiblioCommons catalog, select “List” on the pulldown menu and search for “Monday Night at the Movies.”

Donations to the Library

The library is most appreciative of donations made in honor of a loved one or special event. A donation was recently received from Nina Raskin to commemorate Nathaniel J. Raskin’s birthday, March 6, 1921.

Library Board Changes

The Library Board of Trustees and staff thank Stanley Weinberger for his many contributions and valuable service as a trustee from May 2005 through April 2012. We are happy to welcome back former library trustee John Tuohy, who has been appointed to serve the last year of Mr. Weinberger’s term through April 2013.
ADULT PROGRAMS

Book Discussions

Thanks to the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library for their support of our book discussion programs.

Copies of the books are available at the Readers’ Services Desk. Discussion dates are subject to change. Everyone is welcome to attend these lively staff-led discussions.

NONFICTION

Discussions are led by Judy Levin.

Thursday, June 14, at 7:30 p.m.
Hedy’s Folly: The Life and Breakthrough Inventions of Hedy Lamarr, the Most Beautiful Woman in the World
by Richard Rhodes

Thursday, July 12, at 7:30 p.m.
In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler’s Berlin
by Erik Larson

Thursday, August 9, at 7:30 p.m.
Thinking, Fast and Slow
by Daniel Kahneman

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Discussions are led by Judy Levin.

Wednesday, June 13, at 1:00 p.m.
The Submission by Amy Waldman

Wednesday, July 11, at 1:00 p.m.
The White Woman on the Green Bicycle by Monique Roffey

Wednesday, August 8, at 1:00 p.m.
The Weird Sisters by Eleanor Brown

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Discussions are led by Nancy Buehler.

Wednesday, July 11, at 7:00 p.m.
Caleb’s Crossing by Geraldine Brooks

Of Special Interest …

SUMMER READING CLUB: OFF THE BEATEN PATH
– SUMMER READING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS

Saturday, June 9, through Friday, August 31

Thanks to the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library for their support of our Summer Reading Programs.

Your literary journeys have taken you to London, Paris, Tokyo and Rome so often that you can probably picture the Spanish Steps even if you’ve never climbed them. So this summer we invite you to explore some lesser known, but equally compelling, literary destinations. Our many book lists will offer you titles set in cities, towns and villages from Ireland and Scotland to Korea, Thailand, Australia, Canada and all points in between.

Join us for our annual kickoff party complete with summertime treats on June 9. Sign up then or at your earliest convenience. You may also sign up by email (radesk@glencoepubliclibrary.org), but remember to stop by the Readers’ Services desk to pick up your sign-up prize! After reading six books, the official program prize is yours. Remember to enter our drawings for weekly prizes. Once again, we’ll be giving out our popular free video rental coupons for every book read. Two grand prizes will be awarded at the close of the program.

MILLENIUM PARK

Monday, June 25, at 7:30 p.m.

Described by The New York Times as “the crown jewel of a city that takes pride in public spaces,” Millennium Park has been a captivating and controversial destination since its opening in 2004. Get an insider’s tour of Millennium Park with Hy Speck, a 12-year architectural docent who will discuss the artists, philanthropists, and “movers and shakers” who created this 24.5-acre center for art, music, architecture, and landscape design.

LATIN AMERICAN ARTISTS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY:
KAHLO, RIVERA, OROZCO, SIQUEIROS

Monday, June 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Art historian Jeff Mishur returns for a lecture on a selection of twentieth century Latin American artists including Diego Rivera, David Alfaro Siqueiros, José Clemente Orozco, and Frida Kahlo.

This slide lecture will examine the relationship these artists had with a 1920s cultural and educational reform movement in Mexico known as “Indigenismo” or “Mexicanidad.” Promoted especially by José Vasconcelos, Minister of Education, this movement emphasized Mexico’s folk traditions and pre-Columbian roots.
CLARK WEBER’S ROCK AND ROLL RADIO

Tuesday, July 24, at 7:30 p.m.
Go back in time to music’s fun years—when rock and roll was clean and the Chicago River was dirty! Clark Weber was a very familiar voice in the 1950s, 60s, and 70s as a program director and disc jockey for WLS radio in Chicago. Enjoy some of his stories about the music you loved and the people who made it at this entertaining program on the heyday of Top 40 radio.

THE MAKING OF DOWNTON ABBEY: SETTING THE SCENE

Thursday, August 2, at 7:00 p.m.
The soap opera began hundreds of years before Edith wrote her letter to the Turkish ambassador! Yet the aristocratic way of life that had evolved at places like Downton Abbey was nearly over by the time we first meet the Crawleys in 1912. How did a few families come to own so much English property? Why did Robert’s family need him to marry an heiress like Cora? And why do places like Downton Abbey (Highclere Castle in real life) look the way they do? Learn about the landscape designers, land ownership patterns, and inheritance laws that produced great estates like Downton, and why radical changes were inevitable. Landscape historian Barbara Geiger will present this slide lecture. Ms. Geiger specializes in 19th and early 20th century places and teaches architecture at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

FROM PAGE TO STAGE

This year’s “From Page to Stage” event will begin with a Kick-Off program and reception at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 23, on the second floor of the Woman’s Library Club. This fall, five North Shore public libraries will present a series of programs related to the Writers’ Theatre production of Shakespeare’s Hamlet. Always a highlight among the “Page to Stage” programs, the kick-off will feature members of the Writers’ Theatre production. Coffee, dessert and more good conversation will follow the presentation.

Technology Tuesdays

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 is taught by Mike Gershbein and will last one hour.

STATE OF TWITTER

Tuesday, June 19, at 1:00 p.m.
Twitter was all the buzz when it first launched in 2006. Now it has over 140 million users generating more than 340 million tweets daily. Is Twitter afad for people with a lot of time on their hands or is it a mature online resource that has real use? And if you’re not a Twitter user, is it for you? We’ll consider these questions as we take a look at the State of Twitter.

EBOOKS AND EREADERS

Tuesday, July 17, at 1:00 p.m
In July we will talk about all of the newest and hottest ereaders and look at how you can download free ebooks from the library to your iPhone, iPad, Kindle and more. If you have any kind of ereader, smartphone or tablet, you’ll want to attend our Ebooks and Ereaders program.

*There will be no Technology Tuesday in August – We’ll see you in September!*
**Theater & Film**

**AMERICA’S MUSICAL THEATER LEGENDS**

Thanks to the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library for their generous support of this series.

Susan Benjamin presents three programs in this very popular series featuring the lives and unforgettable work of the composers, lyricists, and performers who shaped American musical theatre in the 20th century.

**Monday, June 11, at 1:00 p.m.**
Cole Porter

**Monday, July 9, at 1:00 p.m.**
Harold Arlen

**Monday, August 13, at 1:00 p.m.**
Oscar Hammerstein

**TALKING PICTURES**

Thanks to the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library for their generous support of our film discussion programs.

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

**Monday, June 4, at 1:00 p.m.**
The Chorus

**Monday, July 2, at 1:00 p.m.**
Water for Elephants

**Wednesday, August 1, at 1:00 p.m.**
After the Wedding

**LOUDER THAN A BOMB**

Wednesday, June 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Come to the library’s screening of Louder Than a Bomb, an award-winning documentary about the world’s largest youth poetry slam. This 2011 film showed at New Trier this spring and attracted hundreds of people. If you missed it then, catch it here on June 6! See page 1 for more information.

**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.

**CERTIFIED COPY**

**Monday, June 18, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.**

Certified Copy is the first feature by renowned filmmaker Abbas Kiarostami to be set outside of his native Iran. Over the course of an afternoon, two apparent strangers set out for a Tuscan village. But are they really strangers? Mysteries abound in Certified Copy. What’s less ambiguous is the performance of the film’s star. As the enigmatic woman “Elle,” Juliette Binoche is beguiling as ever.

106 minutes. Not Rated.

**PROJECT NIM**

**Monday, July 16, at 1:00 & 7:00 p.m.**

Can a chimpanzee raised in a human setting learn to communicate as we do? This was the question to be answered by a landmark experiment begun by a Columbia University psychology professor in 1973. The film is another fascinating work from director James Marsh, winner of the Academy Award for his previous documentary, Man on Wire. “Project Nim is practically irresistible. The story keeps getting odder and richer and more complicated.” – Michael Phillips, Chicago Tribune. 93 minutes. Rated PG-13.

**JIRO DREAMS OF SUSHI**

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

You might not expect to find a three-star Michelin restaurant in a Tokyo subway station. However, as David Gelb’s documentary Jiro Dreams of Sushi explains, working in that unlikely location is the man who many consider the world’s greatest sushi chef. “By the time this graceful film is over, you understand why Japan has declared the bald, bespectacled Jiro a national treasure. “By the time this graceful film is over, you understand why Japan has declared the bald, bespectacled Jiro a national treasure. Even if you’ve never tasted sushi, the man’s singleness of purpose will inspire you.” – Colin Covert, Minneapolis Star Tribune. 81 minutes. Rated PG.

**MOVIES ON THE GREEN**

Again this summer, popular feature films will be shown on Wyman Green at dusk one Friday each 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. Dates and movie titles for this summer’s lineup:

**Friday, June 8** – The Muppets

**Friday, July 13** – Puss in Boots

**Friday, August 10** – Soul Surfer

In the event of rain, screenings will occur in the council chamber in Village Hall.
Just for Young Adults

WHAT’S HOT FOR SUMMER:
YOUNG ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Wednesday, May 30 – Friday, August 31

Thanks to the Friends of the Glencoe Public Library for their support of our Summer Reading Programs.

What’s hot is what’s new! Summer Reading this year will focus on new books written with YAs in mind. We’ll have lists of new titles to get you started. Sign up in person at the Readers’ Services desk any time starting May 30, or sign up by email (radesk@glencoepubliclibrary.org). We have lots of incentives for you, including a paperback book of your choice when you finish the program. YA Summer Reading is for students entering 6th grade and up.

STUDY BREAK LOUNGE

Study Break Lounge is open on Sunday, too!

Saturday, June 2 – Thursday, June 7

Looking to take a break from studying for finals? Stop by our legendary Study Break Lounge for free snacks and socializing. The Lounge will be open 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday, and 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Thursday. Good luck with finals!

Library Staff News

MEET RENEE GRASSI

I am honored and thrilled to be working as the Head of Children’s Services at the Glencoe Public Library. Prior to accepting this position, I worked at the Indian Trails Public Library and the Deerfield Public Library. During my four years at Deerfield, I enjoyed everything from leading a storytime for one-year-olds to managing the Teen Volunteer Program and serving all age groups in between. I also developed programs and outreach for children with autism and other special needs and am eager to continue that work here in the Glencoe community. I have an undergraduate degree in English literature from Marquette University. Originally, my plan was to be a high school English teacher. I quickly realized it wasn’t the right profession for me. A friend of mine asked to attend an information seminar about librarianship at Dominican University. I loved librarianship from the very first minute, and went on to complete Dominican’s program, receiving my master’s degree in library and information science in 2009.

I live in the city, so when I am not working, I love to explore all that Chicago has to offer. A self-professed foodie, I savor the opportunity to explore the multitude of cuisines available around the city. I’m also a broadway baby at heart and love to indulge in a musical or play whenever I can. I also volunteer at a local cat shelter. And when I’m done giving those kitties love and attention, I come home to two cats of my own: Gus and Sanchez.

I am grateful for opportunity to join such a passionate, inspiring, and dedicated library team. I look forward to meeting families and am excited to share my passion with the rest of the Glencoe community. So, stop by the Children’s Desk and say hello!
**Storytimes**

**WATER YOUR MIND AND READ: FAMILY STORYTIME AT THE GLENCOE COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Saturday, June 30, at 2:00 p.m.  
All ages with parent or caregiver  
Join a librarian in the beautiful Glencoe Community Garden for a special garden-themed storytime the whole family will enjoy. If the weather is inclement, the program will meet in the Hammond Room at the library.

The Glencoe Community Garden is located east of the Metra line along Green Bay Road, just north of Shelton Park on Harbor Street.

**SUMMER STORYTIMES**

July 11 – August 2  
Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. OR Thursdays, 4:30 p.m.  
All ages with parent or caregiver

Children of all ages are invited to drop by the library for stories, songs, rhymes, and fun for the whole family!

**PAJAMA STORYTIME**

Tuesday, July 17, at 7:00 p.m.  
All ages with parent or caregiver

Dress in your PJs, bring a special blanket or stuffed animal, and visit the library for a special evening storytime.

**BOOK BABIES**

Fridays, July 13 – August 3, 10:30 a.m.  
Children ages 0 to 23 months with parent or caregiver

Join us for stories, songs, and active play specially developed to help babies learn to love books, songs, libraries, and learning.

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**Summer Break Specials**

**READING IS SO DELICIOUS SUMMER READING CLUB**

Friday, June 8 – Saturday, August 4  
Children Pre-K through 5th Grade

Bring your appetite to the library for the Summer Reading Club, *Reading Is So Delicious*! Keep track of how much time you read this summer and earn a prize for every 100 minutes. Prize distribution begins Friday, June 15. Let the friendly staff at the Children’s Services desk lead you through a summer of yummy, spicy, crunchy—but never bland—reading choices!

**RECIPE FOR SUCCESS: THE MAGIC OF READING!**

Friday, June 8, at 1:30 p.m.  
Children of all ages with parent or caregiver

Join storyteller, magician, and juggler Bob Kann in this exciting program to kick off the 2012 Summer Reading Club. Children of all ages will indulge their senses with stories, jokes, and juggling acts in this show of culinary delights!

**EXPLORING FOOD SCIENCE WITH KERRI RINGEL**

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Join local pre-K enrichment teacher Kerri Ringel in exploring food through fact and fiction as well as hands-on activities. Space and materials are limited, so registration for each separate session is required.

**CUPCAKE CRAFTING WITH GALE GAND**

Saturday, July 7, at 2:00 p.m.  
Children Grades 3 - 5  
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Learn how to frost like a pro with renowned chef, cookbook author, and Cooking Channel host Gale Gand. Discover the fun of decorating cupcakes and create your own edible masterpieces to take home.

 Unless otherwise noted, children’s programs do not require registration.
**PIZZA PARTY!**
Saturday, August 4, at 12:00 p.m.
*Children Pre-K through 5th Grade*
Everyone who participates in the *Reading Is So Delicious!* summer reading club is invited to celebrate the end of another successful summer of reading. Join us at the library for pizza—and fun!

**PET PARADE**
Saturday, August 18, at 2:00 p.m.
*Children ages 4 and older with parent or caregiver*
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
Whether you have a Bernese dog or a Siamese cat, a beanbag frog or a stuffed panda, you can bring your favorite pet — real or imaginary — to the annual pet parade. Please note: All pets must have had their shots and be on a leash or in a crate/box.

**KINDERGARTEN KICK-OFF**
Wednesday, August 29, 10:30 a.m. OR 2:30 p.m.
*Children entering Kindergarten with parent or caregiver*
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
Start the new school year off with a bang! Children are invited to the library for a special program with stories, craft, and a small treat to celebrate entering Kindergarten.

**Kids’ Collection Displays**
The following kids of Glencoe shared their treasures and collectibles at the library.

- Alex’s postcards
- Brian’s coins and pencils
- Charlie’s Toy Story friends
- Coco’s finger knitting
- Eloise’s dolls and globes
- Justin’s football cards
- Liam’s money from around the world
- Marissa’s finger knitting
- Michael’s sports memorabilia
- Sydney’s rocks and shells
- Tyler’s automobiles

**Book Clubs For Kids**

**CHAT & CHEW**
*Children Grades 2 – 3; parent or caregiver is invited*
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
Stop by the library for an evening book discussion. Just bring a light dinner and your thoughts on a book, and we’ll provide drinks and dessert!

- Wednesday, June 27, 6:00 p.m.
  *Mercy Watson to the Rescue* by Kate DiCamillo and Chris Van Dusen
- Wednesday, July 25, 6:00 p.m.
  *Magic School Bus: Food Chain Frenzy* by Anne Capeci and John Speirs
- Wednesday, August 22, 6:00 p.m.
  *Bunnicula: A Rabbit-Tale of Mystery* by Deborah and James Howe and Alan Daniel

**READ OUTSIDE THE BOX**
**EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION FOR KIDS**
Friday, July 20, at 7:00 p.m.
*Children Grades 4 – 6 and parent or caregiver*
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED
Join us at Glencoe Roast Coffee for a discussion of *Because of Mr. Terupt* by Rob Buyea. Bring your thoughts about the book, and we’ll bring you treats and a drink! Space and materials are limited, so please contact the Children’s Department to register and get a copy of the book.
The Glencoe Public Library is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Any individual who plans to attend any program at the library and who requires a special accommodation, or anyone who has questions regarding accessibility to the library, is requested to phone the library at (847) 835-5056.

For TDD (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) communications, call (847) 835-7440.

### SUMMER CALENDAR

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Please note: The library will be **closed Wednesday, July 4**, as well as all **Sundays** from June 10 through the Labor Day weekend.