



Library Beacon

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Oak Brook Public Library is hosting
Traces BUS-eum traveling exhibit,
Behind Barbed Wire: Midwest POWs in Nazi Germany

Monday, June 9th 5-8 pm

The 34th Division served the longest stint of active duty of U.S. Army Divisions in WWII--611 days. In February 1943 some 1,800 mostly Iowa, but also Minnesota and Dakota soldiers fell prisoner to Rommel's men; they were marched to Tunis, flown to Naples, then shipped in box cars to Nazi Germany, where they spent two years as "Hitler's uninvited guests." Those who survived that living hell returned to America's Heartland forever changed.



*BUS-eum,
a traveling TRACES exhibit*

Meanwhile, on our side of the Atlantic:

By the end of WWII some 380,000 German POWs found themselves imprisoned in the United States, in more than 650 base and branch camps in almost all of the 48 states and even the territory of Alaska. On the open prairie of the Upper Midwest and in the woods of Northern Minnesota, those at Camp Algona or its 35 branch camps eventually would experience a soul-searching confrontation with their nation's destructive, doomed experiment with fascism and global war.

Ravinia Tickets are Here!

You can now receive complimentary lawn tickets to Ravinia through Oak Brook Library. Tickets are limited and only certain dates are available. Please see Michelle in the Administrative Offices between 9:30 am and 5pm Monday - Friday for tickets or for more information. Arrangements can be made if you can't come to the Library during those hours. Please call Michelle at 630-368-7708.

OUTDOOR CONCERT

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs to the Library on Wednesday evening, June 18th at 6:30 pm, and enjoy an outdoor concert featuring the music of Tom Malouf. Tom will present sixties music, family tunes, patriotic songs and more. In case of rain, we'll move into the Friends Meeting Room.



Do you have tips to share on Going Green? Stop by the Reference Desk, jot down your tip and share it with the rest of the community. Make sure you check out the display featuring the tips as well as books and additional information proving that "It's Easy Being Green."

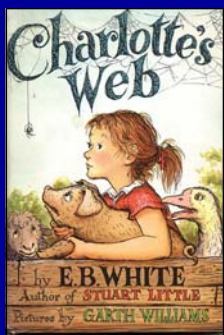


Also, be sure to see the tie-in frog display in the lobby. These adorable frogs have been loaned from the private collections of both staff members and patrons.

For more information on the local POWs of the 192nd Tank Battalion (WWII), please visit:
<http://www.proviso.k12.il.us/Bataan%20Web/>

Charlotte's Web

Wednesday, June 4th at 7 pm
Hinsdale Community House



American Eagle Productions of Chicago presents live theater based on E.B. White's classic children's book. This one hour play includes professional actors, full sets, costumes and live music. Limited seats are reserved for Oak Brook patrons as this is a coordinated event with Hinsdale and Clarendon Hills Public Libraries. Especially suitable for Grades K-3.

Present your Oak Brook Library Card at the Youth Services Desk to secure your tickets.

ESPECIALLY FOR TEENS:

ACT, SAT OR PSAT?

A practice test is crucial to ward off those Test Day jitters and to reveal how you may score on the "real thing." Don't be surprised!! Come and experience first hand what Test Day will be like. Instructors from Kaplan will provide proctored ACT, SAT and PSAT practice tests and return scores with analyzed results.



What *is* the PSAT? It is a preliminary SAT, the National Merit Scholarship qualifying test that allows you to enter the competition for scholarships from the National Merit Scholarship Committee. Don't miss this chance to shine!

Consider this...you may actually be a better SAT tester than ACT, but you'll never know unless you try both tests!! Take the ACT/SAT combo practice test to see which test you may score higher. Give yourself every opportunity of scoring successfully and attending the college/university of your choice by enrolling in these programs today!

Seats are limited.
Sign up at the Youth Services Desk starting May 21st.

Thursday, June 12th	1-5 pm	ACT/SAT combo test
Wednesday, June 25th	10 am-2 pm	SAT
Tuesday, July 22nd	1-5 pm	PSAT
Thursday, August 7th	10 am-2 pm	ACT



Adult Programs for June

The **Adult Summer Reading Program**, "It's Easy Being Green," will begin on Monday, June 2nd and run through August 2nd. It's open to patrons 14 years of age and up. Sign up at the Reference Desk, where you can also learn how to share your "Going Green" tips with others.



Once again this summer, **USCF Postal Master Expert Jim Egerton** will lead an instructional **chess series** at the Oak Brook Library. The programs will take place on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm, June 17th and June 24th, with additional dates in July and August. Designed for beginning or returning players, the drop-in sessions will explain strategy and tactics using recent tournament games. Time will be allocated for play between participants after the discussion.

June 18th is the date and 1:30 pm is the time for the first "**Movie Matinee**" of the 2008 summer. Check at the Reference Desk for titles.



Children's Programs for June

Summer Reading Clubs June 2 - August 2

Come and root for books by joining our Summer Reading Club. Registration begins on June 2nd. Participants receive a reading log to record their reading progress. Our collection has many wonderful books suited to individual reading levels and interests. Prizes, programs and performances will enhance the reading experience and ensure a pleasurable summer.

Be a Library Fan Weekly Programs

"Jump into a Book," a special celebration for preschoolers, is scheduled to start on Monday, June 16th at 4 pm or 7 pm. During this half hour, three, four and five-year olds enjoy a little bit of fun with song, stories and a craft. Children must have celebrated their third birthday by June 1, 2008 to participate. Programs end on July 21st.

"Have a Ball at Your Library" designed for kindergartners, first and second graders, meets on Tuesdays, starting June 17th at 4 pm or 7 pm. During our half-hour together, we embellish the story read at each session with a creative craft. Programs end on July 22nd.

Third graders and up are invited to "Reach for the Gold" starting on Wednesday, June 18th at 4 pm or 7 pm. This program stresses artistic creativity. Children will work on projects related to literature. Programs end on July 23rd.

"Be a Reading Ace" by reading aloud to our Delta certified and READ trained dogs on Thursdays at 4 pm. Limited 15-minute time slots are available on June 19, 26 and July 10, 17 and 24. Call early to reserve a space.

The Oak Brook Historical Society will be selling advance tickets to the Garden Walk at the Oak Brook Public Library in the lobby between Monday, June 16th and Friday, June 20th. Please contact Marilyn Smrcina at 630-734-0618 for more information on the Garden Walk or to find out times when the advanced tickets will be sold at the Library. The Garden Walk takes place on Sunday, June 22nd.



Professional Bike Stunt Show



Wednesday, July 9th at 4 pm
North Parking Lot

X-Games Medalist Matt Wilhelm presents a bike stunt show that will both amaze and inspire. In addition to his winning tricks and medals, Matt will talk about bike safety and the importance of perseverance. He has appeared on TV over 50 times and in over 60 magazines.

Call soon to reserve a space for this performance.

June Computer Classes

Computer Basics Series
Thursday 10-11 am



June 5 Email Tips & Tools

Learn how to:

- Organize messages into folders,
- Download an attachment,
- Report a message as junk mail or block spam,
- Create a signature file.



Memorial Books Donated to Oak Brook Library in the month of May

The American Legion Post 250, Hinsdale has donated a copy of *Stories of Service: Valley Veterans Remember World War II* compiled by Janice Stevens in memory of Donald Macke.

The American Legion Post 250, Hinsdale has donated a copy of *Onward We Charge: the Heroic Story of Darby's Rangers in World War II* in memory of John A. Piper.

Mrs. Carol Brizzolara has donated a copy of *The Razor's Edge* in memory of her husband Robert Brizzolara.

Mid-America Chinese American Professionals Association is hosting a Taiwan Film Festival on Saturday, June 21, 2008 from 2 to 4 pm in the Oak Brook Public Library Meeting Room. The film festival features "Three Times" by Taiwanese auteur Hou Hsiao-Hsien.

Three Times is a lyrical trilogy based on three different kinds of romance. Set firstly in 1966, then 1911 and finally 2005, it stars the same two actors, Shu Qi and Chang Chen, as leads in each story. A Golden Palm nominee at the 2005 Cannes Film Festival, Three Times is definitely one for art house buffs.

The first story, "A Time for Love," hinges on the meeting of soldier boy Chen with pool hall hostess May and his subsequent search for her. The second episode, "A Time for Freedom," deals with a courtesan tending to a Mr. Chang during the Japanese occupation of Taiwan. The third episode, "A Time for Youth," centers on epileptic singer Jing who casually takes up with photographer Zhen while increasingly ignoring her female lover.

The admission is free. Complimentary refreshments and drinks will be provided. Call 630-832-1813 for festival information.



Try Out the Selfcheck Machine

For faster checkout, why not try our selfcheck machine when you are in the Library? Eliminate the need to wait in line. If you'd like a lesson on using the selfcheck, ask any staff person for assistance. Books and periodicals may be checked out on the self check. When you are borrowing interlibrary loans, DVDs, video tapes or other audio materials, please see a Circulation Assistant.

New Adult Materials

Books

Fiction: *The Invisible* by Andrew Britton (NEW Fiction/Britton)

A thriller exploring today's battle between terrorism and intelligence, as a counterterrorism operative risks everything to save the life of one person.

Nonfiction: *Ronald Reagan and Margaret Thatcher, A Political Marriage* by Nicholas Wapshott (NEW 973.927Wap)

The former New York bureau chief of *The Times* of London explores the relationship of these two world leaders.

DVDs

Fiction: *A Bit of Fry & Laurie, Seasons 1-4* (New DVD/Fry)

Before Hugh Laurie was *House*, before Stephen Fry was *Wilde*, they wrote and starred in this sketch comedy series on the BBC, lampooning an endless array of targets with delicious turns of phrase and elaborate wordplay.

Nonfiction: *The "For Beginners" Series* (NEW DVD/004.678)

Internet and basic computer instruction, especially for seniors, featuring learning guides full of common questions.

Large Print

Fiction: *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* by J. K. Rowling (NEW LP/Rowling)
The last installment of the beloved series comes to large print.

Nonfiction: *Large Print Crossword Puzzle Dictionary* (NEW LP/793.73/RAN)

Designed to be easy on the eyes, this large print crossword puzzle dictionary conforms to the specifications of the National Association for the Visually Handicapped.

Audio Books

Fiction: *Daddy's Girl* by Lisa Scottoline (NEW CD/Scottoline)

Former trial lawyer Lisa Scottoline presents this fast-paced tale of a bookish law professor whose life is thrust into unexpected jeopardy.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 LIBRARY CLOSED	2 Summer Reading Club Begins - Sign Up Today!	3 Knitting Night 7 pm Library Friends Meeting 6:30 pm	4 ☺ Charlotte's Web 7 pm @ Hinsdale Community House - pick up your tickets at the YS Desk. Ball Foundation 6:30 pm	5 Email Tips and Tools 10-11 am Silken Petals 6:30 pm	6	7 Hispano American Toast Masters 10 am - 4 pm
8 LIBRARY CLOSED	9 Midwest POW BUS-eum 5 - 8 pm	10 Knitting Night 7 pm	11 Hinsdale Bank & Trust 6 pm	12 📺 ACT/SAT Combo test 1 - 5 pm	13	14 India Development Coalition of America 11 am - 4 pm
15 LIBRARY CLOSED	16 ☺ "Jump into a Book" for PS - 4 or 7 pm	17 ☺ "Have a Ball" for K-2 @ 4:30 pm Knitting Night 7 pm Chess 7 pm West Suburban 6-7:30 pm	18 Movie Matinee 1:30 pm ☺ "Reach for the Gold" for Grade 3+ 4 or 7 pm Outdoor Concert 6:30	19 ☺ Delta R.E.A.D. Dogs 4 pm Hinsdale Lib Film Society 6 pm	20	21 Chinese Movie 1-4 pm
22 LIBRARY CLOSED	23 ☺ "Jump into a Book" for PS - 4 or 7 pm Women's Investment Group 12-3 pm	24 ☺ "Have a Ball" for K-2 @ 4:30 pm Knitting Night 7 pm Chess 7 pm	25 ☺ "Reach for the Gold" for Grade 3+ 4 or 7 pm 📺 SAT test 10 - 2 International Strategy & Policy Institute 7 pm	26 ☺ Delta R.E.A.D. Dogs 4 pm Society for Creative Anachronism 6:30 pm	27	28
29 LIBRARY CLOSED	30 ☺ "Jump into a Book" for PS - 4 or 7 pm				Games, tv, café, and email available in the Lobby anytime	Adult programs ☺ Children's 📺 Young Adults All ages in black Resident Reservations (Mtg Rm) Open to All



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