Books





12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Third Thursday of the Month

Batavia Public Library, 10 S. Batavia Avenue

Bring a sack lunch to enjoy during the book review — Coffee & soft drinks are available for sale

Thursday, September 16, 2004

Unfolding Destinies

Author & Presenter: Olive Fleming Liefeld Liefeld and her husband were young missionaries in Ecuador, South America when her husband was killed by natives. She writes about this experience, as well as her life since then, her return visit to Ecuador, and her deeper understanding of it all.

Thursday, October 21, 2004

Brush Up On Your Shakespeare

Reviewer: Ruth MacDowell. A popular speaker throughout the Fox Valley, MacDowell enjoys exploring "The Bard" and will share her expertise and insights, no doubt enliving what we may have struggled with in high school "LIT" class.

Thursday, November 18, 2004

An Orphan's Song Author & Presenter: Jean Becker

The people and events area real in this touching and sometimes humorous memoir of former St. Charles resident Becker's experiences after the death of her mother and a new life in the Kinderfreund orphanage.

Thursday, December 16, 2004

A Potpourri of Recent Books That Mention Batavia

Reviewer: Mayor Jeff Schielke. Our Mayor, a prolific reader, keeps discovering our city playing a role in many interesting books we might not know about. This annual BBB reviewer returns to share his latest Batavia "finds."

Thursday, January 20, 2005

Birth of the Chaordic Age Dee W. Hock, Author

Reviewer: Roger Breisch. The new Director of the Batavia Chamber of Commerce considers himself a "lifelong learner." He'll share the meaning of this interesting title and a book by the founder of VISA, sharing the amazing story of the birth of the world's leading credit card organization.

Thursday, February 17, 2005

Namath: A Biography by Mark Kriegel Papa Bear: The Life and Legacy of George Halas by Jeff Davis

Reviewer: Lester Munson, associate editor of Sports Illustrated and frequent TV commentator, always gives us the inside track on the sports world in his annual visit to BBB. This time he'll focus on two legends of football.

Thursday, March 17, 2005

Best Chicago Histories, Past & Present

Reviewer: Rick Kogan. An annual BBB favorite, this Chicago Tribune senior writer will bring us a lively view of Chicago. He'll discuss past books that paint a rich history of our favorite Big City, in addition to recent literature and his own personal experiences and knowledge. We hope to coax a few "new dad" stories out if him, as well.

Thursday, April 21, 2005

Things Fall Apart

Chinua Achebe, Author

Reviewer: The Rev. Mr. Todd Yeary is the pastor of Logan Street Baptist Church in Batavia and also teaches at Northern Illinois University. He will discuss this classic novel, first published in 1958, about Nigerian tribal life, both before and after the coming of British colonialism.

Thursday, May 19, 2005

Long Time, No See Author & Presenter: Beth Finke

Chicagoan Finke writes of dealing with loss and profound hardship in her frank account of going blind, raising a son with his own disabilities, and staying married throughout. Finke has written for Chicago Tribune Sunday Magazine and appears as a commentator on NPR's Morning Edition.

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