

# The Center for Children's Books

## May/June 2010 Newsletter

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### What's New on the CCB Website

Make sure to always keep checking for new bibliographies at <http://ccb.lis.illinois.edu/bibliographies.html>.

Coming soon!:

Bibliography: Baby On Board

Created May 2010 by Kelley Anne Johnson

### News

#### Storytelling Festival

The Center's big event for April is the Storytelling Festival, and this year's festival, which was held on Saturday, April 17th, we had some fantastic tales! It was great to see so many supporters of the rich tradition of storytelling at GSLIS. You can listen to the audio of the stories on the CCB website at <http://ccb.lis.illinois.edu/storytellingaudio.html>.

#### Galley Giveaway and Summer Hours

The Center for Children's Books is open during the summer months. You can access the current and future week's hours on the top right corner of the CCB homepage. Come down to the air-conditioned CCB and catch up on that book you didn't have time to read during the school year! Oh, and if you need some summer reading, be sure to stop by our Galley Giveaway May 11th – 14th during open hours.

### May/June Calendar

#### Thursday, May 6, 7PM Andrea Immel Lecture, room 126

See Message from the Director for Description

#### Friday, May 7, 9:30-11AM Youth Literature and Culture Group

Scholar Andrea Immel will be our guest at the Youth, Literature, and Culture's Interest Group's final meeting of the 2009-2010 academic year to further discuss her research in children's book history, including—but not limited to—the fables of Aesop.

#### Tuesday, May 11 – Friday, May 14—Galley Giveaway

Join us for another round of giving away a limited number of pre-publication books. First come first served for best selection.

Tuesday, 10 AM – 3 PM

Wednesday, Closed

Thursday, 10 AM – 3 PM

Friday, 10 AM – 3 PM

#### Thursday, May 13, 5PM Youth Lit Book Club

We will be reading and discussing the award winning non-fiction title *Bad Kitty* by Michele Jaffe.

#### Monday, May 18—Summer Hours Begin

Monday, 10 AM – 3 PM

Tuesday, 10 AM – 3 PM

Wednesday, Closed

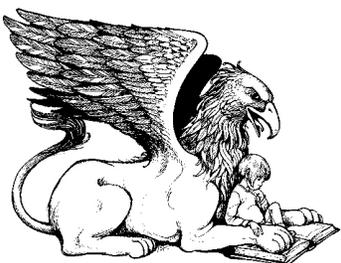
Thursday, 10 AM – 3 PM

Friday, 10 AM – 3 PM

#### Monday, May 24- Monday, May 31—CCB Closed

*Free parking is available after 5:00 PM and on weekends in the parking garage across the street from the GSLIS building.*

*To see a complete calendar of events, visit our website (<http://ccb.lis.illinois.edu>).*



## Message from the Director, Dr. Christine Jenkins

The Spring 2010 ends with a note of excitement here at the CCB with a presentation by Andrea Immel, curator and director of the Cotsen Children's Library of the Princeton University Library. Her talk, titled "The Fable that Morphed: Retelling 'The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse,'" will trace the history of various illustrated editions of this fable published from 1651 to 1918.

Her presentation will be on Thursday, May 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the LIS auditorium (room 126) and is open to all who are interested in the history of children's literature.



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The spring semester is winding down and graduation is nearly upon us. Five different youth services courses were offered by GSLIS during the Spring 2010 semester. They included 4 sections of LIS 404: Young Adult Literature and Resources; 3 sections of LIS409: Storytelling; 2 sections of LIS 590SM: School Library Media Center; and sections of LIS590IFL: Intellectual Freedom & Library Services for Youth and 590MLL: Media Literacy & Youth. Clearly, school and public youth services librarianship is thriving at GSLIS.

We know that library budgets are tight and the CCB can help you select exactly the right books for your library collection with examination copies of hundreds of the newest books. As you know, the CCB is not a circulating library, which means that all of our books are right here on the shelves for you to examine as you prepare your next book order. During the summer months we hope you will take advantage of visiting the CCB to examine 2010 books, as well as outstanding books from the past five years. As noted elsewhere, our summer hours (10:00-3:00 M, Tu, Th, & F) start on Monday, May 17. You can also check the CCB website for updates on the summer hours and other useful information to make your CCB visit productive and enjoyable.

### New Books We Just Had to Read

Every month, the CCB Graduate Assistants highlight books reviewed in the most recent issue of the Bulletin that we were very excited to read. These decisions are based on personal preference, but all books listed are Recommended by the Bulletin. The goal is to introduce you to brand-new books. For complete reviews, visit the Bulletin website (<http://bccb.lis.illinois.edu/>) to learn how to subscribe.

#### Kelley Anne's Choice:

Solheim, James. *Born Yesterday: The Diary of a Young Journalist*; ill. by Simon James. Philomel, 2010. 32p R\* 6-9yrs. ISBN 978-0-399-25155-9 \$15.99

After all the books out there where the older sibling gets their say, Solheim finally illuminates for readers the baby's point of view. Told in tongue-in-cheek diary entries the new baby discovers the world, and how insatiably cool older sisters can be. Complete with line-and-watercolor illustration reminiscent of Quentin Blake, this humorous jaunt through one baby's first year is bound to delight parents and kids alike.

#### Ayanna's Choice:

Nye, Naomi Shihab. *Time You Let Me In*. HarperCollins, 2010 222p R Gr. 7-10 ISBN 978-0061896378 \$16.99

Twenty-five poets under the age of twenty-five show what they're made of in this compilation of expression and life. Within each poet's section the reader will encounter four of their works of genius. These poems range from memories of family events to whimsical moments of thought. What I will assure readers is that there will be at least one poem here that will capture their attention and make them take a deeper look at their lives and relationships...perhaps making them wonder if it is time to let someone else in.

#### Corrie's Choice:

Caletti, Deb. *The Six Rules of Maybe*. Simon Pulse, 2010 336p R\* Gr. 9-12 ISBN 978-1-4169-7969-2 \$16.99

Scarlet and her sister Juliet consider themselves opposites. Scarlet lives to serve others; Juliet lives to be served. When Juliet returns home with an unexpected husband and a baby on the way, Scarlet's life suddenly becomes centered around entertaining her sister's husband and looking out for Juliet and the baby. Thought-provoking metaphors and carefully constructed, unique characters fill this highly recommended novel. This book is useful not only as a meaningful story, but also for use as an example in creative writing classes. Enjoy!

## General CCB Information

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The Center for Children's Books (CCB) houses a non-circulating research collection of over 16,000 trade books for youth, birth through high school, and over 1,000 professional and reference books on the history and criticism of literature for youth, literature-based library and classroom programming, and storytelling. The collection includes prominent displays of Blue Ribbon Books (titles chosen by Bulletin reviewers as the best of the previous year's children's books), current award winners, books reviewed in the current issue of the Bulletin, and monthly thematic displays. The CCB also houses a growing collection of storytelling audio and video recordings.

We ensure all materials are available to patrons whenever the CCB is open - this means no materials leave the collection. Although the collection is non-circulating, it is available for examination by students, scholars, teachers, librarians, and other educators.

Our research collection emphasizes contemporary works, especially books from the last five to seven years, as well as titles of historical and critical significance.

The Center for Children's Books is located in Room 24 on the ground floor of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science (GSLIS) at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. GSLIS is located at 501 E. Daniel Street in Champaign.

Enter GSLIS through the building's main north entrance. Go up the stairs to your left (through an arched wooden doorway) and turn left. You will see another set of stairs. Go down to the lower level. Turn right to enter the Center.

### How can the CCB assist you?

#### Meeting Location

Looking for a place for your group to meet? If your purpose is related to children's literature or libraries, contact us to reserve space.

#### Research Collection

Do you want to see a book before you purchase it? The CCB has a copy of every book reviewed by the Bulletin in the past 5-7 years!

#### Reference Services

Are you really stumped? The CCB will guide you to reference solutions. Call (217) 244-9331 or email [ccb@illinois.edu](mailto:ccb@illinois.edu).

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Hours  
Monday: 10 am - 5 pm  
Tuesday: 10 am - 7 pm  
Wednesday: 3 - 7 pm  
Thursday: 10 am - 7pm  
Friday: 10 am - 5 pm

### Highlighted Book from Our Wish List

**Dessen, Sarah. *That Summer*. Viking Juvenile, 2006.  
ISBN 978-0670061105**

**The coming-of-age story of Haven who is struggling her way through a summer full of family drama.**

**For more information about the CCB Wish List or how to donate books to the CCB, please visit <http://ccb.lis.illinois.edu/wish-list.html>.**



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